

Children to watch circus set up

Next Tuesday, May 20, the sounds of animals and working men will echo from Prospect Park where Canada's Royal Bros. circus will erect its tents for the day and give performances at 6 and 8 p.m.

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the circus here and is arranging for school children from the two town public schools and Speyside schools to come to the park and watch the circus set up. Buses will bring the children from the farthest distance; the R.L. children will walk over.

Advance sale of tickets but president Mike Worthington points out this week tickets will be withdrawn from all stores Saturday afternoon. Only Ed's In and Out variety will continue to have tickets since this store is open on Sunday and the holiday Monday. The Chamber and the circus will close their dealings Tuesday morning so accounting must be done Sunday and Monday.

Advance tickets are lower priced than those at the park on the day of the circus. The Chamber gets a split.

Coloring books will be taken this week to the public school and there are prizes

for best circus picture produced.

Touring

Royal Bros. Circus is the only touring tent circus in Canada and presents a 90-minute performance designed for "children of all ages". Fifteen circus acts under a big top will bring back memories of past circus days for the adults and thrill the children who are making their first visit to the sawdust and canvas world of the circus.

This year's edition will feature Virginia Braborn's aerial web routine; Michael's Canine Revue featuring their high diving dog; military

ponies from Oklahoma; Beatrice Dante and Bongo her trained T.V. Star Chimpanzee from Belgium; the WHIZ KIDS on the unicycle; plus jugglers, acrobats, stunts, and clowns, trained horses, ponies, llamas, and featuring "Big Ellie" the four ton circus elephant.

Besides the circus performance under the big top, Royal Bros. Circus carries a wild animal zoo with cages of lions, bears, monkeys, and pigmy goats. Also there is a pony ride for the kiddies and a refreshment stand.



MICHELLE CAVELL A. Phillips was looking reverent Sunday morning following the Anglican Confirmation services held at St. Alban's Church.

Road diversion legal

The new road diversion on the Third Line has been completed, and traffic officially rerouted Monday of last week. Indusmin Quarries and Halton Hills council exchanged land by agreement and over to the town.

Indusmin paid for the construction of the new roadway. The old road was signed and blocked off about 10 a.m. Monday of last week, and the new roadway legally turned over to the town.

Don Murdie of Indusmin expects quarrying will begin across the old road in two or three months. First the land will be stripped to remove the overburden and then mining will follow.

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Concert repeated

Repeat band concert at the high school Sunday evening again brought out a crowd which thoroughly enjoyed the program. Slides arranged by Peter Saxon, were used to illustrate the music.

Attendance was down from the first performance, but band members enjoyed performing it again, after all their hours of preparation and practice.

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Paper; glass double in volume

Saturday's paper and glass collection was "tremendously successful", according to high school music teacher Dave Sale. High school band volunteers were working all day until after 9 p.m., and at that missed some places.

Both paper and glass were more than double in weight from any previous collection. There were seven tons of glass collected.

Tyler Transport had donated a 40-foot trailer to pile the papers in, and to the amazement of the collectors, they filled the whole huge truck. It went to Brantford later to unload and sell the papers.

Mr. Sale suspects house-cleaning season had a lot to do with the success of the day's collections. But also

people are becoming used to the fact that young people will be along regularly.

They apologize to anybody missed, and ask everyone to start saving again. The next collection is the second Saturday in June.

Committee approves grant

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from outside and using it to promote projects, which otherwise the town would have to fund," said the bandmaster.

Councillor Ernie Sykes asked him about a donation to the Lions Club swimming pool listed in the financial statement.

Mr. Elliott said the Acton Lions helped the band equip their building. He explained when the pool was started they were unaware the town would help finance it, so they felt they should do something for the Lions Club, and voted them \$100.

Another donation of \$100, this time to George Harvey Secondary school band was questioned by the finance committee.

The bandmaster said it was one of the best high school bands in Toronto, which came to Acton Fall Fair and would take no money for doing so. He said the Fair Board only provided transportation, and the band members entertained them. He said they also helped at an Acton Citizens' Band concert.

He explained that the George Harvey band were asked to compete in Vienna last year, and to help them travel to Europe, the Acton band donated \$100.

Chairman Harry Levy said he accepted the explanation, but still objected to any group receiving money from the town, then donating it to someone else.

Levy asked if the band did not work on a yearly budget.

Mr. Elliott said under the old system they rarely received the grant until the end of May, after the budget was struck. "We had to save money for the first five months of each year. Last year we didn't get a grant until November, so we had to operate all year on the previous year's money."

band provides uniforms and instruments, from money they raise themselves, then come to the town for the difference between the amount they need to operate. Mr. Elliott said the players' fund is money from out of town engagements. He pointed out the band made \$600 from such engagements last year. He said the band would stop outside engagements if they are a problem. He said the band wants a secure fund to operate a musical program for the town. He said they planned an arts festival this year, and had the choice of asking the town for money for it or taking it out of the players' fund. Sykes said the committee wanted to assist and en-

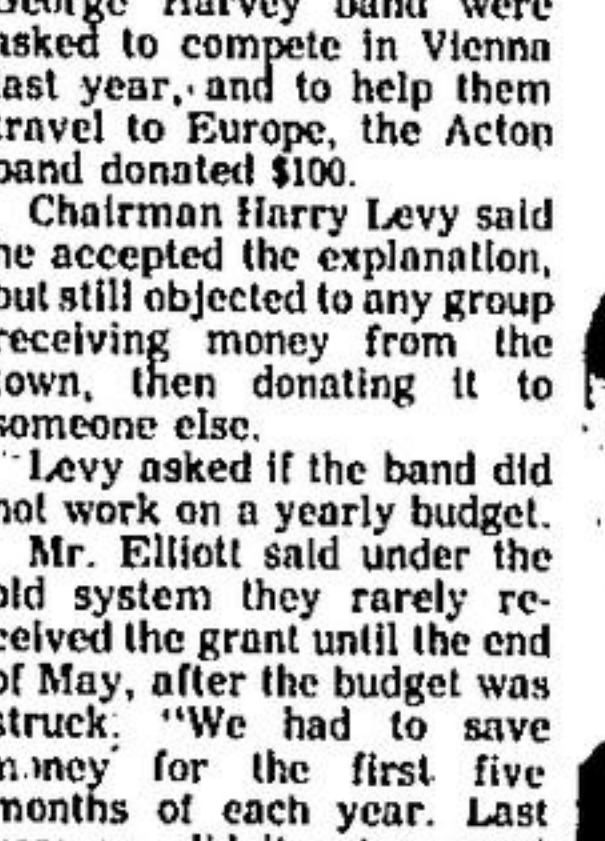
courage the band as much as possible, but said they had to do it the same way as any other group.

Mr. Elliott claimed the band has to build up a reserve for a period of years to keep the building in reasonable condition.

The finance committee approved the \$4,725 grant but Chairman Levy warned that "council might take a long hard look at it."

The 1975 executive of Acton Citizens' Band includes Gerry Paton president, John Halmen 1st vice-president, Jim Cotes 2nd vice-president, Robert Ellerby secretary-treasurer, Bill Buchanan past-president, and executive members Janet Allen, Brenda Kingsmill, Stan Petric and Keith Thomas.

Johnson may run for NDP



Bill Johnson of R.R. 2, Rockwood, frequent letter writer to this newspaper, former head of Guard and now spearheading Nassagaweya ratepayers, says he will contest the New Democratic Party nomination for the Halton-Burlington riding, if his name is submitted.

Still gleeful after his winning battle with Bell Canada over an enlarged dialing area for the Campbellville telephone exchange, Johnson is also happy about Premier Bill Davis' announcement that garbage will not be dumped on Heart Lake Road, near Brampton, an issue he fought also.

If he's nominated he said his campaign will be based on education and the environment, among other issues in the province.

The N.D.P. convention is being held May 28 in the Steelworkers Hall, Milton.

Johnson said he hoped Mr. Elliott understood the reason for his concern. He said "A grant is taxpayers' money and we are concerned you would give money away in donations."

"It was money we earned," retorted Mr. Elliott.

Sykes said it was still taxpayers' money, and part of it had been used in the building fund. "That was not the purpose for which it was given."

Mr. Elliott said, "All the money we were given was spent for the purpose it was given, the rest we earned ourselves."

Levy said other organizations go out and earn money, but use that money to reduce the grant needed from the town. He said the Pipe

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