

Exams cancelled!

Student procrastination reaches unprecedented level

By TSAR NICHOLAS V
Special Report

Due to an unprecedented amount of procrastination on the part of York's undergraduates, the Administration announced yesterday that exams have been cancelled.

"The students are completely unprepared," said Vice-President of Academic Affairs Sven Maybe. "If they wrote their exams they would all fail. I just don't have the heart to let it continue."

Maybe made his decision after listening to student concerns on the issue during a student organized emergency plebiscite on Monday. Plebiscite leaders told Maybe that procrastination and an exorbitant amount of "silly behaviour" were the primary reasons for students not studying.

"Maybe and the other administrators weren't too impressed when we told them that most of us just didn't feel like studying," said plebiscite co-organizer Tummy Lotsofshasses. "But when we told them just how stupid most of us have been acting over the last month, they had to give in."

"It's a major victory for students at York and across the country," added Lotsofshasses. "Hopefully other student bodies will take our lead and we'll eliminate this testing-business once and for all."

Pandemonium broke out on campus immediately after the decision was announced. According to York Insecurity, scores of students were seen running half-naked across campus shouting slogans such as "Now I can go to Bermuda," "From multiple choice to multiple partying," and "If the Jays could just get a centre-fielder who could lead-off we'd be in great shape."

The Administration has yet to

make a decision on how grades will be assigned. But a top administration official, who spoke under the condition that his name and his taste in music not be identified, said that the University is considering a number of different options such as assigning grades on the basis of shoe size, having a large bingo, or as the official put it, "Just forgettin' the whole damn thing and goin' across the street to the 20 Grand for a couple of brewskies."

Government officials were shocked after hearing the announcement.

"I'm at a loss for words because I can't think of any," said Lean McLowdinthesty, Minister of Collegen and Universal Gyms. "But I'm concerned, very concerned. Look, now it's exams but this may lead to the cancellation of essays, classes, tutorials, lunch, dinner, and my weekly massage."

"You can bet your sweet patooties that my staff are looking into matter very seriously," McLowdinthesty added.

Lotsofshasses said that some students expressed some concern over the Administration's decision. These students, she explained, were worried that the implications of the Administration's actions might jeopardize their academic careers.

"As soon as we heard about these dissenters, we [the plebiscite leaders] rounded up a posse faster than a greyhound on uppers. I'll be frank. We're going to make minced meat out of those SOBs."

None of the dissenting students could be reached for comment.

Further details about the cancellation of the exams and the implication of the decision on the York community and the Jane-Finch drug trade will appear in a future issue.

Prof has sex change and marries himself

By THAT GUY

In a sensational series of events, prominent York economics professor Heini Manouche publicly declared that he has had a sex change operation and married himself.

"I know it sounds a bit rash," said Manouche at a press conference in Curtis Lecture Hall Z last night. "But the morning after surgery I took just one look in the mirror and said 'I'm for me.'"

Manouche took two and a half hours to describe in detail the remarkable story of how he came out of the closet and fell in love with himself.

"I was restless after surgery so I decided to dust up a bit," said Manouche. "But like my usual clumsy self I locked myself in the broom closet. After jarring the door open and practically destroying the living room in the process, I found myself staring into my hall-way mirror."

"Within five minutes I was on a subway to City Hall with a couple of buddies and the rest is history."

Colleagues of the renowned professor were stunned by Manouche's announcement and wardrobe at the press conference.

"Sure, he was a bit off the wall," said Economics professor Hefty Morgan, a long-time friend, colleague, and mud-wrestling partner of Manouche. "But this is perhaps the farthest he has gone, including his moonlighting stint as the bearded lady at the circus. And the nerve of him to mix Alfred Sung accessories with a Channel blazer at a press conference. I just don't know what's come over him."

"He is an excellent professor, efficient administrator, and mixes one hell of a martini," said a confused Jorge Phalysymbol, Dean of Economics. "I just hope his actions won't cause problems with the staff washrooms."

Some of Manouche's students seemed disoriented after hearing the news.

"On one hand I'm flabbergasted,"



PHOTO: THE GUY THEY CALLED 'KABAB'

THERE IS A GOD! York's Yehuda Steinkrog, a third-year undeclared major with no taste in clothes, breaks out the party gear just moments after the Administration cancelled exams. "I didn't study a damn thing," he boasted. "The announcement was like manna from heaven."

Elvis: York's bratwurst king

By FRANK N. STEIN

Elvis Presley is alive and is currently the head bratwurst chef at York's Central Square cafeteria.

For the past three weeks York Insecurity has been flooded with reports that "The King" is looking good and serving up a mean bratwurst.

"At first we didn't believe the claims and made some dandy paper airplanes out of the files," said Insecurity Chief Michael O'kneelonthe-ground. "But the reports were confirmed when one of our officers spotted Elvis singing 'Love Me Tender' to a new load of frozen bratwurst."

News of Elvis working at York spread quickly. For the past week, thousands of students, staff, and faculty jammed Central Square to get a glimpse of Presley and to spend \$5.50 on the autographed bratwurst

that Food Services is selling just outside the cafeteria.

"I'm not usually in the habit of exploiting people," said Housing and Food Services Director Wax Candles. "But in this case we're going to suck every damn nickel out of those poor bastards."

Candles said that Central Square cafeteria sales have increased dramatically, with bus tours coming from as far away as Nashville. He said Food Services plans to use the profits to recruit more rock legends on campus.

"Right now we're looking into Chubby Checker," said Candles. "We heard he's a wiz with the skillet."

Food Services' newest employee has had a profound effect on some students.

"I've dropped my classes to be with Elvis and now have a completely different view of bratwurst,"

said one delirious student. "As soon as I heard the news, my social life ended. I spend my nights making casings for the weiners in the hopes that — just maybe — Elvis will one day use them."

York faculty has also been moved by Elvis's presence on campus. Tom Travesty, Dean of Arts, said that in the last two weeks he has received numerous course proposals with titles such as "Elvis and Society," "Marx, Weber, and Elvis: Who Doesn't Belong?" and "The Metaphysical Hound-dog: The Philosophical Underpinnings of a Good Guy."

Presley offered no comment and did not deny rumours that he and Provost Tommy Mindyourownbusiness are currently jamming in preparation for an upcoming concert at York.

Mindyourownbusiness could not be reached for comment.

Earthquake rocks York pubs

By BARNEY J.-STRAYER

The rumblings of last week's earthquake reverberated throughout North York, shaking the very foundations of York University.

In the Ross Building, professors interrupted lectures, as bricks and ceiling panels fell to the ground.

However, damage incurred was most evident in the seven pubs located across the campus.

According to an eyewitness at the Cock and Bull, "bottles of beer began to rattle, and ultimately fell from the tables, crashing to the floors."

"I was terrified," admitted Cock and Bull Pub manager I.M. Sober. "But I reacted swiftly and with the authority vested in me by Provost Tom Meininger."

After carefully removing all stray darts from the games corner of the Cock and Bull, Sober announced that students would not be refunded for their beer that had been spilled.

York activist Phil Downey led over 321 angry students in an impromptu march. Chanting, "We'll stay here till we get more beer," the crowd marched from

the Cock and Bull to the provost's office.

Radio York (CHRY-FM) joined the protest, broadcasting the march live, in an unprecedented display of campus solidarity. Said music director and book co-ordinator Edwardo. "We at CHRY are behind the students 250 per cent! That's what community radio is all about. We were 20 years too late for Rochdale, but students can change things, even in the '80s!"

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said Johnny Iglesias, a third-year economics student who has had Manouche as a professor several times. "On the other hand I'm stunned. Unfortunately, I'm having a little problem with athlete's foot to be really objective. Basically, I just don't have enough appendages to offer a solid opinion on such short notice."

Other students were less startled by Manouche's actions. "Many of us knew he was eccentric — especially after he gave his Keynesian lecture series in a Groucho Marx falsetto," said Lester O'Baby, a second-year economics student. "But as far as I'm concerned, if you even think about marrying yourself you've got a couple of corks missing from your wine cellar."

Manouche insisted that his marriage would not interfere with his teaching or research activities.

"I love my students in a similar way that I now love myself," Manouche explained, as half those present at the press conference quickly made their way to exist. "I very much want to continue teaching and resume work on my latest research project, *Poppy or sesame. What's the diff? An economic analysis of the Montreal bagel and its effect on cattle grazing in northern Utah.*"

Despite the reaction on campus, Manouche has received a tremendous amount of support from his parents and some of his close friends.

"We love Heini so very much and want him to be happy," said Manouche's father Sigmund in a telephone interview from his goat ranch in Tacoma. "Mrs. Manouche and I developed a soft spot for the critter after he beat the pulp out of old Miss Hanchard's prize moose when he was only six years old. Now he's making headlines. We're both so proud."

Manouche's best man, Garcia Pepe LaSalsa, was equally supportive.

"Heini will do fine, even if he ends up divorcing himself," said LaSalsa. "I'll always be there for him. But I'd be lying if I said that I wouldn't feel uncomfortable lending him my Mennon SpeedStick."

Manouche said that he will return to the University after a four-day honeymoon in Leemington, Ontario.

Protest

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As *Excalibur* went to press, the crowd was still camped outside Provost Meininger's office. Downey remained confident. "With the money we get from the university settlement, we'll be able to buy key chains for everyone at York!" he said.

Members of the crowd sang "We Shall Overcome," in the background, as he added, "You just have to get involved."

Things We *Didn't* March for in '88

- The installation of computers at each table in the Central Square cafeteria, to facilitate students engaged in essay writing and other assignments during the lunch hour rush

- Lack of government funding for the Fine Arts' programme: Ash-Trash. Since the implementation of York's non-smoking policy, Fine Arts has been working to convert now useless ashtrays into a post-modern sculpture, to be displayed in the student centre. With government cutbacks, this programme is now in jeopardy.

- Re-education for CYSF members in basic math. How many months are there? The handy Manus calendar gives us 7½. Appointments and dinner dates, the last time I checked, were still being made *after* April 9, 1989.

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Stong Pond Accord signed

By CHUCK CUNNINGHAM
(Ritchie's infamous brother)

York President Hurrayup Author and 10 student leaders emerged last Sunday night from a three-day constitutional conference with *The Stong Pond Accord*.

The new accord has been assailed as a drastic shift in governmental power, which will de-centralize student government. In addition to providing college councils more power at the expense of the CYSF, the accord also recognizes Glendon College, or College Glendon (depending on your bilingual preference) as a "distinct society."

During the weekend-long meeting, CYSF president Tammy Howsitfeel pushed vigorously for the new agreement, which brings Glendon into line with the rest of York.

"I think that Glendon is different from the rest of the university and will offer a great deal to the main campus," said Howsitfeel. "It's not just the percentage of francophones [that makes them different], it's also the student-tree ratio."

The accord must be passed by all 10 councils and the president; the deadline for passage is June 1990. But some student leaders are already opposing the deal.

"I think Howsitfeel and Author

have conspired to tear this university apart," said Vanier President Philly Downey Jr. "Exactly what is a distinct society, and why wasn't Vanier granted the same rights?"

The reality is that (*Excalibur* is editorializing here, but you can call this an analysis piece), aside from the occasional tree and francophones aside, there is nothing original about Vanier. The large-screen television in the Open End is strictly passé.

Glendon President Jenny Justgrinandbareit said the deal allows Glendoners to feel they are once again part of York.

"I'm titillated," said Justgrinandbareit. "Now I can go back and tell the people of Glendon that there is a place for them in the university."

Opponents of the accord stress that it decentralizes the university at

a time when York is very vulnerable to its neighbour to the south — the University of Tastelessness (U of T).

Last July, President Author signed a free library exchange programme that provides U of T with unlimited access to York books. In return York University Libraries receives access to the U of T lamination market.

York's head bookworm, Hell Its-closed, explained the free library exchange threatens the libraries' subsidized employee work hours.

Outgoing CYSF VP Davey Grabitinski had these words to say about the accord: "I can remember York as a place where students were proud to be indifferent. In a period of six months Howsitfeel and Author have conspired to undo 28 years of York apathy."

Scott Library sold

By RICH GUY

Director of Libraries Melon Koffmann shocked the York community yesterday when she announced that Scott Library would be sold to the T. Eaton Company for \$10 million.

Koffmann said she negotiated the deal because not enough students were using the library.

Phase I of Koffmann's Resources De-Acquisition Plan will begin January 2 with a "Midnight Madness" book sale. The event is expected to net nearly \$20,000.

"Come on down and make me an offer," Koffmann said. "There'll be free hot dogs and plenty of balloons for the kids."

Koffmann said that unsold books would be dumped in the York-U-Can-Recycle bins. "It's not exactly 'dumping'," she said. "It's vertical inventory displacement."

Eaton's president Larry Eaton plans to open a new store in the five-story building after the installation of down escalators.

But many students are concerned about the sale. Robert Taylor, an angry York student, has started a petition to stop the deal with Eaton's.

"Eaton's is so gauche," Taylor said. "Like, couldn't we get a giant Holt Renfrew instead?"

Council of the York Student Federation president Erma Tasselfeldt isn't sure what action the CYSF will take. "Sale? What sale?" she asked.

Turner: CYSF Prez?

By ROGER KAPUTNIK

John Turner revealed last week that he will step down as leader of the Liberal party and run for CYSF president this spring.

Said Turner, "I've always been interested in student government. This should give me the opportunity to progress where I couldn't in federal politics."

Turner based his decision to run for York student president on his belief that he will be removed from his post as Liberal leader within the next year.

Asked what his platform will be, Turner responded, "Well, I haven't got the specifics ready, but I can promise that it will be firm yet flexible. Simple, yet complex. But most importantly, fair to all Canadians — I mean York students."

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney commented, "He probably chose York because he knew he couldn't get into U of T."

Turner will come on campus in mid-March to get his campaign under way.

York trivia quiz (a very short one)



1. What the hell is this?

- a) York's proposed entry pavillion
- b) Grain elevator
- c) Missile silo
- d) A phallus that wouldn't do the trick
- e) Scene from Fritz Lang's "Metropolis"
- f) A bad dream
- g) None of the above
- h) All of the above

Answer:
1. Technically the answer is "a", but full credit will be given to any other answer

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EDITORIAL

Excal's biannual democratic editorial

I don't know if it's a word, but it's a damn good one.

Highway safety is the prime responsibility of every citizen. Wearing sports socks with dress pants must be outlawed for the security of York University and the surrounding community. Free abortion for everyone. I just keep telling myself: only one more week, only one more week. The best politicians are in the worst parties, and the worst politicians throw the best parties. I told her not to take off the stockings, but she never listened.

Never lend money to a man with a sense of humour. The installation of "no smoking" signs in all classrooms is therefore imperative. They always did have a soft spot for murder. If you're reading this, you're not studying and you're going to fail. Regardless of what people say, strawberry jello works far better than lime. There are simply too many former hard-rock people at *Excalibur*. Gimme money and give it to me now.

Who is John Galt and why is *Excalibur* against him? And before you know it, there'll be an Eaton Centre on campus. But in the larger scope of life, does anything really matter? Just fax it downtown.

The University of Guelph's Animal Sciences Department refused to comment on the cow toppling incident. With the new trends in music, disco should make a comeback by mid-1989. If you're ever in the Hotel Odyssey in Sudbury, go to the Rib Room and ask for Susan. They should have fired the bum six months ago. It's disrespectful and downright irresponsible.

However, the unsung nature of his career drove him to shoot his audience. Power to the NDP! He said that most major government offices were working irregularly, and some were not working at all. We must ensure that all washroom facilities be supplied with paper towels, ridding the system of those inefficient hand dryers. My God — it's full of stars. It's a classic case of the nice guy finishing last.

Most Canadians don't realize what they owe to the Incas. A good man is hard to find. They caved in to him under pressure. But the full implications of this have yet to be considered.

All doors on campus should be widened to allow for the progressive enlargement of students' hairdos. In a sense, aren't we all foreigners?

I always check my toothbrush *before* I brush, for someone else's saliva tracks.

George Bush, keen to impress the former president, pushed the button. Democracy isn't democratic — it's bureaucratic. If he doesn't listen to me, I'll just start crying.

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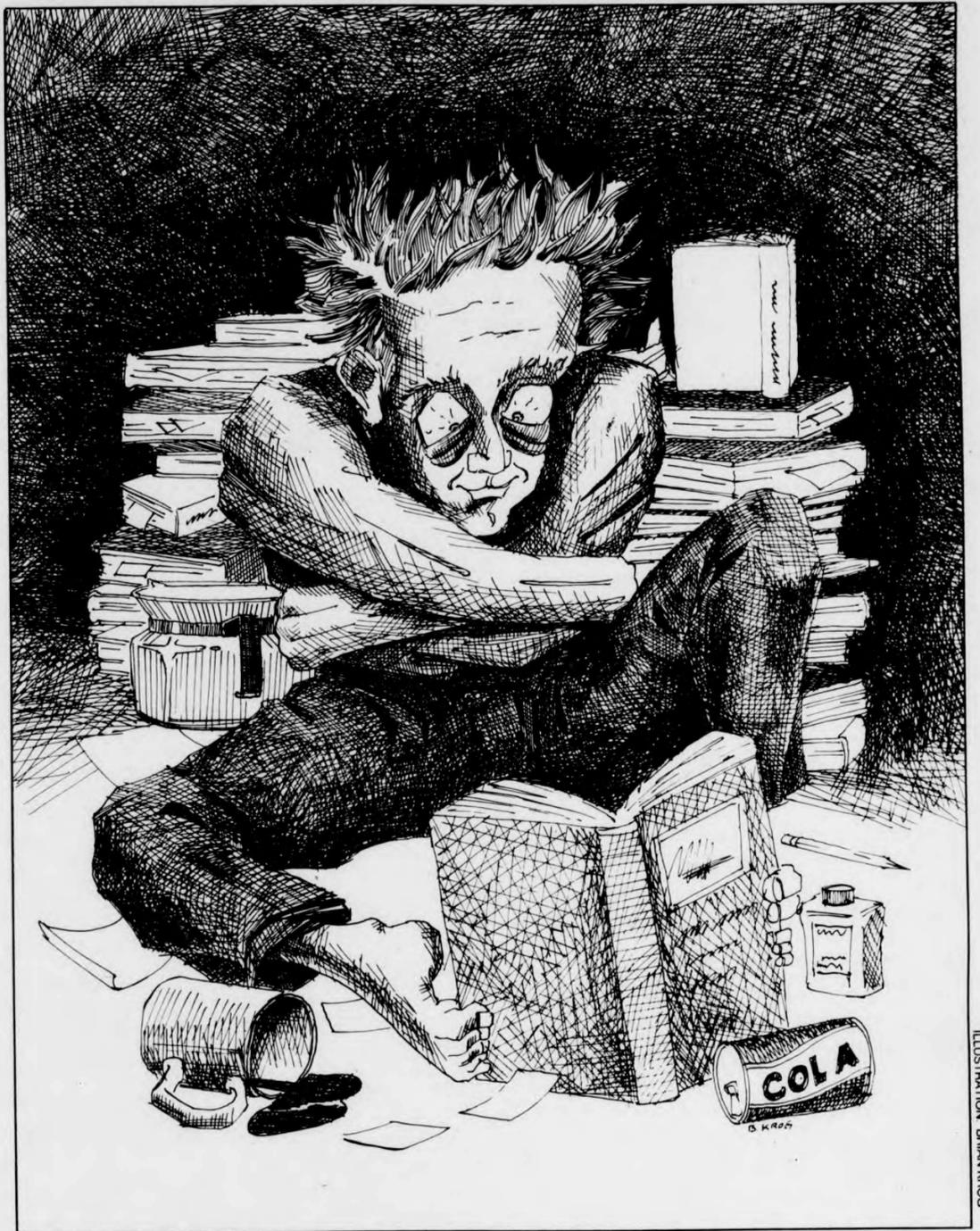


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Caution: The following are real letters. They are not jokes. We repeat, they are not jokes. Please be careful.

—The Management

LETTERS

Ignoring a "radio nut"

Dear Editor:

I apologize for waiting so long to respond to an issue that has become very frustrating for me.

For nearly a year I have worked as a volunteer in the news department of CHRY-FM. I've made some great friends there and I've learned a lot about radio. I like to think my contribution to the station is appreciated.

There are many other people at CHRY who have contributed and who continue to contribute a lot more than I. Names like Mel Broitman and Kaan Yigit come to mind. CHRY volunteers and staff wished them well when they left the station.

Former news director John Doyle may not have been a high profile CHRY personality but he was nonetheless a dedicated behind-the-scenes radio nut who played an important role in getting the radio station where it is today. He volunteered for many years, served on the station's Board of Directors, produced a weekly book review program, then went on to initiate "Day

by Day," the most ambitious CHRY news program to date.

But for many mysterious, conflicting reasons, Doyle was kicked out in a storm of bitterness, pettiness and hostility. Naturally, the tiny thread of appreciation for his hard work and dedication broke during the controversy. It is sad Doyle was not afforded a proper farewell.

I continue to enjoy volunteering at CHRY; the people are the best part. However, I can't appreciate the attitude of some in the newsroom who feel that the absence of John Doyle is a void which can easily be ignored.

Sincerely,
 Clark Hoskin

A librarian's explanation

To the editor:

The individual who wrote the caption on the front page of today's *Excalibur*, "York's Bar-Yoseph piles up books for librarians to reshelve" apparently has no idea of what librarians are or what they do. Of the over 250 employees in the York libraries, about 37 are librarians holding a Master of Library Science degree (and in many cases further

graduate degrees) and membership in the York University Faculty Association. Books in the libraries are reshelved by staff members assigned to the book stacks and student assistants hired on an occasional basis. You should realize that the message about librarians that your caption sends to students makes it difficult for York librarians to accomplish their mission, not to mention recruit York students to their profession.

Yours truly
 Mary F. Williamson
 Fine Arts Bibliographer

A "vulgar" UBU letter

Dear Editor:

This is in response to a letter submitted by Lou Napoe in the November 24th issue of *Excalibur* regarding the UBU advertising campaign. Mr. Napoe's lunch hour was "interrupted by the most pitiable and vulgar parade [he] had ever seen." Does he live in a cave? It is Mr. Napoe's right to interpret the ad as he wishes but we do not appreciate

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how our lunch hour was interrupted by his tasteless letter with "pitiabile and vulgar" insinuations about the group called the Fine Arts people. And it was only 7 feet!

Marisa Gatto
Tamara Osborne
Cindy French

A need for Dr. Holmes

I find it very unfortunate that Dr. Christopher Holmes will not be teaching here at York University after the end of this fall term of the FW88/89 session. I consider the learning processes I have experienced as a result of Dr. Holmes' courses to be my most important, formative, and profound. It saddens me a great deal to realize that other students will not have the same opportunity for learning, growth, and development that I have had.

The perspective taken by Dr. Holmes is unusual and highly valuable for many reasons. It is a perspective which does not deny humankind's spiritual element. This is a refreshing change from the seemingly totally scientific, rational approach taken in other psychology courses. In his consideration of the nature of human consciousness, by linking it with ancient mystical traditions, and by relating these both to today's most recent discoveries in physics, Dr. Holmes is truly working on the leading edge of the current field wherein the paradigm of "wholeness" is being explored. This element of synthesis in Dr. Holmes' teachings is also a welcome change of perspective from the ordinary, highly specialized fare offered in the psychology department. Although it is necessary to pursue specifics, they are virtually useless until integrated back into the larger picture. Dr. Holmes takes this principle to the level of cosmogenesis, and offers a

sound, new paradigm for exploration and explanation; namely mystical psychology.

I have grave doubts as to the quality of the assessments Dr. Holmes and his work have received from this institution. After having read Dr. Holmes' own letter of dispute and protest, "The Strange Case of Professor 'Z,'" and discussing the issues presented therein with various members of the York community, I am not satisfied that student opinion has been given enough consideration and weight, nor am I satisfied with a number of other issues raised in the examination of this case. Unfortunately it seems as if Dr. Holmes' work and teaching have been dismissed a priori. The standards of evaluation of the course material were not as academically stringent as they might have been. It appears that not enough classes were attended or readings done by members of the evaluating committees to render a fair judgement. The entire process of evaluation and the biases of many of the individuals involved remains under question, in my opinion.

I am reminded of the history of scientific discovery where new ideas have been initially rejected as heretical and unorthodox. The decision by the Psychology Undergraduate Committees that Dr. Holmes' work does not contribute to what the department defines as psychology is appalling. Having studied it myself, I would say that mystical psychology is fundamental to the discipline of psychology. Research into this unique and revealing area of psychology should be encouraged, not discouraged. I am not satisfied that the committees have given adequate reasons or proofs as to why mystical psychology is not considered relevant to the department of psychology here at York University.

In losing Dr. Holmes and the unique perspective with which he approaches psychology, this institution is losing a degree of its academic freedom. The words inscribed in stone on the Ross Building are being rejected almost literally. It will truly be a mistake to lose this innovative and active member of the York community. All efforts should be

made to secure a position for Dr. Holmes and his work and teaching here at York, if not within the discipline of psychology, then within an appropriate discipline such as Humanities, Philosophy, or the like. This issue means a great deal to a larger number of undergraduate students, as the many rallies of support for Dr. Holmes have already indicated. It also means a great deal to the future of the discipline of psychology and its synthesis with the current models under investigation in the scientific field. There is a desire and a profound need for Dr. Holmes' courses and for his research into these areas.

Sincerely,
Deanna Fry

Where was Yorkdex?

Letter to the Editor

Where is the "Yorkdex"? It seems to be missing in this issue (December 1). It has become a regular feature for which many of us, working on campus, find very interesting.

Yours,
I. Lehto

The official door opener

Dear Editor,

Okay, okay, so I have been known to frequently open doors for the Calumet Cougars hockey team. In fact, I was the official door opener for them last year.

So what? Has this country, this very university become so conservatively-minded that a man can't open a door for his buddies on a hockey team? Is it something so bad that people should be ridiculed? I think not!

I think it is something that should

be applauded and, even promoted. I think that all people should have the privilege of opening a door for a hockey team at least once in their lives.

Door openers of the world unite. We have nothing to lose but the game itself! Yell and cheer to your

heart's content. As for the beer, no comment.

Sincerely,
Bernie Polster

VP Internal Affairs, CYSF
P.S. Keep your head up, your stick down, and the beer cold! Thanks so very much.

YORKDEX

Number of universities located at York campus: 1

Percentage of students who are aware of this fact: 67

Percentage of York students who get C's on their essays, chuckle, and then go for a couple of rounds at the pub: 39

Percentage of York students who get C's on their essays, chuckle, go for a couple of rounds at the pub, appeal their marks, and end up with a B+: 38

Number of York students who believe that they are enrolled at U of T: 617

Number of York students who purchased the chickenburger at Central Square cafeteria last week because they didn't feel like fish and chips: 84

Percentage of York students who smoke after sex: 41

Percentage of York students who smoke after sex because they are on fire: 12

Number of York students who had the urge to hang around the Track and Field Centre to catch a glimpse of Ben before the Olympics: 724

Number of York students who have the urge to hang around the Track and Field Centre to catch a glimpse of Ben now: 4,359

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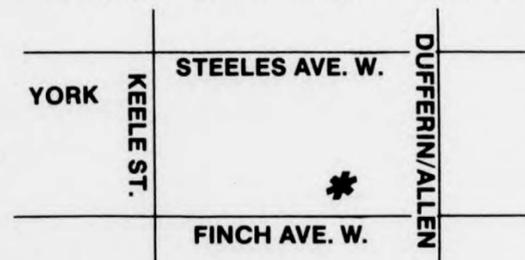
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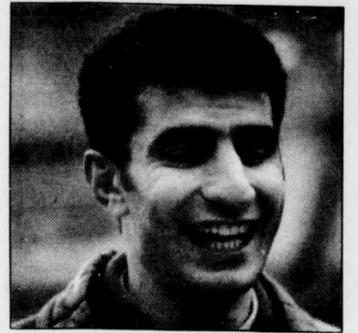
Sari Haber
Andre Souroujon

Question #1:

Exams are coming up, you have tons of
papers due . . . why are you standing
around wasting time?

Question #2:

Do you scrunch or fold your toilet
paper?



Student 1:

Baha Soltanzadeh
Political Science
3rd year

1: Hoping to be inspired by others
wasting their time.

2: Don't use toilet paper.



Student 2:

Lisa Foucault
Anthropology/Humanities
4th year
Rob Jonston
Psych./Labour St.
4th year

1: The guy we are buying the paper
from is supposed to meet us here!

2: We both scrunch.

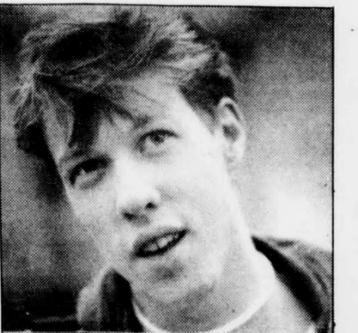


Student 3:

Julie Maciura
Osgoode
1st year

1: Because someone asked me to very
politely.

2: Fold.



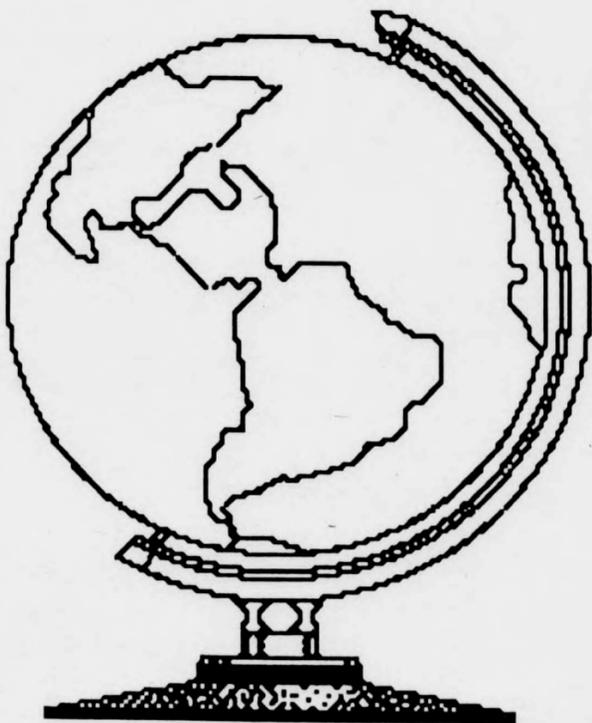
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1st year

1: What's the Question Engine? No,
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Hot dogs, beer, and Trotsky

By PAULANISK GARDENOV

Russian revolutionary Leon Trotsky never actually thought of entering politics in his younger days, reveals York historian Yuri Vastamaterwitu, in his latest book.

"He was a damn good second basemen," Vastamaterwitu states in his controversial *Leon Trotsky — Three Strikes and You're Icepicked*.

"He hit around .280 and had a .595 slugging average in the Siberian League. As far as I'm concerned, Trotsky can also be considered the father of the pivot in the double play."

Vastamaterwitu based his research on interviews with 118-year-old Anton Notgoodenaf, an all-star Tbilisi extreme left-fielder (in Soviet baseball there are no right fielders).

According to Notgoodenaf, Trotsky could have been the "best second baseman in the game if it

weren't for his career-ending groin injury during Winter Ball in Mexico in 1916.

Ironically, Vastamaterwitu discovered that despite Trotsky's exceptional skill and knowledge of baseball he was often a detriment to his team.

"He had this annoying habit of lecturing in the middle of games," writes Vastamaterwitu. "He would often scream about how the poor could not afford bread, and that the proletariat did not have good enough reception to get *Love Boat* reruns on TV. During these diatribes, the opposition kept stealing base."

Trotsky's antics often lead to team dissention. "In one pre-game warm-up Trotsky lectured the pitching staff on how they shouldn't throw curveballs and sliders because this deceives the opposition and would ultimately harm Soviet society," Vastamaterwitu states. "Pitching

ace Lefty Smirnoff got so upset with him that he told the press about Trotsky's drunken affair with some barnyard animals late one night in Gorky.

"Team morale hit an all-time low after this."

Trotsky fell in love with politics after he was traded to Moscow in spring 1916. He had a rough season that year, likely as a result of being preoccupied with Lenin's writings and Bucharin's pool table. He hit .205 with only 26 CBIs (Comrades Batted In). Rookie infielder Bourboniski Vodka, said "He couldn't hit himself out of Czar Nicholas' long underwear."

Trotsky called it quits late that summer in Mexico and turned his attention to the proletarian cause.

"Baseball was a good experience for me," Trotsky wrote in his private memoirs. "But revolutionary upheaval is really where it's at."

Insecurity Beat

A York student was allegedly abducted by a herd of moose early Monday morning and is in stable condition at York-Finch hospital.

The victim was returning to his tent in the arboretum at about 2:30 a.m. Monday when he heard giggling from behind some shrubbery. Curiously, he approached the source of the noise and was confronted by six 500-pound masked moose.

The victim was then held behind the bushes where the moose allegedly forced him to drink tequila shots and

play Spin the Bottle until 7:00 a.m.

Police would not speculate on whether these are the same six moose who set fire to a series of laundromats in Scarborough earlier this year.

The matter has been turned over to the Humane Society

An armed student held his creative writing class hostage for over three hours yesterday in a bid to gain recognition from York's print media.

The second-year fine arts major was apparently agitated by the weekly criticism of his writing and the heckling of classmates. Two weeks ago he stormed out of class

shouting, "I'll show you, you illiterates . . . I'll show you all!" He returned to the class yesterday armed with three sticks of dynamite taped to a copy of *The Elements of Style*, demanding the publication of one of his pieces in return for the safe release of the hostages.

O'kneelontheground quickly called *Excalibur*. "They'll print anything," he assured the kidnapper. When O'kneelontheground called the paper, editor Adam Kardash replied, "Forget it, man. If that place blows, we got a great front-page story — not to mention the photo."

The student released the hostages when his professor promised him a B-minus in the course.

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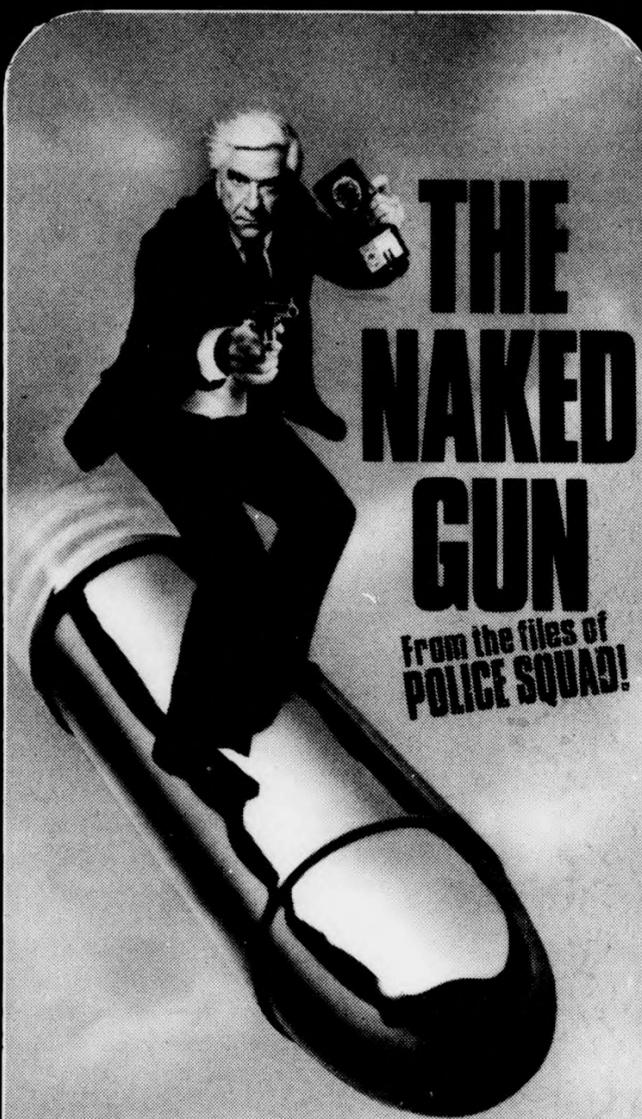
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startled her until she grabbed her picture from my hand and ran away across the tiles to a change stall where she began furiously yanking on her clothes. She ran out of the change room with her sweater on backwards, her shoelaces undone, and wearing only one sock, the other sock abandoned in the stall. I watched it all and then dressed myself slowly and carefully and then left.

Today she came again. Today it was different. Today she was dressed; dressed in those same drop waist jeans but wearing a khaki t-shirt that was cut short below her breasts. I was naked; I hadn't even taken my towel out of my bag yet. She ran up to me as if trying to reach me before the towel was out and she yelled "Hi, Hi, Hi. How are you today? DO YOU LIKE MY TATTOO?"

Her tattoo was clean of scab today; there was absolutely no crust covering it and the purple and green cobra was bare on her stomach. A set of ugly red

cobra eyes peered out from over her belly button, two unmoving dots just staring at me while I was naked and her saying, "Hi Hi Hi. How are you today? DO YOU LIKE MY TATTOO?" I couldn't speak; the cobra eyes were staring at me. I grabbed my shampoo bottle and I held it out in front of me; it covered almost nothing but I felt a little better though I still couldn't speak. Then she gave a bored shrug of her shoulders and walked away. She had her hands pushed deep into her front pockets and whistled leaving the change room. I put my clothes back on and I left the change room too. I walked home and said "hi" to three people on the way.

MARNIE MAGUIRE is a third-year Creative Writing student at York University. "Naked" is her first published piece of fiction. She lasted a month as a summer camp instructor.

Second Place Prose Winner: MARK SILVERBERG

DESMOND & TRACY & TED & CHERRI

- I can't believe I have to write a 4000 word essay, Desmond said, I don't even know 4000 words.
- I love you, Tracy said, (removing raw silk panties)
- Not here, Robert Frost might notice. I don't want to make the wrong impression.
- You can only think of yourself. What of all the starving masses? and cloud-masses? and treacle-masses?
- Perhaps you are right, perhaps I was too hasty (removing raw silk shoes). I just want to see how my IBM shares are doing, won't be a minute.
- I've already checked, the Dow Jones is down 20 points.
- 20 points, Jesus Christ! I knew I should have sold. Why can't I listen to Ted. Ted knows about these things. He is a wise man, wiser than us all, wiser than us all put together. What is the Dow Jones, anyway?
- How the hell should I know? Listen, it's getting a little cold around here without my raw silk panties, I'm just going to wait behind that blackboard to block the wind, let me know when your ready. In the meantime I'm going to take a test on Personal Growth.

* *

"All Desmond can think about is the stock market and sex," Tracy said. "I'm sick of it. I'm trying to form a life for us, put down roots, build firm foundations, bla bla bla. Its very bothersome, as you can imagine. And for that matter, who would name a kid Desmond?"

Desmond was sick of University. He took all his books and all his notes to the center of the backyard and lit them on fire. Desmond was fed-up. And for that matter he was tired of sleeping with Tracy.

"Who can sleep with a girl named Tracy?" he mused, "I keep thinking there should be more letters in her name, at least an 'e', it ruins everything."

* *

Desmond decided to quit University and go fishing for at least 3 years. "It builds character," he told Tracy. "I will return a new man. And besides that I'll have a lot of fish to show for it. Perhaps even some bass. You like bass, don't you?"

"I suppose you're right," Tracy said, (imagining herself sauteeing beautiful and endless bass bodies beneath an illuminated ceiling.)

"I will wait for you, whatever you decide to do. I will sit in the parlour and read this copy of Tennyson's *Idylls of the King* until you return. I hope you find what you are looking for, and always remember to keep the fish in adequate freezer facilities."

* *

Ted was tired of playing the stock market. He decided to go down to the Three Clams Cafe to hear the great jazz saxophonist, Julien "Maimonides" Griffin. He noticed that Tracy was sitting at a table by herself.

"Tracy," he said, "what are you doing here? where is Desmond? and why are you dressed in nothing but random pages from Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*?"

Julien stepped to the stage amid great applause. He picked up the microphone and said "Thank-you. I will now play a piece for you which I like to call 'My Cat is Red'."

Tracy broke out in hysterical sobs. "It always reminds me of Desmond" she wept.

Ted put his arm around Tracy. "You shouldn't be alone at a time like this" he said.

* *

Ted and Tracy sped through the Ozarks in Ted's new Chevrolet.

Ted said "I'd offer you some clothing, but all I have is my own Arrow shirt with the new Mark V collar, and besides you look so beautiful wrapped in books 4 & 5 of the *Idylls*. Half-nakedness is a quality I much admire in a woman (three-quarter-nakedness isn't too bad either)."

Ted reached over and leafed through a few pages.

* *

At the fishing hole Desmond met Cherri, a cabaret dancer who was down on her luck and had decided to go to University to study Buddhism.

"Man is trapped in an endless cycle of birth and death," she told Desmond. "Life is illusory, our goals are meaningless. Can you unzip me, I haven't been out of this cocktail dress in 4 years."

* *

Ted and Tracy relaxed in Ted's half million dollar chateau deep in the Ozark mountains.

"Is that a priceless Ming vase over there by the window?" Tracy asked.

"Yes. My grandfather left me this place," Ted said. "He made a fortune in take-out chicken. I remember he used to say to me:

"Teddy, there is a lot of money in this world, and fortunately most of it is mine. And get your hands off that priceless Ming vase! What do you think it is, a toy?" Ted smiled, remembering.

"I have this recurring dream," he said "where people are holding an auction for all the valuable items in this house, and no one can hear my bids."

"You should learn to relax," Tracy said. "I think I have a book on Stress Management here somewhere."

She fished through her fishnet bag. "Here it is — *Seven Ways To Manage Stress In Four Easy Lessons*. Lets see — Lesson One: Nitrous Oxide: Friend or Foe."

MARK SILVERBERG is a fourth-year English/Creative Writing major. In addition to several mag credits, he is the author of *Asleep Inside An Agate Stone* (Some Bees, 1988).

poetry
&
Art
winners
on
following
page

Judges:

Poetry and Prose: Mary Jankulak, Stuart Ross
Art: Brian Krog

Art & Literature Contest Results

First Place Poetry Winner:
KARYN MCKNIGHT

MEMPHIS SYMPHONY

In the mind-dimension
of parakeet journalists,
a velvet Elvis lives.
He fathers a worthy heir,
who croons a tune-noodle
about the insect-ticker
that flicks
below
his
wollop.

KARYN MCKNIGHT is in her third year of Creative Writing at York. "Memphis Symphony" is her first published poem, except for some that got printed when she was a little kid but those don't count.

MICHAEL REDHILL (a.k.a. Brian Taft) is a York film student, edits *Yak*, and won the 1988 National Poetry Contest.

Second Place Poetry Winner:
MICHAEL REDHILL

INTERSTATE

A fly's engine disturbs
the night, pulls off the cape
he was dreaming.
The walls of the motel
fall into place.

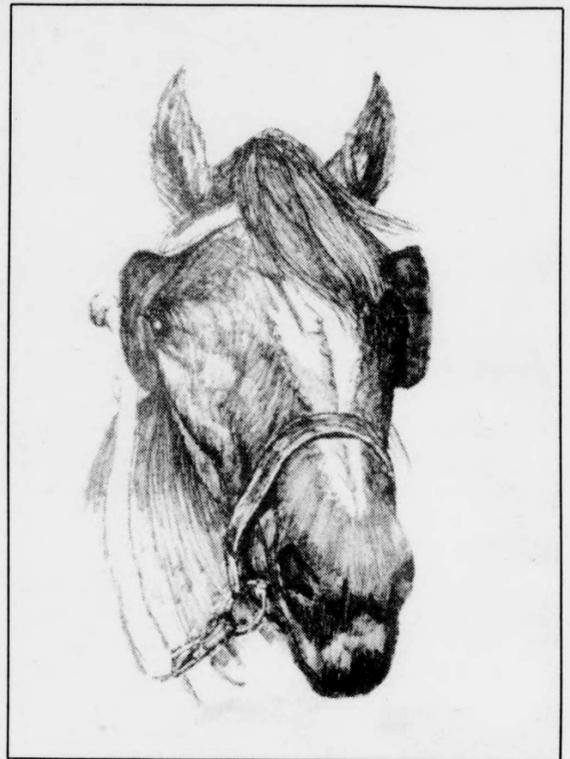
He is slipping
into urban myth —
afraid he is like
so many other
night itinerants

like the army sergeant
who popped diet pills and broke
his children into bits.
A foreign base.
Far from here.

On interstate 221. Anyone
could go crazy like this.
So many movies are crowding his brain.

Now this world shrunk
little between the wings of
Diptera Muscidae. He can't
chase it in this darkness.
He gets back into his van.
3am.

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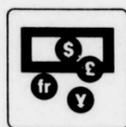
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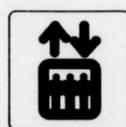
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SPORTS

Ah...sport '88: Highlights and peculiarities

By PAMMY JARVIS

December, in a sporting world, means change.

'Tis the season . . . to do laundry. Farewell to four months of dirty sweat sox — it's time to exchange that mouldy locker towel. Doesn't that impending snowfall make you want to wax up that "rad" toboggan, get out the snowtreaded cleats and shake the dust off the old broomball stick?

Of course winter also means indoor bleacher bum'n'back, hot days in the Track Centre, and nippy nights at the Ice Palace. Not to mention the breathless anticipation of winter term pep courses.

The end of the year is also a time

for reflection. Here's to the highlights and peculiarities of the sporting person's 1988: we laughed, we cried, we learned.

High Marks: Calgary, Seoul, Yeowomen field hockey (third at Canadians), Yeowomen soccer (OWIAA finalists — best ever)

Low Blows: B.J. et al, Yeomen football, the Tysons

Exotic Fruit Or? Flo-Jo was, in fact, the "body that ran like a man."

Sport-UAL Revolution: A women's "straight quad" is a four-seat rowing boat without coxwain. "FC Gay" is a newly-formed men's soccer team in Amsterdam.

Cleans 3, Jerks 4: Canada banned several members of the weightlifting team in a pre-Olympic crackdown.

Question of the Year: Which came first — the athlete or the drug tester?

Media Madness: The journalists at Seoul outnumbered the athletes by a 15,446-9,627 count.

Proving Their Medal: Not only did the Nigerian government offer cash incentives to their Olympic athletes, an athlete placing in the top three would have a street in Nigeria named after them. If Canada followed suit . . . Waldoburg? Maybe. Ugolini Avenue? Nah.

Easy Come, Easy Go: Ben (say no more) Johnson.

Sunk Like A Stone: The underwater dolphinkick/submerged start in backstroke was banned by FINA, the international swimming federation.

Ya Snooze, Ya Lose: US boxer Anthony Hembrick was disqualified from his first fight at the Seoul Olympics. Hembrick was a no-show for his bout after he and his coaches allegedly missed the bus — in a big way.

Comeback Kid: New York Rangers acquire Guy Lafleur.

Bison Beef: Apparently the women's sports teams at the University of Manitoba wish to be known as the "Bisons," as the men's teams are. They feel that a

feminization, such as the popular Bisonettes, Bisonwomen, or Lady Bisons, is not necessary. The *Excal* sports dept. has decided to give the Bisons the option of a hipper handle. The Top 5 suggestions for the new Manitoba team were:

5)Marlins (we feel it's just as obscure for McMaster hockey and swimming)

4)Prairie Oysters

3)ReClines (heck, it works for k.d. Lang)

2)Milking Maids

1)Meadow Muffins

Fetch my Slippers: It's official! Negotiations are underway between the University of Calgary and Bedrock Community College. Calgary's sporting teams, the Dinosaurs and the Dinettes, wish to amalgamate. Calgary wishes to adopt the common team name of "Dino," in memory of the late, great Dino Flintstone. The new team uniforms would feature a logo of the late, great pet of Bedrock College's founding father Frederick Flintstone. The team would also cheer "Rr-brr-br-brrrr!" and lick each others' faces in greeting. Calgary has offered open use of its Olympic facilities to Bedrock College members. However, it is rumoured that Bedrock provost Barn E. Rubble will settle for "an Ice Palace as great at York's."

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

SPORT YORK RESULTS

November 28-December 4
by Paul 'Stats' Conroy

Yeowomen

November 30

Hockey: York 6 McMaster 2
Kim Downard and Chris Clayton scored twice. Singles were added by Chris Aiken and Marni Barrow.

December 2

Hockey: Queen's 2 York 1

December 3

Hockey: York 4 Queen's 4
Chris Clayton scored 3 goals for the Yeowomen.

Yeomen

November 30

Basketball: Western 107 York 80
Jeff McDermid scored 22 points, Jeff Root counted 19 and Mark Bellai scored 17 for the Yeomen.

December 1

Hockey: Guelph 3 York 2

Guy Girouard and Greg Rolston scored the Yeomen goals. Girouard was named Yeomen player of the game. York outshot the Gryphons 46-15.

December 2

Basketball: York 69 Waterloo 58 (exh.)
Jeff McDermid led the Yeomen with 25 points.

December 3

Volleyball: York defeated Laurentian 15-8, 15-1, 15-3.
Bill Knight and Jim Mohardt each had 9 kills and 3 blocks for York.

December 4

Volleyball: York downed Laurentian 15-8, 15-6, 7-15, 15-4.
Dexter Abrams had 16 kills and 9 digs. Bill Knight had 9 kills and 4 service aces.

SPORTS CALENDAR (now till the New Year)

Yeomen

Basketball: Excalibur Classic.
December 28-30 at Tait gym.
Hockey: The North York Classic
January 6-8 at the York Ice Palace and at the Seneca College Arena.
Volleyball: The Mizuno Excalibur Men's Classic
January 6-8 at Tait. This year the Classic will feature the Long Beach State 49ers which is the 7th ranked team in the NCAA.

Secret Weapon



JAMES HOGGETT

By NIGEL TUFFIN

Last week the York Yeomen unveiled their secret weapon for next year's football season. Last year's CIAU (Canine Intercollegiate Athletic Union) Rookie of the Year Spunky LaMutt (pictured above right during blocking practice) was acquired on waivers from the Puppychow Prairie Dogs. According to York linebacker Biff Chetrock, "Duh, we're lookin' foward tah havin' da Spunk on da team . . . Sho' he's a dog, but with our record we'll try anythin' once." The Yeomen coaching staff is impressed with LaMutt's speed and agility. According to one coach, "We're starting him at defensive tackle, but if he had better hands he'd be our number one quarterback." It is widely rumoured that LaMutt was placed on waivers by the 'Chows after testing positive for abnormally high levels of Milkbonozol, a performance enhancer.

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Where are they now?



By FRANK 'BABY-FACE' FINISTER

Gus "Spider" Martelgucci (pictured above), star Yeoman gymnast in the mid-sixties, was three time CIAU gold medalist and four time Ontario all-round champion. After graduating from York, Spider left for New York to pursue a lucrative modelling career. In the mid-seventies however, Martelgucci hit hard times after sinking his modelling funds into a chain of disco emporiums. Following his failed business venture, Martelgucci reportedly climbed into a bottle of Wild Turkey and never came out. Today the man they once called "Spider" competes on the amateur belly-flop circuit.

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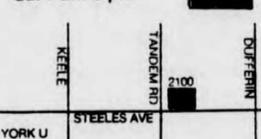
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Spielberg's E.T. II to be filmed at York

By GERALDO RIVERA

Steven Spielberg is coming to York. Production will begin in January for *E.T. II: Lost Again* on York campus. The film will be directed by Spielberg, and will continue the E.T. story where it left off.

After spending five years in a spaceship to travel home, E.T. arrives there only to learn that his sales on videocassette have broken all box-office records. After two days at home his boss, Mr. T, orders him to go on a publicity tour. While on his way to galaxy M53, his ship gets lost in an asteroid field and somehow ends up at York.

Spielberg announced at a press conference that this film will be different from anything he has previously done. "This one will actually require you to think," he said.

Recently attempting drama with *The Colour Purple* and *Empire of the Sun*, Spielberg has failed to capture the public's attention. With the new film he will be "attempting to combine elements from many films," he said. "You've got the alien, which appeals to the kids. You've got a university — and a Canadian one at that — which should appeal to adults . . . it's a movie for all ages."

Casting for the film will take place at York. As usual, this Spielberg production requires many short actors to play children. "We will

take real kids," says the director, "but they're a pain, and we'd prefer short adults." Any extremely short people looking to earn some extra money this winter can call the E.T. Hotline at 736-5555.

Spielberg is also looking for someone to play the title role. "We are looking for someone with no talent, and who happens to be three feet tall," he stated. While a mechanical version of the alien would be easier, Spielberg sees it as too expensive.

"Low wages are cheaper than high repair costs," he said.

The director, a high school dropout, described the new movie as the beginning of a new journey for him as the filmmaker.

"I've never been to a university before, and look forward to seeing what one looks like, let alone an institution as beautiful as yours." He described York as the perfect location for E.T. to become lost as he grapples with the world of post-secondary education.

Spielberg said that another benefit of the campus is its ability to represent other locations. The campus will double as Antarctica for some scenes. "It was a heck of a lot cheaper than going there," he said.

Spielberg is enthusiastic about the film, and emphasizes that it will be a completely different experience from the first one. As Spielberg explained, "E.T. and T will definitely not phone home."



SHAMELESS IN SHADES: Former actress Vanilla VanGogh has been named the new Dean of the Faculty of Fine Arts. She revealed her plans to *Excalibur*.

New Dean is ex-beauty queen

By LEEZA GIBBONS and MARY HART

Last week, Provost Tom Messenjah announced the appointment of Vanilla VanGogh as the new Dean of Faculty of Fine Arts.

VanGogh, visibly excited about her new post, told *Excalibur* that she "could hardly wait to unpack her new office supplies."

The new Dean comes to York from an illustrious Hollywood acting career, including extra work in the films "Goin' Ape," and "Harlem

Globetrotters on Gilligan's Island." The pinnacle of VanGogh's Hollywood stint was the capturing of the "1.98 Beauty Contest" in May, 1975.

VanGogh noted the advantages of institutional employment versus the glitter of stardom.

"It's great — I can sleep in later, and the fluorescent lights on campus are less damaging to my complexion."

Dean VanGogh revealed that topping her agenda is a new colour scheme for the Fine Arts facilities, highlighted by changing the Purple Lounge to the Fuschia Lounge.

VanGogh explains, "the future of interior design is in fuschia. York has to adapt to the palate that will take us into the '90s."

Her agenda also includes the banning of all primary colours within the Fine Arts building, as they will clash with the fuschia interior. As well, VanGogh plans to limit access to studio space and the IDA Gallery.

Faculty members told *Excalibur* that they agreed with VanGogh's itinerary. One member, who insisted on anonymity said, "It's about time the faculty took a stand against the students."

Goldman bio slings mud at York's prez

By JOHN TESH

The Lives of Hairy Authors
by Albert Goldman
Random House

In this, the latest of his slasher biographies, Goldman tackles the controversial life story of York president Hairy Authors. Like his previous works, *Elvis* and *The Lives of John Lennon*, this new book covers an interesting, yet reclusive public figure.

Circumstances surrounding the publication of this volume are different than others; Authors is alive. Many critics have criticized Goldman for writing such a book. "Reading it will surely kill him," said one critic, who asked that he remain anonymous.

Authors has already described the book as "a work of complete bullshit. What does this schmuck think he's doing, writing this crap about me while I'm still living?" said the president in an exclusive *Excalibur* interview, "Let him write this filth once I'm dead!"

Book Review

In one chapter, "Lover's Past," Goldman describes the love affairs that Authors supposedly had in his second, fourth, and twenty-third lives, all with actress Shirley MacLaine. MacLaine has commented on the book, saying that it is "undoubtedly true." She admitted that it is difficult to remember their relationship, as their last encounter was 6,000 years ago, but he "definitely left an impression."

Goldman goes on to describe such pivotal moments as the first time Authors kissed a girl (when he was

42 years old), the time when he worked as a janitor at York, and the age in which Authors spent life as a Toon.

Authors denies Goldman's claim that he was ever a Toon. "That is total trash," said the president. "If I was a Toon, I would've been dipped. Judge Doom would've hated me."

Authors also denies Goldman's accusations that Authors shot John F. Kennedy. "How could I have shot John Kennedy? I'm a Pisces!"

Pisces or no Pisces, one gets the picture that Authors is a leader with radical ideas although a risqué lover. Goldman says his next book will be an autobiography; one hopes it will be just as revealing.

Guerrilla warfare: the only way

By NINA BLACKWOOD

Angry Fine Arts students resorted to guerrilla warfare last week over the closing of the Fine Arts store. At 2:30 p.m. Thursday, the Fine Arts Retaliation Troupe (FART) stormed Dean Vanilla VanGogh's office in protest.

VanGogh, who vowed earlier in the month to also cut off student access to studio space and the IDA Gallery, was asked by students to reconsider. All peaceful attempts at compromise were scorned by the Dean. She claims that the petitions

submitted to her during negotiations were meaningless.

"Obviously these students are not serious — they painted their signatures," she said.

Asked why extremist measures were necessary, FART president Biff Bulldog said, "erg urth wafp sxop thu urp." In other words, the students felt direct combat was their only alternative.

Several students were rushed to Toronto General Hospital. Those remaining, however, were insistent. They presented a document a Van-

Gogh demanding the re-opening of the Art Store.

Other demands include a dome for the sculpture field, jacuzzi facilities in the Purple Lounge, and a lowering of the minimum grade to D. The document (FART-DOC) also stated that if these demands were not met, each student in the faculty would cut off an ear and send it, by internal mail, to VanGogh.

VanGogh refused to comment once FART had left her office. She was last seen talking to staff outside the Career Placement Centre.

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ARTS CALENDAR

compiled by Nina Blackwood

TASTE

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An Organization of Students At Pubs (OSAP) features *Luv Your Pub* across campus on Dec 8. Students are encouraged to patronize their favourite watering hole before exams begin.

TOUCH

The entire faculty/student population is urged to join hands across campus on Dec 24 to raise money for **Mel Lastman's VISA bill**. **Dr. Ruth Westheimer** will demonstrate the proper application of latex condoms. As she cautions, "EEt's zo, zo, eempotent dat you do eet right." The demonstration will be held Sat night at 11 pm at the **Cock and Bull Pub**

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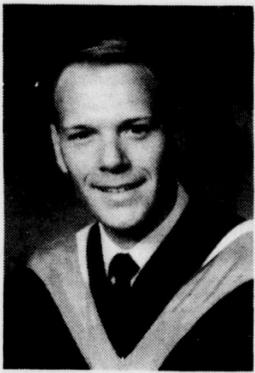
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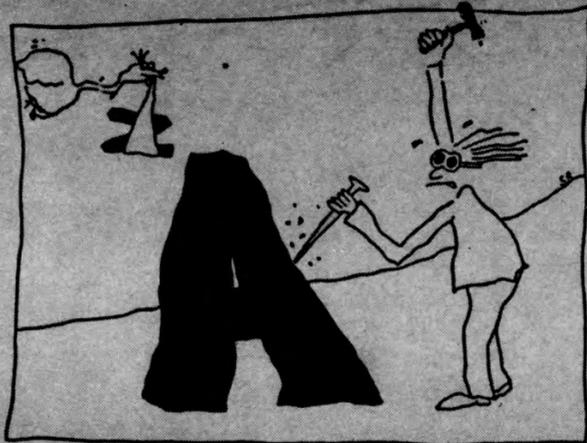
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