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BILLS 70 AND 105 ARE DECLARED NULL AND VOID

BY THE COURT OF APPEALS

On September 16, 1985 the Court of Appeals decided that Bills 70 and 105 are null and void because the sessional documents (decrees) had not been adopted in English according to article 133 of the BNAA. The government has always the option to appeal these three decisions (Louis Albert - Pierre Brunet - Linda Collier) to the Supreme Court of Canada within 60 days. Decision of the Supreme Court on whether or not to accept such an appeal usually comes out within two weeks. If it accepts the appeal it means final verdict within one or two years. If it refuses the appeal or the Quebec government decides not to appeal the cases, it means that all charges are dropped. It is worth mentioning that these decisions do not touch Bill 111. For this particular case lawsuits had been filed with the sessions court (small claims court) and our arguments have been rejected. We have since appealed the decision.

Notwithstanding the above decisions (of the Superior Court) our Lawsuit against bills 70, 105 and 111 contesting their constitutionality (language, right of association, right to negotiate ...) continues on the Superior Court. This pursuit has to follow its course, and once the language issue is settled it will permit us to evaluate the weight of our grievances filed during the spring of 83 and according to the old collective agreements. Let's not forget that also exists Bill 8, a remedial law which retroactively adopts the decrees in English without mentioning that our grievances have been rejected. The question now is whether or not this Bill (Bill 8) will be an obstacle for the grievances filed prior to its adoption.

TRANSIENT EMPLOYMENT: THE WORK CONTINUES

In a certain way which be more discrete than the last year, FNEEQ is again working this year on the dossier transient employment (here we are talking about those persons who find themselves in a precarious situation and whose contract does not renew automatically).

It's worth noting that a working committee to deal with this issue has been formed by the Federal Council in June 85.

The mandate of this committee is to place the problem within the syndical context (local unions, FNEEQ, CSN) and produce a report on transient employment in teaching, taking into considerations the transformations on the job market, as well as bring forward recommendations aiming first at ameliorating the working conditions of those affected and second at the elimination of transient employment itself.

Three meetings have already taken place this fall. We have prepared a questionnaire to obtain a picture of those affected within FNEEQ and their possibilities. We are presently in the process of developing a political analysis on part time work. We are also trying to assist initiatives undertaken by part-time teachers in their respective unions.

In order to better coordinate our efforts we invite the persons concerned to communicate with us.

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AN F-18 FOR PEACE

The demonstrations for Peace and disarmament, which will take place in different regions of Quebec on October 19, are aiming at 62,000 people.

For all those who will participate, the national committee for peace (whose members are Claire Bonenfant, Francine Fournier and Mgr Adolphe Proulx) will negotiate with the federal government the price of an F-18.

The calculations are as follows: for every participant we ask for 1,000\$. Thus if there are 62,000 participants x 1,000\$ = 62 millions\$, the production cost of an F-18. The national committee will then see that this amount is invested in a sector which will create jobs.

ON OCTOBER THE 19th, WE EMBARK UPON A CONCRETE MOVEMENT FOR PEACE BY PARTICIPATING IN ONE OF THE NINE DEMONSTRATIONS FOR PEACE IN Montreal (598-2401), Quebec (647-5700), Rimouski (723-7811), Baie-Comeau (589-2608), Rouyn (825-6137), Hull (771-7447), Sherbrooke (566-8595), Trois-Rivières (378-5419), Chicoutimi (549-3334).

CSN NATIONAL WEEK ON HEALTH AND SAFETY

WORK IN A HEALTHY AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Between October 21 and 26, the CSN organizes a week on health and safety in order to alert workers as well as the general public on the dangers in their workplace. This week coincides with the week on health and safety organized by the CSST (Health and Safety Commission at work). The objectives though are different: the CSST wishes that the responsibilities on matters of health and safety at work are also shared by workers whereas the CSN whose main preoccupation is to eliminate the risks at the source, places this responsibility in the hands of the employer to guarantee the safety in their premises.

The means to enforce this objective will be at the disposal of the unions (available in the Central Councils): i.e. posters, videos, comic strips, adhesive signs which serve to point out at the workplace the source of a problem.

Attempt

One of the main objectives of this week is that every union attempts to draw the attention of its members of the health and safety hazards they live daily in their working place.

Some activities proposed by the committee on health and safety of FNEEQ are:

- 1.- Information booth on local problems (ex. air conditioning)
- 2.- Distribution of pamphlets among the students and faculty
- 3.- Emergency evacuation and first aid simulations which facilitate attainment of our objectives
- 4.- Distribution of the CSN journal
- 5.- Usage of CSN posters to identify dangerous situations and areas within the College
- 6.- Quizzes to students in order that they identify the hazards on location

It is very likely that these activities will sensitize people about the problems and instigate solutions, certain dangers can be eliminated in a relatively simple fashion.

AGENDA

OCTOBER 17, 18, in HULL: Joint Federal Council meetings among the 4 Federations of the CSN of the public sector (FNEEQ, FAS, FESP, FPPSCQ). These meetings will formulate recommendations for the general assemblies on our salary demands, on our strategy plan and on the possible alliantes.

OCTOBER 24, in MONTREAL: Session of grievance officers.

NOVEMBER 1st and 2nd, in MONTREAL: Women session on feminist pedagogy (history, objectives, results, pedagogical approach, etc.). For registration please phone (514) 398-2241. It is a "first" on this subject.

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