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## Some Promises Find Favor

Several promises by the candidates and the parties during the current federal election campaign, if implemented, would find real favor with the Canadian people. They are worthy of serious consideration by the electorate.

Tory leader John Diefenbaker has pledged, if elected, to allow homeowners to deduct up to \$500 in property taxes from their federal income tax. In making this promise Mr. Diefenbaker is following the example of the provincial governments in British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan which make outright cash grants to property owners in those provinces to help alleviate the burden of municipal taxation. Mr. Diefenbaker's suggestion is particularly appealing to the hard-pressed home owner in the burgeoning suburban areas where the high cost of education is gobbling up 60% of every municipal tax dollar collected. Any added federal relief from the crushing burden of property taxes is most

Both the Conservative and New Democratic Parties have recommended an immediate increase in the universal old-age pension from \$75 to \$100 a month without a means test. There are nearly 21/2 million Canadians now retired, or shortly to be retired, who will benefit little or not at all from the Canada Pension Plan. In a campaign speech Prime Minister Lester Pearson promised that old-age pensioners who need more than the present \$75 a month pension will, under his National Assistance Plan, be provided with additional allowances at the joint cost of the federal

and provincial governments. Canada's senior citizens have made a real contribution to the development of this country and the average person has not been in a position to build a nest egg against the winds of old

Our senior citizens haven't forgotten that our Members of Parliament wasted no time in raising their own salaries from \$10,000 to \$18,000 a year. An MP is also in a favored position in regards to the payment of income tax. He only has to pay tax on two-thirds of his salary-\$12,000. The remaining \$6,000 is tax

Liberal MP Pat Cameron in High Park Riding has forecast that if returned to power the government will remove the controversial 11% federal sales tax on prescription drugs. During a campaign speech Mr. Cameron said he was "positive" the government would comply with a tax removal recommendation of the caucus committee which studied drug prices. Mr. Cameron was a member of that committee.

This is something the Ontario Pharmacists' Association has been trying to get Finance Minister Walter Gordon to do for some time. Earlier this year 2,000 druggists across Ontario sought 500,000 signatures on a petition seeking removal of the tax. The Royal Commission on Health Services recommended its removal,

People often complain that they hear a great deal of futile talk during an election campaign. Here are several very worthwhile recommendations which will find wide support among many Canadians.

# King City Power Politics

For the second time in less than 10 years, an application from the trustees of King City for the incorporation of the police village has been rejected by the Ontario Municipal Board.

Following a four day hearing, the board handed down its decision to turn down the application last Thurs-

We wonder if the residents of King City are aware of just what this determination of the trustees to keep power in their own hands absolutely has cost not only local residents but residents of the township generally.

At the opening of the hearing, together with the two members of the OMB and an official court reporter, whose services cost the people of Ontario a goodly sum, there were nine members of the legal profession present. They represented, besides King City and King Township, the Police Villages of Schomberg and Nobleton, the County of York, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the King Township Federation of Agriculture.

None of these men work for nothing. Five of the solicitors were in attendance for the entire four days of the hearing. The costs of the hearing must have run into thousands of dollars for both sides.

Added to this are the undisclosed sums which King City Trustees have spent on surveys and reports from chartered accountants and municipal consultants.

And crowning insult of all to residents of King City is that the trustees were quite obviously defeated in their bid for incorporation by the testimony of the municipal expert whom they paid in 1961 to report to them on the need for incorporation and who advised against it at that

It is glaringly obvious that the trustees were not seeking expert advice at all, but merely advice which would bolster their own preconceived

Economist and Municipal Consultant Eric Hardy was by all odds the most highly qualified and cogently articulate of all the witnesses called at the hearing. He testified that his 1961 survey had led him to believe that incorporation was inadvisable then and that developments since that time had merely strengthened this conviction.

It is obvious from the OMB's five-

page report that they agreed entirely with Mr. Hardy's views. Incorporation would almost certainly bring increasing demands on the economy of the police village they said; there are 41/2 miles of road to maintain, police protection would be a problem and further problems were very likely for water and sewer services as well as the expensive grade crossing separa-

The board also disagreed with the trustees' witness, Planner John R. Bousefield that King Township would not feel the effects of Metro expansion but agreed with Mr. Hardy that the village was already feeling this pressure and would do so increasingly in the future.

On the other hand the board turned the trustees' most impressive evidence, that of the many real achievements they have made for the village, against them, holding that these could not have been possible without a high degree of co-operation from the township council.

At the same time, the board pointed out that there was a remedy at hand for the trustees' other main complaint, lack of representation on a remote township council. "The board saw fit to adjourn an application for division of the township into wards, and it is not intended by this decision to say anything more," said the report, "except that if representation is desired, and certainly our democracy is based on representation, then there is legislation now available which should be considered in order to attain such representa-

Here is the meat of the decision and here is a clear directive for not only King City but for the other urban areas in the township, including Oak Ridges which for some years has had not only no representation on township council but no village status

or authority either. It is obvious that the trend today is for larger units of government, that small municipal authorities that cannot plan outside their own boundaries are unable to provide services that are better and more economically supplied on a regional basis. A

township ward system could do this. The question remains: how long are residents of King City prepared to see one member of the village trustees continue to play the role of King Canute, costing them thousands of dollars in doing so.

### Language Teachers Continue In-Service Program

Furthering its continuing and a short seminar was held. address all grade 13 students in poverty by rising costs and program to improve the quality L. Manson, head of the mod- the York Central system on falling incomes." of the teaching of modern languages in York Central District High Schools, the moderns' heads' committee organized a demonstration class in the teaching French at Thornhill French at Thornhill Secondary School October 21. Secondary School October 21. tral teachers on the subject of In March Brothest Decided by grade 13 this year. values, but you can see con-In March, Professor W. S. siderable evidence in this

D. Shapiro, York Central's oral testing. master French teacher conduct- P. Chevreau, moderns' head at partment at Trinity College will kinson says. ed the class. Participating were Woodbridge High School has address York Central teachers "About 75 percent of the duction went up by 42.9%. students of grade 10D at Thorn- arranged for Dr. P. R. Robert for the third time. Subject of farmers have to get other hill Secondary. Refreshments of the French department at his lecture will be "La Chute" employment to meet their thought the farmers' march were served following the class University College, U of T to by Albert Camus.



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

## Saturday Is THE Night

Debbie and Ricky Stoness are ready for Saturday night when jack-o-lanterns and witches on broomsticks will be spotlighted. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stoness of 268 McConvey Dr., Beverley Acres, and on Hallowe'en will be among the thousands of young hobgoblins, ghosts, pirates, princesses, tramps and Indians, who will be out in full force seeking the traditional shellouts.

Motorists are asked to exert extra care during the evening hours when these young people are abroad to see that none is injured as the rounds are made to the hospitable homes of the area.



# Rambling Around

by Elizabeth Kelson

To Vote Or Not To Vote

I have a confession to make! I'll admit freely that there has been a year now and then out of my life when I neglected to cast a vote in a free election. I find this inexcusable but understandable. The 70,000 enumerators who polled the country last September revealed that many Canadians flatly refused to be listed. Whatever their reasons, their attitude is neither excusable or understandable.

Let them ask themselves a question. Would they be as angry or hurt if their names were deliberately left off the voters list? I would. To me it would be an infringement on my right as a citizen of Irayborn, Levendale voting age. Does it make any sense to disenfranchise oneself voluntarily. Not to me! On the other Landscape Proposal hand I don't recommend voting for the sake of voting, just to say you voted. It matters how you vote, and if you can't be intelligent about it, why go and cancel the vote of someone who has studied the issues and assessed the candidates.

Well this is the lesson I have been learning. have to do more than just be on the voters list. must study the issues and assess the candidate else how can I vote intelligently?

According to definition, voting is a process whereby people register their choice with regards to candidates for public office or with regard to political questions. Voting, I understand, is an important aspect of democracy. The day I became old enough to vote was an achievement, a sign of being grown up. What happened to me those times neglected the vote? What happened to all those people in Canada who could not put the fate of their own country above their personal feelings.

The word apathy is used to describe this condition. It is a word with broad meanings. Apathy can be physical, moral or spiritual. It can be all

I really see, there is no excuse for not making an intelligent vote. I can read the newspapers, listen to radio and TV on the issues. I may not like what I hear, but at least I'll be listening. I heard someone say the other day, "It doesn't matter who gets in, it can't get any worse." To my mind, it is better to have a wrong opinion than no opinion at all.

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#### Cats Galore

The city councillors of St. James, garden suburb of Winnipeg, may soon find that they have a tabby by the tail, says The Financial Post. In an attempt to introduce a measure of cat control, they have decided that from January 1 residents will be allowed only two cats per family and spare kittens will have to be disposed of by the time they reach six months.

Imposing birth control on the millions of Asia, is as nothing compared with trying to enforce it among felines. For that matter, have these city fathers had much experience in trying to give surplus kittens away? Come New Year's Day, one can forsee a line up of St. James residents, each carrying a basketful of kittens, demanding the city councillors solve the problem.

A move is afoot to landscape the daylight areas at the north (City of Toronto) and 600 acres west corners of Trayborn Drive on the River Thames, later purand Levendale Road at Yonge chased by Rev. Peter Jones and Till was the week pierces of the Street North.

Town council has okayed the Miles never sold an acre of this works and property committee land but divided it among his proposal by Councillor Lois relatives.

Approval was made subject to Works Commissioner Otto the present McConaghy Public munity, although the first day drainage problems and planting first high school. He also intend-year before on a fee basis. The The committee suggests also ians the land on which the young pupils were taught to

the civic improvement commit-church, manse, and cemetery read and write from it. On octee consult with the hydro re- are located and the Yonge casion it was also used to box garding improved lighting faci- Street frontage north to the the ears of a misbehaving lad. lities at the named sites.

A meeting was held with Mr. ian Church. But some years Sunday school could recite al-Peterson, landscape architect, to after his death it was discovered most every chapter of the New discuss the landscaping propos- that he had never signed the Testament, and to each one

NEWMARKET: Clarence Hurl- tate \$5,000 for this land. burt, 45, Mount Forest, was James Miles was a man of Mr. Miles presented a Bible and sentenced to the Don Jail for 30 quiet and dignified appearance a white handkerchief, with the days for driving while his who held the official position of admonition that "cleanliness is licence was suspended by justice of the peace. His relig-next to Godliness". Magistrate John Ord, recently, ion, though leaning to the Scot- The founder of the first Sun-However, he will not start serv- tish Kirk, embraced the welfare day school secured his Bibles ing his sentence until November of every denomination and his from Scotland and was most I as he told the court he must hand was extended to aid all generous in distributing them have an eye operation on Octo- who were distressed and unfor- to the young people of the com-

Forecasts Pending Doom Of The Family Farm

good, but there was need for

An increase in the price of hogs has helped some, he noted, with hog raisers getting seven cents more per pound, while bacon jumped from 59c to 95c per pound to the consumer. But generally farmers' income is getting less while costs are going up.

A basic reason for the rise of the cost of living (2.7% in 12 months) has been the increase in the cost of steel. From 1957 to 1963, automation and technical change reduced labor cost of a ton of steel from \$27.52 to \$22.16 even though wages increased 2612%. The price of farm machinery has gone up and profits of the steel companies

have gone up to 116%. change has to be made, Mr. on Ottawa had done some

On the other hand mixed farming will hold its own against the increasing number of larger specialized units, Waterloo County Junior Farmers were told recently. The speaker was Frederick Kemp, horticulturist at the Community Farm of the Brethren located in that county. "Anyone who can farm intensively with a mixed farm is going to have to work, but he will be successful", Mr. Kemp stated. His speech stressed the value of taking the best from the new and combining it with

experience gained in the old. "You have to use modern techniques, but you have to use your wits, too", he warned. At times, he added, the hoe can be of more value on

equipment. Mr. Kemp, who has farm- without touching the plants.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF

Second Thoughts

Yesterday's news is not necessarily dead

joined the children in donning their false faces.

ness in Canada according to a "Liberal" editorial.

. . . Wonder what accounts for the rest of the blind-

"things are not above board" in the Toronto City

Hall furniture. The furniture, it turns out, was

tested for everything except practicality and the

hall's secretaries and stenographers say the com-

bination of door-thick desks and high skirts leaves

tacks in this field are being made by drunks using

should not export water to the U.S. The Prime

Minister explains that Mr. Laing was talking about

the immediate future! . . . while he was talking

about the future future! Meanwhile, let's hold our

to leave the country and the U.S. is allowing them

free entry. Pity the poor Americans! Just imagine

10,000 Cubans stepping ashore with: "My name

allowances to a flat \$100 per month. This might help

him in the rest of Canada but, if he means the baby

bonus, it won't do much for his popularity in Quebec.

U.S. by the House Committee on Un-American Ac-

tivities. . . . Offhand, we'd say, the KKK is one off

the Americans' MOST-American activities. But

anyway, it will give the committee an opportunity

to see if the Kluxers' heads fit their pointed hats.

over the discovery that a pet poodle was on the

voters list in Spadina Riding. So what? Around

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In Years Gone By

Of all the early settlers of Richmond Hill, who helped

to clear away the forests, organize society and build homes

for those who were to come after them, no name is so

honored as that of James Miles, the first owner of Lot 46,

Vaughan Township, wrote William Harrison in December

site of the S. J. Carlisle Real school in 1811, Mr. Harrison re-

Estate Office at 22 Yonge Street corded that in 1857 he had at-

South, and through to Bathurst tended the first provincial Sab-

When Abner Miles, whose ston at which Rev. William

school fence, to the Presbyter- Many boys and girls in the

deed of gift. The result was that who could recite the Sermon on

the Presbyterians paid his es- the Mount and Chapters 14 and

story was told earlier in this

now an Indian reserve. James

bath school convention in King-

Hill was the real pioneer of the

thousands of Sabbath schools in

only means of education for

15 of the Gospel of St. John,

munity, Mr. Harrison reported.

ed in Europe and South Am-

erica, pointed to intensive

farming systems in Holland

and Japan as areas where

Canadian farmers could reap

The community farm is

noted for its geese operation.

Mr. Kemp admitted he was

more interested in the man-

ure from the geese than the

birds themselves. He finds

the high nitrogen natural

fertilizer of benefit when the

geese are allowed to graze in

Alexander Bago, who re-

cently returned from Israel

where he contacted people

interested in community liv-

ing, reported on the value of

geese in strawberry-patch

the young geese will eat all

the farm orchard.

the benefit of experience.

The local school provided the

our Dominion.

Lot 46 stretched from the Before the village was large

here, plenty of dogs go to the poll.

There was quite a fuss in Toronto last week

Toronto is also having trouble with the sug-

Cuba is allowing the exodus of citizens desiring

Real Caouette is advocating a change in family

The Ku Klux Klan is being investigated in the

a lot to be desired.

Collins.

water!

Hosay Imanez!"

Flashback

Once again complaints are being heard that

ness in people who vote for the "other" parties?

This year, it isn't too hard to get into the

BY GEORGE MAYES

NURSES

RICHMOND HILL BRANCH

spirit of Hallowe'en. The politicians have already Mrs. W. O. Stockdale 884-4101

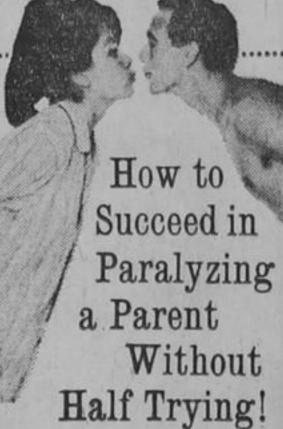
Glaucoma is responsible for 10% of the blind-Richmond Hill Municipal Hall

SERVING RICHMOND HILL, MARKHAM TOWNSHIP, VAUGHAN TOWNSHIP.

Ontario is going to launch a "3-pronged attack on alcoholism". At present our only 3-pronged at-

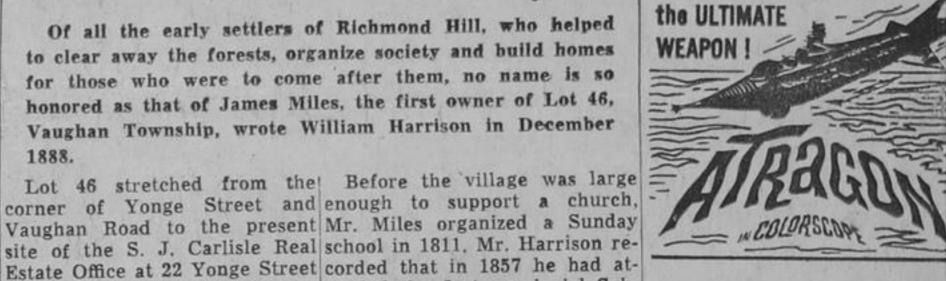
three swizzle sticks to spear the cherry in their Phone 884-1212 FREE PARKING AT REAR Enjoy Sunday Movies We see where Prime Minister Pearson and Re-This Sunday and Every sources Minister Laing have reconciled their differ-Sunday ence of opinion over whether Canada should or Continuous from 5 p.m.

> Thurs., Fri., Sat., Oct. 28-29-30



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Please Note Smart was honored as/ the Thurs., Fri., 1st show 7 pm Last complete show

series, died, he left all his founder of the first Sunday property (2,000 acres of choice land) to his only son, James. These lands were located in the Townships of Markham and Vaughen in the Townships of Markham and Wanghen in the Townships of the Washington Wanghen in the Townships of the Wanghen in the Townships of the Wanghen in the Townships of the Wanghen in the Townships of Markham and Wanghen in the Townships of the Wanghen in the Townships of Markham and Wanghen in the Townships of the Wanghen in the Townships of Markham and Wanghen in the Townships of the Wanghen in the Townships of Markham and Wanghen in t Vaughan, in the Town of York month of the year, which was

whether the school in Ganan- Saturday Matinee 2 p.m. only "Pyjama Party"

He donated the land on which many young people in the com- SUNDAY, OCT. 31 Whalen's report on any surface School stands and the site of the school had been opened the Mon., Tues., Wed., Nov. 1-2-3 ed to donate to the Presbyter- Bible was the only textbook and



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MON., TUES., WED., weed control. Mr. Bago said "DR. NO" AT 6.40 AND 10.20

"FROM RUSSIA" AT

8.30 P.M. ONLY

tinue the family farm is doomed", for ner Orillia Township Deputy-reeve Elmer Howell of Uhthoff, stated recently, referring to a for themselves.

report of Roy Atkinson, president of the National Farmers Union. "This certainly applies to our area as well as others", the former deputyreeve claimed, about Mr. Atkinson's statement that, "Canada's farms are being rural poverty. It promised squeezed to the point of

Rogers, head of the French De- area to support what Mr. At- net income dropped 6.8% to

"I would say there are hardly more than 30 farmers in Orillia Township who make their living fully from farm operations", he said, noting that these facts speak

He emphasized Mr. Atkinson's words: "The government promised the people of Canada that it was prepared to take the necessary steps to prevent the recurrence of necessary marketing legislation. It promised to preserve the family farm. It promised

Canadian Farmer's average \$1,410, while his cost of pro-Mr. Howell said he

If the goal of production is to produce a well-balanced economy with fair distribution to all, a great deal of

the farm than mechanized

the grass between the plants while moving down the rows from food, placed at one end, to water, placed at the other,