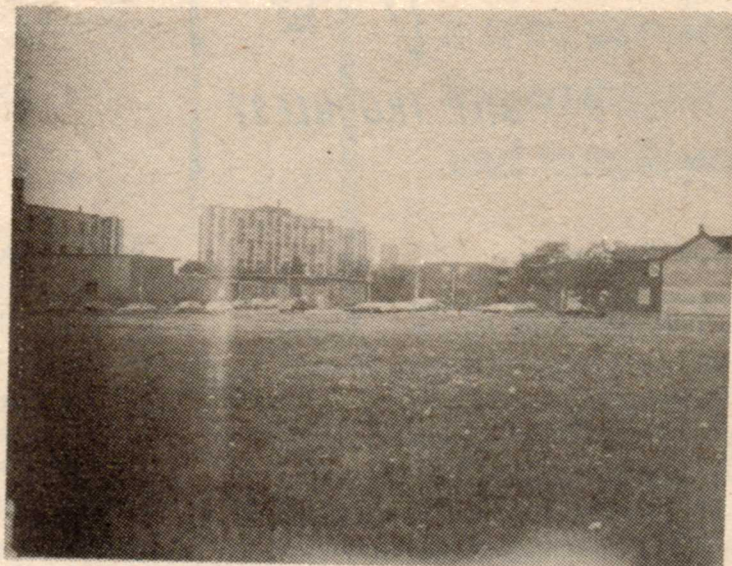
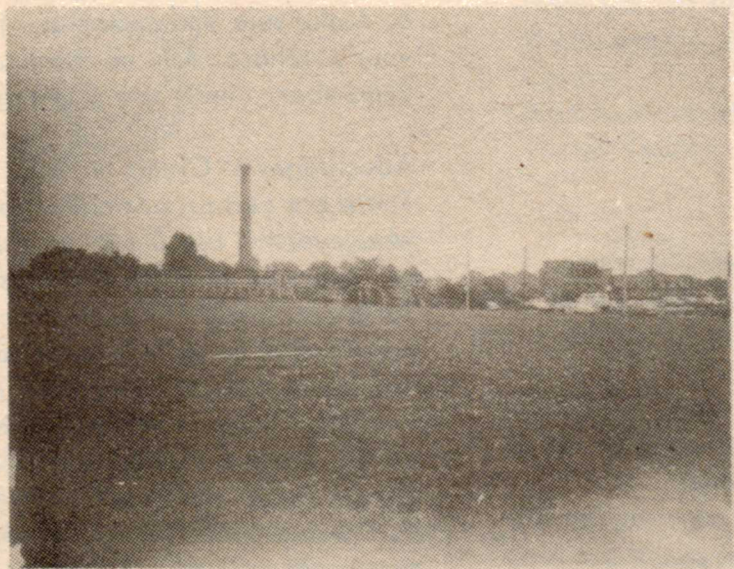


# REGENT PARK COMMUNITY NEWS

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## OAK STREET SCHOOL SITE WHAT NOW?

### RPCIA

### TODAY

The major program fostered by the RPCIA today is the Tenant Management Contract with OHC. This program is employing over 70 people full and part time as Unit Reps, Laundry attendants, 2 resident visitors, a Manager, Asst. Manager, Bookkeeper and Secretary. The Tenant Management Program is providing a day to day input into the Management of Regent Park. This Program helps to foster Tenant Responsibility, involvement and pride in the upkeep of their community. The Contract with OHC for 77 will soon be signed. The budget is less than the previous year but the Tenant Management Committee will soon be negotiating for the 78 contract in hope to improve the effectiveness of the program and increase the Budget. Regent Park has been dramatically improved through the efforts of the RPCIA. The skating rink in South Regent, the Swimming Pool in North Regent, The Jodi Phillips fund, the Teen Centre, Summer In The City Day Camp and innumerable training programs and employment programs have been initiated by the RPCIA. The RPCIA is at present working on obtaining St. Cyril's Methody Church for a Community Centre. The RPCIA has done a lot to improve Regent Park and will do more in the future. The RPCIA needs more tenants to become involved in the day to day business of the association and the major decisions which effect all the tenants. Join the RPCIA now and help put the Park back into Regent. Contact your Unit Rep or phone 364-2909.

#### Report on The Oak Community School Site

On the corner of Oak and River Streets lie two acres of land which has been vacant since plans for the Oak Community School fell through many years ago. A large number of homes which housed low-income families were torn down to clear the site for a school which was never built. The Board of Education owns this land and is interested in doing something with the site, but at present, they have no definite long range plans. The board would welcome Community involvement in trying to decide what use is to be made of the site.

This large section of land could be put to use for the good of the community if a proposal made financial sense to the board. If the Community does not become involved with deciding what to do with the site at this time, the danger is that four or five years from now, a new, unsympathetic board might make a decision that would not be in the best interests of the community. We are all aware of the bad decisions that the government can make when the community is not involved and here is a chance for Community input right from the beginning of a decision making process.

Some ideas for use of the site which are being looked at right now are:

- 1) Creation of light industry on the site which would employ unemployed youth.
- 2) Low-to moderate income co-operative housing
- 3) a park

Contact Mike Schawn at the Central Neighbourhood House, 925-4363. If you want to get involved or would like more information.

### GET WELL SOON

Mr. Dick Boundy suffered a stroke last week while working at the Adult Rec Centre. He is now recovering at St. Michaels Hospital. Mr. Boundy has worked long and hard for the residents of Regent Park. It is probably due to his total dedication to his job that he suffered this stroke. We sincerely hope that Dick will soon be out of the Hospital and take the well deserved rest that is his due.

Janet Ross suffered a broken ankle the week before last and is now resting at home. Janet says her biggest problem is coping with being inactive. Anyone who knows Janet will realize the discomfort she must be suffering. Everyone at the RPCIA hopes that she will be back on her feet soon. We all miss her.

### disco

Regent Disco Every Friday at 203 Sackville Green 8:00- 11:30, 13-17 years, 25¢.

### bingo

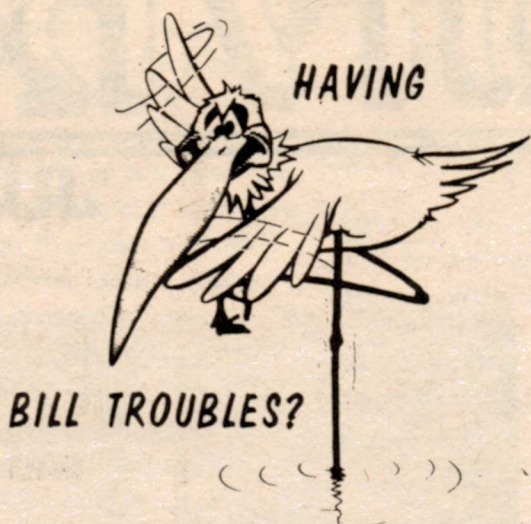
Every Sunday at Dixon Hall, 1:30 p. m. Co-sponsored by the RPCIA and Dixon Hall.

### thank you

St Cyril's and Methody Church 237 Sackville St. Has kindly agreed to furnish space for The Summer in the City Day Camp, free of charge. We appreciate the efforts of the Church Committee and Mr. Salev.



# WILL THAT BE CASH OR CREDIT ?



## Points to Remember

Many times the need for credit seems urgent, but a hasty decision can be very expensive and unwise. Individuals or families should weigh and compare the various credit plans available. Certain questions should be asked before making any commitment concerning credit.

- Will using credit be more sensible than saving and paying cash?
- Will the use of credit advance the long-time goals of the family?
- Will the article purchased give lasting satisfaction?
- Is there ample margin between income and current expenses to carry the installment payment?
- Is the use of the merchandise NOW important enough to justify the additional cost of credit?

Recently William J. Cheney, Executive Vice President, National Foundation for Consumer Credit, and author of "Using Our Credit Intelligently" an award winning text book in use in many schools in the United States was asked "What would you advise students about using credit?" His three essential rules

- "Don't buy on credit anything that will not last far beyond the time you get it all paid for. If its value is gone by the time you pay out - all you've done is rent, and the rent could be quite high, probably too high.
- "Never buy on credit something you will grow tired of before the last payment time arrives.
- "Before you start to use your credit extensively, do a little serious saving, no matter how little, from each pay envelope. It is the regularity that counts.

Summer in the City Day Camp  
Registration Forms are available  
At the RPCIA office 44 Blevins.

## "Before making any credit decision:

- "Know the dollar and cent cost of credit
- "Know the availability of credit before the need arises.
- "Compare: compare costs, services offered (insurance, delivery, installation, etc.) and the risks involved.
- "Get value: quality merchandise at reasonable prices is cheaper in the long run than shoddy material with low or no finance charges.
- "Assume only the amount of credit you need. Make the largest down payment possible and pay in the shortest time you can.
- "Know the reputation of your credit source and read and understand thoroughly the terms of the contract to be signed.
- "All blank spaces in the contract must be filled in before signing. Then obtain an identical copy of the original contract, and keep it in your possession.
- "Use your maximum credit capacity only in a real emergency. Thus you will have a margin of safety for a crisis situation which might arise."

## Tips For Maintaining a Good Credit Rating

- Always pay your bills promptly. If you have a reason for being late with a payment, let the company know.
- Try to pay off any debt quickly. Avoid those prolonged "easy terms" and avoid having to refinance at higher interest rates
- Never sign a blank contract or sheet of paper. Remember, a contract is a legal document. Know its implications.

## JOIN THE RPCIA

Become involved in your community,  
Join the RPCIA. Ask your Unit Rep or  
Phone 364-2909.

Always read and understand the small print.  
4. Always deal with known, respected and established companies.

5. Be familiar with brand name merchandise and its cost so you can compare goods and prices.  
6. Make sure you understand the total cost of your purchase. Add up those monthly charges. Remember, credit is a privilege, not a right.

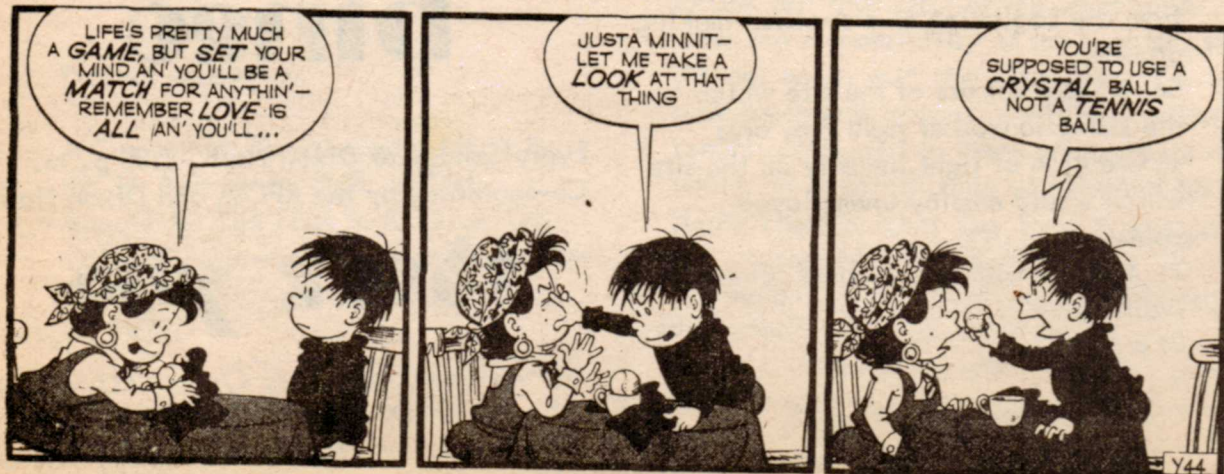
## Advantages of Credit Buying

There are certain principles to be considered whenever the use of credit is contemplated. Some advantages to the use of credit are:

- Immediate Use:** Credit purchasing makes possible the immediate use of articles or services needed or desired. The installation of a required new oil burner unit in a furnace in October and paid for over an extended period may assure comfort and health for months to come.
- Convenience:** It is obviously simpler to have an arrangement to pay medical, dental or utility bills once monthly or according to the time the breadwinner receives his income.
- Time-Saving:** Using installment credit permits use of household appliances, such as washing machines and vacuum cleaners, not only to save hard labour but to save time--time which can be put to productive use.
- Price Regulator:** Use of credit certainly has made it possible for people to buy more goods than might have been possible without it. This has made possible mass production and distribution, and consequent lower unit costs for many kinds of manufactured goods.
- Savings:** Buyers can take advantage of seasonal sales, price reductions, and can shop for bargains when credit is available.

## Disadvantages of Credit Buying

- Expense:** Goods are frequently more expensive when sold on credit because the seller has bookkeeping costs, credit worthiness to be investigated, bills to be sent out, accounts to be collected. All these are costly and must be paid for as separate credit cost or be included in higher prices.
- Impulsive buying:** Sometimes it is too easy to buy and as a result some people buy carelessly without adequate consideration of quality or need. Others show insufficient money management ability and become overloaded with too many contractual payments to be comfortably handled by income. This can lead poor managers deeper and deeper into debt.
- Prevents Bargain Hunting:** Once a buyer becomes accustomed to dealing with a particular seller on a credit basis, he is less able to "shop around" for lower prices elsewhere.



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High Triple with Hdcp. J. Doucette

High Triple Flat  
Gord McPherson  
High Average  
W. Sheppard  
High Single Flaa  
W. Sheppard

Hope you all turnout next year.  
If you want to join Contact Adult Rec  
Centre  
President Robert Rose \_ V.P.  
Violet Yeddon

On July 2,77 at the Baron Byng Legion  
The Adult Rec Centre Bowling League  
held their Banquet and a good time was  
had by all. The Winning team for the  
O.H.C. Trophy were the Amateurs,  
W. Sheppard, B. Whitehead, A. Canadian,  
I. Scullion, A. Mc Pherson, J. Traffora  
Runners up were Roland Michenor. Trophies  
were given to R. Rose, A. Bright, S. Simpson,  
M. Cripps. M. La Casse, G. MacLean.

## WOMENS

High single with Hdcp.  
S. Simpson  
High triple with Hdcp.  
C. Sheppard  
High triple flat  
A. Bright  
High single Flat  
A. Bright  
High Average  
C. Sheppard

All others who bowled received small  
trophies.

Vicky Grainger is getting quite  
famous around the office for her  
bad jokes, come in and see if  
you can top her.

### Birth Control Information Centre OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday July 19th 7 to 9 p.m.  
44 Blevins Place Basement

Starting July 19th, a birth control information  
Centre will be open every Tuesday from  
6:30 - 9 p.m. all summer. The Centre will  
be located at the RPCIA office 44 Blevins  
Place. Three trained Counsellors will be  
available for discussion. This will be an  
information Centre for teens, confidential-  
ity assured. The open house is for parents  
to become acquainted with the service.

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for flowers.

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ads sold. Phone 364-2909.

Women!

Two employment Counselers and 1 liaison  
person to work with Manpower. \$7.00 per hour  
25 hours per week. Submit resume to Times  
Change, 17 Shephard Ave. West 221-5575.

Auto Body Man wanted 6 years experience,  
Top pay to right man, Phone Mr. Kinal  
366-3828 876 Adelaide St. West.

Selling Flowers in Front of Theatres \$160  
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Job listings Courtesy of Trigger Employment  
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# Project Awareness

Racial prejudice is perhaps the most unjustified cruelty which men inflict upon others short of physical assault. The word prejudice means to pre-judge and this pre judgement occurs when we are ignorant of the facts about other people and therefore decide to reject them on the basis of misinformation and hearsay from other people. to do this is to deny that another person is an individual with his or her own beliefs and attitudes quite apart from the other members of his or her ethnic group. It is the ignorance of the facts which leads to fear of other people and what they represent. Unchecked racism in society is like a social cancer. It will spread and grow until it consumes us or until it is arrested by people taking a stand against it in their own minds, and actions, and in the community. Hitler's Germany was an officially Racist state which resulted in the slaughter of 14 million people because of their racial affiliation and their anti-nazi political views. This happened within living memory of many people and it could happen again if racism gains the upper hand.

Fortunately this society still has the opportunity to arrest the cancer of racism before it leads to open conflict between the races which is happening in many parts of the world.

Project awareness constitutes an effort by the RPCIA and Dixon Hall to take a stand against racism by promoting better understanding of the various peoples in the community by agency staff and the community at large. A series of seminar workshops have been planned for every thursday afternoon from 1-5 p.m. at Regent Park School, 20 Regent Street. The workshops will run from July 14th until August 25th. A Multicultural fair is being planned for August 26-27th. and will be held in Regent Park.

The first seminar, July 14th, will focus on the nature, causes and consequences of racism and how it can be combatted. Dr. Wilson Head, an individual noted for his knowledge and concern about racism will present a short talk after which group discussions will be held. Following a coffee break Mark Kraxowski of the Ontario Human Rights Commission will present a film. Informational packages will be given out at this meeting as well as agendas for future seminars.

All agency members and interested community people are encouraged to attend any or all of the seminars. Any group that would like to participate in the Multicultural Fair is asked to contact the project staff Mel and Godfrey at Dixon Hall 863-0499. Also, we solicit comments and criticisms concerning any and all aspects of the projects activities.

## Project Awareness

A Community Development Effort By RPCIA And Dixon Hall. Jointly Announces The First In A Series Of Cultural Awareness Seminar Workshops To Be Held During July And August. Of 1977.

Topic: Racism: It's nature, causes, and manifestations in society.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Wilson Head, Professor of Social Work, York University

Location of Seminar: Regent Park School Auditorium, 20 Regent Street

Date: Thursday, July 14th From 1-5 PM.

Format: Dr. Head will present a short talk which will be followed by questions and discussion groups. After a coffee break a film will be shown

For Further Information regarding Project Awareness contact Mel Watts or Godfrey Harris at Dixon Hall. Phone: 863-0499.

## 5 YEARS AGO IN THE REGENT PARK NEWS

"Every building should have a fulltime superintendent and this includes evenings and weekends. This was the main proposal made by Neil Tanner, Pres. of the RPCIA at a capacity meeting of tenants June 27, at Regent Park United Church. Mr. Tanner summarized the results of 18 tenants meetings held in individual meetings over the past three months. On the whole these meetings were beneficial as it gave OHC and the Executive of the Tenants Association first hand evidence of the main problems which are: inadequate maintenance and supervision, stray dogs, noise in hallways and poor system of garbage collection. "Money must be made available" Mr. Tanner said, "to cope with these problems. If necessary the expense can be met in part by giving an apartment rent free in exchange for janitorial service."

Mr. John Darcy replied that no other OHC complex has 24 hour supervision, and that a full time superintendent for each building is not feasible. He stated that vandalism has decreased. Mr. Darcy also suggested that it is up to tenants to control the noise in the halls, vandalism, stray dogs, racing cars etc. by calling police, Community Guardians and Humane Society. In a lively discussion which followed considerable criticism was directed at Community Guardians. Tenants claimed they do not come when called. It was stated that two Community Guardians for North and South are not enough. Virginia Gibbons felt that the Guards do a good job when asked to look for lost children. Mr. Fitzgerald, Area Manager for the Guardians said they were hindered because of lack of finances. He stressed that tenants should call him directly if they do not get a response to their call. Budd McCormick past president of the RPCIA felt that most of the complaints were the responsibility of the tenants. He did not agree with the suggestion of a superintendent for each building. Other tenants disagreed as there are projects which do have full time superintendants. Henry Francis, Unit Rep for 605 Whiteside Pl. agreed with Mr. McCormick

that the tenants must take more responsibility for the conditions of the buildings. Mr. Darcy assured the tenants all these complaints would be investigated and that OHC will co-operate with the Association to solve these problems.

Wanted! A Job Counselor to work with Regent Park Youth pick up an application form at RPCIA office 44 Blevins Place.

## CAMP DISCOVERY

Tent Camp - Cost : Teens and 10-12 years, one week= \$5; 6-9 years, two days, one night= \$2

Where: Hoover Park, South of Guelph on Highway #6

What Happens: Cook your own Meals, living in Tents, Swimming, Canoeing, Archery, Games, Sports, Hikes, Tennis and many other things.

When: July 11th-August 26th

July 11-15 Teens

July 18-19 6-9 years

July 20-21 6-9 years, July 22-23 6-9,

July 25-29 10-13 years

August 2-3 6-9 years

August 4-5 6-9 years

August 8-12 Teens 14-17 years

August 15-19 10-13 years

August 22-26 Teens 14-17 years

Call: Dixon Hall for further information and Registration, Gayle or Fred- 863-0499

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