



Pioneer Yule shown at Black Creek house

The mistress of Burwick House at Black Creek Pioneer Village, Jean Hayward, blends the ingredients for mince meat, while Corry Buchanan, a student in Etobicoke, uses an old-time device to peel apples for Christmas fruitcake.

These delicacies formed an integral part of the Christmas celebrations for the wealthy Burr family, during the 1840's. Other seasonal treats to accompany the Christmas Day dinner of soup, roast goose and beef, Yorkshire pudding and garden-grown vegetables, included plum pudding and sauce, cookies, figs, dates and nuts.

Weekend visitors to Burwick House may receive samples of baked goods (while they last), or, at day's end, pieces of roast chicken.

Burwick House is one of the buildings at Black Creek Pioneer Village that evokes the atmosphere of an old-fashioned Christmas, daily until December 31. These buildings illustrate the development of the Christmas season from 1816 to the late 1960's, through the various foods, decorations and gifts. Located at Jane Street and Steeles Avenue, in northwest Metro Toronto, Black Creek is open weekdays, 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and weekends, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Mileage rate hike

Halton Hills employees who use their cars for municipal business will receive a mileage hike at the start of next year, general committee decided last week. There has been no increase since the beginning of 1982. Employees will receive 22 cents per km.

they drive for the first 8,000 km and 20 cents per km for over 88,000 km. Also the monthly car allowance paid Town department heads will jump from \$115 to \$124. A report from Treasurer Ray King stated the increases amount to approximately 7.8 per cent.

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Jelinek dubious about Throne Speech

by Rod Jerred

Based on past experience, Canadians should take last week's Throne Speech with a grain of salt, according to Halton MP Otto Jelinek.

Responding to the Throne Speech, Jelinek claimed the Liberal government has failed to keep or follow through with 90 per cent of the promises in the last Throne Speech in 1980.

The most infamous broken Liberal promise in the 1980 Throne Speech was the failure to keep the gas price increase below 18 cents a gallon, said Jelinek. But he added the Liberals failed to come through with other promises in the 1980 Throne Speech including job creation programs, an increased role in NATO, a more efficient parliament, a Made in Canada Program and an increase in Canadian research and development projects.

"All I'm saying is that based on the Liberal's record with Throne Speeches in the past, one should not take them so seriously," said Jelinek.

In the latest throne speech Jelinek said he hoped the Liberals would keep some of their promises to make stiffer penalties in the criminal code for violent crimes, drunk driving and drug trafficking.

These included:
—Changes in the criminal code to provide stiffer penalties for violent crimes, drug trafficking and drunk driving.

—An increase in the guaranteed income supplement for 700,000 single pensioners.

—Changes in the bankruptcy laws to

protect farmers and workers.

—An Acid Rain treaty with the United States and an auto trade agreement with Japan.

On Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau's peace crusade, Jelinek commented, "Who's against peace? Everyone is for peace. I wish him well on his peace mission. Who wouldn't? But it's a motherhood issue."

Jelinek said the Throne Speech failed to deal with unemployment—the number one problem in Canada today.

Although the federal government promised to spend \$1 billion in job creation programs for the unemployed youth, Jelinek said it has failed to deal with the "root of the problem."

"They are temporary, makework programs geared towards spending tax dollars on unproductive jobs and temporary jobs," he said. "You can't continue trying to solve the problems with handouts and social programs."

"This is where the Throne Speech failed," Jelinek, who serves as the small business critic in Opposition Leader Brian Mulroney's shadow cabinet, said the government should be providing small business incentives to increase employment.

That along with measures to increase productivity, improve international and secondary trade were ignored by the throne speech, said Jelinek.

"We were distressed with the lack of any new incentives in the throne speech with respect to the economy," said Jelinek.

Region raked . . .

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social services, who in turn reports to the chief administrative officer and the health and social services committee.

The regional system, he said, took responsibility for the Manor out of the hands of people familiar with the home.

"They've given the responsibility to people who don't know anything about the operation here," he said. "I warned them a long time ago that you can't fragment an operation like this and expect it to work well."

"I think a lot of those councillors are unaware of what this place has to do," he said. "They're building a system where the end results don't matter as long as we conform to their methods."

The study, to date, has concluded the Manor's residential wing is going to be even less in demand than it has been and many

senior citizens are reluctant to go to the Manor because it is perceived as too far from their homes.

During small group discussions of the report, Mayor Gord Krantz said the study clearly shows a change is needed in the current philosophy of care for the elderly, "but we can't lose sight of the economics of the matter."

Consultant Kip Holloway, responding to Allen's criticisms, said the report was simply noting "some of the most glaring deficiencies of the Manor."

"Right now, it is just operating to the standards of the 1960's" he said. "Its standard of programming just does not meet the standards of today."

"Previously, this home was a model for others, but it isn't any longer, and if it is to continue, then it has to be updated," he said.

Outdoors

by Lorne Fletcher

It's that time of year again when dyed in the wool trout anglers have increasingly hard time just finding some open water to fish, not to mention the road conditions that one has to put up with to arrive in one piece.

What with intermittent snow, rain and high water, probably the best places to fish at this time would be below dams that hold back the snow and slush, such as Thornbury or Southampton. The fish are there, it just takes a little more enthusiasm to get started in cold weather. Once on the river, the experience of fishing with plenty of elbow room and certainly no bugs biting can make for a great day.

Most extended season fishing for Rainbows ends on December 31, leaving only the Great Lakes and Georgian Bay open year round, with the exception of the river at Southampton open as far up as the concrete botments below the dam. Many good fish are taken in winter in this stretch of river.

The fall bow hunting season ended last weekend in most Ontario areas with very little success. I have had some reports of good hunting success. This is a relatively new way of hunting in this area and I sus-

pect that most novices at this game have not yet learned that it takes a lot of patience and time to even get close to any game.

There is one thing that bugs me about the annual hunt for deer and that is the fact that the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) asks for a tabulation and reports of hunters' success on any gun hunt, but the bow hunters are not asked for any reports of hunters' success or otherwise. This is not right. How can the MNR know how many deer are taken under this method, if no results are asked for?

Just last week I had a hunter from the Acton area tell me that he had forgotten to mail the hunter report to the MNR in the four day time allotment after the gun hunt and the MNR lost no time notifying this hunter that no licence would be considered for next year's hunt.

This is the way it should be, more power to the MNR to be on top of the rules, such as they are.

But the point is no bow hunter need make any report and need not worry about a licence for the next year.

This is discrimination, as I see it. More reports are coming in of an unusual increase in the number of wolves sighted in this area.

Mr. Anthony of the Fifth Line of Esquevas observed a very large animal that was stalking a cow that was in the process of calving. This wolf was very brazen not wanting to leave the area until openly chased away. No doubt the wolf knew the pickings would be easy, it probably wasn't the first time, what with deer fawns in the early spring.

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