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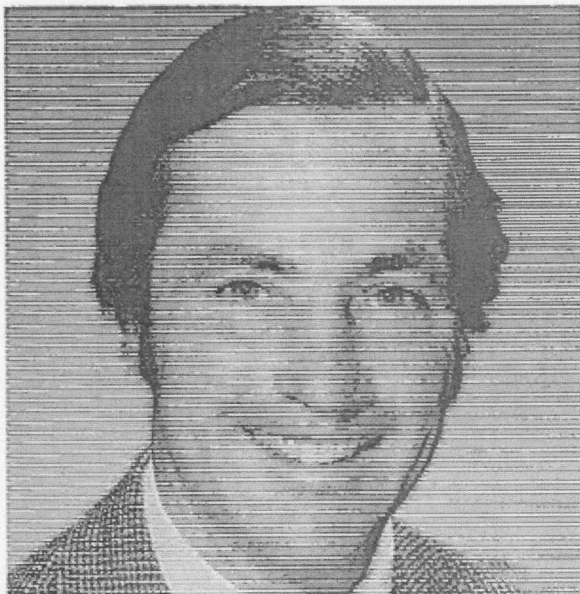


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Individual Opportunity Versus State Direction

What life will be in British Columbia in the future is really a question of choices that we must make now.

We can choose a life style which we create through individual opportunity, or we can choose a life style which will be imposed upon us by state direction. Bill Bennett has put it another way: "Government should do things *for* people, not *to* people".

But no matter how you say it, the issue is very clear. Either this province will develop through individual initiative and a large measure of local control over community development, or it will sink into the "State Knows Best—State Does Best" philosophy leading to central government control of people.

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes that the future of British Columbia rests on the idea that individuals can be asked to take a great deal of responsibility for themselves and for the development and fulfilment of the communities in which they live.

On the other hand, the N.D.P. Government has chosen (because that is what socialism is all about) to go along with limited individual freedom in order

that the ideas of politicians and bureaucrats can prevail.

The difference between these choices can be seen in policy positions:

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes in sharing both power and revenue with local government, but the N.D.P. government does not.

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes in the security provided by the private ownership of land; the N.D.P. government does not.

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes in giving responsibility to elected persons, not appointed boards and commissions manned by political friends, and the N.D.P. government does not.

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes that individual enterprise will provide more revenue to provide services to people than state run enterprise can, and the N.D.P. government does not.

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes that less government is preferable to more government, and the N.D.P. government does not.

Finally, putting it in reverse terms, the N.D.P. government believes that it can borrow its way into prosperous times, and the British Columbia Social Credit

Party does not.

The political history of British Columbia will be written in terms of the choices people make on these very important issues.

Either we will go down the political road to less and less individual opportunity through state control or we will grasp the opportunity of acting as individuals now to limit the power of the State.

There is one issue in British Columbia today: **Will the individual or the State be the cornerstone of public policy?**

It is important, at this time in the history of British Columbia, that we take a look at the philosophical direction of our province.

We still have choices open to us as individuals (in British Columbia), and one of them is to choose the philosophy and policies that can best guide us to a better life in the last quarter of this century.

It's up to the people to make Governments work.

Bill Bennett

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Work and Wages—Not Waste and Welfare!

Jobs and Economy

Encourage industry so that fair taxes on profits can provide expanding services to people.

- Restore confidence in our province to get B.C. moving again.
- Repeal punitive resource legislation.
- Remove economic uncertainty to create more jobs.
- **Create more jobs in mining** by ending punitive legislation.
- **Create more jobs in secondary industry** by removing roadblocks.
- **Create more jobs in the forest industry** by encouraging the industry to resume expansion.
- Provide initiatives to assist major industries in being competitive in world markets.
- Put business back in the private sector. Eliminate Government competition.

Education

In British Columbia the Guide Posts for Education will be discipline, challenge and excellence.

- End the "one-policy-for-all" approach to education in British Columbia.
- Expand technical and vocational training opportunities to provide job security and end student waiting lists.
- Return a sense of purpose to community colleges.
- Revitalize the role of universities and expand professional training opportunities to meet British Columbia's needs.
- Restore control of education to local School Boards, teachers and the family.

"The centralist trend in education should be turned around and the classroom teacher should be assured security and freedom to develop a learning climate in the schools, and the government should give financial support to alternative systems of education which can be developed in co-operation with local school trustees under the leadership of the Department of Education." —Bill Bennett

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Housing

The British Columbia Social Credit Party believes that the individual should have the widest possible range of housing choices and should never be forced to be a tenant of the state.

- Institute a program that will work to erase British Columbia's housing deficit by fostering the construction of 50,000 housing units over the next four years in addition to the Province's annual requirements for housing construction.
- Bring an end to the artificial shortage of land for housing. Make government owned land available for housing at cost.
- End state ownership of land by removing obstacles to home ownership for all British Columbians.
- Urge national tax reforms to permit deduction



of the cost of the home mortgage (interest) from taxable income.

- Increase supply of low-cost serviced lots.
- Provide progressive increases in Home Owner Grants and Home Acquisition Grants.
- End unnecessary, overlapping bureaucracies and create revenue-sharing incentives to local governments to stimulate housing.
- Retain rent controls until housing shortage ended.
- No state ownership of residential land.
- Seek and provide alternative forms of housing to meet the needs of the future.
- Stimulate building of affordable rental units by the private sector.
- Program to make innovative alternatives in housing available, with incentives to local governments to encourage development of attractive mobile home communities.

"The lock-up philosophy under Victoria's umbrella, has served to limit individual initiative and it is this initiative, from school boards, teachers, and students, which can create new learning experiences which meet the needs of the time and the community."

Waste and Mismanagement

The Government spends your money. Governments must budget to live within the taxpayer's ability to pay taxes. The cost of government, paid by your taxes, has increased 120% in three years.

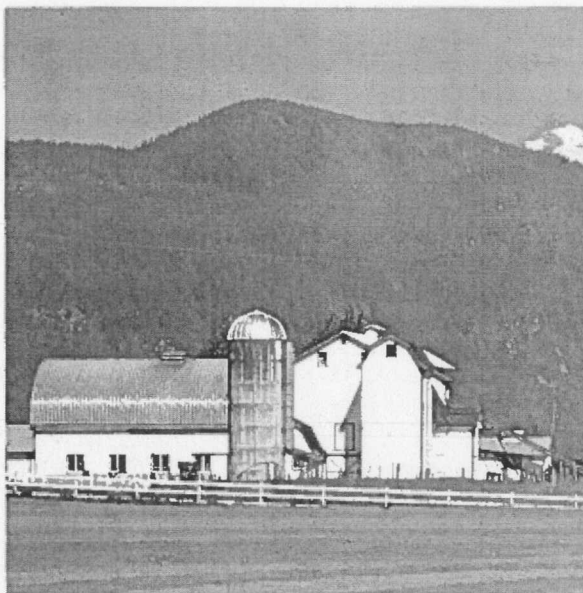
- Establish an independent Auditor General to reveal reckless spending by Government Departments and Crown Corporations.
 - Eliminate expensive non-elected Bodies which are not responsible to your elected representatives in the Legislature or to the Courts.
 - End \$100,000,000 budget over-runs.
 - Ensure full disclosure of government and Crown Corporation budgets and finances.
- Halt the reckless rise in the budgets of Crown

Corporations and make them fully accountable to the Legislature. Trim bureaucratic waste.

- Restore control over public spending to the Legislature and prevent the reckless \$719,000,000 over-run in the first two budgets of the N.D.P. Government.
- Obtain full value for your tax dollars through revenue-sharing. A British Columbia Social Credit revenue-sharing program will share the growth revenues of the province with local governments.
- Remove the power of the Minister of Finance to play the stock market with your tax dollars.

"Once Government becomes management, labor loses out. It is a conflict of interest and government as management, can no longer be disinterested." —Bill Bennett

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Agriculture

Our abundant supply of home-grown food products must be preserved.

- Establish a performance program which assures the primary producer independence and equality of work and living standards.
- Assure adequacy of food supply through the development of the family-operated agricultural unit.
- Offer B.C.'s Crown-owned farm lands for private ownership by Canadians.
- Establish young people in agriculture under conditions which insure the development of viable production units.
- Provide economically feasible farm income assurance programs based on actual cost-of-production formulas.
- Establish adequately funded credit programs at "most favoured" interest rates with performance-based provision for interest forgiveness.

- Preserve farm land and assist farmers with advanced programs of educational, technical, financial and marketing assistance.
- Adopt orderly marketing techniques which fairly balance the interest of producer and consumer. Require continuing reviews of the aims and objectives of marketing boards to ensure that they meet the best interest of producer and consumer.

"The function of the Social Credit Party is to establish the climate in which individual initiatives and enterprise can produce . . . a viable economy, an opportunity for work, a base for community development." —Bill Bennett

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Land Commission

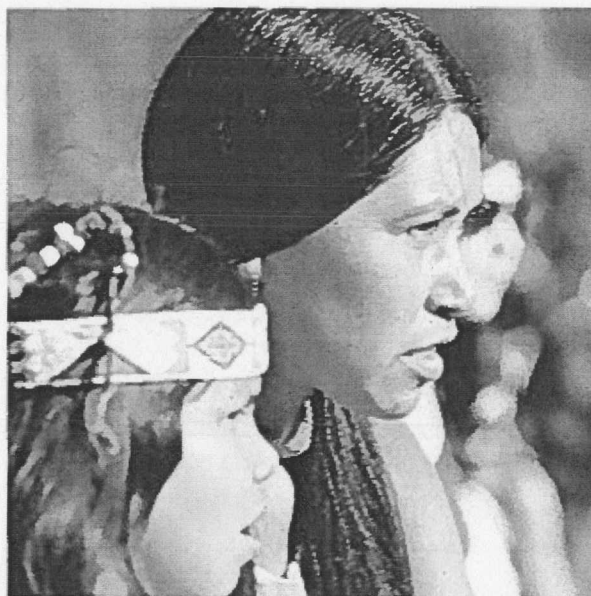
The British Columbia Social Credit Party is committed to the preservation of farm land and the preservation of our heritage.

- Make the Land Commission workable and responsive.
- Prohibit the non-agricultural use of farmland, but make the B.C. Land Commission responsive to the recommendation of elected regional boards.
- Amend the Land Commission Act to permit full appeal procedure.
- Improve the ability of local government to properly administer and make responsible land management decisions through revenue-sharing.

Transportation and Highways

Transportation is the link which brings British Columbians together.

- Put an end to the N.D.P. "Pothole" policy on highways.
- Restore efficiency and high employee morale to the B.C. Ferry System.
- Increase the frequency of B.C. Ferry sailings.
- Co-operate with regional governments and municipalities to provide public urban transit.
- Restore the profitability of the British Columbia Railway.



Indian Affairs

The British Columbia Social Credit Party is committed to equal opportunity.

- Get cut-off land claims moving to a fair, open and honest conclusion. Recognize the necessity to negotiate fairly on cut-off land claims with the Native Indian People of British Columbia.
- Take the leadership in conducting negotiations between the Native Indian people of British Columbia, the Province of British Columbia and the Federal Government to bring resolution to these issues.
- Extend to Native Indian People the same services, benefits and privileges enjoyed by their fellow British Columbians.
- Respect the traditional hunting and fishing grounds of the Native Indian People and their historic ways of gathering food.
- Encourage, not restrict, self-help development of the Native Indian People.

Environment & Recreation

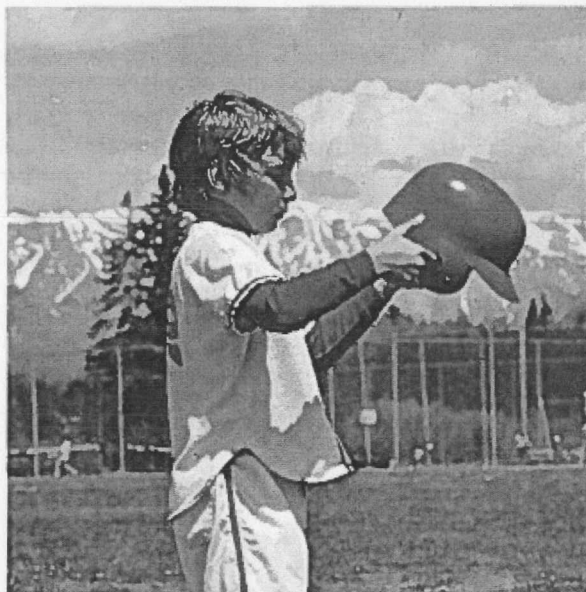
Preservation of the environment and expansion of recreational opportunities is more than a promise; it is our commitment to future generations of British Columbians. The British Columbia Social Credit Party will:

- Replace the inadequate Pollution Control Branch with a Conservation and Environmental Protection Authority. This authority would act independently to police both business and government in all matters relating to conservation and environment.
- Ensure protection of coastal and inland waters of British Columbia by establishing a Marine Protection Branch within the Department of Recreation and Conservation. Marine protection would establish and enforce adequate safeguards for salt-water and tidewater areas, river estuaries or inland lakes, and our province's beaches.
- Open Provincial Marine Parks.
- Establish a B.C. Marine Patrol to assist boaters.

- Establish a Heritage Parks and Sites Program to preserve British Columbia's history.
- Develop a program of tax incentives to guarantee industrial pollution control.
- Respond to the needs of individual communities for more and better parks by establishing a Partnership for Parks Program—a direct working relationship between the Province and local Parks Boards.
- Expand the Community Recreational Facilities Fund Act to encourage a greater range and number of local recreational facilities.

"The decline and fall of Community Colleges in British Columbia is yet another example of what happens when a Government has a priority for waste and extravagance. Current Government policy towards education is a starvation policy. The share of the Provincial Budget allocated to education has declined since 1972." —Bill Bennett

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Amateur Sport and Athletics

A society which believes in amateur sport and athletics provides opportunities for people.

- Assignment of sports and athletic matters including consolidation and co-ordination of provincial government programs for amateur athletics, to one government department.
- Recognition of The B.C. Sports Federation as the representative voice of amateur sport and athletic organizations in British Columbia.
- Utilization of money available from The B.C. Fitness Fund, and 50% of the revenue from Western Canada Lottery for the development and promotion of amateur sport and athletics.
- Continuation of The B.C. Festival of Sport program in all areas of the province.
- Establishment of annual British Columbia Games supported by organized regional playdowns.
- Encouragement of public support of amateur sports and athletics through the funding of The

B.C. Sports Federation.

Senior Citizens

The measure of any society is to be found in the way it treats its senior citizens.

- Community-based nursing home care.
- Build rental units for seniors and associate them with other forms of housing.
- Remove property taxation on the homes of persons over the age of 65.
- Eliminate Provincial Income Tax for persons over the age of 65 on incomes up to \$5,000.00.
- Make income safe from inflation by directly linking benefits to the cost of living index and the performance of the Provincial economy.
- Provide senior citizens free use of Provincial Parks.
- Keep safe the benefits of Pharmacare.

Health Services

British Columbia has always been a leader in pro-

viding health care to our citizens. The British Columbia Social Credit Party wants to return to that position.

- Improve rural health services.
- Introduce a program of Denticare as soon as British Columbia once again has a healthy economy. Our priorities will be children and senior citizens.
- Increase the opportunities for British Columbians to become doctors and dentists.
- Extend Pharmacare to include benefits for chronically ill children.
- Immediately develop a construction program to provide nursing home care for senior citizens.
- Put the cost of transferring patients from one hospital to another under British Columbia Hospital Insurance.

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A People's Rights Program for British Columbia

The British Columbia Social Credit Party will put the rights of the Individual above those of the State.

We will bring in:

- An Auditor-General to protect the value of taxpayer's dollars and report publicly on the expenditure of funds.
- An ombudsman to provide the individual with full appeal procedures against the decisions of government bureaucracies.
- A new expropriation law to prevent the confiscation of private property without fair compensation.
- An Appeal Board open to all, to protect the individual from binding decisions of quasi-judicial boards and commissions.
- A new Public Disclosure Act to ensure the protection of the public interest against the conflict-of-interest positions of elected representatives and the directors of Crown Corporations.

"The next government will have to make some very significant gestures in the way they pay themselves personally, the way they conduct government and the way they direct government to set an example for the people."

—Bill Bennett

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