

## Serious omissions in charter of rights perceived by CREA

"A serious omission" in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms has been pointed out to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and the Special Joint Committee on the Constitution by The Canadian Real Estate Association (CREA).

The association drew attention to the omission of a provision in the charter of "the right of an individual to enjoy property."

"Our association views this as a serious omission," CREA President Eric Charman said in letter to the prime minister and the joint committee.

He noted that the Canadian Bill of Rights (enacted during the John Diefenbaker regime) provides the right of an individual to the enjoyment of property and the right not to be deprived of it except by due process of law.

### Population

The expropriation defect could affect more than 60 per cent of Canada's population who own their own homes.

In view of the protection given citizens in the Canadian Bill of Rights, in the constitutions of the United States, Australia and many other countries, the CREA president suggested Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms should contain similar guarantees. It should also confirm the principle of international law which provides "a right to just compensation upon the expropriation of property for any public use."

The appropriate section of the charter should be amended to read: "Everyone has the right of life, liberty, security of the person and enjoyment of property, and has the right not to be deprived thereof except by due process of law and, in the case of property, except upon the payment of just compensation," the CREA letter said.

The Canadian Real Estate Association is an organization of members of more than 100 real estate boards across Canada, 10 provincial associations and others who have a direct interest and involvement in the real estate vocation in Canada.

## Suspension appeal unsuccessful

An appeal of the suspension of a former student of Eastview Secondary School was denied recently by the Area 1 and 6 committees

of the SCBE.

The student, who was unnamed, and the school administration both spoke at the meeting of the com-

mittees, the full board was told.

In other business the board was informed that the speaker invited to the 1980 FLAC

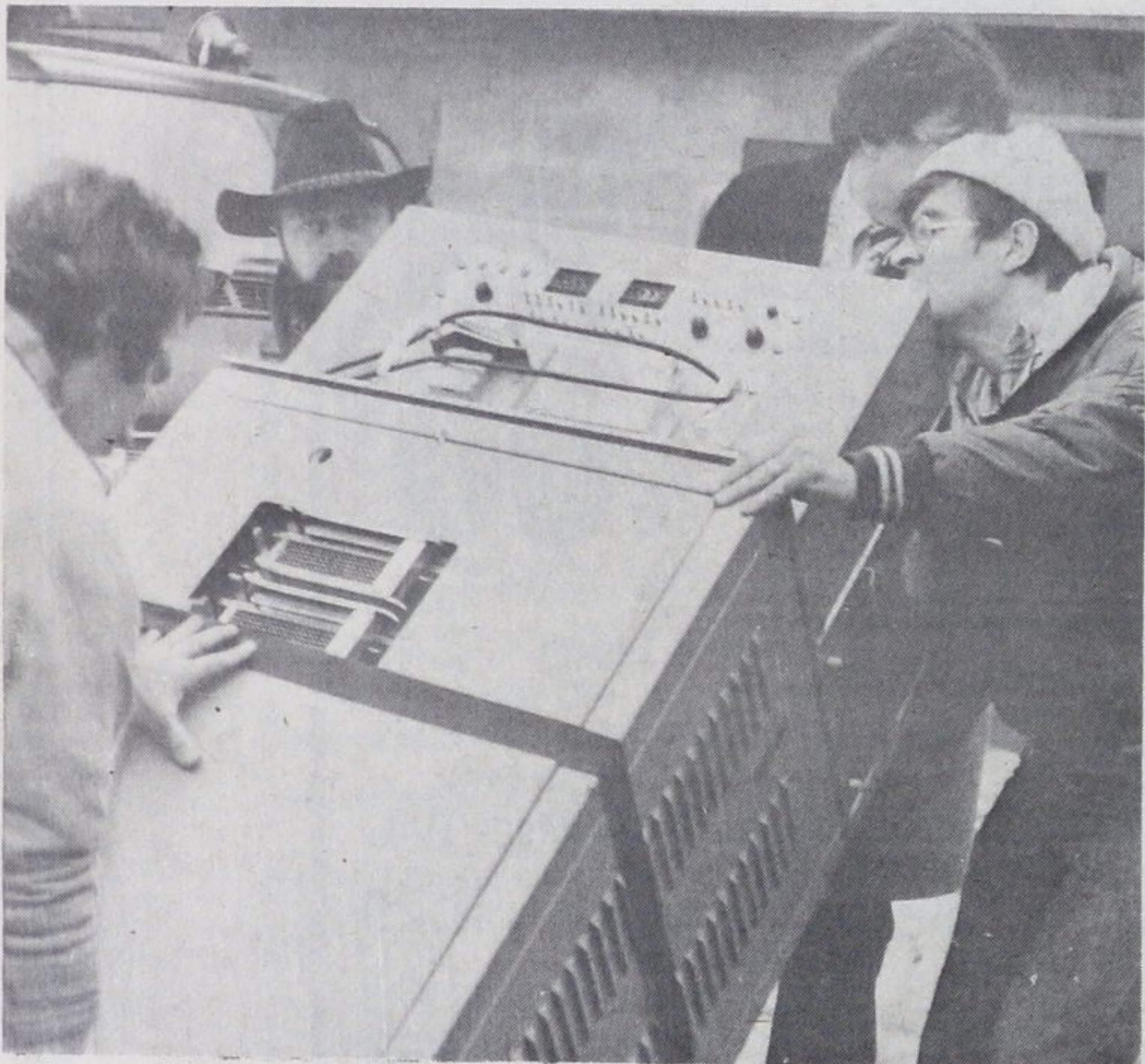
election, to be held Dec. 15, is Alan Martin, Elmvalle lawyer and federal Liberal candidate in the last provincial election.



### Only a dime

Huron Park School in Midland held a fun fair last Saturday that included an impressive haunted house, a sponge throw with several teachers as

targets, and a variety of crafts for sale made by students. Susan Maracle and Kim Leis were offering a job lot for the bargain price of a dime.



### A red letter day

Last Friday was moving day for The Midland Times as we moved our operations from Bay Street West to 309 King Street between Midland Fish and Chips and the G. M. Shoppe and right across from St. Paul's Church. Staffers Fred Leadbetter, left, Ken

Regan, Rick Collins and Jim Robb are pictured gingerly moving one of this newspaper's computers. The Midland Times is to hold an official ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, Dec. 5 at 10 a.m. to which the general public is invited to attend.

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