

Comments

'Conservative Convention - a laughable farce'

By DAVE ANDERSON

Last Saturday's Progressive Conservative nominating convention was perhaps the most blatant example of the weaknesses and absurdities of local politics. What the organizers hoped would be a small scale version of a successful and well-run convention turned out to be a laughable farce, as the already predetermined winner used every trick in the book to ensure his nomination.

Perhaps the most outlandish example was the bastion of mindless high school students who were asked to make themselves conspicuous while they waved signs and passed out the copious quantity of buttons and stickers. This effort by Howie to give the impression of having the support of the youth delegates was nothing

but a sham as there were hardly more than two dozen delegates under twenty-five in attendance. The majority if not all of their votes went to Kerr and Hum. The fact that less than 5 percent of the delegates were really youth delegates made the claims of the nominees that the party was finally becoming attractive to younger people utter nonsense. Howie well run and extensive machinery for winning public support completely outdid that of his opponents combined.

The hoopla and handouts, including white stetsons (à la Charlie) were spread on pretty thick. His outlandish campaign and hand shaking, back-slapping manner obviously gained the support of the predominantly older people, as the issues became secondary. It was inter-

esting how the candidates all fitted into distinct groups-the farmer, the lawyer, the student, the intellectual, the French ex-liberal and a pair of crackpots.

As expected, the only real politician won handily, making the whole affair about as ex-rid our parks of child molesters

citing as Nixon's re-nomination.

Each candidate's definition of conservatism of course differed, while each promised that he and Bob Stanfield would win the upcoming election. The highlight of the whole idiotic mess was Cratte's promise to

and drug pushers, followed by Dr. 'Chalmers' labelling of all things liberal as 'socialistic crap'.

To all those who claim that the nomination was a success, our sincere condolences on your naivety.

YAB working for better communication

By MAURICE GAUTHIER

The "Special Projects Branch" of the provincial Department of Youth has been working towards the establishment of communication channels between the "under-twenty-five" segment of the population and the higher echelons of the Department. This effort is now showing positive results, with the setting up of a Youth Advisory Board.

Originally provided for under the Youth Assistance Act (1969), this board is composed of twenty-one members; three for each of the seven provincial districts. Each section is represented by an "adult member" (ie. over twenty-five), along with two youths, one speaking for out of high school youths and the other, for in high school youths.

The former, supposedly a community leader, is appointed by the Minister of Youth, acting on the recommendation of the local member of Parliament. The latter two are elected by youth organizations in their respective areas. A Government Order-in-Council appoints representatives for periods of two years.

Members receive travelling expenses only but, steps are being taken so that compensation will be given to those who must be absent for work

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the job not two months finished, and they are having to repair it. It's no bloody wonder fees keep increasing when we have to subsidize bumbling incompetence such as this. This as I say seems to be typical of the UNB Maintenance Department. I wonder what the actual dollars and cents cost of this project has now run; approximately 10 months labour plus material plus what it is going to cost to repair it. My congratulations to those that did the original work; your private motto is surely: Quantity (lots of time, take all you want) vs. Quality (Do a proper job first time around).

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in order to attend the quarterly meetings which are held in Fredericton.

A spokesman for the "Special Projects Branch" made it quite clear that although they were financing the operation, they wanted as little a part as possible in the decision-making process. As a result, a board member is elected as chairman for one year. A Departmental representative, however, does attend the meetings in the capacity of secretary. It is hoped that in this way, the feelings of the provincial youth will be voiced without any bureaucratic obstructions from the Department. If and when recommendations are to

be presented, they will be done so to the Minister, Brenda Robertson who will attend the meeting. This system should allow the sort of feedback which the Department seems to be seeking.

Whether or not board members will be effectual in making their views heard still remains to be seen. A major accomplishment however, involves the fact that the youth of this province now have an outlet through which they may vocalize their feelings. Miss Lana Pitcher is the UNB representative on the Board and she hopes to set up an office in the SUB sometime in the near future.

Employment Interviews

Degree Level: Bachelor's unless otherwise indicated.

Application Forms: UCPA application forms available at Placement Office. Please leave one form on file at Placement Office, and submit one form for each interview.

Appointments: Book appointments for interviews at least one week before interview date. Four interviews may be booked at one time. When one interview has been completed, another may be booked.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Location: Annex B.

Friday, September 29, Public Service Commission Department of Environment, deadline for acceptance of application forms for Pre-Screening extended to October 12. Careers in Meteorology with Atmospheric Environment Service. Bachelor's Candidates. Honors Physics or

Physics Major with Math minor.

Monday, October 2, Public Service Commission Careers Abroad Program, briefing session room 303, Tilley Hall 7:00 p.m.; Stelco, deadline for Pre-Screening, Bachelor's Degree Candidates - Business Administration, Mechanical, Civil, Electrical and Chemical Engineering.

Wednesday, October 4, Bell Canada, deadline for acceptance of applications for Pre-Screening. A management career for graduates in Electrical, Mechanical, Civil.

Thursday, October 5, Public Service Commission Administrative Trainee, briefing session. Tilley Hall, room 102, 7:00p.m.

Friday, October 6, Ontario Hydro, deadline for acceptance of Pre-Screening applications in Chemical, Electrical, Mechanical Engineering. Bachelor's Candidate, Computer Science, Masters Candidates.

Brunswickan staff meeting

Sunday night

7 p.m.

All staff members please attend. Also, anyone interested in joining the BRUNSWICKAN is invited to come.

Mugwump Journal

By EDISON STEWART

For some reason or other, I've had an amazing amount of feedback this week. And it wasn't all about last week's column. People just walked in the door with their ideas for the column, and I'd like to say how grateful I am for your interest. With you and my mother both reading this, my reading audience has doubled...

All seriousness aside though, your ideas are welcome. Some of you who offered your ideas might not see them in print here. If it isn't here, come on in and talk about it, we'll work something out...

Enough of the ham.

Speaking of Saga, they've been overcharging again. Apparently some of the employees at the cash counter in the SUB coffee shop don't know the price of a cinnamon roll. The 10 cent rolls were going for 15 cents last week.

Ever wonder who gets that extra profit?

It sure could be interesting if one were to find out. We're printing one letter this week from a fellow who's pretty fed up with the price increase. If anybody else would like to voice an opinion (that includes you, Saga), then by all means write. We'll print it.

The History department is trying to keep the wraps on a visit to UNB by the one and only US General William Westmorland, the man who brought modern warfare and assorted other goodies to Vietnam. His address to a class in Military History is scheduled for the first week in December, but apparently the campus isn't supposed to know about this until later. The department wants to avoid any 'Incidents' Westmorland's presence might create, especially so soon after the American election...

There's been a lot of pretty useless bitching about the ID cards this year. The cards were redone at registration at a cost of \$1,000, just so that the age of the card bearer could be inscribed. Well after all that expense and fuss, the cards have been completed.

Problem: Number one, absolutely no one, need accept the cards as adequate proof of age. Why? Because there isn't any validating signature, no signature verifying that the age is true. The cards in 70-71 had the signature of the SRC president, but that has since been discontinued. One reason there isn't any validating signature is that it's too risky. The SUB found one fellow last week with three different cards, all with different faculties, years and student numbers...

A member of last year's SRC executive complained to me last Friday about the curbing the university is putting on the road to the Law School, right behind the library. The curbing, he says, takes up the space that formerly gave 20 or more cars parking space. Now, there's nowhere to park. Seems you just get rid of one problem and you get another...

Good morning, folks. Back same place, same channel next week...