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Highlights From Prog

As Prince Edward Island enters the 1990's, we must have a plan of leadership. The future won't just take care of itself.

A Progressive Conservative government led by Mel Gass will work to build a strong, diversified economy. Prosperity is the best guarantee of the compassionate society in which all Canadians believe.

A Progressive Conservative government will rebuild the partnership between government and primary industries. Our farmers and fishermen are the basis of our economy and way of life.

A Progressive Conservative government will effectively represent the Island's interests in negotiations with other governments. We know that strong arguments get results. Needless aggravation doesn't do the Island any good.

We believe the Ghiz government has failed to deliver on its campaign promise of opportunities for all Islanders.

We ask Islanders to take a hard look and decide who has the best plan for the Island's future.

Jobs for the Future

There are a lot more Islanders out of work today than when Joe Ghiz took office. The unemployment rate in the other Atlantic Provinces is going down. Ours is going up.

A PC government will overcome the economic stagnation of the past three years. It is tragic that almost a quarter of our young people are now without work. It is tragic that many feel they have to leave the Island to find opportunity.

A Progressive Conservative government will work in partnership with the primary sectors and, at the same time, aggressively seek investment in the technologies of the future. We recognize that P.E.I. is part of a global economy. We must understand the global economy and prepare our place in it. Technological and scientific education must be at the centre of our development strategy.

A Progressive Conservative government led by Mel Gass will create a new atmosphere for investment. We will let the world know we welcome business that is appropriate to our Island way of life and safe for our environment. We will clearly define our environmental approach so that potential investors will understand the rules of doing business on Prince Edward Island.

A PC government will

- establish a development policy that is future-oriented, aggressive and environmentally sound
- maximize new opportunities in the New England market.
- support modernization and new ideas for Island business.
- establish special area investor benefits and community economic support plans.
- broaden the Island's tourist appeal during shoulder seasons and encourage heritage restoration projects.
- renew the lapsed federal/provincial tourism agreement.

If for any reason an Islander is without work, government must assist with fairness and generosity.

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A PC government will

- promote improvement in the UIC system so that seasonal workers can use their 10 best weeks when filing a claim.

close CFB Summerside.

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In Agriculture, a PC government will respect them. We respect their knowledge and experience.

A PC government will

- name a full-time Minister of Agriculture
- strengthen stabilization or other programs
- expand on-Island processing and marketing
- exploit fully the New England market
- assist farmers to protect the soil.
- provide new financial assistance to farmers
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In the Fishery, a PC government will respect the fisheries and ensure a strong voice for the fishermen. We need a strong partnership with the fishers so a PC government will establish jobs for producers.

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Prince Edward Island receives hundreds of millions of dollars in federal funds. The health of our economy requires a good relationship with the Government of Canada.

A good relationship does not depend on party membership. It depends on strong, effective negotiation. We must defend the Island's interests in Ottawa calmly, consistently and reasonably.

The Ghiz government put its priority on publicity for the Premier, instead of results for Islanders. He preferred unnecessary confrontation to effective representation.

The Ghiz government failed to negotiate six federal-provincial development agreements vital to major sectors of our economy.

The Ghiz government lost LRIS to New Brunswick. It signed an energy agreement that ensures high power rates.

Effective negotiation is measured by results, not rhetoric.

A Progressive Conservative government led by Mel Gass will

- use a strong, effective negotiating style and never fail to defend the Island's interests.
- renew the lapsed federal-provincial development agreements.
- co-ordinate all federal-provincial negotiations through a Minister Responsible for Inter-Governmental Affairs.
- fight for equal representation in the Senate and election or appointment of our own Senators.

Saving Summerside

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Premier Gary Filmon of Manitoba is fighting in Ottawa to save jobs for Portage La Prairie.

Here, Joe Ghiz responded to the Summerside crisis by calling an election and hiring a group of retired generals. He did little while others were fighting hard to save Summerside jobs. As in the past, he has ineffectively represented the Island.

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Independant Living for Seniors

A PC government led by Mel Gass will be deeply committed to helping our
senior citizens. We will appoint a Minister Responsible for Seniors.

The Future of the Conservative Policy

It will be a major goal of our government to provide assistance to senior citizens who wish to remain in their own homes. We are committed to high-quality home care, nursing and support services. We will work to hold down the cost of living for Seniors.

We will

- appoint a Minister Responsible for Seniors.
- increase home care, nursing and support services.
- hold down costs through group fuel purchasing.
- reduce property taxes for seniors living in their own homes.
- fund new podiatrist services.
- bring together the young and old, through seniors working with children and young people, and young people assisting seniors.

Young Islanders

Islanders have always known the value of education. Today, more than ever, education must look ahead to new technologies and new ways of thinking. Progressive, quality education must be at the core of our economic planning. Our young people must develop their full potential. Their future depends on it.

A PC government will

- lower student/teacher ratios.
- increase assistance to small schools to maintain programs and staff.
- increase expansion and renovation of school facilities.
- improve laboratories and science curricula, increase computer use and fund new science scholarships.

Helping People in Crisis

Violence. Abandonment. Drugs. Alcohol. Loss of hope -- People in pain. Children. Young people and adults. Women and men. Families and single people -- People in crisis. Society must be there to help. Best is to help before the crisis is reached.

A PC government will

- enhance school counselling services on drug and alcohol abuse.
- increase support for voluntary organizations working with families.
- increase counselling services to families in crisis, Family Support Services and parenting skills training.
- stiffen penalties for family violence, increase prevention services and enhance training.
- create additional transition homes, particularly in rural areas, and increase legal assistance to victims of family violence.
- provide essential home repair services for low-income families.

- protect Island groundwater and support more use of agricultural chemicals.
- help farmers prevent soil erosion.
- strengthen the Environmental Protection Act and improve enforcement of the regulations.
- establish a Conservation Land Fund to create reserves and wildlife habitats.

Working with Communities

Municipalities across P.E.I. need more support. To municipalities have been eroded by the Ghiz infrastructures have suffered.

A PC government will

- establish a fair equalization program.
- ensure safe water supplies for municipalities.
- increase assistance for municipal sewage systems.
- assist in maintenance of important facilities, recreation facilities and libraries.

Honest and Fair Government

For a government to succeed it must have the trust of the people. It must respect the people.

That bond of trust is created when government service, respect the law and the rights of citizens.

Instead, the Ghiz government has been arbitrary and partisan.

The Ghiz government tried to change a law that trampled on people's rights. It caused 122 complaints to the Commission.

The Ghiz government interfered with the bodies such as the Public Utilities Commission. Arbitrary bodies make decisions which should have been made by the people.

A Progressive Conservative government will respect people's rights and respect the laws. A Progressive Conservative government free from political interference.

A Progressive Conservative government led by a partnership between Islanders and their government.

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Supporting Women's Choices

These days, many women's lives are in a state of flux. There are many who choose to or must work and raise children at the same time. Others are deciding they prefer to concentrate on family. Unfortunately, society's attitudes often lag behind women's own choices.

A PC government will support women's decisions through child care services, equality in the workplace and recognition of work in the home. True equality comes only with the freedom to make choices.

A PC government will

- support pay equity for work of equal value, while ensuring that no worker will suffer a pay cut to achieve that principle.
- encourage available, affordable, quality day care and recognize the particular needs of shift-workers.
- improve benefits for part-time and temporary workers.
- assist female students to choose among the full range of careers.
- encourage job-training and re-entry programs for single mothers and mothers returning to the workforce.
- strictly enforce child support laws.

Protecting the Island's Environment

For ourselves, our children and our grandchildren, we must protect the health of Prince Edward Island itself -- its air, water, soil and natural systems.

We want future generations to prosper and enjoy the Island way of life, and for that we cannot harm the environment.

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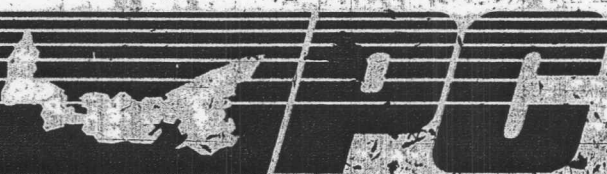
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Honest and Fair Government

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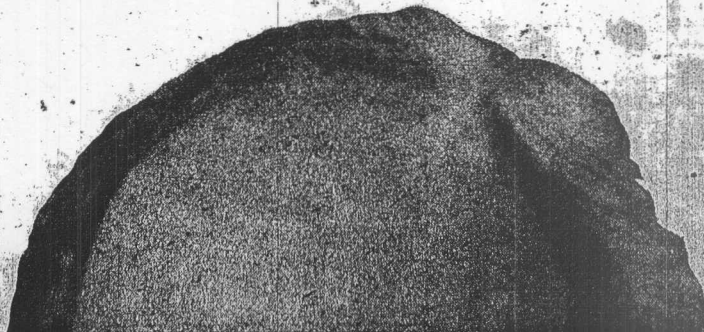
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A Progressive Conservative government will consult and listen. It will respect people's rights and respect the laws. A PC government will keep the regulatory bodies free from political interference.

A Progressive Conservative government led by Mel Gass will build a new partnership between Islanders and their government.

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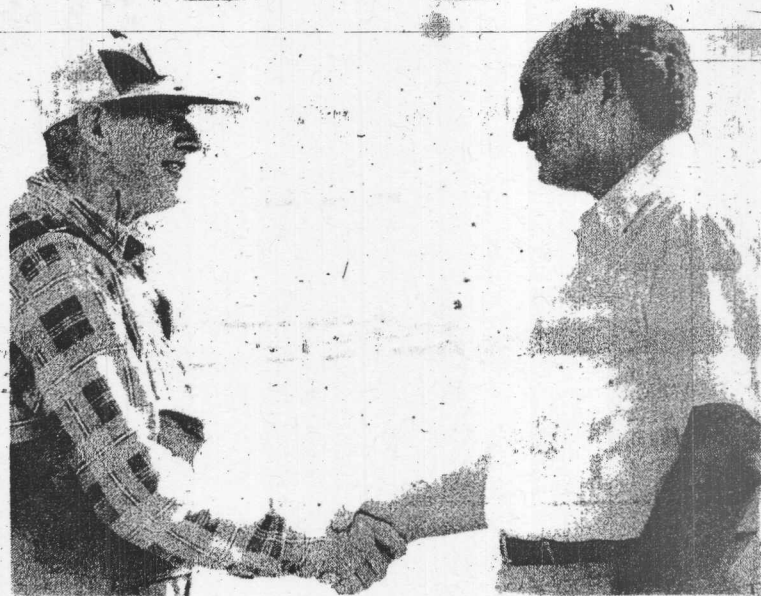


III Agriculture

I was born and brought up on an Island farm.

I know that those who work the land so productively are the heart of the Island's economy and way of life.

I respect the knowledge and expertise of our Island farmers. I will re-establish the bonds of trust and co-operation between producers and government that were destroyed by the Ghiz government.



A PC government will name a full-time Minister of Agriculture, a Minister who understands the farm community.

A PC government will sell Gemini foods.

We will provide crucial assistance to help young farmers get started.

We will aggressively explore new market opportunities in New England.

We need a PC government that knows...

The future of Island Agriculture depends on working together.

— PC Leader Mel Gass



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Independent Living for Seniors

Our senior citizens must continue to share in the prosperity which they helped create.

A PC government will

- appoint a Minister Responsible for Seniors.
- increase home care, nursing and support services.
- reduce property taxes for seniors living in their own homes.
- fund new footcare (podiatrist) services.
- bring together the young and old, through seniors working with young people.

Education

A good education must successfully prepare people for an ever-changing world.

A PC government will

- lower student/teacher ratios.
- increase assistance to small schools.
- increase expansion and renovation of school facilities
- improve laboratories and science curricula.

Supporting Women's Choices

True equality comes only when women are free to make choices, choices which government must support.

A PC government will

- support pay equity.
- encourage available, affordable, quality day care and recognize the particular needs of shift-workers.
- recognize the value of work in the home.
- improve benefits for part-time and temporary workers.
- encourage job-training and re-entry programs for single mothers and mothers returning to the workforce.
- stiffen penalties for family violence.
- create additional transition homes.
- strictly enforce child support laws.

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Protecting the Island's Environment

For ourselves, our children and our grandchildren, we must protect the health of Prince Edward Island itself — its air, water, soil and natural systems.

A PC government will

- introduce development guidelines which ensure the protection of our environment.
- protect Island groundwater and support more pilot projects to reduce the use of agricultural chemicals.
- strengthen the Environmental Protection Act.
- establish a Conservation Land Fund to create new parks, nature preserves and wildlife habitats.

Working with Communities

Equalization programs to municipalities have been eroded by the Ghiz government. Services and infrastructures have suffered.

A PC government will

- establish a fair equalization program.
- establish a \$20 million municipal infrastructure program to support sewer and water systems.
- assist in maintenance of important facilities such as museums, halls, recreation facilities and libraries.

Honest and Fair Government

For a government to succeed it must have the people's respect. In turn, it must respect the people. That bond of trust is created when governments are committed to public service, respect the law and the rights of citizens and lead by building consensus.

A Progressive Conservative government will consult and listen. It will respect people's rights and respect the laws.

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