

"Women working" series

Morgentaler is coming

Dr. Henry Morgentaler, recently released from a ten-month imprisonment, will speak at York a week tomorrow in the final day of the three-day "Women Working" series, presented by the York Women's Centre.

What Morgentaler will speak on, however, remains a mystery. Bail conditions for his release, contain the unprecedented condition that Morgentaler can not comment publicly on the abortion issue or the conditions of his imprisonment.

The conditions of Morgentaler's bail have created considerable controversy in the legal profession. Desmond Morton, criminal law specialist at the University of Toronto said that the decision to bar Morgentaler from speaking out on the abortion issue was quite improper.

The only issues before the court in ruling on a crown appeal are whether the plaintiff will show up for his trial and obey the law if allowed to remain free," Morton said in a Toronto Star interview. "The whole idea of prohibiting public comment on a case before the courts is to protect the accused by making sure that his right to a fair trial isn't prejudiced."

Pierre Berton, representative of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, also took strong exception to the ruling. "This, on top of his original unjust imprisonment, must have placed Morgentaler's case as the worst case of political persecution this decade."

Morgentaler is the only person in Canadian history to serve time in prison with two jury acquittals on the charges he was supposedly incarcerated for. His 18 month



Dr. Henry Morgentaler, under a court order to remain silent on abortion, will speak at York next Friday.

sentence was cut short at 10 a.m. on January 22 when Ron Basford, recently appointed minister of justice, ordered a new trial. Four days later, he was released on

"The bail conditions should create no problem," according to Alice Klein, administrative assistant for CYSF who was involved in getting Morgentaler to appear at York. "Dr. Morgentaler rights, areas he has much experience in, to say the least. Conceivably, he will be introduced by a representative from the

Women's Centre who could make a presentation on what Dr. Morgentaler would have said if he had been allowed to talk."

The three days on issues and problems confronting women covers issues on the whole spectrum of the women's movement. It begins on Tuesday at noon with a movie entitled "Finger Pinkie" that is being shown free of charge in Calumet Common Room. It encan speak on the penal system, or ds on Friday at 4 p.m. with a general questions of women's reception for Dr. Morgentaler in the Faculty Lounge. Cost is \$1.50. Further details on the events can be obtained from CYSF or the Women's Centre.

NOTICE OF CYSF ELECTION

CH 17 (polls open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

NOMINATION PERIOD

Mon. Feb. 23 (APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 5 P.M. ON MARCH 2) Tues. March 2

CAMPAIGNING PERIOD

Wed. March 3

Tues. March 16

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