

## NEWS

TORONTO'S OLDEST COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER 315 Dundas St. East (All Saints Church) Phone: 363-9650 Toronto M5A 2A2



By KATHY CORRIGAN February 1st marks the begin-

ning of the third year of operation

for the Bain Food Co-op. A lot of bagels have gone under the bridge

since we took over one of the

ground-floor apartments in the

Bain Housing Co-op and turned it

into something resembling a store.

Plans were big in those early days.

We had dreams of making the

basement into an evening coffee house with local musicians. We

did get as far as setting up a snack

bar to feed hungry shoppers, but

the shoppers preferred munching

**OHC** creates

racial ghettos

the National Black Coalition of

Canada, has criticized the Ontario

Housing Corporation (OHC) for

creating ethnic ghettoes in its

claim that they do not inten-

tionally set out to allocate housing

according to ethnic group, but

according to Head, that is what

they are doing. Numbers of OHC

buildings, he said, are becoming

largely populated by West Indian

by Head, immigrants "demonstr-

ate very little interest in wanting to

live in ethnic ghettoes; West

ticularly want to live in racially-

mixed neighbourhoods and to

share in the opportunities Toronto

affords for multi-racial and multi-

Yet according to a study done

and South Asian residents.

Indian and South Asians

Head said that OHC officials

projects.

Wilson Head, the president of

## FREE TAKE ONE

The deadline for the next (January 30) issue of 7 News is Monday January 26. Bring or mail your stories, pictures or ads to 7 News, 315 Dundas St. E., Toronto, M5A 2A2 or phone

Bain Food Co-op begins 3rd year



Park School Senior Girls' Volleyball Team won the city championship 2-0 against Parkdale P. S. at King Edward School on Dec. 10. Team members are: Back row — Sandra Joseph, 3rd row — Jackie Savoury, Janet Dunphrey, Ms. Conetta (coach) 2nd row - Cindy McCarthy, Sharon Marston, Denise Martin, Jackie Bingham.

## extension for Canada Metal, but

By RHONDA SUSSMAN

Canada Metal, a lead processing and smelting plant located at Pape and Eastern Aves., was not granted a requested extension to a control order issued by the Ministry of the the Environment Nov. 1979 that came due on Dec. 15, 1980.

The Ministry decided not to prosecute the company this time, but will prosecute Canada Metal for any high emissions that occur while they are trying to implement the control order.

This is not the first control order Canada Metal has received the company was cited several times throughout the seventies for excessive lead emissions

The first control order was issued to Canada Metal in Sept. 1973. This control order required the plant to install dust filters and build roofed enclosures around scrap lead piles.

The Ministry then issued a stop on Oct. 26, 1973 ordering the plant "to ... stop emitting into the natural environment lead and lead compounds based on the opinion that the discharges constitute and immediate danger to the health of residents living in the vicinity of the plant." This stop order was overturned four days later by a Justice of the Supreme Court who thought otherwise - according to him, the health hazard could not be attributed to Canada Metal

The second control order came in April 1976, ordering Canada Metal to control fugitive lead emissions.

In the summer of 1977, a soil removal campaign was conducted. 48 properties in the vicinity of Canada Metal had the top six inches of soil removed and replaced, along with any tree, shrubs, etc., on the properties at a cost of \$66,683.

New soil samples were taken in Nov. 1978 which showed that lead contamination still existed, but the Ministry of the Environment did not inform the public or the householders affected until April,

In Aug. 1979, Canada Metal was charged by the Ministry of Environment after lead in the air hit record levels of more than 26 times the legal maximum.

The lead pollution problem was considered severe enough for the Ministry to issue, a control order Nov. 1979 in addition to prosecution, but Canada Metal got a sus pended sentence in Feb. 1980 after pleading guilty to two of the four counts of lead pollution. Judge Robert Dnieper said there was little, if any, harm done, and called Canada Metal a "good corporate citizen.

Residents affected would disagree with Judge Dnieper that no harm was done - though the dosages of lead they are receiving are not enough to make anyone violently ill, lesser doses create neurological problems, especially in children. A 1979 U.S. study, conducted by analysing the amount of lead in lost baby teeth and testing children with the highest amounts of lead, showed that low-level lead poisoning in children causes neurogical damage, affecting their capacity to learn and causing behavior prob-

Blood tests conducted to determine lead levels are often inaccurate because such tests reveal only recent exposure, while blood lead levels may return to normal even if the exposure was severe.

To make matters worse, the blood samples taken by the Toronto Board of Health at a blood-testing clinic last October were inadequately tested by the Ministry of Health's laboratories. They initially carried out only one of the two tests recommended by the Lead Pollution Committee of the South Riverdale Community Health Centre.

The blood test that was done, called an FEP test, only shows the effect of lead on blood components, not the actual level of lead in the blood

The Ministry of Health laboratory eventually carried out the blood lead level tests, but by that point less than half of the test tubes of blood taken from 352 people who came to the October blood clinic were available - the rest were broken, contaminated or

However, there is no need for residents to give up hope - the Lead Pollution Committee,

formed in January 1980, has committed itself to doing something about excessive lead emission. In order to do this, participation of area residents is highly necessary. If you wish to volunteer, or if you want more information on lead 461-2493 (South Riverdale Community Health Centre), or call Cathy Walther at 463-2368.

pollution, call the committee at

cultural experiences. Queen's Park "waffles" on gay rights

Ontario's Minister of Labour, Dr. Robert Elgie, introduced new legislation amending the Ontario Human Rights Code on November 25. There was no mention of adding sexual orientation to the list of prohibited grounds for discrimination. The amendments will most probably be referred to a standing committee of MPP's which is a partial victory for the Coalition for Gay Rights in Ontario as we have made demands for such a hearing many times in the last year. While it is still possible to have sexual orientation included at the committee stage, reaction to the defeat of Mayor John Sewell and other pro-gay politicians in the recent Toronto municipal elections is making our lobbying efforts very difficult. Liberal and NDP legislators are frightened by the media's claim that anti-gay forces determined the election results. Those defeats were more the result of the poor way progressive candidates' campaigns dealt with the gay issue, especially the lack of response to widely distributed hate literature.

Once again we are under attack and our straight and closeted friends in Queen's Park are waffling in their promised support. If we lose this battle our enemies will go all out in their campaign to drive lesbians and gay men back underground. Our efforts at the legislature must demonstrate your determination to win full rights as a resident of Ontario. When the committee hearings take place, in mid-January or February, CGRO intends to force the parties to declare themselves in no uncertain terms, whether or not they will allow the persecution of homosexuals to continue.

From It's Your Move Newsletter of the Coalition for Gay Rights in Ontario

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RPCIA opens legal clinic

We would like to inform you that the RPCIA tenants' association has opened a legal clinic service to the Regent Park community. Help is available with evictions, transfers, rent arrears, and other legal and family prob-

The legal clinic operates every Thursday from 2 to 7 p.m. at the RPCIA office, 44 Blevins Place, starting January 15. For details and appointments call 364-2909 every day from 9 a.m. to 1

on bagels from off the baked goods shelf. The snack bar room gave way to accommodate a much increased inventory

Today, many shoppers, find that they can get most all their grocery needs at the food co-op. We have cheese, eggs, produce, dried fruit and nuts, rice, flour, juice, meat, cleaning powders, etc., even j-cloths and bandaids. The only staple item we don't carry is milk. Our prices tend to be cheaper than those of the supermarkets with an estimated saving of 10-15 percent.

A lot of members prefer shopping at the food co-op less for the savings than for the friendly atmosphere and feeling of involvement in the place. Members do most of the work in the store. They also decide what comes into it, be that a tastier brand of bacon or products not bearing labels of Kraft or Nestle. But perhaps the reason most members continue to be active in the co-op is because the food isreally good. The meat and eggs have more taste than any other I've ever eaten.

Anyone can join the Bain Food Co-op. You are welcome to do a "trial shop" to see how the place works, and then join if you like. Members are expected to do two hours work per month, be it weighing goods, packaging or helping to receive them. Fees are annually \$12 for a single adult; \$18 for 2 or more adults with children; \$24 for a household of 2 or more adults with no children.

We are open Thurs, from 6-8 pm., Fri. 4:30-7 pm., and Sat. 10 am-1 pm. We are located at 100 Bain Ave., No. 5 The Aberdeens, on the south side of Bain between Broadview and Logan.

### Residents protest closure

On January 9, the Bank of Commerce at King and Parliament Sts. closed its doors. This small branch has been serving local residents and businesses for many

It seems that the Commerce's profits are down this year. To deal with this, small branches like the one at King and Parliament are being phased out. It may seem like an unimportant decision for the men in the head office, but for the residents in the south end of Ward however, the loss of this bank will hurt.

Not too long ago the TD Bank closed their branch at Queen and Parliament: With the Commerce's departure, there is now one bank left in the Parliament, Dundas, Don River and King St. Area.

If business at the Parliament/ King Commerce branch was slow we could understand the decision to close. This is not the case however, -the bank is always busy.

Area residents are falling victim to a cost-cutting, centralizing

A concerned group of residents s circulating a petition to protest the Bank of Commerce's decision. If you want to sign it, or if you want more information, contact Kari Dehli at Dixon Hall, 863-

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W. Frank Robinson

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REPAIRS

#### DOD Jarvis has snob appeal for French I would like to comment on the

article "French unit at Jarvis Collegiate?", in the Dec. 19 7 News

At present the French unit is a welcome addition to Monarch Park, a school which has the space to accommodate the program now as well as in its intended future as it rises in numbers to 350 pupils, when we hope it will find a school site entirely for its own use. Unfortunately, the snob-appeal of Jarvis Collegiate is overwhelming to some of the parents who have been educating their children in French. They are now willing to sacrifice a position in which their children are welcomed and desired for a confrontation situation in an overcrowded school.

Your article suggested that the snobbery was on the part of the

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Jarvis parents. I would contend that it is just the reverse. It is a pity that most news strories concentrate on whether the parents who are concerned about changes in which they were not consulted that will affect the options and number of spaces available to their children are termed bigots while those who desire change for the snob-appeal of Jarvis are applauded and supported.

As the Trustee for the Ward which will be losing these students I feel a loss for both Monarch Park and Jarvis. As a parent with children at both Gabrielle-Roy and Jarvis I feel betrayed by both the French Language Advisory Committee and the decisions of the previous Board. And as a reader of the press of this city I am tired of hearing that Monarch Park, an excellent school, is considered so deficient in comparisons with Jarvis. I would have expected 7 News to have detected the bias of many Gabrielle Roy parents when you noted their resistance to being located at Riverdale Collegiate three years ago - again, an excellent school, even a collegiate, BUT lacking the essential element - the Rosedale connections of Jarvis.

Cordially yours, Nola Crewe Trustee, Ward 8

7 News could use some regular help in the office with typing, or filing, or whatever. If you can help, call 363-9650.

#### Youth Services Network may close

The Youth Services Network, which exists to promote information exchange and discussion about services for youth, is out of

The network's co-ordinator has left, and there are no funds to hire

asked to consider a number of

operate by applying for and administering special projects; trying to get the network "adopted" by a large social agency; become a volunteer organization only with no paid staff; or close up the network entirely

The group is meeting today to

## options: attempting to continue to

funds and may have to shut down.

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The Neighbourhood Improvement Programme staff of the South Riverdale office (Ed Kothiringer and Vivienne Kirlew) have been transferred to the Pape Danforth Site Office now located at 1078 Danforth Avenue. Their new phone number is 461-7595.



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Monday, January 19

Come to a meeting to plan a women's occupation and demonstration at Ontario Hydro tonight at 7 pm in the East Room of the 519 Church Street Community Centre. (Women only, please.)

Tuesday, January 20
There will be a Blood Clinic today from 9 am to 3 pm at George Brown College, King Campus, 200 King St. E.

Wednesday, January 21

The International Women's Day Committee is meeting tonight at 7:30 pm in the 519 Church Street Community Centre.

Friday, January 30

The Jimmie Simpson Recreation Centre will be holding its fourth annual Winter Carnival today from 7-10 pm and tomorrow from 9 am-10 pm. This will be a weekend of free winter fun with various games and activities scheduled throughout the carnival. The grand opening is tonight, followed by a great skating party. Plan to attend this fun-filled event and don't miss the excitement. You'll be glad you came.

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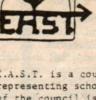
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incomes, and individuals who require social services.

It points out that the energy price increases announced in the budget, coupled with rising inflation and the forecast for higher unemployment will have a major effect on the cost of living for Canadians on low and fixed

Yet the budget indicates major cutbacks in funding for social programs. It appears that federalprovincial power struggles are obscuring the necessity of responding to human needs.

The result is likely to be a quite negative effect on the standard of living of many Canadians. The average family can expect to pay approximately \$500 more next year, and greater amounts in subsequent years, for transportation, home heating and other tax increases announced in the budget. For families living at an income equivalent to the minimum wage, which currently averages \$6,200, cost increases resulting from the budget will represent about eight per cent of their gross income.

So what else

is new?

Last year, the Toronto Humane Society gave shelter to almost 5000 lost dogs.

The society points out that without proper indentification, it is almost impossible to return animals to their owners. If Animal Control officers pick up a licensed dog, they can take him home immediately without first taking it

Toronto dog licenses came due

the Humane Society reminds owners that they are legally required to license their dogs.

Cat licenses are not required by law, but the Society feels that they deserve the same protection, so they make cat identification tags, with lifetime registration, available for one dollar.

The Humane Society is reachable at 922-1191

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# New employment protection for domestic employees.

Effective January 1, 1981.

A new regulation has been issued expanding employment protection for domestic employees (cooks, housekeepers, nannies), who work more than 24 hours a week. It does not apply to baby sitters or companions.

Wages

Domestic employees are entitled to

\$24 per day

\$132 per week

\$568 per month or

\$3 per hour

#### **Room and Board**

Householders may deduct up to \$50 per week from a domestic employee's wages for room and board.

Time Off

Domestic employees are entitled to at least 36 consecutive hours of free time per week without deduction from wages. If work is performed during this free time, the equivalent amount of time off or payment at not less than \$3 an hour must be given.

**Annual Vacations** 

Domestic employees are entitled to at least 2 weeks of vacation per year and to at least 4 per cent of annual wages as vacation pay.

**Public Holidays** 

Domestic employees are entitled to seven paid statutory holidays per year. If work is performed on the holiday, another day off with regular pay must be given before the next annual vacation.

All domestic employees, including those working less than 24 hours a week and baby sitters and companions continue to be covered by standards for termination of employment, pregnancy leave, equal pay for equal work and collection of wages.

Additional information may be obtained from the Employment Standards Branch, Ontario Ministry of Labour in the following cities:

400 University Avenue M7A 1V2 Tel.: (416) 965-5251

Kitchener 824 King Street West

N2G 1G1 Tel.: (519) 744-8101

Sault Ste. Marie 390 Bay Street

P6A 1X2 Tel.: (705) 949-3331

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For toll free numbers check the government listings in your local telephone directory.



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