

# Stanfield Visits Halton Preaching Price Freeze



Fran Raines and son Sean of RR2 Georgetown chat with Opposition Leader Robert Stanfield, during his stop at the Trafalgar hall, Saturday.

Opposition Leader Robert Stanfield, called for an immediate freeze on prices to stop the spiralling cost of living, Saturday May 5, as he toured south Peel and Halton.

Speaking at a brief press conference in Trafalgar Memorial Hall, Highway 5 and Trafalgar Road, he said a temporary freeze across the board would give time for the setting up of guide lines for the next two years.

Stanfield, in response to a question, said Terry O'Connor, M.P. for Halton, had been given a special responsibility within the caucus, as the expert on the Auto Pact.

"He will keep us informed on the technical aspects and all the ramifications of the pact," said the Opposition Leader.

**A SHOCKER**  
Questioned repeatedly on the Watergate affair, Stanfield hesitated to criticize but termed it "a real shocker." He pointed out it was a vindication

of the press, and warned it was partly a result of the thinking that elections can be won by manipulation.

In reply to a question on the International Control Commission, the Opposition Leader stressed that the decision to continue or discontinue should be made in Canada on the basis of what is best for Vietnam.

"We take the view the decision in the first place should have been made by parliament," he added.

He pointed out the Canadian role was a supervisory one, not a peace keeping one.

**GLASS HOUSES**  
A reporter asked for a comment on Senator Jackson's description of Canada as a "political quagmire." Smiling Stanfield replied that people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.

Following the press conference the Leader of the Opposition mingled with party members.

## Fire Chief's Report Urges No Building On Land Fill Site

Georgetown and Esqueping joint fire committee looked at a new hazard as far as landfill sites are concerned last week when they went through a report on Methane Hazards submitted by Fire Chief Ken Buikema.

The report states there is a production of methane gas from the decomposition of garbage. It shows how garbage used as landfill and the possible building on the restored land may produce explosions. Methane gas when produced, has to escape to the surface of the landfill site.

In winter when the ground is frozen, or if there are buildings built on the area, the expanding gas is unable to escape and will

explode.

This problem can be offset by installing breather pipes, and not building on these areas.

Fire Chief Ken Buikema said if these areas are left as recreational areas, golf courses, etc., there is no problem.

Georgetown area has two proposed landfill sites, one on Armstrong Ave. and the other at the Indusmin Quarry at Limehouse. The present Georgetown landfill site is at the eastern end of Maple Avenue.

The report cited several cases of explosions causing extensive damage and death.

The fire committee took the report as information for possible future reference.

## HALFWAY HOUSE FOR HALTON

# Reveal Plans for Centre Rehabilitate Alcoholics

Plans for an alcoholics' rehabilitation centre for Halton County was revealed at a Milton District Hospital Board meeting, last week.

The "halfway house" would be a farmhouse near the Milton hospital, and would contain a counselling room, a huge recreation room where ping pong facilities would be set up, and 12 to 14 beds.

Rev. R. W. Foster head of the board's ad-hoc committee which investigated the possibility of this centre mentioned the possibility of acquiring a nearby barn for more recreational activities

## Lions Will Take Senior Citizens On Blossom Tour

Eighty to 100 senior citizens will be taking a trip to Niagara Falls, May 12, sponsored by the Georgetown Lions' Club. Two Georgetown Transportation coaches will be required and the trip will cost approximately \$450.

The senior citizens will see the falls, the fruit blossoms, eat and rest at the Canadian Legion in Niagara.

Four or five private cars will be taken to help with the travellers. One gentleman going on the trip is 92. When asked by a club member if he would like to ride in a car, he was reported, by Lion Dave Fray, to have said he would walk.

Members of Lions' organizing this trip are Dave Fray, Doc Russell, Howard Murphy, Terry Peer, and Fred Zorge. Dave Fray stated that

Mr. Foster explained that the centre would have a full time staff of two, including a director. A psychiatrist and social worker would also be available for services. He said the idea has received the full support of Alcoholics Anonymous which will be holding regular meetings at the halfway house.

Recently, the ad-hoc committee toured a similar facility in Toronto referred to as 16 Medicine Avenue. Mr. Foster summed up their findings and proposals. "In Toronto, the

police are undergoing an experimentation of taking alcoholics to detoxification units and halfway houses rather than dumping them in jail. We hope that this experiment can be planned for Halton County."

**ENCOURAGE THERAPY**  
Rev. R. W. Foster said, "We are looking at people across the county who have a real problem with their drinking and recognize that they need help. We're also looking at the swinging door type who have gone from jail to hospital to jail. We hope that the courts would recognize the need for a rehabilitation centre. Rather than giving them jail sentences, the courts would encourage them to take the therapy offered at this halfway house."

The board could use some of its funds to cover maybe more than half of the finances needed stated vice-chairman of the board, Don Smith. He also pointed out the centre would be eligible for a provincial subsidy and a one-third county grant.

## Trinity Teachers Arrange Recital

Final details of spring recital were arranged when Georgetown Trinity Teachers Association met recently at the home of Mrs. Dorothy R. Scull. GTTA members will be represented by their honour level pupils at the recital in Ballinad Community Hall, May 17. Awards and prizes for students achieving the highest honour marks on their theoretical and practical examinations will be presented there.

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