New Hill mini-buses popular

Transit Co-ordinator Bud Newton is justifiably proud of the new, improved Richmond Hill transit system. Here he stands with one of the new town urban transport development corporation buses which made the venture possible. Richmond Hill mini-buses are leased from the **Toronto Area Transit Operating Authority.**

Firms now can use better business ads

Starting this year, firms belonging to the Better Business Bureau of Metropolitan Toronto, which includes York Region and environs, will be able to identify themselves beyond their company doors, the bureau has announced.

According to the BBB, firms may now mention their membership in advertisements, after clearing

each ad with the bureau. Company salesmen, going door to door, may carry

the bureau's new business identification card. The card bears the photograph of the seller, his signature, his company name, a code number and the BBB insignia.

Although the bureau lists Metro Toronto in its title. it admits the title is "a bit of a misnomer," as its nearly 6,000 members are located throughout the area between Oakville and Kingston.

Member companies are listed in the bureau's classified directory, which is mailed annually to them, and which is available to the public for a "small handling charge."

Members also receive a subscription to Trufax, a monthly magazine giving information on business trends, unethical soliciting practices and exclusive interviews with federal cabinet ministers.

bureaus across the continent for facts on \$2 million An independent, non-profit organization, the bureau is open for new members, or for those just

wishing to make use of its free services. For more

The Toronto bureau has files on more than 50,000

companies and organizations, and can contact other

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> Clerk's Department, Municipal Offices, Town of Markham, 8911 Woodbine Avenue, MARKHAM, Ontario, L3R 1A1

Transit up 50 per cent

"Twice as good, twice as often'

A year after a major overhaul, Richmond Hill's transit system has lived up to its slogan. "Two years ago we didn't own our own buses,"

explains Transit Co-Ordinator Bud Newton. "Travelways owned and operated big

diesels . . . there were complaints about the size . . . and the buses were empty most of the

"We had to completely change our image." "What we did is get into the transit business."

And the venture has proved highly successful. For the first three months of this year, ridership is up approximately 50 per cent and revenues have

almost doubled, over what they were 12 months ago. The system is now paying for 45 per cent of its operating deficit; up almost 20 per cent from last year, and approaching the provincial ideal of 50-50 cost sharing.

As well, a new Saturday service will be offered to residents of Oak Ridges and Richvale. Buses in these areas will now run every hour between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.; doubling past frequency.

Some still complain at the amount of time spent on buses, but Newton explains this is unavoidable when two buses serve three routes. "Hopefully another bus will relieve the transfer

problem," he said. Anyone who hasn't received a new Transit Guide is

asked to call 884-8101.

Some people can't use public transit

Did you realize that many of the public are unable to use 'public' transit?

Well, the handicapped and the elderly realize this, and it looks as if something is finally happening to

change things in York Region. P.R.O.D. (to Promote the Realization of Opportunities for the Disabled) was last week awarded a grant of \$8,064 - the total amount requested - to study the need for transit changes in this area. The money came from the Young Canada Works

It will be used to employ four students for 14 weeks. In that time they will produce figures on the exact number of disabled people presently unable to ride 'public' transit.

As well, they will research such things as the type of vehicles necessary, the frequency, and the routes, in an attempt to formulate a general picture for York Region.

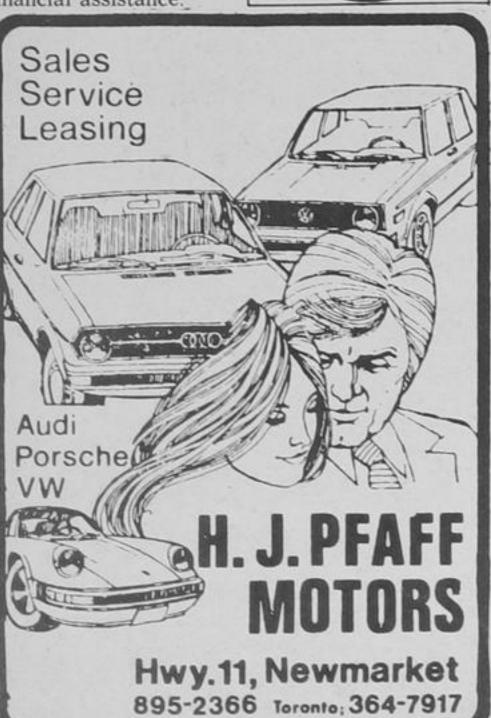
"We'll be getting hard facts together, so P.R.O.D. can apply for further funding," reported Allison Adair, community development worker for the March of Dimes, which applied on behalf of P.R.O.D. and which will manage the accounts for the project.

Language bursary

A federal-provincial is also available. bursary program being In Toronto, students offered by York will live in the almost University's centre for bilingual environment at continuing education will Glendon's College allow students to attend a Campus. six-week course in For more information, learning a second call 667-2504. language - French or English — July 4 to Aug.

The bursaries, which provide payment of tuition and room and board, will be awarded only to those who were full-time students the previous year, or to teachers who qualify for financial assistance.

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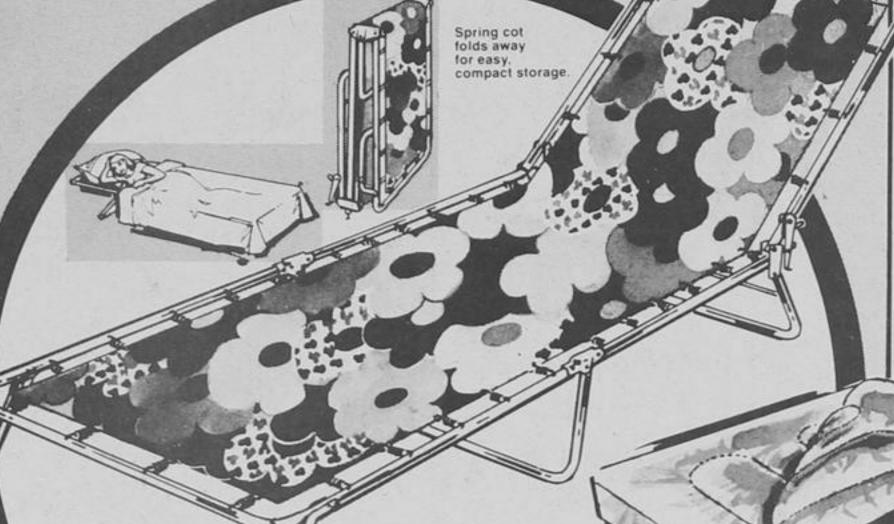
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