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Forty show up for Libber's "Under Attack"

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The advertised "T.C. presents Under Attack" with Jaqui Good as guest was a very mild affair, poorly attended, but all in all quite interesting. The night was very rainy and it seemed that the only persons interested enough to come were Women's Libbers and a very few radical males. There may have been as many as 40 persons attending including a panel of 4 T.C. students, Mrs. Good and the moderator, Deputy Judge Dolores Ogilvie.

The proceedings, styled after the well-known "Under Attack" TV programme hardly emulated it in spirit. Mrs. Good was by no means "Under Attack." The panel seemed to be ill-prepared, and with rare exceptions quite passive. The male panelists were initially moderately aggressive but were unfortunately quite inept in the following debate. Their female compatriots made no attempt at even the weakest "attack". Audience interaction with the people on stage consisted mainly of mild attack directed towards one of the male panelists (a Mr. Hillhouse) and supportive statements of Women's Lib.

At 7:55 p.m. introductions were made. Immediately following this, a twenty minute presentation of reasonably articulate Lib. propaganda delivered by Mrs. Good. Following this, about one-half hour of on-sided and boring talk between the panel and Mrs. Good in the remaining time (about an hour the audience did their thing).

Mrs. Good remained calm throughout the although somewhat facetious at times she seemed to reason at a significantly higher level than any who opposed her, few as they were. It remained obvious throughout that she spoke not for herself, but as a diplomatic rep of Women's Lib. She showed reluctance to cross or disagree as openly with other radical groups as with individual questioners. A specific example occurred when one gentleman wondered whether or not Women's Liberation is in effect moving women from one oppressed position or "cell" to another, a larger one. He reasoned that under a capitalist system, men as well as women are oppressed.

Good seemed to agree with this stand although obviously Women's Lib is not a socialistic

revolutionary organization, but rather one that strives for change within a capitalist system, and in no way regard men as oppressed but instead, oppressors. Mrs. Good pacified the gentleman quite well saying that W. Lib. should seek a more "fundamental" change.

Observing also that when a woman stated that the fetus or baby (and not the woman or man) should have right of veto about abortion, Good did attack this position effectually. Rather she acknowledge that this was the view of the life for all group, (or something to that effect) and went no further. W. Lib doctrine runs clearly contrary to this of course, Mrs. Good stated before and after in regard to other questions that a woman deserved control of what "happens inside her body" and that a fetus is not a human (baby) as stated by the women, but rather, "a potential".

Much Women's Liberation ideology was aired Wednesday evening by Mrs. Good and members of the audience. For example, that women are not taken seriously at university, and are "urged to be dumb" through male pressure.

Concerning marriage, Good stated that "Women have found it to be hollow" marriage causing women to lose "identity and mobility."

Women's Liberation in Fredericton now organize "consciousness groups" which are a fundamental part of Fredericton Lib meetings.

They are also working on a number of projects including production of a pamphlet concerning women and labor in New Brunswick and welfare research. Mrs. Good described the welfare situation in NB as "Intolerable".

Mrs. Good commented that "there is no need for marriage," rather, "whatever works best" between humans in general.

When asked of her thoughts on homosexuality; Good stated that "we should reassess our ideas of sexuality", "women should not be afraid of other sides of their personalities". She said to the effect that hiding these elements within humans indicates sickness, and a need for change.

A member of the audience made an interesting statement

to the effect that recent "Stunts" perpetrated supposedly by Women's Libbers are "only a logical outgrowth of frustration".

More from Good; "there is something wrong with a woman who has to spend twenty minutes (grooming) each morning before she can leave the house."

A male in the audience

stated near the end of the proceedings that contraceptive pills for males would have been much easier to manufacture than the same for females due to the simpler hormone system in males. He philosophized that such medicines were never developed because of the "castrating" effect that males would feel. This rather dubious statement evoked enthusiastic ap-

plause from the audience illustrating clearly their ideological orientation in regard to W. Lib, and the extent to which Mrs. Good could fear attack from them.

-Jacqui Good is a UNB graduate student in English, is 23 years old and has been married for 2 and one-half years.

Tito heavily guarded in Halifax

HALIFAX -- Over 300 policemen stood guard here over the weekend, making sure that Yugoslav President Marshall Tito made it home in one piece. Tito, who was completing a continent-wide tour, visited Dalhousie University Saturday to receive an honorary Doctor of Law Degree.

Many of the policemen were stationed in the Hotel Nova Scotian where the President was staying, but many others were assigned to stand along the route that Tito took into the city early Saturday from Halifax International Airport. Still others guarded the overpasses that the swift-moving motorcade passed under.

Throughout his stay here, Tito used a bullet-proof car flown in from Quebec city for transportation. Only one incident marred the stay, and that occurred Saturday afternoon. Several firecrackers were thrown in Tito's direction -- none of them hit him -- but police were visibly more tense after the incident.

Late Saturday night a group of students asked one policeman if they could visit the Children of Time, who were staying at Tito's hotel. "What's that?" asked the cop. "They're a rock band," the students replied. The policeman replied that they could, joking that they "should walk carefully don't look nervous, keep your hands out of your pockets, and you won't get shot."

While standing in the lobby waiting for an elevator to take them upstairs, the group of twelve sighted President Tito. "There he is", some of them

cried. With this, several policemen rushed over to them and asked what they were doing. One student mentioned that they were waiting for an elevator. When an elevator finally did arrive (it was going down, not up) the students were forced onto the elevator by the police. "But this is going down," they protested. "That's alright," said one policeman anxious to get them out of the way, "you'll get there eventually."

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