

A new subway for the new year?



When (at last) the new Spadina extension of the subway is completed, York might finally get something approaching reasonable transit service.

By Frank Giorno

York University commuters who had hoped to make use of the Spadina Subway line, which was to have opened on October 15, will have to wait until the new year to do so. Delays in construction have been caused by the nine week electrical workers strike this past summer. A revised opening date has not as yet been confirmed, but it appears that it will likely be early in January, according to Bill Hayward, of the TTC's public relations department.

The subway will follow a north-westerly route along the former Spadina expressway right of way. It will be linked to the Yonge-University line at the St. George station. Transfer to the Bloor - Danforth line will be possible at either the St. George or Spadina station.

Some stations along the line will

include Spadina and Bloor Street West, Dupont Avenue and Spadina Road, St. Clair Avenue just east of Bathurst Street, Lawrence Avenue and the Spadina Expressway, Yorkdale Plaza and Wilson Avenue and Wilson Heights Boulevard at the end of the Spadina Expressway.

In conjunction with the opening of the Spadina subway several new bus routes will be put into operation and will feed into the subway.

Of particular interest to the York community will be a route linking York and the Wilson subway station via Wilson Avenue, Keele Street, Grand Ravine Drive, and Sentinel Road.

Once on campus the bus will follow Fraser Drive, looping the campus and making eight stops.

Bus routes will travel along the route at five minute intervals during morning and evening rush hours; every

twenty minutes during the daytime, Monday to Saturday; and every thirty minutes in the evening, Monday to Saturday and all day Sunday.

The bus routes currently serving York on Steeles and Finch Avenues and Jane Street will remain the same. A minor change on the Keele Street route will have service extended to the industrial complex east of the university during rush hours.

The transit realignment will undoubtedly mean that many commuters will forsake the old standby routes on Keele and Steeles for the quicker subway.

It is likely that the new subway will also have an effect on the housing pattern of York students. More students may settle along the subway and in the downtown area, and escape the drabness of Downsview.

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Sudden decrease in budget

A million-dollar cutting job

By Agnes Kruchio

As much as a million dollars will have to be cut from non-salary areas of the university budget so that essential programmes can be maintained, a recent meeting of York's Board of Governors has been told.

A sudden decrease of the university budget came as a result of a drop in student enrolment and a last-minute decision by the provincial government to withhold money from York, George Bell, executive vice-president in charge of finances, told the board.

Moreover, said Bell, the university had only budgeted for a seven per cent salary increase for staff and faculty, but at least two of York's six unions (The York University Staff Association, YUSA, and the graduate Assistants' Association, GAA) have already demonstrated they were not satisfied with the university's offer and are now in the process of conciliation.

A special grant of some \$191,000 slated for the Faculty of Education, was withheld by the government in late August. The Faculty of Education, established in 1971, has been receiving a special grant as a "new and developing faculty" from the ministry of colleges and universities.

While students are still being registered, said Bell, this year's student enrolment is down by some 300-500 students. Since the University's major income is from government grants and student fees, a drop in enrolment means the university gets less money in fees this year, and less money in government grants in later years.

A drop in enrolment of 500 students means that York is out by more than \$380,000. Along with the withheld grant, this results in a \$571,000 deficit. York's total budget for this academic year is just over \$71 million.

In a statement in a new administrative newsletter called *York Reports*, Bell stated: "The 1977-78 budget is very tight.... to ensure the University's ability to meet its financial undertakings to all groups within a balanced budget... requires embargoing approximately \$1 million."

By naming a \$1 million figure, the university expects 'extra' salary increases to be taken care of by some \$400,000.

Since the sum the university originally set aside for an average 7 per cent salary increase is \$3 million, an additional \$429,000 will

probably not allow for much on top of that.

When questioned whether any people would be fired as a result of the million-dollar embargo, President Ian Macdonald said in an interview earlier this week, "We've never contemplated that."

Nevertheless he refused to outline the areas to be cut, saying "You really should talk to our financial people." When questioned by *Excalibur* whether programmes would have to be trimmed, he said, "That is what we are talking to the deans about right now."

He did, however confirm that the cuts would essentially be in "non-people" areas, such as equipment duplicating and heat. Vice-president Bell, in charge of finance, could not be reached for comment.

Deans of the various faculties were told about the cuts only on Monday, and at press time few had any real idea what these cuts would mean for their faculty.

O.R. Lundell, Dean of the faculty of science, said, "I haven't had a chance to go through them. But", he said, he still had "some questions about the nature of the cuts to be

made. In the faculty of science, which spends a relatively large portion of its budget on equipment, a cut in funds for equipment could be serious.

"A whole series of budget categories have been reduced by 10-15 per cent," said Dean W.B.S. Crowston, of Administrative Studies. While he did not think these cuts would affect teaching this year, other measures, such as a hiring freeze recently imposed by the university, might.

"Some faculties will simply have fewer people".

Principal David McQueen of Glendon College said he did not yet know how the budget cut and the hiring freeze will affect Glendon. "When you have a hiring freeze, you can't tell what it means until it has been operating for a while."

Roger Schwass, Dean of Environmental Studies, commented in a more sombre tone. "The cuts will be tough, and we will absorb everything we can, but in the private sector, where I come from, things are much tougher than in the universities."

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Radio manager quits, Staff control an issue

By Scott Clayton

Richard Gould's resignation as station manager of Radio York (CKRY) on Monday ended a term in office in which he managed the station with virtually no checks on his power to control its functions.

He cited academic reasons for his resignation, but had admitted earlier it was his belief that if in the future, the station took on a democratic form, then operations would break down and he would feel obliged to resign.

Gould has recommended that Giulio Malfatti, the assistant manager he appointed, assume the position of station manager.

Inquiries by *Excalibur* into the internal structure of the station, and resultant pressure from CYSF (Council of the York Student Federation) President Paul Hayden, expedited his decision.

Hayden said last week he would not allow a student-funded organization on campus, which receives as much of the students' money as Radio York does, to operate without student and staff participation in its decision-making

process.

At the present time, there is no internal constitution for the radio station that allows the staff of CKRY to vote on decisions and policy within the station.

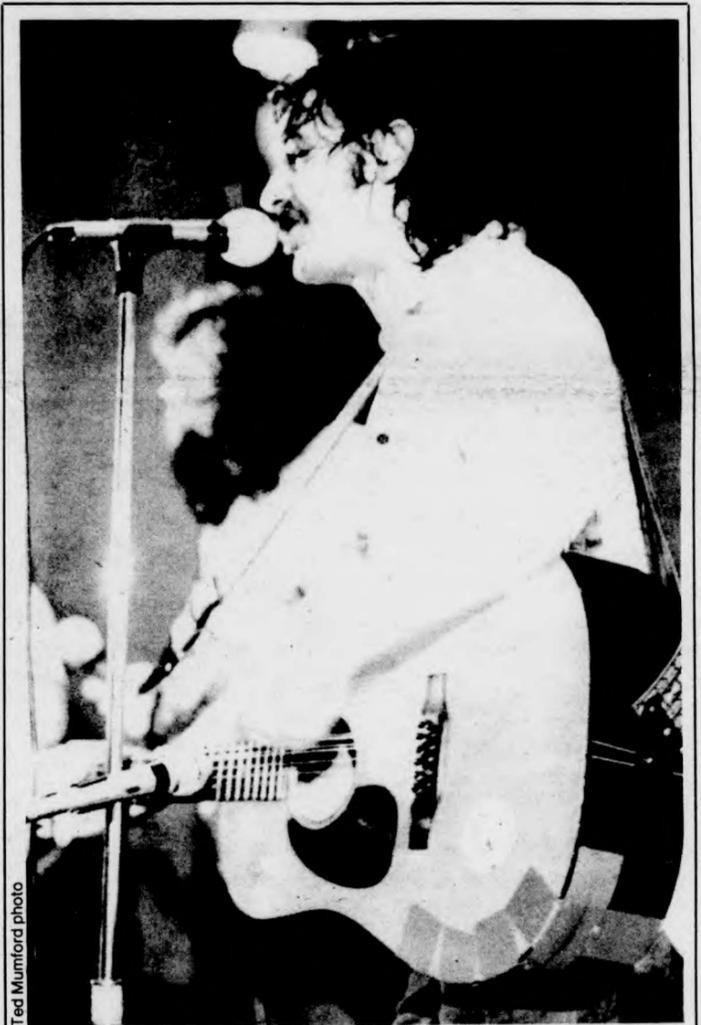
Gould was allowed to manage in this fashion by the constitution of Sept. 13, 1976, which provides for checks on his power, but was never activated. In fact, its existence was forgotten by all concerned.

The constitution was drawn-up by Richard Gould, in consultation with York assistant vice-president John Becker and former CYSF Vice-President Evan Leibovitch, in the summer of 1976 and ratified by CYSF in Sept. 1976.

The constitution provides for the setting-up of a Radio York Board of Directors, which oversees the operation of the station and is composed of members of the CYSF and Radio York.

The responsibility for calling the Board of Directors is in the hands of CYSF Vice-President of student services and communications, who is chairman of the board.

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Ted Mumford photo

Guess who showed up at Founders dining hall Saturday night? That's right — Burton Cummings. His impromptu appearance at York's oldest eatery during a performance of the bawdy duo Maclean & Maclean (ex-roommates of Cummings), provided York with one of the most electrifying happenings in recent memory. More on Burton's coming on page 19.

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Rape. An ugly crime, much in the news recently, and much misunderstood. Gillean Chase, public educator of the Rape Crisis Centre gives her views — page 11

Did you know that on Saturday almost 9,000 people descended on our neighbours at Pioneer Festival, and *Excalibur's* Ted Mumford was there — page 12.

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And on our back pages, *Excalibur's* sports department looks at self-defense at York, our Italian hockey connection and (you guessed it) another Yeomen football defeat — pages 23 and 24.

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