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Photo by Cherry Hassard

One of the highlights at the Hillbilly-Chili Chowdown at Sprucecourt School last week was the music provided by the Rolling Thunder Revue. People ate, people danced, people had a good time. And why not? Summer's coming.

Library expands

Riverdale leads in Chinese books

By CHRIS STEPHENSON

If the Riverdale Library is any example the public libraries have come a long way from simply being a storehouse of knowledge. They have become a vibrant and valuable branch of community living. In an effort to reach out to the expanding ethnic community of Riverdale, the library has acquired, and continues to purchase, books in the Chinese language.

Riverdale can boast of the largest collection of Chinese works in the Toronto Public Library system, and in the children's department circulation and enthusiasm is running high. The collection of Chinese children's books currently stands at 2,221 and the library aims at steadily increasing their acquisition (as funds allow) until they reach their goal of 5,000 books.

"The circulation of Chinese books was really booming last year", says Mrs. Mee-Shan Lau, the head children's librarian, "but now it has steadied to an average circulation of 700 books per month." This is still an excellent turnover.

Although it offers many services to its ethnic community, the Children's Department is not geared to the Chinese population of Riverdale. Both Chinese and English-speaking children use the facilities and the key phrase for this venture in biculturalism is understanding and interest through co-operation and shared learning.

Mrs. Lau relates that, "although the children tend to read in the language that they are most com-

fortable with, there is some exchange of material. Many of the Chinese children of school age can read in both languages. While the English students can only read English, they are interested in the Chinese literature, especially the magazines. One can always read the pictures".

Although reading is central to the concerns of the library, the circulation of books is not the only service that the boys and girls department of Riverdale has to offer. Besides the books, Riverdale Children's department has a collection of 229 Chinese records, and the adult department also has a collection of tapes.

The library also offers a number of children's programs. Besides Mrs. Lau's very popular stories, there are craft sessions and a number of games including chess and checkers, and marble chess on hand.

Riverdale offers special programs for the Chinese children such as puppet shows, story telling and Chinese brush writing. Again, although the children begin by participating in activities that they are familiar with, they become interested in each other's activities. The librarians are strictly opposed to segregation, and the result is co-operative learning and cross-cultural interests.

There have been some problems with the bicultural program. Some of the children refuse to read English and this clash between the familiar and the necessary causes problems when they attend school. Mrs. Lau tells her stories in English so that the majority of children will understand and this causes problems for those new to Canada.

Despite these problems the library provides a valuable service to the community. Mrs. Lau often plays hostess to classes from the surrounding schools and the children are allowed to take out two English and two Chinese books. The teachers and the parents, especially those with children in Chinese School really appreciate the service.

The most important aspect of the biculturalism of the Children's Department of the Riverdale Library is that it promotes understanding through learning and play in an atmosphere which provides the fruits of two cultures.

YWCA immigrant coffee groups prevent isolation

By CHRIS STEPHENSON

"Toronto can be a very lonely city without friends" said Mrs. Eva Robenak of St. Jamestown. Like many immigrants who come to Canada at times she feels overwhelmed by the problems that must be overcome.

They are language, social and cultural barriers to deal with, but the one that too often goes without consideration is the sexual barrier. Besides the problem of adjustment, many immigrant women face different marital customs, changing expectations and a different standard of living. The high cost of housing and the lack of daycare facilities creates a financial strain, and many battle homesickness. Of all of the problems that single and married women must face, the worst is isolation.

Thankfully there are organizations like the YWCA that assist these women in overcoming their feelings of isolation and loneliness. A number of the branches (such as the East Y and St. James-

town) offer a Coffee Group which provides the women with an opportunity to meet friends, share experiences, and practice English.

I had the chance to attend a meeting at the East Y led by Sheila Cran and Mary Sharon, and I found it to be a most enjoyable morning. The Y provides a daycare service which enables women otherwise bound to the house by motherly duties to spend a morning working with crafts, watching movies, going on outings, learning about the community or just talking.

At this particular meeting the women spent some time discussing past activities, suggesting new ones and voicing opinions on the program in general. Some of the highlights mentioned were candle-making, the days spent sampling various culinary delights prepared by the ladies, and the demonstration of Chinese wallhanging painting.

The most encouraging aspect of the program is the response of the

women themselves. They made comments such as: "It is a good chance to practice English", "I have gotten to know so many people," and "It was fun."

These programs certainly serve a necessary function in the community. The Regional Office of Immigration estimates that one and one half million women have immigrated to Canada since WWII. Many came here to overcome lack of job opportunity, and many due to political pressures or in search of a better life for themselves and their children. These sessions, initiated under the auspices of a language program, attempt to assist these women in the achievement of their goals.

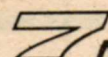
These groups include adult education but are more culturally oriented and remain essentially recreational. Every age group and nationality is represented and both married and single women attend. Many come to the group through the outreach program. Others may be referred by Public Health

Nurses, Community Relations Workers, School Teachers, or may come with a friend or relative to join in the fun.

The Coffee Groups for Immigrant Women not only provide a social outlet for the women, they assist greatly in overcoming the problem of isolation. The feelings of the women were best summed up by one participant who said, "I like to have some place to come, to make friends." Indeed, the world seems much brighter when you have friends to share your pains, pleasures and discoveries.

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LETTERS

Oak Street Centre for parents and toddlers

Dear 7 News:

We would like to inform you of the opening of the RIVER-OAK PARENT TODDLER DROP IN CENTRE at 203 Oak St., (formerly the RPCIA food co-op in the Oak St. portable).

Our tentative opening date is Wednesday June 8, 1977, and our hours will be Tuesday to Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

We hope that our programme will offer parents with small children a break from household routines and provide an opportunity to meet with each other on neutral grounds for mutual support. For the children, we would like to provide a chance for

supervised creative play and their socializing with others of the same age.

Below is a list of articles which we feel will be needed to set up the drop in centre. Any donations will certainly be appreciated.

We need donations of articles to set up the drop-in centre, such as couches, blankets, records, toys, cribs, art supplies, and whatever else you can think of. Any donations will certainly be appreciated.

For any further information, please drop in anytime — Monday to Friday. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Dee Builder
Programme Director.

No gimmicks necessary

Dear 7 News:

I like your paper and am happy to support.

Can't say I care for some of your "gimmicks" re: feeding your cat

and the picture of the children on the verge of starvation. Seems to me, people will support you and the job you are doing.

Sister Lydia Tyszk

IN THE JEAN STORE

The guy in the jean store finally gets the girl in the jeans

He carries her away folded over his shoulder like a coat

He'll wear her to a party this evening

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Patrice Desbiens

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In these times, values and governments that were unquestioned a third of a century ago are in jeopardy. Now, when confidence in our government's future is more important than ever, we pledge the following:

I Platitude

Things should be on an even keel as we move onward and upward.

II Sincere Promises

(a) more jobs for more people

(b) three (3) square meals a day for those who can afford them

(c) a firm hand on the tiller

(d) more money in the till

(e) a commitment to balanced growth in the North

(f) a commitment to balanced growth in the South

III Peroration

I dedicate myself and every other animal in the barnyard to promising the above in a spirit of trust and credulity.



Tom McLaughlin
30/1/77



Wellesley replies and denies

To the Editor:

Early last year, a news item was carried in 7 News through which persons who felt dissatisfied with treatment received at The Wellesley were asked to detail their complaints to Alderman Janet Howard. As a result, a brief has been presented to the Board of Directors of The Wellesley, detailing those complaints and making recommendations and suggestions towards helping to eliminate such difficulties in the future.

There is no doubt that this exercise was carried out as a direct result of the sincere intentions of Alderman Howard and a special Committee organized to study the instances brought to its attention. However, your lead story on the front page of the May 21 edition

(Wellesley report sharply critical), could well leave your readers with a different impression. It would be unfortunate indeed if the brief became a subject of controversy: this is most definitely not the intention of this writer nor of the Administration of The Wellesley Hospital. But I do wish to make comment on your coverage.

For example: the article states at one point that "the brief documents numerous (my emphasis) complaints. . . . While there were indeed a variety of criticisms made, they all emanated from fourteen complainants documented — a point you did not make. It is interesting to note also, (and I must add you didn't make note of this either) that those fourteen were culled from as far back as 1973 and 1975. While The Wellesley recognizes that one dissatisfied person is one too many, surely the matter should be kept in perspective. Your readers should therefore be aware that from 1973 until the end of 1976, 532,574 visits had been made to this hospital, comprising 71,387 inpatients; 189,680 emergency department visits, and 271,507 outpatient visits.

The intention here is no to dazzle with figures nor deride genuine dissatisfaction. We, too, are sincere in our efforts to upgrade wherever necessary our service and it was, in fact, the result of these sincere intentions that Alderman Howard and two members of the Committee were invited to discuss the brief, openly and frankly, with our Board and senior staff members, both medical and administrative. This was the meeting that took place on May 13th.

Returning to your front page story, you also stated: "At the heart of the brief is the idea that the hospital does not understand the lifestyles and needs of the people who use it."

This could cause serious confusion. The people who use The Wellesley Hospital come from all over Toronto, all over the province and indeed beyond. It is completely misleading to suggest that we are incompetent in the care of our patients. The brief did not cover our "local community" in general but did, as was pointed out to us, concern itself with a very minor (in terms of numbers) portion of the local community — whose needs, however, we recognize and are to be cared for with as much sympathy, diligence and respect as any others in the large city and urban "community" we serve. We recognize that in this regard improvements can be made and the Committee's recommendations are being given serious and earnest consideration. I repeat, however, that it is misleading to give the impression that the views documented in the brief are widespread. May I point out that, in this connection, of the eight comments solicited from local M.D.'s, Community Workers and Aldermen by the Committee for its brief, five were not specific criticisms of The Wellesley. They indicated problems that beset many large institutions such as ours which are faced with establishing the health care priorities of its "public" within the serious financial constraints being imposed in these difficult times.

George A. Truss,
Director, Public Relations,
The Wellesley Hospital.

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Gordon Cressy's track record speaks for itself. A resident of St. David for ten years, he knows this riding from the roots up.

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Now it's time to send Gordon Cressy to Queen's Park.

A lot of people agree. From the early days of the campaign, it's been standing-room-only at Cressy's Danforth storefront headquarters. A large cross-section of people from all over St. David have put in volunteer time, energy, talent and plain hard work.

The cross-section mirrors Gordon's ability to understand and relate to the mix of people in this riding. Some are people you know about, like Ward Seven Aldermen John Sewell and Janet Howard, Ward Seven Trustees Doug Barr and Sheila Holmes, Broadcaster June Callwood, long-time defender of women's rights — and people's rights.

The final push is on: If you are able to work to elect Gordon Cressy during these last days, please call our campaign headquarters at:

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You'll be warmly welcomed. As Trustees Doug Barr and Sheila Holmes put it, "This provincial election is very special for one reason: we can elect someone who knows us, cares about us and will work hard for us. We can elect Gordon Cressy."

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Media give a distorted picture of City Hall

By JOHN SEWELL

If you read the newspapers, you get the impression that all of the bad decisions at City Hall are being made without opposition. That's the fault of bad reporting, because there are people opposing City Hall decisions.

Take the question of taxes. The headline in the Toronto Sun was "City Boosts your taxes \$80." But that isn't what happened: of the \$80 increase, the City is only responsible for \$10, Metro for another \$10, and the School Board the remaining \$60.

What's worse, there was a serious effort made at Metro Council to cut down the increase. After some digging, we found a \$14 million slush fund in the Metro budget. We tried to cut it out, but lost by a vote of 11-15. If we had won, then the Metro portion of the tax increase would have been reduced to one or two dollars.

None of the media mentioned that we had found a \$14 million slush fund — nor that a majority of politicians (led by Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey and North York Controller Barbara Greene) decided to ask the taxpayers to pay for this slush fund. I guess the news media thought the public shouldn't find out about this news.

city hall
report



Another example of poor reporting is the debate about the Central Area Plan — Mayor Crombie's new plan for the downtown which many of us opposed when it was passed in January 1976. The Ontario Municipal Board has been holding

hearings on the plan since early this year, and it appears those hearings will continue until the middle of 1976.

The problem is that many small projects are being held up because they can't get a building permit until the Central Area Plan is approved or rejected. Some large projects can't be built until the plan is approved. Mayor Crombie and his colleagues decided that something had to be done about the logjam.

What they proposed was to pretend that the Central Area Plan had never happened. They would pass bylaws as though the Central Area Plan had never happened.

For small projects that presents no problem: virtually all members of Council support the thirty-odd small projects that have been

delayed by the Central Area Plan fiasco. But the big projects are a different story. One example will suffice.

On the west side of Bay Street, just south of Bloor, a developer wants to build a 22-storey apartment building at a density of 8x coverage. St. Jamestown has a density just under 4x coverage, and under the old plan for downtown, the maximum residential density allowed was 3x. The new plan would allow densities of 8x — which was why seven of us voted against the plan. The Mayor's new proposal is to enact an official plan amendment which will allow this very high density at that location.

Of course, people will object to that Official Plan Amendment, and a hearing will be required at the OMB. Thus not only will the

Central Area hearings be continuing, but a new set of hearings — one hearing for each of the half-dozen large projects — will also be held. It's a trifle absurd, and it's hard to see how anyone will save time.

There's no doubt that the Central Area Plan has brought a muddle to planning in the downtown. Few people know what the plan is about, what it allows or what it means. And this muddle is complicated by the OMB hearings which will cost city taxpayers more than \$500,000. As some of us have been saying, perhaps its time we put an end to OMB hearings, and maybe the Central Area Plan as well.

But of course you read all that here — not in the traditional news media.



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More to rummage sales than saving

By HOWARD HUGGETT

There are so many differences between commercial sales and rummage sales that it does not seem quite right to use that same name for the both. To begin with, the commercial sale is usually well advertised, sometimes excessively so. There may be some sort of gimmick or special inducement to coax the customers into the store. The merchandise is usually what you can see on display at any time, but now offered at a price that is said to be reduced. In most cases this is true, but not always!

Now with rummage sales there won't be much advertising and none of it high-pressure. The amount of merchandise will not be large enough to justify that much publicity. The articles that are offered may be run-of-the-mill stuff, but lots of them are not. You may come upon objects you have not laid eyes on for years, mementoes of the past, and finally, and best of all, the price is almost certain to be right!

On May 14th the Neighbourhood Information Post had such a "happening", and there were certainly bargains there. Some lucky individual went away with an electric hair-styler in good working order for four dollars, and the writer was delighted to discover an intriguing chess set of a good size for three dollars fifty. Of course, such bargains are possible only because the merchandise is donated, even the articles that are obviously new.

But there's a lot more to a rummage than saving money, because it's a "fun" event. Most of them are neighbourhood affairs and you are lucky to meet people you know

there. There is the fun of browsing through all sorts of unexpected and unusual merchandise and — who knows? — you may just find something that you really need. In fact, there may be something that you don't need at all, but you may want it very much, and at the price you won't be able to pass it by.

Another interesting feature of rummage sales, or garage sales, as they are sometimes called, is that so much of the material, being no longer new, has a history to it. Objects sold in stores come from a production line and they are no different from a thousand others like them. Much of the merchandise at a rummage sale has already

belonged to someone, and it has a story. You don't know what it is, but you can wonder. That musty old copy of a boy's adventure story, presented to little Jimmy on his ninth birthday long ago, for instance. Whatever became of Jimmy, was he a success in life, or did he find the struggle too much to bear? That elegant white pantsuit, hardly worn, why did some woman discard that? Maybe her boy friend didn't like it, or perhaps she put on too much weight.

I am sure there are lots of people who never go to such sales; they like to go to fashionable shops and buy the "latest." But fashions change frequently and old things

come back into style again. You can wear just about anything you want these days, so why worry about the style, as long as it suits you?

If a lot of people were not so inclined to throw away possessions when they tire of them there wouldn't be all those bargains. Rummage sales are a blessing to those who have to count their pennies and a joy to those who are thrifty by nature, so let's make full use of them. I'll see you there, but get there early, before the best buys are snapped up. And take along a shopping bag or two. You will probably run out of hands before you run out of money.

LETTERS CONTINUED

Regent parents: get involved in kids' school

To the Public:

I have read about the 150 teachers who have been laid off and I am very sorry to hear about it, as I live in the Regent Park area and have had two children helped by the special programs that are also going to be cut.

My children have lived here all their lives and I myself have lived here 17 years, so they have gone to school here right from kindergarten. As a parent there are some things I disagree with but I will say that the calibre of teachers in Regent Park School has improved an awful lot. They are top notch and so is the teacher that has to be one of the 150.

And as for special classes they are drastically needed in the downtown area. If there are any parents out there who are interested in the welfare of their children I wish you would start doing something about

it. The teachers in our area really try to do the best for our children.

The teachers and staff of Regent Park school are trying to start a parent-teacher association. This is an organization in which you can discuss education, find out what and why these special programs are and how they work, why children are put in different groups so they can learn at their level. I'm not saying people are not interested in their children. Many think an awful lot of money is being spent foolishly. I thought so before but not any more, because I got involved and found out more about it.

So come on parents of Regent

Park, get involved with your kids' school, and get to know the staff. They are all eager to meet you the parents of the children they teach.

When I see what the board of education sometimes spend their money on I wonder where their minds are.

Regent Park is not a bad place to live; it is just that we have to live on top of one another, which makes it a little harder. I've lived here as I said 17 years and have had no trouble on the streets, in the schools or anywhere. I have also been unit rep. with the Regent Park Community Improvement Association.

Ruth Bowen

Chester Village celebrates

Dear 7 News,

Chester Village is well named. There is an air of pleasant quiet like that of a small country village, but there is nothing small about Chester Village. Even at the tender age of five years, it is as active as a youngster of the same age, full of activity. As we celebrate our fifth anniversary this year, there is to be action galore, fun for everyone!

Here is an idea of what is going to happen at Chester Village on our fifth anniversary.

The theme of the day will be: "The Way We Were". Participating residents will be wearing

costumes that were familiar in the early 'Pioneer Days'. They will be on hand to escort you on a guided tour of the residence, and much more. There will be a Craft Sale, Bake Sale, Plants and White Elephant Articles, A Box Lunch Auction, Fresh Maple Syrup, plus many many surprises as well as entertainment.

Be sure to come and help us celebrate our fifth anniversary on June 4th, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Make Saturday June 4th a happy day for all concerned.

Chester Village

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Do you like Walt Disney

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films.

DANFORTH LIBRARY
Doing anything after school?

Kids' Calendar

Every Tuesday this month starting
at 4 p.m. join the kids after-school
craft program and see what crafty

things you can make.

A film series on People and
Places will be held every Tuesday
night at 7:30. The June 7 film is
Islands: Bali and Ellesmere.

PARLIAMENT LIBRARY

Saturday June 4 and continuing
for the next two Saturdays at 2
p.m. come and "Paint a story".
Tuesday, June 14, 4 pm - crafts.

PRINCIPLES

1. Freedom can be sustained only in a society without discrimination based on race, colour, sex or creed. It can best be preserved in a society committed to justice and the rule of law and to democratic institutions based upon the British Parliamentary System.

2. Fairness and equality of opportunity can be guaranteed only by a government prepared to ensure that power is not used unfairly by any group in society, including government itself.

3. Real freedom can be achieved and maintained only when government is prepared to limit its own growth, power and costs.

4. The strength, prosperity and unity of all Canada is vital to the future well-being of all the people of Ontario. The preservation of that unity is Ontario's primary national goal.

5. In a fair and free society, government must delineate and protect the following rights of the individual:

a. The right to build a secure future for one's self and one's family.

b. The right to seek and earn fair wages.

c. The right to seek and earn fair profits and fees.

d. The right to work in peace and safety.

e. The right to be protected from unfair or unlawful practices in the market place or the labour force.

f. The right to a fair and equitable tax system.

g. The right to pursue personal fulfillment, growth and self-improvement.

COMMITMENTS

The Progressive Conservative Government of Ontario affirms its commitment to each of the following tasks.

1. A commitment to a target of one hundred thousand new jobs each year for the next decade.

2. A commitment to the continued security of food-supply for all Ontarians. This is to be achieved through: the preservation of farmland; increased per-acre production; effective marketing of surplus agricultural exports and continued support for the farming community.

3. A commitment to a target of 900,000 housing starts over the next ten years in Ontario.

A Charter for Ontario

DEDICATION

WE LIVE IN CHANGING TIMES. ALL ABOUT US, THROUGHOUT CANADA AND THE WORLD, STANDARDS AND VALUES THAT HAVE STOOD UNQUESTIONED FOR A HUNDRED YEARS ARE IN JEOPARDY. AT THIS POINT IN OUR HISTORY, WHEN CONFIDENCE IN OUR FUTURE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER BEFORE, I COMMIT THE ONTARIO PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY TO THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES. UNDER A PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT, THESE COMMITMENTS, WHICH FORM PART OF A DYNAMIC PROGRAM OF ACTION, WILL GIVE EACH PERSON IN ONTARIO THE ASSURANCE WITHIN WHICH TO SHAPE HIS OR HER PERSONAL DESTINY.

William G. Davis

4. A commitment to reducing the municipal tax burden on senior citizens, and to work towards the ultimate elimination of this particular tax for the majority of Ontario's senior citizens.

5. A commitment to reducing unnecessary waste in all social spending to ensure that the truly needy and those who serve them get adequate and fair support.

6. A commitment to continue the battle against inflation while providing the private sector with opportunity and example for job creation.

7. A commitment to replacing at least two trees for every one harvested henceforth in Ontario, and to regenerating every acre harvested.

8. A commitment to increasing the sale of Ontario goods and services outside Canada by 5% a year.

9. A commitment to containing the size and expense of government in Ontario, resulting in a balanced budget by 1981.

10. A commitment to maintaining the highest quality of health and hospital services, based on a system which allows individuals to work together with their own doctors for their own health and well-being.

11. A commitment to preserve an educational system of high quality, with accessibility to higher education based upon individual choice and individual merit.

12. A commitment to the value of municipal government in the democratic structure of Ontario society.

13. A commitment to balanced growth and development in the North, so as to make prosperity, social and cultural advancement equally available to the citizens of Northern Ontario.

14. A commitment to the pursuit of excellence in the fields of industry, technology, management and collective bargaining so that all Ontarians may share in the collective pride and self-confidence that stems from living in an environment of progress and achievement.

15. A commitment to fair profit as the prime encouragement for individual wage-earners, professionals, entrepreneurs, investors and industries to help Ontario grow, along with a commitment to encourage the growth of the small business sector of our economy.

16. A commitment to reducing work stoppages and slow-downs through more advanced labour-management negotiations and through the outlawing of strikes and lockouts in such sectors of the economy as provincial government services.

AFFIRMATION

We affirm that the Progressive Conservative Government will uphold these principles and commitments as a guarantee of personal freedom, economic security, and stability in Ontario. We affirm our belief that social justice for all can be assured only through dedication to high quality programs of health and education that serve all with competence, equity, effectiveness and affordability.

To this end:

• Health systems must allow doctors and patients to work together to prevent, treat and cure disease.

• Education programs must promote basic competence in basic skills as a prerequisite to the advancement of all.

• Opportunity must be maintained for all who legitimately seek greater participation—such as native peoples, women, the handicapped—so that all in Ontario share as a common heritage the right to pursue personal fulfillment through their own effort, initiative, commitment and self-reliance.

We affirm that every citizen of Ontario shares a common right to self-advancement, to balanced and stable government, to freedom, justice, equity and security as residents of a great province which has a key role to play in advancing the interests of a great nation. To these principles, commitments and affirmations I dedicate my Party in the service of every man, woman and child of our province in a spirit of faith, trust and common purpose.



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how a Progressive Conservative Government will lead Ontario in the years immediately ahead.

I believe it reflects an understanding of the way

of life and the human needs and aspirations of people throughout this Province. It provides a plan to keep Ontario strong and dynamic—a place in which the need to preserve the best of the past is balanced with the need for future growth.

The Progressive Conservative Party is committed to these goals. I ask you to join with me in translating this Charter into action by voting Progressive Conservative on June 9th."

William Davis, Premier.



Your future. Your choice.

Toronto starts as a small York settlement

By GEORGE RUST-D'EYE

In my past articles I have attempted to write about historical events which have left some physical remnant which can still be seen today. However, in this the first article in my new series, I deal with the little town of York at its earliest stage, and regret to report that of the earliest buildings in Toronto's history, there remains not one within the ten-block area which John Graves Simcoe named "York".

The area now known as Toronto was part of one of the original trading routes to the northwest. It was known to the Huron, the Chippewa, and the Iroquois, to Etienne Brulé, the first white man to see Toronto, from the mouth of the Humber in 1615, and to LaSalle. It was visited also by the Jesuits, Sulpicians and Récollets, and other French missionaries, by coureurs-de-bois, and by other French and Dutch traders. Although not one of the most important trading centres in the 17th cen-

tury, the "Toronto Carrying Place" or "le passage de Toronto" did see a fair amount of trading activity during those early times.

There were two early native settlements in the Toronto area, Teiaagon, a village populated by

Mementos of
Yesteryear



Senecas, and later Mississaugas, founded as early as 1665 on the Humber River near the Old Mill, and Ganatsekwyagon, a Seneca village near the mouth of the Rouge, recorded in 1670.

In the early 1700's, the French attempted to extend their influence in this area. A blockhouse was erected in 1720. By 1750 the first French fort, "Fort Toronto", had been built on the east bank of the

Humber River, near its mouth. In 1751 the larger "Fort Rouillé", "le royal de Toronto" was erected in the area now known as the Canadian National Exhibition grounds. This Royal Fort never had a large garrison however, and was burned by the French after their defeat at the hands of the British at Niagara. For thirty years there was no established administration at Toronto, and by the time that John Graves Simcoe arrived in 1791, there was but one French trader, Jean Baptiste Rousseau, to guide the Vice-regal party to the site of the new town.

Lord Dorchester, Governor-in-chief of Canada, arranged the purchase, in 1787, of 250,880 acres of land in the area of Toronto from the Mississauga Indians. The land included all of the Lake Ontario shoreline east 14 miles from the mouth of the Etobicoke River, and 28 miles to the north, and included all of what is now the City of Toronto. The transaction was concluded at the Carrying Place of the Bay of Quinté, near Trenton, Ontario. The government acquired the site of Toronto in this way in return for 1700 pounds along with some barrels of cloth, some axes and odds and ends "dear to the heart of the simple savage".

By 1788 Dorchester was already surveying the land acquired from the Mississaugas. His interest in the area lay in its possible trading advantages as the gateway to Lake Huron. The Constitutional Act of 1801 created the provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, at a time when Upper Canada (later Ontario), was beginning to feel the effects of the influx of United Empire Loyalists from the United States. In 1791 John Graves Simcoe was appointed Lt. Governor of Upper Canada, and arrived at Newark (Niagara), where he summoned his first parliament in 1792.

One of Simcoe's immediate concerns was to establish a capital for the new province. His choice was Georgina (now the City of London). Lord Dorchester preferred Kingston. Simcoe, overruled in his choice for a capital, set out from Niagara in May, 1793, in search of a new capital. He entered the Bay at Toronto, which he immediately recognized as a superior strategic site, with its protected harbour and its high stands of timber for ship-building. Mrs. Simcoe records in her diary of May 13th, 1793: "Col. Simcoe returned from Toronto and speaks in praise of the harbour, & a fine spot near it covered with large oak which he intends to fix upon as a site for a Town."

One of Simcoe's first acts of office was to arrange for a surveyors plan for Toronto, carried out by Surveyor Alexander Aitkin. Aitkin's "Plan of York Harbour" (1793), shows the area presently



bounded by Bathurst Street, Bloor Street, Woodbine Avenue and the Lake. The six creeks which flowed to the Lake through what is now downtown Toronto, are shown, as is the River Don with its two mouths (called the "Big and Little Dons"). The "Toronto Island", then a peninsula, is also shown on the survey. Near the mouth of the Little Don, and about at the point where a small creek flows along Lot Street (Queen), and into the bay at the foot of Parliament Street (Berkeley), is a small gridiron of ten blocks. This is the street-plan for the Town of York.

The streets laid out for Simcoe by Alexander Aitkin bounded the area now enclosed by Adelaide (then Duke St.), George, Berkeley (then Parliament), and Front (then Palace) Streets. The area included Frederick, Caroline (now Sherbourne), Prince (now Princess), and Ontario Streets. At that time the Lake came almost to Front Street, so the small town had a pleasant lake-front setting.

Just north of the town was Lot Street (later Queen), at that time just a surveyor's line, which formed the southern boundary of the "Park Lots", 32 long 100-acre strips of land between Lot and the 1st Concession Road (now Bloor Street). These park lots were given by Simcoe to members of the government and other officials of the new Province.

This generous act served as an inducement to these people to leave Niagara, where they were more comfortable, and also created an instant "upper class" in the new town, thereby preserving as part of colonial policy one of the central elements of the British way of life. It was rumoured by some that Simcoe chose Toronto partly because "York had the advantage of being able to afford lots for all his friends round it." This method of land division also had the effect of impeding settlement to the north of the town.

Between what is now Parliament Street and the Don was a "Park Reserve", or Common, set aside for government and military purposes. Simcoe felt that the large stands of high trees in this area would provide the basis for ship-building in the event of the impending war with the Americans. It was also an area not popular for residence due to the "fever and ague" which spread from the mosquito-infested swamps of the lower Don.

Satisfied that the area would serve as a capital for Upper Canada, Simcoe christened the town "York" by a royal proclamation on August 27th, 1793, accompanied by a 21-gun salute.

By 1795 12 cottages had been constructed at York all of them near the Don. By 1800, the following significant buildings had been erected at the Town of York:

"Maryville Lodge", 1794 (north-east corner King and Ontario Sts.); the home of D.W. Smith, Surveyor-General, a well designed and elegant house surrounded by well-kept orchards and gardens;

"Berkeley House", 1794 (south-west corner, King and Berkeley); the home of Major John Small, a central log structure with two gable wings;

"Russell Abbey", 1796, (north-west corner, Princess and Front); the home built for the Hon. Peter Russell who, by 1796, following the departure of Simcoe, had become President or Administrator of Upper Canada.

The Parliament Buildings, 1796 (foot of Berkeley, east side overlooking the first seat of government for Ontario. These buildings led to the name "Parliament St." being applied originally to Berkeley St., and later to the road to Castle Frank, which still bears the name. The buildings were destroyed in the War of 1812.

By 1800 the population of the Town of York was 403, and the town was beginning to expand to the west. The foundation for the City of Toronto had been laid.

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Left: Some of the streets in the old Town of York are marked by distinctive street signs such as the one shown. Every so often someone wants to restore the Town of York as a tourist attraction. Unfortunately there is nothing left of the earliest buildings in this area. The closest "Town of York" building is the Bank of Upper Canada (1822) at the

north-east corner of Adelaide and George, which is badly in need of restoration. Right: Berkeley House, at the south-west corner of Berkeley and King. The central portion of the house was a log cabin, built in 1794, with wings added soon afterwards. This was the home of Major John Small.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday June 4

7 News is having a party and you're invited! It starts at 7:30 p.m. at Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach St. and will continue through until midnight. There will be music, a disc jockey, dancing, food, and drinks — and a guaranteed good time. The party will be preceded by a short general meeting.

A special free performance for the residents of St. Jamestown is being presented by the **Fiesta Filipina Dancers** today at 8:00 in the open area to the west of the shopping mall. The Fiesta Filipina Dance Troupe is a group formed ten years ago by residents of the complex to preserve their cultural music and dance. The troupe is made up of 30 dancers who perform their traditional dances at special community events.

Tuesday June 7

A meeting of **Don Mount Court tenants** is being held today at 7:30 p.m. in the Centre Tower to discuss general social conditions in Don Mount. The purpose of the meeting is to create a loose structure that will allow tenants to work "on a day-to-day basis in communication with our landlord and staff" and to "establish an active working committee that will represent us on the project site and elsewhere beyond the local area whenever necessary." For information, contact Peggy Reinhardt, 252 Don Mount Court, "G" Building.

The **Riverdale Intercultural Council** (formerly Riverdale Intercultural Committee), which was formed to promote intercultural understanding, and which periodically organizes multicultural open houses, exhibitions, festivals, and seminars, is holding a general meeting (open to all interested) at 7:30 today at 947 Queen St. E. For information call 465-1143 or 461-9676, or write to RICC, P.O. 281, Station G., Toronto.

A two-part **photography workshop** presented by the St. Jamestown YMCA is being held today and June 14. The workshops are being held to help participants develop and expand their knowledge of basic photographic technique and composition. Today's session will be held in the lounge of the YMCA Health Club in the sub-basement of the Ottawa building.



Photo by Cherry Hassard

Whirling away at the Hillbilly-Chili Chowdown at Sprucecourt School.

Wednesday June 8

A **community get-together** is being held at the Regent Park United Church at 40 Oak St. (near Parliament) today from 7 to 9 p.m. It will feature information booths, refreshments, free baby sitting. All Regent Park agencies and agencies serving Regent Park are welcome. Learn about summer recreation, service agencies, meet your neighbours. For more information call Mr. Torrens, 863-1768 or Lynn Bissell 923-6692, ext. 298.

FODARRA, the Federation of Don Area Residents and Residents' Associations, will be holding the second of its quarterly area-wide **community forums** today, instead of on June 4 as originally announced. The meeting will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the basement meeting room at 155 Sherbourne St. (just south of Shuter St.) Any resident of Ward 7 can attend and bring with him/her problems or issues they feel will be of interest to the entire Don area.

Saturday June 11

St. Paul's Centre, 121 Avenue Rd. (one block south of Davenport, east side of Avenue Rd. at Webster) is presenting its "**June Festival**" today from noon to 5 p.m. Featured are a bazaar, puppets, films, playground, clowns, an outdoor cafe, tai chi demonstrations and more. Day care is provided; admission is 50¢ for adults and 25¢ for children. There will be additional night time activities featuring a variety of performance and dance, starting at 8 p.m., for which admission is \$2.00.

Monday June 13

There will be a meeting of the parallel use committee of **Eastdale Collegiate** today at 8:00 p.m. in the staff room. Representatives from organized community groups are invited to attend to discuss the use of space in the building.

Wednesday June 15

An annual **lead clinic** will be held at Bruce School on Larchmount Ave. today from 3:30 to 8:30 p.m., sponsored by the Department of Public Health. Preschool children and pregnant mothers are especially urged to attend. Call Miss Weichel, 465-2496 at Riverdale Public Health for more information.

Thursday June 16

A meeting to discuss **renovations** to the Parliament Street Library is being held today at 7:30 at the library. All welcome.

The African National Congress is sponsoring a **mass rally** between 4:00 and 8:30 p.m. in Nathan Phillips Square (City Hall) today, to honour the dead fighting for freedom in South Africa against the racist regime.

The Don District Community Services Group is meeting at All Saints Church at 10 a.m. For more information call the Neighbourhood Information Post 924-2543.

There will be a public meeting of French-speaking ratepayers in the City of Toronto today to elect six people to form a French language advisory committee. The committee would make recommendations to the Toronto Board of Education with respect to ways and means of meeting the educational and cultural needs of French-speaking pupils in Toronto. The meeting is at Bickford Park High School, 777 Bloor St. W. (near Christie Subway), at 7:30 p.m.

General

Summer **fitness programs** are here at last: The Salvation Army's Regent Park Fitness Centre now features individualized summer programs as well as rhythmic, calisthenic classes and jogging clubs. Call 864-9364.

Assistance for **immigrant women** is available at the Immigrant Women's Centre, 24 Major St., phone 924-7161. The centre's program includes birth control information and referral; information on pap test and breast self examination, family counselling, drop-in facilities, and presentation of birth control programs to community groups and agencies with slide shows and pamphlets in Portuguese, Spanish, Italian and English.

NEWS BRIEFS

Computer Ombudsman Service Set Up

If you're fighting a losing battle with some computer, you now have someone to turn to to help solve your problem. A computer ombudsman has been set up by The Consumer Association of Canada and the Canadian Information Processing Society, which is geared to handle such problems as credit card billings, magazine subscriptions, wrong information on an individual in a databank, invoicing errors, misuse of mailing lists, invasion of privacy and any other

computer-related issues. The computer ombudsman is Jim Finch, who will be assisted by 14 volunteer caseworkers. He can be reached at 363-5458.

Riding Office Re-Opened

The Margaret Scrivener Advisory Centre at 296-C Gerrard St. E. has been re-opened after being closed for several months. The re-opening, coinciding with the calling of the current election campaign, came at the end of April. The office can be reached at 964-8663.

Regent Man to be Evicted

A Regent Park man is to be evicted by the Ontario Housing Corporation because his family has left him. Because his family has left, Douglas Doucette no longer qualifies for the three-bedroom apartment in Regent Park where he has lived for the past seven years.

He has requested transfer to a smaller apartment, but was told by OHC that he will have to leave and have his name put on a waiting list. Doucette's lawyer, Peter Harris, is trying to appeal the decision.

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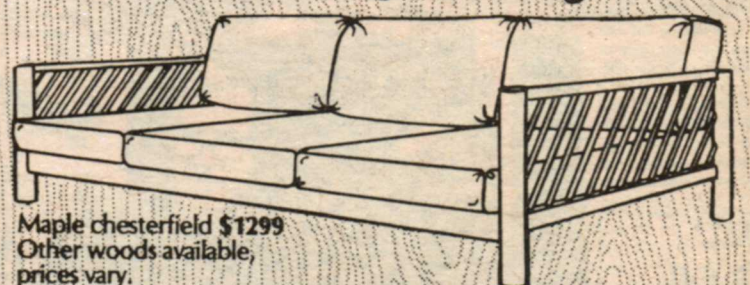
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Expressway to level 400 homes in wards 7 & 8

by LINDA TORNEY
Members of the Greater Riverdale Organization have been working throughout the summer to inform the community of a mass meeting to oppose the Scarborough Expressway. The meeting will be held at Monarch Park school on August 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Construction would be partly the "cut and cover" method used in the construction of the Yonge Street subway and partly an open, depressed highway.

The report states that 469 homes would be lost along the new route, and in response to a question from Alderman Fred Beavis, the

Expressway Committee is now holding a series of rallies to organize and expand the number of people who can be counted on as opposing an expressway through Riverdale. Translators for Greek, Italian and Chinese speaking residents are available at all the rallies, and volunteers are distributing multi-lingual leaflets in the community.

All of those who attend the rallies, and stop to meet August Meeting, end of Expressway

These remarks were made during the course of a meeting of the Metro Social Services and Housing Committee on September 24th, in response to a letter from the Don District Housing Committee which had been forwarded to the committee from the 11th the Toronto

Co-operative housing may

"Phonies, Parasites"

MARKS, MALETTE SLASH COMMUNITY GROUPS

by George Paul

Man June Marks says "the people of the Don District are not food in their stomachs, but over their heads and interested in being asked questions about what type of another school year."

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Bloor-Danforth bridge spans years as well as valley



D.C.T.V.'s Contract Guarantees Rights

by Valerie Ross

On a recent Thursday night, Phil Lind of Rogers' Cable Television signed a contract on the air with the Downtown Community Television

Apparently guided principle that any TV station, the C.R.T., revokes cable licenses programming. From a position insisted on community

St. Jamestown Swings

downtown, 30 per cent used cars, 10 per cent used TTC, and the agency. What

Woodgreen Centre offers ne

By FRANK BOSANAC
Woodgreen Community Centre, 835 Queen Street East has been a favourite "Pub Night" on Thursdays.

Questions for the City About Tree Removal

by Martti Walker

When I tell me why, are dead trees left standing in Toronto? Five trees are being cut. Well known that a diseased tree should be cut down and burnt. This is done because

Meridian fights cockroach problem in St. Jamestown

Meridian is making an all-out effort to get rid of cockroaches. A professional fumigating company has been notified. One problem reported by residents is that cockroaches are a fertile ground. Some of the residents are taking action. Meridian is taking action. Meridian is taking action. Meridian is taking action.

Don Vale Centre fights to survive

by ULLI DIEMER

The Don Vale Community Centre is fighting for its life. In the last month, the Centre has suffered two serious blows. Each one of them potentially fatal on its own.

Sewell and Jaffary reject ward council choose own advisers

by NORMAN G. BROWNE

The discussion about Sewell and Jaffary's advisory committees and the setting up of a Ward Council took up most of the meeting. This also angered John Sewell, who stated that the talk "bored" him and he found it "more exciting to

Council changes the rules

By TOM CORBETT

Developers are complaining that "red tape" is interfering with their construction projects. In an effort to meet their complaints, Mayor David Crombie announced on February 16 that he

planned with all city by-laws and standards. While the mayor feels "red tape" has unduly hampered development, there are many other reasons explaining Toronto's present construction lag. Most of the development in

7 Years of 7 News

The original impetus for 7 News sprang from the community activism that marked the late 1960's. The idea of having a local community newspaper that spoke for ordinary people, unlike the commercially-run dailies and weeklies, was widespread as citizen groups realized they would never get a fair hearing in the established press.

In Ward Seven, this idea came to fruition during and after John Sewell's successful aldermanic campaign in December 1969. After the election, several large-scale meetings were held which began planning for the paper. A core group eventually emerged, funds were raised, and, on May 29, 1970, the first issue of 7 News appeared.

It was distributed door-to-door by a network of volunteers, written by volunteers, put together by volunteers. The first issue, rather ironically, carried a letter of congratulations from Toronto Mayor William Dennison. Dennison, however, can hardly have been pleased when he saw the paper: it was sharply and decidedly

WARD 7

Like 7 News, Ward 7 itself is seven years old. Political ward boundaries were changed in 1969, and the areas east and west of the Don River, which had previously been part of separate wards, were joined together to form Ward 7. In some ways, the new ward, divided so decisively by the Don River, was an unnatural creation, and there have always been problems in trying to hold it together, in giving it a sense of

opposed to the Old Guard politics which Dennison, and the majority of City Council, stood for. Seven News while it called itself "non-political", was deeply involved in some of the major political issues which affected Ward Seven, such as "urban renewal", the battle between residents and the Meridian Corporation in South St. Jamestown, the struggles of the Riverdale Community Organ-

We get by with lots of help from

One of the most remarkable things about 7 News is the number of people who have contributed to making the paper what it is. Over the years, probably well over 1000 people have helped out the paper in one way or another, whether by delivering it door-to-door, writing for it, contributing money, attending meetings, or any one of the dozens of other tasks that are involved in putting a paper like 7 News together.

Every one of these people has added his or her contribution to 7 News: every one of them has a share in the paper, its past, and its future.

7 News tries to show its gratitude to its volunteers in various ways; but for the most part they work away, issue after issue, with little or no recognition, with just the satisfaction of knowing that the

paper couldn't exist without their collective efforts.

Some of these volunteers have been helping the paper faithfully for a long time: some of them were here before the present paid staff was.

For example, Ralph Cunningham, who has been mailing out subscriptions (and promptly) since the earliest days of Seven News.

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CHERRY BEACH THREATENED

People who have been down to Cherry Beach recently know the changes that are taking place there. The roadway leading into the beach has been

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Commission (who leases it to the City) has plans to do away with the Beach. And there seem to be no obstacles to their taking it away from the public. But despite the gouging and chopping that has been going on, Cherry Beach is still unspoiled. It is wide-open and wind-swept; the view of the lake and its sailboats is spectacular;

Seven News Photo: Charlotte Sykes

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Regent Park tenants receive the first installment of a cheque to help manage the buildings. Pictured on the left is Janet Ross (President).

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tors. General meetings, however, remain the final source of authority on the paper, and anyone who lives or works in Ward 7 is entitled to attend them and vote.

Because of its nature as a community service rather than a business, 7 News has had trouble becoming financially self-supporting. (For example, advertising is limited to 40% of the space in the paper.) In the last six months, however, faced with the realization that government funding will no longer be available after this summer to groups such as 7 News, 7 News has made a determined effort to make itself financially independent. Expenses have been cut, circulation upped substantially (it is now up to 25,000), and advertising has increased correspondingly.

The paper has also turned to the community for support through its "supporting members" drive. This, too, has been successful. If the response from the community to what the paper is doing is any indication, then we've got at least another 7 years ahead of us!

in 7 News, issue after issue.

Or Rev. Goring, who has been delivering our paper on Bowden Ave. for years as well. Or Kate Stevens, our ever-reliable distributor on Sackville. (She does the lower half; equally-reliable John Piper, who has supported the paper for years in many different ways, does the upper half.) Or the Taggarts, who have done everything imaginable for the paper, from donating prizes for our lotteries to delivering papers minutes after they get the bundle.

All these people, and so many others who should be mentioned, have been carrying 7 News on their shoulders for years, together with the Board of Directors and the small paid staff.

If you'd like to share the load by helping out in any way at all, please give us a call at 920-8632.

Cressy tops pons Barr defeats Barr

by NORMAN G. BROWNE

Despite fears and doubts in many parts, John Sewell and Karl Jaffary won the Aldermanic elections in Ward Seven with comparative ease. As far back as late spring of this

Hey, Mom!

by CATHERINE VERRALL

Spring is a time for wonder. If we help little children look and wonder at nature's changing life, we'll give them an endless gift of joy. So let's co-operate with that life-power. Let's grow things! (And remember every green blade manufactures

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ELECTION TRUTHS: One Don Vale resident is working as a full-time paid worker for Tony O'Donohue and at the same time doing volunteer canvassing for Karl Jaffary. Someone tipped off the CBC that buildings in St.

Wood Green Magic

by Norm Craven

Response to quotation from Chairman Mallette

CONFRONTATION AT CITY HALL

Mayor Dennison's office "occupied"

For the first time in its history, Mayor William Dennison's office in City Hall was "occupied" by demonstrators, as 150 people, mostly welfare recipients, from across Canada used the tactic to force a showdown with the Metro Social Services and the Metro Committee on Thursday. The invasion of the Mayor's office was part of a demonstration by the Society Movement's Rights office at 392 Gerrard St. E. that they might want to convey this information because "we

NEW PLAN FOR OLD ZOO

By Pat King

zoo moves to Scarborough in 1973, a small "vest pocket" zoo be maintained on the crest of Riverdale Zoo site. The remainder of the parkland, it was nature of this z nursery or hold "animal farm" be such an comple it's

I went to the battle of Blecker Street

by ELAINE BARRIE

When I came to 45 Blecker Street I saw a lady being kicked and pushed by the police. A lady asked me if I would bring some belongings around her house. I went with her and a police and pushed me. I saw two boys bleeding on the ground. One up to a head, "we d



Board approves Greek courses

by DOUG BARR and GORD CRESSY

There appears to be a great deal of concern, confusion and understanding about proposals brought before the Toronto Board of Education by groups of parents at both Jackman and schools. In 1973, the Toronto Board may come to be known as "that the teaching of cultural subjects be included as a part of the school program. Efficient demand on was passed important aid th-

INJUNCTION OBTAINED

Seven News has obtained a Temporary injunction ordering Aldermanic Candidate Richard Kirkup, or anyone with his knowledge and consent, to refrain from distributing a facsimile of "7 News" in the Ward. On November 27, 1972 a motion will be argued before the Superior Court. We want to emphasize that this is a temporary injunction. Seven News is not a corporation.

Doran Don Vale president

At a general meeting held 3rd, Michael Doran was elected new president of the Don Association of Homeowners Residents.

In his acceptance speech Doran mentioned that there were three different groups representing the residents but they all have a collective. "They all live in Mr. Doran. They all want to make it a better place."



LAWRENCE "KID" LANGILLE

DACHI



St. George Riding: A fight to the finish

By TOM CORBETT

Margaret Campbell has held this riding for the Liberals since 1973. While she was one of three Liberals elected from 29 Metro ridings in 1975, many observers feel Campbell will be the only Toronto Liberal sitting in the next Legislature.

The other major parties, however, are running two strong candidates in an effort to unseat Toronto's most popular Liberal.



MARGARET CAMPBELL

Frank Vasilkioti, an investment dealer, is running for the Conservatives and Lukin Robinson, an urban planning economist, is carrying the torch for the New Democratic Party. Both were defeated by Campbell in 1975 but expect to do better this time around.

The vote in 1975 was Campbell with 10,677 ballots, Vasilkioti second with 8,305 followed by Robinson's 5,858 votes.

With a large number of rent-paying voters in St. George, tenant rights and rent controls are important issues in the riding.

Mrs. Campbell supports the Liberal platform of limiting rent increases to rises in the cost-of-living (now running at 7 per cent) or a maximum of 8 per cent, whichever figure is the lowest.

Vasilkioti also supports the Rent Review Act but may have some problems explaining the Conservative Government decision

to call this election over the Act.

While the Conservatives wanted an 8 per cent ceiling on rent hikes, the Liberals

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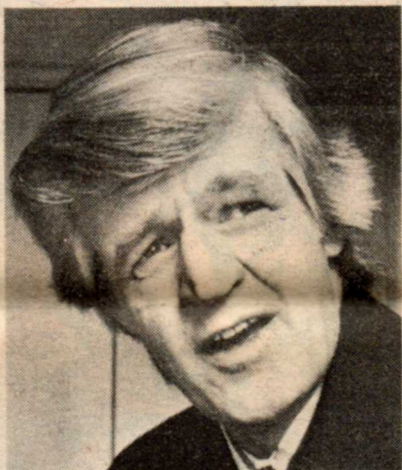
and NDP called for a lower ceiling. The Legislature's passage of a Liberal Rent Review amendment, with NDP support, prompted Davis to call the election. (The Conservatives have since said they will go along with the amendment though, even if they form a majority government.)

NDP candidate Lukin Robinson, says his party will continue rent controls until the housing crisis is resolved. Such a step may see controls extended beyond Conservative and Liberal proposals which would end rent controls in December 1978.

The NDP also wants the rent increase ceiling lowered to 6 per cent.

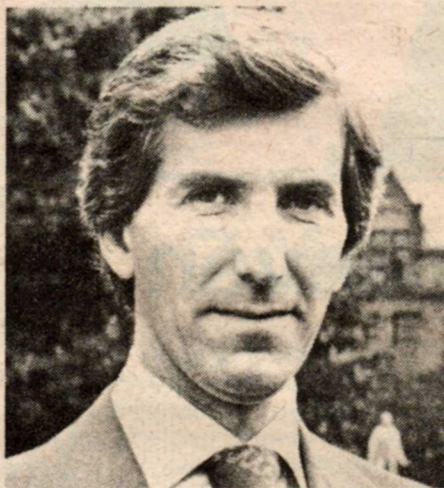
The NDP's strong stand on other tenant issues, such as tenant collective bargaining rights, has led to some problems in Robinson's campaign. Several weeks ago a St. Jamestown tenant was ordered to remove one of Robinson's election posters from her balcony by the building's management.

Mrs. Campbell is also known for her



LUKIN ROBINSON

stand on tenant's rights. Combined with her high-profile approach to politicking, she hope to defeat her opponents with a \$10,000 campaign budget. Robinson is planning to spend \$18,000 but both candidates are overshadowed by Vasilkioti's budget.



FRANK VASILKIOTI

The Conservative candidate spent \$56,000 last election and this time plans to spend around \$45,000 in his bid to win.

Another issue which many voters express an interest in is the question of national unity. Although the three major parties agreed at the beginning of the campaign to avoid this highly emotional issue, the Conservatives appear to be capitalizing on the topic.

Vasilkioti, who speaks fluent French, is taking a stand on national unity in much of his campaign literature. NDPer Robinson, also bilingual, disagrees with the way Vasilkioti is attempting to attract votes over this issue and said his feelings on national unity are just as strong.

"My mother's grandfather was Sir Oliver Mowatt, a father of Confederation. All parties have an equal concern and equal responsibility on this issue," Robinson said.

Robinson also feels voters in St. George should stop wasting their votes on third-party representation, in the form of Mrs. Campbell. With the NDP holding 14 of the 29 Toronto seats in the last Legislature, Robinson feels the NDP is the best party to

represent the interests of Torontonians.

Besides the three major party candidates in St. George, three other people are seeking resident's votes. Two of these, David Anderson and Donald Campbell are running as independents while the other, Leonard Weir, is a Communist Candidate.

Weir feels that of the parties seriously contesting this election, only one offers a specific point-by-point program, "formulated to reverse the economic crisis and put our thousands back to work. That party is the Communist Party."

The Communist Party calls for an economic development policy which would see profits from our natural resources returned to the Ontario government instead of going to U.S. and Canadian corporations.

The party also feels decent housing should be a right for all and calls for free tuition in post-secondary institutions.

Weir is a former member of the United Auto Workers at a General Motors plant and is currently a second-year history student at the University of Toronto.



LEONARD WEIR

Coverage of the candidates and issues of this election continues on pages 12 (Riverdale) and 13 (St. David).



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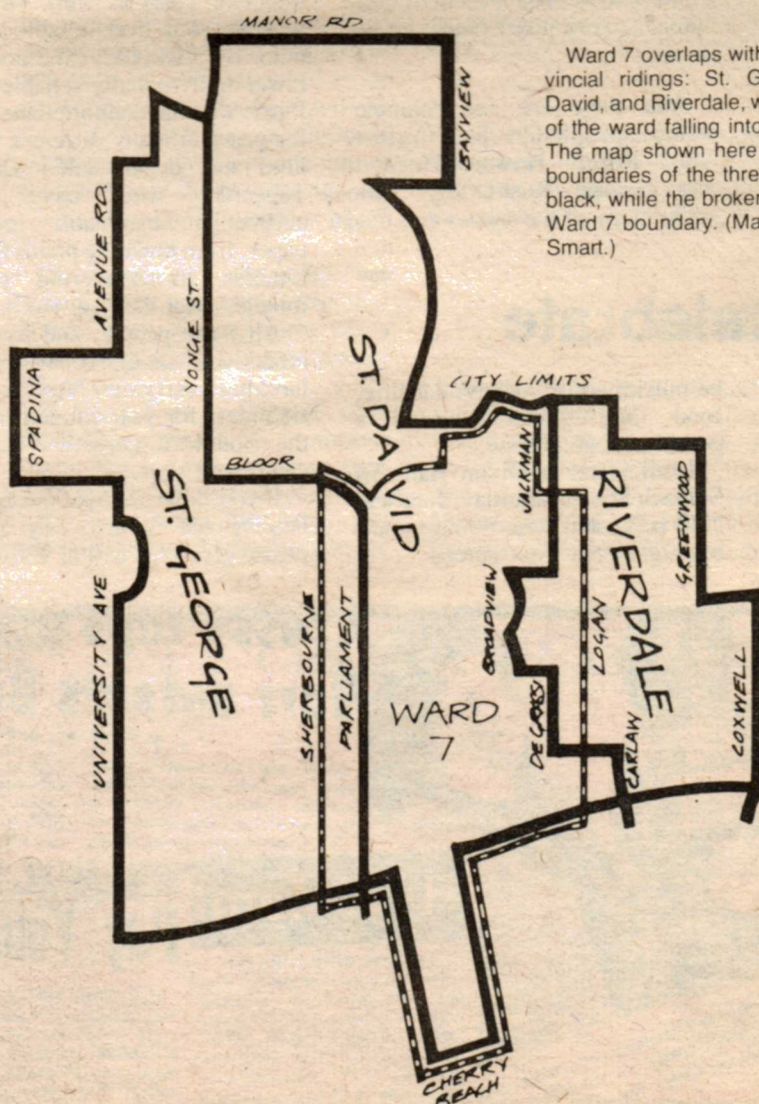
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Ward 7 overlaps with three provincial ridings: St. George, St. David, and Riverdale, with the bulk of the ward falling into St. David. The map shown here shows the boundaries of the three ridings in black, while the broken line is the Ward 7 boundary. (Map by Phillip Smart.)

St. Cyril's recommended as community centre

A survey of Regent Park residents and agency groups concludes that a Regent Park community centre is needed, and recommends Sts. Cyril and Method Church as the most likely location for such a centre.

The survey, commissioned by the Ontario Housing Corporation (OHC), and conducted by Peter Barnard Associates consisted of interviews of Regent Park residents, organizations and agencies about services they felt were needed in Regent Park and how they could be provided. Most respondents said they thought a community centre was needed.

The group seen as needing the centre most is the teenagers, but facilities and activities for all groups were recommended.

The estimated operating cost for the centre is seen as being in the range of \$100,000 to \$150,000 annually.

The study recommends that the centre be run by a board of directors consisting of residents,



Photo by Audrey Kitson

officials, and others, while it says that day-to-day operating should be the responsibility of the professional staff.

The report met with approval

from the Regent Park Community Improvement Association (RPCIA), which hopes that it will be acted on soon. Discussions about a possible centre have been

going on since the late 1960's.

"The Day the Sun Wouldn't" and Didn't

By FRANCES WATMAN

Children's theatre is alive if not exactly flourishing at the Colonnade Theatre, 131 Bloor Street West. The Day The Sun Wouldn't, produced by the Cyclos Theatre Company, is a provocatively titled musical for children that, despite an enthusiastic and professional cast, provides only so-so entertainment for the small set.

Why any contemporary playwright would write for children as if they are pre-media gnomes entranced exclusively by legends of kings and court jesters is beyond me. Tom O'Hanley's play The Day The Sun Wouldn't is populated by a proud leader-king, a court jester, a wizard, etc., all antiques in the real world of kids today. The theme of the play may appeal to the motherhood morality of adults ("We must all work together") but, judging from audience reaction — the average age of which was five years — that's not a revelation of interest or concern.

Briefly, the play concerns a proud Leader who must learn to work with his people rather than continue to rule as a benevolent autocrat. The sun refuses to shine on the country until the Leader learns this lesson. After much wandering in The Valley of Decision and being scared to death by assorted Black Spirits, Fires and a Phantom Oge, the Leader finds a

golden casket containing a medallion with a secret incomprehensible word on it. Only when the leader discovers the meaning of this word does the sun consent to shine again.

Given the limitations of a sometimes funny but often ragged script and wandering direction, the cast fares well. Verenne Glaser as the Leader's hausfrau wife is wonderful. Her transition from wifely servitude to the country's interim leader while her hubby is off learning humility is a scene-dominating delight. David Perlman as The Trickster who plots with Bill Colgate, the court Wizard, are entertaining and credible. Viken Vartanian, aided by some good scripting is the Leader who manages to evolve from a warmly self-enthralled egoist to a believably chastened nice-guy.

Despite an influx of eerie monster-like characters whose on stage presence perked the audience up considerably, and a good cast, The Day The Sun Wouldn't fell prey to a mediocre script.

The play continues through June when it will be replaced by another original — and hopefully more realistic — production for children.

For tickets and information call the box office at 922-0084.

OPINION

Low-cost housing becoming scarce

By MIKE SCHWAN

The South of Carlton Neighbourhood Plan, drawn up in co-operation with local residents and adopted by Toronto City Council in 1976, has as one of its major recommendations: "that a major supply of accommodation for low-to-moderate income households" be maintained. The plan has been successful in that it prevented the development of massive high-rises such as in St. Jamestown. BUT something else has happened!

Because the plan successfully prevented high-rise development, the neighbourhood has become a fairly secure place to live — with the result that many upper-middle income professional people have moved into the area and renovated houses have become the rage. The low income people in the area

have, to a large extent, been forced out of the area as the homes they rented were sold and renovated by the new owners.

Some low income housing has been maintained through City of Toronto Non-Profit Housing and a small-scale operation run by a non-profit organization but a lot of low income people have been displaced and more continue to be. Rooming houses and family housing for low income people in the area has decreased dramatically in the past 3 or 4 years.

And so the trend continues. Among the low income people still left in the area there seems to be a defeatist attitude. Some feel it's too late to do anything; some feel there's little that can be done and some just don't care.

Some things can be done —

pressure can be kept on the city to continue buying houses if there are enough interested and committed people; some non-profit organizations could be approached for funding.

I'd be interested in talking with anyone who has come across similar experiences that have been coped with successfully or who has some ideas on what sort of things could be tried.

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Unemployment central issue in Riverdale riding

By TOM CORBETT

Riverdale must be one of the most crowded ridings in Toronto with six candidates fighting for the area's 30,000 votes.

Besides representatives from the three major parties, a "Libertarian", Communist and a member of the Revolutionary Marxist Group have filed nomination papers in Riverdale.

Few people, however, including the other candidates, doubt that NDPer Jim Renwick will once again sweep the riding. Renwick, a lawyer, has topped the polls in the previous three elections by a



JIM RENWICK

healthy majority and has represented Riverdale in the Legislature since 1964.

His style of politicking, which includes knocking on every door, is being copied by candidates from the other major parties with varying degrees of success.

The Liberal candidate, Dennis Drainville, a former railway cook and now a university student, is

hampered by a late starting campaign and shortage of funds. He was only nominated in the riding three weeks ago and a large part of his campaign fund of around \$4,000 is self-financed.

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The Conservative candidate, Nola "Sam" Crewe, a photographer, appears to have plenty of money, \$20,000 compared to Renwick's \$10,000 campaign budget, but her campaign started long before the election was called and she is running out of doors to knock on.

All three candidates support their party policy on the major issues, with unemployment being the most important topic among the large number of low-income workers in Riverdale.

While all parties agree something must be done to solve the unemployment problem, their policies on the matter differ greatly.

The Conservatives feel that corporations should provide jobs and thus provide funds to this sector in hope unemployment will be solved. Unfortunately, past experience has proven that such policies are very expensive while failing to provide the number of jobs needed each year in Ontario to meet the growing work force.

The Liberal Party, represented by Dennis Drainville, feels tax dollars could be better spent by small businesses in providing necessary jobs. The Liberals

would give funds to small business because they contend this sector could provide new jobs for under \$5,000 each while large corporations require at least \$70,000 to create each new job.

New Democratic Party job policies, which Jim Renwick espouses, is to create employment by providing funds to the workers directly.

This would be accomplished by tax cuts to low and middle income groups to encourage them to spend more, thus increasing the demand for more jobs in manufacturing.

The NDP would also use the money a Liberal or Conservative government would give to businesses to create jobs which would directly benefit lower income groups. Two of their policies would see more non-profit housing construction and home care for the elderly by unemployed young people.



DENNIS DRAINVILLE

Besides the major party candidates, three other aspiring

politicians have chosen Riverdale to launch their careers.



NOLA "SAM" CREWE

Running for the 218-member "Ontario Libertarian Party" is Walter Belej, who believes the best government is no government. Their philosophy is summed up by the party's founder, Marilyn Haylock, who says, "We want small government. The government has no right to take money away from people and give it to causes it thinks are right."

The group would abolish government involvement in education, energy, welfare, taxation, medical care and most other areas as well.

On the opposite end of the political spectrum are two other candidates, Barry Weisleder and Gordon Massie.

Weisleder, who was expelled from the NDP in 1974 for his Waffish socialist views, is seeking election under the Revolutionary Marxist banner.

Weisleder's views are in some ways quite similar to those of the Communist candidate for Riverdale, Gordon Massie. Both believe

the working class of Ontario deserve a better deal and support more government control over large corporations.

Although Weisleder's platform is quite sparse, the Communist candidate, Massie, supports the far ranging party goals of a new economic order for the province.

The Communist Party would bring all natural resources and energy supplies under public ownership so that the population as a whole, instead of just large corporations, would benefit from resource exploitation.

Both Massie and Weisleder, however, feel that the cost of government services should be borne by the corporate sector instead of coming out of the worker's pockets.



BARRY WEISLEDER

For more election coverage, see page 10 (St. George) and page 13 (St. David).

KIDS STUFF

Learning about drawing and why whales die

The kids at Withrow Public School, with the help of local artist Fred Franzen, designed and produced a "communications graphic" in the building's main stairwell. Here is an article written by three of the kids who worked on the graphic.

By ROMAN DOENCH,
KENNY MARK and
DONALD KWAN

Six weeks ago Fred Franzen the artist came back to Withrow School with another dream. At first it was confusing to us but then the students began to understand the idea of painting the wall of the school stairs. At first we had a brainstorming session to get ideas from the kids so we could pick a theme to paint on the wall. After the brainstorming, the kids started to rip words out about the theme on the mural paper. Some of the grade six kids did a scale drawing of the staircase to be painted.

After we finished ripping out words, the students taped up the words about the theme. Then Fred picked some students to start painting over the letters. Some words were in different languages such as Chinese, Ukrainian, Greek and German. Then we started to get magazines and tear out pictures that described the words written on the wall. Students used glue to fasten the pictures to the wall.

On Saturday, Fred and the teachers Ted Hawker and Owen Masters and a gang of kids worked all day on the wall pasting pictures and painting. Finally, after six weeks with two minutes left, "the holy moment" was finished by a pink haired Roman and a green Kenny.

We had a lot of fun and kids from kindergarten to grade six and even the teachers learned a lot from working together, as well as about art.

The March Monster

By Alistair Jones

Age 8

Once upon a time there was a March Monster. He was a kind monster. But all the kids were running away from him. He got sad. He tried to play with the kids on the slide but the slide went CRASH! BANG! and the kids ran home very fast. He began to cry, he was so big that when he cried a flood came. The whole town was flooded.

"Someone has got to do something to stop the flood."

The monster could.

"What's he doing?" said a boy. "Look, he is taking his vacuum to suck up the water. Hurray for the March Monster."

Now the March Monster was happy again. The monster smiled at people. Then he went home. On the way he saw a little boy crying.

"Why are you crying?" asked the monster.

"I am crying because I am lost."

"Well, where do you live?"

"I forgot."

"Why do you forget where you live?"

"I do not know."

"I can take you home but you haven't looked at me since I met you."

He looked at the March Monster. When he saw the March Monster he got scared and ran away. Every kid in town is running away from a hero. The March Monster thought to himself, "Everybody who doesn't know who I am is afraid of me. It's because I look scary." The March Monster got an idea. He is going to make a mask to put on his face. "Will it work?" the March Monster thought.

"Well, it's finished," said the March Monster. he put the mask on. "Who turned out the lights?" When he took off the mask,

the lights were all on. "I forgot to cut out the eyes. Now I need a costume."

When the March Monster finished the costume he put it on with the mask. "Here comes someone. Let's see if my disguise works," said the monster.

"Who are you?" asked the guy who was coming.

"It works! It works!"

"What works?"

"This costume and mask," said the monster.

"Oh," said the man, "are you the one who put out the flood two hours ago?"

"Yup," said the monster.

"Well, everyone in this town knows about you, the hero," said the man.

"I did not even know," said the monster.

"Now nobody is afraid of you," said the man.

"Yippy!" said the monster. "Now I will live happily ever after."

Left-Over Pollution

By Tony Ng

Age 9

Man is now destroying his own land. He is polluting the water, air and land. Millions of fish died because of our carelessness.

Lake Erie is being polluted by trucks dumping their loads of garbage into it. Now Lake Erie is a dead lake.

Now what is important about Lake Erie is it is one of the five Great Lakes. The other four are Lake Huron, Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, and Lake Ontario which is our lake.

It will be like Lake Erie if we don't help clean it up.

Left-over pollution means: after it has been polluted. The air has been pretty choking lately, so don't pollute or there will be nothing left.



On May 10, the Greenpeace Foundation visited ALPHA School. The following are some of the children's comments about that visit and about the movies on seal and whale hunting which they viewed.

By ARIEL

Greenpeace came. We watched two films. Bad people killed whales. Good people saved whales. The other film was about seals. The same thing with the seals. Why harm them when they don't harm us? If we keep on killing them there won't be any left.

By EMILY CUNNINGHAM

Today I was watching a movie about seals and I hated the part when they killed the baby seals. I think they shouldn't kill baby seals.

By SARAH MONTGOMERY

Yesterday a man from Greenpeace showed movies about seals and whales. They are going to become extinct if we still keep killing them for fur and perfume.

By EISSA

A man from Greenpeace came to ALPHA and showed us some movies. They were about whales and seals. The seals were getting killed. I couldn't stand that one. I went out.

St. David Riding: A close two-way race

By TOM CORBETT

Conservative Treasury Minister Margaret Scrivener seems to be in trouble in St. David but doesn't appear to be able to do much about it.

Since she was first elected to the legislature in 1971, Scrivener has alienated many of her fellow Conservatives and now may be turning the voters to the fast moving, quick talking New Democrat, Gordon Cressy.

Quite a few of her constituents in St. David are critical of Mrs. Scrivener's attitude toward all-candidate meetings, among other things, in her riding. She invariably shows up at such gatherings about 15 minutes late, but usually later, and then proceeds to announce she can only stay for about 15 minutes. In this way she manages to avoid hard questioning while spending most of her time attacking the NDP, a stance which even Premier Davis has criticized. She then times her noisy exit so as to avoid a debate with the more articulate Cressy of the New Democrats.

To be fair to Mrs. Scrivener though, at least she does show up at some all-candidate meetings. The Liberal hopeful, Bob McClelland, usually doesn't even show. Many voters, in fact, are beginning to wonder if McClelland really exists.

Campaign signs for McClelland, a food marketing executive, are almost non-existent in the riding. Also, most of his campaign literature consists of standardized freebies supplied by the Liberal Party.

Mr. McClelland defends his low profile by explaining he was only nominated on May 18 and his campaign never started rolling until a week later.

(The Liberals had a hard time getting a candidate to run in St. David and finally persuaded McClelland to take the job after several other people, including Cressy, refused the offer.)

McClelland said he doesn't attend all-candidate meetings because he is seldom asked and besides, he's been told of Scrivener's tactics and sees a debate without all the candidates as futile.

Instead, he spends all of his time knocking on doors and trying to get along on his \$7,000 campaign budget. "We are running a very tight ship, just a bare bones deal," he says.

McClelland feels a campaign should be kept small but admits his lack of funds might contribute to this line of reasoning.

The Liberal hopeful has been involved in executive posts in the food business for over a decade and looks upon his experience as helpful in keeping food costs down.

While McClelland is quickly trying to catch up with Scrivener and Cressy, most people see St. David as a two way race between the New Democrats and Conservatives.

Cressy, former Toronto Board of Education chairman, has been actively campaigning in St. David since his nomination on March 9. With a campaign budget of \$20,000, combined with a small army of canvassers, Cressy is given an excellent chance of capturing the riding.

Scrivener, although her election budget is twice the size of Cressy's, has been unable to muster the same number of campaign workers to spread her message about the "threat of socialism."

Although Cressy can rattle off the New Democratic platform with easy conviction, Scrivener appears flustered when trying to defend Conservative policies. Instead she invariably lashes out that an NDP victory in Ontario would see all bible prophecies fulfilled in our lifetime.

She talks of the need for a strong Progressive Conservative Government to keep the economy of Ontario booming. She points to the trip Premier Davis took to

New York earlier this month to visit Ontario's bankers and pressure them about "the threat of socialism here."

Cressy is quick to argue this point and produces clippings from newspapers which quote New York bankers as saying New Democrat victory in Ontario wouldn't bother them at all.

Scrivener is not to be outdone in her attack on the NDP and lists statistics showing that Ontario is the most progressive and prosperous province in Canada.

Then she tells how the policies of the short-lived NDP government in British Columbia damaged that province's economy.

At the same time, she avoids mentioning NDP-run Manitoba. That province has one of the lowest unemployment rates in Canada, lower than Ontario's and also boasts one of the fastest growing economies.

She also avoids mention of the economic problems experienced by the Conservative governments in New Brunswick and Newfoundland.

Cressy, meanwhile, says he is not concerned about problems or successes in other provinces. He says his main concern is the lack of jobs in St. David and other problems in the area, which he blames on the leadership of Mrs. Scrivener.

Pointing to the Conservative minister's campaign signs which read "doing more for us," Cressy says they should really read, "doing more to you."

He feels the Conservatives, who have been in power for 34 years, are out of touch with the ordinary voter. The time is now, he says, to choose an NDP government who will work "with the electorate" instead of against them.

Cressy notes that one problem the Conservatives have failed to overcome is the high unemployment rate in Ontario. The Conservatives have promised 100,000 jobs a year but Cressy says this figure will not even keep up with the number of new people entering the job market.

This he says, will cause unemployment to rise even more, resulting in higher taxes for the more affluent members of the constituency.

An NDP government, he promises, will put the unemployed to work through work schemes and tax cuts which would raise consumer spending and thus increase manufacturing jobs.

Mrs. Scrivener doesn't buy the NDP job creation program and feels voters in Ontario must ensure that the province continue along the road to prosperity by returning a Conservative government, "with a strong majority."

Scrivener doesn't deny that minority government was working well before the election was called, but argues that the election was necessary to return a Conservative majority.

On the opposite end of the spectrum is the St. David Communist candidate, Shane Parkhill. While he stands on the party platform of nationalizing our resources, he is also one of the few candidates in Toronto to speak on city issues.

Parkhill wants land held by speculators in the city to be bought from them, at acquisition price, and used for housing which people can afford. This new housing boom would also boost the sagging construction industry he says.

The Communist candidate also wants the province to take over the costs of transportation, welfare and education which the city is now billed for. Instead of taxing local home-owners to death for these services, Parkhill wants the corporations to foot the bill.

Although Parkhill admits he stands no chance of winning this election, he believes his stand on issues will bring forward points the other parties are ignoring.



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The following is the list of supporting members to date. If we have inadvertently misspelled your name, or left it off the list entirely, please accept our apologies (and please let us know).

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Only Ontario New Democrats would maintain real rent controls.

Conservative and Liberal proposals in the Rent Review Act would end rent controls in December 1978.

Two years ago rent increases of 20 to 30% were common. During the 1975 election, tenant pressure and a strong NDP campaign forced the government to bring in rent control.

As Provincial Treasurer Darcy McKeough told

the Ontario Real Estate Board recently:

"We are not going to be bullied into a permanent rent control program... that's a commitment."

In plain language — **no rent controls.**

New Democrats would continue rent controls until the housing crisis is solved. The NDP wants housing built at prices people can afford.

Vote for strong rent control for St. George tenants as long as controls are needed.

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At Harbourfront next week

Philippine cultural show in Toronto

If you wish to discover and share in a fantastic entertainment for the entire family accept Harbourfront's cordial invitation to the Philippine Cultural Show Saturday June 11 and Sunday June 12. Join in this unique celebration of Philippine Independence Day created for Torontonians and dedicated to the Filipino-Canadian community.

Following a motorcade from City Hall, the opening ceremonies will take place near the waterfront with the reenactment of an ancient rite called Halaran, or offering. The partakers will also celebrate Ati-Atihan, a pre-colonization religious practice which celebrates the victory of Christianity over paganism.

There will be posters of points of interest around the islands, a fashion show, folkdancing, and music, as well as displays of musical instruments, educational information and works by Filipino artists. Collections of shells, crafts, jewellery, and clothing will be displayed in the Ice House. A taste of Filipino delicacies will be sold in the food booth.

Onlookers are encouraged to participate in the costume and performance competitions, and there will be a raffle and a disco Saturday at 8:30 pm.

This is a cultural attraction which is not to be missed. Contact Merle Decampo or call Harbourfront for more information.



How was your childhood?

Remember when you were a child, that time filled with discovery, pleasure, understanding and love? Or was it different perhaps, was it filled with fear and loneliness, a time of insecurity, of unanswered questions?

Also today there are many children who are unhappy, lonely, insecure, and many of these young people think they can escape their problems by using the contents of a brown paper bag.

It is painful to see these kids hurt themselves even more with these noxious chemicals.

Often seeing them causes us pain too so that we want to ban them out of our lives, send them away from our property blaming them for adding to the difficulties of their and

our lives.

Still, even if we don't want to see the harm they do to themselves, these kids will continue to try to escape their inner hurt. Possibly interpreting your anger as proof that they are "no good".

Please, next time change your approach, reach out, try to make a friend, help them to discover that they do have something to offer us and themselves. Recognize their fear in their use of swear words.

Why?

Because behind every brown bag there is a frightened child, a human being who wants to be close to others, wants to be loved.

A child who is afraid like you were not too long ago.

Ria Harting

Re-cycling depot set up for Ward 7 and area

A valiant effort has been launched in our area to put the 2 million tons of garbage Toronto generates each year to some use. At the same time it may help to clean up our cluttered streets and clear the smelly air.

The Toronto Recycling Action Committee, a special committee of City Council has chosen a site beside Winchester Public School on the corner of Winchester and Rose as a new recycling depot.

Each person on the average contributes five pounds of garbage a day. It costs the taxpayer over \$25 a year per person to cart away the

mess.

Now when you throw out your tins and bottles you'll know that they will again be put to good use. It's easy to do your bit to save our natural resources and our environment.

Here's how you do it:

First, separate bottles by colour — clear, green, and brown (blue glass cannot be recycled). Remove labels only if they are metallic. Then remove all plastic and metal neck rings and lids.

All cans can be recycled: remove paper labels, rinse, and flatten. (Do not include aluminum foil and plates.)

And then, chuck the whole mess in the depot and let the recyclers do the rest. And, of yes, bundle up your newspapers for the weekly Wednesday recycling pick-up. (But hang on to your copies of 7 News — some day they may be valuable.)

CORRECTION

The phone number for the Broadview YMCA is 461-8123. It was given incorrectly in the Wild Roots advertisement in the last issue.

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Q: What have you done about energy conservation?

A: "This is an area where I, personally, have taken action. As Minister of Government Services I saw that lights were turned off and heat turned down in government buildings. I also investigated the use of solar heating in the design of new public buildings. More recently, as Minister of Revenue, I introduced a bill to remove retail sales tax on energy conservation materials such as thermal insulation."

Q: What's going to happen to rent review after July 31?

A: "Since our original rent review program proved so successful, the legislation with amendments will be extended to December 31, 1978."

Q: People are concerned about quality of education...

A: "I share their concern, and have been working with a committee of teachers on the development of recommendations to the province, outlining how it may best assist local boards of education to improve their teaching programs and school standards."

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Q: What have you done for St. David?

A: "I've stayed in constant touch with the people of St. David. Every day, your calls and letters come to my office; each one receives my personal attention."

"I've supported the people of Regent Park. I fought for the Cabbagetown Boys' Boxing Club. I've gone on record opposing the noise pollution from the C.P.R. Main Line. As well, I've assisted cultural groups, senior citizen homes and community and ratepayers groups. The people of St. David have always been my Number One priority."

"I would like to continue as your representative at Queen's Park and would ask for your support on June 9 election day."

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