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their bar!! No longer can one toast another predictable Yeomen victory. I suppose Blues fans need somewhere to lament the demise of their hockey supremacy in private.

Maybe U of T, has worse problems attracting fans than York does (now that IS scraping the barrel!)—they let their students in for nothing. Then again, when it comes to hockey these days the Blues ARE good for nothing! This letter is only to enlighten your readership about this situation, a more appropriate one is on its way to THE VARSITY. Suffice to say if you are down there while this discrimination continues, eat humble pie and say you are from U of T—you will then need a beer to wash your mouth out!

Phil "The Organist" Downes

Nuclear reactors aren't safe

Editor,
I have just seen the article "Prof. Megaw champions nuclear energy" in the York Gazette and would now like to set the record straight.

I am not a scientist or even an expert on nuclear energy but I have listened to both sides on the issue of nuclear safety and have done my homework.

At one point in the article Prof. Megaw is quoted as saying that nuclear reactors are the safest means ever of producing electricity. A more preposterous statement has never been made in the history of mankind! Even an intelligent person who favours nuclear would admit that hydraulic generation (eg. Niagara Falls) is significantly safer than nuclear because it uses no fuel and therefore does not pollute the environment either before, during or after its use. By contrast nuclear does pollute before its use because uranium tarlings are killing our northern waterways. Also by contrast nuclear pollutes during its use because the fresh water used to cool the heavy water is contaminated by leaks in the network of piping it travels through on its way back to the lake. There is radioactive heavy water being

pumped into Lake Ontario as you read this letter. Also by contrast nuclear pollutes after its use because the spent fuel (plutonium) is so dangerous that even Ontario Hydro doesn't know what to do with it. They are currently storing it under water on site while they search frantically for a way to dispose of it. Even if they find a place to dispose of this menace there is no fool proof method of transporting the plutonium. do you remember the chemical train derailment in Mississauga that forced people to evacuate their homes temporarily.

If that train had been hauling plutonium for Ontario Hydro the residents of Mississauga may never have been able to return to their homes.

Time and Murphy's Law will make a fool of Prof. Megaw and any one else who champions nuclear energy.

Ron Tedwald

Inmate seeks penpals

Dear Sir,
I hope this letter finds you able? This is an unusual letter, but hopefully you will better understand it as I explain fully. I am currently incarcerated and in dire need of social and intellectual conversation which I can't have here in prison. My request is simple. I would kindly appreciate your giving me a little space in your university's student publication explaining that I am searching for pen pals. I would like to exchange views and generally get acquainted with anyone interesting in writing. There may be students or teachers in your university interested in learning of the day to day routine of prison life, purely from observation as a point of view. Me being fairly well versed it would be my pleasure to colour the blues and greys one is faced with here in prison. The effect I am hoping for is a positive one to any young people who care to write and learn that "This is no place for somebody to be nobody." I am 34 years old and 5'8", weight 180 lbs. My name is John Stewart. I am from N.Y.C. I like to pursue intellectual pastimes

such as chess, scrabble, reading, and most definitely writing. As I stated earlier this may be a little unusual but if you look deeper you may see that it makes some sense. College is a time for higher educational pursuits and heightened enlightenment. I offer nothing less than an opportunity to come behind these prison walls without actually having to suffer doing the time and see, feel, and hear what life is and is not. For any individuals in your university who have the time to become my very enlightened pen pal. Feel free to forward this address: John Stewart 87A4210 Ogdensburg Correctional Facility, One Correction Way, Ogdensburg NY, 13669-2288.

Sincerely Yours,
John Stewart

Excalibur Staff Meeting: Thursday at 4 p.m. Be there!

Bill to reward the creator

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and is made easily accessible, then there is not threat posed by the bill.

Creators in Canada, however, argue that a copyright collective would not work well with a fair-dealing provision in the copyright law. Publishers and authors are urging the government, therefore, to do away with the fair-dealing concept altogether. In a study conducted by Stevenson Kellog, Ernst and Whinney, it was revealed that a number of copyright owners argue that the collective should charge for all page of copyright material produced by photocopying.

Nelles argues that fair dealing should not be considered theft. Lib-

CYSF SHORT NOTES

• Gavin Ferreira was elected Social and Cultural Affairs Director at the CYSF meeting on November 25, 1987, despite opposition from another candidate for the position, Dan Silver. According to Silver, the deadline for applications was suddenly bumped up from November 11 to November 25. Silver said in his interview he was led to believe by President Drew McCreadie that there were other applicants, but at the CYSF meeting that week Council decided to delay the deadline in order to allow other people to apply for the position. Silver feels he never got fair consideration for the job, especially because many people on Council are friends with Ferreira. McCreadie noted that the reaction Silver made about Ferreira's election "just reinforces in our minds who to elect for the position."

• Club funding was passed at the meeting, but some amendments had to be made because of misplaced budgets. The York Chemistry Club (YCC), for instance, which dropped off its proposed budget to CYSF on October 12, was not included in the list of funded clubs. The problem, however, was quickly resolved, and

the club received the funding after Council passed a motion to allocate the requisite money.

• In more recent business, External Affairs Director Tammy Hasslefeld, Women's Affairs Director Marcia Cooper, and President Grew McCreadie attended last weekend's CUSEC (Canadian University Student Executive Council) conference to discuss the future of this newly-established organization. According to McCreadie, CUSEC is supposed to be an alternative for universities to the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), which is essentially a national students' interest group situated in Ottawa in order to lobby the federal government on post-secondary concerns.

McCreadie said that York refuses to join the CFS because it practices one vote for each institution while it demands that universities pay their membership fees based on the size of their respective student body. This means, says McCreadie, that with our large contribution, we would still have the same voting power as a smaller university paying less money.

eral use within the copyright legislation should be granted for the purpose of analysis, private study, public criticism or for the development of new works, he says. The new bill must contain this clause supporting liberal use of photocopying, notes Nelles, as it is the quickest way in which information is gathered together and upon which new work is based.

Bill C-60 currently endangers the preservation of those books which are no longer in print, noted Whitla. He says that if photocopying were restricted and students were forced to consult the reserve room for the materials, it would be a fact that those materials would not last long. Books would be demolished, with

students ripping out pages and shredding journals. Access to reserve materials would also be a long process, because of the limited materials placed on reserve. So it is better to allow the student to photocopy an already photocopied article of the book, explains Whitla, rather than destroy original works.

Kinkos Copies, a copying centre in University City, has offered to take on the responsibility of duplicating course kits and any other additional photocopying which could be deemed illegal for the University. As an exclusive photocopying company, Kinkos can petition publishers to gain the requisite rights for duplicating, a task that would be impractical for University libraries.

Let's clear the air!

On February 22, 1988 York University enters Phase I of a two-phase policy to create a smoke-free environment. Phase II comes into effect September 6, 1988 and includes all office space, whether open, shared or private.

Phase I No Smoking Areas

- classrooms
- laboratories
- storage areas
- gymnasiums
- elevators
- washrooms
- escalators
- reception areas
- counter areas
- lecture and seminar rooms
- theatres and areas used as theatres
- library reading and stack rooms
- shop and service areas
- stairways
- corridors
- service lines (incl. Green Machine)
- all rooms used for meetings
- any other areas with "No Smoking" signs

To assist members of the York community in dealing with the Smoking Policy, the University is sponsoring a smoking-cessation program. Watch the York Gazette, the Bulletin and this paper for further information.

Logo Competition

DEADLINE: JANUARY 29, 1988

Design a logo/graphic to accompany the slogan "Let's Clear the Air!" for use on all print materials. Logo should work in black and white and two-colour formats. Please submit entries to Jessie-May Rowntree, Chair, Implementation Committee for the York University Smoking Policy, Suite A, West Office Building, 736-5010.

Help create a smoke-free York



The City of Toronto Seeks Nominees for the Steven Fonyo Medal of Courage.

Do you know a disabled young person from the Metropolitan Toronto area, between the ages of 15 and 24, whose outstanding character and courage have set an example for other young people and who has made an outstanding contribution to the community?

You can nominate a young person who has overcome physical and mental disabilities and inspired others, for the Steven Fonyo Medal of Courage, to be presented on March 7, 1988, Civic Honours Day in the City of Toronto.

Nomination forms are available from the Department of the City Clerk, 2nd Floor, East Side, Toronto City Hall (392-7022) and must be returned before 4:00 p.m., Wednesday January 20, 1988.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Professor Linda Hutcheon, the highly regarded literary critic and theorist, has been named the fourth incumbent of the Robarts Chair in Canadian Studies, a position she will assume on 1 July 1988 for a period of one year. Professor Hutcheon has just completed *The Canadian Postmodern*, a book of essays on Canadian literature for Oxford University Press to be published in September 1988; she is also a translator and has published the English version of the novella *Allegro* (1974) by Quebec writer and singer Felix Leclerc. She has completed two monographs on Leonard Cohen as poet and fiction-writer for the "Canadian Writers and Their Works" series and the chapter on the Canadian novel from 1972 to 1984 for the third edition of the *Literary History of Canada*. A critic who is also interested in comparative literature and literary theory, a context in which she often situates Canadian literature, Professor Hutcheon is the author of *Narcissistic Narrative: The Metafictional Paradox* (1984), *Formalism and the Freudian Aesthetic: The Example of Charles Mauron* (1984), *A Theory of Parody: The Teachings of Twentieth-Century Art Forms* (1985) and the forthcoming *A Poetics of Postmodernism: History, Theory, Fiction* (May 1988). Until recently a Professor of English at McMaster University, Professor Hutcheon is currently in the second year of a Killam Research Fellowship and has joined the Department of English and the Centre for Comparative Literature at the University of Toronto. While at York, Dr. Hutcheon will continue her research on Canadian literature, be available for consultation with faculty and graduate students, chair research colloquia, and, in April 1988, deliver the *Robarts Lecture*, a public event open to members of the York community and beyond.