

Farewell address

Reid asks self-criticism

By JOAN SHIRLOW

Glendon College students must become self-questioning, angry intellectuals committed to improving their community, their country and the world, says the college's retiring principal, Escott Reid.

pollutes the air. . . fouls its lakes and rivers. . . fails to provide equality of opportunity. . . and brutalizes the mind and spirit of man."

He received a standing ovation from the 100 students present at the end of his speech. He was visibly shaken.

Reid said society "courts destruction because it refuses to come to grips with the two great

world issues of this generation, how to narrow the dangerously wide gap between China and the rest of the world, and how to speed up the dangerously slow rate of economic growth of the hungry three-fifths of the world."

He rationalized courses which are not relevant to world problems by saying they will deliver students from "the tyranny of the immediate, the novel and the transitory."

Reid is retiring at the end of this term from the job he has held for the last four years.

"We are still—let us say it with shame—a middle class college with far too few students from the families who constitute the poorest third of our citizens," Reid said.

"We share this shame with virtually all the universities and colleges of Canada. It is a national shame, and for national shame there must be a national repentance, there must be national reparations, national action."

Reid called for a revolution, but outlined who he wanted to see as his revolutionaries:

"A revolution will diminish misery, and that is the main purpose of a revolution. . . Those who wish to change society for the better must have warm, compassionate hearts, as well as cool, calculating brains. . . They need to hate evil, but not to hate the evildoer. . . They need to be able to appreciate not just the misery of man, but also his nobility and mystery and the nobility and mystery of so many of his acts of creation."

Sandy McKay, a third year Glendon student, said: "We have been turned off. Glendon has sunk into academics and set the world off. . . we have no social awareness. . . cannot think of an institution that has less relevance to the poor than Glendon College. . . It is time to share our wealth with people of the world. We are the forces of the revolution."

Explaining his self-imposed retirement, Reid said, "I have come to an age when it is not easy to accept new ideas."

Sociology union begins with only 80 at meeting

By GREG McCONNELL

The Sociology union is beginning to take shape.

A steering committee of about 15 students resulted from an hour-long meeting last Thursday to plan a tentative statement for submission to another general meeting in January.

Although the chairmen, Larry Siegel and Ron Freedman, had expected at least a turnout of 100 on Thursday, they and those students present felt that the 80 people who did come constituted "approval" for the general idea of a union.

Some lectures had been cancelled and it was held in the lecture hall used for J. Nagata's class.

Publicity had been fairly extensive, including announcements in all sociology lectures, and posters around the university. An earlier faculty-sponsored call for a union had significantly lacked coordinated publicity.

The decision for the general

meeting came out of several of these earlier faculty-called student liaison committee meetings.

The faculty had extended an invitation for student representation on faculty committees, and the students present felt a union would be the best framework for choosing committee members.

Apparently there had been several complaints about particular sociology courses, as well as difficulties at registration. One course, for instance, has a lecture once every four weeks, and students claimed it had no continuity. Besides voicing these complaints students felt a union would aid evaluation of courses and thus help to predict next year's needs.

The 15 students on the steering committee of the tentative union will attend the next faculty-student liaison committee meeting, and call a general assembly for January to discuss their proposals.

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Wirkowski gets asst. coach job

Nobby Wirkowski, the coordinator of men's athletics, has been appointed assistant coach of the varsity basketball team.

The appointment was announced at a meeting of the team yesterday afternoon.

Art Johnson, the vice-president (academic affairs), will remain as head coach of the team.

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World Briefs

YWCA approves pot, the pill

EAST LANSING, Mich. (LNS-CPS) — A young adult conference of the Young Women's Christian Association pulled out all stops here recently, endorsing legalization of marijuana and calling for the use of YWCA facilities to dispense birth control aids to married and single women. The conference-goers, all under 35-years of age, also called for the repeal of all abortion laws and endorsed anti-war demonstrations and self-determination for blacks.

45 cops arrest 29 students

LOS ANGELES, Calif. (CUP-CPS) — Twenty-nine University of California students have been charged with conspiracy and kidnapping after a sit-in which held an administrator prisoner in his office for less than two hours. If convicted, the 29 could serve life sentences. The students, members of the Students for a Democratic Society and the Asian Radical Movement, were protesting the firing of a black cafeteria worker who allegedly took an unauthorized coffee break. It took 25 UCLA campus police and 20 Los Angeles police to break down the administrator's office door and arrest the 29 students.

Indians reclaim Alcatraz

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (LNS) — More than 100 Indians have reclaimed Alcatraz Island, site of a former federal prison in San Francisco bay, "in the name of all American Indians by right of discovery," and have occupied the prison since taking it over at dawn, Nov. 20. The Indians, many from Native American student groups at nearby universities, have offered to purchase the island from the federal government for \$24 in glass beads and red cloth, a precedent set by the white man's purchase of a similar island about 300 years ago. "Our offer of \$1.24 per acre is greater than the 47 cents per acre that the white man is now paying the California Indians for their land," the group declared.

U.S. Irish condemn imperialism

NEW YORK, N.Y. (LNS) — Irish-American students have formed a support group for the Civil Rights Association of Northern Ireland. At the first conference of the National Association for Irish Justice, a student caucus decided to form a separate organization in order to take more hard-line stands than the Association was prepared to do. For the sake of unity, the conference decided to take stands only on the Irish question, but the student caucus denounced British imperialism in Northern Ireland, U.S. imperialism in Vietnam, and recommended forging links with U.S. blacks. The student group wants to form campus groups "with the purpose of educating the Irish-American students and the American student body as to the progressive nature of the Irish freedom struggle."

Sixty miles of garbage

SAN FRANCISCO (CUP-CPS) — A Stanford professor has predicted that the Bay area "will die soon". "Ecological catastrophe is here now and we only need to open our eyes to see it," Dr. Robert Driesback, a professor at Stanford's medical school claimed. He called for legislation to control population growth in the San Francisco area, reusing present post-resource fuel sources rather than consuming more natural resources, banning individual automobiles and taxing combustible engines 50 cents per mile. The ecologist announced his program at a new conference for his soon-to-be-published 576-page survey, Handbook of the San Francisco Region. He cited figures that the amount of waste dumped into the bay annually could build a wall 36 feet wide and 30 feet high from downtown San Francisco to San Jose, nearly 60 miles away.

Pregnant Panthers spark march

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (LNS) — Nearly 3,000 demonstrators, led by a contingent of 1,800 women, marched through the streets of New Haven last week to demand the release of the Connecticut 14. Five women, including a recent mother and two expectant mothers, have been in jail since May, when the 14 were arrested on charges of conspiracy to murder Panther Alex Rackley. Although the Panthers insist "Alex Rackley was and always will be considered a member in good standing of the Panther party," police claim the party tortured and executed him because they suspected he was a cop. Welfare mothers, Black Panther women, women's liberation members and women from the Young Lords, a militant Latin group, were backed up by a large contingent of young white women and 1,200 men. They carried signs reading "Free our Sisters — Free Ourselves!" Jailed Peggy Carter of the New Haven Panthers, gave birth to a baby boy last week under heavy armed guard. After 30 hours of labor, the child was delivered by Caesarian section. Miss Carter was returned to jail two days later, suffering from an infection which the Panthers fear may make her sterile. The baby was released to her family, but the two expectant mothers fear the state will declare them "unfit mothers" and place the children in foster homes. During the demonstration, the Panther party demanded to serve as the babies' guardian, and demanded the state release the pregnant women on their own recognizance.

Vietnam vet shot at Fort Dix

FORT DIX, N.J. (LNS) — A black Vietnam veteran was shot in the back of the knee at the military prison here Nov. 8 as he walked out of his barracks by the soldier assigned to guard him. Other soldiers in the barracks ran out after hearing the shot and found the guard standing over the wounded prisoner, who was twitching on the ground. "I should have killed the black bastard," the guard answered when challenged by the GIs. The prisoner, Corporal Louis Hutchins, won the Silver Star in Vietnam and was up for the Congressional Medal of Honor for saving four wounded comrades under fire. He had missed formation and been restricted to base.