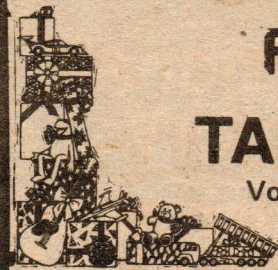


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Alderman's Report; the term begins

David Reville
Joanne Campbell

This is the first of what we hope will be a regular series of reports from City Hall over the next 3 years, reports in which we, jointly or individually, will talk about what's happening in the ward and at City Hall.

We think it especially appropriate that our first report appears just as our community newspaper is getting ready to launch an impressive re-building campaign. It's appropriate because 7 News has been one of the key institutions in our community, not only because of the way it's been organized but also because, for over 10 years, it

has complemented, encouraged and monitored the development of a new kind of politics in the city — the politics of citizen participation and neighbourhood protection. We want to commit ourselves, at the outset, to helping 7 News continue that role into its second decade.

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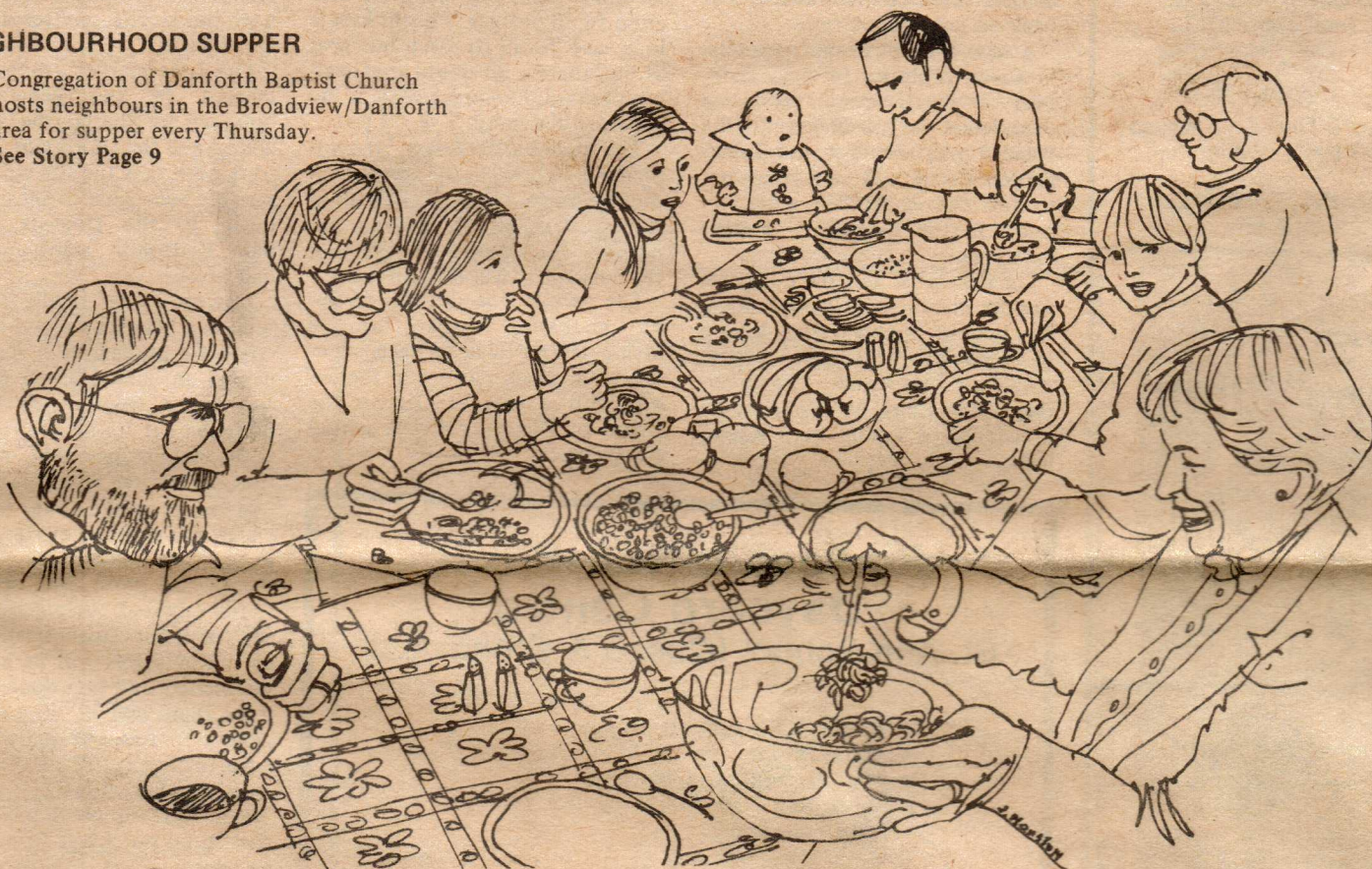
the Inaugural Meeting of Council, the Mayor has recited his 18-page "Speech from the Throne", and the boxes and filing cabinets have been shuffled around on Alderman's Alley. Council is sorting itself out — committees and committee chairmanships, boards and commissions, the Executive, the Executive sub-committees. When

the three standing committees of Council meet for the first time in the week of December 13th, Joanne will be representing Ward 7 on the Land Use Committee and David will sit on the Neighbourhoods and City Services Committees. In the same week the Metro committees will be selected; Joanne is hoping to serve on the Community Services and Housing Committee.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPER

Congregation of Danforth Baptist Church hosts neighbours in the Broadview/Danforth area for supper every Thursday. See Story Page 9



No room at the inn

By Jeff

First of all, I'd like to point out that in the community today there are people trying to help the poor of Toronto. One group I belong to is Self Help On Skid Row, (SOS).

We are six people who belong to a community trying to get in a request for low rental, long term housing for the poor people in and across Toronto. We feel that our persistence in this matter will bring fourth better living conditions for all.

Every year the job of looking and finding a place to live is becoming increasingly hard. Such alternatives are sleeping in parks and abandoned houses. That is OK in the summer, but how about the winter? It is awful cold out there at night, but there are such places as the Seaton House, All Saints Church and the Salvation Army. There are more places than what is stated above, but what about when all of these places run out of space? These are not permanent places to live or stay. After these places run out of space there are no places to go but the street if you don't have funds to get into a permanent place.

Every year people, especially men on Skid Road freeze to death unnecessarily. This is one of the many things we would like to prevent.

One of the most richest countries in the world is Canada. Most people in Canada are lucky, but what about the poor? The ones who have nothing.

In the past year more houses are being shut up, boarded up or torn down. These houses could be fixed up and be made into cheap housing for the poor.

With more and more people unemployed and rents going up to ridiculous heights—what will happen to poor people next?

SOS is aware of all these problems and we are going to try our best to accomplish all we can to make these unnecessary problems a thing of the past.

Rent increases break down high rise isolation (sic)

By Howard Huggett

The Rosedale East Tenants' Association successfully made its first public appearance in the auditorium of Parkview Collegiate on Friday, December 10th. This group represents the tenants in the high-rise apartments on Cambridge Avenue which overlook the Don Valley Parkway just north of the Bloor Viaduct. The buildings, like many others in Metro Toronto, were recently sold by Cadillac-Fairview in a mammoth transaction that featured a rapid sequence of "flips", leaving some 11,000 apartment units in the hands of new owners who have not yet been identified. The new landlords, in spite of their liking for secrecy, have not hesitated to let it be known that they want substantial rent increases.

The Rosedale East Tenants' Association has not been wasting time. The Cadillac sale was registered on November 5th, but this group started organizing about three months ago, setting up a

steering committee of 23 people that has been able to organize about 65-70 per cent of the tenants. Now they were ready to elect a board of governors and that was the first item of business in the meeting. Allan Wilson chaired. Twelve members of the steering committee were willing to stand and a thirteenth was nominated from the floor. The meeting settled for this, although the objective of the organization was to have a board of seventeen. The officers of the association are now: Fred Langan, Rod Scott, Marilyn Russell, Richard O'Connell, Allan Wilson, Pat Scott, Maeve O'Sullivan, Neil Cochrane, Janice Frey, John Miklosic, Kate Starkey, David Henteleff and John Graves, with the last named being the nominee from the floor; the incoming board will draw up a constitution under which to operate, as recommended by the steering committee.

With the business over the meet-

ing listened to quite a succession of speakers, and the length of the list attests to the fact that the issue of tenants' rights has become a very important one. The two aldermen for Ward Seven, Joanne Campbell and David Reville, were there, but then they have been involved with the Rosedale East Tenants' Association from the beginning, having offered their help and advice at the initial meeting. They were there on Friday to emphasize the necessity for a strong tenants' organization. David Peterson, the Ontario Liberal leader, represented his party and Lynn McDonald, the federal MP for Broadview-Greenwood, was there for the NDP. All the speakers from the opposition parties pointed to the desperate shortage of affordable housing as a crucial factor in the present rental crisis. Both Peterson and McDonald asked for a thorough investigation into the Cadillac-Fairview transaction, and McDonald suggested a

speculation tax on such re-sales.

The Conservative Party was represented by Margaret Scrivener, MPP for St. David. Her appearance at a meeting of this kind is an occasion worth noting because Mrs. Scrivener is not seen that often at public meetings. She began her talk by making the point that problems such as the apartment sales and rent increases could turn out to be a good thing, because it had broken down the isolation so common in high-rise living and brought the tenants together! Mrs. Scrivener went on to refer to the statement made by Consumer and Commercial Relations Minister Robert Elgie that he was bringing in new legislation to spread the cost of re-financing sales such as the Cadillac one over five years, rather than three. This legislation is supposed to ensure that resulting rent increases will not exceed 5 per cent.

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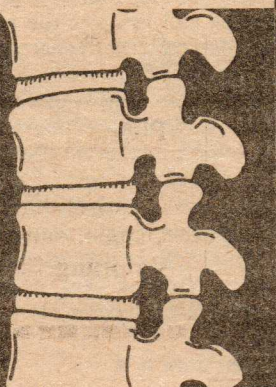
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Where do you shop for your groceries? Like many residents in Ward 7, you probably face a limited number of choices, especially if you don't own a car. In many areas, the neighbourhood supermarkets have closed down or cut back on services.

A new concept in supermarkets, however, promises to make shopping a much more rewarding experience for residents in the Ward 7 area. The Toronto Supermarket Co-op will be a consumer owned and controlled store, located in the Donvale - Regent Park area.

On December 1st, the co-op began its membership pledge drive. The goal of the organizing drive is to have 2,000 membership pledges signed by mid-March. A membership pledge may be signed by an individual, a family or a household.

With the drive still only several weeks old, the initial public response has been "overwhelming" according to organizers. "In just three days", noted the co-op's president, Jonathan Rudin, "we received over 250 inquiries and close to 50 pledges. We still have a long way to go to reach our goal - but there's no doubt that people in Ward 7 are interested in the supermarket co-op."

The supermarket co-op, which is planned to open in the spring, will look and operate much like other stores - except for one very important difference. At the co-op, the consumers will call the shots.

The people who join the co-op, by purchasing a share, are its members and owners. Each member is an equal partner in the co-op, with a vote in electing the Board of Directors and in setting co-op policy.

The Toronto Supermarket Co-op will start by offering a standard 10,000 sq. ft. warehouse-style supermarket, with a variety of food essentials and many other popular items. As the co-op grows, the members will decide how the store's services might be expanded.

The supermarket co-op will be located in the general area bounded by Sherbourne, Carlton, Queen and the Don Valley. Organizers note that the site will be reasonably accessible to most people living in the Donvale, Regent Park, Carlton St. south and Riverdale areas.

Any individual, family or household can become a member of the co-op by purchasing a share, and paying an annual \$5.00 membership fee. A share in the Toronto Supermarket Co-op will cost \$50 with various payment plans so that anyone can afford to join.

Members of the co-op will receive all the benefits of shopping in their own non-profit grocery store. The store will have consumer-oriented customer services, such as a fair cheque-cashing policy. Food prices will be kept at a reasonable and competitive level, since there will be no outside investors pulling out extra profits. Also, once every 12 to 24 months, each member will receive a special rebate that equals 2 per cent of their total purchases from the co-op during that period. (In between rebate times, the money serves as a "member loan" to help keep the co-op financially sound.)

If a person decides to end his/her membership, and gives the required notice, the \$50 share will be purchased back by the co-op, and the 2 per cent rebate total, to that date, will be refunded.

While this project is the first of its kind in Toronto, supermarket co-ops are already major success stories in many other parts of the country.

In nearby Oshawa, a supermarket co-op launched in the early seventies is now serving almost 1,800 families. In the western provinces, several hundred large co-op retailers have been flourishing for years, while in Atlantic Canada supermarket co-ops are serving over 30,000 families.

As the organizers of the membership drive have noted, enthusiasm alone will not open the doors of the Toronto Supermarket Co-op. The co-op needs membership pledges - now. People who would like more information on the co-op should contact the organizing office today by calling 363-2061, or writing: Toronto Supermarket Co-op, 40 Oak St., Toronto, Ontario M5A 2C6.

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Surviving the winter in Canada

By Ron Reid
Federation of Ontario Naturalists

We Canadians are a hardy race; cold and snow are no strangers. So it would seem that we should need little teaching in the art of surviving a Canadian winter. Yet every year, some of us will be found frozen to death in stalled cars or lost in a winter blizzard, and many more will suffer the effects of frostbite and exposure. Many of the cases are unnecessary so here's a few reminders on preparing yourself again for winter.

The most important preparation of course is clothing, but for active outdoor sports you must look at more than simply warmth.

Since the greatest danger lies in dampness, often created by sweating, make sure that your winter clothing is in layers, so that you can easily remove clothes as necessary to prevent getting steamed up while working. For warmth under all conditions, even when wet, nothing beats old-fashioned wool. And don't forget to cover your head, since so much of your body heat is radiated through its surface.

If you travel outside cities in

winter, you should also prepare your car for a blizzard. If you become stranded, an emergency kit with matches, candles, warm clothing and sleeping bags, and a shovel could make the difference between life and death. If you travel frequently, a box of high-energy foods and a small stove are also essential, along with booster cables, a tow rope, and an axe or saw for firewood.

What should you do if you are stuck, and a friendly farmhouse is

not close at hand? Most experts advise you to stay with your car, but Roderick Rieve, writing in *Manitoba Nature*, notes that the steel frame of a stalled car can quickly drain away the heat from your body. If it looks like you will be there for more than a few hours, he suggests that you find a sheltered spot in the trees nearby, and build yourself a quin-zhee. A quin-zhee, or snow house, is easily constructed by heaping up a pile of loose snow about 1½

metres high. After the snow has "set" for 45 minutes, a hollow can be excavated into its core, leaving only an entrance hole on the sheltered side. Since a snow house offers superb insulation, its interior can draw on the relative warmth of the unfrozen ground below. With warm clothes, sleeping bags, and a candle, you may not be comfortable, but at least you will be able to survive just about the worst that nature can dish out in winter weather.

No room at the inn

All Saints' Church overnight drop-in has been filled to capacity the past few nights, despite the addition of 100 new hostel beds this October to the city's emergency shelter at Seaton House. The mandate of the All Saints' sleep-over had been to provide an emergency safety valve for the crowded hostel facilities in Toronto by allowing people to sleep on the floor of its Parish Hall. Now Seaton House will also be providing space on its floor for the overflow of men from All Saints' and other shelters in the city.

"The additional beds that the system is providing this winter are being taken as soon as they are brought into use", Rev. Brad Lennon, Director of All Saints' Church-community centre, states. "And yet Metro is having to plan even more safety valves like All Saints' and the Seaton House floor to contain the magnitude of the housing crisis in Toronto." The Rev. Paul Webb, Executive Director of the Fred Victor Mission, estimates that at least half the people in the Fred Victor Hostel and in the Seaton House are there because there is no affordable accomodation elsewhere in the city for single people. "Only when the government, the other churches, and the public begin to provide more low-cost rooms for rent in this area will the pressure on the city's emergency hostels ease", Mr. Lennon concluded.



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Ontario education: children vs. profits

By Rob Hutchinson

The provincial government's new Bill 127 threatens to take control of education away from the local school boards, says Ward 7's new school trustee Pam McConnell.

Under Bill 127, the Metro Board of Education will get control of all important financial matters. "This means local control of education will be lost", warned McConnell. "Without control over financial matters the Toronto Board will lose effective control of programmes, class size and staffing." McConnell also said that the emphasis at the Toronto

Board over the next three years will be on the implementation of programmes rather than new policies. Instead the Board's new Curricular Implementation Programme will give the teachers time to study and implement the policies developed over the last few years.

The province has been trying to reduce its deficit. In the process it has reduced the amount of money it gives to the Boards of Education. The Toronto Board is the only board that has tried to make up this loss of money through local property taxes. The Board has used those local taxes to hire

teachers for inner city classes, all day kindergarten programmes, French immersion classes, etc. However, the Board has now reached the legal limit on such extra local levies.

Now, McConnell says, "Bill 127 will cut or greatly reduce the Toronto Board's ability to raise this extra money for programmes." "Bette Stephenson (provincial Minister of Education) says that what the government is trying to do is 'equalize educational opportunities across Metro'." "Our position is that what she is trying to do is 'equalize' education to the lowest common denominator."

With the election of a near-majority of left wing trustees the intensity of conflict between the Conservative government and the Toronto Board is bound to increase. The government wants to cut its deficit and bolster business profits. It sees the Toronto Board as fiscally irresponsible. It is also

embarrassed when the Board doesn't toe the line and still makes the school system work. The Toronto Board - or, at least, its left wing - sees Bill 127 as a club over its head. It wants to protect its programmes even at the cost of some increase in taxes or the Ontario deficit. Broadly speaking, it sees the conflict as 'children vs profits'.

The intensity of this conflict is perhaps best reflected in a comment by Bob Spencer, former

chairman of the Toronto Board of Education. On hearing Stephenson's remark that the government was only trying to 'equalize educational opportunities across Metro', Spencer replied: "Well, we're going to lose 30 programmes. If the Minister doesn't realize that she's either a liar or incredibly ignorant."

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ROSEDALE EAST TENANTS

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One of the later speakers was Dale Martin, president of the Federation of Metro Tenants' Association with 50,000 members. Mr. Martin pointed out that this proposed legislation came about after the tenants organized and became an important force. He also warned that the 5 per cent limit on rent increases will run out at the end of 1983. Considering the serious situation that is now facing metro tenants, one that has arisen under present legislation, they would be wise to continue organizing and keep up the political pressure. Joanne Campbell had remarked earlier that the laws now controlling rents have holes in them that a truck could go through. When you recall that the recent Cadillac-Fairview transaction, involving so many rental units, was carried out with such suspicious speed and secrecy, that the government responsible for monitoring such deals cannot find out what has happened or who now owns these properties, it is obvious that tenants should be on their guard.

There was also a representative there from the Maysfield Property Management Inc., a Mr. Robert Strom. Mr. Strom is, or was, a vice-president of Cadillac-Fairview and president of their residential management division, and he informed the meeting that he was

resigning from Cadillac-Fairview. He said that he and the 300 people who worked for him would continue to manage the 68 buildings recently sold, and they will have the responsibility of collecting rent increases. Mr. Strom took some time to remind the meeting that Cadillac-Fairview had a good reputation for maintenance and management of their buildings. This is without a doubt true, but, as David Peterson pointed out from now on the treatment of the tenants in those 68 buildings depends upon the new owners, and no one knows who they are.

There was a question from the floor to Mrs. Scrivener, dealing with the mystery of ownership. The questioner asked why the tax rolls would not provide the information and the MPP for St. David pointed out that if the sale had been between one individual and another that would be the case, but these parties were corporations. That question should have been followed up because there was nothing in the reply to explain why our laws are more lenient with companies than with individuals. This is a matter that concerns all tenants and particularly those in apartment buildings.

The Rosedale East Tenants' Association is to be congratulated for their determined struggle to defend the interests of their people and to avoid unjustified rent increases.

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Lynn McDonald and friends celebrate her victory. M.P.'s report: page 2.

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- Doron Rescheff

Seasons Greetings

Support good daycare

[Reprinted from the November issue of the International Women's Day Committee (IWDC) newsletter.]

Daycare workers at Mini Skool in Mississauga have been on strike for five weeks now, and management still refuses to begin negotiations. The workers, members of OPSEU Local 588, are demanding a living wage instead of the \$5.10 an hour or less being offered by the employer.

During the first weeks of the strike only nine children were taken across the picket line, but now the number is up to 17 out of 150 children. Some parents say they are dissatisfied with the alternate daycare set up by the union but others confess they are drawn by the extra low fees Mini Skool is now charging. The union-sponsored daycare costs \$50 a week; Mini Skool is undercutting that and charging \$35 - half the normal rate. Other parents who are in management positions themselves apparently have no sympathy with the strike. The majority of parents however, continue to honor the picket line and, along with their

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Fair enterprise

The Ontario FAIR Enterprise Association, an alternative, progressive voice from the business community, is open for business.

This association of owners and managers of small and medium sized companies, co-ops and professional firms was founded last September after a successful luncheon in June which featured Bob Rae, the new leader of the Ontario NDP, as guest speaker.

Now the OFEA is looking for members - business people who are progressive, not necessarily NDPers, who, as the association's brochure puts it, "acknowledge their responsibility for fair wage and employment practises and careful ecological and resource management".

OFEA can help with every business's most pressing need: profitability. We plan on sponsoring regular meetings and seminars on topics such as advertising for the small business, investing in a word pro-

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We will also play a political role with comments, complaints and recommendations concerning government initiatives and budgets that affect business. Busy and activist, that's the Ontario Fair Enterprise Association!

Upcoming January-February-March meetings will be particularly interesting: a seminar on mini-computers, a speaker - perhaps the Minister from Consumer and Corporate Relations, and a meeting about producing in-house brochures.

If you're thinking you might like to attend one or all of these meetings, or if you want more information about OFEA please contact our President, Chris Bain, at (b) 252-5676; or Michael Craig, Vice-President, at (b) 469-2700.

OFEA can be useful, relevant and a lot of fun - but it needs you, if you're in business, to provide the spark.

Interesting rates

Since early summer, interest rates have tumbled. The prime rate, that the banks levy on loans to low-risk corporations, has fallen to 13 per cent from more than 18 per cent. Mortgage rates have recorded a similar drop.

Why has the cost of money fallen so sharply? Indeed, why did it soar to well over 20 per cent last year? And are there alternatives to these high and volatile rates?

The answers to these questions are complex and have a lot to do with a brand of conservative economic theory called monetarism. The doctrine was adopted by the Bank of Canada in 1975 and by the Federal Reserve Board (the U.S. central bank) in a more extreme form four years later.

Briefly, monetarists believe inflation and output in a country are determined by the quantity of money in that country. This doctrine was in vogue just before the Great Depression and was abandoned as a failure in the 1930s, only to be resurrected in the seventies as a way of curing inflation.

Under monetarism, the money supply in both Canada and the United States has been throttled. Because the demand for money stayed high, interest rates (or the price of money) had to rise according to the simple demand and supply equations that are familiar to all first year economics students.

This policy has now borne fruit. Inflation is down, but by no means out. The economy has been delivered punches from which it may take several hard and bitter years to recover.

Recently, however, rates have fallen. Dynics are arguing that the cost of money has a habit of falling just before important U.S. elections

and that may have been a factor in the decline, although not the major one.

By mid-summer, it was becoming apparent that many developing countries were being driven to the wall by the economic downturn. Many of these countries, such as Mexico, had borrowed billions from the major banks.

The capitalist world was faced with a debt default crisis the likes of which had not been seen for almost 50 years. In response to this terrible spectre, the Federal Reserve Board started to flood the U.S. banking system with money, allowing rates around the world to drop.

While this experiment in monetarism has exacted a high price, there is no guarantee that it will succeed in its ultimate aim - keeping inflation down. Without the pressure of high interest rates, inflation may pick up again.

Policy alternatives are urgently needed. One reasonable alternative would be to have interest rates set by Parliament, not the Bank of Canada. This is the method by which we have set Canadian oil prices slightly below world levels.

There is scope for lowering rates in Canada to reasonable levels. Such a course of action is necessary to avoid an even deeper depression.

An extensive review of alternatives to monetarism has recently been published by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, a think tank that has a number of NDP members and labour leaders on its board. The report, entitled High Interest Rates Are a Lot of Bouey, is available for \$2 from the Centre, Suite 901, 251 Laurier Ave. W., Ottawa, K1P 5J6.

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LABOUR PAINS

ON STRIKE

NIK HABERMEL

In early July, 1200 members of the Canadian Paperworkers Union (CPU) went on strike against Domtar plants from Kitchener to Moncton, including one here in our riding. But in late summer the company announced plans to close the plant in Broadview Greenwood permanently, throwing 90 workers out on the street on September 1st.

The shutdown announcement followed government handouts to the paper company of more than \$2-million. The grants were for modernization, and soon after the handout scheme started, efficiency experts visited the plant, with devastating results. New procedures came in one door, and 30 jobs went down the drain.

Meanwhile Domtar continues to operate a non-union plant on Laird Avenue in Toronto and pays the employees there \$2.00 an hour above scale to keep out the union. Workers at this plant have been told that as long as there is no union there'll be no layoffs. The CPU has registered a complaint with the Ontario Labour Relations Board, citing this as an unfair labour practice.

On October 8th, Paperworkers and B-6 NDP members organised a strike support benefit appropriately entitled Dump the Slump.

The Ulster Memorial Hall on Gerrard St. East was filled with striking paperworkers and local residents who heard Arlene Mantle, a local singer who has worked extensively with labour and progressive groups, perform labour songs.

Dan Heap and Lynn McDonald both spoke to the gathering. This played a significant role in bringing some political understanding to local union members. Some of the paperworkers who had never voted NDP before even helped on Lynn's election campaign!

CPU Local 308 which represented workers at the Domtar plant at Carlaw is still in disarray and hasn't yet made any requests to the local NDP for further strike support action or UIC assistance.

After such an event it becomes easy to recognise the importance of assisting workers and their unions in local struggles. But without any pre-crisis relationship with the locals in our area, it is still difficult to establish a long-term relationship. Local union executive members tied up in day-to-day administration often fail to recognize the supportive power that a strong local community organization can get them. And some community organizers ignore the major interface between people and the economy: work.

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

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"You've got to be in a hole... The dirt really is the thing that protects you from the blast as well as the radiation, if there's any radiation. It protects you from the heat. You know, dirt is just great stuff..."

- Thomas K. Jones, Reagan's Deputy Under Secretary of Defence For Research and Engineering, Strategic & Theatre Nuclear Forces, on how to survive nuclear war.

NDP proposes constructive alternatives

Dear Friends:

This is my first report to you since that exciting election October 12. Things have been moving along rather quickly since then.

I was sworn in and took my seat in Parliament on October 27 and asked my first question the next day. I have just been named critic for housing and urban affairs - both important areas of concern for Broadview-Greenwood. (To my friends in the co-ops in the riding - you can be sure that co-op housing will be a top priority.)

This session of Parliament is noteworthy for orderly progress on disastrous legislation. The level of hypocrisy is also remarkable, although I have had

MP's Report

LYNN McDONALD

enough experience on the Hill not to have arrived a complete innocent.

For example, the Minister of Finance's "Economic Statement" promised not to abandon the victims of recession and not to axe social programs. Yet within weeks, legislation was introduced to de-index the old age pension and family allowances. Both the old age pension and the family allowance have actually

been declining in value in the last year. Worse, the fear is that these cutbacks are the thin edge of the wedge, leading eventually to an end to universal social programs. The government ways "no", but ... nothing is sacred. My position, and the NDP's, is rather to strengthen these programmes - to raise the old age pension directly, and for child care to increase the child tax credit. I made my

maiden speech on cutbacks in the old age security and am planning my next speech on family allowance cut-backs.

The "Economic Statement" in effect a mini-budget, is too little and not always the right thing. For example, corporate give-a-ways to petroleum companies will continue and there will be cutbacks in conservation. Since conservation produces far more jobs than conventional energy, this is a mistake on two grounds.

I am proud of the way our caucus continues to stress constructive alternatives. Thus, in criticising the government's job creation program it has shown how four times as much money could be found and put into

jobs. We are stressing short term measures to get people back to work, and showing precisely where the money could come from to pay for them.

Nobody can accuse us - fairly - of wanting to spend money and not knowing how to raise it. We are explaining how to stimulate the economy with, for example, specific proposals for investment incentives in manufacturing and in housing programmes. We are continuing to talk about much needed tax reforms.

I am planning to be in the Riding the first two weeks of January and will hope to see many of you then.

Yours sincerely,

Lynn McDonald, M.P.

Are we up to the challenge

The Ontario Woodsworth Memorial Foundation was started in 1944 to honour the name and work of James Shaver Woodsworth. Mr. Woodsworth was first elected to Parliament in 1921 after helping in the historic Winnipeg General Strike. He was a founding member of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) in 1932.

Today, the foundation sponsors research work on the social and economic problems of Canada. It does work in the field of adult education, arranging lectures, study conferences and panel discussions. The foundation also collects archives in order to preserve the historic documents of the early days of the labour movement, CCF and farm organizations. They are placed in a permanent collection in the University of Toronto library. Finally, the foundation operates a book club that specializes in publication on current political, economic and social questions.

Last month the Woodsworth Foundation sponsored a weekend conference titled Canada's Economy - Problems and Prospects. Tommy Douglas gave the keynote address, starting off his speech with the question:

"What can we do to even out the booms and busts that give us periods of economic recession?"

The former leader of the federal NDP (still feisty at 78) recalled his own experience during the great Depression of the 1930s. He graduated from univer-



TOMMY DOUGLAS SPEAKS AT WOODSWORTH CONFERENCE

sity at the height of the Depression and entered politics in 1935. As a founding member of the CCF, he asked himself, "is this Depression necessary? Do we lack the resources or the skilled people needed to produce good and services?" Obviously, the answer, he concluded, was "no".

"We have the material goods, machinery, intelligence and skills to produce almost everything we use in this country. We're not a nation of loafers; we want to produce. We should be building houses, hospitals, nursing homes for the

aged. We should be improving the environment and building recreation centres for young people.

"People argue that there isn't the money to spend on such projects. The same argument was used fifty years ago during the Depression. And it was a very curious thing. Once war was declared, hundreds of millions of dollars were suddenly created through the Committee of Supply. In other words, we found the money, because we wanted to find it. We create the farce that money is scarce. If we put out money as we produce goods,

we won't have a recession. We need to plan the economy, that's the challenge."

Douglas posed two further challenges during the course of the evening. First, he made a plea for more responsible methods of environmental management. "It's a great irony," he pointed out, "that the generation that reached the moon allows men to perish from pollution and neglect. The free-for-all we've indulged in has allowed Canada to come to the brink of destruction."

"For the Canadian government to test the Cruise Missile, this puts Canada into the nuclear club. How long are we going to sit and wait until the catastrophe comes? My generation failed you completely with respect to nuclear arms. We should never have let them spread around the earth.

"Now countries are saying no more - we don't want them here. We have to stop it here in Canada and hope that others will try to do the same in other countries. It's worth a try. These movements are contagious. If all countries get on the bandwagon, maybe the United States and Russia will step back and realize that perhaps their military budgets could be better spent on other programs."

After receiving a lengthy ovation, Douglas bounded up the stairs to the back of the lecture hall, where in true prairie preacher style, he greeted each member of the audience as they filed out for the evening.

MINI SKOOL

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children, seem to be satisfied with the alternate arrangements.

At least two policemen are at the picket line every day to make the strikers stand back while parents and scab workers drive across. This week an additional policeman showed up to film the picket.

IWDC's day at the picket is Tues-

day. We average around five women every week - more would be terrific. We're there by 7 a.m. and leave in time to get to work at 9. For more information on the strike call Peter Slee or Katy FitzRandolf at OPSEU 492-7423.

[NOTE: Broadview-Greenwood NDP plans to picket Mini Skool on the morning of Monday, Dec. 20. Join us. Call Charlotte Morgan 463-1423, or Pat Schulz 463-5152.]

OPPORTUNITIES GALORE

The Broadview-Greenwood NDP has set up a number of committees in which the membership at large can get involved. We've listed the names of the people to contact if you are interested in participating.

The **Research and Policy Committee** will be developing a number of policy resolutions for the membership to consider. Resolutions adopted will then be sent on for possible consideration by the next Federal policy convention to be held in Regina in June 1983. Call Jordan Grant at 429-6816.

The **Newsletter Committee** publishes and distributes the B-G Times and is looking for contributors of articles, editors, artists, typists, and deliverers. Call Charlotte Morgan at 463-1423.

The **Office Committee** is looking for volunteers to help out in Lynn's office on constituency matters. Call Nevin Coston at 465-1105.

For information on other committees call the riding association President - John Campey at 463-3240.

Violence against women

BY KIMBERLEY WILDE

At long last, government attention has focussed on violence against women. In Ottawa, the long-awaited Bill C-53 was passed this summer. This new piece of legislation raises many old and controversial issues.

Classifying rape as an assault is considered by many feminists to be a progressive move. It acknowledges that rape is not a crime of sexual passion; it is a crime of violence.

However, the law contains a clause which allows "honest but mistaken belief" as a

legitimate defence for the accused. This completely undermines the thrust of the legislation. Coupled with the admission of a woman's past sexual history, the total effect is worse than before.

Rape is a social and political problem. It is an expression of power and dominance by men who feel powerless. To these men, women are perceived as convenient victims.

It is the responsibility of the NDP to identify itself strongly with women's issues and to be at the forefront of the struggle for economic security and equality before the law.



You can bank on it

Did you know that Canadian Banks pay less than 15% of their earnings in taxes? It makes them one of the lowest taxed groups in the country. Ever wonder why?

Between 1977 and 1980 the five big banks made the following contributions to federal political parties:

	Liberals	Tories
Montreal	\$151,500.00	\$150,000.00
Nova Scotia	144,000.00	140,098.75
Commerce	150,375.44	151,746.56
Royal	150,000.00	150,000.00
T.D.	140,000.00	140,000.00
Totals	\$735,875.44	\$731,845.31

The NDP remains committed to a policy of not accepting political contributions from banks and large corporations. In fact over 90% of its contributions come from individuals.

We want you!

The Broadview Greenwood NDP riding association wishes to thank Ward 7 News for distributing this edition of our newsletter to all of its readers. We hope those of you who are not currently members of the party have found it interesting. If you are interested in joining the party or otherwise getting involved please return the coupon below:

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

POSTCODE _____

PHONE _____

Yes I'd like to become a member and continue to receive the B-6 NDP Times (please phone to arrange to sign me up).

I'd like more information about the NDP.

I'd like to help the cause financially. I enclose a cheque for \$_____ payable to the Broadview Greenwood NDP. [Note: you are entitled to a federal tax credit of 75% of the first \$100.00 contributed.]

Please return to the Broadview Greenwood NDP c/o John Campey, 50 Cambridge Ave. Apt. #912, Toronto, M4K 2L3

國會議員報告

各位朋友:

十月十二日選舉後,一切事情進展很快,這是我首次為大家作出的報告。

十月十七日,我正式宣誓為國會議員。第二天,我便向執政黨發出問題。隨後,我被指定為兩項與本區居民有相當關連的政策評論者,即是,我將對政府的房屋及城市事務作出批評。居住在合作社的朋友,我向你保證合作社的需要,必會得到優先考慮。

這節會議期間,執政黨將一些不良的法規推行了。因我對國會相當認識,所以當我抵後不其然便覺察到其虛偽的氣氛。

舉例說,財政部長發表的經濟聲明,向大家保證不會將被經濟衰退所影響的人任拋而不管及不會將社會福利計劃削減。但,不到數週,政府便宣告老人金及家庭補助金依照,生活指數增加的規定將被取消。這兩項福利計劃的價值隨之下降。大家更恐怕政府將一切普遍性的社會福利計劃終止下來。現將,執政黨說「這不會發生的,但誰可確保事情永遠不變呢!本人及新民主黨的立場是,要加強這些計劃,就是使老人金及兒童退稅金額升高。

我第一篇演說的主題是老人金削減的問題。第二篇的將是家庭補助金削減的問題。

財政部長的經濟聲明,更一項小型經濟預算,提出的建議不及非完全準確。其中錯誤的建議包括繼續供與財團及石油公司特別優待和削減節省石油計劃的經費。錯誤點是因為節省石油計劃能供較多的就業機會,因為它需要的職員比傳統的能源計劃多。

新民主黨政策委員會不斷的對執政黨的政策作出建設性建議令我感到驕傲。創立就業計劃的經費於批評後增至原定預算四倍多。我們著重於短期性計劃來協助各人就業及向政府指出經費的可能來源。

這樣,誰都不可指責我們只會花錢,卻不知其來由。我們曾提出具體的計劃來鼓勵製造商及房屋商投資。我們將繼續討論稅務改革問題。

明年一月的首兩星期我將在選區內辦事,我希望在這一段日子裏與你見面。

國會議員麥丹蓮謹啟

M.P's Αναφορά

Αυτή είναι η πρώτη αναφορά μου σε σας από την πανηγυρική εκλογή μου στις 12 Οκτωβρίου. Τα γεγονότα όμως εξελίσσονται κάπως πιο γρήγορα έκτοτε.

Ορκίστηκα και πήρα τη θέση μου στο κοινοβούλιο (βουλή) στις 27 Οκτωβρίου και την επομένη ημέρα υποβάλα την πρώτη μου ερώτηση. Πρόσφατα έχω ονομαστεί κριτικός του οικισμού και των αστικών υποθέσεων. Που είναι και τα δύο αρκετά ενδιαφέροντα για την περιοχή της Broadview-Greenwood- (για τους φίλους μου στο συνεργατικό οικισμό της εκλογικής περιφέρειας να είναι βέβαιο ότι ο συνεργατικός οικισμός θα έχει άμεση προτεραιότητα).

Αυτή η περίοδος στο κοινοβούλιο-βουλή, χαρακτηρίζεται απο μια τακτική πρόοδο σε καταστροφικές νομοθεσίες. Το επίπεδο της υποκρισίας είναι χαρακτηριστικό, παρόλο που έχω αρκετή εμπειρία στην πολιτική ώστε να μην είμαι τελείως άσχετη.

Παραδείγματος χάριν, Η «Οικονομική Αναφορά» του υπουργού των οικονομικών υποσχέθηκε να μην εγκαταλείψει τα θύματα της οικονομικής ύφεσης και να μην τσεκουρέψει τα κοινωνικά προγράμματα. Και όμως μέσα σε εβδομάδες προτάθηκε νόμος να ανακατατάξει το οικογενειακό επίδομα και το επίδομα γήρατος.

Και τα δύο: το επίδομα γήρατος και το οικογενειακό επίδομα έχουν ελαττωθεί σε αξία τον τελευταίο χρόνο. Ακόμα χειρότερα ο φόβος είναι ότι αυτά τα «μέτρα λιτότητας» αμβλύναν τη λεπτή επιφάνεια της σφίγνας που αναπόφευκτα οδηγεί στο τέλος των κοινωνικών προγραμμάτων.

Η κυβέρνηση λέει «όχι» αλλά...τίποτε δεν είναι ιερό. Η θέση μου και του Νεοδημοκρατικού κόμματος είναι να ενδυναμώσουμε αυτά τα προγράμματα -να αυξήσουμε το επίδομα γήρατος αμέσως και για την φροντίδα παιδιών να αυξήσουμε την επιστροφή φόρων για το παιδί.

Εκανα την πρώτη μου ομιλία στα «μετρα λιτότητας» για τις ασφάλειες γήρατος και σχεδιάζω την επόμενη ομιλία μου στα μέτρα λιτότητας για το οικογενειακό επίδομα. Η «Οικονομική Αναφορά» που ισχύει σαν ένας πολύ μικρός προϋπολογισμός, δεν είναι πάντα η σωστή λύση. Για παράδειγμα οι παραχωρήσεις στις εταιρίες πετρελαίου θα συνεχιστούν και θα υπάρξουν μέτρα λιτότητας στην συντήρηση. Μια και η συντήρηση δημιουργεί πολύ περισσότερα επαγγέλματα παρά η συνηθισμένη ενέργεια. Αυτό είναι λάθος σε δύο βάσεις.

Είμαι ικανοποιημένη με το τρόπο που ο πολιτικός μας πυρήνας (caucus) συνεχίζει να επιμένει σε επικοδομητικές εναλλακτικές λύσεις. Ετσι, με το να κριτικάρουμε το πρόγραμμα της κυβέρνησης για τη δημιουργία εργασίας, έχει φανεί πως μπορεί να βρεθούν τέσσερις φορές περισσότερα χρήματα και να επενδυθούν για την δημιουργία εργασίας.

Δίνουμε έμφαση σε βραχυπρόθεσμα μέτρα να φέρουμε τους ανθρώπους πίσω στη δουλειά τους και δείχνουμε με ακρίβεια από που μπορεί να βρεθούν τα χρήματα για να πληρωθούν.

Κανένας δεν μπορεί να μας κατηγορήσει -δίκαια- ότι θέλουμε να ξεοδεύουμε χρήματα χωρίς να ξέρουμε πως να τα εξοικονομήσουμε.

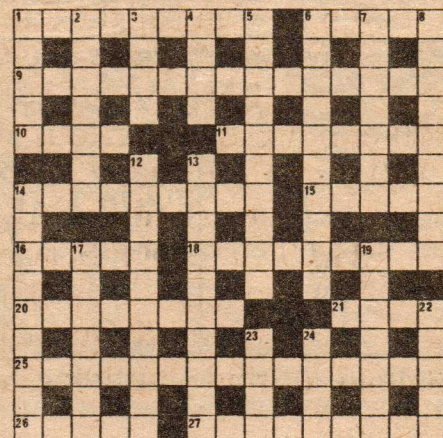
Εξηγούμε πως να παρακινήσουμε την οικονομία, για παράδειγμα, ειδικές προτάσεις για επενδυτικά ελατήρια στη βιομηχανία και στα προγράμματα οικισμού. Συνεχίζουμε να μιλάμε για την αναγκαιότητα των φορολογικών μεταρρυθμίσεων.

Σχεδιάζω να είμαι στην εκλογική μου περιφέρεια τις δύο πρώτες εβδομάδες του Ιανουαρίου και πιστεύω να συναντήσω πολλούς απο εσάς τότε.

Με ειλικρίνεια
Lynn McDonald MP

Crossword no. 2

BY BILL GADSBY



ACROSS

- Charms the ways in. (9)
- Breast has a point in sudden prosperity. (5)
- Where to go to hear the loon or the tinhorn note roar. (8,7)
- Smooth club. (4)
- Pans a little visitor in abilities. (8)
- Feel on the scrambled communication device. (9)
- Evil highly rated in the Middle East. (5)
- Western show travelled to nothing. (5)
- Chains heel and toe together for hidden advantages at poker. (4,2,3,4)
- How to make light work? Jar it in weight. (4,2,2)
- Amphibian to modern era. (4)
- Out West they may find the BBC hilarious, Tim. (7,8)

- Encourage: defeat may leave you with this your face. (3,2)
- He-man open for natural occurrences. (9)

DOWN

- Unbroken nuisance yields boredom. (5)
- Confusion has a period sound with grease. (7)
- Pain in each ear. (4)
- Many are in charge. (4)
- Poke sphere to reveal one who owns a store. (10)
- Split bath to construct a man-of-war. (10)
- Rise on doctor. (7)
- A secret still produces this nocturnal light. (9)
- No, it is nothing, all up to the OPP: Joe's permanent home. (10)
- Snack for use in a vegetarian computer, perhaps? (6,4)

- Blunt rate arranged to support a record. (9)
- Mending in grand materials. (7)
- Blue rot may provide a problem. (7)
- Goddess found in Acadia, naturally. (5)
- See 18. (4)
- Sport to do after the 1st and 2nd of June. (4)

Answers to # 1
TOPICAL ARTISTE
POSTED DEPLETED
STUN EARTHQUAKE
DEADBATTERY
OSTENSIBLE CHOP
CAMPAIGN SCULLS
ADVISER LECTURE



Space available in French daycare

By Pat Parker

Le Petit Chaperon Rouge ("Little Red Riding Hood"), a non-profit government assisted daycare centre is located in Georges-Etienne Cartier School, at 250 Gainsborough Road, near Coxwell and Gerrard. It began in 1979, as a centre for francophone children but has opened a special immersion programme for non-French speaking children, which has been highly successful over the last eighteen months. Because of the need for daycare in metro Toronto, priority is given to full-time children; but there are also some half-day spaces available.

The centre is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. all year round and provides the children with a hot noon meal prepared by its own full-time cook, who also prepares nutritious snacks of vegetables and fruit and often brings the children into the kitchen to prepare and sample their own baking.

Each day includes supervised outside play in the centre's own specially-constructed playground and indoor play in the school's large gym, where there is plenty of opportunity to develop gross motor skills with tricycles, balls and special gym equipment. In winter, outdoor activities include sledding on the school's protected slopes and skating at the local rink; in summer, trips to the local park and wading pool and special outings to Ontario Place, Harbourfront and the Islands.

In the francophone programme, French-speaking children have the opportunity to develop in their mother tongue. In the immersion programme, French is the language of the family-like atmosphere which prevades all the activities. Children enter this atmosphere through structured and individual play (puzzles, toys, pre-reading games), special reading times, painting, drawing and crafts, singing, dancing and rhythmic exercises. Vocabulary is introduced through themes which connect the activities of the day and week: learning the colour "rouge" for example, might involve first being taught the colour directly, then encountering it again at story time, painting that day with red, and having tomatoes or red jello for lunch.

Songs and nursery rhymes in French and careful attention to the progress and needs of each child also serve to ensure that French is learned in a warm and playful atmosphere. Parents of children seem to absorb the language like so many little sponges, without the self-consciousness which often comes with reaching school-age.

Children aged 2 to 5 can register any time during the year, depending on the availability of places. In the immersion programme, the minimum period is five mornings a week and the cost is \$180.00 per month; full time care is \$265 monthly. Indeed, it is not too early now, given the popularity of the programme, to get on the registration list for September. Subsidized spaces are available. For more information, please call 463-3955.

Three Streets Co-op open

By Robert Keir

Last Saturday afternoon champagne spilled across the sand-blasted yellow bricks of 77 Winchester. Bunches of multicolored balloons were released into the cold Toronto sky and a fanfare of trumpets proclaimed the christening of the Three Streets Housing Co-op.

Cindy Wilkey, the Co-op's past president, addressed a small crowd of tenants and well-wishers gathered outside the rejuvenated 3-storey building. Grinning widely throughout the ceremonies, Wilkey attributed the building's transformation to a combination of hard work and good timing.

The hard work was provided by the tenants themselves. The good timing, as Alderman Joanne Campbell noted, was the coinciding of the co-op's inauguration with the last provincial election. Apparently all 3 candidates eagerly carried favour by throwing their support in the right direction.

In sympathy with the shivering onlookers, David Reville kept his remarks brief, reminiscing about the time when he was a tenant of the building.

Speaking on behalf of the federal government's participation in the project was Roland de Cornet, MP for Eglinton-Lawrence. He spoke of the vital role of the CMHC in securing a mortgage over 35 years and guaranteeing nearly \$2 million for the conversion. Further federal funding will ensure that some rental units be geared to income.

Turning a 3-storey firetrap into a safe and liveable structure is a Herculean task for amateurs. A resource group, Lantana, was called in to take charge of the renovations, under the leadership of Adam Cherehovitz. During the restoration, Cherehovitz developed more than a professional interest in the building and has since moved in. The appeal of co-op living appears to be contagious.

The Co-op consists of 37 units and, not surprisingly, all are occupied. New kitchens, windows and toilets have been installed through out, and fortunately the attractive turn-of-the-century woodwork has been retained. Not only did the tenants get rid of their landlord, but apparently the cockroaches have gone too.

At a time when tenants are quivering with uncertainty over the selling and re-selling of apartment buildings across the city, the people of 77 Winchester have reason to be smug. At monthly membership meetings decisions on rules and expenses are reached in democratic fashion and not according to a landlord's whim.

Every Wednesday night is clean-up night, when the halls and staircases are scrubbed and polished. As one tenant noted, "It becomes part of our social life. People are definitely friendlier here."

To the 68 housing co-ops across the city, the Three Streets is a welcome addition.

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CELEBRITY SKI CHALLENGE JAN. 8, 1983

On January 8 1983, your favorite media and sports personalities and local politicians take to the slopes to tackle a dual slalom course in support of WoodGreen Community Centre. You can join in and show your support by:

1. Entering a team member or complete team in the event to represent you or your organization.
2. Sponsoring a team member or complete team to represent you or your organization.
3. Purchasing advertising space in the Celebrity Ski Challenge Program at a minimal cost.

To find out more about the Celebrity Ski Challenge and how you can participate phone WoodGreen at 461-1168 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

SEE YOU ON THE SLOPES!!!



A member of the United Way

Neighbor's dinner

The big wooden door is held open with a chair, and a roughly lettered sign set up on the sidewalk at Danforth and Bowden says, "We're in here, downstairs."

In the basement of Danforth Baptist Church, the neighbours have gathered for the fourth week in a row around the long, brightly covered tables for a dinner that costs \$1.00 - \$2.00 per family.

The crowd of more than forty includes mothers, children, single people rooming just north of the Danforth, all the residents of a group home around the corner and a few families from Grandview and Logan.

Members and families of the Church congregation take turns planning the menus and preparing the meals, trundle around with serving bowls and coffee pots.

A sing song of carols will follow the Christmas turkey dinner planned for Thursday, Dec. 23rd. All neighbours are invited. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

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CHRISTMAS WISH

It was the previous Christmas when I first met Frances. I was with my girlfriend Cathy. Cathy and I were shopping at the Eaton Centre. We were looking in the store window when I first saw Frances. All she had on was an old torn dress, a sweater that didn't even fit her and black socks that had holes in them, too. Cathy and I asked her what her name was. She said her name was Frances. So we took Frances inside to get a nice hot chocolate and we warmed up a bit. Then we looked around the store and as we were looking I asked Frances where she lived and she said she lived down by the lake. Cathy looked at me and I looked at her and we both said at the same time, "Down by the lake it is said to be the coldest place in the winter", and we all laughed.

After we were done looking around she took us to her broken down shack, and when she opened the door it fell off. We went inside cautiously and once we got in, Cathy whispered to me, "They don't even have a Christmas Tree." I said in a low voice, "I know".

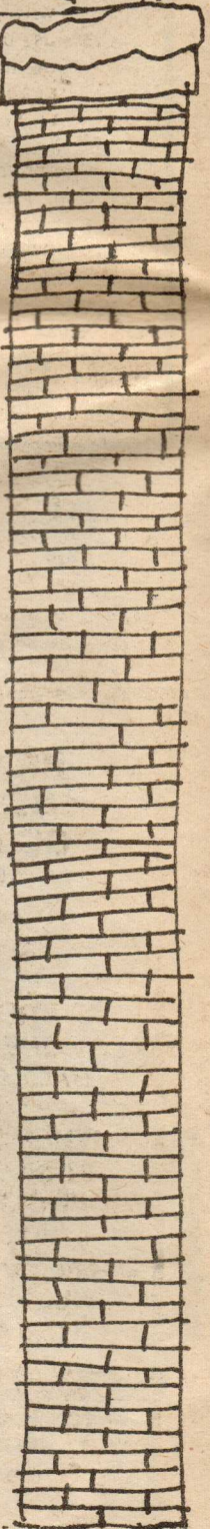
That's what made me start to think. There are many, many people in the world that don't get any Christmas;

I started to think that it would be a great idea if we could invite Frances and her family over to my house for Christmas.


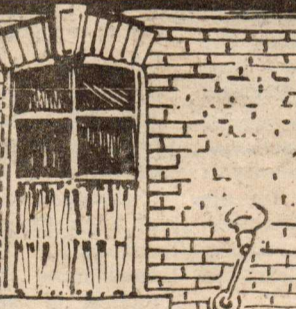
That Christmas morn I asked my dad if I could invite Frances over for something to eat and help open our presents. He said, "No". So I replied that we had a lot of room and why not? He finally said okay. Cathy and I raced down to the lake, but all that was left of her house was just pieces of wood. We asked some people that were skating when she and her family had left. A lady told us she had gone about ten minutes and it looked like they were headed in the direction of the mountain. We had to run to catch up to them.

Finally we caught up to them. We invited them back to my house and I made them all a hot chocolate and a sandwich, and everyone opened their presents. Cathy and I gave some presents to Frances and her two sisters, Pam and Alice. I asked my dad if they could stay with us until they had saved up enough money to get a nice apartment in Regent Park or Don Mount Court, and he said yes.

Patricia Roth
Age 12



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BRICKS & BOUQUETS

BY THE OBSERVER

It's been a long time since we were together. My Editor tells me there have been quite a few enquiries about where I had gone. Nice to know one is missed. I've been on the shelf for a while but am feeling better now. I'll try to dish out the dirt and, the sublime for a while longer. ***Let's get going with a bouquet for the guys and gals at Scotiabank. When a car decided to drive thru the window a week or so back, they looked to see where the noise was coming from, found out, and continued to rake in and dish out the cash. A big bunch for all of you. ***Who's dragging their feet on those bus-stop shelters at Dundas and Sherbourne, Gerrard and Sherbourne. Whoever it is, if they had to stand there on a cold day for a few minutes the shelters would soon go up. ***Are you ready? The Better Way is hiring fared in January to 6 for 4 bucks. Bricks, boys, bricks ***257 Sherbourne residents will no longer be able to grow mushrooms on the rugs in their apartments. The building is being reinforced with aluminum siding. Voluminous bouquets for whoever got moving on that one. *** Dan Harrison of the Dundas-Sherbourne Association gets a big bouquet for the way he has handled member's problems. Good work Dan. Stick with it. ***Say, what gives with that house on Prospect near Rose? The neigh-

bours aren't sure whether to call Traffic Cops or the Riot Squad. ***Congrats and big bouquets for the way Xmas packages will be handed out this year. It is computerized and handled thru a central bureau. ***It also looks like we're going to have a Supermarket Co-op in our area in the near future. Glory be! Have a bouquet. ***If you're using a live Xmas tree this year be sure you're safe from fire hazard. It isn't 100 per cent, but it helps if you anchor the tree in a pail of water to which you have added a cup of sugar. It's better to be safe than sorry. ***If you drive, don't drink. If you drink, don't drive. The life you save might be your own. ***One more time. Let's avert those long line-ups at the bank. Make out your

own deposit or withdrawal slips if you possibly can. You will? Good. Have a bouquet. ***We send our sincere sympathy to that elderly, crippled widow who dropped over \$250 from her last OAS cheque. ***There is a boy in our Ward who is being considered for a supporting role in a forthcoming movie to be made in TO. Good luck son. We're pulling for you. A bouquet whether you get the part or not. ***Until I can become completely mobile again, could I ask for your help? Anything you see or know of that is good gossip, would you let me know? Thanks loads. Here, have a bouquet. ***Material must be free of bias and in no way libelous, defamatory, slanderous or cast aspersions on anyone for another's own satisfaction. Help me if you can. ***Now, I think I'll do in part like Santa. I'll make Merry; but I'll stick around. As for you, I sincerely hope that you have a very Merry Xmas and that the New Year far exceeds your fondest hopes. ***All the best until next time. . .



JOANNE CAMPBELL DAVID REVILLE

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The NDP caucus — Ald. Gilbert (Wd. 3), Pantalone (Wd. 4), Layton (Wd. 6), Campbell (Wd. 7), Reville (Wd. 7), and Thomas (Wd. 9) — has been meeting to discuss the major issues and develop a framework for the work of the term. We have identified 12 policy areas which we think are important — housing, social services, transportation, economic development, planning, taxation, civil rights, budget & financing, labour, community services, environment & energy, elections and government organization. We're in the process of deciding the areas for which members are going to take responsibility.

Our Ward 7 offices are organized like this:

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We've been looking at the ward issues, many of which you have brought to our attention at your doors during the election. We'll be getting in touch with you over the next few months for your input. In the meantime, or at any time, for that matter, please feel free to call or write.



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Alternative Primary
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(Ages 2½ - 5)
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Brock Community Daycare
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College & Lansdowne
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Queen Victoria Daycare
(Ages 6-9)
Queen Victoria P.S.
King & Dufferin
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Davenport P.S.
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Hughes P.S.
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(Ages 2-9)
Regal Road P.S.
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A NOTE TO READERS

In our last issue we had an open letter to the community explaining that Seven News is in serious trouble and asking for community support (financial and moral) to help us get out of it. We set up an emergency meeting for Tuesday, November 23, which was attended by 40 community members.

The response we received at that meeting was resoundingly positive: the group agreed that Ward 7 does need a community paper and that, while in the past, for many reasons, we have not fully lived up to the obligation inherent in this task, there is still a willingness on the part of people in Ward 7 to work to make the paper a success.

The groups set to work that night forming five committees to oversee various aspects of the production of the paper and to plan for the future of 7 News. Since the meeting these committees have been working to revitalize the paper: the Editorial Committee is seeking out writers and photographers while also restructuring the way the paper gets its news; the Distribution Committee is trying to broaden the paper's door-to-door delivery system; the Administrative Committee is looking into the collection of money owed to us; the Advertising Committee is connecting with area businesspeople in an effort to increase our ad sales and the Special Events group is planning, what else? A special event!

Perhaps the most (radical?) decision to come out of that meeting was the agreement that the paper would shut down while the re-vamping effort was taking place. Which brings us to the point of this little note; we won't be publishing again until late in March. We are definitely down, but not entirely out and we will be back.

We'd like to take this opportunity, while we're got your attention and all, to thank you for your enthusiasm over the years and hope for your continued support. We wish you all the best for the holiday season and success in the New Year.

The Staff and Board of 7 News.

If you are interested in helping, please leave a message at 363-9650.

Merry Christmas

Ward Seven

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John, Leith, Jehanne & Campbell Piper

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