

Chapel decision faces referendum

A university-wide referendum on accepting or rejecting the proposed chapel on campus has been ordered by the Federation Council.

The referendum, to be held Friday March 14, will require a simple yes or no answer to the ques-

tion 'Are you in favour of this university accepting the proposed donation for a chapel on campus?'

The referendum will be open to all members of the university, students, faculty, and all staff.

The decision to hold a referendum is in direct opposition to a

recent refusal by the Board of Governors to continue any further discussion on the chapel donation.

The proposed chapel, donated by a so-called anonymous donor, is supposed to be worth over \$350,000, although it will cost the university over \$12,000 (the salary of one professor) to maintain the building annually.

The council decision for a referendum is also an alternative to recent faculty-only referendum which showed the faculty to be over two to one in favour of accepting the chapel.

Student leaders have ruled the faculty vote as completely invalid, because it did not ask for a yes or no, but offered five possible answers, and more importantly, did not explain that if the chapel is refused, the money will be donated to medical research in Toronto.

The fact that the chapel donation could be channeled in to medical research, that the donation is from a citizen very closely involved in the decision-making process of the university, and that the decision to accept the donation was made completely separate from any student opinion, will all be explained in a "chapel fact sheet" to be prepared by several students for the council.

The Federation council will also hold a forum on the chapel before the referendum, where supporters of all sides will be allowed to speak.

Opposition to the proposed donation has been voiced on the grounds that a chapel is of very low priority on the university immediate requirements, and acceptance of such a gift would set a precedent for the university to accept whatever any member of the public wishes to donate, regardless of more pressing needs.

The university board of governors had rejected completely a request two weeks ago by former council president John Adams for a university-wide referendum on the chapel issue, the results of which would have been binding on the administration. Adams said the chairman of the Board, W.P. Scott, ruled out all chapel discussion at their meeting.

The Federation council voted seven to three not to take a public stand on the chapel issue following after the future issuance of the fact sheet, although interviews with several councillors show they may change and urge opposition to the chapel after all the facts are released.

Sir George 'racist' prof says he may sue

MONTREAL

Biology professor Perry Anderson, a central figure in the recent Sir George Williams University turmoil, has threatened to sue the black students who laid charges of racial discrimination against him.

In his first interview with the press last Friday, Anderson said his three-day suspension by the administration last week was unjust. He also said he might bring suit against "a publication within the university community". While he named no publication, there may be some connection between his statement and the student council firing Thursday of David Bowman, editor of the student newspaper, the Georgian.

Anderson, suspended ostensibly for his own protection, was suspended Monday, February 10 and reinstated the next Wednesday. He resumed teaching as soon as the school reopened this week.

Anderson said he avoided public statements before because he felt the issue was best resolved within the university community. But, "in light of the recent events in the past few days, and the exposure given it in the press, I feel war-

ranted to state my position at this time."

He will not take action against the administration, a move, he says that would be similar to "flogging a dead horse."

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Tear gas busts up Berkeley

BERKELEY, Calif.

Police used tear gas to turn 2,000 student demonstrators into a weeping mob last Thursday as demonstrations continued on the Berkeley campus.

The gas filled a main square on the campus and seeped into the main administration building on campus forcing officials to flee.

Students chanting: "The cops have had their riot, we're going to have ours," retaliated by turning over two paddy wagons and throwing canisters of the gas back at the police.

There were 24 arrests and five injuries resulting from the day's action.

On Friday morning, national guard forces were seen surveying large open areas on the campus — areas where it is possible to place large numbers of people or pieces of heavy equipment.

The guard also established a command post in a two-storey parking structure next to where the board of regents was to meet. Large forces of the guard were seen around Oakland.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

The last of 1,900 national guardsmen left the University of Wisconsin campus Friday as the faculty debated student demands that precipitated the crisis. The faculty made only one decision Thursday — upholding by a narrow 524 to 518 margin an administration policy denying admission to three black students suspended from Oshkosh university after student disturbances there.

Republicans in the state legislature Friday introduced bills that would:

- Dismiss faculty who participated in "disruptive" demonstrations
- Keep suspended and expelled students off campus
- Bar re-admission to any expelled student for one year
- Bar the use of bull-horns by demonstrators.

ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY

Students at Roosevelt University ripped telephones from walls and set off fire alarms Thursday when the school's principal refused to sign a statement supporting amnesty for students involved in previous demonstrations.

Over 100 white and black students invaded the office of administration president Rolf Weil with the document. Police were called when the students roughed up newsmen and their equipment and the action escalated from there.

EASTERN MICHIGAN

Deputy sheriffs Thursday met 200 students trying to seize the administration building at Eastern Michigan. The deputies had been stationed in the building since last week when word of the plot reached sheriff Douglas Harvey.

The sheriffs cut the chains the students used to lock up the building and arrested 12 students for trespassing.

OTHER PLACES

Oberlin-Marine corps recruiters were met Thursday by 500 students when they attempted to leave the dean's office. The students escorted the marines off campus, chanting anti-war slogans.

Pennsylvania — A sit-in of 250 students continued in protest of plans for a \$100 million social science complex in a low income neighbourhood. Plans for a mass march were called off because of a three-inch snowfall.

Princeton — Students for a Democratic Society at Princeton announced plans for a student strike next week in an attempt to force the university to sell its holdings in 40 South African companies.

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