

# Tour Cancelled

Loris Cameron, Chairman of the Ojibway Warriors Society was unable to speak in Halifax on Monday, September 23rd as planned. He left to rejoin a caravan of his supporters which was travelling from Vancouver to Ottawa in protest of the violent repression of the Anishinabe (native) people. There have allegedly been reports of police harrasment made by members of the Caravan but as of yet no formal charges have been laid.

The Caravan is scheduled to arrive in Ottawa on Sept. 10, the opening day of Parliament. On that day he, his supporters and sympathizers will be conducting a demonstration protesting the treatment of the Indian People by the Federal Government.

Louis Cameron led the recent armed occupation of Anishinabe Park (Kenora, Ontario). The Indian People claim that the land was taken from them by the Department of Indian Affairs and sold illegally to the City of

Kenora in 1959. They took up arms in active resistance against a system which has succeeded in subordinating and exploiting the Native People since 1942.

The Ojibway Warrior's Society has sent out a call to all progressive and democratic organizations and individuals, trade unions and trade union militants, student organizations and associations, to concretely support the struggle of the Native Peoples to regain their land and their rights.

## Ward 1 Residents Association

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were even off the ground. There was also a suggestion made that there may not be many opportunities available where input into governmental decisions could be made by the association. This criticism brought strong reaction from others present. An unidentified person (to me, at least) pointed proudly to the success of the **Concerned Dalhousie Area Residents** in stopping the Dalhousie Recreational Complex from being built on the Stairs property south of South Street.

Roger Dial, Chairman of the Metropolitan Planning Committee and a professor of Political Science at Dalhousie, temporarily put the argument to rest by pointing out that the Graham Report actually favoured the formation of the types of grass-roots organizations that were being formed that night. As such, the Association could feel secure in the knowledge that, should the Graham Report be implemented, that Ward 1 residents could play an important part in municipal planning and development.

Once this point was cleared away, a motion was made to have the executive of the association chosen by the steering committee. The committee would bring their recommendations to the membership for ratification at the next meeting. A proposal for eight members to be chosen by geographical representation, and four to be chosen as members-at-large was brought forth. Some debate followed. It was pointed out that the formation of such an executive was an open invitation for some geographical locations to stack the executive. Although the area was heavily populated with students, it seemed that the association, even in its forming stages, seemed to be becoming a vehicle for exclusively South End established residents, and that tenants or students in the area were not being given an opportunity to provide input into the association. Some persons challenged this view. A woman sitting in front of me tried to suggest that because students would not be living in the area for too

long after receiving their degree, that they should have no voice in the affairs of the ward. (Earlier in the evening, another woman sitting in front of me had muttered something about, "I thought that this meeting was for tax-payers only.")

The 8-4 executive structure carried the meeting, with only two persons voting against. (After the meeting several persons present, including Johanna Oosterveld and Jill Schlossberg, another members of the steering committee, advised the GAZETTE that student and tenant interests would definitely be taken into consideration in the formation of the Executive. This reporter was asked to submit names of persons who may be interested in sitting on this board to any member of the committee. Any student who might be interested, please call the GAZETTE office, and leave their name and phone number.)

The procedural wranglings having finished for the evening, Professor Dial then proceeded to inform those present on the status of the City's "plan". Besides detailing the purpose of the planning committee, Dial stressed the need for citizen participation in the planning of an area. He sees the role of the public as primarily one of questioning the plan that the committee develops. He had, for instance, learned a lot that could be included in the plan from persons asking about environmental or industrial

policy guidelines, as an example. Issues of particular importance to Ward 1 residents included the location of a sewage treatment plant, or the location of a North-West Arm Bridge, if such a creature should indeed be built. The problem of "institutional containment" was another item that would interest Ward 1 persons, although Dial was not prepared to answer any questions on the "problem." As a staff member of the major "institution" needing containment, Dial was obviously not prepared to balance loyalties to Dalhousie with his loyalty to the ward association (he lives in Ward 1).

Dial stressed the need for development (and redevelopment) in the city to come in line with the scale of the neighbourhood for which any project was intended. This was the only time that Dial dropped his role of impartiality. Questioning whether or not such a problem could be considered a "motherhood" issue, he noted that, "if it's a motherhood issue, then it's my mother, and I'm very concerned about it."

The meeting ended on a friendly note, with the membership decided to hold their next meeting on October 22nd, to elect the executive. Presumably, the meeting will be held again in Gorsebrook School. Students who live in the ward should watch for further information in the GAZETTE, and consider taking part in the formation of the association.

## Intramural Wrap-up

**SOCCER - September 22nd** - INTRAMURAL soccer started the season with a game between Law and Dentistry. The teams, hampered by a muddy field, played to a score of 1-0, with Law coming out on top. The goal was scored by Grant Boyd. In the second game of the afternoon, the Arts & Science team blanked Pharmacy 2-0. Robert Dale, tallied one of the markers.

**GOLF - September 20th** - The annual Intramural Gold Tournament was held Friday, September 20th, at Hartlen Point Golf course. Thirty golfers participated, but fog and rain hampered some players from finishing up the 18 holes. Top honors for those finishing the course went to Dougal Chisholm from medicine with a score of 77.

**FLAG FOOTBALL - September 22nd** - Intramural Flag Football got underway Sunday, September 22nd, on Studley Field with a game between Commerce and Archivals Engineers. Commerce won the game 3-0, and displayed power and determination in winning. Commerce is now the proud possessors of the coveted football trophy, which is battled for in each competition between these two faculty teams.

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