

Winters asks for it

Student challenges loose security in colleges

By DAVID SALTMARSH
Winters student Gord Travers called for a tightening of security on campus last week.

At a meeting with assistant vice president for student services John Becker, Travers cited such incidents as overturned garbage cans, damaged chairs in common rooms, and people carrying away liquor at dances as proof for the need to increase campus security. The problem came to a head with

the mugging of Robin Eaglesham three weeks ago.

ACADEMIC PENALTIES

Travers wants to see academic penalties levied against minor offenders on campus, and in overall improvement in security services, perhaps through the use of student patrols at social functions and in the pubs.

Becker agrees that security must be tightened. "There is a rec-

ognition in the university of a need for disciplinary action that even involves calling the police", said Becker but added that intra-university discipline would be preferable. To that end, the Council of Masters, of which he is a member, is working on a policy proposal to present to President Macdonald that would delegate certain of the President's disciplinary powers to the masters.

PUB PAYMENT

Both Becker and Travers emphasized the severe lack of York security personnel, pointing out that at any one time there are only two guards on duty. However, Becker claims that to hire more security guards would require some financial contribution from the pubs on campus. "The pubs are partially responsible for our security problems," he said. "Alcohol is undeniably a major factor in many incidents."

The response of the pub managers was one of cautious approval. Dave Bickerton of the Open End said he would contribute financially if he could be assured that the extra security guards would make a difference. Doug Ross of the Cock and Bull also supported the idea, on the condition that any additional security personnel confine their work area to Complex 1

RESIDENCE ROWDIES

Ross and Bickerton, although admitting that drinking at their pubs contributed to security problems on campus, pointed out that the problem also has its roots in the residences. According to Bickerton, "the rowdies are largely residence students drinking up in their dorm."

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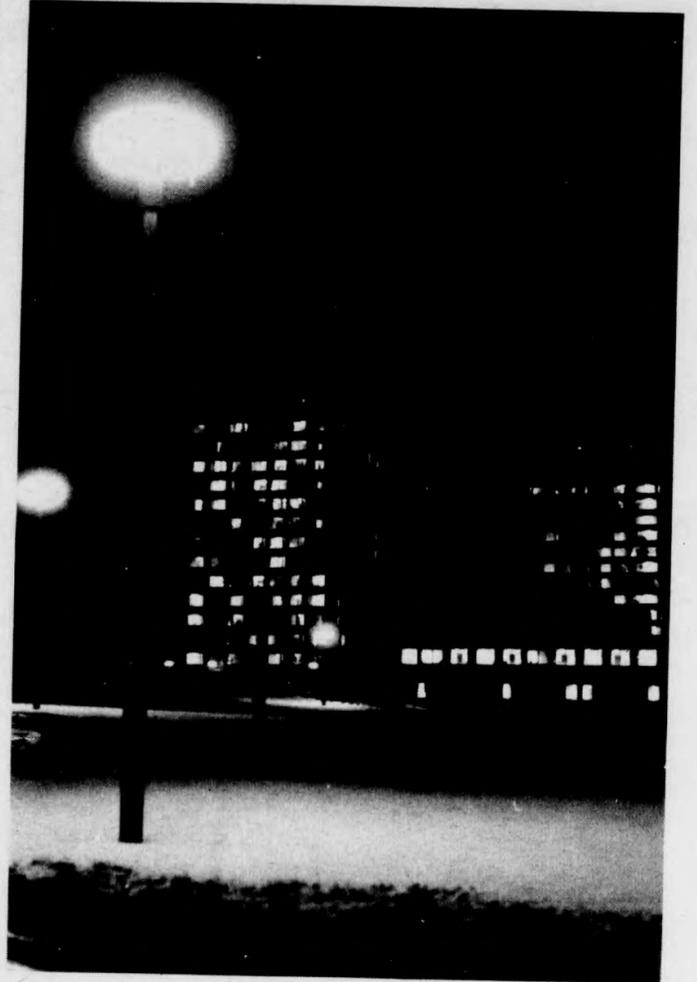


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place that security is a major problem. Garth Wood, co-manager of the Orange Snail, shrugged off Becker's proposal as unnecessary.

In addition to any action the university or the campus pubs might take, Winters is presently

experimenting with a student security force. Travers intends to present a report on the success of the experiment when a committee of student Social Convenors meets with Becker and director of safety and security services George Dunn.

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Mover developing national policy

By CAROL MARKS

Transportation is important in Canada. The Federal Government's recent review of transportation policy has caused much public interest.

On December 9, Philip H. Beinhaker was speaking at York on this subject. He is an advisor for the Federal Ministry of Transport, involved in the review of the national transportation policy. He discussed possible ways to reduce

the billion-odd dollars spent by the government to subsidize transportation and regulate rates in area served by only one or two modes of transportation. An alternative is to offer the public different qualities of travel at reduced rates to decrease heavy government subsidies.

Beinhaker also spoke on developing freight transportation in Canada. Particularly vital to the industrialization of the western and

maritime provinces would be a balanced fare system.

This seminar was part of a continuing series of informal lectures on Canadian Transportation in the Seventies. The seminars are sponsored by the U of T - York Joint Program in Transportation, and by the York University Transport Centre. It is presented to keep faculty and students informed. For more information on this series, contact Elizabeth Seringhaus at 667-3136.

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