

# Little Salvadorean support

by Neal Watson

Local El Salvadorean groups marched from the Legislature to City Hall Saturday to conclude two weeks of activity in support of those fighting in El Salvador and other Latin American countries.

With about 60 people present, the march was not particularly well attended.

The theme of the march, organized by the Revolutionary Democratic Front (FDR) along with its sister organization, the FMLN, was solidarity with those fighting in El Salvador. A series of speakers asked for Canadian support and pledged solidarity with

the rebel forces in El Salvador.

Armando Paredes, the representative of the Association of University students of El Salvador, said that students had been "incorporated into the army of the FMLN" and were "building new popular power" in El Salvador.

Paredes concluded by thanking Canadians on behalf of El Salvadorean students and by promising "revolution or death, we will win."

"We find ourselves refugees all over the world," said Jose Pedro Cedillos, the representative in Canada for the FMLN-FDR.

Cedillos said that despite foreign aggression and the continued "violation of human rights," change was occurring in Central America. He cited Nicaragua as an example and said the Nicaraguan people were prepared to meet and defeat aggression.

He also said counter-revolutionary forces in Nicaragua were being supported by the U.S.

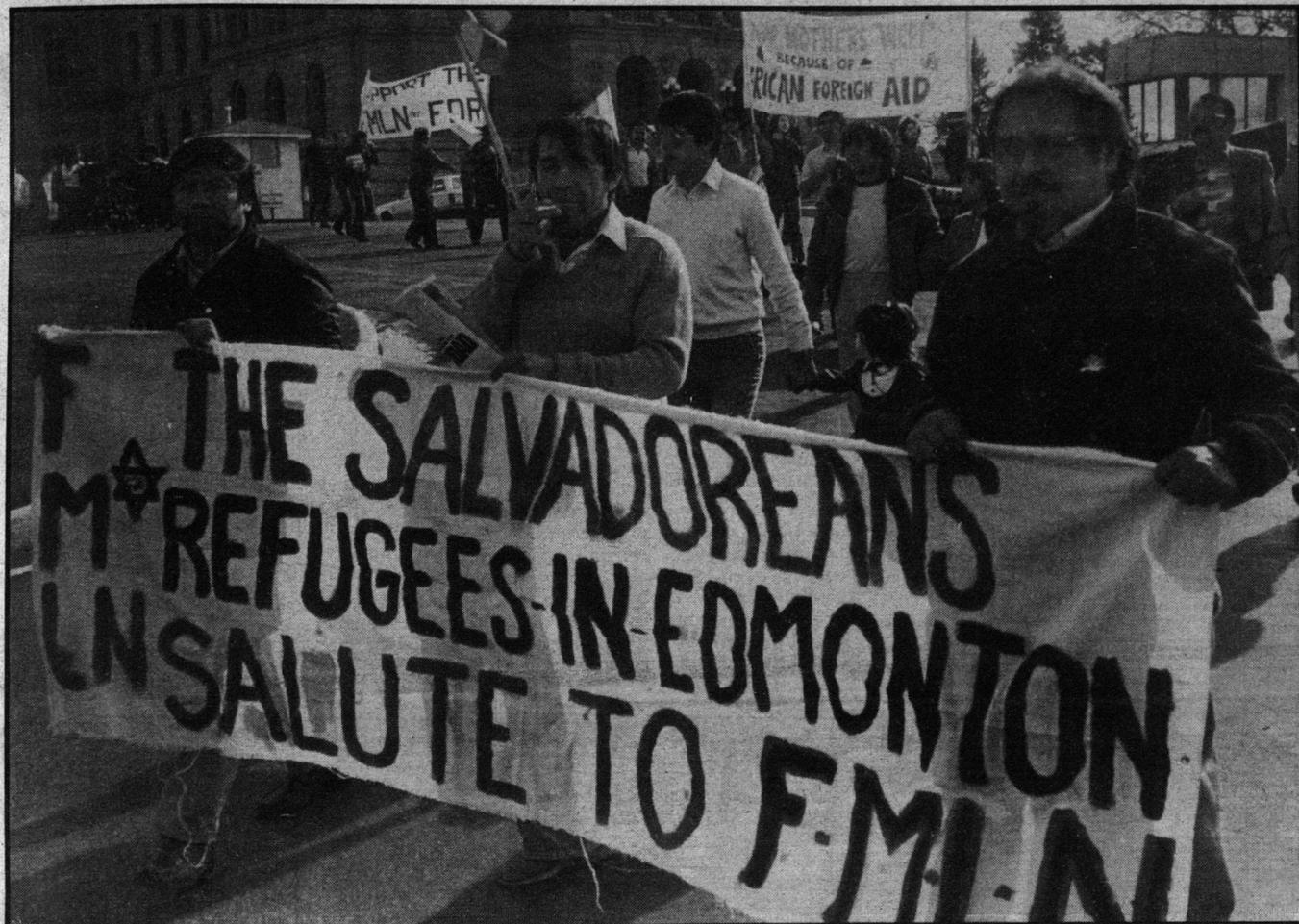
Speaking for Salvadorean women, Vilma Soto, of the National Association of Salvadorean Teachers, said that women participated in the struggle in El Salvador as

"teachers, mothers and guerilla fighters." She appealed to Canadian and Salvadorean women for help saying, "with women organized, the struggle will be won."

Injecting a little local political into the demonstration, Ed Ewasiuk of the Edmonton and District Labour Council brought greetings and pledged solidarity with the fighters on behalf of the Edmonton Voters' Association (EVA).

Ewasiuk asked the U.S. to withdraw from El Salvador. He also said that EVA supports the work of the rebels in El Salvador.

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El Salvadorean groups protest against US involvement in Central America.

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"This is too difficult for a mathematician..."

...It takes a philosopher."

Albert Einstein

# Windsor Park residents outraged

by Cheryl Parsons

Residents of Windsor Park are suspicious of the University's motives for buying houses in the area.

"It would be to grossly understate the feelings of the residents to say that they are very concerned about the University's purchasing of houses along 116 street and 117 street north of 87th Avenue," said Pieter de Groot, President of the Windsor Park Community League. "Outrage and anger are probably more appropriate descriptions."

At the present time four houses have actually been purchased and negotiations are coming to a close on two others. There are approximately 70 houses in the targeted area. The university plans to rent these houses to visiting professors.

When asked why these houses are being purchased, Ron

Phillips, Vice President for planning replied, "the university needs to protect the people along 116 street. It would be a buffer zone."

Behind the concept of the "buffer zone" are the plans for an engineering complex to be built in the General Services parking lot area.

"People who live in Windsor Park always complain when we begin any new construction," said Phillips. "Without a buffer zone we could only build the new complex one or two stories high. This is compromising our land use when five or six stories would be more efficient."

The only problem according to de Groot is that no resident of Windsor Parks wants this protection. This was the overwhelming conclusion reached after the annual meeting of the Windsor Park Community League.

"There were over 100 residents in attendance, including some Garneau refugees," commented one faculty member.

Edward Chambers, Chairman of USSWP (University Staff to Save Windsor Park) is concerned that this news will have an adverse affect on the market values of surrounding properties.

"For most university staff member home owners equity constitutes the major part of total life savings," he stated.

With 46 out of the 160 staff living in Windsor Park residing in the buffer zone, employer-employee relations are bound to suffer. The fact that purchasing of the first houses was done in the name of a numbered company raised a few eyebrows.

"Didn't the university realize that in a close knit established community like Windsor Park news would travel quickly. We all knew which 'numbered account' was moving next door," said Edward Chambers. Commented one member of the History Department, "what I found most disturbing is the secrecy with

which this matter has been dealt. Is it a parking lot they want or some other devious alternative?"

Phillips denies these suggestions. "We only wanted to prevent the prices from going up. If it became known we were buying, sellers would have upped their prices. Why should we pay more?"

He also commented that the University had no intention of expanding into the buffer zone. "We have all the space we need right on campus," he emphasized.

There is some confusion over who exactly is initiating these transactions.

The former owners of one of the four homes sold through a numbered account provided a written statement saying that they did not approach the university, were not told and did not know the University was the real purchaser even after the deal was completed.

However, Phillips says that the University never solicited house deals; they only looked into "For Sale" signs and that only applied to the four houses in question.

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