



Heather Dubuc and Andrea McLean rehearse their parts as cheerleaders for the production of "War in Corridor A". The Stewarttown Senior Public School students will be having their own battle of the sexes when the play opens at the John Elliott Theatre April 10.

Stewarttown play The girls finally get even

By KELLY WILSON
Herald Special

At Stewarttown Public School, it's about time the girls got even.

Total war breaks out between the sexes at Stewarttown's production of the play "A Small War in Corridor A".

Tickets are almost sold out for April 10 and 11 performances at the John Elliott Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

About 110 of Stewarttown's 350 students are involved in the production. The intention of the play is to get as many students involved as possible, according to Mike Coates, co-director of the play along with Marg Kahil.

The story takes place in a high school during winter carnival time with the girls deciding to go on strike against the boys, as revenge for pranks the boys have played on them.

The girls lock themselves in the school refusing to let the boys in.

The play has 20 speaking parts along with some non-speaking roles. The cast is a double cast with one cast performing each of the two nights the play is running. Sixty students

are directly involved as actors with the remaining 50 to 55 students involved in set design, costumes and make-up.

"The kids are the stars," said Mr. Coates. Any student who tried out for the play got a part, he said. Two small parts are played by adults with the rest of the parts being played by Stewarttown students.

The majority of the speaking roles are played by grade eight students, although some grade six students do have parts.

It's the first time the school has built their own set in the six years they have been putting on major plays.

Students, with help from shop teacher Mr. Worobek recreated a high school corridor.

Practices were held weekly until two weeks ago. The students are now practising daily until production night.

The theatre holds 267 and the school is hoping for a full house on both nights. Tickets for the play are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for students.

Tickets will be available at the door if there are any left. People interested in getting tickets should contact the school at 877-9153.

Armenian orphans say massacre not 'alleged'

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
Herald Staff

In reaction to the recent Toronto Transit Commission bomb threat, two of "The Georgetown Boys" feel the threat was not made by Armenians.

Paul Adourian and Jack Apramian told The Herald in separate interviews that there was no evidence to support that the bomb threat came from Armenians.

The two Armenian natives were among 50 Armenian orphans who arrived in Georgetown with the financial aid and support of the Canadian government in July, 1923.

Becoming orphans after the Turkish people had massacred many Armenians from 1896 to 1922, "The Georgetown Boys" began life at what is now the Cedarvale Community Centre and were sent to begin new lives on Ontario farms.

Although Metropolitan Toronto police received a note explaining the bomb threat came from the Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Our Homeland, Mr. Apramian said just because the note indicated this, there was no proof.

"It may have been a Turk (who sent the note) as far as I know trying to harm the Armenians," he said.

Mr. Apramian said he was very disappointed how the media had handled the situation. He said while the media was quick to conclude it was an Armenian bomb threat, they refer to the massacre of Armenians by the Turks as "alleged".

"The very fact that "The Georgetown Boys" all had fathers, and some mothers, killed by the Turks is living proof of the massacre," he said.

Stating that many of the killings occurred in the Turkish interior where there were no witnesses, Mr. Apramian said that archives in most western countries all have records of the massacre.

If people took the time or inclination to dig into the history to find out what happened they would never call it alleged, he said.

Mr. Apramian said the embassy and TTC incidents had lowered the estimation of Armenians by the Canadian people.

He said the embassy incident was a result of pent up frustration over two or three generations since World War One.

"When such a traumatic blow is forced upon our people it leaves a psychic sickness and, naturally, the young pick up on it. They ask the elders what they have done about it and feel they must do something," he said.

"That's an explanation and not necessarily justification."

He said Canada has traditionally been a safe haven for many people from the east where violence is a way of getting what you want.

While the Turks deny the massacre as ever taking place, Mr. Apramian said it was hard to forgive a people when they don't acknowledge it (the massacre) as ever taking place.

Paul Adourian said the whole Armenian community is hoping the incidents are forgotten.

Dispute over garbage site report

By ANIPEDERIAN
Herald Staff

Armed with five consultants, Burlington disputed the land next to the regional landfill is the most preferred site for the next landfill and said sites in Oakville and Milton were better.

Consultants from Ecoplans Ltd. and Conestoga Rovers and Associates turned up at Wednesday's council meeting to make an oral presentation on Burlington's behalf.

The region's consultants Walker Wright Young Associates Ltd. named 219 acres next to the current landfill in Aldershot as the best of six sites studied in the region in February.

Naturally, that didn't go down too well with the City of Burlington, which has been receiving municipal garbage from Oakville, Halton Hills and Milton as well as from Burlington residents for a number of years now, as the Oakville, Halton Hills and Milton dumps reached capacity.

Last week, Dr. Cam Kitchen, president of Ecoplans Ltd. said the recommendation by Walker Wright naming site F can't be supported because it was based on incomplete information and used inadequate methods of analysis to reach its conclusions.

The ranking is questionable and inappropriate, Mr. Kitchen said.

Ranking took into consideration hydrogeology, traffic patterns, hydrology, agriculture, population, community facilities, and archeological features at the potential sites.

Mr. Kitchen said the urban nature of site F wasn't recognized in the report, and that it was close to residential subdivisions.

"The people feel they're at risk now and in the future with additional landfilling," he said. "This risk is real. The perception of it is there, and it was not dealt with by the report."

Of the six sites, F is the most difficult to engineer and operate because of the topography, Mr. Kitchen said.

The Burlington consultants named the Oakville site A at Trafalgar Road and Burnhamthorpe's northeast corner as the most favorable according to their ranking system and Milton's site D east of First Line and south of Britannia Road as the next best.

RIVERSIDE THEME

Canada Day in the Glen

By J.M. ROWE
Herald Special

Although Dominion Day has been celebrated in Glen Williams for many decades, this summer will mark the first continuous decade of sponsorship by the Glen Williams Town Hall.

The celebrations will be held Monday, July 1, on the Main Street of the village.

Chairman Angie Fowler has held two organizational meetings at the Glen Town Hall and reports all committees are organized and progressing well.

A larger crowd is expected this year because last year's event was held on Saturday, June 30, a regular business day.

July 1 will be the holiday for everyone this year.

In recognition of the Glen's historical dependence on the Credit River, the theme will be "Down by the Riverside!"

This will be the theme of the parade which will gather on Wildwood Road and pass along Beaver, Alexander, Confederation to Main Street.

Most favourite features of past years will return including "The Riverside Inn", a street dance to "Sonic Sound", tea at the town hall, bingo, pet show, pony rides, historical tour, and lots of entertainment. Once again a fun-filled day, with no admission fees, will be offered to the residents of Glen Williams, Georgetown, Norval and area.

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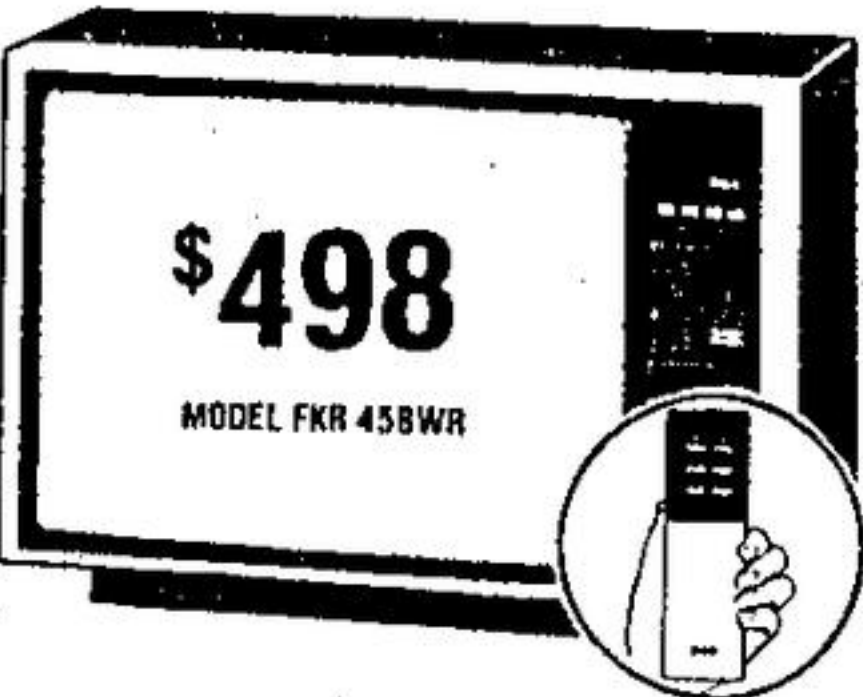
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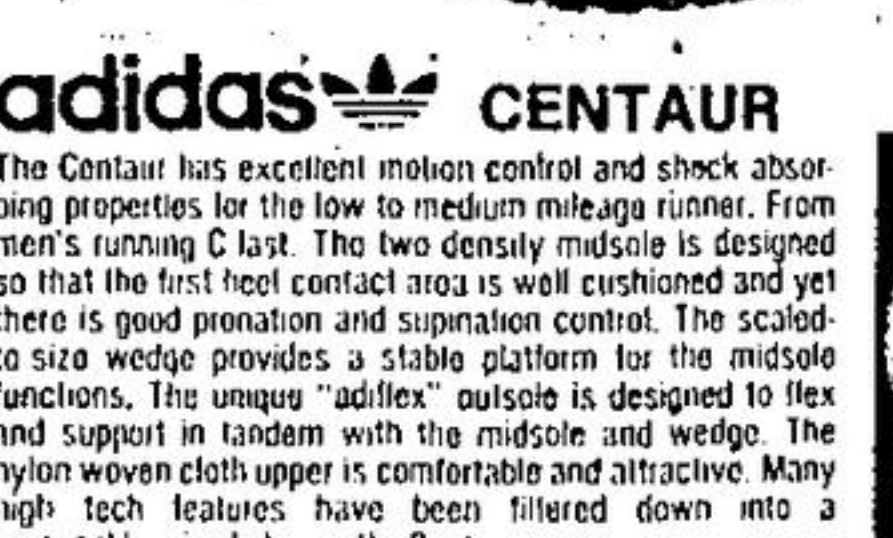
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