



University basketball fans show their serious side as the York Yeomen defeated the U of T Blues in a double-header on Tuesday. See story on page 17.

Study on grads' job placement overoptimistic

By ROGER NEWLOVE

York officials have cast a wary eye on the high rate of employment for university graduates presented in a survey recently released by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities.

The survey, conducted by Ontario university students who graduated in the spring of 1982, lists a rate of employment of more than 88 percent, with 71 percent working full-time and 17 part-time.

York Associate Professor of Sociology Paul Anisef was contracted by York to coordinate a statistical analysis of the data contained in the survey. "There is a major problem with the survey," said Anisef. "Although it is a completely done analysis, it would have been more valuable if it included a breakdown between the levels of graduation," said Anisef.

Anisef pointed out that the levels of employment varied markedly between students who graduated at the primary level of post-secondary education (Bachelor's of Arts or Science) and those who complete a degree in the more specialized graduate-professional level, such as law school and the M.B.A. program.

He said that the data must be further broken down to consider the contrasting levels of employment between students who graduate from the various programs of study.

"It's misleading if you don't subdivide groups into enough variables to make a thorough analysis," Anisef said.

Betty Sands, of the Ministry of Education University Relations Branch, said the Ministry contracted a Hamilton company, Social Data Research Ltd., to conduct the survey. She said a questionnaire was given to approximately 35,000 spring graduates of 1982 about one year after graduating.

"We were very pleased with the response rate, which was roughly 58 percent, as a 10 percent rate is usually the norm for similar surveys," Sands said. She said more precise figures or breakdowns were not available at this time. "The major findings will be released around March in a 300-page report which will be much more detailed."

Sands said a similar survey was conducted of 1979 graduates and a comparison shows a higher unemployment rate in the 1982 survey—5.9 percent in 1979 compared with 11.2 percent in 1983.

However, she points out that there were some dissimilarities in the methods used in the

Students to pay for new posts

Unfair for students to pay says CYSF president Chris Summerhayes

By LAURA LUSH

A 6.7 percent hike in residence fees is the price students will have to pay for two newly-created Housing and Services positions, according to CYSF President Chris Summerhayes. The two positions are aimed at improving services for York's 13 residences and student apartments.

Summerhayes expressed concerns that money normally taken from the University will now be charged to students and questioned the necessity of these positions. "It's not fair to force the students to pay," said Summerhayes.

The two new positions, a full-time fire marshal and a supervisor for Residence Operations, were created as a result of several meetings held by the Residence Budget Subcommittee late last fall. At the request of the Masters' Residence Committee, a recommendation statement asking for more services was given to the Residence Budget Committee.

Norman Crandles, Housing and Food Services and chairman of the Residence Budget Committee, said that decisions to improve housing services were made "several months ago and it was not a matter of budget, but

rather an administration matter." Crandles said the new positions will only create a .5 percent budget increase, making the increases "almost negligible." Savings of up to \$100,000 are expected when these services are extended, he said.

A need for increased services in fire inspection due to new fire codes and to ensure "more visible protection" demanded the position of an "exclusive fire marshal for the 13 residences and apartments," said Crandles. A full-time fire marshal would mean the "best possible fire protection in higher risk areas," and more frequent equipment checks, added Crandles.

Previously, Safety and Security Services provided "low costs for a long time without extra service charges," said E.C. Richards of Safety and Security Services. Because there has been a request to extend the services of this department by the Committee, funding must be provided above what the university budget allots for. The university and residence apartments are required to be self-supporting, added Richards.

The supervisor for Residence Operations will act as a "front-line link between the 13 buildings," said Crandles. At present, each building has a superintendent or porter who is responsible for the daily working needs and maintenance. The new supervisor position will enable the present assistant operations manager to adhere more to his administrative duties, according to Crandles.

The positions will be reviewed after one year.

Prof wins prestigious award

By LINDA JANASZ and GRAHAM THOMPSON

A York Biology professor is the first Canadian to receive the internationally prestigious Research Award given by the Environmental Mutagen Society of North America (EMSNA).

Robert Haynes, a founding member of York's biology department in 1968, had the award "conferred in recognition of (his) outstanding research contribution in the area of environmental mutagenesis and carcinogenesis," states a letter to Haynes from EMSNA officials.

Haynes will travel to Montreal February 20 to receive the award and a prize of \$500 that goes with it.

Haynes' research was aimed at improving the detection and measurement of chemicals

in the environment.

The EMSNA boasts 11,000 members worldwide and leads the way internationally in fostering research designed to uncover the "mechanisms by which genes are affected by exposure to chemicals and radiation," said Haynes.

Past winners include scientists from the U.S., Holland, Great Britain, and Japan.

Haynes has pursued his research for the past 22 years at the University of Western Ontario in London and the University of California at Berkeley before coming to York in 1968.

Concerning the award, Haynes said "like any other prize it's always nice to be recognized by your fellow workers. I am very pleased."

Rent increase recommended

By ANDREW ZARNETT

The York Residence Budget Committee has recommended an 8.21 percent increase in residence and student apartment rents for the 1984-85 school year.

The recommendation, which comes after numerous meetings spanning several months has been submitted to vice-president (External Relations and University Development) Dr. George Bell for his approval, along with a number of other recommendations.

Originally, the committee was looking at an 8.84 percent increase but the figure was reduced after the committee sent the Glendon budget back for revision because "it didn't look right," according to Anna Esposito, chairperson of the York University Tenants' Association (YUTA).

Another recommendation made by the committee was that the university adopt a uniform definition of a capital expenditure. "We were having a problem in the committee deciding which expenditures were capital and which expenditures were operating," said Esposito. "Mattresses were placed under 'operating,' but since they are used for 10 to 15 years we thought they should be under 'capital,'" she said. According to Esposito, if Bell agrees, it's possible the rent increase would further be reduced to about seven percent.

Among the committee's other recommendations:

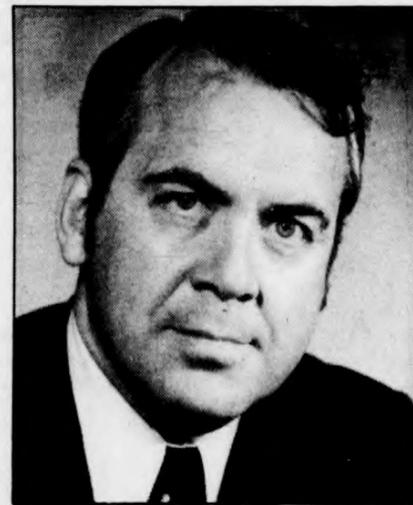
- having the cleaning staff responsible directly to the housing department;
- hiring a fire inspector, who would be paid an annual salary of about \$20,000;
- holding an energy saving competition "in which the building that conserves the most energy . . . will be given a monetary reward to use as they see fit";
- that students in the undergraduate residences become responsible for supplying and laundering their own bed linen.

The last recommendation stems from YUTA's concern that graduate residences are financially supporting the undergraduate dormitory residences. According to Esposito, tenants in the student apartments "will subsidize the residences to the tune of a quarter of a million dollars this year. One student should not be forced to subsidize another student's accommodation."

Esposito added that she does not want to create hardship for undergraduate students, but that the housing department should examine why it is more expensive to run the residences.

Norman Crandles, manager of Housing and Food Services, said the university decided it was "sensible" to have a single housing department to administer both residences and student apartments, and that it would be unreasonable to deal with York's 13 housing buildings on a separate basis. "If we had to replace the roof at Founders one year, then those kids would be penalized just for being in that residence," he said.

However, Esposito insists that any such major repair expenses would come from a fund that is set up to deal with deferred maintenance. "We make payments to a deferred maintenance fund every year," she said.



Professor Robert Haynes