

International jurist says Quebec trails are unjust

MONTREAL (CUPI-LAST POST) — A representative of the international legal community expressed her concern February 3 at several aspects of the judicial procedures currently being used in Quebec.

Nicole Dreyfus, a delegate of the International Association of Democratic Jurists, told a press conference at the Confederation of National Trade Unions Building that the apparently liberal use of contempt of court proceedings in the present series of trials is highly unusual by international legal standards.

Provisions for finding an accused in contempt, she said, exist in her native France and in other countries, but "I've only seen them used very, very rarely."

In the case of labour leader Michel Chartrand, sentenced last month to a year in jail for contempt, Miss Dreyfus said, the penalty seems "extra-ordinary and extremely heavy."

She also criticized the retroactive aspects of the Public Order (Temporary Measures) Act, saying that retroactivity went against accepted judicial principles.

Dreyfus had been mandated by the Association, which has member in more than fifty-five countries, to observe the seditious conspiracy trial of Chartrand, Pierre Vallieres, Charles Gagnon, Robert Lemieux, and Jacques Larue-Langlois.

She may also investigate other cases, including that of Come LeBlanc, convicted of advocating the aims and principles of the outlawed Front de Liberation du Quebec, LeBlanc's case was the first in which the retroactive provisions of the Public Order Act were applied.

Dreyfus would not say whether she thought that motions by the accused in the seditious conspiracy case for the withdrawal of presiding Judge Roger Ouimet should be upheld.

However she noted that Ouimet's response to the defendants' presentations with respect to the judge's alleged bias in the case "shows that the questions raised by the accused don't lack some basis."

The international legal community's interest in the current Quebec trials, she said, is the result of their political nature. "If it was not a political trial, the association would not have sent me here. Seditious is obviously a political charge."

In recent months, the Association has also sent observers to the trial of the Basque nationalists in Burgos, Spain, and to trials in Greece and Brazil.

In each case that the Association follows, its delegate's observations form the basis for a report which receives world-wide circulation.

One could not compare the political situations in different countries, Dreyfus said. However, "there are constants of political repression," and she noted the similarity in wording between parts of the Public Order Act and a Greek statute that has been widely used by that country's junta.

She said she was impressed with the "profound challenge to judicial procedures" that had been issued by the defendants in the seditious conspiracy trial. "The defendants are taking the offensive... that's very impressive for an observer."

At one point, someone in the audience, which included defendant Larue-Langlois, the only one of the five who has been granted bail, political organizers, and lawyers as well as journalists, asked whether she had seen any evidence of an apprehended insurrection during her stay in Montreal.

She laughed and replied that "it is obvious you could not qualify the events that occurred as an insurrection."

Soviet Union Jewess comes to York Feb. 22

A Soviet Jewess, who recently emigrated from the USSR to Israel, will be speaking to Toronto students the Monday following reading week.

The Student Action Committee for Soviet Jewry, which will be sponsoring Luba Bershadskaja's visits to both the York and University of Toronto campuses on Monday, February 22, has announced that Bershadskaja will be presenting a first-hand account of her own experiences as a Jew in the Soviet Union.

Avram M. Clarfield, a spokesman for the committee, explained that Bershadskaja is spending two days in Toronto as part of a two-month tour of Canada and the United States.

She feels very strongly that by her contact with people all over North America, she will be able to

hasten the day when 'free exit from the USSR' will be a reality for those who desire it."

David Sadowski, a committee member co-ordinating Bershadskaja's Toronto itinerary, adds that she is eminently suited to talk about the problems of Soviet Jewry. For years she was a ballet dancer and instructress, and then from 1941-1945 she worked in the American Embassy in the USSR.

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