



### Mangled wreck

Three people died in this mangled wreck early Sunday morning on Major Mackenzie Drive West near Arnold. The two-seater sports car went out of control, mounted a curb, and slammed into a cement sewer pipe. Two of the dead lived in Maple, a third was a Richmond Hill resident. Story is on Page 1.

## Vaughan supports United Appeal but may not canvass its offices

Vaughan will raise the flag high for the York Region United Way but council has mixed feelings about canvassing in the town offices.

"I don't think it should be up to us to decide what the staff wants," said Councillor Lorna Jackson, referring to a committee decision to allow canvassers to approach employees during business hours and to permit payroll deductions to be made. The staff report had recommended against this, she pointed out.

"I agree," said Councillor Ab Goodwin. "It is an invasion of privacy. Employees should not be approached at their place of work."

He indicated that he was not opposed to the United Way, however.

Councillor Terry Goodwin felt that, if council reversed the

committee decision and did not allow employees to be approached, the United Way would lose an important fund raising source.

"If you want to scuttle the United Way, then set an example this way," he said.

Councillor Hollingshead cautioned that to let the United Way in would be paving the way for other charities to follow suit.

"It should be a voluntary approach in every way," he said. "You can sell anybody anything if you do it in close quarters."

Councillor Jackson agreed. "It would be opening doors," she said.

Clerk Ted Jackman predicted that employees would give less money if approached at work than they would if asked to donate "on a purely volunteer basis".

While Mayor Garnet Williams felt the ap-

proach should be voluntary "in every way", he believed the canvassers should still be allowed to come into the building.

Councillor Goodwin warned that it might take "three or four years" to undo the damage if council didn't let an office canvass take place.

"If it's getting to be this much of a case, go ahead and scuttle it," he remarked.

Councillor Dario Di Giannantonio said there was no plan to scuttle the United Way and stated there were other ways of collecting.

"Such as?" asked Councillor Goodwin.

"I'm not going to justify myself to you," replied Councillor Di Giannantonio.

Leaflets could be left in the office suggested Councillor Jim Cameron. "And if any member wants a payroll deduction and approaches the treasurer, I would hope the services would be available."

Council was under a "complete misunderstanding", Councillor Dave Fraser believed. The canvasser would come from the town staff and the approach would

be merely an eight minute film, he said.

"It's not someone from outside conning them into a donation," he said. "I think there will be no less giving one way or the other."

When Councillor Hollingshead remarked that the United Way didn't appear to be that united and was not embracing all organizations, Councillor Fraser pointed out that it must be given support "if it is ever going to be effective".

"I quite definitely support a united giving," he said.

It was suggested that the canvasser should be allowed to approach staff employees "in a manner approved by the chief administrative officer", Lori Staples said.

"I will put my trust in the CAO (Miss Staples) that the employees will not be hassled," said Councillor Jackson.

Council agreed to the modification.

The week of October 9 will be declared "United Way Week" in Vaughan but the flag will be flown for the whole month. It will be raised officially next Monday morning at the town offices.

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## In Richview

# Danson on firing line

Barney Danson may not have been Canada's defence minister that long, but he found himself deep in the combat zone Monday night.

In fact, the Liberal MP for York North was definitely on the firing line at a meeting at the Richvale community centre in Richmond Hill, as he took on a steady stream of citizens, who were there, as it turned out, mostly to criticize and not to praise the minister and the other members of the Trudeau regime.

Danson, however, fired back, upholding such things as the government's policies in Quebec — many of the speakers seemed to feel their English-speaking heritage was being threatened — plus its attitude toward succession duties.

While the speakers attacked the government's policy of taking as much as it could get that way, Danson was more of the mind that you can't take it with you, so why not let the government use it.

The heavy firing back and forth was all part of an open meeting at which the defence minister appeared solely to talk with the people on an informal basis, and didn't give a prepared speech beforehand.

Liberal MPP for York Centre, Alf Stong of Richmond Hill, joined Danson later in the meeting.

Setting the mood for the session was the second speaker of the evening, Jim Newton of Richmond Hill.

Newton chastized the government for what he felt was its lack of consultation with the citizens in dealing with various national issues.

Citing the recent conversion to the metric system as an example, Newton said the government "cried" it hadn't money for many other projects, but spent millions on the changeover.

**MONEY WASTE**  
He said he could understand the change for its international use for trade purposes, but questioned changing miles per hour to kilometres per hour.

"It's a gross waste of money," Newton said. He said, also, that Canada contributed generously to the welfare of other countries, while it still had "great poverty" at home.

In the meantime, the government came back to him as a worker and blamed him for inflation.

"Tell Pierre: 'Buddy, we've had enough,'" Newton said.

"I think politicians just don't care," he concluded to a prolonged bout of applause from the audience.

"Obviously, you've hit a sensitive note," Danson replied.

He said that politicians did care; that frustration was as much a part of their life, too.

So far as consultation was concerned, how much should they have? "I don't think the an-

swer is in reducing what we have in the rest of the world, the answer is in maintaining this kind of communication," Danson said, indicating the meeting at large.

"We usually only hear complaints after the fact and then it's too late," he added.

He said that, "as a nation, we have to take stock." Canada's productivity in the world had been dropping. "I wouldn't trust any politician who says everything is going to be fine."

He said he was concerned with the "inadequate" way in which labor and management dealt with each other; there was going to have to be more efficiency there.

**BOTHERED**  
Dave Stephenson, a former member of Richmond Hill council, accused Danson of "spitting and whistling at the same time," in his answers to the country's problems.

Stephenson said that he (Stephenson) was trying to create jobs and build up a small family business, but the government was taking everything away with succession duties.

He said he was also "bothered" by Anti-Inflation Board restrictions and "the French taking over the country."

"I'd like to see Quebec clean up its act, before you make the rest of Canada bilingual," he said.

Danson replied that there was "no French takeover." It was "a catch-up of inequities of the past." Separation was merely one answer; it wasn't a solution.

"I want French Canadians as part of this country," Danson said. "I want French Canadians trained in one language... When you have people like Jean Chretien (new finance minister) and Monique Begin (proposed health minister)... I'm proud

to be a Canadian."

The country was in trouble if it couldn't accommodate such people, he said.

When another speaker lamented what she charged was the lack of an English-speaking person at the Canadian embassy in France, Danson said he was unaware of the situation and would look into it.

"Are we going to become a bilingual nation, or a bilingual one?" she went on.

"That's why people are suspicious."

**NOT THREATENED**  
In answer to another speaker's concern about potential difficulty by French-speaking people, Danson said he didn't feel threatened by the French language, or the people.

So far as the use of French language at the Montreal airport, other nations, such as France and Italy, used their own tongue for air control.

It was a "hot, emotional issue," and had little to do with safety, Danson said.

In replying to concerns about death duties and the AIB, Danson said he felt the former were equitable.

So far as the AIB was concerned, many people wanted it. "We can't have what we want," Danson said. "If you're against it, vote otherwise, as I know you will."

He said that Prime Minister Trudeau had pointed out the wage and price controls would be "rough justice".

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