

Waterloo paper threatened

Tension mounts between Chevron and council

WATERLOO (CUP) — Assault charges and counter-charges, disconnected phones and seized equipment, legal battles and charges of censorship fill the air as the dispute between the University of Waterloo students' union and the student newspaper it has disowned enters its third month.

In its latest move the U of W Federation of Students ordered the telephones of the Chevron disconnected November 17, after a scuffle between federation president Shane Roberts and Chevron staff erupted over an attempt by Roberts to remove equipment from the paper's offices the previous day.

Assault charges from Roberts are pending, according to Chevron editorial staff Larry Hannant and Neil Docherty, who along with news editor Henry Hess are the defendants. The three plan to lay the same charges against Roberts, who the previous day successfully

removed five cameras from the Chevron offices in the student centre.

Meanwhile, student leaders on campus have accused the paper, currently publishing independently as the "Free Chevron", of refusing to print their submissions to the paper and expelling them from staff meetings.

Docherty admitted that federation representative Marny Brykman and fieldworker Phyllis Burke were asked to leave a recent Free Chevron meeting after the staff adopted a motion banning the participation of "enemies of the Free Chevron".

But he said the motion was rescinded at the next meeting after a "long battle" among staff over the issue. But persons who wish to contribute to the paper still must sign a petition calling for the reinstatement of the

Chevron to council funding.

Another petition calling for the recall of Roberts from the federation presidency is circulating the campus, according to Docherty and Hannant.

The paper also plans legal action to force the federation to rescind its decision removing the paid positions of Chevron news editor and production manager, which effectively fired Hess and Docherty respectively.

In the meantime Brykman has circulated an open letter protesting the expulsion of himself and others from the Free Chevron meeting and the "moral and financial support" for the paper by Canadian University Press (CUP).

CUP, a national news cooperative of more than seventy Canadian student newspapers of which the Chevron is a member,

has opposed the federation's attempted closure of the paper last September on the grounds the action amounts to censorship.

The federation cut off funds and attempted to eject staff members from the Chevron offices after then editor-in-chief Adrian Rodway resigned citing political pressure from other staff members as his reason. The federation maintains that members of a campus political group, the Anti-Imperialist Alliance, have taken over the paper since a number of AIA

members and supporters, including Hannant and Docherty, work on the Chevron.

A recent offer by the federation to resume financing the paper if the staff could produce an interim editor until a permanent one could be selected pending new constitutional bylaws was rejected. The staff continue to demand the reinstatement of Docherty and Hess to their jobs as the condition by which they will resume publication of the regular Chevron.

(free) the chevron

Logo for the 'free' chevron which has been publishing since the chevron was 'closed down' by the Waterloo student federation, almost three months ago.

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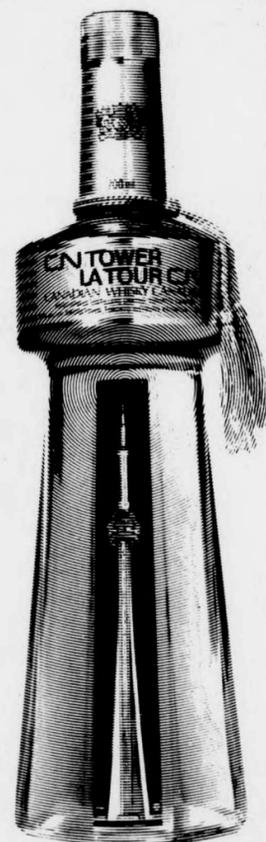
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