

To the tables down at Bethune

# Bethune college plans removal of caterer

The Bethune College council has taken a bold step toward ousting Commercial Caterers from its operation in Complex II.

At a meeting of the college council of Tuesday evening the council decided to form a committee to investigate the mechanics of setting up a student-run food service to replace Commercial.

About 40 people attended the meeting and most, if not all, expressed whole-hearted support for the move.

The committee is charged with the task of ensuring that if and when Commercial pulls out, the college will be ready to step in.

"If Commercial leaves at dinner-time," said one committee member, "we intend to be ready to serve breakfast the next day."

**READY AND ABLE**

Representatives of York's food action committee were present at the meeting and informed the council that it has a food manager who would be ready and able at any time to take over management of the operation and also that most of the unionized workers currently employed by Commercial would be willing to stay on after Commercial is removed and work for the new manager.

The Bethune residence council also voted unanimously in support of staging a one-day boycott of both the Commercial operations at York

(Complex II and central square). The boycott which will probably not be held for several weeks, will be the first stage of a campaign aimed at making life sufficiently unpleasant for Commercial that it will have no choice but to pull out.

Former York food service committee chairman Peter Jarvis, who opposed last fall's boycott of the Central Square cafeteria, was present at the meeting and voted in support of the decision.

He stressed, however, that "we must have all the organization ready to go" before actually ousting Commercial.

**NOT PRESENT**

Commercial Caterers president Paul Farkas was not present at the meeting but was later contacted by Excalibur.

"Good luck to them," he said.

He said that if Commercial is forced out of York he would not interfere in any way with unionized workers who chose to remain and work under the student-managed operation.

"From the start, our operation at York has been a bad thing," he said. "Financially, we're in a loss position. We're caught between student political aims and the university administration and we're the ones who suffer."

Farkas agreed that occasionally his operation at York has "screwed up" on meals, but insisted that "no

one can say our food is sub-standard. We buy only top-quality produce."

CYSF president Dale Ritch, who has spearheaded the drive for improved food service at York this year, was present at the meeting. He explained that the university has refused to listen to student demands that Commercial be replaced.

"The only option is for us to go ahead and take care of it ourselves," he said.

He agreed that there is a great deal the university can do to interfere with Bethune's plan to operate the Complex II servery on its own.

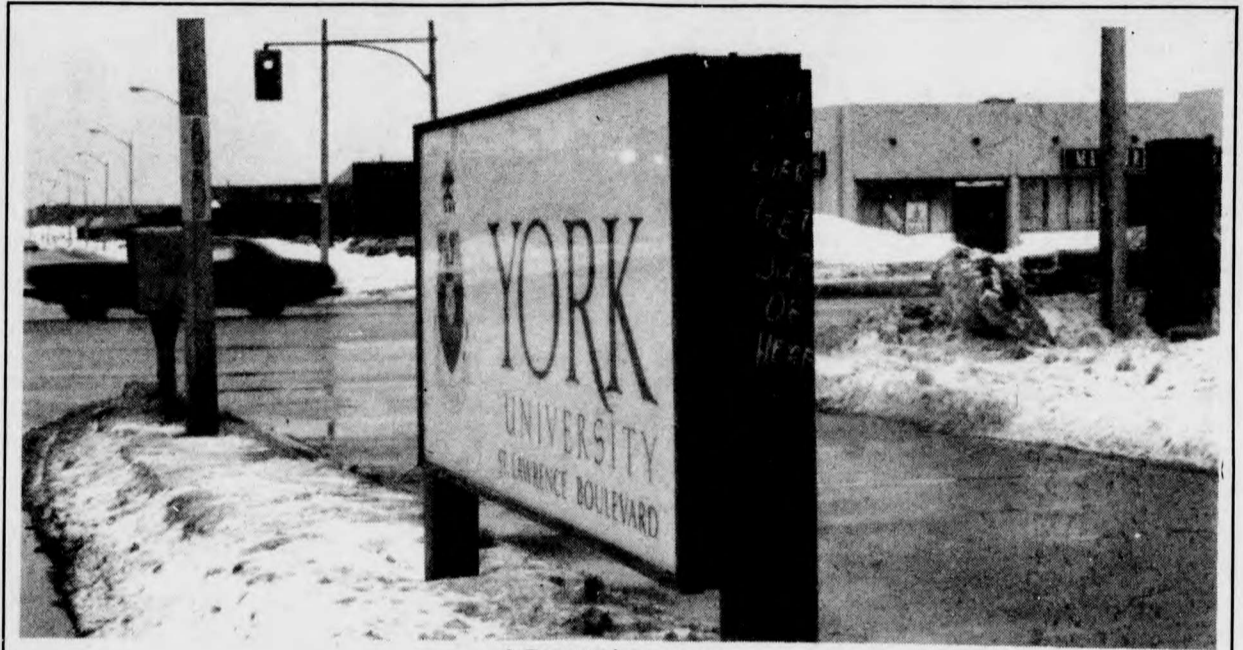
"They can lock up the serveries, shut off the water, call in the police" he said. "The only thing Bethune can do to cope with that is try to get the broadest base of support possible."

Farkas seems resigned to the situation. He claims that his company has provided food service

which is as good as, if not better than, any other institutional caterer could provide. In his view, he has done all he can.

But the experience at York has been frustrating for him.

"I think its symptomatic of the whole thing," he said, "that a man like Dale Ritch who is suspended for academic incompetence is president of the student body...I don't know; I come from Europe and we're not used to that kind of thing."



A Downsview prayer.

## Rally to encompass all campuses

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Hopefully it will help really get things going on all campuses in the province.

"Pretty well every university and college in the province has agreed to send at least a delegation to the rally. Carleton plans to send five busloads of people down.

"Every institution is being encouraged to hold a demonstration on their campuses next Wednesday in support of the Toronto rally," she ended.

CYSF president Dale Ritch and Glendon president Mike Drache have asked president Macdonald to cancel classes next Wednesday and to help finance buses to take

students to the rally.

"If Macdonald is serious about fighting the cutbacks he will have no choice but to support the rally," said Ritch. The report is a direct challenge to the concept of universal access to education in this province."

Ritch added that "the rally is important to York students, in many ways. A big turn-out will show the government that we are not going to lie down and accept the implementation of anti-student policies.

"The rally will serve as an education for those who attend. It will serve as an inspiration for those who take part and it will also let the public know what's happening with regard to post-secondary school education."

"CYSF will be providing free bus service and organizing a car pool for those who wish to attend the rally. The buses will meet at the flag pole in front of the Ross building at 12:30 next Wednesday. They will then leave, head down to Glendon to pick up more people and finally go downtown to the rally.

University of Toronto Students Administrative Council president Gord Barnes says SAC is taking similar action to ensure the rally's success.

CYSF is sponsoring a "speak-out" in the Bear pit today to discuss the rally and the issues around which it was called.

### Coming Events

Submissions are now being accepted for Direction No. 3. Poetry, prose and graphics may be turned in to the Direction office in Room 006, Founders College. The deadline for all submissions is January 27, 1976.

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Undergraduate and graduate students are invited to submit applications for positions on several Senate Committees including: the Bookstore Committee and the Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials Committee. If interested please leave message at the Senate office, S945.

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The Centre for Research in Environmental Quality will present a seminar on Energy in Ontario, Thursday, January 15 at Osgoode Hall. The speaker will be the Hon. Dennis Timbrell, Ontario Energy minister.

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The York Ski Team will race this season on January 17 at Calabogie Peaks, Calabogie, Ontario and at Georgian Peaks, Collingwood, Ontario, January 23.

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*produced by J S K*

*9:30 - 2:30*

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*Saturday 17 January 1976*

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Sam Larkin

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### Harbourfront

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