

BOOK REVIEW

# Paul Martin Speaks for Canada

A Selection of Speeches on Foreign Policy, 1964-1967

by Paul Martin

The fact that, despite claims to the contrary, Canada does have a foreign policy of her own is amply confirmed in this collection of speeches all made within the past three years by the Secretary for External Affairs.

It has not been easy for Canada to establish an independence of action says Paul Martin, partly because of our nearness to the most powerful nation in the world, and partly because "we are a new nation with strong cultural links to the United States, Britain and France. We have had to develop our identity in the midst of these influence in a century in which two world wars and the economic pressures leading to collective action have set a high premium on conformity in views."

Nevertheless as Martin demonstrates, Canada has developed her own stand on such questions as Suez and Vietnam, on relations with Cuba and trade with Communist countries, and on United Nations peacekeeping to name only a few. But Canada "sees no value in difference for the sake of difference, for the simple purpose of attracting attention. Where our convictions coincide with other nations we have gladly identified ourselves with them in common policy".

Martin examines in detail Canadian relations with the United States, with the Commonwealth France, Latin America, Africa and our policies towards Vietnam, the United Nations, the Nato alliance, foreign aid and international law, and explains clearly how these have developed.

In addition he lays down and explains the five basic objectives which he believes the Government must seek if Canada is to remain truly independent. These are: military security expanding economic strength, ability to exert influence on others, the ability and the desire to play a creative role in international affairs, and the maintenance of a basic unity at home concerning our national interest in world affairs.

As a result, *Paul Martin Speaks For Canada* should both contribute to a better understanding of Canada's present role in foreign affairs, and stimulate informed public discussion of our future role.

Above all, it will firmly establish that "individual Canadians may agree or disagree with the decisions of the government of the day, but they cannot justifiably deny that the decisions were Canadian ones."

# Council Vetoes Spring Break

A motion to give UNB students a one week break in the middle of the second term was defeated at last Sunday's council meeting.

The motion introduced by John Oliver called for council to press for a one week break at the end of February while retaining a two day reading period before exams in April. He explained that this break would relieve tensions prevalent at this time of the year as well as giving students a chance to catch up on their work.

Mike Start, who was appointed 2nd vice-president of Council at the same meeting, expressed concern that instead of being a period of relaxing tensions it would really turn into a period of intense study much like the present reading period. Others said that they felt that reading week was "worth any three other weeks in the year" and that the motion would cut down its value.

SRC President Beach stated that the reading week was harmful to the academic reputation of the University and felt that it should be abolished. He said that council should concern itself with the ideals of education and that the practical effects of the reading period should not be emphasized.

Last year council supported a motion that reading week should be lengthened.

# Dal Builds

## \$1.5 Million Co-op

HALIFAX (CUP) — Ten students borrowed a million dollars a year ago, and built an apartment building.

Well, it wasn't as easy as it sounds, but the money wasn't a major problem.

The building is a co-op and 90-percent of its cost was financed through a Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation loan spread over a 50-year repayment period. The rest of the money was raised from Dalhousie University and through private donations.

The students now have a fifteen-storey building with 113 apartments — one and two bedroom for married students. Back in 1965 a group of Dal students were dissatisfied with the lack of suitable married student accommodation in the city. So they set up the Halifax Student Housing Society to build a co-op residence.

The building features a nursery that can accommodate 70 kids. It might also serve as an observation centre for the Dalhousie University psychology department. The building also has common rooms, study and library facilities and underground parking.

Major problems in the project were surveys to determine the type of accommodation needed and financing. Once they had hurdled these obstacles they found land near the university and hired an architect.

Total cost of the project was \$1,500,000, surpassing Hammarkjold House at the University of Waterloo as the largest Canadian co-op residence built, owned and operated by students.

# Yearbook - Worth \$18,000?

by Audrey Hutchison

Is the Yearbook worth the almost \$18,000 a year it takes to produce it or should it be discontinued? Editor Bob Vincent thinks it has a "definite purpose" and he believes the yearbook is "slowly evolving into a more interesting book rather than just a record of events". As a result, most students will enjoy owning the books and look on them as a valuable possession in later years.

The strongest argument against the book has been the cost — it is the SRC's largest single expenditure (almost eighteen thousand) outside of S.U.B. Many feel that the padded cover is an unnecessary extravagance (at a cost of twenty-five cents extra per book). Consequently, the book of '68 will be the last with this type of cover — a substantial saving for budget-minded people. Colored pages have also been a source of contention — in reality, it costs no more for this section as it is written into the contract. (Incidentally, the introduction to the forthcoming book will consist of two multiples — sixteen

pages — of colored photos. This will obviously enhance the appearance of the book and at no extra cost). Considering the way in which prices have risen during the last few years, the budget has been held down very well.

Vincent readily admitted that yearbooks of the past were not always worth their cost but many improvements are planned for future books, including '68's. "I want to put out a pictorial-plus-copy review of the year", stated Vincent. But, he also wants to get away from the monotony of faces, faces, faces, in stereotyped, posed groups. Action shots are being called for from all groups and organizations — no more "executive" shots. To improve the layout of the graduates' section, a different typography will be used and miscellaneous pictures will be included.

There was a rumour that this year's yearbook would have a white cover but this idea has been abandoned. The cover will be a conservative black with red stripes — much more functional than the proposed white.

# Radio UNB-FM A Step Closer

Radio UNB-FM came one step closer to being a reality last week as Council formally accepted a report from Radio UNB director Lee Clifford. In accepting the report SRC President Beach said that Council was now bound to make the contents of the report the policy of the council.

The report asks that an FM coordinator be appointed as soon as possible to and be made a member of the Radio UNB executive. This person would be responsible for all plans to

bring FM to UNB. Also contained in the report was a recommendation that the committee on Radio UNB be re-established and begin work immediately.

Clifford stated in the report that a target date of fall 1969 could be set if Council would implement the recommendations soon.

At present council is studying the report and it is expected that some action will be taken on the recommendations as soon as next week.

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# BOOKSTORE PROFITS HIGH SAYS DEVEREAUX

Council was told last Sunday night that the UNB Bookstore makes enough profit each year to give UNB students a 10% discount on each purchase.

This statement was given by Andy Devereaux as part of an interim report on the proposed co-op store. He noted that the faculty is now receiving this discount although it is not the official policy of the store.

Devereaux said that the co-op store would not compete with the bookstore in selling textbooks but rather would attempt to offer to the students goods which are available to the students only in the downtown stores. He noted the extreme markup on such items as college jackets and sweat shirts.

As a first step the council was asked to set up the position of Store Manager. This person would be responsible for establishing lines of supply and creating some sort of sales organization.

Due to the fact that a full report was expected early in the new year no action was taken by council at last weeks meeting on this matter.