

## Stevens discusses Federal Government aid

By PETER KRAUTLE

Federal Government aid to businesses, wage and price controls, and labor relations, were some of the main issues discussed by Sinclair Stevens, who is a candidate for the leadership of the Conservative party.

Stevens is not sympathetic to the way in which government assisted programs, such as DREE, are handled.

He stated that governments should assist businesses initially but should follow up the business to make sure it is successful and not

operating on federal funds. At present programs, such as DREE, provide benefits at the early stages but fail to follow up their investments.

Stevens is in disagreement with the price and wage controls presently in force even though the main Tory platform was this very issue in the last election. The way to direct the economy upwards is by reducing government spending, stop the government from printing more money, and by increasing productivity in industries.

The right of federal employers in key services to strike should seriously be reviewed. Stevens said he believes that a board should be formed to force the union and employer into compulsory arbitration. The present system of bargaining between the government and the union has not worked well and if union leaders show irresponsibility, then their right to strike should be reconsidered.

The feeling of hostility towards government bureaucracy is very apparent in labor negotiations and this should be changed. Stevens stated the government right to legislate workers back to work should only be used as a last resort to settle disputes in essential services such as transportation and the post office. He called the recent move by the British Columbia government to legislate striking forest workers back to work as opportunist and an abuse of political powers. He said Premier Dave Barrent was acting against his philosophical beliefs.

When asked about the present situation of the Tory party in Quebec, Stevens responded by stating that a conservative party should be formed in the province. This would give Quebec voters a viable alternative in the next provincial election although this view is contrary to Claude Wagner's opinion that the Tories should join forces with the Union Nationale, said Stevens.

Stevens also stated that if the Parti Quebecois were elected to power in Quebec, and if a democratic referendum was held by the government showing a conclusive majority in favor of

separating, then the federal government should accept Quebec's position and not force the province to remain a part of Canada against their will. Steven described Bill 22, making French the sole official language of Quebec, as unfortunate and was surprised the federal government had not taken any action against the legislation.

According to Stevens, the federal government should provide incentives for businesses employing the concept of profit sharing with its employees and allowing employees to buy into companies. Tax exemptions should be granted to those companies following the concept and Stevens felt that profit sharing motivates workers and eases confrontation between union and management.

Steven stated a number of reasons why the Tories did poorly in the last federal election. He felt the election was lost in Ontario and this is where the party must do well to gain power.

Robert Stanfield's image in Ontario didn't sell well in the last election and the results of the recent Ontario provincial election where the provincial Tories lost much of their diminished Tory chances considerably, said Stevens. He said he believes the key to winning the next election is by making the Conservative party clearly distinguishable and this can be done in the upcoming party convention by election a leader who has the support of the majority of the members.

The Tory leadership convention, to be held this February in Ottawa, has a dozen candidates running for

leadership. The Tories have not had a government in power since the Diefenbaker government last in 1963.

Stevens is presently a member of Parliament for the riding of York-Simcoe in Toronto.

Like a true Tory, Stevens saved his most lavish words to describe Prime Minister Trudeau as "incompetent, deceitful, and should be permanently ridden from the politics of this country."

### Lack of interest hampers Educational Society

By LORNE PARKER

Lack of student interest in the Education faculty is hampering the Education Society from operating at its full potential, said Society president Tony Webb during an interview Wednesday.

Vice-president David Porter agreed with Webb and added if the students expect their Society to operate properly then they will have to give their support.

There are approximately 889 students in the Education faculty and only 203 have purchased Society memberships. Webb said that if more students would purchase the cards there would be bigger and better events. He said that it takes money to get quality and if the students don't show their support, where will the money come from.

Porter wanted to assure the students that the Society is not striving to make profits but to provide a meaningful social environment.

Porter is very optimistic about the future of the Society. He said the Education faculty is the fastest growing program in the university and the society is growing with it. The society is trying to change the old idea of Teachers College. Porter said Teachers College is a thing of the past; it is now UNB education faculty.

The society welcomes any student with constructive criticisms of ideas to come in to the Society office and share them.

Many events are scheduled for the future and there are some in the developing stages which are dependent upon the future financial position.

The Society is currently involved in the third membership drive of the year and cards are now on sale in the lobby of Marshall D'Avery Hall. This is the last chance to purchase memberships as they will not be sold after Christmas.

Porter urged all students to support the society because it operates solely for their benefit and it is up to them to make it work, he said.

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## Councillors vote themselves free passes

By PAT POTTER

The travel office as it is now known may soon be incorporated into Campus Services, a corporation now in consideration on campus. The non-profit membership would allow a tax-free organization.

Council decided it should see a draft of the by-laws of the corporation before it makes any decision.

Council also decided to allow the applications committee to appoint someone to the central committee of NUS.

Said councillor Ron Ward, "General students know nothing," they are not capable to decide on whether someone is suited to the position, but the applications committee should be allowed to decide and put forth their decision to council.

Ward and Garland also proposed that no more free events should be available to the SRC except the executive. Ward said "Council is just giving itself gifts. It is irresponsible. We're giving ourselves gifts that we don't deserve."

Garland stated that council is already getting honoraria.

Only Garland and Ward voted for their motion all others voted against the motion or abstained.

It was also decided that the AB should consider raising the SRC's lawyer Peter Forbes' retainer.

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