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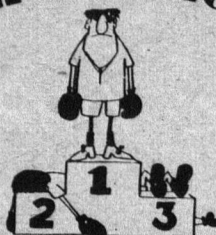
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Group looks at racism

by Margaret Baer

Imagine the following scenario:
- a minority (15.5 per cent of a population) controls 87 per cent of a country's territory (all the fertile, resource-rich land)
- a majority (84.5 per cent) is forced to live in designated areas (scattered, infertile lands)
- the majority is denied citizenship and voting rights
- the majority earns one-fifth of what the minority earns
- the ratio of educational funding for minority to majority is 10 to 1
- it is a criminal offense for a member of the majority to fall in love with a member of the minority, or vice versa.

Now imagine that the sole factor which distinguishes the minority from the majority is skin colour.

Unfortunately, the above scenario (and worse) is not limited to the imagination. Such a blatant system of legislated racism not only exists but thrives. 'Apartheid' is the term used to describe the enforced segregation of the White and Blacks in the Republic of South Africa.

For those who want to become actively involved in the struggle against apartheid and other forms of racial exploitation and oppression, a new Edmonton-based group was recently formed.

'Citizens Against Racism and Apartheid' (CARA) is an organization of concerned people who have united to oppose racism everywhere and in South Africa in particular.

The group is currently registering its U of A wing with the SU. The 'CARA Campus Club', although affiliated with its parent organization, will be independent

and focus on the university community for members and activities.

The objectives of CARA are (1) to promote awareness of racism and apartheid through research and dissemination of information (films, books, newsletters, speakers); (2) solidarity with other organizations and liberation movements actively struggling against racism and apartheid; and (3) through boycotts, to promote the political, economic, and cultural isolation of the apartheid regime, thereby contributing to its defeat.

CARA has received "much support from many social justice groups and concerned individuals," said spokesperson Morgan Chetty.

He explained why CARA was formed.

"As apartheid becomes more entrenched through increasing economic and military aid, not only from the US but from many Western governments and multinational corporations, the South African regime is becoming more and more arrogant and repressive."

Chetty spoke of the South African government's powerful propaganda arm, which is "increasingly sending false and misleading information to many parts of the world, especially North America."

He continued, "this propaganda makes it absolutely necessary for those who are aware of the true nature of apartheid to come together and show the world how apartheid is contrary to the values and beliefs which all democratic societies, and most human beings, cherish very deeply."

At the upcoming Third World

Film Festival (March 22-25, Tory Theatres, U of A), CARA is sponsoring two films: "South Africa Belongs to Us", about the lives of black South African women (Saturday, 5:00 PM) and "South Africa; the Nuclear File" (Sunday, 5:00 PM). CARA will also have an information table set up at the Festival, with resource materials available.

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member of either CARA or its campus group should drop by CARA's booth at the Festival, or contact Bob Schmidt (432-3381) or Erick Wisneth (439-0988) for further information.

Jailed!

Montreal (CUP) - A former McGill University chemist was sentenced to 14 days in jail March 2 for contempt of court after a temporary silencing injunction against him was upheld in Quebec Superior Court.

Dr. Chun Fai Yam was forbidden last November to disclose any information about a waste disposal invention he worked on with McGill professors Irving DeVoe and Bruce Holbein.

DeVoe and Holbein has been embroiled in a controversy recently over their alleged use of university funds to develop an invention they stand to profit from. Yam protested their moves to patent the invention without recognizing his contribution to the project.

Justice Rolland Durand said Yam disclosed details of the invention to a McGill graduate student and a Montreal Gazette reporter.



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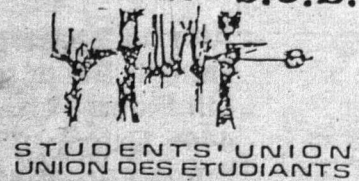
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