Party Platforms

Model Parliament elections take place next week in conjunction with the Students' Representative Council voting. The platforms of the campus political parties contesting Model Parliament has been published on the inside pages of this issue. Four platforms have been published and it is anticipated that the platform of a fifth party, Maritime Monarchists, will be printed next Tuesday

What is the significance of these platforms? What is their value? Are they simply fanciful pieces of proposed legislation that may never be enacted by a government? Are these platforms merely a reflection of federal political party lines or have they been designed to specifically appeal to the students of UNB?

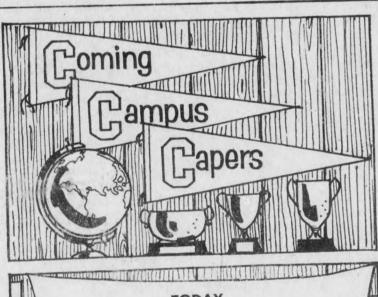
To digress momentarily, the success of a political party depends on two tangible abilities, their leadership and their proposed legislation. Legislative platforms promise what they will do if elected, while the leadership attempts to convince the voters that his party is the best tool to implement that legislation. Strong, forceful leadership can conceal or over-ride an uninspiring party platform while the opposite also holds true.

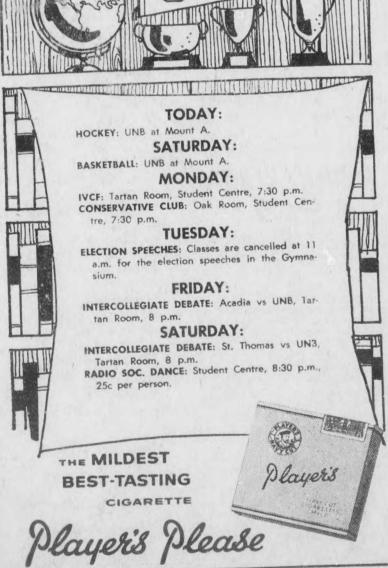
This year, party platforms and leadership action reveal that a great deal of work and energy has been expended in an effort to present each parties' side of the picture. On a strict platform digest basis it is difficult to judge one performance over another.

Many voters, whose sympathies lie with a certain party on the provincial or federal level, will cast their ballots for the same party Foreign Affairs in a student election. These people devote little consideration to the leadership or platforms of the students political parties.

Within this lies a great potential evil. To ensure the complete success of Model Parliament, all platforms should be considered on an individual basis with party affiliations remaining in the background. As one party leader told me, "Read our platform and there will be no doubt in your mind as to how you will vote." We have read all the platforms (with one yet to come) and think that the decision made next Wednesday will be very significant.

Our final counsel on this subject; read the platforms, evaluate them and then pronounce judgement on them. Pronounce judgement by casting your vote for the party presenting the platform present defence policies. that appeals most to you.







JO-ANNE MacARTHUR Party Leader

the following platform:

1. A complete examination of Canada's relationship with the United States of America.

2. The creation of a diplomatic corps training centre administered by the Department of External Affairs.

Detence

3. A thorough review of our

Public Works

4. The construction of a Maine Corridor Road, with the Department of Public Works giving preference to the Faculty and Students of the University of New Brunswick in designating the construction staff.

Health and Welfare Social Justice

5. A federal program of Alcoholic Rehabilitation, administered free to all university students.

6. An educational offensive to demonstrate the power of beer as an agent for the combat of cancer.

Finance

7. A policy of fluctuating interest on bank loans from one area of the nation to another, to ensure that interest rates on bank loans may be lower in those sections of the nation suffering high unemployment.

Electoral Act

8. Amend the electoral Act to provide every university in

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(thus excluding the "Marshrats") with a seat in the House of years of age.

Northern Affairs and National Resources

9. To warm the climate of our North by providing that there be one woman for every man, both in the Arctic and in all logging

alization of Canada's Sewerage year than the \$500 now offered. System, steps be taken to ensure Brunswick be provided with more accessible outlets.

The UNB PC Party submits LIBERALS



ED. BELL Party Leader

The following platform is what we, the members of the levied, to remedy profit without UNB LIBERAL CLUB, think taxation by business sources would be of most benefit to with capital. UNB students. We realize that this is model legislation and that will be legalized and controlled the actual federal government is by federal statutes, and taxes not likely to put it into effect levied from gambling will be at once (at least not until after used for the system of univerthe next federal election), but we sity scholarships. port in this election, it will be tries will be encouraged to build dication of the needs and feel- there.

Canada having in access of 1500 ings of university students. With full - time registered students this in mind, we offer the following platform for your support:

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I — With the rising cost of Commons, giving the vote in all university education, we will those constituencies to all full-legislate to provide the following time registered students over 18 benefits for university students:

1) University students in summer employment will be given complete exemption from income tax and will not be required to pay Unemployment Insurance Premiums.

2) Parents supporting dependents in university will receive a \$2000 income tax exemption, this figure being much closer to 10. In the event of the nation- the actual cost of a university

3) Married university students that the "MOOSE" of New and their wives (husbands) will receive further tax exemptions, depending upon the number of children and the wage-earning ability of the working partner.

4) A system of bursaries and scholarships will be established for students who show the need and merit. These loans and scholarships will be made available to all students, including those of average standing, thus giving every student an opportunity for university education to ensure their future and that of our nation.

II - Realizing that the preceding measures will be expensive, and that it would be virtually impossible to pay for them at the present level of unemployment without severe taxation, we will bring into effect the following points; in order to (1) increase government revenue without burdening the wageearner, (2) combat unemployment and (3) revitalize the present economic condition of Canada's depressed areas.

1) A capital gains tax will be

2) Gambling in limited forms

3) New or expanding indusbrought to the attention of the in depressed areas, promoting general public and government more employment and a gradual leaders, giving them positive in- raising of the standards of living

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