

Local Author, Local Publishers

## Young Fans Provide Rave Reviews

By MARGARET LADE

Youngsters of the space age are not as blasé and jaded as most adults believe them to be. They are still fascinated by tales of magic and the improbable.

Rave reviews written by children from grade 4 to grade 9, readers of "The Forgotten World of Uloc" bear this out. "I loved your book," "It was great," "Please keep writing", "I hope you write another book", are typical comments in letters received by the author.

Some of the writers may have been prejudiced in that they know the author — Bryan Buchan, a shy young man raised and educated in Richmond Hill who is now in third year of teaching at Walter Scott Public School on Markham Road.

The book, published by Local readers will be quick Scholastic Book Services, 123 to detect references to the Mill Newkirk Road, Richmond Hill, Pond, and will recognize the was launched officially at a polluted pond by the railway reception October 14 at the tracks, but it is doubtful if they Inn-on-the-Park, but a number will remember Uloc, guardian of copies had already been circ- of the water, who appears to related locally, and the delight- unbelievers as a squirrel or a ed readers were quick to show field mouse or whatever else their appreciation. they may have in mind that is

small and hairy. In a fast-moving tale, the hero, his friend, Paul, and his sister, Ann, try to save Uloc from certain death, retrieving his precious amulet and smuggling him along on a camping trip to Northern Ontario.

Printed in paperback form by Scholastic - Tab Publications, the book is generously illustrated by a young Toronto Artist, Kathryn Cole. It is being circulated through two of Scholastic's five book clubs — Arrow for grades 4, 5 and 6, and Tab for grades 7, 8 and 9.



BRYAN BUCHAN  
Teacher-Author

Since 1958 Scholastic clubs have supplied over 15 million paperbacks to Canadian schools, offering fresh lists of selections every month.

A number of representatives of York County Board of Education and Scholastic attended the reception to meet Mr. Buchan.

Other book clubs in the program, explained Editorial Promotion Manager Larry Muller, are the See Saw Club for kindergarten and grade 1, the Lucky Club for grades 2 and 3, and the Campus Club for grades 9 to 13.

Since selections are made through the schools and bought in quantity, with 100 or more books going to a school each month, costs can be cut. The children can make their own selections, and when they own the books can read them when they choose. There is the pride of ownership attached to the books.

The plan also offers bonus books to purchasers and to school libraries.

"A toddler who first discovers the magic of books with a See-Saw-picture story in kindergarten, is likely to be getting his favorite reading matter from Campus when he reaches grade 12," comments Mr. Muller.

Meanwhile, Mr. Buchan is considering another book, but with a vivacious grade 5 class keeping him busy as present it may be awhile before it appears in print.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Buchan, 17 Cartier Crescent, Bryan was born in Scotland and came with his family to Canada when he was four years old. The Buchan's moved from Orillia to Richmond Hill 15 years ago and Bryan became active in boys' work at St. Matthew's United Church.

He graduated from Bayview Secondary School, earned his bachelor of arts degree at the University of Toronto, and attended Toronto Teachers' College before starting to teach.

BRADFORD — Reeve Bruce Stewart has announced he would be seeking the post of warden of Simcoe County in January. He has served on county council for more than 10 years. If elected he will become the first warden from Bradford since it became a town. The last warden from here was Arthur Evans, MLA, former reeve.

## Wide Public Support War Measures Act

By JOHN ROBERTS MP, YORK SIMCOE

Of course for the past two weeks the prime concern of the House of Commons, indeed of the whole country, has been the extraordinary situation which the violent terrorist techniques of the FLQ has created.

At first, as always happens when a political crisis arises, there was an air of excitement. Politicians thrive in adversity; the sense of urgency heightens their sense of self-importance. Even the allocation of armed guards to protect political and civil servants had a sense of unreality to it. It was a novelty, almost a status game, to decide who was important enough to deserve how much protection.

Perhaps these first reactions were almost a form of psychological self-protection. The mind, accustomed to thinking in traditional ways, finds it difficult to adjust to completely unexpected developments and place them in perspective. In spite of the violence and bombings of the last five years, most of us had suppressed their full significance. There was a predominant feeling that those incidents were exceptional and that the terror tactics used by extremists in the United States, South America and the Middle East "could not happen here".

But after the first few days it became clear that it could, that it HAD happened here.

The government's response to the present threat, the specific regulation formulated under the War Measures Act, has received wide spread support. I have received many letters, telephone calls and telegrams indicating almost unanimous endorsement for the drastic steps the government believed necessary. In situations like this, where appallingly difficult choices must be made with very few precedents to rely upon, the responsibility for decision can be an agonizing and lonely business. The messages of support and encouragement are very heartening — and I am grateful for those I have received.

When the kind of emergency we now face arises the natural and right reaction is to rally around the government which has responsibility and also access to information not always available to the public. Very few wish to tie the hands of government in dealing with such a crisis.

In the long run, however, we must be sure that powers necessary for an emergency are not needlessly prolonged. It is the responsibility of MPs to ensure that the powers which infringe on individual liberties are as limited as possible — and that they do not become a permanent part of our social fabric.

The government has already indicated its intention of bringing before the Commons more limited legislation to replace the War Measures Act regulations. At that moment the Commons must give careful debate and scrutiny to those proposals.

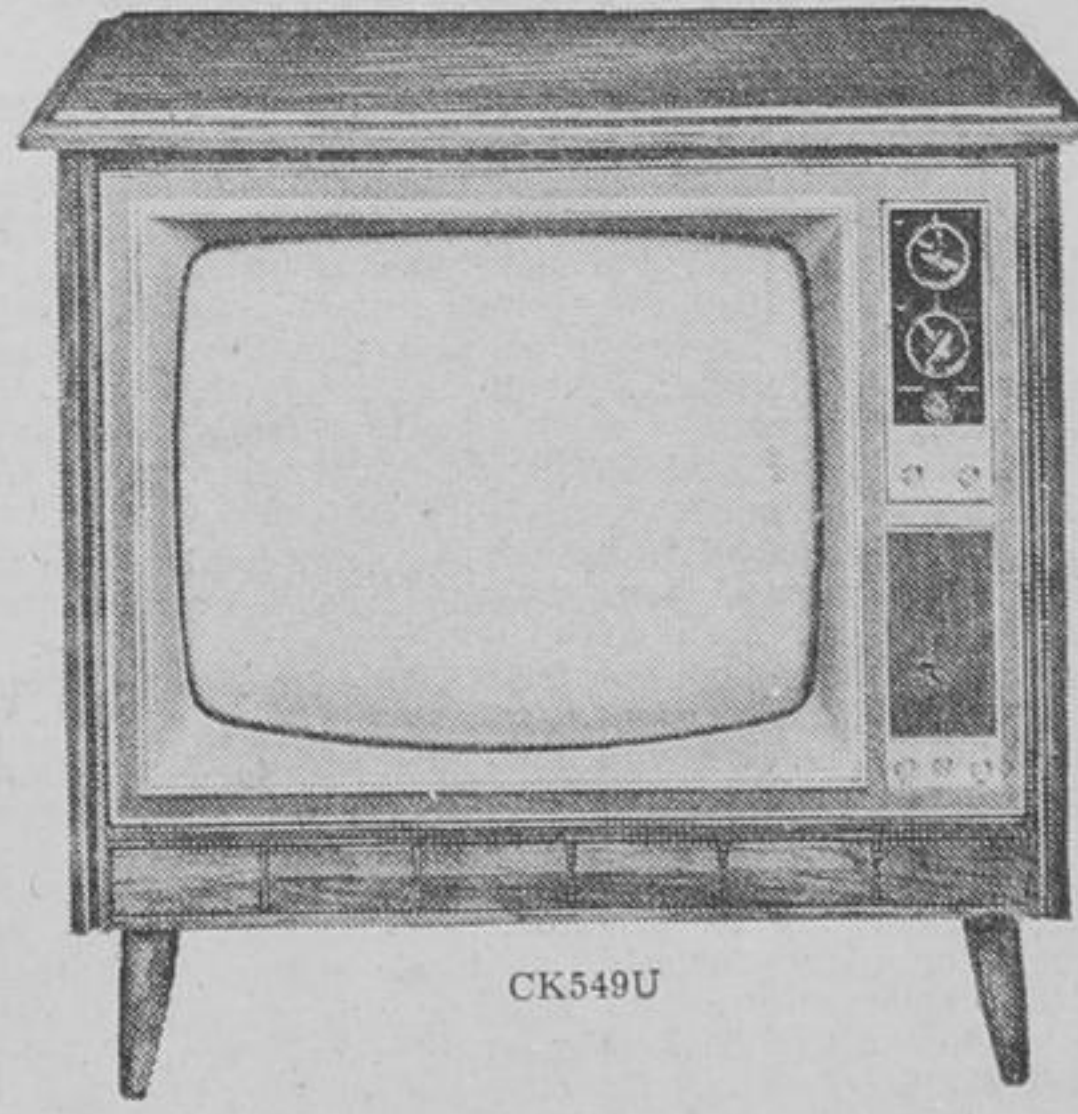
Our first priority must be the preservation of the security and stability of our society against terrorist criminal acts. The government and the Commons have shown their resolve on this point.

This task must be accompanied by measures to reform the social and economic discontents which help spawn terrorist activities. Our second priority must be the preservation of individual liberties. When the hour of crisis is past the Commons must continue to perform its vital role as watch-dog of our civil liberties.

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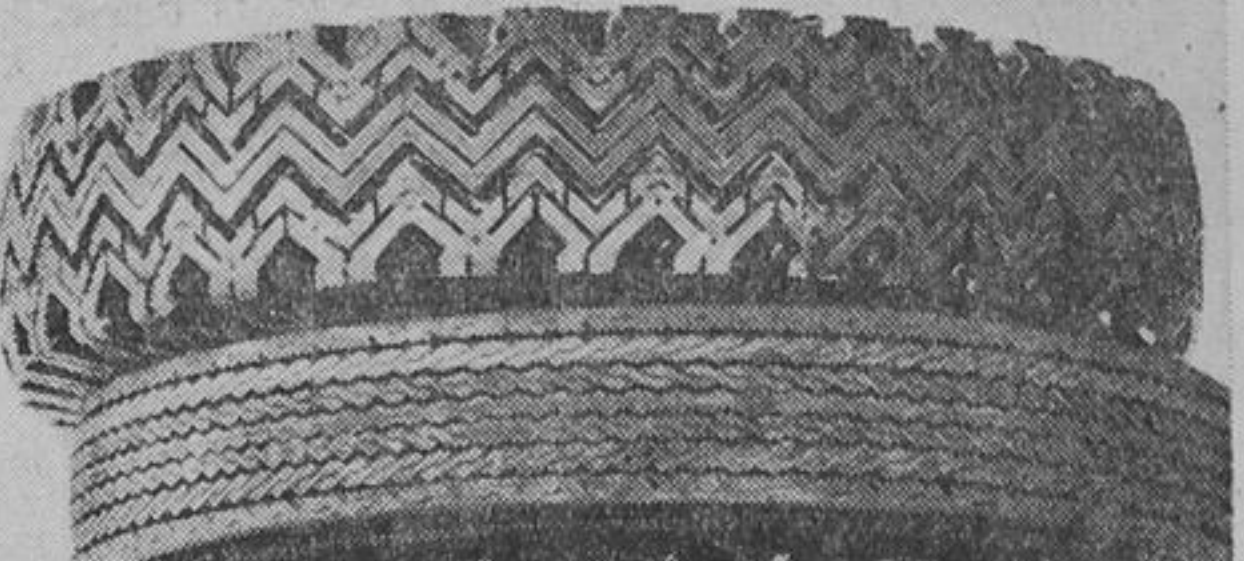
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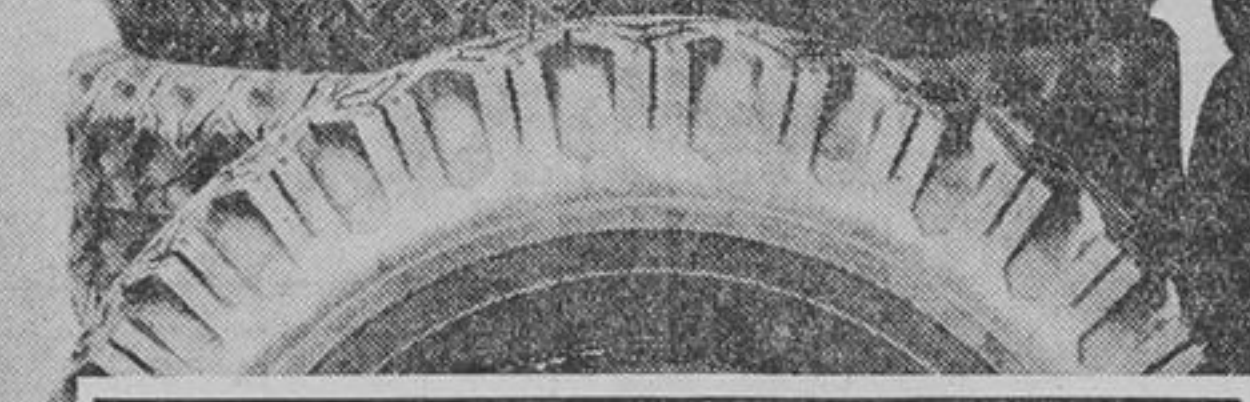
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