Three Acclaimed

## Editor Winship Goes Hog Wild, Nominates Nine-Candidate Slate

Gateway Editor - In - Chief Bill Winship probably fired the shot which brought chaos to the campus election scene when he nominated nine candidates and signed one other nomination form.

Three of Winship's candidates were declared elected by acclamation last Wednesday, two minutes after their nomination forms were received by returning officer Ronald McMahon.

# Returning Officer Finds Job No Cinch

By Brian O'Neil

Charges of ineptitude and lack of interest in students' union proceedings were made against The Gateway Saturday by Ron McMahon, returning officer for Friday's general election.

"As far as I am concerned The Gateway, who above all else should know the general election by-laws, was the most frequent offender in disqualifaction of nominations. This shows Gateway's lack of interest in council proceedings," said McMahon.

McMahon, appointed by the out-going secretary-treasurer when he decided to seek election in this year's election, said this year's election was not a normal one.

"I came on Wednesday expecting to spend an hour and ended up spending from 9:30 a.m. until 11 p.m., less a couple of hours for lunch," he said.

He noted that "all the foulups" and "misunderstandings" arose from a general lack of knowledge and interest in the election. He said he felt many of the candidates and their nominees did not realize the position requirements.

An example of this was several Wauneita nominations which were nominated and co-signed by men.

#### DIEC RULES

The discipline, interpretation and enforcement committee had to be called to rule on several nominations. Their rulings included:

- declaring Richard Price eligible for the presidential campaign on the grounds that he has attended an affiliated college which fulfills the bylaws requirement
- declaring Ross Harris eligible to run in the election because he attended UAC last year

- declaring Michelle Lefebvre ineligible as she attended the arts faculty at St. John's College, which is affiliated with the U of Ottawa,
- declaring Doug Smee ineligible to run in the election as Smee, a grad student, chose to pay only the \$5 fee, choosing to become an associate member of the students' union which does not allow the privilege of running for office.

## DIEC Probes Complaint Against Brook

A complaint against J. Andrew Brook, candidate for students' union president, was to be interpreted Tuesday at a discipline, interpretation and enforcement committee meeting.

DIEC was to hear the complaint, lodged by law student Dan Thachuk, who alleges Brook contravened an elections by-law.

Phil Clarke, committee head, said the complaint (not a formal charge) was passed on to the DIEC merely for interpretation, by Returning Officer Ron McMahon.

Brook will not be present at the hearing, he said.

The complaint arose when students' union planning commission pamphlets containing a report written by Brook, were mailed out early this week.

Brook is commission chairman.

Thachuk alleges the pamphlets contain material which could be considered as political in nature. Three others on Winship's slate were ruled ineligible and two later withdrew.

As a result of Winship's nominations, three artsmen will sit on the university athletic board next year.

They are Bill Miller, arts 1, president of men's athletics; Helene Chomiak, arts 1, president of women's athletics and Doug Walker, arts 2, secretary-treasurer of men's athletics.

All three are Gateway staffers.

Winship said he made the nominations in an attempt to prevent candidates winning by acclamation, and denied he nominated a "Gateway slate."

#### MOVE BACKFIRES

But the move backfired, he said, when three of his candidates were acclaimed.

Adriana Albi, candidate for president of Wauneita Society and Irene McRae, candidate for vice-president of Wauneita, were all ruled ineligible because their nomination forms were not signed by females.

Withdrawn candidates were Alex Hardy, from the race for secretary-treasurer and Sue Hill, CUS chairman candidate.

"We were surprised and shocked to find the apathy and the apparent disinterest of the athletically oriented body."

Winship defended his candidates' qualifications for office.

First, he said, all the persons he nominated for office are capable of doing their jobs.

"Secondly, the people in campus athletics have been using techniques which are at best abhorrent."

". . . we refuse to allow the phys ed faculty to put in puppets."

#### MILLER PRE-JUDGED?

Miller, newly-acclaimed president of men's athletics, Winship charged, has been tried, committed and judged by the faculty of physical education before his qualifications for the job were realized.

"They have also made a slur on his character."

Winship said he is running two campaigns this week.

Presidential candidate Omaya Al Karmy and vice-presidential candidate Patricia Hughes are running under Winship's management.

Winship described those two candidates' campaign platforms as being "the truth, not political expediency."

They are honest platforms which would not otherwise have been presented to the campus, Winship said.

### Smee Appeals Diec Rule Though All May Be Lost

Doug Smee says he will appeal the ruling of the discipline, interpretation and enforcement committee.

The DIEC ruled him ineligible because he did not pay his fees until after nominations closed.

The board ruled membership fees must be paid at the beginning of the term, or the graduate student is not a fully registered member.

Graduate students are given the choice of paying \$27.50 and becoming registered members of students union, or paying \$5 and becoming associate members.

Smee paid \$5.

Smee stopped payment on his fee cheque at the weekend.

He is appealing the decision on the grounds that fees may be paid at any time of the year. The person then would become a full-time member.

If the board's ruling is reversed, Smee may still not run for office.

His campaign has been destroyed, he says, and he says

there is not enough time to reorganize it before Friday.

"My opponents are former students' union officers and are known on campus. I have not been that active and would need a very strong campaign to become familiar with the students," Smee said.

#### CAN'T KICK

"My kick-line has disbanded and members are among other campaigns," he said.

"My songs are being used by other candidates and some of my election platform has been stolen," he said.

"I don't think I could reorganize my campaign in time for elections on Friday, especially since I would not know the decision of the DIEC till Monday afternoon," he continued.

Smee may run for office if presidential election is moved ahead one week.

His actions depend on the board's ruling, he said.

## Disgusted Returning Officer Damns Student Apathy At Rye

TORONTO—Profanity peppered the speech of Returning Officer Marty Godin at the conclusion of Friday's nomination meeting for the forthcoming Ryerson students' council executive elections.

With the balloting to take place Friday a total of four nomination papers were filed with Godin for the offices of president and first and second vice-presidents. No bids were received for the posts of treasurer, secretary, and executive chairman to the Canadian Union of Students.

"Fifty-two informative and eyecatching posters have been before their damn eyes for a whole damn week," Godin said in comment on what he considered a poor response from Ryerson students. "I've had their apathy right up to my damn throat."

Possibly the leading name to be put forward in Friday's nominations was that of Bruce McGroarty, the current Students' Administrative Council (SAC) First Vice-President. McGroarty was nominated to run for the presidency, a post now filled by his brother, Jerry.

However, the vice-president will be challenged in his attempt to fill his brother's shoes by a newcomer to the SAC scene, Gary Posner. Although not now on council, Posner is vice-president of the Ryerson Liberal Club.

Other nominations received Friday were those of Ernie Polsoni, for the post of first vice-president; and Robert de Valk, for second vice-president. Both are members of the present council.

Godin, who is the present SAC second vice-president, said nominations will not close until Wednesday evening. He will be ready "to discuss anybody's aspiration for running for executive office."

"I am making a special appeal to budding accountants to run for treasurer," Godin said, "and to competent secretarial scientists to run for secretary."

In spite of Friday's 'poor reponse,' there was reason to believe more nominations would have been received if some prospective candidates had not met a stumbling block in the Ryerson registrar's office.

All candidates for executive office must have received at least 66 per cent on their Christman examinations, and must have a signature from the registrar's office on their nomination form to prove it.

One hopeful for second vicepresident, Dale Goldhawk, said Saturday he had taken his form into the office Thursday. However, it was not signed in time for the nomination meeting the following day.

As Friday's meeting got underway, there were but six persons present, including de Valk, Polsoni, and Bruce McGroarty. Never more than five or six interested others joined them as Godin read the requirements of office and the campaign regulations.

Godin warned that no posters may be attached to the institute walls, and campaigning must end

by Thursday evening.

"Any campaigning beyond these limits, including the display of campaign material, may result in disqualification," Godin said.

He added that each candidate is entitled to a maximum of \$5 from SAC to be applied against campaign expenses.