

York puts down gays

TORONTO (CUP) — Gay couples at York University cannot rent furnished one-bedroom apartments on campus although the rooms are open to heterosexual couples, married or single.

According to residence manager Jane Corbette furnished apartments are covered by the regulation because they contain double beds.

Corbett's comments were contained in the December issue of a York feminist magazine, Breakthrough. She said she herself could not conceive of living in such close quarters with another woman.

Paul Trollope, a spokesperson for the Gay Alliance at York

(GAY), said his group will protest to the York Housing Office, and ask them "to repudiate the existing policy and replace it with a clear one of non-discrimination."

The issue was raised after an application for a furnished apartment by Charlene Robertson, a third-year women's studies student, was rejected. Corbett told her "two members of the same sex are not allowed to share a furnished one-bedroom apartment on campus." The application had been for Robertson and another woman she described as her lover.

"I don't know whether you call two people of the same sex a couple," said Corbett. She added

that the graduate residences had been built primarily to accommodate married couples or campus.

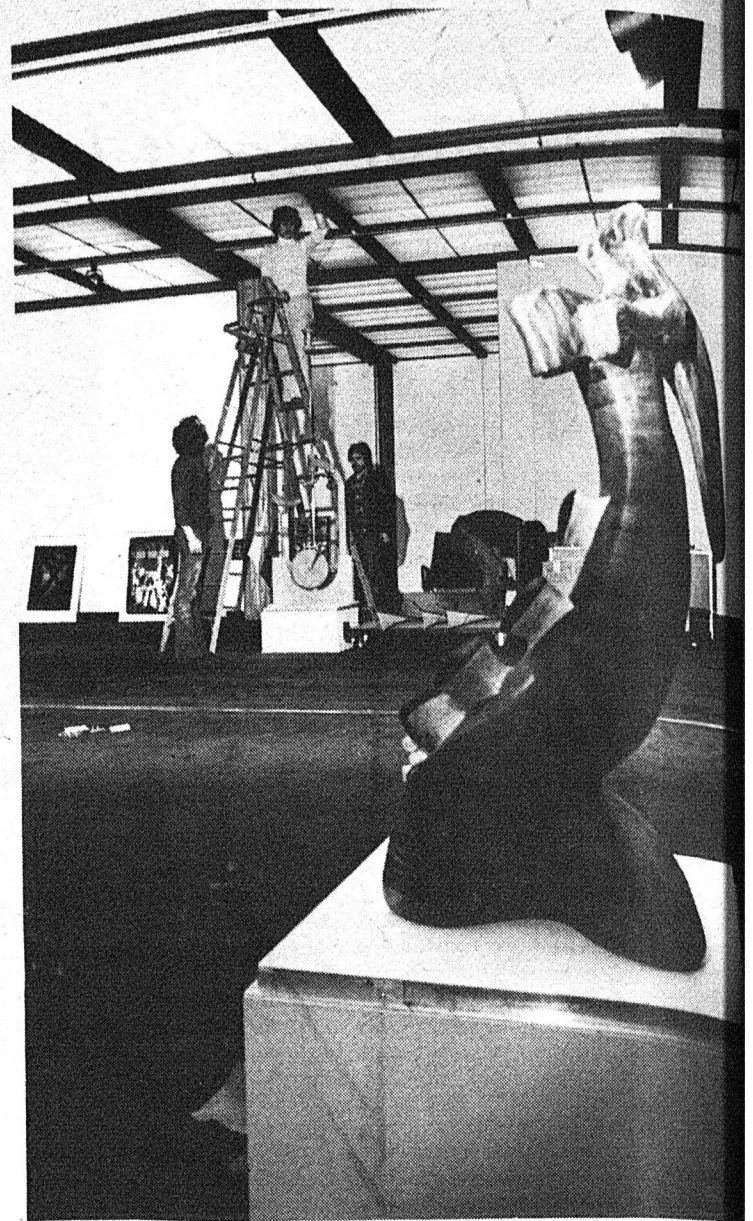
Robertson commented that a conversation with the residence manager "led us to believe that many other couples in the past had found themselves in our position, and had either taken a two-bedroom apartment or decided to commute rather than live on campus."

"Why should we pay \$50 a month more to live together because of York's heterosexual ruling, when a heterosexual couple can have a one-bedroom regardless of whether or not they are married?" she asked.

SAIT boozing

CALGARY (CUP) — Most student activities at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) are alcohol-related because of inadequate recreation facilities, according to Alberta College of Art president Brian Hohner.

Speaking to the Student Affairs Advisory Committee, which makes recommendations to minister of advanced education Bert Hohol, Jan. 28, Hohner said there is no real student activity centre at SAIT to accommodate the energy of young people.



Grad students' exhibit.

Work from U of A art and design students was set up yesterday for display in SUB Art Gallery for an exhibit in Visual Arts which continues to March 5.

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A hard pill to swallow

SAN FRANCISCO (ZNS-CUP) — Adverse publicity about the potentially dangerous side effects of birth control pills is causing millions of American women to abandon the use of oral contraceptives according to the American Medical Association.

An AMA study of 100 women at the University of California at San Francisco revealed that 53 per cent of the women had changed their methods of contraception recently with most of

them moving away from taking the pill.

The study found that the most commonly used form of contraception is still the pill, with 28 of the 100 women taking oral

contraceptives. Following closely behind however, was the use of mechanical barriers, with 24 women reporting they relied on diaphragms, foam or condoms to prevent pregnancy.

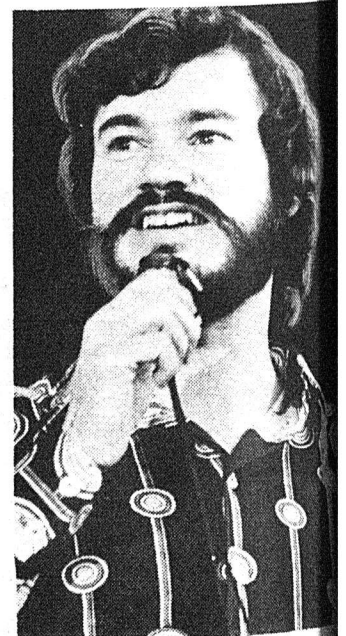
Men's liberation

Being male is being unable to cry. Isn't it?

Warren Farrell, whose Ph.D. discussing male/female socialization won a distinction from New York University and

who has founded over 250 "men's consciousness raising groups," will argue tonight that is not, although society would have us believe so.

Dr. Farrell, 32, is author of *The Liberated Man — Beyond Masculinity: Freeing Men and Their Relationships with Women* and has appeared on numerous television talk shows.



Farrell disagrees with the stereotypes of our society — the strong, virile he-man, the aggressor, the breadwinner — and he argues that we are socialized into male or female roles by society.

His lecture, at 8:00 p.m. in the SUB Theatre, will argue in favor of men's liberation and women's liberation — people's liberation from anachronistic empty sexual stereotypes.

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