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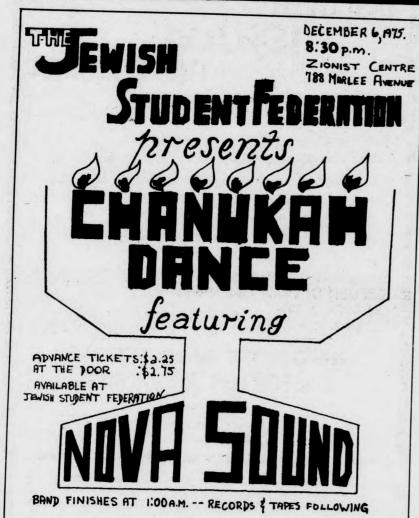
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"Security risk" Douglas receives benefit concert and rally at York

By PAUL KELLOGG

The Rosie Douglas defense campaign moved to York on Tuesday under the shadow of his pending deportation, on December 15.

Addressing a crowd of 150, Douglas was the last in a series of speakers at a benefit concert and rally in Bethune College organized by the York Alliance Against Racism. It marked the kick-off for the final two weeks of his seven year struggle to remain in Canada.

Whether or not Douglas will submit to the deportation order remains to be seen. He is being deported because the government claims he is a "risk to national security". As yet, the government has refused to reveal its evidence.

SMOKE OUT

Douglas intends to smoke the reasons out. "There are various appeals to my deportation pending," he said. "But the Immigration Department says that appeals or no appeals, I'm being deported this month.

"Well, all I've got to say to them, is that I have my democratic right to appeal their decision, and I intend to fulfill it.

"If there are any members of the RCMP in the audience - and there must be, they always follow me around - anyway, they had better be prepared for a long search after the fifteenth. Canada's a big country, and if I'm a risk to national security, there must be some place I can hide."

Douglas has already received considerable support. Among others, the Saskatchewan and British Columbia Federations of Labour have endorsed his defense campaign.

SOLID MESSAGE

This solidarity of working class organizations expresses part of Douglas's message. He maintains that the disease of racism cannot be dealt with separately from the capitalist nature of Canadian society and the struggles of the working class and all oppressed peoples.

"We have got to make the link between the Green Paper on Immigration and the wage controls," he said. "If the struggle against racial oppression is to succeed, we



Douglas and supporters earlier this year.

must link up with the struggles of Canadian government that it canthe working class in the trade

Douglas said that solidarity is the only hope for his defense, and the defense of all persons struggling against racism in Canada. "This action tonight, and ones similar to it, should warn the

not divide and conquer. It can't talk about my deportation and ignore all the other oppressed peoples in Canada.

"If they touch one of us, they touch all of us."

The event raised \$250 for Douglas's defence fund.

Toronto day care cuts loom

By EDRIS LESLIE

Toronto day care centres may receive severe cutbacks when their contracts with Metro expire at the end of this year. As a result, low income parents and students may no longer receive subsidies for children presently in day care centres.

These cutbacks could be retroactive to October 31.

These disclosures were made at a meeting on Monday night at St. Andrews Church of representatives from nearly 52 day care centres in Metro.

Altough these day care centres have contracts with Metro which last until December 31, they fear that their contracts may not be renewed as a result of government cutbacks in funding.

Students and low income parents will be hardest hit.

NO DEFINITE WORD

Pat Schulz of the York Action Alliance For Day Care said that if the subsidies are cut, students may have to drop out of school to look after their children. She has been getting many calls from parents inquiring about the situation and she can't give them any definite word.

Present at the meeting were CYSF president Dale Ritch and Mark Biddle from the York University day care centre. They both see the cutbacks as a serious threat to students since about 60 per cent of day care families are currently on subsidies. Another problem is that students who go off subsidies in the summer, may not get them renewed.

POSITIVE ACTION

These day care representatives are planning positive action. They are sending delegates, with children, to a meeting of the Social Service Operative Committee on December 4. They are also planning a mass demonstration of day care centre parents and children at a SSOC meeting on January 9.

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