## PC Pocklington will not run

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pire slowly coming apart, losing Westown Ford, Capri Drilling, Fidelity Trust, Elgin Ford, and large shares in Gainer's, western Canada's largest meat packing plant. His financial problems arose last March, just as he was gearing up for a cross-Canada speaking tour to garner support for his PC leadership run.



In addition, Pocklington was wounded while being held hostage two years ago, and recently fought off a \$7 million suit by Toronto psychic Rita Burns. All part of an "eventful" past, said Pocklington.

Although Pocklington's economic and political philosophy is not popular in the university setting, that didn't prevent him from telling 150 students that "if you really want something you'll get it.'

"There are many different ways to get an education in the present system. You can get a loan... but if you have to struggle, then you'll be a better person for it because of the adversity.'

Pocklington said he'd "scrap

the (trade) unions. You have to draw a line and say you're not going to put up with it anymore."

He called Crown corporations an "abomination which we can't afford. Government shouldn't own anything. It only needs to make the ultimate rules by which we all can live by."

Pocklington said Canada's system "is still the better system. There's a lot more right happening here than happening to our friends in Marxist Russia."

On the question of international relations, the Edmonton tycoon said, "Canada needs to get its own house in order before it can help others.

However, he wants "to bring in foreign dollars. Let's knock out the damn (Canada-US) border because we need their markets.'

Despite all his proposals, Pocklington says he will not be seeking nomination in an Edmonton riding for the next federal

# Student politicos justify existence

by Ann Grever

Student government represents the student voice and supports student issues.

Two SU executives agreed on this point at a forum last Friday on the topic "Are Student Politics Relevant?"

President Robert Greenhill and VP Internal Peter Block said the present trend of student apathy is disgusting. Thus, they admitted that this year's executive has not had the com-munication with students that would justify the SU being the student voice.

The forum, held by the Campus NDP Club, was well-attended probably due more to the cheap beer and wine than to whether student politics are significant or

Greenhill said student issues should be dealt with by the support of student clubs and organizations representing these

Block said the role of the university is to become directly involved in the issues.

issues: tomorrow, no funding of international clubs, and then the cutting off completely of any knowledge of international issues," he said.

"We're all being subsidized by society, let's give them something back," said Greenhill.

After their two short speeches, Greenhill and Block were then questioned by an enthusiastic audience. Topics were passionately debated between the speakers and the audience, and between the members of the audience themselves. The discussion covered sexism on campus to partisanship in student politics, to problems with the structural alienation of the SU from the Student Body.

Student apathy is caused when "students get cynical when they see that what they say has no effect," said Greenhill.

All in all the forum was very candid and for the political diehards who stayed to drain the last dregs of discussion, the price 'Today, no international of liquor even went down.

# Students out to dry

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\$1,000,000 is needed for general repairs to the houses in Michener

"Most of the buildings are 15-

17 years old," says Brown.

Under the new system a company would be contracted to operate and maintain the machines. Housing and Food Services would receive a percentage of the take.

"There would be a one time expense of \$88,000," says Brown. When the Housing and Food

Board of Governor's Finance Committee today the Michener Park Tenants will be attempting to stop the removal of the washers and dryers.

'They have a chance," says Paul Alpern.

But Chris Evans is less optimistic; "It looks like we will have centralized washing machines next year.

The proposed budget also includes an average 4.5 per cent increase in residence rents.

"It's a reasonable increase," says Alpern.

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