OUR READERS WRITE:

Government two-faced about alcohol

Salvation Army, Guelph Citadel Corps.

Dear Sirs.

Mr. John Clement, minister of consumer and commercial relations, recently onnounced in the legislature that regulations will be amended to permit taverns and other licenced establishments to open Sunday, December 31st, from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m., and a lengthier period of business for dining room lounges and licenced 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 beredved 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, 172 Waterloo Avenue, Guelph, Ontario.

7 ' 1 '. . . 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 wee 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

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 summed 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

> Yours sincerely. George Graham.

Let us pay back our debt

The Editor, Acton Free Press.

Dagar 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.

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Yours truly, Millicent Milroy, Rockwood, Ont.



Mary Skerrett

Rockwood Bowling

As the Rockwood and district bowling teamsters whet their ambitions to win out in the December 12 Christmas Turkey Roll the standings of teams and teammates does a close shuffle. In first place with 57 points is the Guelphites team; yying in close 2nd are the Trotters and Hockets with 47 each; the Nortons have 43 points for 4th place position;
5th is Four Corners with 40; 6th
Strattons 37; 7th Rambiers 35; 8th
Alley Cats 34; 9th Countrymen—33;
10th Neighbours—32; 1th Carneys— 30 tying with the Junior Farmers: 13th Barley Sandwiches with 28; Pacers ring in for 14th position with 24 points: 15th shows the Optimists with 23 and, in the cellar with 20 points for their

team are the Gooyer's team. Victorious Ramblers Playing for the victorious Rambiers who won 5 to 2 against the Trotters was George Smith who rang 2 single sets of 209 and 224. Teammate Donna Hindley brought in a cool 205 single score and Frank Hindley a 266. Ted Jestin rolled in for the Trotters with his 261 and 224; Sandy McPhedran made a 228 single and Doug Hilton a

It was 3 to 4 loss for the Neighbours as they were conquered by the Alley Cats and bowling for the Cats was Ross McDougall with a 215 single Elmer Allen with a 190 and Mary Lush scorched in a 259 single score. Ellen Garner was in fine fettle for the Neighbours and brought in a 225, 226 score set, Nell MacPhedran a 253 and Bill Garner a 240.

Alley sizzier Four Corners were the victors against the Country Men with a 5 to 2 score as Anne Parkinson literally sizzled the alleys as she brought in a 25.1 single score, Harvey Peart mide a 216 and Don McKersie a 186 single. It was a 218 single for Henry Klaver a Country Man. Gytha Knol made a 158 and Rika Loaf a 161 score.

The Optimists had to face facts and were outplayed by the Junior Farmers on Tuesday's games as they brought in a total score of 5 to 2 with Bruce Miller driving home a 210 single game, Glen Gray a 189 and Tom Cliffe a 185 single. Ward Bruce was optimistic with his 197 single, Harold Theaker a 177 and Flora Bine brought in a 177 single score. .

Fly high Flying high the Rockets made a five point landing over the Carney's team with 2 points to the loser's credit as Edna Davis made a 301, 262, and 262 to triple in at 825; Hary Jestin showed a 315 point single score and Art Davis a 617 triple with his 3 single sets of 242, 216 and 219, John Carney made a 218, Allen Burnett a 256 and Bob Lilley a 189 single point game.

Gooyers were the winners over their Pacer opponents with a 5 to 2 game and Brian Robertson bowled 218 and 202, Winnie Hills a 208 single and strong for the winning team was Clarence Hilton with his 235 and 220 single scores. Paul Waddell mozied in with 231 points, Dick Stoman 276 and Gord Burnett bowled in 209 points for

Barley sandwich

A Barley Sandwich was when Mike Kelly came up with his 252 and 212 games. Mike Martin his 239 and Charles Milne his 249. They won all the way with a 5 to 2 point finale against the Norton's team as Mary Stahlbaum showed a 220 and 254 set of scores, Vivian Nightlagale a 241, and Irene Lavoie a 176 single score.

Guelphites pointed out the Strattons with a 5 to 2 point win and, showing high for the Guelphites was Cary arks with his 219 and 217 scores. Doug Chandler's 220 and Ross Gordon made a 213 single. Garfield Tarzweil rolled up his night showing a 220 and 2 2 single set. Dick Dupuls made a 242 and 201 single set and Alice Johnson a 198 single high score.

Women over 500 Edna Davis 825, Mary Stahlbaum 619, Mary Lush 608, Anne Parkinson 601, Ellon Garner 549, Winnie Hilts 540, Lois Jestin 543, Vivian Nightingale 530, Donna Hindley 524, Millie Smith 521, Irene La Vote 500.

Men over 600 Dick Dupula 730, Harv Jestin 703, Art Davies 677, Ted Jestin 641, Clarence Hillon 632, Garfield Tarzwell 630, Charley Milne 624, Frank Hindley 614, Gary Parks 605, Mike Murtin 604, Brian Robertson 602, Mike Kelly 602, Ross Gordon 601, Blake Heinz 600.

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

By Borys Lenko

Acton, drove 1,500 miles to see

their daughter receive tribute

from Humber College of Applied

Arts and Technology in

Mr. and Mrs. John Bigelow,

residents of Halifax, were there

recommends

camp site

Etobicoke.

Board

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 pictic 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

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

having the highest marks in the Horsemanship studies program. The parents of Mary Skerrett,

Mary Skerrett top student

in Humber horsemanship

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 to see their daughter receive her husband Brian, a guidance counsellor at Acton High School. Humber's scholastic award for

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 Plans for developing a local campsite within the boundaries with the Halifax Junior Bengal Lancers, a pony club in the of Rockwood could become a Maritime city. She had her own reality according to a motion passed last November 30 at the horse while attending Acadia' University in Wolfville, Nova regular meeting of the Eramosa

Scotia, where she also met her husband.

When the Skerretts moved to Ontario the horse was sold but the interest in horses 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.

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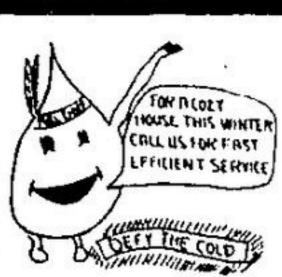
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