

# Excalibur

Everything secret degenerates; nothing is safe that does not show it can bear discussion and publicity  
—Lord Acton

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## "Gloomy" forecast for arts faculty



Pinball Wally

Sort'a reminds you of spring, doesn't it?

S. Schwartz and D. Shilman

Dean of Arts, Harold Kaplan, gave Excalibur a blow by blow account of what the recently announced university cutbacks could mean to each department in his faculty.

"I feel Excalibur is entitled to this information," said Kaplan. "My only reservation is that it is so gloomy. I wouldn't like students who are going to be around for the next four years to feel there is not future for them at York."

Kaplan expects approximately \$1,750,000 to be cut from his budget. "I don't think it can go less than that," he said.

### Results of First-Round Budgeting in the Faculty of Arts for 1979-80

**Anthropology:** Loss of part-time budget; reduction in number of courses offered; possible course ceilings in introductory courses.

**Computer Science:** Little or no new money to an area where there is very rapidly growing student demand. (Facilities problems in the central administration must also be sorted out.)

**Economics:** A small amount of new money, inadequate in view of the fact that Economics' enrolment has increased by roughly 25 per cent from last year to this.

**English:** Elimination of part-time budget and termination of sessionals; no replacement money despite heavy sabbatical year; very thin offerings in the American field.

**French:** Loss of almost all of part-time budget; virtually no ability to accommodate growing demand for

these courses among students. (Further cuts in non-tenured faculty would mean destruction of the language, as opposed to literature, stream.)

**Geography:** Very substantial losses through attrition (and secondments to administrative responsibilities) will not be replaced; loss of part-time budget. The Department cannot absorb any further weakening in the area of physical geography.

**History:** An example of a Department that cannot contribute to the cuts because all its members are tenured; a number of senior faculty returning from LWOP; discussing sharing and redeployment with Atkinson and the two Divisions in Arts.

**Humanities:** Loss of roughly 50 hours of part-time teaching. Since Humanities is committed to the tutorial group, since it sees that group as an essential part of the Division's raison d'être, the Division will have enormous difficulties in absorbing this cut.

**Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics:** Chinese, Classics, Hebrew, Japanese, Polish, Ukrainian - are at present minimal programmes; cuts could be made only by a decision to abandon teaching in these areas.

**English Language Training:** slight reduction in capacity in a course that serves many foreign students and performs an important educational and income-generating function for the entire university.

**German:** reduction in funds and course offerings to a bare minimum.

**Italian:** conversion of part-time money into a sessional appointment (with a net loss of teaching hours), but no new money for an area of rapidly expanding enrolments.

**Linguistics:** termination of one ap-

pointment; reduced offerings in what is already a "bare essentials" programme.

**Russian:** reduction in staff and course offerings.

**Spanish:** no replacement money for sabbaticals; reduction of offerings.

**Mathematics:** Loss of part-time budget in an area of rapidly rising student enrolment; less choice for students, bigger classes and a necessary decline in quality of instruction (in frequency of assignments, non-classroom help for students, etc.)

**Philosophy:** Substantial losses through attrition not being replaced; reduced course offerings; resignation or retirement of three senior, highly distinguished professors within a five-year period; the character of the graduate programme will be dramatically altered unless funds are found in the next few years for a senior appointment.

**Physical Education:** No new money in an area of very rapidly growing student demand.

**Political Science:** Loss of part-time funds; no replacement money for sabbaticals and LWOP; reduced course offerings especially affecting developing areas, Soviet studies, law, military and defence policy, urban politics.

**Psychology:** No replacement money despite the fact that roughly seventeen members of the Department will be lost through sabbaticals, LWOP, terminations; cutbacks in course offerings, especially in a number of popular areas (developmental, abnormal, personality); damage to our plans for further collaboration with community colleges in the developmental area, e.g. the York-Seneca Programme in Early Childhood Education.

**Social Science:** Loss of fifty hours of part-time teaching; no replacement money for losses among full-time faculty. This will very likely mean a considerably diminished use of tutorial groups in first year or a great increase in the size of these groups.

**Sociology:** Loss of part-time budget; no replacement money for sabbaticals or LWOP; reduced course offerings, jeopardizing popular areas (ethnic groups, stratification, the family) and possible need for course ceilings in introductory courses.

**Writing Workshop:** Loss of eighteen hours of time, with a predictable, serious decline in the Workshop's ability to service students.

**College Tutorials:** A fifteen percent reduction in the number of offerings and very substantial cuts in other college-related and tutorial-related budgets.

**English as a Second Language:** Modest cutbacks in an area that deserves substantial increases in funds, in view of the vital services it provides to foreign students and students from immigrant families, a service provided to many Faculties in this University.

## Chorus of views on 1978-79 CYSF

By Patricia Smiley

Last Tuesday's CYSF meeting was scheduled to begin at 6:30 pm. While councillors waited for security to open the doors, someone noticed that the number of those who had arrived was quite small.

When the Senate chamber was opened, the President David Chodikoff counted heads and discovered that the did not have quorum. The meeting was therefore postponed to a later date.

The previous meeting, held Tuesday, December 5, was cut short for the same reason. A motion was on the floor when a member of the executive noticed that the quorum had been lost during the course of the meeting.

Now that the present council's term of office is in its ninth month, precisely what has been done for the students of York by their central organizing body?

"This has probably been one of our busiest years," says David Chodikoff, President of CYSF. "Several council members have been working really hard. Councillors have been more responsive." The council has finished "housecleaning", the debts are paid, more services for students have been provided and the council is now ready to get into the "more political" aspects of its role.

Robin Carter, constituency rep for Winters College, feels that "there is a need for CYSF to get back to the basics." Carter says, "at the present time CYSF is too far divorced from the people they're representing," and that the new constitution should bring CYSF into focus as a central student government.

Barb Taylor, President of Winters College Council and delegate rep for Winters, feels that this problem stems from the councillors' disinterest and lack of communication with the constituencies they represent. Few of the constituency councils make use of their right to have delegate reps sit on CYSF. Taylor and Brad Varey, Chairperson and delegate rep of Vanier College Council, feel that, generally, this is due to the "small-mindedness of these councils" who must be able to look at the need for student services in their colleges and on the campus as a whole.

Part of what Taylor and Varey both described as "apathy" on the part of most councillors is due in their opinion to the fact that most decisions are made by the executive and not communicated properly to the rest of the council.

"Too much is done in the executive," says Keith Smockum, Vice President of University Services. "David (Chodikoff) has realized this, but not soon enough."

Smockum describes this as "a good year. We've done a lot." He feels CYSF's "accomplishments have not been communicated

renovating Central Square so that a student lounge can be built.

"This is not taking away from the function of the college JCR's" says Smockum, "it's just a recognition of an existing problem."

If CYSF is contracted to run this cafeteria it will be staffed by students and two full-time managers.

### Student-run cafeteria will provide better service

The administration has questioned the ability of students to run such an enterprise. Yet Smockum points out student governments successfully run several campus pubs, providing good service, jobs for students and revenue for college councils to spend on student activities. If such a contract is put to tender, a professional consultant would be hired to set up more efficient design for the cafeteria.

enough, on the part of the council," but also that "students must educate themselves" on the issues.

So far this year, CYSF has set up a typing service on campus. This as Chodikoff points out, is convenient, cheap and provides ten part-time jobs for students.

The cafeteria in Central Square has been the subject of complaints for several years now. At the present time many feel the cafeteria is poorly laid out, prices are higher than elsewhere on campus and the quality of the food doubtful. Smockum, who is also the CYSF rep on the University Food Services Committee, is presently working on a student takeover of the cafeteria.

Smockum feels a student takeover would provide a cafeteria that would maintain a high level of service and quality, provide a more efficient layout and jobs for students. Profits will be used for

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