

## Vanier Council, Experiment in Community Government

No president, no executive, and no constitution, but a hard core of dedicated people experimenting with a radically new system of government: that's Vanier Council.

A proposed constitution exists and may become official sometime next year after the council feels confident that the idea is workable.

If this constitution is passed, Vanier will be unique in the field of college government. For instance, all employees of the university working in the college will be considered members of Vanier and may be asked to pay fees along with students and faculty.

The council itself will include two elected senior fellows and two elected faculty members. There will only be two elected officers, namely a chairman and a treasurer.

Work, normally done by executives, will be carried out by committees of college members (students, faculty and staff). A council member will sit on each committee, but not necessarily chair it.

These ideas were formulated last spring under the leadership of Dr. Fowle, Master of Vanier College. He and the students in the group envisioned a closely knit community of students and faculty, working together on a wide range of college activities.

To date, optimism is high and everyone seems very satisfied. Carol Younge, co-chairman of the Orientation and Social Committee, said she was pleased with the first two weeks of actual operating conditions.

"First Rate!", was Dr. Fowle's comment.

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## Uniforms on Campus

It's definite--there will be uniforms at York this year. But not for everyone. Only seven students will be wearing them, and they'll be members of the RCAF University Reserve, attached to the University of Toronto Squadron. It appears that a York Squadron will not be formed until at least next year, when the integrated Force, The Company of Armed Canadians, may be able to afford it.

Last year, very few people knew about the two summer training sessions in the Canadian Forces that were being offered to university students. I can remember my faculty advisor saying quite proudly, "We have NO military plans at York".

Even the Registrar's office knew of no opportunity for students from York in the University Reserve Training Plan (URTP). But Gary Woodill (Vanier II), and I managed to join the U. of T. Squadron, and spent this summer in training at Centralia.

The benefits of the plan were obvious to us: valuable and varied training (Where else could you fly a plane, shoot a 9 mm pistol and suffer a tear gas attack in one week?); \$250 a month for four months each summer; plus free room and board, medical and dental care, and recreational facilities; Officers' Mess privileges; free aeroplane rides to any base in Canada (or overseas); and two complete uniforms. And, unlike ROTP, no obligation to remain in the Service if civilian life beckons.

But there's a fear of uniforms around York. The faculty--at least

those I've talked to--is obsessed with the supposed menace of military mania.

York is notable among fellow universities for the individualism it encourages. The idea of disciplined mass action is abhorrent to the faculty and many of the students. It stifles creativity and arrests freedom, they say. H. G. Wells expressed this belief in *The Outline of History*: "The professional military mind is by necessity an inferior and unimaginative mind; no man of high intellectual quality would willingly imprison his gifts in such a calling."

Yet, among my Reserve instructors this summer, we had a man who was a Dalhousie Law professor, another who was a University of Toronto Philosophy professor, one who taught political science at Carleton, and others who were English and History professors. My instructors in the Supply Course (Regular Force) had M.A.'s; all Officer-instructors were university graduates, and their actions further testified to their acumen and initiative. And do not forget that our able Chancellor at York--The University of Individualists--is a retired Chief of the Air Staff.

To those Seven who bear the whips and scorn of outrageous dissent, who believe that medals are the better part of valor, and who defy cries of "Peddle your paranoia elsewhere", I repeat the words of heroic General Isaac Brock to his Regiment at Queenston Heights: "Push on, brave York Volunteers!"

Every Sunday  
at York

For years, many groups have tried to arrange a varied and economical fine arts programme in Toronto. The prime example of this is the O'Keefe Centre subscription series which has become, rather, a series of excellent musical comedies. But York University has been successful in arranging such a programme in the "Every Sunday at York" series.

This set of 24 films, plays and concerts is offered to students for fifteen dollars. The programme features the probable Canadian premiere of "The Brig", a concert by the Young Canadian Opera star, Jeanette Zarou, the National theatre school and much more.

Don McKay

EXCALIBUR SUGGESTS:

FILMS:

'Morgan': The New Yorker Cinema features this bizarre comedy. Novel and entertaining.

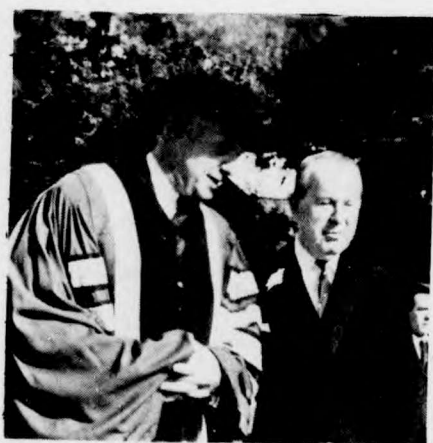
'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof' and 'Butterfield 8': The Imperial theatre has revived these two Liz Taylor classics by Tennessee Williams and John O'Hara. Both movies are examples of early cinematic realism.

'Virginia Woolf': If you wish, wait through line-ups for through line-ups for three hours of depressing battles in a faculty home.

MUSIC:

'The Canadian Opera Company': If you can afford it, catch at least one performance of this highly skilled group.

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"End Middle Class Domination" read one of the posters at the official opening of Glendon College last Friday.

A small group of dissatisfied students waved placards outside the dining hall while Prime Minister Pearson spoke to an audience of staff and students.

The major complaints were government stoppage of 10,000 \$1,000 scholarships and the unpopular provincial Student Aid Plan.

Protest was further in the form of a petition signed by 550 members of the faculty and student body that Principal Reid presented to Mr. Pearson.

## Taking Count

Sept. 27; York Campus now has 1326 undergraduate students registered for day classes. 237 of these are resident students in Founders College, and 68 are registered as residents of Vanier College, temporarily living at Glendon Campus prior to completion of Vanier Residences. Overall enrolment of Founders College is 747, and Vanier College is 560.

Atkinson College for mature students (over 23) has 2509 students registered in night classes at York University.

Glendon Campus, with 1066 students, brings the total undergraduate enrolment of York to 2392 students at this time. There are several students involved in post-graduate work at York this year.

Staff

## Pearson at Glendon



Students Protest S.A.P. and Cancellation of Federal Scholarships

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Richard Schultz (lt.) and/or Pres. Ross (rt.).

"I still say he's a lousy prime minister!"

The rumoured boycott or walk-out of a student held for the P.M. dinner did not materialize; in fact, there was little sign of a protest after the afternoon speeches.

Richard Schultz, Glendon's Vice-President, thanked the Prime Minister for attending. However, he said at a council meeting earlier in the week that Mr. Pearson "is a lousy Prime Minister"