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Unemployed workers' union denied access to UIC hotline

by Dan McArar

The Union of Unemployed Workers is apparently too political for the likes of Jim Third, Toronto district manager of the Unemployment Insurance Commission. Third has so far refused to allow the union to use a special phone number which gives quick and easy access to someone's claim.

"He claims we would use it for political purposes," says Kirk Roberts, a staff member at the union, which does case-by-case welfare and UIC advocacy work in addition to lobbying governments. It has been trying to gain access to the phone number for six months.

"While we haven't as yet gone

by the district manager," says Roberts, "the next step is the (employment) Minister's office."

Third denies the UUC application has been refused. "No, it's not true," he says. "I'll have a look again and see where we are." However, he adds, "I'm not quite sure of the role of the Union of Unemployed Workers," specif-

ically because it is involved "in political action for change rather than social service work."

Roberts says the phone number is available to advocacy groups "of almost any sort." About 70 groups, including trade union shop stewards and union-sponsored unemployment help centres, have access to the number in Toronto.

"We do work to seek change in the system," Roberts says of the UUC's political role.

The union has more than 300 members and has a budget of \$30,000. About \$6,000 comes from the City of Toronto, another \$5,000 from union locals in Toronto, and the rest comes from fundraising and donations. With these funds the union employs two full-time staffers.

One of the union's successes has been around discharge allowances. Last year Ontario created discharge allowances of \$350 for people who left institutions such as hostels to help them set up new homes.

But few people knew about the allowances until the union began

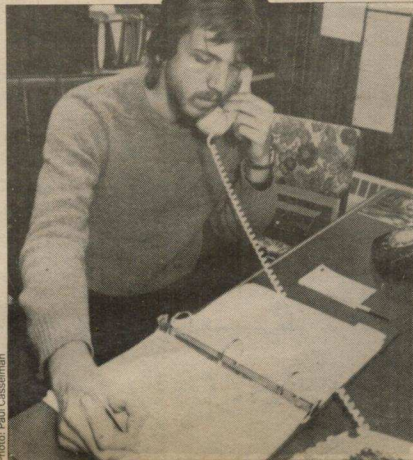


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Kirk Roberts and the Union of Unemployed Workers is being kept on hold by U.I.C.

an advocacy campaign. "They wouldn't give out the money. They wouldn't tell people it existed," Roberts says.

"We sort of opened up the issue, and a lot of other community groups jumped on it." Still, he sees the policy as "half-hearted."

Roberts is optimistic about the

future of the union but pessimistic about the plight of its members: "The unemployed have absolutely no friends in Ottawa."

If you need assistance, or would like to make a donation the union can be reached at 1357A St. Clair Ave. W., Toronto, Ontario, M6E 1C5. 654-7945.

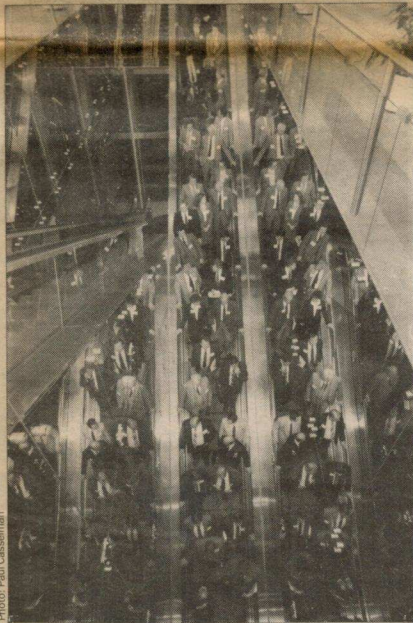


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Purveyors to the Pentagon

More than 500 Ontario businessmen sought out contracts with the U.S. military at the Metro Convention Centre as Pentagon officials stopped off in late November on a six-city swing across Canada. The U.S. military needs "everything from guidance systems to toilet paper."

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Don't isolate the handicapped, group says

by Marcus Feak

Separate is unequal.

This is the message of the Integration Action Group, which promotes integrated schooling for all "handicapped" and "special needs" children. The group — parents, educators and others — sees separate schooling as the start of a labelling-and-excluding process that isolates many people from the community. The integrated classroom represents and recreates the community of adult life, fostering recognition of human diversity.

Only during the last 60 years or so has the practice of segregating the "handicapped" into separate schools become widespread. Critics say this creates a subordinate class of human beings, the objects of "charity."

An action group pamphlet co-authored by Marsha Forest addresses the following myths

Segregated facilities are more

efficient. "What is desired: efficiency or education? How are long bus rides, no interaction with regular peers, no friends in the community conducive to education?"

It's better for handicapped children to be among their own kind. Regular children can be mean. "Integration into the school usually reduces fear, promotes accep-

tance, friendships and understanding, increases self-esteem and the ability to cope with real life."

The quality of education for ordinary kids will suffer. "With one or two exceptional children? No information has been provided to support this thesis. On the contrary, experience has shown that faster learners benefit themselves."

According to Marsha Forest of the group, all research to date on integrated schooling — mostly in the United States, where integration is further advanced — indicates that its benefits are manifold and its drawbacks negligible.

In Ontario, increasing numbers of educators and administrators are receptive to the idea. "In every case, integration of a handicapped person into a regular classroom has enhanced the classroom, the school, and our entire system," says George Flynn, superintendent of special services at the Metro Toronto Separate School Board.

A major barrier has been the fear of teachers who feel ill equipped to work with a child with special needs, says Forest. Integration Action recognizes these feelings and promotes the use of support services, such as the professionals who already work with the handicapped.

Forest tells the story of Maria, a six-year-old with multiple handicaps who was integrated into an Etobicoke public school last year. While all concerned were anxious about the result, the other children quickly adapted to Maria's wheelchair in their midst and rapidly made friends with her.

Integrated schooling is part of a trend which includes legal intervention to protect the handicapped, and advocacy groups such as "People First," an Ontario lawyers group which acts on behalf of handicapped people facing prejudice and exclusion.

In a wider sense, perhaps, integration of handicapped people parallels the battles against racism and sexism. What's at stake is recognizing the humanity of a segment of the population that has been historically denied that status.

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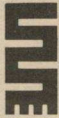
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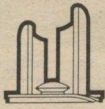
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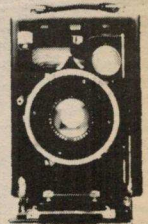
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Left battles Bassett over Benn

Complaint over 'rude' TV crew leads to war of words

by Lesslie More

"What qualifications — aside from inherited wealth — are requisite for a broadcasting licence?"

That question, concerning CFTO-TV president Douglas Bassett, was recently put to the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) after Bassett wrote a shrill and inaccurate reply to a complaint about a CFTO news crew. Bassett, of course, is the son of John Bassett, former *Toronto Telegram* publisher and Tory politician, and now head of Baton Broadcasting Ltd., a major CTV network shareholder.

The question was asked by York University professor Leo Panitch on behalf of seven other organizers of a crowded public meeting last November with British Labour Party left-winger Tony Benn — a meeting which began with reporter Tim Sheehy arguing with Benn and organizers when asked to douse his crew's dazzlingly bright lights. Only after repeated requests and audience demands did the crew, which had passed up a press conference with Benn an hour before, pack up and noisily leave.

A complaint to Bassett from Carleton University professor Ian Taylor, accusing the crew of rudeness and lack of professionalism, elicited a reply which:

- claims the meeting was "organized by the Trotskyist League" instead of the ad-hoc group of unionists and intellectuals (such as Ontario Federation of Labour secretary-treasurer Wally Majesky, Frank Lento of *Our Times* magazine, Ontario NDP vice-president Frances Lankin and International Women's Day Committee member Carolyn Egan) listed on publicity leaflets.

- Panitch's complaint to the CRTC says Bassett's "patently absurd and obviously malicious" identification of the organizers as the far-left Trotskyist League "apparently seeks to bring (us) into disrepute." In fact, people identifying themselves in the question period as league members consistently denounced Benn.
- says the "despicable behavior of Mr. Arthur Scargill (leader of striking British coal miners)" influenced CFTO's decision to cover Benn, a vocal supporter of the miners (see the December *Clarion*).

- "Insofar as (Bassett's) news department covers events on the basis of such personal beliefs, this is obviously a matter of real public concern," Panitch's letter comments. "Can it be that Mr. Sheehy's provocative behavior had something to do with demonstrating such 'despicable bigotry' to CFTO's viewers?"

- says he was sending a copy of his reply to Carleton's president, since "I am assuming that you are representing the university" because Taylor wrote on university stationery.

Bassett also accuses Benn of "start[ing] things going with an January 1985

attack on the 'capitalist pawns' present on behalf of their employers." A tape of the event shows, Panitch responds, that Benn "was nothing but gracious... His exact words were: 'I really would be grateful if you turned the lights out — do you mind?'"

In a telephone interview, CFTO news and public affairs vice-president Ted Steubing, whom Bassett cited in his reply, said he "unquestionably" stands behind his boss's version.

Panitch's letter was "highly inaccurate," Steubing insisted. "I suspect it was sent primarily for the benefit of the president of Carleton University, who, I imagine, had a few tart things to say to Mr. Taylor."

He said, "material distributed to us... maybe didn't say it, but implied" that the Trotskyist



Photo: Paul Cassleman

Capitalist pawns? That's what Doug Bassett says British Labour Party left-winger Tony Benn called his reporter and crew.

League organized the meeting. "That was how we learned about it," he added, rather than from the press release organizers sent.

As for Scargill being "dispic-

able," Steubing said the news department doesn't have a collective opinion, but "that is personally how I view him."

Panitch says he hasn't heard

from the CRTC regarding his complaint, but hopes it will be taken into consideration at licence renewal time.

Daycares miss out on \$250 grand in city grants

by Dan McArar

A lot of non-profit day cares in Toronto have missed out on about \$250,000 in City of Toronto money — allocated as

grants to day cares, it was awarded in November by a committee consisting of aldermen Joanne Campbell, June Rowlands and Ron Kanter.

Seventy-three applications were received from day care centres, eight applications were refused; the centres had completely subsidized children in their care, they were receiving support already from the city and in one case salaries of staff were already "high."

The grants ranged from \$2,500 awarded to the Waterfront Montessori Children's Centre at Harbourfront, to \$28,000 received by the St. Lawrence Co-op.

Mercer says many of the day care centres misinterpreted the

grant criteria and sought money for only the teaching staff. St. Lawrence applied for money for all the staff, which she says is one reason it got the largest amount.

Current salaries at St. Lawrence range from \$11,000 to \$21,000, with the average teacher getting \$14,500. Day care fees at



Staff raises are part of city's daycare grants.

St. Lawrence are \$18 a day for a three-year-old child.

Mercer says "there is a lot of squabbling going on" in the other Toronto day care centres over the grant money. "I would like the city to take more interest, in the future, in how the money is distributed in the centres."

Roomers organize in growing numbers

by Justin Lewis

As tenants become a force to be reckoned with, roomers — unprotected by legislation, poor, terrorized by landlords — have been left behind.

But in December a city committee considering zoning law changes heard an organization known by its newsletter, *Rumours*.

These roomers are blasting stereotypes. One maintains that roomers aren't only the down-and-out who can't find work. Another suggests developers' herd instinct, not business sense, is behind the rush to condos. To the chagrin of many aldermen, they insist on more affordable housing, and it has to be livable, and their rights must be recognized. Where did these Rumours come from?

Since June, the Toronto Christian Resource Centre at Regent Park has hosted a group of roomers who get together twice a

month for supper. They share stories of harassment, cut-off services, huge rent increases, instant evictions — and ideas on what can be done. Here the newsletter takes shape. Volunteers distribute it to some 600 roomers (more each month).

"If they're in it, they may not want it delivered to their house that month," says Larry Morris, the staff member who has found himself chairing the meetings. "And some of these places I deliver it to because if I get turfed out, or pushed around, I don't mind that." Landlords must feel threatened.

Morris is a United Church community worker whose work in rural Saskatchewan and downtown Toronto has brought him to liberation theology: systems must be analyzed "to see what needs to be reformed, or done away with. It is the people who create their

solidarity and define their goals; we are the enablers." The resource centre, a church project begun in 1965 in south St. James Town, increasingly became one of grassroots empowerment. It assisted Norman Brown and Mary McMaster to produce, in 1974, the first study of rooming house conditions by roomers themselves.

Later, two tenant-run houses were established and are now so successful that the roomers in one are neighbourhood association members.

With Neighbourhood Legal Services and Ward 7 Alderman Barry Chevel, the centre joined roomers in a row of Carlton Street houses to fight evictions. The first newsletter had 209 news: "Eight of the tenants at 202 Carlton have all received a year's lease with an option to renew, and failing that, 120 days' notice ... Tenants of rooming houses

can get the security of a written lease."

Some 250 people are involved or in contact with the Rumours group. It is working with legal clinics and has been meeting with Queen's Park and city hall politicians, pushing for enforcement as well as better legislation. In many houses roomers are beginning to meet, their self-acceptance growing, solidarity becoming real, one common action no longer an impossibility.

What lies ahead? "People seem to want an association," Morris says. "People want to keep this going. They want us to be heard from, more and more."

Toronto roomers interested in Rumours or in organizing can write Justin Lewis at 168 Indian Road, Toronto, M6R 2W1, or leave a message at the TCRC office (363-4234).

Wally Majesky, a not so typical labour leader

by Bruce Livesey

Picture the Ontario Federation of Labour convention last November at the Sheraton Centre in downtown Toronto. A bear of a man is being congratulated by delegates and labour leaders who grasp his large hands. Rumpled, broad-shouldered and not altogether handsome, this tough, no-nonsense labour leader has just been elected secretary-treasurer of the 800,000-member OFL — a post considered one step away from the president's mantle.

In becoming Number 2 at the federation, Wally Majesky has given up another important position, the presidency of the Metro Toronto Labour Council, which he held for four years. Today, Majesky admits that when he set his sights on the secretary-treasurer's post, ultimately he had the top OFL job in mind.

In his new job, which he took over from Terry Meagher who

retired because of ill health, Majesky will play a different kind of role: handling the administra-

tion and finances of the federation.

And the way he got the job has been criticized. *Canadian Tribune* columnist Bill Stewart took some pot shots at the OFL executive board for electing the new secretary-treasurer under the table, without allow the whole process to come out on the convention floor. Majesky contends that the federation's executive endorsement, or slate-making, is a regular practice in the labour movement.

"What does recommendation mean?" he asks about the executive's power. "It means we give your our support."

Three people ran for the position — Majesky, Sean O'Flynn, former president of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU), and Gordon Wilson of the United Auto Workers — and lobbied the OFL's 23-member executive to get their endorsement, which is considered critical to winning the election.

When the executive voted, Wilson won. But then, O'Flynn withdrew, after speculation that he wasn't lobbying hard because he wanted to take the decision to the convention, and threw his support behind Majesky.

"I wouldn't have known in my wildest imagination that when you get down to the crunch vote, a guy like Sean O'Flynn would drop out of the race," Majesky says now. "Drop out of the race in the sense of saying, 'Look, I don't think I can win it and I'm going to throw my support behind Wally.'"

O'Flynn, however, says that when the position comes up again, he'll run for it with the blessing of OFL president Cliff Pilkey, who, rumour has it, will step down before his two-year term is over.

Yet Majesky and O'Flynn are good friends and there was no animosity between the two during the campaign. Basically they

think alike when it comes to the labour movement. Three years ago the two friends and Terry Meagher took over the Centennial College president's office for eight days, because the school was planning to lay off 47 cleaners and contract the work out. With the dismissals pending, they acted fast.

The new secretary-treasurer, talking in his OFL office today, seems a bit embarrassed when asked about the incident. "It was unusual, but I don't feel bad about," he says.

Wally Majesky, now 50, was born and brought up in Toronto. He became an electrician and joined the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 353, where he first became interested in the labour movement about 20 years ago. The building trade unions have never been comfortable with mainline labour organizations but Majesky felt differently.

Jim Gill, the United Auto Workers' health and safety director, recalls that Majesky was one of the IBEW's reform leaders. Gill says Majesky's progressive politics were unusual for such an old-school and conservative trade union. He met Majesky through campaigning for the New Democratic Party in the late 1960's and the two later worked at Labour Council together.

Majesky was an IBEW shop steward before running for executive and full-time positions, sometimes succeeding, sometimes losing. "Because the IBEW is so conservative you would be labelled from a pinkie, to a lefty, to a commie, to a socialist and they could never draw the distinctions between them," says Majesky. "I was supposedly on the extreme left and they couldn't distinguish the left at all."

Majesky recalls getting his first full-time position at the council. "At that point in time I had to make a decision. Would I go with the Labour Council or take on an ongoing fight in my own local union?" He decided to join the mainline labour movement and hasn't looked back since.

In the early '70's Majesky got involved in Metro Labour Coun-



cil, the largest in Canada. It's a lobbying, educational, social service and political umbrella for more than 170,000 members in about 400 local unions. In 1974 he was hired to the first of several council jobs, until his election as president in 1980.

Since the 1960's, Majesky has also been involved in mainstream labour's political arm, the New Democratic Party. While one critic says he's first an NDPer and then a trade unionist, Majesky says the two go hand in hand, and one can't be separated from the other.

He has expressed concern about the influence on the NDP of non-trade unionists and has also criticized the party as too preoccupied with getting elected. Nonetheless, he steadfastly supports the New Democrats, saying he'll vent his criticisms — but not publicly.

Majesky has been active in the United Way and in the peace movement; fought for better health and safety conditions and women's rights; supported popular struggles in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Chile and Argentina.

Pam Lee, an OPSEU member who's worked with Majesky on the Labour Council executive, says he's fair, kind and never holds a grudge. On the rare occasions he gets angry with people, she says, he "may bail them out because he is tough — then it is over."

She feels Majesky was instrumental in involving women on council — half the executive is female. She says Majesky was among those pushing for affirmative action in the labour movement long before it became popular.

But Majesky does have opposition in the labour movement. Recently the Joe Grogan affair spurred criticism of Majesky from labour council delegates.

Grogan, senior program coordinator for Humber College's Centre for Labour Studies, was asked to step down last April by Council's executive. A number of delegates were upset about the way it was done, one calling the firing "sleazy." Grogan's union, OPSEU Local 525, and others, called for an investigation into the firing.

Majesky is elusive about why Grogan was let go. "Joe Grogan and the council had a fundamental difference of opinion," he says, without elaborating. "He had one view and we had another."

In his new job, Majesky says he'll be wary of the Mulrooney government. He points to the British coal miners' battle with the Thatcher government in Britain as critical to the Canadian labour movement.

"The issue isn't (union leader Arthur) Scargill and whether he's a Marxist or whether he should have gone to Libya" for financial support, says Majesky. "It is about governments trying to smash unions. If the miners lose, it would have a profound effect on the Canadian labour movement."

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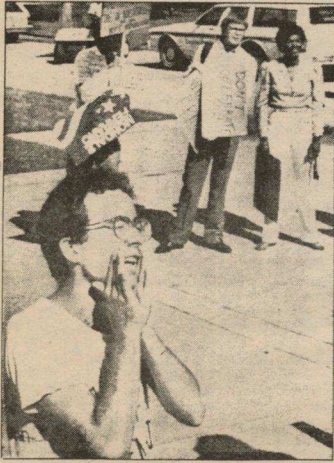


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In no mood to celebrate
Justin Lewis of Toronto heckles speakers.



Fighting Reagan down south

by Justin Lewis

Probably thousands of Canadians infiltrated the United States last fall to try to stop Ronald Reagan's re-election. I went on my own, to relatives in Columbia, South Carolina. Warm weather, warm people. Some Klan activity. The Confederate flag over the State House. *Time* and *Newsweek* are "leftist propoganda." Terrible climate.

In early September the Democratic Party was too disorganized to use volunteers. I joined a peace movement group, Freeze Voter '84, which had been active independently and in both parties. The Freeze had been put into the state and national Democratic platforms — and endorsed by 60 percent of Republican convention delegates.

Moving to support Mondale-Ferraro, Freeze Voter converged with all the independent progressive movements. Ken Mosely, Democratic Congressional Candidate, knew little about the Freeze but after discussions it became part of his platform and we worked hard with his campaign. Mosely is black and co-operating with him in South Carolina was new and exciting. We were gay and straight, handicapped or not, supported John Glenn, Gary Hart, Jesse Jackson in the primaries, belonged to all the special interests: NOW (National Organization of Women), the Sierra Club, the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People), the local Grass Roots Organizing Workshop, the Rainbow Coalition.

"If voting could change things, it would be illegal." However, powerful Americans think it can. Voting is as near illegal as they could make it. In South Carolina you must be registered a month before the election. An address and \$5 get you an ID at an office at the edge of town; then at an

"application application," the application, then the ballot by election day. At the University of South Carolina we were still handing out application applications in the last week of the campaign, begging people to go home to vote.

We agreed to a public debate. They notified the media, but called it a "Reagan Rally". A TV crew came, filmed their speakers and supporters, and put the "Reagan Rally" on the news. On the Grenada invasion's anniversary, Reagan proclaimed "Student Liberation Day" and "liberated" medical students addressed rallies across the country.

In Columbia, students called a press conference to condemn the celebration and 40 people showed up. Afterward, some of the Democrats argued with a "revolutionary" who thought work for Mondale was pointless. When he'd gone home a Young Democrat said: "We're not ready for a revolution in this country, yet." Then a dozen of us joined the rally, where we outnumbered the Republicans, and disrupted it.

Our campaign work exposed us to friendly disagreement, snickering contempt, hatred. Most often we heard "Reagan's gonna win" and variations on "Communists!" Many believe that only Reagan prevents a USSR takeover. Voting Democrat was practically joining an underground movement.

"I can't understand it," an older volunteer confided, "20 years ago any Southerner'd be ashamed to be Republican. I guess people think of the Democrats as liberals now, and the Republicans as conservatives. They're not conservative. Hell, they're just for the rich."

The determined workers at

South Carolina Democrat HQ knew that the national campaign had written us off, so we gave each other the support we needed. Our spirit of compromise didn't squash disagreements. Someone turned down a bumper sticker because "I think Ferraro's for gun control and my bumper's plastered with pro-gun slogans." Other people cut bumper stickers in half, removing a Freeze slogan, say, to leave "Mondale-Ferraro" — or just "Ferraro".

The campaign ended with the get-out-the-vote drive. At Mosely HQ, a middle-aged white man spoke on strategy. Fat, balding, with a Southern drawl, he seemed the perfect redneck. But he concluded firmly: "We gotta get some black people in the Congress, or we're never gonna have any progress!"

Two of us telephoned people who'd signed our Freeze canvass. I had been feeling optimistic. But half of these "Freeze Voters" were for Reagan. Finally we called some who'd said they were Republican, saying we were the Klan or the Nazis and urged them to vote for Reagan. None were at all surprised.

On election eve we went to a rally. Jesse Jackson had been speaking across the country. This was his last stop, in his home state. In a crowded black church it became a political revival meeting. "Doesn't the Bible say, God made Eve out of Adam's rib? That is *mythology* — let's break it down!" "Yes, Lord Jesus!" "I can support Walter Mondale, because any man who can share power with a woman is moving in the right direction!" "Amen!"

On Election Day, the main effort was driving voters to the polls. I did some canvassing in the black housing projects. "Who

is it?" "Democratic Party..." "Nobody here speaks that language." Someone opens the door and sees me with a roll of Mondale-Ferraro stickers. "Hey, can I have one of those?" Suddenly it's OK that I'm white.

Voting is as complicated as registering. Everything is on the ballot, from the corner up. To vote "the straight ticket" in the past you only had to pull one voting machine lever. This year it was two. People were in tears afterward because they'd forgotten one.

Generally, the Democratic Party did well except for the Reagan deluge. In Columbia, everything went Republican. But at our sad election night parties our community was stronger than ever. People were drawn very close, becoming hopeful again. Plans were made. Many of us agreed on the great need now for grass-roots organizing. If the many poor southern whites who voted for Reagan and the still more who aren't involved at all wake up to their interests and the power of working together, the politicians will be scrambling to keep up with them.

There were thoughts of a new party too: "A party for progressive blacks and whites." Someone said, as in Europe, there could be Christian Democrats and Social Democrats — us.

"In Canada," someone said, "you already have a social democratic party, don't you? I guess you'll all be rallying behind them, now you've got a Conservative government. Start working on their policies now, inside and outside, get them into power come your next election." "I don't know next..." "I had to say. "We could. I hope so..."

Housing crisis hits hard for ex-psychiatric patients

Houselink offers co-operative alternative to rooming houses

by Marcus Feak

The need for affordable, convenient and pleasant housing for ex-psychiatric patients has reached crisis proportions in Toronto in recent years. Government closings of institutions have not been accompanied by a commitment to provide adequate housing. As a result, re-integration into the community has become almost impossible for many ex-psychiatric patients. Houselink Community Homes is a non-profit organization which develops co-operative housing for men and women in this situation.

Founded in 1977 by a group including patients and mental health professionals, Houselink now operates 20 co-ops of three to five residents throughout Metro Toronto. There is no live-in staff, so the co-ops aren't "group homes." Instead, Houselink operates with volunteers, including a co-ordinator who works with each group, helping to focus issues and suggest ways of dealing with them.

Houselink philosophy departs from the traditional social services division between those who need help and those who provide it.

To avoid the "helping-hand-strikes-again" syndrome, they stress that the volunteers should form a two-way relationship, giv-

ing and receiving help and compassion. Volunteers are not counsellors or therapists.

Another distinctive feature of Houselink is its emphasis on "empowering." Recognizing that feelings of powerlessness and lack of control dog the lives of many ex-patients, the organization sees adequate housing as a crucial starting-point. This principle is expressed in the organization's structure — a third of board members must live in the homes or have received psychiatric aid, a proportion soon to be increased to half.

All residents become members of Houselink, which is member-controlled. Member involvement helps to create mutual support and social relations between co-ops. However, each co-op is self-

controlled. When there is a vacancy Houselink sends applicants from its waiting list but residents decide collectively whether the applicant is acceptable.

Each co-op deals directly with landlords, municipal authorities etc. Beyond minimal requirements such as paying rent, and avoiding illegal activities, Houselink imposes few conditions on residents. This contrasts with many social service agencies which exert a large measure of control. Houselink residents may work or attend day programs, but are not required to, and the length of stay is unlimited.

Any co-op is free to disaffiliate from Houselink should residents wish to do so. The majority of the

co-ops are in rental properties, but this is now being extended to include housing co-operatives, municipal non-profit housing units and housing bought with Canadian Mental Health Council funding.

Houselink began as an independent organization, with small federal grants and support from private foundations. It now receives ongoing support from the Ontario Ministry of Health. According to staffer Lee-Anne Pattison, funding for self-help groups is precarious since psychiatric patients have no real power base.

Of all levels of government, the City of Toronto is most involved in funding projects in the Metro area.

However, groups such as Our Own, an ex-psychiatric patients' self-help group, have had to struggle to survive. Although self-advocacy is the ideal which Houselink and other such groups pursue, the onus has fallen on professionals in the field to exert pressure for change.

Besides the volunteer co-ordinators, Houselink has "volunteer advocates" who work individually with residents providing friendship and help with both practical issues (doctors, lawyers) and personal ones (loneliness).

Houselink provides a two-to-three day intensive training course for prospective volunteers which includes lectures, role-plays, and visits to mental health centres. Both volunteer programs are being expanded; if you're interested, call Lee-Anne Pattison at Houselink (968-0242).

Swedish peace activist visits

by Dan McArar

Churches and unions are the great hope of the peace movement, a Swedish peace activist and physician says.

"They are the most important organizations on earth right now; are the ones who have to decide if we are going to survive or not. They have the money," said Harriet Otterloo, a physician and an executive member of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF). She and Kristi Kolthoff, a Swedish trade union ombudsperson, were speaking in Toronto recently on a two-month tour of North America.

WILPF, founded in 1917, has

members in 77 countries, with about 12,000 members worldwide, but no membership in the Soviet Union.

Otterloo and Kolthoff say Western Europe's perception of the Soviet Union is far different than that portrayed in the U.S. mass media. Kolthoff says Europeans do not want the Soviet system, but "are not afraid of the Soviet Union going over the border."

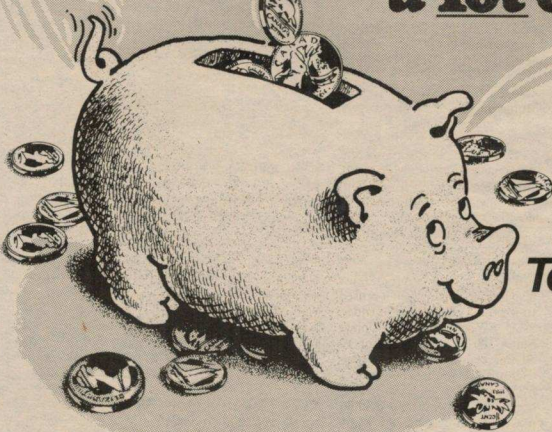
She is, however, very afraid of a nuclear war with Europe as the front line. "The Soviets are so afraid of Europe and America, that we will force them (the Soviets) into a war," Kolthoff says the American view of nuclear war is absurd. "People in the Uni-

ted States think it is possible to blow up Europe, the Soviet Union and Japan, and still survive." She said in speaking to Americans, "we get the feeling they think this is going to happen somewhere else."

Otterloo says there is really only one option — "We have to trust each other" — and three possible outcomes: "(First) perhaps we were wrong and we get blown up. (Second) we don't trust each other and we get blown up. A third thing can happen, we can trust each other and gradually disarm."

She concludes, "We must realize doing nothing is something we're responsible for."

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CULTURE

Curing Nuclear Madness
by Frank Sommers, M.D. with
Tana Dineen, Ph.D., Methuen,
Toronto, 1984, 186 pages, \$9.95

Reviewed by Donald Alexander

Frank Sommers and Tana Dineen have created a new genre — pop nuclear psychology — with several disturbing aspects. One is arrogance — Sommers and Dineen think they have the answers which are going to save the world when, in reality, they have little new to say.

Another is the trend towards experts in every sphere of life, even in matters of war and peace, so that ordinary citizens defer to the Pentagon and Kremlin apparatus. Sommers and Dineen would extend that trend by inviting people to believe in sex therapists and psychologists, with their prescriptions for global peace.

The first half of the book has a very patronizing tone, the kind one would expect from New Age gurus like est founder Werner Erhard. It's also so poorly written it's hard to believe Methuen would publish it — Sommers and Dineen can hardly write a coherent sentence. Consider the following:

The reactions occurring at the centre of the atom release about a million times more energy than do those which occur without penetration to such depth — somewhat like the difference between surface (left-brain) and depth (right-brain) thinking, or the contrast between conventional (superficial) and really good (intimate) sex. Penetrating atom, brain or sexual partner to the core is well worth the effort.

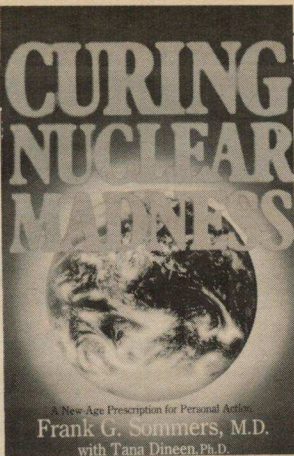
The text is larded with similar such references to “thrusting,” “penetration” and “ejaculation” making one think the authors are obsessed with genitally oriented sex.

The second half is markedly improved, the authors being more in their area of expertise, and the writing is consequently more elegant. They make some good points, for instance that the quality of violence in society is closely related to the degree of sexual and emotional repression. This has been anthropologically proven. The notion that the “personal is political” — that people's personal traits influence politics and the political situation influences our personal lives — has been popularized by the women's movement.

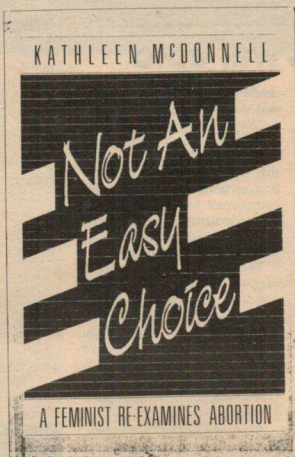
The nuclear arms race is a perfect example. Our political leaders exhibit intolerance, machismo, one-upmanship. Moreover, the pall of nuclear war casts its shadow over our most intimate moments.

But this doesn't mean that each is a direct cause of the other, an equation the authors seem to fall into. Following their advice and electing “sensuous” politicians will not solve the arms race. Once in office, their actions will be determined by a global order with its own built-in imperatives.

Nor will “getting our heads together” eliminate the nuclear threat. Becoming more sensuous, sexually potent and imaginative certainly creates favourable conditions for seeing through the absurdity of our present situation and resolving to take action to



A New Age Prescription for Personal Action.
Frank G. Sommers, M.D.
with Tana Dineen, Ph.D.



SEX, POLITICS AND RELIGION: BOOKS IN REVIEW

change it.

But what about the relationship of war to our present social system? Do profit, greed, the nation state, and North America's feverish consumption of resources not have something to do with our current global climate? And don't these institutions help create the character types who populate the planet and have their fingers on the nuclear trigger? Doesn't the chain of war need to be broken at both ends of the circle and not simply one?

These are questions which Sommers and Dineen seem to ignore. In fact, the flippancy with which they treat the relationship between the personal and the political is likely to discredit the peace movement more than it helps. A book which correctly unites the “personal” and the “political” aspects of war remains to be written. It would be a worthy project.

Not An Easy Choice:

A Feminist Re-examines Abortion by Kathleen McDonnell. Women's Press, 16 Baldwin St., Toronto MST 1L2, 157 pages.

Reviewed by Cyndie Ingle

In *Not An Easy Choice: A Feminist Re-examines Abortion* Kathleen McDonnell says pro-choice supporters should raise certain issues before the anti-choice people do. Although a united front must be presented against the anti-choice movement, she stresses, the feminist position on abortion

needs re-evaluation.

More abortion counselling and support are needed in Canada, McDonnell believes. Some women feel angry at themselves for feeling grief and depression after an abortion; some get negative feedback about their grief. So it's often left to the anti-choice side to support women with post-abortion grief or doubt. Often these women react by becoming anti-choice, which the media sometimes makes into a sideshow for a while.

Even in coining a phrase like “post-abortion grief,” there's a danger that anti-choice supporters will latch onto the phrase with glee. However, women who feel grief, for whatever reason (sometimes because of the anti-choice minority), need to express those views.

McDonnell feels feminists and progressive women have primarily considered abortion as a health rather than a moral issue, employing the “clump-of-tissue” argument. This leaves a large gap for anti-choice people to address the many in the “middle ground.”

The morality of abortion must also be questioned when it is used to weed out the “wrong” gender, as is happening in the United States, India and China, or to eliminate a defective fetus. However only in another context does McDonnell say the expense of caring for a handicapped child makes it not feasible for many women to continue their pregnancies.

Poor women — they often can't afford not to have abortions. “While middle-class women

were fighting for the right not have children,” McDonnell writes, “poor and minority women were struggling for the right to have the children they wanted.” Since Canadian society doesn't give children and childcare a high priority, single support mothers get little economic support.

McDonnell discusses at length the anti-abortion movement. “Pro-lifers” have taken over hospital boards and harassed political and media figures they consider pro-abortion. McDonnell believes that not all anti-choice people are of the New Right and that the anti-choice movement is predominately a women's movement. Can women who are anti-choice claim to be feminists?

Pro- and anti-choice forces may have common concerns, McDonnell says, such as the rights of the handicapped. She states that all Right-to-Lifers should not be written off; perhaps progressive or potentially progressive people exist in their movements.

To me the idea of a working alliance with anti-choice supporters is basically a pipe dream. Anti-choice supporters whose beliefs are based on religious doctrine are not likely to be flexible. Even if a small segment of the anti-choice movement is probably not far away from some pro-choice supporters, people who vocally oppose abortion for moral, religious and philosophical reasons are inflexible on women's rights.

McDonnell also questions whether abortion should be

“reclaimed” from medical practitioners so that midwives or trained women could provide the service. Abortion in a supportive, female-oriented atmosphere would certainly be a positive goal.

Faith, Hope no Charity

An Inside Look at the Born-Again Movement in Canada and the United States by Judith Haiven. New Star Book, Vancouver, 1984, 219 pages.

Reviewed by Elaine Littman

We all know by now about the rise of the religious right, and its vocal involvement in issues ranging from U.S. politics to Ontario separate schools. Its most visible presence is on Sunday morning television, where millions of viewers hear about society's corruption and the only true road to salvation. They watch, they send money, and under the leadership of born-again headlines like Jerry Falwell, they are making themselves heard.

Faith, Hope no Charity, a first book by Canadian writer Judith Haiven, is a “behind-the-scenes” look at the new fundamentalist movement, full of interviews, facts and figures. She includes firsthand accounts of rallies, visits to Christian schools and TV stations, and theological discussions with fundamentalists — Haiven is a Jew — but doesn't integrate a political analysis. She's obviously capable of making the connections between the new religion and the rise of the political right, but chose not to.

The major weakness is in the sections devoted to the born-again followers, Haiven tries to treat them as individuals, but, as even she admits, their conversation is one-track religious, and they display about as much character as a Lord Prayer's wall-hanging. But she also fails to show them as a political phenomenon — as a growing number who are bewildered enough to reach for the simple solutions the right of all stripes is offering.

In one interview, an Ontario woman claimed a Christian children's camp used cult-style tactics to convert her and her friends. It's not an unlikely charge, given that TV evangelists play on their audience's fear of societal breakdown, and offer “salvation” in times of personal crisis. But again, Haiven stays with the surfaces.

Despite this, *Faith, Hope no Charity* is a straightforward, well researched and useful book delving into many activities of the born-again movement. Haiven notes the connection between the Moral Majority — and its Canadian counterpart — Renaissance International — and electoral politics, and draws a few good points, such as that liberal opponents of the religious right can sink to the same level of national chauvinism in an effort to “defend our freedoms.”

But only in the afterword does Haiven pull it together, dumping it all in. The arms race, the economy and U.S. imperialism are analyzed in a few pages. If she'd chosen a more integrated approach, we'd have had a stronger and more complete picture of the New Right's new religion.

Sumptuous staging of pompous war epic

Tiger at the Gates, by Jean Giraudoux; Theatre Plus, at the St. Lawrence Centre, January 10-February 2

Reviewed by Kenneth O'Heskin

Director Marion Andre has mounted a sumptuous production of *Tiger at the Gates*, a passionately anti-war play written in 1935 and based on the classic *The Trojan Horse*. The Equity cast handles its material with confidence and aplomb; Christopher Fry's literate translation from the French original gives the dialogue a stylish and contemporary flavour.

Ulysses, whose role is to unleash the dogs of war, is particularly impressive and played with great energy and wit by Ken Pogue. Helen (Gwendolyn Lewis) is perfect as the beautiful-but-alooof courtesan whose face launches a thousand ships.

Though marvelous theatre, the serious flaw in *Tiger at the Gates* is author Jean Giraudoux's vacuously pompous conception of the causes of war; it just isn't convincing. He asserts that the inevitable drive of destiny, which turned the plots of ancient and medieval epic poetry, can be transposed intact into the complex of modern geopolitics. This is rather like saying that because Nikita Krushchev kidnapped Marilyn Monroe and kept her as his mistress, John Kennedy launched a nuclear war. Such a perspective of the peace issue is fundamentally pessimistic, as well as inept and puerile.

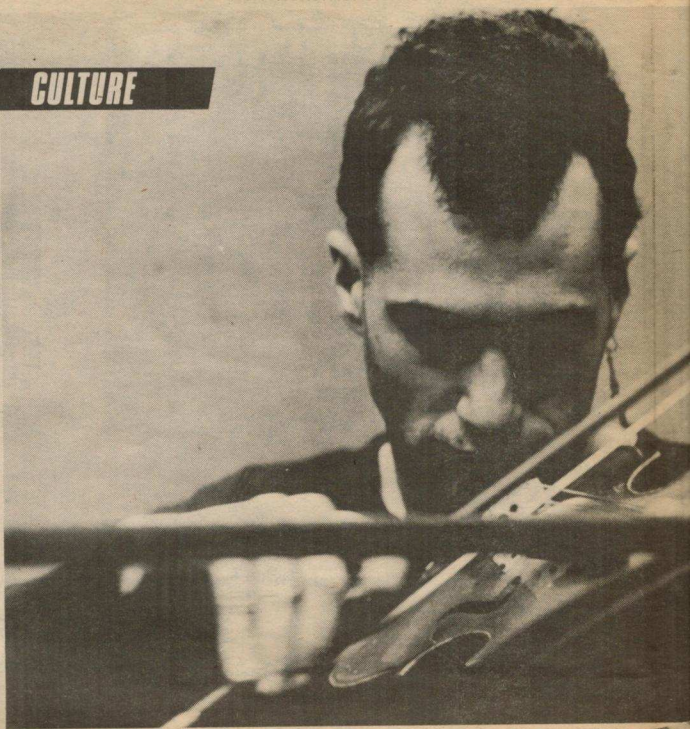
To give Giraudoux his due, the passion and vigor of his message does at times strike home; no

doubt the horrors of the Somme and Verdun in the First Imperialist War must still have been fresh in his memory and in that of his generation. However, the idea that struggle and direct intervention can bring about social change and prevent war is axiomatic to the modern peace movement, and is the diametric opposite to Giraudoux's fatalistic determinism.

The same year he wrote this play, the Popular Front, a coalition of union and political groups, after prolonged and bitter struggle, managed to stop fascism from arising in France — one of the few European countries to do so. We can safely assume, I think, Giraudoux wasn't in the Popular Front.

After the Nazis invaded France, he served in the Vichy regime; that he ended his life as a *collaborateur* is perhaps the most eloquent historical judgement of Giraudoux's pacifism. He is a striking analogue to another burned-out, upper middle-class intellectual of that period, George Orwell, whose professed humanism and espousal of radical causes later turned into a profound cynicism and misanthropy.

Tiger at the Gates is anti-war theatre made safe for Rosedale, neutered of any radical content, and served out on an elegant platter; but the dish would likely make the average *Clarion* reader choke (if the hefty \$8-17 admission price doesn't bar you from the Trojan gates first).



Stephen Poch is one of the subjects of Victor Barac's anthropology doctorate on Toronto rock musicians.

New wave milk and old hat CBC

by Angelica Fox

You must have noticed that food is getting sexy. "The sensual thrill of erotica," says Erika Ritter, reviewing the situation in her new book *Urban Scrawl*, "has been all but eclipsed by the new mangiamania."

The fact that a lot of us are now getting our kicks from food has not gone unnoticed by the powers of commerce that urge us to "eat, eat." TV ads that picture biting into a chocolate bar as the peak of carnal pleasure are by now old hat; Coca Cola has always pushed its feine hit (or low-cal appeal) to the pleasure-seeking young. But lately, even the marketers of formerly staid foods are striving to link their products to life in the fast lane.

Take milk, for instance. Up until recently, most of us associated it with the golden innocence of childhood, sound nutrition ("Drink up, it's good for you") and motherhood. But Ontario residents,

thanks to the efforts of our provincial milk marketing board, are being urged to reconsider that, in fact, "The faster life gets, the more sense milk makes." In a parallel campaign, beautiful youths — from punks to athletes; let's admire them all for their unassuming beauty and youth — pose beside naked glasses of "irreplaceable milk." Milk, these bilboards infer, is as precious as each individual, uniquely suited to the individual tastes of each of us — kind of like Dial-A-Lash mascara, or perfume.

The milk board perceives their campaign as broad reach. They say the idea

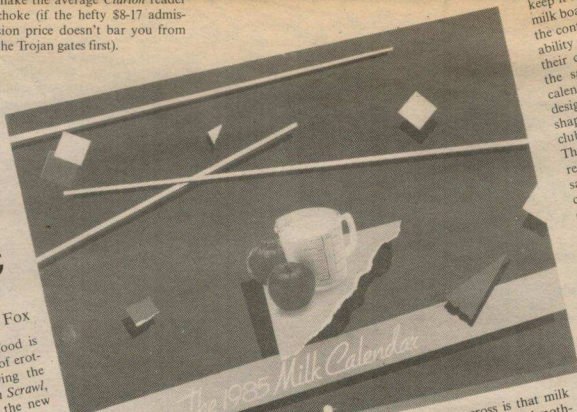
they're trying to get across is that milk fits into any lifestyle. But kids and mothers are pre-sold on milk's virtues. It's the Pepsi generation and their baby-boomer dollars that everyone's really competing for.

This year's milk calendar is no exception to the subliminal message. According to a spokesperson for the milk marketing board, this is the ninth year they've brought out a milk calendar, distributed in 21 newspapers province-wide. It's part of their ingredients program, which promotes the use of milk in cooking (the "irreplaceable" campaign aims to increase the per capita consumption of milk). They try to vary the look of the calendar from year, presumably to make it as attractive as possible so that we'll

keep it around and refer to it often. The milk board, apparently, isn't interested in the continuity of style that indicates reliability (which is what the banks go for in their calendar which look pretty much the same each year). The 1985 milk calendar has a distinctly neo-new wave design with the kind of flying geometric shapes you see in ads for trendy night clubs like the Bamboo and the Copa. The adjectives describing the month's recipe — hot, comfort, warmth, light, saucy, wow, fun — sound like they're capturing the varying moods of erotic experiences. This is cooking?

The milk board has been tracking its calendar and claims that there's a 70 per cent retention rate — that means every seven out of ten households who get the calendar in their paper one weekend early in December still have it a month into the year. It wouldn't surprise me if the 1985 calendar, with its slick, fashionable design, hot colours and Nouvelle-cum-New American cuisine recipes, found its way into still a few more kitchens.

I was in my local Queen West butcher the Saturday the calendar came out. A yuppie couple at the meat counter were consulting January's "Peppery Beef Stroganoff." They were planning a "hot" Saturday night.



Rock 'n roll PhD

The 1960's spawned many studies and sociological surveys of popular music, especially jazz and blues. Now a University of Toronto anthropology student, Victor Barac, is writing his PhD thesis on Toronto's pop/rock scene.

He says musician's descriptions of rock contain two ideologies: a forum for individual expression (art) or a reflection of societal values (folk music). Many groups express helplessness in the face of nuclear war and unemployment, he says, but "most view (music) as a form of individual expression; mostly middle-class people view music this way."

Among the co-operators are Stephan Poch (vocals) and Gerard Leckie (synth/keyboards) of Laughing Dog Factory, whose music includes poetry recitation.

"They deal with trying to overcome the alienating effects of living in the city," Barac says. "There's a positive element to their music and an ability to convey everyday life in the city in a different light."

Well, it's election time again. While Bill Davis hopefuls are rusting for the leadership, the cultural reps who brought a little humanity, levity and seriousness in the last municipal race are plotting their comeback. Rumour has it that this time the Hummer Sisters' mayoralty campaign may not be "Art vs Art" but "Put a Real Clown in Office." Could the potential candidate be someone we know?

Tiger at the Gates, by Theatre Plus, has great acting in an unconvincing story, says our reviewer.

It seems like everybody's been talking about — and rightly so — the cutbacks our new government has forced on the CBC. But I guess not everybody has been, because nobody much was the night the CBC held its third annual public forum.

On January 8, CBC TV's news division, together with Ryerson's journalism department, assembled the national network's foreign correspondents in the Concert Hall for a chat with the public about (as Zena Cherry promised) "global politics and events in the correspondent's assignment areas during the past year." Only a few interesting points were raised, not all of which made it into the condensed videotape of the event the CBC broadcast two days later as a one-hour news special.

A good part of the audience were students from various journalism schools. Their questions were the ones with the long prefaces that time-capsuled "global events" and had the tone of an oral exam. They were showing off. Other people must have come hoping for an insider's glimpse of what their war-tornists really feel about their world, corner of the world. One correspondent, Jan Lazowski, CBC's Moscow man, did reveal a bit of himself in a couple of hawkish observations on the Soviet Union. Mostly, though, these two lines of questioning elicited little more than what a follower of CBC news could have garnered from these people's reports over the year.

The only mention of the cutbacks was oblique, in answer to a question about the CBC's paucity of foreign bureaus. Middle Eastern or Central American bureaus, said panel chair Knowlton Nash, because it doesn't have enough money, and the more the cutbacks, the worse the situation. At the moment, said Ann Medina, "we're not there as much as we responsibly should be."

Most of the interesting remarks, the ones on how these people handle being Canada's gatekeepers to the world and on how they perceive their role and their industry, also came out in a oblique fashion. Hidden in the generalizations, there were a few tidbits of the real stuff. Knowlton Nash, the one that seems to be contrary to all laws of nature. For-run contrary to all laws of nature. Foreign journalist's creed, he said, do try to communicate a fair reflection of the reality they see and are mostly successful in putting aside personal feelings and getting close to the "whole truth." That must be quite a burden.

Reassuringly, not all the panelists were convinced that ENG (Electronic News Gathering) equipment, which can transmit events as they are happening, is a gift from heaven. One correspondent had to concentrate on less timely trend stories and in-depth reports. Now the expectation is for the "fire engine and riot type of story." As another correspondent said, "the audience is hungry, prime-time seems, for cops and robbers, prime-time police drama news. Life imitates TV." David Halton, CBC's chief political correspondent in Ottawa, remarked that the live coverage of question period in the House of Commons is "really good political theatre." How comforting to know that our leaders are not debating but performing.

The most frightening prediction for 1985 came from the Paris-based Don Murray. Europe, he reported, is in the clutches of a curious sense of bankruptcy of ideas and a curious acceptance of that state. There is a new readiness, particularly in France, Murray said, to look seriously at the economic ideas of a man who several years ago they thought was an imbecile: Reagan. For Cyprus, Lebanon and Northern Ireland Ann Medina reported "no change." You can't get bleaker than that, but not all change, as Canadians should know by now, is for the better.



According to the *Globe and Mail's* advertising department, singer Nancy White wanted to use naughty (not nice) words before Christmas. In an ad for the White's cassette, *The Sunday Morning Reagens*, the words "Princess Anne," "the Pope" and "the Pope" were excised from the list of song topics.

Here's how the ad appeared — Stuff a stocking with Nancy White's latest cassette. Good production, good sound, and the musical truth about: old Liberals new Tories yuppie love

"I leave you to figure it out. I was speechless," White said.

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"Peace and justice cannot be separated. Oppression cannot be maintained without violence. We believe the arms industry is the institutionalized form of this violence." (CMCP vision paper)



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Photos by Robin Kobryn

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- *August 6: labour and peace*
- *Nicaragua: militarism and 3rd world*
- *Non-violence workshops*
- *Men's anti-porn/anti-war actions*

EDITORIAL

Many thanks for all your support!

The *Clarion* wants to thank all the people who responded to our financial appeal in December. We received 70 contributions ranging from \$2 to \$1000, often with encouraging notes (see letters). In addition, although many of our readers could not afford to make contributions — our constituency includes lots of people in this position — but gave us moral support and spread the word.

Thanks are due, too, to the media which publicized the appeal — CBC Metro Morning and CKLN gave interviews; the *Globe* and *Mail* and the *Star* wrote stories; *Body Politic*, *Karma Kronicle*, *Anti-Authoritarian Network*, *Our Times*, *Rites*, *Cross Cultural Communications Centre Newsletter* and *The Nerve* carried an ad or described the appeal.

The total of \$3,500 raised represents more than half the \$6,000 the *Clarion* asked for. These funds have helped pay off our immediate debts and cover operating costs. Remaining funds will be used to pursue our new objectives.

The *Clarion* collective has decided to suspend publication of the paper for three months. This decision will allow us to do several things:

- 1) Raise the money needed to put the paper in a more stable financial position
- 2) reorganize the structure of the paper since it has been difficult to put out the paper and develop good business practices at the same time.
- 3) carry out surveys and studies which will aid the development of a wider readership.
- 4) develop long-term financing strategies
- 5) acquire a paid staff that will ensure continuity.

We are doing all this because we want to come out as a bi-weekly starting in May. We think this will give our readers more timely news stories and provide greater continuity of coverage of the serious economic crisis everyone faces. This crisis, we feel, requires a creative response from the progressive community the *Clarion* strives to serve. We are beginning this process within the paper.

The *Clarion* will keep an office, a phone and a core staff during this period (first we're seeking a cheap office to move into by the end of January).

We believe the *Clarion* has the staff to meet the community's need for an alternative paper. Our new format and our street boxes have received favourable response, and we want your continued input. We will be keeping in touch through the mail and through other alternative publications to let you know how we're doing and how you can support this effort.

See you again in May!



LETTERS

Make *Clarion*, not war!

To the *Clarion*:
I enclose a cheque towards the cost of the *Toronto Clarion*. I wish it could be more but I am a pensioner.

In addition, and I am pretty sure you will know all about this, I am getting increasing requests for funds. We seem to be spending more and more on the military — largely wasted — and less and less on useful things.

Eric B. Churchill
Scarborough

Paper unfunny, ex-unionist says

To the *Clarion*:
Enclosed is a donation to the *Survival Appeal*.

Two comments: 1. I think the paper could benefit from some humour. 2. You write a lot about union activities, strikes et al, but don't comment on the right-wing attitudes of most unions. I used to be active in CUPE Local 79, and found little left-political interest. Good luck.

George Goldberg
Toronto

Face up to it, big buck earners

To the *Clarion*:
Please renew my subscription. I enclose a contribution as a sustainer as well.

I hope all your readers who are still making a good salary will recognize their responsibility to support the *Clarion*. Considering the millions of dollars that are spent daily by corporations and governments to defeat the human spirit, people who can afford it should be giving as much money as they can to keep our institutions going — peace groups.

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Taylor Green
Toronto

environmental groups, radical culture, and, most important, the publications that keep us informed.

The *Clarion* is probably the most important publication in Canada. We need something like it out here in British (sic) Columbia. Your last issue was excellent — the Morgentaler and Eaton's stories and the Benn and deAntonio interviews in particular hit on the most important issues.

Is it possible that you will do a story on the Ontario community colleges in the aftermath of the OPSEU strike? This would be of great interest to unionized community college faculty in B.C. who may be facing lockouts this spring.

George Stanley
President, CUPE Local 2409
Terrace, B.C.

Business person spurred to give by open appeal

To the *Clarion*:

I am pleased to contribute to the *Clarion Survival Appeal*. Your newspaper deserves the support of all sectors of the Toronto community, and I am fortunate to be in a position, as a "small businessperson" to assist you.

For your information regarding fundraising strategies, you may be interested to know that while I was generally aware that the *Clarion* had been for some time experiencing financial difficulties, and that I had considered helping out financially, I had not been motivated sufficiently to actually do so. The present contribution is a direct result of my having read the cover story and page three appeal in the December issue, so, at least in my case, your decision to present the gravity of your situation in this manner has paid off.

Wishing you success in your present appeal, and in your longer term financial strategies...

Lars Rogers
Toronto

Pension sets donation limit

To the *Clarion*:

Enclosed is a cheque towards your *Survival Appeal*. I'm sorry I can't send more but I recently became a pensioner and have a limited income.

I hope everything works out O.K. and you keep on keeping on, providing a much-needed voice.

Elgin Blair
Toronto

Let millionaires in Tory party shoulder debts

To the *Clarion*:

I am a member of The Writers' Union of Canada.

I am upset by the \$3.5 million which the Government of Canada has cut out of the administration budget of the Canada Council. When the Liberals were in power, the Conservatives fought hard to keep Canada Council out of Bill C-24 and they supported the Liberals when they wanted Canada Council as an arms-length organization. (Arms-length organization means that the Government gives the money to its organization but the organization decides how to spend it.)

During the election, the Conservatives assured Canadians that cultural programs would have strong Tory support. That was before election day. The Tory party should find another way to cut back Government debts, find another way to allow their millionaire members to participate fairly in clearing the debts that they participated fairly in creating them.

What do you feel? Which side are you on?
Enclosed is my yes cheque to the *Clarion*.

Donald Keating
Toronto

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dear boss: TAKE THIS JOB AND...

Message to labour: Come alive in '85

by Ray Kuzlewski

Labour's year in review: Lessons learned, battles waged, won and lost. How typical, this year-end process.

Yet, how necessary — an examination of conscience, an act of contrition, repentance, and a change in attitude and action. Can it be done? Will it be effective? Is this year any different?

Under the Canadian Labour Congress banner, the movement backs the Peace Petition Caravan. How many hours of energy spent to produce what effect? What value to the worker? What about a petition calling for a General Strike? Outrageous! Irresponsible!

Radio Shack, the *cause célèbre* of 1980, moved the state to action. The Ontario Labour Relations Board set a precedent in giving the Steelworkers a union remedy against Radio Shack for its anti-union conduct; it was the first of its kind and progressive by all labour standards. In 1984 after six months on strike against the same Radio Shack, the workers knocked on locked doors to beg on bended knee for their jobs. The labour board had expressly stepped away from its 1980 attitude: collective bargaining would not be imposed, it must be won. How? Through struggle. Have we learned?

The Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union struck Eaton's. One hundred and fifteen years of anti-union experience resulted in the most sophisticated retail operations known and an active anti-union stance. Even after Radio Shack, the union struck! To what end? Workers have been on strike well beyond the December retail rush. The company is dragging out all proceedings and operating virtually unhindered.

The effect? Simpson's workers rejected the union, fearful of a similar fate.

Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) negotiations prove the trend of systematic destruction of militancy and trade union/worker progress and gains. Fear of a Christmas strike becomes the domain of a conciliator who adjourns the process until ... when? ... who cares ... Seen any media coverage of CUPW lately?

1985 is 1982 is 1979 is 1930 is, what goes around, comes around. Union Carbide demonstrates the stark reality of its own little-publicized history of relationships, attitudes and practices. Bhopal, India, is West Virginia; the product reflects the production methods: death, suffering, destruction.

In Guelph, Ontario, West Vir-

ginia, 1930 a 3/4 mile tunnel was to be dug through silica rock. State law requires silica to be dug wet because of its obvious carcinogenic effects. A mainly black workforce hired from outside the informed area dug through the silica dry. By 1936, 500 tunnelers had died, disposed of by a company-hired undertaker at \$55 a body. Union Carbide promised him "there would be a large number of deaths."

In Toronto, Union Carbide has shown its workers films about Bhopal and its efforts to minimize the dangers and effects of the "accident." It has set up a fund for employee donations to build a medical facility in India. The workers continue to pay.

Unbelievable? An isolated incident? Capitalist methods of production are good, can be reformed, can benefit workers. Let's hear that again!

Al O'Leary, waiter at the Holiday Tavern, was fired in July for failing to cut his hair to the employer's satisfaction. Reinstated by an arbitrator in August, he has yet to return to work. The employer refuses to abide by the arbitrator's decision and the issue will be decided in court.

Al is not the issue any longer. Receiving less than \$100 a week from pogy, Al's dependents can take heart that regardless of their poor Christmas and other necessities, the court will decide the issue of "jurisdiction" and maintain the consistency of the "law" to the benefit of...

"They call it due process, but some people are overdue."

It's the first week of 1985. My knees and back ache from bending, lifting, pushing, pulling, tugging, grabbing, holding, twisting and supporting the weight of tons of moved freight. Miles of inclines and steps walked, every one uncertain and unsure. But my mind aches most of all.

I'm tired of watching brothers and sisters beaten down and defeated. Injured, killed, murdered, fired, betrayed, sold-out, disciplined, harassed, isolated, ignored, put down, pushed around and laughed at. My eyes are bloodshot from watching helplessly the continued persecution and cold-blooded murder of workers. My soul is rent by my own impotence at staving off this ever-encroaching abomination.

Frustrated, my reasoned arguments ineffective, I am unable to continue mild liberal pleadings. There are other ways. As a friend toasted the New Year, "Come alive in '85!" Here's to change.

LETTERS

Political cafe in Montreal sends regards

To the *Clarion*:

Thank you for the free subscription that is being sent to the community library. I see from the most recent issue that you're in a shaky financial position yourselves and we should be sending a few dollars shortly as our small contribution.

At present, the café is the only politically oriented one in Montréal, and the space is used by a wide variety of left and alternative groups. About 20 people are working here. Decisions are made collectively, without a boss or hierarchy.

Hope you will be able to drop in, if you're passing through town.

Michael William
for Café Commun-Comune
201 Milton
Montréal

Clarion essential

To the *Clarion*:

With this letter I want to inform the Canadian progressive-minded people about the undemocratic methods used by the organizers of the peace meeting at Convocation Hall of the University of Toronto on November 21.

This meeting was called "World Dialogue" and among the speakers was Ramesh Chandra of India, who is president of the World Peace Council.

The meeting as advertised was supposed to be public and free. But in reality it was not free. A group was at the door informing the police which people could not get in. With this screening practice, many people did not have a chance to attend the meeting.

The reason was obvious: the organizers feared free dialogue.

When I finished my work I went to Convocation Hall. There the police pushed me out without any reasons.

When I protested these undemocratic practices, they threatened to arrest me.

I call upon the democratic people in Toronto to condemn this undemocratic peace meeting.

Chris Tarnaris

Toronto

P.S. I enclosed a cheque in answer to your call for help. Toronto needs your magazine for alternative news.

Generosity recommended

To the *Clarion*:

Enclosed is a cheque. I hope the response you receive from the community is generous enough to keep you going.

Keep up your good work.

In Solidarity,
David Levine

New sexual assault centre helps male victims recover

by Greg Robins

There is a new centre for victims of sexual assault in downtown Toronto. The facility, however, is unique; its mandate is to treat sexually assaulted males.

The Centre for Sexually Assaulted Males, on Metcalf Street, has been open since August 16, providing therapy and counselling for dozens of male victims.

Kerry Specialny, co-ordinator and founder of the operation, says the problem of sexual abuse among the male population in Toronto and across Canada is a bigger problem than most people would believe.

"Men, especially boys, are subject to sexual assault," he told the *Clarion*. "It could happen in the home or the street, and I have spoken to more than a hundred victims."

Only one phone is in his apartment as a hotline but therapy groups meet twice weekly for discussion and help.

It all started in Vancouver, in June 1982, when a good friend of Specialny was abducted off the street and violently raped by three men. After the attack, he hid through the ropes that bound his

arms and called Specialny. They went to a sexual abuse centre in Vancouver, only to be turned away.

"They said that it was a unique case, and they were not trained to treat male victims," Specialny said.

Only weeks later, the two men set up a hotline in an apartment and advertised their cause. Calls started pouring in.

"The response was quick and good," said Specialny. "There was a need for this service."

Specialny feels that sexual abuse centres have never traditionally included males in their programs because of a social stigma.

Specialny said there is little difference between treating male and female victims. "The emotional aftermath effects are basically the same. There's shock, humiliation, and fear. But the social norm is that men are not sexually abused, or rather, that men will not let themselves be abused. The main problem is letting the male victim understand that his case is not unique, and that the problem is not just his," said Specialny.

Red Mooney

Gardens usher redresses boss's anti-Soviet 'prank'

Like Captain Kirk, Harold Ballard continues to "go boldly where no man has gone before" — the only difference is that instead of space exploration, Ballard's mission is expanding the frontiers of tastelessness.

With roughly a minute to play in an exhibition match between Moscow Dynamo and Team Canada (a version of the team that will compete at the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary) this message flashed on the scoreboard at Maple Leaf Gardens: Remember Korean Airlines Flight 007 shot down by the Russians. Don't cheer, just boo," signed "Harold."

That Ballard should make his presence felt in such a vulgar way should have come as no surprise. After all the game marked the first time a Soviet team, with the exception of one midge team, had been allowed in Maple Leaf Gardens since 1976 and God knows Ballard is famous for taking pride in outrageous and illogical "pranks."

What I found profoundly disturbing about the whole incident was the fact that a goodly number of the 7,000 plus crowd obeyed the instructions of the Ayrallah Ballard. One doesn't have to be a mental giant to figure out that the Moscow Dynamo hockey club had about as much to do with the Korean Airlines tragedy as the Maple Leafs do with the win

column.

But Ballard didn't escape unscratched by any counter-demonstration at the Gardens. Less than a week later, during third period "action" between the Boston Bruins and the Leafs, an usher threw his official Gardens cap and blazer onto the ice in front of 16,182.

The usher, Russell Latimer, also a U of T student in international relations, said "...it was a protest against the message on the scoreboard during the Moscow Dynamo game."

"International games are useful to reduce hostility between east and west. Ballard, by doing what he did, can heighten the animosity ... if he feels that way, he should also do the same thing when U.S. teams come in to the building. It was Reagan who sent the troops into Grenada."

The Soviets unintentionally added a rather humorous postscript to the disgraceful incident. After years of harping about the true amateur status of their athletes (hockey players in particular) and mere months after boycotting the Olympics in Los Angeles, Soviet embassy spokesperson Evgenie Pozdyaykov had these comments to make about Ballard's politicking — he said it was "entirely inadmissible" and that "the Soviet Union has always been against using sport for political ends."

Housing

Feminist/human rights activist from Ottawa seeking shared home in downtown TO. Cheerful about housework and paying bills on time! Please leave message at 654-3092.

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2 rooms in shared house, Broadview/Danforth area \$240 each incl. Non-smokers and vegie inclined people preferred. David or Pauline, 465-2884.

A male wishes to share apt., all equipped, reasonable. Reduced rent for household duties. Close to subway. Age no barrier. Call Kirby, evms, 921-9069.

Seeking adult to share my home. Ok if you have 1 child, I have Bloor-Christie area, \$350/month. Includes washer-dryer and utilities. You'd need to put in a phone — jacks already in. 536-7577.

Over 55? Want to reduce cost and have companionship by sharing accommodations? Let us match you with compatible partners. Call 591-1657.

Fourth woman sought to share quiet communal house with 2 lesbians and 1 straight woman. Includes fireplace, sunroom, garden, washer. Non-smoker, no pets. \$200 plus. Ossington and Dupont. 531-6833.

Courses

Karate at your doorstep. If you have a group of 20 or more interested adults, and the facilities to hold one class per week, Toronto Vado-Kai Karate will send a qualified instructor to your place of work, residence or play, to teach an eight week beginners' course, free of charge. Call 759-5066.

Introductory Clown Classes with R. Peter Pochinko. Also advanced workshop from 14 to March 9. For registration and information call 466-8617 (evening).

Immigrant women into electronics! A pilot project designed to train immigrant women as either electronics equipment assemblers or electronics equipment systems testers. Courses start Jan. 7 at Humber College Keeleisdale Campus. Financial support available. For info call 537-0782 or 532-2824.

Private art classes in real humanist's studio! Children, teens, adults — collaborate art by painting, drawing, batik, sculpture. Reasonable rates — call Mary Paisley at 465-8442.

Volunteers

HouseLink, establishing co-operative housing for people who have received psychiatric treatment, is seeking volunteers who are looking for challenging and satisfying work and who can commit a minimum of one evening a week to attend house meetings. Facilitate group decision making and problem solving on matters relating to the co-op. Ongoing training and support provided. For info contact Tom McFeet or Lee-Anne Pattison at 968-0242.

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If you work well with children, the YWCA Child Care Department needs volunteers to provide a safe, happy environment for children while parents participate in YW programs. Call Francie Storm or Niki Diviners at 961-8100.

The Centre for Sexually Assaulted Males of Toronto needs volunteers to train as telephone counsellors, do office work, etc. For information call 928-0772.

East End Literacy is a community project based in wards 7, 8, and 9. We train volunteer tutors to work with individuals or small groups. We are urgently in need of dictionaries and thesauruses for our students and tutors. If you have a dictionary or thesaurus new or used that you no longer need, please call 968-6989.

Artculture Resource Centre is a non-profit organization presenting multidisciplinary contemporary creative activity otherwise under-represented in Toronto. A.R.C. has recently changed location and is in the process of expanding. There are openings for volunteer help in many interesting facets of the centre's operations. Call 947-9169. A.R.C. is located at 658 Queen Street West.

SalvAide needs you. We support primary health care in Chalenatongo, a zone of popular control in the new El Salvador. Please call today, 465-6812 or 532-0466.

Services

The Centre for Sexually Abused Males offers counselling and referral information to the male victims of sexual assault. Self help groups are available to both the victim and his family to deal with the emotional aftermath that they feel. Counsellors are available 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. 928-0772, P.O. Box 597, Str. O, Toronto M4A 2P4.

New Trojan Horse Cafe can be rented for a very reasonable rate by community and social change groups for cafes, concerts, parties, benefits and other cultural events. Call 461-8367.

Mothers at home can take time for themselves at a weekly Take a Break program run by the YWCA. An opportunity for mothers to meet for an hour of exercise followed by discussion, speakers or films, while their children are well cared for by YWCA Child Care workers. For info call 961-8100.

Business

Garrison Creek Day Care Centre is now accepting registrations for all school-age day care children. Fully qualified staff, government subsidies available. Come in person to 222 Niagara St. or call principal Theo Roelvelid at 362-0541 or principal Robert Garner at 364-8833.

Slide Library for Social Change — 5,000 slides covering sexism, peace, ecology, the peoples, violence, women, etc. Workshops also available on the making of effective slide shows. Kai Visionworks, 964 1275, weekday mornings. Non-profit, worker controlled.

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Ontario Coalition to Stop Electroshock seeks inexpensive (or free) downtown office space. Desired size 10 to 14 feet or larger. Call 864-1940.

For Sale

Wanted: Two car garage. Will renovate and pay up to \$200 per month for its usage as storage space and workshop. Clean and quiet. Please call Mark at 423-8126.

Generic WOMAN and MAN T and Sweat shirts; anti-sexist; \$8 and \$18. Call 977-1732 or 927-8116. Proceeds to Women's Action for Peace and Toronto Men's Forum.

Typewriter. Smith-Corona portable electric with ball, 2 years old. Great cond. \$275. David 465-2884.

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times, gifts. Free catalog, "A Gentle Wind", Box 381C, Sydenham, Ont. K0H 2T0.

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Anti-Intervention Handbook. This handbook is a tool for Canadians to build support for peace and self-determination in Central America. Order from: Latin American Working Group, P.O. Box 2207, Station B, Toronto, Ont. M5S 2T2. 533-4221. \$5.00 per copy, add 20% for postage and handling. Discounts on bulk orders.

Etcetera

Let's organize a co-operative coffee house to promote social awareness. 677-5700.

The Birth Control and VD Information Centre trailer will be located next to the 519 Church St. Community Centre just north of Wellesley St., from Dec. 17/84. Information, medical clinics and educational programs will be available. The services are free and confidential and no OHIP is required. Call 789-4541 for more information.

Wanted: Your donations of good rummageable items for the Feb. 2 rummage sale at 427 Bloor St. W. in support of the internationally unprotected person fund. Call David at 465-2884.

Poems, songs, stories wanted for publication. No obligation. Details: rush self-addressed stamped envelope. D. Parker, 9107 Mellowview Cr., M-1234, Riverview, MO. 63136. Free watch, upon inquiry.

The Toronto Poetry Workshop meets every Mon., 6:30 p.m., 11 Feb to 29 Apr, 769 Crawford St., Instructor: Libby Scherzer. Information, 534-7635.

"Beat Me Right!" Cafe (589 Markham St.) will be having a reading series. Poets and writers interested in reading should contact Joan Brennan at 534-4755 (2-5 p.m.) before March 1.

We are looking for accountants who are willing to volunteer some of their time to help individuals with their Income Tax return forms, and to give a group lecture/demonstration. If you are interested please call 923-2778 and speak with Elaine Tam (519 Church St. Community Centre).

The Latin American Solidarity Group is offering conversational Spanish classes. Great for people interested in solidarity work for Latin America. Courses began Jan. 15, but run to April 18, so there may still be time to jump in. Beginner, intermediate and advanced courses are being offered. For times, location and registration call 367-1513.

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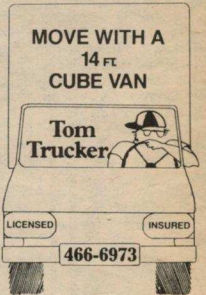
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Sunday, Jan. 20

"Heretics," a video installation by Sara Diamond, is at A Space and continues until Jan. 26. "Heretics" explores the concepts of heroism/heroine-ism, examines and redefines the culturally located vision in terms of women's life experience. A Space, 364-3227, 204 Spadina **Revising Romance: New Feminist Voice** at Artculture Resource Centre. 12-6 p.m., 658 Queen St. West, \$3, 947-9169. Until Feb. 2.

Anne Butrick is presenting a series of her photographs of N.Y. City graffiti until Feb. 15. The exhibit is at Treat Me Right **Auction for International Women's Day** at bringing Angela Davis in. 4 to 4 p.m., at 314 Westmoreland, with works by Richard Site, Mike Constable and others.

Izalco Cultural House for Salvadorans at the New Trojan Horse Cafe, 179 Danforth Ave. near Broadview. Every Sunday from noon to 8 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 21

"The Economic Crisis and the Canadian Labour Movement" lecture by Leo Panitch, sponsored by the Marxist Institute. 7 p.m., \$3/p.w.y.c. students/unem.

Sunday, Jan. 27

Parents for Peace are presenting The World We Choose from 2 to 5 p.m. at Trinity-St. Paul United Church, 427 Bloor West. It's an afternoon of music & songs, arts & crafts, letter writing, story-telling, film & discussion, and food & drinks. Cost is \$3 per person, \$7 per family, with babysitting available. Tickets and information from Gayle Bonney, 494-4785.

Bitter Cane, clandestine documentary on Haiti presented by the Caribbean Resource Centre, with Grenada Future Coming Towards Us. 8 p.m. at the Bloor

Monday, Jan. 28

IDEAs snow on Central America tonight on CBS and Canadian angles. 9 p.m. on C.B.L. 740.

Tuesday, Jan. 29

New Technology: Implications for the Working Class, a course given by the Marxist Institute (contact Paul Campbell or Jim Petersen at 925-8681). 8 p.m., Lord Lansdowne School, 33 Robert St.

Sunday, Feb. 3

Introducing Rawmewing: A course in wimmin's spirituality. Introductory talk and ritual 7 p.m. at 427 Bloor West, St. Paul's Centre. Basic course, 4 sessions, Feb. 10, 17, 24 and March 3. Explores meditation, visualization, spiritual healing and feminist work. Course fee \$100, intro talk donation. All women welcome. To register call Janice Canning 626-5465 or 533-2738.

Intercede monthly meeting (International Coalition to End Domestic's Exploitation). 9:20-3:40.

Monday, Feb. 4

Movie Monday at Gallery 940, a women's art gallery. 8:30 p.m., 994, 940 Queen St. E., 466-8840.

Tuesday, Feb. 5

Media People for Social Responsibility meeting 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

Preliminary meeting to discuss new directions for the Toronto Clarion (see editorial). Time and place to be announced. All friends welcome. Call 363-4404 for details in February.

"Engels and Contemporary Feminism": a lecture to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the publication of Engels' *Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State* from Meg Luxton, York University. Sponsored by the Marxist Inst. Time/location details Jan. 23.

Thursday, Feb. 7

Group show by black women artists, co-sponsored by Black Perspectives in celebration of Black History Month. 8 p.m. Gallery 940, 940 Queen St. E., 466-8840. Hours: Wed. 3-8 p.m. Thurs-Sat. 1-6 p.m.

Friday, Mar. 1

Centre for Investigative Journalism annual conference runs today through Sunday at the Westbury Hotel.

Sex, Violence and Racism in Cartoons is presented at Reg Hart's Cineforum, 7:30 p.m., Bathurst St. United Church, 736 Bathurst St. Also March 2.

Thursday, Mar. 7

United Nations and mediation lecture in the Quaker peace course by political scientist Henry Wiseman. See Jan. 31.

Metro Labour Council monthly meeting at 15 Geneva Dr., Don Mills at Eglinton.

played, 7th floor lounge in the Library Science Building (next to Roberts Library), 140 St. George (at Harbour). **IDEAS show on Central America**, tonight on Nicaragua. 9 p.m. CBL 740.

Wednesday, Jan. 23

Children and Peace meeting sponsored by the Canadian Council for International Co-operation. 1:30 p.m. at 427 Bloor St. **Rumours' tenant group** (see story on page 3) meeting, 5 p.m., Toronto Christian Resource Centre, 40 Oak St. (Gerard and Parliament).

CUSO Information Night about work overseas. From 7:30-9:30 p.m. 978-4022.

Just Horsing Around at the New Trojan Horse Cafe. Open stage and feature set T.B.A. 8 p.m. 179 Danforth, 461-8367. \$2

Thursday, Jan. 24

Demostination against Unemployment for "India's Night of Death" every Thursday at 123 Eglinton Ave. E. from 5 to 6 p.m. 653-9326, 466-5781 or 661-1782.

Students in Revolutionary Situations, Jennie Napoli from the Philippines joins a panel of students at York University. Information: 667-6243.

(entrance on Spadina Ave., one block north of College), \$20/\$10 for students, unemployed, retired.

Marxist Philosophy, a course given by the Marxist Inst., commences. Contact Danny Goldstick, 978-6789. See above for times, location, cost.

Native Expressions every Tuesday night at the New Trojan Horse Cafe, 179 Danforth.

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Ontario Coalition to Stop Electroshock meeting at Bathurst Street United Church, 736 Bathurst, 7:30 p.m. Direction, aims and priorities will be discussed. 864-1940.

City Land Use Committee hearing on proposed zoning law changes. Committee room No. 4, City Hall. For information call Rumors, 363-4234, or Federation of Metro Tenants' Associations, 364-1564. To be put on agenda call Committee secretary, 947-7033, 2:30

Marxism and Art course commences at the Marxist Inst. Contact Henry Gordillo, 929-0477. See Jan. 29 for details.

Health Impacts of Nuclear Industry lecture by researcher Rosalia Bertoli in the Quaker peace course. See Jan. 31.

Friday, Feb. 8

Domestic work, paid work and network. A Brown Bag Seminar with sociologist Barry Wellman at 12:15 p.m., 455 Spadina, Room 204. Coffee supplied.

City Works, a folk band from Hamilton plays the New Trojan Horse Cafe. Doors open at 8 p.m., 179 Danforth Ave., \$4.

Saturday, Feb. 9

Party with the Marxist Institute — "who says Marxists can't have fun?" 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Graduate Students Union, 16 Bancroft Ave., \$3/p.w.y.c. students & unemployed.

Source of the War Danger, Communist viewpoint conference with party leader William Kashin. Soviet guests and others. 9:30 to 5 (also tomorrow) at OISE room 412, 252 Bloor St. W.

Tuesday, Feb. 12

Reading group on feminist art sponsored by the new Women's Art Resource Centre. 7 p.m. at 455 Spadina, room 215. 535-2936. Also Feb.

Wednesday, Feb. 13

"Independence for the Canadian U.A.W." lecture by Sam Gindin, sponsored by the Marxist Inst. Time/location details Jan. 23.

Olone Brand Lillian Allen, Makeda Silvera, Himani Bannerji, and Joan Stevens read poetry at Gallery 940, 8 p.m., \$3/\$2 unemployed/students, 940 Queen East.

Rumours meeting, 5 p.m., see Jan. 23

Thursday, Feb. 14

Conversation with Marie-Claire Blais, author of *The Wolf, Mad Shadows* at

Friday, Jan. 25

Benefit for Eaton's Strikers 8 p.m. at 427 Bloor St. W. with Arlene Mantle, Union Label, Faith Nolan, Rick Fielding and others. Sponsored by the International Women's Day Committee, the Ontario Federation of Labour Women's Committee and the Development Education Centre. Tickets \$5 (\$3 unemployed).

Visit the first Association for Women Involved in Teaching for founding dinner and guest speaker. 7 p.m., contact Susann Haw at 233-1238

Izalco plays traditional and contemporary music of Central America, especially El Salvador, at the New Trojan Horse. Doors open at 8 p.m., \$4 cover, 179 Danforth Ave. 461-8367.

Bob Jensen, singer-songwriter, will be the Fallout Shelter Coffee House (now enclosed). Doors open at 8:30 p.m., 730 Queen East (at Parliament), \$4.

Women's Coffee every Friday from 8 to 10:30 at 519 Church St.

Saturday, Jan. 26

Toy leadership race rallies 11 a.m. Ontario Campaign for Abortion Clinics, noon the Campaign for a Nuclear-Free

Introduction to Marxism course commences at the Marxist Inst. Contact Dawn Humphries, 361-0199. See Jan. 29

Thursday, Jan. 31

The Art of the Show, Jan. 29 and continues until Feb. 16. Work by 24 Canadian artists in painting, drawing, sculpture, photography and photomontage are included. A Space is at 204 Spadina, see 364-3227.

The Times of Harvey Milk, acclaimed documentary of the assassinated San Francisco gay activist. 9:15 at the Kingsway Theatre.

Canada Connections, lecture by Energy Prober Norm Rubin in the Quaker-Toronto Board of Education peace course. 7:30 p.m. at Castle Frank School, 920-5214, 537-3646, 978-6590.

Primitive Communism and the State: the View from Anthropology course commences at the Marxist Inst. Contact Richard Lee, 978-4005 (bus.), 537-4967 (res.). See Jan. 29 for details.

An Introduction to Hegel's Political Philosophy course commences at the

OISE, 252 Bloor St. W. Starts at 8 p.m., admission \$3. Sponsored by the Lesbian and Gay Academic Society at U of T.

Rape Crisis Centre funding demonstration at Queen's Park.

War, Peace and the Media lecture by media critic Barry Zwicker in the Quaker peace course. See Jan. 31.

Friday, Feb. 15

Benefit concerts for the Emily Stowe Women's Shelter at the New Trojan Horse Cafe. Doors open at 8 p.m., 179 Danforth Ave. Also Saturday.

Free art workshops for children and adults sponsored by Black Perspectives and Gallery 940. 2-5 p.m., Parliament Street Library.

Saturday, Feb. 16

The Lesbian Speakers Bureau invites you to a Valentines Day Dance "They're Searing Our Souls" from 8:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. at 167 Church St. (Front door Party Centre). Tickets \$6 advance, \$7 at the door. Available at Women's Bookstore, Glad Day Bookstore and SCM.

Monday, Feb. 18

Women's Cultural Network is holding its first meeting. A forum for exchange of information about projects and funding. For women's cultural organizations and individuals working in the arts. Will meet every three months. 7:30 p.m. at 455 Spadina Ave. (at College), room 215. Contact the Women's Art Resource Centre at 535-2354.

Late Capitalism art show curated by Tim Guest opens at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

Video tapes about black music by Pauline Dean, 8 p.m., \$3/\$2 unemployed/students, Gallery 940, 940 Queen East.

*Deindustrialization: The Erosion of

Partisan Gallery, 1140 Queen St. W. (near Doucett) until March 7. Thurs. and Fri. 6 to 9 p.m.; Sat. and Sun. noon to 6. 368-4018

Thursday, Mar. 21

Children's creative response to conflict program on co-operation ends the peace course. See Jan. 31.

Friday, Mar. 29

Vancouver poet Tom Wayman is in at the New Trojan Horse Cafe. Doors open at 8 p.m., 179 Danforth Avenue.

Sunday, Mar. 31

Ontario (537-0438). It's all happening at the CNE Coliseum, night by Bathurst car.

Eaton's sponsored by Organized Working Women at Yonge and Eglinton, noon to 4 p.m.

Lawyers for Social Responsibility (peace) with Clay Ruby, Diane Martin and Pamela Miller. 1 to 4 p.m. at 427 Bloor St. W. \$5 (students \$3) 979-1321.

Fiesta Victoria dinner dance with typical Cuban food presented by the Canadian-Cuban Friendship Association. 6 p.m. at 585 Cranbrook Ave. (near Lawrence and Bathurst). Advance tickets \$12. 653-0081 or 272-0050.

Disabilities and Ethnocultural Communities, an information seminar sponsored by PUSH (People United for Self-Help) Central Region, Metro Epilepsy Association and the March of Dimes. 5:30-6:57. Scadding Court Community Centre (Bathurst & Dundas), 9:30 to 4:30.

Axle-Tee Coffee House presents poetry by Ted Piantos and Bruce Hunter, music by Jennifer Waring and Elizabeth Schwarz on flute and guitar. Location: Church of the Holy Trinity, behind the Eaton Centre. Information: 294-8514, or 498-0431.

Marxist Institute. Contact Bill Stratton, 531-1068. See Jan. 29 for details.

Friday, Feb. 1

The Funnel presents Cache Du Cinema: Discovering Toronto Filmmakers, an exploration of never before seen films by sixty Toronto artists. This is the third of seven nights in a series. Films start at 8 p.m., 507 King St. E., \$3.50, 364-7003. Also Feb. 6, 15 and April 12 & 19.

Saturday, Feb. 2

Tiger at the Gates, a flawed but passionate and angry play (see review this issue) closes at the St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E. 366-7173.

Black Rummage Sale. Clothes, books, odds and ends, and lots more! 427 Bloor St. W. 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Internationally Unprotected Person Fund.

Foodland preservation in Ontario, sponsored by Ontario Public Interest Research Group, 8:30-5:00 p.m., East Hall, University Centre, U. of T. Registration \$10. 978-3032.

Manufacturing Jobs in Metro Toronto,* sponsored by Union Planning Programme Director, Social Planning Council, Metro Toronto. Sponsored by the Marxist Inst. Time/location details Jan. 23.

Friday, Feb. 22

Womynly Way presents Susan Freundlich, sign language artist with special skills in sign language. 7:30 p.m., Trinity-St. Paul's United Church, 427 Bloor West. Tickets \$6 advance, \$7 door. Available from Toronto Women's Bookstore, 955-5CM books.

Nancy White plays the New Trojan Horse Cafe. Doors open at 8 p.m., \$4.

Saturday, Feb. 23

Video tapes about black music at Gallery 940. Details Feb. 22.

African Dancer Audrey Kweku and native storyteller Maketa Irvine in and at the New Trojan Horse Cafe.

Sunday, Feb. 24

Media Forms present What is Socialist Realism? A Soviet viewpoint from Vladimir Raina, cultural attaché, Soviet Embassy in Ottawa. 280 Queen West. Free admission. Performance by A Space presents writer-storyteller Justin Lewis. 8 p.m., 204 Spadina Ave., 364-3227.

The Citizens' Independent Review of Police Activities is having their 4th annual general meeting. Guest speakers will address the issue of police brutality in the courts. 7:30 p.m., 519 Church St. Community Centre. Contact: Fiona Chapman, 947-7903.

Wednesday, Feb. 27

Sexism and violence in the media. Centre Stage Forum organized by Media People for Social Responsibility at St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E. 7:30. Rumours meeting, 5 p.m., see Jan. 23

Media Forum present Let Theatre In Canada and violence in a three person panel. George Luscombe, Stephen Bush and Toby Ryan. 2 p.m., Scadding Court, southeast corner of Bathurst and Dundas.

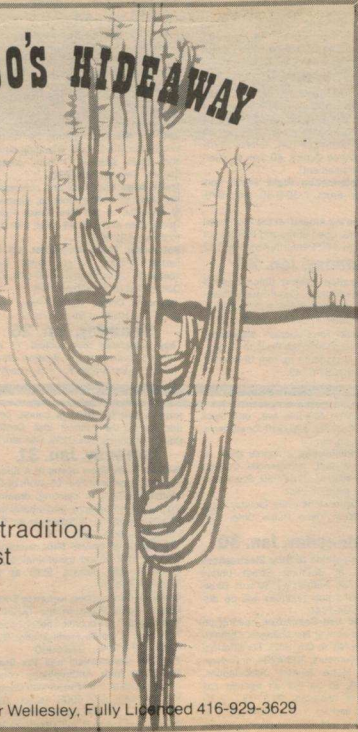
Saturday, Apr. 13

International demonstration against U.S. intervention in Central America. Watch for details of Toronto events.

Thursday, Apr. 25

Affirmative action conference sponsored by the Marxist Institute. Labour runs from today to Saturday at the Westbury Hotel.

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