



Found in parking lot 'C' — one car, trunk broken into, spare tire stolen, owner's jack used to aid thief in stealing front wheels.

photo by Sandy Cormack

Mort tells them off

CYSF labelled as 'farce'

By KAREN HOOD

The Council of the York Student Federation Tuesday night decided to allow outspoken campus personality Mort Roodman permission to speak as "entertainment for the council," as CYSF treasurer Robin Macrae put it.

Roodman, who sells Maoist literature in Central Square, attended the meeting to call for an "immediate referendum to end this farce" (meaning CYSF). He charged that CYSF "does not consult students, holds secret meetings and is run by a group of elitist student hacks."

None of the CYSF councillors

would make a motion to call for a referendum despite the fact that Roodman had a petition with hundreds of signatures calling for such a referendum.

One councillor, however, pointed out that Roodman had more signatures on his petition than the number of people who voted for certain councillors.

At the meeting, Neil Sinclair voted in as the new communications commissioner. Sinclair came under severe questioning from a few students regarding his thoughts on the Board of Communications.

This board was set up over a year ago as an apolitical body to

oversee EXCALIBUR and Radio York. Its constitution strictly prohibits any editorial control over the media by CYSF.

Sinclair's statement that he wished the BOC to "become more responsible to CYSF" seemed to alarm some participants.

The council also voted to support, in principle, the actions of the students in social science 177. Academic affairs commissioner, Tim Delaney, felt that unless the students received some consideration for their demands, a boycott of the final exam "was imminent."

Meanwhile, two councillors have told EXCALIBUR they are considering resigning. "I just can't take it anymore," said one, "all the infighting that goes on... it's just so petty..."

Worker for CYSF could get ousted

The head of Irma Pappenheim, the executive assistant of the council of the York Student Federation, is "on the block, as it were," according to CYSF president Mike Fletcher.

This was stated during an hour-long discussion of Pappenheim's position and salary at the council meeting Tuesday night.

Pappenheim has been a full-time worker with the CYSF for two and a half years and was visibly upset at the discussion.

It seems there is a disagreement over what her role on CYSF should be. The executive is now examining it.

At the meeting, Fletcher proposed an increase in the executive assistant's salary to \$5,200, but also said Miss Pappenheim's position would be reviewed and that by August she could be dismissed.

After the meeting, one councillor, who asked to remain anonymous, suggested that the salary increase was probably just a smoke-screen and was really "the first step out the door" for Pappenheim.

By the time the Pappenheim discussion arose at the meeting several councillors had already left and many of those remaining seemed to be confused over what the matter was about. The executive failed to explain all the circumstances of the situation.

Jim Beatty, an MBA representative, said he was "appalled at the flippancy with which this council deals with human beings."

Students plan action

Soc. sci. division won't help 177

By SHELLI HUNTER

Students in social science 177 are moving closer to making a definite decision to boycott their final examination.

Last Thursday, social science division chairman David Hoffman told the students, "I am only protecting your interests," when he turned down their appeal and insisted the faculty of arts regulation demanding a final examination be followed.

The students have organized a course union and have received almost unanimous support of the boycott in tutorials. At last Tuesday's lecture, attended by only one-third of the class, this was re-affirmed.

The type and form of examination at present is to be decided by the individual tutorial leaders. This means that each tutorial group will write different exams.

Students realize that the present method of examination will limit boycott possibilities. A centralized examination would enable the class to unite in the boycott decision.

Class members feel that the "main objective now is to unite the course." Evelyn Latowsky, course director, told students that she would abide by their final decision.

Students in the course feel that their stand will influence future examination procedures and be instrumental in improving present administrative policies.

Petitions and questionnaires are being mailed out to students, at

present, asking their stand concerning the boycott. The costs are being absorbed by CYSF.

Cleaners get CUPE certification

By BRIAN MILNER

After being without union representation since October, York's working staff have finally obtained recognition of the Canadian Union of Public Employees as their bargaining agent.

The cleaners, tradesmen, groundskeepers and bus drivers have been helpless since October when they ousted the ineffective American-based Service Employees Union until last week when the Ontario Labour Board certified CUPE.

The certification procedure for a new union is a complicated process which in this case involved several hearings and a Department of Labour investigation into the "appropriate size of the bargaining unit."

Meanwhile, the workers have been stuck with the old contract signed by SEU which was supposed to expire last July.

Negotiations for a new contract for the workers will begin in April and CUPE has promised to take a tough bargaining line to make up for the long delay in getting a new contract.

VIEWPOINT

We can win in 177

By BARBEE LASKIN

It is very easy for all of us to listen, and be abhorred by injustices... and then passively adhere to them. But it takes tremendous individual courage and collective strength to attempt to transform these injustices.

However, it must be done. And in the case of Soc. Sci. 177, we, the students, are the only ones that are able to convert the moral and constitutional violations that have taken place in this course into a meaningful re-examination of ridiculous regulations. Only our UNANIMOUS action can hope to change the unjustifiable events that have occurred.

We are not the only ones, however, that have been in patsies. Our course director, Evelyn Latowsky, along with each and every tutorial leader became involved with this course on the assumption that it would evolve around individual studies and small, loose units; rather than the larger, more structured courses.

There was to be NO formal ANYTHING... perhaps that is why the course, itself, has admittedly, failed. But WE are as much to blame for its failure as our directors. And furthermore, because we, as much as they, are the victims of high-handed governmental imperialism, we must write and support, each other.

If the stand that David Hoffman, Chairman of the Social Science Division, prevails; (and in all probability, it will) that we are to have a final examination, there is only one thing we can do. No matter what form the EXAM TAKES: we must NOT be any part of it.

We must prove that we can unite. We must prove that nothing is worth the price of moral violation.

Some of you feel that by boycotting this examination, that action could conceivably cost you something you don't want to lose... like a grade or two. THIS WILL NOT HAPPEN. If we are united then nobody will lose anything. And what we will gain will be immeasurable. If not ONE person takes the exam, Mr. Hoffman will be confronted with 250-odd refusals. Our position will be clear and FORCEFUL. And as Hoffman previously said, "we can't do much... if everybody refuses to write."

The stand we take will influence future rules concerning examination controls for first-year students... and we will, therefore, be instrumental in improving the present un-comprising system. When the final day comes for each of us to decide whether or not to boycott the examination, we must trust each other enough, and be truly dedicated to say that the time has come for students to denounce the continuing immoralities of the present system concerning some courses.

Another member of the York community, Howard Halpern, may lose his ENTIRE YEAR because of similar faculty foul-ups. As a student, he was under the assumption that his courses would be ungraded. Not so. While commenting on the situation, he admitted, "I'm beginning to get the feeling I've been screwed."

Let's not let that happen to us.

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