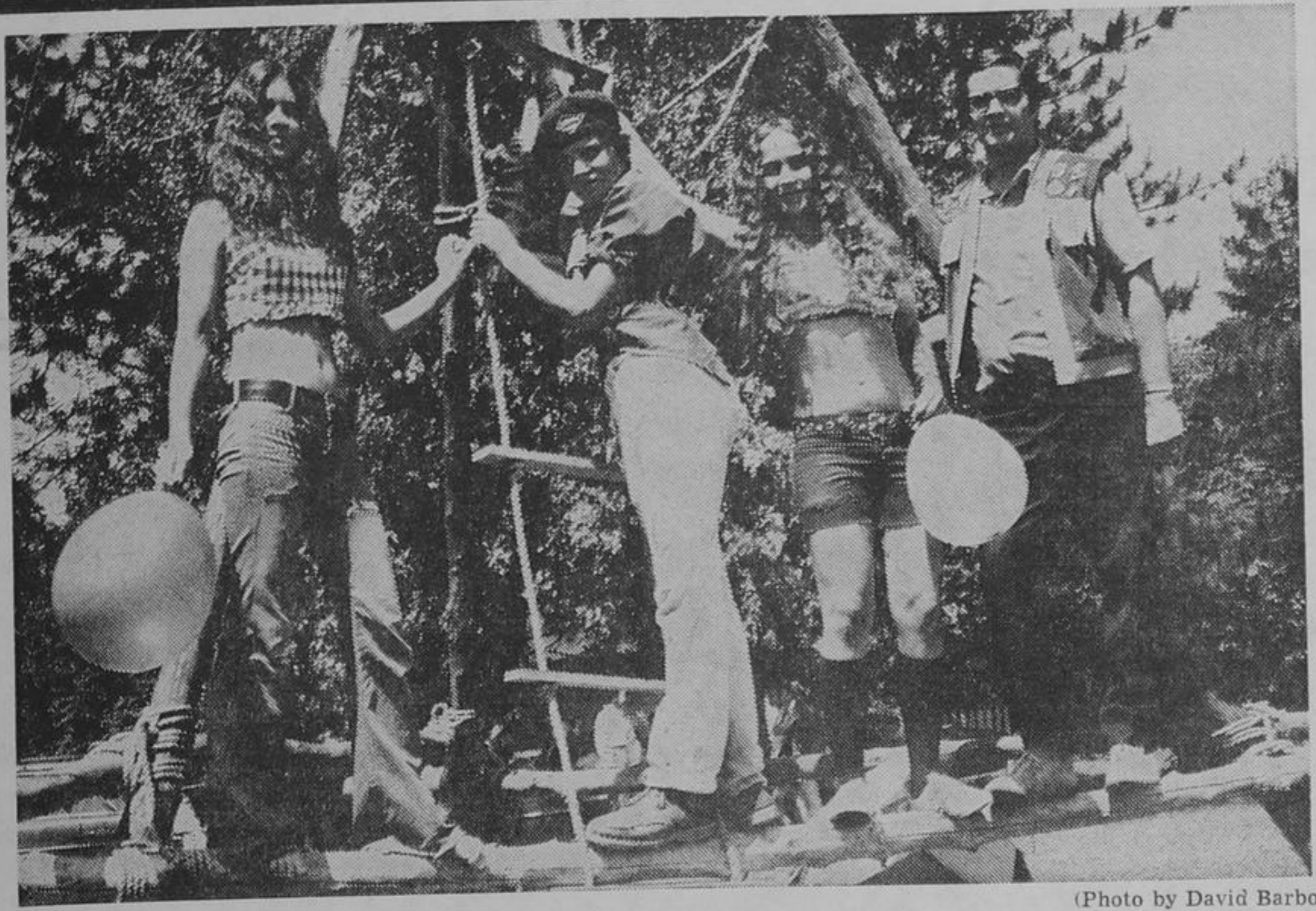


Thornhill and District News

"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest contributed by its readers in the Thornhill area. Please call Miss Margaret Govan, 14 Deanbank Drive, 889-5372



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Flag Tower Feature Of Dominion Day Celebration

The weatherman smiled, the Thornhill Lions and Lionettes worked hard and the people of Thornhill came out in crowds to enjoy the annual Dominion Day festivities in the park. There was something to interest every member of the family, with entertainment provided by a barbershop quartette, Scottish dancers, games of chance, swimming and running races, and displays. Refreshments were served in a delightfully shaded

cider garden. Of particular interest was the flag tower erected by the 1st Oak Ridges Scout Troop by lashing tall poles together. In the picture above (left to right) Barb Brown of Thornhill, Fred Seymour of Oak Ridges, Suzanne Sealey of Thornhill and Lion Les Johnstone admire the sturdy structure.

Socially Speaking In Thornhill

John Street is now rejoicing in a sidewalk. We have been without one for so long, that we had resigned ourselves to walking on the road, dodging cars, etc. for good and always in shades of pink, using Queen Elizabeth for the lightest, and moving down the scale to end with a Kronenburg. This was combined with foliage of the purple plum, and spikes of blue veronica.

Mrs. Jarvie had taken her first classes in flower arrangement last year at Thornhill Secondary School with Mrs. Genevieve Robertson as the teacher. She is a past president of the Garden Club and will be teaching again this fall. Thornhill Horticultural Society is very proud of Mrs. Jarvie.

Swimming Pool was an important part of the agenda of the Town of Vaughan Council meeting last month. For three years people from outside the Thornhill area have been using the Thornhill Park. (It is a delightful park and it is also free to all comers.) This

and thoroughly readable summary of the information about gorillas which has been accumulated in the last decade. The book is illustrated with photographs on every page. Even if you hated King Kong, you'll love those fuzzy, bewildered-looking baby gorillas pictured in this study.

THE EDUCATION OF EDWARD KENNEDY — By Burton Hersh. The author, Harvard graduate and Fullbright scholar, has written a detailed and carefully documented biography of this controversial American politician. He attempts to explain some of the contradictory elements in his personality and in his record as a senator by analyzing the influence which heredity and an unusually tense, often traumatically changing environment must have had on his developing mind. The book is a major contribution to the literature about America's pre-eminent political family and is essential to an understanding of current history.

MEMOIRS OF AN EX-PROM QUEEN — By Alix Shulman. The powerful story of an unliberated but restive woman, Sasha Davis, a good baby, a good girl, a good adolescent, a good wife, a good mistress and a good mother begins, in her thirties, to wonder what was in it for her personally — indeed, if there ever was such a thing as her personally.

Neighborhood Notes
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Don Huntley, former May Avenue residents, who celebrated their July 12 Silver Wedding Anniversary last Saturday at an open house at the home of their daughter Ruthie (Mrs. Barry McKinnon) and later that evening at home.
Mrs. Huntley's mother Mrs. E. Little from Oliver, BC, will be visiting July and August.
Belated birthday wishes to Pearl Bounds, Yongehurst Road July 5 and to Jill Underhill, May Avenue, July 13.
Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. Williamson Clark of Pemberton Road.

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BOOK TALK
(Town of Markham Public Libraries)
Good Summertime Reading

There were about two dozen entries in each class and Mrs. Jarvie was delighted to come second in three hybrid tea roses and two bronze Masterpieces and a Chicago Peace Rose. She also won a second in one hybrid tea; she had submitted a Peace.

Richvale District News

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Lions Visit Mexico City

The local Lions were well represented this year at the Lion's International Convention held in Mexico City from June 25 to July 3.

Representing Richvale were Lions Larry Rivait and wife Pat; Brent and Margaret Coxworthy; Ron and Helen Peace and Jim and Ina Barton.

The weather was quite cooperative, the people were very friendly and the food delicious. The people in Richvale, who are in close contact with the work of our local Lions and those in the community who have been helped personally, have great respect for the work our club is doing and we can say we are proud of them and to the members of the club we say "well done" in the past and keep up the good work.

Saturday will be a very busy day for the Leo Club of Richvale (sponsored by our local Lions) they will be out in full force to help keep Richvale

clean. If you have any items which you want to get rid of and they can be put out in green plastic garbage bags (which will be provided by the club) please do so.

They are anxious to keep their environment clean and healthy.

The Richvale Blues Minor Football Club will again be sponsored by the Lions Club.

The club is for boys interested in playing football and between the ages of 10 and 14 years of age as of September 1, 1972, and under 125 pounds. This year's management consists of the following persons: Bill Morris, Dana and Brian Coxworthy, Glen Pemberton and John Bork.

This year Aurora will be entering two teams bringing the league up to six teams. If you want further information please call 884-8465 or 889-1542. Uniforms are supplied.

Summer Playground Program

A good number of children in the Richvale area have taken advantage of the summer program sponsored by the Richmond Hill Parks and Recreation Committee at both Charles Howitt School and Roselawn Public School.

The boys in particular have turned out for the sports program and are very enthused. If there are children interested in joining, registration fee is \$1 for each child or a maximum fee of \$3 per family for those with three or more children.

The school is open 5 days a week, children between 5 and 6 attend from 9:30 to 11:30 am and boys and girls 7 to 13 attend from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Some of the children will be taking a trip to Toronto Island shortly along with their supervisors. If you wish any more information please call Mary White or Carol Trotman (they are both directors of the summer program) at 884-8101.

This program continues until August 11.

Neighborhood Notes

The marriage of Deborah Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Good of Spruce Avenue to Russell Lowell Stanford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Stanford, will take place July 25 in the Mormon Temple, in Alberta.

Sympathy of the community is extended to the family of the late Albert Cartwright of 63 Spruce Avenue.

Children Play In Don Valley Special, Safe, Wild, Unhindered

One of the branches of the Don flows past the back of our garden. Mrs. Doris Fitzgerald, the Thornhill historian, tells us of the time when it was a real river and the cattle were floated down it on a raft to market in York. Now it only becomes a river at spring flood, and the rafts would not have sufficient depth of water even then.

However, it is now the playground, surpassing all playgrounds, for boys and more occasionally for girls. Also dogs, usually accompanied by master or mistress.

The boys arrive immediately after spring breakup. (Actually at one time they and much older boys, girls, and even some grownups used the river for skating. They could travel for more than a mile. But the powers that be who can never have been children or had an interest in children, put in a viaduct under Henderson Ave. There is no more skating.)

The boys arrive with fishing rods and pails and with infinite patience they fish. Once a lad showed me a mud pout all of eight inches long; no adult fisherman could have been prouder of his catch. There are minnows too.

This year after the sudden warm period in spring, all the snow surrounding the Don became mud, and the brown water rushed off to join Lake Ontario. It did not last long but lasted long enough to bring many strange objects down stream.

There was a contraption of heavy timbers — it might have been a footbridge — and three boys found it. They tied heavy string to the two corners and set to work to float it downstream with one of them on it; it took them half a day to get it round two bends. They must have been very tired.

Two more "discovered" the raft the next afternoon. They tugged and pushed. Their rubber boots served them well at first, but with the jumping on and off the raft, the water got inside the boots. When I saw them last they were sitting in

the Don, thoroughly soaked, but very happy. Why they didn't catch pneumonia I do not know. The raft was a hundred yards further down stream, but had stuck on some rocks.

Three girls arrived the next day. They had white blouses on and colored shorts and rubber boots. I don't think they worked quite as hard, or perhaps they faced reality and realized that that raft was not going to budge. I saw one shaking water out of a boot, but there was no attempt to get wet all over.

Four smaller boys brought their own boat, a bright blue plastic affair with matching paddles. It is so very light to carry, and such fun! It can be used for a bridge as well as a boat, perhaps many other things. Next time there were two boats.

The dogs enjoy the valley just as much as the children. There are nests of field mice and exciting holes of varying sizes . . . chipmunks, moles, woodchucks, muskrats and rabbits and all the holes must be investigated. There is also a skunk to judge by the smell. And three raccoons live in the valley too.

The cats come down on their own, very businesslike and alert but they don't seem to catch much.

There are quite a number of pheasants, always more males than females. But the females are not divided equally. The more aggressive males get all the gals, and march along proudly with their harem, keeping it in order.

There are so many different kinds of birds that it is difficult to get the gardening done. Everyday brings an adventure. The last one was a woman exercising her monkey. It didn't take any too kindly to the great open spaces; it was a very small monkey.

This playground is very special, safe, close to civilization and yet apart, wild, unhindered by adults, and everybody has to make his own fun. Long may it last!

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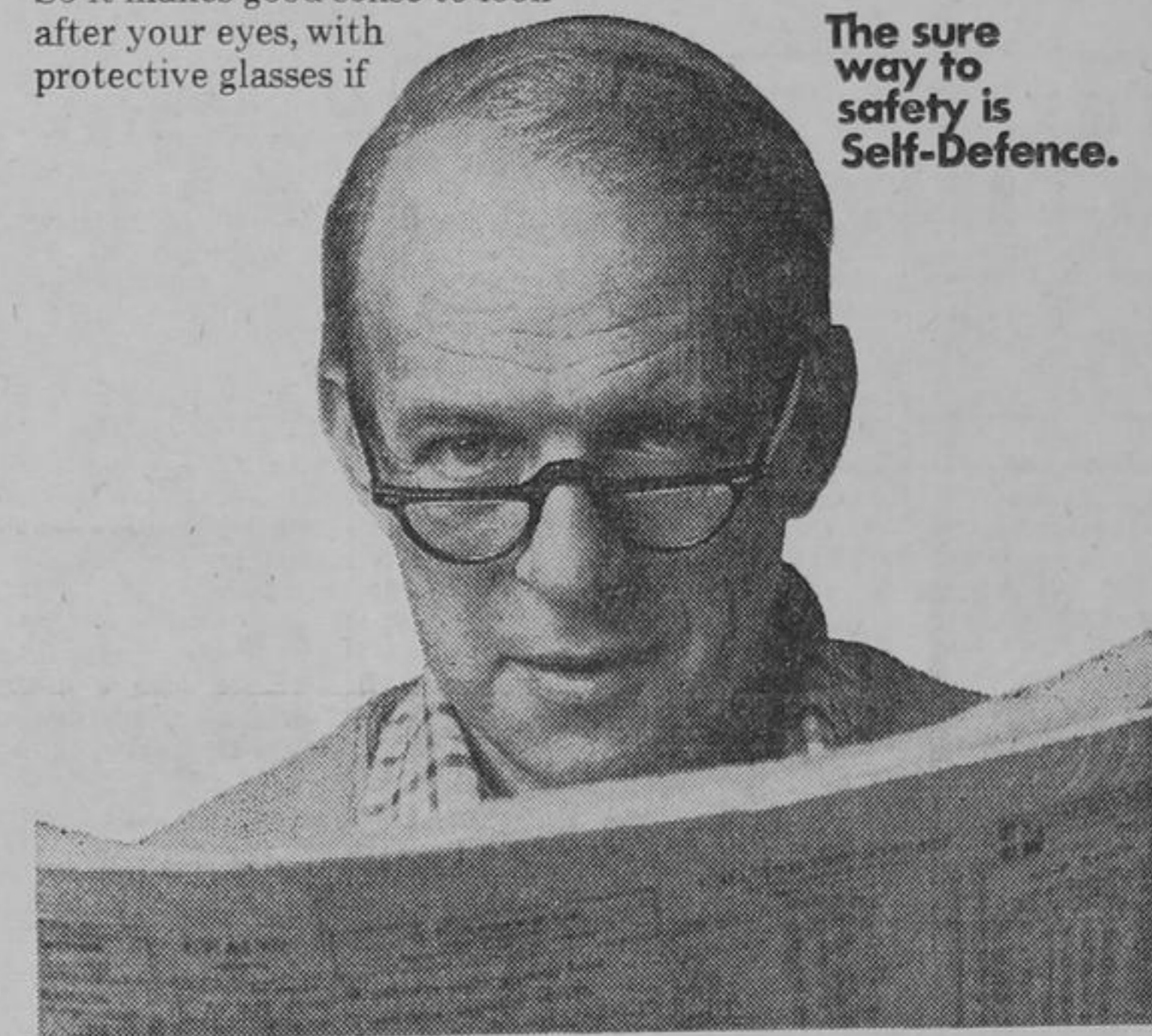
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TENDER FOR CONTRACT FOR BAYVIEW GLEN PUBLIC SCHOOL Boiler Renovations
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SEALED TENDERS, plainly marked as to content, for the Bayview Glen Public School, Boiler Renovations, will be received by the Director of Education, 22 Church Street, Aurora, Ontario until 12:00 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time

Tuesday, July 25, 1972

Drawings and Specifications will be available to Contractors on July 12, 1972 at the office of the Engineers, Tamblin Mitchell & Partners, 59 Mobile Drive, Toronto 16, Ontario on the deposit of \$50.00 certified cheque payable to the Engineer. Deposit will be returned if Drawings are returned to the Engineer in good condition within seven days of the closing of tenders.

Each tender shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of 10 per cent of the cost of the work payable to the York County Board of Education, an agreement to provide a 100 per cent Performance Bond and a 100 per cent Payment of Labor and Materials Bond.

The Board reserves the right to reject all tenders or to accept any tender not necessarily the lowest.

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