

Viewpoint

In view of the dispute between the native peoples and the Quebec government, should the James Bay project be continued?

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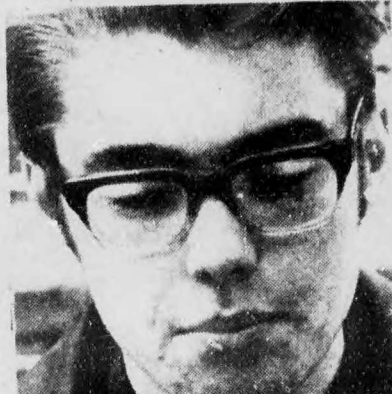
Laurie Mersereau Elec. Eng. 5

Yes. A fair settlement can be worked out with the native peoples while still considering the necessity of energy required today.



Jim Tubbs Arts 3

No. The Indian people claim that if they continue, the environment will be altered beyond repair.



Terry Mersereau Eng. 1

Yes, by all means. The Indians have lots of other places to live. They shouldn't hold up progress and much needed energy. There are thousands of acres of land there. They don't need that much land to hunt in and the government pretty well supports them anyway.



Dwight Mann Business 2

No. Basically, it was the Indian's land, and the Quebec government acted pretty harshly when they started the project without consulting the Indians.



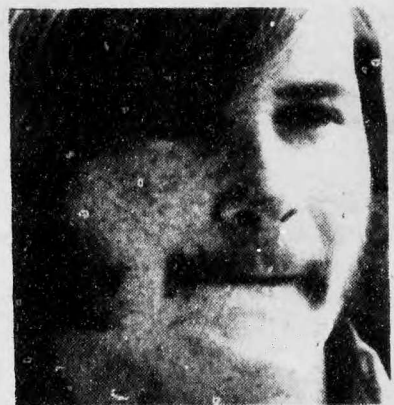
Randy Sullivan Business 4

Yes. Some sort of agreement should be negotiated more in the Indians' favor. Although they originally had the rights to the land, power is of a necessity, and the Indians have specified that they are willing to negotiate.



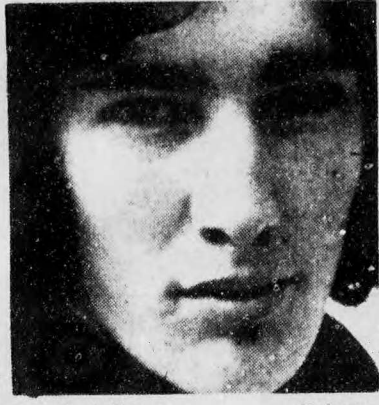
Mary Jane Richards Arts 3

No one has the right to take some one else's land and destroy it. It's not rightfully Canada's land.



Doug Hay Science 3

Yes. They've put too much money into the project up to this point to end the project.



Jamie Allison Science 1

Yes. I don't believe the interests of the native people override those of the people of Quebec.



Dianne Eros Staff

I think they definitely should do more research into the matter before they continue.



Louise McKenna Arts 4

No. The Indians' rights have not been respected enough in the past and it's time that we begin to listen to their point of view.

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