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PC national leader Robert Stanfield

Candidates trailing bannered streams of supporters flow across the stage in colourful procession, each to the accompaniment of the six piece "Jalopy", the official Conservative band, a dozen different groups each with their own distinctive attention getter, an Indian band, scotch bagpipes, a kickline of pretty girls, Shumka dancers.

And then it's Stanfield's turn on stage. He is introduced by Peter Lougheed amid applause with all the pomp and verbal whitewash characteristic of any political rally. He throws a few jokes at Trudeau before he launches into the text of his speech. Between the standard political name-calling and accusations of buck passing, and other things one gathers that the meat of Stanfield's speech is the unemployment insurance deficit.

The Unemployment Insurance for the first seven months of 1972 has cost Canada 544 million dollars. Stanfield says "It is the responsibility of government to so manage the national economy that Canadians are given the incentive to work, encouraged to make a profit from their work, and allowed to save something from the proceeds of their work."

Although phrases like "...We all know Mr. Trudeau's favorite four letter word. But there is another four-letter word he might use more often and that's work..." were great crowd pleasers, Stanfield offered the crowd no concrete solutions to unemployment.

Stanfield did promise to stop the personal income tax increases scheduled for January 1st, and to "stop using inflation to obtain hidden personal tax increases which take an increasing percentage of Canadians income each year.

And the end of speech! "We are saying...this is a time to fight inflation... by proper management and, if necessary, by implementing temporary wage and price controls in an emergency."



STANFIELD CAMPAIGNS

by Ernie Vilsack

The meek little Stanfield pussycat of the last election has disappeared, but unfortunately no real tiger has taken its place.

But there is no denying that Stanfield is more aggressive, more forceful than during the last election, possibly as aggressive as he'll ever get. To illustrate, quotes from the Wednesday morning press conference: (in regard to the unemployment insurance deficit) "the real fraud is that being perpetrated by Mr. Trudeau and Mr. Mackasey..." and "...Trudeau gives no alternative but to ask for Mr. Benson's resignation..."

With things like that to say, you'd think that he'd come across with a little more of Diefenbaker's strength, but he doesn't.

One of the major issues brought up in the Stanfield campaign here was that of the CDC--the Canadian Development Corporation which was set up by the Trudeau government to promote development of Canadian industry. According to Stanfield, "we have a clear indication that there has

been no general policy on the part of the CDC to encourage in any significant way either new Canadian investment or to protect Canadian ownership in existing firms." (what Stanfield is referring to is the aid given by the CDC to American owned firms, including Imperial Oil).

Stanfield's attacks on the CDC, as run by the Trudeau Govt., included "the CDC will now be suspected by a large section of the public as having been of considerable benefit to some of its officers." and "we have seen evidence in the press of a flagrant conflict of interest situation involving officials of the CDC."

In the constructive aspects of this matter, Stanfield does have some concrete proposals. The CDC, he says, should be made to "serve the purpose of creating a pool of capital for Canadian investment." and to encourage "Canadians to invest in our country."

Stanfield faced a fairly heavy itinerary here in Edmonton- first an early morning press conference, then two open line radio shows in mid-morning and an hour of hand-shaking and baby-kissing at McCauley Plaza, an afternoon television appearance, and then in the evening, a public rally at the Jubilee Auditorium.

library rule hearings

The GFC Library Committee will conduct a hearing Oct.19 on new loan regulations, which, if implemented, will drastically alter library privileges of faculty members.

Letters have been sent to the library representatives in all university departments urging them to gather the consensus of opinion on the new loan rules, preparatory to the Oct.19 hearing. Also invited to attend and express their views were the executives of The Graduate Students' Association, The Students' Union, and the Association of the Academic Staff.

Bruce Peel, Librarian to the University, stressed that the meeting will be strictly to hear opinion. The Library Committee will not debate the pros and cons of the new regulations at that time, he said.

Should the Library Committee find little substantial resistance to the presently delayed new regulations, the changes could be effected as early as January.

Under such new rules, extended sessional loans for faculty members would be eliminated. Profs would be allowed to borrow books for a four-week loan. No change would occur in undergraduate loan rules.

Additional changes could include a suspension of borrowing

privileges for academic staff who fail to return books on time. Also, the present

one-week loan period on bound periodicals may be reduced to over-night loan only.

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forum

today

Three candidates from Edmonton West and three from Edmonton Strathcona will speak at a forum to be held at 3 p.m. today in Dinwoodie Lounge, SUB.

The candidates in attendance will be Marcel Lambert, PC, incumbent in Edmonton West; Mel Hurtig, Liberal Candidate in Edmonton West and co-founder of the Committee for an Independent Canada; John Packer, NDP candidate in Edmonton West and William Pelech, Social Credit candidate in Strathcona. At the last minute SU executive decided to open the forum to all bona fide candidates. This move was made because of complaints from Liz Rowley (Communist Party of Canada candidate in Edmonton Strathcona) and Peggy Morton (Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist).

The forum will give students and interested members of the public opportunity to meet the candidates and challenge any opposing views. Gerald A. Riskin, Students' Union President, will preside as moderator at the forum.

Candidates from Edmonton Strathcona will speak here on October 26.

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charter flights

In a closed session of Monday night's students' council meeting there was a lengthy debate concerning charter flights. When press was readmitted an "either-or" motion was placed on the floor and councillors were asked to vote either for Trans Ocean Travel or Wardair. Trans Ocean was approved by a narrow margin. In another motion a request to establish guidelines and clarify areas of the presidents responsibility was made by Pat Delaney and passed unanimously.

During announcements Garry West reported that an art sale held in the students' union art gallery last week netted a \$300 profit for the SU. The art sale represents one in a series of activities designed to put the art gallery on a break-even or profit making basis.

A report by Cec Pretty on the status of the art gallery was summarized by Garry West, vice-president, finance and administration during Monday night's council meeting. The report indicated that the gallery had been booked for a variety of events regularly through October, November and December. gwm