

Petition gathered 1,000 names

# Doctor halts hunger strike

By ABIE WEISFELD

The hunger strike held by two York University students over the past 12 days in solidarity with imprisoned Ukrainian historian Valentin Moroz has ended by the order of the attending doctor.

Dr. Roman Fedyna recommended that the strike end in order to avert possible irreversible damage to the kidneys and other vital organs due to disorders of body chemistry.

The two students, Anhelina Szuch, 20, and Bohdan Kupycz, 21, said they appreciated the support of more than 1,000 students who added their names to petitions asking for Moroz' release from the prison in Vladimir. In addition the CYSF — the York Student Federation — executive supported the strike by expressing its concern to both the Canadian and Russian authorities.

The two strikers said the only disappointing reaction to their campaign come from the York University Senate, which adjourned its meeting last week immediately before a resolution on Moroz could be brought up.

"As a governing body of an academic institution, the Senate should have shown more concern over a fellow intellectual who was imprisoned for his views," said Kupycz, a second-year political science student. "It's ironic that they broke for supper while Moroz was starving."

The Metro City Council did pass a resolution in support of Moroz' human rights, although it isn't strictly a municipal issue.

Upon ending the fast, the two students learned of the exchange between Allan McEachen, the Canadian government's external affairs minister, and Russian external affairs minister Andrei Gromyko in the United Nations, in which Gromyko claimed that Moroz was in

satisfactory health and had been transferred to the Lubyanka prison near Moscow.

The two strikers in response called for the state of his health to be substantiated by a body such as the Red Cross, and announced that they would continue to "campaign for

Moroz' release from prison because he was tried and sentenced illegally in the first place" (under the Soviet Constitution).

They are campaigning for not only the Ukrainian dissident movement but for all political prisoners in Russia.

## "The very best of men" for bench, says Lang

By DOUG TINDAL

Minister of Justice Otto Lang told a group of students and faculty in Osgoode Hall's Moot Court last Friday that the appointment of judges was his most important function.

Lang said that in considering new appointments to the bench, particularly to the Canadian Supreme Court, he and his staff were "reaching out for the very best of men."

He told the gathering that seniority was "no good" as a criterion for appointment, an oblique reference to his controversial choice of Supreme Court Justice Bora Laskin to succeed Chief Justice Fauteux last year.

It was expected that, following tradition, the appointment would have gone to Justice Martland, the most senior member of the nine-man court.

"In a society of confrontation it is very important that we have men who can be looked on with confidence," he said.

Lang said that in this session of Parliament he will bring forward several pieces of legislation including changes in the Supreme Court Act, a "package" of amendments to the criminal code, and a Human Rights and Fair Administrative Practices Act.

This act would establish a Human Rights Commission, a "sort of reserve ombudsman" to deal with discrimination on the federal level, especially discrimination based on sex or marital status.

The act would also empower the commission to establish and enforce regulations regarding information concerning private citizens which is

held by the government.

Among the proposed amendments to the criminal code are provisions prohibiting the publication of the name of a rape victim, and limiting character examination of the victim to cases where her "moral integrity" is a central issue.

Also contemplated for this session are changes in the law regarding marijuana; the current provisions would be moved from the Narcotic Control Act to the Food and Drug Act, with the result that a jail sentence could no longer be given for a charge of simple possession.

## Big Tease appears

June Sochen and Joyce S. Schragar, historians at Northeastern Illinois University will be speaking on The Big Tease — an analysis of and commentary on the portrayal of women in American movies from 1930-1945 at 4 p.m. Monday in the Stong College Theatre (Room 112).

Illustrated with slides from such films as Mildred Pierce and Clare Booth Luce's The Women, the discussion will focus on the portrayal of women as perceived before the "feminist revolution".

There is no charge for the lecture and everyone is welcome.



Martin Felsky photo

President Macdonald met the students for the first time in what promises to be a series of Bearpit sessions with the students. In a question period with Anne Scotton, president of the CYSF, McDonald, 45, told a large student audience that he wished to be an academic leader rather than a figurehead, but was at the same time very nervous about a large central government. He invited students to meet him and to tell him about their opinions on the various campus issues, such as the chapel, the bookstore, and the issue of the university inviting external investors to build on campus. While the two presidents were eminently successful, the student audience was a flop as no one seemed to have anything to say to the new York president.

## Thousand Cranes

The Japanese film Thousand Cranes will be screened this Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Curtis lecture hall L. Admission is free.

## Reality made easy

Tonight, the York Ontology Club presents its first lecture in an eight week series entitled the Art of Living.

Dr. Joe Houlton will give an extemporaneous talk at 7:30 p.m. in Room 107 of Vanier College on the Art and Science of Being Real.

These sessions are free and anyone is welcome.

## Swami's space

Swami Shyam will be speaking this evening in the graduate student lounge on the seventh floor of the Ross building at 8:30 p.m., on the topic of "head space".

There is no admission charge.

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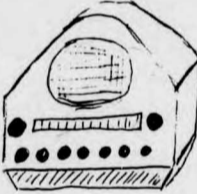
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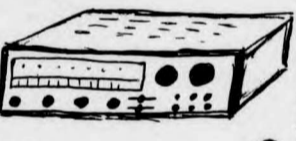
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