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SUPAMEN AND ANTI-PROTEST MARCHERS ON LEGISLATURE STEPS . . . petition fate unknown

SUPAmen Friday march forth

A group of citizens protesting the Canadian role in the Vietnam war took their objections to the steps of the provincial legislature Friday. Seventy people gathered at the entrance to the legislature, while

the protest leaders attempted to present their petition to the government. Earlier in the week the pro-testers had been curtly dismissed by Premier E. C. Manning when



Without this label Kitten . it is not a genuine KITTEN. they asked to have their petition considered in the house.

government.

Friday they succeeded in getting their petition against "Canadian complicancy" into the hands of the

U of A student Owen Anderson introduced Morten Newman, chairman of the students' union for peace action, to a Socred MLA who did accept the petition and brief. The fate of the petition is un-

known. The petitioners expressed concern with the United States bomb-ing of North Vietnam and objected to Canadian support of U.S. policy in Vietnam.

They called upon the Alberta government to pass a motion ask-ing the Canadian government to reverse its policy of U.S. support and demand a reconvention of the Geneva Conference.

COUNTER-PROTESTERS

Twenty counter-protesters waved placards supporting American efforts in Vietnam and heckled the peace marchers.

The pro-American pickets hissed and booed Peter Boothroyd, Morten Newman and Berni Bloom who spoke against the Vietnam war.

None of the American supporters attempted to give a speech in de-

fense of the American war effort. Peter Boothroyd, grad studies, told the assembled picketers that the American war effort is futile in terms of attaining a lasting peace in the world.

Speaking to the pro-American hecklers, Boothroyd said: "We are all seeking peace, but we disagree with you on the most effective method of gaining a real peace." FEAR OF AMERICANS

Boothroyd claimed the Canadian voice on the International Control ommission is controlled by Can ada's fear of offending the Americans

"But Canada is legally and morally at fault in the role she has taken in the Vietnam war," he said

The brief, which was critical of the use of Canadian oil and other strategic materials in the American war effort, was supported by five citizens groups. The students' union for peace

action, the voice of women, the student Christian movement, the Woodsworth-Irving fellowship and the Edmonton committee to end the war in Vietnam officially signed the petition.

The Branny story

Grade X political dud makes good at U of A

By SHEILA BALLARD presidential campaign that

Α smelled of anything but success at its beginning ended triumphantly for Branny Shepanovich Friday evening at 9:10.

A crowd of students spent Friday evening in SUB rotunda nail biting and speculating about the results of students' council elections held that day.

At about 9:10 p.m. the crowd silenced itself to watch as the final election results were posted on the rotunda blackboard. Then someone started singing

Branny's campaign song. Branny Shepanovich, law 2, won the students' union presidency with

a clear majority over the two other students who had contested the position.

The new president was born at Cadomin, Alberta and received his high school education at Edson.

Branny seems to have had more success with presidential elections than with those for lesser positions that he has contested. HIGH STAKES BEST

He lost in elections for room representative in Grade X and co-

ordinator of student affairs at U of A but won as president of his high school students' union and president of Gold Key Society.

Branny has also served as editor-in-chief of The Gateway and head of the Disciplinary, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board at U of A. Branny's most enjoyable experi-ences at U of A were those he had

during his three years in residence. He was almost fired as editor-in-

chief of The Gateway because of his stand for lower residence rates and a special Varsity Guest Week-end issue which publicized it.

During campaigning last week, Branny mentioned that he has since been denied a home in residence because of this stand. Residence fees were subsequently lowered because of the stand Branny and other students took.

Branny likes Scotch whiskey, women—who act like ladies and like themselves, cantelope, beef, jet

travel, and campfires. KNOW THY GOVERNMENT

He has a dislike for "people who don't do their homework in

government," meaning governments of the national level and right through to student governments.

Asked to comment on the election campaigns, Branny called them "high-level, clean" campaigns. What I appreciate most about the campaign is the great number of strong friendships that developl," said Branny. There has been much talk of the ed."

"new student movement" on campus. Branny believes that there is a new student movement.

"I hope it is going to be a responsible movement," said said Branny.

"I hope students will try to be informed as possible before coming out with criticisms on anything from international affairs on down to purely local issues."

He added that although most people respect idealism, students should be realistic when they are being critical. Branny identifies the "new stu-

dent" as one more aware of society as it exists off campus.

He would like to see campus political parties do more research and make definite contributions to provincial and federal politics. **OFF-CAMPUS CONTACTS**

Branny says he will be in contact with people off-campus to try to achieve some of the things he mentioned in his platform. One of his first moves will be

to contact an MLA, with regard to

student health services. During four years of summer employment with the CBC as a news editor, Branny has developed friendships and acquaintances with the public—city councillors, busi-nessmen, and the press.

He intends to use these relationships to an advantage for students. "I am confident Dr. Johns will co-operate in implementing parts of my platform that relate to campus," commented Branny.

"I do hope that if there are cases of student hardship they won't hesitate to come to me," he added. Branny says the function of student government should be to pro-

vide a spokesman for student goals -a spokesman who will lobby effectively for these goals.

New vice-president full of enthusiasm

The new vice-president of the students' union brings a great deal of experience and enthusiasm to her office.

Marilyn Pilkington, arts 2, defeated her opponent Lyanne Wilkie by a vote of 3,301 to 2,055 last Fri-

day. Marilyn was impressed by this year's campaign. She felt the candidates put a lot of honest and sincere effort into it, and there was a notable lack of mud-slinging. Each candidate campaigned fairly and well.

the campaign She found pretty hectic but says it was just the right amount of time. A longer campaign would have put too much of a strain on the candidates. A shorter one would have caused ineffective student communication.

Marilyn says communication on such a large campus was and is a great problem. She found individual contact means much more to the students. Because of this, she made an effort to personally speak to as many students as possible. Marilyn's duties as vice-president

include: • chairman of the personal board. • chairing various liaison commit-

tees between the students and the council executive. • campus hostess.

• assistant to the president. In addition, she must be prepared to take over the duties of the president if necessary.

She says that her first duties will be to thoroughly acquaint herself with all her responsibilities, and to learn students' council procedure and organization. The new executive should be a

very interesting group to work with, she said. They are not a homogeneous group, but bring a variety of experience, backgrounds and ideas to their positions.

In past years Marilyn has served among other things, as freshette rep and later vice-president of Wauneita Council, a Model Parliament cabinet minister, chairman of services for VGW and a member of Alpha Gamma Delta fraternity. Marilyn would like to thank all those who worked on her campaign, especially Josh Panner, Dave King, Dave Parsons, John Sterk, Donna Fraser and Liz Kostash, and her energetic kick-line.

Perhaps next year we will see dynamic and original student leadership on this campus. student

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