

Political action is blurred in York-Simcoe Riding

No clear edge for either major party

YORK REGION - Response to a poll of the local political situation in York-Simcoe as conducted by Mr. John Roberts, Lib. member for the riding leaves any election predictions completely blurred. Mr. Roberts admits that polls in general must be accepted with some reservations. There were three questions concerning the party leaders - (1) What kind of a job do you think Pierre Trudeau is doing as Prime Minister? - with the following results: good 28.5 percent; fair, 32.2 percent and poor 38.3 percent. (2) What kind of job do you think Robert Stanfield is doing as Leader of the Opposition? - and the results: good, 22 percent; fair 47.3 percent and poor 27.5 percent. (3) What kind

of job do you think Robert Stanfield would do as Prime Minister? - and results: good, 20.2 percent; fair, 46.3 percent and poor 31.3 percent. Commenting on these results, Mr. Roberts says that people tend to feel either strongly for or strongly against Mr. Trudeau. He admits that the Prime Minister's standing has slipped but that Mr. Stanfield has not succeeded in making a very strong impression.

How would they vote? The question posed to the electorate by Mr. Roberts was, "if the federal election was held tomorrow, how would you vote?" The results to this query came back as follows: Liberal 34.1

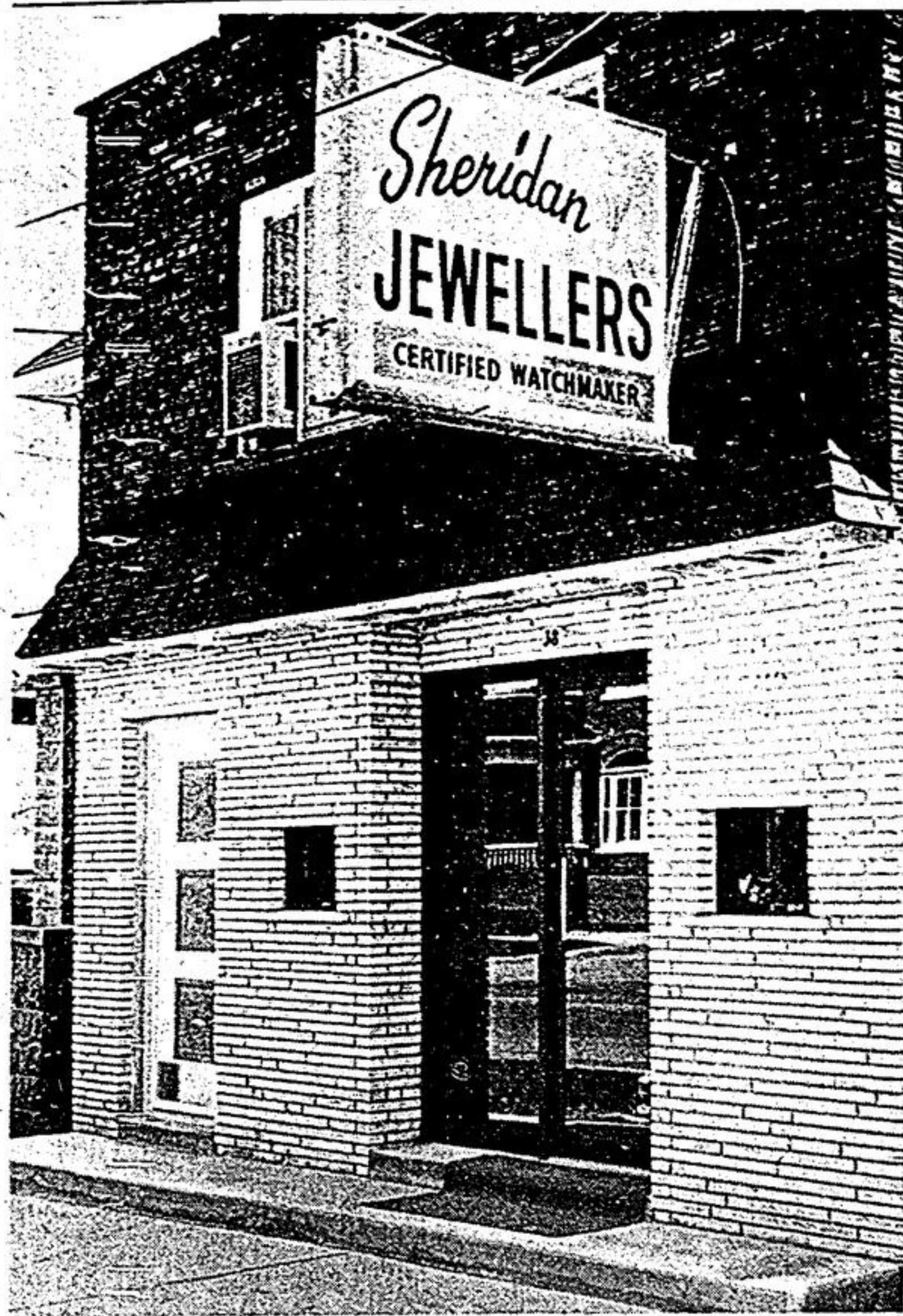
percent; Conservative 28.7 percent; N.D.P. 7.9 percent and 29.3 percent don't know. In interpreting these figures Mr. Roberts sees little change from the 1968 election with the exception of a marked drop in the N.D.P. support. Actual results of the last election gave the Liberals 35.5 percent of the vote; Conservatives 28.8 percent and the N.D.P. 13.3 percent.

In assessing the Member's performance, the questionnaire gave Mr. Roberts a good report. Forty-one percent replied that they believed the Member was doing a good job, 27.4 percent said fair, 10.8 percent said poor and 20.7 percent had no opinion. In addition 68.7 percent of those replying believed he was maintaining contact with the voters, 11.8 percent said No and 18.9 percent had no opinion.

About Third Say Government Poor - About a third of the respondents declared the government's performance was poor, with unemployment and taxation being the most critical points. A total of 13.7 percent thought the airport was a major issue and 12.9 percent commuter service. In commenting on the use of the media, the questionnaire found that 87 percent of the voters read a local newspaper, the Toronto Star, 28.6 percent and the Globe 8 percent.

POP's fifteen mile walk

GREEN RIVER - A fifteen mile walk in the country is planned by PEOPLE OR PLANES for Saturday June 3rd. The walk, to start and finish in Green River, will be led by a who's-who of Canadian entertainers and personalities. Those already committed to start the walk include Joyce Sullivan, Chris Wiggins, George Murray, Uncle Bobby, Barbara Hamilton, and Scott Young. The P.O.P. Walk will take walkers through fifteen miles of countryside near the centre of the proposed airport site. Along the route, the walkers will see the typical Ontario country panorama of old houses, streams, trees and rolling landscape. Organizer Sandra Salverson said that the route was chosen to be fairly representative of the area to be destroyed by the airport. Walkers are asked to get entry forms from representatives in their schools, or by writing to POP WALK, Box 34, Whitevale. Each walker will be signing up sponsors using the same method as Miles For Millions. Cleanup will be a special problem in the country, and Bill Appleton, in charge of cleanup for Miles for Millions, is acting as a consultant to the POP WALK organizers. The walk starts at 10 a.m. from Green River



New store front

Sheridan Jewellers, Main St., has a new look these days. The storefront has been face-lifted, in the interests of security as well as of appearance. The work took 3 weeks to complete.

Home owners might remain rent-free 2 years after sale

PICKERING - Owner-occupants of single family dwellings in North Pickering will be able to live rent-free for two years after selling their houses to the province, Ontario government spokesmen announced today. The announcement was among details revealed by the government in its program to acquire 25,000 acres for development of the new community of North Pickering, situated south of the proposed new Toronto international airport. The details are contained in a government pamphlet

addressed to owner-occupants and tenants where land is to be acquired for the project. "If you are the owner-occupant of a single family residence," the pamphlet says, "all you must agree to do (after selling your property) is to pay the property taxes promptly and keep the property in good condition... There will be no rent to pay. "After two years," the pamphlet adds, "the government will be in a position to tell

you whether your house can remain as it is. If so, you will be entitled to buy it back at the price you were paid." The pamphlet explains that some houses will likely be found compatible with plans for the new community and will not have to be removed. "If it is found that you must move," the pamphlet says, "you will be given ample notice at that time. Either way, you will have lived rent-free for

two years." The open house meetings are scheduled daily for three weeks at three locations at Brougham Community Hall during the week of May 29; at the United Church, Whitevale during the week of June 5; and at the United Church, Cherrywood, during the week of June 12. Open house hours will be from 12 noon to 9 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays.

Pickering United Fund reached 1971 target

PICKERING TWP. - The Pickering United Community Fund was one of the few United Appeals in the province to reach its target figure on fund-raising. The information was revealed at the annual meeting, May 11. The original goal for fund-raisers was \$55,000, and all projections were fully met. Due to this success, the Fund was able to contribute to a total of 14 agencies in the Township. "The money needed by the people of Pickering can be raised by the people of Pickering," said President John Coates, addressing the meeting. Mr. Coates thanked those who had made the fund-raising so successful, including the 600 canvassers, businessmen, and residents of the community. Special thanks were extended to two ladies: Mrs. Hilda Bowler, who served as executive secretary; and the first-Miss Pickering United Appeal, Julie Constantine.

The goal for 1972 is \$68,000, and the President is optimistic that it will be met. A parade will be held in Pickering Village September 30, as an opening event.



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