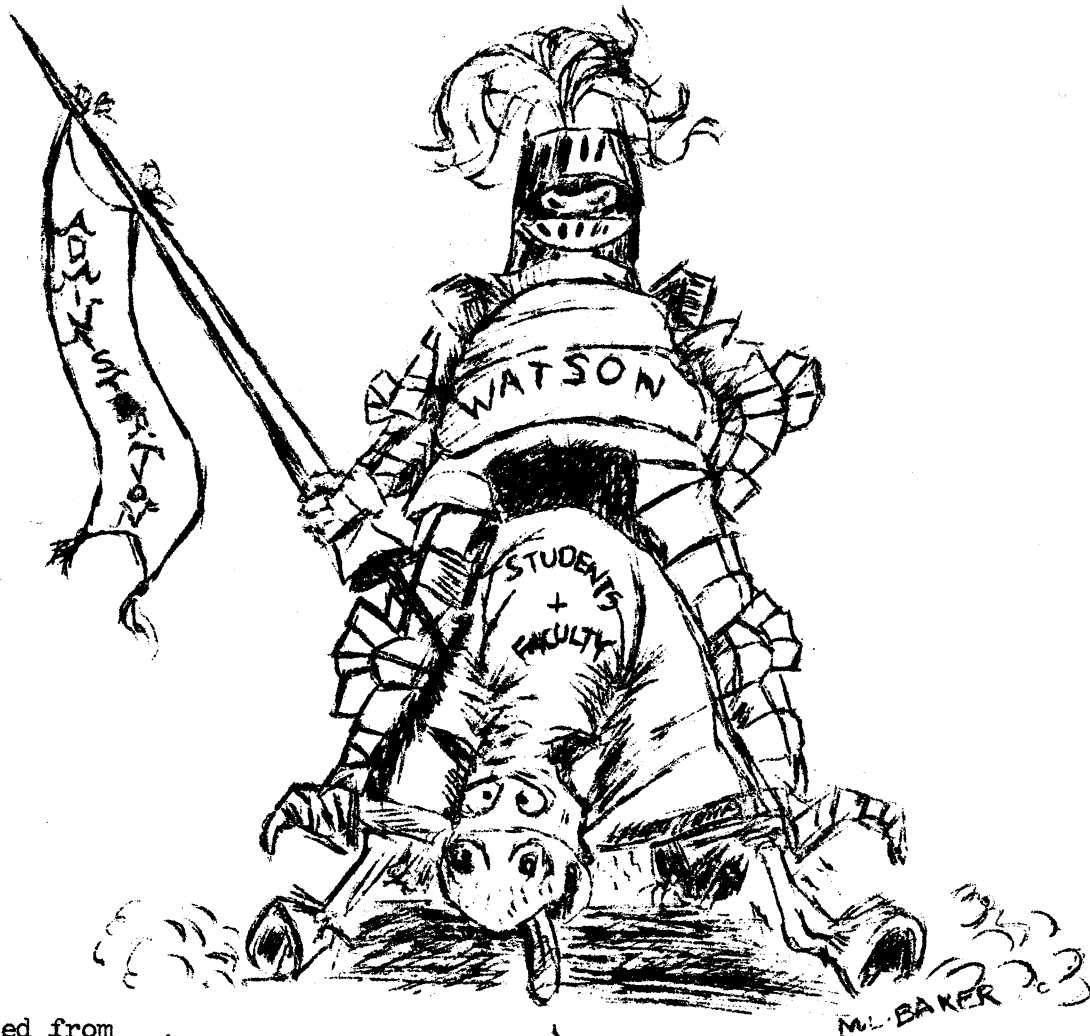


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WALKOUT IN SYMPATHY IMMINENT TODAY

GLENDON STUDENTS UNANIMOUSLY AFFIRM SUPPORT FOR OCA PROTESTORS!!!

In an attempt to organize a more concrete display of solidarity with the students on strike at the Ontario College of Art, Glendon Council President Jim Park called an open student meeting in the Old Dining Hall yesterday.

Glendon students gave their unanimous support to the principle involved -- that of academic freedom -- yet they remained undecided as to which course of action to follow today when University Affairs Minister Davis is to address the OCA students.

Park outlined four courses of action open to Glendon students: to do nothing, to demonstrate at OCA, to participate in a half-day walk-out of classes here, or to boycott classes for the whole day. He emphasized that any proposed boycott would not be a protest against the

THE GLENDON COLLEGE STUDENT COUNCIL FULLY SUPPORTS ALL GLENDON STUDENTS WHO DECIDE TO STAGE A WALKOUT THIS FRIDAY IN SUPPORT OF THE STRIKING STUDENTS AT OCA AND URGES ALL TO CONSIDER THIS COURSE OF ACTION.

Glendon faculty buta 'sympathy' walk-out to bring pressure on Davis to arbitrate in this dispute.

GLENON MUST PROVE ITSELF

Park made a strong plea for a complete boycott of classes 'because it is a question of academic freedom, because it is a question of principle'.

"Conciliation has not worked. That leaves demonstration."

Third year student Paul Gardner objected, pointing out a paradox: we are supporting academic freedom, but is Davis' intervention in the internal affairs of an academic institution not a violation of this very principle?

This was the way in which Varsity described the situation at The Ontario College of Art on Wednesday. Rather than reiterate the order of events which has been reproduced on page three of this PRO TEM we shall dwell on the question of why Glendon students should actively demonstrate on their own campus.

Park replied that while this was, theoretically, a violation of academic freedom, only Davis has the authority to intervene.

The point of a sympathy walkout today is, very bluntly, to put more pressure on the Minister of Education, William Davis, to get off his establishment ass and start investigating the all-to-real discontent at OCA.

Ontario academic institutions are created by an act of the provincial legislature. Thus Davis can intervene to set up an impartial committee to investigate the operation of OCA. This could lead to changes in the act which sets out the power structure of OCA, at present a 15 member executive board and the principal. The principal has most of the power.

There were arguments at the mass meeting yesterday that it is not Davis's business. Some felt that a royal commission could do it better. We cannot help agree with the latter point. A royal commission should be set up to conduct a full-scale investigation. Unfortunately, the present situation at OCA is so critical that only one map, Davis, has the authority to implement a fair and honest temporary armistice.

Rick Schultz, Pol. Sci. lv, stated that any committee set up to investigate OCA must be an impartial body. It must 'have nothing to do with any politicians', said Schultz.

This is essentially where the added pressure of a Glendon sympathy walkout today would be beneficial. The minister, by political nature, is not inclined to move quickly, indeed if at all. It would be much more expedient for him to wait out the tempest and bury the problem at some later time in some obscure committee.

Park pointed out that 80 per cent of the students and 50 per cent of the faculty of OCA were pressing for Davis' intervention. Under these circumstances the violation, in theory, was warranted.

Such action would be disastrous; not only for the protesting students at OCA But also for the newly-won principle of academic freedom on campuses across Ontario.

Half of the Glendon students present supported a complete boycott of classes in sympathy with OCA; the rest favoured individual action.

A sympathy walkout today would not signify, as some people believe, any dissatisfaction with the general conditions here at Glendon. Indeed, most faculty members have acknowledged that they will not take action against those students who walk out. Some have even mentioned that they will actively support the students in their demonstration.

An unofficial walk-out begins today as a result of this meeting. The centre of action is the Old Dining Hall. At ten o'clock a panel consisting of Monique Oulette, President of the Ontario Union of Students, Don Mitchell, vice-president of CUS, John Bowman, drawing and painting department spokesman from OCA, President Jim Park, Vice-President Andy Graham, and Director of External Affairs Jim Weston, will discuss the crisis.

The final reason for more concrete support of OCA is a personal one; that of the concept of Glendon as a public service institution. This image has been bandied about since Glendon was started. Now we have the chance to really show that this is not just an advertising label. Furthermore, we at Glendon are further along the road to a real academic community than are most post-secondary institutions. We now have the choice before us. Shall we sit back comfortably and be content to watch our fellow students fight their desperate battle, or shall we join them and share this responsibility to advance academic freedom?

The Glendon College Student Council is in full support of the walk-out. The Glendon faculty, although not officially supporting the walk-out, will not take any punitive action against participating students.

The faculty association of York have written a letter to Davis decrying the dismissal of the two OCA professors -- ABA Bayefsky and Eric Fraefeld -- and calling for a complete investigation into the situation.

You must walk out of classes today and go down to OCA. Glendon must prove itself today.

BUSES LEAVE FROM FRONT GATE AT 2:30 TODAY.
BE THERE.

IT IS YOUR DUTY AS A FREE STUDENT.

ONCE AGAIN - THE BACKGROUND TO THE CCA PROTEST

SPRING, 1967

- Principal Sydney Watson releases notice of changes in all departments to faculty and students after rumors spread around.

- Faculty or students given no say in changes.

- Most drastic change is in drawing & painting course.

- Before the rumors spread, Carl Schaeffer, Department head of drawing & painting sworn to secrecy not to tell faculty or students of changes in curriculum.

FEBRUARY, 1968

- 3 weeks ago more rumors spread about curriculum changes.

- Drawing & painting students learn that Schaeffer is retiring and they want to know who will replace him.

MONDAY, FEB. 12

- Drawing & painting students send a delegation to the principal to invite him to attend a meeting the next day to discuss changes with the staff and students.

- Rumors heard that Watson will not attend but will send Deputy Principal Butt make students decide to cancel meeting.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
FEB. 14 and FEB. 15

- Drawing & painting students make approaches to Watson but his replies are not satisfactory.

- Students in the department elect a core of second, third, and fourth-year students and elect John Bowman as their spokesman.

THURSDAY, FEB. 16

- Staff and students of the drawing & painting department issue invitations to attend a meeting the next day to clarify student positions. Butt appears and the department head is not present. Chairman Bowman

asks Butt to arrange to have Watson present. Butt replies he is competent. Bowman closes meeting saying Watson's substitute is not suitable.

MONDAY, FEB. 19

- Reports in early morning news media that the drawing & painting department plan to voice a protest.

- Watson then decided to meet them at 10:00 a.m.

- Chairman of the meeting asks Watson if he would agree to forming a committee to study the internal problems. Watson answers no.

- Chairman then asks Watson if it is true that last year Carl Schaeffer was sworn to secrecy about course changes. Watson replied no.

- Mr. Aba Bayefsky replies, "in the interests of accuracy and indeed honesty," he felt obliged to clarify the situation to which the chairman had alluded.

- Bayefsky reads signed statement regarding the events of the previous spring signed by 6 department heads who agree that Schaeffer was sworn to secrecy.

- Bayefsky and Eric Freifeld and other staff present question Watson on points of vital concern.

- Watson then agrees to setting up a committee of staff and students to study the internal affairs of each department.

- Arrangements are made for another meeting the following Monday.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21

- Bayefsky and Freifeld summoned to Watson's office and informed that their services are no longer required.

- Bowman meets Watson the same day and told that if he doesn't work through the proper channels (SAC) he will be expelled. Bowman says he won't work through SAC because they are insign-

ificant in hiring and firing of staff and course changes.

- Students learn of the firing of their two instructors and realize their lack of power in the decision.

- Sit-in planned for Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22

- Students protest in large numbers and have support of OUS and other Ontario universities and colleges.

- Seven faculty members among the protesters

FRIDAY, FEB. 23

- Boycott continues and more support pours in.

- Plans made to continue sit-in on Monday.

- Faculty votes 36-9 in support of administration

MONDAY, FEB. 26

- Boycott continues and a petition is circulated among the students demanding the reinstatement of the two instructors.

- The students council ask for student support of a march to Queen's Park on either Tuesday or Wednesday.

- Students decide to march Wednesday when Davis returns from Ottawa.

TUESDAY, FEB. 27

- Boycott of classes is as strong as ever.

- Vice-president of SAC at CCA speaks to the deputy minister of education, William Stewart who says it would take an act of legislation to give the students their demands.

- It was pointed out that the SAC constitution legalizes the formation of course unions whose chairman can take complaints to the administration.

- Students realize the extent their rights have jeopardized.

- Students decide to meet Wednesday at 8:45 am to march to Queen's Park and deliver their mess-

age to William Davis.

- decide to have main march on Queen's Park on Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m.
- have been promised the support of Glendon College, U of T, George Brown College, and other universities and colleges.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28

- March on Queen's Park at 12:30; several thousands strong from OCA, U of T, Glendon, York, George Brown, Ryerson, and Mc Master.

- OCA delegation meets with William Davis for over an hour; he agrees to speak at OCA Friday at 4:30., but will not meet marchers to accept their petition.

THURSDAY, FEB. 29

- sit-in continues

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- The Ontario College of Art
Faculty Handbook, page 111.