

EXCALIBUR

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NO SUMMER JOB AT EXPO

MONTREAL (CUP)—Expo will not be a source of employment for jobs, full-time students next summer.

\$2000 to SRC

The S.R.C. has yet to receive official recognition by the Administration. The Vanier College Council, in a meeting on Sept. 27, authorized a \$2,000 grant to sustain the S.R.C. until such time as the S.R.C. receives its appropriation from the Administration.

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October 11, York X Country team beat Ryerson today over 3½ miles in High Park. The four York runners, Greg Barnett, Doug Glover, Bob Hood, and Dave Smith easily crossed the finish line, 'hand-in-hand' after running the entire race far ahead of their opponents.

Pauling at YORK

Dr. Linus Pauling, of the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Santa Barbara, Cal., will be among the recipients of Honorary Degrees at York's Autumn Convocation.

New President KEITH KENNEDY

Today SRC acclaimed Keith Kennedy as President. Carter Hoppe as Vice-President, and George Kitchen as Treasurer of the Student Representative Council.

"Ask not what the Council can do for you..."

Keith Kennedy



Charles Ogilvie

We want to experience living, or just exist? The students councils are here for us, the university student, and we are to benefit from them. They will always be open to the ideas of the students. I personally hope that these ideas will flow freely and that we will associate ourselves closely with the student councils, both at the college and the university level.

CHINA TEACH-IN

Anita Levine

The University of Toronto will sponsor an International Teach-in on China, October 14-16. Scholars and experts on China will examine the effects of the recent Chinese "cultural revolution" on our relations with China and her attitude to the West.

Canadians a minority in Phd programmes

Canadian Phd students are a minority in five of the nine York departments that have doctoral programmes.

Inside This Week

Table with 2 columns: Event Name and Page Number. Includes items like 'Annual Reminiscence', 'Newspaper Critique', 'Yak Editorial', 'Newspaper Critique', 'Yak Editorial', 'University News'.

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See them in the library's one of the unfortunate few who were unable to make it to the slopes during reading week.

CYSF review is initiated

By KAREN HOOD The most important action taken at Tuesday's Council of York Student Federation meeting was to set up a committee to review the CYSF constitution.

Big firms 76% under foreigners

OTTAWA (CUP)—A recent government report on foreign ownership of non-financial firms in Canada for 1966 indicates that slightly over 76 per cent of the country's major companies were under foreign control.

Rejection of Indian course stirs students

By PAUL THOMPSON Roma Stander's request to teach a full year course on the Canadian Indian was rejected for the second time last week.

Students upset in soc. sci. 176

By SHELL HUNTER The Council of York Student Federation is examining the functioning of a first year course, Social Science 176, as a result of student protests.

Full-time Phd students 1970-71

Table with 4 columns: Country, Landed, U.S., Other, Total. Lists countries like England, History, Philosophy, etc.



Charles Edward Angus Stuart Ogilvie-Ogilvie

Everything you wanted to know about EXCALIBUR* But were afraid to ask



Past On October 7, 1966 the first issue of EXCALIBUR a four page university-wide paper made its debut in Founders College.

The growing staff which had started with only a two hour training session at Glendon's Pro Tem managed to put out 16 issues that first year with an average of 4.5 pages a week to the York community of 2,500.

Volume two of Excilibur began on September 12, 1967. In Centennial year the staff managed to publish 22 issues and the size of the paper had grown to an average of 12 pages per issue.

By the time volume three was ready to be published in September 1968, EXCALIBUR was regarded as an institution on campus.

That year, the staff also originated the idea of having the Green Bush Inn and since then, several EXCALIBUR staffers have served on the campus pub's Board of Directors.

The fourth year of EXCALIBUR was marked by a high degree of professionalism. A fulltime editor and managing editor took charge of production and produced the paper 27 times with an average size of 20 pages.

Present

This year, the fifth year of EXCALIBUR, 24 issues with an average size of 18 pages per week were produced. The paper circulated to the entire York community including all faculties on both campuses — an average of 13,200 copies each week.

relies heavily on the yearly grant of the Council of the York Student Federation. This grant accounts for 40 percent of EXCALIBUR's income with the other 60 percent being raised through advertising and business revenue.

This brings us to the present and really back to the beginning. The whole purpose of EXCALIBUR lies in producing a newspaper for you — the reader. What are our objectives in doing so and how do we go about doing this?

The primary purpose of EXCALIBUR is the production of a weekly newspaper to disseminate news and information to the York University community.

EXCALIBUR is published by the Council of the York Student Federation and Bylaw 13 of its constitution states: "the major role of the student press is to act as an agent of social change, striving to emphasize the rights and responsibilities of the student citizen."

The bylaw also says "the student press must present local, national and international news fairly, and interpret ideas and events to the best of its ability... and examine issues which other media avoid."

To this end, EXCALIBUR publishes every week during the academic year. During the second half of this year, 65 percent of the news dealt with York events, 24.5 percent with Canadian events and 10.5 percent with international events.

EXCALIBUR depends on a volunteer staff to gather news and accurately report the facts. The staff consists of regular York students who spend many hours each week producing the news, entertainment and sports sections of the paper.

The editor-in-chief is responsible for recruiting and training staff as well as planning the general direction of the paper. He must ensure that the objectives of the paper are fulfilled and is responsible for the editorial policy of the paper which is decided upon by the staff.

involves considerable technical knowledge and about 60 hours a week. It pays \$400 a month for a seven and a half month period.

To facilitate the efficient financial running of the newspaper and to ensure maximum advertising revenue at minimum cost, EXCALIBUR created a full-time business and advertising department in 1968.

EXCALIBUR's content is determined by the amount of useable space and the abilities of the writing staff. At present time, space limitations allow for only the basic coverage of news, sports, entertainment and information features.

Members of the York community have always been and will always be welcome to participate in the production of the paper and indeed, without them no paper could be produced.

EXCALIBUR also welcomes non-staff members to contribute to the paper. Space on the University Forum page and for letters to the editor is set aside. Material is printed as space allows and providing it is signed and conforms with the law.

It takes the full week to produce each issue of EXCALIBUR. On the Thursday before each issue, reporters are assigned to stories known to be occurring later in the week.

The full-time editorial staff often works right through Tuesday nights to Wednesday mornings when most of us are just arriving to start a new day. During this time, they must put the paper together so it can be sent to the printers.

Thus, EXCALIBUR is a product of a great amount of labour on the part of the staff.

At this point we quote the Davey Commission on Mass Media referring to the student press: "The system... subjects its participants to several years of marvellous journalistic training. They mature in an atmosphere of mindless controversy and sometimes learn more about the process of social change than they would in six years of post graduate political science."

Now that you are a bit more acquainted with the past and present operations of EXCALIBUR, the questions of what is in store for the reader in the future from the paper arises.

Future

The future needs of EXCALIBUR are determined by the increasing need for communications on campus. EXCALIBUR is the only form of communication to reach the total campus.

EXCALIBUR would like to provide its readers with more detailed and in-depth news coverage, an expanded sports coverage and finally, a literary supplement to allow us to publish some of the creative writing produced here at York.

To find out exactly what our readers want, EXCALIBUR has recently commissioned a survey of its readership. The survey will be set up over the summer, will be conducted by M.B.A. students and will take place in October.

Many of our aspirations are limited by a tight budget. CYSF is determined to cut down on the percentage of its budget spent on communications. To make up for this, EXCALIBUR hopes to increase its advertising revenue substantially next year.

Our final aspiration is to become self-sufficient in financial terms, but no Canadian university paper has managed to do so, not even the University of Toronto's Varsity after 97 years. So don't hold your breath.