

**Kids collect 500 signatures**

**Lots of little litter fighters protest packaging**

By JAMES BRENNAN  
Thirteen students from Derrydown Public School swept onto campus Monday, raising over 500 signatures for their petition drive against excessive packaging.

As part of teacher George Denbeigh's "enrichment class", these grade 4, 5 and 6 students who call themselves LOYAL (The League of Youth Against Litter), at Excalibur's invitation, stopped everyone they could capture in order to procure support for their cause. In less than two hours, the Derrydown students had collected over 500 signatures from York students moving through Central Square.

The petition was initiated by the Derrydown students who hope to persuade the government to introduce and enforce guidelines requiring all manufacturers and distributors of food and other merchandise to cut back on their excessive packaging policies.

The petition states: "We feel that reducing the packaging to the barest minimum would prevent the waste of unrennewable resources. It would also eliminate much of the garbage which is costly to dispose of, and is polluting our environment. It might even make

possible the lowering of the cost of many items."

The following students (in alphabetical order) were at York on Monday collecting signatures: Brian Armstrong, Jennifer Cyr, David d'Anjou, Franco Filosa, Peter Krska, Tim Latta, Gerry Malisoni, Fiona McClean, Scott McDonald, Heather McFarlane, Rhonda Moscoe, Karl Newman, and lastly one very hardworking Lana Watler.

Peter Krska thought that "some of the people responded but some just said 'no' before I got a chance to speak." Lana Watler, in a report for her teacher on Monday's activity at York, wrote: "I went because we really need to stop excess packaging. I thought I could help. Most of the people signed it; some of the people did not agree; some were in too much of a hurry; three people laughed. It was very rude".

One visitor, as she watched a scared Yorkite nervously refuse and move on, was heard to say: "Boy, some people are stupid."

By the way, on the chance that one of these dedicated individuals hasn't already nailed you, they will be in Central Square again today, around noon.



Yorkite gets nailed by little litter fighter.

**Editor elected**

By MICHAEL HOLLETT  
Excalibur news editor, Paul Kellogg, has been elected editor-in-chief for 1977-78 by the newspaper's staff.

Winning on the first ballot, Kellogg received 20 votes, while entertainment editor, Evan Leibovitch, received nine followed by Carleton journalism student, Dana Flavelle with three votes and Blake Purdy of the Whitby Free Press who received no votes.

All staff members contributing to at least six different issues of Excalibur qualified to vote as long as they attended one of the two meetings at which every editorial candidate was screened.

Eighty per cent of the eligible staff attended the screenings and participated in the vote.

Kellogg is 22 years old and has studied at York for four years, majoring in social science.

Kellogg was a representative for Founders College on the Council of the York Students Federation for two years and was Excalibur's sports editor in 1975. Editor of the



York University student handbook in the summer of 1975, Kellogg also edited the Founders College newspaper, Crow, in the fall of 1975.

In his election statement Kellogg described Excalibur as, "A wide-open forum where any individual Yorkite can glance through and find out what the other 20,000 are up to."

He also said, "Not only should Excalibur be experienced by the York community as a worthwhile and exciting weekly event, working for Excalibur should be an exciting and worthwhile experience".



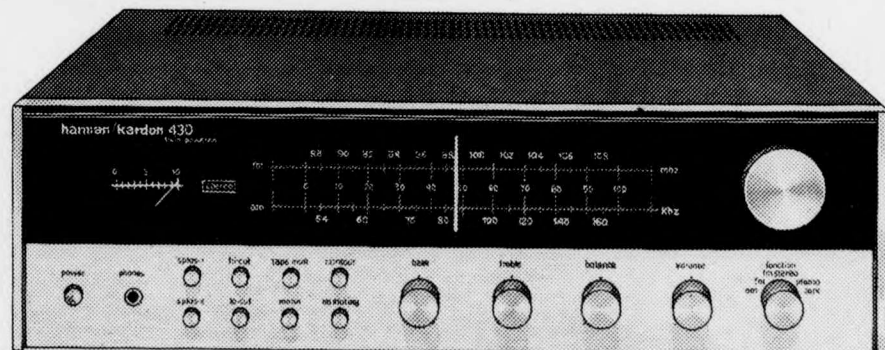
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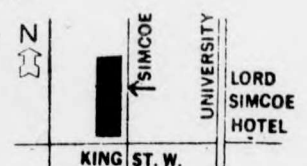
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