

SEXISM, LAW SUIT THREATENING AT U OF T

SEXISM: CONTROVERSY ABOUT U OF TORONTO ENGINEERING PAPER CONTINUES AS WOMEN'S STUDIES PROFESSOR THREATENS TO SUE EDITOR

TORONTO (CUP) - A lengthy controversy about the University of Toronto's engineering students' newspaper, the *Toike*, has heated up, with a women's studies professor considering a libel suit against its editor.

Professor Kay Armatage says she may sue *Toike* editor Bob Moul, after Moul accused Armatage of pressuring her students into writing to *Toike* advertisers in an attempt to cut the paper's advertising revenue. U of T. women's groups and others have attacked the *Toike*'s content for being consistently sexist and offensive.

Moul called for Armatage's resignation in an open letter printed in some campus publications but

later retracted the remarks in his letter. Armatage was also attacked in an issue of the *Toike* which contained several jokes about women named Kay but she said the letter would be the basis

of the lawsuit, if it goes ahead.

Armatage has asked engineering dean G.R. Slemon to make a public statement on the *Toike* "even if it is to disassociate himself from the faculty" and is working with Women Fighting Sexism (WFS), a campus group who are circulating pamphlets and a petition condemning sexist material in the paper.

The University College Literary and Athletic Society has passed a motion recommending that an ad hoc committee be set up by the Students' Administrative Council (SAC) to investigate the sexism allegations and the SAC women's commission is expected to join the campaign soon.

Meanwhile Moul has organized a rally in support of the *Toike*. The Engineering Students Against Feminists Against *Toike* (ESAFAT) will rally against people who take the *Toike* too seriously, he said.

Moul and a group of engineers also ran into trouble recently after harassing a woman collecting petition signatures in a

campus lobby. Campus police were called to the scene and Moul was ordered to "cool it". The engineers had set up a table in the lobby with copies of *Toike* and defaced WFS pamphlets and Moul

allegedly pointed a toy rifle at the woman with the petition.

Armatage said the incident indicates the situation is "getting rough and scary".

MEDIA PARTY

People involved with the SUN, CIMN, the photo club, and yearbook will be in the Barn on Tuesday night, December 4, celebrating the end of their jobs for the term. The occasion will be a pub. People involved with the above organizations will be admitted free, and they will also receive a number of free refreshments. Everyone is welcome and it will hopefully be a good time for all.

SENATE CONGRATULATES SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE

In a memo to the UPEI SUN, Michael Hennessey, the Secretary of the UPEI Senate, revealed that Senate approved a motion directed to the Committee for Symposium '79. This happened at a Senate meeting on November 15, and the motion read as follows:

We congratulate you, and all the students who worked with you, on conceiving and making a great success of Symposium, '79. On behalf of the UPEI Senate, we thank you all for the opportunity to learn of students' perceptions of issues of fundamental importance to UPEI. We hope that you will find means to continue to foster discussion among students, and between students and members of the UPEI faculty and administration, and assure you that we are willing to help you to do so.

Capital Punishment is Subject of First Debate

from Topics

The first debate to be presented by the newly-formed University Theatre Society is set for Tuesday, December 4, in Duffy Amphitheatre at 8:00 p.m. Subject of the debate is: be it resolved that capital punishment be restored in Canada. The moderator is Dr. Colin McMillan, Charlottetown physician. Debators are Charlottetown Chief of

Police Donald S. Saunders; Ronald Dalzell, Charlottetown lawyer; professor Ivan Dowling, UPEI Dean of Science, and Lachlan MacQuarrie, UPEI Arts student.

Judges are Prof. R.J. Baker, Dr. Edward Edmonds, and Dr. Brendan O'Grady. Co-ordinator of the debate is Dr. Betsy Epperley, Department of English.



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