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"To Serve And Protect"

### Police Went Too Far

Let's Have Clean Up Week

Disturbing is the recent news from Fort Erie of about 100 young people being stripped and searched during a regional and federal police raid on a motel night spot.

First reports, and we emphasize these are first reports, indicate this whole thing was wrong. It appears the Niagara Region and Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers in this case used very poor judgment.

The matter should be cleared up. It cries out for the attention of the province's law and order authorities. Provincial Solicitor General George Kerr should have an investigation. There should be a fully satisfactory public explanation or else the matter should be pursued further by the Legislature.

We can't have the kind of thing reported in Fort Erie and still have a free, democratic society. The police have a responsibility to society and in our view police can't be permitted to ill-treat citizens in the manner reported. We aren't convinced the Fort Erie method is any proper way to combat the drug problem.

Usually reliable news reports show over 100 men and women, mostly young and a number of them teenagers, were enjoying an evening's entertainment at the Fort Erie night spot. Raiding policewomen and policemen detained the crowd and subjected all, or most of them, to a complete search. The 100 people were stripped naked and the search in-

Last week was "Clean Up and

Paint Up Week" in Richmond Hill.

The latest in street cleaning equip-

ment was brought in to get rid of

the sand and litter ground into the

streets and strewn along the curbs

in the wake of winter. Merchants

and businessmen were observed

cleaning up the areas immediately

adjacent to their premises, and at

week ends paint brushes were put-

ting a clean face on private prop-

There are, however, numerous

eyesores, not only in Richmond

Hill but in all surrounding com-

munities. Among the most offens-

ive of these are parking lots.

Perhaps it is because the owners

are absentee landlords. They don't

give a damn how messy the park-

ing lot is as long as the businesses

the parking lots serve pay the

rent. Unfortunately, to the public,

the culprit is not the owner of the

parking lot, but the proprietors of

should not have to endure. Ten-

ants could bring pressures to bear

on their landlords, or they could

get together and throw in a few

dollars a week each and hire a

student to take a broom and a

shovel and a few garbage bags and

clean up the place. It is no big

Surely this is a nuisance we

of the businesses it serves.

erties.

cluded all body orifices.

Only a small quantity of marijuana was found. Only a few minor charges were laid under the Narcotics Act and Liquor Control Act. There was nothing reported which went a major distance toward justifying the drastic measures taken by police.

There can be no question illicit drugs are doing much harm in our society. More and more this is so. More and more individual lives are being twisted, scarred and destroyed by drugs. Not always are these destructive chemicals entirely illicit. And again and again we are reminded the most destructive chemicals of them all. alcohol and nicotine, all the time are being more widely used.

The human destruction and economic waste involved in these things appals. The temptation to take desperate measures against them must admittedly be very great for those in authority.

But the measures apparently taken at Fort Erie are not the way to fight the battle against drugs. The end doesn't justify such means. Our police must be much more sure of their grounds before so invading the privacy of people.

The officers are said to have acted legally under 45-year-old Narcotics Act provisions allowing such searches in public places. But it wouldn't take many more such instances before new guarantees of civil liberty would be absolutely necessary.

**Every Week** deal and is not likely to force anyone into bankruptcy.

> One of the first things visitors from south of the border notice when they cross the line is how clean Canada is. They never cease to be amazed at the greenness and tidiness of the highways and byways, the cities and the towns. Then they drive into the parking lot of a small plaza or business complex and what do they see? Broken glass, squashed tin cans, litter, litter, litter.

> Let's make every week cleanup week, and if you are offended at the untidiness of any area in your community, do something about it. If the mess may be directly or indirectly attributed to you or your business, clean it up. If you are a customer or patron of the business, tell the proprietor what you think about the parking lot.

But don't be too righteous. The mess had to come from somewhere. Did you drop that empty cigaret box, that pop can, that paper cup, that candy bar wrapper? The town has furnished very attractive trash bins in convenient locations. Use them, or keep your trash in your car or your pocket until you get home and throw it in your own garbage can.

Creek Pioneer Village May 24. Village seamstress Shelley Boyd of Willowdale and well wishers look on approvingly. Over 1000 turned out for the colorful ceremony complete with

stitching during his tour of inspection while

officially opening the Mackenzie home at Black

Premier William Davis tries his hand at

No. 414, Royal Canadian Legion, Woodbridge). The home, built in 1837, was the homestead

carriage, wagon, guard of honor (Governor

General's Horse Guard and Ex. 4th Canadian

Rifles) and Color Guard (Mackenzie Branch

of the Late Major A. A. "Lex" Mackenzie, a member of the Legislature from 1945 to 1967.

## Honor Memory Lex Mackenzie

While his ancient, but new-, what it is today." He was a ex. 4 th Canadian Mounted Barney Danson MP, York ly-painted homestead was man of integrity, honor and Rifles. showered with rain, the late humility. He was also a man Other platform guests in- by, Richmond Hill; Regional Lex Mackenzie, longtime Con- of humor, and "one of the cluded: Jesse Bryson, master Councillor Lois Hancey servative MLA for York most kind and gentle people of ceremonies; Rev. A. W. Richmand Hill: Mayor Gar-North, was showered with I've ever had the privilege of Dawner, MLA Dufferin, Sim- net Williams, Vaughan and praise by both his friends meeting."

and family, including Pre- Mr. Davis said that he was chairman Metro Authority. Simcoe. mier William Davis, in a quiet, but also colorful, "one ceremony at Black Creek of our very real people." Pioneer Village last week.

He also paid tribute to the The ceremony was to offi- Metro Authority for its praccially open the 137-year-old tise of reminding people of Mackenzie home, which was the history of Ontario. It was moved from its original site easy to forget, and easy for in Woodbridge to the Village the young people not to have in February of last year, and an awarness of history or is now occupied by the Vil- what it meant, the Premier lage clockmaker and his wife, said.

a seamstress, where they both He thanked Mr. Mackenzie's carry on their respective family for their contribution, and the Metro Authority for The home which was do- what it had done and was nated by Mr. Mackenzie's doing elsewhere.

family, has been restored to the period just prior to Confederation. Funds for the ing by Frank Contact. move and restoration were ing by Frank Conway, a re-

Premier Davis also pre-A crowd estimated at 750, sented a key to the house to ducked in and out of the huge Mr. Mackenzie's nieces, Mrs. tent set up on the grounds, C. J. Agnew and Mrs. John in between rain splashes, to Glynn.

A MEMENTO They in turn asked him to Bare Mother will be playjor and Military Cross winner keep it afterwards "as a mo- ing at the Richmond Inn

1926; Reeve of Woodbridge and member of York County Council from 1927 to 1935; and MLA York North from

tion Authority in 1954, and been very happy.

rity from 1961 to 1970. dian Legion, Woodbridge, takers? Premier Davis said that formed an honor guard and Mr. Mackenzie was "the kind color party. Also forming an The latest group to hit ready? Oh well, better luck or "No, Mr. Major's presence of man who represented the honor guard was the Gover- Toronto from out West (Cal- next time.

people, who made Ontario nor General's Horse Guard

coe; R G. Henderson, Vice- Sinclair Stevens MP, York

North; Mayor William Lazen-

By PAUL JONES

Bits And Pieces

Well it's that time again gary) is a rock band called to inform one and all what's Trina. They are presently

city entertainment. changed their name to The the future.

Dobko (keyboards) and Rick MacDonald (bass). They were formerly with that rock band called Black Sheep. Children also have a new single out called Rockin In The City.

mento of a pleasant occasion, (Downstairs) tonight. Friday which uncle would have and Saturday, while Don Bray will be upstairs for the

The Premier said that Mr. same dates (June 6, 7 and 8). Mackenzie had always taken Joe Mendelson has finally Son Of Dracula, "the first audience was requested to duals before they speak, Mrs.

happening with the city playing at the Level Crossbands and anything else in ing in Toronto and are con-Abraham's Children have their permanent location in by in particular.

personnel shuffle, picked up has heard or seen Subway issue of "The Liberal" for nity to participate in Richprovided through the Conservation Authority.

Indicate the last of tour of the western prov- ing and the tone of the disinces. He has been so successful that his four month tour has been extended. In meeting was spent elaboratfact, Subway Elvis will remain out west till at least the third week of July. If Calgary Stampede this summer, they will be able to catch Subway's act at the

Children, and have, after a The reason why no one ed on Page 1 of the May 22 pride in having the opportu-Sheraton Summit Hotel.

a great interest in the people finished the writing of both rock and roll Dracula provide subjects for future of his riding and in the great a movie script and a book. movie", featuring Harry Nil- meetings. traditions of Ontario. How- In his movie, called No Sex, sson and Ringo Starr has fin- (Prior to publication of ever, he had been less than No Violence, Joe is featured ally come to Toronto. If it Mrs. Sharpe's letter, Mr. enthusiastic at one point as director, actor and music has the same success as past Major was asked to attend that were never said. Mr. Mackenzie, who retired about the new Canadian Flag. score writer. In his book, pop movies (those featuring the June 11 meeting of the undefeated at the age of 82, As the Union Jack outnum- Joe Mendelson And His musicians trying to act) it ratepayers' group, to act as and who died three years bered the Maple Leaf seven Magic Marker, Joe displays will most likely be around a panelist on the topic of later, was also a member of to one at last week's ceremo- his artistic offerings, known for a limited time only. So "local government". He has that were made, I do not the Humber Valley Conserva- nies, the major would have as "Karmatoons". The only if you wish to see it, before accepted that invitation.) problem presently holding it fades into those obsolete Never did I hear the quoprovincial government repre- Members of the Mackenzie back these projects is a lack movie houses, your best bet tes Mrs. Sharpe claims sentative to the Metro Autho- Branch, No. 414, Royal Cana- of sufficient funds. Any is to hurry down to the Im- "That Mr. Major's presence perial Six. at Yonge and would only constrain the ra-Dundas. What! It's gone al- tepayers from speaking out,"

# Family Services Appoint

blem for family services in vices, is now functioning in

In the area of education, tion of Richard Edmunds. the parent effectiveness train- Family services reported ing courses in King were re- 18 new cases, making a total ported to have a full regis- of 84 for the current year. tration, and the transactional Interested persons analysis course has been com- urged to become members,

Staff is considering having son. The fee includes subssummer, but time and loca-vices' newsletter.

Tentative plans were made

At the May meeting of couples' weekend in the fall

Richmond Hill under direc-

pleted at Holy Trinity Angli- the annual fee is \$3 and life in a separate news story in Certainly they weren't incan church in Thornhill. membership is \$100 per per- a different issue.

duled for June 20.

In the Spotlight By DIANA COOK

### Canadian Film Makers Labor Under Difficulties

Eric Handbury came to Canada with his family twelve years ago from New Zealand, where he had been employed as a producer for one of the largest outdoor theatres in the world. Today he is the president and major shareholder of Legendrama Productions Ltd. The company's name is derived from the fact that it originally produced Sound and Light programs dealing largely with the legends of Canada. Since then, the variety of projects has vastly increased. It now covers a wide range of visual and audial techniques, from still photography, multi-images on slides and educational filmstrips to seventy millimetre film.

Mr. Handbury, who is a resident of Centre Street West in Richmond Hill is at present working on a film celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the RNAO. Entitled The Story of Nursing, it will be shown next year. Mr. Handbury feels that the situation for Canadian film companies today is a frustrating one. "Film is a multibillion dollar industry in the States, but in this country very little is being done to encourage developing talent and cinematography."

Inflation has worsened the situation, as has American dominance, and a reluctance on the part of the National Film Board to produce new documentaries. Where the cost for producing documentaries used to be written off in taxes, it can no longer. Another major problem is film distribution, as American films predominate in all the major film houses.

More government encouragement, as well as a change in our own viewing habits and the disappearance of a national inferiority complex is necessary in order for the Canadian film industry to grow.

But though the situation for Canadian film companies may be a critical and at times, frustrating one, Mr. Handbury takes great pleasure in his work.

"I have a talent for organization - there is a great deal of organizing involved in being a producer." He also has a wealth of ideas that he hopes will some day be acted upon, given the required amount of financial investment. For example he proposes a theatre which uses multi-dimensional equipment to produce a total sound environment, in which the listener can immerse himself. "He creates his own sets and alathas his own actors, all in his mind's are"

MRS. KIRBY WAS MISQUOTED

Dear Mr. Editor -I was seriously disturbed subject. ter contain many serious order. misquotes and inferences on All members of Ward 3.

cussion. A large portion of the

ing on issues relevant to this ward - The Big Pipe, The Dear Mr. Editor-Future of the Langstaff Jail Farm and Ward 3 Participareation Committee. Mr. Major's name was

brought up only when the

would bring politics into the meeting."

The correct quotes are very clearly reported in "The Liberal" story, as:

"I don't think this should be a platform for a councillor," stated Mrs. June Kirby. "If anybody has a question or a complaint they can confeeling that a politician has to be at all meetings of raat every meeting."

those who attended the meeting will verify "The Liberal" story, "Politics" was not the

by Mrs. Constance Sharpe's I can only say that Mrs. letter in last week's "Libe- Kirby in particular deserves ral" regarding the May 14 an apology and in the spirit meeting of Ward 3 ratepay- of true reporting a retracers. The contents of that let- tion from Mrs. Sharpe is in

both this ratepayers' organi- including councillors, and insidering making Toronto zation and on Mrs. June Kir- terested people of this town are welcome at any or all of I would urge your readers our meetings. We have no to refer to the story publish- secrets to hide, but only our

JOHN BIRCHALL, Co-Chairman, Ward 3 Ratepayers Steering Committee \* \* \*

MRS. KIRBY REPLIES

Statistics prove that many accidents are caused by the tion on the Parks and Rec- lack of thought of automobile drivers, but many more people are injured as a result of the lack of thought by indivi-Constance Sharpe, in her letter to the editor May 29, not only misquoted me, she placed comments in quotations

Why Mrs. Sharpe singled out (incorrectly I may add) my comments from many know. We had never met and this was the first meeting she had attended.

I do admit to being talkative, my enthusiasm gets carried away. However, I only spoke on three occasions that evening- 1) in defence of Councilor Major not being here (correctly quoted by Mary Dawson in "The Liberal" May 22); 2) expressed my personal views, which may not be those of the other 27 members of the committee, that a ratepayers' tact Jack directly. It is my group should not be a platform for a politician but that enough to do without having he or she were welcome to attend as a ratepayer (other tepayers' groups. He has the groups do not extend special right to attend as a ratepay- invitations to councillors to er, but I don't think we attend unless they are to be should expect him to be here part of the program); 3) as a result of an inquiry re Lang-In reply to Mrs. Sharpe's staff Jail Farm, I related comment that she was not what Messrs. Danson and informed, I can only say that Deacon said at a public meetthe meeting notice, in addi- ing that my husband and I tion to being delivered door attended at Thornlea School to door by volunteers, ap. I cannot see how the above peard in "The Liberal" both statements can be construed in "Dates to Remember" and as "political" or "nitpicking". tended that way.

In addition I replied to Considering that for over a PET course during the cription to the family ser- Mrs. Sharpe's questions at two hours there was excellent the May ratepayers' meeting discussion on the Langstaff tion have not been establi- The next meeting is sche- regarding not being invited property, proposed trunk to the steering committee sewer scheme, Ward 3 repremeeting and asked her and sentation on the parks board for a growth experience STOUFFVILLE: Despite anyone else interested in and zoning bylaws, it is un-

everyone, notices were in

## Late Hours Getting To Public School Board

Those long, late evening hours are beginning to get to York County Board of Education, with the result it has decided to have at least one af-

ternoon meeting. The recommendation for a change was contained in a report of Chairman Merna Colbourne, who said she felt the late hours had been a contributing factor to the ill health of some of the members.

"We always seem to extend our meetings beyond 11 pm in spite of the fact that most of us have been working since about 8:30 am and have to work again the next day," she said. The decisions made at midnight or later are not necessarily the best decisions . . ."

She said she would like to

try some afternoon meetings and suggested that the next regular board meeting - June 10 — be held at 1:30 pm in committee of the whole, with the public session from 2 pm until 5:30 pm with no extension of time permitted.

The board would then evaluate that meeting and decide whether its first business meeting in the month should be in the afternoon and its second meeting in the evening. EXPERIMENT

She also included a suggestion by Craig Cribar of Newmarket that delegations be scheduled at the chairman's meeting, which is also open to the public, wherever possible, as an experiment for a period

tember and October. Trustee Robert Houghton of Richmond Hill said the board should "streamline" its present meetings instead. The committee of the whole should meet after the chairman's meeting, with the public admitted at 7 pm.

of three meetings - June, Sep-

The members wishing to submit questions should be allowed to have their questions, without being cut off if someone calls for the motion to be voted on in the meantime. A subsequent motion on this by Mr. Houghton was lost.

He also wondered if the board were willing to change its policy to allow staff time to attend any meetings that might effect them.

Mrs. Colbourne said it wasn't the intention of the board to change its bylaws now and the meetings wouldn't affect the elected people.

vation Authority.

1945 to 1967.

hear the various speakers pay

their tributes to Addison

Alexander Mackenzie, a ma-

in the First World War; coun-

cillor for the Village of

UNDEFEATED

Woodbridge from 1922

they were automatically excluding many people. VARIED REACTION Reaction from other members varied. Said trustee Donald

Cousens of Markham: "I'm op-

posed to afternoon session. I

She said that just by sched-

uling meetings in the evening,

can't take the time." "I think it's a great idea," said Trustee Douglas Allen of Richmond Hill. "What's accomplished by an

afternoon meeting?" asked Trustee John MacKay of Markham. "I wonder if we would have a quorum," asked Mr. Cribar.

"Perhaps the school children

could come," said Trustee John

Raniowski of Schomberg. Trustee Doreen Quirk of Markham suggested the meetings start about 4 pm, with the members adjourning for supper and continuing afterwards. Trustee John MacMurray of

Whitchurch - Stouffville, said

that many members used the committee meetings as a "dry run" for their speeches in open session. He suggested they just address the board once during the evening and give the press copies of their remarks if they wished. FOR - AGAINST

A recorded vote requested by Mr. Cousens went as follows: For - Trustees Marian Gillan, Georgina Township, Ross Jolliffe, Vaughan, Norm Weller, Aurora, Conrad Thompson, Richmond Hill, Morley Kinnee, Vaughan, Margaret Coburn, King, John Honsberger, Markham; Quirk, Raniowski, Allen, Colbourne and Vice-chairman Tom Johnston of Keswick.

Against - Trustees Cousens, Houghton, MacKay, Cribar, MacMurray and Donald Sim, Markham. The board also agreed on its

ust. The July meeting will be on the 9th, instead of the 8th because of the Federal election. The August meeting will be on the 26th.

schedule for summer meetings,

meeting once in July and Aug-

# Finance Committee Chairman

Richmond Hill and Thornhil under direction of Dr. David Area Family Services, Presi- and Vera Mace of the Assodent John Stevenson intro-ciation for Marriage Enrichduced Finance Campaign ment. Chairman John Lawlor, The York Region Credit pointing out that there is Counselling service, an offstill a pressing funding pro- shoot of the local family ser-

shed.

group on all aspects of family problems of strikes, threaten- assisting to see the chairman fortunate that Mrs. Sharpe services (volunteers, staff, ed strikes, student and parent after the meeting. No one has inferred that it was held board members, etc.) to get unrest, John McMurray, Whit- from Wenlock Street did vo- for political reasons. together in a cottage or ca- church-Stouffville trustee on lunteer to work on the com- The meeting was open to

or October 26 and 27. Plans are underway for a term of 1975-76.

mping situation. Suggested the York County Board of mittee. dates were August 17 and 18 Education plans to seek re- I will not take up the "The Liberal" on radio, and

election for the two-year readers' time arguing point placed in the stores. Flyers by point on misquotes - (Continued on page 6)