

Chant

"Hell Yes, Free Press."

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WINDSOR -- Over 50 students and a handful of professors marched in sub-zero temperatures in favor of a free student press for the University of Windsor Wednesday (Jan. 10).

They were protesting a senate committee's action in forcing the resignations of the co-editors of the Lance.

Several professors cancelled lectures to allow students to join in the protest.

Students carried placards reading "Our Money, Our Press," "A Free Student Press," and "Reinstate the Editors" as they marched from the administration building to the SUB chanting "Hell Yes, Free Press."

The Board of Publications called for a Canadian University Press Investigation Commission to look into allegations of censorship, coercion and obscenity. The board agreed to accept the findings of the commission, and asked the senate to do the same.

In Ottawa, CUP President Lib Spry said arrangements will be made to convene the three-man commission for Saturday.

The Commission will be composed of two student journalists and one member from the professional press.



Marian Johnstone
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Windsor President J. F. Leddy declined an invitation to select a fourth member for the com-

mission. He said after consultation with various interested parties at the university he decided not to become involved with what he termed an "ad hoc" committee.

The controversy began last Dec. 4 when Leddy called a meeting of the senate committee on Student Conduct, Activities and Discipline (SCAD) to consider what he termed the Lance's "morbid obsession with squalid vulgarity."

SCAD at that time asked for student council support in cleaning up the Lance, but council refused, reiterating the right of the paper to operate freely.

Co-editor John Lalor told Canadian University Press the president and SCAD objected to several articles printed over the first term, particularly an article entitled The Student as Nigger, an analysis of university education in western society.

The article, which uses four-letter words liberally, has appeared in the Georgian, the Ulyssey, the Argus and several other campus papers with little reaction.

The controversy died down during the holiday break, but Lalor said it became clear SCAD would move to expel co-editor Marian Johnstone and himself if they did not resign beforehand.

In his statement of resignation, Lalor said: "I gather from threats made by Dr. Leddy and from the tenor of the meeting in general that the committee is hell-bent on a course that cannot be altered, and if carried to its logical extremes, could result in the expulsion of Miss Johnstone and myself."

In his letter of resignation, accepted with no comment by SCAD Tuesday, Lalor said he was not prepared to let any "arbitrary committee" play with his life.

He said he would not allow the committee to "roll up my future in a little ball and flush it down the toilet for the

sake of expediency."

The Windsor student council termed SCAD's role in the case "un-necessary interference" which undermined the stu-



John Lalor
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dent body.

"It is further the belief of this council that the university community as a whole has suffered irreparably from high-handed interference of certain members of the community at large who have, without regard to the rights and prerogatives of a student government to publish in the sole interest of its students, shackled the privileges of freedom of the press."

Lalor told CUP the Windsor community had also reacted to the Lance, and said the SCAD was under considerable pressure from inside the university and outside to take strong action.

He said Dean G. A. McMahon, dean of students and chairman of the committee, along with Prof. Ron Wagenburg attempted to mediate the situation by suggesting Lalor and Johnstone accept "disciplinary probation."

This meant, said Lalor, they would have to promise not to use any more bad words.

He said he rejected the suggestion as a matter of principle, because it would put strings on all future issues of the Lance.

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JELLYBEANS

by Tom Murphy

A CHALLENGE TO RADICALS

Carman Guild, the speaker that was at the student power Teach-In a few weeks ago asked me if I were a radical or a revolutionary. When asked to define his terms, he said that a radical is a person who is willing to change his way of life for what he believes, whereas a revolutionary is one who is prepared to die for what he believes. It would be noble and self-flattering to label myself a revolutionary but probably not true. No one in fact can be labeled a revolutionary until he has died as a direct result of his beliefs. Nor could I accurately describe myself as a radical, since I am working within a system that I am attempting to change.

In fact, those people that could be labeled radical are those that could sometimes be called conservative. Radicals are people that join CUSO (Canadian University Service Overseas); radicals are wealthy people who just don't give to the poor, but live for the poor; radicals are students who set up co-operative universities so that they can get an education instead of a degree; radicals are the Albert Schweitzers and the Adolf Hitlers, the Benjamin Spocks and the Emile Zolas of this world. Radicals are the everyday people who see things they want to change and set about to change them. Most radicals are nameless.

At university it is common to call anyone that is slightly left-wing a radical. It is more common for people to call themselves radicals as it acts as a form of self-flattery. It's great for the ego. It allows people to think of themselves as individuals - way out radicals and all that jazz. It's nothing but one big self-delusion. From where I stand, I can count the number of radicals at UNB on one hand.

But then there are those with radical ideas. They call themselves radicals. But they're not. They are merely people with radical ideas . . . ideas without action. And ideas without action aren't worth a tinker's damn. The challenge put simply is this: be a radical, and not just a radical thinker. Change your way of life for what you believe. Put your radical marbles where your radical mouth is.

To some this challenge may mean quitting university. If so, quit. It may mean a decline in academic standing. If so, to hell with your marks. It may mean that you never live in a \$45,000 suburban home with a \$12,000 job. If so, take that risk. It may mean that you will have to repair the broken bodies of the children of Vietnam, or teach with minimal supplies in an open-air school in Tibet. If so, then find a way. It may mean that you will find fulfillment in being a complete man, who lives not by the pressures of society, but rather, the pressures of his inner self. If so, then you will have been rewarded. That is the challenge.

CARNIVAL SCHEDULE CHANGES

CARNIVAL BASKETBALL GAME

Originally: Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., vs. Acadia

Now: Friday, 8:30, vs. Ricker

Note: Passes including Wednesday basketball game will be honoured Friday until gym capacity is reached.

GYM DANCE

Trevor Payne and The Soul Brothers will replace

The Ugly Ducklings at the dance, 9:00 p.m.,

Friday, February 2.

BARREL JUMPING CONTEST

Originally: Friday 2 p.m., Buchanan Field

Now: Saturday afternoon in the Rink.

ENGINEERS

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ance Chairman John Oliver was essentially the same one tabled two weeks ago pending re-writing. In Sunday's motion, a clause dealing with a reconvening of the Geneva convention had been dropped because of 'nit-picking' which took place the last time the motion was debated.

Most disagreement centered on the Council's policy in debating such motions. Oliver

defended his position by citing the Declaration of the Canadian Student adopted by Council as its policy. The declaration states that the student "has the duty to be concerned about his fellow citizens and the responsibility to promote human rights and mutual understanding. The motion will now be discussed at the February 11th meeting which is also the date for the new council to take over.