

Tenants push to change rent law

The General Government Committee of the Ontario Legislature is now considering a bill (Bill 163) which will change the present Landlord and Tenant Rent Review Laws. The proposed law is not good for tenants of this province, because it takes away many of the rights that tenants now have. Tenant groups in this city were so disturbed by the Bill that they put pressure on the committee to open their discussions of the bill to the public. Tenants have been going down to Queen's Park to speak to the committee about their criticisms of the bill.

The bill, overall, is a step back-

ward for tenants, but it is particularly bad for tenants of public housing. Sections 42 and 54 of the Bill give the public housing landlord (like OHC) many more ways to evict a tenant. For example an OHC tenant could face eviction if they did not send in their income review form in quickly enough.

On Tuesday April 24, 1979 a group of OHC tenants, mostly from Regent Park, went down to the committee hearings to tell the lawmakers what kind of problems they had with OHC as their landlord. It was obvious that most of the people on the committee

making the laws were not at all aware of what it was like to be an OHC tenant. But many of them were quite disturbed by the things that the tenants were telling them — so disturbed that they requested that OHC officials come down to the committee to answer questions about OHC policies.

On Wednesday May 9, OHC came down to the committee — in full force. Representing OHC were Mrs. Bettie Niddrie, Director of Metro Operations, Mr. Doug Beesley, the Vice Chairman and General Manager, Mr. Albert Rose from the Board of Directors, and Mr. Robert

Stupart from the OHC Legal Department. The Legislative committee spent all afternoon asking them questions, but OHC gave very few answers. By the end of the day the tenants present and the committee were no further ahead. OHC would not divulge what its policies were, nor would they answer any of the hard questions presented to them without going back and getting permission from their Board of Directors. OHC tried to convince the committee that there was nothing to worry about because, as Mrs. Niddrie put it, there was always an open dialogue between OHC and their tenants. This statement

brought a laugh from the OHC tenants in the audience.

The following Tuesday, May 15, more OHC tenants went down to tell the committee of their experiences with OHC. As a result of what the tenants had to say, the committee took another look at the law they were writing. At this stage it appears that the New Democratic Party and the Liberals will both support a motion that will take out some of the worst sections of the law so that OHC will not be able to use them against their tenants.

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Parents/teachers want changes

Teacher evaluation an important issue

The Toronto East Community Council (TECC) met recently on the question of evaluating teacher competence in the classroom. The forum concluded that the present system is not working, but parents and teachers could reach no agreement on how to improve it.

TECC

TECC is composed of parent and teacher representatives from schools in Wards 7, 8 and 9, but anyone in the community is welcome to attend their meetings.

David Reville, chairman of the TECC Information Committee, hopes to make such forums a regular part of TECC meetings since TECC is "dedicated to a program of education about education".

EVALUATION

Reville indicated that teacher evaluation seems to have taken on special importance for parents in a time of declining enrolment and financial restraints. In many parents' minds, he felt, the issues of seniority and competency have become linked as "good" teachers with little seniority are dismissed, and some teachers whom the parents consider inferior continue to teach because of their seniority.

If the evaluation process appeared to be working, Reville suggested, parents would feel more comfortable with the seniority system. What is the current evaluation procedure? he asked, and how could it be changed?

PROCEDURE

The question of current evaluation procedures fell to Menno Vorster, president of the Toronto Teachers' Federation (TTF) and the first of Reville's guest speakers. Vorster proceeded to outline "Standard Procedure 45", whereby teachers may be demoted, dismissed, or suspended if their

"work or attitude is unsatisfactory".

To prove a teacher incompetent a great deal of documentation is needed, and the teacher must show no signs of improvement.

The principal, usually acting upon a complaint, first observes a teacher and makes notes. A discussion then follows between the principal and teacher regarding needed improvements in performance. The threat of termination or demotion is made clear at this time.

The teacher is allowed a "reasonable time" to improve. The principal then observes this teacher again. A written report is made, and the teacher is rated as either satisfactory, unsatisfactory (marginal improvement), or unsatisfactory.

On an unsatisfactory rating, the area superintendent is called in. He follows the same documentation procedure as the principal.

At this point, failure to improve means immediate termination for a probationary teacher. A permanent contract teacher is usually suspended prior to termination. This gives the teacher the option of resigning before being terminated.

RESIGNATION

If a teacher resigns, the resignation will not remain in his long-term file. This means that should a teacher wish to teach for another Board of Education his record will be clean.

The option to resign enraged several parents who argued that it wasn't fair to children elsewhere who might be saddled with an incompetent teacher as a result. One mother stated that her child's file would follow her through school, and what was deemed fair for her child's school career should be

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Election results: it was closer in Ward 7

Rosedale elected Progressive Conservative David Crombie to Member of Parliament by a substantial majority.

Unofficially in the federal riding, Crombie received 18,595 votes, or 47.3% of the votes cast, while Liberal Ann Cools received 12,987 votes, (33%) and New Democrat Ron B. Thomson got 6,899 (17.5%).

In the Ward 7 section of the Rosedale riding, however, Crombie was more than a little challenged by his lesser known opponents. Although the ex-mayor ran with strength in all areas, he also lost St. Jamestown to Ann Cools by a significant margin, while running third in the Regent Park South area.

In Ward 7 itself, Crombie received 39.2% of the total votes cast, while Cools nipped his heels with 38.9% and Thomson took 21.9%.

Clearly Crombie was dependent on the upper and upper-middle class area north of the ward for the decisiveness of his Conservative victory. Of the 18,595 votes he received in the whole Rosedale riding Crombie only received 29% of these votes in Ward 7. The N.D.P.'s Thomson and Liberal Cools received in contrast 44% and 42% respectively of their total votes from Ward 7.

Below is a neighbourhood by neighbourhood count of Ward 7 polls. There are 82 Rosedale polls in Ward 7 in which 13,925 votes were cast for the three main parties. All figures are reasonably accurate but results are still unofficial. Parts of a few polls not in the ward have been left out.

Rosedale Polls

South Riverdale (Polls 204-208)	South of Queen (Polls 184; 190; 198)
Crombie—PC 245	Crombie—PC 184
Thomson—NDP 225	Cools—Liberal 122
Cools—Liberal 185	Thomson—NDP 112

Get the lead out

There will be a meeting on lead emissions from the Canada Metal Company on Monday June 11 at the South Riverdale Community Health Centre, at 126 Pape Ave., at 8 p.m. The guest speaker is Ontario Environment Minister Harry Parrott. All residents are invited.

Moss Park (Polls 193-197)	Regent Park South (Polls 180-183; 185)
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Cools—Liberal 354	Cools—Liberal 265
Crombie—PC 271	Thomson—NDP 260
Thomson—NDP 103	Crombie—PC 242

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South of Carlton (Polls 149-151; 167-170; 186-189)	Regent Park North (Polls 171-179; incl. the Oaks)
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Crombie—PC 703	Crombie—PC 636
Cools—Liberal 630	Cools—Liberal 568
Thomson—NDP 342	Thomson—NDP 301

Don Vale (Polls South of St. Jamestown 66; 137-148)	(Polls 132-136)
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Crombie—PC 776	Crombie—PC 380
Cools—Liberal 630	Cools—Liberal 250
Thomson—NDP 694	Thomson—NDP 173

West St. Jamestown (Polls 86-89)	St. Jamestown (Polls 67-85; 90-92)
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Crombie—PC 341	Cools—Liberal 2056
Cools—Liberal 252	Crombie—PC 1686
Thomson—NDP 99	Thomson—NDP 737

Bob Rae delivered Broadview-Greenwood for the NDP in handsome fashion. Of the 32,469 votes cast for the three major parties, Rae won 40.6% or 13,187 votes, while Conservative Michael Clarke received 30.8% or 9,992 votes and Liberal Philippine Varelis took 28.6% or 9,290 votes.

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New parking proposals

Proposals for new parking regulations in Toronto's central area (the eastern boundary of which is the Don Valley) are now being considered.

A number of public meetings are being held to talk about the proposals before they are included in the city's zoning bylaws.

The proposed standards would regulate the number of parking spaces available to people working in the central area. Institutions would be required to supply parking and loading spaces to meet the needs of visitors and employees. Businessmen, professionals, and developers constructing new buildings would have to provide sufficient parking and loading spaces to meet the needs of clients, customers, and employees. Government offices, however, would be exempted from the bylaw.

Some of the proposed standards would see the requirement for medical/dental offices being increased from 1 space per 1,000 square feet to 1 space per 162 square feet. Retail stores, service shops, and restaurants, which at present are not required to provide any parking, would be required to provide 1 space per 1,076 square feet. However, supermarkets and department stores would have to provide less space than they do at present. Churches, homes for the aged, and hospitals and day care

centres would also be affected.

Summaries of the study are available from Information Services, City of Toronto Planning Board, 20th Floor, East Tower, City Hall. Call Ted Davidson for more information, at 367-7339.

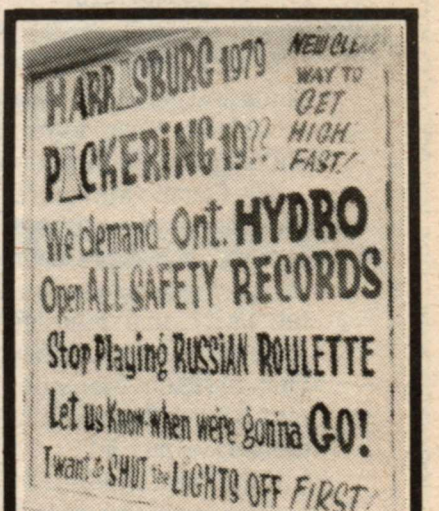


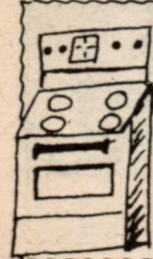
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Morris Silver is well known for the ever-changing signs in the window of his shop. Handy Andy's Cleaners, Gerrard at Logan. He calls it "poster politics." Unfortunately, this sign may also be very prophetic. If you want to help put a damper on nuclear power in Ontario, plan to attend a demonstration against nuclear energy this Saturday at Queen's Park. Protest starts at 11:00 a.m. For more information — phone 656-0023.

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TTC unfair to elderly

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In Ward 7, are we getting a fair deal on TTC fares? Since we live close to everything, it struck me, most of our everyday trips are short. We hardly ever need to go out to Scarborough!

But people in the suburbs generally speaking take the TTC for longer distances, often transferring at the end of the subway lines to

buses! Why should we pay the exact same fare for a 8-block trip as somebody does for a 8-mile trip?

Hardest hit by this 'single' fare system are the many 'disabled' and 'aged' on fixed incomes in this ward. Young healthy Ward 7ers can enjoy the pleasant walks to the downtown area. This is especially true on bright, sunny days. But the 'disabled' or 'aged' members of our community may be lucky if they can use the streetcars.

This is a simple case of the 'disadvantaged' members of the community paying more for less!

Peter B. Pocock

OHC better than nothing

Your front page article about the lady and children from Jamaica and her children was rather surprising. One can't help wondering how long the lady had to wait — many in bad need have had to wait years. Many, though such overcrowding is unpleasant, do it. It's doubtful how many if any people like or love or approve of OHC, especially once they manage to get in, but many are at least grateful and thankful, since for many even the so-called cheap accommodation of private and

absentee landlords is utterly unpayable or unattainable, and many of us have never even reached the so-called poverty level figure of income. So don't let's knock OHC or the combines who had the foresight to build and operate them, while getting the government to subsidize them. They certainly appear to make things more difficult. But, what would the lady and hundreds of others of us do without OHC?

Name withheld

Rain nipped NIP sale

The giant third annual Neighbourhood Information Post Garage Sale and Flea Market, scheduled to be held Saturday (May 26) has been rained out and postponed.

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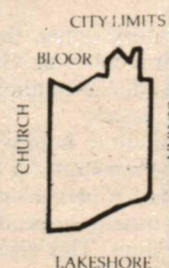
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Housing a problem for disadvantaged

By ALDERMAN GORDON CRESSY

Taxpayers' money is currently financing grossly inadequate housing for many of Toronto's disadvantaged — the elderly and infirm, the ex-psychiatric patient, the alcoholic. Meanwhile the City, Metro and provincial governments all play some role in the confusing maze of legislative responsibilities.

Many of the people affected are receiving welfare, living in boarding and lodging houses with room and board money directly administered to the landlord. However, Metro Social Services, which pays the welfare money, has no mandate for setting housing standards. The City of Toronto, which is responsible for enforcement of housing standards, is caught in the bind where too strict enforcement will result in houses closing down, in an already tight housing market. The Public Health Department has not in the past taken it upon itself to inspect and enforce occupancy standards in many of these houses.

All the while the Province is touting a policy of de-institutionalization — rehabilitation in the community — without taking responsibility for the quality of care that is provided in non-institutional settings. The result? — a legislative tangle of splintered responsibilities among the Province, Metro and the City — and a great many people who are living in appalling conditions, landlords who are pocketing Metro's money and providing inadequate housing, and a lot of buck passing among government officials.

The issue has come to light in recent months through a lot of media attention given to a 'rest home' mainly for elderly people on Rose Avenue in Ward 7, and a number of boarding and lodging houses in South Parkdale, mostly housing ex-psychiatric patients.

The Rose Avenue house was owner-occupied and did not, therefore, require licensing under Toronto's Rooming House licensing by-law, which applies only to non owner-occupied houses. There is a new by-law in the works which will require licensing of these houses as well. Such boarding and lodging houses must, however, comply with structural and safety standards. The Public Health Act, on the other hand, gives the Department of Public Health the power to inspect rooming houses for adequate sanitary and occupancy standards — but there seems to be some doubt as to whether a house which consistently contravenes the Public Health Act can actually be closed down. The Medical Officer of Health can "order that the premises be closed and remain closed until such condition no longer exists . . .". But many landlords 'clean up their act' after a warning, and then relapse when the pressure is off. It would seem that the Public Health Act should be reworded so that closure can be ordered where unsanitary conditions occur repeatedly.

A myriad of problems surface when we look at some of the recent examples — and they are not easily solved, due mainly to the overlapping of responsibility at the various levels of government. I will be chairing a Metro Social Services sub-committee to look at this issue. We will try to make some sense of the legislative responsibilities, and will propose effective enforcement procedures. We will work out a better method of liaison among the various City and Metro departments, and other institutions and agencies involved. Changes will be recommended in provincial legislation and/or procedures, and we will look at alternative means for housing the 'hard to house'.

Basic to a study of this problem is the provincial policy of de-institutionalization. It has become clear to me that this policy is one which is based, not on a goal of rehabilitation, but on a desire to ensure cost savings. It is quite obviously cheaper to put a person into the community in a boarding and lodging house than in a hospital or other institution; but where is the rehabilitation? Have we simply written these people off?

In a situation where a person's room and board is directly administered to the landlord, who screens the landlord? No one. I do not mean to imply that all landlords in these situations are bad — they too are caught in the middle of the provincial policy of rehabilitation in the community with no provision made for providing funds for care of people who are not totally capable of managing their own lives. I feel that we must take the Province to task for disregard of its responsibility to provide care for people who are politically powerless and, therefore, easy to ignore when cutting costs.

The sub-committee on boarding and lodging houses will meet for the first time on June 7. We will be looking for input from individuals and groups who are concerned about this issue; if you have any information or suggestions on this issue, please contact me at City Hall.

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Recent Junior Results

The following are the results of recent matches involving Cabbagetown junior boxers:

Asif Dar, Age 14, 115 lbs., "The Pakistani Panther", defeated Ernie Hauser of Detroit. Dar floored Hauser in the first round, but the tough Detroit lad finished the bout on his feet.

Don Dill, age 11, 95 lbs., lost out to 13-year-old John Moody of Detroit.

Terry Begley, age 15, 110 lbs., dropped a close decision to J.L. Ivey of Buffalo.

John "Caveman" Caverley, age 12, 75 lbs., easily defeated Paul Duval of Rexdale.

Warren McKeown, age 12, 85 lbs., won out over Deruin Blair of Rexdale, for the second time.

Robbie Terrell, age 12, 80 lbs., outpointed Peter Morrish of Rexdale.

Anthony Aransibia, age 15, 125 lbs., earned his fifth win in five bouts by scoring a TKO over Tim Corby of Ajax. Corby was dazed at the end of the first round and his seconds decided that was enough. Wise decision.

John Shaw, age 12, 75 lbs., performed an outstanding feat by decisioning Vernon McGriff of Buffalo for the second time in six weeks. McGriff is a U.S. National Junior Champion, a fact which emphasizes Shaw's boxing prowess. John has been boxing for six years, has won most of his 40 bouts to date, and has won no less than five junior championships.

Ken Hamilton

Oh no! Lets not glow

The Non-Nuclear Network is sponsoring a rally on Saturday June 2 to protest the further construction of the nuclear reactor at Darlington, 40 miles east of Toronto. The rally begins at noon at Darlington Provincial Park. There will be a simultaneous rally at Queen's Park starting at 11 a.m. Call 922-3011 for information.

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Toronto theatre scene. David French's
new comedy reveals the laugh-
ter and tears that go into staging a
play "at a small Toronto theatre"
and, surprisingly, it works.The play is true to a Hollywood
genre which palmed off fiction as
fact by using well-known perform-
ers to play themselves. Charmion
King, David Calderisi and Les Carl-
son, Jitter's leading performers,
have put in enough time on local
stages to qualify as Toronto lumina-
ries, and the amiable bitchi-
ness they reveal here could easily
pass for the authentic.If you don't mind spending a
couple of hours in the company of a
packed house of actors and act-
resses wildly applauding their altar
egos on stage — anyone who has
ever carried a spear across Toronto
stage has seen this production at
least twice — Jitters can be lots of
fun.**Angel City:** Toronto Free
Theatre, 26 Berkeley Street. The
Hollywood motif is big here too,
this time the leading characters are
searching for the ultimate disaster
movie to the accompaniment of
jazz. Sam Shepard's dialogue pur-
posely replaces passion with hard-
edge Seventies "stuff", but Mar-
garet Dragu is superb as a stripper
mainly because in real life — if theterm applies — that's how she pays
the bills.**For Whom The Bell Hops:** Fire-
hall Restaurant, indefinitely. Par-for-the-course Second City mad-
ness. Not as belly-funny as the
Royal Canadian Air Farce andmaybe less cerebral, the troupe's
political satire is soft around the
edges but, as baby boom grads,
they're dead-eyed-dicks at bombing
the boob tube.**Chapter Two:** Royal Alexander,
thru July 7. Encouraging evidence
for Canadian nationalists that a
highly successful American play-
wright can't compete in the Toron-
to big league. In this case it's true.
Neil Simon's autobiographical ac-
count of his descent into hell
following the death of his first wife
reveals a funny bone and a glib
heart; Neil Simon to be sure.

Clive Morgan

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ange your mind. The 14 poets in
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YOUR WIFE

Your wife leaves you,
you are obliged,
bound by honour
to wed the knife
to her throat.A vindicating blood
will absolve the sheets,
a blood you bought for a song
at a balcony, the blood
you make your own,
coursing through a son.your son, your house,
your bed, your wife,
cursing you now.She has a mouth
and words you can't
shut up and before that
a name,
and feet that can escape
from you,
escape to another town.Your man's hand is right
and has the power
to thrust
and twist the blade deeper
than she can tell,
ever tell again
to anybody.
Mary di MicheleMary di Michele was born in Italy in
1949 and immigrated with her parents
to Canada in 1955. She received an
Honours B.A. in English from the
University of Toronto and an M.A.
from the University of Windsor. Her
work has appeared in The Canadian
Forum, Tamarack Review, etc. She has
lived most of her life in Toronto.

OTTAWA

If I lived in a city of angels
I would heal torn flesh
give words to embraceliving in a city of politics
I sit on a bench & watch helplessly
the sins of omission

Jane Jordan

Jane Jordan, born in Toronto, has been
organizing numerous reading series in
Ottawa and Toronto since 1970. Her
poetry has appeared in many
publications, including Canadian
Poetry, Folio, Mainline, Review Ot-
tawa, etc.

UIC MAIL

day's dragging on
sleeping in late
saves 1 meal a day

mail slithering thru the slot

like the cat I jump
when it hits the floor
Chris FaiersChris Faiers was born in Hamilton in
1948 and emigrated with his family to
the U.S. at age 7. He left the U.S. in
1969 after 2 years of opposition to the
war in Vietnam. He returned to Canada
in 1972.ABOVE AND BEYOND
OHIPWe're talking about deathly
rich people
Not just
Your average sickies

Sara Spracklin

Little is known about Ms. Spracklin ex-
cept that her secret fantasy is to play
opposite Superman in an X-rated ver-
sion of the movie. Besides writing
poetry, Sara has composed over 100
songs: she calls this "giving my words
wings."DEATH IS TEMPORARY
(Employee Benefits Branch,
Ministry of Government
Services)pictures
on
desksindicate
there is lifeafter work
Kris Sri BhaggiyadattaKris, a local poet, work with Ward 8
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday June 2

There will be an **oriental fair** at Harbourfront (222 Queen's Quay West) beginning at 10 a.m. The fair will include a flea market, sale of tropical plants, Filipino delicacies and native handicrafts, make-up demonstrations, fashion shows and demonstrations by the Polynesian Dance Co. Admission to 6 p.m. is \$1.&&. In the evening there will be adisco dance and contest from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission is \$3.00.

The Senior Citizen's Club will be having a **bazaar and bake sale** today from 11 — 3 p.m. at Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach St. There will be crafts, tea room, bake table, raffle (box of groceries) and white elephant booth. All proceeds to the Dixon Hall 50th Anniversary Fund.

The **Non-Nuclear Network** is sponsoring a rally to protest the further construction of the nuclear reactor at Darlington, 40 miles of Toronto. The rally begins at noon today at Darlington Provincial Park. Buses will be leaving from St. Paul's Centre, 121 Avenue Rd., at 10:30 a.m. Call Greenpeace, 922-3011 for reservations. If you can't make it to Darlington, then come to the simultaneous rally at Queen's Park starting at 11:00 a.m.

Today is **International Cyclists' Day**, which is intended to focus attention on the critical role cycling has to play in the development of urban transportation that is equitable, energy efficient, non-polluting, appropriate to community lifestyles and simply a pleasure. At 1:00 p.m. today cyclists can gather at Greenwood Park, High Park and Bloor, or Lawrence Park, whatever is closer, then ride together to Queen's Park for a rally at 2:00 p.m. From there cyclists will ride en masse to City Hall for speeches, displays, and entertainment. For more information call 367-7903. (See also May 28).

The public is invited to attend a **student choreographic workshop** today at 8:30 at the Toronto Dance Theatre, 80 Winchester St. The presentation will consist of pieces choreographed and performed by students of the school. Admission is \$2.00.

Over 10,000 **used books and magazines** will be for sale today from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Harbourfront, 222 Queen's Quay West. The fund-raising book sale is sponsored by Planned Parenthood of Toronto.

N.I.P.'s gar age sale, which was to be held last week, was rained out. It's taking place today on the lawn of the library house, 265 Gerrard St. E. Household items, furniture, fresh plants, clothes, jewellery, books, toys, etc.

Sunday June 3

It's the **Harbourfront Antique Pickers Market** today and every Sunday at 222 Queen's Quay West. Market hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The pickings range from expensive and valuable furniture and curios to knick-knacks, kitsch and just plain 'junque'.

St. Clement's Riverdale Church at 173 Jones Ave. is holding its **90th anniversary celebrations** today. This will be an all day event and any former parishioners who would like more information are asked to call 463-6191 or 466-4838.

There will be a **Whitsuntide Festival Service** today at 7:30 at St. Paul's Church, 227 Bloor St. E. There will be festival music for the Day of Pentecost, sung by the St. Paul's Choir and the St. Paul's singer.

Rev. Peter Gilbert of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews will be the guest speaker at the **St. Luke's United Church forum** (Carlton and Sherbourne) at 2:30 p.m. If the weather permits, the meeting will be in Allen Gardens across the street from the church. All welcome.

Monday June 4

Ward 7 to go Independent? There will be a meeting at 7 p.m. in Winchester School to

explore the possibility of a Ward 7 musical revue for May 1980 based on the independence of Ward 7. For more information contact David Reville at 469-3149.

Tonight is opening night of "**Tribute to Canadian Cinema**" at the new Studio Theatre at Harbourfront, 235 Queen's Quay West. The opening night screening is of Allan King's "One Night Stand", its first commercial screening. It starts at 7:30. Other top Canadian features and shorts will be screened every Monday and Tuesday at 7:30 in June, July, and August. Screenings include the highly praised but rarely seen Skip Tracer, One Man, Outrageous, Silent Partner, and more. Admission to all screenings is \$1. "One Night Stand" shows again tomorrow night, when "Who Has Seen the Wind" will also be shown.

Tuesday June 5

George C. Scott and Susanna York star in "**Jane Eyre**", the free film at Woodgreen Community Centre, tonight at 7 p.m. at 835 Queen St. East. In addition, there will be a public-service short film entitled "Rape Alert".

Thursday June 7

Pottery sale — a large selection of pottery made by Gail King (bowls, casseroles, pitchers, planters, mugs and much more). 31 Hillcrest Park, near Amelia and Sumach. Today and tomorrow from 7:30 to 9:30. For more information call 923-4081 (evenings).

Friday June 8

"**The Lady Vanishes**" is the free movie at the Parliament Street Library this afternoon at 2 p.m. Starring Margaret Lockwood and Michael Redgrave in Hitchcock's comedy thriller. 269 Parliament St.

Frankland School is having a celebration meeting at 7 p.m. in Withrow Park with music, entertainment, balloons, food. Call Merilee Houston at 461-7066 for details.

Saturday June 9

There will be a **church supper** at Simpson Ave. United Church, 115 Simpson Ave (at Howland) today at 6 p.m. Supper costs \$3.00; it will be followed by euchre with a \$1.00 fee. Tickets will be sold at the door.

There will be a **benefit for Goldflower Press**, a new feminist/socialist publisher, from noon to 9 p.m. at St. Paul's Church 121 Avenue Rd. Highlights include poetry, the Tropical Energy Experience, Charnie Guettel and her one-woman cabaret, and movies. All for only \$5.

Today is **homecoming day** at St. Luke's United Church. Former members and friends of Shebourne and Carlton St. churches especially welcome. Phone to reserve for dinner: 924-9619.

Sunday June 10

Frank Schowler of St. Luke's will be the speaker at the **St. Luke's United Church forum** at 2:30 p.m. If the weather is good, the forum will be in Allen Gardens at Carlton and Sherbourne. If not, it will be in the church across the street.

St. Barnabas Anglican Church, 361 Danforth Ave., extends a cordial invitation to all friends and former members to join with the congregation in their **121st anniversary celebration** service at 10:30 a.m. The guest preacher will be The Reverend Sister Rosemary Anne (S.S.J.D.) Following the service there will be a reception in the parish hall. Everyone welcome.

There is an **anniversary service** to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Primitive Methodism in Canada at St. Luke's United Church today. The speaker will be Dr. Walter Pitman. Dr. James M. Finlay, former minister of Carlton St. Church will assist in the services.

Monday June 11

The South Riverdale Community Health Centre is sponsoring a meeting concerning **lead emissions from the Canada Metal Company**. Guest speaker at the meeting will be Harry Parrott, the Ontario Minister of the Environment. The meeting is tonight at 8 p.m. at the Health Centre, 126 Pape Ave., at 8 p.m.

East End Literacy invites you to a literacy workshop with film and discussion at Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach St. from 1:30 to 3:45 p.m. The purpose is to take a critical look at the problem of illiteracy in today's society; the theme is that literacy is a basic human right.

"**Tribute to Canadian Cinema**" continues today and tomorrow at Harbourfront, 235 Queen's Quay West, at 7:30. Today and tomorrow a collection of outstanding examples of the art of animation will be shown. \$1 admission.

The **Union of Injured Workers** is under attack. The Davis government, which has refused to provide cost-of-living increases to injured workers' pensions and compensation, used the police last year to break up a U.I.W. rally last year. UIW President Phil Biggin goes on trial today on a charge of "mischief" for his part in the rally. The U.I.W. is sponsoring a rally outside the Old City Hall Court at 9 a.m. Come to the rally to show your support. Call 536-7224 for more information.

Riverdale Socio-Legal Services invites you to their **open house** and annual board meeting today at 7 p.m. at 932A Queen St. E. second floor. Wine and cheese and refreshments.

A **free beginners' guitar course** is being given by Manfred Hartner in the craft room of the Parliament Library, 269 Gerrard St. E., from 7 to 8 p.m. today, June 18th, and June 25th, and on Tuesdays starting tomorrow, the 19th, and the 26th. Call 924-2543 to register.

Wednesday June 13

The Department of Public Health will be holding a **lead-testing clinic** to test the level of lead in people's blood at Bruce School, 50 Larchmount Ave., today from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Contact Marge Wico at 465-2496 of more details are required.

The **Toronto East Community Council** June meeting will be held today at 7:30 p.m. at Woodfield Road School, 60 Woodfield Rd. (Queen and Greenwood.) All interested parents, students, teachers and citizens are invited.

There will be a **Red Cross blood donor clinic** today at the Wellesley Hospital, 160 Wellesley St. E. (at Sherbourne) from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday June 14

There will be a meeting of people from various agencies at Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach St., at 7 p.m. today to discuss welfare and recent changes in regulations.

From today through Sunday June 17, the play **1837: The Farmers' Revolt**, will be performed by The Durham Shoestring Players at the Harbourfront York Quay Centre at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$3.

Friday June 15

Free Friday Afternoon Film at the Parliament Street Library, 269 Gerrard St. E., at 2 p.m. Today's feature is "The Farmer's Daughter" starring Loretta Young.

General

Want to **learn to sail** this summer? Well, George Brown College is offering two courses in Laser Sailing at Cherry Beach this summer. The laser is a 13-foot dinghy. There is a beginners course and an advanced course. Courses are 17 1/2 hours long and can be taken weekdays or weekends, days or evenings. Courses start every Monday and Satur-

day from June 18 to August 20. The fee is \$95. For more information contact 967-1212, ext. 404.

There has been a proposal in South Riverdale to set up a **non-profit day care centre for pre-school children**. If you might be interested in using such a service please leave your name and number at 461-1168.

The Boys' and Girls' Club of Downtown Toronto is running a **summer day camp for children six to twelve years of age**. Activities include crafts, woodworking, hiking, quiet or active games, sports, drama, swimming, special events, special day trips and overnight camping. Sessions run from July 3 to August 24 at \$2 per child per session or \$5 per family per session. Sessions run for two weeks each, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For further information and an application call Shaun Seabrook at 367-0648 or drop by the club at 540 Dundas St. E. Note: the number of children per session will be based on first come, first served basis. Registration will be limited so apply early.

The Young People's Theatre Centre presents a musical, **Hans Christian Andersen**, on a five-week run until July 1. For information and reservations call 864-9732. The centre, at 165 Front St. E., also presents a whole range of performances during the week of June 24 to July 1 to celebrate the International Year of the Child.

The **Theatre Explorations Festival** is taking place from May 26 to July 28 at the Actor's Lab, at the Theatre Centre, 95 Danforth Ave. The festival is "an explosion of events for actors, students, and audiences concerned with new horizons of dramatic expression". Included are a week of special performances from theatre companies from Ontario and Quebec during the week of June 1 to 9. For more information and a detailed brochure, please call 461-1644 or 364-2442.

Project Self Help at the Thistleton Centre is compiling a **directory of self help groups** and individuals such as Parents Without Partners, Gamblers Anonymous, etc. Anyone who would like to be listed in the directory should contact Peter Silim at 741-1210 ext 350 or write to 51 Panorama Court, Rexdale M9V 4L8.

The Parliament Street Library invites you to join on its **annual theatre trip** to the Stratford Festival in Stratford Ontario. The play to be seen is The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde; the date is July 26 1979. (Departure from Toronto is 10 a.m., arrival back in Toronto is 8 p.m.) The cost is \$17 (\$14 for seniors). Tickets are available by advance registration only and they will probably go fast. Call the library at 924-7122 or drop in for more information.

The **Danforth Library** hosts two exhibits through all of June: Posters of Pakistan, and miniature furniture crafted by Gordon Wood. For children, the library at 701 Pape, has activities every Saturday, and activities for pre-schoolers on some Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. Drop in at the library for a complete listing of events.

The **Parliament Street Library**, 269 Gerrard St. E., has programs for children every Saturday at 2 p.m.; stories for young children Saturdays at 10:30, and a variety of other programs. Drop in for a complete listing of events.

The **Riverdale Library**, 370 Broadview Ave., is having a pre-renovation contest for boys and girls. Send your impression of the Riverdale Library — stories, articles, poems, pictures — before June 30. Prizes for all age groups. Pre-school hour continues every Tuesday at 2 p.m. There are programs for boys and girls every Saturday at 2 p.m. For more information call 466-0776

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As the dust of the election campaign slowly settles and the outlines of the new situation become clearer it is natural to ask the question: Who won? There is no doubt who lost the election: it was the Liberals. As to the extent of a Conservative victory, that remains to be proved. The Tories have inherited formidable problems, and they will be hampered in their efforts to solve them by the lack of a parliamentary majority.

As far as the voters are concerned, May 22nd may have given them a considerable advantage. Governments that assume office with a healthy majority have a history of turning their backs on the electors and governing pretty much as they please. Minority administrations, on the other hand, have to proceed more carefully and pay more attention to public reaction to their moves.

Of course the electorate will not benefit from a minority situation if it remains silent and does not put pressure on the opposition parties to fight for alternative policies to government programmes. A good example of that is the present situation in Ontario, where the Davis government sails merrily along despite the fact that the Liberals and the N.D.P. could combine to defeat it any time they want. The Conservatives are allowing the quality of medicare to deteriorate, they are curtailing education and health services by financial cut-backs. Ontario Hydro continues to be as free with money, particularly in the direction of private industry, as it is with its deadly radiation. The only thing Hydro is not free with is information as to what it is doing.

It is obvious that the N.D.P.'ers and the Liberals at Queen's Park have a fear of precipitating an election, and the Davis government is taking advantage of that situation. All administrations have a tendency to cling to office, and it is up to the electors who put them there to let them know when they want action on the problems of the day. There are some mighty serious problems facing this country to-day and I hope that the voters make the most of the minority situation and speak up. If the electorate thinks it has finished its job and sits back to await developments it may have a long wait.

To illustrate what I mean, just consider for a moment how leisurely is the pace of the electoral process. The election of the new parliament used up eight weeks,

during which time the country endured innumerable speeches and countless commercials. At last, on May 22nd we got a new parliament, after the expenditure of a lot of time and money. It contains a lot of fresh faces and, let's hope, some fresh ideas. So, when do we put it to work? Well, the only date I have heard mentioned is September! That would mean a further delay of between three and four months, and could add up to an overall delay of about six months between one parliament and another. That is a long time to wait for an attack on the problems that face Canada today.

It doesn't need to be that way, you know. In the United Kingdom, which is often looked upon as an old-fashioned and stuffy place, they do things more quickly. They had an election in the U.K. on May 3rd of this year after a campaign of about four weeks (they have managed one in three weeks) and the new parliament was called together within two weeks.

Howard Huggett

Election results

Continued from page 1

The Ward 7 section of the Broadview-Greenwood riding contains 44 of the ridings's 160 polls. Rae counted 4,008 votes, Clarke 2,796 votes, and Varelis 2,216 votes from the ward. Unlike the Rosedale section of the ward, the Broadview-Greenwood section showed no trends in contrast to the general result. All three candidates received approximately the number of votes from the ward as the final result would suggest they would, although Rae did do especially well in the predominantly working-class areas of North and South Riverdale.

Below is a neighbourhood by neighbourhood count of the Broadview section of Ward 7. Again, figures are reasonably accurate but unofficial; parts of polls not in this section have been excluded.

North Riverdale (Polls 23; 26-31; 33-38; 41-53)

Rae — N.D.P. 1985
Clarke — P.C. 1404
Varelis — L. 1114

South Riverdale Broadview-Playter (Polls 79-88; 100)

Rae — N.D.P. 1077 Rae — N.D.P. 946
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deemed as fair for teachers.

Vorster suggested that perhaps the Board of Education should be pressured by parents to change its policy on this issue.

The idea of demotion also angered one parent who questioned the value of "demoting" a principal to teaching children. Vorster insisted that a good teacher is not necessarily a good administrator, and that such a procedure need not harm children.

INCOMPETENCE

Vorster was then challenged as to why TTF will defend a "rotten teacher".

Vorster insisted that teachers and parents were equally concerned about incompetency. However, everyone has a right to a defence lawyer. It is not up to TTF to judge a teacher, but to advise. As Vorster explained it, "it's a process of law, more than a question of judgement on our part."

Vorster stressed several times that the evaluation process was primitive. "Standard Procedure 45" is only invoked in serious cases. But every teacher is evaluated yearly by the principal for purposes of "professional development".

Because of the employer/employee relationship between principal and teacher this process automatically takes on a punitive aspect. The entire responsibility for evaluation falls on the principal, who in the meantime is expected to work closely with his staff — an uneasy situation at best.

Teachers, unlike other "professionals" have no control over the training, hiring, evaluation, or upgrading of teachers. Parents who

wanted to see teachers strive for self-evaluation procedures were shocked to learn that the Ministry of Education does not allow this and insists that principals do the evaluating.

SENIORITY

Bob Davis, the evening's second speaker, justified the seniority system on the grounds that it eliminated the possibility of "the boss picking his favorites."

Davis, a teacher at Stephen Leacock Collegiate in Scarborough, pointed out that teachers with new ideas and those who are federation activists are not loved by all principals. A system without seniority would make teachers afraid to seek help for problems, and would discourage sharing of ideas as teachers competed against one another for the principal's approval.

Davis felt that the system should aim at improving teachers. Not every teacher will be "tremendously inspiring", but, with help from consultants and fellow teachers, those with problems could consistently improve.

CHANGE

Davis had several suggestions for making the present system work better, and for long term improvement, which involved more parent power. At the meeting some parents felt they didn't have the skills to evaluate teacher competency ("we can only tell what we like"), and Vorster cautioned that teachers must not be made to feel threatened by parents' involvement in the schools.

Davis suggested that parent groups make a definite plan to push the present system into wider operation. For example, if 50% of the

parents of children in an "incompetent" teacher's class signed a document stating why they were unhappy with the teacher, the principal would find this hard to ignore.

If the principal wouldn't listen, he suggested approaching the staffing committee. Staffing committees could have real legislative power, Davis insisted, if they pressed for it.

DISCUSSION

Unfortunately, no one came up with any firm suggestions that were acceptable to everyone.

Most parents seemed to agree that seniority and competency were two separate issues. Seniority aside, some wanted to see teachers design a program of self-evaluation, while others wanted to keep the principals involved in the evaluative process. Suggestions to involve parents in the evaluative process were put aside as parents claimed they didn't feel competent in this area.

Some teachers wanted the right to fail ("everyone fails") without the threat of punitive documentation. This suggestion was met with muttered comments of "they fail our kids".

The meeting left parents with no answers, although the issue had become more clearly defined for most of them. Parents now knew how the evaluation procedure was supposed to work, and they understood why teachers saw seniority as a necessity.

But they had no clearer idea of how teacher competency could be evaluated in a more humane, successful way. Nor did they have any idea about how to strive for effective change. But, if nothing else, they understood the problem better, and that's an important beginning.

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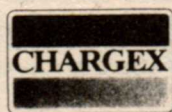
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