

Colleges weakened by centralization

Task force report supports college system

By KIM LLEWELLYN

The York task force on the college flush system has proposed that the colleges be given distinct academic identities and functions, in a report to be submitted to the presidential commission on goals and objectives January 31.

The college system report was one of four task force reports assigned by the President's Commission on Goals and Objectives for the university.

Its purpose was to study the colleges and to make recommendations on the future development on the college system at York.

The report states that the

academic functions for the colleges is the assignment of responsibility for all general education courses to the seven full-time colleges, the general education requirements should be extended to all undergraduate years, and clear academic differentiation should be made between the colleges.

It rejected abolition of the colleges on the grounds that colleges provide useful services to the community and the financial upkeep of the colleges is confined to the buildings primarily as opposed to the college system.

The report also inferred that the situation requires change rather than leaving it in its present state,

on the grounds that lack of change leads to stagnation.

It stated that previous proposals of "tinkering" with the system were ignored and thus will not be suggested again.

The second major proposal in the report was that "the colleges house programmes according to their chosen or appointed interests". In keeping with this suggestion it stated the colleges should be responsible for mounting courses according to these interests, and classes be held, as far as possible, in the appropriate college building.

It's major complaint was the college system function of decentralization is made weak by

overpowering centralization forces. It numbers centralized administration, control over finances control over the academic departments and programmes, and the centralized positions of the library, computer centre Physical Plant operations, food services among these forces.

The task force report recognized, however, that the colleges have contributed significantly to York's social, cultural, and intellectual life in organizing symposia, conferences, and other functions and have brought outstanding public figures to the university campus.

The report stated "The Task Force is sensitive to the energy and

commitment and selflessness which generally marks the history of student governments at York, and wishes to make no recommendation which would seem to threaten the autonomy and variety of student governments".

Specific recommendations in the report included:

- Calumet College be adequately financed for at least a three - year period in order to develop its relationship with Atkinson College in pursuing a creative role vis-a-vis the mature student.

- A College Assignment Office be created to cease the practise of students belonging to a college on arbitrary grounds.

CYSF president and executive to join Toronto Liberal party

By ANNA VAITIEKUNAS

CYSF president Barry Edson and at least four of his student council members are expected to appear as Liberal delegates at the Toronto District Liberal convention this weekend.

Edson, who ran as an NDP candidate last March in the CYSF general elections, decided to join the Liberal party when he began to "disagree with the ideological sentiments of the NDP".

He told Excalibur however that he doesn't want to commit himself to the Liberal Party forever.

"I want to stay in the party to watch it for a year so that after that

time, I can re-evaluate the NDP party."

The four council members expected to attend the convention are McLaughlin representative Brad Clarida and three executive council members: Peter Donkers; Jon Wheatcroft and Paul Hayden.

Sources close to the president earlier this week, said that Edson planned to run for vice-president of the Armourdale Liberal riding association.

But Edson said Tuesday that he had no intention of running for a post in the party.

When asked if his membership with the Liberals will change his political position on recent tuition

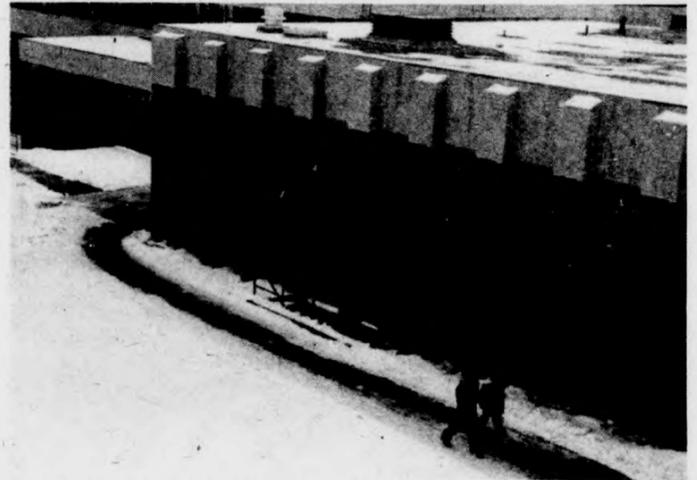
fee increases he said, "I have never been in favour of removing tuition fees and although the NDP has the policy on its books, it would surely be a low priority with an NDP government. Furthermore, the NDP has done nothing to challenge the tuition increases on the floor of the legislature".

He added that his political philosophy has not changed at all since he joined the Liberal party.

"Philosophically I still consider myself to be a left of centre Liberal and I am still opposed to tuition increase as is the Liberal party."

Edson paid \$3.50 to join the Liberal party.

EXCALIBUR CONTEST



Here is the second photo of the Excalibur contest. First prize is twelve recent albums of your choice from the Capitol-Arista-Chrysalis catalog. Further details appeared in last week's Excalibur, and back issues can be obtained at the Excalibur office.

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PROGRAM

Sunday, January 30, 1977
8:00 p.m.

Ross Building, Room 869

Film: "Mein Kampf" (2 hours)
A Swedish-made documentary, including materials from the Goebbels Archives and other sources.

Tuesday, February 1, 1977
11:00 a.m.

Ross Building, Room 869

Films: "The Holocaust" (28 min.)
Presents historical background, rise of Nazism and different types of resistance.

"Night and Fog" (31 min.)
One of the most powerful films on the world of the concentration camps.

"Camps of the Dead" (15 min.)
Authentic shots of the liberation of several concentration camps.

"Memorandum" (58 min.)
A film memorial to the victims of Nazi oppression on the twentieth anniversary of their liberation.

8:00 p.m.

Panel on Life and Resistance during the Holocaust.

Speaker: J. B. Salsberg
Panelists: Hava Kwinta, Survivor of Groben Grosrosen
Sabina Citron, Survivor of Auschwitz
Rena Niedzwiecki, Survivor of Warsaw Ghetto uprising
Hyman Gelbard, Survivor of Auschwitz

Wednesday, February 2, 1977
1:00 p.m.

Ross Building, Curtis Hall K
Speaker: Alan Gould
Topic: Literature of the Holocaust
Ross Building, Curtis Hall L

8:00 p.m.

Films: "Hangman" (18 min.)
An animated parable based on a poem by Maurice Ogden on a town's response to social evil.

Thursday, February 3, 1977
1:00 p.m.

Ross Building, Curtis Hall A

Seminar: Prof. Henry L. Feingold
Topic: North American Jewry, Roosevelt and Holocaust
Ross Building, Curtis Hall I

Film: "Night and Gof" (31 min.)
One of the most powerful films on the world of the concentration camps.

Lecture: Prof. Henry L. Feingold
Topic: North American Jewry, Roosevelt and the Holocaust

Sunday, February 6, 1977
8:00 p.m.

Ross Building, Room 869

Films: "From the Ashes" (27 min.)
A television interview with Elie Wiesel reveals his philosophy which evolved in large part from horrors he faced as a boy, who survived Nazi slave labor.

"Garden of the Finzi-Contini" (1 1/2 hrs.)
Depicts the story of two Jewish families during the Fascist era in Italy.

1) **Continuous Exhibits**
Pictorial exhibit on the Holocaust and the Resistance Ross S167.
Display of Holocaust - related books, Scott library. Special sale of books on the Holocaust - York Bookstore.

2) **Free admission to all Holocaust Remembrance Week programs.**

3) **All events take place in the Ross Building Complex, York University, 4700 Keele St., Downsview.**

4) **We wish to express our appreciation to the Council of York Student Federation, and the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of the Toronto Jewish Congress for their assistance.**

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