

GAUTHIER SRC PREXY



2nd V.P.: Mary Trites



Sec.: Jean Thompson



Pres.: Bob Gauthier

Here are three members of the New SRC scheduled to take office next week. Pictures of the other two members, of the Executive, Bob Little, 1st Vice-President and Ron Scott, Treasurer were unavailable at press time.

Grand Election Theft:

M.M.'s Poll Prank

by Jack Oliver
News Editor

The political scene at UNB during the past week has been smattered with various innovations. The New Party made its appearance proposing legislation requiring a larger degree of Federal support in several fields including education; the Christian Atheists suggested the 'sinking' of the HMCS Bonaventure; but the most startling news came with the presence of an enthusiastic group of young 'politicians' calling themselves the Maritime Monarchists (hereafter called the MM's — no structural similarity implied).

In a last-ditch attempt to gain campus-wide recognition the MM's organized an unorthodox if not illegal piece of strategy. At 2:55 p.m. on election day a group of MM supporters made off with the Political Party Ballot boxes. Yes — every single one of them on campus. The polling clerks were caught completely by surprise as the vigilantes grabbed the containers and scooted away to deposit them in running cars which roared away to a secret rendezvous. University and SRC officials were completely exasperated when they found no sign of the boxes by 6 p.m. Finally the 'thieves' returned their booty at 7:30 p.m. to the Student Centre. Bob Soward, SRC Chairman had this to say about the prank: "The act of absconding with the Political Election ballot boxes by the Maritime Monarchists was a commando-like farce. However when contacted and asked to return the boxes in an unopened and undamaged state they did so and the election count proceeded."

A Maritime Monarchist spokesman said of the incident: "In order to ensure a democratic counting of the ballots we had to borrow them for a short time." Another said: "We figure that the polling clerks discouraged 90 per cent of the potential voters and if it weren't for this illicit campaigning on election day we would have got a majority in the House."

Here is the platform:

- 1) Recommended separation of Maritimes from the rest of Canada. The four Maritime provinces would be set up as a new federation;
- 2) Exploitation of the tourist trade in the Maritimes through several pieces of legislation which would put into effect such things as legalized gambling (such as in Los Vegas), free liquor laws, loose divorce courts (to be set up in PEI).

Camp Gagetown would be used by children for playing war games.

A spokesman for the MM's said that because of the increased tax revenue from these measures to make the Maritimes the Monaco of North America corporation profits taxes would be cut from the present high of 50 per cent to a new low of 19 per cent. This would result in the establishment of a stable economy for the support of secondary industries. One of these would be the construction of a tunnel from Cape Breton Island to Newfoundland in order to mine the coal from a 'newly discovered coal-seam'.

The following is the new Editor's opinions:

I ask how their stealing of the boxes ensured a 'democratic counting of the ballots'. And I most emphatically stress the fact that the polling clerks had every right to discourage the voters from supporting an 'organization' (and I use the word with much misgiving) which had not, prior to election day been officially recognized as a political party at UNB.

In the last issue of the Brunswickan you read a statement from the Maritime Monarchist party. They said that their attempts to become sanctioned by the Model Parliament Joint Committee were flatly denied. They felt that they were receiving the brush-off from a group whom they called a 'clique'. The MM's kept referring to the fact that they had gained the approval of the SRC three separate times. Come now dear MM's. Don't you think that if the SRC had been sincerely convinced of the worthiness of your 'party' that they would have strongly suggested to the Model Parliament Joint Committee that they accept your bid for party status? It is my opinion that the SRC was not fully satisfied with your constitution to give you their fullest support. To you who read this article I suggest serious consideration of the Maritime Monarchist platform. Does it represent your idea of reasonable legislation? Would the various aspects of it really be in the good interests of the Maritimes?

It seems to me that the MM party intends to make a 'party' out of Model Parliament. I suggest that if the MM's wish to validate their so-called 'right' to send four representatives to Model Parliament then they should take a campus plebiscite.

In the elections the MM's received a total of 84 votes which would give them four seats in Model Parliament if they were officially recognized. However since they have not been

sanctioned by the Joint Committee they do not as yet have the right to sit in Model Parliament. I suggest that the MM's take a campus plebiscite in order to validate or invalidate their claim to representation. Certainly 84 'written-in' votes does not mean that UNB is fully behind the MM's.

I challenge the Maritime Monarchists to put themselves to the test. Call a campus plebiscite. Or will you continue to resort to your own 'democratic' way of counting votes?

P.C.'s Clean House

In the recent Political Party Elections for Model Parliament the Progressive Conservative Party under the leadership of Jo-Anne MacArthur retained their majority in the House.

They tallied a total of 372 votes — enough for 20 of the 51 contested seats. The CA's followed closely with 293 votes and 15 seats. Following these were the Liberals with 211 votes and 11 seats and the New Party with 101 votes and 5 seats. The Maritime Monarchists gained a total of 84 votes although they were not officially listed on the ballot. If they should come to be recognized they would hold 4 additional seats.

'First Ballot' Win

by JOANNE ROWLEY

Bob Gauthier was swept into office as SRC President in a landslide majority in the first ballot, Wednesday. With approximately 70 per cent of the student body voting, the results gave Gauthier a wide margin with 565 votes against 272 for Fred Eaton and 250 for Derek Oland.

In the contest for Secretary of the SRC Jean Thompson won over Judy Chalmers with a vote of 736 to 441.

The race for Treasurer was the tightest of the three. On the first ballot Ron Scott and Barry Savage placed a close first and second with 421 and 383 votes. The third candidate, Blake Williams received 212 votes. Williams was dropped and on the second ballot the final count gave Scott the edge over Savage with a vote of 461 to 447.

In the office of first Vice-President of the SRC Bob Little was elected by acclamation and Mary Trites became 2nd Vice-President, also by acclamation.

Senior Reps

In the enthusiastic race for Senior SRC reps two Arts Students, Keith W. Thompson and Betty Fearon were elected with 104 and 93 votes respectively. Gordon Howse became the third rep with 79 votes and Dave Fellows the fourth with 69. In the original count Nick Mulder, another Artsman, placed third with 83 and Charlie Hubbard, also in Arts, fifth with 75. They had to be dropped because there can be no more than two reps from one faculty in any class according to the SRC Constitution. This moved Mr. Howse from fourth place to third and Mr. Fellows from sixth place to fourth. The votes accumulated by the defeated candidates were as follows: Barry Mackay 68, Jack Oliver 65, Ivan Renton 64, David Ward 64, Ian Barton 55, Bill Lewis 43, Bob Baber 42, Daryl Prince 40 and Robert Thompson 37.

Intermediate Reps

The SRC Reps for the Intermediate class were elected by acclamation. They are: Dave

Clements, Peter Forbes and Bob Hallett.

Junior Reps

In the contest for Junior Reps the three elected were: Sandy LeBlanc with 230 votes, Richard Clark with 229 votes and Larry Simpson with 192. The defeated candidates Allen Frew and Andrews Pianim received 99 and 67 votes respectively.

Sophomore Reps

Out of a field of six candidates the three Sophomore Reps elected were: Gil Leach with 193 votes, Geoff Stevens with 189 votes and Bill Graham with 155. Brian Ross, Terry O'Neill and John Wetmore were defeated on votes of 148, 135 and 122 respectively.

Life Executive

The Civil Engineers swept into all Life Executive offices of the Senior Class. Paul Blanchet was elected President, Bill Sutherland, Vice-President, Jean McCutcheon, Secretary and Hugh Griffiths, the Valedictorian.

Class Executives

Charlie Hubbard was elected Vice-President of the Senior Class by a vote of 119 against 100 for Syd Grant. The other officers of the Senior Class, elected by acclamation were: Roy Miller, President and Bob Winegar, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Intermediate Class elected their President Ron Weir by acclamation but failed to place nominations for Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer.

In the contest for Junior Class President, Doug Baggs won over Ed Bell with a vote of 250 to 100. The Vice-President of the class is Paul Marcoux and the Secretary-Treasurer Jim Dole.

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Now You See 'Em



Smiling
'Thieves',
The M.M.'s,
Return Their
Precious Booty,
Political Ballot
Boxes, To The
Open Arms of
a Worried
Joint Committee