

Letters To The Editor

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Centrespread strains council president's credulity

I am rarely surprised by what turns up in print in Excalibur, but your story on CYSF two issues ago strains even my credulity.

I therefore wish to draw to your attention for the benefit of your readership several errors, some of

which I specifically answered for Mr. Ross, and some of which I was not questioned about.

It was the council as a whole which sent Brian Green to a conference in Vancouver; the members of my executive, and I, did not send

him; in fact I voted against sending him, Mr. Kapusta, or anyone else — including myself!!

I did not organize a committee for the purpose "of investigating student government at York"; my council did. The committee is in-

operative because the other members, one of whom introduced the original motion to set up the committee, are no longer on council or at York. I don't presume to be a committee of one.

The \$3,000 Winter Carnival deficit that you reported erroneously, was not discussed with either me or the business manager. Had Mr. Ross taken the trouble to research that figure, he would have found that the deficit was \$30,000. He would also have found out that there was no Winter Carnival last year, organized by CYSF, and in fact the debt which was in question was an inheritance from three years ago.

The by-elections could not have been held earlier, because they are constitutionally set for the council in its by-laws.

The \$2,400 budget for academic affairs has not remained idle since Mr. Burzotta's resignation; in fact over \$1,500 of it has already been allocated. The one thing that has not been prepared is the course evaluation.

Mike Hennessey does not attend food service committee meetings as a representative of CYSF; he is there as a representative of the Legal and Literary Society of Osgoode Hall.

CYSF does maintain liaison with community colleges all across Canada. I made that clear to Mr. Ross in a conversation preceding the article.

Let me deal with your next two ar-

ticles briefly. To interview your own staff members, Kellogg and Graham, as "council backbenchers" seems a bit ludicrous. Of the more than 20 other non-executive council members, I think you could probably find two willing to speak to your reporter. Or perhaps it was late Tuesday night and Kellogg and Graham just happened to be sitting in the office?

Re: constitutional amendments: The constitution is, as usual, being revised, and anyone who is seriously interested is welcome to see me at their convenience.

I will be happy to provide Excalibur with factual material for any stories they wish to research in the future.

Anne Scotton
President, CYSF

Oakland Ross replies.

The \$3,000 Winter Carnival deficit was a figure provided by CYSF vice-president Bill Osma.

Scotton claims the CYSF by-elections could not have been held earlier than they were because they are constitutionally set. Actually, the elections had been scheduled to be held earlier, but were delayed for lack of nominations.

CYSF may, indeed, maintain liaison with community colleges. However, Ted Kapusta, the vice-president responsible for that liaison, does not maintain it.

Opinion

York Party has best approach

By DOUG TINDAL

Of the 10 candidates seeking the office of CYSF president, only two have presented platforms which entitle them to serious consideration: Dale Ritch, representing the United Left Slate, and Paul Higeli, representing the York Party.

The York Party and the ULS make similar statements on a number of issues. Both see cutbacks in university and student funding as crucial areas of concern in the coming year.

Both promise increased support to campus clubs and social activities.

Neither proposes any changes to the structure of CYSF.

But their points of view are strikingly contrasted when they define their terms of reference.

Whereas the ULS defines itself as a socialist party, the York Party specifically shuns any specific political affiliation, on the grounds that CYSF should not represent one political viewpoint, but should attempt to further the interests of all

the students on campus, who comprise a wide variety of political viewpoints.

The ULS devotes a significant percentage of its platform statement to a denunciation of Canada's immigration laws, which it considers racist.

The York Party maintains that the resources of students should not be devoted to fighting these laws.

"There are organizations who are concerned with immigration laws, and this is a good thing," said Higeli.

"But our primary responsibility is to concern ourselves with issues that directly affect the students at York. We must enter serious negotiations with the provincial government — not outright demands, but negotiations — to ensure that the quality of education at York does not suffer.

"We are concerned as well with the funding of the clubs on campus, with the quality of food, with the inaccessibility of York by public trans-

port.

"It would be a waste of our time and our financial resources to organize a march on the federal parliament buildings to protest immigration laws, but we can achieve very real results by marching upstairs to present the students' point of view (on these other issues) to the administration."

Higeli is right.

While I agree with the stand taken by the ULS on most issues, I believe that the more basic — albeit more limited — position of the York Party is the one most likely to achieve the most results.

The ULS has made a most valuable contribution to the politics of this campus, but it presumes too much when it suggests that federal policies unrelated to education should be a major concern of CYSF.

The approach of the York Party, concerned with putting our own house in order first, is the best.

On Campus

Events for On Campus should be sent to Department of Information and Publications, S802 Ross. Deadline is Monday, 12 noon.

SPECIAL LECTURES

Thursday, 10 a.m. - COMMUNICATIONS CANADA 2000 - THE 1974-75 GERSTEIN LECTURES will be held in the Burton Auditorium as follows: 10 a.m. - Pierre Juneau, Chairman of the Canadian Radio-Television Commission; 11:30 a.m. - Gordon B. Thompson of Communications Studies, Bell-Northern Research; 1:30 p.m. - H. Marshall McLuhan, Director of the Centre for Culture and Technology at the University of Toronto; 2:30 p.m. - Davidson Dunton, Director of the Institute of Canadian Studies at Carleton University; 4 p.m. - A panel discussion in which the audience is invited to participate.

11 a.m. - Guest Speaker (English) Dr. Milton R. Stern will discuss Fitzgerald's "Tender is the Night" - 227, York Hall, Glendon.

1 p.m. - Conference - The North of Canada - Topic for today "The People and Politics of the North" - all events will be held in the Junior Common Room, Winters College - Schedule of events are as follows: - "General Introduction to Political Environment" with Peter Cummings, College Fellow; 2:30 p.m. - "Northern Development and Government Policy" with Dr. Harry Woodward, director of Oil and Mineral Branch, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, and Mr. Cy Fairholm, Associate director, Office of Native Claims Negotiations; 4 p.m. - Native Claims Panel - panel to include: Mr. Tagak Curley, director of Land Claims Project, Innu, and Kristine Siciachowitz, consultant to the Canadian Association of Native Peoples; 5 p.m. - "Innovations in the North" - demonstration of the MacKenzie River Railway as an alternative to the Pipeline; 6:30 p.m. - Dinner - Guest speaker representing the Honourable Judd Buchanan, will talk on "Northern Resource and Canadian Government" - admission \$3 per person - Masters Dining Room, Winters.

1:30 p.m. - Film/Lecture - Kim Ondaatje will give an illustrated talk and show her film on "Patchwork Quilts" - admission is free - Glendon Gallery.

3:30 p.m. - Lecture (Mathematics) Professor Rene Thom, I.H.E.S. Paris, will speak on "Elementary Catastrophe Theory" - refreshments to follow - S167, Ross.

4 p.m. - Visiting Speaker (English) Dr. Milton Stern, University of Connecticut will give a lecture on "Melville's Literary Politics" - S869 (Faculty Lounge), Ross.

7 p.m. - Symposium (Cultural Committee, Stong) New Scientific Research on the Capacity of the Human Mind - all events will be held in the Junior Common Room, Stong College and are scheduled as follows: 7 p.m. - Mr. Ashley Deans will discuss the "Latest Scientific Research on Transcendental Meditation"; 8 p.m. - Mr. Bill Scott will lecture on "Biofeedback" 9 p.m. - Dr. George Owens will speak on "The Psychology of Psychokinesis".

7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - E.G.O. - Communications and Interpersonal Relationships (Centre for Continuing Education) "Way of Loving" by John A. Lee - general admission \$6, students \$4 - 107, Stedman.

8 p.m. - Lecture - on Eckankar, the ancient science of soul travel - S128 Ross.

8 p.m. - Lecture (Philosophy) Robert J. Bunn, University of British Columbia will give a lecture on "Quantitative Relations Between Infinite Sets" - S869 (Faculty Lounge), Ross.

8 p.m. - Film/Lecture - See listing at 1:30 p.m.

Friday, 2 p.m. - Lecture (Faculty of Fine Arts) "Canadian Law of Copyright" with Mr. Garth Drabinsky - lecture will include a discussion on foreign copyright law as applicable to the Canadian Producer - Moot Court, Osgoode

7 p.m. - Symposium (Cultural Committee, Stong) New Scientific Research on the Capacity of the Human Mind (See Thursday's listing at 7 p.m.)

7 p.m. - Guest Speaker - Dr. Howard Eisenberg will speak on "Parapsychology as Viewed by a Scientist and Psychonaut" - discussion period will follow - Junior Common Room, Stong

Tuesday, 12 noon - York Poetry Series (English, Humanities, Faculty of Fine Arts) with Mike Doyle - Faculty Lounge (S872), Ross

3 p.m. - Seminar (Program in Transportation) Mr. Douglas Bland, General Sales Manager for Alcan Wire and Cable Division, will discuss "The LRC Project: A Next Generation Passenger Train" - Faculty Lounge (S872), Ross

8 p.m. - 10 p.m. - E.G.O. - Parapsychology and Frontiers of the Mind (Centre for Continuing Education) "Explanatory Theories of Parapsychological Phenomena", by Dr. Howard Eisenberg - general admission \$5; students \$3.50 - D, Stedman

Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. - Seminar (Chemistry) Dr. Angela A. Lamola, of Bell Telephone Laboratories will give a talk - 317, Petrie

FILMS, ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday, 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Film (Humanities 376) "Pickwick Papers" - I, Curtis

8 p.m. - Dance (Vanier College Council) - open to members of Vanier College - tickets \$1.50, available in Room 260, Vanier College - Residence Common Room, Vanier

Saturday 8 p.m. - Film - "Gone with the Wind" starring Clark Gable and Vivian Leigh - general admission \$1.50; Bethune students \$1.25 - L, Curtis

9 p.m. - 1 a.m. - Dance (Winters) "An Evening of the Big Band Sound" featuring Jimmy MacDonald and orchestra - tickets \$7.50 - Winters Dining Hall

9 p.m. - Entertainment - An evening of Hebrew folklore with Susie Paul and Shlomo (of Acladot) - no admission charge - licensed - Founders

Sunday, 8 p.m. - Film - See Saturday's listing at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Japanese Films (Humanities, Social Science 390) "Ikiru" - L, Curtis

4 p.m. - 5:55 p.m. - Films (Humanities 179B) "Beauty Knows No Pain" and "The Story of the Serials" - I, Curtis

7 p.m. - Japanese Films (Calumet) "Ikiru" - I, Curtis

8 p.m. - Concert (Music) the Voice Studio of Henriette Asch: Purcell's "Fairy Queen" - F, Curtis

Wednesday, 1 p.m. - Film - San Giovanni Decollato by A. Palermo - no admission charged - N203, Ross

4 p.m. - 6 p.m. - Concert (Music) featuring the York Winds - F, Curtis

8 p.m. - Concert (Music) viol consort with Peggie Sampson - Senior Common Room, Winters

CLUBS, MEETINGS

Thursday, 4 p.m. - Special Meeting - Council of the Faculty of Arts - E, Curtis

5:15 p.m. - Meeting (Chemistry) a demonstration of "Flowing Afterglow Apparatus" will precede the meeting - 315, Petrie

Monday, 7:30 p.m. - York Bridge Club - Vanier Dining Hall
Wednesday, 4 p.m. - Christian Science Organization - S501, Ross

SPORTS, RECREATION

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. - British Sub Aqua - 110, Curtis

MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday, 5 p.m. - Roman Catholic Mass - 104, 8 Assiniboine Road

6:30 p.m. - Women's Self-Help Clinic - 214, Vanier Residence

8 p.m. - York Baha'i Club - informal discussion on Baha'i Faith - N501 Ross

Sunday, 7:30 p.m. - Roman Catholic Mass - 107, Stedman
Tuesday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Christian Counselling & Religious Consultation - for appointment call Chaplain Judt at 661-5157 or 633-2158

5:30 p.m. - Student Served Dinners - each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Winters Dining Hall

7:30 p.m. - Lenten Conference, 1975 (York Roman Catholic Community) "Life in Christ: The Demands of Jesus" by Fr. Ray Corriveau, Professor of Moral Theology, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto (note: this is the last lecture in the series) - Graduate Students Lounge (S783), Ross

Wednesday, 12 noon - 2 p.m. - Women's Self-Help Clinic - 214, Vanier Residence

8 p.m. - Lecture (Philosophy) Abraham Rotstein, University of Toronto will be on hand to discuss Hegel, Christianity and Marxism - Senior Common Room, Glendon

COFFEE HOUSES, PUBS

For days and hours open, please call the individual coffee houses:

- Absinthe Coffee House - 013, Winters (2439)
- Ainger Coffee Shop - Atkinson College (3344)
- Argh Coffee Shop - 051, McLaughlin (3506)
- Comeback Inn - Common Room, 1st Floor, Atkinson (2489)
- Cock & Bull Coffee Shop - 023, Founders (3667)
- Just Another Coffee Shop - 112, Bethune (6420)
- Open End Coffee Shop - 004, Vanier (6386)
- Orange Snail Coffee Shop - 107, Stong (3587)
- Osgoode Pub - JCR, Osgoode (3019)
- Normans - 206, Bethune