

FINDING AIDInterview of Mr. G. Abols by P.A. BatorMonday, April 11, 1983

- Abols' background.
- Entrance to the University of Toronto - Victoria College, 1967.
- Assessment of undergraduate experience.
- Absence of contact with professors as a General Arts Student.
- Entered New College, U. of T., Fall 1967.
- Involvement in student politics, joined C.O.T.C.
- Climate of 1960's - desire for change.
- Campaign for presidency of S.A.C., Spring 1969.
- Abols' concerns that things were "getting out of hand" in the student movement - issue of freedom of speech and freedom of thought.
- 1969 summer meeting of Canadian University Students at Laurentian University - Abols disturbed by operation of C.U.S. - left - Abols organized walkout.
- C.U.S. meeting at Lakehead University - "potential violence" of student movement - dissolution of C.U.S. and Abols' role - C.U.S. organizational vehicle for the left in the student movement - "ultimately a fight against the left" - U. of T. referendum on C.U.S. - student voted for withdrawal from C.U.S.

Tape II

- Abols' role in debate over use of local police forces on campus - Student radicalism - Bissell under a great deal of strain - Bomb threats at University - Packing of meeting at Convocation Hall with engineers and moderate students. A victory of the moderate students - Not all students a threat.
- Issue of students' role in governance of University - Abols' assessment - Student involvement a very appealing proposition - Abols' suspicions of motives of left's advocacy of student rights at University - how to complement C.U.G. in order to accommodate different communities on campus.
- Abols' views on faculty, administration, President Bissell.
- The background of an explosive campus very influential in Abols' perspective.
- Faculty and administrator's fears of true motives of student leaders.

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- Implementation of C.U.G. and University Wide Committee - defusing of potentially explosive situation.
- Abols pleased with student, faculty and public input and membership on Governing Council.
- Abols' evaluation of Governing Council.