



PC's And Public Strikes

During the past decade Canada has been plagued by strikes and industrial disputes which have been costly in terms of the national economy and individual hardship for many of our citizens. In a recent national poll three out of four Canadians polled in a random sample were in favor of banning all strikes and settling labor disputes by compulsory arbitration. Four out of five of these same people are in favor of disallowing strikes in the public service; and almost as many would be willing to buy products from a company whose workers are on strike.

Party will move to protect the public from the direct effects of strikes in essential services so that it does not become the pawn in labor-management differences. "We propose two kinds of policy to protect the public interest from the disruption of essential services. "In essential services under federal jurisdiction, we will encourage collective bargaining but will withdraw the right to strike. Binding arbitration would be the final step in resolving differences.

Cliche As A Viable Concept

At its last meeting, York County Board of Education issued a word of advice to would-be candidates for the board in the upcoming municipal elections December 4. The advice was, if you're interested in running, now is the time to start getting ready.

mean everything from significant to workable. Two different dictionaries define it this way: "capable of living and developing normally; as a new-born infant." Whatever its meaning, it sounds right about anyway you use it and so should be definitely inserted into your vocabulary, if it isn't already.

Political Clubs Pose Problem For York Board Of Education

When is a political party legal? Give up? When it's not illegal. That weighty issue was posed at a meeting of York County Board of Education October 10, and in the absence of Solomon, was left to the members to decide.

Mr. Johnston stated the clubs should be formed to "represent parties not illegal in Canada." "What are the legal parties?" asked Chairman Ross Jolliffe. "The ones that aren't illegal," said Mr. Johnston.

Director of Education Sam Chapman said that would give the principal the power to deny formation of a partisan club. "The principal could also deny formation of a parliamentary party club," said Trustee Jack Hadfield of Newmarket.

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Trustee Robert Houghton of Richmond Hill said the important thing was that the clubs be responsible to the principal. That had been set out by the committee in its policy. "Doesn't that satisfy you?" Chairman Jolliffe asked Mr. Johnston.

The report is part of a brief to the Select Committee of the Legislature on The Municipal Board, which is inquiring into the OMB, plus snowmobiles and municipal police. The Legislature Committee is under the chairmanship of John MacBeth, Q.C. York West.



Seven new members joined the recently elected 1972-73 executive council of York Summit Boy Scout District at the monthly Wednesday night meeting in the Richmond Hill Courtroom, Yonge and Wright Street. The council is seeking to expand programs in its area bounded by Steeles Avenue, Highway 48, Bathurst Street and Bloomington (formerly CFRB) Sideroad. Men, women and teenage volunteers are needed to serve as craft teaching resource people, leaders and assistants. The district has 1,550 boys and leaders registered now.

Seven Join York Summit Boy Scout District Council

York Summit District is off to a good start in the new month of the first Wednesday of each month in the Richmond Hill Courtroom to carry out the Street, Thornhill told "The Lib-

erent Scouting groups and will be expanding. The groups are operating in Richmond Hill areas including Oak Ridges, Jefferson, Beverley Acres and Langstaff as well as in Thornhill, Markham (including all the old town) and Unionville, says Cann.

Shown (left to right) are: new council member Dennis Carlsen of 27 Talisman Drive, Markham, chairman of the organization and expansion committee; new council member and Vice-President Jack Abraham of 58 Baker's Lane, Markham, who also sits on the organization and expansion committee; District Commissioner Ron Harding of 65 Cartier Crescent, Richmond Hill; President Ken Collins of 8 Drakefield Road, Markham; and Assistant District Commissioner (training) Ron Sautman of 24 Knotty Pine Trail, Thornhill.



In the Spotlight

A Change Of Living I was in Stratford, recently, home of the Stratford Theatre, visiting two old friends, Vivienne and Ernie Robinson. Turning onto Erie Street, just around the corner from Ontario Street, you come suddenly upon the little show shown here. It is on the "London Road".



Vivienne Arlette Robinson and her cousin, Marion Keffer formerly of Maple, and I, were girl friends. The first two girls went on to graduate from Guelph Agricultural College as dietitians. I went to business college. And until this recent visit I had not seen Vivienne for quite a number of years. In the meantime we had both raised families. And for the past 12 years Vivienne was Diet Supervisor at Ottawa Civic Hospital. Her husband, Ernie, was Superintendent of Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance at Carlton University, Ottawa until his retirement last year.

Seek Change OMB Authority Land Use, Borrowing

"The watering down of the proper powers of an elected council tends to discourage able people from standing for municipal office, or from continuing in office once they experience the frustrations of the system," it was stated in a report of a special committee of York Regional Council, at a recent meeting. The report is part of a brief to the Select Committee of the Legislature on The Municipal Board, which is inquiring into the OMB, plus snowmobiles and municipal police. The Legislature Committee is under the chairmanship of John MacBeth, Q.C. York West.

that it was not suggesting the OMB did not use "every safeguard of judicial caution" in carrying out its duties. In fact, it was felt the Board's high standards in such matters had been "one of the stumbling blocks on the way to reform." But the main point of it all was the principle involved: the report said. And this was that it was "irrefutable" that the elected body and not the appointed one should have the last word on bylaws affecting development within the community.

proval of official plans and subdivisions, with the minister making the final decision. In the matter of borrowing, the brief said the minister responsible for municipal affairs had begun to play a supervisory role with regard to municipal finances. Regional governments had to forward draft operating budgets to the Minister prior to adoption by council and the Minister had not hesitated to order amendments to them. Also, municipal councils were requested to provide three-year budgetary projections to the ministry, and at the beginning of each year, regional governments submitted a five-year capital program for themselves and for each of their constituent municipalities to the OMB, together with background information on their financial strength.

Works were judged on their merits, rather than on the municipalities' financial capacity to undertake them. "The requirement of board approval for individual projects, in addition to being a derogation of the powers of elected councils, leads to serious and frustrating delays before municipal projects can be authorized or undertaken," the brief stated. The financial control of the OMB was no longer required, the report said, however, if it was felt that some outside control should be retained, it should be limited to "financial considerations, be selective in its applications, and should be exercised by an elected, not an appointed official."

Laudering School Text Books

After a more than seven-year study of 1,320 textbooks authorized for classroom use in Ontario, 370 have been found to have so-called prejudice in them. The Ministry of Education, which conducted the study, is to ensure that these references are edited out of future printings. Education Minister Tom Wells said censorship or anything like it was not involved; textbooks used in our schools would present a "fair and accurate assessment of the accomplishments and achievements of all the groups that make up our society."

This is a tall order. All history is written from a viewpoint, or is colored by the attitude of the writer. A recital of events without their causes is meaningless. It is in describing motivations for action that prejudice arises in the mind of the reader. The number of people who can see events in the context of the times in which they took place — social and economic attitudes and all the other complex ingredients existing at a certain moment in history — are few indeed. Since history is concerned with the results of human action, how is it possible to present it without using the meaningful descriptions of the periods involved?

Letters to the Editors

SELF RELIANCE SELF RESPECT Dear Mr. Editor: If I were Prime Minister of Canada, my program would be to first try to re-instate those principles and values upon which this nation was built — which brought the provinces together some one hundred years ago; which brought us unity, prosperity and international integrity, not to mention one of the highest standards of living in the world.

couraging accountability, self reliance and self respect instead of the slavery of welfare, sloth, greed and handouts. I would promote the right of all men to aspire to the extent of their desire and capabilities, without government hindering their effort. I would place honor over desire, discipline over drive, dedication before demonstration and right before "rights". My Canada would be green with hope rather than green with envy, imbued with pride of purpose rather than pride of permissiveness. I would call for the unity of one nation under God, recognizing in all humility that but for the grace of God, there would be no Canada, no unity and no democratic election for any Prime Minister or House of Commons at Ottawa. PATRICIA YOUNG, Vancouver, B.C.

Roman, Tyndall State Interests

An application for approval of a plan of subdivision for 18 lots served by drilled wells and septic tanks in the Markham Town hamlet of Victoria Square was recently submitted to town council's planning committee by Miklas and Associates Limited, Yorkland Boulevard, Willowdale. The application was received by the committee to be circulated to the necessary local and provincial authorities before consideration for approval. In council committee Mayor Anthony Roman and Councillor Norman Tyndall declared they had private interests in the ap-

plication and abstained from the committee discussion. The application is for lots ranging in size from one-half to an acre on the northeast corner of Woodbine and 18th Avenues. A road 66 feet wide to be called Magnus Avenue would be constructed off 18th Avenue, ending in a cul-de-sac north of where it would connect with unopened Mortson Street. Involved is about 16 acres on part lot 26, Concession 4, adjacent to the hydro line. An Official Plan for the hamlet was prepared and finalized by the town last year.

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