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March Comes inLike a Lion...

# PROTEST AT ROYAL YORK

By Roberta Sankey and Loretta Newell

In many cases people felt that the demonstration in front of the Royal York Hotel was unsuccessful as well as being a disaster because it ended in violence.

But the demonstration was at least successful in pointing out two things

1. The people, regardless of the groups they represented and their differences, united as one to make the public, Trudeau, and the government aware of their plight. 2. The demonstration was successful in its intention to educate the public to the fact that Trudeau's policies on inflation and unemployment are causing utter chaos and desperation among the people across Canada.

The violence was an unwanted and unfortunate factor to say the least, regardless of whether the groups or the police were the initial cause.

The real reason for the unrest and dissent, among the people is Trudeau's uncaring and ignorant attitude when confronted with the plight of the people that results from his policies.

Unless this attitude changes and steps are taken immediately to repair the damage that's been done, we will see more demonstrations and unnecessary violence.

Wake up people! The blame does not lie with the people or the police but with the government that is supposed to be representing our needs.

The failure to realize and understand this undisputable fact will be our complete undoing.



Something very bad happened here last week, something beyond my capacity to rationalize and make allowances for and explain.

by John Gault

Over the years I have tended to support demonstrations, everthough I realized they were, fo the most part, fatuous exercises in rhetoric and sloganeering. I have witnessed quite a few, here, in Montreal and in the United States.

But at no time did I feel the revulsion I experienced outside the Royal York Hotel, Never before have I felt the urge to take a demonstrator by the throat.

It's hardly a novel approach to extol the merits of our police force, and to compare them favorably with forces in other cities, but I must make mention of the restraint and constraint showed by the officers there.

The insults were bad enough, but insults have become so entrenched in the demonstrator philosophy and practice that cont. p. 4 col. 4

down an escalator trying to find

# **Baloney and Eggs**

Carole Gault

The usually serene and staid old Royal York Hotel scene was disturbed last Wednesday, March 3. About 500 people assembled on the sidewalk outside at about 5:30 p.m. They were picketers, demonstrating against Prime Minister Trudeau who was scheduled to address the \$50.00 a plate banquet inside at 8:00 p.m.

It began calmly and the marchers combined their protest walk with a guerilla theatre tactic of staging their own baloney sandwich banquet. That was to show the inside diners that there are others in Canada who are not benefiting from this government's attitudes because they're out of work and hungry

The second theatre tactic I had heard being planned, never matericont. p. 4 col. 1

# Liberal Hospitality?

By Charlotte Sykes

One interesting aspect of the Liberal Party's Eat-In was the lack of liberality in letting 7 News cover the big deal. After reducing our coverage from three (Editor, Reporter, Photographer) to one (me--Photographer) (they invited us all in the first place), they further reduced us to none (Instant Demonstrator). Nobody seemed to know what to do about my presence there so I waited impatiently while someone named Jerry Freeman and someone named Don Schactner ran up and

Planning For S.S.J.T.

by John Sewell

Staff has been working on the area South of St. Jamestown. A preliminary draft planning statement for the area has now ben prepared, and although it is in no way final, it gives a good indication of how some planners see the area

At the present time, the area South of St. Jamestown is designated as one which will accomodate high density (read high rise) residential units. This means that if Meridian applied for a rezoning of the area to build another St. Jamestown, the politicians would fall all over themselves trying to approve it.

The Planning Staff has suggested that only the western half of the area should be made available for development. The block from Ontario to Parliament, Wellesley to Carlton would then remain as it now is -- namely an area of houses. The report indicates that the reason for the Cont. P2 Col. 2

each other, neither, apparently, being capable of reaching a decision by himself. Finally, a strange young man in a pea-green jacket, dull grey pants, and brown tie shoes whispered to the person distributing press credentials that 7 News was "O.K." I quickly pinned on my press badge and ranup the escalator as the time allowed for picture taking in the receiving line was half over. I had just started taking a few snaps of the notables when two men approached me and asked from whom I had received my press badge. I told them I assumed that Jerry Freeman and Don Schactner had given their permission whereupon the same Don Schactner appeared in a cloud of smoke, stamping his feet and snorting that he and only he had the power to give me a press badge and he had not done so. I asked him why he didn't just do it then and there since he had let in the (U. of T.) Varsity photographer, who hadn't even made advance arrangements as we had. But he said he had to check with someone else about me which I suggested was ridiculous since he had just reminded me that he was all-powerful in this matter at least. At this point, the two men who had first questioned me took me by either elbow and gently but firmly escorted me out, through the kitchen, down the back stairs and deposited me in front of the press certification desk. I finally spotted Jerry Freeman and complained of the treatment I was getting and he quite frankly told me the reason for it was that they thought 7 News had organized the demonstration outside and advertised it in News In Brief. I told him that News In Brief was a community bulletin board in which any group was free to publicize its activities and that the other notice of the demonstration was a paid adver-

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# Bleeker St. a Park? PLANNING BOARD FAVOURS MERIDIAN WITH HIGHEST POSSIBLE DENSITY

By Rev. James Houston

Tuesday, March 2, City Hall, Committee Room 4. Around 10:30 a.m.

The City of Toronto Planning Board has dealt with the first five items on its agenda -- (all the major developments are approved - one little one is sent back for revisions). Next on the agenda: Meridian's proposed development of "St.Jamestown West".

The Chairman announces that he has copies of a Brief requesting a public hearing on this development proposal. He circulates the brief to the members of the Planning Board, so that they may "read it before we proceed." One member reads the heading and hollers out, "Who is the St. Jamestown West Planning Action Committee?" An alderman member shouts across at him, "Some group thrown together in a hurry, no doubt." Several members laugh at the thought of mere citizens who live in the developments they approve asking questions or making objections. The Chairman is told who this committee is. Unfortunately the name "Alderman Sewell" is mentioned. Fred Beavis shouts at the top of his voice, "Alderman Sewell!" It

is then explained to Mr. Beavis that the committee was formed as a result of a meeting called by Mr. Sewell, but that Mr. Sewell is not a part of, or involved with the not in the least interested in explanations. "If you wanted to put up a back-house John Sewell would oppose it." It is pointed out that it isn't Sewell who is asking for a public hearing. "But he'll be there with all his group!" It is pointed out that Sewell is, after all, the elected representative in the ward in question.

"Well," says Mr. Beavis, "I am going to deal with this matter anyway!" And he does. He not only supports the recommendations of the Planning Staff approving of two 31 storey and one 30 storey apartment tower: he also moves that 40,000 square feet of the site which is being turned over to the City for roads be included in the "landscaped open space", so that Meridian can obtain the highest possible density.

Mr. Frost, school Trustee, is the only member of the Planning Board to raise objections, he points out that this new phase of

development cannot be considered as though it were isolated, but must be looked at in the context of St. Jamestown as a whole. "Dozens of people", he committee. "Sewell is against says, have told him what an everything!" Hollers Mr. Beavis, inhuman place St. Jamestown is The City of Toronto Planning to live in. He asks the Board to consider the social and human effects of this kind of crowding before they approve the addition of 2000 more people in the same forty acres. Mr. Beavis reminds him that the developer is providing housing, and asks Mr. Frost to go and look at St. Jamestown from Sherbourne Street, and see if this proposal won't improve the looks of it. "It isn't how it looks that's important," said Mr. Frost, "but how it feels to live there."

Architect member Gerald Robinson makes statement in agreement with Mr. Frosts objections, but he joins, the rest of the Board in voting in favour of Mr. Beavis' motion. Only Mt. Frost is opposed.

The plans now go to Buildings and Development Committee on Monday, March 15, for that Committee's approval. Several Community Groups have asked permission to speak at this meet-Cont. P.2 Col. 4

# TENANTS GET TO WORK ON COWLEY HOUSES

by Cecilia Gallant

On March 3rd, 1971, a meeting was held at 297 Carlton Street and was attended by many of the tenants residing in Mr. Alex Cowley's houses. What most of us thought impossible, has now become a possibility. We have reason to believe that what was once called the "slum" will now be considered, with the help of each and every tenant, an appropriate place to live in.

Here is a brief summary of what was said:

The tenants each received a housing violation list, some good, some bad; but this was accompanied by a 10-month lease guaranteed by Mr. Cowley himself which for many is a great advantage.

Another advantage is that the tenants who wish to have their homes re-inspected before their leases are signed may do so by contacting Mr. Larry Dickson. An appointment will be set up with a city inspector who will go through the homes with Mr. Dickson and explain the violation and give advice if desired.

volunteered to help with repairs on the houses in need: Mr. Pike, who is a bricklayer and a plasterer; Mr. Sallay, who is able to make minor electrical repairs; Mr. Clement, who has access to electrical equipment; Mr. Barry, who can give advice on roofs and eavstroughs; Mr. Lasher and Mr. Barry Morris, who offered their trucks on certain occasions

A sub-committee was also elected by the tenants to represent them. Mr. Larry Dickson, Mr. Clement and Mrs. Gallant as co-chairmen will all try their best to help other tenants. will pitch in together. Isn't this environments?

needed. Anyone with plumbing, 366-6242. carpentry, plastering, brick or electrical skills, and some extra there is provision in the budget to time, is welcome to call on the pay for the services of the people Gallants at 18 Spruce St. or the Dicksons at 255 Carlton St.

### Frontier Village Opens

Frontier Village, has opened at of topics that concern the 552 Ontario St., and will be centering its activities around a music school, drop-in, adventure trips, and television production for cable tv.

Anyone wishing beginning and intermediate instruction on guitar, piano, trumpet, recorder, and a number of other instruments may sign up for free lessons.

A youth drop-in is being run in games, and out-trips.

The center has its own television cameras. It will be doing

A new neighbourhood center regular programming on a variety community, and will be running workshops to familiarize anyone concerned with the operation and production of television programs.

Future plans call for the opening of a day care unit during the daytime, a home for transient youth, a farm project, and camping activities during the summer.

Frontier Village invites the afternoons and evenings and comments and volunteers from include such activities as movies, the community. It also desperately needs furniture and craft supplies and if anyone has either, please call 921-8346 for pickup.

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### S.S.J.T.

cont. from p.1 col.4 division of the area is that for more off-street customer park-Meridian now owns almost all the ing in the Parliament Street property in the block between business area. Bleecker and Ontario, while their property holding to the east of Vale were unanimous in their Ontario are scattered.

extend property management by considerable question in many properties it now owns.

Ideas about the high density block between Bleeker and tion, the matter was turned over Ontario are less clear. At one to the Parking Authority for point the report indicates that any further investigation. A further development should be:

1) For a mix of family sizes (i.e. Council on the matter. there should be big units as well as small units, and not just the usual one, two and odd three bedroom St. Jamestown-types).

2) For a variety of income groupings; but these two points (and they are the crucial ones as far as present residents of the area are concerned) are not included in the recommendations.

In short, the report gives protection to half the area and pressuring the planners to write a leaves the other half of the area at the disposal of the developer.

It would appear that the report be the last to be satisfied.

# Indian Project **Begins**

The Union of Ontario Indians has received grants from provin-Some people at the meeting cial and federal sources to start an action-research project on the problems that are experienced by Canadian Indians in Metro Toronto. Funds have been made available by the Central Mortgage & Housing Corp. and the Untario Dept. of Citizenship and the project is expected to last until December, 1971.

Project director is Harvey McCue, an Ojibwa from Georgina Island reserve. He is assisted by 2 Indian fieldworkers, an assistant director and a secretary.

The main concern of the project is to contact and meet with Indians who are currently Let us all hope that all the tenants living in Toronto. A number of who reside in Mr. Cowley's houses sources are being used to establish contacts but the staff feel that the way to succeed in further these will not be enough. Any plans to improve our homes and Indian, status or non-status, is requested to contact the research One thing more: skilled help is staff by calling 366-6241 or

Mr. McCue explained that who assist them in their efforts. They hope that Indians who are experiencing any problems in the city in the areas of employment, housing, walfare, day-care centres, communication and legal aid, or who just wants to talk with them, will get in touch.

Mr. McCue explained further that this project is not meant as just another study on Indians but will hopefully deal directly with any problem the Indian people have in Metro.

# Power Lot for Parliament St.?

By Norman Browne

The Toronto Parking Authority will examine the feasibility of taking over the parking lot behind Power Supermarket on Parliament Street and running it for the benefit of shoppers using the Parliament Street business district.

This decision came about as the result of a recent public meeting attended by representatives of the three associations in Don Vale, the Ward 7 Businessmen's Association, Alderman John Sewell and members of the City planning staff and the Toronto Parking Authority.

The meeting was called at the behest of the Executive Committee of City Council after a deputation and brief by the Businessmen's Association asking

The local associations in Don The report also states that tion as a method of acquiring land Meridian should be encouraged to for a parking lot. There was also the South of St. Jamestown minds as to the need for such a Tenants Union to most of the parking lot in the Parliament street business area.

> Finally, as a compromise solureport will also be made to City

will be substantially rewritten by senior staff in the Planning Board.

Present indications are that Meridian is very unhappy about th fact they can only build in half the area and knowing how politicians work in this city, it is not hard to see that they will be Report more favourable to Meridian. As usual, the people will 432 Dundas E

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Board Cont. from P1 Col. 3 ing. If you live in St. Jamestown, or are concerned about how development goes on in this city, come to City Hall on Monday, at 4:00. p.m.., committee Room

It all began back in January 11, when the Ward 7 Aldermen called a meeting in St. Jamestown to give residents a chance to look at what Meridian was proposing between Bleecker and Sherbourne Sts. Close to 75 people came out, and almost unanimously opposed the development as planned. A committee was appointed to look further into the implications of the proposal, and report back with recommendations to another public meeting two weeks later.

In the interval, Mr. Manthorpe, Vice President of Meridian, met with the committee, and agreed to accept a list of "functions" the existing St. Jamestown community thought West St. Jamestown should provide. He said that he wouldn't let any conversations with us interfere with the process of getting his plan through City Hall. But if the community could come up with good ideas, he would certainly give them serious consideration. There may even be a chance some of the ideas could be incorporated

The Committee reported back to the second public meeting, recommending the setting up of two committees: (1) to see how far co-operative planning with Mr. Manthrope could go; and (2) to prepare for whatever steps would have to be taken if non of the committee's ideas could be incorporated.

The "Meridian" Committee (No.1) met with Mr. Manthorpe, who was "forced to say no" to most of the items requested. One item was a request to gather together as much as possible of the required land-scaped open space to form a small, secluded park. Mr. Manthorpe took this away with him, promising to give it very careful consideration. He also requested that the architect on the committee come and look at the complete drawings of the

proposed plan. As a result, our architect presented to Mr. Manthorpe the committee's revised plans, which showed how Meridian could build the same three towers, but meet some of the existing community's needs as well.

In the meantime, the other committee (No.2) concerned that several of the expressed community needs had been simply ruled out by Meridian, decided to ask the Planning Board for a public hearing in the area. This they felt would be the fairest way to give everyone interested an opportunity to state their views. A letter was sent to Planning Board requesting a hearing. The 325 Bleecker St. Tenants' Association, and a Social Action Committee of a local church also requested a public hearing.

But at its meeting of March 2, the planning Board did not even discuss the requests. They simply voted to approve the Meridian re-zoning application for the highest density possible under the Official Plan. And that includes allowing a paved street to be called Landsaped Open Space.

Reverend Houston is the interfaith minister to St. Jamestown.

### Old Spadina: What next?

By Pat Moses

Do you believe the Spadina Metro Council has made a snap Expressway should be stopped? Is decision to start immediately on a fullscale transportation review absolutely necessary? There is something you can do about it. The next step is to appeal the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) decision to the new Davis Cabinet. Legal and technical material are important but the feelings of the individual voting citizen will focus on the personal level. Write letters and get your friends to write or sign yours.

The Key Cabinet Ministers deciding on the O.M.B. decision are the Premier of Ontario. William Davis; the Minister of Municipal Affairs Dalton Bales; and the Minister of Highways and Transport, Charles McNaughton; also the Metro Ministers Allan Grossman, Allan Lawrence, John Yaremko, and Edward Dunlop. For Ward No.7 Write Mr. J (Bud) Price, 27 Bloor Street E. Toronto All Cabinet Ministers are addressed c/o Queen's Park, Tor-

The Metro Parks Commissioner of Dundas to the waterfront? believes the best tonic after a tired winter is to commune with nature from its experience in handling in her natural environs, He invites everyone to join him on his next walk through Taylor Creek Park. Starting at the Victoria Park Avenue subway station through Dentonia Park Golf Course and following the parks system north, the eventual destination is the Ontario Science Centre. All walks misery to the thousands of are approximately 31/2 miles and take about two hours. Make sure Cont. P4 Col. 5

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Dixon Hall Schedule

1971 PROGRAM

Senior Citizens

Boys Gym, 6-10

Community Discussion Groups

Good Grooming, Girls 10-14 Rhythm Band, Boys & Girls 6-10

Mothers Group Arts & Crafts, Girls 6-10

Floor Hockey, Boys 10-12

Creative Dance, Girls 6-12 Cubs, Boys 7-10 Brownies, Girls 7-10

Hockey, Boys 10-12

Boys Gym, 6-10 Arts & Crafts, Boys 8-10

Creative Dance, Girls 10-12

Cubs, Boys 7-10 Cooking, Girls 10-12 Arts & Crafts, Boys & Girls 10-12

Legal Aid

Drama

Teen Club Senior Citizens Tiny Tots

Counselling

# **New Spadina?** Do we need it?

by Gloria Walters

the eastern extension of the Gardiner expressway.

NOW is the time to ask questions and request answers in writing from Metro officials and aldermen regarding the effect this expressway will have on the communities involved.

Over seven hundred city homes will be demolished. Will one of them be yours?

Parks and parkettes will be sliced. Is one of them in your neighbourhood?

Dundas Street is slated to be widened to six lanes starting from the proposed Spadina expressway east to the Don Valley Parkway.

Does the cloverleaf proposed for Dundas Street just past Coxwell Avenue mean that Dundas Street east of the Don will be widened to six lanes connecting with the Gardiner?

Could this be another crosstown highway? Will there be ramps in your area? Will there follow heavy redevelopment south

Has Metro learned nothing the Spadina expressway? One wonders what the real reason is for the sudden big push to start work on the Gardiner extension.

Providing easy access for cars and trucks to and from the city in the name of unemployment is not an acceptable excuse for causing families who will be affected by this expressway

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# City Hall

By John Sewell

After a few years of trying, the Don Vale Association of Homeowners and Residents has finally managed to get 12 new litter baskets for the Don Vale area. The Association had requested permission to provide brightly painted oil drums for the area if the City would empty them, but they have been saved that trouble by the City agreeing to break its policy of not providing litter baskets in residential areas. If you are persistent enough, you can get rid of your garbage.

It was recently proposed that the portion of Berekly Street between Queen and King be made one way north. Some people on the street opposed that (some supported it) and the City's Committee on Public Works decided that the street couldn't remain two way if cars continued to park on it. Accordingly, the recommendation that will be before Council on March 17th is that the street remain two way, but that parking be prohibited.

The City has decided to install parking meters on both sides of Queen Street, from Sherbourne to Seaton, and on the south side east to Berkeley. It seems that most merchants are happy with the

Merchants on Howard Street find that since the street has become one way west, business has gone down. They have requested the City to make the street two way again, and the City has decided that a meeting of all interested people in the area should be held. The date of that meeting will be announced in the near future.

Last Fall people in the Danforth-Jackman-Chester Avenue area held a meeting about the possible relocation of the traffic lights at Danforth and Jackman. They felt that the lights should be moved easterly to Chester Avenue to aid those coming out of the subway and wishing to cross Danforth Avenue.

The City's Commissioner of Works reported on the matter, and has concluded from studies of pedestrian movements in the area that a change in the location of the lights is not warranted. From an "origin and destination" study of pedestrians, it appears that most people are best facilitated with the lights at their present location, and that others could easily walk the extra 200 feet from Hampton over to Chester. Accordingly, the lights will not be

# **Volunteers** At C.N.H.

Community women are a valuable resource as volunteers in Central Neighbourhood House, and since the move into the new building their number and their enthusiasm has grown. Most of them have stated duties and hours but, as one of the staff members says, "most of them would come at the drop of a hat to help out if any emergency arose."

Dorothy Alger, Betty Belanger, Helen Cook, Veronica Geddes, Carean Lequerre, Geraldine Martin, Pat O'Brien, Gloria Ryan, Shirley Taten, Sandra Taylor and Helen Windebank are all wives and mothers, yet are willing to put in several busy hours a week as volunteers at CNH.

Most of them work as receptionists in the reception booth in the vestibule, taking or directing the stream of telephone calls, caring for those who drop in, directing others to places of meetings and the like.

# News from CONCERNED PARENTS RUN AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

by Carles Hilder

An exciting child-centred program has developed at Frankland Public School. It includes Arts & Crafts, Cooking, Drama, Greek Music and Dance, a Gym Program, Interpretive Dance, Judo, Model Aircraft, Orff Music, Sewing, Swimming, and Woodwork.

How does one school cope with such a variety of activities? It expands. Through the co-operation of the Board of Education, use of Parkway Vocational School's pool was obtained. Eastminster United Church offered its gym, bowling alley, and space for woodwork.

Frankland Home and School had requested funds last year for an after-school program. Some money was granted in November, which was used for Art and Model Aircraft supplies. Due to the current economy drive, the program must now operate with a small registration fee.

Mr. Stan Gural of the Central Y supplied much needed advice, and a questionnaire was sent out to the children asking them which activities they would like to take part in. Their response was enthusiastic; then there was a great scrambling for instructors for various programs!

Through the co-operation of Martindale, principal of Frankland, much of the nitty gritty was smoothly dispensed

Many people give what they can to the program: talent, secretarial and treasurer's ability, or just plain time on the phone. Parents and teachers volunteer their time, as do students from Riverdale Collegiate and Danforth Tech. (There are also some paid instructors).

There are sixteen separate activities in the program, with more than 100 children enrolled for each day.

The program could be seen as an example of the extended family: one mother takes other children swimming while her own boy goes to woodwork. It functions because of the parents' concern for their children. But the parents also learn about other children, and how their own children relate to them.

In these days of controversy it is good that the Board of Education, a school, parents, and a church can work together in a successful venture.

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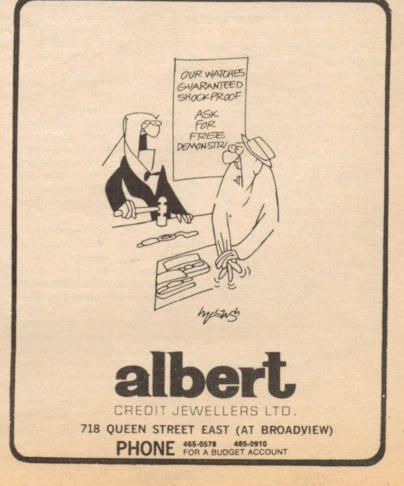
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# Sports

### Round-up

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Friday Night Bowlers: The Friday Night Bowlers are entering the home stretch, with the playoffs just around the corner. The Roadrunners are still in the lead chased by the vocal Mod Squad and Dyers Dusters. The other seven teams are running very close to make it a most exciting challenge for the top honors. Jack Watson still holds the men's high average with a 223; Sergio Tucci is right on his tail with a 216 average. Mother Mary Murdock is still showing the young ones how bowling should be played; Mary has a 184 high average. However Sue Binstead with 181, and Kathy Locicero and Dot Shanahan with a 180, are closing in on her. Delores McGuire tossed a sparkling 298 last Friday to take over the Ladies' High Singles. Frank Ruffalo, John Patry and little John Buffan are holding their own with a 300 position. The Executive wish to thank the bowlers and guests who turned out to make their Valentine Dance a great success and also the league itself conveys its best to Thelma Scott who had to quit bowling due to a recent heart attack. Ricky Bell and his pin boys are to be commended for their fine work at the alleys.

Moss Park Hockey Results: In the NHL, the Rangers defeated the Hawks 4 to 3 to win the championship, and in the AHL, the Bears also came on top with the same score over the Barons. Congratulations to the coaches and players. This was a great hockey season for the boys, as this league looked after about 200

#### Baloney

cont. from p. 1 col. 3 alized. There was to be an outhouse constructed and a truck was to arrive and let out a poor man who was going to walk through a model of what can only be fairly described as excrement. Trudeau had told the Lapalme drivers the "mangez la merde." These people were going to demonstrate how they felt about that comment.

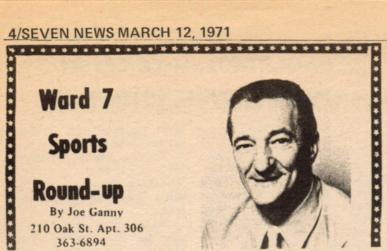
The baloney sandwiches were dispensed from what appeared to be an outhouse. The demonstration might have ended with the peaceful march and banquet. But it didn't stay calm very long.

As guests began arriving they emerged from their big cars at the hotel entrance to be greeted with jeers from the crowd. They were hurriedly escorted through by the contingent of policemen assigned to keep the door-area clear.

Those who were late arriving (7:00 and on) were treated to showers of rotten potatoes, apples - anything that would fly. About 7:15 the hard-hat helmeted squad arrived to hold back the hostile crowd. Finally, someone broke through the police line, and that

Many of the non-militants ran for the other side of the street but within minutes, windows were broken, demonstrators and police were injured, traffic was stalled and Toronto started to look too much like Chicago.

The police showed great restraint, though some of them got tough and a little nasty with their arrests. And by the time Trudeau gave his sly speech about women, it was pretty well over outside. All that remained were bits of bread and baloney, scattered shattered glass and torn posters.



boys every Saturday and to the sponsors, many thanks to all of you from the executives.

Competitive Hockey: playground hockey finals were played Sat., March 6, at Maple Leaf Gardens with a crowd of almost two thousand kids and parents enjoying a Saturday away from home. Regent Park once again had five out of six teams in the finals and walked away with five championships. In the Minor Bantam, Trinity Rec Centre banged out a 3 to 1 victory over Regent Park, but after that it was all Regent, as the Pee Wees won 3 to 1 over Trinity and the Bantams bombed Pape Rec Centre 10 to zip. In the Midget Series, which broke out in a Cassius Clay and Joe Frazier affair in the second period, Regent came out with a 5 to 2 win over McCormick Rec Centre. In the junior game, it was a very good and close hockey game with excitement at both ends of the rink: Regent 3, McCormick 2. Congratulations to coaches Harold Lounds Delbert Lounds, Les McCormick and Sid Doyle. To the local Ward Seven Sponsors who helped Mr. Doyle many thanks to the following: MP Donald MacDonald, Dommion Silk Mills, Local 43 Civic EMP. Ward Seven Business Men, and the Avion and Gerrard Sportsmen.

#### Hospitality

cont. from p.1 col.5 tisement. (But did his attitude imply that only pro-Trudeau press was to be allowed in?)

See you at the next sports roundup!

He said he'd see what he could do for me. Shortly after this I was told again that it was all right to go upstairs where pictures of the 'procession" and the banquet could be taken. While I was taking pictures at the head table I was asked once again, by a whitehaired, dinner-jacketed gentleman who was neither Mr.Freeman nor Mr. Schactner, to leave. Well, I know where I'm not welcome so I went back where I obviously belonged—to the demonstrators.

The attitude of the dinner guests (or hosts, as it were, since each person paid for Trudeau's meal with a \$50 contribution) seemed to be summed up for me by a conversation I partly overheard and partly joined in. As I passed by a tall, thin, bejewelled mink-stoled, Barbados-tanned woman who was talking to a short, fat, florid faced, tuxedo-ed man about how "Timmy" wasn't upset by having to walk through that ugly, dirty mob outside, she turned and included me in their conversation by asking me why it wasn't safe to go out at night any more with people filling the streets, and wondered mildly why "they" seemed so excitable and violent. I suggested that people who wanted jobs, food for their families, a chance to participate equally in government decisions, and justice didn't seem unreasonable to me and that the government in power which seemed largely to ignore there problems seemed much more undecorous. The thin lady and the fat man stared at me with a look that approached sheer disgust and then elegantly turned their backs on me and ordered another drink from the bar. I suppose it is pretty disgusting to be on the outside looking in.

Charlotte Sykes is Staff Photographer for Seven News.

# R.C.O. Waits **Patiently**

by Norm Craven True to his word, Mr. Andressy (liaison officer for Dept. of Urban Affairs) was in town on WEdnesday, March 3 and Thursday March 4. He conferred with RCO on Thursday.

It was very apparent that his enthusiasm for citizen participation has cooled out sonewhat. The demonstration on the sidewalk outside the Royal York on the previous evening (P.M.'s dinner party) did not help the situation. The daily press carried all the lurid details.

Mr. Andressy is a polished professional and certainly non-committal. Without being very definite, he managed to convey the distinct impression that RCO is asking for too much. He said he will try to have RCO's request for funds placed on the agenda for discussion at the department's policy meeting on Wednesday March 10. The RCO would know on March 11 if the request is okayed.

If the RCO's request cannot be put on the agenda, then it will be acted on at the meeting on Wednesday, March 24, with notification of approval or disapproval expected on March

It looks like our previous remarks (last issue) re: Social Planning Council are correct. The SPC have prepared a brief and it is safe to assume they will get a research grant. The SPC will research both RCO and York. They will use a system of checks, balancing one against the other.

RCO in the meanwhile have received a surprising number of donations from interested people and they are waiting expectantly for a government gift, even if it is only half a loaf. If you have couple of loose bucks, pop 'em in the mail to RCO. All contributions will be gratefully accepted. The RCO does intend to carry on and must be a force to be reckoned with in future municipal

#### Poet's Corner

Long distance calls

God bless the bell telephone For precious beads Of conversation And invisible Electrifying currents Of love From you to me At reduced rates On never lonely Sunday afternoons

-- Norm Craven



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THIS SIDE UP! HANDLE WITH CARE

# **News in Brief**

Seven News Editorial Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m. 265 Gerrard St. E., Thursday, March 18. The Annual Shareholders Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 30, 7:30 at the Eastminster United Church

A Shamrock Dance and Family Night will be held March 20th at the Don Vale Community Centre, 80 Winchester Street at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00 but children under 12 will be admitted free if accompanied by an adult. There will be refreshments, prizes, games, all types of music plus round and square dancing.

The People of Ward Seven are producing their own weekly television programme. A new citizens grou, The Downtown Community Television Committee, has reached agreement with Rogers Cable Television Ltd. The agreement, first of its kind in Metro, allows the community to control content of programmes. Rogers will provide the time - one hour every Thursday night beginning April 8, 1971.

The committee meets every Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at Parliament Street Library House, 265 Gerrard Street East.

For further information call 924-2543.

CITIZENS' FORUM, Tuedsay March 16, 8 p.m. will sttend the public meeting on Metro Centre to be held by the Planning Board in the Council Chambers City Hall. At the following meeting (March 30), the subject for discussion will also be the Metro Centre Project.

A Senior Citizen's group has been started by Central Neighborhood House. Meetings are held every Thursday afternoon at 1:30 at 349 Ontario and feature discussions, films and outings. For more information contact Eunice Wilson, 925-4363.

The Regent Park North Old Boys are holding their annual St. Patrick's Dance on Sat. March 20, St. Cyril's Hall, Dundas and Sackville St., 8 p.m. They hope to have the Go Go girls back again. Adm. \$1.00 per person and loads of refreshments, lucky draws, spot dances. Tickets now on sale throughout the Avion Hotel by the executives.

Wednesday, March 17. Anyone interested in joining a group of people to discuss their problems should come to Parliament St. Library House, 265 Gerrard St. E. for a general meeting at 7:30 p.m.

A Flea Market is planned to raise money for renovation of the new Don Vale Community Centre. Saleable items are needed for this project. Types of things needed are books, tools, furniture, lamps, jugs, glassware, bottles, cutlery, luggage, pictures, picture frames, lamps, appliances, rugs, tables and chairs. (No fleas, pleas!). Anyone with items to donate is asked to bring them to 80 Winchester St., 297 Carlton Street, or phone 921-6710 for pick-up.

Wednesday, February 3: 15 Girls were enrolled in the Dixon Hall Brownie Pack. About 15 parents were there to watch the presentations, which were made by Mrs. Bernie Leper and Mrs. Joan Hand. (Brown Owl). We are in desperate need of Brownie uniforms (free or at a reasonable price). If you have any please contact Sandy Slattery at Dixon Hall, 364-6576. Many thanks.

A Film Night is being held every Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m. at the Don Vale Community Centre, 80 Winchester St. Interesting, informative films are presented and admission is only 25c at the door. Earl Grey School Reunion: The old Earl Grey School will have its 60th Anniversary of the opening of the original building on Wednesday May 26th at 7:30 p.m. There will be a display of photographs and memorabilia but mostly a Reunion of old friends.

Anyone interested who would like to attend should contact Mr. Parkin at the Earl Grey Senior Public School, 100 Strathcona. Toronto 6. Phone 465-4078 or 461-5811.

#### Gardiner

Cont. from P3 Col. 2 The Gardiner must not proceed without a complete review of costs, both social and monetary.

If you care . . . get organized before it is too late!! Contact: The Riverdale Community Organization for assistance. Phone: 466-2148.

#### Violence

cont. from p.1 col.5 police have (or should have, by now) become enured. The thrown fruit, rotten oranges and apples, and the potatoes and the eggs didn't occasion any arrests.

But somewhere in the crowd of 500 or so, a group of people were getting ready for confrontation, and they used a pushing-back gambit by officers to touch it off.

There is no question in my nd, or the minds of the police that the violence was planned. As long ago as one week before the Prime Minister's dinner, I was informed, by friends who were legitimately and decently planning to march about certain groups who had mapped out their violent action, though I don't have their names.

I have tried to shrug off the conspiracy theory of events as somewhat paranoid, something for the far right and the nervous middle to worry over. But it is getting to the point that even I, a suspected radical leftist (I'm not of course; I'm radical middle) am beginning to reconsider reconsidering.

I am convinced that a legitimate demonstration against a Prime Minister I frankly can't bear was misused by forces whose ideologies are very far from radical, democratic socialism.

These agitators who have found fascism by the left-handed route, are few in Toronto and in

Walks Cont. from P3 Col. 1 you wear warm clothing, comfortable walking shoes, and bring a walking stick, camera, or field glasses. Upcoming walks are scheduled for different areas, but all start at 10.00 a.m. March 14 -Taylor Creek Park, Victoria Park subway station; March 28 Central Don Park, Edwards Gardens and Sunnybrook Park; April 25 - Highland Creek Park, Morningside Avenue.

For further information contact Mr. Syd Nicol Phone 367-8176.

Canada, and I doubt very much if they present much threat to our security, our values and our way

But they threaten me with their violence. I was there that night and I could have been clubbed down - by a cornered, worked-up demonstrator or by a justifiably-unnerved cop, swinging at my long hair.

You could have been there; too, just walking by or taking part in a justified protest. Your kid might have been there, exercising his right of dissent in a free

We don't need these bastards. This isn't Russia or Spain or the United States or even Quebe. I'm not sure what they want, and I'm not sure their political extremism isn't just another manifestation of their collective insanity, rather than adherence to The Little Red Book.

As I said, I've seen a lot of demonstrations, and In Buffalo I was, for two days, in the thick of a Black riot. It was probably more dangerous there, than on Front St., but I felt none of the disgust and anger; the Black man had reasons, and he knew he could do no worse than make a bad situation better.