

## Coughlan succeeds despite the "Grinch"

One of the major criticisms students have about the University is the problem of student apathy. The Gazette regularly publishes editorials on student apathy (I guess they rotate between student apathy and feminist columns), so I have decided to write about the efforts of students on the Winter Carnival just past.

How do you start a Winter Carnival? One may well ask. First of all a Chairman is appointed by student council. Usually the individual decided upon, applied for some other position, but because of the Student Council's policy of considering an application

for one position, an application for all, someone is appointed who didn't even want to do it in the first place. This happened for the appointment of the Octoberfest Chairman. Fortunately, the student council made an excellent choice of appointing **Richard Coughlan** as Winter Carnival Chairman for the 1975 Winter Carnival. Richard, who originally applied for a member-at-large, accepted this position with much enthusiasm and started the ball rolling right away. The dates were chosen and imaginations prodded. Another major consideration is the cost factor. The Student Union



Richard Coughlan -

money man "GRINCH" Ward mentioned that every concert the Student Union had held had proven to be a financial loss, so accordingly he cut the budget, leaving an amount of money so slim that we couldn't even bring the Stampeders or a similar priced band into the Cohn for a concert. With the

prospect of a concert for the masses cancelled at the star, we had to figure out alternative methods of satisfying the students. By this time, Richard Coughlan, had picked a core committee consisting of about 10-12 people. (The numbers on the committee fluctuated throughout the year).

Things rolled merrily along, mugs were ordered, buttons, balloons, all the paraphernalia needed was purchased. The parade was getting organized, the pool for the games was verified (it was free by the way). Pub rally was going slow, but all else was smooth except entertainment. Sherriff Hall backed out of a dance to be held there, Dutchy Mason and Acme Blues Band cancelled. All events sold at a constant rate. Under the guidance of Kelly Clarke, tickets were controlled effectively and

fairly with ticket booths set up at numerous locations. When **Barnie** finally arrived, everyone on the committee heaved a relief except for Richard, who was on the go all the time.

The work wasn't over however, some poor unfortunate souls had to put up the swimming pool at 6:00 a.m. in sub zero temperature. Somehow we managed through the efforts of Bob Lathigee, Tom Clahane, Howard Gorman, Robbie Spicer, myself and the owner of the pool. Finally, Mr. Owen Simms, advertising co-ordinator stated that **Barnie 75** was planned as it was in order to promote spirit throughout the university.

The rest is history. I think it was a good Winter Carnival biased though I may be, and I hope next year's chairman is able to fill the big pair of shoes that Richard left behind.

### DIG THAT FRANCE

A special, highly selective program in archeology will be offered at Grand, France, this Summer under the direction of Professor Roger Billoret of the Universite de Nancy, France. It will be open to qualified majors or graduates in archeology, ancient history, anthropology or numismatics under the auspices of Academic Year Abroad, Inc.

Applicants must have a minimal command of French and a letter from their major advisor stating that they are competent to pursue practical work in archeology. This is a rigorous program in which Americans will work along with French university students directly under Prof. Billoret in the "digs" at Grand in the Vosges mountains of eastern France. Grand is a very small village with only one inn. The students sleep in their own sleeping bags in a barn which has been provided with minimal comforts, but the French students who have been doing this for several years say that it is not as rough as it may sound, that it is, in

fact, great fun. They take their meals at the inn which is excellent. In addition to the **Cours pratique d' archeologie**, in which the students work directly in the "dig", they also follow two other fundamental courses: **Gallo-Roman History and Introduction to Gallo-Numismatics**. A student may earn from six to eight credits.

The program will last five weeks: 26 June to 1 August; the first week will be spent in Paris in an intensive review of French; the next four weeks will be in the digs at Grand with weekend excursions to Nancy and Strasbourg as well as to other sites in the region.

The number of places is limited; the cost is estimated at \$675.00, all-inclusive except for transatlantic transportation, for which details on student charters will be provided. Students interested in applying should write immediately to:

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Academic Year Abroad  
221 East 50 Street  
New York, N.Y. 10022  
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### Viet demonstrators reimbursed

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CUPI) - In a precedent setting decision, a District of Columbia Federal Court has ordered the US government to pay cash damages averaging \$10,000 to each of the 1,200 demonstrators arrested during a Washington demonstration against the Viet Nam war in 1971.

The court ruling comes after a District of Columbia jury upheld the class action suit brought by the American Civil Liberties Union against the government. The suit was filed on behalf of 1,200 persons arrested by police during the mass arrests which accompanied the Mayday protest.

The 1,200 were arrested when police broke up a meeting of the demonstrators were peacefully sitting

on the steps of the Capitol Building listening to congressman Ronald Dellums of California.

The Nixon administration had ordered a sweeping campaign of arrests during the Mayday demonstrations, arresting over 12,000 people in three days. After all the jails were full, a stadium was commanded to accommodate those arrested.

Since the arrests were clearly unconstitutional, the government lawyers rested their case on the argument that the demonstrators intended to, "interfere in the orderly functioning of Washington," and were therefore, "not protected by constitutional guarantees."

The jury rejected these

arguments and decided that the government action amounted to false arrest, cruel and unusual punishment and malicious prosecution.

The Civil Liberties Union has two other class action suits pending on behalf of those arrested on May 3 and 4.

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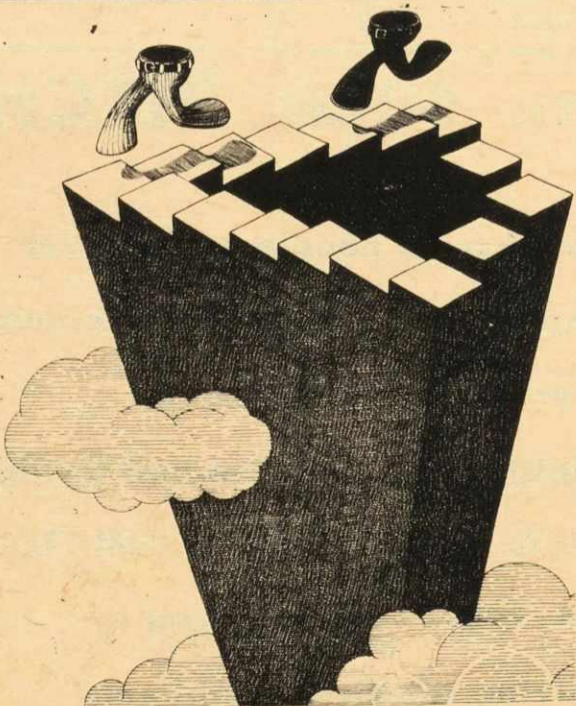
the problem of libraries being liable for the books they circulate is still an issue to the libraries involved. The Concordia Senate Library Committee intends to cooperate with the CAUT and the CLA in the submission of briefs to the Law Reform Commission of Canada describing this unsatisfactory situation and proposing remedies.

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