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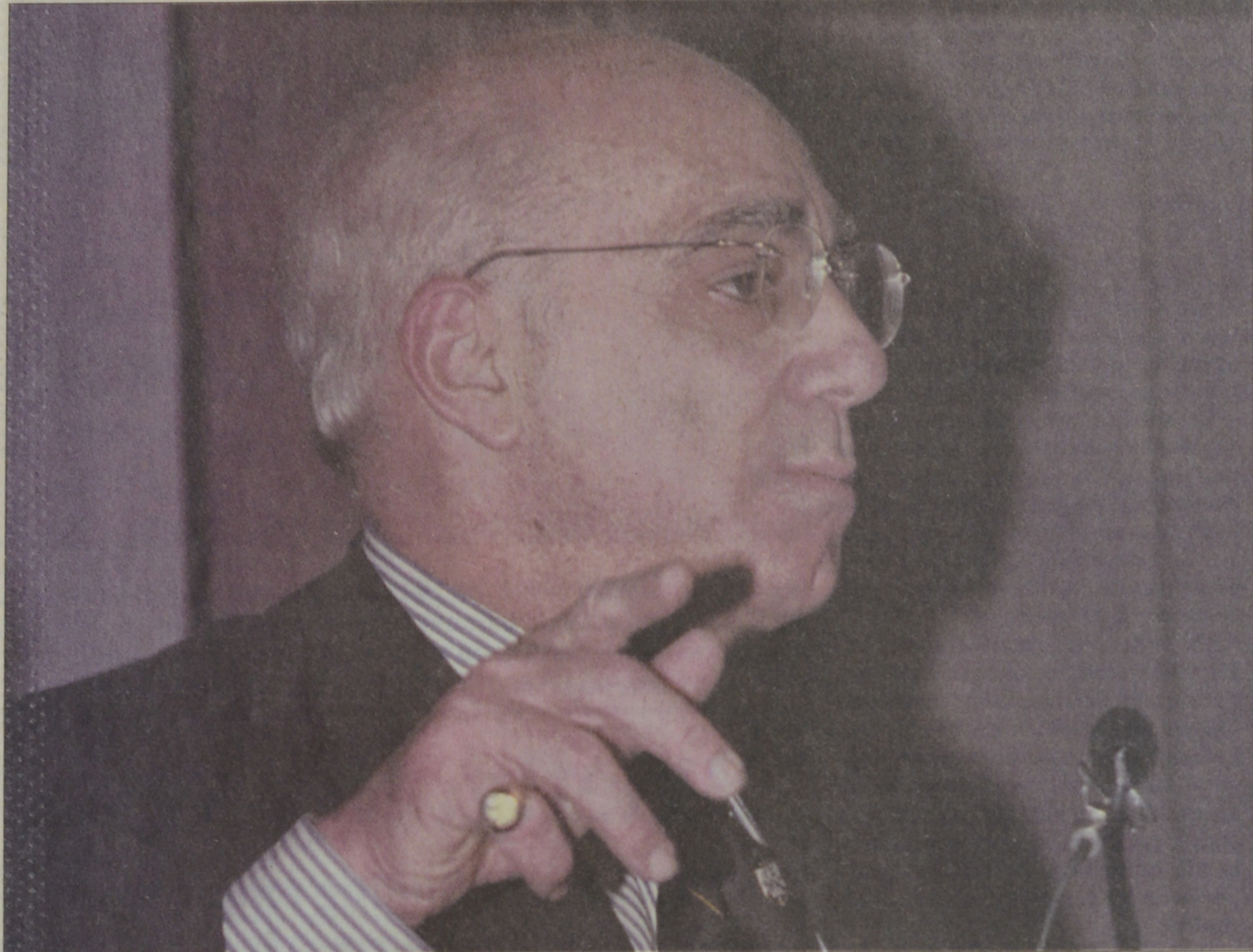
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**Human Right's lecture - The Vatican and the Holocaust**



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Part of the Dr. Bernie Vigod Memorial lecture series was held last Monday - see story page 3

## Winter jobs looking cold

**Survey gives a dim 'outlook' to Fredericton job hopefuls this winter**

by Kora Stapelfeldt

Fredericton area job-hopefuls will find a few doors closed to them in the chilly months ahead.

The First Quarter Employment Outlook Survey issued Tuesday by Manpower Incorporated paints a dim picture for those looking for employment come wintertime.

Surveying the hiring intentions for the January, February, and March months, Manpower found seven percent of firms will realize a staffing increase whereas 13 percent will see reductions and 80 percent are simply not hiring.

Heather Chase of Manpower believes the view was more promising a few months ago and the stats prove worse than last year.

"At this time last year, employers were

divided as 26 percent predicted personnel gains and another 26 percent reported cutbacks were planned."

Weldon Leblanc, General Manager of the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce, believes there is no need to worry.

"Fredericton is rather stable in terms of employment," said Leblanc. "To me, 80 percent is a stable figure."

Leblanc also said although the 13 percent reduction rate is not good, he feels it is to be expected.

For students graduating in the winter, Leblanc doesn't view the first quarter results as projecting an "alarming situation."

"We're not going to push any panic buttons here," said Leblanc. "We're optimistic that we will continue to forge ahead with our economy."

Nonetheless, education and public administration employment opportunities look promising.

However, those looking for employment in wholesale and retail will

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## Tories and the same old stories?

**Opposition leader Shawn Graham wants to break new ground**

by Kora Stapelfeldt

Tuesday's provincial throne speech was more of a rehash of old promises according to New Brunswick opposition leader Shawn Graham.

The Tories put their hand out to the social issues again as the Lord government moved to reinstate the three-year promise to increase money for education.

Premier Bernard Lord was quick to mention he was not going to push his upcoming election even though this is the final session of legislature before the provincial election.

"This is not about election goodies," stated Lord. "That's how the Liberals used to operate, that's not how we operate."

Graham believes the speech was disappointing as no new promises were

made and no new ground breaking initiatives were stated.

"We were hoping to see concrete, tangible efforts to improve health care and accessibility to education," said Graham.

"Unfortunately, there was a number of platitudes and a rehash of promises they made in the past but nothing new or striking."

Although the Lord government did not disclose the amount of the increase for post-secondary funding, they did mention another three-year plan similar to that of the past three years.

"I'm a firm believer in equal opportunity," said Graham. "I'm concerned when I see students graduating from universities with debt loads over \$30 000."

Graham stated that it's much more difficult for students to remain in post-secondary institutions as the tuition rates climb.

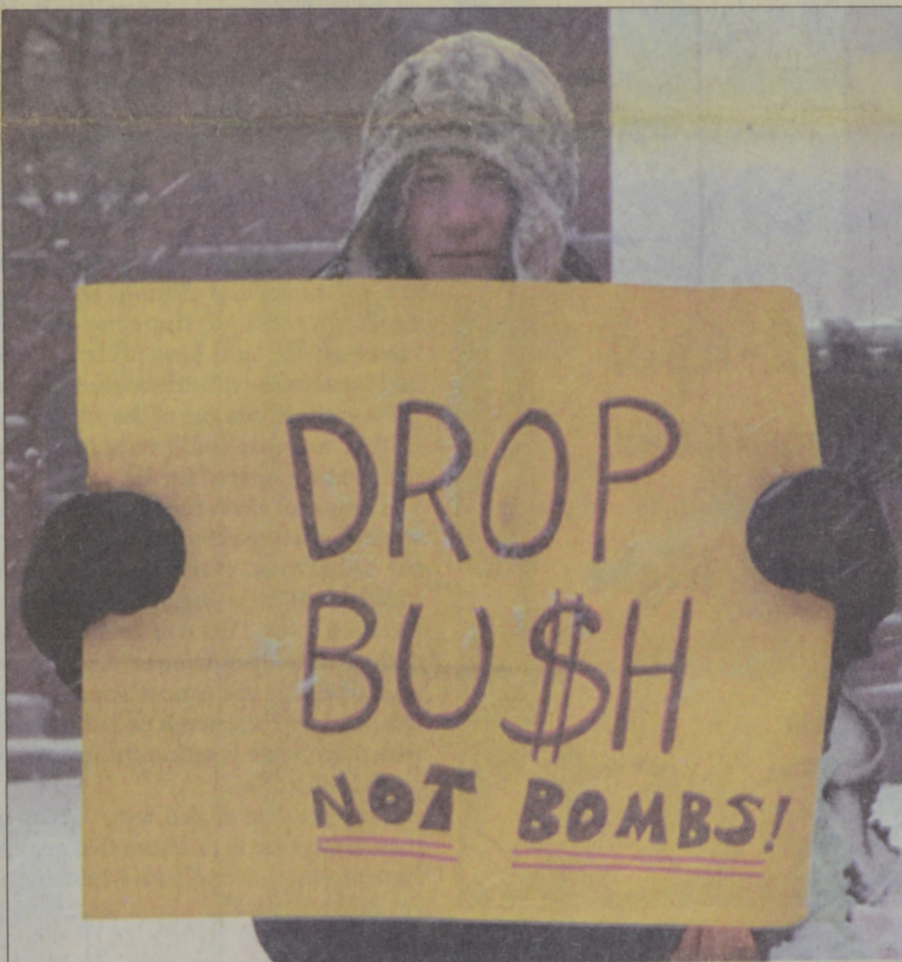
Although accessibility is definitely an issue, Graham also feels it's important to be "more aggressive" at keeping those who graduate in the New Brunswick job

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## War, what is it good for?

**Anti-war protest took place last Sunday at City Hall**

by T.J. Essensa



Rose Campbell/The Brunswickan

One of the many slogans to hit the streets last Sunday.

Fredericton residents forged frigid winter elements on Sunday in solidarity with groups across the nation to march against a potential war against Iraq.

Sunday's storm didn't stop a group of around 20 protesters who rallied in front of city hall with signs with such slogans as "no blood for oil" and "drop bush not bombs." There were a number of groups represented at the assembly including the Second Thought collective.

The Canadian Network to End Sanctions on Iraq organized mass demonstrations to raise awareness on the topic and send a message of "Cry no to war" to Jean Chretien and the rest of government.

United States president George Bush has threatened to wage war on Iraq if its president Saddam Hussein does not allow United Nations inspectors guarantee the country is not building chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons.

On Friday, U.S. planes bombed three Iraqi air defense sites and two suspected military targets saying they breached U.N. agreements by firing on U.S. and British warplanes patrolling no-fly zones over northern and southern Iraq.

Along with Fredericton's protesters, thousands of people across the country rallied in unison to stand out against the war in all the provinces. Nine thousand people rallied in Ottawa, Vancouver, and

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## People's forum brings out the community

**MP promises to fight for post-secondary education and health care**

by Kora Stapelfeldt

A cold snowy day did little to stop crowds from attending Andy Scott's people's forum at the Forest Hill residence this past weekend.

Throughout the day, groups discussed their views at specific round table discussions including: bridging the gap between fiscal and social frameworks, social responsibilities, and national defense.

Health care was a hot topic, along with education. The main idea of the forum was to get recommendations from the community that Andy Scott can present



Stephanie Brunet/The Brunswickan  
Andy Scott hosts People's Forum

to those on Capital Hill.

Amid the buzz on the Canadian Health and Social Transfer, and creating a Post Secondary Education (PSE) act for Canada, 'accountability' was the word of the day.

Many community members believed the federal government needs to hold provinces more accountable for what they do with their money.

The CHST is money given to the province for health programs and social service, yet the province can choose the amount they want to give to each program or service.

John Campbell, VP Academic of the UNB Student Union, is a strong advocate for provincial accountability.

"Provinces have funny games with their taxes," said Campbell to the group discussing the social frameworks. "Earmarking CHST funding allows for

this accountability."

Community member Randy Dickinson echoed this sentiment on a larger scale suggesting if "we want quality we need the fiscal capacity to pay for it."

"If they knew where the taxes were going, then we would have more trust in the government to pay for it and support things we want," said Dickinson.

There were quite a few social recommendations brought to the MP's attention following the round table discussions.

Among the practical recommendations were a direct aim of 1% CHST to early childhood development, specifically health and wellness systems.

"The Government should come up with a policy to commit against a slide

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Politics is war without bloodshed while war is politics with bloodshed.

Mao Tse-Tung



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