



Photo by Chuck Campbell

Mr. Korf shows the marijuana plants now under tight protection in the Greenhouse.

## Marijuana muddle

by Frank Leibeck

Dr. Senyeh, head of the Botany Department, has finally released the information concerning the four marijuana plants growing in the southern section of the house.

"Too many students are already aware of their existence," he says. There have been four attempted break-ins in the last two weeks, though a security guard has been required to be present ever since the plants arrival last September, when they were discovered by two science students accidentally locked in the Greenhouse.

"I don't think the students are aware of the seriousness of their attempts," Dr. Senyeh adds. RCMP checks with the Greenhouse once a week. They have a record of the number of plants and even the number of leaves per plant. Any leaves that fall off or die, must be kept locked in a safe in Burton Auditorium until the end of the week so that the officer can see just what happened to them.

"A single leaf that is not accounted for would simply stop the continuation of our work," said Dr. Senyeh. Apparently, the RCMP would deal very harshly with the matter, and two months of intensive research would be completely wasted.

"We have been working with the Psychology Department in testing the results of this drug on hamsters and guinea pigs. So far, we have observed that their appetites have increased tremendously and, not only that, the range of their diet has also increased. For example, a hamster will now eat raw meat, something he has never done. This could prove that one of the effects of marijuana is a temporary regression of the animals' brain cells to a lower form of life," continued Dr. Senyeh.

These findings, however, have not yet been substantiated and much work is still needed.

Right now, Dr. Senyeh is sitting on hot coals. He wants to release an urgent plea to the students to keep their hands off the Greenhouse. There are only two entrances, he says, but only one guard. "The students always seem to get past the door where the guard is absent."

## Ont spending increased

Spending has increased tremendously on higher education in the past two years here in Ontario.

This province comes first this year in the "cash spent on students" category, with \$2,630

spent per full-time student. Next highest province is Alberta, at \$2,259 each.

Federal grants to education totalled \$345 million last year, an increase of over \$200 million from the year before.

## UBC axes ambiguous admissions

BURNABY (CUP) Almost 500 students took over the registrar's office at Simon Fraser University to protest ambiguous admissions criteria at the university.

Students from Simon Fraser, British Columbia and Victoria universities and Selkirk and Vancouver City colleges were involved.

The occupiers set four demands to the SFU administration and BC provincial government.

- Freedom of transfer and automatic acceptance of credits within the provincial educational system.

- An elected admissions board made up in equal part by students and faculty.

- The opening of all the registrar's files.

- More money for education and equitable financing for all post secondary institutions.

The school's senate undergraduate admissions and advance standing committee met Thursday night and decided simply "these demands aren't in the terms of reference of this committee." This decision was on a

par with administration president Ken Strand's reaction earlier when he first said "I think you have a really good issue" and followed with "I reject all four (demands)!"

Strand meanwhile, called another closed session of the admissions committee Friday.

According to Strand, the senate will meet to set down in written form, an admission policy for the school, something that is not "articulated or written down" at this point.

SFU student president Rob Walsh said, "What the students should have done, and must do now, is to get the committee to commit themselves to meeting at length with students and report back on two weeks."

Walsh was largely ignored by the occupiers.

## Czechs chastise Russians

Prague (CUPI) — Over 100,000 Czechoslovakian students are occupying university buildings in Prague, Brno and Ostrava in a three-day sit-in strike supporting freedoms instituted by the Dubcek regime.

The students issued a 10 point declaration urging preservation of freedom of the press, assembly and association, culture and education. Posters plastered on university walls declared these freedoms "indisputable human rights."

The strike was launched just before the central committee of

the communist party in Czechoslovakia indicated it would retreat from its early insistence in maintaining freedoms granted before the Russian invasion.

The central committee eliminated freedom of the press, freedom of assembly and unrestricted travel from its guarantees released after a party congress Monday.

Meanwhile, Czechoslovakian journalists protested their role as "sacrificial lambs" in the anti-reform movement. The central committee pinned most of the blame for the Russian invasion on the outspoken Czech press.

## Century II

The 1967-68 edition of York's Century II will be on campus Dec. 21.

The yearbooks will be distributed as soon as they are available. The delay was caused by a retiring editor, Ted Collis, who is now at Western, an untimely postal strike, and the snail's pace of an unlightened publisher.

But the 1968-69 edition of Century II may never even get off the ground. Ira Goldhar, unofficial acting editor is awaiting official confirmation of the YSC so he can really get the ball rolling. At the moment, Goldhar has a potential staff at his disposal, and has expressed a desire to change the format of Century II.

"Century II should be a just representation of York's attitude and intellectual outlook as well as the academic atmosphere" added Goldhar. "I want a visual poem, a graphic essay with poetry and prose."

## Water!

The grass in front of Founders Residence was the site of the latest temporary campus water fountain.

It resulted from a broken water-main running from Vanier to Founders.

Last week, the six-inch main supplying the two colleges ruptured due to a settling of the pipe. This same settling has caused cracks in the plaster of the Vanier Tower.

An alert girl spotted the fountain from the Vanier residence and notified the Physical Plant Workshop. By 6:30 pm service was restored to Vanier by rerouting the water, and by 10:30 am repairs were completed, and service to Founders was resumed.

A. H. Barker of Physical Plant described it as a "very unfortunate incident", but said it was not likely to occur again.

The cost of the incident has not yet been determined.

## Clubs gripe at YSC cash cut

At a Nov. 12 meeting, YSC sliced the proposed budgets of campus clubs and groups applying for cash.

The amounts requested by the 20 groups applying totalled \$23,978 but this was soon pared to \$7,110. Seven groups got no money at all, and none of the rest got what they asked for originally.

Largest grant was to the York University Players who received \$2500 of the \$3600 they requested. Smallest amount was given to the Women's Athletic Council, who got only \$100; a cut from \$365.

Clubs receiving no money at all were the Ceramics Club, the Ski Club, the Flying Club, the Cheerleaders, the Chess Club, the Chinese Club and the Vanier Ice Boating Club.

Reactions from the executives of these clubs ranged from disappointment to outrage, as some of them felt that they contributed more to the life of the average student than such specialist groups as the Philosophy Club and the Capricorn Film Society, headed by A. F. Knowles and John Wolfe.

The only organization that got what it originally requested was Winters College. The council applied for and received \$750 to cover costs of publishing the college newspaper, the Seer, previously in danger of going bankrupt.



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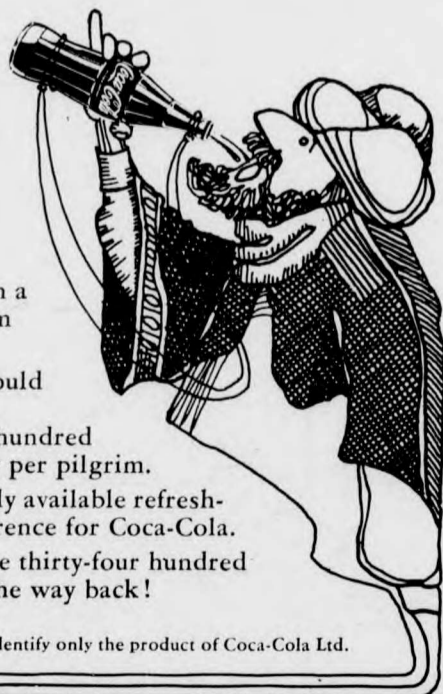
Some years ago, six hundred Moslems gathered together in Bangkok and set off on a four month pilgrimage that was to take them to Mecca, the birthplace of Mohammed.

For such a long and arduous journey, one would have expected them to travel light—but no, included in their provisions were thirty-four hundred cases of Coca-Cola—well over a bottle a day per pilgrim.

Understandably, the pilgrims did need readily available refreshment, but this story indicates a strong preference for Coca-Cola.

It is not known if Mecca was able to provide thirty-four hundred cases of Coke to make things go better on the way back!

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