

# Mardi Gras Atmosphere For Rhein-Gold Karneval



Wilhelm Langebeck of Georgetown is president of the Karneval Gesellschaft Rhein-Gold.

The ancient German tradition of Karneval or Carnival in its English form, is being transplanted to Georgetown, February 27, when a Mardi Gras dance will be held in Sacred Heart church hall on Guelph St.

The dance is sponsored by the Rhein-Gold, which simply means a carnival group from Guelph who meet regularly like any other club, but whose sole aim is to have fun. The president of the Guelph carnival group is Wilhelm Langebeck, 40 Charles Street, whose idea it was to introduce the German custom to town.

The dance will be attended by other carnival groups from Brampton, Toronto and Kitchener. Reizning Prinz Adolf Von Concordia of the Kitchener club will be on hand for the night.

**PRINCE AND PRINCESS**  
A mock prince and princess.

**RHINE VALLEY**  
For years, this was mainly a

# Holding By-Law in Force Still While OMB Ponders

Decision on Esquesing's holding by-law was reserved, following the OMB hearing last Thursday in Esquesing council chamber. The hearing was conducted by David Jamieson and H. H. Lancaster.

Quarry owners and drag strip opponents were the main voices heard throughout the day long hearing. Both endorsed the holding by-law, but in varying degrees.

Lawyers representing, Indusmin Quarries, Consolidated Sand & Gravel, and Dufferin Materials and Construction backed planning in the township, but were wary of its existence for any extended length of time. They all sought a short designated period of time.

The dragstrip opponents, on the other hand, wanted the holding by-law kept in force for a long period of time. R. J. Swazy represented the North Esquesing Ratepayers Association who have consistently opposed the dragstrip.

## SEPARATIONS UP SHARPLY

T. F. Baines, solicitor for Esquesing Township asked the Board for approval of the holding by-law for a limited period of time perhaps 18 months, until the official plan and zoning by-law, now in their final stages of drafting, were in force.

K. C. Lindsay told the hearing there were no other land use controls in the township other than the holding by-law, and stated the number of separations had risen sharply in the last few years. In answer to a question from R. J. Swazy, K. C. Lindsay replied that the grading operation at the dragstrip began before the holding by-law was passed.

Gary Wright of the Department of Municipal Affairs told the department's concern over the lack of planning in the township, and their insistence that a holding by-law be passed as an initial step, toward a comprehensive official plan and zoning by-law.

He pointed out that the committee of adjustments had been forced into making decisions on an ad hoc basis because there was no official plan. He said that the council were told that the holding by-law would be considered if a zoning by-law and

official plan were undertaken, and a planning consultant hired. Wright stated that Esquesing was the only municipality as close to Toronto that did not have land use control.

**TEMPORARY MEASURE**  
Fred A. Helson, chairman of the Planning Board stated the Planning Board felt there was a need for a zoning by-law to prevent uncontrolled development, and in light of present problems enacted this holding by-law as a temporary measure.

L. R. Ketty, planning consultant with M. M. Dillon Associates termed the township a hodge podge of development, with a great lack of land control. He claimed there had been an increase of 33% of residential development in the rural areas in the last four years, but little development in the villages.

Chairman D. Jamieson asked if any thought had been given to the zoning of the extractive industries in the township.

Ketty replied that a reasonable amount of land around the quarries would be zoned as quarry land. When questioned about possible expansion he suggested it could be put in a holding category. "Why not in quarry category?" asked the chairman.

"We want fairly strict control," replied Ketty.

The chairman suggested all the extractive industries send plans of all their holdings to the township.

Ketty predicted the official plan and zoning by-law would be in force by late fall.

## UNREASONABLE

R. S. Thomson, lawyer for Indusmin Quarries said it was essential to the extractive industries to know where they stand, as they have a very large investment in the township. He emphasized that Indusmin was in favour of proper planning, as long as the freeze didn't last too long.

R. D. Jennings, on behalf of Consolidated Sand and Gravel pointed out that a large investment could not be committed without an assurance of reserves. "A small area around the operation is not enough," he added. He contended that 18

months was an unreasonable length of time for the holding by-law to be in force.

In reply to a question from R. J. Swazy, Ketty said he felt the dragstrip was not properly located.

James Moran, vice president of Dufferin Materials, voiced an opinion later stated by all the extractive industry spokesmen, when he said the quarries have huge amounts of money invested, and to retain their Department of Mines permit to operate must keep to a timetable.

"We're caught between two overlapping authorities, the Department of Mines and the municipalities." He stressed that boards of directors do not look kindly on providing money for an operation termed a non-conforming use.

J. R. Jennings, vice president and general manager of Consolidated Sand & Gravel told of a 2 1/2 million dollar investment his company would be making on their 600 acre site on the top of the escarpment by St. Helena's Road. He maintained the life of a quarry could be 50 years, so a large reserve of land was necessary when operations were started.

A chuckle of approval came from the assembled quarry owners when Moran said, "We're operating in 16 different municipalities and getting 16 different answers to restrictions."

## NOISE AND NUISANCE

Denison Denny, Ellis Taylor and Mrs. A. Rozell all testified to the noise and nuisance of the dragstrip, and emphasized the necessity of the holding by-law.

John Marlow, a noise control engineer stated that the normal decibel level in a rural area is 40 decibels, and claimed the noise level from the dragstrip measured a mile away was 93 decibels. He played tapes that had been made 200 yards from the track. The council chamber heard loudspeakers blaring, the revving up of motors, and the high pitched whine of screaming tires.

Charles Hildebrandt stated that the date of approval of the dragstrip by council was seven weeks after the holding by-law was passed. "This council chamber was jammed with witnesses" he remarked.

Many explanations have been put forward as the origin of Karneval. One theory claims it was started by the Romans when they occupied the Rhine area, and was then the feast of Saturnalia in honour of Saturn, God of the Harvest. Another theory suggests it was the season leading up to banning of eating meat and drinking wine before Lent. This one is based on Carnis (meat) and Vale (farewell) — farewell to meat. No one seems to care, but the Germans have adopted the French word Mardi Gras meaning Shrove Tuesday, to denote the beginning of Lent.

There is no need to have Teutonic blood to attend the Mardi Gras. Everyone is welcome.

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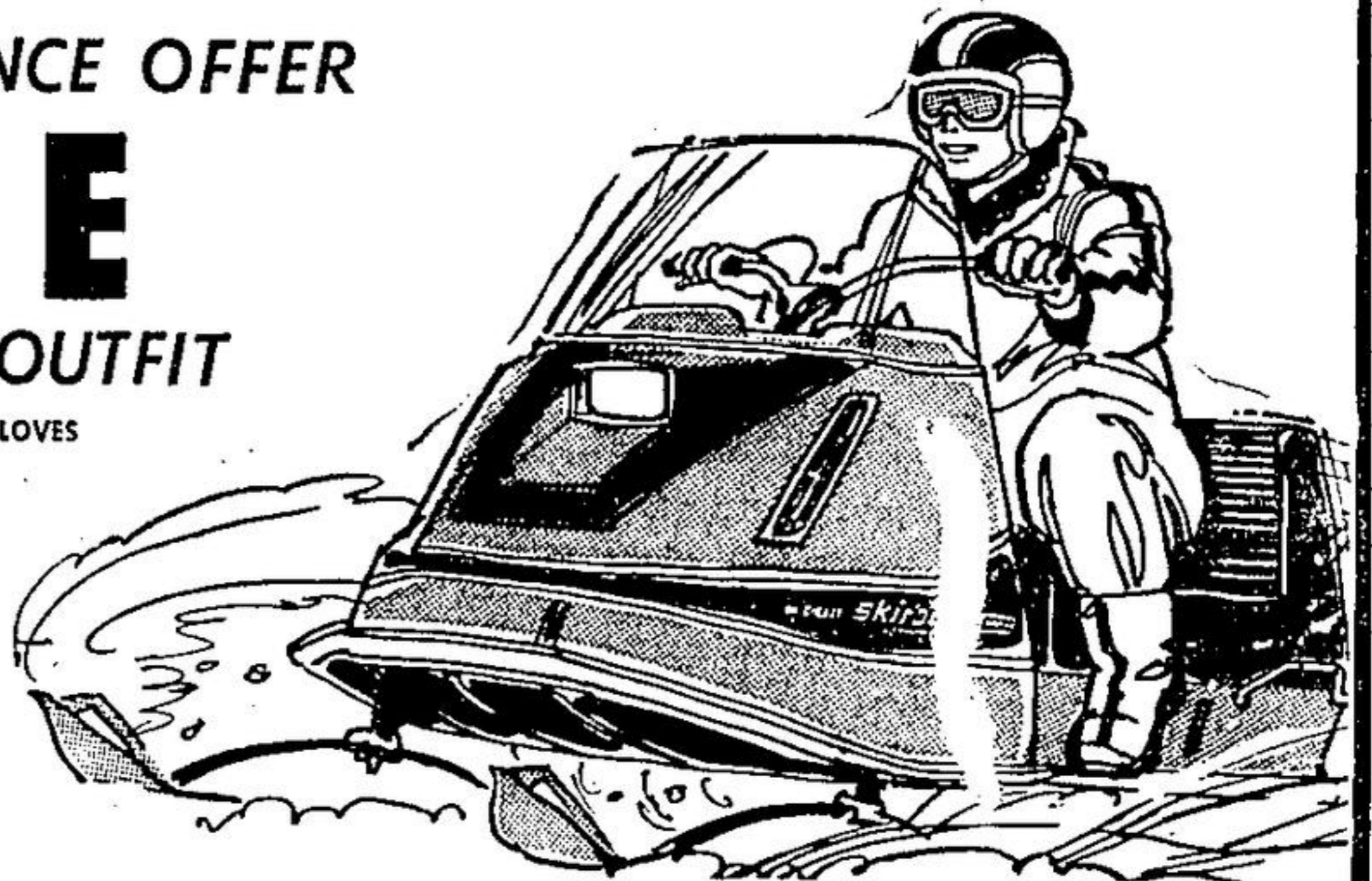
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## HANDS TIED

Peter Bowman the perennial critic of the dragstrip admitted that earth-moving on the dragstrip site, started the end of October or beginning of November. However he stated there was no suggestion of a dragstrip. "The farmer still had cows on the property," he added.

Kyle Bingham expressed the view of many farmers when he told the Board he didn't like having his hands tied. "If a man wants to retire his farm must be sold as farmland, that's what is worrying us," he contended.

## FRIDAY GAME

On Friday it seemed as if Montreal had lost their touch. They were pushed hard to average a 1-1 tie against New York.

After a cautious start Toronto opened up and steam-rolled Boston by a 4-2 score. This was

an exceptionally fast, well played game.

In the final, Chicago blanked Detroit 1-0. Detroit forced the play during the entire game but couldn't capitalize on their chances.

Friday player of the week goes to Todd Rushton of Detroit.

Handling the puck well his passing and shooting were as good as any seen this season. When called on for a defensive play he was in the right place at the right time.

Some parents have asked for extra crests. There are a very limited number available — at a fee. Those wishing seconds

should see Mrs. Long. Almost forgot! Friday night

Standings —

Toronto	24
Montreal	14
Chicago	13
Boston	12
New York	10
Detroit	5

## BALLINAFAD

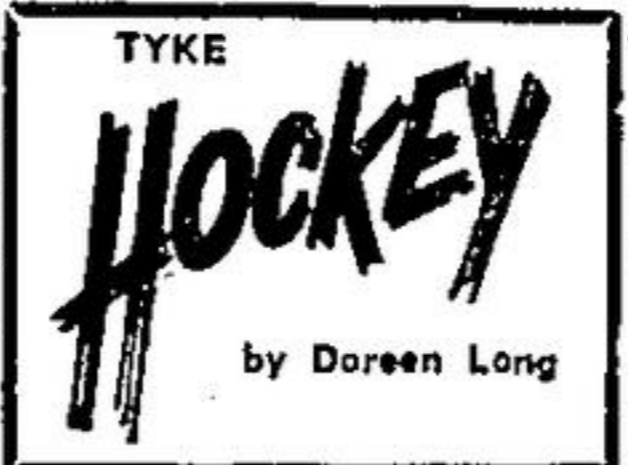
Due to blocked roads and driveways, church and Sunday school had to be cancelled on Sunday.

Morley Shortill has returned home after spending a pleasant holiday in Florida.

Despite the weather conditions there were 11 tables of euchre in play at the community centre on Tuesday night.

Winners being — ladies, Mrs. Irene Watson and Mrs. Lene, Miss Binnie, tied for second. Gents, Blayne Hillock and Mr. Cahoon, Ernie McEnery won the door prize.

— Winnifred Smith



What a difference a week makes. Last week nothing went right but things were better this week. The photographer was on time and if all goes well many a toothy smile should be beaming off the mantel, shortly. Please note that individual pictures should be available Thursday, February 18, and Friday, Feb. 19 from the photographer at the arena. Mrs. Long will have a copy of the team pictures and will take orders for same.

## THURSDAY GAMES

In the first game Pittsburgh threw a scare into Los Angeles. Completely outplaying L. A., Pittsburgh went into 1-0 lead and seemed to be in control only to have L. A. tie the game. Pittsburgh had many chances to add to the score but just missed. This was the closest L.A. has come to have their win streak broken.

In the second game those St. Louis Blues moved into a tie for second place by defeating Minnesota 2 to 1.

Standings as of February 11

Los Angeles	22
St. Louis	11
Pittsburgh	11
Minnesota	8

Thursday player of the week is Kirk Warnock of St. Louis. All the St. Louis players seem to have come alive in the last couple of weeks and the results prove this. Kirk worked very hard in this game.

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