

Drama Prepares For Tryouts

The U.N.B. Drama Society has announced that its spring production will be William Saroyan's *The Cave Dwellers*. The play is typically Sayoyanesque, populated by the warm-hearted derelicts and optimistic social-failures that one comes to associate with the author.

But Saroyan constantly manages to keep the play from ever becoming sentimental or unnecessarily heavy.

Casting for the play will be held on the 9th and the 10th (Tuesday and Wednesday) of this week. There are three

major male roles, and three major roles for women, plus the opportunity for some aspiring young thespian (of either sex) to play the role of a trained bear (which is, again, a major role - the bear remaining on stage for the better part of the second half of the play). There are also three more minor roles to be filled by men.

Scripts will be loaned out to those people who show up at the try-outs and display any ability, and then a final day of casting will be announced so that these individuals may

return and read for the role of their choice.

The Cave Dwellers, which is to be UNB's entry in the Dominion Drama Festival, is being directed by Richard Bryan McDaniel, whose production of *The American Dream* occurred last week-end. McDaniel has said that though the play is being cast before the holidays, rehearsals will not begin until after the Christmas break. This being the case, the work on the play will not interfere with the examinations which begin next week.



Dolly Silk, seated above, was crowned Physical Education Queen this week by last year's queen, Chris Easterbrook, standing. -shukla

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violence to dispossess them, and the honesty of the press.

The next day the RCMP moved in with riot guns and tear gas and made mass arrests. The press, in its usual fashion talked, not of the frustrating years seeking justice, but of the "irresponsible Indian lawbreakers." Today the Mohawk Workers, as the traditionalists call themselves, still are a majority on the reservation and still dream of a day when justice and freedom will return to them.

POWER REACHES COURT

Despite the power that control of the Parliament, the press and the police give the elite, still this is not enough. Their manipulations and control reach into even the so-called courts of justice. Trade unionists are very familiar with two situations in which the courts are abused: the political use of the conspiracy charge, and the ex parte injunction.

The charge of conspiracy is one which is seldom laid. First of all, it is difficult to prove. Secondly, it is more just to charge a criminal with his crime, than it is with his conspiracy to commit that offence. There is, however, one aspect of the conspiracy charge which lends itself to abuse - as strange as it may seem, the penalty for conspiracy is often more severe than that for the offence.

CONSPIRACY CHARGES

As students have recently discovered, the conspiracy charge can be levelled against them, as well. Students at Sir George Williams University are

now standing trial on such charges, and as students at the University of Waterloo recently discovered, authorities here are anxious to use such charges to remove those who are criticizing mismanagement.

Equally significantly, professor W.K. Thomas in the March 31 K-W Record is reported to have charged that students at the University of Waterloo were part of an international communist conspiracy under the "guidance of chairman Mao and the spirit of Che Guevara."

RED-BAITING

Such McCarthyite red-baiting could be lightly dismissed were it not for the fact that it has been just such crude propaganda that has preceded the end of civil liberties in the past. Indeed, president Petch has already forecast just such an end to liberty with his demands for a "code of conduct" at the university.

The ex parte injunction is perhaps the best known of legal abuses in labor affairs. The essence of the ex parte injunction is that the judge is asked to make decisions and issue court orders after having heard only one side - invariably the owner's side - in labor disputes. All the owner has to do is satisfy the judge that violence is likely to occur if strikers continue to picket his premises. The fact that the reason that violence occurs, is that the owner is bringing in strikebreakers to take the workers' jobs, and that these scabs are assisted by the local police in breaking the picket line, has no bearing on the decision. The justice or injustice of such a decision is

not the question that matters. Indeed, we do not have courts of justice, we have courts of law - law that is politically made and, too often, politically administered.

WHY THE IMAGE?

But why then, if violence has been so common in Canada's past, do its leaders continue to propagandize the image of Canadians as a non-violent people? What would you do if you were in their position?

If Canadian press, radio and TV told the truth, if Canadians realized how law is used to oppress them, and violence used to uphold those unjust laws, Canadians would rise up and demand an accounting.

But so long as Canadians can be fooled, and so long as the lying press can convince them that it is "uncanadian" to throw off their yokes and demand such an accounting, Canadians - Canadian workers and Canadian students - will never be free.

Budget Passed

Council passed the Yearbook's budget of \$86.00 at last Sunday's meeting in the SUB Council Chambers.

In the motion moved by Comptroller Brian Sullivan, and seconded by President Start, the Council voted unanimously in favour of the budget.

Sullivan recommended that the contingency reserve previously agreed upon by Council remain at \$1,000.



Peggy Swanton, above, was elected by science students and faculty Wednesday as the 1970 Science Queen. The blonde freshette was crowned at a science social held this week.

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