

# Homer Stevens to speak at Dal

by John D'orsay

Homer Stevens, President of Canada's most militant union, will be speaking in the McInnes Room on Tuesday evening. The Community Affairs Secretary will be sponsoring this lecture for Dal students to coincide with the CLC day of protest.

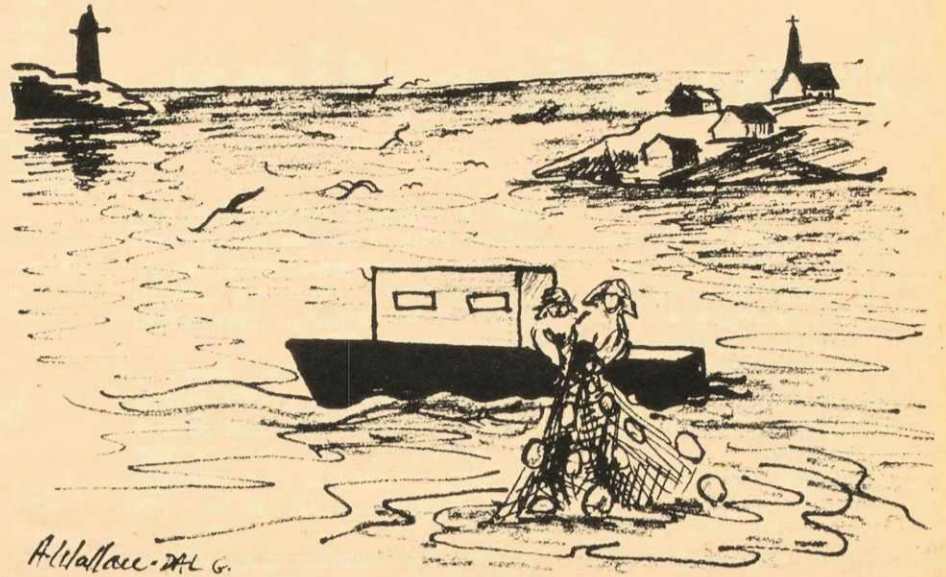
The United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union has attained an admirable record for its dedication to improving the lot of its members and attempts to extend the benefits of unionization to other unorganized areas. The fishermen were long denied the legal right to conduct collective bargaining and thus had no access to the legal apparatus for recognition, mediation, and arbitration.

The lack of legal intermediary has kept the UFAWU in direct confrontation with the companies on the

west coast for over twenty years. The outcome has been wage and safety gains which make the fishing industry of the west coast so much better than our local.

The militance of UFAWU is even more evident in its efforts and expenditures in attempting to extend unionization to Nova Scotia and the inland fisheries of the prairies. These experiences and commitments give Stevens and the UFAWU national prominence.

The UFAWU was expelled from the national trades and Labour Congress for the politics of its leadership in 1953. It may be a sign of the developing political consciousness of Canada's labour movement that they have been permitted to enter the "house of labour" as recently as 1974 without sacrificing their leadership's political convictions.



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wouldn't magically bring down the apartheid regime. But they might well help create conditions under which the whites were forced to begin making concessions to the legitimate demands of the blacks.

Groups throughout the country may help to withdraw support for the Vorster regime. A local Southern African information group has been formed to provide educational material about South Africa and to fight against what amounts to Canada's support of racism.

Spokesperson for the organization, Harvey MacKinnon, says "It is necessary to fight the Southern African racist regimes by all means possible. We have to support the liberation groups, as well as engaging in boycotts, if the people of Southern Africa are to be free from racism and oppression of all forms."

Commenting on the protest by the Edmonton anti-apartheid group, MacKinnon says, "The Canadian government has officially and publicly condemned apartheid, yet by allowing the English team to play in our country, they are giving support to a racist system. We condemn the governments' inaction on this matter and give complete support to the people of Edmonton who show their concern for all humanity by opposing racism in another part of the world."

The Southern African Information Group will be showing a film, "Last Grave at Dimbaza" on November 4th. This award winning film was made illegally in South Africa.

The next meeting of SAIG will be October 19th at 7:30 p.m. in Room 410-412 of the Student Union Building. Everyone is welcome.

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unanimously decided that these be the first and second preferences, showing that people are not willing to be pacified by idle talk and insignificant action. Even if "the President and Vice-President of the Student Union are powerless in such a situation", students must show their desire and interest.

The meeting was very encouraging and the Carleton House still holds promise.

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