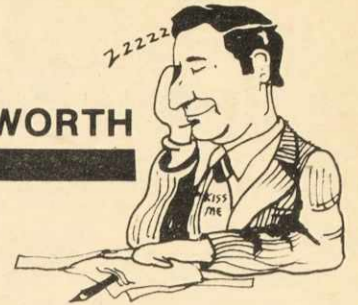


Tories have right to vomit in celebration of last fall's victory...

SAL HOLLOWSWORTH



IT'S PARTY TIME for the provincial Tories! Its the first time they've gathered en masse since last week, when they had a big booze-up in the corner of the Seahorse. The 48 hour gathering at premiere Buchanan's is the 15th straight weekend in which the Tories have boozed-up in celebration of their landslide victory last November.

Some party insiders are rumoured to be concerned about the amount of suds the party members are consuming. "We're all beginning to look a lot like Rolly Thornvalley," said one insider, sticking out his stomach and looking like he's been ex-laxed.

Most, regardless of the stripe running up their backs, will agree that the Tories deserve a party in celebration of their victory, although some are openly questioning when the partying is actually going to end.

"The Buchanan's, they're really good party people," said Agnes Finklehead, Spryfield neighbours of the premiere and Mrs. premiere. "I just wish they would do it somewhere else..."

Obviously Buchanan has the confidence of the Nova Scotia people, not to mention a few squirrels and a couple of elk.

What's more remarkable is that these

same people who have put him in office in three consecutive elections were the same ones who shunned him for eight years — although the few squirrels and couple of elk were with him all the way...Even the media, who now follow behind him like rabid little wet tailed puppies wouldn't give him the time of day — even when they knew what it was.

There was a time, and the Buch would be the first to admit it, that I was one of the few who kept in constant touch with him. In fact, we kept on bumping into each other all over the place. Grovelling around on my hands and knees it was hard for the premiere

not to trip over me from time to time.

In the days leading up to the September 1978 elections many of my peers laughed at me and my predictions of a Tory win. They said, Sal, you stupid snot nosed grovelling little pig, you're wrong. But I was right.

After the election John used copies of the articles I wrote to rap up fish and chips for the party's annual dinner.

The party knows, deep down inside, that they won't be in government forever. Some of them will die eventually. But they do have cause to rejoice. They do have cause to get so drunk that they fall down a lot and throw-up in the toilet. They earned it. So did Nova Scotia. So did I.

Hollis St. problems continue

By Jane Jameson

HOLLIS Street residents are up in arms over the noise and activity generated by members of the world's second oldest profession — politicians.

"You don't feel safe walking past there during the lunch hour," says local organizer Marie Dusseldorf. "They approach you from the front with pamphlets in their hands. They drive by in their cars. They eat in restaurants. They're disgusting."

City council is trying once again to slap an injunction to bar the unsightly group from working the street.

The problem is not unique to Halifax. Fredericton, Charlottetown, St. John's, Quebec City, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton and Victoria are all asking for changes in the criminal code to allow them to deal with the problem.

"It could be worse," said one Hollis Street resident wistfully, "we could be on Argyle Street and have to deal with the press."

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