

## Provincial Election April 23

# Premier

by: Maria Driscoll

# Bennett

# Campbell

# and

# Students

As Islanders have been expecting for the last several months, election date has been announced for April 23. The announcement was made on Tuesday, March 27, during Premier Campbell's nominating convention in Cardigan.

Earlier in the day Premier Campbell was the guest of the Young Liberal Party and held a meeting in the Library Lounge from 12-1:30 to answer questions from the students.

There was a very large turnout at the meeting, approximately 200, and many questions were asked and answered.

Premier Campbell responded to several questions dealing with the increasing number of planned malls on the Island. The Premier stated that he "personally supports orderly development of malls on the Island." When he was questioned further on the subject by a student who felt that there were too many malls here already to suffice Island customers, the Premier replied, "When was the last time anyone in this room went shopping in Halifax or Moncton and didn't see another



Islander?" As expected, the answer was no-one. Premier Campbell also said he wanted public discussion on the topic before any governmental legislation was passed.

The nuclear generating plant at Poin LePreau took up a long part of the discussion. Premier Campbell explained why and how the decision was made regarding the plant. He further added that precautionary measures were being taken to ensure the safety of the people who would be affected by any incident of radiation leakage.

The issue of summer jobs for students was brought up and the Premier responded by saying, "There will be approximately 600 summer jobs available for students, which is the same as last year. However, there will be a large expansion in the area of forestry. While 500-600 acres of trees were planted last year the number is expected to increase to 2000."

One question which brought a reaction from both the Premier and students was, "What part do you feel religion

plays in politics?" Mr. Campbell responded by saying, "I can only give a personal point of view. Religion affects a politician in his way of life as in any other. Every individual brings to his job his own religious convictions." It was, I felt, very well answered.

In talking of the Veterinary College and UPEI Premier Campbell said that he and his government support the college on this campus. He noted, however, that the decision by the Council of Maritime Premiers must be a unanimous one. Nova Scotia was the province which was not going along with the move which he added was "for obvious reasons".

The question and answer period lasted for an hour and a half. The audience was a listening one; questions were constant and discussion was good. I think many students gained new information from the meeting which might assist them in their voting decision.

However, how the students and the Island electorate feel will be decided on April 23.

## PARLIAMENTARIANS WANTED IN ONTARIO

The Canadian Political Science Association is holding the fourth annual competition for the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme. A maximum of eight internships will be available, to be held from September 4th, 1979,

to June 30th, 1980. The stipend is \$8,500, payable in ten monthly instalments. Applicants should be recent graduates of a post-secondary institution in Canada and should have a demonstrated knowledge of a and interest in the

legislative process, especially as it relates to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

The role of an intern is varied one but the general aim of the programme is to provide a practical experience to supplement and complement previous academic studies. After an initial orientation period, interns assist backbench Members at Queen's Park, one term being spent with a Member on each side of the House. The duties depend upon the needs and interests of the individual member. It is customary for interns to visit their Members' ridings and throughout the period of the internship meetings are regularly arranged with members of Cabinet and other political figures. A comparative perspective is provided by a visit to

Ottawa to meet federal politicians and party officials.

The programme is financed by private donations together with a grant from the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

Application forms may be obtained from Mrs. M. Rous, Department of Political Economy, University of Toronto, 100 St. George St. Toronto, Ontario M5S 1A1 (tel. (416) 978-3405). Additional information concerning the programme can be obtained by contacting the Academic Director, Professor R. Blair, Chairman Division of Social Sciences, Scarborough College, University of Toronto, West Hill, Ontario M1C 1A4 (tel. (416) 284-3149.) The closing date for applications is April 19th.

## CIMN Difficulties

by: Susan Boyd

CIMN encountered numerous problems this year. Unfortunately they were not easily overcome. In the spring of last year, CIMN lost its engineer, who was the only person who had a real understanding of how the station functioned.

During the construction of CIMN, lack of funds were chiefly responsible for material substitutes. Although the machinery functioned well, it required the special knowledge of its creator. Since there were no blue

prints or standard methods used, CIMN suffered when its original engineer left. The smallest technological problem now causes a panic.

Thanks must go out to those who did help CIMN when major machinery did give out. Ed Bourgeau, Dave Cairns and Wellington Gay. Unfortunately, an engineer is required at all times to ensure smooth functioning. No such person is to be found.

There were students who contributed to CIMN this

year and I thank you for your dedication. As a team we attempted to overcome technical problems with little success. The Dobber must be acknowledged for the hours he spent attempting to fix the microphone system. Like all of us, we pooled our

knowledge of equipment and did our best.

CIMN, in its present state requires a complete overhaul. A patient person, with plenty of time and dedication is needed. If you are capable and willing, we'd love to see you.