

# Cites Crowded Housing Problem of Immigrants

3 John Street W. Apartment 3,  
Dear Sir:  
I would like to voice a couple of opinions concerning housing and immigration.  
I have lived in Canada all my life. When I got married we lived with my parents for some time. Some time after the birth of our first child we moved to Brampton for approximately eight months. When we decided to move to another apartment we had a very hard time to find accommodation. We called every apartment in the local newspapers. Most of the vacant ones were one bedroom. I asked if they allowed one child three years old. My reply was that National Health and Welfare would not allow a child of three years or over to sleep in the same room as the parents as this is considered unhealthy. I then added that we have a couch that pulls out to a bed and my husband and I would sleep there, leaving the bedroom for our daughter. The answer was that under no circumstances could they rent a one bedroom apartment to a family with a child over three years. I got this answer from over 95% of the one bedroom ads. After several months of searching we managed to get very reasonable accommodation in Georgetown (3 bedroom).  
Now I know of many Portuguese and Italian people who are emigrating to Canada by way of supposedly reasonable sponsors. As a matter of fact, I meet these people through my husband's family who are Portuguese.  
A Portuguese family on the outskirts of Brampton made a contract with the Canadian government to have her sister, husband and family of three children emigrate to Canada. The sponsorship was given. But as with anyone who sponsors an immigrant, they would provide and sponsor them for a period of five

years. This family is now in Canada. The sponsors own their own home and have three children of their own. The house has three bedrooms. The sponsors occupy one bedroom, their children another, and the five people they sponsored are sleeping in one bedroom, on the floor, as they didn't supply beds, just an empty room. Not much money was brought and as the husband had not found a job, due to language barrier, his money ran out. The sponsor informed them that he couldn't supply them with food. So the family set out to bum food from their brothers and sisters living in the same area. At last word, they were eating milk and bread. Fortunately the husband obtained a job last week.  
I am in no way prejudiced or I would not have married a Portuguese myself. But my beef is that as a born Canadian with one child, I am forced to rent a two or more bedroom apartment at a higher rent. And yet people who are not responsible are permitted to bring people from the old country here and stick five people in one bedroom. Somehow this just does not seem fair. I am sure other people with one or more kids have had trouble finding an apartment. I wonder also why people who are living hand to mouth themselves are permitted to sponsor immigrants.  
I realize there must be people to handle these things, but where are they? Why don't they check up on these people to see if they have the adequate number of rooms, food and furnishings? I also know of many people from the mentioned country who have bought three or four bedroom bungalows in Brampton and Georgetown who have sponsored people, brought them over to Canada and let them live with them, but already have 15-20 other people living with them at the time. I received information that a 3 bedroom bungal-

low was considered a single family dwelling unless a suitable apartment has been provided for visitors or for renting purposes. I would like to try to put the same number of people in my home and charge \$10 a week each for rent and see how long it takes before the board of health comes knocking on my door. These people in my estimation don't have homes, but a... good business 'tax free.'  
I feel what's good for the goose is good for the gander and if these sponsors and immigrants are permitted to turn their homes into 15-20 people dwellings to take in the loot, why not Canadians who have adequate rooms to do the same? I am sure many people would not fancy to do so. But the point is if we tried it I am sure there would become investigation. I would like to

hear if other people felt the same as I do or not.  
Also in some welfare cases people are refused welfare as they are not in a town long enough. Yet this family has got a little help already while in Canada only two months. Some of you may be thinking that it is up to this family's brothers and sisters to support them if the sponsors are not willing to give them food when they're hungry, bed instead of floors, and a blanket when they're cold. So who were their sponsors, you ask — her brother-in-law and sister.  
I have two questions to ask, directed to anyone in charge of these affairs and to you readers —  
1. Why?  
2. What do you think?  
Mrs. Sandra Lima

## HORNBY

### Two 8th Line Families Moving, Feted at Party

Friends and neighbours gathered at the North Trafalgar Recreation Centre on Thursday evening, Feb. 12 to honour Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Course of the 8th Line, who will be moving shortly to 111 Vista Drive, Streetsville and to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Matthews also of the 8th Line who are moving to south of Erin. The two families have lived on the 8th Line for several years and will be greatly missed by all in the Hornby district. Mrs. Walter Baxter, Mrs. Ellison Ball, Mrs. Frank Falbo and Mrs. Dick Course were in charge of the evening. Euchre prizes were awarded to the following: Mervin Rusk, Mrs. Harvey Dunn, Harvey Dunn, and Harold Matthews. Following the entertainment both couples were called forward by Mrs. Ball who presented each couple with an electric blanket and a pair of Blue Mountain coffee mugs.  
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Aselton (nee Corinne Burden who were married on Saturday, February 14, at St. Cuthbert Anglican Church in Oakville.  
The Sunshine Ladies' Auxiliary held their monthly euchre party on Wednesday night, February 11, at the North Trafalgar Recreation Centre. There were eight tables in play with the prizes going to the following winners: high, Mrs. Tom Howden and Charlie Brown; low, Mrs. Jim Hamilton and Bud Letty. The door prizes was won by Mrs. Clifford Norton of Oakville.  
Miss Margaret Shea and Miss Allison Noble left on Saturday for a week's vacation in Montreal.  
Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ray Plant and family in the death of her father, Mr. Shier.  
The third meeting of the Hornby North Cotton Tails was held on Monday night, February 9, at St. Stephen's Anglican Church hall.  
Anniversary greetings are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ian Break who will celebrate their wedding anniversary on February 23.  
The North Trafalgar Euchre Club held their weekly euchre party on Saturday night, February 14. There were eight tables of euchre in play with the prizes being awarded to the following winners: Mrs. Jim Cunningham, Mrs. Jim Hamilton, Mrs. Clare Wilson, Tom Bousfield, Ralph Featherston and Fred Johnson. The lucky draws were won by Mrs. Harvey Dunn and Tom Howden.  
St. Stephen's Anglican Church Women held their February meeting at the home of Mrs. Isabell Catcher on Thursday afternoon Feb. 12 with 8 members present.  
The North Trafalgar Community Club met at the home of Mrs. Jim May on Wednesday night, Feb. 11.  
During the meeting the ladies all signed a Valentine which were later drawn from a box. Mrs. Jim Saliba and Mrs. Joe Sammit were in charge of the program for the evening. Mrs. Sammit read an article from a book called the Romance of Tea, which was very interesting. Two contests were conducted with Mrs. Hannah being the winner of Cupid's Arrow and the other contest which was on wearing apparel was won by Mrs. Allan Ross, Mrs. Ellison Ball and Mrs. Jack Williamson.  
Birthday greetings to Kent Hamilton who will celebrate his sixth birthday on Friday, February 20.  
Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. Cliff Wrigglesworth who has been in the Milton District Hospital for the past two weeks where she has been suffering with a case of pleuritis and a collapsed lung.  
— Mrs. Jim Hamilton

## AMHROVE

### Community Sharing is Topic for UCW Group

The Friendship Unit of the UCW was held at the home of Mrs. Clayton Wilson on Tuesday afternoon February 10 with 12 ladies present.  
Leader Mrs. James Carney opened the meeting with a poem.  
Mrs. Charles Austin was acting secretary in place of Mrs. George Wilson who was absent. Mrs. Frank Ruddell had the Worship Service with a bible reading by Mrs. Vern Pickett and a prayer by Mrs. John Belloddy. Mrs. Clayton Wilson played delightful musical numbers on her Hammond organ which gave a lovely touch to the meeting.  
Last month's minutes were read and roll call announced with a thought on friendliness. It was announced that the Presbyterian would be on Feb. 19 in Erindale United Church and delegates were appointed. World Day of Prayer in Hillcrest United Church on March 6.  
The program was in charge of Mrs. J. M. Wickson and the study was clannishness unto our whole community, or sharing of goods and togetherness, families that pray together, stay together.  
After a lengthy discussion in a question and answer period it was decided that three roads are needed first one is share, second one is worship and third is lessen the barriers between the groups. Mrs. Carney gave the courtesies and meeting closed with a social hour.  
With fifteen members present, girls of the Ashgrove 4H club met on January 31 in Hillcrest United Church. The meeting opened with the 4-H pledge and introduction of all the members.  
Officers were elected, Grace Bird, president; Ivy Anne Stull vice president; Barb Brownridge, secretary; Marg Robinson, Lois Mills, press reporters; Ivy Anne Stull, lunch convener. Leaders Mrs. Cox and Mrs.

ical work — straightening material, laying pattern on the material and cutting it out. There were 19 members present. Lunch was provided by Marlene Hume and Verna Fisher.  
— Mrs. J. Belloddy

### Limit Street Vendors In School Districts

Prohibition of street vendor sales of candy, ice cream and fruit, in certain areas of town was included in a by-law passed by council on Monday.  
The action came after complaints last year that street vendors in elementary school areas were creating a danger of accidents.  
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The prohibition is from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with the exception of July and August.  
Details of streets and portions of streets where the ban is effective are contained in the by-law.

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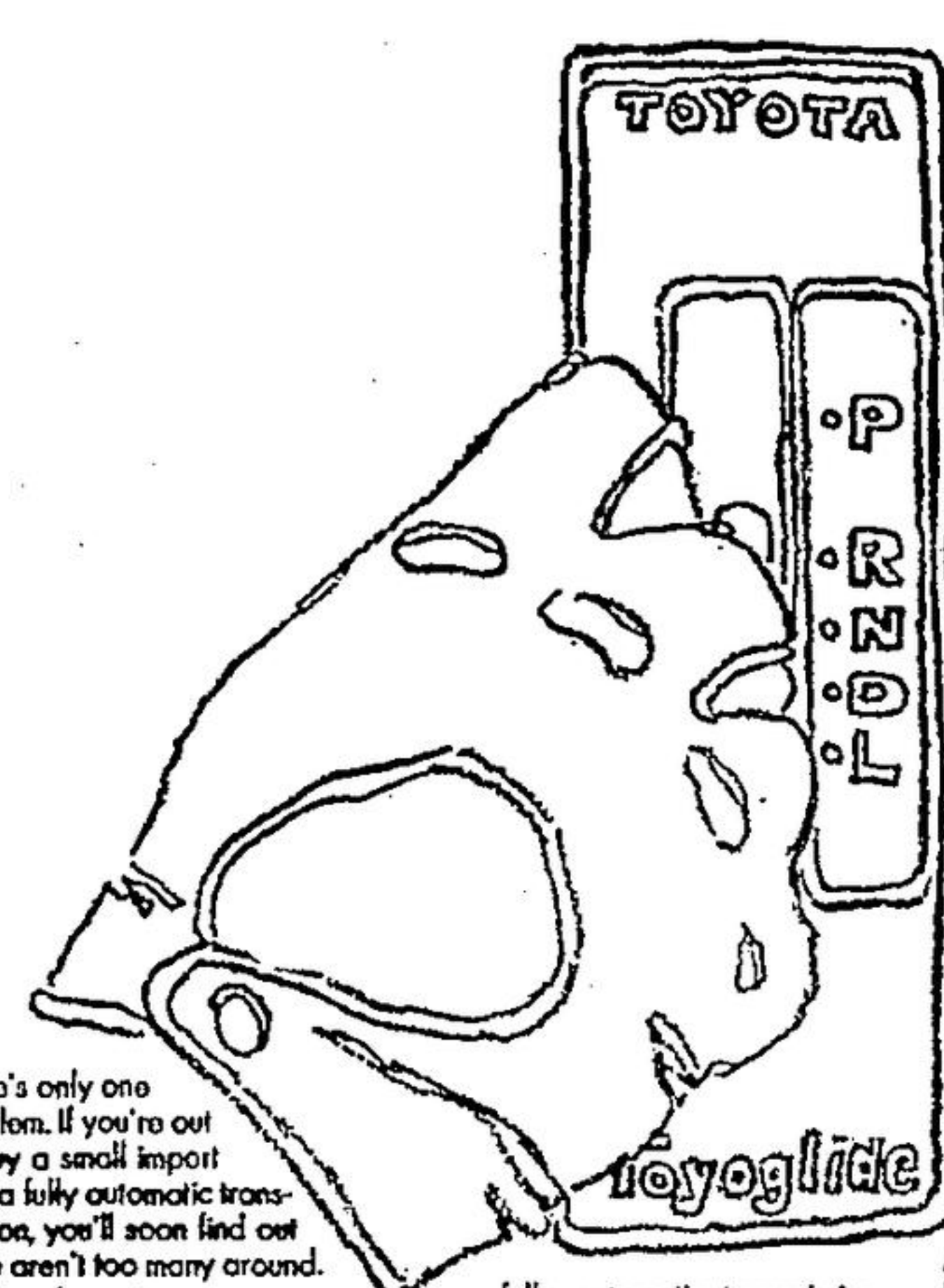
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