

People

New Speaker of the House

On November 6 **John Bosley**, 37, was elected Speaker of the House of Commons. Born and educated in Toronto, Mr. Bosley was an alderman in Toronto from 1974-1978. In 1979 he was elected as the Progressive Conservative member of Don Valley West.

Re-elected in 1980 Mr. Bosley has held a number of party and parliamentary positions. He was parliamentary secretary

to Prime Minister **Joe Clark** in 1979, opposition critic for cultural policy during the last parliament, vice chairman of the Conservative task force on Revenue Canada and a member of the committee that staked out the Conservative party strategy during the constitutional debate.

Mr. Bosley's nomination by Prime Minister **Brian Mulroney** was seconded by Opposition Leader **John Turner** and by **Ed Broadbent** on behalf of the NDP.

New Chairman, Executive Committee, CPA

The Speaker of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly **Herb Swan** was elected President at the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association at the General Conference held in the Isle of Man in October. This year Saskatchewan will host the General Conference.



According to tradition the new Speaker of the House, John Bosley, is escorted to the Chair by the Prime Minister, Brian Mulroney, and Opposition Leader John Turner. (Canapress)

New Speaker of the Senate

The new Speaker of the Senate is **Guy Charbonneau**, 62. Born in Three Rivers he studied at Jean de Brébeuf college, the University of Montreal and McGill University. Mr. Charbonneau was a Montreal insurance executive and successful fund raiser for the Conservative Party in Quebec. He was appointed to the Upper House in 1979.



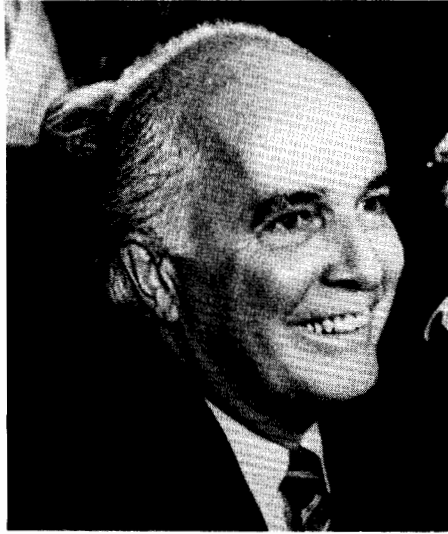
Guy Charbonneau

By-elections

Several provinces have held by-elections recently, many to fill vacancies created when members of the provincial assemblies resigned to seek office in the September 4 federal election.

In British Columbia two by-elections were held on November 8. In Vancouver East **Bob Williams** retained the seat formerly held by the leader of the provincial NDP **Dave Barrett**. Mr. Williams won 59% of the popular vote to defeat the new leader of the provincial Liberal Party, **Art Lee**, Social Credit candidate **Mario Caravetta**, and two other candidates.

In the other by-election **Lyle McWilliams** of the NDP took Okanagan North away from the Social Credit Party which had held the seat for thirty-two years. Mr. McWilliams, 35, a biology teacher at Vernon Secondary School took 40% of the popular vote. Mr. McWilliams had been defeated in the last election by **Don Campbell** who succumbed to a heart attack in June.



Bob Williams (Canapress)

In the Northwest Territories **Ted Richard** was elected to represent the constituency of Yellowknife South. A lawyer, Mr. Richard was born in Charlottetown and has been a resident of Yellowknife since 1973.

Mr. Richard is a graduate of Dalhousie Law School and is senior partner in the law firm of Richard, Vertes and Lang. He was sworn in as a member on October 30.



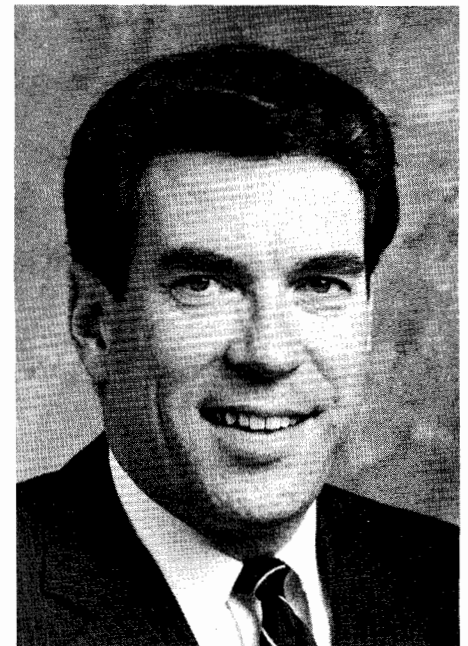
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Lyle McWilliams (Canapress)

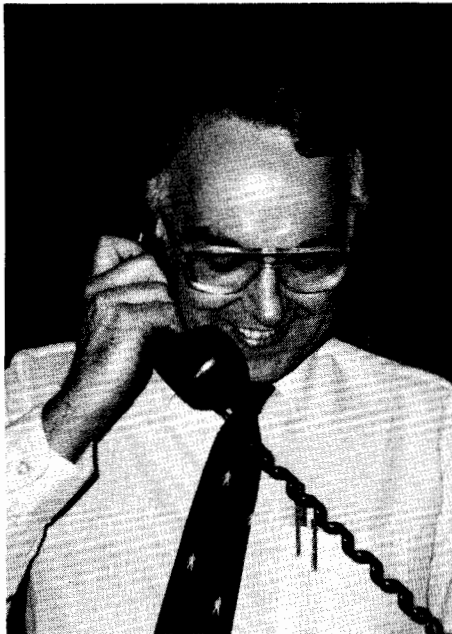
In Manitoba the Progressive Conservatives held onto the riding of Fort Garry when **Charlie Birt** defeated provincial Liberal leader **Sharon Carstairs**. The New Democratic Party finished third.

Mr. Birt was executive assistant to **Sterling Lyon** in the Roblin government from 1964-1966. He was Crown Attorney for the Province from 1972-1979 when he established his own law practice in Fort Garry. In 1980 he was elected to City Council and re-elected in 1983.



Charlie Birt

In Newfoundland the New Democratic Party won its first seat in the House of Assembly when **Peter Fenwick** defeated Conservative and Liberal opponents to win the Labrador riding of Menihek. A community college teacher Mr. Fenwick, 40, had sought public office on five previous occasions before finally winning the October 9 by-election. He has been leader of the provincial NDP since 1981.



Peter Fenwick

In Quebec, Liberal candidate **Jean-François Viau**, won a seat in the National Assembly for St. Jacques taking 48% of the popular vote compared to 41% for **André Boulerice** of the Parti québécois. It was the second by-election in less than a year in St. Jacques following the death in a car accident of **Serge Champagne**. Mr. Viau, at 26, becomes the youngest member of the National Assembly.

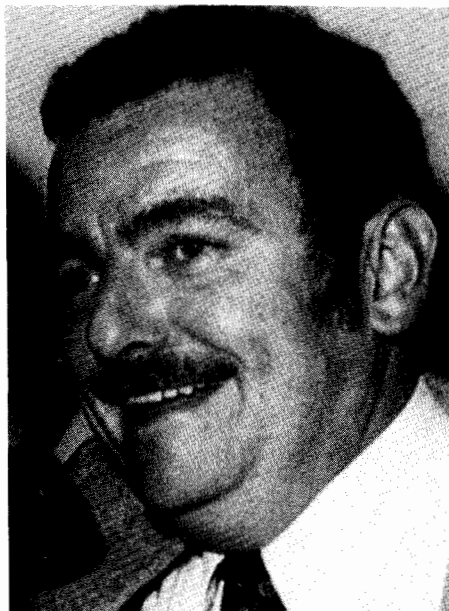
The same day, November 26, the Liberals won a by-election for a seat in the Prince Edward Island Legislative Assembly. **Stanley Bruce**, a dairy farmer, defeated Conservative and New Democratic candidates to become the 12th Liberal in the 32 seat Assembly. The riding, Kings 4th, had formerly been held by **Patrick Binns** of the Progressive Conservative Party who resigned to run in the recent federal election.



Jean-François Viau (Canapress)

Two by-elections were also held in New Brunswick on November 26. The Conservatives took Madawaska away from the Liberals as a result of the victory by **Don Marmen**, an executive with McCain Foods.

In East Saint John **Peter Trites** of the New Democratic Party, a high school teacher, won a closely contested election against Conservative and Liberal opposition.



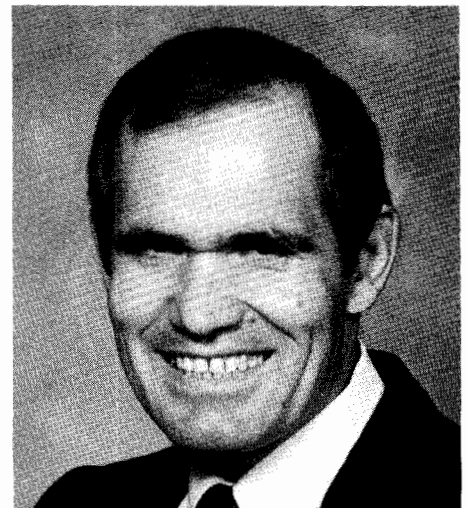
Peter Trites (Canapress)

Changes at the Table

New Clerk Assistants have been appointed in Manitoba and Alberta and one table officer has retired in Quebec.

In Alberta the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly **Gerard Amerongen** announced the appointments of **Robert Bubba** as Clerk Assistant and **Charles P. Eliuk** as Director of Administration. Mr. Bubba has been associated with the Assembly since 1972, when he joined the editorial staff of *Alberta Hansard*. He was appointed Associate Editor of *Alberta Hansard* in December 1978 and Editor in December 1982.

Mr. Eliuk holds degrees in science and commerce from the University of Alberta, and has held appointments in several departments of the Alberta public service.



Bob Bubba

In Manitoba **Beverly Bosiak** is the new Deputy Clerk replacing **Gordon Mackintosh** who resigned to attend the University of Manitoba Law School.

Miss Bosiak was employed by the Manitoba Association of School Trustees for ten years and held the position of Administrative Officer for the past three years. As Deputy Clerk her responsibilities include



Bev Bosiak

House and Committee administration and services, procedural advice, as well as financial and personnel administration. She is the first woman to be appointed Clerk-at-the-table in Manitoba.

In Quebec **René Blondin**, Secretary General of the National Assembly has retired. He will remain as an advisor and has been commissioned to prepare a book on parliamentary procedure in Quebec. The Deputy Secretary General, **Pierre Duchesne**, has taken over Mr. Blondin's duties on an acting basis.

In British Columbia **Brian Smith**, Attorney General, announced that **George MacMinn**, Deputy Clerk has been made a Q.C. (Queen's Counsel) in recognition of his 25 years service to the Assembly. (Editor's Note: Clerks who may be wondering if this involves an increase in salary, Mr. MacMinn informs us "regrettably no!")

In Saskatchewan the table officers will welcome an attachment from the United

Kingdom in the person of **Alan Sandall**, Clerk of the Committee of Ways and Means of the House of Commons.

Resignations and Retirements

When the Senate met on November 13, 1984, the Leader of the Government, **Duff Roblin**, began with a few words of tribute to two Senators who had retired recently.

Eric Cook of Newfoundland had been a member of the Upper House since 1964. A lawyer and former member of the Newfoundland Supreme Court Mr. Cook had been president of the Liberal Party from 1949-1968.

Richard Donahoe of Nova Scotia was appointed in 1979. A former Mayor of Halifax, Senator Donahoe served in the provincial legislature from 1954 to 1970 where he was Minister of Health, Minister of Welfare and Attorney General. He also established somewhat of a personal political dynasty with two sons presently serving in the Nova Scotia Legislature.

As of November 17 there were 5 vacancies in the Senate. One each in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and two in New Brunswick.

Two members of the Ontario Legislative Assembly, **Patrick Reid** and **James Breithaupt** have resigned. Mr. Breithaupt accepted a position as Chairman of the Ontario Law Reform Commission. A former critic for justice and the attorney general he had been a strong advocate of law reform and freedom of information. Mr. Reid resigned to become Executive Director of the Ontario Mining Association. A member of the legislature since 1977 he was financial critic and for many years active in the public accounts committee.

Daniel A. Riley, 1916-1984

New Brunswick Senator Daniel A. Riley died in hospital on September 13, 1984. Mr. Riley was a member of the House of Commons from 1949 to 1953. He was defeated

in 1953 and 1957 but in 1963 was elected to the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly where he served as Minister of Lands and Forests. He left the cabinet to become chairman of the New Brunswick Motor Carrier Board and Public Utilities Commission in 1966 and was appointed to the Senate in 1973.

Walter Grant Notley, 1939-1984

Albertans and legislators across Canada were deeply affected by the death of Grant Notley, Leader of the Official Opposition in Alberta who was killed in an airplane crash in northern Alberta on October 19, 1984. Five others died in the crash and four survived including Alberta Housing Minister **Larry Shaben**.

At a brief sitting of the Assembly on October 22, prayers for Mr. Notley were offered by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, and tributes were delivered by Premier **Peter Lougheed**, **Ray Martin**, a long-time friend of Mr. Notley and his Opposition colleague, and by several other members. The Assembly observed a moment's silence prior to adjourning until October 26.

Parliamentarians from several jurisdictions attended a memorial service held for Mr. Notley at All Saints' Anglican Cathedral in Edmonton on October 23, at which an address was delivered by the Honourable **Allan Blakeney**, and the funeral service at St. Helen's Anglican Church in Fairview, Alberta, on October 24.

Mr. Notley was first elected to the Assembly in 1971 and won subsequent re-elections in 1975, 1979, and 1982. He was named Leader of the Official Opposition following the 1982 general election.

James Renwick, 1918-1984

A member of the Ontario Legislature for twenty years, James Renwick died in hospital on November 28. A member of the New Democratic Party, he represented Toronto Riverdale in the Assembly.