

Destroy Student Parity

TORONTO (CUP) - A proposal to cut student involvement and eliminate the function of the University of Toronto's Sociology Department Parity Assembly has met with strong opposition from 14 sociology professors.

The professors issued a statement protesting a straw vote taken by a meeting of sociology professors which called for the destruction of the departmental assembly as a legislative body.

The move would destroy student parity in the sociology department, so far the only department in the Arts and Science faculty with parity on all decision-making bodies.

The 14 faculty members say they are "not opposed to changes in the depart-

mental structure if they maintain or accelerate the changes of the past years.

"This proposal may well lead to a greater polarization within the department between our students, junior faculty, and senior faculty."

Sociology faculty members set up an assessment committee of five people in January to review departmental structure and programs. The committee presented an interim minority and majority report to the faculty.

The faculty members subsequently voted to give the committee some guidance in future work on the minority report which would abolish the legislative functions of the assembly and replace it as a

The chairman theoreti-

cally has power to make decisions without assembly approval.

Students last month set up a review committee to serve as a parallel structure to a faculty committee and present its own recommendations to Zeitlin.

Zeitlin has conceded he would make no final decisions before the students' view has been presented. forum of discussion with no voting powers.

The majority report called for a retention of the parity structure.

Sociology chairman Irving Zeitlin has reportedly told students if a staff split arose over the structure proposals, Zeitlin would not send the recommendation to the assembly but make the decision himself.

COMMON FRONT MOVEMENT

TORONTO (CUP) — The Common Front Movement has also spread to Toronto, where U of T campus workers, students and faculty members have formed a unified front to fight budget cutbacks.

"It's becoming increasingly obvious to everyone that we won't get what we want by ourselves without the support of other groups," said library work-

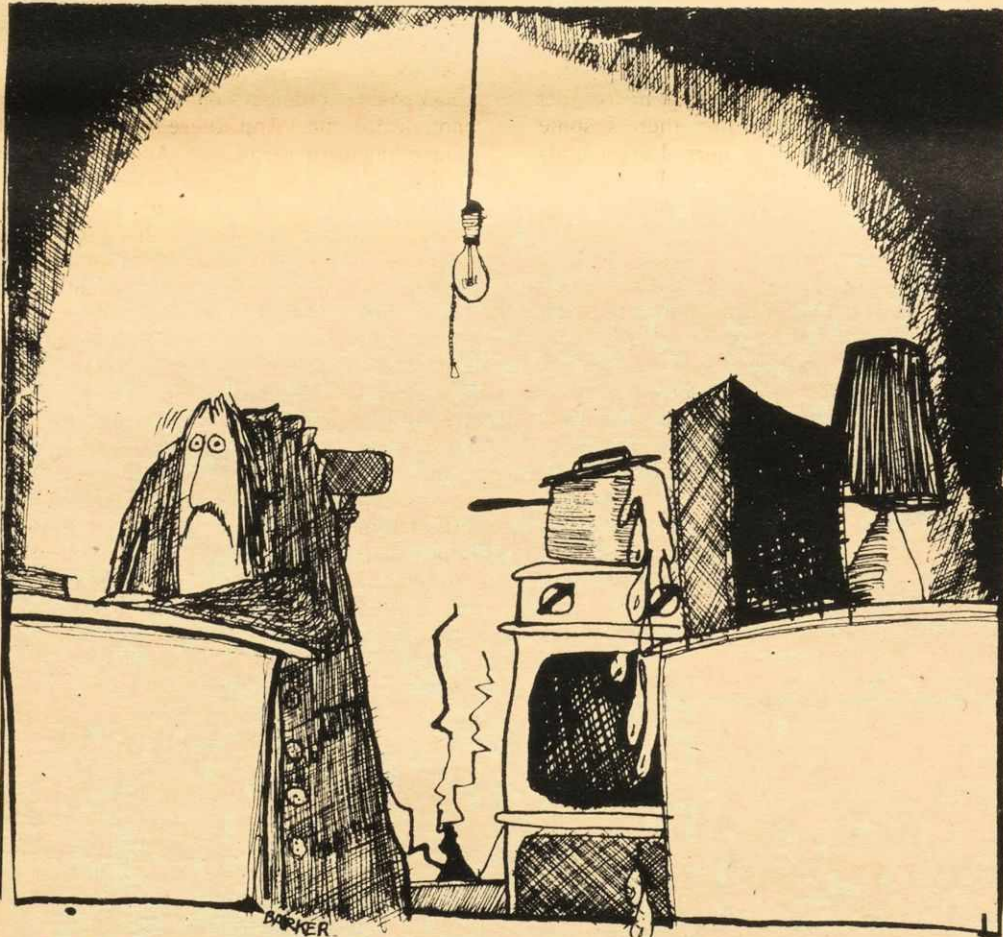
er Judy Darcy, president of CUPE local 1230. She was speaking to a meeting of representatives of the groups held Tuesday (March 4).

The groups unanimously recognized the need for co-operation in dealing with the administration and the government.

SAC Executive Assistant Chris Allnut said the provincial government's

long term approach to university education will likely lead to increases in tuition, and to an increase in the OSAP loan ceiling.

The meeting was prompted by the administration's offer last week of 8% wage increase for non-academics and a 12% increase for academics, which both groups feel is not sufficient to cover the rise in the cost of living.



64 Year Old Resistor

CALIFORNIA (ZNS - CUP) — Martha Tranquilli, a 64-year-old pacifist, was released from a California prison after serving seven and a half months for refusing to pay taxes to support the war.

Tranquilli was sentenced to prison last year for claiming anti-war organizations as dependents during the years 1970 through 1972.

She reports the government is now trying to sue her for \$5,439 in taxes and penalties it claims she owes. She says, however,

that Uncle Sam hasn't a chance of getting the back tax money.

The anti-war activist says she gave all of her tax money away to poor people in Mississippi rather than have it impounded by the government and spent on guns and bullets. She says she is now living on social security.

Asked what she did in prison, Tranquilli said, among other things she had a high school course in crime. She said, "I've learned how to rip off food stamps how to hold up a store and lots more."

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