

the money. There is no mention that the people who are the source of the money might have something else they would prefer to do with it. The type of thinking behind these stories is so common that people do not even recognize it as socialism. I invite you to read the Toronto Star for articles of this kind. The fact that newspapers do not support the New Democratic Party proves nothing. The policies they are supporting are socialist.

Socialism reinforces failure and punishes success. The punishment value of progressively higher income tax rates is obvious. The reward value of tax money given to failing industries and out of work individuals is also obvious. Socialism trains us to be failures.

Socialism can also lead to the legal murder of citizens. For proof I offer the murder of millions of Ukrainians by the socialist Stalin and the murder of millions of Jews by the national socialist (Nazi) Hitler.

We do not need or want socialism. Learn to recognize socialist arguments whether in a newspaper article or a letter. Remember the saying, "For evil to triumph, all that is required is for good people to do nothing." Oppose socialism, support freedom.

David Pengelly

Table-cloggers must be killed

Editor:

I'm a blind, pregnant, quadruple amputee wandering around Central Square Cafeteria with my tray of Swiss Meatloaf (a.k.a. fried baloney), looking for a place to sit and eat. But the cafeteria is full. And half the people taking up the tables are just sitting around talking or studying, not a morsel of food or beverage in front of them.

The seated, yapping boneheads see me, but continue to clog up available seating meant for 'diners.' On the walls are signs that say "No studying in the cafeteria," but the weak-kneed cafeteria staff don't enforce this sensible rule.

I'm disgusted by the insensitivity and idiocy of the table-cloggers. I encourage all readers to clip and use the message below, subtle enough for these morons to understand:

MOVE, ASSHOLE

If that doesn't work, kill them.

Cecily Torentious

NEWS DIGEST

Castel receives French honor

By ODED ORGIL

Osgoode Hall law professor Jean-Gabrielle Castel has received one of the most prestigious honorary doctorate degrees awarded by universities in France.

Professor Castel was "quite pleased" with the award which gave him the title of Doctor "honoris causa." Such an award must be approved by the French Minister of Education after a proposal is put forward by a university.

Professor Castel received the award this past fall for his eight-year work on an exchange programme between the Faculty of Law of the University of Aix-Marseille and Osgoode Hall Law School. Professor Castel stated that this programme involves both students and professors cooperating on research and various publications.

In addition, the award recognizes Professor Castel's contribution in the field of public and private international law, particularly in the area of extraterritoriality of economic laws. Presently, Castel says, this includes research on the implications of the proposed Canadian value added tax on the Canadian and European markets.

Today, Professor Castel is on sabbatical from lecturing at Osgoode Hall, and plans to return to teaching next year.

New York debating club

By PETER MERRICK

Since York University opened its doors in the late 1960's, many debating clubs have periodically arose only to later fold, due to lack of interest shown by students.

In 1986 a few students from a number of faculties on the main campus gathered together to form "The York Debating Society." The organization has not yet received funding from York, said Marc Potvin, a member of the club, but it hopes to obtain funds from the private sector in the near future. These

finances will allow the club to participate in tournaments held at other colleges and universities across Canada, he added.

This past fall, the club sent a debating team, consisting of both Potvin and Monty Bhardwaz to the Canadian Debating Nationals. York placed a respectable 27th out of 57 teams from across the country.

In the future, the club would like to increase their membership and improve their debating skills, said Potvin. The club practices in the arts of parliamentary and individual debating. Potvin feels that the skills that his organization teaches are beneficial to students and help them better project themselves.

The next tournament will be held at McLaughlin College Junior Common Room, January 13th, against Glendon College. The club meets every Wednesday from 5:00 to 6:00 in 104 South Ross, and welcomes new students.

Library theft "inside job"

By JEFF SHINDER

On December 21, several hundred dollars were found stolen from the library, in what apparently was an inside job.

The money was discovered missing from the reserve room cash box, by library staffer Evelyn Marrast. She stated that she discovered the emptied box wide open.

Investigations by the security department did not disclose any evidence of forced entry. According to security director Michael O'Neil the evidence indicated that the theft was performed by a library staffer who had access to the cash box.

According to Marrast, the entire reserve room full and part-time staff and supervisors had access to the cash box key. Security is still investigating the incident.

Accinelli takes new post

By MARK KEMP

Nancy Accinelli, formerly Assistant to the Master of Vanier College and a senior member of the Office of

Student Affairs, recently assumed the position of Co-ordinator of the Faculty of Arts Advising Centre, effective December 7, 1987.

Accinelli's long association and wide range of experience with York University, made her a creditable choice for the position. Her responsibilities will include the First Year Advising Programme underway in the Faculty of Arts and an upper-year which is still in the planning stages. She will receive the support of the Centre's present staff, and of the first-year project's co-ordinator Deborah Hobson.

Accinelli brings to her new position an energetic philosophy and some plausible ideas about academic advising. For example, she hopes to propose a year-round "Advising Hotline" which would answer a variety of students' questions. The hotline will also address the needs of those students who are uncertain whether they need or want personal advising, or who are not yet willing to meet face to face with an advisor.

"Our challenge," Accinelli says, "is to create an advising system that allows students to form their own connections with the university, but offers the student a connection if he or she requires it." The connection might be in the form of advising sessions or involvement in a club or association.

The essential thing, according to Accinelli, is to create in the student a sense of "intellectual engagement" in the university life, something that she feels does not come easily to even upper-year students. She feels the advising system should, through informed counselling and referrals to faculty members, be capable of meeting this need.

Parking officer passes away

By PAULA TORNECK

On December 9, the flag outside the Ross building was lowered to half mast after the death of Parking Control Officer Lawrence Paul Fernandez.

Fernandez was born in February 1923. He left his home in India, where he worked as a civil engineer, to migrate to Canada. He had been with the Parking Department since September of 1983.

Fernandez died of a heart attack. He had suffered two previously; his second requiring him to take a few months off work on an extended sick

leave. He came back to work in August (1987) when everything seemed to be going well. He then suffered his third heart attack which proved to be fatal.

Fernandez was the Parking attendant regularly posted at the East Office Building road. His smile and friendly demeanor was familiar to many of the staff and students at the University said Michael O'Neil, director of Security, who described Fernandez as a "likeable, quiet, congenial gentleman who will be missed by all that knew him."

Sauve attends CIIA anniversary

By AMY MENON

The Canadian Institute of International Affairs (CIIA) commemorated its sixtieth anniversary on November 19 with a reception at the York Club, one of the last remaining men's clubs on St. George St. The reception, attended by about three hundred members was highlighted by a visit from CIIA patron, Madame Jean Sauve, the Governor General of Canada.

Her Excellency expressed that young Canadians should take a more active role in international politics, as Canada's reputation as a mediator in political conflicts is well-known. She also expressed an optimistic view about the future role of Canada. "We, as Canadians, need to improve what we're doing as an example to others. As a nation, we need to be more eager to participate international affairs. These world problems are persistent but eventually, the right philosophy will be triumphant." Madame Sauve also said that although Canadians are perceived to be less nationalistic than their American neighbours, they do not suffer from disunity or a lack of identity. "It is a good system and it has evolved."

The Toronto branch of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs has a chapter at York University. Founded in 1927 by Sir Robert Borden, it has been active in promoting Canada as an international actor. Said Nancy Belber, chairperson of the CIIA, "this is the first time we have done this and it's been a wonderful success." She also said that the presence of about 200 university students at the reception meant that there will be no lack of young minds to pursue an active role in international affairs in the future.

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