Turn Over Rochdale To Senior Citizens

Metro has been emptied of structed and can be refurits present tenants it should bished. be refurbished and converted "I would like to see us to housing for senior citizens carry on another type of exsaid Barney Danson MP, periment that has been high-York North in a debate on ly successful, namely, the the topic of Rochdale in the setting up of senior citizens'

and slothfulness which none the core of the city." their case back."

Clarkson Company Limi- ings". ted, court-appointed receiver for the debtridden Rochdale College, was told

renting by the month,

The college owes \$6.8 million in mortgage and security and management in the 18 storey building while receiving only \$488,-000, in rent revenues, the court was told.

Mike Randall, vice-president of the college, called the judge's decision a "gross miscarriage of justice." He said, "We're going to appeal as a corporation, and if we lose the tenants are going to appeal individually."

the building.

BADLY DAMAGED badly damaged, Danson de- changeover."

When Rochdale College in clared, but it is well con-

House of Commons recently. housing such as has been "This (Rochdale) was an done in the central part of experiment that failed," said Toronto. We have excellent Danson. "It resulted in a senior citizens' housing on cesspool, a morass of drugs Yonge Street downtown in

of us can accept and which Danson described the we want to see cleaned up. downtown senior citizens' It is a black mark on the apartment building as "allegitimate co-operative hous- most like a private hotel for ing projects which we all senior citizens at nominal support, and it is a black rents". The residents are mark on the legitimate stu- close to shops and all facildents who are trying to fur- ities and to their friends. ther their education in im- They are able to live in digaginative ways. It really sets nity. Such an atmosphere, he said, gives them a new lease on life and allows them to live "as complete human be-

NO SEX SCANDALS in the centre city should also March 29 that it can evict be converted to such a use, the 408 tenants remaining. Danson said. "This would be A total of about 700 people | a constructive use for it. Our now occupy the building, experimentation in this area about 65 percent of capa- has paid off. I have not Judge Neil Fraser gave scandals in senior citizens' the receivers permission to homes to date, and I think issue eviction orders, giv- we should take our chances ing 30 days notice to the on that. We are deeply contenants. All but four are cerned, and I know the Minfind a technique within the law to get this place cleaned interest, and the receiver out. It is a cancer on the has spent \$480 solely for whole student movement in Canada and certainly in To-

From The Police Blotter

Arrest Two Men Armed

York Regional Police ar- school, the vandals took a tol whipped.

of Bryan Davis, 41 Hunt called police. Avenue, wehn three men en- Facing charges of breaking of the two occupants, John mischief, are Douglas Cosgrove, 16, of RR 3, King Schultz, 16, and Gary Knap-Essex Avenue, Richmond Road, Aurora, Hill, One of the men was

Police said Fitzsimons gave exhibition there. the men \$1.50, but Cosgrove refused to empty his pockets and instead grabbed for the week took place in a com-

over his head and Cosgrove 30,000 feet of lumber, valued was then beaten with the at \$6,000, was taken, pistol and also punched. The lumber belonged to men took his wallet, but it Rockwood Rentals, Rockdidn't contain any money.

Arrested on a charge of robbery with violence was Donald Perry, 22, of 451 Elmwood Avenue. Warrants are also out for two other cent, Thornhill, The loot

Police later confronted anwhile questioning witnesses, who was picked up for having an offensive weapon a shotgun - in his posses-

Charged was Glen Davis, of 41 Hunt Avenue.

other men in connection with a break-in and robbery at C. H. Atkinson and Company, 147 Centre Street East, Corner Store, Keele Street, March 23, in which almost Maple. \$2,000 worth of equipment

and tools were taken. recovered in a bush on 19th | Hill, reported the theft of Avenue.

entering and theft, and pos- parked at the Fina Service session of stolen goods, are Station, 267 Yonge Street, Eric Staples, 18, of 265 De- March 29. maine Crescent, and Wayne Carlisle, 20.

A House of Concord resident has been charged following a break-in at Scholastic Text Book Services, 123 Newkirk Road, between March 29 and 31.

Police said four boxes of books were taken and then scattered over the rear parking lot. Damage amounted to

Charged with breaking, entering and theft was Ronald Dowel, 20.

In Aurora, Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School was ripped off, as well as apart by vandals, March 31.

After breaking into the

Rochdale on Bloor Street heard of any drug or sex ister is concerned. I hope we

(Considerable discontent has been expressed in Toronto and Metro Councils at the federal government's failure to get tenants out of Rochdale. Residents have threatened violence if an attempt is made to evict them).

STUDENT HOUSING "I do not think we should get out of co-operative housing for students when it is run responsibly," said Danson. (Many Rochdale resi-The North York member dents are not students). "We urged the House to back up have learned a lesson, and if Minister of State For Urban we experiment again in this Affairs Robert Andras in his area we should not leave ourefforts to get Rochdale clean- selves open to the sort of ed up as quickly as possible abuse which has taken place under the law, and to back in Rochdale College. It is a up the efforts of the receiv- place that all the people I er in his efforts to empty know in Toronto have condemned, and I think all the people of Toronto would The building has been support this clean-up and

Robbery, Youth Pistol Whipped

rested two men and are seek- quantity of equipment, and ing two others in connection then turned the firehouse with an armed robbery last loose in the halls, pulled week in Richmond Hill, in ribbons from typewriters and which one man was also pis- ransacked the rooms. The robbery took place they were observed leaving

Unfortunately for them, March 29 at the apartment the school by a citizen, who

tered and demanded money and entering and public City, and Patrick Fitzsimons, ton, 17, both of Johnson Earlier in the week, six

carrying a .45 automatic pis- paintings on loan to the school, were taken from an

Biggest robbery of the pound behind 450 Bowes The gun went off just Road in Concord, where

wood, Ontario,

Next in line was the \$5,205 theft from the home of Peter Waxman, 71 Aberfeldy Cresconsisted of a quantity of money, jewelry, luggage, other man at the apartment, liquor, a silver service and two projectors.

A police raid on a store in Maple, resulted in the arrest of David Winn, Baythorn Drive, Thornhill, and possible charges of being in pos-Police also arrested two session of obscene films and possession of narcotics for the purpose of trafficking.

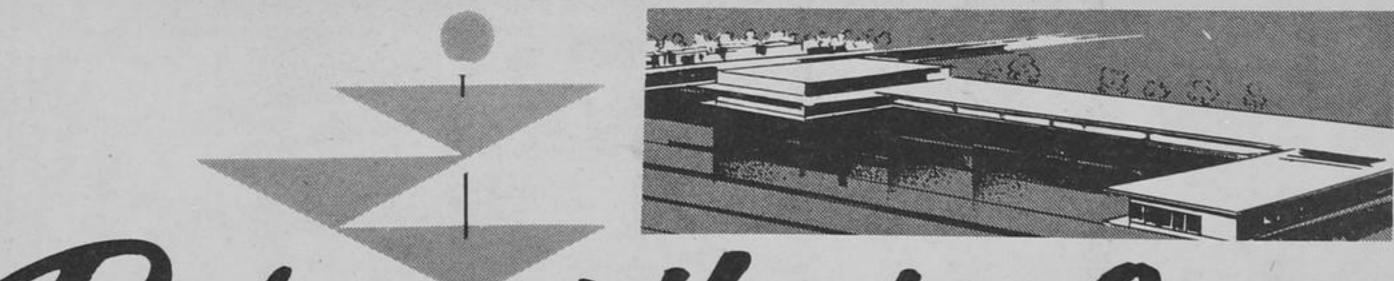
The raid was made at the

Georgina Pyatt, 116 Law-The property was later rence Avenue, Richmond the canvas top of her con-Facing charges of breaking, vertible car, while it was

Loss was estimated at \$200.



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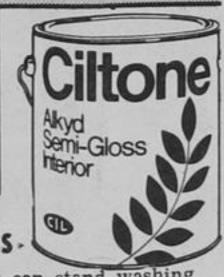
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