

Jeni Montgomery asked to stay on as queen

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Staff Reporter

Jeni Montgomery will be the town's longest-running pageant queen, local officials decided this week.

The young woman won the 1991 Miss Strawberry Festival.

Band wins bronze in Boston

Congratulations to the the Stouffville District Secondary School concert band which garnered a bronze award.

At the New England Festival of Music, 61 local students played in the noncompetitive festival where they were judged on international standards.

The group travelled to Boston, Massachusetts last month for a five-day stay during which they visited historical sites in the city.

val contest, and went on later to dazzle judges and win the Miss Markham Fair contest.

But Jeni won't be stepping aside this July to honor a 1992 Miss Strawberry Festival because the contest has been cancelled by organizers Bunny and Bruce Burton.

Bunny Burton told *The Tribune* in April that after 17 years of producing the annual



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al competition she has had enough.

Burton said the production required a lot of hard work and there was never anyone willing to help out before, during or after the

She also said not enough people showed up to see the contest.

She said she is proud of the way the contest ended though, citing Jeni's successes, and calling her the "perfect queen."

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Local officials agree and have asked Jeni to continue to represent Whitchurch-Stouffville at various func-

tions for as long as she is able.

If another contest takes place, which Burton said seems unlikely because of the hard work involved, Jeni will then step aside and make way for a newly-crowned queen.

Until then though she could still be wearing her tiara long past her teenage years.

W/S Museum to host Canada 125 bonfire

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum is hosting the Ride for Canada Bonfire as part of the Canada 125 celebrations.

The 125-day Ride passes through different communities across the country and will pass through Stouffville June 12.

There will be three legs of the ride completed this day, from the Stronach's farm to the museum, the museum to the York

Regional forest and from the forest to Island Lake area. The museum is the registration point for riders and is the host for the bonfire in the evening.

All are welcome to come out and enjoy the festivities and if you, your group or club would like to become directly involved, contact Andrea Wilson, museum curator at 727-8954.

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum is located in Vandorf on Woodbine Avenue, 3kms north of Bloomington Sdrd.

For more information about the ride contact Ride co-ordinator Mavis McCullum at 473-3445.

Watch the *Weekender* for the exact Ride route as it winds its way from Aurora to the museum.

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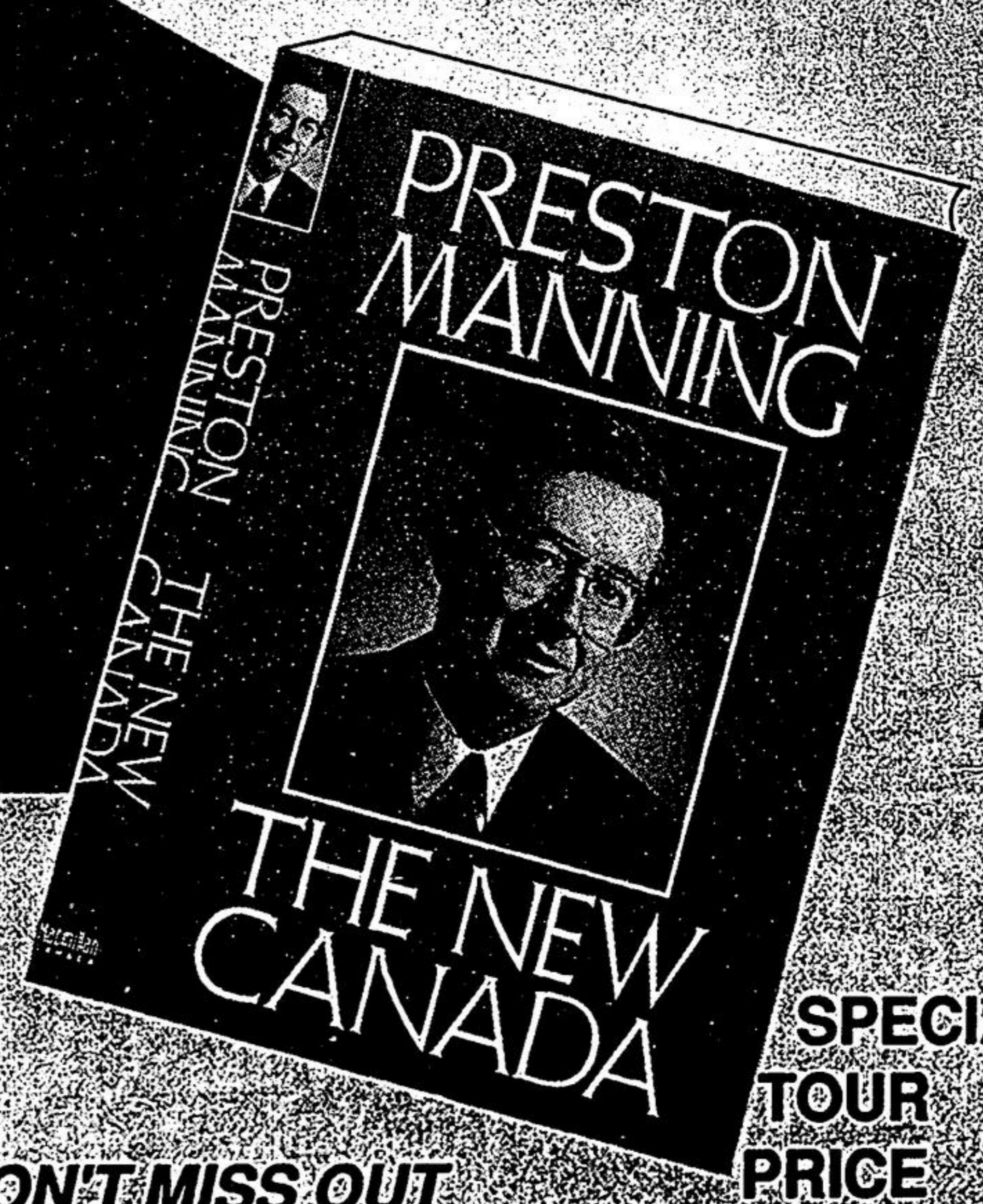
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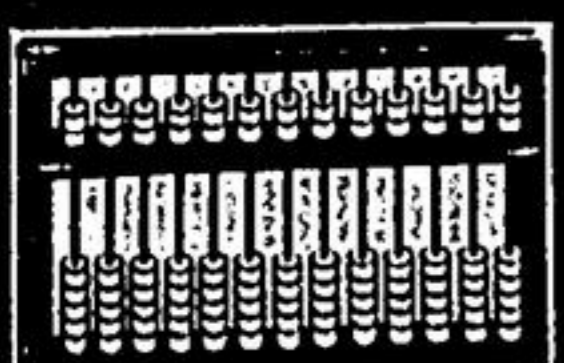
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