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Expo discrimination exposed

MONTREAL—A student newspaperman who exposed discriminatory practices in hiring executive staff of the Expo youth pavilion has been fired from Expo 67's youth advisory council.

Harvey Overfield, arts 3, and a reporter of The Georgian, student paper at Sir George Williams University, was approached last year by the committee and offered the post of public information officer.

Overfield had written an article rallying support for the youth pavilion. But when 13 of the 14 executive staff members appointed turned out to be French Canadians, the reporter got off the Expo bandwagon.

He wrote a letter to a Montreal newspaper condemning this action as discriminatory, urging that action be taken to rectify further paid appointments.

The matter was raised in the House of Commons last week, when Robert Coates (PC—Cumberlands) questioned trade minister Robert Winters as to the validity of the statements Overfield made in his letter.

The minister replied that he would look into the matter, and later in the week reported to the house that indeed 13 of the appointees were French Canadian.

But he said no discrimination was involved.

Meanwhile, Overfield received a letter from the youth advisory committee informing him he had been sacked by a unanimous vote of the advisory committee.

Ex-councillor aids SCW

MONTREAL—Laval University and the University of Montreal are at last getting into the Second Century Week swing.

Student newspapers at both French-speaking universities have begun carrying advances on the mammoth centennial spectacular at U of A and the University of Calgary in March.

Fifteen interested students from the two universities have already asked for application forms to attend SCW seminars.

SCW is also getting a boost from former U of A student co-ordinator Kirk Miller, now an English teacher in Quebec City.

Miller has been contacting Laval students and has persuaded his friends to contact classical college students about the event.

A University of Sherbrooke student is busy distributing SCW literature privately.



KIRK MILLER
... lends a hand

Letters have also been sent to the social science deans at the three French universities, requesting them to give information on the SCW seminars, along with applications forms, to their best students.

Movie banned, boss axed

HAMILTON—McMaster University film board president Peter Rowe was axed and a controversial student movie was banned at a six-hour student council meeting here.

The film, Black Zero, directed by former McMaster student John Hofsess received somewhat notorious recognition when the Toronto morality squad demanded to see the film while it was at a Toronto processing laboratory three weeks ago.

The morality squad said it might lay charges against the film's maker on the grounds that an eight-minute segment showing a partially-draped woman in bed with two men was obscene.

However, no further action was taken until council met to discuss the McMaster film board and its much publicized production.

It was discovered that more than 50 per cent of bills directed to the MFB had been signed by, or addressed to, Black Zero director Hofsess.

Furthermore, the film had incurred a debt of \$1,000 although the board's total budget for the year was less than \$300, most of which is still in the bank.

Rowe, however, was not fired for allowing Hofsess to exceed the budget, but for violating a council by-law which prohibits non-students from having signing authority in any student organization.



A TRIFLE UNDERDONE—Any time your dinner looks like it's ready to bite back, it's underdone. What this little crocodile was doing at last Friday's Tri-Service Ball is anybody's guess, but he wasn't the only crock to be knocked back by our boys in uniform.

Pussycats attack education goals; Seek new approach to learning

The Pussycats, a group of Canadian businessmen and educators are attempting to change the goals of education.

Mr. MacLaren, a staff sociologist with Air Canada and Dr. L. L. Barber, the dean of the faculty of commerce at the University of Saskatchewan, were in Edmonton last week to promote the ideas of an interprovincial office of education to promote and co-ordinate educational research.

"Less than one-half of one per cent of the U.S. budget is spent on education. If any industry did that, it would bankrupt itself shortly. Using that criterion, Canadian education is bankrupt", said Dr. Barber.

He said Canada is in a position to take the lead in educational research on the North American continent, "because the Canadian system is not overtaxed by num-

bers, race problems, and politics."

The only way to save the educational system from bankruptcy is to set up a permanent Canada-wide, interprovincial, federal office for co-operation and research", said Mr. MacLaren.

The idea of an interprovincial office has received initial support from the ten provincial ministers of education and the Economic Council of Canada.

The establishment of the office is the immediate goal of the Pussycats. The ultimate goal is to

change our entire educational system and the goals of education.

Their new approach to education is the systems (Cybernetic) approach to learning.

"Our concept in education is not merely the formal schooling, but schooling the broadest sense, from pre-school to retirement", said Dr. Barber.

In this context, continuous learning is the goal, perhaps the only goal in their system.

It doesn't matter what he (the student) learns as long as he learns.

Facetious wording taken seriously

OTTAWA (CUP)—The Canadian Union of Students can't even crack a joke these days without being taken seriously.

A recently-released CUS program facetiously suggests university students riot this month in their campaign to attain power at the top.

The proposal was not meant to be taken seriously, CUS president Doug Ward pointed out to The Toronto Globe and Mail which picked up the story in all seriousness.

The Globe received a program copy from the University of Western Ontario administration which is under-going controversial changes in university government.

Western's students' administrative union also set CUS a letter complaining about the use of the word riot.

"There's absolutely no implication that we should call riots," Ward said.

"I'm amazed at the paranoia of any administration that would think CUS would want to incite a riot. A riot isn't possible."

The document, which suggests "an ideal January program" for university students' councils to follow, includes the following statement: "Follow up the board (of governor's) reply, or lack of reply, with another letter, an article, sit-in or riot, depending on the mood of your campus."

Ward said the "real Bombshell" contained in the program outlined was not the humorous part, but its call for what he termed "open decision making" in the university community.

However, CUS will strike the word riot from its vocabulary—unless it is meant to be taken seriously.

Free parking available

Part of the parking problem at U of A has been solved, temporarily.

Mr. Emil Skarin, 11115-89 ave., has provided free parking for about 30 cars every day for the last 5 years on his lot at 111 st. and 89 ave.

"It would be too much bother for me to collect," the 84 year-old philanthropist said. "Besides, they're students."

"I don't know if the city would allow me to set up a parking lot. I'm waiting for the university to make some sort of offer to purchase my property."

"The traffic around here is terrible," he said. "Nobody can find a place to park. So I let them park there."