



ANNE WATKINS, left, teaches the interior design course at night school. Mrs. Linda Rowe and Mrs. Watkins are selecting the kind of wallpaper for a room.

# Night classes keep pupils busy

Interior Design and Brush Up Your Typing Skills are featured in this final article of a series concerning night school classes.

Interior design on Monday evenings is taught by Mrs. Anne Watkins.

Eleven pupils work each week on color designs, furniture to suit a room and putting together a room. They study the different kinds of paint and wallpaper.

Field trips to homes in the vicinity are taken and classes on how to solve specific problems are held.

Typing  
Joan Williamson, a secre-

tary at the high school during the day, teaches the Wednesday evening class of Brush Up Your Typing and Business Skills.

Most of the ten students in the class have been away from the typewriter for 20 years. Some are out working and are trying to pick this skill up again.

When the classes began, the pupils sat down and discussed what they wanted to do, and planned their agenda around that. The students are pretty well independent, according to Mrs. Williamson. They are all working at their own speed.



STUDENTS FROM Brush Up Your Typing Skills, a night school course, are busy typing their letters. Back to front are Shirley Waites, Rose Seaton, typing teacher Joan Williamson and Marj. Altan.

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## Old Grindell house full of fond memories

As the years march on, history fades. As new buildings are built, old ones are torn down. Such is the case of old Grindell house on Main St. S.

No one seems to know the exact date it was built, or by whom, but most of the people who have resided there are known.

The McPhee family bought it, supposedly from the Adams family, although no one is sure about this fact. The Adams were the first settlers here. Donald McDonald bought the house in 1881, from the McPhees and added on to it.

Their daughter, upon marrying, returned to the house. Her name was Henrietta Grindell, who died just three years ago. She lived in the house until her death. Mrs. Meryl Kirkness, of Church St., Mrs. Grindell's daughter, grew up in the house with her sister and parents.

Vandals  
Mrs. Earl Cooper bought the house just prior to the death of Mrs. Grindell. They had hoped to restore it, but found that vandals would ruin a week's work in a few minutes. Everytime they did something to the house, when they went back, it was wrecked.

Altho construction company now own it, and plan to tear it down to make way for a small subdivision. The little house holds mysteries, and has quite a few stories to tell. However, once the bulldozer strikes its first blow, the stories, and perhaps legends, will bite the dust.



THE OLD GRINDELL house on Main Street is of undetermined age, but most involved agree it is well over 100 years old. It is to be torn down to make way for housing.



MRS. KAY HANNAH, teacher of the basic sewing class at night school shows Mrs. Jane Lumbers, right, how to make cuffs on her blouse. This class was featured a few weeks ago in a series of articles on the night school programs. This week's article marks the end of the series. Most of these classes, plus additional ones, will begin new programs again in January.

## Polyunsaturates aren't safe

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture warns that many may have been wrong in believing advertisements which said you should eat polyunsaturated fats instead of saturated fats to avoid heart disease.

Recent tests on pigs in the United States show that these polyunsaturates may be more harmful to your health.

The tests have indicated that when the polyunsaturates are taken from soybeans and made into margarine they become trans fats. These trans fats cause a higher blood cholesterol level and greater incidence of Atherosclerosis is responsible for 90 percent of all heart disease.

It has been concluded by the researchers at the University of Illinois that vegetable oil is more dangerous than butter.

## Social worker for MPs

Federal MPs are expected to be full-time social workers, according to former PC member Terry O'Connor who spoke at Sheridan College in Oakville last week. They are expected, by their constituents, to cut through the red tape in Ottawa.

"I don't feel that this is right," he said. "We don't elect people, pay them a good salary, give them a staff and send them to Ottawa to be social workers."

During his talk to the Canadian Political Development classes, at the Oakville Campus, O'Connor recommended a full-time ombudsman to be appointed to deal with things like unemployment insurance problems and passport difficulties. "He would cut through the bureaucratic nightmare in Ottawa," said O'Connor. "This would lessen the burden on the MPs. As it is, if there were 100 hours in each day, your member still wouldn't get everything done."

The three main functions of the backbencher, as O'Connor saw them, were legislative, which means sitting on various standing and special committees; constituency, which he views as the social worker role; party functions, which, he explained "requires a well-formed, well-funded opposition party to constructively criticize the government. At the present time, the question period in the House of Commons serves no other purpose than to exploit the weaknesses and deficiencies of the government and to embarrass them."

Government backbenchers are almost totally stifled, O'Connor feels. "Party discipline is strong in Ottawa," he added, "and government backbenchers are not allowed to ask questions of the cabinet ministers or deviate from the party line."

O'Connor was invited to speak at Sheridan by Stephen Page, from the School of Applied and Liberal Studies.

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## Morris can loan out snow fence

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Engineer Peter Morris suggested to the works committee meeting Monday night that such groups be required to pay as a deposit half the value of the fence and that he be given permission to hand it out as he sees fit.

The committee went along with the plan because it would be a time-saver both for the town and the group using the fence. Snow fence will only be loaned out if there is absolutely no use for it in the town at the time.

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and the up-grading of plumbing, heating and electrical systems.

2. **Community-Sponsored Housing Program** supports the development of reasonably priced housing through non-profit housing corporations operated by groups or municipalities. Grants to these groups—which may include labour unions, churches, welfare agencies, educational and charitable institutions, and service clubs—cover up to 10% of the value of a housing project. In return, the group makes available up to 25% of the project units for Ontario Housing Corporation's rent supplement program.

3. **OHC's Assisted Rental Housing for Families and Senior Citizens** provides accommodation for the elderly and for families, on the basis of rents geared-to-income. Its purpose is to subsidize rental payments for people 60 years of age and older and for low-income families.

4. **Home Ownership Made Easy (H.O.M.E.) Plan** brings home ownership within the reach of many moderate-income earners. Houses are built on serviced lots which are then leased by Ontario Housing Corporation to new homeowners who have the option of buying the land after five years. This combination makes lower-than-normal down payments possible.

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