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Give facts to Canadian people

Council calls demonstration

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The Council of the York Student Federation has called for a demonstration Tuesday to protest the university senate's refusal to disclose citizenship statistics on York faculty and graduate students.

At a meeting last Thursday senators twice defeated motions to release the information, which was requested by the provincial

government's Committee on University Affairs.

CYSF at its meeting Tuesday night overwhelmingly endorsed a statement "On the Withholding of Information from the Canadian people by the Senate at York University" and called for a demonstration this Tuesday to back the statement.

The rally will take place 1 p.m. in

the central square, Ross building.

The council statement charged, "this refusal on the part of a body obviously influenced by Americans can be construed as the latest manifestation of American influence in Canada and apparently fails to take into account the growing public concern with Americanization."

"The senate, because it accepts the Ontario legislature as the legitimate voice of the residents of Ontario, has, in defying that government, defied the Canadian people."

Usually conservative council member Tim Delaney fully supported the statement and the demonstration.

"We came to York University, a Canadian university. We should be taught and instructed in the ways of life in this country. If we are going to have professors and graduate students who are alien to our culture, we aren't going to learn what we came here to learn. Canadian students going to Canadian universities will become assimilated into U.S. culture."

Randy Gouge another council member disagreed: "To a large extent information that's being taught is relatively static. It doesn't matter which side of the border it comes from. I think the statement is prejudicial."

Axelrod defended the charges that the council position is discriminatory by pointing to the

last part of the CYSF document which states:

"Our primary concern is with the future — the future of our country, the future of our university. Our goals are such that there is a place for everyone presently at York, Canadian and non-Canadian, who is willing to work with us in developing a Canadian university which seeks to critically analyse and find solutions to the major problems in Canada today."

The council statement also suggests "that courses of special study programmes be established for members of the York teaching staff who are unfamiliar with the Canadian context."

Senate refuses to release statistics

The university senate last Thursday defied the Ontario government and refused to release requested statistics on the citizenship and educational background of York faculty and graduate students.

The government had asked for data on the citizenship, country of first degree and country of last degree of all faculty and graduate students.

The senate, which is York's highest academic body, decided instead to send a statement to the CUA "setting forth senate's reasons for not submitting citizenship data."

The main reason given by senators for not releasing the information was that this type of information should remain private and confidential.

They also expressed concern about the way in which the statistics were collected and whether they would be accurate.

In a memorandum prepared for the meeting, the Council of the York Student Federation stated:

"It is necessary to be aware of how citizenship and educational training of professors and aspiring professors are related to what is actually being taught in the classroom."

CYSF president Paul Axelrod reminded the senate that the information was already compiled and could be used by some people but not others.

Axelrod also responded to senators' charges that the material would be used for political reasons.

"We are concerned about this country, the independence of this country, the self determination of this country. What we are asking this senate to concern itself with is what is taught in this university."

President David Slater spoke in favor of releasing the figures and when it became clear that senate would vote to withhold them he spoke strongly for grouping any category that contained less than three individuals with another category so that specific individuals could not be identified.

However, this compromise was also rejected by the senate.

A forum led by Mel Watkins and other members of the NDP's Waffle movement will discuss York University's role in the American empire in Winters college common room Monday at 1 p.m.

"The waffle is establishing campus caucuses across Canada to expand membership," a press release states.

Speakers will include Jack Warnock, an editor of CANADIAN DIMENSION MAGAZINE; York political scientist Ian Lumsden, editor of Close the 49th Parallel Etc.; and Andy Stanley, a student member of the Task Force on Canadian Education at York.

Workers oust U.S. union

By BRIAN MILNER

The American based Service Employees International Union was soundly rejected by York's cleaners, tradesmen, drivers and parking attendants in a vote counted Tuesday.

Only 62 of the 175 workers who voted Aug. 5 wanted the union retained.

The workers are now expected to join the Canadian Union of Public Employees which already holds contracts for the Toronto Board of Education, the Separate School Board, University of Waterloo and

many other major Canadian institutions.

Walter Zampolin, 29, an Osgoode cleaner led the fight to oust the Service Employees union.

May, Zampolin and 5 other angry workers took up the initial petition which began the procedure to remove the union.

Zampolin, then a shop steward, was replaced shortly afterwards "for conduct unbecoming a union member."

Under government regulations the American union now has 7 days to file an appeal, usually granted only in the case of an improper vote. Representatives of York, the union, militant workers and the labor department were present at the vote count.

"I was very satisfied with the vote," Zampolin said. "The cleaners brought the vote to us."

Night cleaners, like Zampolin, are among the most dissident on campus.

Support for the union appeared to come from the tradesmen and Glendon workers (about 60).

"Glendon didn't go very favorably with us," Zampolin said, "but the cleaning staff is fed up."

In about two weeks a meeting will be held to discuss new union representation. Even if the service union is decertified, 55 per cent of the voting membership must sign up with a new union for it to gain the York contract.

Last week, Don Barkley, SEIU business manager, identified that union as CUPE a strong Canadian based organization.

"It'll be a stronger union with better representation for the people," Zampolin, who would not comment further, said.

Last week, though, he did say "it'll be a hell of a fight if we win."

D.J. Mitchell, director of personnel and chief York administration negotiator, was unavailable for comment.