

The plot thickens

by DON BYERS

Champion Resident Columnist We left a rather confused, if not dismayed Inspector Taggar, last week. Upon responding to an almost urgent request from Lord Norval, he had heard the unbelievable.

After introducing him to his wife and two guests, the lord had announced that the inspector had just met the players in "the perfect crime".

We now pick up the story where we left it, as we join the group, standing before the tall, leaded windows of the drawingroom of Norval Manor.

"Inspector. I must apologize, old chap. You haven't got a drink, and you look as if you could use one. What shall it be?"

"I would enjoy a Scotch, m'lord."

Within seconds, Charles, the butler, appeared from nowhere with a generously filled, cut-glass tumbler, resting upon a silver tray.

"Now, sir," declared the lord, "let us sit down and I shall fill you in."

As they did, Inspector Taggar took the opportunity to study the faces around him. 'The perfect crime,' he thought. "How could

that exquisite Lady Crang be a part of this?" And, with that, he straightened his tie.

The lord was speaking again. And, while pretending to listen intently, the inspector continued his scrutiny of those around him.

'Lord Crang,' his thoughts continued, 'is a little too effervescent. Where, as he had said when we were introduced, had he ever heard of me? Bears watching, that one!' The inspector's experience in feigning close

attention, while his mind was elsewhere, seemed to be successfully deceiving his host, who was still babbling on.

Meanwhile, Taggar was now analysing his hostess, Lady Norval.

'That lady is capable of anything, I'd say,' ne mused. 'She exudes power from every pore. Her eyes could bore through an inch of armor steel. I haven't seen the likes of her since the Nuremburg

Suddenly, the inspector was jolted out of his solicitous solitude by the abrupt appearance of Charles.

"Begging your pardon, m'lord," said the butler in his booming voice that demanded to be heard, "but you are wanted on the telephone in your study... the unlisted line."

"Is it her?" asked the lord, his faced flushed.

"I believe so, m'lord." "You must excuse me," said Lord Norval, as he jumped to his feet and fled from the room, leaving his guests speechless.

Within minutes the lord returned, wearing a triumphant smile.

"Inspector," he shouted," we've done it! We've pulled off the perfect crime." "M'lord?"

"That was my campaign chairperson. I've just won my seat in parliament with a landslide majority. Astonishing."

They were all congratulating the lord as Inspector Taggar quietly let himself out.

"I suppose crime does pay, sometimes," he muttered as he straightened his tie. In doing so, he lost his balance and fell down the flagstone steps.

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Dear Editor;

Re: "Birth Control Program," (The Champion, July 28, 1982), there are several points raised by Dr. Cole's comments, the implications of which ought to cause the parents and taxpayers of Halton, and indeed, of Ontario, some sober reflection.

1. While he admits that he something about diplomacy" five years ago in his initial high-handed attempt to propagate the Playboy philosophy of "birth control" in high schools, he has apparently not yet learned much about the fundamental principle of the accountability of a civil servant to the elected government which they are hired to serve.

His observation that "unlike a politician I don't have to be all things to all people," is most revealing of the arrogant mentality which increasingly characterizes the growing government bureaucracy. In fact "politicians" are elected to serve all the people and it is the duty of such elected politicians to hold such civil servants as Dr. Cole, accountable for their performance to the elected representatives of the

In the Acton Rest Home incident involving Dr. Cole, Councillor Johnson is right to base his public criticism of Dr. Cole's alleged strong arm tactics on the sworn testimony of several members of the public. Regional council is wrong to base its apology to Dr. Cole on the witness of the civil servants. In a democracy, "The people is king," and the elected representatives of the people-in this case, Regional council—ought to take the word of the people over the self- serving, contradictory testimony of civil servants. In this instance, at least Councillor Johnson's call for an official inquiry ought to be endorsed by Regional council so the public may be able to make its judgment as to who's lying, based on available information. (I'm sure that Dr. Cole would support such an examination of the evidence. In view of his eagerness to give the children all the information available about human sexuality and birth control so they can make their own judgments, I'm sure he has equal confidence in the ability of adults to sift through all available information on this inand make their own judgments about who's telling the

2. Dr. Cole's claim that in pushing "birth control week" in the public schools, he was "attempting to provide a service that was definitely needed," is the sort of arrogant presumption on the part of "big brother" government and especially self-serving bureaucrats, which is the scourge of democracy. As someone has said, "Most of our problems are the government's solutions!" Certainly parents have reason to wonder at the alarming rise in V.D. and out-of-wedlock,

teen-age pregnancies in circumstances where such "government solutions" to birth control as advocated by Dr. Cole have been imposed on the family through the schools!

There are numerous voluntary including churches. synagogues and other religiousrelated bodies that are attempting to provide such urgently needed services, but on the basis of diametrically opposed philosophy. The philosophy for a program to encourage birth control which most parents, (religious and irreligious), in Ontario support, is closer to the teachings of Moses, Jesus, Viktor Frankel and Mother Theresa than to Darwin, Freud and Heffner as apparently advocated by Dr. Cole.

Why should a civil servant assume that he has some sort of "divine right" to impose his permissiveness on the general public by pushing his preferred approach to human sexuality in the public schools?

3. Dr. Cole dismisses the views I had expressed as "value statements which are all right for Rev. Campbell." In fact the Judeo-Christian value system on which I based my comments is the value system which the Ontario Education Act requires that teachers "inculcate by precept and example." Just in the past month the Ontario Legislature passed a resolution, supported by all parties, calling for the re-emphasis on the teaching of the basics of the Judeo-Christian value system in Ontario public schools. Two of those Judeo-Christian values which the Ontario Education Act specifically requires teachers to teach are "purity" and "self- control"

"temperance"). Dr. Cole knows that is the law governing the public school system in Ontario, yet, in a demonstration of "the divine right of civil servants" who seem to sometimes see themselves as a law unto themselves, he tells us that "in a public school system you have the problem of deciding whose values to teach!" He goes on then to preach the doctrines of permissiveness from the Playboy denominational headquarters:

"There can't be a lot of judgment about whether or not it's good to have premarital sex. All we can do is provide children with the information that they need so that they can make informed choices. That has always been my approach."

("Informed choices" about what? Dr. Cole's approach would be based on his value judgment, that it doesn't matter whether your fornicate, only how you go about it!)

Is that the approach to sex education in our public schools that the parents and taxpayers of Halton and of Ontario have chosen?

If Dr. Cole is so secure in the certainty of the superiority of his approach to teaching our children responsible attitudes about their sexuality, I challenge him to run for

election as a trustee for the Halton Board of Education on that plat-

Let him openly ridicule the Judeo-Christian view as stated by the late, world-famous neuro-surgeon, and first Director of the Vanier Institute on the Family, Dr. Wilder Penfield, that "pre-marital and extra-marital sex is always wrong and harmful."

Let him publicly scorn the view that children should be encouraged to discipline the dynamic fire of their sexuality constructively for the good of society rather than for selfishness, and that sexual intimacy within the security of the loving permanent context of marriage is the beautiful, ennobling, enriching, fulfilling experience intended by a loving Creator!

Let him ridicule the idea of teaching children to restrict the fires of human sexuality to the "fireplace" of life, and let him advocate his "liberating" views:

-that instead of adults seeking to "exert sexual control" over the children, children should be encouraged to light their sexual fires wherever their glands and their chemistry dictate, without a twinge of conscience, and with whoever will consent with them in fornication, or otherwise to relieve their tensions and find their pleasure in masturbation;

-that we should inform them of the various "fire-extinguishers" which are available, to control the damage caused by their "sexual arson," and encourage them to make an informed judgment as to which "extinguisher" they find suits best their fornicating!

Let Dr. Cole find out how many parents and taxpayers would vote for a candidate for the board of trustees of the Halton education system, openly committed to such a destructive philosophy as that!

Since he doesn't have the courage to run for trustee on such a platform, where does he get the gall to

propagate his philosophy in the schools with no such mandate?

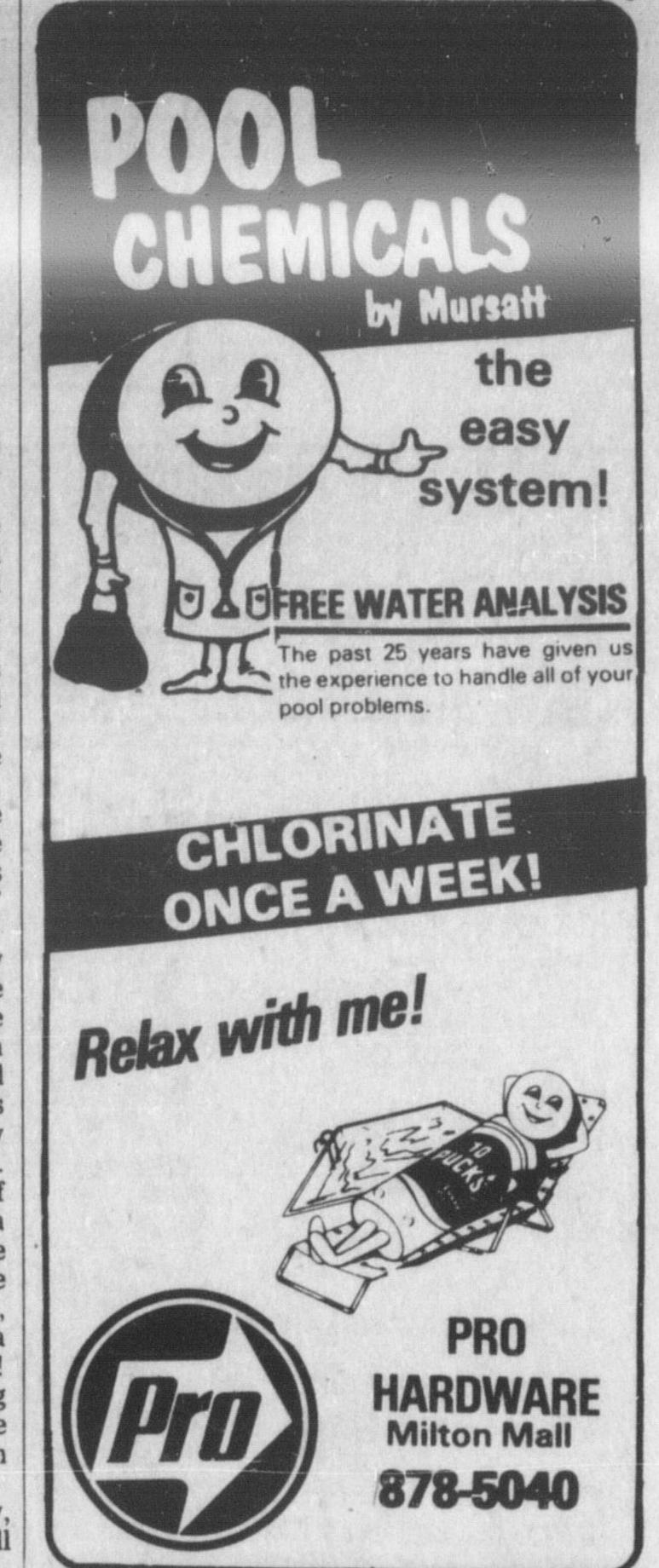
Until he's elected on such a platform he should mind his business and that business as a civil servant is to support the law which reflects the will of the people of Ontario. . . and that means the teaching of "birth control" according to the Judeo-Christian value system and not according to Dr. Cole's choice—the Playboy philosophy.

4. Finally, on a personal note, Dr. Cole allows that Rev. Campbell "should impart" such values to his children, "but it doesn't mean that they won't" fornicate anyway.

May I say that in raising our five children, (now ages 15, 18, 20, 22, and 23), my wife and I have introduced each of them to a personal knowledge of God through faith in Jesus Christ. Each of them has personally chosen to receive and follow Jesus Christ as Saviour from self-centredness and destructive permissiveness, and as Lord of life. In following Him, they are discovering, as their parents before them, that Christ leads His followers into "freedom with responsibility" in God's universe.

May I conclude, then, by suggesting to Dr. Cole that if he wishes to inform his children of the joys of fornication and the freedom of unfettered permissiveness, and provide them with fire-extinguishers to minimize the damage caused by their resultant sexual arson, so be it. But don't be surprised, Dr. Cole, if your children reject such a foolosophy and opt instead for the disciplined route into creative adulthood, fulfilling marriage, satisfying parenthood and dynamic life of service to humanity! Our efforts are aimed at providing our youth at least with the knowledge that there is such an

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