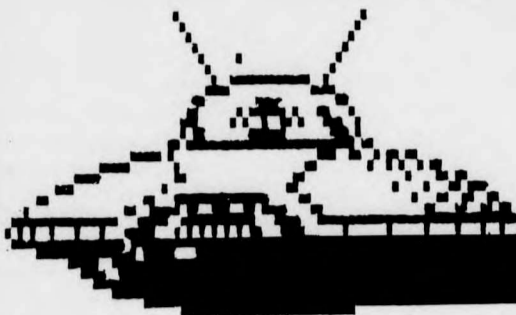


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CYSF Petition on the present strike

"We, the undersigned students of York University understand the Union's right to strike, however, due to its detrimental effect on student education we demand that action be taken to resolve the present YUSA strike. Students are losing valuable time, their education is being unnecessarily jeopardized and the lack of services are preventing research and hindering studies."

WE INSIST THAT BOTH YUSA AND THE YORK UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION RESOLVE THIS CONFLICT IMMEDIATELY.

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Soviet Union attempting to convert the West to Communism: Tugwell

By CHRISTINE GOMES

The Soviet Union is waging a war with the West, but their most important ammunition is not military force; it's their human potential, according to Brigadier-General Maurice Tugwell.

In his seminar "Winning Without Fighting," at Osgoode Hall, Tugwell commented that nuclear annihilation is contrary to the revolutionary principles on which the Soviet Union was founded. Tugwell, a career officer in the British Army and founder of the recently established Toronto-based Mackenzie Institute for the Study of Terrorism, Revolution, and Propaganda, claims that one important characteristic of the revolutionary war is that revolutionaries wish to inherit the land, not to destroy it; hence their stress on conversion rather than elimination. The essence of the revolution, he stated, was to convert non-revolutionaries, either through persuasive means or through fear and coercion.

In a model diagram, Tugwell illustrated what he called "the unholy trinity." Using the top point of the triangle to represent Victory and the two opposing sides for Good and Evil, he explained how these were used as mobilizing keys for revolution. The monopolization of truth, virtue and power are also used by Communists to gain power, he said. Tugwell described objective truth as being only that which helps the cause, adding that, by controlling truth, Soviet leaders to consolidate their power and export it. The purpose of this consolidation, Tugwell continued, is to convince people that he who holds the power

represents the "good", and anything opposing this power is "evil".

When this good/evil dichotomy is established, Tugwell argued, the camps are clearly defined and the "enemy" is evident. He maintained that, the Soviet objective is not to eliminate the "enemy" camp, but to subvert and infiltrate. Subversion is their most powerful and potent weapon, Tugwell insisted, which brings to the fore the whole realm of intelligence and counter-intelligence.

The Soviets have an active and effective intelligence network throughout the Western hemisphere, Tugwell explained, yet the West's answer to this force has not always been adequate. According to Tugwell, lack of education is the reason. In his opinion, it is essential to understand the nature of the threat before we can combat it. However, "it is considered unhealthy and wrong for us to teach anything unpleasant about the Soviet Union or Communism," he said. This attitude, he feels, is what has held us back in our overall understanding of the Soviet Union, which contrarily, has not been so reticent about the West. His belief is that the Soviets despise the West's bourgeois mentality, considering it of no importance, but nevertheless attempt to use it against us. "They would like," Tugwell said, "to turn our openness and honesty into our weakness."

The Soviets are waging a civilized war within society, Tugwell concluded. If we pay so much unfaltering attention to the threat of nuclear warfare, we are apt to lose the much more subtle battle already underway, he added.

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