



Members of the York Association for Peace are seen here marching in last Saturday's anti-nuke demonstration.

Ex-York student Mike Foster jumps into provincial politics

By DOUG LITTLE

North York Alderman and York graduate Mike Foster believes his three terms as alderman will give him a "strong base" to work with as he vies for the Yorkview seat in the next provincial election.

Foster, who graduated from York in 1976 as a political science major, will be running as an NDP candidate.

Foster says the staggering rate of unemployment, especially youth unemployment, will be the most important issue to be dealt with. He stressed the importance of young people finding a place in the work force within their first year of job hunting "as this is the crucial time when one starts to shape their career path."

"If you start off on your career path by not having one (a career), looking for a suitable vocation becomes quite discouraging," says Foster. He says instead of being concerned with statistical data, "we should examine the human element of it and the psychological damage that is brought upon the community."

Foster began his political career the same year he graduated and ran for alderman in the Yorkview riding but lost by a slim margin. He worked at various community jobs until 1978 when he won an alderman's seat on North York council. He's retained that post ever since.

Foster is confident he'll win his bid for the provincial seat. He says his victory will be dependent on a well organized campaign. He also mentioned the fact that the Yorkview riding has been an NDP stronghold since 1963 and to 1981, at which time the MPP Fred Young retired.

According to Foster, the current representative of the area, Liberal Michael Spensari, won the election because of the NDP's drop in popularity under the leadership of Michael Cassidy and a disorganized NDP campaign.

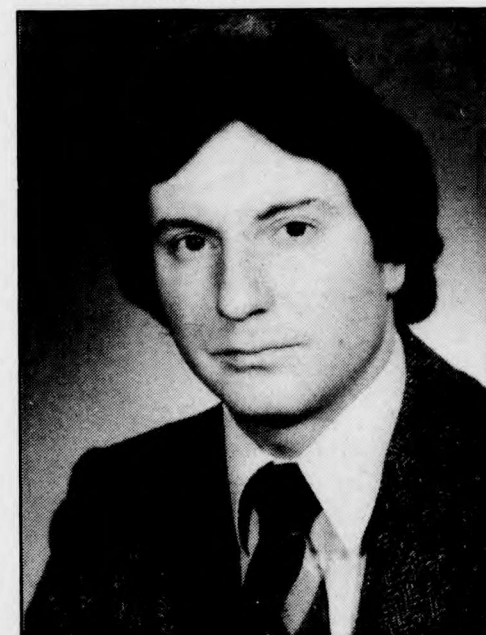
Besides unemployment, Foster says he'll tackle property tax reform and all legislation affecting tenants. He also cited education funding as a key issue remarking that "the whole university system is being turned upside

down," referring to Education Minister Bette Stephenson's commission studying restructuring the university system.

"She (Stephenson) isn't handling the education issue at all. This just proves that a laissez faire approach to government doesn't work," said Foster. "She (Stephenson) should have resigned a long time ago. It seems that everybody in the entire province has told her to resign."

Foster also commented on an article that appeared in Monday's *Toronto Star* involving several aldermen holding down other jobs as well as their political posts. Foster was mentioned as one of the minority that worked on his aldermanship full-time, which pays him \$21,000.

He said in urban areas like Toronto, aldermen should devote their full attention to their jobs "as there are many complex problems that cannot be dealt with sufficiently if one is moonlighting."



Mike Foster.

High schoolers touring York

By FAY ZALCBERG

If you've noticed blank or lost-looking faces walking York's hallways this week, they probably belong to touring grade 13 prospective university students.

High school students across Ontario are visiting universities this week to familiarize themselves with the educational facilities available to them.

York's Admissions/Liaison office has organized tours to give the students a chance to make "an informed choice" about their post-secondary educational options, said tour and program coordinator Brenda Green.

High school students are "asking questions and are looking carefully at which (university) they're going to be choosing this fall," said Green.

All students applying to York receive a letter inviting them to contact the Admissions/Liaison Office and book a tour date.

General, residence, and science facility tours

are available and students will also have the opportunity to question faculty members in the Faculty Lounge between 11 a.m. and noon until tomorrow.

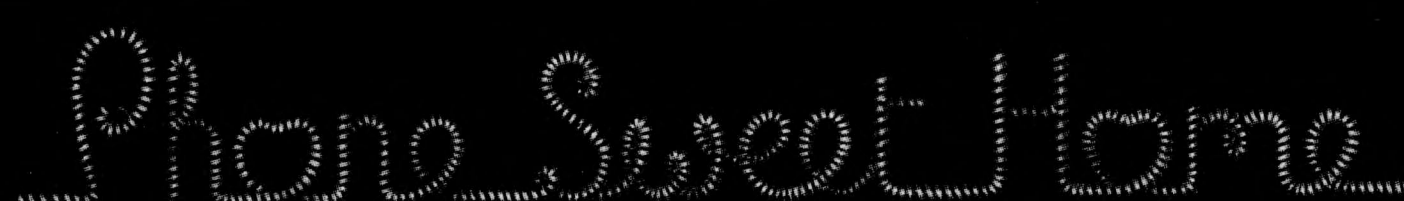
More than 120 students are expected to visit the campus daily on what one Ottawa visitor's parent said was the "best organized tour" of any of the several universities her children had visited so far.

A sculpture exhibition at McLaughlin college and a drawing exhibition at York's Art Gallery are some of the special events students are invited to attend.

Additional information is supplied by the publication "York Views" which is distributed among those interested in attending York next year.

Most high school students attending the tour are from Toronto and Ottawa. Spring break has provided them with the perfect time to "shop around," said Green.

Potential university students find out if they're accepted starting June 16.



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