## Chief would put half police on prevention

By ANI PEDERIAN

Herald Staff Writer If the police chief has his way, half the Halton regional force would be made up of crime pre-

vention officers. "Eventually, I hope to

have half my staff in the patrol unit working on responses and the other half on prevention," Chief James Harding said.

The force currently has three constables and one sergeant working on



by Eugenia Witham

#### Choose your friends wisely

My son was born Sept. 20, 1980 (Saturday) at 11:30 a.m. in Brampton. Could you please write us and tell us what the future beholds for him.

Thanking you very much in advance. Curious Mother

Dear Curious Mother.

Your son is a Virgo by sun sign, making him somewhat meticulous and efficient. He will pay a great deal of attention to detail and will do things carefully. He'll be able to bring order out of confusion because of his dedication and perseverance of duty. "A job worth doing is worth doing right" will be his life's motto.

He will go out of his way to help his friends and family. His admiration for material progress will enable him to do well in obtaining a good position in society. Although he has physical toughness and resistance he must learn not to exhaust his body energies by worrying or overworking as this could result in problems with nervousness and digestion.

He will be friendly to all in an impersonal way and will seek freedom of emotional expression and demand to come and go as he pleases. He will join groups and organizations concerned with human relations and psychology.

He'll be considerate in communication and stern where principles are involved. Being highly sensitive to odors, personal appearance and mannerisms of others can make him somewhat critical.

He is a lover of life, making him theatrical in behavior and giving him an ability in painting, sculpture and other art forms. His all-or-nothing attitude can make compromising difficult and can cause intense anger, resentment and an ability to make mountains out of molehills. He could do well in such fields as medicine, health research, science or record keeping.

Your son appears to have musical and artistic talents. However, this aspect also indicates in his particular chart that he will gravitate to peculiar relationships and it may cause confusion, selfdelusion and unreliability at an emotional level. He must also be extremely cautious where drugs and alcohol are involved and should avoid people that overindulge. If he is taught to choose his friends wisely and that moderation is the key to a happy existence, he'll do just fine.

#### Write to Eugenia at The Herald, 45 Guelph St. Georgetown, L7G 3Z6

Dear Eugenia,

My little girl was born Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1980 at 7:27 p.m. our time in Guelph. Would her birth chart indicate any special talents that should be encouraged or any special problems that we should be prepared for?

Thankyou very much.

Sincerely, An interested parent

Dear Interested Parent,

Your little girl is an Aquarius by sun sign only, as her chart indicates a predominance of the sign Virgo. Friendship and companionship are extremely important to her. She has a very vivid imagination and is quite intuitive enabling her to tune into the thoughts and moods of those around her. This can also result in nightmares and must be handled with understanding and caution.

Her strong sensitivity and sympathy will bring her popularity. However, she must be careful because some will take advantage of this quality. At times you will find her quite headstrong

and unwilling to tolerate interference from others. Cleanliness and order will be of great concern to your little girl as she grows older. She appears to have a strong emotional tie to home and family. Someone or something in her environment could be unusual. She can be quite determined, stubborn and annoyed if someone fails to understand her.

Although she wishes for material possessions she is not greedy. The possibility of family interference with social and romantic affairs is apparent in the future which can result in her leaving home at a young age if not handled carefully. She is capable of planning her actions and executing them systematically,

Her chart also indicates that she could have a tendency to exaggerate and take on too much at an emotional level leading to arguments and discord in relationships. Proper attention to dietary habits will be important and she tends to run high fevers when she gets sick. However, not to worry, she can handle

Your little girl will take great pride in her work however she will also demand outward gestures of appreciation. Her chart indicates that she is open to new and unusual ideas and may at some point be involved in the communications media, performing arts, or possibly writing children's books or poetry. She will also have an ability and fondness where animals are concerned throughout her life.

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crime prevention. Const. Scott Pringle is the Halton Hills and Milton crime prevention officer.

Chief Harding told police commissioners last week that crime prevention officers have significantly reduced crime in Halton. He said their efforts reduced housebreaking by 37 per cent in Oakville.

"Are we putting enough emphasis on the preventive aspect? We talk

about this a great deal, but have we a longrange plan?" police commissioner Alfred Oliver asked.

He was referring to the fact that the chief's fiveyear plan for the force, introduced at the meeting, didn't make any specific mention of increased crime prevention programs or staff-

> SECOND TO NONE "If you provided me

with the resources that other forces have, I could give you a crime prevention unit second to none in Canada," Chief Harding replied. "Each district has their crime

prevention officer worked

to capacity." Crime prevention officers encourage Neighborhood Watch and Operation Identification programs as well as helping residents improve home security.

Crime Prevention Sgt. Peter Whittaker said young men and women picked up for break-ins tell detectives they weren't necessarily trying to break into a parti-

cular home or business.

GIVE ADVICE They were just looking for the easiest place to get

"Kids won't take the time and risk the noise of breaking into a home that has deadbolt locks and is

very secure," Whittaker said.

ports of break-ins last year in Halton, he said. Although it's difficult to directly link the work of crime prevention officers to statistics, Sgt. Whittaker noted break and enters reported to police last year went up only 1.3 per cent. He compared that with over 20 per cent

in Hamilton.

cers also work with architects, giving advice on There were 2,500 rehow not to make new buildings an invitation to criminals. They can be involved in social planning in the region and in

> advice to encourage security and safety among residents. If he had more crime prevention officers. Chief Harding said he could have them driving around alerting people to poten-

tial conditions that would

media relations, giving

Crime prevention offi-

encourage crime. He told commissioners that a crime prevention officer driving past a home with a long ladder resting against its walls should stop and knock at the door of the home and suggest the owner put the ladder away or lock it to a fence to thwart a thief from hopping in an up-

stairs window. "Crime prevention is the way to go," Chief Harding sald. "Our soli-

citor general and attorney general are crying for crime prevention. Policing as we know it is not successful at stopping crime." He said police have a

long-term crime prevention program in mind that

has not yet been reduced to written concept. Judge Joseph Scime asked the chief to prepare a five-year crime prevention program for the commission.

"Does a crime prevention officer have to be a police officer?" police commissioner Ric Morrow asked. He suggested the chief consider using civilians.

"I'm all for civilians. It's the common sense way to go," Chief Harding acknowledged, noting the force has 101 civilians in its employ.

However, he said that in an emergency situation he wouldn't be able to deploy any one of these civilians to the street.

## Force seeks bolstered staff as part of long-range program

The Halton regional police force's new five-year plan asks for 12 more staff next year.

Police Chief James Harding said the additional staff is required for two new programs he wants to finally see begun in 1983. His requests for a fiveperson traffic squad and a three-person fraud squad were turned down last year.

Chief Harding also asked police commissioners last week for an additional constable or civilian, a switchboard operator and a desk clerk for the planning and research

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bureau and an Employee Assistance co-ordinator.

"This does not represent a significant increase, in manpower," the chief wrote in his report. "Especially when you consider that a review of the facts and figures gathered for the Ontario Police Commission during July, 1982, Manpower-Calls for Service Study, indicate

that approximately 40 per cent of the available patrol resources are lost to a series of factors ranging from sickness to weekly days off, before we commit any of the remain-

ing resources to respond to calls for service. HOW AFFECTS

"You can well imagine how this affects operational efficiency and retards our attempts to develop meaningful standards of professionalism within the force."

"This is not a document carved in a pillar of stone. It is a flexible document," Chief Harding

Among the 1983 goals and objectives were 1982 goals that weren't met, like improved accommodation at the Milton police station to house traffic and

fraud investigation squads, roll call training, the design and building of a new police station for Burlington, a buildings needs study, developing computer software and implementing systems design and an employee assistance program.

His plans for 1984 include developing the Millon station to district command function and obtaining video equipment for it, buying computer hardware and establishing an auto theft investiga-

tion squad. In 1985, Chief Harding would like to review the results of the 1983 building needs study and evaluate the need for a centrally located police headquarters. Plans for 1986 and 1987 are more vague, stressing mainly the need for

necessary staffing and the

budget costs for financing major developments. "It would be foolish to

identification of capital

suggest that our present. economic climate is one wherein any attempt to secure growth and development would receive ready and warm support from those, whose responsibility it is to allocate the necessary resources," Chief Harding concluded.

."It would, however, be equally foolish, especially in the mind of a public concerned for its safety, to ignore the continuing growth within the region, which, when coupled with an escalating number of calls for service, places an ever-increasing demand upon our capability to provide the standard of policing demanded of us." Police commissioners

will study the plan.

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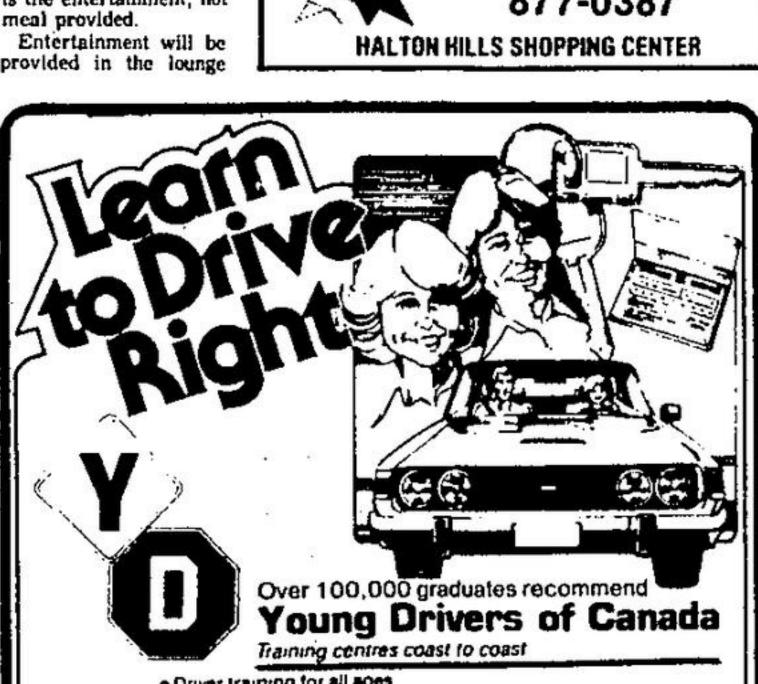
honorary president. Officers during 1938 remained just about the same, with the exception of Bill Roney and "Dutch" McCartney, vice presidents. The first of a series of sports days was instituted for July 1st

weekend. Two members. I.F. Varey and George Alcott had a disastrous fire in which they lost everything, and their home was burnt to the ground, Com. Alcott was in France on the Vimy Pilgrimage at the time.

Quite a unique ceremony took place that year with the "burning" of the mortgage (\$550.00). This was made quite a ceremony, each member taking a piece of the mortgage and dropping it into the flames in the fireplace. The fad that was then sweeping the country, "Bingo" caught on in the Branch and the forerunners of the bingos still held today, began.



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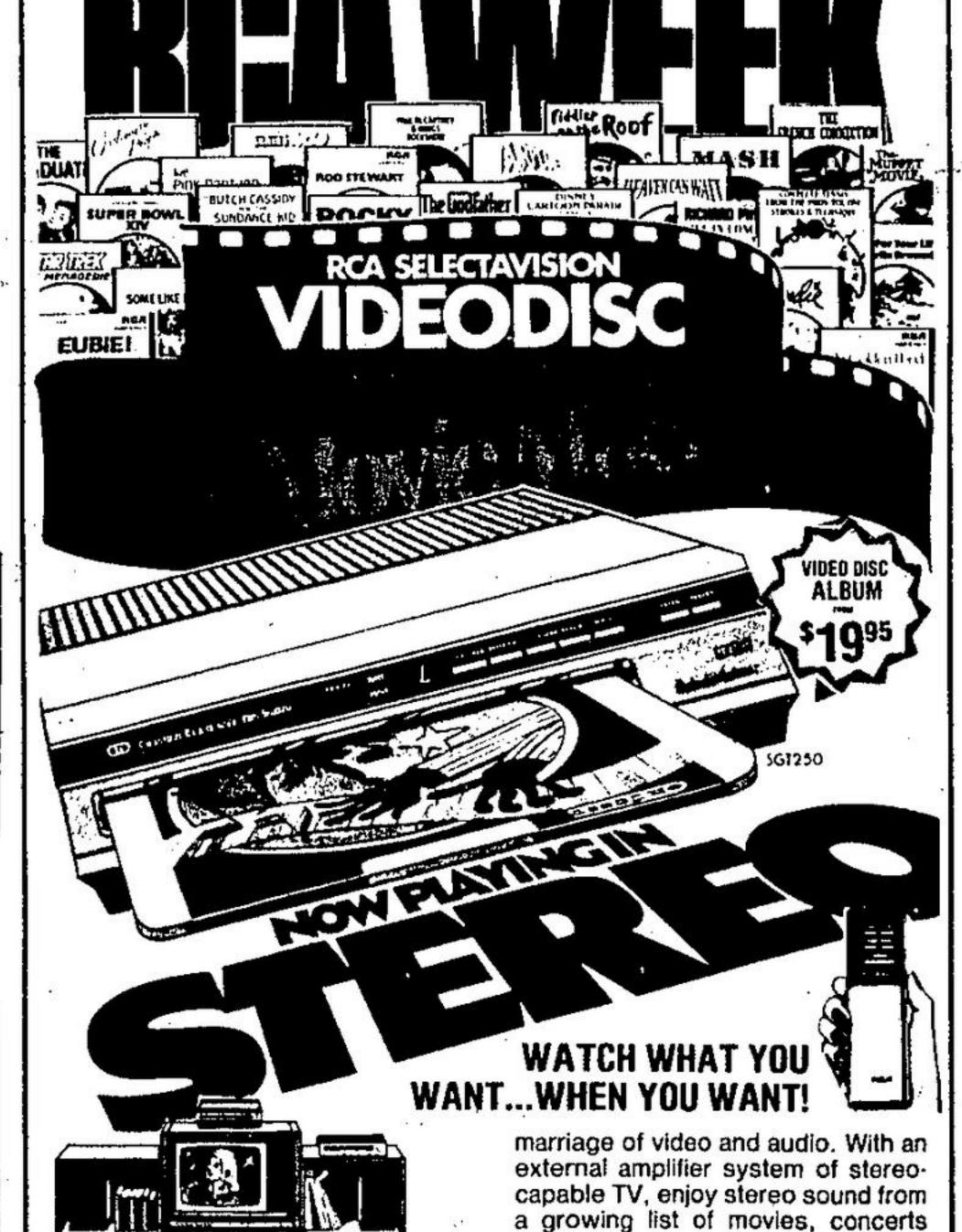
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