

Editorial Election

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A credit is awarded when an individual has an article, photograph or graphic printed in *Excalibur*, or when an individual has contributed significantly to the production process.

Contributions to this issue are the last that count in the calculation of credits. Ineligible staff members had until this March 11 issue to make themselves eligible.

Staff members who believe that they are eligible, but whose names do not appear on the list of voters, may be included on the list if they speak with Gary Cohen or Elliott Lefko by Tuesday, March 16 at 2:00 p.m. If by then they have not appeared with proof of eligibility, they cannot vote.

No one may vote if they are not eligible, or if they are not present for the entirety of one of the two screenings (Thursday, March 18, 3:00 p.m., Friday, March 19, 3:00 p.m.). Late-comers will not vote. The screenings will last until 4:00 p.m. Voting will be possible until 7:00 p.m. on both days, unless eligible voters finish voting earlier.

Individuals who are ignorant of these regulations are nevertheless subject to them. The following are eligible voters in the up-coming editorial election:

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John Ens
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EDITORIAL

York elections go Madison Avenue but turnout increases

Students have been inundated these last few weeks with a wallpapering of political promotion on the usually colorless walls at York. We at *Excalibur* have watched as our typesetting and lay-out service has worked over-time to supply many of the political machines with paper voices.

Most of us realize that about only ten percent of the eligible voters reach the university polls. However, advance poll reports this year have already indicated a higher turnout than we have seen for three or four years. While one-thousand voters may not signify a large turnout elsewhere (Western had a 40

percent turnout), it does mean something at the apathy-ridden York University.

Part of the turnout may have been influenced by the expensive posterage that is being done by some of the candidates. Gone are the days when small hand-written flyers can attract the attention of potential supporters: who would notice such an item among the glossy high-coloured posters currently adorning the corridors? Looks like some of the candidates have a direct connection to Madison Avenue. It will be interesting to see if the big dollar campaigns pay off in votes.

While the large dollars spent may attract voters to the ballot

box, we can only hope that students will see beyond the cosmetics of the election.

We at *Excalibur* urge you to consider the issues. Your representative will decide how cutbacks will be fought, if at all, in the future. They'll appoint employees and run the student-owned businesses such as Soundproof records, the typing service and the income tax service.

The student government is a symbol for York students, when it does a good job it reflects well on the student body as a whole; when it does poorly everyone associated with the university loses.

The money and support we receive from outside agencies and the respect paid a York degree is in some ways dependent upon the reputation of the Student Council. An apathetic student who ignores the election of its government or who votes without considering the issues does more than forfeit the right to put an X on a piece of paper; he/she undermines the efforts of those who took the time to examine the platforms. It is easy to swing an election victory into an undeserving camp when a majority of the voters relinquish their responsibility. At the very least, a poor voter turnout debases the election in the eyes of outsiders.

We are not, however, advocating that students go to the polls in droves. If you are not acquainted with the candidates and do not understand the issues, please don't vote. Instead, take note and begin educating yourself for involvement in next year's election.

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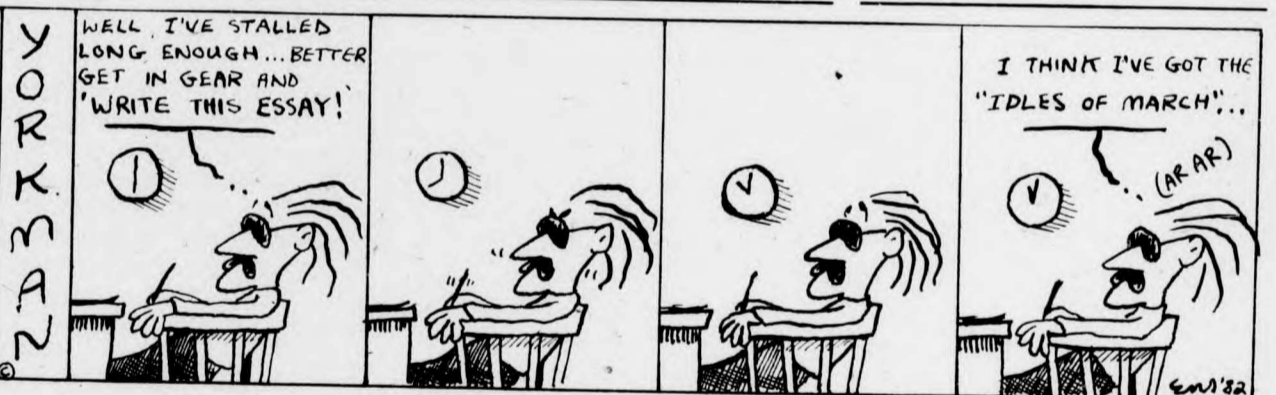
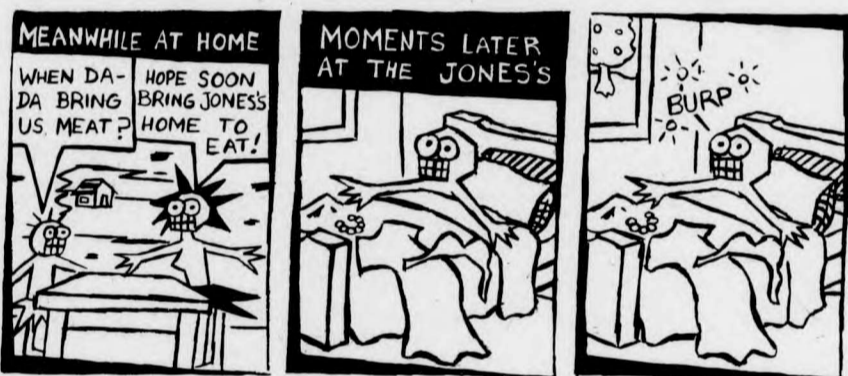
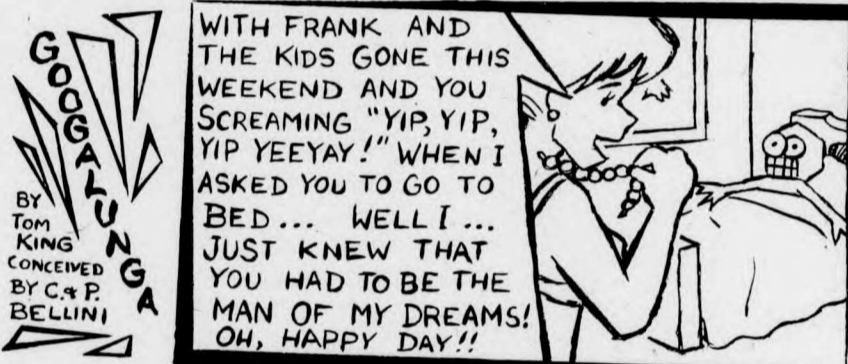
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