

MP Lewis close to 'action'

Simcoe North MP Doug Lewis has the same Ottawa telephone number he had in the last Parliament, but he has a different office and a different seat in the House of Commons.

"I am enjoying it very much," Lewis said yesterday, when asked what it feels like to be a member of the government.

"There's a good spirit among our people. We got the representation we wanted across the country. The public is in the mood for a change."

Reducing the federal government's debt is the new government's first priority, Lewis said. The "action" will be in the Treasury Board for the next 18 months, the new parliamentary assistant to Treasury

Board President Robert de Cotret predicted. "It is obvious that we have to get a handle on our discretionary spending."

Lewis' constituency offices' staff, and his campaign manager, were in Ottawa Monday for the opening of 33rd Parliament.

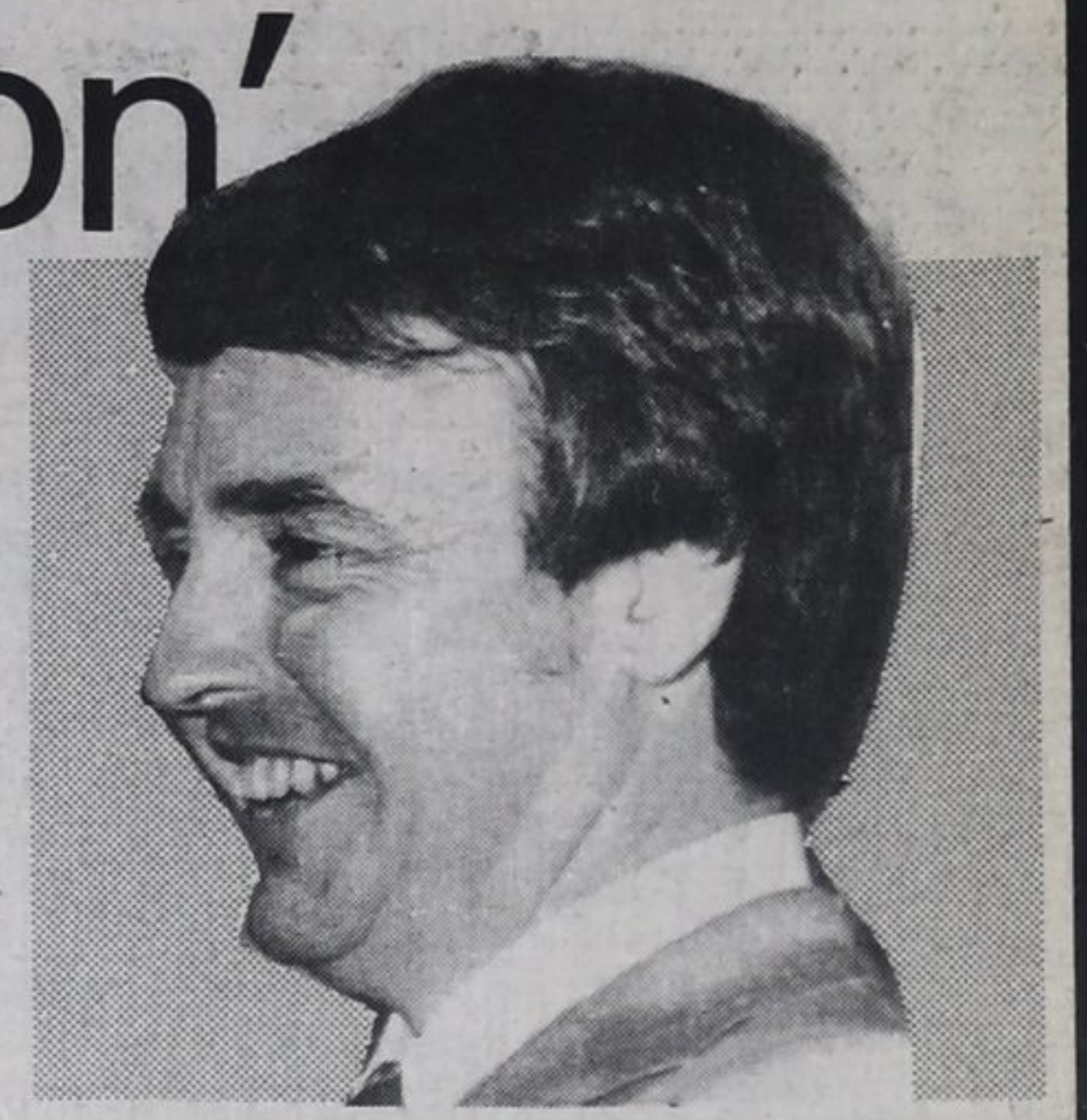
Lewis is one of 29 MPs to be appointed a parliamentary secretary. On Sept. 4, Canadians elected 211 Conservatives, 40 Liberals, and 32 NDPers.

Lewis has had previous experience with the country's finances, as the chairman of the parliamentary public accounts committee. Other positions he has held since his election in 1977 have been deputy

Opposition House leader, and Opposition House leader.

More about the Conservative government's plan to reduce the country's deficit will be revealed tomorrow, Lewis said. He described the Conservative strategy as reducing the national debt in an orderly, balanced and fair manner. The Conservative expectation is that jobs will follow.

Lewis echoed the Throne Speech of Monday, saying reconciliation, "bringing everyone into the game" will be important. The Conservatives will introduce market-oriented programs that business wants, not costly make-work projects.



Solicitor General says: Safety of police officers 'is extremely important'

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Over the course of the past year in this province, there have

been seven tragic deaths of police officers in the line of duty. These police officers have made the ultimate sacrifice in their service to the people of Ontario.

In the House, as Solicitor General of Ontario, I expressed the condolences of all Members of the Legislature to the families of those of-

ficers who died. At the time, I also announced that this tragic toll will not be allowed to continue.

The safety of our police officers is ex-

tremely important to all of us. In the coming months, I hope to have some ideas of measures which would ensure a greater degree of protection to them. Accordingly, I recently outlined two initiatives which are being undertaken.

Ontario's Chief Coroner, Ross Bennett will be conducting an inquest into the deaths of Constable David Dunmore and the person who shot him. The inquest will focus on the availability of weapons and the issue of video violence. I am particularly concerned about the effects of these two issues.

Secondly, the Committee of Police Officers and Civilians will be reviewing police pursuits. To date, Vice-Chairman of the Ontario Police Commission and former Solicitor General John MacBeth

has agreed to be the chairman of the committee. In addition, a number of interested citizens have approached me offering to help us in this task.

The committee will be examining a number of specific police procedures. These will include stopping a car at the conclusion of a pursuit or procedures followed by police officers in the varied circumstances where the police must take action to pull a car over.

In a related matter, my colleague, Attorney General, Roy McMurtry has proposed to the federal Minister of Justice that a federal-provincial task force be established to look into and report on the problems of violent crime in Canada. The task force would be small in size and represent both the federal and provincial

governments. Furthermore, it would focus on the concerns of our citizens with a practical application.

Early parole, the adequacy of our laws, the dangerous offender, capital punishment and procedures to protect us against violence would all be possible subjects for discussion. A federal-provincial task force would allow individuals and groups to make their concerns known and to propose solutions.

Here in Ontario, we have one of the finest justice systems in the world. Our police officers have a high degree of support, confidence and trust from the citizens of this province.

To meet the changing times and to stay on top, constant evaluation and study is necessary. This is exactly what we will be doing in the coming months.

Thirty more days given to Braesyde

The legal firm acting for Braesyde Estates of London, in its action against Victoria Harbour, has gained an extension of the 30 days given it by the Ontario Supreme Court. The court gave Braesyde 30 days within which to bring its case to the

court a second time. In early October, an Ontario Supreme Court justice agreed with the argument of the village's legal representative that not all of the parties who should be represented in Braesyde's action were represented.

Braesyde Estates, which has a financial interest in the closed Sportsman Motor Inn in the village, appeared in the Ontario Supreme Court to ask for \$1 million in lost revenue, and \$5 million in damages, and asked for injunctions against the village.

Braesyde was given by the court 30 days

within which to return as the representative of all of the parties with an interest in the Inn.

Yesterday village administrator Doug Jackson said the village's legal firm has learned that Braesyde has obtained another 30 days. Braesyde now has until the end of this month to continue its action in the Supreme Court.

Curtain up in Ottawa

Canada's 33rd Parliament opened officially on Monday with Governor-General Jeanne Sauve reading the Throne Speech.

A total of 282 MPs, including 143 rookies, listened to the Progressive Conser-

vative Government's list of priorities and goals.

The cast of characters include Brian Mulroney's 211-seat majority government, John Turner's 40-member Liberal caucus and Ed Broadbent's 30-member NDP caucus.

Reducing federal deficit is goal

Reducing the federal deficit is Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's (Tory) government's number one priority.

That was the message during Monday's throne speech in Ottawa which opened the first session of the 33rd Parliament.

How this will be done will be made clearer tomorrow when Finance Minister Michael Wilson unveils how the Tories' 211-seat majority government plans to chip away at lowering the deficit and curbing government spending.

EDHS quiet

by CHARLIE KING
Midterm exams at Elmvale District High School began yesterday. School halls are very quiet at this time of year. When students aren't writing an exam they're at home studying for their next exam. Exams end tomorrow.

Students will await their midterm report cards. They then fight their way through hard school work until first semester's end, in January.

Unfortunately for those who had bad

midterms, there's always the final exams.

The exams are usually written in the gymnasium, supervised by three or four teachers. There is more than one exam written at one time. The smaller classes write in regular classrooms, supervised by the teacher giving the exam.

All exams may last from one and a half to two hours long.

On Friday there will be an assembly for Remembrance Day, as we honour those who fought for us during the war.

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Money is Available for Residential Repairs

Applications are now being accepted for homeowners wishing to apply for financial assistance for residential repairs under the Ontario Home Renewal Program (O.H.R.P.) which is a provincially sponsored program.

Those homeowners in Penetanguishene, with the exception of those units in the Town's new subdivision, Rolling Sands Estates, Brule Heights Subdivision and those homeowners who have previously received an O.H.R.P. loan, are eligible to receive O.H.R.P. funds for residential unit repairs. Homeowner loans and interest rate, which ranges from 0 per cent to 10 per cent, is geared to income. The program provides loan forgiveness portion as follows:

O.H.R.P. HOUSING:

Adjusted Family Income	Maximum Grant	Maximum Loan
\$8,000.00 or less	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00
\$9,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00
\$10,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,500.00
\$11,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$5,500.00
\$13,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00
\$14,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$6,500.00
\$15,000.00	\$500.00	\$7,000.00
\$16,000.00	0	\$7,500.00

Applicants wishing to apply for a loan should contact the Town Office, at 10 Robert St. W., and ask for Eric Buchholz, Chief Building Official and Property Standards Officer, or phone 549-7452 for further information.

NOTE: Recent Change in Provincial Funding (O.H.R.P.) Where a homeowner has received a residential rehabilitation Assistance Program (R.R.A.P.) loan for the dwelling unit under consideration, the homeowner may be eligible for O.H.R.P. Assistance up to \$7,500.00, less the amount of the R.R.A.P. loan.