



**Working Florida  
holiday for  
Midland firemen**

The volunteer victim trapped inside this car is real, but the accident was rigged (in the Orlando, Florida parking lot of the Sheraton Resort Hotel), as members of the Town of Midland Fire Department Fire and Rescue Team prepare to release the "victim", during the Third Annual International Auto Extrication Competition and Learning Symposium, Thursday morning, March 13. The five man Midland squad (Gary Desmoreaux, Mike Gagnon, Dave Hamelin, Jamie Rodgers and Mike Gagnon) were judged among the top 10 of 28 North American teams.

**Trucks need centre lane for passing**

On a three-lane highway, remember the centre lane is also a passing lane.

The Ontario Trucking Association's safety council says using the centre lane as a driving lane creates a dangerous situation for all users of the road by blocking the flow of traffic and contributing to tail-gating and lane-hopping.

Trucks are not permitted to use the left hand passing lane and need the centre lane to pass. Truck drivers

have to shift through a number of gears to attain traffic speed.

Thus, when they encounter a slow-moving vehicle obstructing the centre lane, they are forced to suddenly back off from the rear of that vehicle, often at great inconvenience and risk.

On a multi-lane high-

way, obey the signs: "slower traffic keep right." It is a small courtesy that makes for a safer highway.

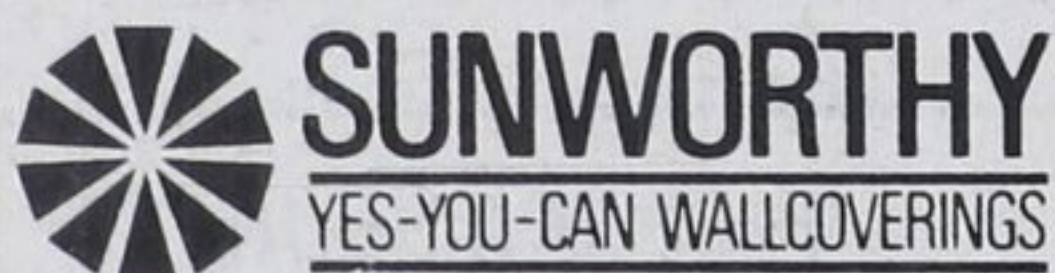
A pamphlet "Sharing the Road with a Truck" is available at no charge from the Ontario Trucking Association, 555 Dixon Rd., Rexdale, Ont. M9W 1H8.

**Back a  
Fighter  
with  
Easter Seals**

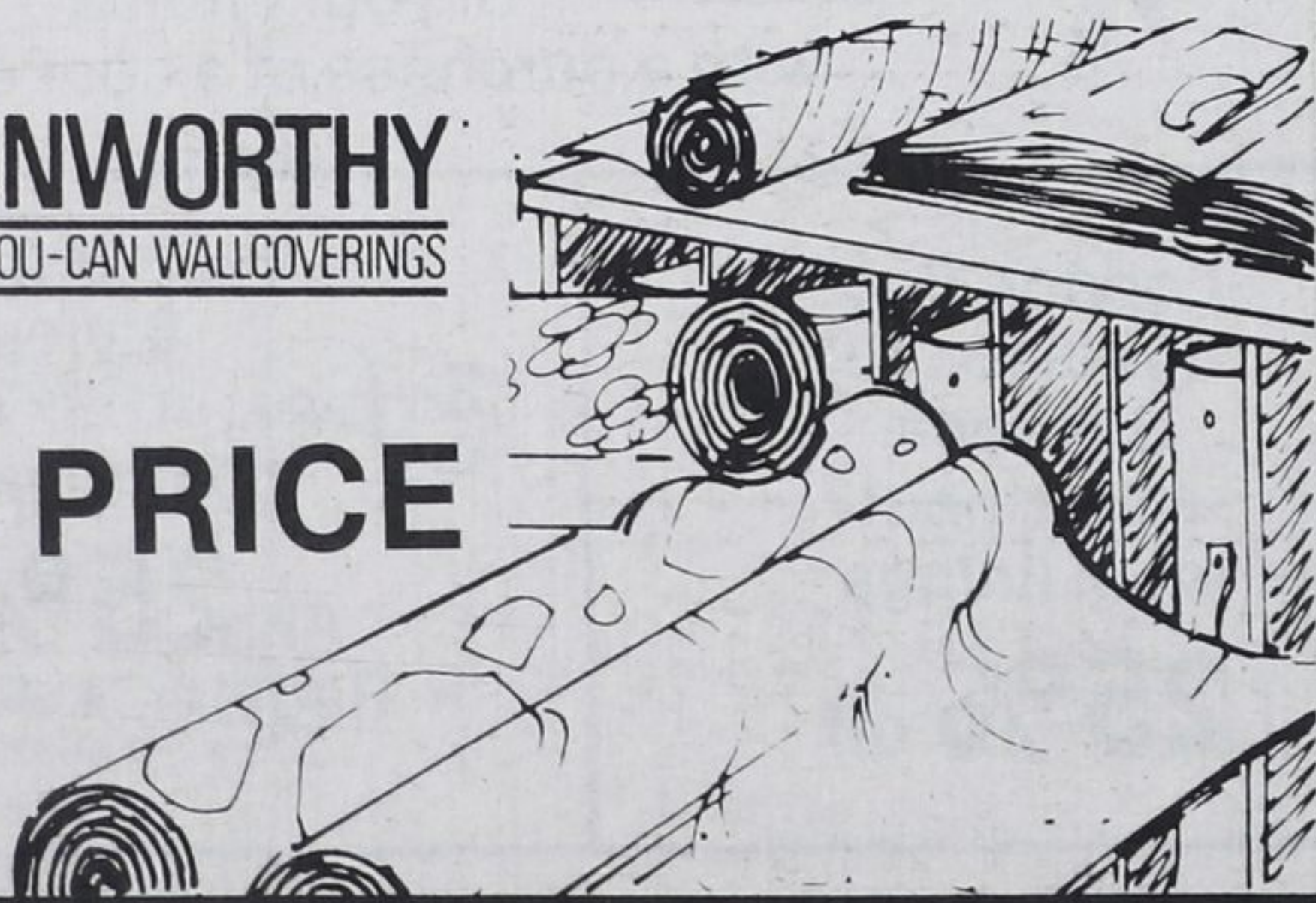
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