

East End Literacy: a very special program

By MANUEL BUCHWALD

Her daughter grown up, Amy Dalziel used to spend her evenings taking classes. "I'm a perpetual student and it was getting to September, time to take courses. I'd taken crafts, painting, Yoga, writing, but I thought, I can't be bothered any more, I'm not using that to help anybody. Then I just saw this two line ad: 'If you can read and write you can help a neighbour to read and write'. That sounded good so I phoned." Amy phoned East End Literacy, a programme which assists illiterate adults to learn to read and write.

Most of us are aware that many people in the world are illiterate

but few of us know the extent of the same situation in Canada. According to the 1971 census five million Canadians have less than grade 8 education. This is a rough yardstick of functional literacy, the ability to read, write and do arithmetic well enough to fully participate in the community. It is estimated that in Metro Toronto three out of ten adults have difficulty coping with everyday paperwork. The problem of illiteracy is particularly severe in the southeast end of the city. Thirty percent of Torontonians having less than grade 8 education live in Wards 7 and 8.

Many of the illiterate adults don't make use of existing literacy

programmes. Some are unavailable at the times that classes are given. Some may not even have the skills (like knowing the alphabet) required to be in the classes. Others are too overwhelmed by the class structure or by having to admit in public that they don't know how to read or write. EEL was created by a group of local residents and community workers to fill the gap in available alternatives for illiterate residents of Wards 7 and 8.

EEL has been in operation for about a year and a half. The goal of the project is to reach isolated English speaking illiterate adults in the two wards and to enable them to develop literacy skills

which will permit them to continue to learn on their own. The EEL office which Selinde Kreyenhoff and Jan Kutcher, the two co-ordinators, use as their home base is currently located in Dixon Hall.

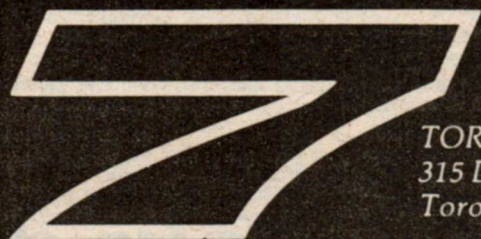
The EEL programme operates through volunteers who work on a one-to-one basis with students. The tutors are recruited through word of mouth, ads like the one Amy saw, and bulletin boards. Tutors come from all walks of life. Some, as Amy, are employed and do tutoring in evenings or weekends. Others are students or retired or at home with children and have more flexible schedules. There are currently 25 student-

tutor pairs. The students come to EEL recommended by friends or neighbours. Others are referred by agencies who become aware that illiteracy is contributing to some of the other problems they are experiencing. The training course for tutors lasts for six weeks, two hours per week. Tutors and students then are matched by the EEL staff and make an initial agreement to work together for six months, again for two hours a week. New tutor trainings take place six times per year. Tutors are always in short supply and enquiries are welcome for the next tutor training which starts in March (phone 863-0499).

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Daycare workers organize

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Highrise tenants feel pinch

Two St. Jamestown tenants unexpectedly shared the limelight with the politicians at an all-candidates meeting held March 4 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in St. George riding.

The tenants were invited to share the platform to describe downtown housing problems by Dan Leckie, NDP candidate, who gave up part of his own speaking time during the meeting.

Kevin Clarke, a St. Jamestown tenant, told of having to move from his apartment in a building constructed after 1976 because he was not protected by rent review legislation. When Clarke moved into the building on Sherbourne Street, the rent was \$350. Later in 1978, it was increased by 11 percent after he had completed a three-month sublet.

When a similar increase was requested in 1979, Clarke moved out of the building. This week he called to inquire about rents for the same type of apartment and was quoted \$556 per month, \$226 more than he paid when he moved in three years ago.

Cecilia Hamlyn, president of the Barbara Apartment Tenants, cited her rent increase of 30 percent this year which was approved despite rent review. Because there had been a history of tenant activity at 700 and 730 Ontario Street, many tenants had been successful in the past in reducing requested rent increases.

However, under current rent review legislation, the owner was allowed this year to equalize the rents throughout the buildings. This effectively made unjustified rent levels for tenants who had not appealed in the past into the base by which current rent levels were set. As a result tenants who had appealed successfully in the past suffered worst this year.

NDP candidate Dan Leckie said that current rent review legislation does not effectively protect downtown tenants because many tenants in new buildings and in public housing are not protected and because many loopholes in the legislation make it difficult for downtown tenants to receive the protection they require.

Did you know —

- that municipal daycare workers in Toronto earned an average of \$11,000 annually in 1979, but that workers in non-profit and commercial centres earned an average of \$8,700 annually? Could that difference possibly be related to the fact that municipal workers are unionized? How much do you earn?

- that daycare workers in Toronto are now organizing? And, did you know that Keith Norton, our beloved Minister of

Community and Social Services, has made \$2.4 million dollars available for salary increases in 1981 because Ottawa workers organized two years ago and because we are now beginning to do so in Toronto? Perhaps he's getting nervous.

Daycare workers, many of them with two years of Early Childhood Education, earn pitifully small salaries; their wages do not reflect their education, experience or responsibilities. As for benefits, they tend to be very minimal: two weeks paid vacation, employer contributions to UIC and CPP. Anything else? Not often.

Foot in mouth

"It's only \$2 per week, \$2 per week, and students spend that in beer at the Hotel Isabella." — PC candidate in St. George, Susan Fish, commenting on recent increases in tuition fees at an all-candidates meeting.

Vandalism worries residents

In response to numerous acts of vandalism which have occurred in the area of McGee Street and Empire Avenue, local residents were invited by Aldermen Gordon Cressy and David Reville to meet with representatives of 55 Police Division on Thursday February 19. About 35 residents met at the Ralph Thornton Centre with Acting Superintendent MacLeod, Staff Inspector Hamilton and Sergeant Knox for an oftentimes lively exchange. Concerns about lack of foot patrols and insufficient police coverage of side streets and laneways were met with the usual response that budgetary restraints were responsible for insufficient staffing, and

that the problem of short staffing was not limited to the Queen-Broadview area.

Sgt. Knox described the activities of the Youth Bureau staff and talked about the disproportionate number of group homes for juveniles in the area served by 55 Division (Don River to Victoria Park, Danforth to the lake).

The meeting ended with the decision to forward a letter to the Honourable Keith Norton expressing concern about the shortage of services for juvenile offenders. The police representatives assured those present that surveillance would be increased in the area.

Advance Polls

Advance polls will be held prior to normal polling day on March 19 for Ontario's 32nd general election.

Advance polling will be carried out on March 14 and March 16 —

Sun boycott

The Labour Council of Metro Toronto is urging all trade unionists to boycott the Sun newspaper during the month of March, as a gesture of protest against its strident anti-union propaganda.

And some trade unions are urging their members to stop reading and buying the Sun permanently.

between 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. each day.

Advance polls are for the convenience of qualified voters whose names appear on the polling lists for their polling divisions and who expect to be unable to vote on election day. Voters are reminded that they may use any advance poll in their electoral district.

They are located in places offering level access or ramps so that elderly or physically handicapped voters may find it easier to vote.

Voters may obtain details of advance polls from Returning Officers, from political parties or candidates, and from advertisements in their local newspapers.



Roxanne Moffatt and Marie Romain Aloma in 'We Can't Pay! We Won't Pay!' (they're chanting, "we can't pay, we won't pay.") Ellen Pomer reviews the play on page 8.

City investigating houses

Additional staff to identify illegally operated rooming houses and investigate public complaints have been temporarily appointed by the City.

The campaign follows a February 12 decision of Toronto City Council to locate all illegal rooming houses and ensure they are brought up to the required standards of safety and maintenance.

To be safe and legal, a rooming house must have fire extinguishers, smoke detectors,

alarm systems, exit facilities and a licence, under Rooming House By-law 502-80.

Landlords and tenants may call 367-7960 for advice and information. An owner may be eligible for loan assistance to bring the property up to legal standards.

Owners and operators of premises found to be in contravention of the applicable by-laws could be subject to fines up to \$1,000.

The chemical sea

By HOWARD HUGGETT

Quick, how many chemicals are now in commercial use? I didn't think you would know; neither did I. The health advocacy unit of the Department of Public Health for the City of Toronto has some figures to answer this and other important questions. The number of chemicals is somewhere between 60,000 and 100,000, depending upon which of several sources you accept. About 1,000 new substances are being produced annually.

Some of the other unpleasant statistics that the Department of Health has provided this month are as follows:

- 34,000 chemicals on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 1978 Toxic Effects List.
- 15,000 toxic substances in the work place.

- 1,500 suspected cancer-causing substances in the work place.

- 10,000 estimated deaths annually in Canada due to work place exposure to these substances.

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Let Canadians write constitution

I write in response to the article titled "Bob Rae Meets Constituents" in the Dec. 5, 1980 issue. In his article Mr. Huggett devotes considerable space to the question of a Constituent Assembly. Since it was I who raised this question at the meeting, and since Mr. Huggett has, I feel, misrepresented the issue, I feel compelled to rebut.

First, why do we need a Constituent Assembly? We need a Constituent Assembly because we need a *made in Canada* constitution. The BNA Act, a statute of British Parliament passed more than a century ago does not and cannot be expected to reflect the reality and serve the needs of a 20th century sovereign Canadian state. The entire constitutional question is indeed premised on the BNA Act's total inadequacy in this regard. To simply tinker with the BNA Act is not enough. It must be scrapped and a constitution by Canadians for Canadians must be formulated. Only a Constituent Assembly can accomplish this. As far as precedents go, one does not have to go back to the instance of the American colonies in 1776 as Mr. Huggett suggest. The examples of Spain, Portugal and even Iran in the past decade illustrate its pertinence well enough.

Secondly, how would such a Constituent Assembly work? The Constituent Assembly would be convened by Parliament and elected by the Canadian people. It would have equal representation from both the French Canadian nation in Quebec and from English speaking Canada with a guarantee of balanced provincial representation in the latter case. The aboriginal people of Canada must also

be represented in such an Assembly. This Constituent Assembly would be vested with the authority to draft a constitution agreeable to each of the groups, which would then be ratified through a popular referendum. The process of formulating such a constitution must encompass meaningful input from organized labour, women's organizations, ethnic minorities, the municipalities, native peoples as well as all other popular groups and organizations. Canada's new constitution in short, must represent the will of its people, not the expediency of its politicians.

Finally, what goals should the Constituent Assembly be working towards? The foremost, although by no means exclusive constitutional question, is the survival of Canada as a unified state. In this regard the new Canadian constitution must assault those tensions dividing its peoples. In recognition of the historical bi-national nature of the Canadian state, replacing it with a "House of Nations" equally representing the French (Quebecois) and English speaking nations of

Canada. This along with a House of Commons with representation based on population would create a two house system. Each House would enjoy an equal right to introduce legislation, while such legislation would be enacted only upon the approval of both Houses. Native land claims and aboriginal rights must be recognized and justly settled with provision for regional autonomy and parliamentary representation. The cultural rights of ethnic minorities must be guaranteed. These measures will help ensure that Canada survives and thrives as a unified confederal state. It is only on this basis that Canadians can begin working together to confront the numerous common problems facing them now and in the future.

In conclusion I can say that I am pleased this vital question which affects each of us so profoundly is being raised and discussed in our community. It is precisely this kind of discussion and input which our new constitution demands.

Nicholas Prychodko

Inflation plot

It must by now be apparent to even the indifferent and apathetic individual that inflation doesn't just come in by itself — it's helped along by the greed and ruthlessness of the multi-nationals, the combines and cartels, and all those prepared to put self-interest before the national interest.

Bell's recent application for enormous price hikes in charges and service (after having had a whacking increase last year), coupled with the theft by the major oil companies of the people's money are two cases in point.

Of what use is it for government spokesmen to plead with the people for "restraint" and the "need for economy" which this sort of rip-off is going on?

What, one may well ask, is being done to punish the oil companies for their corporated robbery? And the answer, get this — are you ready? — is NOTHING. The Combines Act is apparently not strong enough to deal with multi-nationals!

Trudeau and his Liberals once paraded under the slogan "The Just Society"

That's what it is — Just the Same as it always was! Isn't it about time people got together and informed our jackasses in Parliament we are fed up with the way we're being shafted?

Merlin Andrew

Loss to community

By DOROTHY BUSHEY

February has not only been a cold dreary month but a sad one because of the death of two ladies who have contributed time, energy and a concern for the well-being of All Saints church and its people.

Edna Munson (Perry) crocheted, baked, and made herself a valuable asset to every bazaar and raffle that this church has ever had. She has now gone to meet her Maker and those of us who knew her and respected her will sadly miss her kindness. God bless you Edna.

The other lady is Myrtle Thompson who also offered her services to All Saints Church. I am sure that God in all his mercy will reason out why Myrtle died the way she did. I can only say may God bless you, Myrtle.

Your ding-a-ling

By ANDREA BAIN

Once again, everyone's favourite monopoly, Mother Bell, is applying for a 30 per cent residential rate increase. Your monthly fee will go up to over \$12.00 a month — and that's just for Toronto. Suburban rates will be higher.

Not only does Bell make money off us poor folk, they make roughly \$8,000 profit on each of their employees. Still, they claim they need the rate increase. But they sure can afford to advertise about how great their system is on prime-time television! They only

pay a small fraction of their taxes to boot — a good way for the average person to land in jail if they do the same thing.

Want to put Mother Bell on hold? Write to Mr. J. G. Patenaude, Secretary, C.R.T.C., Ottawa, Ontario and send a copy of your letter to E. E. Saunders, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Bell Canada, 25 Eddy Street, 6th Floor, Hull, Quebec J8Y 6N4 by March 30. Mention in your letter if you want to appear before the C.R.T.C. hearings when it comes to Toronto.

Let's disconnect Ma Bell — NOW!

Seniors losing money

Writing this as a junior senior in my early 70's, I would like to acquaint you with the story of a group of 7,700, out of the total number of seniors in Metro of 224,000.

This group, now residing in either homes for the aged, and religious and foundation and similar type homes, are in a peculiar situation through no fault of their own. Since this type of home pays no property taxes, almost all of us were deprived of the previous property tax rebate of previous years, by the Ontario government.

For most, this means a loss of income of about \$350 for us this year. Naturally we have to come up with some way to pay this amount. In addition we now face rent increases in the area of \$100 per month, with this figure being general for the approximately 44 such homes in Metro.

Here is our basic problem: most of us are "locked-in" to living in such homes due to medical requirements in that our daily medication must be nurse-dispensed and supervised.

Moving is no solution, rents are about the same, with few vacancies, and with the nursing requirements and physical inability to run an apartment, and also the fact we need limited nursing care, also meals and house-keeping.

Financially with the federal OAP basic increase of about \$180 this year, and for some of us a partial CPP with similar increase, the outside possible increase falls in

the area of \$300 per year.

This barely covers the lost tax exemption, leaving us with the rent increase to find. I might mention here that some seniors, through necessity, had to include the previous year's tax rebate into their budget to meet their living expenses, and they will be hurt.

Most seniors in these homes get only the basic OAP of \$202 now per month, and for those of us with CPP (partial) of at most \$180, this leaves us to find the sum left from income of \$250-300 a month.

Others in these homes may have insurance from spouses, retirement fund, etc., with a third group getting OAP, GIS (supplement) and Gains (Ont. supplement) and at maximum this is \$450 a month. They are really short unless there is family help, getting tougher in today's world.

The reason this problem has not surfaced before is twofold: some Seniors are too proud to admit they are strapped, and secondly, one has to be at "grass-roots level", and TRUSTED, to get the stories.

We all appreciate that governments are trying to hold down costs, but we, as seniors, feel that over the past years we have, through income taxes, and even property taxes for many years, paid for everything we now get in pensions.

Would Queen's Park, and of course not forgetting Monique Begin of the Feds, care to comment?

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By HOWARD HUGGETT

March has been very well-behaved so far, but no doubt we can expect a few dirty tricks before it is over. However, spring is on the way and the thoughts of gardeners are turning to seeds and seed catalogues. The seed packets have shown up in the stores, complete with pictures in glorious living colour of vegetables or flowers they are meant to produce. The packets have always been too big for the seeds because of course their size is designed to accommodate the picture. Of late years they have been getting bigger and this year my local supermarket has a jumbo-sized package that is large enough to hold a couple of panty hose. The pictures are big enough to frame, but then it is seeds that the customer wants, not pictures. The seeds, of course, are down in the very bottom of the oversized packet.

As for the directions, they haven't changed much. "Plant outside when all danger of frost is past." All you need is a crystal ball to tell you when the magic moment has arrived. Well, there are other ways to get seeds. Some time ago the CBC had a programme on their IDEAS series

entitled "The Seed Issue". This programme dealt with the importance of maintaining stocks of a wide variety of seeds for different strains of plants. This is necessary because some strains become susceptible to diseases or develop defects and have to be replaced or improved by cross-breeding. Lately there has been a tendency to concentrate on certain strains that give high yields and let the other kinds go out of production and be lost to agriculture. The big seed companies are being taken over by the multinationals, and since these firms are also in the fertilizer and pesticide business there is a danger that they will promote the kinds of plants that are dependent upon the products that they manufacture.

However, there are seed companies that have a different approach. Some are non-profit organizations and some are small, family-operated businesses and they specialize in the older, more traditional varieties of seeds. If you write to the CBC, Box 500, Station A, M5W 1E6, and refer to "The Seed Issue" program they will send you free of charge a list of these seed growers to whom you can write for catalogues. One

of them has over 400 varieties of heirloom beans, another has 150 kinds of tomato seeds. Some of them will supply you with a guide to the best way to save your own seeds.

From the list I picked out Johnny's Selected Seeds, Organic Seed and Crop Research, Albion, Maine, U.S.A. 04910. Their catalogue is 50¢ and they also have a handbook on how to save your own garden seeds. It is \$2.30 postpaid or \$1.95 with seed orders. Imagine a company that is in the business of selling seeds, but tells you how to grow your own! Their service is very prompt and they are quite helpful. My first order was for two varieties of carrots, one early and one late. One of the varieties was out of stock, so they substituted a similar one which they recommended. If that wasn't satisfactory I could have my 55¢ back, and if I tried the substitute seeds and wasn't satisfied I could still have the money back! Not only are their seeds old-fashioned, so is their service.

Some people save stamps, some save bottle tops, while others save seeds. It could be a lot of fun.

Richard Slye, photomontagist

Take a magazine ad for ladies' cosmetics. On a table is an array of powders, spray perfumes, creams and mascara brushes. In the centre foreground there is an open compact.

Take an appropriately-sized closeup of Pierre Elliott Trudeau. Paste it over the compact mirror. Call the finished product "The Artist" — and what you have is an example of the art of Richard Slye, an art which transforms the images of consumerism into

demystifying statements and political salesmanship.

A painter at first, Slye turned to montage because he recognized its relevance to the critical art he was trying to create. The importance of montage, he says, "is not in its esthetics but in its capacity to carry meaning in a form the other graphic arts cannot."

Richard Slye acknowledges his debt to John Heartfield, the pre-war German artist who used the technique to debunk the

totalitarian propaganda and advertising of the Third Reich.

The Partisan Gallery, 680 King St. W., 2nd floor, will be presenting an exhibition of RICHARD SLYE's recent work from March 15 to April 4. Visiting hours at the Partisan Gallery are: Monday to Friday: six to nine p.m. Weekends: 12 noon to six p.m.

For further information contact Wally Brooker at 469-0778.

East End Literacy

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Amy's first student was Donald, who lives in St. James-town. They still meet there one evening per week after he gets home from work. It hasn't been easy but they have persevered and they are now into their second year. Amy says, "It's a lot of little steps, 2 forward and one back. I used to view learning with the 'hole in the head' picture. You just put in the knowledge and presto! they can read. It's not long before you recognize it won't work that way."

Amy's experience with Donald was so satisfying that she asked Selinde to find a student who would be willing to come to her house. Rod, who lives not far from Amy's Rhodes Avenue home comes every Sunday after church. They have been working together since June. Amy is pleased with their association. "Rod has learned fast, he's probably at the grade four level now."

As part of the support provided by EEL, tutors get together once a month for Tutor Recall, a chance to discuss common problems and to give each other tips and encouragement. Amy says, "No tutor could cope without Tutor Recall... you have to know there's someone else doing the same thing, perhaps having a problem you have solved." At one point, when Rod and Amy were working on words, one of the other tutors mentioned that she and her student wrote the words on cards and put them on the objects they represented. Amy and Rod then used the same technique. When it came to colours Amy got coloured construction paper and wrote 'orange, blue, yellow' on little squares and that's how Rod learned the words for colours.

Staff, students and tutors put together a magazine called "Writer's Voice." Amy and Donald together wrote an article entitled "Tips on Furniture and Repair" based on Donald's experiences in the business. Amy said it was a wonderful learning experience for her. She went home and fixed a scratch on her dining room table following Donald's instructions and it worked!

Amy has been pleased by her association with EEL. "It's exciting when something happens. Not a great big jump forward, just a little thing. When I first started I was conscious that being involved with another person was a big responsibility, that it might be changing their whole life. However, the changes in the students are nice changes."

'Dimension' broke

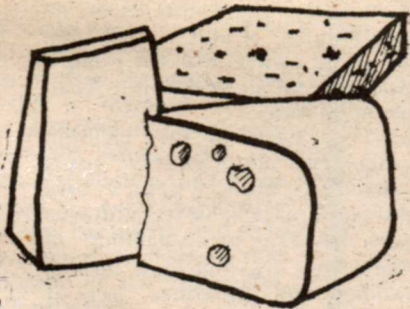
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I have consistently spoken out as an independent for the concerns of downtown Toronto. As an independent I can represent our urban interests which have been ignored or stifled by the Tories and by the Liberal caucus dominated, as they are, by those who represent the interests and narrow attitudes of rural and smalltown Ontario.

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"Hours spent waiting in hospital emergency rooms only to be faced with large doctors' bills is the result of the Conservative government's mismanagement of health care," Dr. Turner says, using his hands for emphasis.

"For the price of the government's advertising campaigns,

including "Health begins at Home", we could have a city-wide, trained, para-medical corps. At the same time, the Tories have decreased real health care spending by 36% since 1975."

Sitting in his Allen Street home, Tyrone says, "I can speak out, and do speak out on these important issues." Tyrone has been involved in the Ward 7 community for nine years. He was a board member of the Don Vale Community Centre and is a member of the South Riverdale Community Health Centre as well as being on staff at the Wellesley and St. Michael's Hospitals.

"Because I live and work here, I know what we need from government." For a start, he says, we need representation. Most of the riding receives excellent representation by the NDP: municipally by Cressy and Reville, and the school board trustees Clandfield and Endicott, and federally by Bob Rae.

"I will speak in the provincial Legislature and outside the Legislature. I'll work for the people of this riding who need an MPP on their side", Turner said.

He leans forward in his chair as he begins to talk about the cost of

keeping roofs over people's heads. "The people of this province will be hit hard if rent controls are lifted. Rents soared 40% in Alberta last year when they removed rent controls. That could mean an additional \$150 a month for some of the people of this riding."

"Then there are the people who live in subsidized housing who can't even hold their ground. Whenever their income goes up, the Ontario Ministry of Housing raises their rent. Meanwhile, their spending power is eroded by constantly higher prices for food, clothing and other essentials."

Dr. Turner continues, "By eliminating the pensioners' tax credit programme, the Conservative government imposes more financial hardship on senior citizens. The new programme gives more money to senior citizens who are well off while lessening what the needy get."

In fact, the same Conservative government that doesn't provide employment opportunities, also is the stingiest per capita social service spender in the country.

"What we're dealing with is a Conservative government that has entirely lost touch with the people and the needs of this province. I won't let that continue."

representation you need. Mrs. Scrivener didn't speak once during the fourth session of the legislature. She was a member of the important Justice Sub-Committee on financial collapses. She failed to attend all 22 meetings of the sub-committee and all of the 5 main committee meetings on the subject. St. David requires leadership on many important issues. I think I can provide that.

There are other issues of major importance. Over the past five years, Ontario has had the lowest growth rate in hospital care in Canada. Quality hospital care is a right, not a privilege. We believe that the 4000 children waiting for day care facilities deserve better. The Conservatives do not understand this need. We must licence more day care spaces in private homes and industrial centres.

An issue that indirectly touches almost everything else is the economy. The Tories have wasted

the opportunities of the seventies. Ontario is now in tenth and last place in growth. Simply put, this means that, had Ontario grown at the same rate as any other province, you would have hundreds more dollars to spend on your needs. A co-ordinated Industrial Strategy is necessary to start the Ontario economy growing again. Only the Liberals have such a strategy.

A clear result of this economic stagnation has been the starvation of the Ontario University system and the cuts in assistance for Senior Citizens. We need to invest in our future to ensure skilled workers and to provide good jobs; we must equally protect the people who worked so hard to build Ontario for all of us.

In this election, I would ask you to decide which candidate and party will provide the strong representation that St. David needs for a strong and secure future.

year to close to \$600 for every man, woman and child in the province.

Margaret Scrivener has always honoured her commitments. She has promised to keep in touch with her constituents and has done this through the Advisory Centre which she established and through her regular newsletters. Her door has always been open.

Margaret Scrivener is a dedicated public servant; she is devoted to the riding of St. David which she often says is "the best, most interesting riding in the province." She has served her constituents responsibly and with integrity.

J. Rhino Mappin
Rhinoceros
Party

Mappin claims to be an unemployed ice fisherman. The Rhinos run to make fun of politicians and the political process.

Ed Schofield
Liberal



Ed Schofield is a highly respected Toronto criminal trial lawyer who has had a wide variety of

Jim Renwick
New Democrat



Both Jim Renwick and his Constituency office work tirelessly in providing assistance to Riverdale residents and others in cutting through bureaucratic red-tape and offering free legal advice. He maintains a close relationship with the community through the Riverdale Social Legal Services, which he helped to found, the Eastview Neighbourhood Community Centre and the South Riverdale Community Health Centre and has close contact with the riding's Chinese, Greek and South-Asian communities.

The issues in this election affect this area directly: rising unemployment, prices and interest rates, plant-shutdowns and lay-offs, a dismantling of medicare, discrimination against women and minorities, lack of daycare and a threat to rent control.

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experience dealing with all types of people and all sorts of issues. He has been married for 21 years and is the father of 4 daughters. He was educated at St. Michael's College and went on to obtain his law degree from the University of Toronto Law School in 1959, paying his own way through school as the first night-duty worker for the Catholic Children's Aid Society. For 6 years he worked with the U.S. Justice Department and then spent 3 years in the Ontario Attorney-General's Department. Later he became the first Assistant Provincial Director of the Ontario Legal Aid Plan. For 8 years he was a group instructor in criminal law in the Bar Admission Course.

Ed's concerns are as varied as his background. Daycare facilities,

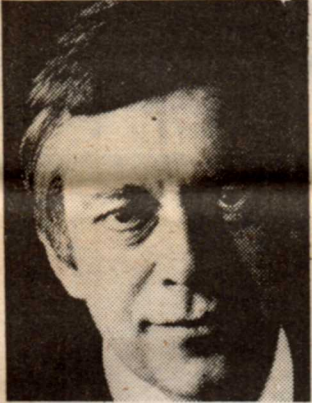
revitalized economy based on our strong human and natural resources. The NDP has developed a comprehensive industrial strategy based on careful planning that would replace imports with Ontario-made goods in vital areas like food, machinery, electronics and other high technology goods. There is no reason, for instance, why Ontario should be a major importer of mining machinery.

Real health care spending has declined by 36.5% since 1975 which means that hospitals like Toronto East General are reeling from budget cutbacks which reduce beds, cut staff and lower the quality of service. The NDP would halt these cutbacks and restore our faith in health care in Ontario.

The NDP's Economic Equality Bill for Women provides equal pay for work of equal value and a right to accessible, quality daycare. As well, a tough affirmative action program would open up new opportunities for training and advancement.

This election provides the people of Ontario with a very real choice between a tired, sluggish, unresponsive Conservative government depending once again on empty slogans and election giveaways, the negative, flip-flop approach of the Liberals or a New Democratic Party dedicated to the revitalization of Ontario's economy, quality health-care for all, expanded rent control and a chance for every person to participate fully in the economic and social life of the province.

Ian Scott
Liberal



I would like to thank 7 News for this chance to let you know what we believe are the crucial issues in these last days of the campaign.

First of all, St. David has simply not been provided with the

Margaret Scrivener
Progressive
Conservative



Since first elected in 1971, Margaret Scrivener has been an effective worker for the riding of St. David. She has held two cabinet portfolios, is currently chairman of the Ontario Task Force of Provincial Rail Policy, and has been a driving force on behalf of a great many organizations and services in the riding. In 1972 she established the St. David Advisory Centre and paid for its maintenance herself until 1976 when members' riding office expense was included in the provincial budget.

Other organizations she has helped include: • Regent Park Community Health Centre (Director); • Dixon Hall; • Cabagetown Youth Centre; • Woodgreen Community Centre; • Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal 1977-78 (Honorary Chairman); • Regent Park Recreation

Facilities — ice rinks, swimming pool, etc.; • Enoch Turner School Foundation (Director); • Gerrard "K" Club; • Clifton House for Boys; • Toronto Humane Society; • Eastminister Community Association; • Chester Village; • Bloorview Children's Hospital; • Pauline McGibbon Cultural Centre; • Y. W. C. A. — Bongard House; • Montcrest School.

Margaret Scrivener believes that the major issues in this election are leadership, the economy and the record of the Davis Government. In our riding of St. David, day care, senior citizens concerns, employment, rent controls, housing, rail safety and assistance to the physically disabled are also important concerns.

Margaret Scrivener believes that government must be controlled if we are to maintain a sound economy. "It is too easy to make a lot of expensive promises that cost taxpayers the money they work so hard to earn. Our job is to provide services where they are required, but not to expand government until we lose our individual initiative. The Davis Government has controlled spending; in fact, we have succeeded in holding expense below estimates for the past three years, and can finance our requirements for 1980-81 with no tax increase."

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It's true that a lot of things will be much the same no matter what happens in the election. Your boss will still be your boss, your landlord will still be your landlord, inflation and unemployment will still be around, pollution will get worse, Ronald Reagan will still be President of the U.S., and the sun will be shining sometimes, anyway.

But the results will affect some things that do make a difference: who represents your area in the legislature, and who forms the government. And that can mean some important differences. The economic policies of the parties,

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believes, must be expanded improved. There are many individuals who for legitimate reasons cannot afford daycare. "It goes to the mind", says Ed, "to look at the Conservative government has spent \$22 million on a luxury lodge called Akia, but believes it cannot afford to support any increase in daycare facilities." This Ed insists is a clear example of misguided reversed priorities.

The deterioration in the quality of secondary school education is another example of the stagnation of Ed's reign. He supports the Conservatives' intention to reinstate a tired core curriculum. Indignant about the Council of Ontario Universities' report that Ontario spends about \$600 less per capita

on university education than any other province, he demands that the improvement of our educational system be given top priority.

Ed Schofield is an experienced and capable man, representing a young and vigorous Liberal Party. He believes it is unwise to allow any political party to maintain power for anything remotely approaching 38 years. "Those in power too easily forget that they hold that power as loan and in trust for the governed. They come to regard power as if they owned it, and that attitude runs deep into all facets of this government. The only way to change it is to vote them out. If you think the Conservatives have been complacent and even arrogant up until now, good luck to us all if they obtain another majority!"

Peter Hesky

Progressive Conservative



I've enjoyed over 40 years of life in one of the best places on earth to live: the province of Ontario.

In recent years things have been changing in a way that I've frequently found disturbing and sometimes frightening.

After 20 years as a journalist and broadcaster I decided to run for public office in order to save some of those values that have become so important to us and we are in danger of losing.

The residents of Toronto have indicated their anger at the party permissiveness during the recent municipal elections by helping NDP supporters starting with the former mayor, several council members and some school trustees. I personally believe that teachings of sex should be left to parents to deal with at the appropriate time in the home — has no place in the classroom.

Every parent and every community leader in Riverdale is absolutely opposed to the homosexual community having the right to present its views to young children. I am opposed to

these "special" rights for homosexual or any other special interest groups.

This is an issue I will fight for now and in the Legislature.

While on the subject of education, there is also a need in Riverdale for expanding Heritage Language Programs in local schools. This is of vital importance to all the groups of various ethnic origins. I will immediately begin to work for an increase in the number of hours per week of heritage language and culture instruction.

On the commercial side, the business boom in Riverdale is being hurt by a lack of parking facilities. Stores, large and small, and restaurants are all suffering because there are too few places for their growing number of customers to park. All of us suffer when we have to add \$5, \$10 or \$20 parking tickets to our shopping or dining out bills. The promoters must work together to increase the number of parking meters and parking lots particularly in the Danforth, Pape and Gerrard Street areas.

Finally, I would like Riverdale residents to have the unique influence that a member of the majority government can directly and personally provide. For too long now, Riverdale has been represented by a minority party member who has openly and consistently supported principles that are abhorrent to all responsible Riverdale residents.

I am certain that this time, on Election Day, March 19th, the majority of Riverdale residents will vote for me, Peter Hesky

vote

whether they propose to increase or decrease health spending, whether they are for or against rent controls, for or against changes in the human rights code, what they propose on pensions and day care and education, can all affect your life in very real ways.

So look at what the parties and candidates have to say about the issues that you consider important. And notice what they don't talk about, too — that can sometimes be a real clue to their leanings as well. And finally, remember that political parties and leaders seem to make a habit of ignoring election promises once the election is over. Do you

believe what they are saying?

Another question: is your vote wasted if you elect a member to the opposition benches rather than the government? Not really, if you support the policies of that opposition party. A strong opposition can often help to keep the government in line. Even independent legislators not affiliated to any party could be very effective because they would not be forced to toe a party line and so could speak more freely.

So cast your vote as you believe. Even voting for fringe or crank candidates can sometimes have a good effect if a lot of people do it; it scares the elected members.

George Hislop

Independent



I am running to provide an opportunity for people who are fed up with political parties in Ontario to vote for someone who will speak out for their interest alone; who will not abandon principle to curry favour in the rest of the province.

In particular, as a tenant, like the vast majority of St. George voters, I know that rent review must be continued and that it must be extended to cover municipal and other non-profit housing and student residences. I

Dan Leckie

New Democratic Party



The NDP candidate for St. George is former school board chairman Dan Leckie, an already established voice in downtown Toronto.

Leckie brings political experience to his campaign — he was special assistant to Mayor Sewell for two years, a member of the Toronto Board of Health for 4

Bruce McLeod

Liberal



During my term as a Human Rights Commissioner, I saw first hand the inability of the government to come to grips with one of the province's most basic concepts — Human Rights. I personally chaired 17 meetings, across this province, of the Human Rights Code Committee to redraft this province's Human Rights Code.

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believe that tenant protection legislation must be strengthened to provide security of tenure, especially for tenants who have lived in the same place for some years. I also believe that we must encourage the further development of co-op and non-profit housing and we must end discrimination against families with children in housing.

I want to have some real teeth put into the Ontario Human Rights Code. I would press for more funding and staff for the Human Rights Commission so that the 1000 case backlog could be cleared up and so cases could be dealt with quickly. I would move amendments to include the disabled, and lesbians and gays in the Ontario Human Rights Code and I would take action to ensure that sexual harassment was effectively dealt with by human rights legislation.

In the area of health care, I believe that establishing a network of community Health Centres is a priority. Our medical care system is deteriorating. I would press for adequately funded hospitals with

years, and a school Trustee for six — including his term as chairman. During that time, he feels he has gained a deep insight into the special needs of this diverse downtown community.

There are, Leckie feels, four issues of major concern to the people of St. George during this election: Housing and Tenant's Rights, The Economy, Health Care, and Civil Liberties. "They are crucial issues," he says, "on which the Conservative government has consistently let down the people of Ontario." Leckie and the NDP are firm supporters of Rent Control and tenant's rights. "We forced the Tories into it 6 years ago," he declares, "and they've been trying to get out of it ever since. You just can't trust them to keep rent controls — and that's important in a riding like St. George where 8 out of 10 people are tenants."

He is also dedicated to improving our Health Care systems. "Premiums have to go," he says, "and the system supported

In 1978, we presented a report containing 97 different recommendations.

Three years later, our recommendations — among them provisions to strengthen minority rights, prevent discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, and to provide basic rights for the disabled — are not past the initial stages of implementation. The government even tried to extract from our report and further segregate the disabled by setting up a separate bill for them alone. As your M.P.P., I will work to implement all of the recommendations in *Life Together*.

As your Liberal candidate, I fully support rent review as an important protection for tenants. We have initiated and supported improvements to rent review, including a provision to prevent the Cabinet from changing the 6% rent increase guideline. We are pledged to continue rent review and to provide incentives to stimulate the rental housing industry.

I believe we must have more subsidized licensed day care spaces to make sure that no children are left in substandard situations because parents can't afford proper care.

Our schools must function in a system which inspires public confidence and support. The overall deterioration of public school education has been paralleled by cost increases in education despite dwindling enrolments and by a shift of the financial burden onto

sufficient staff, with a special emphasis on quality care for seniors who need long-term care. I would also press for assistance to support services so that senior adults can maintain their independence. The OHIP fee structure must be adequate to keep doctors in OHIP.

Women's issues are often neglected. I see them as human rights issues. I believe that we must take effective action to establish the rights of women to equal pay for work of equal value and to equality in all fields. We must extend daycare to meet the evident need and we must extend the social services with special attention to the needs of women in housing, employment and support services.

The unemployment rate among downtown youth is particularly high. Revamping Ontario's shabby and ineffectual apprenticeship training programs and encouraging the development of small business would be two areas that I would focus on as priorities to deal with the human misery that is caused by extensive unemployment.

through general revenue." He is also opposed to extra billing, and would seek a fair agreement with the OMA to end this practice which, Leckie says, "is leading us straight back to a two-tier health care system: one for the rich and one for the poor."

On human rights and civil liberties, Leckie is an outspoken advocate of equality and non-discrimination, regardless of race, sex, or sexual orientation. He supports a public inquiry into the recent police raids of bath houses, and personally supports the addition of a sexual orientation clause to the Ontario Human Rights Code. He is also an advocate of equal pay for work of equal value.

Leckie believes that he, and the New Democrats have the policies that will get the Ontario economy working again — replacing imports with Ontario-made goods, making venture capital more readily available to small business, and building up Canadian-owned industry by working with and investing in Canadian-owned operations.

the property taxpayer. We must put greater emphasis on teaching job skills that will prepare young people for a whole range of job opportunities — here in Ontario — that the '1980's will produce. Apprenticeship and other work programs should be established immediately.

The security of those in genuine need must be protected. Support services must be provided to enable more of our senior citizens to stay in their homes and enjoy their retirement in dignity. Institutional care planning must replace arbitrary cutbacks on institutional beds for the elderly. The number of beds should be increased to meet the demand of a rapidly aging population.

On March 19, a vote for the Liberal Party is a vote for the alternative Ontario deserves. I hope that I can count on your support to bring about a better government for Ontario.

Susan Fish

Progressive Conservative

Susan Fish, the Progressive Conservative candidate in St. George, was asked to submit an election profile, but did not turn one in.

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Just to make sure that consumers are not left out of this problem, here are some more figures:

1,500 flavours are permitted to be added to food in Canada and over 1,000 may be added to cigarettes.

103 pesticide residues are permitted to be on food in Canada.

There are lots of statistics, but that's enough to give the picture. This information was made available to the audience at the first of three forums on the general title of Awash in the

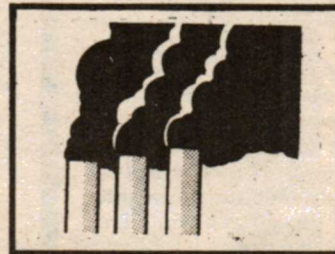
Chemical Sea. An excellent panel of speakers was on hand for this meeting. Dr. Victor Rabinovitch, Program Officer for Health and Safety for the Canadian Labour Congress reported on the situation in the work place. Dr. Trevor Hancock spoke for the Health Advocacy Unit of the City of Toronto and Dr. Donald Chant represented the Canadian Environmental Advisory Council. Mr. Jean Belanger, President of the Canadian Chemical Producers' Association was there to defend the industry. In case you think he was all alone, he was allowed by arrangement with the moderator, Jack Shapiro of the Toronto Board of Health, to call upon an expert placed in the audience to answer technical ques-

tions. This expert wasn't alone either — he had three other men sitting next to him, armed with material. The chemical industry is looking after its interests. Are we the public looking after ours?

Dr. Rabinovitch was the most interesting contributor because he dealt with conditions inside the Chemical plants where most of us never go. He pointed out that consumers enjoy better protection than workers because the concentration of chemicals is much greater in the work places and these chemicals are seldom labelled, so that the workers often do not know what they are. Dr. Rabinovitch advised that Canada has no national health standards. We have provincial standards that are usually imported from com-

panies, not from other governments.

Dr. Chant pointed out that the federal act that dealt with the matter was inadequate, partly because it attempted to treat each dangerous substance separately, rather than considering the overall effect of different products in combination, as they would normally be.



Mr. Belanger, naturally, brought up such matters as the effect of life style (diet, alcohol, tobacco) on the incidence of cancer. This is a valid point, of course, but it does not weaken the argument for the need to monitor and control the production of dangerous chemicals.

The second forum of the series is to be held on Wednesday, March 11th, but it will be over before this issue of Seven News goes to print. However, the third and most important meeting will be on Tuesday, March 17th at 8:00 p.m. in the St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front Street East. This forum will offer options to the public and suggest ways to participate in the regulation and control of chemicals.

Home Repairs

By PAUL COONEY

Question: I have a store that is one hundred and thirty five years old. I would like to add on an addition to the rear for living accommodation. The building is on the local Historical list. What would the necessary criteria be in order to accomplish the additional living accommodation and secure a building permit?

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7 News picks board

The 7 News Board of Directors and Executive has been chosen. The new executive consists of President Margaret Watson, Vice-President Cyndy Robinson, Secretary Jane Craig and Treasurer Dorothy Bushey. Other board members are Tom Clement, Larry Patterson, and Rob Hutchison.

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Ontario needs the strength and experience of Premier Bill Davis as its leader. On March 19th, you will have your chance to support the B.I.L.D. program, to keep the promise of Ontario through your support of your Davis candidate.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community Calendar is a free community service. If you have an upcoming event that you would like printed in the next (March 27) issue of 7 News (all events between March 27 and April 10 should go in this issue), please mail it to 315 Dundas St. E., Toronto M5A 2A2 or phone 363-9650.

Saturday March 14

There will be a rummage sale today from 10 am to 2 pm at Woodgreen United Church 875 Queen St. E. (near Logan).

Raids on the image banks of advertising ... dreams, hallucinations and nightmares for those who are afraid to sleep ... the extraordinary photo-collages of Richard Slye. Partisan Gallery, 680 King St. W., 2nd floor. Gallery hours: weekdays 6 pm - 9 pm, weekends 12 noon - 6 pm. This show is running until April 4.

There will be a forum today entitled **What's Cooking: Canadian Perspectives on Global Food Issues**. An afternoon of films, displays, and speakers featuring Jean Christie (Chairperson, People's Food Commission). To be held at 33 St. George St., 12 noon to 5 pm. Free admission. For more information call 928-3474.

Sunday March 15

St. Luke's Forum (St. Luke's Church, Sherbourne and Carlton Sts.) presents Dr. Bruce McLeod, Liberal candidate for St. George, today at 2:30 pm. All welcome.

The Development Education is screening two movies about South America, **El Salvador: Revolution or Death** and **Women in Arms**, today at 1:30 in the Festival Cinema (Yonge and Charles).

The Polish Crisis — Daniel Singer, author of **The Road to Gdansk**, and socialist journalist well acquainted with Eastern European affairs, recently returned from Poland where he interviewed many of the key figures in the **Solidarity** union movement. He will speak on "the Polish crisis" tonight at 7:30 pm in the Medical Sciences Auditorium, U. of T. (west of College St., north of University Ave.) Admission: \$2.

St. Paul's Catholic Women's League cordially invites you to their annual **St. Patrick's Silver Tea**, today from 2-5 pm. at St. Paul's Parish Hall, Queen and Parliament Sts. All welcome.

Monday March 16

All-candidates meeting tonight in Regent Park. Call Regent Park Community Improvement Association at 364-2909 and ask Myrna Marsden for details.

Grassfire concert in honor of the 13th year of struggle for liberation of the Filipino people. Also songs and poems of struggle, and speakers. Tonight at 7:30 pm in the Trojan Horse 179 Danforth Ave. (near Broadview). Donation \$3.

Tuesday March 17

"Effective Citizen Participation and Control of the Environment" — this seminar hopes to offer options to the public and to suggest ways to participate in the regulation and control of chemicals. Tonight

at 8 pm in the St. Lawrence Centre Town Hall, 27 Front St. E. Free.

There will be a special performance today of "I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking It On the Road" to aid **Interval House**, a shelter for women and their children. The Ports Dinner Theatre, 3:30 pm. The \$20 ticket includes a tax-deductible donation of \$8.50 to Interval House. Please call Pat Kincaid at 598-4931, ext. 360 for more information and/or reservations.

Wednesday March 18

Kronstadt 1921-1981 — a public meeting to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Kronstadt uprising. Tonight at 7:30 pm in Hart House, Debates Room, University of Toronto. Sponsored by the Anarchist-Communist Federation (Toronto).

The International Women's Day Committee doesn't disappear after International Women's Day is over. The IWDC is a socialist-feminist organization that meets to plan actions throughout the year. Their next meeting is being held **tonight at 7:30 pm** in University Settlement House, 23 Grange St. (behind the Art Gallery of Ontario). All women welcome.

Thursday March 19

DANCEWORKS 20 is scheduled for tonight and tomorrow at 8:30 pm in the Activity Centre of the Art Gallery of Ontario, 317 Dundas St. S. **Dance and Performance art works** by Margaret Dragu, Tom Dean, Robert W. Stevenson, Holly Small, Sallie Lyons and Jorge Lozano. Tickets are \$4. For information or reservations, call 367-1416.

Montreal's Theatre Sans Fil brings their production of **The Hobbit** to Young People's Theatre, 165 Front St. e. starting today and running until April 5. Recommended for ages 12 and up. Performances: Tuesday through Sunday at 8 pm. Tickets: adults \$8, under 18 and seniors \$4.50. For tickets, call the box office at 864-9732

Friday, March 20

Patrick Malone, Sinn Fein organizer, will speak on the **hunger strike of H-Block Prisoners in Ireland** tonight at 8 pm in the Faculty of Education, 371 Bloor St. W.

The 519 Church Street Community Centre is screening a selection of films **celebrating women** in all their diversity, from Shirley Temple to artist Georgia O'Keefe. Tonight at 7:30 pm, admission free.

Saturday, March 21

Woodgreen Community Centre, 835 Queen St. E., is holding a **St. Patrick's Day** dance tonight at 7:30. Tickets are \$3 per person, \$5 per couple. At the door: \$4 per person, \$7 per couple. Includes buffet, dancing, and prizes. For further information call Vicenza at 461-1168.

Women for Survival is holding a woman's anti-nuclear educational, featuring Dr. Rosalie Bertell (U.S. cancer researcher) today from 1-5 pm in the Sidney Smith Building, U. of T. There will also be workshops on feminism and ecology, organizing and direct action, health hazards of radiation, and more. For more information call 968-3218.

Fund-raising dance for the Committee for Solidarity with People of El Salvador at Scadding Court Community Centre (Bathurst and Dundas Sts.) 7 pm.

Action Volunteers is holding a rally today at 12 noon in Nathan Philips Square to **protest the annual seal hunt**. There will be balloons for the kids and speakers. After marching to the Bay, there will be a get-together at the 519 Church Street Community Centre.

Sunday, March 22

St. Luke's Forum presents speaker Rev. Robert Lindsay. 2:30 pm today at Saint Luke's Church, Sherbourne and Carlton.

Rock Against Racism founding meeting today at 1:30 pm in University Settlement House, 23 Grange Rd. (first street south of Dundas, west off McCaul).

The Development Education Centre is screening three films about Southern Africa, **The Dispossessed**, **Generations of Resistance**, and **Nelson Mandela** today at 1:30 pm in the Festival Cinema, Yonge at Charles.

Monday, March 23

Tatyana Mamonova, a Soviet feminist exiled for her views, is on a tour of Canada. She will be speaking tonight about the **condition of women in Soviet society** and will be seeking support for her imprisoned sisters. 7:30 pm, Medical Sciences auditorium, U. of T. (northwest corner, College and University Ave.) Admission \$2.

Tuesday, March 24

Fantasy films for children today at 2 pm in the Queen/Saulter Library, 765 Queen St. E.

Wednesday, March 25

The Jones Library, 118 Jones Ave. (near Gerrard) has **two films for children**, *The Incredible Journey* and *Freaky Friday*, today at 2 pm. Free.

The Parliament Street Library, 269 Gerrard St. E. is showing a movie on the **Lamaze childbirth method** today at 7 pm.

Thursday, March 26

See the film **"El Salvador — A New Viet Nam?"** tonight at OISE, 252 Bloor St. W., 7:30 pm.

Friday, March 27

Neighbourhood Information Post is holding a **fund-raising 50's and 60's sock hop** tonight at 8:30 pm at the 519 Church Street Community Centre (just north of Wellesley). Tickets at the door, or at Neighbourhood Information Post, Library House, 265 Gerrard St. E.

Ward 7 Business and Professional Association presents a **Spring Gala** at Casa Loma, tonight at 7 pm. Dinner and dancing to the band Mainstream. Dress: Formal. For information and/or tickets call Ann or Betty at 962-8113 or Paula at 922-5108.

Saturday, April 4

Fighting the Right — a day of lesbian and gay pride, culture and information. There will be workshops on the right wing, racism, "coming out", and other topics, as well as works and entertainment by lesbian and gay artists, and a bake sale. 12 noon sharp at the 519 Church Street Community Centre (just north of Wellesley). Sponsored by Gay and Lesbians Against the Right Everywhere (GLARE).

ONGOING

● The **Parliament Street Library**, 269 Gerrard St. E. offers programs for all ages, meeting space for community groups, a fully-equipped darkroom and a piano for individual use. And it's all free. Call 924-7122 for more information.

● The Jones Library, 118 Jones Ave., offers **English as a second Language** classes for Chinese-speaking immigrants every Monday and Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

● **Rummage Sale**: every Monday and Friday morning beside the laundry room in 63 Belshaw Place — cheap prices.

● **Bingo** every Monday night at 203 Sackville Green, 7:00. Jackpot \$25, game prizes \$5. Share the wealth! Sponsored by Regent Park Services Unit and R.P.C.I.A.

● The Friendship Centre of All Saints Church, 315 Dundas St. E., has bingo every Saturday evening at 6:30 pm.

● Need help with your **income tax** form? Central Neighbourhood House, 349 Ontario St., offers you the service from 9 am to 3 pm, Monday to Friday. Come in and ask for Len. Costs \$2 to \$5.

● The Regent Park **Adult Recreation Centre** at 603 Whiteside Place, 364-4915, offers, for tenants of Regent Park and the surrounding areas, activities including cribbage, ping pong, shuffleboard, bumper pool, darts. We also have a TV and stereo, as well as arts and crafts day. There is also a library, a bowling league, etc. Call us for more information.

● Get involved in planning a **response to the anti-gay activities** of various far-right groups which emerged during the recent elections. For details, write to Box 793, Stn. Q, Toronto.

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PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST/secretary (10 hrs. per week) possibility of longer hours at certain times — for community-run health centre. Energetic person with good judgement, sensitivity to people and clerical skills. \$5.70 / hr. Apply to administrator, South Riverdale Community Health Centre, 126 Pape Ave., Toronto M4M 2V8 or call 461-2493 (11-18).

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JOB OPENING: Part-time Community Literacy Worker with East End Literacy. Responsibilities of co-ordinator include community outreach and education, training of volunteer tutors, development of curriculum and resource library, and liaison with other literacy groups. Worker should have an understanding of, and a commitment to, literacy as a vehicle for community development and should have group facilitation, writing, interviewing and analytical skills. Salary \$56 per day, 4 days per week. Send resume to 58 Sumach St. before April 15, 1981. Job begins June 1981. (11-19).

RELIABLE CARPENTER with references required for varied work. Contact Spruce Court Co-operative 923-3696. (11-18).

JOB AVAILABLE: for cleaning lady. Once a week. References please. Please call 469-2811 after 6:00. (11-18).

BABYSITTER WANTED from April 29 — June 30 for two girls (7 and 10) and dog. Hours flexible, but must be available 12:15-3:30 p.m., 3:15-6 p.m., and one or two evenings a week. Some housekeeping. \$50/wk. Possibility of permanent job in Sept. Must have references and preferably live within walking distance of Riverdale/Logan area. Call 463-9277 (evgs.) for appt. (11-18).

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We Can't Pay! We Won't Pay!

By ELLEN POMER

Tired of soaring food costs? Tired of a police force that defines freedom as 'the freedom to harass'? Tired of political leaders who, at best, inspire you to sleep — alone. Take comfort because Open Circle Theatre has re-opened Dario Fo's **WE CAN'T PAY! WE WON'T PAY!** at Adelaide Court for an indefinite run.

WE CAN'T PAY is based on a true incident of Italian housewives who, incensed by rising food costs, took to an *en masse* shop-lifting spree. The play made its Canadian debut with a great fuss at The Vancouver East Cultural Centre accompanied by an uninvited group of anarchists who handed out leaflets on how to shop-lift. In more conservative Toronto, Open Circle is appropriately bold in "guaranteeing laughs or your money back." This may not beat inflation, but it sure puts quality control on

culture.

The police as played by Allan Booth who also plays "Everyone Else" (because they're like everyone else, aren't they?): no stone is left unturned. The extreme right, the extreme left, the instruments of all oppressive societies, whether the police or the traditional model of marriage are all ripe for Dario Fo's wondrous wit.

The lethal combination of sobriety and politics: Cheer up, **WE CAN'T PAY** is like a harmonious marriage between Goldie Hawn and Fidel Castro. Dario Fo gives us an Italian **I LOVE LUCY**-like set-up. Antonia (Rosanne Moffett) is married to Giovanni (Lubomir Mykytiuk); and then there's the neighbours, Margherita (Marie Romain Aloma) and Luigi (Doenic Cuzzocrea). The wives hide their antics from the husbands who hide their antics from their wives — hidden fake pregnancies, hidden stolen goods, and olive oils dripping from hidden stomachs!

But unlike the days when comedy was Lucy and Ethel's conspiracy to go on the Ricky Ricardo Show, in **WE CAN'T PAY**, comedy is a conspiracy to show the effective results of the organized declarations — **WE WON'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!**

For the avowed capitalist Dario Fo "sweetens" the socialism of the play by presenting it as a sharp and witty farce. And for those who believe in such things as class struggle and workers' solidarity,

how refreshing to see that the tradition of political theatre lives on.

When asked about the role of politics in theatre, Sylvia Tucker, co-founder and Artistic Director of Open Circle, explains that for her, "art is not simply a reflection of life; art does have the power to stimulate change." Admitting that the notion of a "political" play makes many people nervous, Tucker suggests that "we're still coming off 'McCarthyism'." But Tucker, director of **WE CAN'T PAY** is convinced that once people see a production like Dario Fo's, "they're not at all offended by the ideas; in fact, they're very close, very attracted to what is being said on stage."

On the cover of Open Circle Theatre's Season Brochure, a question is posed: "Can political theatre be solidly professional and highly entertaining?" With Dario Fo's script, Open Circle's superb cast and director Tucker's commitment to artistic quality and belief in the tradition of live theatre as a viable political tool, the answer to the question is a firm YES.

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The Building Permit Brochure, for example, explains why a per-

mit is needed, how to apply for one, what you need in order to apply for one, how long the process takes and the costs involved.

In the Demolition Permit Brochure, the same kind of questions are answered as well as the process that must be followed if your application is refused or if the property you wish to demolish has been designated as historic or of architectural merit under the Ontario Heritage Act 1974.

Before You Build was written by City of Toronto Planners, Buildings and Inspections staff and the Committee of Adjustment and produced by the Communication Services Division of the City Clerk's Department. Call 367-7795 for information.

Lead affects reproduction

Lead pollution may affect the reproductive system, according to recent research by a zoologist at the University of Western Ontario. Female rats were injected with small quantities of lead acetate, and although they showed no effects, their male offspring had significant changes in their reproductive systems. The enzymes which produce male hormones were reduced, the cells which produce sperm were underdeveloped, and the pituitary gland hormones which naturally stimulate the testes did not bind as well

to the appropriate cells. If the effect of the lead is permanent, it would reduce the rats' ability to reproduce. Lead is known to have had bad effects on the brain and central nervous systems of humans and animals, but this is the first evidence that it may also affect the reproductive system.

Jaffary for Harbour Commission

Former Ward 7 alderman Karl Jaffary has been reappointed as chairman of the Toronto Harbour Commission for 1981. Jaffary, 44, is a City of Toronto appointee to the board, who was first named in June 1975 and reappointed to a second three-year term in June 1978. Jaffary was senior alderman for Ward 7 from 1970 to 1974.

SPRUCE COURT AFTER SCHOOL

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