

Cross Canada Campus

Pressure finally lets up in Quebec

QUEBEC CITY

The Quebec government has finally taken steps to alleviate the pressures building up in Quebec universities, pressures that erupted dramatically in the CEGEP rebellion in mid-October.

Premier Jean Jacques Bertrand Thursday tabled a bill in the provincial legislature that would create a University of Quebec, a "framework" institution which would administer a network of campuses throughout the province.

The bill calls for four campuses to be established in the near future at Montreal, Trois-Rivieres, Chicoutimi and Rimouski. The Montreal campus, cried for by French students since 1964, may be ready to open its doors in early September of 1969.

The University of Quebec would also absorb research and post-secondary institutions within its network in order to centralize and co-ordinate the mushrooming growth of provincial educational institutions.

Waterloo council bails out bustees

WATERLOO

The University of Waterloo student council has decided it will put up bail for any Waterloo students arrested on any charge.

One council member said the rationale for the decision was that the council felt "it was a democratic right for all students to have bail in order to get out of jail."

The council will draw on its annual budget of \$350,000 to pay bail fees and will draw bank loans if the budget proves insufficient.

Any student charged for violation of the criminal code or the Highway Traffic Act can apply for bail.

Cops can 18 as strike continues

PETERBORO

The strike and protest against purchase of the Peterboro Examiner by the Thomson newspaper chain swelled as striking newsmen were joined on the picket line Dec. 6 by well over 150 students from various Ontario universities.

By evening, 18 persons had been arrested on charges of creating a disturbance, molesting a police officer and assault.

Police, some 40 strong, made their presence felt Friday and scuffled with protesters throughout the day. The cops beat up one member of the non-striking pressmen and arrested him.

The International Typographical Union refused to cross the picket lines for the first time Friday but the Examiner came out anyway. It had been done on Thursday just before the students arrived to swell the picket lines.

CUS slowly sinks into the east

OTTAWA

Two recent referendum losses have reduced the number of Canadian Union of Students members to 25.

At Memorial University of Newfoundland, Dec. 5, students opted to stay out of the national union by an 823-373 margin. Memorial, the first English university to leave CUS, originally pulled out at the 1966 congress.

Students at Mount Allison University reversed an earlier, contested decision to rejoin CUS when they rejected the union by a 301-167 vote. The first referendum was 237-235 in CUS's favour, but a new vote was called because of irregularities in voting procedure.

Last week's referendums ended in a dismal fall term for the national union. Nine universities have either pulled out or chosen to stay out since the September conference while only four have endorsed the union.

Pay! or gov't will harass you

OTTAWA

If you graduated from university before last June and haven't started your student loan payments yet, start looking over your shoulder.

If you don't you may be grabbed by an agent of the Financial Collection Agencies Ltd., sicced on you by the Federal Government.

The department of finance announced last week it has retained the collection agency to track down students defaulting on repayment of student loans.

By last June over 66,000 students, owing a total of \$60 million had ceased to be students and were liable to start repaying their loans. According to the department some 4,800 were in default and 2,400 were deliberately holding back.

The collection agency is reportedly the world's largest with offices in Canada, the U.S., and Britain. It proceeds about its work as most such agencies do: letters, phone calls and personal visits.

So far nearly 500 persons have been taken to court or are on the process of it.

Regulations stipulate repayment of loans must begin 6 months after a student leaves school.

Davis: talk to administration

by George B. Orr

The Government of Ontario is in favor of the York College System, according to Education Minister William Davis, but it can't allot extra capital to York on that basis.

This was explained to the presidents of the four college councils who met with him in his office at Queens Park last Monday.

"Capital allocations will be made by the Dept. of University Affairs to me, and then are passed on to the Government. Then the money allocated will be disbursed as equitably as possible."

However, he pointed out that there are fourteen institutions of post-secondary education, not counting the community colleges, all of which feel that they have unique needs financially.

"It is up to York's Administration to draw up their priorities for capital. They're the ones you should be talking to."

Dave Coombs of Mac Council pointed out that York is now faced with the situation whereby it must either cut back on enrolment, or forget the new colleges. And since York is a part of the largest city in the province, it should have a priority financially.

Deputy Minister Stewart pointed out that the Committee is in the process of drawing up a formula for distribution of finances, and that this factor will be taken

into account. But York, he stressed, must establish its own priorities itself.

Winters president Harley Lapin said that York's unique system was the only way to provide an intimate atmosphere for ten thousand people.

Jeff Solway from Vanier and John Stiff from Founders were also vocal in their request for more money.

"Talk to your Administration," Davis urged the group.

Corp cup craftily clipped

Some bloody fool played a really good joke early this week.

He stole the Corpucle Cup, won by the college that annually donates the most blood to the Red Cross, from the display case in Mac college.

This redblooded individual vainly tried to unlock the display case, then smashed the glass and stole the cup.

Maybe the silly clot cut his hand on the broken glass and is slowly bleeding to death somewhere.

Come to Quebec Carnival bash

Somebody mysterious named Pete Reeder is organizing a trip to the Quebec Winter Carnival in February. It'll be a three or four day stay in Quebec City finishing on the 15th or 16th.

The whole thing shouldn't cost more than \$40 for travel and accommodation. Lots of booze, girls, but not much sleep. So see Pete Reeder in Excalibur or phone 741-0316 after 7:00 p.m.

Apology

Excalibur would like to apologize to Eleanor Copeland, and to the French Department for last week's article entitled 'Learn French in the privacy of your home and in your spare time!' We put an irrelevant and slighting headline on the article and our editing inadvertently created an unfair comment concerning the financial aspects of being enrolled in the course, without explaining the causes and results thereof.

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