Unpopular government must be counting on mass amnesia

By Terry O'Shaughnessy

It's an amazing thing to watch our unpopular federal government at a time when there's still more than two years to go before the next federal election.

It is as though the federal Progressive Conservatives are counting on the Canadian general public to come down with mass amnesia between now and the next election. What else could explain the Tories' behavior in this, their second term?

The country is still reeling from the Meech Lake circus where Prime Minister Brian Mulroney performed his highwire act and lost his balance while rolling the dice. It has yet to accept Dr. Michael Wilson's prescription that the GST is a good tonic for our ailing economy. And more than a few Canadians wondered where the prime minister was as the Canadian Army and Mohawks squared off in

Quebec. And of course there was his total lack of leadership (not even a wave of goodbye) when our servicemen and servicewomen boarded obsolete warships to head off to the volatile and dangerous Persian Gulf region.

If all that wasn't enough to chew on, then came the icing on the cake-John Buchanan's appointment to the Senate.

Symbolism, which political pundits, PR types and other insiders readily agree plays an enormous role in how the public views its leaders and political parties, has been dreadful in the Buchanan Senate appointment. The naked cynical act where Nova Scotia Premier Buchanan was rescued from his scandalplagued swamp and dropped into a Senate sinecure with cushy life-long benefits served up the worst kind of symbolism. It dripped with the "public-bedamned" message which has become a trademark of too many

governments for too many years. And with some three years to go in his own term of office, Buchanan himself didn't appear to have any qualms about grabbing hold of Mulroney's offensive offer to take an appointment that he has been rumored to have been coveting for longer than it takes this country to build a frigate.

Yes, it is true that no wrong doing has been proved concerning the mess swirling around Buchanan. And yes, he won't be the first sickening example of political opportunism and outrageous choices to land in the Senate. And yes, the federal Liberal party has no high ground upon which to throw moral brickbats at Mulroney's glass house, in that they made porkbarrelling, Senate cynicism and old-pal payoffs a fine art during their years in power at the federal level.

But there is something which we believe our politicians from an overall standpoint have been missing for a long time and that is the general public has come to their limits of tolerance. The 1990s are a new and different era. People want straight talk, and they can smell manipulation a coast away. For any political party or government to count on an epidemic of amnesia before any upcoming election would, in

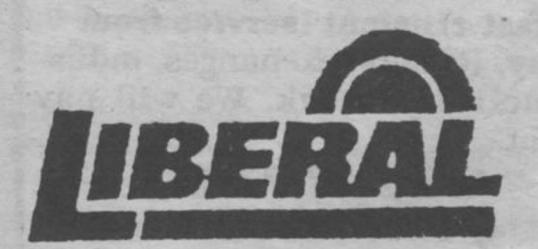
our view, be a trip through the Looking Glass. Canadians are not stupid, but they certainly are long suffering. However, for politicians to confuse Canadian patience and tolerance with indif-

ference and stupidity is a mistake that they will discover when they next go to the polls. If there is any doubt about this, just ask former Ontario Liberal premier David Peterson.

JUDY TINNES



A sincere thank you to all the people of the Lake Nipigon Riding who so generously supported my election campaign.



Recreation News

Terrace Bay

Programs

St. John's First Air

We still have a few openings in this program. If you are interested in learning the techniques of Emergency First Aid, please contact the Recreation Office immediately.

Date: Saturday October 13th Time: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Knitting - Beginner & Advanced:

This program is designed for both the beginner and advance knitter. The participant will learn various stitches, pattern reading

Date: October 17th December 19th

Time: Wednesdays 7 pm - 9

Deadline to Register: Friday October, 5th.

Kids Christmas Baking: Date: November 8 - 29 Time: Thursdays 6 - 8:30 pm Deadline to Register - Friday November 2nd.

Beginner Sewing: This program is scheduled to begin on October 10th -Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 7 - 9 pm. There are still two openings. If you are interested, please contact the Recreation Office before Friday October 5th.

Fitness Room Orientation:

For those interested in working out in our Fitness Room, but would like some information about our equipment, we will be providing two workshops, for the beginner. Participants must be 15 years of age and over.

Dates: Saturday, October 20th or Saturday November 24.

Hockey School: The Terrace Bay & Schreiber Minor Hockey Associations will be sponsoring a Hockey School in Terrace Bay from October 9th -13th. There are still some openings. It's a great opportunity for our local players. For more information contact Bob Langford at 825-3575 or Ian Fummerton at 824-2128.

Terry Fox Run:

Terrace Bay will be hosting the Terry Fox Run on Sunday October 14th from 1 pm - 4 pm. This is our first year and we encourage everyone to come out and participate, by running, jogging, walking or cycling for cancer research. Pledge forms can be picked up at the Terrace Bay or Schreiber Recreation Offices, or contact Janet LeClair at 825-9743.

Monday October 8th Thanksgiving - Recreation Centre will be closed.



The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW

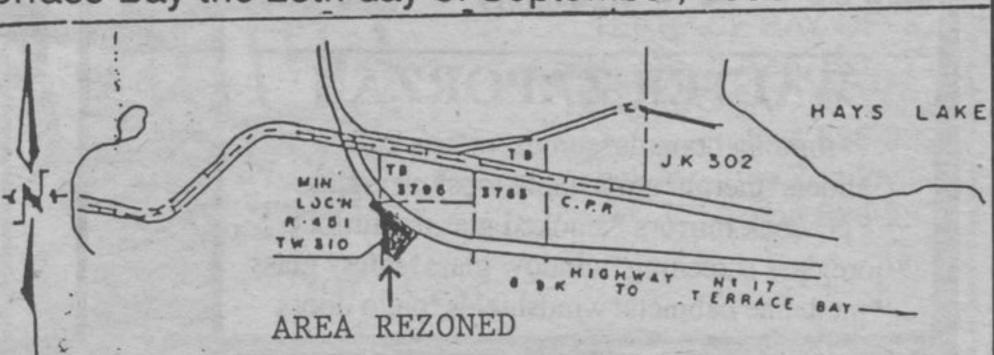
TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay passed By-law No. 23-90 on the 24th day of September, 1990, under section 34 of the Planning Act, 1983.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the By-law by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay not later than the 22nd day of October, 1990, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection.

An explanation of the purpose and effect of the by-law describing the lands to which the by-law applies, and a key map showing the location of the lands to which the by-law applies, is attached below. The complete by-law is available for inspection in my office during regular office hours.

Dated at the Township of Terrace Bay the 25th day of September, 1990

David C. Fulton Clerk-Treas. Administrator Township of Terrace Bay 12 Simcoe Plaza, P.O. Box 40 Terrace Bay, Ontario POT 2W0



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KEY PLAN

Explanatory Note Re: By-Law No. 23-90

By-Law NO. 23-90 changes the zone category of 1.854 hectares of land from "MX" (Extractive Industrial) to "OS" (Open Space) to permit the construction of a cemetery for the Township of Schreiber.

thank-you!

The Ontario Provincial Police, SCHREIBER Detachment, would like to thank the following for assisting in another successful CHILD FIND,

145 children attended! THE UNITED TRANSPORTATION UNION AND THE BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGI-NEERS (for sponsoring the event!),

CHIMO CLUB (for their hospitality & assistance through-out the day)and all the VOLUNTEERS who gave of their time!)