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### York Ukrainians sponsor Polish immigrants

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Of the millions of Ukrainians who celebrate Christmas today, a group of about one hundred will be spending the holy day in European refugee camps. Anxiously awaiting admittance into Canada, these exiles from Poland will benefit from twenty thousand dollars raised by Ukrainian students across Canada, including those at York.

Working through SUSK, an umbrella organization for Canada's Ukrainian student clubs, the York Ukrainian Students' Association provided

Ukrainian Immigrant Aid Society.

According to Darka Kostluk of CUIAS, elderly immigrants were especially sympathetic to the newcomers' situation. "Many of the donors were older people who remember what it was like when they first came over," says Kostluk. She adds that "the campaign is just catching on out west," and for this reason, the twenty thousand dollar figure is expected to increase.

Nestor Mykytyn is a member of the York Ukrainian Students' Association and SUSK vice-president in charge of human rights. He believes an agency such as CUIAS is needed to specifically aid refugees of Ukrainian origin. "Ukrainians in Poland are a minority that is active in the political sphere, but we have special needs," he states. "Our language is different and so is our religion."

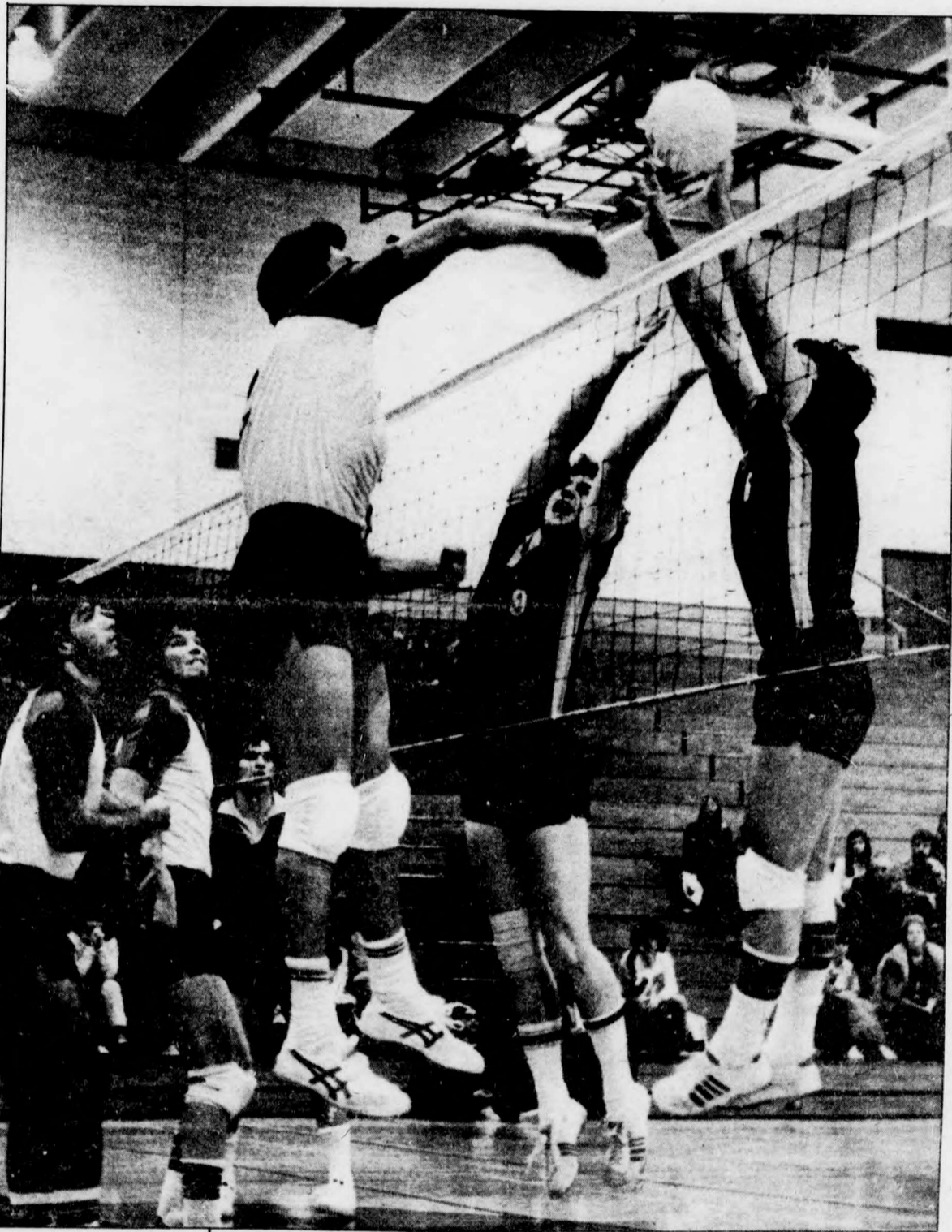
The society has already helped to bring ten refugees to Canada, four of whom live in Toronto. Another one hundred and thirty-five Ukrainians have been sponsored, but according to Kostluk, the refugee overload will delay their arrival for four to six months.

When they do arrive accomodation is likely to be a problem and CUIAS would like to see more apartments made available. Kostluk, however, adds, "We recognize the housing shortage in Toronto is not restricted to refugees."



Ukrainian club president Tamara Ivanochko.

some necessary volunteers for a canvas of Ukrainian church-goers. In November the association held a successful pub night to which about two hundred people turned up, raising four hundred dollars for the fund-raising campaign on behalf of the Canadian



Jules Xanier

Veteran Yeomen power-hitter Mark Ainsworth (white) goes airborne in this net action from the annual Excalibur Volleyball Classic which took place at York this past weekend. Yeomen fought all the way to the finals, only to lose to the tenacious Alberta Golden Bears. Story and more photos, page 11.

### York researchers rate quality of life

Mike Guy

Money and youth do not appear to be the keys to happiness, or so say a group of York researchers who have just compiled the results of a recently completed five-year study into the quality of life in Canada.

The study, conducted by York University's Institute for Behavioural Research and headed by York political scientist Michael Stevenson, and sociologists Bernard Blishen and Michael Ornstein, unveiled a number of revealing and unexpected insights into

the state of the nation. Of the 3,000 people interviewed across Canada in three separate surveys taken in 1977, 1979 and 1981, researchers found that more people were dissatisfied with their lives in 1981 than in 1979. In 1979, 37% of those interviewed described their lives as satisfying, compared with 30% who gave the same response in 1981.

The survey notes that "the decline in Canadians' perception of the quality of their lives is partly attributed to increasing

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### Connection looks for plug

Elliott Lefko

York's Campus Connection, without a co-ordinator since April 1981, will be sponsoring a forum on January 20 in the Bear Pit which organizers hope will gain some publicity, as well as a new manager, for the floundering organization.

According to CYSF president Greg Gaudet, the job pays \$250 a month. "However that amount is not fixed," emphasizes Gaudet. "It is part of an overall operating budget. There's money there. The new co-ordinator will have to decide how he wants to spend it."

The forum is being co-

sponsored by the Women's Centre which would like to see the peer counselling group get back on its feet.

Gaudet says that David Kelly, CYSF Director of Communications and Student Services, has spoken to a number of candidates regarding the position, but without any success.

In a related matter, Jim Crawley, co-founder of the Futures Research Institute of the University of Windsor, and the acting president of the York Gay Alliance, was denied the job of co-ordinator and subsequently took his case to the Ontario

Human Rights Commission. In the last issue of *Excalibur* Crawley commented that "there is reasonable and probable cause to believe my sexual orientation has affected the CYSF's decision."

Gaudet said that the search committee for a new Campus Connection co-ordinator was slighted by Crawley's remarks and members of the committee are considering asking for an apology.

Gaudet says the committee is earnestly searching and hopes that the information provided by the forum will bring an answer to the year-long problem.