

## Assassinated for teaching

Cathy Moffat

"In El Salvador if you are a student, teacher or professor, you are blacklisted as an enemy of the government, and stand a good chance of getting killed by the military," said Salvadorian guerilla representative Ana Castillo in an interview with *Excalibur*.

"In the past two years more than 2,000 teachers have been assassinated by the Government Military, and only for being teachers," asserted Castillo. The National University of El Salvador has been closed four times and in June 1980, the military launched a major attack against it. "It was as if they were going into armed combat, complete with armoured tank, helicopters and machine guns.

"But none of the students were armed," laments Castillo. "The military must have been 600 - 1,000 strong. They left 27 students and local residents dead." The government claimed they were searching for armaments but, according to Castillo, they found none.

After the attack soldiers vandalized the campus. "Books were burned, chemical and medical laboratories were destroyed, and machines like typewriters were taken by the army back to their private homes." The university was closed and professors who tried to teach underground repressed.

Castillo also pointed out that university officials arrested by the military were referred to as captured guerillas in the international press. "But that was not true," she said laughingly. "They were only academics doing their job."

Castillo, who has been in Canada since June of 1980, reflected, "I didn't want to leave El Salvador, but I was asked by the FDR to come to Canada and inform Canadians about the plight of our people in their struggle for justice." Before leaving El Salvador Castillo was a sociology student at the National University in San Salvador. She began working for the Democratic Revolutionary Front in 1978.

Castillo feels the military repression has politicized Salvadorean students. She stated, "Armed University police were constantly harassing the students by beating and injuring them." She added that the University did not request the police presence, rather the military police "forced their way onto the premises."

Castillo thinks that Canadian students lack political awareness in comparison to her fellow students in El Salvador. She does, however, see hope in the efforts that are being made by students through solidarity and support committees for the people of her country. Encouraging students to become informed about El Salvador, she urged them to attend the events being planned at York and in Toronto for Canada's National Week of Solidarity with El Salvador March 20-27. She also stressed the need to pressure the Canadian government to support self-determination of the Salvadorean people.

## Student attacked

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estimated at 6 feet and he is reported to have blue eyes.

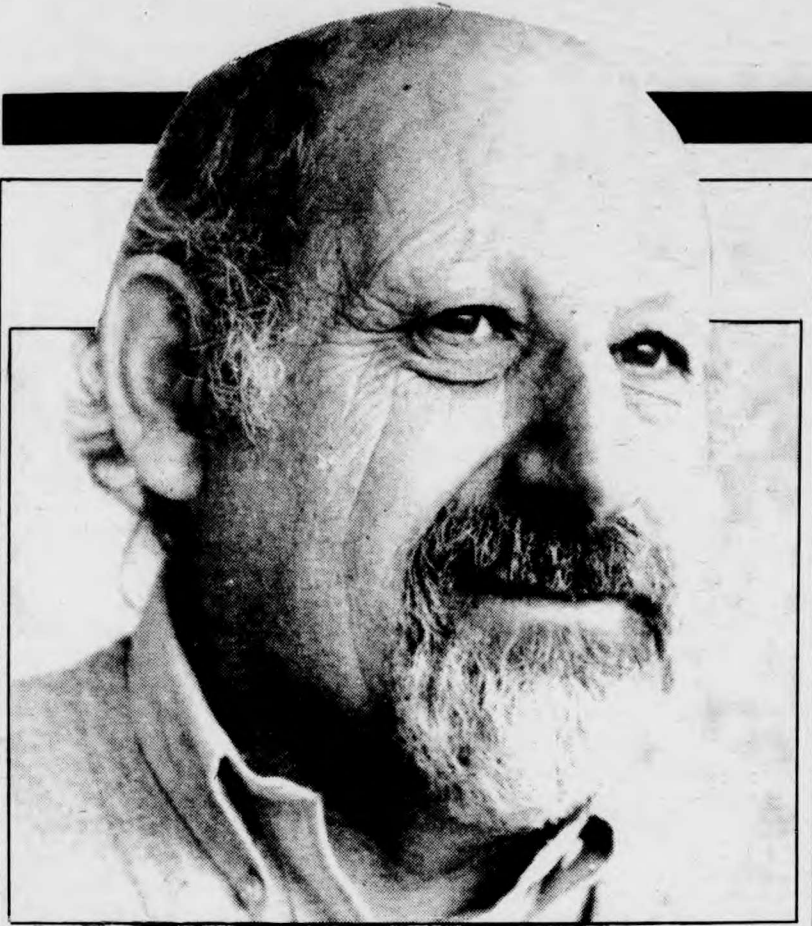
The Osgoode Women's Caucus has been distributing posters with descriptions of the attacker(s) and they are encouraging increased student awareness.

Residents of the graduate apartment where the latest attack occurred are concerned about their safety, but are unwilling to identify themselves to *Excalibur* for fear of administrative repercussions. "On the night of the attack two locks on entrance doors were broken. The side door lock had been broken for at least one week, but it was repaired immediately after the attack - the next morning. The garbage door is still broken and has been for about three years. Physical Plant is responsible for repairs but we do not seem to get them." The superintendent of the building in question was not available for comment.

The question of security in the Graduate Residences is a puzzling one. According to York Security Supervisor Geoff MacLeod, "the internal security of the apartment buildings are the responsibility of the superintendants. We don't even have keys." Norman Crandles, Manager of Housing, agreed with this information. "As far as I know there are no special patrols for the buildings. There is a full-time superintendent. Talk to the Senior Superintendent, Harry Haig.

But when Mr. Haig, who oversees all four graduate residences, was contacted he said York Security and not the Superintendent was providing internal security for his buildings. *Excalibur* contacted Mr. Haig the following day for further comment regarding security procedures in the building, but he refused to answer questions. "I don't know. I don't know. Just call Housing and talk to Crandles - he can tell you. I just don't know."

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Professor Hy Day of York's Psychology Department.

### Faculty Focus:

## Handicapped helped

Professor Hy Day, a York Psychology professor since 1971, is proud of the York and Seneca College rehabilitation counselling program which he was instrumental in creating.

The rehabilitation counselling program is a combined degree and certificate program which trains students in the theoretical and practical work. Associated with the rehabilitation of the physically and mentally handicapped.

With the degree program, Day has made rehabilitation counselling a new career, something that is certainly needed in these times of high unemployment.

Day first noticed a need for better-trained personnel in the early 1950's, when he himself worked in the field of rehabilitation counselling. "The lack of adequate training in rehabilitation is startling and disquieting."

September 1981 was the starting date for the program, the only one of its kind in Canada.

Current faculty members in the departments of psychology and sociology will give the theoretical courses at York. New applied courses will be mounted at Seneca for the maximum of 25 students who initially are allowed to enter.

Students are eligible for admission to the joint program after two years of a B.A. program. It involves four years of study for an ordinary degree, five years for a general honours. Graduates would hold a B.A. in psychology from York and a certificate in rehabilitation counselling from Seneca.

Potential job areas for students from this area include counsellors in insurance companies and private business, the Workmen's Compensation Board, hospitals and clinics.

## Dan Heap is up in arms

James Carlisle

The Arms Race will destroy Canada just as effectively as atomic war. At least, that is the opinion of Dan Heap, MP for Spadina Riding. Speaking at a conference entitled "The Arms Race - Where Next?" held at Moot Court last Saturday, Heap said, "Whether nuclear weapons are ever used or not, we cannot survive the arms race. Our huge expenditures for weapons are destroying the economy."

Heap believes that military policy, based on the acquisition of more powerful weapons, is destroying whatever faith Canadians still have in government. "Lamontaigne tells us that we will keep nuclear weapons out of Canada," says the New Democrat. "At the same time the government is making secret arrangements to test the Cruise missile. This deceit is

destroying our political system." Heap believes in disarmament but claims it is ineffective without the dismantling of the whole military-industrial program.

Heap told an audience of 35 people, most of whom were members of the peace movement, that the disarmament lobby has not been successful because it has concentrated on fears about a possible war. Opponents of the movement argue that a build up of arms will prevent war. It is for this reason that Heap believes anti-war organizations must concentrate on the immediate dangers of the arms race.

The Canadian peace movement has a particularly difficult task because Canada does not make its own policy, the MP asserted. "We have foreign policy assigned to us by NATO. Our present assignment is to provide snow so Cruise missiles can be tested."

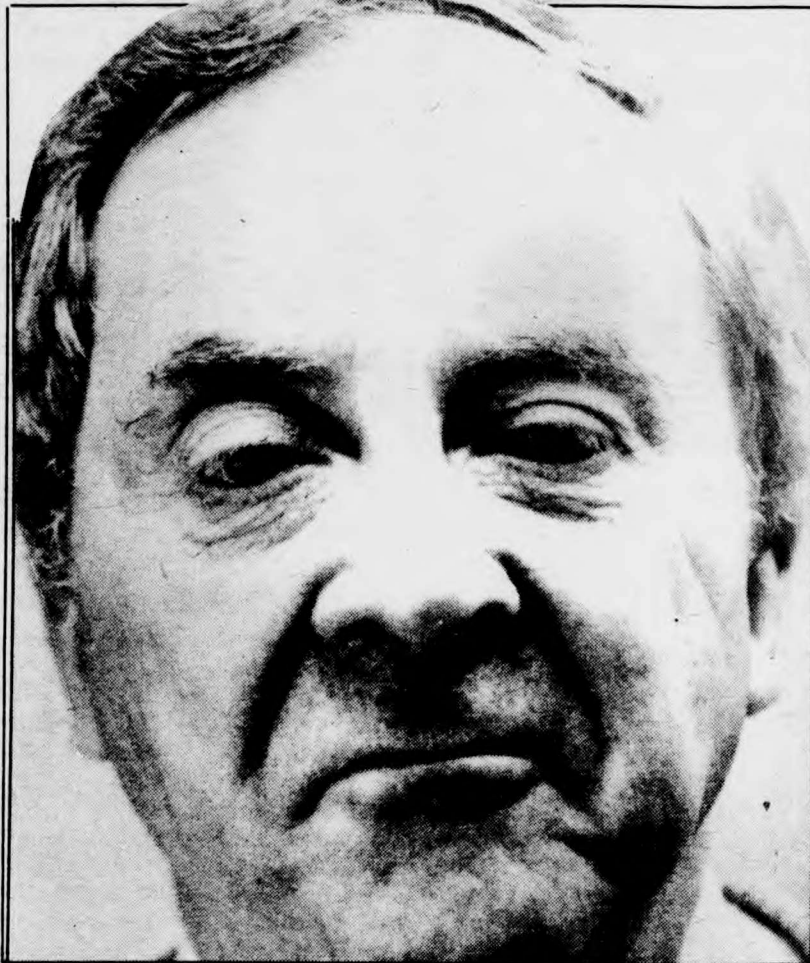
## Saturday exams are on

Berel Wetstein

The administration's proposal to hold some exams on Saturday has been accepted by the Office of Student Records. The measure was one of many suggested to solve the problem of a fifty per cent increase in the number of final examinations.

The increase, which delayed the release of the exam schedule until today, was due to the high percentage of upperclasspersons writing take-home exams.

The University must pay markers \$50,000 in overtime wages, to ensure that grades are recorded before the convocation week of June 5. Convocation was to begin June 12, but two deans argued that this was too late and this made the allocation of extra funds necessary.



Donald Dawson, manager of Physical Plant.

## Drainage problems

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Motsch and Professor Colin Steel claimed that interlinked drainage system was causing routinely-poured away organic solvents to back up. Among these solvents was ether, which is both toxic and flammable.

Steel, who is the chairperson of an Ad Hoc committee of workers formed in April 1981 to monitor the upgrading of the building, said that Farquharson had problems because it was originally designed for teaching and not research.

Dawson maintains, "It is difficult to react to every problem, since not every one is a major problem in need of repair." He added that "Faculty members may feel that we reacted slowly, but we didn't. We don't have a person who seeks out problems. Instead, we listen to complaints that are valid, then we act. When the University petitioned the Ministry of Colleges and Universities, the improvements

were considered as a second priority."

The Physical Plant plans to use the funds they have acquired from the Ministry to start part one of a two-phased scheme to improve the building. Part one will be implemented this fall and the total project will be completed by 1983 or 1984.

Assistant Safety Officer Graham Gilday expressed his pleasure with the way Physical Plant has handled the improvements of Farquharson, saying, "They reacted damn quickly. And if the building were unsafe, the Ministry of Labour would have had it closed down, as they have done to a number of places within the city."

W. Small, Vice-President in charge of University Services, acknowledged a disparity between the perceptions of two government ministries. "Ministry of Labour approval does not necessarily sway the Ministry of Colleges and Universities. We are working as best we can within the resources we have."