

Regent Park brief hits poor OHC Management

by RICK ASTLEY

Vandalism, lack of building supervision, and poor to non-existent workmanship, were the major issues raised in a brief submitted to the Ontario Task Force on Housing last week by the Regent Park Community Improvement Association.

The brief, submitted on behalf of

RPCIA, was the result of a previous Task Force meeting when local residents sounded off about their problems.

The main problem continues to revolve around Ontario Housing Corporation management.

"Security is a major problem and the present arrangements with the Community Guardians are

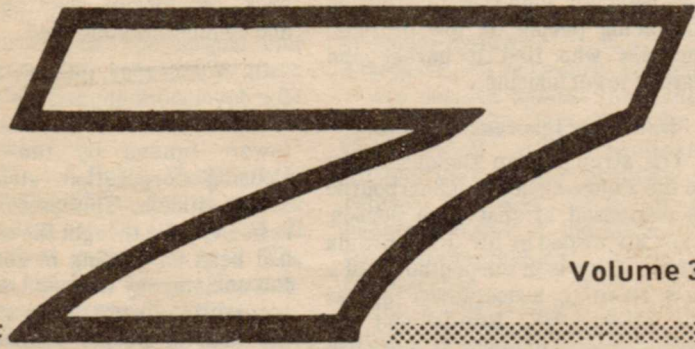
unsatisfactory," the brief said. "Tenants are constantly harrassed by gangs who roam from building to building destroying property, shouting and fighting."

Mr. Tanner said there are more than 10,000 people living in Regent Park in 32 buildings and 350 houses; and yet there are only three guards supervising the project.

"These conditions," he said, "could be greatly improved with full time superintendents for all buildings. This proposal has been made many times and OHC's answer is that it would be too costly to provide superintendents for 32 buildings. We say it is much more costly for OHC to have 32 buildings without supervision."

The brief proposes that OHC provide all high rise buildings in the South with a full time superintendent and the small buildings in the North with shared superintendents.

The brief also reported that hundreds of thousands of dollars are being wasted on outside contractors.



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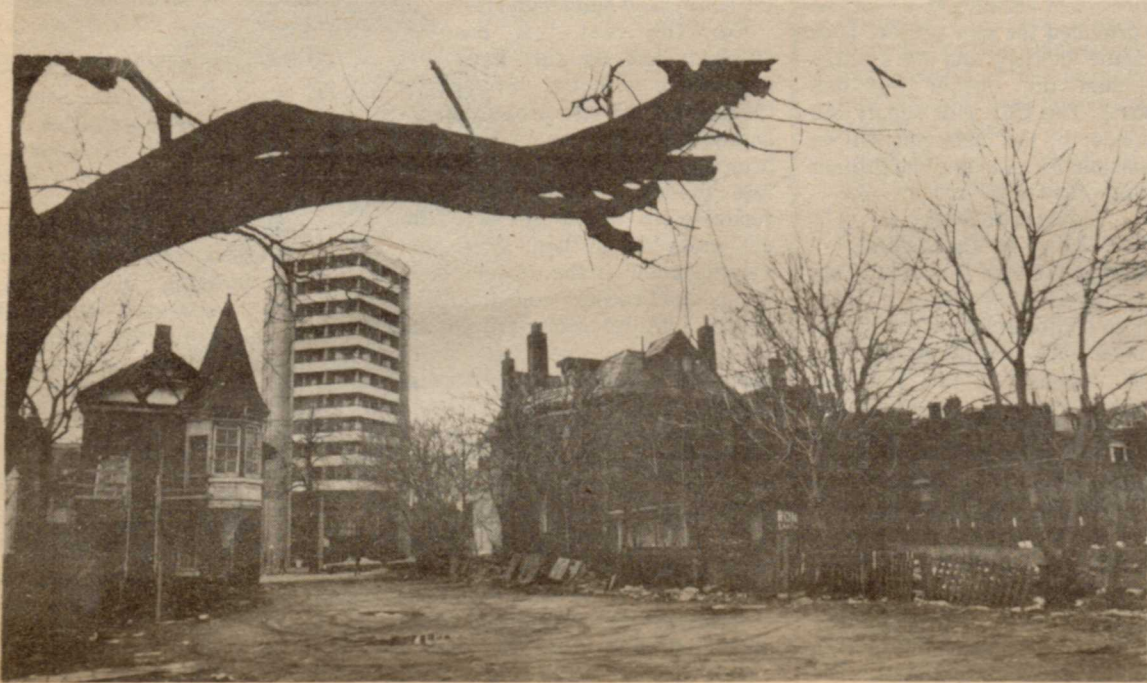
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NEXT ISSUE

Our next issue will be published over the weekend of April 28. Deadline for copy is NOON, April 23. Copy can be dropped off at: 80 Winchester St., 265 Gerrard St. E. and 320 Parliament St.



Prompt and massive community action has saved this site on Sherbourne street from being filled by a 29-story high-rise tower. It will be in-filled with low-rise,

low-income family housing. (SEE complete story on pages 2 and 3.)

Photo by Charlie Dobie

NEWS ROUND-UP

TWO OMBUDSMEN FOR MOSS PARK

South of Carlton Community Action has been given some dental equipment to set up a low-cost dental clinic and is presently looking for volunteers and resource people to put this idea into operation.

Shirley Quinn and Arthur Lloyd have been appointed Tenant Ombudsmen for the Moss Park Apartments. Their chief function is to assist tenants with problems relating to O.H.C., Welfare, Unemployment Insurance, local courts and labour problems. Both live in the project and can be reached by phoning 364-4086. Part-time, volunteer homemakers are being sought in the St. Jamestown area. They would be asked to volunteer emergency help to St. Jamestown residents needing their particular services. Phone Byron Lod at 924-4402 if interested.

Rev. James Harvey of St. Peter's Anglican church on Carlton street made the presentation of the Sam Rotenberg Memorial Scholarship Plaque to Mike Choma, principal of Winchester school, at the last meeting of the Ward 7 Businessmen's Association. The Plaque will be mounted in the school and will bear the names of the boy and girl having the best scholastic standing at the end of each school year. The winning boy and girl will also receive a \$50 award from the Businessmen's Association.

The Don West Neighbours Group, a non-profit, community owned corporation which buys and rehabilitates houses in the South Carlton area has recently purchased their fifth house. Five units in the house are available for roomers with rents ranging from \$50 to \$75 a month. There is also a one-bedroom apartment for \$50 a month in exchange for light management duties.

A Special Meeting to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors of the Neighbourhood Information Post will be held April 24 at 8 p.m. Phone 924-2544 for location and information. A Public Meeting on the subject of a Student Bill of Rights will be held by the Board of Education at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 24 at Queen Alexandra school, Dundas at Broadview.

The issue of savage dogs, polluting dogs and barking dogs will be first item on the agenda of the general meeting of the Don Vale Association of Homeowners and Residents at the Community centre on April 26 at 8 p.m. Representatives of the Humane Society and the police will be present.

Other items: Ward Council, traffic maze, Cowley houses. Refreshments will be served.

Plans are being made to set up a Boys Basketball League in Ward Seven. Teams would represent Regent Park, Don Vale, St. Jamestown, Central Neighbourhood House and Dixon Hall. The present need is for volunteer referees. If you can help phone 921-6710.

The Ward Seven Businessmen's Association are actively pushing the Federal Government to name the new Toronto waterfront park after former Mayor William Dennison. Mr. Dennison was a member of the Association and served in it as secretary at one time.

Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach street is accepting applications for a summer wilderness camp. Called Camp Washabourne, it is located in the Parry Sound area and is open to girls only aged 13 to 15. For information phone Susan Boyer, 863-0499.

The kids in Room 102 of Winchester school at 15 Prospect street are collecting pop bottles to raise money for class projects. If you have any, take them to the school or phone 921-3950 for a pick-up.

The Don Vale Youth Drop-in is having a dance for kids 15 to 25 at 8 p.m. on April 28. The place is 80 Winchester street and admission is 50c.

Presenting briefs to the Ontario Housing Task Force when it met recently at Castle Frank School were Neil Tanner on behalf of the Regent Park Community Improvement Association, Jeanne Rowles of Central Neighbourhood House, Mike Fenn of the Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation, Noreen Dunphy of the Cabbagetown-Old York Resident's Association and Norman Browne speaking as a roomer on behalf of roomers.

A free Income Tax Clinic is being held every Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Don Vale Community Centre, 80 Winchester Street. The Neighbourhood Information Post is doing research on food costs, food preparation and nutrition and are looking for inexpensive, easy-to-prepare recipes. Drop them in at 265 Gerrard E. or phone 924-2544.

The Don Valley Softball Association needs coaches for its four leagues starting up this spring. For the Men's League phone Jim Heyes at 463-7970, Bantam League, John Goodwin at 762-9830; Pee-wee League, Chuck England at 251-0571; and Girl's League, phone Randy Boettcher at 461-8123.

WORK GROUP REPORT :

Vocational schools face radical change

by DOUG BARR and GORD CRESSY
Ward 7 School Trustees

The direction of education in Ward Seven will be radically changed if the recommendations of the Work Group on Vocational Schools are fully carried out.

The recommendations, the product of two months of investigation and study, were to be presented to the Board of Education at a special meeting on Thursday night.

The Work Group suggests a new curriculum which would include extensive work experience, long term jobs and projects in and for the community; development and management of co-operative ventures; and instruction in fundamental reading, writing, arithmetic, labour history, politics, family-life education, technology and education.

In many ways the report was historic.

First, it was prepared primarily by trustees — unusual, in that trustees traditionally merely reacted to reports by administrators.

Second, the Work Group collected its material in a new way. It made personal visits to all of the schools concerned and talked with students, staff, and administrators. It also held public hearings at night for parents and special interest groups. Recommendations were shaped by those who would be most affected by them.

Third, the Work Group proposed a new philosophy for vocational schools. In the early '60's, when these schools were first built, their primary purpose was to provide the student with specific skills.

As time went on, this purpose seemed to change. Today the purpose seems to be to provide a compatible and understanding environment which will help the student gain confidence.

In their report, the trustees

suggest the main purpose is the provision of an educational setting which compliments the student's every-day living. This view sees the working place as the learning place and attempts to make students strong individuals and members of their community.

Trustees recommended that Eastdale, presently an all-girls vocational school, become a downtown collegiate institute from September, 1973.

The report also proposed that three of the schools become fully co-educational. They are Greenwood, West Park and Parkview. One school, Heydon Park, is to remain an all-girl school because a very high percentage of students and parents want it that way.

Reading and jobs were two of the major concerns of the report. Trustees recommended that a full-time reading specialist be assigned to the four schools and that an experimental project be set up at Parkview in Ward 7, whereby a Manpower Office would be located in the school to assist students in their search for a job.

In what are probably the most significant of the proposals, the trustees attempt to wipe out the distinction between vocational schools and special high schools in the hope that some of the stigma in attending a vocational school will be removed. It is believed that it will be easier for students to upgrade themselves in a school that combines all levels.

Another proposal for implementation in September 1974 is the creation of a pilot project in one school to try out the philosophy proposed in the report.

Recommendations

Other recommendations:

- A nursery and kindergarten program be initiated at Greenwood Secondary school.

- Each vocational school form a local Advisory Council made up of staff, parents, employees, local merchants and senior students.

- An appeal process be instituted for both staff and students which deals with charges of verbal or physical abuse.

- A policy of frank reporting to parents in public schools be encouraged so that Grade 8 doesn't hold any surprise placement recommendations.

- A new course and new method of instruction be evolved for a

downtown elementary school, in an effort to learn if a high academic achievement can be effectively based on the culture and language of working class neighbourhoods.

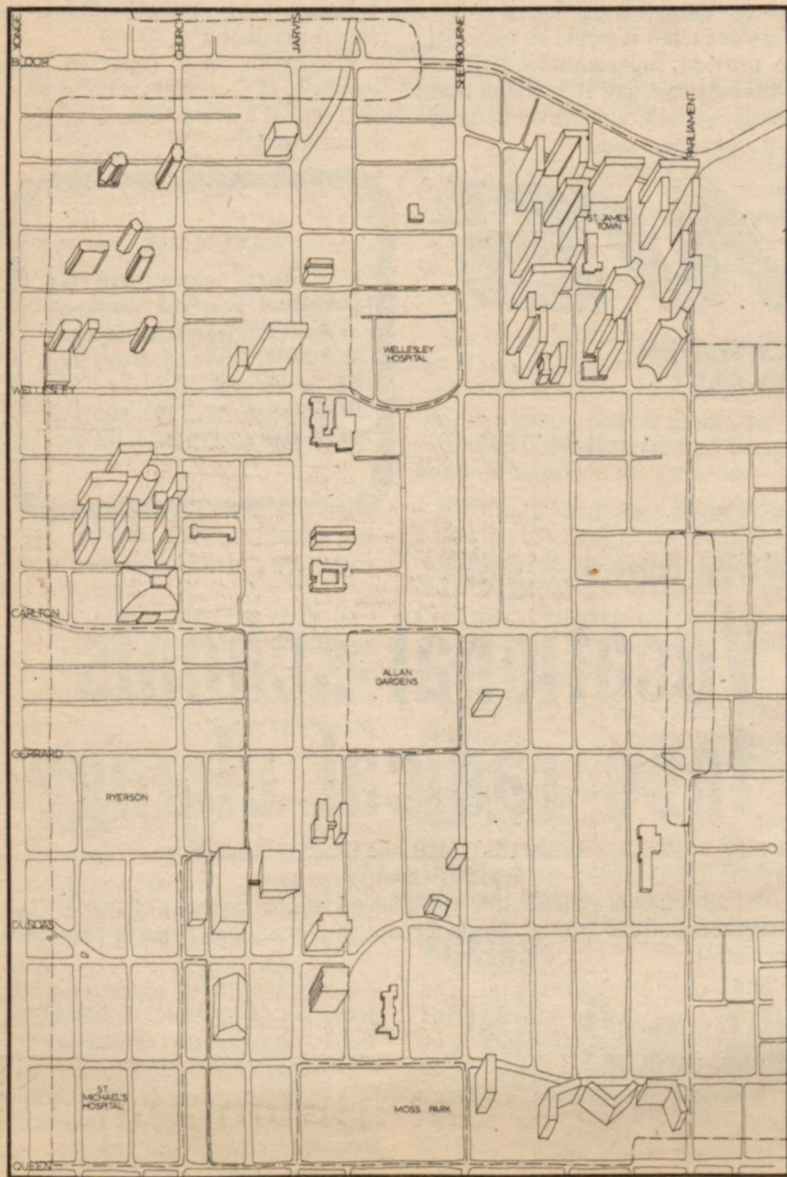
The report also calls for more public discussion among students, parents and teachers regarding its long-term recommendations.

The final report should be out in October of 1973.

Much discussion is still needed on many of the proposals, in particular around the new collegiate for Ward Seven. Residents, parents and teachers in the area are invited to the next Education Forum to be held at 7:30 Thursday, April 26, at Queen Alexandra Public School (Dundas at Broadview.)

CENTRE OF CONFLICT

Community Action Wins at Dundas and Sherbourne



NOW: The above map shows the amount of high-rise development presently in existence in the Don District west of Parliament street. Existing high-rise conforms with the Official Plan of the City of Toronto. Present population of the South Carlton area is 11,000.

Strong community action, backed by City Council, scored a victory last week for residents who want control over development in their area.

After a tense week of meetings and political confrontation, the City and the Province agreed to buy the property owned by developers F. Braida, S. Bojman & Partners of Nu-Style Co., at Dundas and Sherbourne Streets. The two governments will jointly support a low-rise project on the site.

Late Friday night, Mayor David Crombie told a press conference: "We're back in the housing business". Mr. Allan Grossman, Minister of Revenue who is in charge of the Ontario Housing Corporation (O.H.C.) said that the Province will assume 92½% of the cost provided the new project is of the same density and no greater cost than the former high-rise proposal. The City will supply the remainder of the funds but will be responsible for planning the project with members of the community.

Sherbourne Street — The Centre of the Conflict

Sherbourne Street is caught in the clash between Toronto's high-powered commercial centre and its old inner city neighborhoods. The Street represents the political struggle presently encompassing the entire city — between the developers who want to build what is most profitable and the residents who want developments useful to their area.

It used to be you could walk clear down to the beach. Now, Sherbourne has become a complex of high-rise and skid-row thrown together. Huge excavations lie ready for new apartment towers side by side with grand old homes, once the centre for Toronto's

established middle class, now the run-down objects of land assembly.

These homes presently serve as rooming houses for people who are forced to move from place to place to find cheap accommodation. Particularly in this area, the trend has been for high-rise to move in displacing people on low or fixed incomes who find it harder and harder to get housing.

Developer Ignores Community

The stretch from Dundas Street to the Police College on Sherbourne is composed of just such houses. They are owned by Mr. Fred Braida whose office is in the penthouse of a new rooming house tower across the street. Mr. Braida and his partners were planning to demolish the houses and build high-rise.

For the last few months, residents and the City have been negotiating with the developer in favour of a low-rise project for the Dundas-Sherbourne site. This project would include much needed low income housing; it would renovate the old houses and build new units behind them, preserving the character of the neighborhood. The project recommended a mix of people; families, senior citizens and singles. The cost would be approximately the same as a high rise structure at the same density.

In January, Mr. Braida agreed to stall demolition on the houses until Feb. 15. The low-rise proposal, prepared by a consulting firm hired by City Council, Diamond and Myers, the City Planners and the South of Carlton Working Committee Sub-committee, was presented on February 15, 1973 to the developers. They asked for a week to study the proposal. Although Mr. Braida seemed interested, he was non-committal

and little was heard for several weeks. On March 14th a meeting was held where the proposal was introduced to O.H.C. and C.M.H.C. in order to find out their ideas on the project. O.H.C. said that they would study the plan and report back. Mr. Braida went on holiday and couldn't be contacted.

On Wednesday, March 28, 1973, the developers applied for a permit to build one 29 storey apartment tower, funded by the Ontario Housing Corporation, strictly for senior citizens. This astounded the residents who thought the developer had been bargaining in good faith. But on Saturday when the hoardings (demolition fences) went up around the houses, people realized their plan was being ignored in favour of a high-rise.

O.H.C. — Caught in the Middle

On April 2, 1973, the South of Carlton Working Committee at a meeting attended by about 80 residents, met and passed a strong resolution endorsing the low-rise proposal. The Working Committee also stressed the need for low-income housing in the area. Although it appeared that O.H.C. had already committed themselves to funding the high-rise it was felt that they might still be responsive to public pressure. So plans were made to get a group of people to attend Legislature the following evening and to protect the houses should demolitions resume Thursday morning. (a stay of demolition of three days was agreed to by the developer upon a request by Mayor Crombie.)

In the meantime, Mayor Crombie arranged a meeting with Mr. Grossman for Tuesday, April 4th; the results of the meeting appeared favourable but there was still no comment from the developer.

On Thursday morning, the comment came in the form of a Teperman's wrecking crew who had arrived to begin demolition on 241 Sherbourne Street. They didn't get far. The crew was met with a group of approximately eighty residents, aldermen and supporters who tore down the hoardings, making it impossible to continue demolition that day.

Throughout Thursday and Friday, watchful supporters sat on the steps of 241 Sherbourne sipping hot coffee and keeping a lookout for the Teperman's Truck.

Late Friday night the announcement came that an agreement was reached. However, the agreement was just between Mayor Crombie and Allan Grossman. OHC, CMHC and the developers still haven't committed themselves.

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The History Behind the Events

As early as 1964, Mr. Braida and his associates began assembling land on the Dundas-Sherbourne block. During that time, the houses, which have become very run-down, were rented to roomers.

Jan. 71 — The Developers applied for a re-zoning By-law which they needed to build two, 24 storey apartment towers on the Dundas Sherbourne Site. The largest unit would be a two bedroom so there would be few families; all the houses on the site would have to be demolished.

Feb. 71 — A Public Meeting held at the Duke of York School heard a brief calling for the freezing of all development in the Don area. The issue of high-rise for the Dundas-Sherbourne site was discussed.

June 72 — The Ontario Municipal

Board heard representations from the Seaton Street Resident's Association and Time & Place (a historical group interested in saving the houses) against the high-rise proposal.

July 72 — The Board of Directors of the Ontario Housing Corporation approved the proposal to fund one of the 24 storey towers subject to the re-zoning by-law.

Sept. 72 — The Ontario Municipal Board decided against the By-law. J. A. Kennedy, then Chairman of the O.M.B. cited technical difficulties as the grounds for refusal. He also mentioned the historical value of the houses and the need for planning in the South of Carlton area.

Oct. 5 - 72 — O.H.C. received a letter offering a revised plan of 360

units in one 29 storey building. This would be within the present zoning requirements. It was six months later, on March 28, 1973, that the residents were first informed of this proposal.

Until now, residents felt there was no use opposing a plan unless a better alternative could be developed. They proceeded to work on this.

Jan. 10 - 73 — Residents visited Mr. Braida's office to ask him to hold off demolition until Feb. 15 when they would present an alternative proposal. He also agreed to keep a skeleton staff in the houses so they wouldn't be vandalized.

Jan 15 - 73 — Consultants Diamond and Myers were hired by the Chief Planner and City executive to work with the residents of the area in developing a proposal for the Dundas-Sherbourne Site. Phase I of the alternative low-rise proposal was accomplished in three weeks time.

Feb. 15 - 73 — The Report, called the Dundas-Sherbourne Feasibility Study was presented to the developers at a special meeting. The developers requested a week in order to study the proposal.

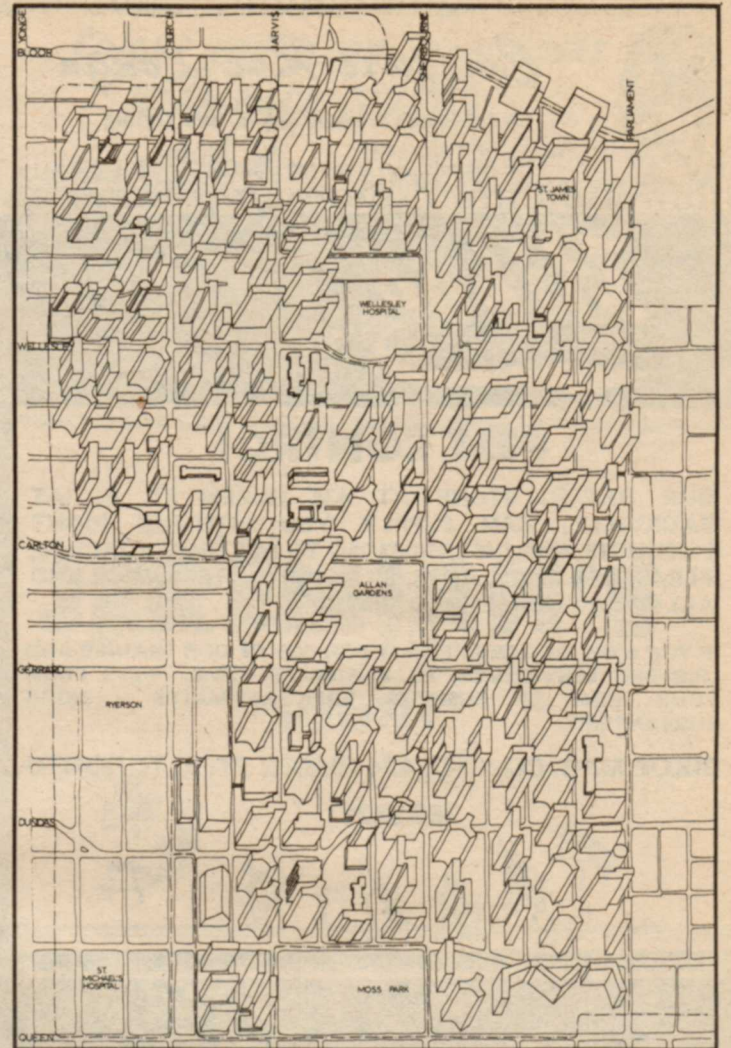
March 7 - 73 — A meeting was held with the developers to receive their response to the alternative proposal.

March 8 - 73 — The planners and Ward Aldermen met with C.M.H.C.

March 9 - 73 — The developers agreed to meet with CMHC on the 14th.

March 14 - 73 — A meeting was held between planners, local residents, aldermen, the developers, OHC and CMHC. OHC was asked to approve the alternative plan and replied it wished time to study the proposal.

March 28 - 73 — A building application was submitted for one 29 storey apartment tower, OHC funded for senior citizens to be built on the Dundas-Sherbourne site.



THE FUTURE: Called the "Doomsday Scenerio", the Don District will look like this if the Official Plan for the City of Toronto is followed fully. Zoning requirements and set-back bylaws make high-rise the only feasible form of construction. Population in the South Carlton area will be 45,000 to 60,000 people. Both maps were prepared by Diamond and Myers, Architects and Planners.



Photo by Charlie Dobie

FRED BRAIDA

Fred Braida is a member of the South of Carlton Working Committee and likes to project the image of "Your Friendly Neighbourhood Developer". He suddenly became a bit of a mystery man as the Saga of Sherbourne Street unfolded last week.

- What is Mr. Braida's financial interest in the Sherbourne Street property?
- What is Mr. Braida's financial interest in Nu-Age Developments?
- Is Mr. Braida just a "front man" for the real owners who have thus far stayed in the background?
- Did Mr. Braida at any time argue in favour of the Diamond & Myers proposal with his "principals"?

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FREE SCHOOL EXPERIMENTS

Happy child can learn anything

by IRWIN KARNICK

Since October 5, there has existed in the top floor of the Broadview Y, a Toronto Board of Education School called ALPHA. It's a K-8 free school and an alternative education experiment. It's a school that has made a great many children happy who were not happy in the regular school system. Children have come to this school who would not read a book or do any other sort of academic work and soon begin doing these things and doing them happily. It's a slow process, and those at ALPHA School, who believe that a happy child can learn anything, are trying to create an atmosphere that is rich in all sorts of different learning experiences.

The basis for this school is one where the parents, coming into the school on a volunteer basis, help the

teachers provide the curriculum. This curriculum, because the parents can provide different sorts of learning experiences for the children, create an extremely rich learning environment.

Some feel that the learning environment should be free — that is, the child should not be forced to do what he or she is not ready to do. Freedom of this sort creates natural interest in different experiences people offer. For example, one of the parents has established for the children the chance to get involved in science and related courses at the University of Toronto. Another parent offers video taping. Another gives courses in opera and voice. Another teaches sewing and cooking, and many others help the teachers wherever they can be

doing whatever they can do best — this can be anything — reading stories, taking children for walks etc.

Most people like to do things that they want because they are the ones who decide to do them. This philosophy should not be different for children. This is not to say that if a child is behind in some way, every effort should be made to involve and excite the child.

Because of different ideas and expectations some people found that the school was not for them and left. ALPHA has a number of vacancies for children and if your child is not happy or learning in the regular system here is a school in the neighbourhood that might help.

Along with the regular things kids do in schools there is a L.I.P. Program which provides photography, theatre, dance, music, drums, piano, guitar, film making, metal working, weaving, macrame, paper sculpture, pottery, ceramics, jewelery making, swimming, graphics, sculpting and art.

These are presented not only for ALPHA but for the community, and as an after school, and evening teen program.

Please note — don't enrol your child unless you expect to give one day a week of your time in the school. Contact Irwin Karnick or Paul Doyle or Patricia Hale at 461-4056, ALPHA School, 275 Broadview Ave.



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SUNDAY APRIL 15th

7 p.m. Vancouver Bldg. (275 Bleecker) Fencing Club: — for more info phone J. Butler 920-3920 — also Thursday.

8 pm Library House (265 Gerrard E) Backdoor Theatre Workshop presents two one act plays "The Marriage Proposal" and "A Matter of Thirteen Inches" — free.

8:30 Toronto Free Theatre (24 Berkeley) Music Series. "Tuning of the World, Sounds from the Inside" and "Memory Space" — free.

MONDAY APRIL 16th

8 pm Dixon Hall (58 Sumach) Meeting of South Cabbagetown Community Ass'n.

8:30 Toronto Free Theatre (24 Berkeley) "Me" by Martin Kinch till Sat. — free.

9 pm Recreation Room (260 Wellesley) Pub Club — everyone welcome.

TUESDAY APRIL 17th

Dixon Hall (58 Sumach) Food Co-op. Orders in by Monday.

10 am Library House (265 Gerrard E) Coffee Club — pre-school programme provided.

7:30 Don Vale Community Centre (80 Winchester) Euchre night — every Tuesday.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 18th

1:30 St. Simons (40 Howard) Senior Citizen group meets every Wed.

8 pm Library House (265 Gerrard E) "Opinion" — tonight the topic will be Capital Punishment with guest panelists from the Metropolitan Toronto Police Ass'n and other groups — free.

THURSDAY APRIL 19th

7:30 Don Vale Community Centre (80 Winchester) Womens Woodworking (also Tues).

7:30 Parliament St. Library (406 Parliament) — free family films.

8:30 Vancouver Bldg. Dance Party Coffee House. Admission \$1.

SATURDAY APRIL 21st

10:30 Riverdale Library (370 Broadview) Stories for children. At 2 pm making paper bag puppets and puppets.

12 noon Broadview Y (275 Broadview) — free movies.

12 noon Toronto Free Theatre (24 Berkeley) "Sterling Spoon" by Georgia Boyd — free.

2 pm Parliament St. Library (406 Parliament) Easter egg painting in the Boys and Girls department.

SUNDAY APRIL 22nd

8:30 Toronto Free Theatre (24 Berkeley) Music

Series — Tuning of the World. "English Gaelic Music without Accidentals" — free.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 25th

7:30 (298D Gerrard E) Meeting of Science Fiction Club. — everyone welcome.

THURSDAY APRIL 26th

10 am Dixon Hall (58 Sumach) — Sewing group meeting every Thursday.

8 pm LIBRARY HOUSE (265 Gerrard E) An evening of poetry with Luella Booth and John Jessop — free.

FRIDAY APRIL 27th

4 pm Parliament St. Library (406 Parliament) Films for boys and girls — free.

8 pm Library House (265 Gerrard E) Free films — "Stranger than Science Fiction" and "Psychic Saints and Scientists".

SATURDAY APRIL 28th

2 pm Parliament St. Library (406 Parliament) Puppet show. "King Thrushbead" — free.

9 pm — Woodgreen Community Centre — GRO Dance.

LEGAL CLINICS

Mondays: Dixon Hall (58 Sumach) 6:30-8:30

Tuesdays: Don Vale Community Centre (80 Winchester) 6-8 pm.

Thursdays: NIP (265 Gerrard E) 7:30-9:30.

INCOME TAX CLINICS

Mondays: Dixon Hall (58 Sumach) 6:30-8:30 by appointment only phone 863-0499.

Tuesdays: NIP (265 Gerrard E) 7:30-9:30.

Thursdays: Woodgreen Community Centre — 7:30-9:30 (also Tues) by appointment only — phone 461-1168.

Saturdays: Don Vale Community Centre (80 Winchester) 1 p.m.

CONTINUING

DAP — Downtown Action Project (298D Gerrard E) Research services for community groups and individuals re: development in downtown area. Phone 924-8887 or drop in.

Injured Workmen's Consultants (80 Winchester) Deal with Compensation claim problems. Phone 961-1260 or drop in. Also looking for volunteer interpreters.

Overnight Drop-In (349 Ontario) Open Thurs to Sun. midnight to 8 p.m.

Woodworking Shop (80 Winchester) 10 am - 5 pm everyday except Sun. and 5-10 pm Tuesday and Thursday.

CRUNCH Employment Service (80 Winchester) Community run employment centre — phone 920-2539.

Neighborhood Information Post (265 Gerrard E) Referral service as well as dealing with problems around UIC, health, welfare and housing. Drop in or phone 924-2543.

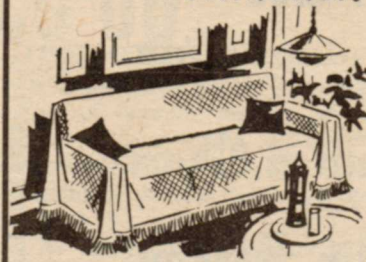
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APRIL 15

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APRIL 22

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Good Friday, April 20:
3 p.m. — Commemoration of the death and passion of
our Lord.

7:30 p.m. — Way of the Cross

Easter Saturday, April 21:

7 p.m. — Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 22:

Masses: 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.; 1:00, and 7:00
p.m.

Let's go for a walk! Walking is for leg-stretching, and also for looking, and touching and talking and listening. Walking can be a grand way to learn; . . . if the grown up takes time to teach as you go along.

How many ways can you walk? Let your child practise balance as he jumps over lines, walks along low walls, rolls down a hill, steps on every step that's by the sidewalk. But don't let him step on new plants struggling to grow (explain why).

Take time to let him **touch things**. And give him the words that go with what he feels. "The brick wall feels rough . . . The metal pole feels smooth . . . The grass feels wet . . .

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Vendredi Saint — 3:30 P.M. Office de la Vénération de la Croix & Communion — 7:30 P.M. Chemin de la Croix.

Samedi Saint — 8:00 P.M.: Veillée Pascale & Messe.

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CONFESSIONS

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Vendredi — Après l'Office de 3:00 & le soir commençant à 7:00 P.M.

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Holy Week Schedule for 1973

Palm Sunday, April 15: In celebration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, blessed palms will be distributed at all Sunday Masses — namely Sat. at 6:30 p.m., Sunday at 10:00, 12:00 and 7:30 p.m. (Folk Mass).

Holy Thursday, April 19: Solemn Mass of the Last Supper at 7:30 p.m. Grade 2 children will receive their First Communion at this Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will continue following the Mass until midnight.

Good Friday, April 20: Solemn celebration of the Passion and Death of Christ at 3:00 p.m. Families are encouraged to make the Stations of the Cross at a convenient time after this service.

Holy Saturday, April 21: There is no Mass during the day as the people of God silently meditate on the death of our Lord. At 12:00 midnight we gather to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus at the Solemn Vigil Mass.

Easter Sunday, April 22: Regular Masses will be at 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 7:30 p.m. (Folk Mass).

Confession Times: Wednesday, April 18, at 7:00 p.m. — Community Celebration of Penance (includes private confession of sins). Thurs., April 19: Private Confessions — 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Fri., April 20: Private Confessions — 2:00 to 2:45 p.m. Saturday, April 21: Private Confessions — 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

"I WILL BE WITH YOU ALL DAYS . . ."
(If YOU let ME!)

Hey, Mom!

by CATHERINE VERRALL

The mud feels gooey . . . The tree trunk feels humpy . . . The cat's fur feels soft . . . It's claws feel sharp."

Notice colours. Maybe look for green things. "Green, green, the grass is green" . . . "I see a green door . . . and I see a green car . . ."

Notice shapes. Play a circle game. Where are they hiding? "That sign is a circle . . . and the manhole . . . and the stop-light . . ."

Notice machines, and the men who make them move. What are the machines called? (I ask a workman, and then I forget again, but the child learns that it's good to ask questions.) What are they doing? How will they make life better (we hope!)?

Notice stores. "What does this store sell? You can help your child realize that certain things belong together (categories). "Do you buy shoes in a fish shop? Do you get shoes fixed in a hairdressing shop?"

Notice words. Read the signs to him, even if he can't. It gives him the idea that those marks are important. It gets him used to looking at them. Point out the first letter of his own name . . . "There's my B!"

Notice growing plants: Green things poking up out of the brown earth, flowers (not for picking, except those gorgeous dandelions), tree buds busting into tiny flowers and leaves.

Notice animals. "How many legs does a dog have? How many does a bird have? Does a squirrel have feathers, or fur? Does a deer have a beak, or horns? Which is bigger, a bear or a monkey? Which animal has stripes? Which has humps? Questions like these make the child think. And they help him learn the meaning of that hard little word, "or".

Notice the sky. "What goes up high? clouds? airplanes? birds? trucks?"

Notice shadows when the sun is shining. "Can you see your own shadow walking along? Can you make your shadow fingers wiggle?" **Notice sounds.** "Close your eyes and listen. What do you hear? You'll have to walk away from the busy streets to hear special sounds, like water gurgling, birds calling, leaves rustling . . ."

The more varied sounds the child hears, the more varied things he sees and feels and smells, the more talk you have with him . . . the more the child learns. So take time to stretch his mind. Walk an extra block to see a flowering tree, or climb over a stump. Walk into the fish store to smell the fish, or into the rug store to feel the rugs. When he gets tired and won't move, get him interested in some new thing and he'll get going again (probably!) Scolding just reminds him of his tiredness.

Springtime Places to Walk

The Zoo: Let's enjoy it while it's there! Winchester Street between the zoo and the cemetery, ends in a wild grassy hill . . . grand for climbing, and better exercise than any playground.

Ravines: The Belt-Line ravine is like a country road, complete with brook and groundhog holes. Get into it at the brickworks on Bayview. Or take subway to St. Clair station, then a Leaside bus. Get off at Moore, where the ravine ends.

Residents to approve plans

While residents in other areas in Ward Seven fight for some control over development in their district, residents in Don Vale discovered last week that they had final say over a proposed small subdivision for their area.

Two parcels of land are up for sale on Wellesley street between Sackville and Wellesley avenue. One parcel is L-shaped with a small frontage on Wellesley and the remainder running along behind the existing houses. The second lot adjoins that.

Two developers have come up with proposals for the lots and in both cases, the owner of the lots and the City Development department have told the developers to get approval from the local residents first.

The residents, it seems, will get to decide which of the two developments they want and also how the development should be planned and constructed.

Both proposals essentially call for the same thing: a 15-house condominium unit with underground parking. One proposal calls for access and exit through adjoining lanes with the 40-foot frontage on Wellesley to be made into a small park. Houses would be 2½ to three stories and sell for around \$65,000.

A meeting has been called for Monday night between the two developers and the adjacent property owners to decide the issue.

LETTERS:

"Karma II is a successful food co-op"

Dear Mr. Browne:

This letter is in response to your article in the March 24 issue entitled, **Community is critical of new Karma II food co-op.**

I can understand your concern about co-ops, because two have failed in your area. However, Karma II has a wealth of successful organizational experience to call on which the earlier two co-ops did not. If the area wants a successful co-op, they now have it.

Karma II has specifically planned to adapt to the needs of the area but it has to evolve and grow as it does this — please give them a chance to get started before coming on so heavy with criticism.

By the way, I checked out several "community" leaders and they were not critical of Karma II.

Please come to the store and experience the feeling and learn more about the concept of a food co-op before writing another article.

Our goal is to have many small (1,000 member) co-ops all around the city run by the people of that

area, not just a few monopolistic super-market chains, that are milking people for every penny of profit they can get. We believe that big is bad because of impersonality and treating people as numbers rather than fellow humans and the bigness does not save people money — the many layers of profit in the food industry now is passed right on to the shopper.

Karma is strictly retailing non-profit. We are getting into non-profit wholesaling now and building contacts directly with non-profit farmers. We believe that excessive profit is the most evil force in our society today.

If you worry about convenience, how about the massive lineups at Dominion Stores when there are no baggers at the check-out counters. When I asked a manager of a store why there was no bagger, in a year in which profits rose 1.6 percent, he had no answer. I wonder why?

Well, I have not gone into a supermarket now for over a year because I was sick of them and helped set up a co-op which was

designed by the shoppers not by the rich Forest Hill-type business men. Karma mixes all classes and ages, realizing that no one group can rise through social injustice alone.

Mr. Browne, instead of breaking up people into "middle class" and "lower class", etc. try "controlled" and "controller" people. "Middle class" folk are controlled more insidiously and indirectly than "lower class" folk but nevertheless controlled.

Why not all controlled people fighting for and demanding the spreading of the wealth and power base that the controllers have selfishly hogged.

You called participation the "in" thing; well God help us if people don't naturally and willingly want to be involved in their own neighbourhood. What is the sense of living if that is true? Why are you editing SEVEN NEWS if you feel that way? Shall we all just do as Richard Nixon says all the time?

Karma II is going to be considering such factors as: waylaying membership fees in needy cases, accepting welfare cheques, staying open longer hours, extending credit, etc.

You stated financial half-truths in your article, namely: the \$10 membership fee is for life. Think of how much the hidden membership fee is at Dominion each year.

The \$5 loan per month is spread over 7 months and is returnable upon leasing. It is money in the

store instead of money in the bank. The 15 percent markup is way below the average supermarket markup of 25 to 35 percent (and as high as 300 percent mark-up in some cases).

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Richard M. Haney,
President, Karma I

• I visited the Karma II store with a list of 25 food items which I normally purchase over a period of a month. I found only two of those 25 items in your store and only one of them cheaper than what I normally pay. I'm sorry, but while in your store I didn't "experience the feeling". — Norman G. Browne

Brief was not public

Dear Sir:

Regarding your article of March 10, 1973, entitled **Downtown Schools are Dumping Ground**, the brief referred to in the item was not approved for publication by the Park School Community Council and was never presented to the Special Board Committee Investigating Vocational Schools.

Although we appreciate your interest in the issue, in future we would suggest that you check your facts before printing articles which become public information.

Further, we would like to see a retraction of this article in your next issue.

Faye Yukich
Vice Chairman,
Park School Comm. Council.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The brief referred to in the article was in open, public, distribution and was therefore used as the basis for the article. SEVEN NEWS is your paper. Why don't you get one of your executive or members to write directly for it so that a situation like this won't occur again?)

DETOX CENTRE

Residents want role in hospital's plans

by DON WEITZ

The Federation of Don Area Residents Association (FODARA) Health Committee has written to Sister Ann Marie Carrie of St. Michael's Hospital over the lack of community involvement in the Detox Centre they plan to set up in the Don District.

The letter, signed by chairman Bill Lee, states: "Our Committee is concerned, as we do not feel that there has been sufficient consultation with the community in which the Detox Centre will be located."

The letter says that the FODARA Health Committee is made up of community people from community groups and is concerned with the total aspect of health in the Don District.

"We want to be involved in the planning of the Detox Centre," says Mr. Lee and he concludes his letter by asking that a representative from St. Michael's Hospital come to the next Health Committee meeting.

The Detox Unit being set up by St. Michael's Hospital will be at 314 Adelaide street East, have a 20-bed dormitory, kitchen, living room and dining room and will be for men only.

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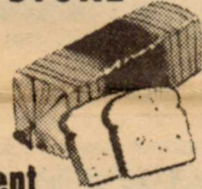


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FLOOR HOCKEY FINALS:

Regent Park, YMCA share the trophies

by RANDY BOETTCHER

The YMCA Inner City Floor Hockey League came to an exciting conclusion over the past three weeks with many excellent games highlighting the play-offs.

PEE WEE DIVISION

In quarter final play, in the Pee Wee Division, fourth place Woodgreen defeated St. Clement's second team and St. Clement's first team knocked University Settlement out of the running with a 12-2 victory. The YMCA first team continued to dominate play in the semi-finals as they had done all season with a 13-7 drubbing of the St. Clement's first squad.

In the semi-final contest, Woodgreen managed a startling upset, convincingly defeating the second place finishers, YMCA-2 by a 12 to 9 score.

The final was the best of the pee wee playoffs with Woodgreen playing fine floor hockey until the final few minutes when the YMCA's power showed. The final score was 8-7 and YMCA-1 took the pee wee championship.

St. Clement's First team defeated YMCA-2 by a 12-10 score in the consolation final to determine the third place finisher. Individual awards went to Frank Rocci who scored 100 goals during the regular season for YMCA-1 and most valuable player was Real Cyr of YMCA-2 team.

BANTAM DIVISION

In the Bantam Division the YWCA easily defeated Regent Park 18 to 8 and earned the right to meet the YMCA in the finals. However, the YMCA turned on the power that gave them a 22 win, 1 loss record during the season and won the Bantam Championship by a 17-2 score.

Steve Churley of the YWCA won the scoring championship with 49 goals. Kenny Murray of the YMCA, hot on Churly's heels with 48 goals was voted Most Valuable Player.

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

Intermediate Division semi-final

play consisted of a two-game total point series. Regent Park easily defeated 3rd place YMCA by a total of 24 to 8. East York knocked out Woodgreen with a 13-5 total over the two games.

The Division Final was a best two out of three affair and generated the best floor hockey of the season. In the first game, Regent Park took a 6-2 at the end of the second period and held on to win the game 7-5.

The second game, played the following afternoon, saw East York quickly move into a 4-1 lead. But then Regent Park began to fight back and in an excellent finish, they won 8 to 6 to win the championship in two straight games.

The scoring championship went to Bill Nidrie of East York for his 50 goals during the regular season. The Sportsmanship Award went to Gary Feehan of the YMCA team and the Most Valuable Player Award was presented to Bill Walker of Regent Park.

BOXING:

200 fans cheer punch-up

by PETER WYLIE

About 200 cheering boxing fans were treated to an entertaining card of amateur boxing in a converted warehouse near Parliament and Wellesley streets two weeks ago.

It was the first card put together by the Cabbagetown Boxing Club since it moved into the converted warehouse at 4 Lancaster Street last July. The club hopes to hold regular shows every 3 or 4 weeks, featuring local talent against out-of-town



Ward 7 pickets outside fancy home of landlord Alex Macnaughton, who owns their leaky house on Tiverton Ave.



Photos by Chuck Edwards

Tenants' picketing gets results

by DICK BROWN

A picket line set up in front of the home of an absentee landlord protesting conditions of a house he owns in Ward 7 brought quick results in fixing a short-circuited fuse box, which a workman hired by the landlord had unlawfully wired.

About a dozen persons, friends of the tenants at 53 Tiverton Ave., near Gerrard and Logan set up the picket on Saturday March 31 in front of Alexander Macnaughton's home at 246 Cortleigh Blvd., a well-to-do section of Ward 11.

In addition to protesting the fire risk from the fuse box, the picketers demanded the lawyer-landlord repair the basement which has leaked or flooded for more than 11 months and repair a leak in the roof over the back room of the Tiverton house, the leak having also been around over 11 months.

The 40-minute peaceful display was effective. By Monday, two days later, the landlord's licensed electrician had made arrangements to rewire the entire fusing of the house and by Thursday a licensed drainage firm was around to see why the basement was leaking.

It was a victory for the tenants who had been getting the run-around from both the landlord and the city housing standards department since they moved into the house a year ago.

The attitude of landlord Macnaughton to tenant grievances was explained to his Cortleigh Blvd. neighbours in a leaflet the picketers distributed during the demonstration. It read in part:

"These unlawful conditions are known to lawyer Macnaughton, but they are not repaired. This is not untypical of the man.

"It took the combined efforts of two City of Toronto Aldermen (Jaffary and Sewell), senior officials of the city housing standards department and the threat of legal action last year to get him to repair the chimney, from which a brick had fallen to a walkway where a neighbour's four-year-old girl had been playing just minutes before.

"When the tenants went to his office to complain, he threw them out threatening to call the police to arrest them."

Not that housing standards was much help. Their inspector had passed the short-circuited fuse box as being up to standard!

It wasn't until the tenants brought in a repairman for the stove that they learned of the electrical danger — mainly because the stove repairman refused to fix the stove because the improper wiring in the fuse box was a danger to his safety.

Housing standards has also refused to put out a mandatory work order on the leaky basement and back room, even though the new city council has given them the authority to fix the house if the landlord doesn't and even though Alderman Jaffary personally requested they do so for the Tiverton house.

The reception of the landlord's neighbours to a picket line was one of curiosity and sympathy.

Other neighbours informed the demonstrators that Macnaughton wasn't home, but was spending the weekend at his cottage in the Muskokas where in summer months he is a prize-winning sailboat racer. There is no indication whether profits from the Tiverton house are used for winning trophies in sailboat racing.

The situation for the Tiverton tenants is improved. The fuse system has been replaced, and the two contractors contacted by the landlord to fix the basement and back room leaks have given verbal assurances of getting to work.

competition. We hope you will support your neighbourhood boxing club.

Ward 7 fighters won two of the eight bouts: Ricky Bender won a decision over Bill Wright, of McCormick, in the 90 lb. class; and Lawrence ("Kid") Langille (171 lb) won on a second-round technical knock-out over Jack Bennet (178 lb.) of Sydney, N.S.

There were four other fights which didn't involve club members and a feature of the evening was an exhibition bout between John Lapunda, former amateur welterweight champion of Canada, and Doug Ross, former Ontario golden gloves champ.

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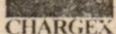
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