

Winograd cops top Dem seat

By TIM RICHARD



MORLEY WINOGRAD
There is consensus

Morley Winograd, the one-time Troy haberdasher, was talking more than political rhetoric when he said of the Michigan Democratic Party: "We're talking to each other. We're formulating programs based on agreement and consensus, and we're not shutting anybody out of the discussion."

Some Democrats disagreed, but there weren't enough to give Winograd even a little scare, and he won a third two-year term Sunday as state party chairman by voice vote.

WINOGRAD'S EASY victory and his talks to caucus summed up the mood of Michigan Democrats.

We've got two Republican incumbents to beat in 1978—Gov. Milliken and Sen. Griffin. We have not only won elections, but we have implemented the program of the Democratic Party," Winograd told them.

There were dissenters. A group calling itself the Democratic Socialist Caucus planned to put up a token expression of displeasure at being shut out of discussion by offering Dolly Hughes, a third grade teacher from Livonia, as Winograd's opposition.

Mrs. Hughes was backed by Zoltan Ferency, newly returned from the Human Rights Party, and some of the discontented types from the now defunct New Democratic Coalition. But the man who was supposed to nominate her, Warren Bracy of Ann Arbor, a law professor, was having breakfast when the chairmanship nominations were to be made. Such was the state of disarray of the socialist caucus that the roll call of the delegations was completed before another person could be found to nominate Mrs. Hughes, and so her candidacy was never formalized.

Ferency said the socialist caucus has 110 names on its mailing list. Livonia delegate put attendance at 350, and an outsider shrugged that it's possible almost anytime to find 100 votes against a state chairman from the nearly 3,000 delegates.

MRS. HUGHES' complaint was that "I've had so much of where I couldn't get my point of view across." She is a party member in the labor-dominated 15th Congressional District.

Ferency, now a professor of criminal justice at Michigan State University, convened the socialist caucus upon his recent return to the Democratic Party, of which he was chairman until forced out in his third term.

First goals of Michigan socialism,

were a dark suit and white shirt.

William Ralls, the 21 Democratic minority on the state Public Service Commission, Ralls offered his own resolution on state energy policy and, like the others, had a hospitality suite. He wore a dark suit and white shirt.

Livonia Mayor Edward H. McNamara, whose name entered the speculation because he had a hospitality suite, McNamara did not, however, appear at the convention, and no one noted what he was wearing.

ITCHING TO TAKE on Sen. Griffin is State Sen. John Otterbacher of Grand Rapids.

Otterbacher offered a resolution condemning Republican Griffin's record, had plenty of noncommittal signs and pamphlets in evidence and wore a dark suit and white shirt.

Mentioned in speculation, but making no efforts to push their candidacies by making speeches or wearing dark suits and white shirts, were U.S. Reps. William D. Ford of Taylor and J. Bob Traxler of Bay City.

A borderline possibility was a prominent suburban businessman in Oakland and Wayne counties. Rumors were deflated, however, when he appeared in a dark blazer with grey trousers and pink shirt.

he said in a floor interview, are the public utilities, a government bank and a government insurance company to provide homeowners' liability insurance.

It will be Winograd who will head the party through February of 1979. The former Oakland leader said he puts in "60 to 80 hour weeks. I spend three days a week in Lansing and travel all over the state. I put 40,000 miles on my car last year."

ONE REASON Winograd won, said newly-elected U.S. Sen. Donald Riegle, is that Winograd maintained a hands-off position in the hard-fought four-way Democratic Senate primary last summer.

Winograd will have to do it again in 1979. There are four or five unnamed but acknowledged men seeking the party's nomination for governor and one or more interested in the Senate.

Gubernatorial hopefuls are, in no particular order:

State Sen. Patrick McCullough of Dearborn. McCullough had a hospitality suite and pamphlets that touted his abilities but didn't specify what he was running for. He was author of a resolution condemning the administration of Republican incumbent William G. Milliken. McCullough wore a dark suit and white shirt.

State Sen. William Fitzgerald of Detroit. Although deposed as Senate majority leader, Fitzgerald is still ambitious and spoke in favor of the resolution condemning Milliken. He wore a dark suit and white shirt.

House Speaker Bobby D. Crim of Davison. Because he had to attend another function, Crim had his speech supporting the anti-Milliken resolution delivered by Rep. Joe Forbes of Oak Park. While at the convention, Crim

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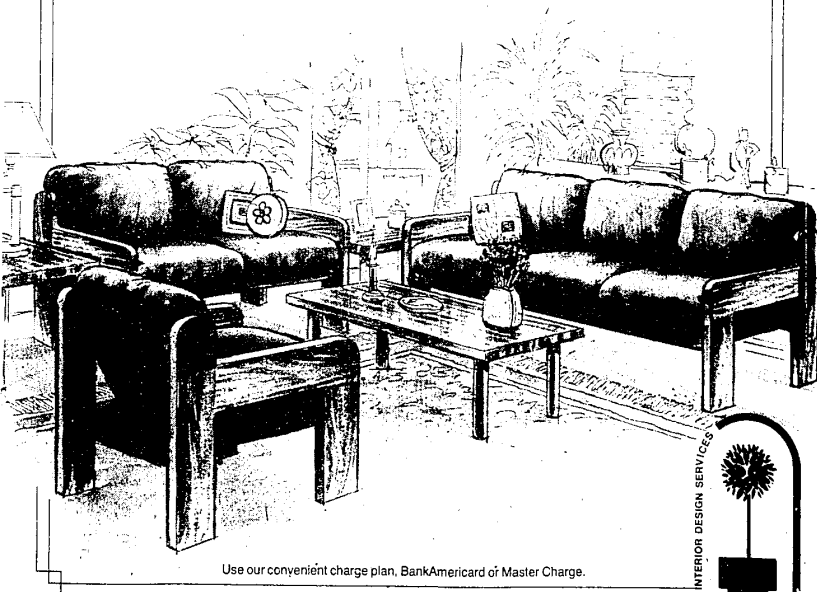


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The Michigan Department of Social Services is working with private employment agencies in Oakland County to find jobs for welfare recipients.

The move represents an effort to trim the state's aid to dependent children rolls, according to the DSS.

Pairing ADC clients with prospective employers is expected to begin within the next few weeks.

The experimental project is funded by a \$294,949 grant from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

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