



CRYSTAL BALL

Kelly Peaker stares intently into the crystal ball, which is masquerading as a flower vase, before divulging its innermost secrets to her customers at a muscular dystrophy carnival Saturday. Family and friends alike helped out with a variety of

games and a hot dog lunch. Children knocked over tin cans and threw darts at balloons for a number of prizes. (Herald photo)

Night scene highlights as filming continues

Never Trust an Honest Thief continues to provide exciting live entertainment for Georgetown residents as the fragmented scenes being filmed here gradually fall together to tell the story of \$1 million in undeclared income and its effects on the people of Madison, New York.

More than 50 spectators watched a portion of Fairgrounds Park transformed into an eerie, fogged-in location for the filming last Wednesday night as actor Michael Murphy ran through a quiet but intensive scene that could ultimately tell more about the plot than any other sequence shot here thus far.

The park's monument pedestal, supporting a minute-man statue for the movie, was bathed in sharply contrasting light and shadows and shrouded in a thin mist produced by a fog machine as the actor strolled silently toward the landscaped monument carrying a knapsack filled with money.

The action in Never Trust an Honest Thief begins when an incompetent but eventually successful burglar steals the million dollars in undeclared income from an unlocked safe in the home of senior citizen Adele Grayson, who is down-

town watching the community's Independence Day parade.

SPARKS ACTION
The robbery not only sparks the town's sheriff (Orson Welles) and his deputy (Michael Murphy) to action, but draws the attention of the Internal Revenue service and the District Attorney, who pool their efforts in the hope of presenting the stolen money to President Richard Nixon's re-election campaign committee.

Fingerprints found around the Grayson house, for which a stately Queen Street mansion was used, lead the D.A. and his state troopers to the decrepit shack owned by Mrs. Grayson's handyman, known as Ned.

Last week, a handful of passers-by got to see just how badly the D.A. wants to find the stolen money as police tore into the shack, which was constructed in Toronto and transported by truck to its location near the base of the paper mill dam on River Drive. Though unsuccessful in their search, the D.A.'s men are ordered in no uncertain terms to find some incriminating evidence in the shack, even if they have to put it there.

Orson Welles and Michael Murphy are reportedly making substantial creative changes to the film's original

script by Carl Desantis, Phyllis Comesano and Neil and Joel Cohen.

Subject to confirmation by viewers around the world when Never Trust an Honest Thief is released next spring, Mr. Murphy's writing talents may well be on a par with his acting and directing abilities, which are receiving much attention in his native U.S.

ACTING DEBUT
Born in Los Angeles, Mr. Murphy made his tentative acting debut in Phoenix before joining the Marines. Further acting instruction and a period spent teaching English and drama accompanied his guest appearances on such television series as The Man from U.N.C.L.E., Ben Casey, Dr. Kildare and Bonanza.

Mr. Murphy's early work on television's Combat series marked the beginning of a continuing creative relationship with director Robert Altman, then also working on Combat. The director cast Mr. Murphy in several of his feature films, including MASH, Brewster McCLOUD, McCabe and Mrs. Miller and Nashville.

The actor has also worked with Ella Kazan in The

Arrangement, Robert Aldrich in The Legend of Lylah Clare, Peter Bogdanovich in What's Up Doc? and, of course, with Woody Allen in both The Front and Manhattan.

Soon to be released is The GreatBank Hoax, in which Mr. Murphy stars alongside Burgess Meredith and Richard Basehart. He recently finished directing an off-Broadway play entitled Rat's Nest.

Christopher's a fighter says his proud father

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"He wasn't learning anything in the hospital, he just wasn't seeing anything different to stimulate his mind," the child's father said.

The Kings already have a five-year-old daughter, Laura. Things that came naturally to their first child they now find they must teach their young son who has only known life in a hospital.

The Kings are investigating every possible avenue in search of financial assistance for their child.

"Sick Children's Hospital have said they will supply us with the equipment and the oxygen for the first two months and after that we're on our own," said Mr. King.

"We're going to use that two month period to find some way to raise the money for Christopher's oxygen; and we'll do it."

The Kings have contacted the Handicapped Children's Society who have said that, at best, the family may qualify for \$150 per month assistance. This would leave them with more than \$600 per month for raise.

The Kings are also in the process of contacting Georgetown service clubs and any government agency that may be able to help the family.

Mr. King is a mechanic at a Georgetown garage and says the costs of keeping Christopher supplied with oxygen would be in excess of 70 per cent of his salary.

NO JOB
Mrs. King cannot take a job because Christopher requires constant supervision. Should he become detached from his oxygen supply the result could be fatal.

And the Kings can't turn to just any babysitter should they want to go out or if Mrs. King considered getting a job. Both parents were trained in the maintenance and monitoring of Christopher's life support system. Only a registered nurse could be entrusted with the child's care, at a cost of eight dollars an hour.

"It's still a little scary working with all the equipment," Mrs. King said.

While life may at times seem gloomy for the Kings, they say in many ways things have been improving during the last few months.

"It was three months before I could even pick up my son," said Mrs. King. "You feel deprived but what can you do about it, you make do." From the beginning, young Christopher was in a fight for his life, which has gotten comparatively easier only recently.

"During the first five months there were a few times we thought he wasn't going to make it," said Mr. King. "He would live through one day and we would just hope he could live through the next one."

A FIGHTER

"Our little boys' a fighter. Two hours after he was in this world he had to start fighting; he had to fight to breathe and to live," Mr. King said.

During the child's first three months, the family drove from Georgetown to Sick Children's hospital every night to visit their battling son even though they had to content themselves with merely watching him through glass or, occasionally holding on to his finger or hand.

When Christopher's condi-

tion stabilized a little the family cut back the visits to four per week.

During the interview, as Mr. King discussed the financial burden the family must maintain to keep Christopher alive he picks up his son and says to him softly "you're worth every cent".

"Having him home is great, we can do all those things we've always wanted to but couldn't do before," said Mr. King.

While the Kings will be happy to receive financial assistance

through any means possible, they say they would be most satisfied if their plight leads to OHIIP amending their regulations to accommodate children like Christopher.

Georgetown's member of the provincial parliament, Julian Reed, is on holiday and unavailable for comment but a spokesman for Mr. Reed's Liberal party, when contacted by The Herald, said the party will investigate the King case.

A spokesman at the Ontario Ministry of Health said he too would investigate the matter.

Trustee fears herbicide 2,4-D

A motion by Oakville trustee Elsie Hilson to ban the use of the herbicide 2,4-D in Halton school yards until it has been proven harmless to humans was defeated at the board of education meeting Thursday.

Mrs. Hilson said that cancer is the most feared of all diseases, and since medicine has not been able to cure the disease, or figure out what causes it, anything suspect should be banned.

Mrs. Hilson said there are conflicting reports on whether or not 2,4-D causes cancer, and until it is known for certain, the board should not take chances with the health of its students.

FOUR YEARS
Milton trustee Bill Lawson said he sympathized with Mrs. Hilson's concerns about the herbicide, "but having been a user of herbicides for four years, I'm not as concerned with the effects."

"I'm concerned about the term, 'absolute proof', in the motion," Mr. Lawson said. "If we applied that everywhere, it would bring a halt to everything. I could seriously injure

myself going down the stairs in the morning. Maybe I should stop using stairs."

Mr. Lawson said that in such cases as these, those making the decision must consider what is reasonable.

"2,4-D is reasonably safe," he said.

Director of education Em Lavender said the board has a legal responsibility to keep its property free of weeds under the Weed Control Act. He also said that many agencies which have studied 2,4-D have said it is not a cancer-causing agent. Mrs. Hilson's motion was defeated.

Rural dumping concerns town

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Revised density formula of 700 pounds of garbage per cubic yard, the consultants calculated the Georgetown dump's remaining capacity at 12,000 tons.

FINAL GRADES
"It is essential that the proposed final grades (of the sites) not be exceeded, since adjustments to the site closure date will be required if the capacity is made available beyond approved ministry contours," a Dillon official stressed. "These estimates will

form the basis for our report on the need for landfilling for environmental hearings on the Site 'F' application."

The importance of abiding by recommended final grades was also discussed last month by ministry and region personnel who cited the possibility of surface pooling as a hazard to be avoided. The pooling of surface rainwater and liquid leachate atop an improperly graded site could create dangerous contaminants which could easily find their way into nearby streams or into the groundwater table.

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