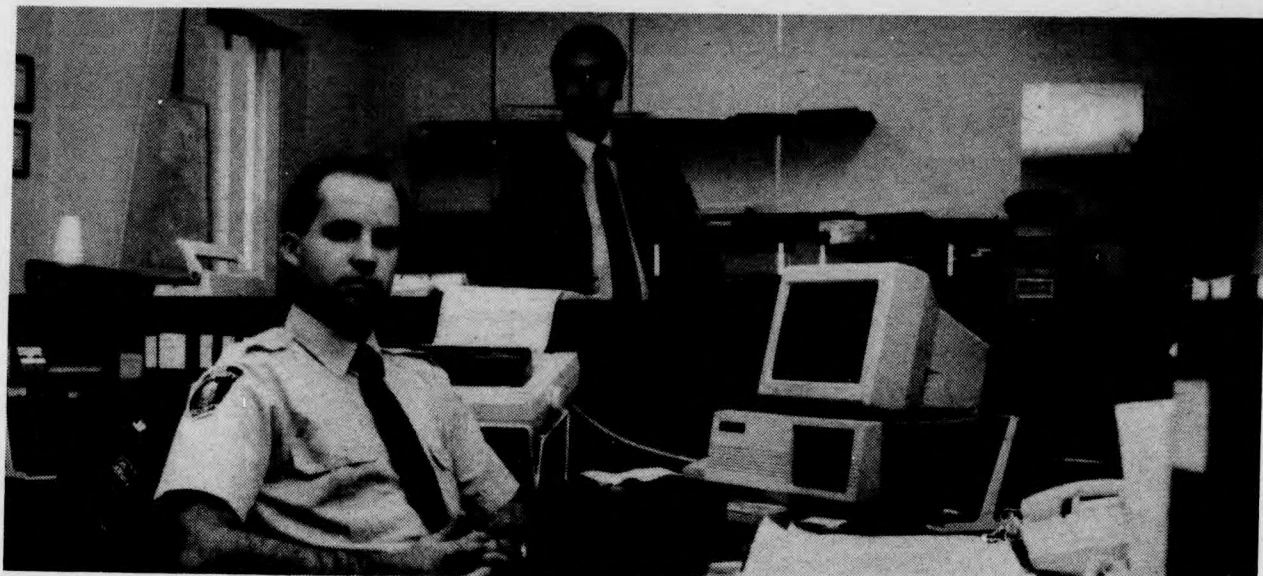


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Security officers Irving (seated) and Delosrios, pose for *Excalibur's* photographer. Some officers are currently involved in training to become special constables.

A. Clive Cohen

Security getting handcuffs

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Although the special constable status allows security officers to police the campus more effectively, the student body was not informed of these changes.

"It's justified but it's a foot in the door. Now that they have special constable status what else happens," said Mattia Magnatta, a third year Mass Communications student. "We [the students] should have been informed about the changes and the allowed to voice our opinions."

According to Winship, the special constable status was a very selective process. The program is not for those people who are just "wanna be cops", and the security officers would respect the unique atmosphere of a university.

"The largest problem we find is that we have to deal with people not connected with the university, who drift onto campus for whatever reason" said a security officer.

The officer felt that handcuffs would rarely be used against students.

Last year Rob Hughes, a security officer sued the university for wrongful dismissal after he was

fired for authorizing the use of handcuffs on a patron at the Cock and Bull pub. The patron was involved in a fight with a bouncer.

The committee's recommendations will be submitted to Vice President of Administration and Finance Bill Farr for approval.

According to Assistant Director of Security Operations, Eric Pond, the Committee's decision was unanimously in favor of the status.

Other Campus' such as the University of Western Ontario and Waterloo have university campus police.

UWO's police force uses handcuffs and are issued billy clubs for night patrols.

"The implementation of the university police resulted from a number of public incidents" said Mark Tinlin, director of security for UWO.

Tinlin said that although students sometimes question the authority of the university police, most students are very supportive.

Before the decision was made, UWO had a forum of administration and students.

"I can't read his thoughts, but I know Farr is keeping an open mind," said Pond of Farr's pend-

ing decision. "My guess is that he will approve the committee's recommendations.

Farr refused to comment.

Pond, who last year felt that the use of handcuffs, "won't happen on this campus" is now in full support of the special status.

He now believes that, "handcuffs are needed in certain situations as restraining devices."

Although the status will mean pay increases for security, many of the officers oppose the new job description.

Rigorous and time consuming training must be attended before an officer can obtain constable status and many of the older officers feel that they will lose their jobs to younger candidates.

Pond assured that no officer would lose their job as a result of the status.

"This would not be an overnight change," said Pond. "Rather the implementation of constable status would take place over a five year period."

This period may become extended if the large expense of changing security vehicles and providing training becomes too extensive to handle in such a short period of time.

Community events

TOYS FOR UNDERPRIVELEGED KIDS

A christmas toy drive is being held by the Jamaican-based Youth Promotion. Youth Promotion was founded in the 1970s by Lincoln "Sugar" Minott, a reggae musician, to try and keep poor Jamaican kids off the streets. Donations of toys, articles of clothing and school supplies can be dropped off at the Caribbean Students Association. Gifts will be distributed at the Youth Promotion headquarters in Kingston, Jamaica on Dec. 24. Deadline for gifts is November 30. Phone Carol Walker, 766-1014 for more information.

PUBLIC WORKSHOP ON AIDS AND STD'S

A public workshop and informational session on the prevention of AIDS and sexually-transmitted diseases will be held at Stong College JCR, Tuesday Nov 27 at 8:00 pm. The event will be put on by the North York Public Health department. Door prizes consisting of colored and flavored condoms, condom wallets, etc., will be handed out. A condom trade-in will also take place where one condom will get you seven.

Friday November 16

Theft Personal-Parking Lot 1A

A student's car was entered by breaking the passenger window. A compact disc player, a Minolta 35mm camera, a leather jacket, sun glasses and driving gloves were stolen- estimated loss and repair costs - \$2300

Theft Personal-Parking Lot 8A

The "T" of a student's car was forced open. A car stereo and a leather jacket were stolen- estimated loss and repair cost-\$1480

Saturday November 17

Stuck Elevator-Stong Residence

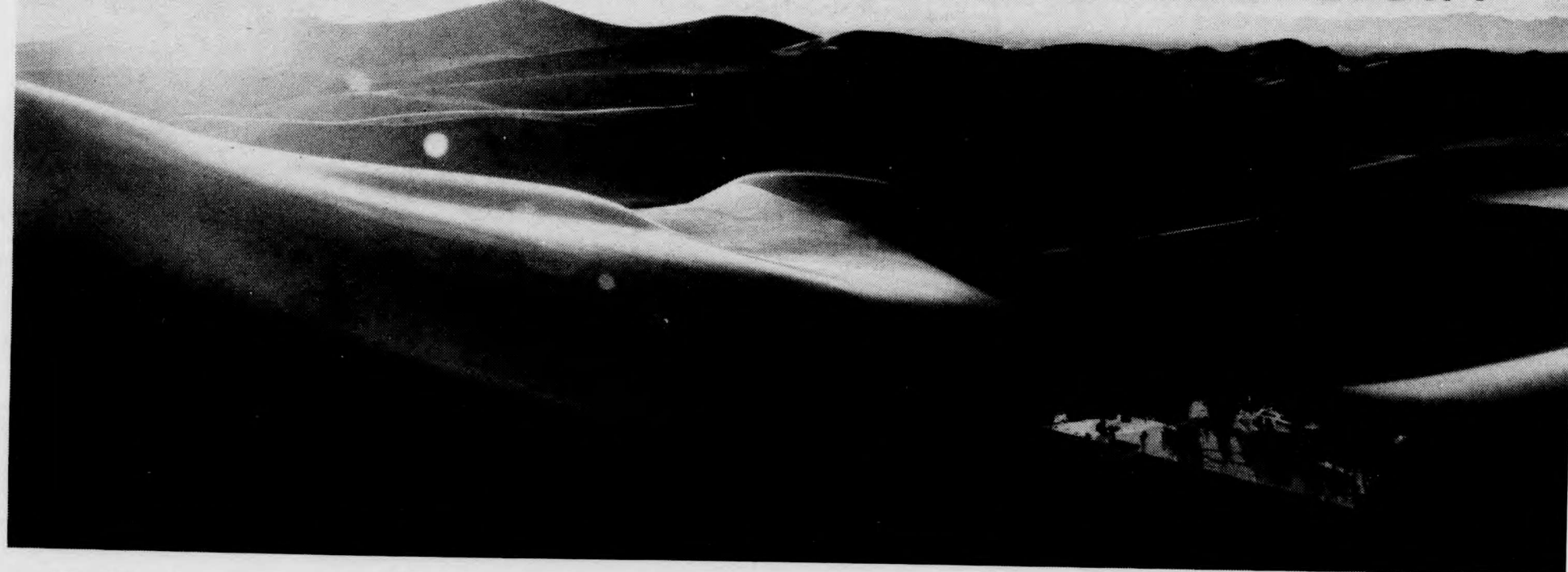
Security and North York Fire Department were called early Saturday morning to free two males trapped in Stong residence elevator. Since damage had occurred to both the inner and outer doors of the elevator it was boarded up.

Wednesday November 21

Theft Personal-Farquharson Building

A faculty member reported that she had left her knapsack unattended in rm 304A. When she returned it had been stolen. The knapsack contained personal documents and a Sony Walkman. A suspicious person was seen in the area during the same period. He is described as a black male, 5'9", 160 lbs, with short, dark curly hair, medium build, wearing wire frame glasses and a brown coat.

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