

Committee report delayed**Presidential search nets 3**

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York University's search for a successor to retiring president Murray G. Ross is nearing completion.

Last Monday the search committee had its final meeting and agreed on a list of three candidates -- A.D. Allen, dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science at the University

of Toronto; Michael Oliver, vice-president (academic) at McGill University; and John T. Saywell, dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science here at York.

However, according to reliable sources, the list ran into significant opposition when it was presented to York's board-senate executive committee last Thursday.

Apparently, W.P. Scott, chairman of York's board of governors, and H.S. Crowe, dean of Atkinson College, objected at the number of candidates -- the least the search committee could present -- and discussed the possibility of either the board or the senate adding more names.

The search committee's terms of reference restricted them to presenting no less than three and no more than five names.

According to sources close to the board-senate executive, however, Scott's opposition to the list as it was, was based on a desire to see J.M. Gillies, head of York's department of administrative studies, as one of the presidential candidates.

Scott was not available for comment yesterday. His secretary told EXCALIBUR that "he will be tied up in meetings till all hours of the night until Wednesday."

Gillies' name had been mentioned as a possible presidential candidate since the search committee started meeting last May.

Gillies came from the United States about three years ago to lead the establishment of a business school at York.

The dispute over the length of the list in the board-senate executive committee is expected to prevent the search committee from delivering its report to the senate at a special meeting this afternoon.

The list was to have been presented after the senate had sorted out the reporting procedures. At a meeting at the end of September, the senate voted to have the search committee prepare a short list for presentation to the board and senate.

At this time, "if senate wishes to indicate a preference amongst candidates, this will be done by means of a secret preferential ballot," the motion read.

Sine then, however, the procedures have become

somewhat confused. On Oct. 23, a motion by Howard Adelman, associate dean of Atkinson, which asked that the appointment of a new university president be "subject to the prior concurrence of a majority of the senate", was rejected.

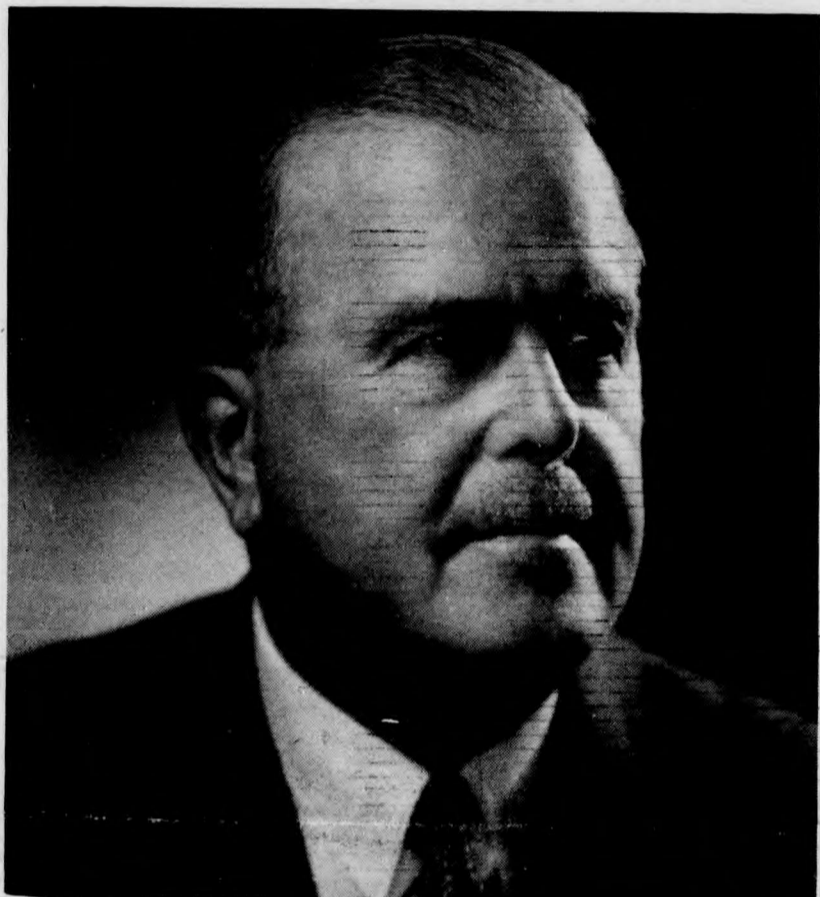
Sine that meeting no one in the senate has been decisively clear on just how the affair will be handled.

There is another factor which militates against the report being made until January. Bora Laskin, chairman of the search committee, flew to England last weekend and is not due to return until the new year.

In a statement on Oct. 8, Laskin said that the search committee "anticipates that it will be in a position to deliver its report to the board of governors by early November."

At the beginning of November, Paul Koster, president of the Council of the York Student Federation and student member on the search committee told EX-

CALIBUR that he expected the entire selection of the new president to be completed by the end of November.



W. P. Scott

Ashley and Crippen

New chief to be flexible, healthy

One of the most important committees ever established at York has completed its task -- that of finding candidates to vie to succeed York's first president, Murray G. Ross.

The Committee of Search for a new President of York University, established Feb. 19, 1969, has narrowed the possible candidates down to three, one of which will assume the presidency this May.

The committee, composed of three students, three senators (faculty), three university governors, and a faculty association member, was charged with finding no less than three, no more than five candidates, for presentation to the board.

This directive was later amended by the senate to include "senate consultation" before the final choice is announced.

The committee has considered over 100 names, and extensively interviewed two dozen of them to find men matching the criteria used as guidelines.

The criteria used by the selection committee are based on three primary activities of a university president: as senior academic officer he must be intimately involved in all academic policy, through meetings with deans, as chairman of the senate, and the senate executive committee, and through the faculty councils;

He must involve himself in all administrative decisions as chief administrative officer, including budgetary considerations, appointments, promotions and meetings with the board of governors;

He must consult with groups and individuals on and off campus, including student and faculty councils, associations, national educational councils such as the committee of presidents, and the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, and carry out ceremonial duties as required to represent the university.

The committee's criteria require a candidate to be of good health, vigorous constitution, possessing substantial academic qualifications and effective administrative ability.

The new president should be "sympathetic to educational innovation and experimentation which set York aside from most other Canadian universities," according to a committee report.

The successful candidate is also expected to be willing and able to approach problems with sensitivity and flexibility, and should be capable of articulate expression in speech, writing and debate.

The committee's decision to recommend only three candidates was reached because only three final candidates were repeatedly suggested by the committee members, when they considered a final list.

"These were the only three that were finally and equally acceptable to everyone on the committee," committee member Paul Koster said recently.

The committee had initially restricted itself to searching for a Canadian who would be able to meet these criteria, and had intended to make it's final report by early November of this year.



J. M. Gillies

Cops hate 'beatniks' more than criminals

QUEBEC CITY (CUP) — Quebec police forces in at least four cities are more hostile towards "beatniks" than criminals, according to a survey released Dec. 3 by a provincial inquiry commission into the administration of justice.

Asked on one question to gauge their feelings towards "beatniks" as either "friendly", "neutral", or "hostile", 24.6 per cent of the members of five Quebec forces surveyed admitted to hostile feelings.

Asked the same question about criminals only 23.6 per cent confessed to hostile feelings.

The survey team, headed by University of Montreal criminologist Dennis Szabo, found 74 per cent of the Rimouski police force hostile to "beatniks". Only in Drummondville did the police say they were more hostile to crooks than to the bearded set.

Only eight per cent of the 819 policemen interviewed said they were friendly to "beatniks", twice as many as said they were friendly to criminals.

The term "beatnik" was not defined in the survey questionnaire.

In the Montreal force—the only one polled by age group—researchers found younger cops "feel themselves as much activists as other members of their generation (except that) they belonged to a socio-professional group which forces them to accept certain rules and habits repugnant to the young generation."

The result, said researchers, "contributes, by a process of negative identification, to isolate (younger policemen) and to harden their attitudes."

A hard-line towards law enforcement was found among all the policemen.

Police feel they should be allowed to arrest drunks, vagrants or "suspicious looking characters", and that citizens should be forced to identify themselves when asked to do so by police.

They also favor "preventative detention" prior to demonstrations or visits by important politicians.



Murray Ross

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