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The alternative

The race for President is obviously the key one in the election.

We are presented, in the persons of Jim Ross and Reg Phalen, with a fairly clear alternative. It is not, however, that easily resolved. Ross is a good bureaucrat, with experience in workings of student government at several levels. Phalen has good ideas, but the question hinges on whether or not they would be implemented or not.

Ross is a moderate, and Phalen is a radical leftist.

The question, it seems, hinges on what would happen if Phalen were elected. Ross' presidency would probably be quite functional and unspectacular, keeping tight reins on the privy purse, nervously attentive to the wishes of middle-everything majority. And that's probably what many people want—because being a good bureaucrat is one of the major responsibilities of the job.

Phalen presents a challenge, both to the union and himself. There are some doubts that he could function adequately in the bureaucratic aspects of the job, although he could possibly arrange for a lot of that work being done by other councillors.

Phalen is definitely more committed and (we think) more advanced politically in one sense. But if the student body is not ready for a greater level of political involvement, both on and off campus, Phalen would be a bad bet.

It would be unfortunate for all if Phalen were elected and the people he would depend on just weren't that adventurous or even interested.

Your choice for President depends on how much administration and how much involvement you want and are willing to support.

—Hornby

Good effort

The term of office for UPEI's first council has come to an end, and I would like to say that I am quite pleased with the job they have done this year. While there were many actions which I disagreed with, in general the work they have done was quite progressive. This council seemed to have a real and sincere concern for the plight of the student at UPEI.

This years council had many problems to overcome. The fact that we are a new union of two old rival unions did not lighten the burden that council had to carry. The apathy that was characteristic of many students also was a great hinderance to the progress council was attempting to make.

Council meetings this year were in general informative and interesting and at time they were down right exciting. Many questions were asked and many problems were tackled. In many cases the results of many council actions will be manifest in future years, but it is to the credit of this council that they took the first stop.

The attempt at community involvement by students was successful in some areas and where it failed it was the apathy of students that was responsible.

This years council also made a real attempt to be representative of the students and attempted to involve more students in union activities.

While I was very disappointed in certain members of the executive, this was in some ways compensated for the level of concern and involvement of the new councillors.

I hope that next year's council will consider many of the policies and programs started by this years council worthy of being continued

—MacKay

The Cadre

WORKERS:

hornby
mackay
vincent
johnston
mitchell
macleod
janesec
the boys at irwins
oh wow!

MEET THE CANDIDATES

The CADRE asked all or most of the candidates to submit a short statement of intention to the paper for publication. We assumed that all candidates could be contacted last Monday at the last meeting of the out-going council and the statement of the Union address.

Few, however, were there. So we have had to contact by word of mouth. We may have missed someone. If so, we apologize and ask that you the voter also consider the candidates not represented here.

Most if not all of those who did not submit a statement were asked to—we have printed all those received. Some had to be edited slightly.

With the student elections coming up on Friday the student body will have an opportunity to express their desire as to who they wish to have representing them on the new council. In recent days there have been predictions that the new council will be a conservative one, and of course there are some who rather not think of it at all. With these views around there is a real danger of students voting without considering what the candidate really stands for. Therefore, it is necessary that students make a point to meet with the candidates and find out what he or she thinks on various issues which are at hand or which will probably come up in the next years.

Too often in the past year we have seen students at meetings only when they felt other students would make a decision which they wouldn't like or take some action that might not be of the usual nature. It is very easy to sit back and let someone else do the job but if more students would get involved, than the work would be small for all, but what we would achieve would be great. The opportunities to work within the university itself and to work in the community at large are great. I think we should all take advantage of these opportunities we have. But this is an individual decision for each of us, no one can force us to take part.

Despite all the problems that have come up in the first year of UPEI it looks like it will survive in pretty good shape. Since we are on PEI it is apparent that the problem of lack of sufficient money will plague the university as it does all other areas of this province. However, even with this problem I think UPEI can become a good university if we the students decide this is what we want. In this regard I strongly believe the students can capitalize on the many opportunities we have here. We can do this by making a worthwhile contribution within the various departments and by taking advantage of the fact that we have student representatives on Senate, Bord, as well as many other committees. But a student representative can only express a strong view on any committee or department if he knows the students are behind him.

I believe I can competently fulfill the duties of Vice-President Comptroller. My only promise is that I will do my utmost to represent the views of the students on council. I strongly urge you to get involved by voting on Friday.

John Lacy,
Candidate,
Vice-Pres. Comptroller

The meek may
inherit the earth,
but don't bet
on it.
VOTE

A representative from the Business Society is responsible not only to those in the business department, but to the entire student body. As I see it, my responsibilities, if elected, will be to use what I have learned, both academically, and from running my own part time business in the best interests of the students union.

First of all, I would do my utmost to make certain that a comprehensive budget is drawn up and adhered to so that we do not have to apportion funds, then ask for them back, as was the situation this year.

Secondly, I feel it possible to have a new, self-supporting student union building. This can be accomplished by such means as student owned and operated restaurant facilities, and rent paying services such as barber shops and typists, etc.

Tyrell Pearson,
Candidate, Jr./Sr. Business

Dear Student:

As a past representative (Sophomore Business) on Council and a candidate for the office of Internal Vice-President, I feel that it is very unfortunate that there can be no great amount of personal contact involved in any campaign. Therefore, by means of this leaflet, I will try to acquaint you with my feelings towards the position for which I am running and towards the role of the university in general.

The main role of the Internal Vice-President is expressed in the very word internal. The Internal V.P. is responsible for: 1) coordination of activities of the sub-organizations (i.e. Social Committee, Winter Carnival Committee, Cadre, Amateur Athletic Association, etc.) and he is responsible for these organizations to the Council; 2) promote communications between the sub-organizations; 3) be a member of the Senate and assume duties of the President in his absence.; 4) perform other duties as required.

The fact that I am running for this position shows my interest in and involvement with the internal organization of the university. Internal organization refers not only to social activities and events, but to the educational aspects of university life. I feel that Council should go all out to present to us, as students, as much information as possible on such issues as the proposed Student Union Building, Senate Committees, Departmental Committees, services available to students, scheduled teach-ins and seminars, etc. It is very necessary that information be available to students so that they can make responsible decisions based on concrete evidence.

In addition, we must not forget that our university is situated in a community which at the present time, has committees and unions working on some very pertinent issues. I feel that we cannot ignore these issues and that we must go one step better and become aware of and directly involved in community problems. Here, I feel that Council should be responsible for publicizing and supporting these very relevant community activities.

To sum this up, I am interested in the educational values, social values, and community values that can be opened up to us if we have the opportunity to learn and participate in all these aspects of community life.

Lastly, I would like to point out that the Student Union is not a delegation set up to control our Union and determine our interests, but is merely a representative body through which students can work to achieve our goals. It is up to every student to take the initiative, to make his own decisions, and through Council, to take an active part in all levels of university affairs.

Terry LaPointe,
Candidate, Internal V.P.