

The Mayor reports

From the Town
of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Each week, Gordon Ratcliff, Mayor of Whitchurch-Stouffville, discusses issues of current interest to ratepayers in the municipality. Residents wishing replies to particular problems, may contact the Mayor personally, or write 'The Mayor', c/o The Tribune, Main St., Stouffville.

Question: Does the municipality have a bylaw governing abandoned cars and unsightly 'junk' on private property? If so, how restrictive is it and how is it enforced?

ANSWER: We have a Clean Yard Bylaw. It stipulates that yards should be kept in a neat and tidy condition. It is the responsibility of the Bylaw Enforcement Officer to evaluate specific situations and enforce the regulations, if necessary. Usually residents, when told they are contravening the bylaw, co-operate and no further action is needed.

QUESTION: What is the function of Planning Committee, as opposed to Planning Board?

ANSWER: The function of Planning Committee is to deal with subdivision proposals, zoning and Official Plan changes; all matters pertaining to comprehensive bylaws such as building set-back requirements. In Committee, matters are discussed informally and more time can be spent with applicants than is possible at Board meetings. Nothing is passed officially by Committee; it can only set out recommendations. Planning business must be finalized at Board meetings and further ratified by Council.

QUESTION: (From Bob Lewis, Bloomington) : What is the capacity of the water main from the reservoirs to Stouffville?

ANSWER: The reservoirs on Lot 9, Conc. 8, Whitchurch, have a capacity of 1½ million gallons. The present capacity of the main is 1,200 gals. per minute and this can be increased considerably by adding more impellers to the pumps.

QUESTION: What consideration is being given in planning to retaining character and promoting an aesthetic facade on Main Street?

ANSWER: We are losing some of the town's original character. We are including modern buildings with established structures and it's not too attractive. I agree that it's sad to see this happen, but zoning coupled with a need to capitalize on every bit of ground makes it difficult to pursue an aesthetic course. Perhaps we have been too concerned about assessment.

QUESTION: What has been the initial reaction to this column?

ANSWER: You would be surprised at how many people read it and make favorable comment about it to me. I feel the feature is very successful. I would like to remind everyone that I can still be contacted every Friday between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., at the Municipal Offices.

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Our choice

GORMLEY — Fifteen year old Wendy Wideman is a Grade 10 student at Stouffville District Secondary School.

During the summer months, she 'tends store' at the laneway entrance to Cliff Winger's corn farm. Her friendly smile and cheerful personality are as much an attraction to customers as the produce she sells.

Wendy enjoys skating, swimming, cooking—but mostly singing.

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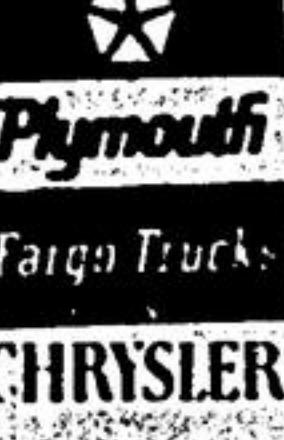
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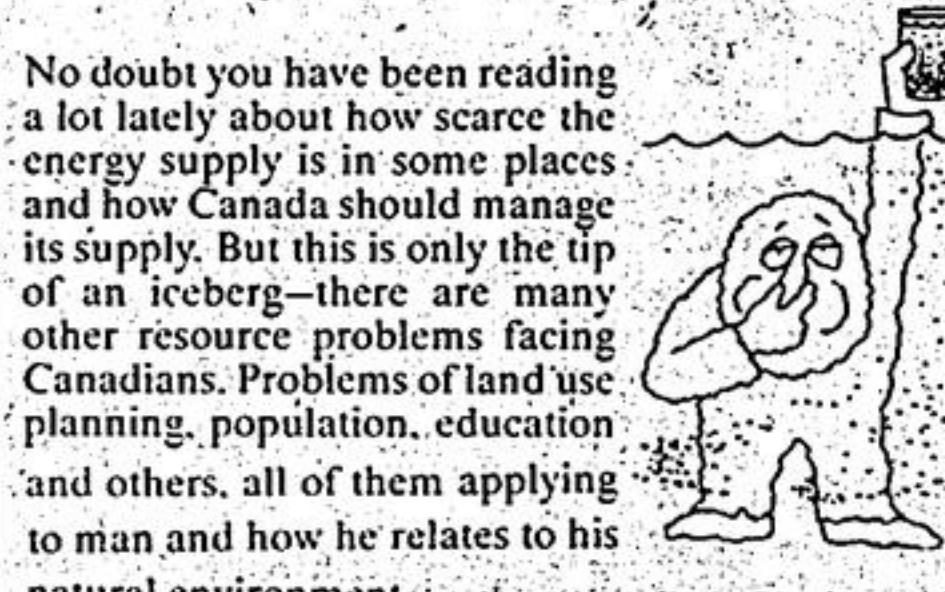
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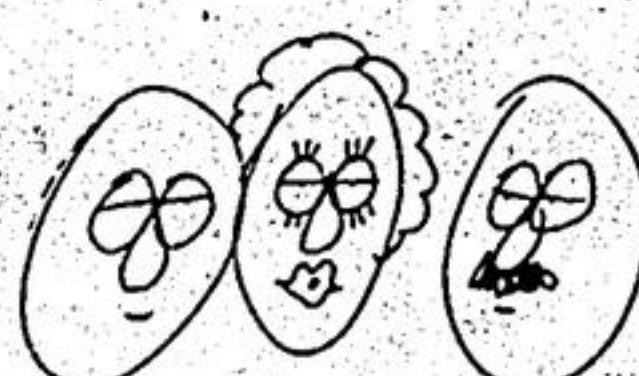
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