Scout spirit

Jason Matthew, 10, Zelda Crescent, Richmond Hill, was really throwing his weight behind the Trees for Canada project. Robbie Richie, 9, gets ready to put the tree in the ground. Scouts and cubs from all over York Summit District planted seedlings at the Nashville Conservation Area Saturday.

Scouts prepared-almost

There was a traffic jam north, south, east and showing the way to the needed for the overall at the intersection of west in a vain attempt to event had led them project, says Peter Ritchi around 9 a.m. Saturday taking place. morning.

scouts from York Summit direction and finally the start a year ago.

Kirby Road and Cold locate the Nashville astray. What happened to of Thornhill, Trees for Creek Road, several Reservation area where that old Boy Scout slogan Canada chairman. miles west of Kleinburg, "Trees for Canada" was BE PREPARED?

That was the only hitch process of in the Trees for Canada

About 20 cars loaded elimination it was program, preparation for with beavers, cubs and decided to turn in one which actually had to Boys have been District, were converging convoy of cars found its
It takes that long to tree planted over the last

on the area from the destination. The map order the 25,000 trees few weeks.

collecting pledges per

Snow stands firm on overpass issue

from his position on the said. Highway 7 and Islington Avenue interchange.

intersection during a snowstorm last February Woodbridge resident but refused to consider an overpass.

make room for it.

to back down last week bypass Woodbridge, he asked Gilbert.

Newmarket Wednesday, province. The minister visited the Snow was confronted by Bill Whitney, the leading the fight for the interchange, and former councillor Jack Gilbert.

He said it would cost \$10 In the most recent fatal million, and might also accident at the inforce the demolition of the tersection last year, a car Woodbridge Arena to was flattened by a cement

James Snow, minister The money might "How many more lives budget to start the of transportation and better be spent on a will be lost before communication, refused section of Highway 407 to something is done?" year.

Snow said later people At the York North mini- were killed at some of the ' cabinet meeting in safest intersections in the

> He reiterated that what Whitney and Gilbert were asking for was not the answer. He denied the section of Highway 407 from Highway 27 to Highway 400 was 10 years

> He said he was trying to get the money in the

preliminary design this His department is also working with the region to

Gilbert said Vaughan

years ago that Highway 407 go north of Woodbridge. That would relieve the traffic at the intersection better than the more southerly route. Snow said he would

have the plan dusted off

Regional plan goads Goodwin

development strategy Monday in a more than the region could afford. tough public onslaught on the cornerstone document for the regional for high density development in the official plan.

Six months after the strategy was first made public, its planners have got local councils.

Consultant Murray Pound reviewed council Monday, to provide for 482,000 people and 8,400 acres of industrial land through the York Central servicing scheme over the next 30 or so years.

He noted most of Vaughan's labor force lives in Metropolitan Toronto and be used as separators between suggested it might be possible to provide more opportunities for employment in York for people living here, but it wasn't easy to compete with Toronto for office employment.

Goodwin suggested it was ivory tower planning to think there was any chance to change the process.

hoping that people would live there. When they built the houses, 80 per cent

somewhere else," he said. Goodwin was also critical of the industrial figures which would give Vaughan between 4,200 and 4,500 acres. He felt there should be an oversupply of

industrial land to bring down the price. \$60,000 an acre for land in Vaughan. That means a case of soup costs 50 cents more when it gets to northwestern

Ontario." industry available.

proposal for 10,000 acres of industrial would never agree."

Vaughan Councillor Terry Goodwin land. They concluded the tranpicked apart the regional urban sportation services needed for it were

The same thing was true of the option Yonge Street corridor.

Transportation routes would be so overloaded that a medium capacity the region's permission to explain it to transit system would be needed and the region could not afford one, he said.

The strategy proposes urban the strategy before the Vaughan separators between Thornhill, Richmond Hill, Aurora and Newmarket. Land in the separators should not be sterilized, said Pound, but the use should not be intensive.

> Goodwin wondered if factories could residential communities.

"I don't mean factories backing on

houses." He said the amount of time it takes to get plans done like the regional official plan, upsets the law of supply and

"There is not one in 1,000 of us living "Don't repeat what happened in in Vaughan for 10 years who could Bramalea. They built the factories first afford to buy our living quarters today," he said. "It is damnable."

Regional Administrator Jack Rettie of the people who moved in worked noted the servicing scheme was already under construction. If there is no input from the region, the province will make the decision for us on where the growth will go.

Input from local municipalities is needed so the size of connections in "A transportation company pays each part of the system will be decided. Otherwise, it won't be up to the planners to determine where growth will go. It will be up to the engineers, Rettie said.

Pound said there was only so much As part of the reason for the plan taking so long, he noted the region had The planners looked at Vaughan's nine local municipalities to talk to "who

Aurora not pleased

Aurora council has

increases, the number of entity." staff that it employs and the remoteness of the regional government members who discussed from the individual this report felt it should

"It is recommended the little good to say about the town of Aurora oppose the Strategy' (technical Recommended Strategy imposition of regional paper 8) represents the for Urban Development taxation. It is also views of the Official for South Central York, recommended each area technical committee, and issued last year by the municipality be allowed purports to identify the to develop its own in- preferred location and Comments circulated dustrial - commercial last week to area and residential areas as it municipalities included: sees fit, keeping in mind, the basic tenet at the start "There was concern of this report that green about the remoteness and belts around the increasing size of municipalities should the basis for the drafting regional government. As develop so that each regional government size remains an identifiable

Furthermore, the citizen in a local area be rejected totally, as it is municipality both in- obviously a report crease. This remoteness designed for very light from individual citizens scrutiny as opposed to inmust not be allowed to depth study, for when one continue. It was felt that takes time to study this increases in staff size in report in depth, it is so full certain areas; water and of holes and consewage works, tend to tradictions that it is lead to greater inef- ludicrous and a waste of ficiency in the system." the taxpayer's money."

The 'Recommended phasing of residential, industrial and commercial development in the region through to the end of the century.

It was intended to be of the policy statements dealing with the urban areas in the regional Official Plan document.

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Hodgson runs again

at the Progressive-Conservative the June 9 election. nominating meeting for that riding, Monday, May 9 at Aurora Highlands North NDP was Newmarket high Golf and Country Club.

beating out Liberal candidate and King Wilson, a salesman, received the Township Mayor, Margaret Britnell, Liberal nomination last month. and Bob Lewis of the NDP.

declared for York North.

York North member, William Both the Liberals and the NDP have Hodgson, doesn't expect any opposition already nominated their candidates for

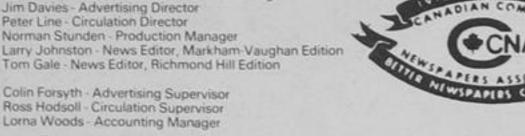
Nominated last year by the York school teacher, Ian Scott. Hodgson won his fourth term in 1975, Another Newmarket man, Jim

Guest speaker at the PC nomination

So far, no other PC candidates have meeting will be Larry Grossman, MPP for St. Andrews-St. Patrick in Toronto.

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have other regional roads improved to take some pressure off the intersection, he said. Metropolitan Toronto is

building a Steeles Avenue connection across the Humber River, which he felt would also be a help.

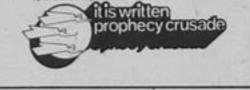
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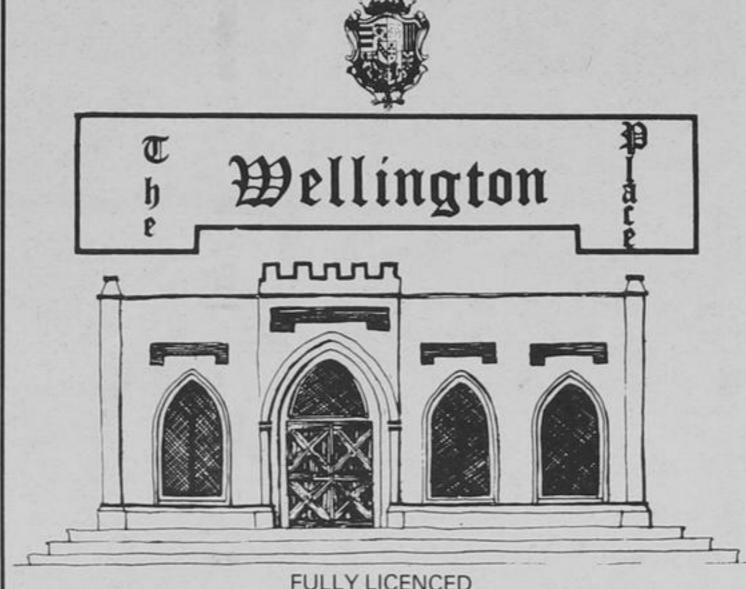
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