

Thieves raid underground garages

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RICHMOND HILL — Thieves in the area are literally going underground.

Favorite targets seem to be apartment blocks, whose basement garages apparently offer the comfort, privacy and variety of material required by thieves anxious to make their way in someone else's world.

This week, three different blocks had visits from the underworld, York regional police reported.

Cameron Jones, Clark Avenue, Thornhill, lost \$180 worth of speakers and tools in a break-in of his automobile, sometime during March 27 or 28.

About the same time, A.E. LePage Realty Ltd., Inverlochy Boulevard, reported five light fixtures broken in their underground garage.

Hugh Clawson, Albany Avenue, Toronto, told police two fog lamps valued at \$80, were taken from his car while it was parked in a lower level garage at 7811 Yonge St., March 30 or 31.

Still Thornhill

Not all the underworld activity in Thornhill was confined to the downstairs, however. There were numerous break-ins upstairs as well.

Construction Cantra Group, Doncaster Avenue, lost \$1,000 in typewriters and scales in a break-in. At the Vintage Lane home of Walter Cowing, an unknown quantity of cash, plus some clothes, guns, appliances and other articles, were stolen.

An adding machine, valued at \$150, was taken from Lynbagley Texaco, Bathurst Street.

Atco (Eastern) Ltd., 16th Avenue, was robbed of various articles amounting to \$1,184, while Lorraine Kinsa, Porterfield Crescent, lost \$35 cash and a cheque for \$87 to thieves.

At Stornoway Public School, Stornoway Drive, three cassette recorders and cases, valued at \$320, were taken.

Nothing safe

In Richmond Hill and other areas of the southern half of the region, everything from sewing machines to car seats was taken.

The former disappeared from the back of three trucks, belonging to Singer Sewing Machines, Downsview, while they were at Hillcrest Mall, April 1.

They were valued at \$825.

The car seats, valued at \$900, were taken from outside a residence on Laidlaw Boulevard in Markham.

Even the McMichael Canadian Collection Gallery in Kleinburg wasn't safe.

Sandra McNair, Toronto, reported the theft of her \$100 leather coat from the cloak room of the gallery, April 4.

Biggest haul of all was from Don Valley Lumber Co., Keele St., Vaughan, where four bundles of

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plywood, valued at \$4,500, were taken.

Other thefts: Richmond Hill — Denise and Cynthia Belanger, Richmond St., \$118 in cash from their purses in a theft at their residence; Bill Nelson, Port Elgin, gas tank and chrome breather ripped from his motorcycle, while parked on lot at Richmond Inn, April 3; Thornhill Community Centre, Oxford St., \$160 in construction material belonging to M.A. Butt Construction Co.; Quality

Film Store, Yonge St., \$788 worth of cameras and lenses; Kinnear Pontiac-Buick Ltd., Yonge St., \$245.70 in car parts; convertible car top slashed on Duncan Rd.,

reported by Jacob Ylloja. Elsewhere: Margey Coons, Schomberg, canoe from driveway; Joanne Jarvis, Maple, skis and boots, valued at \$400, taken from locker at King Ski Centre; M.B.S. Enterprises, Don Park Rd., two mini-bikes, valued at \$660; Satellite Automotive, Highway 48, \$900 in hot rod accessories; Underwood

Building Maintenance, Bullock Dr., two signs valued at \$420; Don Valley Oxygen Ltd., Dennison St., \$855 in welding and cutting material, all of Markham.

McArthur's Fina Station, Highway 7, Unionville, reported the theft of \$2,000 in tool box and contents; Stanley Dinsdale, RR 2, King, had

a \$600 color TV taken from his vacant car residence; Nile Deaton, Willowdale, lost two citizen band radios from the back of his trucks at the rear of Henry's Auto Body, Islington Avenue and Highway 7; a \$175 cassette recorder was stolen from a room at German Mills Public School in Vaughan.

A vengeance were those who went after a car belonging to Antonio Vitale, Downsview, while it was parked at the north side of the Jane and Highway 7 Club, the early evening of March 26.

A quantity of sugar was poured into the gas tank of the car and the right front tire was slashed, causing a total damage of \$1,350.

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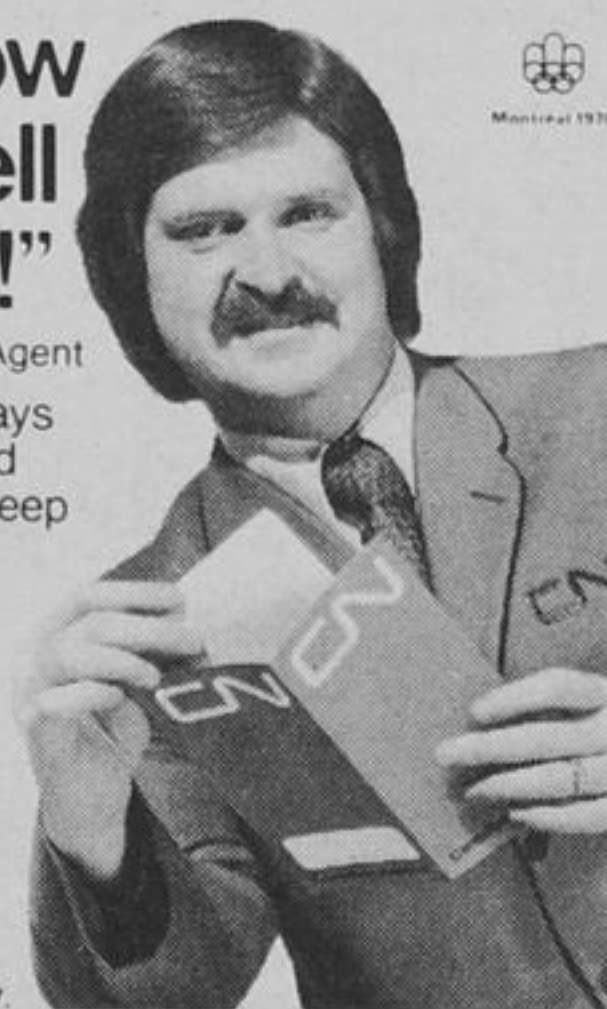
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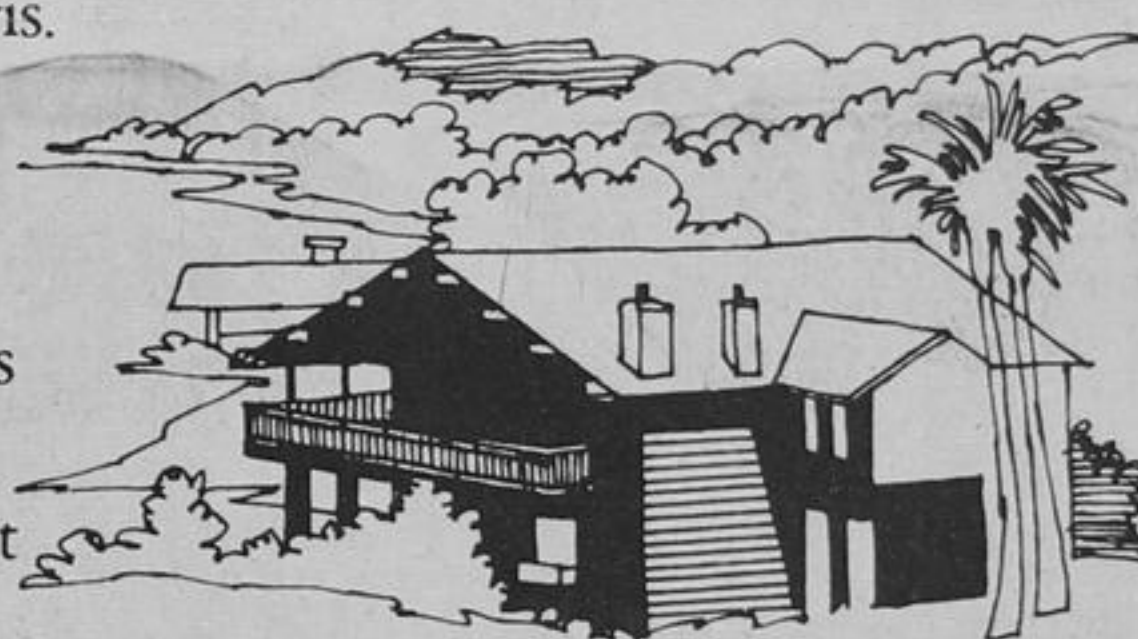
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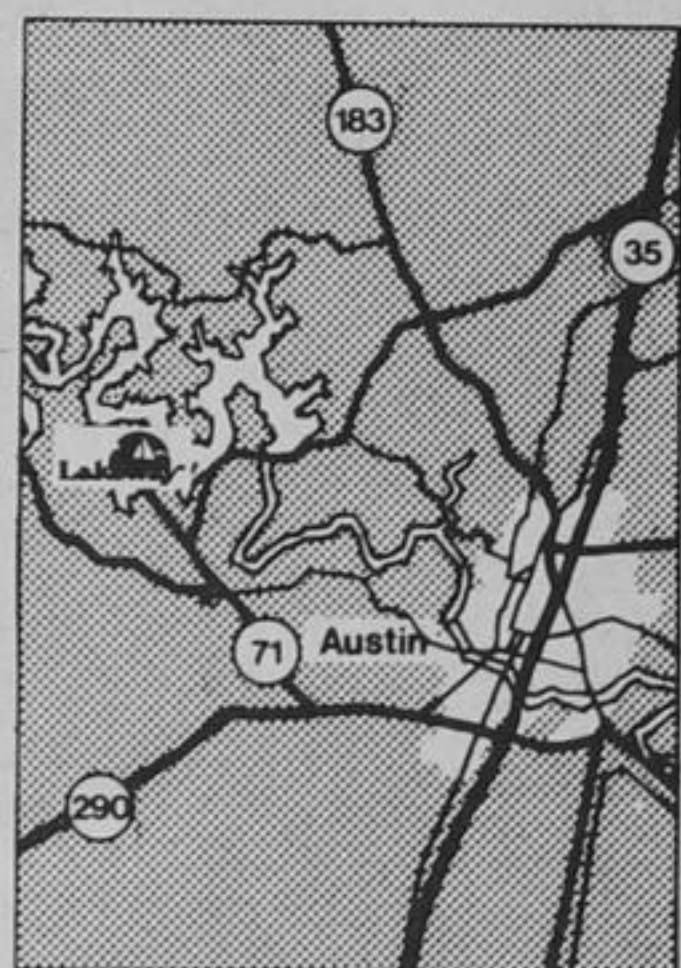


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