

Government two-faced about alcohol

Salvation Army, Guelph Citadel Corps.

Dear Sirs,
Mr. John Clement, minister of consumer and commercial relations, recently announced in the legislature that regulations will be amended to permit taverns and other licensed establishments to open Sunday, December 31st, from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., and a lengthier period of business for dining room lounges and licensed dining rooms to serve alcoholic beverages the same day.

The Lord's Day Act implies there should be no work on Sunday except it be a work of necessity or mercy. One questions whether the Government of Ontario is contravening the Act.

It seems to me the government is bent on making alcohol more easily obtained and for lengthier hours.

On the one hand authorities admit alcohol is the nation's number one drug problem. On the other hand our government not too long ago permitted the brewing industry to service beaches and summer resort areas, opened additional facilities for selling alcoholic beverages, and lowered the

drinking age from twenty-one to eighteen. This seems like a strange way to combat a serious social evil.

A ban should be placed on advertising using lovely looking youth with alcoholic beverages and a realistic, substitute picture of the drunk, those whose mental capabilities have been damaged by alcohol, the broken homes, the bereaved who are victims of alcohol, given instead.

This latest move relating to the opening of taverns on Sunday is a further encroachment on the Lord's Day and should not be permitted.

Concerned persons should write their member of the Legislative Assembly at Queen's Park, Toronto, write Premier William Davis, and also the editor of your newspaper. Readers are further encouraged to get church ministers and congregations to send in a petition opposing this recent unnecessary legislation.

Do it now. To delay is to decide.

Ivan McNeilly,
Major,
172 Waterloo Avenue,
Guelph, Ontario.



Mary Skerrett

Mary Skerrett top student in Humber horsemanship

By Borys Lenko

The parents of Mary Skerrett, Acton, drove 1,500 miles to see their daughter receive tribute from Humber College of Applied Arts and Technology in Etobicoke.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bigelow, residents of Halifax, were there to see their daughter receive Humber's scholastic award for

having the highest marks in the Horsemanship studies program.

Mrs. Skerrett, a second year student in the program, received the President's letter, and also the Ontario Jockey Club's award for academic achievement.

Born and educated in Halifax, Mary now resides in Acton with her husband Brian, a guidance counsellor at Acton High School.

The Bigelows arrived in Acton one day prior to the scheduled event. Mrs. Skerrett was to receive her tribute Thursday evening, but because of her parent's special trip to Ontario, administrators of the college altered Wednesday's program to include her awards.

Mrs. Skerrett started riding with the Halifax Junior Bengal Lancers, a pony club in the Maritime city. She had her own horse while attending Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, where she also met her husband.

When the Skerretts moved to Ontario the horse was never lost. Last year Mrs. Skerrett decided to attend the course at Humber.

Mrs. Skerrett has not yet decided whether she will continue with a career in horsemanship when she graduates. There are opportunities in the field for riding instructors, trainers and in stable management which she is considering.

Her taste runs to the English riding school but the course at Humber College includes instruction in Western and other forms of riding, which could be contagious.

Some day the Skerretts both dream of managing a combination farm-riding academy but husband Brian says this is still far off in the future.

Board recommends camp site

Plans for developing a local campsite within the boundaries of Rockwood could become a reality according to a motion passed last November 30 at the regular meeting of the Eramosa Planning Board.

Approval for developing the grounds owned by Jean Meadows has been on the slate for the last two years, however the land, zoned agricultural, required further consideration by the Planning Board.

Motion passed

At the Thursday meeting the board passed the motion stating: "The Eramosa Planning Board would recommend to the township council to amend the permitted uses in an agricultural zone to permit a camp site for transient use".

Further stipulations were made in the motion requesting changes in the drawn plans with the number of camp sites not to exceed a maximum of 40 sites.

The motion further ruled out the usage of the property as a picnic area or as for commercial entertainment and stated that the board would only permit the development of the campsite area and would not permit the development of the area for day use.

The Planning Board recommended that a copy of the amended plan be presented to Council at their December 6 meeting.

Indian, Irish situations similar

R.R. 1, Limehouse,
November 26.

Dear Editor,
Having scanned a library book entitled The Unjust Legislation concerning the Fall of North America to the White Man, which deprived the native peoples of the dearest things in life, namely justice and freedom, it was obvious this sad state of affairs profited no one sensibly. It brought untold misery and woe to millions.

This was colonialism in all its glory and still is when a percentage of our Indian population die yearly, as did the Irish in the years of the famine. They died by the thousands at home and on their journeys abroad. Surviving food surpluses were taken out of the country at the request of Queen Victoria as a token of her love and respect for the Irish, who had done her no wrong.

Ireland's story is ancient in this respect and latest reports show that British rascality has taken new life and spread to the republic to put an end to the peace and harmony that has existed there since the foundation of Ulster in the '20s. This last act in the play will endanger human life in

Ireland. If they are not shot by the British army or the Ulster Defence they will be shot by those trying to maintain law and order, or those waging the struggle for justice or freedom from British rule.

These are the evils that are instrumental in Ireland's unrest from the start and as long as they exist Ireland will remain a playground for British rascality.

The same goes for the plight of the Indians. The gutless politicians referred to in the book, similar to those who would not help the Irish situation, will never become concerned about improving the life of the Indians on the reserves, that are in reality concentration camps.

We can only blame the monarchy and the leadership of Britain for it all.

Some years ago I put a letter in a western paper similar to this, which drew some comment. When I surmised them all up one need not wonder at the present state of the world.

To conclude, I might say that what you hear on the radio and see on TV is somewhat the same.

Yours sincerely,
George Graham.

Let us pay back our debt

The Editor,
Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir:
I remember seeing a few years ago, an article in MacLean's describing the wild horses in the foot-hills of Alberta. It spoke of their swiftness and alertness, but most of all, of their lack of food in that land of plenty. It affected me deeply, and I wrote the Premier to the effect that those beautiful horses were a special landmark for Alberta, which no other country has, and would they please take food to those horses in the winter. I received a nice answer.

Today, I beg the Premier of Ontario, through your paper, to protect and winter feed our own wild life landmark — the

deer. They say there are skeletons of starved deer to be found in the woods right here in Central Ontario.

Did you ever consider that those deer are descendants of the deer which roamed the forests of Ontario in the days of our forefathers? Some of them provided meat for the tables of the pioneers of Ontario. Many a time it was the only meat they had access to, or could afford.

We took the forest and the food it provided, away from these peaceful animals. Let us Ontarians pay back our debt to our beautiful landmark — the deer.

Yours truly,
Millicent Milroy,
Rockwood, Ont.

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