

# Same old spiel

Tommy Astaphan.

The problems of most Third World countries can be traced to the "evils of capitalism" and the result has always been revolution, said a visiting professor at York last week.

Nigel Harris, who talked to a small crowd of students, boasts a wealth of experience to back up his opinions on the economic and political problems of the Third World. Harris, a professor of economics at the University of London, studied at the London School of Economics and is the author of two books on the topic.

He is also a leading member of the Socialist Workers Party in Great Britain and a founding member of the Anti-Nazi League.

Prof. Harris says that revolution is the result of constant oppression of people who as a result of the structure of capitalist societies, have to struggle for mere survival.

There is a solution to the world's economic and social problems and in Prof. Harris' opinion it entails a radical change in the world system as we know it. There would be no barriers of immigration, no economic competition and no nation

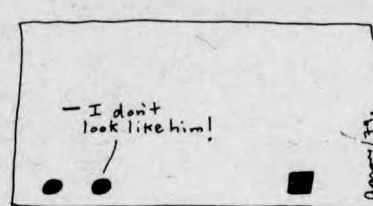
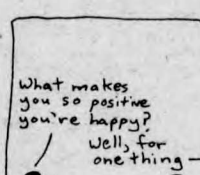
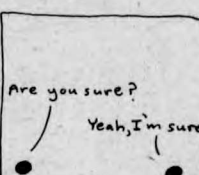
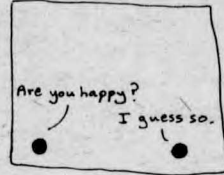
states. The globe would be one unified nation coordinated by the 'natural leaders' who would plan it in such a way that one would have his basic needs fulfilled through global cooperation. If one happened to be in the wrong geographical location at the right time, he would be taken care of by the new system of planning. His needs would be met and likewise, the needs of industry would be met in the same way. Demand would organize supply as is necessary and supply would be allocated according to need. All the world would be a happy place where there would be none who could not satisfy his basic needs, and where none would profit at the expense of others.

Listening to Prof. Harris I got the impression that I had heard this all before. Was it in fact something I had read in a text for a political science course this summer? It had to be either Ralph Miliband's 'The State in Capitalist Society', or T.B. Bottomore's 'Elites and Society'. Come to think of it, it was neither. I hear this kind of talk nearly every Friday when 'The Board of Global Saviors' meet in the Grad Pub.

## York Rap



## Richard's Specks



# Student Federation Notes

Last week Barb Taylor and I met with Bette Stephenson, Minister of Colleges and Universities and Champion of Question Evasion. There will be a tuition increase announced before Christmas, but the Cabinet has yet to decide how much. Next year be prepared for probably another \$100 increase in tuition. Ontario used to be number one in its support of post-secondary education, but has dropped to number eight amongst all the provinces.

Any club, society or organiza-

tion on campus that requires funding should send in a written request to the office 105 Central Square, or drop in and talk to either myself or George Karayannides.

As well the Student Federation requires volunteers for committee work. If you have an interest in student politics, or simply have a few hours to spare, drop in and see me.

The preliminary budget was tabled at our last meeting to allow two weeks for discussion. Copies of the budget can be picked up in

the office.

October 24 is set for our first concert in Burton Auditorium with the Cooper Brothers. Tickets can be picked up in the office.

This week's Federation Film Classic is **Looking For Mr. Goodbar** which will be shown in Curtis L at 8 pm tonight. Admission is \$1.75 for Federation members and \$2 for others.

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# Our Town

## Feminist Party

On October 18, 1929, the Privy Council of Britain decided that women were "persons" in regards to the BNA Act, and were therefore eligible for appointment to the Senate. Thus ended a battle begun in 1916 by an Alberta woman Judge Emily Murphy, and carried on by Nellie McLung, Irene Parlby and Henrietta Muir Edwards. The Feminist Party of Canada is holding a commemorative celebration of the 'Person's Case' at the Heliconian Hall, 35 Hazelton Avenue, on October 20 from 4 to 7 pm.

## Women's Centre

Come and meet Abby Hoffman, athlete and feminist at the York Women's Centre, 102 Behavioural Science Building, today from noon till 2 pm.

The Women's Centre is offering a self defence course which will run for six weeks, commencing Monday, October 29. The classes will be held from 3 pm till 6 pm. Course fee is \$25 with a deposit of \$10.

## Founders

Presents "Population Explosion: The Human Fallout", a slide-lecture presentation by J.M. Stycos, sociologist and Director of Cornell University's International Population Programme. Monday October 15 at 2:15 pm in Founder's Senior Common Room.

## Red Cross

There is a blood shortage at the moment and we need as many people as possible to donate blood at the next blood donor clinic to be held on Tuesday, October 16 in Founders from noon till 4 pm.

## NDP Club

Meets tonight at 7:30 in S105 Ross (behind the Post Office). Topics for discussion will include the recent budget surplus, York student politics and the NDP's involvement in Toronto municipal politics. We hope to have Toronto NDP alderman Mike Foster at the meeting to debate and explain this last point.

## Lutheran Student Movement

The Lutheran Student Movement Worship service is held every Tuesday at 7 pm in the Religious Centre, Central Square.