## From behind the scenes on election night '76



by Shirley Whittington Election '76 had something for everyone a squeaker, a couple of good decisive victories, and more general electoral excitement than this neighbouring municip-

countably radiant and made a dignified and sincere speech on air, pledging support for the officials that had been chosen by public ballot. She thanked Midland for allowing her the privilege of serving on council and told reporters later that she thinks she may go

will help the town move was a list entitled Losing ahead. But," he added, Speech. "I came "I'm disappointed not to prepared," she said be working with Kay Dion candidly.

Jim Malcolm arrived he'd back Mayor Lynn grinning, admitted that and that he intended to he was really pleased, take over Ogilvie's job as and added that he'd the town's unofficial continue to serve on the ombudsman. "We're back to school to study arena board. By this cousins, you know," he

in council. I'm going to Brian Wood, fur hat firmly in place, said that



Election centralwhere the action was

some cases, wakes - contemplated the apacross the town. In the parent Ogilvie victory. Athenian Hall, a stunned "At this time," said one, group of Blackhurst supporters gloomily

"we have no comment." "Miles worked so lost a lot of weight over this election.'

There were lots of cars at the Keefe house on upper Hugel Ave. Inside discussion was earnest and quite. Predictions were compared, and theories discussed and there was a general air of optimism.

On Seventh Street Lynn manor was packed to the gunwales with well wishers. A portable radio continued to grind out the election reports, but nobody really listened. Two Lynn youngsters passed paper plates and sandwiches, and Midland's new First Lady poured coffee in a brown velvet pantsuit. The crowd was quitely jubilant. Most of them had predicted an even closer race between the two leading candidates. Over on Scott Street. Cathy Dion in caftan and

slippers, relaxed with the only g-g-girl that we good friends. There was a adore." And they meant lot of laughter, good it. natured ribbing, and It was a good election.

"Beautiful Katy - you're government.

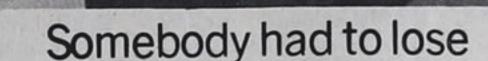
signing. "K-K-K-Katy," Now we can get on with roared the crowd, some good municipal



Boyd's last ballot as mayor

## Now hear this This is your mayor speaking

evening was CKMP where Tom Shields and Marilyn Lee anchored a play-by-play account of the races in Midland and town has seen for years. alities. Telephones rang

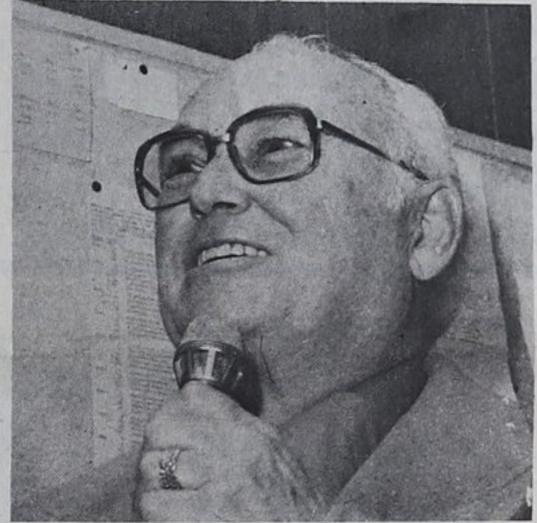


time, the pencilled results said.

the radio station. the reverse side of the with a wave of his hand. paper containing notes "I'm a busy man."

on the studio walls were On Upper Yonge Street, becoming more decisive it was Bingo as usual, at and candidates were the Parkside Inn. Former lining up in the halls at Mayor Charles Parker struggled with some Nancy Keefe arrived errant packages of potato breathless and glowing, chips, and vowed that he and said that she was hadn't had the radio on all looking forward to an evening. "I've got six interesting two years. A hundred people in there reporter noticed that on playing Bingo," he said

for her victory speech There were parties - in



I'd like to thank...



How sweet it is

sociology, now that

municipal politics

wouldn't be devouring a

lion's share of her time.

victorious mayoral

candidate arrived, ex-

pansive, hearty, but with

a sense of not quite believing that it had

Said his (newlyelected) Worship, "I know now that I can put together a council that

happened.

Moreland Lynn, the

An astonishing 49 per constantly, and running cent turned up at the polls totals posted on the wall to mark in those critical were adjusted ac-X's. The weather was cordingly. perfect - a candidate's Shortly after nine, the

Around town the began. Cathy Dion

parade of candidates liveliest spot early in the arrived looking unac-

Gracious loser



Stiff upper lip

## DON HOCKEN

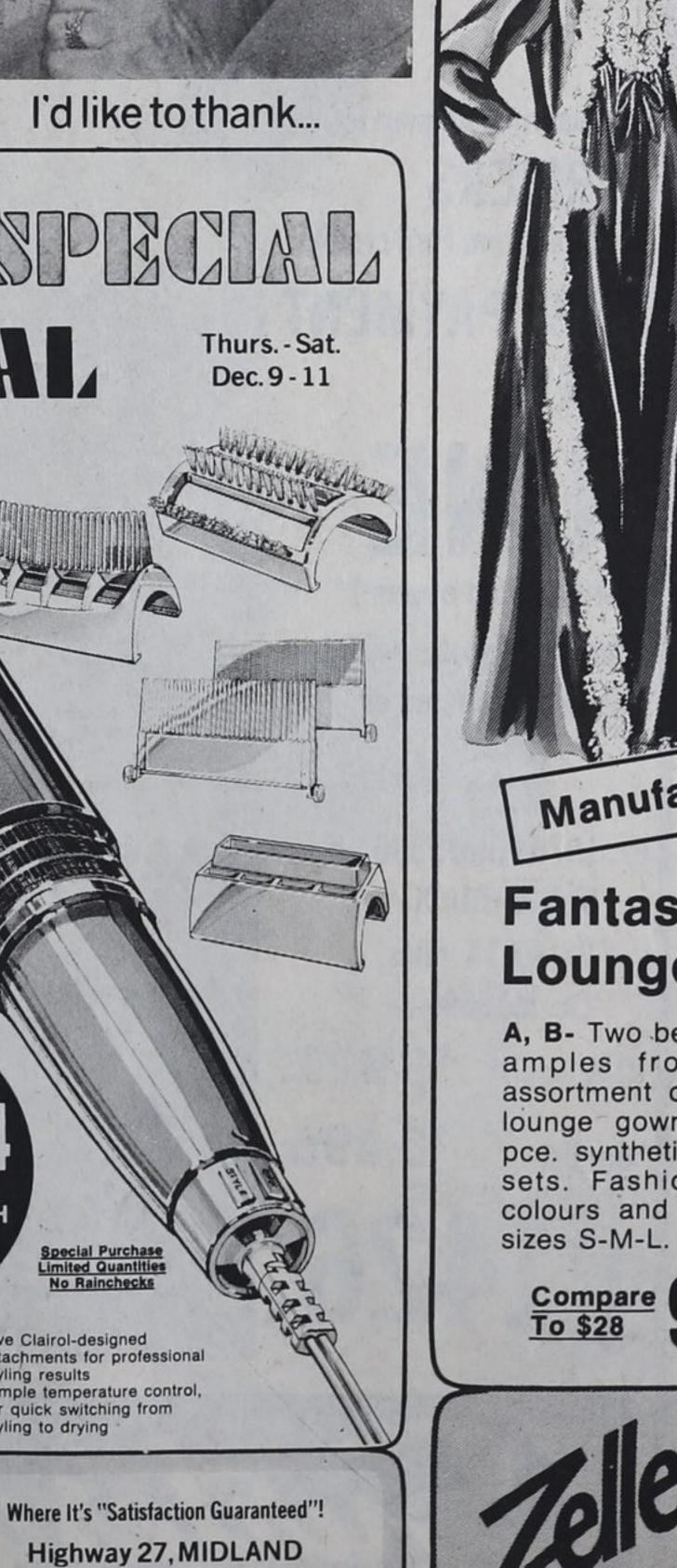
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all the good people who voted for him, and a special thanks to all the people who worked on his behalf



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