

Frosh register, foil Glendon plan

by Dave Bereskin and Dave Blain

People-generated courses, first proposed by the president of Glendon's student council, failed. Liber-action gave its last gasp when the results of student registration were made available. Ninety-nine per cent of the first and second year students and 100 per cent of the third year students enrolled in courses.

President Jim Park wanted the freshmen to have a month's freedom for discussion, reading, reflection, and examination in depth of the courses offered to enable students to choose their subjects more intelligently. "Liber-action 68", Park's program, called for students to pay their fees but not to sign up for particular courses until October 15th.

But last Wednesday during a debate between Park and Glendon Dean H. S. Harris, it became quite evident that the faculty was in direct opposition to the council's proposals. Dean Harris was emphatic when he said that discipline is a mainstay of all educational institutions.

Several days later Principal Escott Reid in his opening speech to new students echoed Harris' stand. "If Glendon college becomes unstructured its teaching staff will be cut by at least half and it will be moved to the main campus of the university."

What the handbook didn't tell us

Yes, Virginia, classes really do start at 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the afternoon this year.

Gone is the old system of afternoon classes beginning at 15 minutes after the hour.

Student Programmes informs us that all faculty departments were told of the change last spring, so your professors have no excuse for being late either.

As for students, your registration timetables said 1, 2, 3 and 4 for afternoon classes and they meant it this time.

Does anyone know what time it is?

Reid said the college must require students to learn French for two years because Glendon is committed to being totally bilingual by 1976. Glendon can only survive by being a college which students choose, knowing that they will be required to learn both English and French. He said a free college could be created, but not at Glendon.

It's a double first for York in sports this weekend. York's long awaited football team will make its debut under the coaching of Nobby Wirkowski. The game will be played Sat. Sept. 21 at Laurentian University, Sudbury.

At press time it was not known whether the cheerleader squad will be attending this game. It should prove to be an exciting game and swinging weekend if enough students can make the trip to Sudbury.

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YSC will have a budget--maybe

The York Student Council has been granted its \$10 fee increase from students, in a tentative way, following a threatened "revolt" on campus last week.

Vice President H. B. Parkes (finance) told YSC president John Adams Sept. 11 that the administration will not release any of the \$10 back to the constituent members (presumably this means the councils) and will grant YSC all necessary fees needed at present to operate YSC.

Last week Adams had told Excalibur "I'm quite prepared to disrupt this university," if the

Board does not acknowledge the fee increase for YSC.

Parkes' statement to Adams said the administration will hold the \$10 per student collected at registration until all constituent members have reached an understanding on the distribution of the money.

At the same time Parkes said he has copies of the agreement by Founders, Vanier, Winters, The MBA, Grad., and Atkinson Councils agreeing to have the money turned over directly to the YSC from the administration.

Apparently the Board of Governors has not yet told the ad-

ministration to release the \$10, in total, to YSC, because the Board earlier believed the Grad Association, which expressed doubts about their future membership in YSC, were unwilling to meet this year's commitment. The Grads, however, are agreed to their \$10 contribution for 1968-69.

Parkes' letter implies he recognizes the content originally obtained as binding for this year, for all members.

It would appear now that the Board ordered the money to be held up only in the mistaken belief that the councils refused to recognize their commitment.



Count the contented cows in the Tait McKenzie pasture and win \$560 or, if you must, \$550.

"Silly Season": Founders Censures Adams

by Mike Snook

Founders College Student Council has censured John Adams, president of the York Student Council.

Adams was censured for his statement to Excalibur (Freshman issue) regarding the Board of Governors' position on the financing of YSC.

Adams has denied that he made the 'revolt' statement to Excalibur, although no request for retraction has been received from him.

Adams claims he was on trial in his absence, and had no chance to explain the situation to the council.

He said he received no request "either direct or indirect" from Founders council president John Stiff for information on the finance issue.

"It is obviously the silly season for student politics" Adams said.

Also passed at the meeting was a motion that three members from each college be elected to the council of the Faculty of Arts and Science, and that they be made aware by the selection committee of their responsibilities to both the colleges and the university as a whole.

You got problems? YSC cuts red tape fast

YSC introduces the University Affairs Committee. This committee is an experimental attempt by YSC to present student grievances and petitions before the University administration. Doug Barrett and Larry Rapoport, the co-chairmen of the committee, have outlined its functions as follows: to act as student Ombudsman, to be a liaison between students, administration and the YSC, and also to convene open

forums to air student opinion.

The committee at the present time has its hands somewhat tied as it has not attained separate bureau status as authorized by YSC. In future it is hoped that the committee will become an independent bureau when its jurisdiction has been further defined by the council.

In the past many complaints about the administration of this university have gone unheeded

because of the absence of a mechanism through which students could air their problems. There has been no impartial body to explain the positions of various groups and to promote understanding between them.

To handle problems with student loans, the boys in blue, green, or sometimes brown, or the administration itself, Doug and Larry are available through the YSC offices at 635-2515.

Excalibur's advice to the harassed bookbuyer

Among the suggestions Excalibur's readers make to the workings of the paper was another letter this week from J. R. Allen, the York administration business manager. Allen quietly commended those students who have built up Student Services Unlimited for their "energy and initiative".

Unfortunately, Allen continues, "I as business manager of the university have a vital interest in the development of York's Bookstore of the future and I think it is a very important point that we start acquainting our students with facts about our university bookstore..." In response to a request made by Allen later

in his letter, Excalibur is graciously printing a serious collection of facts regarding the bookstore and Student Services Unlimited.

Price all books on your course at the York Bookstore. Then and only then, go to Student Services Unlimited and buy the books that you can get if they are cheaper. But be careful - it's not as simple as it sounds!

Both stores mark their books with the publisher's suggested list price. York's Bookstore discounts that price by 5%; Student Services discounts it 10%. It is possible to save an extra 5% on new books by buying them at the Services. One student purchasing 6

new and 2 used books at the Services found 2 mistakes in pricing, both in favour of the Services. These, however, were both corrected when pointed out to the management.

Student Services Unlimited doesn't give a receipt with its purchases unless you ask for it. They will only refund you 90% of the price of a new book if you wish to return it. This is because it costs them a minimum of 5c per book in overhead expenses to shelf it. York will return the full price if you have your cash register slip, but only up to Oct. 2.

Don't trust the book lists at Student Services Unlimited. Get your booklists from your

own departments or course directors. There have been changes made in several courses since the early required reading lists made available to the Services this summer. Recently an Excalibur staffer purchased books for English 243 only to find that the Services had an obsolete list. The same authors were being studied but different writings were required.

Inquiries by Excalibur have resulted in the changing of their refund policy for these books. A full refund is available on books bought from these incorrect lists.

The Services doesn't have as wide a selection of books as the bookstore but does have

a surprisingly larger number than Excalibur had anticipated. The Services even had a new Economics book that the bookstore had not received yet.

The Services, as a result of their cramped quarters does not have as efficient a layout as the Bookstore. All books are arranged alphabetically by title so if you are going there when it is crowded it would be advisable to have your books listed in alphabetical order.

The Services also sells used books on a consignment basis, and although no books are left at a 60% discount, there are a few with 50% off. Most used books are going for 20% to 30% off list price.

1466 lost souls at York this year

So you're lost, and so are all those other people standing in line too?

You're not alone in wondering just how many people are officially lost during the registration thing and the madness of orientation.

Even the administration is looking for better ways to guide students around the campus. But we do know one thing — it is possible for at least 1466 people to be lost, all at one time. That is the number of first year students expecting to be registering at York this fall, according to the Registrar's Office.

And there are another 1855 undergrads in second, third, and fourth year expected to enroll, with no predictions on how many of them will be lost too.

According to the projected enrollment, we'll have 3321 un-

dergrads on York Campus — 568 of these in Science, 2517 in Arts, and 236 in Admin. Studies and Professional faculties. Osgoode Law School, although it isn't here on the campus yet, is supposed to

have 588 students. There are another 730 special students and graduates here for daytime classes and work.

There are 4639 students (although partially lost) at York

Campus, 1088 at Glendon Campus, for a total enrollment of 5727 for 1968-69.

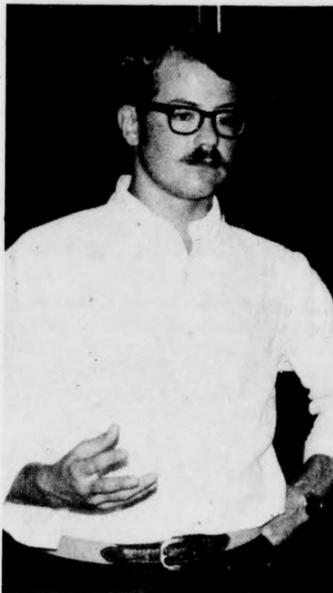
Predicted enrollment for 69-70 is 7015, according to the Registrar, and 8200 for 70-71.

"Under Attack" Returns to York

On Wednesday of this week, Screen Gems arrived to recruit panelists for their syndicated television programme, Under Attack. The programme is a weekly presentation which involves students from Canadian universities in an hour-long confrontation with an invited guest. The guests are hopefully controversial.

This is Under Attack's second year and it is also the programme's second visit to York. Participants and viewers will remember three shows which emanated from York under the grip of moderator Pierre Berton. This year Fred Davis is the host of Under Attack. Screen Gems promises a new image for former moderator of Front Page Challenge, sometimes referred to as Mr. Smoothie.

The taping dates for the programme are October 2nd and 3rd.



"I'm not too sure how the new committee (Department of University Affairs) will work out, but we'll find things to do." YSC Councillor Doug Barrett explaining the functions of the new department to the YSC meeting.



Students say

by sam pinkas

Question: What are your fondest memories of registration?



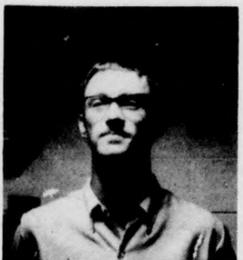
I knew it would be a drag, but I came anyway.

FRED WEINBERG VII



We should have had the time schedules for the tutorials before registration because in many instances a student had to make a quick change of courses because his tutorials clashed with some of his other classes.

NELLIE FUCHS VI



My fondest memory of registration was the suggestion that I, a McLaughlin student, was supposed to be at Glendon. This issue was raised by the inability of the Office of Student Awards to locate my loan papers.

CHRIS KEEN MI



Freakout!

Murray G. Ross



Registration took me three hours. Finally at the end, I found out that I'd registered in three courses that didn't exist.

Helen Traitman VI

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symposium shafts drugs

The use of drugs was condemned by three guest speakers at the Drug Symposium, Tuesday.

Dr. Neil Agnew of York's psychological services, Greg Fraser, director of treatment services at the Addiction Research Foundation, and Fred White, an Atkinson student who has worked in addiction prevention talked with about 30 students in Founders JCR.

White gave statistics on drug addiction and alcoholism, emphasizing that the favourable effects of drugs are short-term and not the answer to self-realization. According to White, marijuana

is not addictive and its harm is not a scientific fact. Its persistent use would cause the user to be disoriented in his thinking.

Fraser presented a description of the physiological effects of drugs on the user. Individuals take drugs for relief of fatigue, change of mood, escape, sleep and hallucinations.

Agnew, an expert on LSD said it is on the way out and described marijuana as a second-class LSD experience.

During the discussion period it was asked whether marijuana will be made legal since its effects are no more harmful than alcohol. "Not in our generation".

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cross canada campus

MONTREAL (CUP) H. Roche Robertson, principal of McGill University, has told incoming freshman that students push their elders to reform.

In a departure from his normal welcome-to-the-great-halls approach, Robertson informed students their push speeds up reforms that would otherwise have been slow to come about.

Robertson warned the students that this change could be slowed down by reactionaries.

MONTREAL (CUP) McGill University may open meetings of its Board of Governors and Senate and allow eight students voting rights on the Senate.

However, the report, now under study by the board and senate, seeks to dictate the manner of selection of student senators.

Student council president, Robert Hajaly, insists the student council should determine the requirement for student senators.

York already has five student senators appointed by the college councils.

BURNABY, B.C. (CUP) Kenneth Strand, president of Simon Fraser University, has delivered a "state of the university" address to discontented students.

The address was in response to seven student demands including a ban on war company recruitment and the resignation of the SFU board of governors.

Strand requested "white papers on university problems" from the students.

KINGSTON (CUP) Following the University of Toronto's lead, students at Queen's University have pitched tents on the lawn of the university's principal, John J. Deutsch.

The tent city's committee planned to set up camp on Fri. Sept. 13 with a demonstration at the main administration building.

The Queen's committee will press for lower rents for students forced to live in motels, for a student housing service and for residences built and managed by students.

TORONTO (CUP) A dozen University of Toronto students Thurs. Sept. 12 picketed an apartment building whose landlord is forcing families out to bring in student tenants at exorbitant rates.

Last month, landlord Arnold Blundell raised rent in the building to \$240 monthly per apartment from \$140.

The move forced out 15 families who could not afford the new rent. Then Ryerson students each paying \$65 a month to live four and five in an apartment moved in.

The Ryerson students say they would be happy to leave but cannot find other accommodation.

The protestors have written Mayor William Dennison and Attorney-General Arthur Wishart urging some form of rent control.

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EDITORIALS

Is there a cure ?

"It's obviously the silly season in student politics."

Well said, John Adams, YSC Pres., even if you too seem to be infected.

It appears all the student politicians of York campus are off on mad campaigns of opportunism, blockade-building, and stone-throwing.

First it was President John, and his

A story with a moral

Ho hum, the YSC has set up another special commission.

This one is to be a Department of University Affairs, designed to: handle student complaints and petitions, represent the students against the administration, and act as a guiding body for regularly-called student forum sessions.

Sounds like an awful lot for one two-man committee to handle.

But at least someone on the council thought of the idea, and if students make good use of the new commission, it may prove of value.

In fact, the more we think about it, the better the idea of a Department of University Affairs sounds.

Wouldn't it be great if this committee could actually prompt immediate action on any student problem here at York U?

Wouldn't it be great if the new committee soon found itself swamped with demands for help, for housing, for guidance, for leadership, and so on — which it couldn't turn down (for of course this new committee couldn't turn down any problems since it is supposed to serve where other committees can't).

threat to try a revolt on campus if his council didn't get the ten dollar fee hike from the Board of Governors.

And then we had the Ad Hoc Committee at Registration telling Freshmen and others to withhold ten dollars from their fees, in support of the YSC. As if the freshmen really know what they are paying any of their fees for, let alone knowing anything about what YSC is.

And down at Glendon, student leaders' good intentions for academic reform failed when freshmen and seniors rejected appeals to withhold course enrollment as a basis for an unstructured school.

Not really so silly, but still a failure. And back at the origin of York,

Wouldn't it be great if this committee grew so active and so respected for its efforts, and so constantly called upon for help that it had to start forming supplementary committees for assistance?

This Department of University Affairs could create special committees to handle specialized problems — like External Affairs, and CUS, and Education, and Communications, and Fees.

And the Department could centralize and elect a chairman and an executive and have long meetings and demand fee increases so it could set up special committees to handle student complaints and petitions that the regular committees couldn't handle.

And . . .

There must be a moral here somewhere.

Or . . . my god, what kind of monster have we created?

Founders College, John Stiff and his council ignored their own internal problems to censure the President of the struggling YSC, for failing to allow Founders to meddle some more in university affairs. Stiff called it a wrist-slap, a reprimand to the YSC. We call it playground politics.

Stamp Club

Stamp out or at least stamp on the Stamp Club if they continue to exhibit the degenerative tendencies that make them such amusing performers.

Although its members look just like average university students, and probably are, they have a particular tendency to surround themselves with an alcoholic fog, and then proceed to annoy everyone in sight.

Recorded in their remarkable list of achievements is the interruption of numerous house parties in residence; splattering of various fruits and vegetables on residence walls particularly grapes and their purple derivative, the interruption of film showings with threatened drunken fist fights, and the interruption of college activities with screams of "let's play", meaning let's destroy and make a mess.

If you want to see such a fine example of York students shown to guests and outsiders alike, sympathize with these healthy young men and above all, never complain of their activities to your student court.

Perhaps the student councils or the chairman of YSC's internal affairs commission should take a closer look at this "club".

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sneaky me. I write staff ad. Lots of new groovy people this week. Olga the blonde bunny, stu (who?), Dave and Dave, the typists, Alan Meckle-Meckle, Claire Potite the layout queen, the monkey, and some others, oh, yes, the chipper Henry, Mccauuuuuuughna, and others. Time out for Founders Dance, Rolly the miser pays out money for dinners. Coffee. We move to Steacie on Saturday. Down with depression. Good night. NEXT WEEK EDITORS MEAT DEADLINES OR ELSE NO MORE MISTER NICE GUY FROM LAYOUT.

Contradictions

by Alan Mekler

"When we asked Pooh what the opposite of an Introduction was, he said 'The what of a what?' which didn't help us as much as we had hoped, but luckily Owl kept his head and told us that the opposite of an Introduction, my dear Pooh, was a Contradiction; and as he is very good at long words, I am sure that that's what it is."

This is my attempt at a Contradiction.

I want to know why people are at York and if they're getting what they want. Plans call for an in-depth interview with one person a week who will bare his tortured student soul. Then, in the best Excalibur tradition, I will compress, suppress, and if that's not sufficient, misrepresent what he says.

I have already conducted my first interview but I don't think it would be fair to use it so soon (it's still too clear in my mind). Instead I'll misrepresent myself.

Q: Alany, why are you attending University? Is it due to some need on your part to finding fulfillment in an academic mileu?

A: Yes and no.

Q: I see, then it's your opinion that for the university to function as a truly viable institution in our modern technological society, it is necessary for it not only to continue in its historical role as a body of scholars pledged to increasing knowledge but also to expand and take an active part in society.

A: Yes and no.

Q: You mean that the university's role in society can't be one of co-operation with the power structure of the society as it exists but must constantly strive for change in the society by peaceful means. By this action you feel that we will be able to create a society where it will be more possible for a man to live an honest existence free from the hypocrisy which is forced upon him by the idealization of material goods to the exclusion of the more essential spiritual values.

A: Yes and no.

Q: You feel that the university for all its lipservice to the goals of scholarship is merely assisting the power elite by training a managerial class for the technological society;

that while the university teaches a course called ethics, it doesn't consider the ethics of aiding the military in their activity. Do you really think that change in the university power structure can be brought about through peaceful means? Have you considered the role of the university in societies throughout history? They have always been the servants of the status-quo. Don't you agree the medieval university existed only to provide the necessary numbers of literate men who were needed for the bureaucracies of the time to function smoothly?

A: Yes and no.

Q: Then it is your opinion that the university is a repressive agent, that not only does it train people for the establishment, it also strengthens the establishment by giving it intellectual credentials, that if we cannot get the university to change and become an instrument for social revolution then it should be abolished.

... That is exactly what I dislike about you radicals — you always advocate extreme measures. I don't want to ask you any more questions.

YSC and the Boy Scouts

Having once (very briefly) been a boy scout, and having been intimately associated with their 'clean mind, clean body, be prepared' for a very dull life, I can state with authority that the boy scout ethic makes for a very dull life. However, much good can come of even a short association with so neuter an organization as the B.S.'s (as I have come to call them), so I adopted the dictum "be Prepared" as having some intrinsic merit of its own, especially in regards to the situation of the York University student body.

Therefore, I respectfully suggest that York University prepare to mourn, eulogize and otherwise lament the passing of the York Student Council. Because as sure as Murray Ross has white hair, the YSC is embarking on that long, lonesome road to oblivion, as did the aborted SRC before her.

The reasons which I find for assuming that the YSC is as good as dead are legion.

Let us start with the council itself. As an institution, YSC sorely lacks both the vision and perspective necessary to endure. They have ignored standard economic procedure. The council has refused to acknowledge the fact that their main responsibility does not lie to the students who are now striving for educational immortality, but to those who will attend York over the next twenty years. For example, in formulating their budget this year, they worked on the premise that if they could just scrape together enough filthy lucre to finance such temporal pleasures as Excalibur, Winter Carnival, a full time secretary, and trips to all those conferences that student councils are so fond of calling, they would keep enough students happy so that when their term ended, they could pat themselves on the back for a job well started and retire to graduate school. What they should have done, in my opinion, is to:

- incorporate, so that they might have legal existence and borrow money.
- draw up a budget listing what facilities and capital expenditures would be necessary to provide adequately for this

year's students, next year's students . . .

c) borrow the needed funds and buy the needed facilities so

d) students could start enjoying them right away.

make arrangements to repay the loan over the life of the facilities, taking into account the fact that future students should bear the cost of that portion of the life of the equipment which they were using, and the fact that the economies of scale would eventually come into play in that when student enrollment on campus increased, the cost per capita would drop and a budgetary surplus would result.

e) take advantage of the fact that their constitution supported the principle of direct financing of the YSC by the students through the administration.

This practise of capital-debt financing is the one which is used by virtually every government on earth, but in their rush to be good-guys, YSC seems to have overlooked it.

Another aspect of YSC's policy of not offending anyone was illustrated by their reaction to the news that an independent group of students who called themselves The Ad Hoc Committee for YSC had circulated a petition at registration condemning the Board of Governor's recent action in deciding that the fee increase levied at the behest of YSC should go to the college councils. YSC's action was to pass a motion, contradictory as it was, thanking the committee for its spontaneous action but formally disassociating YSC from the action. In other words, it was a good idea, guys, but we don't want to get involved. Jerry Farber must have smiled at that one all the way down at Berkely.

But don't get the idea that YSC is suicidal. The college councils are all standing around the open grave with their shovels. With the founding of YSC, all the college councils turned paranoid. Composed as they are of egoists, you can hardly expect them to acknowledge the fact that a united YSC could have a great

effect in representing the student interests in such fields as faculty-student relations, administrative policies as they affect the individual student etc., the college councils have instead come to regard the YSC as an erosion of their power base. They fight like spoiled children over the question of YSC's financial independence, just as they fight among themselves when one of their meagre attempts at inter-college co-operation falls flat on its ass and they don't know who to blame. They worry about some illusion they have devel-

oped about their jurisdictional power over their students, and they use YSC as a common enemy-scapegoat.

All of which must have the Board of Governors rolling in the aisles. Things couldn't have worked out better if they'd been planned that way. When the Greeks first formulated the tactic of "divide and conquer" they conquered the known world. When the Board of Governors redefined it into a pseudo-philosophy of education, the students of York immediately adopted it as the greatest thing since Ever-

dale. The board began to worry, however, when student power became the thing, and when YSC was organized at York, they must have feared for a moment that things had gotten out of hand. But they didn't count on Little Johnny College Council coming to their rescue. In the first place it took the Constitution Committee about five months just to agree to YSC's founding principles, and even at that, they made damn sure that YSC had no balls.

Bang. Finished. The End.

So did anybody scream? As I said before, a few students, whom YSC immediately repudiated.

YSC is doomed. So I'd suggest you take your black suit and shovel out of the closet. Because unless you do something, you're going to need them.

Comment

by George B. Orr

"The York Student Council last spring requested the Board of Governors to increase fees for student activities by \$10 per student."

Ergo, all cries of tuition abolishment (those were the good old days) have, for the moment been lost in the frenzied scramble toward more active students. Ten dollars. To you, maybe that's not too much, but to quote John Deifenbaker, ten dollars feeds a hell of a lot of starving constituents.

What is our own proto-politician, John Adams, going to do with this windfall? And how is he going to segregate we who paid from they who did not?

According to a small flyer recently circulated, the \$10 fee will be collected and allocated on a per capita basis to the college councils of Founders, Vanier, Winters, and McLaughlin Colleges, and the School of Business and then to YSC.

This means that the remainder, Glendon, and the Faculty of Graduate Studies, will not have to come across.

Presumably they won't benefit from whatever this vast total will bring in, but then what will this vast total be used for?

Don't bother working it out. It's a hell of a lot of cash all in one lump. Sheer speculation puts the sum in excess of \$40,000. Thus comes the solvency of John Adams' boys. That's a lot of pizza.

Exactly where does the money go? Well, tentative accounting by YSC moneymen Cruikshank splits it into three lots.

Publications and communications finances are drained off for the most part by Excalibur, This University's paper. They need every penny of the \$15,000 or so that they will get. So no real complaint there.

Then there's the yearbook. In past years this effort has had great difficulties in both production and expense. There have been threats of discontinuation,

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but the council is gambling 50c a head that Century II won't be the last.

The University handbook, and the student directory have been budgeted in, as well as Radio York. None of these really seem worth the expense, totalling in themselves \$3,400.

Total for this field exceeds \$19,000, subject of course to revision.

The second lot covers social events and external affairs, the backbone of the earnest slacker who skips classes. In this are included various student union fees. This adds to over \$16,000.

What student body would be complete without a tiny bureaucratic overhead? General running costs for the YSC will run over \$11,900 this year.

Thus sits a potential expenditure of \$47,100, subject to any of a myriad of petty changes.

But what about the students in those groups not contributing to the general welfare? How will they be kept segregated from the services provided by your money? Will council budget for people to keep Atkinson students from snitching copies of this paper? Will Glendon students be forbidden to participate in any clubs or social activities on this campus?

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STUDENT POWER :

Last spring violence erupted in the city of Paris. Sparked by a confrontation between leftist and fascist students at the Sorbonne, the cry for university reform soon developed into virtually a nationwide strike. Factory workers marched alongside students in a demand for political and social reform that resulted in the dissolution of the French parliament and the calling of a new election by President De Gaulle.

Carol Baker, a first year Canadian student at the Sorbonne, was there. She returned to Canada this summer and is presently enrolled in Glendon College. Here is her personal account of those frightening days in Paris when "student power" turned into student destruction".

To begin with, the students in France have long been suffering from what they call *de bonnes revendications* — a phrase rather difficult to translate into English. It has both the sense of complaint and injustice plus the idea of a grievance which must be satisfied immediately.

Also it is my opinion that the French university system could do with a great deal of shaking up. It is even more solidly bourgeois-based than our own. Like every university in the world, *l'Université de Paris* is faced with the problem of too little space. Facilities are limited. Every year admission is refused to many applicants on the basis of entrance exam results alone. Frequently, the *bureau d'admissions* subordinates the applicant's academic achievement to a consideration of his family background and the position his father holds. The obvious result is that comparatively little of the total enrolment is composed of students whose fathers are, let us say, factory workers.

So a student attends university for four or five years, writes his *concours*, and if he is successful he receives his diploma. Does this mean that he is guaranteed or even qualified for future employment? Far from it! Once again, the sons and daughters of the middle class or those with "connections" will find that doors open for them more readily than for their classmates who, although academically superior, are socially inferior.

The other main *revendication* was the lack of student control or participation in university policy directly affecting students. This is why I have to smile when Jim Park talks about no student freedom at Glendon College. How would he like to attend the *Université de Paris* or any one of a dozen others in France where there is not even a student council, let alone any students sitting on administrative councils along with faculty members?

The actual violence erupted initially in Paris (indeed anything that affects France always commences in Paris) on Friday, May 3 almost a month and a half after Daniel Cohn-Bendit formed his *mouvement du 22 mars*.

Since the *Cours de Civilisation Française* in which I was enrolled was an extension course at the Sorbonne, it was, on the whole, fairly divorced from the actual events at the university. However, on the afternoon of May 3 during our phonetics class on the *Rue Fouarre*, we heard rumours of trouble at the university. We heard it and put it out of our heads. Paris in the spring is much too beautiful to let consideration of more serious matters impede on it.

Later that same afternoon as I was walking back to the residence with another girl, we met a boy running towards us down the street. His face was a mixture of fear and hate — not easy to forget. Half a minute later, perhaps less, a group of policemen rushed past us obviously in pursuit of the boy. They were carrying guns and *matraques* (hard rubber night sticks) and large round shields. They were also wearing hard helmets and goggles. I had never seen policemen armed



Some highlights I remember ... the big poster of Chairman Mao in the courtyard of the Sorbonne ...

and dressed in this way before but my friend, a Cantonese girl, told me that she had seen them once in Hong Kong and that they were riot police. At that instant a bomb went off about 200 yards ahead of us. Simultaneously, a group of students appeared running down a small street on our left hand side. Behind them came another group of policemen.

We decided not to proceed any farther and returned to *St. Germaine*. Here we encountered more shouting crowds, more police. Finally we made it back to the *foyer* where I was staying. I grabbed my suitcase since I was going over to England that weekend, and took a taxi to the *aerogare*. Once on the plane, I dismissed the whole incident.

When I returned Monday afternoon about 6 p.m. I took the *metro* back to the *foyer*. I stopped at station *Maubert-Mutualité* and as I got out of the train I suddenly started to cry. Then I noticed that the people around me were also wiping their eyes. It was tear gas, of course. The police had thrown *lacrimogene* (tear gas) bombs into the *metro* station to prevent the rioters from entering and interfering with the trains.

When I walked out of the station the *paguait* (street fight) was still going on. Apparently it had started at 2 p.m. Large sections of *Boulevard St. Germaine* had been ripped up and the rioters were throwing the bricks and concrete at the police who responded by *matraquing* the students and throwing more tear gas around. A cloud of it hung over the *Place Maubert*. Several shop window fronts were smashed and students had dragged parked cars from the adjoining streets and set them ablaze on the *Place* to make barricades. Several had overturned a *panier de salade* (student slang for the long blue police buses) and smashed all of its windows. Eight *flics* were in it at the time.

Here I should explain that these police were not the *Paris Gendarmerie*, the world's most enthusiastic girl watchers. These were the *C.R.S.* (*Compagnie Républicaine de Sécurité*). I was told by a girl from *La Martinique* that these men are recruits from the prisons and that many used to be bodyguards for underworld notables. *La Martinique* used to employ them as well, but dispelled them since they delighted in repressive brutality. There was much evidence of this in the nights that were to follow May 6 and in the initial violence at the *Place Maubert*.

Violence soon became a predictable pattern of life for those of us who lived in the *Quartier Latin* which comprises the fifth and sixth *arrondissements* of Paris. Every night this section was blocked off from the rest of Paris and often I was forced to produce proof that I lived there or that I had business there before I was allowed to enter. It was impossible to approach the Sorbonne which had been closed down by the rector of the *Université de Paris*, along with the faculty of *Nanterre*, on May 6. Police were stationed day and night about five deep across every street which led to the Sorbonne.

Most nights, starting around 6 p.m. there would be a *manifestation* (a march in the streets).

Most of these *manifests* were well-organized by the members of *U.N.E.F.* (*Union Nationale d'Etudiants Français*) and conducted quietly (that is, noise but no violence). I participated in two of these marches since at the outset my sympathies were all with the students.

We marched usually up to the *Place du Luxembourg* on the *Boulevard St. Michel* and there the order would be given to disband and go home. Many did so, myself included. Those that stayed,

AGONY IN PARIS

however, were the hard core leftist extremists who around midnight would manage to work themselves up into building barricades and daring the *C.R.S.* to charge them. This is what happened the night of *Guy-Lussac*, May 10. On the *Rue Guy-Lussac* alone, about a dozen barricades were erected; 198 cars were burned; 400 people arrested and around 200 hospitalized.

That marked the end of the moderating influence of the *U.N.E.F.* and the influence of those concerned with university reform and not violence. I do not include *Dany Cohn-Bendit* in this group. In my opinion he is a power-hungry agitator, plain and simple.

This was also the evening that the workingmen *les ouvriers*, showed their *solidarité* with the students by joining them in the destruction of one of the most interesting quarters of Paris. That too was the night I disassociated myself from the student movement. I certainly don't condone police brutality but on the other hand I don't feel that anyone has the right to ruin anything just because they don't like the society it represents.

And so one *paguait* followed another, each one growing in dimension and intensity as both students and police became more skilled in the ways of street warfare. The universities and high schools in the provinces soon followed suit, declaring themselves autonomous. Even public school children congregated behind the barricades. And the wall of ambulance and police sirens was heard continuously day and night.

Some highlights I remember ... the night they set fire to the Stock Exchange ... the night they set fire to the police headquarters near the *Panthéon* and the men trapped inside for an hour and a half before firemen could come to them ... the fact that these firemen were answering about 350 calls a night ... the big poster of Chairmen Mao in the courtyard of the Sorbonne ... the *affiches* plastered over any available wall announcing that the student aims were now bent from university reform towards the destruction of the existing political and social structures ... *Francois Mitterand*, *Mendes-France*, *Alain Peyrefitte* — names which soon became household words ... the trees cut down on the *Boulevard St. Michel*.

To add to the student revolt there was, of course, the wave of strikes which shut down virtually every industry, business, and essential service one after another until we were buried alive in a national tomb, cut off from the rest of the world. Every day the situation changed — every day there was something else which we had to do without.

All this had been touched off by: a confrontation between leftist and fascist students in the Sorbonne; a rector who got scared and called the police; a boy who planted a bomb and then came running along the street ...

And so I am opposed to the *Dany Cohn-Bendits* who uses us to further their own dreams of power. And so I am opposed to student power which I feel becomes inevitably synonymous with student destruction.



... the night of *Guy-Lussac*, May 10, when 198 cars were burned, 400 people arrested and 200 hospitalized



... the riots on *Boulevard St. Germaine* where large sections of the pavements were torn up and the bricks and concrete hurled at the police ...



... the trees cut down on *Boulevard St. Michel* ...



... the cars set ablaze by students on *Place Maubert* and used to make barricades ...

What is Polanski's worst film? Rosemary's....

by FRANK LIEBECK

Don't eat the chocolate mousse I told her. Don't spread your legs I told her. But would she listen? And so Rosemary had a baby.

Even if you haven't seen the movie by now you know the ending. So there's no sense in being cute about revealing it.

The Virgin Mary parallel is obvious. The film is very religious, because in creating Satan, the existence of God is also substantiated. God's presence is hinted at through the Pope's visit

to New York, and through the girl's childhood encounter with the nuns.

But all the religious and theo-

logical trimmings aside, it must be said that this is Roman Polanski's worst movie. Because what you are left with is an Alfred Hitchcock thriller, very well done, with all the Hollywood sparkle that accompanies such films. Knife In The Water, Repulsion, Cul-de-Sac, The Fearless Vampire Killers, were all extraordinary exercises, tales, while Rosemary's Baby is a safe box office attraction, or to put it more bluntly, a sell-out on Polanski's part to his art.

You really have seen Rosemary's Baby before; you just don't know it. You don't remember? Last time it was Cary Grant being plagued by a satanic group of spies, led by James Mason. Or was it a town terrorized by birds? The format is all the same. Ordinary people placed one day in an extraordinary situation, and we watch them cope with these events until the last frame. Polanski has fallen into this pattern. Where is the extra special world that is usually

created in a Polanski film? The atmosphere of conspiracy found in Rosemary's Baby is not enough to qualify for the isolated aura that he is best known for. The Vampire Killers was photographed in eastern Europe, with its softly rolling snow covered hills, with the texture of the snow as perfect as on a Christmas card. He meant it to be a fairy tale for children, and so it was, with its injection of evil as the spoiling influence on this post card world. Cul-de-Sac had a mad atmosphere - cruelty and suffering appearing as comedy. The castle by the sea, where the homosexual lives with his tart was offered as the background for this film. It was both hideous and profound, but such is life.

I can't resist the line that Polanski has sold his soul to the devil. Now that he has hit the box office bonanza and become one of the most sought after directors around, we shall pray that he will return to the use of cinema as art, and not merely

slick entertainment. Perhaps Cul-de-Sac will be re-released and critics and audiences alike will discover its genius and not succumb to its twisted sense of pain and humour. It seems strange that this technique was condoned in Bonnie and Clyde, and panned in Cul-de-Sac.

But back to Rosemary and her neighbours. Mia Farrow will probably win an Oscar, and that's nice, isn't it. Anybody who has a paint job done on her breasts deserves it.

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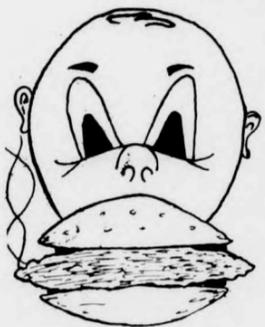
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Design difficulties for chapel on campus

David McCaughna

Apparently the administrators of York haven't got the message yet that 'God is Dead' and are planning to erect on the campus soon a religious centre-cum-chapel. It has been budgeted at \$350,000 and will be used for 'inter-sectarian' activities.

The religious centre will be built in that now bleak region way out behind the new Humanities building. For an added touch of glory a little lake will be made.

To select a design for the religious centre the administration held an Ontario-wide (!) competition which attracted forty-seven architects. After the winners were selected the entire for-

ty-seven models were put on public display this summer in the obscure heights of Simpsons. It was more than just an exhibition of architectural models; it turned out to be a broadcast for the marvels of York. Between the models hung signs proclaiming the uniqueness and superiority of York. But back to the models...

The university, in its rules for the competition said "an institution which emphasizes general as well as professional education must give attention to man's spiritual life." And the adverts for the exhibition said the architects responded with "exciting architectural concepts." Which is rubbish. None of

the models could be termed as exciting and fewer could be called inspired. They ranged from the down-right mundane to those which hideously exaggerated the worst clichés of modern architecture.

The second-award winner (\$2,500) was a good example of what is called 'non-architecture.' Indeed, this non-building was nothing more than a somewhat glorified air-raid shelter. It was merely a ramp leading underground to a number of little rooms which faced the lake. I couldn't imagine even the most hard-core religious getting any spiritual uplift in it.

The winner (\$5,000) was David Home whose model was the best amongst a bad lot. Rising from a low triangular shaped building overlooking the lake are four vast slabs of the chapel. Projecting from the top of each slab are sheets of glass which meet below in the centre of the chapel. Although it is difficult to judge how an actual building will look from a model, the winning model seems like solid, safe architecture but boring and unimaginative. Which means that it should settle well with the other buildings at York.

The most amusing model in the whole exhibition was from a Kitchener architect, Hugh Redwood. He presented a messy jumble of buildings constructed over the lake. What was really inane were the accompanying posters where Mr. Redwood stated, "A religious centre must welcome the agnostic as well as the pious" (which leads me to wonder if there are really enough pious ones at York to warrant \$350,000 on a religious centre). He includes in his model a room dedicated to "participation in life, the excitement and happiness in living." This room would have a definite psychedelic decor. And a final burst of wisdom from Mr. Redwood: "A centre for religious purpose is a people centre with spiritual overtones, it must reflect life not just Sunday church going. It must serve as a place to listen, think, talk, play, confess, love, contemplate, dance, read, eat or sleep."

Film Listings

ULYSSES at the Park. Perhaps the last chance to see Joseph Strick's rather good adaption of some parts of the Joyce masterpiece. Mollie's monologue survives almost entirely including all 'those' words. Filmed against a modern Dublin with an unknown and excellent cast.

ROSEMARY'S BABY at the Hollywood South. Roman Polanski's very literal film from Ira Levin's novel. If you read the book don't bother with the film and vice versa. Not much on suspense but good photography and direction. Mia Farrow proves she can nearly act and Ruth Gordon is funny as an old witch.

THE GRADUATE at the Crest, Yorkdale and Northeast. If you haven't seen it yet there isn't much hope for you. Not the masterpiece it was originally made out to be, but still very good although the message and moral are stupified. Very funny with a lot of gimmicky photography. Marvelous performances from Dustin Hoffman as the young man in question and Anne Bancroft.

2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY at the Glendale. Stanley Kubrick's exquisite venture into the future. The photography and effects are, to say the least, stunning. A somewhat confusing ending that leaves the viewer boggled.

THE BRIDE WORE BLACK at the Eglinton. The great French director, Francois Truffaut, goes Hitchcockian. While he lacks the old master's ability to create suspense the film is highly enjoyable. Jeanne Moreau plays the vengeful widow.

PRUDENCE AND THE PILL at the Hollywood North. Forget it.

THE ODD COUPLE at the University. The successful play brought to the screen with Jack Lemmon as the bitch and Walter Matthau as the slob. Quite amusing, especially Walter Matthau.

BELLE DE JOUR at the International. Luis Brunel, best known for *Viridiana*, has directed this excellent and bizarre tale about an elegant whore Catherine Deneuve, who is being called 'the most beautiful woman in the world' plays the lady.

The New Yorker is having a fall festival of some very outstanding foreign films. The schedule for the coming week:

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Saturday, Sept. 21	Viridiana
Sunday, Sept. 22	W.C. Fields in The Bank Dick and Never Give A Sucker an Even Break
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WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO SCHOOL SPIRIT ?

by Stu Smith,
Sports Editor

"Nobby feels that football will

Let's talk football

by Dave Crocker

It hurts to be a football player. This fact was made abundantly clear on a recent visit to Coach Nobby Wirkowski's office. He was in discussion with some of his walking wounded. Crutches, casts, and bandages, the results of football training, were certainly in evidence.

The coaching staff is taking training very seriously; it has been tough. Work has continued until sweat poured from the participants - blocking, passing, tackling, catching, running and running 'til it hurts. It's not easy, especially since the team isn't counting on winning many games this year. This makes it hurt all the more.

This is the first year that York has had a football team. It takes more than one year to build a football team. Not only must all obvious things be done, but all these things must be moulded and rounded into a team. A group of individuals, however well schooled, isn't enough. This is going to be the coaching staff's biggest problem. The process

give a lot of students the chance to feel a part of York, through mass rallies, game support, and

takes time. This is the reason why York doesn't figure to win on many occasions this year.

The problems of creating a team from a group of individuals is going to cause a great deal of hurt. It will hurt Wirkowski because it will mean the difference between winning and losing on more than one occasion. It will hurt the members of the team because it will make all the physical hurts that much more painful. It will hurt the fans who want a winning team. Physically and psychologically football is definitely a game of hurts.

There is a way to ease these hurts. Your support will be a miracle painkiller. Boost your team! Believe in what they are doing! Be patient and wait for the victories - they'll come. When they do, cheer them loudly. They will be the result of many hurts.

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interest in the team."

Mr. Wirkowski seems to have witnessed such enthusiastic responses at a real university, not around the sawdust covered walls of York. We of this university, and it is the students that make any university real or unreal, are, in our own estimation, a cut or two above hooting and hollering. It is uncivilized.

The teams of York have, in the past, generally had a capacity crowd at their games of one or two mothers, a sprinkling of workmen, and a male Florence Nightingale of the St. John's Ambulance. This certainly must give the players a sense of pride in their fellow students and supporters. Yet we have the unmitigated gall to call the U of T a factory.

I've heard some say that when York starts producing winning teams they will be the first ones to cheer them on. How in hell can students follow a bandwagon

that they had no part in building? And how will the teams respond to them then.

I've heard some say when York provides proper spectator facilities, then they'll be the first ones to go out and cheer. Why should the administration go to the expense of building stadiums and the like for non-existent enthusiasts?

At the Varsity Blues football games, there is generally a crowd numbering well into the thousands. These people cheer wildly, drink heartily, and, on the whole, have one hell of a good time. Can this be called uncivilized? From any point of view, the participation of the University of Toronto students cannot be classified as factory-produced at all.

In my eyes, a factory-type university is one in which there is little communication or binding force among students, their contemporaries, and faculty. This, I

apologize for saying, is what is far too evident here at York. Here each person seems truly an island unto himself.

If you would risk the wrath of 250 lb. football players, starved for affection, and tactfully avoid getting involved in anything other than yourselves, then do not be surprised someday when entering Vanier, to find a 250 lb. sports editor fish-flopping on the floor, with gigantic beautiful tears in his eyes, attempting to beat the floor into submission. He hates to stand alone.

I do not want, and am rather disgusted with the idea, that your only realization of sports at this place should be what you read whilst vigorously thumbing the pages of this paper.

QUICK NOTE

This year the York soccer team and gymnastics squad will be under the able direction of Tom Zivic.

With Tom, the soccer team may be able to overcome the hurdle from second to first place in the league, and our gymnas-

tics team, should shortly be one of the best in the country. I understand that the women's team is looking very good this year.

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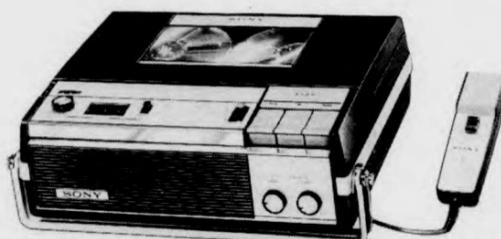


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It seems that a series of indefinite but interesting soccer matches are being arranged on a very informal basis. The first is Sat. Sept. 21 at 10 a.m. on the soccer field down behind the fieldhouse.

All those interested in participating in a real fun thing are asked to get in touch with Mr. Merrens (Geog. W-281), Mr. Ernst (Hist. V-244), or Mr. Nancekivell (Phys. Ed. TM-307). Or just come out.

Attention all women

by Nancy Green
Vice-president of W.A.C.

York is working its way towards recognition in the field of athletics.

This applies not only to men's athletics -- we now have a football team -- but also to women's athletics.

This year a Women's Athletic Council (WAC) has been formed with the purpose of promoting general interest and maximum participation in athletics for the female students at York.

WAC night, the council's first effort, is to be held October 3, 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Tait McKenzie building.

Girls, here's your chance to

watch demonstrations by some of the outstanding athletes at York. Try your hand at a new and exciting sport -- squash, archery or judo, to mention just a few. Perhaps you'd prefer a leisurely swim or a basketball or volleyball game.

All sports will be under the supervision of the Sports Conveners, the phys. ed. staff, and the council executive who are looking forward to meeting you.

Remember, the sole purpose of the York WAC is to serve you, the student body.

So girls, come and join in the fun of York's first totally female WAC night -- only your support will make it a success.

Rugger back and better

by George B. Orr

The Sat. morning irregulars are back again this year. York has had a rugger team for at least five years, maybe more, and there's another one this year.

This year's coach, Larry Nancekivell, always an optimist, can see nothing but happiness in the team's future. Apparently, last year's team, killers at best, have returned almost intact from a brisk summer of loading cement blocks and shovelling cement.

There might be several 'dangerous players' imported from the Toronto league rugger teams -- dangerous to both sides. As well, there will be a few over-active frosh coming through to give the regulars stiff competition for places on the team. What more could a coach ask for?

Last year York fielded an exceptionally strong team, losing only a few key games to teams of greater size and experience. But this year, York is in a different division of the Ontario Quebec Athletic Association where the opposition is smaller and the beer watered down.

Once York finds its feet, it should find no test of its real strength. To warm up, there will be preliminary games against local teams to sharpen York's edge.

Times for home games will be posted everywhere. And the team would appreciate nothing more than your support, if you can stand the excitement.

by
David
Henry

Striving for perfection

When the infant York University football team takes the field against Laurentian U. this Saturday you can be sure of one thing -- there will be no lack of enthusiasm amongst coach Norbert Wirkowski's ranks.

Wirkowski is an optimist. "We definitely have an enthusiastic ball club," he said. "These boys, especially the real athletes, have been on time or early for every practice."

Wirkowski is not worried about the amount of talent on his team. Prospective players have been reporting since the opening of training camp and have continued to show up in twos and threes for the past two weeks.

There are four quarterbacks in camp and the coach hesitated mentioning a starting q.b. only because all four have a shot at the first-string job. He did lean toward Larry Iaccino, a graduate of De La Salle high school who was an Eastern Toronto all-star for three years and last year quarterbacked the east in the high school all-star game.

Wirkowski will be aided by three former CFL stars Ulyses "Uly" Curtis, former star halfback with the Argonauts who played on the same team that Wirkowski quarterbacked to Toronto's last Grey Cup victory in 1952, will be backfield coach. Doug McNichol former Montreal Alouette and Argonaut will be a defensive-line coach.

Claire Exelby, who played with Toronto, Montreal, and Calgary will coach the defensive backfield, UBC graduate Ken Ruddick will handle the offensive line.

Head coach Wirkowski has lined up a second exhibition game with the Guelph Gryphons (who ever dreamed up that name?) on September 24, only three days after the Laurentian game.

Is the coach worried about coming out of these two games with a bunch of tired and hurt ballplayers? "We're going to find out one thing -- who has guts".

Wirkowski hopes to be playing in the OQIAA against U of T, Queens, McMaster, etc. by 1971. How is he going to do this? "We plan to be good", he replied simply.

It is this optimism, this drive for perfection that marks Coach Wirkowski as a man to reckon with and will make York U a Canadian football powerhouse sooner than most people think.

His coaching philosophy and his personal convictions can be summed up by his own words, "In striving for perfection you may never reach the top. Nobody is perfect. But you'll surely get a lot higher by reaching for perfection than by being contented with mediocrity."

Good luck to Head Coach Wirkowski and the 1968 York University football club.

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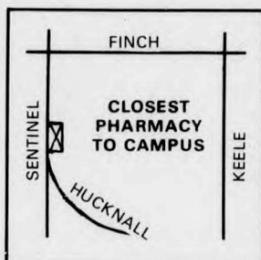
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York women to work out with WAC

What is it? It's a first for York University. The WACS (the Women's Athletic Council) is in its first year of operation, and they're determined to make it a successful year.

The main purpose of the council is to promote general interest and maximum participation in

inter-university athletics for women students at York University.

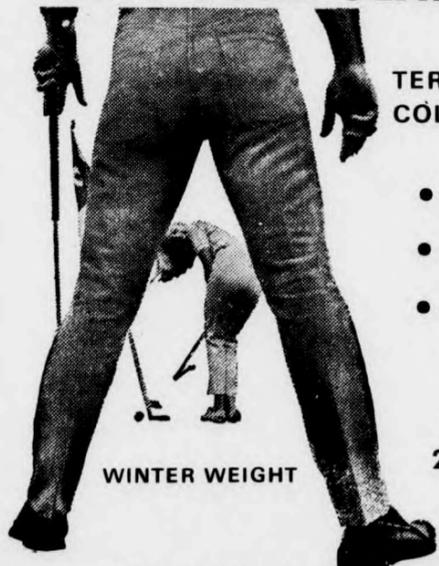
York enters teams in the OQCWIA league in eight different sports. At the university level a high quality of excellence is demanded. In some sports such as field hockey, a new team is

being formed and all are encouraged to try out. So if you're keen, come on out.

The WAC this year hopes to do many things. WAC night is coming up in the first week of October and sports days are planned during the year. WAC appears to be shaping up as a valuable organization on campus. And if you think it's an exclusive club, you're mistaken. Anyone who would like to help is welcome. Give it a try. It's worth it.

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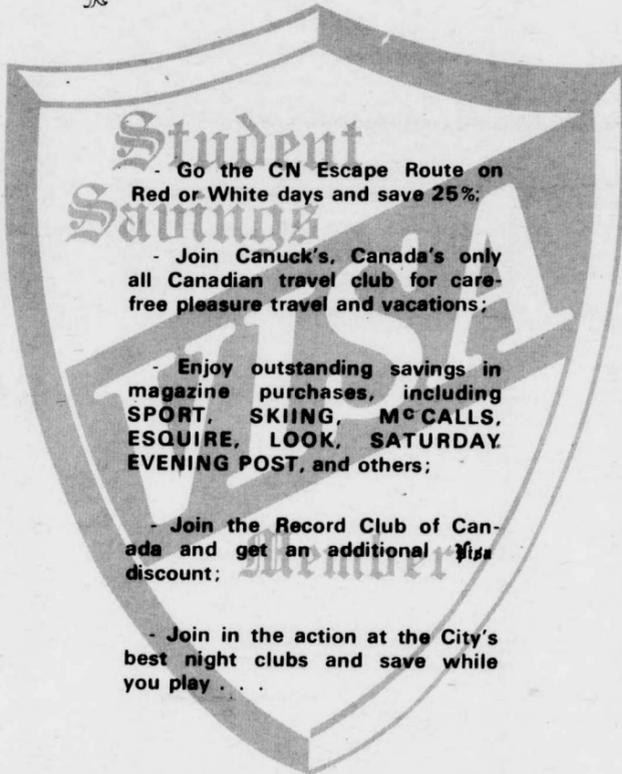
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