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Rallies today part of provincial student protest

By JENNY JOHNSON

Today, students from six universities across Ontario will walkout of classes to protest the government's tuition fee increase for next year while here at York a symposium starting at twelve o'clock will be held in the bearpit to discuss the government's post-secondary education policies.

Speakers at the bearpit session will include CYSF President Barry Edson and Bethune College representative Joanne pritchard.

Graduate Assistance Association (GAA) representative Ilene Crawford and the International Student Centre have also been approached to speak at this time however, at press time neither had been confirmed.

Following the session in the bearpit there will be a "mass walk" over to the Vanier dining hall to hear representatives the three provincial political parties speak on unemployment and related

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issues. The speakers are John Sweeney MPP, Liberal critic of the ministry of colleges and universities; Terry Jones MPP, Conservative member in charge of the Ontario Youth Secretariat; and Odoardo Di Santo MPP, New Democratic Party caucus member.

CYSF member Peter Donkers, the representative in charge of the committee organizing the York symposium, will be chairing the meeting between students and caucus representatives.

Afterwards there will be a reception in the Founders junior common room where the results of the symposium will be discussed and future campaign strategy planned.

Donkers said, "There is no way that the symposium will be able to roll back the one hundred dollar increase. All we're hoping for is to create an awareness amongst students that there are problems in post-secondary school education."

Hopes to have representatives from business speak at the symposium have fallen through. Donkers said the businesses were frightened off by pressures related to the tuition fee increases.

Student council representative, Brian O'Riordan at the University of Toronto said that at U of T the focus of today's activities will be around the issues of the tuition fee

increase, the Ontario Student Aid Programme (OSAP) and general government policy towards post-secondary education.

At twelve o'clock in Convocation Hall: Jim Gill from the Metro Labour Council; City Hall Alderperson, Allen Sparrow; Student Administrative Council (SAC) representative John Dohery; and Jarvis Collegiate student Naomi Brooks will be speaking on different aspects of these central issues.

NDP leader Stephen Lewis and David Warner post-secondary education critic for the NDP will also be speaking today at U of T's Scarborough campus.

SURPI PROBLEMS

Attempts by the Ryerson Student Union (SURPI) to organize a program for today have failed due to what they termed a lack of response from the Ministry of Colleges and Universities. The student union at Ryerson asked the ministry to find someone to speak on the issue of tuition fees but as of the beginning of this week they have not received a response.

However, in a referendum recently held by Ryerson 80 per cent of the students polled voted in favour of the student union fighting the tuition increase and approximately 16 per cent were in favour of holding the moratorium.

The Ryerson Student Union hopes that a day of protest will be held next week instead.

Ontario Federation of Students chairperson Murray Miskin said that so far the February 10 campaign looks promising but he emphasized that the moratorium is to be just a small part of the larger campaign to roll back tuition fee increases.

"We don't expect just this one day to result in a tuition fee roll back. It will take much more," said Miskin.



Excalibur photographer Evan Leibovitch caught this spokescreature for the Society for Endangered Species off-guard during a recent appearance in York's Central Square.

Atkinson council approves preferential hiring of women

By ANNA VAITIEKUNAS

A committee report which recommended preferential hiring of female candidates for teaching positions, was adopted by the Atkinson college administrative council two weeks ago.

The Atkinson committee on policy and planning presented the

council last November with a list of recruitment and hiring procedures to increase the proportion of women faculty members at the college.

The report stated, "In light of the low numbers of women faculty members at Atkinson college, even in proportion to other units of York University, the Atkinson college council affirms the importance of increasing the number of women on the faculty".

Included in the guidelines are the recommendations that: all advertising should clearly state that women should be encouraged to apply for advertised positions; that at least one woman member hold a position on faculty selection committees and if no woman holds a position on the committee one should be appointed by the Dean; that female candidates will be actively solicited for positions in a department where women make up 25 per cent or less of the faculty of

the department, and that appointments would be delayed for a year if there was insufficient time to solicit a qualified female candidate.

The report further recommended that all department chairmen shall report to the Dean, if one or more women apply but are not interviewed, the reasons why the applicants do not merit interviews.

York professor Michael Herren and chairman of the Atkinson College council said he foresees some problems with the guidelines because of a previous hiring recommendation which was adopted to give preferential treatment to Canadian applicants by the Atkinson council last December.

Some difficulty might arise, he said, when a non-Canadian woman

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Canada bars ex-Allende aide

By IAN KELLOGG

Andre Gunder Frank, one of the world's most prominent authorities on underdevelopment was barred entry to Canada by the Department of Manpower and Immigration last week. Frank had been invited to deliver the keynote lecture at a symposium on underdevelopment to be held at Queen's University, Kingston, March 4-6.

An immigration media official told Excalibur a visa has not been granted the West German scholar to "protect the national interest." No specifics on how Frank's presence would compromise national security are being released. This secrecy is within the bounds of current Canadian law.

But while Frank's presence is not permitted in Canada, his books, the

most famous being the *Development of Underdevelopment*, are still being sold and read here. Many York courses have Frank's books assigned as required reading.

Kathleen Herman who is organizing the Queen's symposium said she had no idea Frank would be barred from Canada when she first invited him to speak. It is now known Frank has been denied entry three times in the last two years.

Frank resided in Canada from 1966 to 1968 when he was a lecturer at Sir George Williams University in Montreal. He applied for landed immigrant status during that period but was denied it without reason.

From 1970 to 1973 he was a financial advisor to the Chilean government of Salvador Allende.

Expelled by the military junta after their CIA assisted coup, he attended one Toronto conference but has since consistently been denied a Canadian visa.

Herman still hopes he may be allowed entry. She says she is not organizing a co-ordinated defence campaign, due to lack of time, but feels if enough pressure is exerted on Pierre Trudeau the ban on Frank can be lifted. Even if such pressure fails, Frank has promised to mail his paper to the symposium.

Some Queen's faculty members have written a letter to Trudeau expressing their "anger and deep regret" at the action.

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