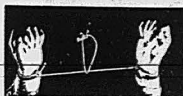




The Goose and Duck

TORONTO ISLAND COMMUNITY NEWS

Monday April 5 1971



Hockey players out, but Island project 'still on'

Hockey stars Bobby Hull and Bob Pulford are out of the picture, but Toronto Island Marina Ltd. still plans to build a \$1-million public marina on Centre Island, a company spokesman said yesterday.

Metro officials have disclosed that the company is \$1,000 in arrears in rent payments for the Centre Island property and questioned whether the developers can afford to carry out their proposals of two years ago for a club house, restaurant, lounge, and docking facilities.

The officials also pointed out that Hull and Pulford, two of the original backers of the project, appear to have pulled out of the company.

But James Black, company spokesman and vice-president, insisted that the financial difficulties are "none other than the ordinary" and that the two "key players were simply

asked to endorse the development plans.

He claimed the public marina will eventually be built on Centre Island and pointed out that the company has already poured \$500,000 into the project for a grocery store, snack bar, and office.

"There is too much potential in the site for anyone to consider allowing it to collapse because of financial difficulties," said Mr. Black.

He admitted, however, that Toronto Island Marina might need outside financial assistance to complete the project and said he would discuss this possibility with Metro Parks tomorrow on Tuesday.

Metro officials will urge the termination of the lease arrangement with the development firm unless it can come up with strong promises to fulfill the original plans.

Tour boats may assist ferry service

Metro Parks Commissioner Thomas Thompson will try to get the aid of private harbor tour boats in handling peak-hour traffic on the Metro-owned Toronto Island ferries this summer.

Thompson told parks committee yesterday that an arrangement with the tour boat operators was the "only realistic short-term improvement" that could be made in the Island ferry service, which was heavily overcrowded some days last summer.

He said the ferry overcrowding usually occurred late in the day when tour boat business had subsided.

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THE ISLAND COMMUNITY

The Island Community consists of 791 people occupying 258 homes and 2 community centres on 34 acres of leased land on Algonquin and Ward's Islands. 80 percent of these homes are year-round residences. The people are working people, children, welfare recipients, students, retired people, artists, craftsmen and professional people. A number are life-long residents of the Island including members of the original Ward and Hanlan families.

It is a law abiding community with no class restrictions. Without municipal subsidies it supports its 2 community centres, a full, year-round sports and recreation program, a summer day camp and a cooperative play-school.

Over the last century the Island Community has made a considerable contribution to the quality of life in the growing and changing City of Toronto. At a time when life in all great cities is threatened by the pressure of numbers, a community which provides real diversity and the possibility of life on a human scale, in an historical environment, is a very rare thing.

The present leases extend to August 31, 1971. At that time homeowners will not be compensated for the loss of their homes. Indeed, in some cases, they could be forced to pay the cost of demolition.

Following are a number of reasons why the community is requesting an extension.

REASONS WHY RESIDENTS BELIEVE THEIR LEASES SHOULD BE EXTENDED

1. There is at present no need to extend the Island Park.

Of a total of 640 acres, excluding the airport, 510 are parkland and wilderness areas, 110 acres are used by the yacht club, filtration plant, Science School and radio stations. In 1968, 19 homes on the Lakeshore were torn down to accommodate picnicking visitors. On the hot Civic Holiday Monday in 1970, at 3pm, there were 6 people using this whole area.

Major attractions such as Mariposa and Caribana require little space other than Olympic Island and the path to and from the Centre Island ferry dock. This area is very crowded during these festivities because people want to be near the centre of activity.

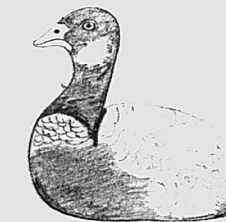
2. The present transportation facilities will accommodate no increase in the number of visitors.

The available boats, if filled to capacity, can not carry enough people to use all the parkland now available.

The use of the island is reduced by the inadequacy of parking facilities. Even the use of unleased lots which are quagmires in wet weather has not satisfied the present need. The Campeau Development will make a difficult parking problem worse.

3. There is a critical shortage of low and medium cost housing in Metropolitan Toronto.

The Island Community provides 791 people with low cost housing. Present high interest rates and increasing rents will mean hardships for many residents. Removal of Island homes can only aggravate a housing shortage of crisis proportions.



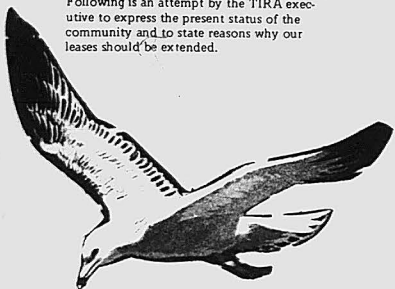
TORONTO ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

Public Meeting: 8pm, Tuesday April 6—Algonquin Island Assoc. Clubhouse

A film of the CBC's recent "Lifestyle" (Gzowski's Journal) program on the Island Community will be shown at 8pm, followed by a discussion of the material in this Bulletin.

Last spring many islanders answered a questionnaire on TIRA. One of the questions asked was: Do you think TIRA should undertake to prepare a booklet on the Island Community for wide distribution? Many people thought this would be worthwhile so a beginning has been made on this project.

Following is an attempt by the TIRA executive to express the present status of the community and to state reasons why our leases should be extended.



EDITORIAL

In response to the last TIRA Bulletin, we are announcing the new decision to expand the idea into a broader community newspaper. Many thanks are due Muriel Handy who was responsible for the production of the Bulletin. The newspaper will be an independent operation which will contain, among other things, the TIRA Bulletin.

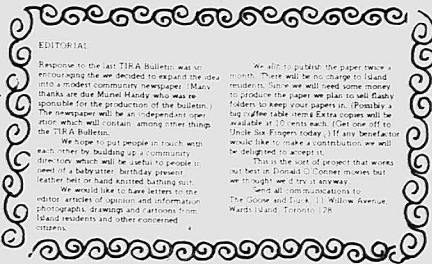
We hope to put people in touch with each other by building up a community life, they which will be useful to people in need of a baby-sitter, birthday present, matter and/or hand-drawn bathing suit.

We would like to have letters to the editor, articles of opinion and information, photographs, drawings and cartoons from Island residents and other concerned citizens.

We wish to publish the paper twice a month. There will be no charge to Island residents. Since we will need some money to produce the paper, we plan to sell baby bottles to keep our papers in. Possibly a top updatable items Extra copies will be available at 10 cents each. (Get one off to Uncle Sam Progress today). If any donations would like to make a contribution, it will be delighted to accept it.

This is the sort of project that works best in Donald D. Donner moves but we thought we'd try it anyway.

Send all communications to The Goose and Duck, 11 Willow Avenue, Ward Island, Toronto, Ont.



4. The Island Community adds to the enjoyment and safety of visitors to the park.

Island residents have rescued children and adults from drowning in the many unsupervised waters surrounding the Island. In 1970 two inexperienced canoeists were drowned in the lagoon at the foot of Chippewa Ave. These lives might not have been lost if the area had been inhabited. Due to the demolition of the Lakeshore and Chippewa Avenue homes this was tragically not the case.

Residents have given first aid to injured visitors to the beach and park, provided shelter to people caught in storms, provided shelter and coffee to off season visitors unaware of the lack of restaurant facilities and the long waits between ferries. Island residents have filled baby bottles, boiled water, repaired bicycles, lent safety pins, given information and generally befriended visitors from the city for a century. Persons who return to the Island year after year have bemoaned the demolition of the homes saying that they provide human warmth and interest on their walks in the park.

One point which can hardly be overstressed is the unofficial policing done by islanders in respect to unsupervised children visiting the park. There have been many cases where residents have interfered and prevented a sexual attack on a child or young person.

5. Changing Parks Philosophy and Waterfront Development.

The decision to remove the residents from the Island was made under the 1956 plan. Since that time there has been unprecedented change in all facets of life in Metropolitan Toronto. Plans for Harbour City, providing housing on the site of the present Island Air port, seem to challenge the adequacy of the 1956 plan in 1971. Other major plans in various stages of development will also affect the life of the Central Harbour Area. In view of these changes a new look should be taken at the 1956 plan. It may be that this community which is threatened can provide Toronto with a unique experiment in an area of mixed use, without automobiles on Toronto Island. The existing community with its year-round sports and recreation program could provide the nucleus for a program of participation sports which would be invaluable.

6. The Island Community would welcome the opportunity to improve their properties if reasonable tenure is given.

Frame houses are among the most readily renewable of buildings. Certainly National Building Standards could be met. Many homes have been neglected because their owners cannot justify a substantial investment without reasonable tenure.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Number of homes:	
Algonquin	104
Wards	154
	258
plus Parks Superintendents home and the former rectory	
Winter occupied homes	211
No. of people	791
No. of public school children	80
Lease assignments as of August 31, 1970:	
Sales: To completely new people	14
To tenants of other Island homes	8
To present tenants of over 2 years	9
To present tenants of 1-2 years	32

Sales where owners have left city or country	3
Sales where owners elderly or ill	8
Rentals: To completely new people	11
To tenants of other Island homes	3
To tenants of over one year	14
To tenants of over 10 years	8
	36

COST OF ISLAND SERVICES

Homes have no market value because they cannot be rented or sold. Despite this they are taxed as if they had a market value. The Island does not receive what other neighbourhoods consider minimum services. There are no public sewage services, apart from sporadic snow removal, no road cleaning services, no repairs to sidewalks.

It may be argued that the Island Community is self-supporting despite the lack of commercial and industrial assessment.

FERRY SERVICE

In 1970 the ferry service lost \$149,930. Parks Officials have stated that this loss is largely due to the salaries of the 31 permanent staff and the cost of boat maintenance. The income from Island commuters helps to reduce this deficit.

On Tuesday, March 23, a small group of islanders met with our Member of Provincial Parliament, Allan Grossman, to discuss the future of the Island Community. Mr. Grossman, Minister of Trade and Development in Premier William Davis' new cabinet, has promised to make a public statement supporting the extension of our leases and to do whatever he can in the smoke-filled rooms on our behalf.



You'll notice that the Editorial refers to this as a modest community newspaper. That's not necessarily the case! My personal style has always leaned towards the flamboyant and spectacular, so I offer an aggressive and hard-hitting article on **HOW TO GROW AN AVOCADO PLANT** by David Amer

First, eat an avocado.

But not the golf ball sized seed, because that's what you're going to plant, and within a year or so it's going to be 3 or 4 feet tall with leaves a foot long. Wash the seed in warm water first, to get off all the pulp you haven't eaten. The seed will be covered by a thin brown membrane which may come off in your hands. Don't worry about it—it doesn't make any difference.

At this point you have to decide which is the top and which the bottom. The top is the pointed end, and the bottom, therefore, must be the end with the dimple or belly-button. The belly-button faces down. (Down with belly-buttons? Careful, we may be engaged in some form of mother rejection.)

You can now plant the seed in a large jar, covering the pointed end of the seed with a scant quarter inch of soil. Keep it warm and moist and it should grow. Unfortunately, this procedure can take 2 or 3 months before the first signs of growth will show, so you may prefer to try the following.

After you've washed the pulp off, take 3 toothpicks or wooden matches and stick them into the sides of the seed, so that you've got something that looks like a satellite with antennae extended. Now fill a glass jar with warm water and rest the toothpicks on the rim of the jar so that the bottom quarter of the seed is immersed in the water.

You'll notice that the seed has 2 or 3 seams running from the bottom to the top. In a couple of weeks these seams will begin to split and you'll see a root appear at the bottom. The root can grow 3 or 4 inches before there is any sign of a sprout at the top, so be patient. When the sprout does appear, and grows a couple of inches, you can then put the whole thing in a pot of soil, leaving the tip of the seed just exposed to the light until the sprout is about 4 inches high. Then fill in with more soil, burying the seed tip. Keep the soil moist and the plant warm. It likes humidity, so give the leaves a misting with tepid water every day or so.

Now, the above may seem a waste of space to most of you, but a few will be interested enough to actually try to grow an avocado plant, the same few will then have some small common bond that they didn't have before. And that's really the point of this newspaper. If we can help, inform or entertain each other in any way, we can be a better, stronger community. In this issue, for instance, Julie Philpott has contributed a recipe for bacon bread. If you try the recipe, and like it, Julie has become in a small way your friend, even if you don't know who she is.

So we're soliciting contributions. Write something about whatever interests you. We'd like to know more about photography, music, dancing, baton twirling, yoga, pottery, dress making, public speaking, candlemaking, dog obedience, swimming, tennis, beer & wine making, furniture refinishing, etc. etc. etc.

If you can't write about it, tell us what you're willing to talk to other people about. For example: Margaret Coleman of Bayview Avenue bakes a mean cream-puff and is willing to tell all, both Ernie Clark and Bill George of Ward's have made small, inexpensive looms, and you can find out you need to know about pigeon breeding from Ken Lyle.

We'd also like to set up a free 'Classified Advertising' section. What service can you offer? Things that come to mind are bicycle repair, laundry, car wash, baby-sitting, ironing, lawnmaking, housepainting, electrical repairs, TV & radio repairs, stove cleaning, barbering, hairdressing, roofing, food take-out or catering. Tell us what you offer and we'll give you space in the paper.

And tell us what you have for sale. Rosemary Hoover, for instance, at 36 Lakeshore, sells paintings & prints in the \$20 - \$60 range. Billy Nobles, of 9 Channel has some Indigenous Wood & String Sculptures.

Al Schoenborn at 13 Ojibway has a great collection of Photographs of the Island. See Gerry Kurts at 18 Oneida for classy candles and Patsy Fleming at 7 Willow does picture matting & framing.

Would you like a water colour painting of your house or some Island landmark? See Colin Righton, 4 2nd Street, Ward's Island 368-9213

FOR SALE

Darkroom equipment: enlarger, easel, contact proof printer, printing exposures meter, print dryer, trays, darkroom lamp, and small utensils. Doug Ganton, 26 4th Street, Ward's Island, telephone 368-9503.

Muriel Barton would like to start an infant clothes and equipment swap. Come to 18 Third Street, Wednesday morning, April 7 and April 14 at 11am with the lolly. Tea and cookies may be served. Sorry, but she's not equipped to handle toddlers or older children. Later on if the swap is successful it could be held in the WIA Clubhouse, but for now please don't bring babies that are walking.



JULIE'S BACON BREAD

Please send us one of your favorite recipes. Do you have any that are original? This is the first in a series of Goose & Duck Club Gurus.

- 12 slices bacon (1 lb for \$1 at St. Lawrence's market)
 - 3 cups cornmeal
 - 1 cup boiling water
 - 1 TBSP sugar
 - 2 tsp. salt
 - 1 1/2 cups lukewarm water
 - 2 TBSP active dry yeast
 - 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour (milkable best if possible)
 - 2 TBSP cornmeal
 - 1 TBSP melted butter
1. Fry bacon until crisp. Drain and cool - crumble into small pieces.
 2. Put 3/4 cup cornmeal into a large bowl. Pour boiling water over it. Stir in 1 TBSP sugar, salt, bacon drippings, and thyme. Cool to lukewarm.
 3. In another bowl add one TBSP sugar to the lukewarm water and stir until dissolved. Sprinkle yeast over water and let stand 10 min. Stir well. Add to cornmeal mixture and blend well.
 4. Stir in 3 cups of the flour and beat hard with a wooden spoon until mixture is smooth and sheeting from the spoon. Add bacon bits. Beat in remaining 1/2 cup of flour. Dough will thgn be soft.
 5. Cover bowl with waxed paper and a cloth that has been wrung out in hot water and let stand in a warm place until very light. Abt 1 hr.
 6. Heat oven to 375 F. Grease a 1 1/2 quart casserole and sprinkle in 1 TBSP cornmeal to evenly coat bottom and sides.
 7. Stir dough down with a spoon and beat hard again 1 min. Turn into prepared casserole. Sprinkle top with remaining 1 TBSP cornmeal and drizzle with melted butter.
 8. Put in oven for 50 - 55 min. Take it out & cool on a rack.

It tastes best when just warm.



We'll try to set up a swap column too. Our middle class morality prevents us from including wives, though. If you're not going to put that elephant-foot ashtray in the garbage, maybe you can trade it for a genuine simulated plastic cushion marked "Souvenir of Pefferlaw." (Pefferlaw papers please copy.)

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Steve Keating



WHAT TO DO UNTIL THE DOCTOR COMES

The Public Health Nurse for our area is Mrs. Taskovic. Her office is at 511 Richmond Street West (telephone 364-9421) Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.
Mrs. Taskovic routinely visits the mothers of registered newborn babies on the Island and looks after the children of the Island School Mondays and Wednesdays. She can be reached at the school on those days after 11am, telephone 366-5879. There is no charge for this service.

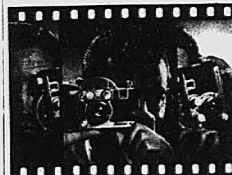
CITY RINK

Now that spring has sprung, the guys who played hockey on the lagoon at Centre have rented an arena in the city for an hour a week. They plan to play each Sunday until the end of April—and then they'll start raking the ball diamond and rolling the tennis courts.



FILM?

We've had a question for Islanders who are into filmmaking. Can a film written by (T) and starring Island children somehow be made this summer? If the idea is at all practical (or you can dig it) please let us know (The Goose & Duck) and we'll help to fundraise to make it happen.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"There are some people on the Island who don't believe it can't be bothered with the politics of saving the Island. They want to save it, but don't believe they can do anything about it at the TIRA meetings. I think that just because only 45 people show up at a political meeting doesn't mean that the rest of us don't contribute to the community. The reason that this is such a healthy place to live is that we're not all living under each others' noses. What needs to be said is that there are all kinds of different people living here. Some are political, some are philosophical, some are tropical. We don't pretend to be something we're not. That's why we're not at the TIRA meetings. If saving the Island is to be judged on that one point alone then noone is looking far enough into the community. If we get the let's-keep-together attitude we're going to have more than we can handle.

Raising a child on the Island is easy: you teach him to swim and ride a bike. Children are free to be children here and aren't forced into an adult world all at once. They have parks to play in, sand to roll in, water to splash in and even an organized outdoor summer supervision that insures simply that you get them back alive. Children are people here and they know it.

One of the sad things is that people don't see that we don't need any kind of hard organization; everything just falls into place most of the time. When people here need help they ask for it.

Munel Barton, Third Street

Dear TIRA

The bulletin (March 1971) was very well put together. I think it is going to fill a very useful role in the community. A few thoughts came to mind as I read it.

I was personally struck several times during the winter by the feeling that there is a range of potentials within this community which haven't as yet been fully realized. It is certain that we share a good deal more than most communities we set up with inconvenience together; we ride the ferry dock together on warm days, we have a fund of common denominator topics for conversation and so on. But shouldn't these things in fact be a beginning point for us rather than an ending point? We are fortunate enough to have all the facilities, both human and physical, for the kinds of interaction that are generally possible in a large city environment. I think we could make more of them, especially if we looked into areas beyond narrowly defined athletic and social events. I'm sure the problem is largely due to the absence of a medium of communication that ties together all of the householders. Perhaps now, with the appearance of your newsletter, all of us will be able to contribute constructively toward the development of new ideas.

It is very important that we do this, in fact the future well-being of the community probably depends on it. It would seem that any long term formula for continuing residence would have to have as its base a community that is so strong and so well integrated into the general scheme of things on the Island that the city could not afford to uproot it. With this in mind, community involvement projects could be developed to operate on many different levels. For example, islanders might host a spring carnival to which city dwellers would be invited. If everyone contributed ideas (I have heard lots of yours mentioned several times), it could be made into a very worthwhile day, good for us and good for those from the city who participated. To be effective everyone would have to contribute and become involved. If for one had the nagging suspicion that this was not the case with the Winter Carnival, where most of the work seemed to be handled by a few people.

If anything is to happen I would look to other young islanders to provide a good deal of the motivating energy and direction. Is there anyone else thinking along these lines?
David Young, 1 Willow Avenue

TIRA

Having just read the TIRA Bulletin (March, 1971) I wanted to write and congratulate TIRA and the editors. The Bulletin was informative, straight-forward, interesting, well laid out and excellently presented.

It's wonderful to be informed-and to be informed so well.

Very many thanks. I look forward to the next one.

Sheila du Tertre

This is it-ed.



ON TOUR of the house before reversioning line is formed. Marie escorts her 12 year old cousin. August 1981



ON STAIRCASE guests balance plates as they are pelted with plastic snowballs labeled with the name "Salle"



ON DANCE FLOOR popular bar-hotel. Photo King in Group Prep. Mulderman, 4th January of two years ago

SOCIAL NOTES

The Werrys and the Huddralls along with Toni's Aunt Olive had a very successful week of skiing at Ellcottville, New York. They stayed in an old schoolhouse which has been converted into a comfortable ski lodge. The weather was fine so they were able to enjoy a full day's skiing every day. Victor, Terrielle, Shelley, Lisle and Tracey contributed much to the success of the trip. Busy kids are happy kids, right Dr. Spock?

Rosmary and Ross Hoover with their kids Lisa and Jimmy drove down to St. Petersburg, Florida, for the winter holiday. They played the dogs, got sunburned and came back to Toronto with new courage to face the next snowfall.

Ada and Virginia Mugford of Lakeshore Ave. spent the mid-term holiday in Curacao, a Dutch island off the coast of Venezuela. Kay Avery, who also visited Curacao, reports that it is hot, the trade winds blow all the time and goats are everywhere.

Buster and Kathy Welch, former residents of Algonquin, are living with their three children in Resolute, N.W.T. Buster is in charge of the Char Lake Project for the U of T—a study of lake water in its purest form under Arctic conditions. They will be on the Island in the spring.

Word has it that Kirk Scott Wood has some great cancanes of Island track. Can someone get word to Kirk that we'd like to use some of his work in future issues?



photo of Algonquin Island Bridge: Bud Burroughs



Remember when.....
the only television set on the Island was at the Firehall at Centre? Islanders jammed the Hall for Friday Night Fights and Saturday morning cartoons? when the Lamantias sold fruit from a pushcart at the Algonquin Bridge? when teenagers' idea of illicit activity was necking in The Shelter? when the break-wall hadn't been built (thank you Hurricane Hazel) and on stormy days you could paddle a canoe from the boardwalk right down to the lagoon? when Reg Abrahams would say "There goes the old ball game"? When island commuters snugly shuttled in the ladies' cabin of the tug Ned Hanlan? those were the days, my friends



Jerry, the talking dog is on four enter-taining, hospitalized veterans, by courtesy of the PY ROLL Company

DOOGY DO!

First Gus-Pop, the daughter of Archie, a well-known local set, is proud to announce the birth of quads, Pappaya, Flip-Newton, Maroo and Rastin are all doing well. Prospective owners call 368-9503.

Angus, the Bandaged Red Setter of Michael and Helen Brennan, is convalescing from a tumour removal. His many friends in the dog and people community wish him a speedy recovery.

Remember—Bears are barkless, but that doesn't stop them from doing it.



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BIG ANNUAL EVERY MEMBER CLEANUP BEE AND SOCIAL EVENT

Have a wicker roast! Break open the home brew! Make a big pot of soup or chili! Make a party of it! Anything? But let's get the crap up!

Big Community Cleanup Day: Easter Saturday, April 10.

Bulk Garbage Collection: Wednesday, April 14. Put out that discarded elephant foot ashtray.

If the guy next door won't clean his place up, why waste energy beefing? Clean it up for him! Maybe he has an old injury that prevents him. Remember, for some people, cleanliness is next to impossible.





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TORONTO ISLAND WATER TAXI
364-9905

On Call: (\$3.00 Minimum)
Leaving foot of York Street
Daily—1 a.m. (No Minimum)
2 a.m. to 7 a.m. (Minimum \$5.00)



Cyril came to Canada in 1959 and sailed the Great Lakes from then until 1969. He started working on the ferries in 1962. Cyril enjoys working for us & he hopes we stay much longer than we expect!

CHANGE IN FERRY ROUTE

The 9:15 and 10:15 P.M. boats from the city will in future go to Ward's Island first on their late round trips. Previously they were scheduled to go to Hanlan's first. TIRA requested the change and the superintendent of the ferry docks was most cooperative. The change will be effective Monday, April 26.

If there are any problems with ferries please contact TIRA as we seem to have established a cooperative relationship with the people in charge.

LEAPIN' LIZARDS SANDY!!!

In January of this year we posted a notice asking people to call us if they were interested in getting distemper shots and other medical care for their animals. Our cat had just gotten over distemper (after many trips to the vet) and we were worried that he had been in contact with many others. The biggest response came from a police man who thought that perhaps as we were trying to locate a spot for trying to swindle the island people with the vet was a friend of ours.

We got rather discouraged, but finally after we talked to people and made lots of phone calls ourselves (not one person called!!!) we had 10 animals who needed shots. On the day of the clinic so many people appeared that there wasn't enough serum to go around so we held another 4 days later.

It was really great watching people gather-

ing with cats & dogs in arms, pillow-cases, etc. It was also nice to sit around and talk about animal quirks, diseases, and other stories.

Which brings us to the point...here we are on an island which is infested with dogs & cats who need:

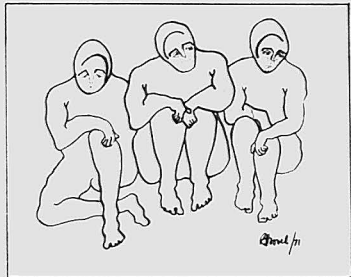
- 1- initial distemper & rabies shots
- 2- after initial shots, a 6-month booster
- 3- a yearly booster
- 4- continual attention to things like worms, ear mites & fleas.

It is really very hard to attend to their needs when it means taking them to the city. We would like to see a clinic happening on a regular basis (every 6 or 8 weeks) but we also feel we need support. It would be very unfair to the vet to call a clinic and have no one turn up. Could you please, please call or drop by the house if you think it is a good idea. It would help so much if we knew people would use it.

(people of) 6 Third Street 368-4965

NO NEWS

Don't hesitate to renew your tranquilizer prescription as it appears we are in for another short period of waiting. The issue of our extension was not raised at the recent Parks Committee Meeting. Since this is being done within the council we are subject to their timetables. However, we do expect to have some news early in May.



ROSEMARY SHOWS THEM

Rosemary Hoover of Lakeshore Avenue had her first one-man show on Sunday, April 18th. The exhibition of silk screen prints and sketches was at The Playhouse, 97 Pear Avenue. Wine and cheese were served and people were free to walk thru the rooms of the townhouse enjoying the show. 25 pictures were sold. I wonder if Rosemary could be persuaded to have an exhibition here on the island?



O'NEILLS STEAL PEEL REEL

John O'Neill of Fifth Street won a gold medal in the Irish Dance Competition at the Peel Festival in Brampton (three hand reel division). He also won 1st Certificate for his dancing in the 8 hand reel. Both John and his brother Joe won silver medals in the reel competition. Congratulations!

FELON OF THE WEEK

A rude honk to the person who has been getting milk at the firehall and charging it to the neighbours. This has caused some consternation and the result is that one can no longer charge milk at the fire hall. (Fires however will be put out on the old basis). Although we certainly don't approve of this behavior we think it's nothing that couldn't be overcome by the love of a good woman.



WHY IS THIS MAN SMILING?
cantacure by Kirk Scott Wood

BELIEVE IT ALL NOW!

THE JANUS-HEADED LAMP-POSTS OF BAYVIEW AVENUE

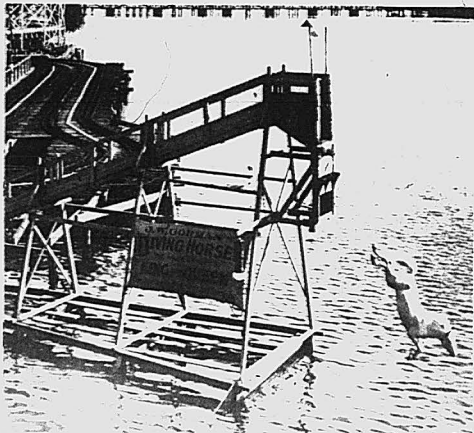
ON THE ENCLAVED SECTION OF BAYVIEW AVE. BETWEEN 15th AND 16th STS. THE SITUATED THESE STRANGE LAMP-POSTS. BUT IMMEDIATELY CLARIFIED BY THE COUPLE HEADED LAMP-POSTS. THE LAMP-POSTS ARE THE ONLY THE AMAZING LIGHTS TO BELIEVE THE NOW!

DID YOU KNOW?

SHEETS DO NOT OCCUR ON THE GREAT LAKES UNTIL THEY WERE IMPORTED IN THE EARLY 1900S. THIS SITUATION HAS FOOD FOR THE BEAR'S BRAIN.

EDITORIAL

About financing the paper, the paper will be delivered to every house regardless of money. However, if each household pays at least 10 cents for each issue we would have enough to cover the cost of materials. (250 households x 10 equals \$25.00.) We would like to pay the typist and the printer who are now donating their services and equipment so we are happy to receive donations. Many thanks to all those who gave generously at the recent meeting and those who came around to the bustling Goose and Duck offices to give their all. Their donations have made it possible for us to finance our next issue. We had 1000 copies of the G & D printed and we are down to a little over 100 left so it has been quite widely circulated. This is important as it helps to let city folks know we're here and alive and kicking. If you have friends in the city who visit the island it would be a good idea to send them a copy to keep them up to date. We intend to sell advertising to some of the local merchants. We are looking for an advertising manager but until such time it might be good if everybody tried to sell one ad to some likely merchant. How about the Avenue Road Food Market, de Groot and de Jong, The Whole Earth Store, Loblaw's, Doug Dunn, perhaps some professional cards. Give it some thought and let us know your ideas. A rate card is forthcoming. The G & D is in good financial shape at the moment and with your continued support we will be publishing.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear Eds:

If you wish to contribute, I encourage you to get from the editor a copy of a card from the editor, including your name, address, phone number, and a short bio. This is a good idea, as it will help you to get your name in the paper. We have now had a copy of your letter, and I will be sure to get it to the printer as soon as possible. I'll be in touch with you again.

—Ken Ly

Dear Editor:

Now that spring is here a number of problems are occurring as my years put in relation to visiting dogs. As soon as the thermometer hits fifty one can see them pouring off the boat, the wrong offenders are those, mostly dogs, if you ask me there's something a little too Junior. I agree about that crowd. I have the distinct feeling that they're not coming over to see how the lower class live and enjoy a little culture shock. All that bounding and tossing of long honey blonde locks is a little too trop.

Little do they care how the local dog suffered through a long hard winter. Just when life is becoming tolerable over their come to eye our mates and p on our favourite ports. There should be a law against these dogs running loose in the park.

Yours truly,

Fingers, the Wander Dog

P.S. By the way, about Jerry the talking dog: don't you believe it. Pyroil Company, you've been had.

FAREWELL TO THE ISLAND

Farewell island sounds
island lights island games
farewell to the bicycle paths
to the nights of trucks
and splashing muskrat
farewell to the lovely row of lights
to Casita our cottage
farewell to the North Star
to the bag and little dippers
seen above our rocky path
to the foam lake
farewell to the throaty murmur
of a rich man's motor yacht
to the accordion across the lagoons
played by a frequently interrupted musician
farewell to the midnight bliss
of tanks of flowers, neatly planted
and quiet beside the deserted hot dog stand
farewell to the clanking sound of our heater stove
to the chime of our Chinese wind bells
to the rattle of the milkman's bottles
and his informal frudge through our kitchen
as we sleep

Farewell to a neighbor who pours us beer
and talks of the sea
to his ragged fence to his corn-roast party
farewell to the white wicker chairs of half

a century's use
to a bed of equal abuse
farewell to the grey frame homes
farewell to the black squirrel who roams
and eats our walnuts on the kitchen shelf
farewell to the little rabbit elf
who, black and white, sits beside a similarly

paired post
farewell, farewell to the ducks and terns,
to the shoeless boy who yearns
for duty on the harbour's ships
farewell to a landlady who cooks us steak
and walks with us on the shore as the waters break
farewell, farewell to ten thousand winds
to warning signs of danger rocks
farewell, farewell to the din of waves,
to the nights when we walked like Indian braves,
to the lights far out on the lake,
to life on an isle for our soul's good sake.

—Donald G. Crossley
April, 1971

TIRA NEWS

TIRA cleanup letters all (well, almost) Islanders on the success of the clean-up campaign. The Island looks better than it has for a long time. Let's keep it that way.

QUALITY OF LIFE ON ISLAND PARK THREATENED

The following letter was sent to the Parks Commissioner by the Chairman of the Toronto Island Resident's Association.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

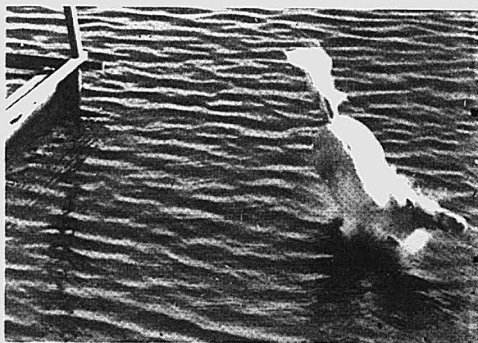
As Island residents, we are in a position to notice and be deeply concerned about a serious threat to the Island park. This is the spit of land being built from the foot of Leslie Street by the Harbour Commissioners. Even last summer a considerable increase in pollution was noticeable on the Ward's Beach, and in the months since then an amazing quantity and variety of debris has been appearing constantly on the beach. Last summer swimmers often had to wade one through a four or five foot strip of unidentifiable scum, seaweed and paper garbage, in fact, there were many who refused to swim at all. One wonders how much worse it will be this summer and in future summers.

Although it seems to be a publicly known and unchallenged fact that the need for port expansion has disappeared, and although the building of Harbour City, which, we understand, was to have been protected by the western section of the new land, is becoming more and more uncertain, yet the Harbour Commissioners apparently intend to continue this project, which is obviously in the worst possible interests of the citizens of Metro. The completion of the spit of land will mean the destruction not only of all the island beaches, but also of the beautiful view of the open lake, which is an equally valuable and measurable recreational aspect of the Island park.

You may not perhaps be aware that this winter's unprecedented ice conditions, which resulted in constant disruptions of the ferry service and great expense for the Parks Department, were largely due to the new land, which prevents the normal erosion of ice out the Eastern Gipsy. On at least one occasion, when the wind would ordinarily have been blowing the ice out into the lake, the ice was actually blown seaward to be coming back into the bay.

Because of our concern about the effect of further development on the Island park, we would be willing to cooperate with the Parks Department in any action it might care to undertake to bring about a cessation of such development.

Yours truly
John Woodburn, Chairman



TIRA is sponsoring a Kids Party on Saturday, May 22 for 25 primary grade kids from the inner city schools. They will be brought to the island by the Inner City Angels, a group which organizes all kinds of outings for these kids from puppet shows to Ella Fitzgerald. They will be here from about 10:30 to 3:00. We'll be providing a picnic lunch and would very much appreciate donations of food or money. Here's a list of the stuff we need, if anyone has access to these things we would like to hear from you.

For the picnic

Sandwiches, hot dogs, mustard, relish, cookies, cakes, lemonade crystals, orange crystals, paper or styrofoam cups, paper plates, napkins, earrot sticks, celery sticks, pickles, etc. If you can help with any of this or would like to volunteer to help at the party please call Gloria Barker, 368-7539.

For the entertainment

We don't intend to super-organize the day for the kids because we think that being here, and all that food, will be enough in itself, but it would be nice to have a couple of things laid on. Is there anyone who would like to lead a sing-song? Does anyone have access to a quantity of dry bread? Feeding the ducks and fishes would be a novelty for these kids. Could anyone get some kites, frisbees, balls (the same to you, Madame), skipping ropes, hoola hoops. If you can help with this aspect of it please call David or Elizabeth Amer, 364-5051.

We hope to be using the rectory for this purpose. This is an experimental effort from which we hope to learn and if successful we will continue planning these parties from time to time.

SHALL WE GATHER AT THE ALGONQUIN ISLAND CLUBHOUSE

80 people attended a general meeting of the Toronto Island Resident's Association on April 6 at the Algonquin Clubhouse. Through the considerable efforts of Anthony Barton, we acquired the hen's tooth projector needed to show the film on the Island Community originally shown on CBC's Ozowski's Journal. The veteran bedsheet as screen added greatly to the tone of the evening.

Reasons why our leases should be extended were discussed (re the last TIRA Bulletin "The Island Community"). The many good ideas that came from the floor were recorded and will be incorporated in the next rewriting of the proposed booklet.

The meeting produced some great island anecdotes and in spite of our difficulties the mood was an encouraging one.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed financially to the Goose & Duck. We collected over \$300.00 at the meeting.

—PIT

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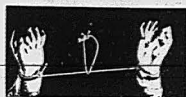
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The Goose and Duck

TORONTO ISLAND COMMUNITY NEWS

Monday April 5 1971



Hockey players out, but Island project 'still on'

Hockey stars Bobby Hull and Bob Pulford are out of the picture, but Toronto Island Marina Ltd. still plans to build a \$1-million public marina on Centre Island, a company spokesman said yesterday.

Metro officials have disclosed that the company is \$1,000 in arrears in rent payments for the Centre Island property and questioned whether the developers can afford to carry out their proposals of two years ago for a club house, restaurant, lounge, and docking facilities.

The officials also pointed out that Hull and Pulford, two of the original backers of the project, appear to have pulled out of the company.

But James Black, company spokesman and vice-president, insisted that the financial difficulties are "none other than the ordinary" and that the two "key players were simply

asked to endorse the development plans.

He claimed the public marina will eventually be built on Centre Island and pointed out that the company has already poured \$340,000 into the project for a grocery store, snack bar, and office.

"There is too much potential in the site for anyone to consider allowing it to lapse because of financial difficulties," said Mr. Black.

He admitted, however, that Toronto Island Marina might need outside financial assistance to complete the project and said he would discuss this possibility with Metro Parks Committee on Tuesday.

Metro officials will argue for termination of the lease arrangement with the development firm unless it can come up with strong promises to fulfill the original plans.

Tour boats may assist ferry service

Metro Parks Commissioner Thomas Thompson will try to get the aid of private harbor tour boats in handling peak-hour traffic on the Metro-owned Toronto Island ferries this summer.

Thompson told parks committee yesterday that an arrangement with the tour boat operators was the "only realistic short-term improvement" that could be made in the Island ferry service, which was heavily over-crowded some days last summer.

He said the ferry over-crowding usually occurred late in the day when tour boat business had subsided.

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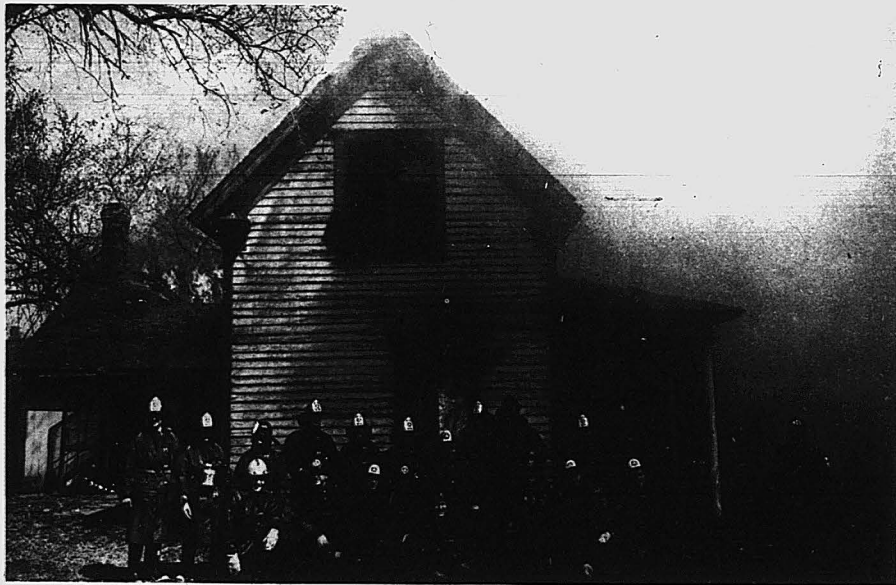


Photo by Lee Friedlander from *Works From The Same House* by Friedlander and Jim Dine, Trigram Press, London.

The Island Community consists of 791 people occupying 258 homes and 2 community centres on 34 acres of leased land on Algonquin and Ward's Islands. 80 percent of these homes are year-round residences. The people are working people, children, welfare recipients, students, retired people, artists, craftsmen and professional people. A number are life-long residents of the Island including members of the original Ward and Haslan families.

It is a law abiding community with no class restrictions. Without municipal subsidies it supports its 2 community centres, a full year-round sports and recreation program, a summer day camp and a cooperative play-school.

Over the last century the Island Community has made a considerable contribution to the quality of life in the growing and changing City of Toronto. At a time when life in all great cities is threatened by the pressure of numbers, a community which provides real diversity and the possibility of life on a human scale, in an historical environment, is a very rare thing.

The present leases extend to August 31, 1971. At that time homeowners will not be compensated for the loss of their homes. Indeed, in some cases, they could be forced to pay the cost of demolition.

Following are a number of reasons why the community is requesting an extension.

REASONS WHY RESIDENTS BELIEVE THEIR LEASES SHOULD BE EXTENDED

1. There is at present no need to extend the Island Park.

Of a total of 640 acres, excluding the airport, 510 are parkland and wilderness areas. 110 acres are used by the yacht club, filtration plant, Science School and radio stations. In 1968, 19 homes on the Lakeshore were torn down to accommodate picnicking visitors. On the hot Civic Holiday Monday in 1970, at 3pm, there were 6 people using this whole area.

Major attractions such as Manoposa and Caribana require little space other than Olympic Island and the path to and from the Centre Island ferry dock. This area is very crowded during these festivities because people want to be near the centre of activity.

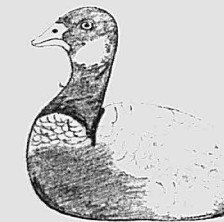
2. The present transportation facilities will accommodate no increase in the number of visitors.

The available boats, if filled to capacity, cannot carry enough people to use all the parkland now available.

The use of the island is reduced by the inadequacy of parking facilities. Even the use of unlicensed lots which are quagmires in wet weather has not satisfied the present need. The Campeau Development will make a difficult parking problem worse.

3. There is a critical shortage of low and medium cost housing in Metropolitan Toronto.

The Island Community provides 791 people with low cost housing. Present high interest rates and increasing rents will mean hardships for many residents. Removal of Island homes can only aggravate a housing shortage of crisis proportions.

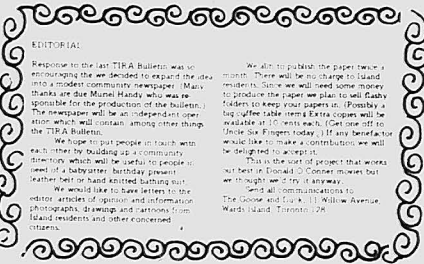
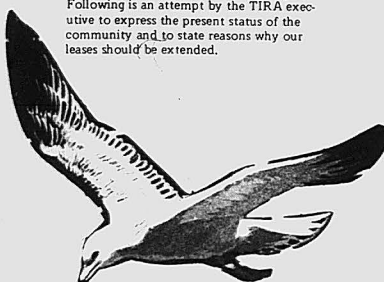


Public Meeting: 8pm, Tuesday April 6—Algonquin Island Assoc. Clubhouse

A film of the CBC's recent "Lifestyle" (Gzowski's Journal) program on the Island Community will be shown at 8pm, followed by a discussion of the material in this Bulletin.

Last spring many islanders answered a questionnaire on TIRA. One of the questions asked was: Do you think TIRA should undertake to prepare a booklet on the Island Community for wide distribution? Many people thought this would be worthwhile so a beginning has been made on this project.

Following is an attempt by the TIRA executive to express the present status of the community and to state reasons why our leases should be extended.



EDITORIAL

Response to the last TIRA Bulletin was so encouraging that we decided to expand the idea into a modest community newspaper. Many thanks are due Muriel Haidy who was responsible for the production of the bulletin. The newspaper will be an independent institution which will contain, among other things, the TIRA Bulletin.

We hope to put people in touch with each other by building up a community directory which will be useful to people in need of a babysitter, birthday present, weather suit or hand-knitted bathing suit.

We would like to have letters to the editor, articles of opinion and information photographs, drawings and cartoons from Island residents and other concerned citizens.

We aim to publish the paper twice a month. There will be no charge to Island residents. Since we will need some money to produce the paper we plan to sell baby bottles to keep our papers on. (Possibly a big coffee table item.) Extra copies will be available at 10 cents each. (Get one off to Uncle Sam's Pigeon today.) If any benefactor would like to make a contribution, we will be delighted to accept it.

This is the first of a project that works out best in Donkald's Corner movies but we thought we'd try it anyway.

Send all communications to: The Goose and Duck, 11 Willow Avenue, Ward's Island, Toronto, ON.

4. The Island Community adds to the enjoyment and safety of visitors to the park.

Island residents have rescued children and adults from drowning in the many un supervised waters surrounding the Island. In 1970 two inexperienced canoeists were drowned in the lagoon at the foot of Chippewa Ave. These lives might not have been lost if the area had been inhabited. Due to the demolition of the Lakeshore apartment buildings homes this was tragically not the case.

Residents have given first aid to injured visitors to the beach and park, provided shelter to people caught in storms, provided shelter and coffee to off season visitors unaware of the lack of restaurant facilities and the long waits between ferries. Island residents have filled baby bottles, boiled water, repaired bicycles, lent safety pins, given information and generally befriended visitors from the city for a century. Persons who return to the Island year after year have bemoaned the demolition of the homes saying that they provide human warmth and interest on their walks in the park.

One point which can hardly be overstressed is the unofficial policing done by islanders in respect to un supervised children visiting the park. There have been many cases where residents have intervened and prevented a sexual attack on a child or young person.

5. Changing Parks Philosophy and Waterfront Development.

The decision to remove the residents from the Island was made under the 1956 plan. Since that time there has been unprecedented change in all facets of life in Metropolitan Toronto. Plans for Harbour City, providing housing on the site of the present Island Air port, seem to challenge the adequacy of the 1956 plan in 1971. Other major plans in various stages of development will also affect the life of the Central Harbour Area. In view of these changes a new look should be taken at the 1956 plan. It may be that this community which is threatened can provide Toronto with a unique experiment in an area of mixed use, without automobiles on Toronto Island. The existing community with its year-round sports and recreation program could provide the nucleus for a program of participation sports which would be invaluable.

6. The Island Community would welcome the opportunity to improve their properties if reasonable tenure is given.

Frame houses are among the most readily renewable of buildings. Certainly National Building Standards could be met. Many homes have been neglected because their owners cannot justify a substantial investment without reasonable tenure.

Number of homes:	
Algonquin	104
Wards	154
	258
plus Parks Superintendents home and the former rectory	

Winter occupied homes	211
No. of people	791
No. of public school children	80

Lease assignments as of August 31, 1970:	
Sales: To completely new people	14
To tenants of other Island homes	8
To present tenants of over 2 years	9
To present tenants of over one year	1
To present tenants of 1-2 years	32

Sales where owners have left city or country	3
Sales where owners elderly or ill	8
Rentals: To completely new people	11
To tenants of other Island homes	3
To tenants of over 10 years	14
	8
	36

COST OF ISLAND SERVICES

Homes have no market value because they cannot be rented or sold. Despite this they are taxed as if they had a market value. The Island does not receive what other neighbourhoods consider minimum services. There are no public sewage services, apart from sporadic snow removal, no road cleaning services, no repairs to sidewalks.

It may be argued that the Island Community is self-supporting despite the lack of commercial and industrial assessment.

FERRY SERVICE

In 1970 the ferry service lost \$149,930. Parks Officials have stated that this loss is largely due to the salaries of the 31 permanent staff and the cost of boat maintenance. The income from Island commuters helps to reduce this deficit.

On Tuesday, March 23, a small group of islanders met with our Member of Provincial Parliament, Allan Grossman, to discuss the future of the Island Community. Mr. Grossman, Minister of Trade and Development in Premier William Davis' new cabinet, has promised to make a public statement supporting the extension of our leases and to do whatever he can in the smoke-filled rooms on our behalf.



You'll notice that the Editorial refers to this as a modest community newspaper. That's not necessarily the case. My personal style has always leaned towards the flamboyant and spectacular; so I offer an aggressive and hard-hitting article on **HOW TO GROW AN AVOCADO PLANT** by David Amer

First, eat an avocado.

But not the golf-ball sized seed, because that's what you're going to plant, and within a year or so it's going to be 3 or 4 feet tall with leaves a foot long. Wash the seed in warm water first, to get off all the pulp you haven't eaten. The seed will be covered by a thin brown membrane which may come off in your hands. Don't worry about it - it doesn't make any difference.

At this point you have to decide which is the top and which the bottom. The top is the pointed end, and the bottom, therefore, must be the end with the dimple or belly button. The belly-button faces down. (Down with belly-buttons? Careful, we may be engaged in some form of mother-rejection.)

You can now plant the seed in a largish pot, covering the pointed end of the seed with a scant quarter inch of soil. Keep it warm and moist and it should grow. Unfortunately, this procedure can take 2 or 3 months before the first signs of growth will show, so you may prefer to try the following.

After you've washed the pulp off, take 3 toothpicks or wooden matches and stick them into the sides of the seed, so that you've got something that looks like a satellite with antennae extended. Now, fill a glass jar with warm water and rest the toothpicks on the rim of the jar so that the bottom quarter of the seed is immersed in the water.

You'll notice that the seed has 2 or 3 seams running from the bottom to the top. In a couple of weeks these seams will begin to split and you'll see a root appear at the bottom. The root can grow 3 or 4 inches before there is any sign of a sprout at the top, so be patient. When the sprout does appear, and grows a couple of inches, you can then put the whole thing in a pot of soil, leaving the tip of the seed just exposed to the light until the sprout is about 4 inches high. Then fill in with more soil, burying the seed tip. Keep the soil moist and the plant warm. It likes humidity, so give the leaves a misting with tepid water every day or so.

Now, the above may seem a waste of space to most of you, but a few will be interested enough to actually try to grow an avocado plant; the same few will then have some small common bond that they didn't have before. And that's really the point of this newspaper. If we can help, inform or entertain each other in any way, we can be a better, stronger community. In this issue for instance, Julie Philpott has contributed a recipe for bacon bread. If you try the recipe, and like it, Julie has become in a small way your friend, even if you don't know who she is.

So we're soliciting contributions. Write something about whatever interests you. We'd like to know more about photography, music, dancing, baton twirling, yoga, pottery, dress making, public speaking, candlemaking, dog obedience, swimming, tennis, beer & wine making, furniture refinishing, etc. etc. etc.

If you can't write about it, tell us what you're willing to talk to other people about. For example, Margaret Coleman of Bayview Avenue bakes a mean cream-puff and is willing to tell all, both Ernie Clark and Bill George of Ward's have made small, inexpensive looms, and you can find out all you need to know about pigeon breeding from Ken Lye.

We'd also like to set up a free Classified Advertising section. What service can you offer? Things that come to mind are bicycle repair, laundry, car wash, babysitting, ironing, lawmaking, housepainting, electrical repairs, TV & radio repairs, stove cleaning, barbering, hardressing, roofing, food take-out or catering. Tell us what you offer and we'll give you space in the paper.

And tell us what you have for sale. Rosemary Hoover, for instance, at 36 Lakeshore, sells paintings & prints in the \$20 - \$60 range. Billy Nobles, of 9 Channel has some Indigenous Wood & String Sculpture.

Al Schoenborn at 13 Ojibway has a great collection of Photographs of the Island. See Gerry Kurta at 18 Oneida for classy candles and Patsy Fleming at 7 Willow does picture matting & framing.

Would you like a water colour painting of your house or some Island landmark?
See Colin Riggton, 4 2nd Street, Ward's Island 368-9213

FOR SALE
Darkroom equipment: enlarger, easel, contact proof printer, printing exposure meter, print dryer, trays, darkroom lamp, and small utensils. Doug Ganton, 26 4th Street, Ward's Island, telephone 368-9503.

Muriel Barton would like to start an infant clothes and equipment swap. Come to 18 Third Street, Wednesday mornings, April 7 and April 14 at 11 am with the lolly, Tea, and cookies may be served. Sorry, but she's not equipped to handle toddlers or older children. Later on if the swap is successful it could be held in the WIA Clubhouse, but for now please don't bring babies that are walking.



JULIE'S BACON BREAD

Please send us one of your favorite recipes. Do you have any that are original? This is the first in a series of *Goose & Duck Club* Gurus.

- 1 1/2 cups bacon (1 lb. for \$1 at St. Lawrence market)
- 1 1/4 cup cornmeal
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 TBSP. sugar
- 2 tsp. salt
- 1 1/4 cups lukewarm water
- 2 TBSP. active dry yeast
- 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour (whole wheat if possible)
- 2 TBSP. cornmeal
- 1 TBSP. melted butter

1. Fry bacon until crisp. Drain and cool - crumble into small pieces.
2. Put 3/4 cup cornmeal into a large bowl. Pour boiling water over it. Stir in 1 TBSP. sugar, salt, bacon drippings, and thyme. Cool to lukewarm.
3. In another bowl add one TBSP. sugar to the lukewarm water and stir until dissolved. Sprinkle yeast over water and let stand 10 min. Stir well. Add to cornmeal mixture and blend well.
4. Stir in 3 cups of the flour and beat hard with a wooden spoon until mixture is smooth and sheeting from the spoon. Add bacon bits. Beat in remaining 1/2 cup of flour. Dough will then be soft.
5. Cover bowl with waxed paper and a cloth that has been wrung out in hot water and let stand in a warm place until very light. Abt 1 hr.
6. Heat oven to 375 F. Grease a 1 1/2 quart casserole and sprinkle in 1 TBSP. cornmeal to evenly coat bottom and sides.
7. Stir dough down with a spoon and beat hard again 1 min. Turn into prepared casserole. Sprinkle top with remaining 1 TBSP. cornmeal and drizzle with melted butter.
8. Put in oven for 50 - 55 min. Take it out & cool on a rack.

It tastes best when just warm.



We'll try to set up a swap column too. Our middle class morality prevents us from including wives, though. If you're not going to put that elephant-foot astray in the garbage, maybe you can trade it for a genuine simulated plastic cushion marked "Souvenir of Pefferlaw." (Pefferlaw papers please copy.)

Island
Winter washed
out
ferry boat service
litter trays
lasting
on roots only
the reverse is true
of spring

Steve Keating



WHAT TO DO UNTIL THE DOCTOR COMES

The Public Health Nurse for our area is Mrs. Takovska. Her office is at 511 Richmond Street West (telephone 368-5421) Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

Mrs. Takovska routinely visits the mothers of registered newborn babies on the Island and looks after the children of the Island School Mondays and Wednesdays. She can be reached at the school on those days after 11 am, telephone 368-5679. There is no charge for this service.

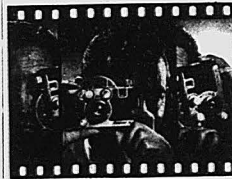
CITY BUNK

Now that spring has sprung, the guys who played hockey on the lagoon at Centre have rented an arena in the city for an hour a week. They plan to play each Sunday until the end of April and then they'll start making the ball diamond and rolling the tennis courts.



FILM?

We've had a question for Islanders who are into filmmaking. Can a film written by (?) and starring Island children somehow be made this summer? If the idea is at all practical (or you can dig it) please let us know (The Goose & Duck) and we'll help to fundraise to make it happen.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"There are some people on the Island who don't believe in or can't be bothered with the politics of saving the Island. They want to save it, but don't believe they can do anything about it at the TIRA meetings. I think that just because only 45 people show up at a political meeting doesn't mean that the rest of us don't contribute to the community. The reason that this is such a healthy place to live is that we're not all living under each others' noses. What needs to be said is that there are all kinds of different people living here. Some are political, some are philosophical, some are tropical. We don't pretend to be something we're not. That's why we're not at the TIRA meetings. If saving the Island is to be judged on that one point alone then no one is looking far enough into the community. If we get the ballgit-together attitude we're going to have more than we can handle.

Raising a child on the Island is easy: you teach him to swim and ride a bike. Children are free to be children here and aren't forced into an adult world all at once. They have parks to play in, sand to roll in, water to splash in and even an organized outdoor summer supervision that insures simply that you get them back alive. Children are people here and they know it.

One of the sad things is that people don't see that we don't need any kind of hard organization, everything just falls into place most of the time. When people here need help they ask for it.

Michel Barton, Third Street

Dear TIRA

The bulletin (March 1971) was very well put together. I think it is going to fill a very useful role in the community. A few thoughts came to mind as I read it.

I was personally struck several times during the winter by the feeling that there is a range of potentials within this community which haven't as yet been fully realized. It is certain that we share a good deal more than most communities we set up with unconscience together, we ride the ferry dock together on warm days, we have a fund of common denominator topics for conversation and so on. But shouldn't these things in fact be a beginning point for us rather than an ending point? We are fortunate enough to have all the facilities, both human and physical, for the kinds of interaction that are generally impossible on a large city environment. I think we could make more of them, especially if we looked into areas beyond narrowly defined athletic and social events. I'm sure the problem is largely due to the absence of a medium of communication that ties together all of the household. Perhaps now, with the appearance of your newsletter, all of us will be able to contribute constructively toward the development of new ideas.

It is very important that we do this, in fact the future well-being of the community probably depends on it. It would seem that any long term formula for continuing residence would have to have as its base a community that is so strong and so well integrated into the general scheme of things on the Island that the city could not afford to up root it. With this in mind, community involvement projects could be developed to operate on many different levels. For example, islanders might host a spring carnival to which city dwellers would be invited. If everyone contributed ideas (I have heard kite flying mentioned several times), it could be made into a very worthwhile day, good for us and good for those from the city who participated. To be effective everyone would have to contribute and become involved. If for one had the nagging suspicion that this was not the case with the Winter Carnival, where most of the work seemed to be handled by a few people.

If anything is to happen I would look to other young islanders to provide a good deal of the motivating energy and direction. Is there anyone else thinking along these lines?

David Young, 1 Willow Avenue

TIRA

Having just read the TIRA Bulletin (March, 1971) I wanted to write and congratulate TIRA and the editors. The Bulletin was informative, straight-forward, interesting, well laid out and excellently presented.

It's wonderful to be informed-and to be informed so well.

Very many thanks, I look forward to the next one.

Sheila du Toit

This is it-ed.



ON TOUR of the house before receiving her is formed. Sallie Marie escorts her 12 year old cousin, August III.



ON STAIRCASE guests balance plates as they are pelted with plastic ornaments labeled with the name 'Nalle'.



ON DANCE FLOOR popular bar-bell Phila King is caught by the camera celebrating her 12 years ago.

SOCIAL NOTES

The Wernys and the Huddralls along with Tom's Aunt Olive had a very successful week of skiing at Elizcortville, New York. They stayed in an old schoolhouse which has been converted into a comfortable ski lodge. The weather was fine so they were able to enjoy a full day's skiing every day. Victor, Termlie, Shelley, Lisle and Tracee contributed much to the success of the trip. Busy kids are happy kids, right Dr. Spock?

Rosemary and Ross Hoover with their kids Lida and Jimmy drove down to St. Petersburg, Florida, for the winter holiday. They played the dogs, got sunburned and came back to Toronto with new courage to face the next snowfall.

Ada and Virginia Mugford of Lakeshore Ave. spent the mid-term holiday in Caracas, a Dutch island off the coast of Venezuela. Kay Avery, who also visited Caracas, reports that it is hot, the trade winds blow all the time and goats are everywhere.

Buster and Kathy Welch, former residents of Algonquin, are living with their three children in Resolute, N.W.T. Buster is in charge of the Chat Lake Project for the U of T—a study of lake water in its purest form under Arctic conditions. They will be on the Island in the spring.

Word has it that Kirk Scott-Wood has some great quantities of Island trout. Can someone get word to Kirk that we'd like to use some of his work in future issues?



photo of Algonquin Island Bridge; But Barroquis



Remember when.....

the only television set on the Island was at the Firehall at Centre? islanders jammed the Hall for Friday Night Fights and Saturday morning cartoons? when the Lamantias sold fruit from a pushcart at the Algonquin Bridge? when teenagers' idea of illicit activity was necking in the Shelter? when the break-wall hadn't been built (thank you Hurricane Hazel) and on stormy days you could paddle a canoe from the boardwalk right down to the lagoon? when Reg Abrahams would say "There goes the old ball game"? When Island commuters snugly shuttled in the ladies' cabin of the tug Ned Hanlan? those were the days, my friends.



Jerry, the talking dog is on tour entertaining hospitalized veterans, by courtesy of the PY ROIL Company.

FRANCY DOY
Francy Do-Pot, the daughter of Archie, a well-known local cat, is proud to announce the births of quads, Papaya, Pig-Newton, Mango and Rustin as all doing well. Prospective owners call 368-9503.

Angus, the Bondaged Red Setter of Michael and Helen Brynoid, is convalescing from a tumour removal. His many friends in the dog and people community wish him a speedy recovery.

Remember—Berysus are hairless, but that doesn't stop them from doing it.



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Leaving foot of York Street
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Cyrl came to Canada in 1950 and sailed the Great Lakes from then until 1959. He started working on the ferries in 1962. Cyrl enjoys working for us & he hopes we stay much longer than we expect.

CHANGE IN FERRY ROUTE

The 9:15 and 10:15 P.M. boats from the city will in future go to Ward's Island first on their late round trips. Previously they were scheduled to go to Hanlan's first. TIRA requested the change and the superintendent of the ferry docks was most cooperative. The change will be effective Monday, April 26.

If there are any problems with ferries, please contact TIRA as we seem to have established a cooperative relationship with the people in charge.



WHY IS THIS MAN SMILING?
caricature by Kirk Scott Wood

LEAPIN' LIZARDS SANDY !!!

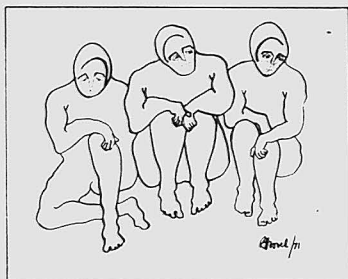
In January of this year we posted an notice asking people to call us if they were interested in getting distemper shots and other medical care for their animals. Our cat had just gotten over distemper (after many trips to the city) and we were worried that he had been in contact with many others. The biggest response came from a police man who thought that perhaps if we were trying to make a list of trying to swindle the island people—the vet was a friend of ours.

We got rather discouraged. Finally after we talked to people and made lots of phone calls ourselves (not one person called) we had 10 animals who needed shots. On the day of the clinic so many people appeared that there wasn't enough serum to go around so we held another 4 days later.

It was really great watching people gather

NO NEWS

Don't hesitate to renew your tranquilizer prescription as it appears we are in for another short period of waiting. The issue of our extension was not raised at the recent Parks Committee Meeting. Since this is being done within the council we are subject to their timetables. However, we do expect to have some news early in May.



ing with cats & dogs in arms, pillow-cases etc. It was also nice to sit around and talk about animal quirks, diseases, and other stories.

- 1-annual distemper & rabies shots
- 2-after initial shots a 6-month booster
- 3-a yearly booster
- 4-continued attention to things like worms, ear mites & fleas.

It is really very hard to attend to their needs when it means taking them to the city. We would like to see a clinic happening on a regular basis (every 6 or 8 weeks) but we also feel we need support. It would be very unfair to the vet to call a clinic and have no one turn up. Could you please, please call or drop by the house, if you think it is a good idea. It would help so much if we knew people would use it.

(people of) 6 Third Street 368-4965

ROSEMARY SHOWS THEM

Rosemary Hoover of Lakeshore Avenue had her first one-man show on Sunday, April 18th. The exhibition of silk screen prints and sketches was at The Playhouse, 97 Pears Avenue. Wine and cheese were served and people were free to walk thru the rooms of the townhouse enjoying the show. 25 pictures were sold, I wonder if Rosemary could be persuaded to have an exhibition here on the island?



O'NEILLS STEAL PEEL REEL

John O'Neill of Fifth Street won a gold medal in the Irish Dance Competition at the Peel Festival in Brampton (three hand reel division). He also won 1st Certificate for his dancing in the 8 hand reel. Both John and his brother Joe won silver medals in the reel competition. Congratulations!

FELON OF THE WEEK

A rude honk to the person who has been getting milk at the firehall and charging it to the neighbours. This has caused some consternation and the result is that one can no longer charge milk at the fire hall. (Fires however will be put out on the old basis). Although we certainly don't approve of this behavior we think it's nothing that couldn't be overcome by the love of a good woman.

BELIEVE IT ALL NOW!

THE JANUS-HEADED LAMP-POSTS OF BAYVIEW AVENUE

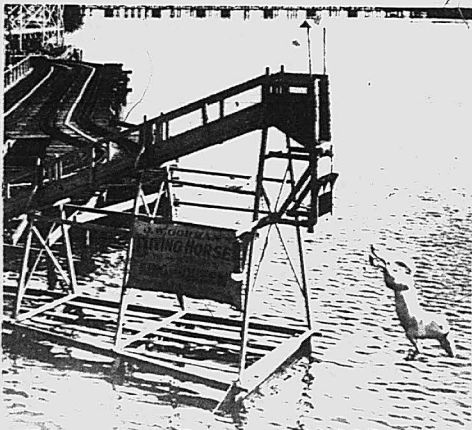
ON THE 15th of APRIL, 1971, I CALLED THE CITY ENGINEERS AND ASKED THEM TO REMOVE THESE LAMP-POSTS IMMEDIATELY. I RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING ANSWER: "THEY ARE THE PROPERTY OF THE CITY AND WE WILL REMOVE THEM AS SOON AS WE CAN." I AM SURE THAT THE ENGINEERS WILL REMOVE THEM AS SOON AS THEY CAN.

DID YOU KNOW ?

SHELLS DO NOT COOK ON THE GREAT LAKES UNTIL THEY ARE IMPARTED TO THE LAKES. THEY ARE IN THIS STATE UNTIL THEY ARE COOKED IN THE "BAYVIEW" LAKES. IN LAKE MICHIGAN.

EDITORIAL

About financing the paper: the paper will be delivered to every house regardless of money. However, if each household pays at least 10 cents for each issue we would have enough to cover the cost of materials. (250 households x 10 equals \$25.00.) We would like to pay the typist and the printer who are now donating their services and equipment so we are happy to receive donations. Many thanks to all those who gave generously at the recent meeting and those who came around to the bustling Goose and Duck offices to give their all. Their donations have made it possible for us to finance our next issue. We had 1000 copies of the G & D printed and we are down to a little over 100 left so it has been quite widely circulated. This is important as it helps to let city folks know we're here and alive and kicking. If you have friends in the city who visit the island it would be a good idea to send them a copy to keep them up to date. We intend to sell advertising to some of the local merchants. We are looking for an advertising manager but until such time it might be good if everybody tried to will one ad to some likely merchant. How about the Avenue Koad Food Market, de Groot and de Jong, The Whole Earth Store, Loblaw, Doug Dunn, perhaps some professional cards. Give it some thought and let us know your ideas. A rate card is forthcoming. The G & D is in good financial shape at the moment and with your continued support we will be publishing.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear Eds:

If you wish to know how I am coping your best bet would be to check a page or two from the recent issue of the paper. From the smiling, smiling people at the beach, changing yourself to meet the changing yourself to the general feeling that you're painting them over, painting them over, there is a sad feeling, really, in the air here. I'm used by Ted, Wayne and Ed to look them last for some time. We have now had a summer of 3, 4, 5 and 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. It's an Islander.

Ken Levy

Dear Editor:

Now that spring is here a number of problems are becoming a year or so in relation to nesting dogs. As soon as the thermometer hits fifty one can see them pouring off the boats the wing offenders are those snobby staphs. If you ask me there's something a little too Junior League about that crowd. I have the distinct feeling that they've just come over to see how the lower classes live and enjoy a little culture shock. All that bounding and tossing of long honey blonde locks is a little droop.

Little do they care how the local dog suffered through a long hard winter. Just when life is becoming tolerable once they come to eye our mates and p on our fav ourite post. There should be a law against these dogs running loose in the park.

Yours truly,

Fingers, the Wonder Dog

P.S. By the way, about Jerry the talking dog: don't you believe it. Pyrol Company, you've been had.

FAREWELL TO THE ISLAND

Farewell, island sounds, island lights, island games, farewell to the busy path to the nights of market and splashing muskrat, farewell to the lonely row of lights to Casta our cottage, farewell to the North Star, to the big and little dippers seen above our bay, farewell to the thirty number of a rich man's motor yacht to the accordion across the lagoon, played by a frequently interrupted musician, farewell to the midnight bliss of banks of flowers neatly painted and just beside the deserted hot dog stand, farewell to the clanking sound of our best stove to the chime of our Chinese wind bells, to the rattle of the milkman's bottles and his informal trade through our kitchen as we sleep,

farewell to a neighbour who pours us beer and talks of the sea to his ragged fence, to his corn-roast party, farewell to the white wicker chairs of half a century's use

to a bed of equal abuse, farewell to the grey, frame homes, farewell to the black squirrel who roams and eats our waffles on the kitchen shelf, farewell to the little rabbit elf, who, black and white, sits beside a similarly painted post,

farewell, farewell to the ducks and terns, to the shoebills who wear horns for duty on the harbour's ships, farewell to a landlady who cooks us steak and walks with us on the shore at the waters break, farewell, farewell to ten thousand winds, to warning signs of danger rocks, farewell, farewell to the din of waves, to the nights when we walked like Indian braves, to the lights far out on the lake, to life on an isle for our soul's good sake.

—Donald G. Crossley
April, 1971

TIRA NEWS

TIRA congratulates all (well, almost all) Islanders on the success of the clean-up campaign. The island looks better than it has for a long time. Let's keep it that way.

QUALITY OF LIFE ON ISLAND PARK THREATENED

The following letter was sent to the Parks Commissioner by the Chairman of the Toronto Island Resident's Association.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

As Island residents, we are in a position to notice and be deeply concerned about a serious threat to the Island park. This is the spit of land being built from the foot of Leslie Street by the Harbour Commissioners. Even last summer a considerable increase in pollution was noticeable on the Ward's Beach, and in the months since there has been an amazing quantity and variety of debris has been appearing constantly on the beach. Last summer swimmers often had to wade out through a four or five foot strip of identifiable solum, seaweed and paper garbage, in fact, there were many who refused to swim at all. One wonders how much worse it will be this summer and in future summers.

Although it seems to be a publicly known and unchallenged fact that the need for port expansion has disappeared, and although the building of Harbour City, which, we understand, was to have been protected by the western section of the new land, is becoming more and more uncertain, yet the Harbour Commissioners apparently intend to continue this project, which is obviously in the worst possible interests of the citizens of Metro. The completion of the spit of land will mean the destruction not only of all the sand beaches, but also of the beautiful view of the open lake, which is an equally valuable and measurable recreational asset of the Island park.

You may perhaps be aware that this winter's unprecedented ice conditions, which resulted in constant disruptions of the ferry service and great expense for the Park Department were largely due to the new land, which prevented the normal flow of ice out the Eastern Bay. On at least one occasion when the wind would normally have been blowing the ice into the lake, the ice was actually observed to be coming back into the bay. Because of our concern about the effect of harbour development on the Island park, we would be willing to co-operate with the Parks Department in any action it might care to undertake to bring about cessation of such development.

Yours truly,

Jerry Woodburn, Chairman

TIRA is sponsoring a Kids Party on Saturday, May 22 for 25 primary grade kids from the inner city schools. They will be brought to the island by the Inner City Angels, a group which organizes all kinds of outings for these kids from puppet shows to Ellis Fitzgeralds. They will be here from about 10:30 to 3:00. We'll be providing a picnic lunch and would very much appreciate donations of food or money. Here's a list of the stuff we need, if anyone has access to these things we would like to hear from you.

For the picnic:

Sandwiches, hot dogs, mustard, relish, cooking, cakes, lemonade crystals, orangeade crystals, paper or styrofoam cups, paper plates, napkins, carrot sticks, celery sticks, pickles, etc. If you can help with any of this or would like to volunteer to help at the party, please call Gloria Barker, 368-7539.

For the entertainment:

We don't intend to super-organize the day for the kids because we think that being here, and all that food, will be enough in itself, but it would be nice to have a couple of things laid on. Is there anyone who would like to lead a sing-song? Does anyone have access to a quantity of dry bread? Feeding the ducks and fishes would be a novelty for these kids. Could anyone get some kites, frisbees, balls (the same to you, Madame), skipping ropes, hoola hoops. If you can help with this aspect of it please call David or Elizabeth Arter, 364-5051.

We hope to be using the rectory for this purpose. This is an experimental effort from which we hope to learn and if successful we will continue planning these parties from time to time.

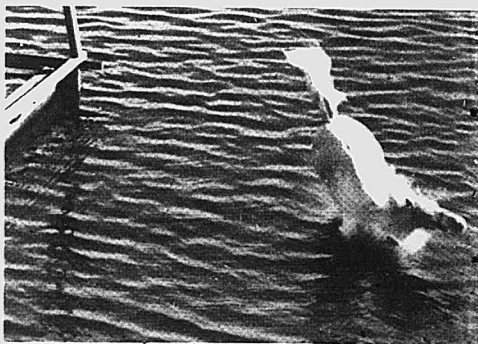
SHALL WE GATHER AT THE ALGONQUIN ISLAND CLUBHOUSE

50 people attended a general meeting of the Toronto Island Resident's Association on April 6 at the Algonquin Clubhouse. Through the considerable efforts of Anthony Barton, we acquired the hen's tooth projector needed to show the film on the Island Community originally shown on CBC's *Crossways Journal*. A veteran bedsheet as screen added greatly to the tone of the evening.

Reasons why our leases should be extended were discussed (re the last TIRA Bulletin "The Island Community"). The many good ideas that came from the floor were recorded and will be incorporated in the next rewriting of the proposed booklet.

The meeting produced some great island anecdotes and in spite of our difficulties the mood was an encouraging one.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed financially to the Goose & Duck. We collected over \$30.00 at the meeting.





ALGONQUINARDS DO BIG BUSINESS: AT SALE

—by ace reporter Nina Handley

Profits from the Algonquin Island Rummage Sale, Bake Sale and Boutique were \$511.75. It was held Saturday, 17th April, at the Clubhouse and was followed by a dance. Many thanks to everyone who contributed goods, baking, money, time, labour and wagons and to everyone who bought. Thanks to Ward's Island without whom this would not have been possible. Now that you've helped make us solvent, how about coming out more often? Special thanks to Win McCallum, Michael Jones, Peggy Mortimore and Dudley Davey, each of whom worked every night of the week until the wee small hours and all day Saturday. Also special thanks to Susie Guest and Eric Zhelka who worked far above and beyond the call of duty, and to my husband, Leslie Handley, who has (I hope) decided not to sue for divorce now that "it's all over."

CREDITORS

CANVASSERS
Ladies and Susie Guest, Arthur Weinhart, Eric Zhelka & Elizabeth Woodward.

PICKERS UP

The Cubs—Ray Buzza, Arthur Weinhart, Eric Zhelka, Teddy Gamble, Jeffrey Gamble, Evan Roenck, Jock Fowle. Also Susie Guest, Alice Millen, Sue Davey, Ernie Fechner, Adam Zhelka, David Amer, Peggy Mortimore, Campbell Atkinson, Win McCallum, John Mortimore, Annabel Kirkpatrick, Karen McCallum, John Handy, Chris Schoenborn, and John Campfens

SORTERS

Win McCallum, Peggy Mortimore, Marilyn Whidden, Flora Peat, Michael Davey, and Gerie Weinhart.

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Dudley Davey and Peggy Mortimore.

THE SETTER'S UP

Len Barnett and Campbell Atkinson

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BAKE SALE

Ann Maher, Alice Aitken and other ladies

ARTISANS, ARTISTS AND DISPLAYERS

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GOOSE AND DUCK GRUB GUNGS

Once again from the gleaming chrome and steel test kitchens of the Goose & Duck we bring you recipes:

SUE'S SOUR CREAM PIE

If you cleverly keep some unbaked pie shells in your freezer, use them with this filling. If you find pastry is your nemesis, prepare it from a mix.

- 1 cup commercial sour cream
- 2 egg yolks
- 1 tsp. vanilla or rum
- 1 Tbsp. melted butter
- 1 quarter tsp. salt
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp. flour

Combine all ingredients and pour into pie shell. Bake at 350 until golden and set, about 30 minutes.

—Sue Reid

HANDLEY'S POINT CHICKEN PAPRIKA WINGS

Ingredients: chicken wings, paprika, garlic, salt, pepper.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Put chicken wings in and sprinkle in couple tots water, salt, papper, and garlic to taste.

Cook for 20 minutes, lower oven to 300 degrees. Sprinkle on two to three tots of oil. Sprinkle liberally with paprika, cook approximately half an hour. As good old English chefs say, serve when done with beer or rum.

—Leslie Handley

These are the chicken wings that were served at the rummage sale. —Ed.

MARGARET'S EGG

How to boil an egg to please 'em. Leave the eggs on the table before you retire. In the morning while he's doing his morning ablutions, put the eggs in a pan of cold water. Make boil, then remove from heat in three minutes. You'll have a great 3-minute egg in 4 minutes. Well you see how it goes. Hard boiled. 15 minutes—no sign of ugly black yolk which turns 'em right off. Happy breakfast.

—Margaret Coleman

LIGHT ALE

- Dissolve in boiling water.
- 2 and a half lbs. light malt extract
- 2 lbs. white sugar
- 2 lbs. brown sugar

—Pour with cold water into 5-gallon crock until temperature is lukewarm.

—Dissolve package yeast in bowl of lukewarm water, add to crock, and stir well. —Wait 6 days, skimming crock every day or two.

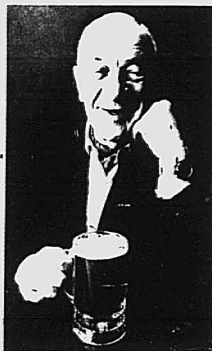
—Before bottling, add a few grains of white sugar to each bottle. Wait two weeks before drinking. Decant carefully into glass to avoid sediment in bottom of bottle. If too much carbonation, foaming will make it impossible to decant satisfactorily and sediment will spoil the flavour, this is the result of bottling too soon or adding too much sugar to bottles.

—Equipment needed: crock, papper & caps, hose for siphoning.

—Fay dark ale use dark malt & 4 lbs. dark brown sugar.

—Bill Roedde

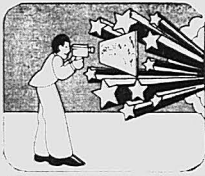
Thanks, Bill, We made a couple of crocks, and it's one swell beer...one swell beer...one sell...ohhh...oh the hell with it.



For 20 years he'd run a newsstand in front of the Park House.

The BIG

On Friday, April 16, a small number of islanders ventured to the Algonquin Island Clubhouse to meet Ken Counsell, the liberal nominee for our riding, St. Andrew St. Patrick. Mr. Counsell said that the Island Community is very much alive and he feels our leases should be extended. He promised to help in any way he could. He will be running against the Progressive Conservative, Allan Grossman, and the New Democratic Party's nominee, Dan Heap. There are some rumours of a Provincial election in late June.



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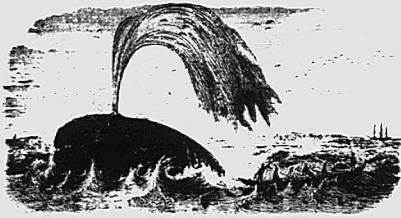
SMELT FRY!

AIA Clubhouse, 8:00pm
Friday, April 30

MENU
Fresh caught frino smelt
tartar sauce
french fries
french stick
free glass white wine

Stay after dinner for drinking, dancing and dalliance.
Water tax for city folk

\$1.50 per person



SMELT FISHING season has begun and our staff photographer caught this scene of island schoolchildren fishing off the Gap. Maggie Pitcher (seen with harpoon) said: "This year's catch is slightly bigger than usual." Evan Roenck (at tiller) said "Catching them isn't much of a problem, but it ain't easy getting them into the frying pan."



THE PEOPLE IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Congratulations to Kay Smith and Paul Nicholson who were married February 25, 1971. The reception was held at Captain John's Harbour Boat Rest, Queen's Quay. Their honeymoon trip was to Lauderdale-by-the-sea, Florida. They'll be living on 4th Street.

We have been talking about doing some theatre on the island this summer. Loose talk so far, but if you're interested, or if your dog shows signs of an unusual talent, please call Peter Gornig, 5 Channel, 364-3589; Margot Klecker, 14 Fourth, 861-1237; or Sean McCutcheon at 14 Fifth, 366-9815.

One of the people on CHUM-FM's "Days of Electric Mornings" was Carol Petrachenko Carol is with Connection, the information service of the Addiction Research Foundation.

What was going on at 24 Omaha last week? The CBC was making a film for their series, Canadian Short Stories. The story is "Thanks for the Ride" by Alice Munro, and will be seen on Channel 6 in the fall.

Born to Terry & Penny Bannock (nee Cox) a son, Dennis, named after Terry's brother, weight 7 lbs., on April 2nd, 2 weeks early, although Terry always said she was going to have an April Fool.

Islanders in The National Ballet's production of Romeo & Juliet: Dave Barrett, Mike Davey, Sean McCutcheon, Peter Lye, Pat Coyle, Thom Sheehan and Joe Tedesco. Perennial Mike Schoenborn had other commitments this year.

Welcome home to Fred & Nell Lee, looking very well after the winter in Florida.

Murray Darrah tells us he has a new water taxi, called the Georgia Girl. It's a Chris Craft Sea Skiff.

SPRING!

Ross Horne leads a work party in cleaning up the tennis courts Saturday, May 1st at 11:00 am. Workers, helpers, supervisors, superintendents & kibitzers needed.

REMEMBER WHEN....



Charters Toronto Evening Telemart
J. Wood F. Standaud W. Parry J. Williams A. Mundy W. Raston N. Stein S. Nayler F. Hanger G. Coaster
THE SUNDAY MORNING DOCK SAILORS

SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND

On Easter Sunday Ted and Jean Danniels presided over one of the most successful parties of the season. The neighbourhood children were invited to an Easter Egg Hunt. The day was sunny and warm and the candy was plentiful. It was very heartening to see such signs of spring as Marit and Denny Pierce and Mary Jane, Don and Carol Mugford, Dane and Lunette, Andy and Sue Reid and the beautiful Jamie. We welcome them back and even more we welcome the sign of spring after a long winter.



PLAYSCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

We shall be having an Open House on May 27th, for all mothers and their children two years and over who are interested in our past and future activities. We will offer you the usual refreshments and the children, no doubt, will take care of the entertainment. The time is from 10:00 am to 11:30 am, and we should like to welcome you. Please do not send the youngsters on their own as this is not a regular Playschool day.

N.B. If we should not get an extension and by May 27th we ought to know—there will not be an Open House but the last Playschool day of the season, i.e. of all time—alas!

Playschool needs a volunteer to run the 1971-72 season. Anyone interested? Be assured it operates (nearly) by itself!

Another note bene. We should like to take this opportunity to thank all participating mothers for their splendid cooperation. It was truly splendid!

Ann Maher
Wendi Hanger
Eva Cappel



FOR SALE

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The pupils of Grades 6, 7 & 8 at the Island Public School are now preparing for their annual field trip. As usual, one of the factors is money and in order to reduce their individual expenses, the students are selling brand-name swim suits and sportswear at wholesale prices. Here is an excellent opportunity to help the pupils and at the same time obtain a beautiful beach wardrobe.

Unfortunately the school cannot assume any responsibility for the large number of admirers which you will definitely attract during those hot sunbathing days of July.

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Public Health Nurse—Mrs. Taskovics, 511 Richmond Street W., 364-5421, between 8:30 and 4:30. She's at the Island School Mondays and Wednesdays after 11:00 am, phone 366-5879.

ROOM WANTED

Responsible single man—University instructor—needs room May 1st. 368-5320.



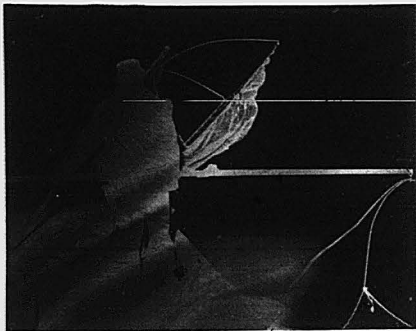
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The A.I.A. Smell Fry held on Friday, April 30, 1971 was a tremendous smash. There were 150 dinners served and 200 people attended the dance. Good music was provided by Carl Schaefer and was very much enjoyed. John Hustler is heartily to be commended for his light hand with shrimps and tartar sauce. Net proceeds from the evening amounted to \$3. The nicest thing about this dinner dance, we gathered from comments was the fact that a cross section of the island community attended.

The photo of the smell fishermen is by Brian Danneis.

INNER CITY ANGELS TO BRING 25 CITY CHILDREN ON ISLAND OUTING

by David Teung

On Saturday, May 22 the island community is hosting a day for 25 kids from the inner city public schools. It is an extremely worthwhile project, one which could open the doors to a new kind of involvement for us all in the life of the city. We hope that you want to help us make it a great success (one never knows who will be watching our activities these critical days).

The group has been gathered together for us by the Inner City Angels. In case you didn't know, the Angels are the best thing that has happened to little kids since Santa Claus and his elves put the stock brokerage business and went to the North Pole. Since 1969 the Angels have organized a staggering array of projects to enrich the educational environment of Toronto's downtown kids with activities which would normally be prohibitively expensive for them.

Their basic notion is a simple one: individual self-realization and creativity are difficult things for any kid to develop in the maze of our educational institutions. This is especially true if the institution happens to sit in the middle of downtown Toronto. Let's face it, the basement of the Toronto Dominion Centre wasn't designed to trigger original thought in anyone's mind.



Solving the problem

To help solve the problem the Angels have developed a unique scheme to involve inner city children in Toronto's artistic milieu. Their approach is multi-faceted—they have made arrangements with the performing arts groups in the city to donate their unsold tickets to the cause (eg they filled 1000 empty seats during the recent performances of the National Ballet with eager kids); they offer steady employment for struggling young artists by paying them to perform in downtown public schools; thereby encouraging kids to participate in the spontaneity of the creative moment; they operate a summer day camp in the city. The list of activities goes on and on—a rare kind of organization this, everyone who participates comes up a winner; the arts are subsidized and supported, little kids learn and create, and the educational system becomes richer and more diverse.



As Doug Palmer, one of the founders, puts it they are committed to bridging the gap between the school and the community between the kids and the resources of the city. This is where we come in.

How we can help

As we all know, the island community is fortunate to be one of the city's great assets and resources, although the city may not have fully realized this yet. On May 22 we have another opportunity to prove it.

The day will be with us from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm and we will have the use of the factory for the day. The idea will be to keep things simple and unstructured. The day will begin with a tour of the harbour donated by Joan Gambiel and Norm Rogers. From there we hope to have lots of time for a good picnic, duck feeding, kite flying and other good time things. Naturally we would like everyone who is able to make a contribution. You can help in two ways.



1. PICNIC CHINESE

We need grub for the kids: hot dogs, mustard, relish, cookies, cakes, lemonade, paper cups, napkins and so on. If you could donate something, even if it's just one incredible jelly sandwich on homemade bread, please contact Gloria Baker, 368-7539.

2. ENTERTAINMENT

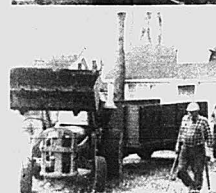
We only want to lay on simple things, so the only qualification for helpers is that they enjoy romping around with kids. Can you lead a sing-song, or fly a kite, or throw a Frisbee, or turn a skipping rope, or hula hoop? If not, would you like to learn? We could use you and your tots. Volunteers should call David or Elizabeth Amer as soon as possible at 364-0051.

PARKS DEPARTMENT DESTROYS TWO MORE HOMES

by Victor Coleman

On the morning of Wednesday, April 28 Tom Thompson's boys took down a good house. First they put a hole through the roof, once they've done that, there's no backing off. The house was at 21 Fifth Street. It had belonged until a short while ago, to Mrs Johnston. She had turned it over to a Trust Company, presumably because of the rider in our latest leases prohibiting sale or rental; they decided to let the City have the house. Unfortunately in such cases the Parks Department must tear down all vacant houses.

There seems to be some question about the legality of the no sale or rent clause and this is now being tested in the courts.



A number of Islanders feel that these houses really should be used rather than demolished. A number also are looking forward to an extension and it is hoped that the sale of the house will be missing from the next release. Please No illegal diggers!

Islanders Protest

On Thursday, April 29 a group of 15 and six showed up in front of 1 Third Street to sign a petition which read: "We, a concerned group of individual home owners and tenants, protest the inappropriate zoning of the demolition of two houses, 14 21 Fifth Street and 1 Third Street. We have the time to wait until the fate of the entire Island Community has been decided before any more of our homes are destroyed. Before it was signed off the petition had over 100 signatures."

About 35 people showed up Thursday morning shortly before the house was scheduled to come down. There was much discussion about what should be done in such cases. A representative of the Parks Department arrived in his little green bouncer and was very loyal and off-hand about the situation. He told those gathered that it didn't look like they'd get to the house before noon. He seemed quite sympathetic and asked why nothing had been done before to protect the demolition of houses.

It was the opinion of some that to try to confront the Parks Department on this issue would only mean our chances of eventual extensions through allegedly open political channels. To these people a protest in the words of one concerned homeowner would "leapfrog" the whole community. At that time there was a Parks Committee meeting scheduled for May 6 at which the issue of extensions was supposedly on the agenda of topics to be dealt with.

Another opinion that was prevalent was that this was no time to stand back from the real issues of the community, the fact is both of the houses could have been usefully occupied either by some family in need of roof or by TIRA, who still might be able to do something about the next few houses that inadvertently fall into the hands of the City. There seems to be no good reason why the whole community, as long as we're here couldn't use these houses, for whatever reasons.

McClure's Destroyed

Whether or not a large group of concerned people did stave off the destruction of Tommy McClure's place at 1 Third Street on Thursday April 29, is a moot point. They fore it down the next day when there were few people there to question or obstruct



Everyone had relaxed. There seemed to be the real solidarity in the community.

On Friday morning, April 30 a Parks Department work team (5-10 men) in a tractor with trailer for removing rubble and a small bulldozer designed to create the rubble in the first place arrived at 1 Third Street and took it down. The accompanying pictures show most of what happened. As you can see few Islanders were there to protest. On Thursday, May 6 the Parks Committee meeting took place in the form of a bus tour of Toronto's Eastern Parks. Presumably there was no agenda but was there even intended to be one. But because of the failed meeting few people would speak up about what they felt to be the wanton destruction of good usable a good chance some people are thinking now.

It is the feeling of this writer that any house that necessitates fall into the hands of the City through lack of tax payments, rental lapses or mere neglect should be taken over by TIRA and used as Community houses. There are countless projects that could use the space for crafts, for meetings, for a day-care centre etc.

A Viable Community

The Island is still a viable community. The range of experience here is wide and impressive. If we did have a few empty places they could easily be used to satisfy other community needs. If our leases are not extended there's a good chance some people will try to fill it, both in the courts and in more personal ways. Up until the time we are physically separated we are still a community and quite strong in the eyes of any elected governing body. It is unlikely that many will be able to find such a community elsewhere in a world rapidly diminishing in such luxuries.

Question those people who might give their houses to the city. Let them know that TIRA can responsibly administer the space. Let's hope there's no more giving up and no more people saying "We can have our house" to the City. Let's also hope that enough of us will say: "Let's fight it!"

What do you say?

MEXICO

by Ellen Edmönstone

Over the five year period we have been travelling to Mexico the changes we have observed have been encouraging but it is a slower paced life, the natural beauty and the charm of living in a foreign country which draw us back. Mexico is especially a land of adventure and contradiction. Personal vendettas and killings are not unknown but family solidarity and loving care is stronger. Mexico is not all bullfights and burros, adobe huts and Spanish palaces; it is also modern skyscrapers and wide streets, Italian movies and ten-ton trucks. The land of the siesta has acres of new vineyards and busy factories as well as oxen plowing fields and shepherd boys in the grazing lands. Mexico is old, colonial, artistic, ultra-modern and industrial at the same time. But the best way to understand the country is to go and live in it. That's what we hope to do again.

Nature scales man down in Mexico. Travelling across the high plains the mountains are distant misty trails rimming the cultivated valleys. At other times they stand in the clear desert air as rugged walls set against the modern roads and ancient burro trails. In the rainy season, they are covered with flowers—the wild cousins of our garden annuals, tiny zinnias, miniature marigolds and giant yellow daisies. Treeless for the most part, the mountains in the dry season have a harsh beauty composed of cactus, bare mesquite and rocks, but outranking even the mountains in sheer grandeur is the sky. Out under the expanse of the spectacular tropical sky you feel smaller but freer.

On the other hand, as if in response to the great open spaces around them, the towns are low and compact. What seems to you to be a hamlet will often turn out to be a good sized town. Houses and shops sit side by side, completely enclosed, without waste space. Open areas are used as 'jardines' (public gardens), plazas or markets. Parks are often more like groves attractive with shaded walks and benches. Trees are so treasured for their shade and soil conservation value that it is against the law to cut one down without official permission—even on your own land! Fruit trees are

grown in the patios of private houses along with flowering plants and vines. Walking on a warm evening, you are surrounded by the scent of flowers and the shadows of bougainvillea overflowing the garden walls in a profuse tangle of red or orange. Lovers murmur in doorways and evening shoppers visit the corner stalls and gaslit street markets to gossip with pedlars, greet their friends and perhaps have supper at one of the open air food stands. The North American living in Mexico soon begins to slow down and to feel a part of this 19th Century way of life. However, there are problems in paradise.



Problems in Paradise

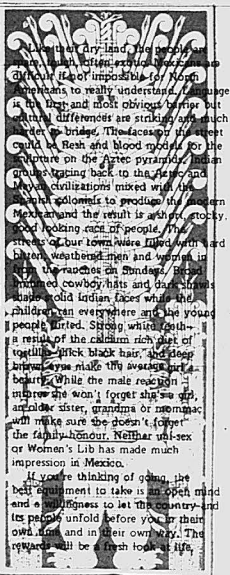
Water in the dry season is as vital to the Mexican town as the sun on the beach is to winter-weary Islanders. There is no rain from the end of September until early in May. Every day the sun beats down from a cloudless sky, but rain in mind the results. When the winter wind sweeps down from Texas, cold and dry, the dust flies everywhere. In the desert the whirlwinds spin, towering like toffee-coloured twists of dust and debris. The wind and the sun dry the land and the people equally. Water is the saviour, not the sun, vital to both the people and their crops. With irrigation alfalfa produces seven crops a year, straw berries grow all year round and citrus fruits bloom and bear continuously. In the homes water fills the fountains which cool the patios with sound and moisture and the maids use it daily to wash all the floors and even the street outside the door in an effort to keep the dust down. The masses of plants which fill even the poorest homes survive only because they too are watered daily. In Mexican towns the utilities are rather erratic. When the water fails, bucket brigades carrying water from the fountains and trucks with open barrels of spring water, see signs that the reservoirs, which are part of every well planned home, are beginning to run dry. Happiness is having lots of water in a drought! Who cares if you have to boil it before you can drink it.



REMEMBER WHEN



Baseball stadium and amusement park on the site of the present Island Yacht Club, Circa 1920. That's the Western Gap in the background.



It's not that dry-land, but possibly a result of a different reaction to the same amount of heat it's impossible for North Americans to really understand. Language is the thing, and most obvious to me, but the differences are striking, especially in the bride. The ceremony, the street could be Rich and blood spied on the picture on the Aztec pyramid, Indian groups tracing back to the Aztecs and Mayan civilizations mixed with the modern Mexican and the result is what you see. And looking out of people. The streets of our town were filled with hard bitten, weather-beaten and worn in the trenches on Sundays. Bright coloured cowboy hats and dark shirts and old Indian faces while the children ran everywhere and the young people flirted. Strong, white hair, a result of the calcium rich diet of tortilla, black hair, and deep brown eyes make the women just a beauty. While the male reaction is to be seen, I forget the wife, the single sister, gramma or grandma, will make sure she doesn't forget the family honour. Neither sex or Women's Lib has made much impression in Mexico.

GOOSE AND DUCK GRUB GURUS

More thought for food from the master chefs of Toronto Island.

BIE'S BRAISED RED CABBAGE FLEMISH STYLE (serves six)

Red cabbage is rather out of season at the moment, but neither we nor the Goose and Duck might be around next winter, so here goes for your recipe column.

- 1 red cabbage
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- 1 onion
- 2 lbs. sour apple
- pinch of thyme
- bayleaf
- 2-3 cloves
- 1 tablespoon rice
- 1 tablespoon dripping
- brown sugar
- vinegar
- 5 slices bacon

Chop onion finely, fry gently in the dripping until brown. Cut the red cabbage into strips (three rows of one) and add the onion, peel, core and slice the apples and add to the pan. Cook for 10 minutes until the cabbage is tender. Add thyme, bayleaf, bayleaf, and 1 red, shredded bacon. Simmer for about two hours or until tender. Add half hour: add rice. When the cabbage is ready, add sugar to taste (depending on how sour the apples are) and a little vinegar (to bring the red colour back). Serve with pork or sausage.

Would anyone have a recipe for a funny punch? Something to fill the bathtub with.

BIE CARTYRIGHT

EDITH'S TIA MARIA LIQUEUR

- 3 cups white sugar
- 2 cups water
- 2 level tps instant coffee
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 bottle LCBO alcohol

Bring sugar, water, coffee & vanilla to a boil, stirring constantly. Let simmer for 7 or 8 minutes. Take off stove, add bottle of alcohol, let cool and pour into sterilized bottles.

Edith Ward

ENGLISH PUB NIGHT
A.I.A. Clubhouse, 9:00 pm
Saturday May 22

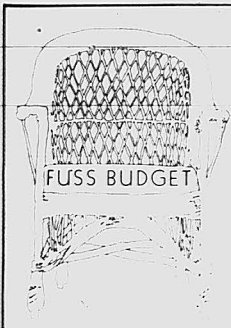
- English Beer and Ale
- Cracking Hops Honey Meade
- Meat Pies Pickled Eggs
- Pickled Onions Cheese & Crackers
- FREE takehome special glass stein
- Song & Song Sing Along
- Make up an act - Doublance
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Music: Carl Schaefer
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Deadline for last issue: May 30 is May 24. Please try to have items in on time, typed and double-spaced.



THE COLUMN THAT IGNORES YOUR PROBLEMS, CREATES RED TAPE, CONFUSES THE ISSUE, KICKS YOUR CAT, AND PINCHES YOUR WIFE. GOT TROUBLES? WRITE FUSSBUDGET

Dear Fussbudget
I've been watching a daffodil in the flowerbed under my window. It bloomed, but during the first night the trumpet drooped. This evening I opened the window and played soft music on my record player. The plant raised its head slightly. Then the car-eating machine began its night's work and the entire daffodil fell over. It's lying there on its side. Could you do something about the machine? Perhaps it could eat its car in the daytime. When the sun is shining, plants and people are less vulnerable.

Anthony Barton, 18 Third Street

FUSSBUDGET thought that the noise, which comes up like thinder across the bay each night would be a problem that would appeal to Peltton Frobe or one of the new Government agencies that are working on air, water & noise pollution. None of them seemed too interested though, so we fell back on the adage learned at our mother's knee "If some one's bugging you—call the cops."

We did, and they pointed out that there's an anti-noise bylaw that goes into effect at 11:00pm. The police can't stop the junk yard or whatever it is over there from making all that noise, but they can charge them with breaking the bylaw. If they're convicted they

can be fined.
So each night at 11:05, if the metal is still clanging, an Islander will phone the police and the police will charge the noisemaker. For the first week or so they'll probably keep on working until 2am, but after awhile the fines should mount up and your daffodils should return to normal.

FUSSBUDGET has enlisted the help of Freya Godard of Lakeshore Avenue at 368-2288. If you want to add your name to the list of people who'll do the calling, she'll give you the routine.

Nite all.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

We poor city dogs have read your *The Goose and Duck Island* weekly and are quite incensed over the letter written to you by 'Fingers, the Wonder Dog.'

Who in hell is this Fingers that he takes umbrage at our visits to the Island in the summer months? Does he think he owns the place?

We only visited the Island because the stories of the place simply fascinated us. Imagine—a place where no holds are barred—being able to run free like the several hundred Island dogs—a gorgeous outdoor lavatory to be found at No. 2 Second Street (where one can deposit dawdle, nip at one of the several occupants also doing their "thing" and also take time out to water one of the lovely plants that have survived during the last seven years.

We only decided to visit the Island because there, only, is a place where there is no interruption. Might we also say that at no other place that we can remember have we found so many lovely bags (not pails) of garbage just waiting to be snaggd. Yours until the next visit

'The City Dwelling Dogs'



rigby's BELIEVE IT ALL NOW

THE EASTERN GAP WAS CAUSED BY NATURE IN THE 19TH CENTURY. THE ISLAND STRETCHED FROM UDOCBINE TO THE HANNAH'S FERRY. LOOKS LEAVING A HALF THE WIDE "WESTERN GAP" IN THE 1860'S. UDOCBINE QUARIES ENTTREED THROUGH, SUBSANS FALLEN? HOTELS AND CREATING A PERMANENT NAVIGABLE CHANNEL. THIS CHANNEL HAS ONLY BEEN DECEDED AND IMPROVED AND CALLED THE EASTERN GAP.

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SEND THE ISLAND SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS TO IGLOOKLIK, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES OR BUST BENEFIT BAR B Q AND DANCE

Algonquin Island Clubhouse Friday May 28

7pm BarBQ Steak Dinner (Red wine will also be served)

9pm Dance

Bar Members of the Senior Class will be around your door with tickets. Please support this imaginative and ambitious project. A once in a lifetime opportunity for 20 Island kids.

Last year's dinner was a great success. People were enthusiastic about the quality of the steaks. If you'd like to buy some for future use, orders will be taken at the dance. They may also raffie off a little something.

You're probably wondering where the hell Igloolik is and what this whole thing is about. Look for the May 30 issue of the Goose and Duck. We'll have the whole story in detail. (A story which asks the question: can 20 Island kids find happiness 200 miles north of the Arctic Circle?)



Following are excerpts from a brief to the City Planning Board at their recent meeting on the central waterfront development given by Ken Counsell, Mr. Counsell is the Liberal candidate for Provincial Parliament for our riding, St. Andrews-St. Patrick.

Future of the Islands

Even now it is not too late to stop the ill-conceived policy of totally depopulating the Islands, City Planning Board has a responsibility to show leadership in this matter by making clear where it stands on the question and by calling on Metro Council to reverse itself. Island's potential as a year-round tourist attraction has been neglected and provides another reason for preserving a year-round Island Community.

Should all existing houses on Toronto Islands be demolished? Consistent with the previous stated policy that offshore residential development would not be acceptable, existing housing on the Island should remain until such time as the recreational demands of available island parkland can be shown to be insufficient. Realizing the great hardship and disruption involved, great care and assistance in relocation of the families would be needed.

A BRIEF TO THE CITY OF TORONTO PLANNING BOARD.

SUBJECT: CENTRAL WATERFRONT PLANNING STUDY-HARBOUR CITY

BY TORONTO ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION-Emmie Clarke
May 5, 1971

As a representative of the 800 Islanders who constitute the only residential community in the Central Waterfront Area, I welcome this opportunity to discuss the possibility of residential uses of Toronto's waterfront with special reference to Harbour City.

The Planning Act states that local residents are to be consulted in any detailed planning study, but more important than any stated right we Islanders may have to be involved in Central Waterfront planning, is the valuable and positive contribution we can make to the planning process by virtue of our unique location and long experience in waterfront living, a contribution that would be especially valuable in those portions of the Study Area where residential uses are proposed.

We know what it's like to live in the Central Waterfront area.

We believe in the basic concept of Harbour City, and are convinced that residential uses combined with park uses can be mutually beneficial. The mixed-use concept of Harbour City could form a total, sophisticated 'Urban Park' system. The planners of Harbour City had studied waterfront communities as far afield as Amsterdam; we believe they could learn much right here at home by studying the only existing island community in the waterfront area. To demonstrate this point, I will attempt to explain how the eight objectives of Harbour City as stated in the province's plan are already fulfilled by the residential community on Ward's and Algonquin Islands.

Objective 1 of Harbour City states that it is accessible to everybody and that it is a community making full public use of its waterfront location.

Housing on the Island is designed to allow complete accessibility to all public areas—beach, boardwalk, picnic and open space areas. In addition, playing fields and the community centres are open to, and used by, the general public. This is in sharp contrast to many existing lake-front communities that usurp public areas and beaches for exclusively private use.

Objective 2 of Harbour City states that recreation is brought into everyday life and that the ground level is directly accessible to all apartment units.

On the Island, the community sponsors an extensive, year-round, indoor outdoor recreation program for all age groups, including baseball, sailing, lawn bowling, tennis, badminton, hockey and skating. Many of these sports involve people from the mainland.

The objective of ground level accessibility is easily met on the Island with its single family houses. Contrary to widespread opinion, the density of Ward's Island is equal to the 80-90 persons per acre proposed for Harbour City.

Objective 3 of Harbour City states that it is oriented towards public transit.

With respect to this objective, the Island community goes much farther than Harbour City in its commitment to public transit. Islanders are completely dependent on it in the form of the ferry service.

No private cars are allowed on the Island—only service vehicles such as the milk truck, fire engine and police car. Nor would the Islanders have it any other way in recent surveys 100 percent of Islanders polled were opposed to private motor vehicles on the Island. We well understand the advantages of an automobile-free environment with respect to pollution, noise and safety.

Objective 4 of Harbour City states that it is a balanced residential community incorporating families with and without children, different ages, different ages, and different occupations.

This description could have been written about the Island, so accurately does it describe the diversity that exists among its residents.

Objective 5 of Harbour City states that it fosters neighborliness and creates a sense of identity in those living there.

On the Island, neighborliness and a sense of identity are fostered by the sharing of numerous experiences unique to the Island community, such as the daily ferry trip with its attendant joys and inconveniences and the necessity of relying on one's neighbours in the many small emergencies that arise in a small, relatively isolated community. A recent survey showed that during one typical week more than 75 percent of Island families had neighbours visit to borrow a household item.

Objective 6 of Harbour City states that it is self-supporting.

The Island community is not subsidized in any way.

- We pay ground rent set by Metro.
- We pay property taxes based on the same assessment criteria as every other residential community in Toronto but without receiving a full range of normal services.

Without grant or subsidy of any kind we operate two large community centres and a social program including a co-operative play school, a summer day camp, dances, and summer and winter festivals.

The daily commuting by Island residents substantially reduces the cost of operating a year-round, regularly scheduled ferry service.

Objective 7 of Harbour City states that it does not reduce the use of waterways and of parkland.

In any waterfront development, there is a real danger that access to the parks and water will be denied the public or that their attractiveness will be destroyed. On the Island this danger does not exist; in fact, only the presence of the residential community makes year-round use of the park a reality. During the cold months of every year, several thousand city people visit the Island and make use of the park for the one reason that they have friends living there. Very few of these visitors would ever venture across in winter if they could not be sure of finding shelter from the wind and cold in a friend's house. More than one city visitor, unaware that there are no restaurants or heated shelters open in winter, have been warmed and fed by Islanders.

Not only does the existence of the Island community increase the use of the park, but it makes it a much safer place for visitors than it would otherwise be. On many occasions Islanders have given first aid to injured cyclists, rescued drowning canoeists, and notified the Harbour Police when swimmers or novice sailors were in trouble on the lake or bay.

Objective 8 of Harbour City states that it provides for modern concepts in flexible planning, legislation and life style.

The Island community fulfills this objective

- by providing medium density housing in single family form and suitable for family use;
 - by operating on a lease-back basis whereby land is retained in public ownership, a method now beginning to be used by the Ontario Housing Corporation and by other housing authorities in Canada and elsewhere;
 - by achieving complete separation of vehicles and pedestrians, thus creating a safe, quiet residential environment;
 - by operating a social and recreational program for all ages and interests.
- In short, the Island community can be considered as a text book example of modern planning.

We agree with these eight objectives of the Harbour City Plan and believe they will form a sound basis on which to plan a waterfront, island community. However, practical solutions and methods based on these objectives are products of time and experience, therefore we offer ourselves and our community as prime research material in the detailed planning of Harbour City.

We thank you for this opportunity to speak, and as local residents of the Central Waterfront Area, we look forward to being involved in the future planning of this area.



PEOPLE IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

On Friday May 12 Carol Jean Elliot and Warren Webster will be married at St. Rita's Church at Centre Island. Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Elliot of Algonquin Island and Warren is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Webster of 2nd Street. We wish them all the best for the future.



Recently 20 of Diane Horne's friends and neighbours attended a shower in her honor on Ward's Island. Apparently the secret was well kept from the guest of honor as she arrived at the shower with a mouth full of carrots.

Many delicious cakes were served. Special attention was given Toni Haddrell's lemon pound cake. (How about that recipe for The Goose & Duck, Toni?) It's reported that Ross and Diane's baby will be the best equipped on the Island.



Gail Coleman and Pat Morton tell us that the Ward's Island Association Club house is now open for business. The regular seasonal activities won't be getting underway for a month or so, but they would like to hear from people with new ideas for using the space. How about poetry readings, Giant slot-car racing, pot luck supper, chess tournament, arts and craft classes, radio and like that? Phone Gail at 368-9254 or Pat at 368-8756.

P.S. Will there be no end to this cleaning? All those willing to help with a club-house cleaning bee please come out Saturday, May 29 at 11am. Bring your own equipment (window cleaning, scrubbing, kitchen cleaning, minor repairs (wasn't he in the 48th Highlanders?)).



Frank Bovaconti's man in charge of Ward's Island baseball this year and he's asking new Islanders who'd like to play ball to get in touch with him. There are 4 teams in the league, they play a couple nights a week, and the players age span is about 16 to 45. More info from Frank at 19 Fourth Street, 366-4174.



A copy of the G&D has reached ex-Islander Les Lye in Ottawa. He sends this comment, "I may not agree with your bumper sticker, but I'll defend to the death your right to stick it."



What to do if you miss the boat on Friday nights

go and jam with Flash at Theatre Pases Murailla
 11 Trinity Square (off Yonge
 2 blocks below Dundas)
 take along your bass, amplifier and tape recorder. Every Friday night after the play ends.

The Goose and Duck

TORONTO ISLAND COMMUNITY NEWS MAY 30 1971

TORONTO ISLAND WATER TAXI
 364-9905
 On Call: (\$3.00 Minimum)
 Leaving foot of York Street
 Daily—1 a.m. (No Minimum)
 2 a.m. to 7 a.m. (Minimum \$5.00)

Can Island Kids find Happiness 200 miles north of the Arctic Circle?

Hopefully 20 Island students, i.e. Grade 6, 7 and 8 pupils at the Island Public School will have a chance to answer this question. We say 'hopefully' because many of the plans are still uncertain. If all goes well the week of June 7th will find the 20 children accompanied by their teacher, Mr Bennett; Mrs Hervey, the kindergarten teacher; Mr Middleton, from the Natural Science School staff; Mr and Mrs Godin of Ward's Island; a cameraman and Mr Hopkins travelling nearly 2,000 miles due north to the tiny settlement of Igloolik in the Foxe Basin.

The Foxe Basin is a large, almost enclosed body of water lying between Baffin Island and the Melville Peninsula. Here the Eskimos depend largely on the resources of the sea for their survival. The most important settlement is the village of Igloolik located on the Igloolik Island where Mr and Mrs Godin spent several months working with the Eskimo people.

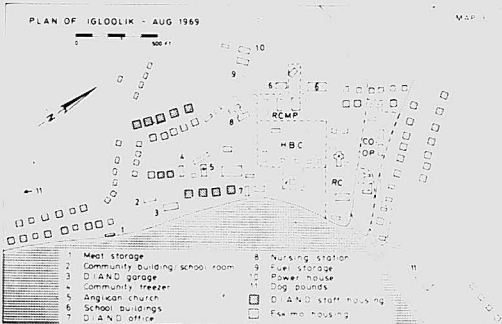
In 1969, 503 Eskimos lived in the small village. There is a Hudson Bay Post, an R.C.M.P. Outpost, both a Roman Catholic and an Anglican Mission, a Co-operative and a Government Agent.

It is our intent to camp on the edge of the village for several days before moving out to the summer hunt camp for close to a week. During our stay the children will be making a host of environmental observations as well as learning first hand how some Canadians earn a living.

The area is steeped in history and although Igloolik itself is a relatively



Permanent camp (Winter site)



modern settlement, by northern standards, it is known that Eskimos have concentrated close by for many centuries. One research paper that we have studied in the preparations for the trip tells us that this location has been continuously occupied for almost forty centuries. In the early 19th century this area was visited by Captain Parry, a predecessor of Sir John Franklin, in the search for a north-west passage. From reading his accounts and observations made during the winter of 1822-23 and comparing these to observations made in 1969 by three McGill graduate students we find sod lodges he saw still stand today.

If all goes according to plan and the children do make friends with the school children in Igloolik we hope to host a number of these children in a return visit next year.


While the children are in the north a television show will be made to help raise funds for the venture. A number of other companies have offered assistance and at present all is a bustle at the school. For example, Friday noon was spent tasing and preparing freeze-dried foods. This week will find the students learning to operate Coleman stoves and tent heaters.

It is hoped that the Island population will have contributed much by attending the Steak Barbecue and Dance held on Friday, May 28. This is one of the largest projects ever undertaken by an elementary school and we dearly wish to see it through.

Watch the Goose and Duck for further developments.



Born to Henry and Lana Farmery, a daughter, Jennifer Alaine.



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Goose and Duck Contest Number One

A prize (to be announced) will be awarded to the person who creates the best idea for a sign to balance that which the Parks Department has recently and recklessly erected on the Ward's Island Dock. (Come to think of it, isn't there a clause in the Ward's Island lease which forbids erections?) Anyway, send us your design and in due time a committee of judges will choose the winner. Watch the Goose and Duck for publication of the most arresting ideas and finally the winner.



ALAN HOWARD, 'ISLAND CRUSADER'

by Margaret Burrows

When Alan Howard, 67, stepped out of the door of his apartment on the 15th floor of the Toronto Harbour Hotel, he was greeted by the sight of a black and white cat. "What did he do?"

If he had a dog for Alan Howard and his dedicated band of co-workers, they might not even be an island but a worry abounding for residents of park.

Alan Howard, 67, stepped out of the door of his apartment on the 15th floor of the Toronto Harbour Hotel, he was greeted by the sight of a black and white cat. "What did he do?"

From 1945 to 1957 he successfully battled City Hall for all the major reasons that have meant not just continuation of life on the island, but of the very existence of the land itself. His weapons—logic, common sense, an abiding belief in the island community, coupled with a rare gift of eloquence.

Masterly Presentations

"Old Islanders still talk about those City Hall lobbies—Council-Chambers packed with Islanders and their children—Alan Howard giving his masterly presentations to a Council that always listened even though they didn't always agree.

Dependable water transportation services, extensions of leases, additions to the Island School, the Lakeshore seawall, Algonquin retaining wall—these are just a few of the campaigns he spearheaded through perhaps the most perilous years of Island History.

Alan Howard lived most of his life on the island—from 1918 to 1959—in a big rambling house at 410 Lakeshore Avenue near the Filtration Plant. His father, a bacteriologist of international note, had been brought over from England by the city of Toronto as an authority on Water Purification. But many old-timers will recall that Dr. Howard was in great demand to treat Islanders' illnesses as well as city water.

"In early years," reminisces Alan Howard, "there were only about 110 year-round residents. That figure later peaked to about 2700 in the winter, 8000 in the summer. My father had first had medical training before switching to bacteriology—a fact the Islanders soon discovered—and he was called upon to treat everything from childbirth to hang-nails. He made thousands of house calls on the islands without remuneration." Veteran Islander, Harold Aitken, agrees. "There's no doubt about it. Dr. Howard saved scores of Island-lives through the years."

Saved Homes

And his son saved hundreds of Island homes and hundreds of feet of land. "Alan was a hard and successful worker from the Second World War on," attests Mr. Aitken. "He was our chief spokesman at City Hall on many occasions."

Mr. Howard looks back on the lobbying for the Lakeshore seawall as one of the most dramatic periods in Island past.

"From the fall of 1950 through to the spring of '52 was a period of very high water," he recalls. "The breakwater supporting the boardwalk along the Lakeshore had been built in a low-water period and proved completely inadequate for the blows from the Lake. Every time we had a south-easterly wind, the waves crashed against the boardwalk sending spray 50 feet in the air, carrying away the attractive little pavilions and beautiful gardens of the Lakeshore, and undermining the homes themselves. The whole of Ward's Island and the Lakeshore was very often under 15 inches to two feet of water during those easterly gales."

Every Islander who lived through that period recalls bizarre incidents—Joan Smith of Algonquin Island being thrown off her bike when a fish swam through the spokes—the character who canoeed along the sidewalk to get to the Ward's ferry boat—the washout at the foot of the Algonquin

on the bridge—the duck-walks along Ciboia all the way to Centre Island—residents carrying shoes and socks to wade to ferries.

"Conditions were indescribable," remembers Alan Howard. "Yet it proved difficult to persuade the city fathers to do anything. Then, as now, they thought of Island homes as 'cottages' and few of them had any idea of the destruction threatening. In those years, as today, there were Councillors sympathetic to the island and those who were decidedly not."

The anti-Islanders of course pounced on the whole flood situation as a lever to get the Islanders removed. The summer of '51, a Toronto paper blasted a headline: DISEASE THREATENS ISLAND, and city officials were quoted as saying overflowing septic tanks were making the land unfit for habitation. "An exaggeration," says Alan Howard, "not a word of truth in it."

Undaunted, the Islanders mounted a major campaign. "We planned a thorough presentation," recounts Mr. Howard, "with the help of people like Harold Aitken and the late Al Whiskin. We had photo blow-ups of the waves breaking over the boardwalk, damage to the homes, the land, the bridges, hydro services. We asked as many Islanders who could get away from their job to attend. It was a solid community-front. And we won."



photo by Bud Burrows

Seawall Built

The seawall was built—but not all at once. Harold Aitken recalls that the first stage, built in the fall of '51 to the tune of around \$60,000, ran only from Manitou to the Algonquin bridge—leaving the whole eastern end of Ward's and the western end of Centre still dangerously exposed to Lake storms. Extensions were finally added in 1952 for another \$40,000, and dry land appeared.

"The thing that really irked us," says Mr. Howard, "was that it was so hard to get anything done for the little necessities. Millions were now being spent for very limited use of the island per year—the most, three months. And so much less was needed than to keep a flourishing community comfortable and happy. If anything like more money had been spent, this could have developed a well planned and well equipped island with a new kind of land for open park. Then, as now, the argument was used that the Islanders were keeping it all to themselves. They talk nowadays about the crowds of 25,000 coming over on a single Sunday. In those years, 50 to 60,000 used to travel to the islands on the busiest days and there was plenty of room for visitors as well as Islanders. At no time was there ever more than one-eighth of the land taken for residences. They always had seven-eighths to work on."

Another big battle loomed shortly after the Seawall fight. Algonquin Island's bay-front was being swifly eroded. High water, plus proximity to the Eastern ship channel, laid it open to poundings of North and West winds as well as the wash from ships. Some thirty feet of land were washed away in a matter of two years. At one time you could sit on benches along Seneca and watch the sunset through beautiful old trees. Soon those same trees were sitting

walk, eroding lawns close to the homes. (The author and her husband figured that at the rate of erosion, their own house—mid-block on Dacotah—would be threatened in about six years time.)

"Once more it was hard to convince the City to do anything," Alan Howard remembers. "Algonquin Island seemed very remote to the Council. But when they realized they were losing potential park-land, they finally voted enough for a retaining wall which stopped erosion."

Hanlan's Pointers Float Their Homes

Algonquin Island, originally called Sunfish Island was settled first by Hanlan Islanders disposed when the Airport went in. These homes were floated by barge across the Bay to the outside perimeter of Algonquin, and given 21 year leases. Later, a desperate City Council—faced with a severe housing shortage—induced retaining wall veterans to spend their DVA building bonuses on Algonquin.

As those Algonquin veterans—as well as early Lakeshore and Ward's—began to expire, they were put on a yearly basis and difficult to renew. The City Council was anxious to pick these up immediately and start the long process of replotting islands. In 1958, Alan Howard and his colony managed to bring these expiring leases up to the one final deadline of 1966 securing residents of at least another 15 years of Island living.

Loves His Work

That he loves his work is apparent—as he shows a visitor his latest pride—a collection of steamer-whistles of every description, size, sound, and vintage—covering a generation or more of Canadian waterway history.

Returning to his other beloved topic—Toronto Island—Alan Howard expresses fears that if the concept of Total Park is achieved, many millions spent, and all Islanders evicted, at some future date the city will grow rufel over the short season of summer. To develop it, he says, must recoup their money and feel it necessary to develop Hi-Rise apartments on the Island.

"To begin with, the land presents serious problems for such a project," he declares. "Being largely sand and water, it would necessitate spending fortunes on foundations. And in the end, would be so expensive they simply wouldn't be available for people of moderate means. It could change the whole life-style of the Island."

The charm of the island—in the old days as now—to Alan Howard, is to most people who escape to it from the City, is the Green Belt appeal. A place remote from noise, congestion, traffic and pollution of big-city living. A place where a model community could have co-existed happily with a people's park.

"Always the argument has been used that the Islanders were the favoured few," reminisces Mr. Howard. "In what way so favoured? Living on a precipice—never knowing what was in the future, or if there would be a future?"

"One interesting aspect I remember. In 1947, a multimillion dollar plan was put forth for the future development of the Island. Hundreds of thousands of dollars went into plans, surveys, drawings, graphs, special studies and so forth. One of the statements made had a curious twist.

"The Planning Board recommended the so-called 'Community Cell' idea—which they stated results in a commitment on the part of the residents toward keeping up high standards within the cell. A kind of self-policing and self-betterment on the social, economic and cultural level that is the backbone of a successful community. This, on the one hand, was their recommendation—the development of such a model community. Yet, paradoxically, they were advocating eviction of the Toronto Island Community—the very way of life they were praising."

Odd Ball

Perhaps the city fathers have never really known the truth about the Island Community. Perhaps there has been too much written about the so-called 'characters' on the island, and the so-called 'odd ball' way of life. And too little about the quiet steady daily living that relies on its own resources—not city distractions—for happiness.

"We have had very fine, very strong people who have been pillars of strength through the Island years," says Mr. Howard. "Al Whiskin—a driving force, very plausible, very effective at City Hall, Harold Aitken—a keen assiduous worker for island interests. Those two—instrumental in starting the Inter-Island Council. And there was Allan Wood—Editor of the Centre Islander—a great newspaper, widely read. Bill Sutherland who owned the old Manitou Hotel—a man with ideas, not a man of methods, but very often imaginative. And McBride—a former Mayor—who lived on Ward's Lakeshore, and was of course in a position to do a great deal for the Islands. I could go on and on. We had many fine community leaders through the years."

"People lucky enough to live on the island really had a hard time of it," says Alan Howard. "It's not that they were persecuted Islanders. It's that they were persecuted on their own terms. They were the only ones who had to live on the island. The rest of them were just passing through."

How did he get his present appointment? It tops off a lifetime of interest in transportation—trains, streetcars, ships. "I was always ship-conscious," he confesses. "From the time I was a small boy at the Island, watching the fleet of passenger-steamers out of Toronto harbour. Added to that, I started building a Maritime library from an early

GOOD NEWS

As some of you know, the owners of three Island houses have been threatened with eviction by Metro for failure to pay ground rent and/or taxes. Of the three, one has won his case in court, one has settled out of court, and the third case is at present before the courts.

WHEN IS AN ISLANDER NOT AN ISLANDER?

Some people have been wondering about the notice in the May 20 TIRA Bulletin about the length of time Islanders have lived here. At the Parks meeting last week Metro Chairman Albert Campbell expressed a feeling of responsibility for old Islanders but not for new ones. In his opinion, the dividing line is December 31, 1968; this being the expiry date of the original leases.

We are anxious to prove that a large number of Islanders, who, according to City Hall records, would be classed as new, were actually on the Island long before this date.

Example: One family who had been residents for at least ten years moved out of town for about a year, but quickly saw the error of their ways and returned to the Island (to a different house) in 1970. Obviously these people are old Islanders, but City Hall records would show them as new ones.

The question of summer residents has often been raised by politicians who assume that such residents are the wealthy owners of two houses, one on the Island, and one in the city. We want to show that many summer residents cannot afford a city house, and during the winter sub-let apartments or take rooms in the city.

In many cases, this information was known to the executive. Only those houses are being canvassed about which there is some doubt.

MORE NEEDS

One of our arguments for staying is that only the presence of the residential community makes year round use of the park possible, and that the majority of winter visitors to the park are friends and relatives of Islanders. To prove this we need to know

- 1) how many different non-Islanders visited you last winter during the time of the winter ferry schedule (Nov. 1 to April 13).
- 2) the total number of such visits you received. Example: If 5 people each visited you twice, you received 10 visits.

Please try and remember; the information will be collected on the weekend.

Needed: Volunteers to collect this information. Please call John Woodburn at UN1-1927.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

By now it is clear that the hatching of The Goose and Duck has been received with as close to universal approval as our individualistic Island community can muster. TIRA is pleased to have been associated with the paper since its first issue, and we hope that the two local associations will also see fit to make full use of it, replacing at least in part the historic papers.

One of the strong points of the paper is the diverse points of view that it presents in a readable and often entertaining manner. At times, some of these points of view are negative and this is only right; the signs of maturity in the Goose and Duck are measured quickly. In fact, the paper has become a point of reference for the following: Coleman's story in the Goose and Duck; Parks Department Destroys Two More Homes.

We were disappointed that the community accountants and administrators on April 30. It seems more likely that the absence of Islanders can be

By the way, if you're waiting for a decision on the legality of the 'no sale or rent' clause, don't hold your breath. Contrary to the report in the Goose and Duck, the testing of the restrictive clauses in the courts has not yet taken place, although the time may well come when we do take Metro to court.

Finally, the nation was not torn apart by the issue of the Goose and Duck. Many members of the TIRA executive tempted us to save the houses in the Goose and Duck. Finally, we have saved them.

It is important that the exact date of the meeting, but simply the fact that a decision on lease extensions has

legal title to a house is much more difficult to save it.

Chairman Member

for Coleman replies: The real important thing is that people be informed as to what is going on. It will be a long process, but it is worth the effort. As many people were informed as possible.

If we merely get another extension of the current one year lease I don't think we're that much farther ahead. It may give us more time to act, admittedly slowly, through the 'proper' channels, but it certainly takes the bite out of our intention to stay here.

What John Woodburn is saying, in effect, is that the channels used so far are the only legitimate ones and anything else is immature & dangerous. I couldn't

FOR SALE

Wake Up Service—Can't get up in the morning? Call Brett Stein, 366-5078. He will be pleased to waken you from 6am to 8:30am.

Picture matting—Patry 7 Willow.

Like a water colour of the Islands? Buy Island Please at 363-3850. Colin Righton, 4 2nd Street.

2 crabs, with salted butter, \$5.50 and \$7.00. Phone 366-8888.

Emergency repairs or available appointments call John Woodburn, 368-6888.

Prints, paintings, sketches—Rosemary Hoover, 36 Lakeshore.

Boat Trailer, 17' long; lights, winch and retractable 3rd wheel. \$200. EM8-2288.

ROOM WANTED

Responsible young man wants room on the Island. Please call Tom at 363-3850. Evenings.

Young man looking for room on the Island. Please call 366-7100.

Public Library—City Hall Branch, 366-8888. 9:30am to 6:00pm.

Repair advice & assistance. Carney, 5 Third Street.

Public Health Nurse—Mrs. Taskovics, 511 Richmond Street W. 364-5421. between 8:30am & 4:30pm.

THE GOOSE & DUCK GRUB GURUS

TONI'S EASY LEMON SPONGE CAKE

Line 4 loaf pans with tinfoil. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Beat for 7 minutes in a large bowl

- 2 Duncan Hines Lemon Cake Mixes
- 2 small packages lemon jello
- 1 1/2 cups oil
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 8 eggs

pour into the 4 tinfoil lined pans and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

Topping: Juice from 2 lemons approximately 3/4 pound powdered sugar. This mixture should be fairly runny.

When warm from oven, prick the cakes with a fork all over the top. Pour the mixture of lemon juice and sugar into the holes. This makes the cakes extra moist and delicious. They also freeze very well, great for unexpected company.

Toni Haddral (who got the recipe from Vandy Stein, who got it from a friend in Montreal, who got it from...)

ANNE'S CRUNCHY GRANOLA

It's been said that the 'K' in 'Special K' stands for Kafka. If you agree, then try the following instead of your usual breakfast cereal.

- 1 1/4 cups (about 3 lbs) large flake oatmeal (buy in health food store)
- 2 cups wheat germ
- 1 cup shelled sunflower seeds (also at health food store)
- 1 cup sesame seeds
- 1 1/2 cups honey, or brown sugar, or raw sugar (all lumps out)

Mix all dry ingredients in a bowl, then add the following:

- 2 cup water
- 1 cup oil (any other than oil)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon salt

Bake mixture on 350 degrees on a cookie sheet with a lip. You won't get all the mixture on the sheet. Bake 50 minutes cooking until mixture is golden brown—about 20 minutes. You can substitute milk or cream and fruit.

Anne Mah...



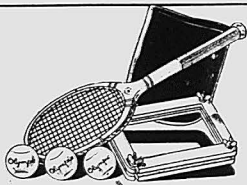
Ode to a Dandelion

Dandelion you much maligned, persecuted, denigrated flower. You grow under the most harrowing conditions. You gladden my heart in the early spring when there is no other flower showing. You stick your heads through the hard earth in vacant lots left neglected, for redevelopment. Your brilliant yellow is the first colour to appear in the open cuts of the Subway, where later, other weeds! ! I will blossom. Oh Dandelion—your tender leaves provide me with greens early in the year and your wine is delightful. Even when you are old your fluffy white heads wave happily and send forth airy harbingers of more springs to come.

Babs Lye

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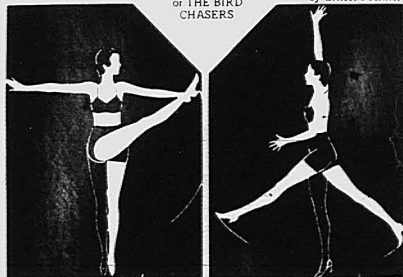


Ward's Island Tennis Club is now a member of the Inter County Tennis Association. There are approximately 22 clubs with more than 6,000 members involved. The purpose of the association is to promote better tennis at all levels. They have 3 evening mixed leagues, 2 junior leagues and many tournaments throughout the season. This year they have introduced a ladies' daytime tennis league, which greatly interested some of our women members.

Monica Vermeulen, an ex-Islander, is the chairman. She was happy to accept Ward's Island as part of the league. We will be playing on a 'home and away' basis every Wednesday morning. Any woman member available during the day and interested in playing for our team (6 girls) or cheering us on, please contact Toni Haddral, 23 4th Street, 368-9893. Our first home game is on June 2 with Brampton Tennis Club.

BADMINTON BASHERS or THE BIRD CHASERS

by Ernest Fechner



During our fair spring, a number of men and women have devoted their time every Monday and Tuesday, to chasing our feathered friends in the AIA Clubhouse. To be more precise, they were involved in a badminton tournament for which they paid 50 cents a game and received a chance for immense fame and great treasures. The end result of this drive for fun and frolic was somewhat disappointing, however, its main purpose was still achieved.

In the ladies division, 12 ladies came out the first night, but after that the attendance was poor and even matches were hard to come by. After overcoming hurdle after hurdle, it was possible to make up the final standings:

- 1st. John Handy
- 2nd. Bud Guest
- 3rd. Anne Broecker
- 4th. Dorothy Hustler

Honourable mention should go to Nina Handley who beat the two ladies in her matched division, Wendi Hanger, who came very close to obtaining a position, Anne Maher, who attended every game but had little luck, and Enid Cridland

who also came close. Others who came out were Eva Cappel, Bonnie Erwin and Barb Roerick.

In the men's division, the attendance was somewhat better as ten regular players came out every week, and a better prize kitty could be obtained. There were some major upsets and the division was played with great enthusiasm. Standings:

- 1st. John Handy
- 2nd. Bud Guest
- 3rd. Dave Zheika
- 4th. Terry Maher
- 5th. Tom English
- 6th. Mike Mortimer

The big moment came when John Handy played Judith Prevost. Could the fair weak defenceless sex best her brutal and strong opponent? The answer is both yes and no so far, as they have won one and lost one game each.

And so ends the tale of the Island Badminton Bashers. Prizes will be given out to the winners ranging from \$1 to \$5. Thanks to those who came and helped make it a success.

WARD'S ISLAND LADIES BOWL THEM OVER



The Olympic Bowling Alley on Edward Street in Downtown Toronto is one lively spot every Thursday afternoon in the winter when the Ward's Island lady bowlers meet to do their thing.

Recently they got together for a festive luncheon to celebrate the end of another great year of alley bowling. The party was held at the Westbury Hotel. Cash Prizes were presented to some of the outstanding bowlers. The winning team in the first series was that of Verna Raper, former resident of Centre Island, Best team in the second series was Edith Wilson, president of the club and former Ward's Islander. Anne O'Neill of 5th Street won the prize for highest average in both series. Other prizes too numerous to mention were won but all the ladies are winners in this league as a great time is had by all.



From left to right: Peggy Broadfoot, Verna Raper, George Blay, Dorothy Cosburn, Edith Wilson, Irene Graham, Isobel Wilson, Elizabeth Coleman, Helen Wilson, Audrey Griffin, Edith Ward, Betty Williams, Anne O'Neill and Billy Smythe. A few of the ladies are residents of Toronto who joined to fill the gaps left by Island residents who had to give the league up for various reasons. Photos are by Brian Daniels.



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Stop Mouth Breathing

Dear ED:

A couple of issues back you printed a picture of Hanlans Point in its heyday — under the heading 'Remember When'. Your caption, however, was a little off base. The present site of the Island Yacht Club is on Muggs Island which is out of the photo in the foreground. Although the amusement park and the Hanlans Hotel burned down before my time, I played in the old ball park and competed in rowing, canoeing, and swimming races on the Regatta course seen immediately behind the baseball stadium.

The strip of land you see running south from the Western Gap is West Island Drive. When the Island Airport was started in 1936, the houses on the Drive were removed by scow to Sunfish Island (now known as Algonquin) and can still be seen on Omaha, Wyandot and Seneca Avenues. At that time, the stadium was torn down and the regatta course and the area south from the mouth of the gap filled in.

It is interesting to note that the ferry docks, although rebuilt are still in the same location, and the only building that still exists today is Durman's Boathouse which can be easily recognized complete with dock just south of the Hotel.

Bill Stevenson Jr., 7 Ojibway

Thanks for pointing out error out to us Bill. We hope everybody got out their old Goose and Duck to check your facts. ED.



Dear Sir and Madam:

We would like to obtain a subscription to the Goose and Duck. We are in the process of collecting newsletters, brochures, pamphlets, etc. from ratepayers groups, tenants organizations and similar groups in Metro Toronto. All these, including your newspaper, will be kept on permanent file in the library.

We also have a community and urban affairs bulletin board which is available for use with permission.

Yours truly,
Joyce N. Watson, Head
Municipal Reference Library
City Hall

Mr. Willis Blair, Chairman of
Parks and Recreation Committee,
The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto,
City Hall,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Blair and Members of the Committee:

It has come to my attention the next meeting of your Committee is scheduled for June 17th, 1971, at which time you will have before you, for consideration, a report from the Metropolitan Parks Commissioner on residents of Toronto Island.

As the Minister responsible for housing in this Province, I am very much aware of the present housing shortage. My department, through the Ontario Housing Corporation, at the end of April, 1971, had 31,233 family units and 6,595 senior citizens units.

However, at the present time in Metropolitan Toronto alone there are 12,805 applications on a waiting list, and approximately 1000 new applications are being received every month.

Therefore, I strongly recommend to your most earnest consideration that the existing 263 houses on Toronto Island should not be demolished at the present time, but remain at least until you are ready to proceed with further park developments on the sites of these houses.

To demolish these houses during a critical housing shortage will create untold hardship for their occupants who will experience great difficulty in relocating.

Gentlemen, in placing this recommendation before you I do so with the earnest hope that you will approve its implementation.

Sincerely yours,
Allan Grossman,
Minister

LETTERS



Dear ED:

The former Anglican rectory at 102 Lakeshore Avenue is being used again this summer as a day camp for Senior Citizens and patients from the Queen Street Mental Health Centre.

The Summer Centre for Seniors opens June 14 and continues to operate through July 30. The hospital patients will start their camp at the beginning of August and continue through September.

Both programs have their own supervision and staffs. The Urban Church Board of the Anglican and United Churches has general responsibility for use of the building.

The interest of the Island residents is greatly welcomed. John Woodburn has already been a real help. We have a need for both lamps and outdoor chairs to improve our supply of early Crippled Civilians' antiques.

Visitors are welcome throughout the summer. Last year the children from Ward's Island Supervision visited the camp while the hospital patients were there and enjoyed being involved in the program.

Yours truly,
Rev. Gerold Loweth, Exec. Sec.,
Metro Toronto Urban Church Board

Dear ED:

Thank you for The Goose and Duck. I would appreciate your sending future copies to my home address.

In talking to one of the Island residents, it appeared to me that you should take whatever steps possible to bring the future of the Island housing as vividly as possible to the attention of the public. The proposed Harbour City (which the municipal and Toronto and District Liberals oppose) but which the old guard favours, nevertheless makes the City Hall policy of eliminating all housing on the Islands completely contradictory. The Spadina victory should encourage you to 'go public' again before it is too late and while the citizen is being more thoughtfully considered.

Yours truly,
Stephen Clarkson, Dept. of Political Economy, University of Toronto



Dear ED:

While the animal clinic held recently at the Ward's Island Association Club house was undeniably a good thing there is one point I feel I must question. That is the matter of the registration form posted on the waiting shed at the ferry dock. I feel a lack of sensitivity was shown by the persons who decided to show the names of the animals and, hence, the names of the animals and, hence, their ailments. I ask you, if you had ear lumps would you want it mouthed around the island? I think not. Wake up, animal clinic organizers! Yours truly,
Fingers, the wonder dog



THE GLOBE AND MAIL
MONDAY, MAY 31, 1971

Readers of your waterfront story of May 27 were told that the eastern headland being built by the Harbor Commissioners is "the physical key to much of the waterfront redevelopment plans". If this is so, how is one to understand the constantly changing purpose of this land? First it was to be used for an airport; then it was to form part of expanded port facilities—until it was discovered that tonnage in the Port of Toronto is actually decreasing; now, the Harbor Commissioners intends to tear down some of the existing facilities and rebuild them in the new area.

Obviously this creeping catastrophe will serve no useful purpose and is intended only to contribute to the empire building of the Harbor Commissioners. Although the purpose of the land may be in doubt, what are obvious are the disastrous effects that it will have, and is already having on the Island park, an area used and loved by over a million people every year.

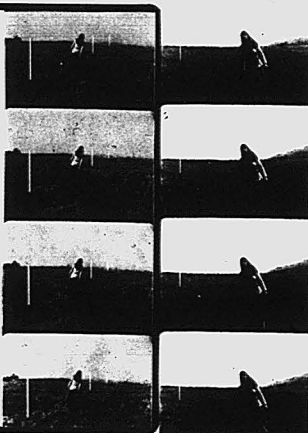
Already an increase in pollution has been noticed on the Ward's Island Beach. How long will it be before all the Island beaches are made unusable by the pollution from an outer harbor and the interruption by the headland of the normal water currents? The very view of the open lake, which is surely another essential recreational aspect of the Island, is being destroyed. While recent waterfront developments are trying to bring the lake back into the life of the city, the Harbor Commissioners are cutting us off forever from this irreplaceable natural resource.

By what authority, with whose permission are the Harbor Commissioners creeping into Lake Ontario at the rate of seven feet a day? Until they have proved that this project is both essential and ecologically safe, an injunction should be issued prohibiting any further extension of the headland.

P. Godard
Executive Member Toronto Island Residents' Association



Scale model of apartment site, proposed Harbour City.



SEA GULL

the sensation of multi-colour reflections ripples of water curl below and the moon sends hallucinations from a face I do not know

placed on an inviting break wall the Sea Gull sits in deep thought while clouds form pillows of comfort overhanging a vacant lot

a touch of stars surrounds the night making darkness seem less cool voicers of the wind occasionally call soon streaks of light fade in renewal

abruptly the Sea Gull lifts his wings with delight he welcomes a new day as dawn opens its eyes to him together they fly away

Wendy Stevenson

PEOPLE

On Monday, May 31, the annual Bridge Banquet was held at the A.L.A. Clubhouse. Awards were given to top point-getters Gus Weishart and Chris Schoenborn (116 1/2 points), Marilyn Whidden and Nina Handley (115 1/2) and Charles Millen (107). To finish off the bridge year, after dinner, bridge was played.

After four years of building, Murray and Donna Seymour have their boat out of the shed! The name will be disclosed at the launching, June 19 at 2:30.



Recent visitors to Ottawa were Ernie and Alberta Clarke. They were off to their secret source of the exotic Fiddlehead Fern, which is a delicacy sometimes regarded as Canada's national vegetable. They came back with bushels of the stuff, but most of the work was done by Ernie. Alberta unfortunately picked up a bad case of sunburn. Should we have headed this item 'Ernie fiddles, while Alberta burns'?

Another recent visitor to Ottawa was Victor Coleman, who was attending the presentations of this year's Governor-Generals Awards for Literature in Canada. A dinner followed for some 300 guests of the Canada Council which consisted of the aforementioned fiddleheads and Buffalo meat.

Visitors to the Island last weekend included former AIA pres. Mike Harrison, with his wife and their new baby, Amy. They spent a week in Toronto and have now returned to Vancouver.



Walt Disney True Life Adventure of the Week: Lisa Woodward was minding the famous rabbit Ralph last week, but something went wrong and the rabbit disappeared. Two days later, Lisa was down at Centre Island, and guess who she saw? That's right! Ralph the Rabbit! That crazy bunny had hopped clear over the Algonquin Bridge and all the way to Centre. Let's hear it for Ralph, a truly Great Rabbit.

Frank Bovaconti, who shows a few elements of greatness himself, but who can ip no way be compared with a rabbit, is in charge of Man's Baseball this year. He needs more players, especially from Algonquin. You can phone him at 366-4174. The League gets under way in a week or so.



Ask the Sulfivans of Ward's Island if they had any house guests recently. They were away last weekend and one of the kids in the neighbourhood surprised his family by saying "Guess what I was doing this morning. Putting toads through the broken window in Sullivan's front door."

Jamie and Hughie Kidd of Oneida Avenue will be in Sweden in August sailing a 420 in the under 17 class—the World Junior Championship. After the race they'll spend three days in Copenhagen.



Ted! We're sticking Our water bed's spring a leak!

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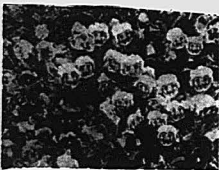
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The North American and World Championship Albacore class regatta will be held off the Island June 20-26. Liz Barry will be preparing box lunches for all the sailors, and that involves 17 loaves of bread per day. She'd like the loan of some freezer space during the regatta week, so if you can help, call her at 368 7208.



Ex-Islander Robert Pomeroy and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy—Timothy Robert.



Born to Ross and Dianne Horne, a daughter, Kimberly, on May 24, 1971.



Paul Horne

remember



Inger-jeannette de Haas, daughter of Ernst and Annelies de Haas of Ward's Island, will be married to Mr. Alfred G. Piranian on June 27 in the Princeton University Chapel, Princeton, New Jersey.

Any one interested in the idea of an Island open house on a weekend in June? Please contact Don McHenry, 5 Wyandot, 366-1439.



The Steak BBQ & Dance raised \$400. for the Iglodzik fund, and thanks are due all the teachers at the Island Public School for all their work. Thanks too to Bud Guest for extraordinary effort in regards to the music. The cart that the equipment arrived on is a definite contender for the far-out-wagon-of-the-week award.

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THE BLUEBELL & THE TRILLIUM

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THE INTACT HULL OF THE BLUEBELL AND WRECK OF THE TRILLIUM CAN STILL BE SEEN MOORED AT THE FILM-INDUSTRIAL PLANT NEAR THE ISLAND SCHOOL. TAKE A WALK OR RIDE TO MARLANS TO APPROPRIATE THESE REMS OF ANOTHER ERA BEFORE ITS TOO LATE!



BILL'S TANGY STEW FOR TWO & A HALF

1 lb chuck steak 3/4" cubes
shake in bag with 2 tbsp. flour
1/4 tsp. each of garlic salt & celery salt

Brown well in 2 tbsp. butter

Add 1/2 stalk celery chopped
2 med. onions sliced
1 cup water
1/2 cup tomato juice
1 Bay leaf
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 clove garlic minced
1/2 cup wine (sherry or cracking red)
salt & pepper to taste

Simmer 1 1/2 hours.

Add 1 large potato
4 carrots cut in chunks
1/2 green pepper

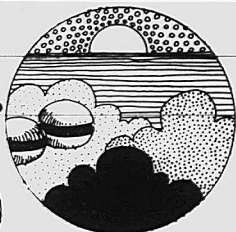
Simmer 1/2 hour longer - then thicken

Bill Stevenson Jr.

EDs note: We're sorry, sorry, sorry, but in last issue's Crunchy Granola recipe, we left out one ingredient. To the dry mix add 1 - 2 cups of unsweetened coconut. Sorry.

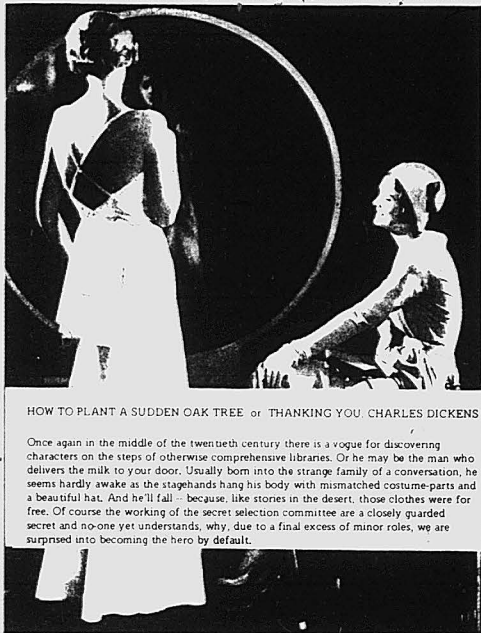
Typist's note: How's your Mom, ED?

The Fifth Kingdom Bookshop



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When the malltrucks pulled away from the sprawling Goose and Duck complex this week, and the clerks had finished their sorting, the following anonymous contribution surfaced:



HOW TO PLANT A SUDDEN OAK TREE or THANKING YOU, CHARLES DICKENS

Once again in the middle of the twentieth century there is a vogue for discovering characters on the steps of otherwise comprehensive libraries. Or he may be the man who delivers the milk to your door. Usually born into the strange family of a conversation, he seems hardly awake as the stagehands hang his body with mismatched costume-parts and a beautiful hat. And he'll fall - because, like stories in the desert, those clothes were for free. Of course the working of the secret selection committee are a closely guarded secret and no one yet understands, why, due to a final excess of minor roles, we are surprised into becoming the hero by default.

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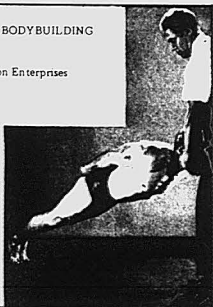
Said the Duke of Gloucester to Edward Gibbon upon the publication of his *Decline and Fall of The Roman Empire*: "Another fat book, eh, Mr Gibbon? Scribble, scribble, scribble, eh, Mr Gibbon?"

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Civic Square - Agape Singers (June 15)
This 60 voice youth choir from Louisville, Kentucky returns to Toronto with their popular program of contemporary religious music and folk songs. 12:30 pm.

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City Council Extends All Island Leases

All Islanders are, to say the least, happy about Council's decision on June 29. In the next issue there will be a detailed report on the meeting which was taken down in shorthand by Liz Barry and Karen Johanson. (This was an arduous task, for which we owe them all our thanks.) This material has to be transcribed and the full report will be on file at the Goose and Duck offices. For the moment a brief summary of the three meetings which led to council's decision will have to suffice.

Parks Committee Meeting, Friday June 25

David Rotenberg made a well reasoned argument in favour of an automatically renewable 1 year lease for all Island homeowners. He was supported by this Mayor Robert White of Scarborough. Opposition was stated by Mayor Dennis; Mr John Carrol of Etobicoke moved that houses on Ward's Island be demolished September 30, 1971 and Algonquin leases be extended for one year. He was supported by Metro Chairman Ab. Campbell who thought that if the homes were demolished the area might be used as a campsite. Paul Hunt said that he couldn't support Mr Carrol's motion because he felt it was senseless to split the community. He said he thought that either all leases should be terminated or that the tenants be given a decent length of extension, perhaps ten years. When Mr Carrol's motion was voted on, Campbell, Dennis and Carrol supported it. Rotenberg, White and Hunt opposed it. Then the Chairman, Willis Blair, who only votes in the event of a tie, cast his vote in support of Mr Carrol's motion and the recommendation from the Parks Committee to Council went forward in that form.

Executive Committee of Metro Council, Tuesday, June 29, 11:30 am

David Rotenberg made a well reasoned argument in favour of an automatically renewable 1 year lease for all Island homeowners. He was supported eloquently by Tony O'Donohue. Paul Pickett also spoke in support of his motion. Opposition was stated by Mayor Dennis. Metro Chairman Campbell spoke in favour of demolishing homes on Ward's Island saying that it would make an ideal location for a campsite. He was supported by Mayor True Davidson of East York. Philip White, the mayor of York said that he couldn't justify the demolition of permanent homes but he thought that any summer cottages could be demolished. Mayor Horton of Etobicoke favoured the demolition of homes on Ward's Island. There were three motions made. None of them carried so the matter went forward to Metro Council without recommendation.

Metro Council Meeting, June 29, 2:00 pm

Our ward alderman, Mrs June Marks, spoke very strongly in favour of an automatically renewable 1 year lease for all Island homeowners. She was supported by alderman Karl Gaffary. Opposition was stated by Mr Dennis. He did make one astute point which was that while the cost of housing continues to go up the amount of compensation due the Islanders (nothing) remains stationary. Paul Hunt said he thought Metro Council should show the Islanders that they meant business and clear everybody off by August 31, 1971. Much of the debate was similar to the other two meetings. David Rotenberg showed that he is the owner of a first class brain in his deft handling of many opposition arguments. There were five motions to be voted on. They were voted on in the reverse order of their benefit to the Island Community.

The first four were lost, and the fifth, Mrs Marks' motion, was carried by an astonishing 16 to 8. It is not enough to say that the Islanders present sweat blood during those votes. A report of some of the more interesting details will come in the next issue. In the meantime all Islanders can only be grateful to all the people both on the Island and in the city who worked so very hard to make the continuation of our community a reality.

Some Comments from Igloolik

EVAN ROERICK It wasn't as cold as I thought it would be. I expected more ice and snow.

TED LYE I liked the kids best. They were all nice, and they were friendly right away.

MIKE JONES The whole town turned out to meet us at 5:30 am. I had five new friends in five minutes.

TERRI HADRALL The kids could quit school whenever they wanted. Some of the girls had babies at 14.

MAGGIE PITCHER The trees are really tiny. We saw a 60 year old willow tree that was only an inch high.

ROBIN BARKER They were quite happy to share their possessions. One really cold night one of them left six caribou hides at the door to our tent.

GARY PARSONS I was surprised to see that they had stereos and tape-decks, and all the records that we have down here.

ALICE MILLEN Boiled seal-liver tastes great. Those kids were really good pea gun fighters.

DONNY SAMPSON You could walk right into their houses without knocking. If you did knock, they wouldn't bother to answer.

KANDY SINCLAIR It surprised me that the parka they made for me was done on an electric sewing machine.

DOUG BARKER I went on a seal hunt with some Eskimos but we didn't have any luck. We did get some ducks, though.

JOHN CAMPFENS The people really trusted each other. And I was surprised at the facilities—the schools, the community hall and the mission.

DAVE AMER They had dog sleds, but they were pulled by snowmobiles.



SCOTT STEIN Late raw seal meat. I never thought I'd do that.

JAMES FOWLIE Because of the permanent frost, they bury their dead under piles of rocks.

JEREMY FOWLIE At the seal hunt they asked me if I wanted leg or liver. I said leg. Yucchhh!

BARTON WARD They never had to lock their doors, and they always left the keys in their snowmobiles.

TREVOR POHL I'm really bear, but I want to go back as soon as I can.

News of the extension was among the things celebrated at the Island School on June 29. The graduating class was honoured and a slide show of the Igloolik trip was presented by Chuck Hopkins. He told of how he and Mr Middleton came, by chance, upon a tiny Arctic flower. They were fascinated by it and wanted to take it back with them as a specimen, but as conversationalists they felt that it would be wrong to pick it. This was discussed between them. Then an Eskimo child came along so they asked him what he knew about the flower. They pointed it out to him and he picked it and ate it.

Many presentation were made and a fuller report will appear in the next issue.



Mr. William Wintzpear, President,
Industrial Metal Co. of Canada,
176, Cherry Street, Toronto

Dear Mr. Wintzpear,
Island residents have recently been troubled by a disturbing noise coming from the vicinity of your factory. Could you tell me what this is and why it is necessary to make so much noise? I would also like to know if it would not be possible to carry on this activity during the daytime. Island residents are finding it impossible to get to sleep on certain nights before 2 am. We have no desire to see your business suffer but we too have to live in the area and feel we are entitled to consideration.

Yours truly,
Elizabeth Amer

EAT AND RUN
The Inner City Angels' Picnic



SOME HONEST RESPONSE, BUT CRUSHER CRUSHES ON

On June 1 letters were sent to Ward 6 Aldermen June Marks and Horace Brown regarding the big noise problem. The following series of letters followed. The result of these labours has been to fatten our files. The noise carries on regardless.

Mr Horace Brown
Dear Mr Brown,

In the last few months residents of Ward 6 and Algonquin Islands have been troubled by a very noisy business operation in Toronto Bay, west of Cherry Street, what seems to be happening is the loading of scrap metal onto a freighter. The name of the company may be Industrial Metals, I am not sure of this. This operation begins at various times during the day from morning to evening except for Sundays and it is constant every evening. The lateness varies but I know it goes on usually past eleven pm. One night our daughter was awakened after 2 am. This noise is preventing many people from getting to sleep in good time and is waking up people who are asleep. It is impossible to sit and converse in many of the gardens at the east and north ends of the community.

We did organize a phone campaign, calling the Police Department's 52 Division every night that it continued after 11 pm. This has not resulted in any reduction of the noise.

Could you assist us in getting some relief from this constant irritation?

Yours truly, Elizabeth Amer,
Executive member, Toronto Island Residents' Assoc.

Dear Mrs Amer June 7, 71

Attached is a copy of the letter I have today written to Mr Murray Tate, a member of the Harbour Commission and a good personal friend, I am certain if anything can be done in the matter, Mr Tate will see that it is done. I explained to you on the telephone I think we are at long last going to get an anti-noise by-law with some teeth in it. At least the City of Toronto's Private Bill has gone through the Private Bills Committee at the Legislature. The way matters stand now, our anti-noise by-law is practically useless. It requires revision to the Provincial Statute for us to get anything worthwhile.

Your community newspaper "The Goose and Duck" is a very fine piece of work indeed. As a writer and former newspaper man I find it exhilarating to see such work turned out. So as to help out the cause a little way, I enclose my personal cheque for \$2.00 for "The Goose and Duck" and recompensed by my very best wishes for success.

Very sincerely yours,
Horace Brown, Alderman, Ward 6

Dear Murray:
Attached is a copy of a letter from Mrs Elizabeth Amer, 11 Willow Avenue, Ward's Island, of which I spoke to you last night on the telephone.

You were kind enough to say you would use your own auspices to have the matter looked into and I am certain that beleaguered residents of the Island will be grateful to you for your help to make this noise turn out to be more reasonable.

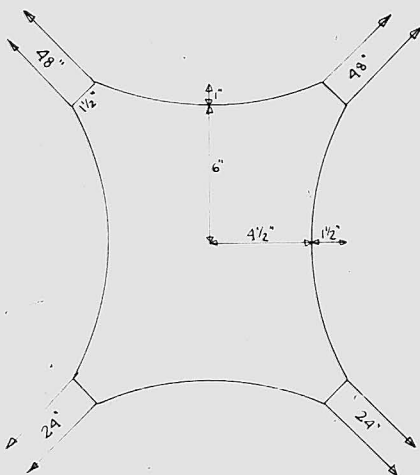
As I am going out of town again, I would ask that you have any correspondence sent directly to Mrs Amer.

Kindest personal regards,
Horace Brown, Alderman, Ward 6

On June 21 I spoke to Mr Tate on the telephone. He told me that the Harbour Commission's police had investigated and discovered that the noise is caused by the crushing and shredding of the cars. Since this has nothing directly to do with loading and unloading of ships it is outside the jurisdiction of the Harbour Commissioners. Mr Tate's opinion is that it is consequently a Police problem. As you know we have already tried that.

The matter has now apparently been given over to the Island police. So if you are troubled by the noise, and, God knows, we have no reason to think that you won't be, please call the Island police. They will lay a charge each night that there is a complaint.

A similar letter was written to Mrs Marks on June 1. On June 13 I received a call from her secretary saying that Mrs Marks was seeking the assistance of another Harbour Commissioner, Mr Griffith, and that she would report to us as soon as anything was done. I have had as yet no further report.



Seams not included in the pattern
Use leather or double thickness material.
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The 24" ties go around the waist, knot in the back.
The longer ties go over the shoulder, cross in the back,
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— Bie Cartwright

In the murky mist of midnight madness Millie moves her maw
Toward certain sleepy shadows seen on Jumping Judy's jaw
The wondering whitening whispering willows wince with withering paw
For fear from fastened fixtures forced an ample anguished awe.

"Can cows keep calm?" cried killer crows, collapsing, keeling, crank.
"Hand hateful horrors heavenward," hoped healing harness Hank.
Who, weathered, would welcome whips till tidings tore the tank
But Buddhas bore the brunt when bestial bullies burned the bank.

Dormant doorways dominate the Dharma's deadly deep
Still stuttering studs stir stuffings strange, to stay stray stars from sleep.
Poor Polly's petals push past peppers prying puling peep
Crude crooked crackers crazed to crumb cry crawling to a creep.



Recently the people of the Island entertained a group of children from Duke of York and Christie Street Schools at a picnic. The children were accompanied by their teacher, some parents, and some folks from the Inner City Angels. Many thanks to Bonnie Irwin, Gloria Barker, Selby Wernys, Billy Nobels, Nina Handley, Win McCallum, Metro Parks Men, Art Gay, Bill and Doreen Collins, Cathy Banky and many others, especially all the generous people who provided food and drink for the kids. We did, in fact, have so much food that we had to invite some local eaters to help us out.

The kids started the picnic with a boat ride in the bay and lagoons in the Charos. They went to the beach for a couple of hours of sun and sand in their ears. Three of the children had never been to the beach before. A donation of selected garbage ensured that there were plenty of sand toys. After a lusty attack on the food and drink the geese and ducks in the lagoon were fed.

When times are a little less frantic we will plan another day for kids from downtown schools. Anyone interested in helping can call 364-5051.

Photos by Doug Balmer of Duke of York School.



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A LETTER FROM CITY HALL MAGAZINE

Dear Mrs Arner

I am happy that we can swap papers, I am glad you find ours useful, and I have been delighted to read the three issues you have sent us of yours. I have been particularly fascinated by the school's trip which sounds to have been excellently organized and should be a marvellous experience for the kids. My daughter's school (Cottingham) organized a trip to Manitoulin Island last year and we hosted children from Manitoulin in return. It was not nearly as good as it could have been because neither group of kids had been properly informed of each other's worlds - the Island School seems to have managed this extremely well, by contrast. Will you report on the kid's impressions when they get back? I look forward to reading about them.

Our experience was very startling - neither children nor parents had been aware of the huge gap that existed between the world of an Indian kid living in Northern Ontario and that of a city kid. One is aware intellectually that this would be true, but it is quite a different matter to live with it for awhile. The first shock came when the Manitoulin kids arrived, and no one had realized (however ludicrous this may seem) that they would, in grades 5 & 6, all be 12-14 years old instead of 9-11 which put the two groups on opposite sides of puberty in general, and magnified the difficulties of communication enormously. However, such things are great for schools to do.

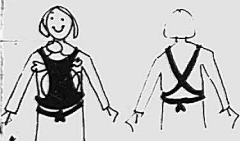
Long live Toronto Islanders and The Goose and Duck.

Pam Patrick

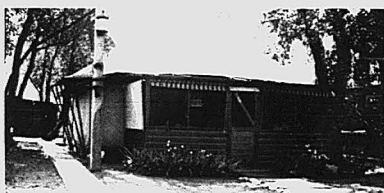
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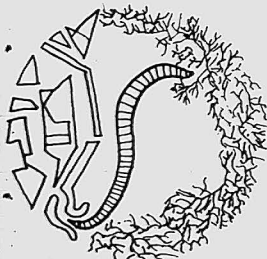


A Division of Amalgamated Harry Malcolmson



The home of Fred and Nel Lee at 26 3rd Street as it was in 1934. The roof and walls were canvas.

"FERRY TO WARD'S"
— Fred Kerp



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THIS WEEK

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As many people know there is a crisis at the Red Cross Blood Bank. Islanders can help by giving blood at Ross Avenue Public School (675 Ontario St.) Wed. Aug. 25, from 2 to 4 pm and from 6 to 8:30 pm. To arrange transportation call Jenny de Tolly, 364-9910. (The school is a little south of Bloor and Sherbourne.)

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TORONTO ISLAND RESIDENTS' BULLETIN

TIRA's annual meeting, with election of officers, is scheduled for the week of August 23. Some of the present executive will be retiring and there are many able people in the community who will be needed to take over the vacancies.

The present committee is concerned about the continuation of the work they have started and the undertaking of vital work. At a special executive meeting held recently the aims and objectives of the association were discussed. Recommendations will be made by the present executive to the incoming group based on these aims and objectives. These recommendations will be discussed at the annual meeting along with any important matters which may be raised from the floor. Anything from organization of beer delivery to long term planning will be discussed. We hope some people will come in force, having given some thought to the projects that would be worth undertaking and ideas as to how these projects can be carried out.

If It Doesn't Move—Paint It!

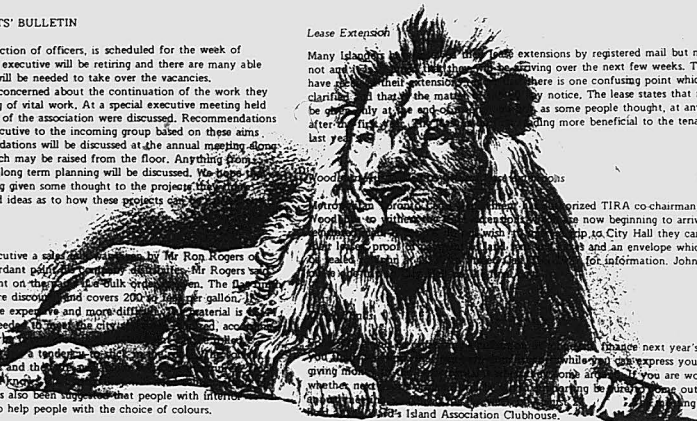
At the same meeting of the executive a subject mentioned by Mr. Ron Rogers of Ocean Chemical on the fire retardant paint was discussed. Mr. Rogers said that Islanders can save 20 percent on the cost of the bulk order. The fire retardant paint is \$10.12 per gallon (before discount) and covers 200 sq. ft. per gallon. If a varnish is needed things are more expensive and more difficult to apply. The cost per gallon and three coats are needed. The cost of the material is \$10.12 per gallon. Mr. Rogers warned that the paint is a target for vandals and that people should be ordering will be organized. It has also been suggested that people with interior decorating talents be available to help people with the choice of colours.

Lease Extension

Many Islanders are aware of the lease extensions by registered mail but many have not and are still waiting for the arriving over the next few weeks. Those who have given their consent to the extension are one confounding point which is clarified by that the matter is by notice. The lease states that notice can be given only at the end of the month as some people thought, at any time after the first of the month. It is more beneficial to the tenants than last year's lease.

The food bank is now beginning to arrive by ship to City Hall they can take an envelope which can be used for information. John will be providing information.

Change next year's work. If you can express your support by giving me some information you are wondering whether you are going to be out to the Island Association Clubhouse.



ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Directors of the Goose and Duck Trophy, a delicate piece of craftsmanship which rivals the finest in the Jewels Collection, will be awarded suitably inscribed to the winners of a series of contests which will be sponsored by the G&D. In addition to the contests, the trophy will be from time to time, awarded to Islanders for individual acts of exceptional heroism, sacrifice, sportsmanship, charity, thrift, pillowfighting, restraint, accuracy, tenacity, patriotism, chastity, etc. etc.

Congratulations to Robert Cotic of Channel 792, first winner of the covered Goose and Duck Trophy. Robert was the grand prize winner in G&D Contest no. 1. To design a sign to complement that which is erected at the dock. When suitable equipment the Parks Dept. has erected at the dock. When suitable equipment can be acquired, we will award a scale version of this winning trophy to the winner with his rustic sign saying "Welcome to the Toronto Island Community Population 792."

In announcing the second G&D contest congratulations to all those over-achievers who have painted the entrance to the home window we're asking you to tell us "your favorite colour". The contest is suggested by the G&D interior design committee.

It's this enthusiasm for painting which has inspired our painters to even greater heights (by painting the home window) we're asking you to tell us "your favorite colour". The contest is suggested by the G&D interior design committee.

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| Navel Orange | Long John Silver | Fuzzy Peach |
| Come-and-Get-Me-Come | Non Violet | |
| Good Clean Fun | Sour Cream | White Puce |
| Holy Mackerel | | |

So think up your contribution to the contest. Rush them to the G&D office at 11 Willow Avenue. (Robert Cotic can't be contacted indefinitely.) Deadline for the contest is midnight September 15. Decision of the judges will be negotiated on September 15.

HEY ISLAND KIDS!

Is there anyone out there interested in movie making? Archie Erwin of 13 Third Street tells the editors that equipment is available and that he is willing to act as a resource person. All interested people get in touch with the Goose and Duck or Archie Erwin.



ISLAND FOLKLORE

A few years ago, on a chilly Sunday morning in late summer, an Island newcomer awoke to observe a strange phenomenon. The eaves of his house, the shrubs in his garden, and the parkland in front of his house were glistening with dew-covered spider webs. More spider webs than he'd ever seen before in his whole life. It was a beautiful sight, and he sat entranced until the sun burned the dew from the webs.

Throughout the autumn, he occasionally thought of that enchanted morning, but before long, it passed from his conscious memory, and the seasons passed — until one chilly Sunday morning in late summer, when he awoke to see eaves, shrubs, and parkland once again glistening with dew-covered spider webs.

So he told a few of his friends, and for the past few years they've awaited, and pretty well documented, the event. And that's the story. No great moral, just something you can watch for, Spider Sunday. Coming soon to eaves, bushes, and parkland in your neighbourhood.

SOME LETTERS ON THE CAR CRUSHER

Dear Mrs Amer

As advised by telephone, I am enclosing herewith copies of correspondence relating to the night disturbance to Island residents from Industrial Metals Limited.

I shall be discussing this subject with you personally but felt you might appreciate receiving the enclosed material.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs) June Marks

Dear Mrs Marks:

Further to our correspondence and telephone conversations concerning the complaint of the Island Residents' Association of the noise at night from Industrial Metals Limited, our Property Manager, Mr J.B. Drylie, met with the President of the company.

The President produced a report from VME Associates Limited referring to various tests that were carried out at various hours, including from 11:00 pm to 12:00 midnight. The conclusion expressed by the consultants was to the effect that the noise was not an excessive one, and in their opinion would be within the range of the proposed legislation. The President advises that he had shown this report to the Metropolitan Police, who told him that they would be taking no action on the complaints.

Mr. Drylie discussed with him the possibility of moving the company's operations away from the Bay area and further from the Islands. We have suggested two alternative sites, and these are under study by him. However, even if we are successful in arranging a move, it could not be effective for some months, due to the complexity of the operations.

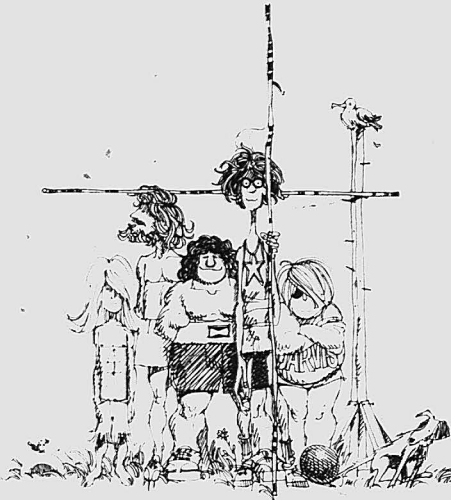
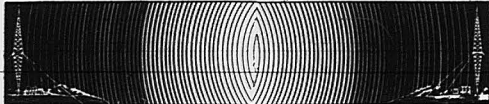
If we can be of any further assistance, please let us know.

Yours very truly,

E.B. Griffith,

General Manager,

The Toronto Harbour Commissioners



HERO OF THE WEEK

A salutary honk to Peter Earle who risked his life and limb to rescue Sean McCutcheon's dog Tuktuk. While the junior executives were waiting for the 9 am ferry, two of the local bullydogs nudged the Husky pup into the bay by the waiting shed. While lesser men and women huffed around wondering what to do, Peter jumped down onto the wood bumper and pulled the pup out by the scruff of his neck.

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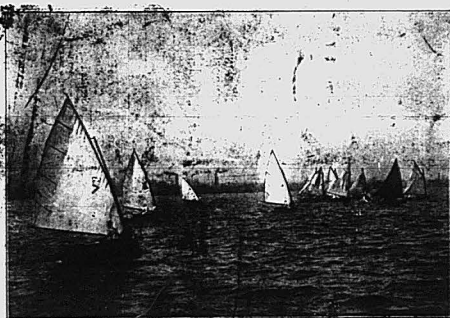
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ward's Island (RCYC) Fleet

MORE ON THE COVE FLEET

Here's the latest list of Sabot Pram sailors in the all-new Cove Fleet, along with some of their qualifications. If you'll read the list, you'll see that you're likely to fit into the group somewhere.

- 0 Chris Barry - RCYC Finn Champ, 1970
- 1 Doug Barker - famed Igloolik seal hunter
- 2 Robin Barker - another famed Igloolik seal hunter
- 3 Jay Stein - bon vivant, skier
- 4 Joan North - pretty girl
- 5 Paul Henderson - 1953 Cove Fleet champ
- 6 Harry Malcolmson - hairdresser, body-builder, tattooist and dance instructor
- 7 Brett Stein - goalie, Island School championship hockey team, 1971
- 8 Peter Cridland - Algonquin mystery-man
- 10 Frank Sullivan - 2nd Street runner-up
- 11 Peter Brooker - N.A. OK Dinghy champ
- 12 Dave Miller - RCYC & Eastern US Star Champ
- 13 Peter Gzowski - Polish Indoor champ
- 14 Barclay Livingston - 1960 Olympics - 5.5 m.
- 15 John Clark - Bronze Medal - Finn Class, 1967, Pan-Am Games
- 16 Mike Smith - husband of 'Hero of the Revolution' Maureen Smith

The first Championship race of the new Cove Fleet will be sailed to compete for the John R. Clapp Trophy, donated in memory of one of the three Islanders who were the original designers of the Sabot Pram, George Stein (366-5078) is the Fleet's big gun, he'll help with plans and information if you're interested.



Drawings by Gail Labonte-Smith

THE WIMAN SHELTER - a building which stood at the edge of the ball-park at Ward's. It served as an open-air church, dance pavilion, and games hall. Local legend has it that by standing in front of 3 Sixth Street and looking across the ball-park you can see a strip of grass, greener than the rest, that runs where the foundation of the Shelter used to be.

Because the corner of the building crossed the left field foul line by a few feet, a long fly ball could be hit over the building to land in fair territory. The left fielder would then have the choice of blindly throwing the ball back over the building, hoping to hit the infield, or of running back towards centre field so he could see where he was going to throw the ball. The building was torn down in the late 1950's.

DUTCH MAYOR SAYS ISLAND IS 'A MARVELOUS SOLUTION'

by Bonnie Erwin

During the week of July 19, Toronto, was host to 800 municipal officials from around the world who were attending a congress of the International Union of Local Authorities.

One of these officials, Mr. P. Van der Harst, and his son Keith, visited the Island as guests of Mr and Mrs Ernst de Haas of Chanfle Avenue.

Mr. van der Harst is mayor of Oostflakkee, one of four municipalities on the island of Goeree Overflakke, just north of Rotterdam in the Netherlands. The total population of the island is 34,000, and that of Oostflakkee 4,000. A toll bridge to the island was operated since 1964.

After a bicycle ride with the de Haas' to Hanlan's Point, and a tour of the RCYC, Mr. Van der Harst claimed that "Toronto island is a marvelous solution to the recreational problems of the Toronto citizen. The quiet and variety of pleasure and sport is very impressive and could be an example for other municipalities when they have an opportunity to create such a parkland." The absence of automobiles was also seen as a major advantage.

When questioned about the remaining houses, Mr. Van der Harst stated that all those concerned should "look for conditions that could be realized" so that such a community might be preserved, such a community might be preserved.



TORONTO ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

On July 20 the TIRA committee met with Mr. J. Bradford, Director of the Housing Standards Division, Department of Buildings, Mr. Bradford gathered information for a report to the City Council. The committee will then meet to discuss the report and take direction from the Council. Mr. Bradford will also be asked to provide to obtain their lease agreements. Records of the meetings of the TIRA committee are the Island at the request of Mr. Bradford. The committee's main concerns are the prevention of disease and the control of pests. Mr. Bradford reports that Health Department representatives have visited several houses and no house has been found unacceptable. Mr. Bradford reports on the feasibility of carrying on with the present arrangements.

As for the houses themselves, Mr. Bradford says that the current safety standards only require that the houses be safe for further tenure. No more than 10% of the houses should be unsafe for a further 10 years. Mr. Bradford says that the current standards are not as strict as they used to be, but they want to see a change. He says that the current standards are not as strict as they used to be, but they want to see a change. He says that the current standards are not as strict as they used to be, but they want to see a change.

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One of the main concerns is the fire hazard of many of the present arrangements. Old lares must be removed from the yards (or properly composted?), as well as wood and other combustible materials. Remember that bulk garbage collection is routinely on Wednesday nights. In July it was 15% of the total. The new collection would be August 18. In July it was 15% of the total. The new collection would be August 18. In July it was 15% of the total. The new collection would be August 18.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Ying Hope, Alderman - Ward 5.

FINANCIAL SECTION

by our Financial Editor, Pin Ball Jetty

One of the greatest concerns of The Goose and Duck at this time is GET THE MONEY! This is our eighth issue and it looks to us like everybody out there is pretty happy with what we're trying to do. Lots of people have given freely from their pockets, too, and we'd like to thank each and every one of them for their unending (we hope!) generosity. But sooner or later we all have to look at the cold hard facts. Here's a rundown of current G&D expenses and income to give you an idea of what it takes to run a small community newspaper such as ours:

the actual cost of printing each paper is	\$11.500 per issue
& we mail out about 200 copies to interested folks	13.00 per issue
off the Island	2.00 per issue
& we spend a few bucks on stationery & other necessities	
which all adds up to a whopping	\$128.00 per issue
So far we've had personal contributions totaling	\$207.00
and advertising has brought in	95.00
and TIRA has contributed (for space)	90.00
which means that so far we've collected a total of	\$412.00

Which means that as of the seventh issue of the G&D (at \$128 per issue, that makes \$896) we are now in the hole to the tune of \$486.

Right now, we think, we're in desperate need of an advertising manager. If we could sell but one of our four lovely pages (in pieces, of course) to various interested advertisers we could receive an income of \$80 per issue in Ad. revenue. Coupled with your generous donations we would be insured of the appearance of more Geese & Ducks.

We really need someone who's had a little experience or who knows the field well enough not to waste his time on a relatively inconsequential task. Ad. rates are as follows: 1/2 pg. (largest possible) \$40; 1/4 pg. \$20, 1/8 pg. \$10, 1/16 pg. \$5. The Hercules Ad. on this page costs Tom & Pat \$5; they've told us it got them results, so why not try it?

So far, our production department at The Coach House Press has been more than generous with their time and equipment in getting the G&D off (all puns intended) but these things get to the point where the novelty works itself off. So we need the support of the entire community in some way or other and we're asking for it here. If you think anyone would be interested in an Ad. give them this paper and point out the rates to them. We'll try to keep you posted on our financial condition as new information crops up. Thanks to everyone who has contributed.

Last year our extension was granted in March this year at the end of June. Because of the lateness Mr Bradford does not think a full inspection can be completed by August 31. He will ask Council for one month's extension until September 30. Mr Bradford has considered discussion in cases where cooperation is given and work is in progress certification can be given in good faith. He warns, however, that people who don't complete work promised will have difficulty getting another extension.

Inspections will be on request. Please contact the Inspector or Mr. Bradford (the inspector for the Island this year) to arrange for an inspection. The sooner the work is done, the sooner work can be completed and participation given. The sooner the work is done, the sooner work can be completed and participation given.

It was mentioned that the possible cost of the inspection is about \$1000. Mr Bradford said he had looked into the possibility of loans in the past but had not found any. He said that he would advise people to borrow money if necessary. The TIRA committee is anyone who is interested in the island. Mr Bradford said he would advise people to borrow money if necessary. The TIRA committee is anyone who is interested in the island.

Mr Bradford pointed out that the City & Metro have been informed about the bad condition of the sidewalks and other public facilities. They are now trying to sort out who has jurisdiction here and when this has been established the sidewalks will be fixed too. Someone pointed out that a broken sidewalk was observed to be dated 1913.

As the people may feel that their privacy is being invaded and their rights to their own streets are being impacted by these requirements, there is considerable sympathy for this point of view. It would be fine if we could have the beauty of island life, the accessibility of the city and that greatest of luxuries: privacy! It would be nice to be left alone. But this is not possible in our present situation and cleaning up is a simple point of view.

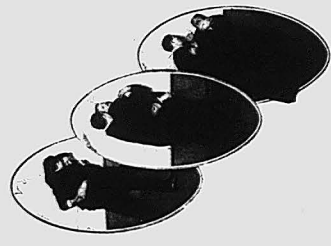
As the City Council has a public meeting on July 20th and with the Chief Clerk's help, all Islanders will have an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions. The meeting is at 7:30 pm.

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Yours sincerely
Anthony O'Donohue, Alderman - Ward 4



The printers of The Goose and Duck after receiving their Opportunities for Youth grant.



Swing and sway to the enchanting rhythms of STUBBY MONOGOOSE at the Ward's Island Clubhouse this Saturday evening. All proceeds to benefit Gala Day. Presentation of \$1,000. A presentation of Stephen Life Productions.

PEOPLE

Visiting Mr & Mrs Ernst de Haas on the weekend were their newlywed daughter and son-in-law, Jeanette and Al Prizman who flew up from Princeton, New Jersey. At the end of the month Eric de Haas returns to the Goethe Institute in Munich Germany to continue his study of German.

One day the Philpot's dog Phipps fell over sideways. This seemed abnormal so he was taken to the vet who advised that apparently Phipps had OD'd on sand. (There's a lot of bad stuff going down these days.) Phippy is now on a sand-free diet. Upright in every way.

Recently the working film for the television program on the Island School trip to Igloolik was shown at the QCYC. The edited version will be shown on the CBC's *Autubon Wildlife Theatre* sometime in the fall. The parents and friends of the travellers were interested to see all the footage taken, as a lot of it will end up on the cutting room floor. The film was excellent and was complimented by commentary by Ted Currie and Gaetan Godin. Many thanks to the people responsible for organizing the showing. It was nice to meet Ted Currie's wife Frieda. I guess Islanders see more of our hard-working vice-principal than she does.

IRELAND

by Muriel Barton

Ireland has goats and donkeys on the side of its roads. From the air it becomes a patchwork quilt. Small farms, thatched-roof stone cottages with old grandmothers in black lace kerchiefs coming home from mass to a turf fire and mutton stew. As you drive along those roads you come across enormous Georgian homes protected by gatehouses and long drives. One of those houses is Lissadell on Sligo Bay where W.B. Yeats wrote a poem in memory of Countess Markievicz, that great fighter for Irish freedom.

Irish babies are left in their prams in the garden in all weather but fog. They are red-cheeked, healthy and fiery. Young Irish children are carefully looked after and pulled along the streets by their elder sisters, be they three or thirteen.

The west of Ireland is mountainous with turquoise sea hitting against high and rocky cliffs. Ruins of castles stand ghostly on the horizon. Fishermen call on market day for you to come and buy their catch. Empty villages stand abandoned since the potato famine. Sheep graze on hillides. Old men wave and young girls dress in their best to go out and turn the hay. Turf sits in piles by the side of the road awaiting the sun.

Dublin is a place for people, all kinds of people. Well-dressed women go from shop to shop carrying baskets. Men in black suits walk up the streets carrying umbrellas. Old men stand about in doorways with nothing apparently on their minds.

And Trinity College, Dublin, where beautiful young men sit in zoology labs cutting frogs' legs up. Chubby, large-breasted not very shy librarians attend to certain files. Long thin men with white legs run around the track. Trees, Grass, Men and women lying about reading large solid books.

Brenda, Robert and Kassi Cotie are going down the road to the Maritimes. They'll be visiting Yarmouth, Halifax, and Cape Breton. They also plan a sentimental journey to Lower Publico, Middle Publico and Upper Publico. (I used to know his brother Notary.) We hear there's a great local paper called the *Yarmouth Light*. How about bringing one back to the Goose and Duck for our collection.

Recently, Judi Schachte, visiting from Roberts Creek, B.C. brought copies of their two local papers. It's kind of fun to compare mythologies.

In order not to conflict with the Dacotah Street Dance the Bellwoods NDP have changed the date of their dance to Saturday, July 31. This dance is to benefit Bellwoods Centre, a volunteer information and service centre for immigrants. Algonquin Island Clubhouse, 9pm. City Folks take the ferry to Ward's Island at 8:45, 9:15 and 10:00pm. \$1.00 admission. Bar.

The Dacotah Street Dance was great fun. The music, the lights, the fruit, the cheese, the beer, the punch, the beautiful people, the dogs, everything was filtered through a delicious fog. One kept expecting to meet Basil Rathbone beside a bush. Congratulations to the organizers.

Let's hear it for zero population...whoops 3 more babies:

To Suzanne and Sandy Lapsley, a daughter, Catherine Elizabeth, Tuesday, July 20, 7th, 8oz., a sister for David.

Maril and Denny Perce are happy to announce the arrival of their adopted son William John Nielson; he'll be called John.

To Ernie and Julius Martin, a daughter, born Sunday, July 25 at 3am, a sister for Robert and Sonia.

The fame of the Island was spread by last summer's visitor from Brighton, England, Josie McHugh. She came for 3 weeks and stayed for 4 months. This summer she has returned with her husband, John, her daughter, Susie and her son-in-law Peter. They will join their hosts John and Marilyn McHugh in attending the wedding of Marilyn's mother in August.

Congratulations to André Philpot and Anne Tofollo who were married on July 23 at St. Andrew's by-the-Lake. The guests risked injury climbing out of the water taxi. (Island weddings usually do their part to break down the stiffness of the typical WASP wedding). André and Anne will be living on North Third.

It was nice to see Elizabeth Crawford from Vancouver on the Island during the great Sunday track meet. Many Islanders will remember Liz and John and their children Kevin and Charlotte from the days when they lived on the Lakeshore. She remarked that it was odd to walk along the Lakeshore with no houses there and she couldn't even tell where the house once was.



On the 20th of June Michael George Schmidt was baptized at the Church of St. Andrew's by-the-Lake, Centre Island. He is the son of Fred and Pat Schmidt of Nottawa Avenue. Both his grandmothers were there: Mrs Forth from London, England and Frau Schmidt from Hamburg, Germany. John and Marilyn McHugh are his godparents.

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It's amazing to me -
The wonderful ways
In which the Parking Authority
Arranges its 'Days'

'Flat' Rate Daily a Dollar'
Clearly they say
Your right is to park
For a dollar a day.

So - overnight stay a car
A dollar they mark
You go for the groceries
It's a buck to re-park

They get two dollars
Though the rules say it clear
'A Dollar a Day'
Two bucks is too dear

And all of us nice
That park at the dock
Weekly fork out
- just one of the flock.

Now here is the question
What I'd like to know
Who pockets, this cash
Where does the dough go?

Could one appeal
To the wisdom and might
Of the Parking Authority
That they set these things right?

Patsy Fleming

Aubrey Beardsley's Navel

No feathers burn, until we learn
To murmur only notions
Of Fate undressed, gods laid to rest
And wishes spanning oceans.

Our gassy part, if left till dark
Will pass away to gravel,
We sip wine to while the time
Watch Aubrey Beardsley's navel.

No swifter steel from forests far
Could lift our souls to laughter
Than through heestrees strong buzzing bees
With daisies swarming after

When hope is lost, the sticks all topped,
We'll rope in our last chances:
If not too late we'll celebrate
With fervent songs and dances.

We'll try again to find a friend
To ~~we~~ away our sorrow,
We'll seek the Right, collect the Light
And plant Trees for Tomorrow!

poem & drawings by Fred Rupp

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INFORMATION ON FIRE-RETARDANT PAINTS

ESTIMATING QUANTITIES

For approved fire-retardant coating, all brands must be applied at a maximum of 240 square feet per gallon. Some paints are thick enough to do this in one coat on fairly porous surfaces (like beaverboard) and others have to be applied in two or more coats to get a gallon of paint on to 240 square feet. We are advised to buy enough paint to cover at this rate and to keep painting until it is all on the walls. Keep your paint can labels or your paint bills as proof that you have applied sufficient paint. Appearance is no guide to fire-retardant properties. DO NOT THIN THE PAINT or you'll have to put on extra coats of it.

APPLICATION

All brands of fire-retardant paint may be applied over old paint (if it is adhering firmly) but glossy surfaces should be dulled by washing with trisodium phosphate and/or sandpaper or using Liquid Sandpaper.

STORAGE

All brands of fire-retardant paint tend to yellow slightly in the can (but not on the walls) after about 6 months, so don't plan on saving some to patch damaged areas. The paint will still be usable, but the colour will be off slightly. Fire-retardant properties in all brands last as long as the paint stays on the walls.

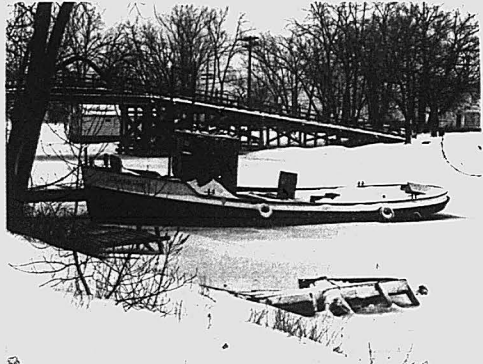
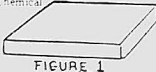




Photo by Paul Miller

POSSIBLE SUPPLIERS, INFORMATION ON PRICE, LOCATION, DELIVERY				
FIRE RETARDANT PAINTS	Pratt and Lambert 259-3251 Available at Alkenheads Hardware 17 Temperance Street 363 9111 \$13.50 per gallon also Exclusive Paints Ltd 296 College Street 921-5751, 921-6123 \$13.50 per gallon 1 coat adequate 40 colours water soluble washable odorless dries 2-4 hours City standards approved	Pittsburg Paint Co. 678-1921 Cabral Hardware 296 College St. \$79-5375 \$10.12 per gallon 2 coats water soluble pastels red and white flat finish very slight odour dries 2-4 hours Delivery: 2 days C.O.D. Ferry Trucks City standards approved	Tonecraft 531-5715 Available at Tonecraft College & Gladstone 1 coat water soluble pastels and white flat finish scrubbable very slight odour dries 2-4 hours \$9.72 per gallon No delivery	Ocean Chemical 757-3651 2 coats flat or 1 coat semi-gloss soluble in mineral spirits non-pale colour range including dark and bright tones flat (washable semi-scrubbable) odour very strong flat \$10.12 per gal. semi \$7.45 Delivery: 2-7 days C.O.D. Ferry Trucks

INFORMATION ON CLEAR (VARNISH TYPE) FIRE RETARDANT FINISHES			
PLASTERBOARD, LUMBER, ROOFING ETC	Ocean Chemical 3 coats Tonecraft 2 coats	glass finish \$12.44 per gallon	glass finish \$12.87 per gallon
	Surface: sealed with shellac on new wood special sealer on new wood	Tonecraft Ocean Chemical	
	Old surfaces: test for compatibility of finish and/or dull existing gloss finishes.		
	Rio Lumber Co. Ltd 119 Merton St. near St. Clair and Yonge 485-1125 Will deliver to Island if customer pays for permit (\$6.00) from City Hall. \$2.26 per 4' by 8' sheet Cheaper than painting with fire retardant paint but would probably need to be painted ordinarily	Central Lumber 304 Spadina 366-9411 \$2.40 per 4' by 8'. Some say it is cheaper than painting.	 <p>FIGURE 1</p>  <p>FIGURE 2</p>  <p>FIGURE 3</p>

Following the recent election of officers of the Ward's Island Association, four positions were open. Senior Dance Chairman, Teenage Dance Chairman, Tennis Chairman, and Entertainment Chairman. If anyone would like to fill these positions please get in touch with Leo Backhouse.



Officers of the Ward's Island Association for 1971

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| President
Vive Prescott | Dix Ryan-White |
| Vice President
Concretions | Bob Webster |
| Secretary
Clarence | Georgia Pear |
| Treasurer
Clarence | Bernie Clarke |
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| Girls Supervisor
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| Men's Bowling
Ladies Bowling | George Stein |
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Basketball | Fred Scott Wood |
| | Mardi Webster |
| | Audrey Smith |
| | Wayne Webster |

CONTRACTORS RECOMMENDED BY HOUSING STANDARDS DIVISION

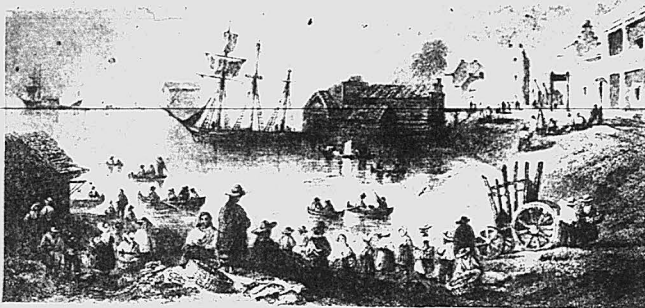
- These people will come to the Island. Messrs. Bradford, Bond and Locke suggest that it is always wise to get at least two estimates.
- E. M. Gulen 461-4517
 - J. H. Childs and Sons 251-3561
 - Remic Construction 920-2666
 - Umack Construction 532-4449
 - H. Mercer 463-9426
 - E. Salberg 461-1818



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ENTRIES IN GOOSE AND DUCK CONTEST NO.2



From Pat of Pat and Pat

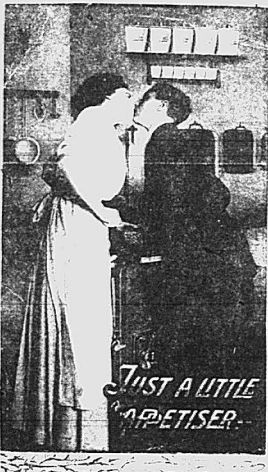
Zane Grey
Johann Christian Bach
Bowling Green
Mickey Maize
Acapulco Gold
Lebanese Black
Panama Red

Ed & Nona Wright

Fish Market

Save St. Lawrence Market
Public Meeting to be Held

Tuesday, September 14 at 8 p.m.
St. James' Cathedral Synod Hall
135 Adelaide St. East (near Church St.)
for further information call 423-5572
OR 922-4458.



Sue & Maudie's Greek Chicken Marinade Recipe

You will need:

- 1/2 cup oil
- 1 small onion
- 1 lb brooked lamb, sliced or minced
- 1/2 1/4 oz tomato puree
- salt and pepper
- 1/2 lb raw potatoes, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1/2 lb tomatoes, peeled and sliced
- 1/2 cup cheese sauce (cheese soup can be used)
- 1 egg yolk
- 1/2 cup parsley

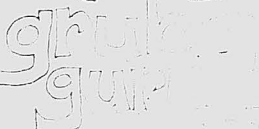
MARSHAL'S CHICKEN SAUCE

- 1 Basket tomatoes
- 3 Sweet green peppers
- 2 bunches celery
- 12 Large onions
- 3 Red sweet peppers

Put onion and peppers through crusher. Boil with:

- 1 Pint vinegar
- 3 lbs. Brown sugar
- 2 Tbsp Pickling spice
- 2 Tbsp Salt

Boil 2 hours and seal.



ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Responsible couple would like accomodation. We enjoy gardening. Please call Gary Hofgren 929 0921

Accommodation wanted by two Farm Boys, September or October till June. Willing to winterize or renovate. Call Jim at 363.2411 (business)

Accommodation wanted immediately. Please call Dave Young, 834 1354 before 5:00 p.m. and leave message.

Room wanted by male student. Please call Dave Condit, New School of Art, 920-8370 and leave message.

Accommodation wanted, September to June, if possible. Will paint. Please call Jane Buse, 363 0885 in the daytime

Young man, schoolteacher, would like accommodation beginning September. Will paint and renovate. Call Bob Korvix, 762 1350

FOR FREE

Anyone mad enough to be going to Teacher's College this year. I have textbooks in wrgn condition. Well maybe I used them a little. Call 364-5051

LOST: Prescription photogray glasses with large brown frames. Please ask your kids. REWARD. 364-4975 Mrs. Peat

THE HERCULES CONSPIRACY

It's a Movement

Big Herc is still at work and he keeps his eye on the little guy. No job is too small with Herc on the ball.

By the way, compliments are pouring in on our roofing jobs!

Call 363-1913 FOR HELP!



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TIRA MEETING WITH THOMPSON

In a recent meeting with Metro Parks Commissioner Thompson the TIRA co-chairmen discussed a number of island problems. One of these was the continuing deterioration of the trees on the island. Mr. Thompson agreed to look into the situation. In recent weeks a number of trees have been removed but there are still a number that require urgent action.

The state of the sidewalks on Ward's Island in particular has reached the point where they are a danger not only to residents but also to visitors to the island who tend to cycle through the community in ever increasing numbers. The Commissioner agreed to come over and look at the sidewalks personally. The difficulty is that neither the City nor Metro claim responsibility for repair or replacement of our sidewalks. This is one of the few places where the Metro form of government has left unclear lines of responsibility.

It was agreed that TIRA should see the proposed new ferry timetables before they are released. This started with the timetable due to go into effect on September 29. The advantages to both the community and the Parks Department were realized by both sides. The Ontario is due for a complete inspection later this year. It was originally planned to have it put of service during January, but that has now been changed to early December. The only Parks boat capable of breaking ice is mandatory that the boat in operation during the ice season.

A number of other items were mentioned including fuel delivery and the possible use of the Rectory during the winter as a coffee shop. This proposed use depends on heating unit being installed.

There are still a number of other issues to be raised, particularly the state of the gas, hydro and Bell equipment on the island. This must wait for a further meeting.

WARD'S ISLAND FAREWELL

Half a red sun
dropping into tomorrow
and goose pimpling cold cold waves
gosspering on the shore
and the deadwood
of yesterday's thoughts
& dreams
uncontaminated
and a bone chilling damp damp wind
siftine through the cracks
and on the kitchen table
a discarded toothbrush
and summer has gone
and so have you.

Norm Craven,
Toronto.



WHAT'S GOING ON HERE.

Games and handicraft class for girls of Grades 1 to 5 will start at the A. I. A. Clubhouse on Wednesday, October 14, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The fee for the winter term will be \$3.00 payable on the first day, to cover the cost of craft materials.

We have some new ideas and will need helpers during the winter. Also donations of craft materials, such as felt, cardboard, paper, etc. will be much appreciated.

For further information call: Enid Cridland 362-5101 (Algonquin) or Maureen Smith, 861-1536 (Ward's).



Anglican Church, St. Andrew-by-the-Lake, Centre Island, photo by Doug Ganton

OUR 100 YEAR OLD ISLAND CHURCH SAVED FROM THE BRINK OF RUIN

Our beautiful little church, St. Andrew-by-the-Lake, once really stood by Lake Ontario on Lakeshore Avenue, west of the present formal gardens at Centre Island. (Mention is made of the church on a map dated 1873). St. Andrew was moved to its present location opposite the farm when the bulldozers came in 1959.

The congregation used to be exceptionally large and active. Islanders still like to get married there or have their babies christened. Attendance at regular services, however, consists of only a small group of regulars. These few could never hope to save the building from decay. It was in such a sorry state that the warped doorsteps rotting, shingles falling and paint blistering. In a few years this lovely old church would be finished—unless—unless something more substantial than what I hammer, some nails and a dull handsaw could accomplish were acted upon immediately.

But thanks to a most generous donation by a non Islander who attended our church as a guest, professional repair work is already underway.

We urgently request your help to enable us to make a complete job of it. Any donation, large or small will be much appreciated. The address of the church treasurer is Peggy Russell, 31 Seneca Avenue, Algonquin Island—telephone 368-1320.

Everyone is invited to a special service to celebrate after the renovation. The date will be announced sometime soon.

Lu Schoenborn

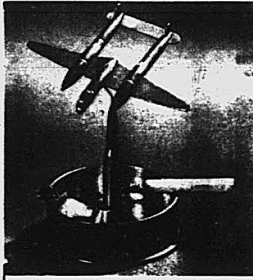
SOME FURTHER ENTRIES IN GOOSE & DUCK CONTEST NUMBER 2

- From Ernie Clarke
Soap Run Dan
In Violet,
Chairman Mao Wow (it's red)
Colour Fast Chaste (for new wood only)
George Stain (alcohol base)
What's the Use Puce (for pessimistic Islanders)

The winner will be announced in the fullness of time.

LAST BIG CHANCE!!!
WRITE TODAY!!!
ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OFFER!!!
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AND SAVE LIKE THAT

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INDUSTRIAL METAL NOISEMAKER OF THE WEEK AWARD

A salutary honk to the Great Pollution Fighter in the Sky who provided rotten weather for the C.M.E. Airshow this year, thus limiting the onslaught on the sensitive ears of local anti-militarists. To the organizers of next year's non-event: May the Bluebird of Happiness Fly up your Fuselage.

WASHROOM VANDALISM

The Parks Dept. have proposed to close the Ward's Island washroom from Monday to Friday as of the beginning of November because of continued vandalism by Island children.

We have one month to prove to Parks that we are a responsible community and that the vandalism will cease. By plugging toilets and washbasins and by tearing doors off their hinges we are only hurting ourselves.

It is suggested that John Woodburn visit the island classrooms and stress the need for self-policing by our young people. Failure to halt the vandalism will result in the closing of the facilities and a black mark against our community.



SUNFISH FEATURES

Nice little paper you folks are turning out here, but I think it's a shame you had to put the Tely outa business.

This here piece is about neighbours which, next to a weak mind, is the prairie requirement for living on the Island.

Yes, there never was a finer place to live than the Islands. We moved here when I was just a little fellow. Boy, I have done on Hankin's from a fellow named Yates. - Election in the church, he was, and a bootlegger by trade. Nice little place we had, next door to the Williamses. You remember old Joe Williams and his missis - her what had the glass eye. You'd always see old Miz Williams settin on the porch of the Pearson Hotel, sippin beer with the "girls." When she got to laugh over her beer, her glass eye would come a-drift and pop out into her lap and one of the girls would have to give her a nudge and tell her "Your eye's come loose again Miz Williams dear" and she'd jam it back in again like as not backwards and set their smilin and blinkin with one good eye and the other piece as a bird's egg. The old folks didn't mind but it used to frighten the kids and set them cryin. Her and Joe used to fight somethin fierce. I mind one day old Joe came home jiggered up just wonderful and Miz Williams snatched up an old-fashioned cast-iron skillet and fetched him a rap across the ear that knocked his false teeth right outa his head and through the door and down the privy. Miz Williams laughed on hard at that, her eye popped out and Joe, he was so hoppin mad, he picked it up and threw it down after his teeth. Well, there ain't many modern marriages would withstand that sorta smilin.

Yesir, usta have some fine neighbours. The Island was a respectable place to live. Now we got all sorta people movin in - foreigners, hippies and the like. Accourse I'm not sayin I'm againt them. Never did believe in snap judgments. No way you can tell what sorta neighbour a feller's gonna be till you've lived beside him for 15 or 20 years. I lived next to old Joe Williams for damn near 35 years and a better neighbour you couldn't ask for. Accourse, not everyone would put up with some of Joe's shenanigans. He could carry around more likker and cus better than any man I ever seen. He took over the bootlegging business when Yates moved away and did right well out of it too. Why the man was a walking testimonial for his product. Took a pride in his work too. Called it a sacred trust. I mind one Christmas season Joe wore himself out making so many deliveries, he fell asleep in a snowbank and come away with a frozen foot. Joe said afterwards he'd always had poor circulation in that foot and that's why the antifreeze he was carryin didn't penetrate that far.

Usta hit 'em on them days. Never heard of oil and such like. Accourse we ain't heard much about oil the year either, now that young Kenny Sinclair's gone west to fight the injuns. Usta bring the coal across the ice by truck, and if you ran out between deliveries, you'd borrow a scuttle full from the neighbours. That's what neighbours were for. Many's the time I brought a scuttle back from the Williamses and found Joe'd put a free sample of his product in with the coal. Somethin to cheer the long winter evenings. Didn't have television in them days and we had to make do with what we had.

Old Joe finally passed on and we won't see his like around here again. Miz Williams moved down to Centre to live with her sister, her that married a Henderson. I'm gettin on a bit myself, and when I go I hope someone buys the same thing about me as one of the fellows said at Joe Williams' wake. "He warn't much to look at, him and his missis fought like cat and dog, he damn near poisoned me a couple times with that rotout he sold, he never mowed his lawn or painted his house or did an honest day's work in his life but by George he was a damn fine neighbour."



An uneasy feeling of envy hangs over the Island these days as Jean and Tony Parsons tell friends about their recent vacation. Among the highlights - preparation for crash-landing when their plane blew a tire on take-off, a tour of the Universal Films lot in Hollywood, losing a big 656 to the slot machines in Vegas, driving through Death Valley while the car's radiator threatened to boil over, a visit to William Randolph Hearst's San Simeon, and side trips to Banff, Yellowstone National Park, Victoria, Tijuana, etc. etc. etc. And what did you say you did on your vacation? Just hung around the Island and painted your house? Oh.

TORONTO ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BENEFIT

Saturday, October 9th, 9 pm to 1-am

The Algonquin Island Association presents

OCTOBER FEST

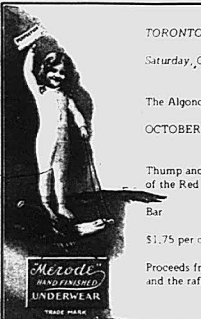
with German goodies

Thump and pant to the lumpy rhythms of the Red Hot Polka Band on record.

Bar

\$1.75 per couple Raffle

Proceeds from ticket sales (at the door only), and the raffle go to T.I.R.A.



GARDENING by Harold Aitken



In our continuing campaign to retain our Island homes, the appearance of our communities is a vital factor. Sprucing up our gardens is a must, so let's go to work on them NOW.

To have a garden next year it's best to start now. If you have a garden, of sorts, already, but are not really happy with it, now is the time to look it over and to draw a plan of it as you would like it to be.

The fall is the time to plant the spring-flowering bulbs. Tulips do well on the Island, but don't put them in low-lying damp spots or they'll possibly rot. Blue Scillas are early blooming and make a good show before the trees are in full leaf and making too much shade. Crocus, daffodils, narcissus and hyacinths may like your soil and location - try some of them.

Plant all bulbs at the recommended depths - at least - just slightly deeper may be better because of our light Island soil, after they have finished blooming you may wish to plant annuals on top of them. You can work some bone-meal into the area - it is long lasting and will nourish the bulbs for months. The location of your bulb bed is important: six to eight hours of sunshine is ideal. Low damp spots must be avoided. If necessary, raise the level of the bed to get better drainage and add a little garden lime to reduce the acidity or sourness. The pleasure you will get next spring will more than repay you for your efforts this fall. A sunny location near the house will give you earlier bloom than a more exposed position.

COMPOST

No Island gardener can afford to waste all the natural material that is so readily available to build up and enrich the light Island sand. A compost heap or preferably a crib really pays off. Most gardens have enough room for a crib 2 1/2 or 3 ft. high, 3 ft. wide and 6 or 8 ft. long. A few pieces of 2x4 or what-have-you will do for the framework and some fence-wire to surround it will help to keep the garden tidy.

Leaves, grass cuttings, vegetable kitchen waste, etc., all go in there, you can add one of the products designed to break down the fibres and if you wish, a light scattering of garden fertilizer. An occasional hoseing will help in dry weather, but heavy soaking might encourage mould and/or sourness. Turning over the contents with a fork would help. Never use diseased material for compost.

HOW ABOUT YOUR LAWN?

The fall is an important time for grass. If it looks thin and sickly give it a feeding of a lawn fertilizer say a 10-6-4. Put your sprinkler on and water it well immediately - this is most important - otherwise the chemicals may burn what grass you have.

If you have much weed in your lawn - dandelion, plantain, etc., use a dandelion-digger and get rid of the weeds before you apply the fertilizer. It is probably too late in the season to rely on a 2-4-D weed killer to do the job, warm weather is needed for this product to be effective.

Large bare spots in the lawn can be seeded at this time, but I have found it best not to destroy the turf underneath (if any) - just roughen up the surface, sow the seed, add a fine scattering of soil or sifted compost, firm with the back of your spade and keep it moist... keep it moist... keep it moist... keep it moist...

Mr. Willis Riarr, Chairman of
Parks and Recreation Committee.
The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto,
City Hall,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Riarr and Members of the Committee

It has come to my attention the next meeting of your Committee is scheduled for June 17th, 1971, at which time you will have before you, for consideration, a report from the Metropolitan Parks Commissioner on residents of Toronto Island.

As the Minister responsible for housing in this Province, I am very much aware of the present housing shortage. My department, through the Ontario Housing Corporation, at the end of April, 1971, had 31,233 family units and 6,595 senior citizens units.

However, at the present time in Metropolitan Toronto alone there are 12,805 applications on a waiting list, and approximately 1000 new applications are being received every month.

Therefore, I strongly recommend to your most earnest consideration that the existing 263 houses on Toronto Island should not be demolished at the present time, but remain at least until you are ready to proceed with further park developments on the sites of these houses.

To demolish these houses during a critical housing shortage will create untold hardship for their occupants who will experience great difficulty in relocating.

Gentlemen, in placing this recommendation before you I do so with the earnest hope that you will approve its implementation.

Sincerely yours,
Allan Grossman,
Minister.

PLEASE VOTE FOR
**ALLAN
GROSSMAN**
OCTOBER 21

A Pleasure Islander

this ad paid for by Committee of Islanders for Allan Grossman.



PLAY, HE SAID

The Algonquin Island Co-operative Play-school will be doing it again this year at the Algonquin Island clubhouse starting Monday, October 5.

The children must be 2 1/2 years old by December 31, 1971 to be eligible. The school operates Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9pm to 11:30pm. The 2 1/2 year olds go only on Tuesdays. Priority is given to parents who will participate in teaching, but others are given consideration.

Fees are \$6 per year for 1 day only and \$12 for 2 days.

If you would like to know more please call: Bonnie Erwin, 364-9817, Anne Krysgan, 368-9872, Kathy Banky, 363-9830, or Wendi Hanger, 363-0506. Materials are needed. Here are some suggestions: building materials (scraps of wood, plastic pipe, styrofoam packing material, spoons; stuff for playing house and doctor, etc. (Sidney, don't do that.) hats, like a fireman, policeman, boatman or nurse, filmy stuff like lace tablecloths for weddings (Sidney, don't do that); sand toys, beautiful scraps of fabric: velvet, silk, cotton in bright colours or prints for making doll clothes. Velcro tape bits for the same purpose; felt, small light furniture, an old fashioned smoking stand makes a lovely cooking stove. Before you bring the stuff over play with it yourself for a while just to see if it's any good. A roll of the brown wrapping paper would be very useful. Does anybody have any rhythm band instruments?

Protect the area with stakes and cord or with tree branches. If you have acid sour or mossy spots in your lawn a dusting with garden lime can be the answer. Lime will adjust the chemical balance in the soil. It is most essential that you cut and rake the grass before winter comes to avoid dead areas in the spring.

FROST

Frost can usually be expected around October 21st in the Toronto area so you have to plan ahead to be ready for it. Dig up your tubers of begonias, dahlias, gladioli and other tender plants as soon as their tops have been hit by the first light frost. If possible choose a sunny day and spread the tubers (with most of the adhering soil removed) in the sun to dry out. Leave the tops on to wither—except with the gladioli, whose tops should be off immediately at one or two inches above the corms. Cover all these tubers at midnight with burlap if frost is expected. When thoroughly dried out cut off remaining tops and place the tubers on a fluffed-up excelsior in flats. This method permits thorough air circulation and helps prevent rotting and mildew. Finding a suitable spot for storage until spring can be a problem on the island. You must protect the tubers and corms from freezing and from excessive heat, dryness or dampness.

IMPATIENS

If you have some of these very attractive, but tender, plants in your garden, don't let the frost get them. Dig them up and plant in shallow pots and many of them will bloom for you in a not too sunny window, all winter. You can set them out in the garden early next summer, you can also take slips from them when you want more plants. If you have more plants than you can handle, maybe a neighbour would be interested.

WINTER PROTECTION FOR BUSHES

Remove leaves, weeds from the immediate area and spray the lower parts of bushes and nearby soil with a combined insecticide and fungicide and hill up with 12 inches of soil or crumbly compost. Don't use leaves—these encourage insects and fungus.

LEAVES

Rake all leaves from grass, flower beds, etc., and dump in compost crib. Clean flower beds by pulling up dead annuals and cutting down perennials. All this material can go into the compost unless it's diseased, then it should go into the garbage. More attractive gardens will help to improve the appearance of the island and increase our chances of retaining our homes.



LIZ CATTY LIBERAL
ST. ANDREW-ST. PATRICK

Sorry if we missed you on Sunday, September 26th when our candidate visited the island. If you are interested in learning more about LIZ CATTY, the Liberal Party Candidate in St. Andrew-St. Patrick, please contact our campaign office at 292 Dupont Street or phone 924-9726.

ISLAND SCHOOL FALL FAIR

Pupils of the island school have just returned from the Markham Fair and plan to have a fair of their own at the school. A tentative date is Tuesday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. Plan to be there to enjoy the festivities.

IT PAYS TO INCREASE YOUR WORD-POWER

The island school-kids have stopped using the terms "lifies" and "harbies" to describe Harbour Police. They're now known as the "aqua-fuzz".

CAVEAT EMPTOR

In our August 31 issue we say (under information on clear varnish) that Ocean Chemical's product costs \$13.44 per gallon. Jack Bradley discovered when he went to purchase some that by the time you buy all the additives necessary and pay the 5 percent sales tax the price is \$22.68.

Cartoon is by John Milne, Grade Six student at the Island School. It is reprinted from the school's informative and amusing weekly paper, The Gibraltar Pointer. If you haven't got a kid in school and haven't seen the paper, it's well worth the trouble to get a copy.

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HEAP

NDP

Something Sweet

Please rush your great candy recipe to the Goose and Duck editorial office. We hope to have a collection of them for our big Witch & Spook issue coming out on October 31.

GRUB GURU

Jennie Gzowski.

SUZANNA MOODIE'S DANDELION COFFEE, CIRCA 1833

This is a safe, cheap and wholesome substitute for coffee, and when drunk at night produces a tendency to sleep instead of excited wakefulness.

Dig out the tuberous portion of the dandelion roots, and carefully wash them, quite clean without disturbing the fine brown skin that covers them, and which contains the aromatic flavour.

Cut the roots into small pieces, the size of a kidney bean, and roast them in a pan in the oven until they are as brown and crisp as a coffee-bean. Grind and use like coffee.

The dandelion root produces weaker and blander flavour in the spring than it does in the fall. Late fall is best for gathering the roots. If they are washed, cut up, and dried on boards in the sun, they will keep for years, and may be roasted when required.

Other uses

The dandelion planted in trenches, and blanched to a pale colour with straw, makes an excellent salad, quite equal to endive, and is more hardy and requires less care.

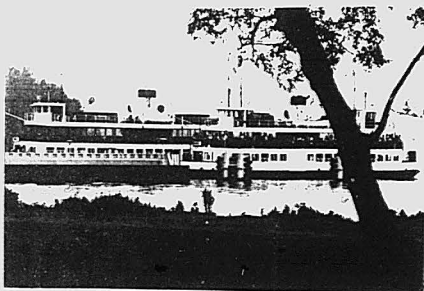
In the early spring the leaves may be cooked as a substitute for cabbage. The tops may be bottled, and hops added to the liquid, which when fermented will produce an excellent beer.



RESULTS OF WARD'S ISLAND TENNIS CLUB

Men: Simpson & Don Day beat Ross Horne
Ladies: Hughes, Sharon Muford beat Shirley Earle
Mixed: Hughes, Hank Hanger & Toni Haddrall beat
Shirley Earle & Ken Lye

Ladies: Hughes, Shirley Earle & Dot Wemyss beat
Sharon Muford & Marie Pierre
Men: Hughes & Lye & Ross Horne beat
Hank Hanger & Cliff Haddrall
Junior Singles: Stephen Earle beat John O'Neil



Rare photograph of Toronto Island Ferries mating.

photo by Doug Ganton

All the Right Noses

Fergus Hamilton

it's on Capitol, to be released November 1



ELECTION SPECIAL

The Church of the Holy Trinity
Thursday Noon on the Square
presents
a Provincial Election Special
Thursday October 7 at 12 noon.

The program will last until 1pm
An inexpensive but good lunch is available
Inexpensive is \$1.00 or less in our income
bracket.

BICYCLING EVENT

The following are the official times on a recent
bicycle race through the Maze at Center

Buffy	0 44.5
T. Sheehan	0 47.0
Some guy from Montreal	2 10.10



LOST

Vandy Stein has lost a pyrex cake pan, the
large oblong kind. It was loaned to TIRA
full of brownies for the CORRA meeting.
If you have information please get in
touch with her.

ACCOMODATION WANTED

I'm desperately trying to avoid being forced
back to the city. I live at 4 First Street,
Ward's Island, and must move by October
31. Can you help me? Please call
Paul Salzman 364-6959

HAIR

COMING SOON

Algonquin Island Association
Election.

Watch for announcements
coming soon
to your local tree.

GREEPS

by David Freeman
directed by William Glasco

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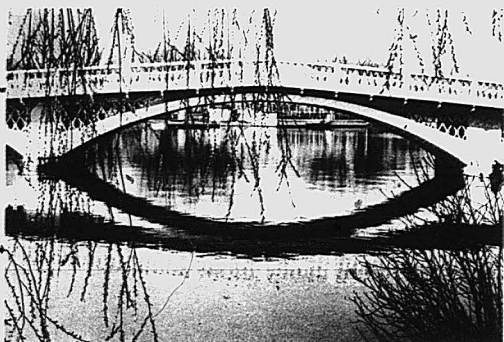
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The Goose and Duck

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Margaret Thurlow photo

BENEVOLENT OIL MAGNATE TO SERVICE ISLAND COMMUNITY THIS WINTER

by Cub Reporter David Young

Longing in his tastefully decorated home at 5 Wyandot, Donald McHenry discussed his recent decision to handle fuel oil deliveries to Island residents this winter.

"An oil man's gotta keep a hand in customer service, get a little dirt under his fingernails, if he's going to stay close to the pulse of the business. What do you think the oil business is about, boy? Here, catch?"

He paused and flipped a shiny new dime across the room.

"Why, easy as pie. It's keeping people warm. Haw, haw, haw!"

He sucked reflectively on a Red Cap. There was little to remind me that there was a man of incredible wealth, a man whose net worth was estimated by Fortune magazine to be in excess of ten billion dollars, a man who plays polo with kings and sips tea with the Pope.

Idly Mr McHenry stroked the wing of his pet flamingo ("We named him 'Gusher' for obvious reasons..."), before continuing.

"Since my first well came in I always kind of dreamed that someday I'd take some time off and tinker around with a streamlined delivery system. Chance came when we sold our summer place in Kuwait and moved here. I was dog tired of hiding behind sunglasses in the back of a Cadillac with a Bob Dylan tape turned up loud, wanted to get back to the roots. I got the time now and I aim to build a prototype dream delivery system here on Ward's and Algonquin that will be the envy of communities all over the world. Gusher, grab me another Red Cap...that's a good bird..."

He swatted a fly with a rolled up Wall Street Journal and studied the tiny corpse for a moment.

TIRA NEWS

The TIRA Executive has decided to pay the Goose and Duck \$10.00 monthly for the winter season for the use of the paper to communicate TIRA news to the Island Residents. TIRA was glad to hear that the editors were on top of their financial problems for the time being.

As many island residents are interested in the question of the Eastern headland, it was decided to ask a representative of the Harbour Commission to come to a public meeting on the island and discuss the matter with the residents. This probably will be the meeting when the new constitution for TIRA will be presented to you for your approval. The constitution committee under Bill Roedde, is making good progress, and it is hoped that the next TIRA executive meeting will be able to approve the draft. Alderman David Rotenberg wishes to come over to discuss some problems of the leases with the residents, and we hope to have a date of this meeting for you very shortly.

A vote of thanks was passed to the AIA for running a fund raising dance for TIRA, all committee members were most appreciative. On the question of funding for TIRA (as there are no membership fees) it was decided to ask absentee landlords to donate to TIRA as they benefit from TIRA's efforts to prolong the life of the community.

Peter de Tolly is to form a planning committee of which he will be chairman, and Maureen Smith is working on setting up a Community Organization Committee, which it is proposed will look after communication with the islanders and feed back to TIRA executive as well as problems connected with the appearance of the community, which all agree is of crucial importance to our future.

"We're using trucks this year instead of the old drum system. Borrowing the equipment from Active Fuels, a local supply outfit. We got a big 16-ton rig to carry bulk and two smaller 8-ton units to navigate the narrow streets you get here and make the actual deliveries."

I interrupted. Perhaps Mr McHenry wasn't aware of the 5-ton load limit on the Ward's/Algonquin bridge?

"Easy as pie," he said with a grin. "we simply gonna run a smaller truck over that bridge empty. The big tanker rig stays on the island and we put that oil across the bridge with the hose. 1000 gallons; 30 per minute. 8 pounds each. Used the same idea in a bigger way to get the stuff out of Saudi Arabia. Haw, haw, haw."

For a moment he turned his attention to André McHenry, their beautiful blonde four-year-old, who sat playing with a pile of dead leaves in the corner.

"Anyway, we'll be bringing her over in bulk, finest No. 1 grade stove oil that is, every Saturday this winter; rain, sleet and snow be damned. Feels good to be behind the wheel of a rig again, just like the old days in Turner Valley. 'Course I'll look after the half dozen who need furnace oil too. All the folks gotta do is make sure their orders get to me by Friday each week."

"We're chargin' 32 cents per gallon, which is less than last year. Out of that I'm makin' a 2 cent profit to buy Gusher food and the odd case of Red Cap. (Naturally it's not a question of money...." Mrs McHenry remarked later over a savoury dinner of steaming mashed potatoes.)

"I hope all the folks who need delivery this winter will contact WILD CAT OIL.

5 Wyandot
Just call 366-1439 and ask for Don. We'll get the schedule worked out for this winter, easy as pie!"



Terry Shaw photo

FOREVER OPTIMISTS

Inclement weather did not prevent six jubilant and enthusiastic Optimist Pram sailors from racing one Sunday morning. Jay and George Stein seemed to be the winners, a usually reliable source confided. Peter Broecker and Chris Barry were definitely the losers, paddling home with broken masts. (Guests they sheeted in a little too hard, folks!)

With the young kids putting the wind up their papas like this, what better project could there be than building an Optimist in your basement (?) this winter? See George Stein for directions.

Next summer's fleet should be strong and colourful.

MASKED RAIDERS or WHO'LL BELL THE CAT?

Five different families have reported raids on their pantries by a couple of local racoons. In most cases the animals have gotten into the house through a cat door. Beware if there is some way they can get into your house as they make a helluva mess of your flour and sugar. They have surprising manual dexterity (Isn't he with José Grecco?) and can gain entry to bags of staples with no difficulty. They are quite tame and are not in the least afraid of people. When asked to leave, they don't. It takes a little judicious fencing with a broom to usher them out. Nobody seems to quite have the confidence to pick them up and leave them.



CARRY ON GOOSING AND DUCKING

What can we say about the Goose and Duck Benefit? It was fantastic! Our thanks to Fergus Hambleton, Jack Merrick, Peter Lyle, Eric Gamble and Doug Allan, members of FLASH, the rock band that donated their services and made the whole evening possible. Their music was the basic ingredient for a happy evening enjoyed by the young and not so young. The mood of the whole affair was so great that even the dogs were dancing. We can't help but admire the building of the quality of the Algonquin Island Clubhouse. A lesser structure would have dissolved during some of the lustier numbers.

The sound level surprised many of the more senior citizens, and Mary McLaughlin showed her business acumen by suggesting a cotton batting concession. Yes, Flash will undoubtedly be a strong contender for the Industrial Metal Golden Decibel Award for 1971.

The Goose and Duck thanks the Algonquin Island Association for their co-operation and in particular, Michael Jones, Campbell Atkinson, and Dudley Davey who helped bring it off in spite of rather free-form arrangements. Also Merci to Kay Milten, Frank Gamble, Alice Coleman and Michael Albright who made the evening a profitable one for the paper by preselling tickets. Maureen Smith - a crack tuna fish sandwich maker and bar-ticket salesman will not be over-looked.

A final accounting has not been made (we've been playing Monopoly all afternoon) but as we go to press we think we made a net profit of around \$250.00. The Goose and Duck lives.

ELECTION RESULTS

75 per cent of those eligible voted. The turnout over the whole province was 73 per cent.

	Wards	Algonquin	Total
Bilan	5	1	6
Catty	3	3	6
Heap	37	49	86
Hill	0	1	1
Grossman	113	100	213

Total votes on Wards - 158
Total votes on Algonquin - 154
Total votes - 312

Mr. Grossman won the election by 720 votes over the whole riding.

GRUB GURUS.

SUSAN'S MAN CATCHING MAPLE CREAM

1. Butter a pie pan.
2. Mix in a large iron frying pan:
 - 3 cups brown sugar
 - 2 tbsp corn syrup
 - 2/3 cup milk or cream
 - 2 tbsp butter
3. Put pan over medium heat and mix mixture until sugar dissolves, then stop stirring.
4. Without stirring or scraping sides of pan, continue cooking the mixture until it reaches the softball stage, or 230° F.
5. Remove pan from heat and cool without stirring to a temp. of 110 degrees until you can keep your hand on the bottom of the pan. Add half a tsp of vanilla. Add half cup chopped nuts if desired.
6. Beat air into mixture with a wooden spoon just until mix starts to lose its gloss. You will know when to stop beating because the centre suddenly gets so thick it's hard to beat. Spoon quickly into pie pan.

Susan Gould

Remember Ann Maher's Crunchy Granola recipe from a couple of issues ago? Peter Gzowski used the recipe on his CBC radio show, and so far has received over 400 requests for copies. There's a happier, healthier Canada on the horizon, and it all started with Ann Maher right here on Toronto Island.

GAIL'S JAMAICA PUMPKIN SOUP

- 1 tbsp mashed, cooked pumpkin
 - 2-1/2 c. chicken broth
 - 1 tbsp flour
 - 1 tbsps salt
 - 1/2 tbsps oil, ginger
 - 1/2 tbsps. yellowing
 - 1 cup top milk or evaporated milk
 - 1/2 c. minced onion
 - 2-3 hard eggs, beaten
 - Chopped parsley or chives
- Put pumpkin and broth in a saucepan. Mix flour with salt and spices and 1/4 c. milk. Make a smooth paste. Add remainder of milk and eggs. Stir in pumpkin-broth. Cook on low heat for 5 minutes. Sprinkle constantly. Garnish with parsley, etc.

Gail Handrud

Liz Barry is making a name for herself now for Christmas. If you would like to order some phone her at 848-7208. The cost will be \$3.50 per quart (1 gallon 7 pounds), if you want to remember that there is loads of bounty in the recipe, no need to add more. She would appreciate empty mail to send you letters from anyone. Sorry - no Christmas pudding this year.

FALL FAIR IS A GREAT HIT

Recently the entire population of the Island School visited the annual fall fair in Markham, just north of Toronto. The trip was such a success that it was decided to hold a fall fair at the school. (This would also provide an opportunity for fund raising to finance another field trip.) The following report from the school paper is reprinted with the permission of Vice Principal Ted Currie who with his staff and students masterminded the whole affair.

With over 150 people crowding into two buses, the first annual fall fair was extremely successful. Since almost everyone on the Island attended the fair we won't take the time and the space to describe in detail except to mention some of the highlights.

First of all we would like to thank everyone for coming but especially Mrs. Stein, Mrs. Haddral, Mrs. Buzza, Mrs. VanDam, Mrs. Labonte-Smith and Mrs. Banky who helped to set up our displays and then had the difficult task of judging them. Also there were those famous judges, Miss Mort and Mr. Speers, who judged the poster and the pet contests. Again, thank you for a job well done.

Each room was to do their own thing in an effort to raise money. The most successful 'thing' must have been in Room 4 as they raised over \$25.00. They did have one minor problem. They bought \$2.98 worth of popcorn which they quickly sold but for only \$1.75.

The most colourful event was the jello-eating contest which was won by Brett in the Senior division and Tracey in the junior section. However, honourable mention must go to Shelley who won easily in the preliminaries but just didn't have room for another 3 cups.

Our raffle was won by Wendell Webster on 5 Second Street. Top ticket seller was Cathy English who collected over \$10 worth.

The highlight of the evening was an auction conducted by that world famous auctioneer, Mrs. Reerick. She sold a loaf of bread made by Mimi for \$3.25 and a cake made by John Bank for \$4.50. By the time she was finished there was another \$50 to be added to our bank account.

When we made a total on Wednesday we discovered that our bank account was \$182 richer after we had paid for all our expenses including \$35 in prize money which was returned to the pupils. Part of this total includes a \$25 cheque from the Home and School Association which paid for the hockey tickets and 1st Prize money.

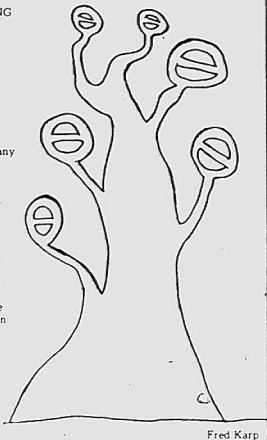
To all of you who helped make this evening so successful we thank you again. Ted Currie

OH! ARE THERE STILL PEOPLE LIVING ON THE ISLAND?

In an effort to save Islanders the trouble of explaining to people that our Community still exists, we've decided on a massive publicity campaign to let people know we're still here. As a result we've sent copies of the C & D to

- Mrs. L. Morley, Sydney, Nova Scotia
- The Sales Manager of the Water Bed Company of America, in Columbus, Ohio
- George Bus, a State Farm agent in Polson, Montana
- Mr. A. W. F. Barrett of Corner Brook, New foundland
- Al and Maxine Diller, your hosts at the Cozy Cove Motel in Lincoln City, Oregon.

These are just some names we've picked up from various magazines and newspapers, and we'll keep sending more out until we've convinced the world we're really here. Then we'll start working on that ever popular question, "How do you get back and forth in the winter?"



Fred Karp

FRIENDSHIP CAMP

The Friendship Day Camp at 102 Cibola (The Rectory) for campers from the Queen Street Mental Health Centre has been a social and recreational centre since August 3 of this year as well as for a short period last year.

The freedom of expression is tremendously enhanced by the fact that it provides a home where campers can explore beyond the walls of an institution. Feeding the ducks, cooking biscuits and warm meals in the kitchen, hiking along the scenic boardwalk, bicycling, kite flying, belonging to the 'Polar Bear Swim Club' (only for the hardy) or pondering the surroundings informally relieved of any immediate pressure is part of an extended hospital program.

Island people such as Mr. Ward have made us welcome at his excellent miniature steam engine. Dave Barrett and Susan Webster brought their program to us and helped foster a sense of community. Mrs. Porter donated a few items for which we are most thankful. John Woodburn went out of his way to donate a few items last year. The Fire Department and Police services have assisted us in numerous ways and in general the people of the Island have been most cordial.

Many of the campers have no family. For those who do go back into the community to attempt to assume a responsible role, the prospects of finding a suitable job present awesome stumbling blocks. For this and reasons too numerous to mention, the Canadian Mental Health Agency in Toronto, with the co-operation of the Hospital are making a constant effort to improve what can sometimes be a pretty bleak outlook.

I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who chooses to drop by and have a coffee.

The controversial mural by William Ronald is something to see, but more than that, just lending an ear, or having a short chat works wonders with the campers.

Al Carriere, Director.



Small Oil Tank Wanted (approx. 100 gal.) Please call Broecker, 861-1575.

Allan Grossman



Collage by Ken Coupland



WALLS OF PINE STRENGTH OF GRANITE QUALITY

Thanks, Toronto Island. I won't forget your help.



Ted Currie photo

HALLOWE'EN POEM

Peter, Peter, Pumpkin eater
 Had a wife who drank Beefeater
 Put her in a padded cell
 And there he kept her very well
 -saying, 'It can't be worse than eating all that mothering pumpkin.'

THE GOOSE AND DUCK
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A JUNGLE STORY

The following document was found on the floor of a north third street home shortly after the inhabitants left for their vacation. This will be of special interest to members of the jet set looking for an alternative to flying to Majorca for lunch.

Things to take to the Jungle

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|--------------------------|---|-----------------|--|
| Survival Supplies | Mosquito netting, 50 sq. ft. finest mesh (Bramalea Shopping Mall Camping Supplies) | Luxuries | Bar of soap
Disposable Diapers
Cigarettes
Tweezers
Nail scissors
8 plastic bags
spare pr spectacles
insect repellent
ball of string
assorted gifts, pieces of mirror
acetate, spare pencils
flashlight with bulb and batteries
toothbrush
comb |
| Food | Dried fruit in sealed packages
Soup powder in sealed packages
Salt
Tea
Sugar lumps | Boat | 1 bundle buggy
1 inflatable boat large enough to sleep in separate air chambers
pump
paddles
1 boat repair kit
1 infant life preserver
60 feet flexible floating syn thetrocpe |
| Utensils | African knife
plastic mug
aluminum jug
water bottle full of Toronto water
spoon
small saucapan | Medical | Anti malaria pills
Antibiotic cream
pain killer
elastoplast dressings
bandage
adhesive tape
unused razor blade
baby powder
disinfectant
something for dysentery
general antibiotic
aspirin
vitamin pills
benzyl benzoate
cotton wool
antihistamines |
| Navigation | Map
Compass
Notebook
Pencil | | |
| Documents | Passports
Vaccination Books
Tickets
Letter of Stay, letter of Race
Traveller's cheques
American dollar bills | | |
| Tools | Boxes of matches in plastic bag, (200 matches)
Fish-hooks and high breaking strain nylon cast line
Needle and strong thread | | |

WHAT TO TAKE TO THE JUNGLE

Meanwhile, in an abandoned warehouse in another part of town, this letter was found. It is from 'Mrs. Mathews Rest House' Lethem, Guyana, South America

Dear Friends,

We are in Lethem in the interior of Southern Guyana, after having spent three days in Georgetown battling the politicians. Your most favourite baby is sleeping soundly in a hammock slung from one corner of a South American Government Rest House Room. We have been eating the most dreadful thing. Really, it would make you ill. I had an Indian curry yesterday for dinner. It was a black sauce with shrimp floating about in it. The climate is unbearably hot but one adapts to it marvelously fast. In our hotel in Georgetown we kept our air conditioner on so high that when the maid came in she said 'Welcome to Alaska'. Everyone here is so black and we are so white. Little children won't walk on the same side of the street with us. We looked really silly in Georgetown with our baggy pants and 30's hats.

I really like it here. It's so beautiful. We went to the botanical gardens and saw the Victoria 'Regalia', which is a waterlily so big you can stand in it and it won't sink.

We are allowed to spend three weeks in the interior and one week in Georgetown, however, I believe we will spend that last week in Trinidad.

The tiny plane that we came into the interior in was so full of onions we could hardly breathe. The view was very nice.

Love,
 Muriel, Anthony and Oro

Watch this space for further developments in the Jungle Saga.

ed's note: One question arises do they intend to use the large white handkerchief as a hat or blow their noses on the floppy white hat? Also - a usually reliable source reports that in spite of excessive list-making they forgot the snake-bite kit.

IT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING, BABY

by popular young bachelor Philo King Jr., and Peggy Muckerman, former debutante

Analyze your Footprints

When the Goose and Duck got underway last spring, we made up a mailing list of local press-radio-TV people. We had a little bit of the old Manipulating Media in mind.

We've been sending the paper to those people ever since, and included in the list is Danny Finkleman, a really zany guy who does some pretty clever, pretty unusual stuff for CBC radio and TV. Sounds like a great guy, we said. Probably like to know all about the Island.

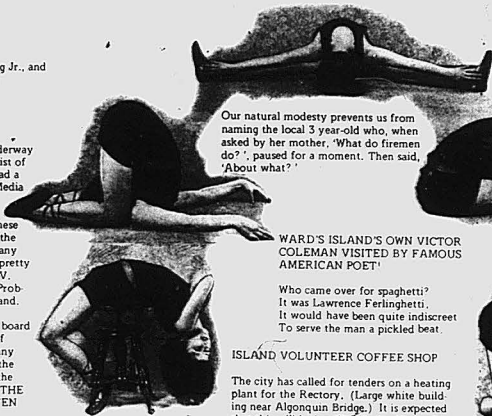
Recently, a member of the G & D board of Directors was taken on a tour of the CBC and found himself at Danny Finkleman's desk. And there, on the desk, were the last four copies of the Goose and Duck. UNOPENED! THE MAILING STAPLES HADN'T EVEN BEEN TAKEN OUT!

Memo to circulation Department: Take that jerk Finkleman off the list.



The first meeting of the Girls' Games and Handicraft Class was held last Wednesday evening. Under the supervision of Maureen Smith, Anne Broecker and Jean Elliott the girls did some construction paper work. Mothers are reminded that the \$5.00 yearly fee is due and that the organizers are waiting for this money to come in so that materials can be bought for a more complete craft program.

Each Wednesday one of the mothers will be asked to come and help out. Please call End Criddle at 362-5101 or Maureen Smith at 861-1536 for information. The class meets Wednesdays from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.



Our natural modesty prevents us from naming the local 3 year-old who, when asked by her mother, 'What do firemen do?', paused for a moment. Then said 'About what?'

WARD'S ISLAND'S OWN VICTOR COLEMAN VISITED BY FAMOUS AMERICAN POET

Who came over for spaghetti? It was Lawrence Ferlinghetti. It would have been quite indiscreet To serve the man a pickled beet.

ISLAND VOLUNTEER COFFEE SHOP

The city has called for tenders on a heating plant for the Rectory. (Large white building near Algonquin Bridge.) It is expected that this will be installed during November and that we could have our coffee shop in operation by Christmas. I suppose we could call it the Hot Stuff League.



About Gail Haglund's house. (It's the purple one with the apple tree painted on the front.) You've all been thinking she's going to have a tough time jacking it up where it has sagged at the front door, right? Wrong. The front door is the level part. The north corner of the house has been lifted by the roots of the big tree beside the house. Anybody got any ideas on how to lower a tree?



AND REMEMBER PING PONG SPELLED BACKWARDS IS GNIP GNOF

A lot of people have been enjoying table tennis in the Ward's Island Clubhouse this fall. Due to careful management on the part of Selby Wemyss during his tenure as WIA president, the club was able to afford this new equipment and it is enjoying a lot of use during the otherwise quiet fall evenings. The clubhouse is unfortunately not heated so ping pong will continue as long as the mild weather holds. After that I guess it's back to Gilligan's Island.

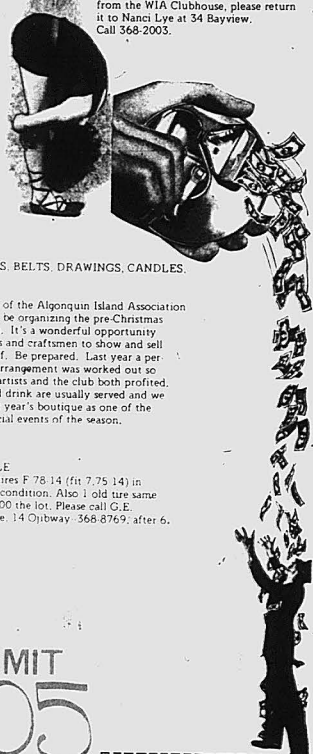
MOBILES, BELTS, DRAWINGS, CANDLES, etc.

Members of the Algonquin Island Association will soon be organizing the pre-Christmas Boutique. It's a wonderful opportunity for artists and craftsmen to show and sell their stuff. Be prepared. Last year a percentage arrangement was worked out so that the artists and the club both profited. Food and drink are usually served and we recall last year's boutique as one of the nicest social events of the season.

FOR SALE
2 winter tires F 78 14 (fit 7.75 14) in excellent condition. Also 1 old tire same size. \$12.00 the lot. Please call G.E. Mortimore, 14 Ojibway, 368-8769, after 6.

Bie Cartwright, one of a growing number of Islanders to ride bicycles to school, work and shopping, etc., had the misfortune to be injured by an opening truck door a couple of weeks ago. The preceding printed as a safety warning, and as a note of sympathy to that honey, Bie.

Whoever borrowed the coffee machine from the WIA Clubhouse, please return it to Nancy Lye at 34 Bayview. Call 368-2003.



THE HOUSEHOLDER'S LAMENT

Our roof sprang a leak and we tried and tried to fix it
We invested in shingles and cans and cans of goop
Our run sprang a leak and we tried and tried to fix it
We invested in lumber and shoveled out the poop
Our plumbing sprang a leak and we tried and tried to fix it
We invested in a blowtorch and a shiny solder hoop
My wife sprang a leak and we tried and tried to fix it
We threw out the pill and invested in a loop.

But all our efforts were in vain
The roof stayed open to the rain
A vile effluvium still did come
From out our seeping septic run
The drip of pipes at night did keep
Me from my meagre, troubled sleep
And wife denying all wifely uses
Kept coming up with new excuses.
At last, despairing, off I ran
To call the Island Handyman.

The Handyman came round next day, his jeans were worn and droopy
He scratched his goaty beard and he ogled at my wife
He reckoned that the roof was shot, the runs were surely soupy
And solder notwithstanding, our pipes had lost their life
But for a sum (my mind did reel, my brain did go all loopy)
He'd undertake to fix it all with his trusty pocket knife.
I shook his hand, I jumped for joy, I almost shouted whoopee
This splendid chap would rescue me from all my household strife.

I curse the day I called that man
All was fixed, but not to plan.
Our pipes no longer drip, 'tis true
No water to the tap comes through.
Green garbage bags the rotter used
To patch the roof and so abused
Our septic run (I blush to thank)
You flush, it comes up in the sink.
And worst of all, my faithless wench
Has given birth to a plumber's wrench.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

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Fletcher Starbuck photo



Pat Coyle and Alice Coleman in Bie Cartwright's production of 'Lancelot of Denmark'

GOOSE & DUCK CONTEST #3

WHICH WOULD YOU RATHER BE? (check one)

- (a) The Sheriff of Nottingham
- (b) Good Prince John
- (c) Put to the sword



The Goose and Duck

TORONTO ISLAND COMMUNITY NEWS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1971



COME BACK, LITTLE TUK-TUK

by Freya Godard

Many Islanders have noticed the absence in recent weeks of three members of the community: Amarak, Namartak and Tuk-Tuk. Seán McCutcheon's dogs. Friends of the dogs will be saddened to learn that the two older dogs disappeared mysteriously from the Island on Saturday or Sunday, October 16 or 17 and that Tuk-Tuk, the black and white Husky pup that the Island kids brought from Igloolik last spring had to be destroyed after a six-week battle with distemper.

Amaruk was the yellow bitch, half wolf, half Husky, which Seán brought down from the Arctic a year ago. Namartak, otherwise known as Brown Bear, was her puppy (but already bigger than his mother), the big clumsy brown dog often seen playing with her, one of her three puppies by Boris of Third Street, who himself was one of John McClarty's dog's puppies. Namartak's brother and sister are Nanook and Arwin, who live with the Campfens and wags, Trinet and Ron respectively.

Anyone having information regarding these missing dogs is urgently requested to get in touch with Seán at 366-9815.



HARBOUR COMMISSION MEETING

reported by Jeff Davis

On Wednesday, November 24, two Harbour Commission Engineers were kind enough to come to the AIA and answer questions concerning the spit of land being built on the south side of the Island. In a conceptual plan, the whole south side of the Island will be enclosed by two spits, one stemming from the south-east, the other at the south-west. There will be a gap between the ends creating a harbour. The area around Hanlan's Point will be something to the effect of a miniature Venice and the water will be heated somewhere to the south-east, around Cherry Beach. Of course, this is just a conceptual plan, and the two miles of spit already built, is complete.

At this meeting, it seemed to me that the Islanders generally opposed this plan, but that the Harbour Commission engineers were attempting to sell their product as opposed to Mr. Jack Jones' admitted

TIRA NEWS

The public meeting and debate on the future of the Islands with Alderman Rotenberg has been postponed till after the new year because Island planners wish to prepare properly for the event.

A newsletter has been sent to absentee landlords to bring them up to date in island developments, and to inform them that TIRA is open for donations to help with its work.

The dance put on by the AIA to raise funds for TIRA brought in a total of \$90 to help in the work of preserving the community for which the association is most grateful to Michael Jones and his executive.

A heating system is to be put into the rectory, paid for by the Anglican diocese. The last Parks Committee meeting included proposals for the capital budget for 1972. The road is to be completed to Ward's Island dock, and some washrooms to be added to the children's amusement area at Centre Island, if final approval is obtained from the various committees and Council.

PHOTO: BOB GASTON

that not enough studies had been conducted to carry through a plan like this, yet it goes on anyway. After all, nothing has gone wrong yet, so why worry? He also told us that the spit would prevent sitting. If so, this will jeopardize the Ward's Island beach. But, so the engineer told us, it would be easy to build up the beach as was done at Ontario Place. The only adequate words I can use to express the opinion of most Islanders are the words used by one man that night: "It is a very sad thing if you can't distinguish between Ward's Island beach and the beach at Ontario Place."

"This whole project is a very sad thing. We have no guarantee that it will not go wrong, rather many signs that would point to the opposite. And if it does go wrong, what then? I know not what we as citizens can do, but remember, 'an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure'."

AIA HAS A NEW EXECUTIVE



PRESIDENT	Mike Jones, 18 Daotah Ave, 368-3252
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	John Steele
	Rick Scottwood, 12 Third St, 363-3580

COMING SOON

- December 4 Boutique, 4pm-5
Food, coffee and pop
AIA
- December 11 Christmas Dance
Dinner
AIA
- December 31 New Year's Dance Buffet
AIA
Bar, only 500 tickets will be sold.
\$5.00 per couple.

WORLD PREMIERE OF LAND OF IGLOOLIK

100 moviegoers enjoyed Robert Becking's film, *Land of Igloolik*, shown recently at the Algonquin Clubhouse. The film told the story of a two-week visit to the far north by a group of children and adults from the Island School. It was delightful to see the kids who are usually clattering up our living rooms in that exotic setting, Chuck Hopkins, principal and mastermind, enlivened the film with his entertaining commentary. He and Peter Middleton answered questions at the close, one of which concerned the visit of some of the Eskimo children to the Toronto area. This is not at all certain, he reported, as the adults in Igloolik are reluctant to have their children visit the south. Their way of life is already seriously threatened and it is understandable that they do not want their young people influenced further in the ways of change.

Many people stayed to talk and enjoy the bar and the food afterwards. Thanks to Kathy Banksy, Gloria Barker and Toni Haddral who arranged it all.



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Keep an Entire Nation
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For countless hours, pouring with sweat and plagued by mosquitoes, I began to realize just why it remained uninhabited. However, it was worth the effort, as we found a beautiful, high, thin, waterfall and plunged ecstatically into the crystal-cold pool at its base.

My own built-in camera, which accompanied me everywhere, has been taking a terrific fishing on land and great soaking in the sea, so I shall be amazed if any of the footage comes out of all. Tell Trinker her leather bag is holding up splendidly, even if it is wearing a permanent groove in my right shoulder.

Times ago I watched a bird underwater holding for the camera. I spent hours every day in the water with fins and face mask, surrounded by shoals of fish of every brilliant hue and shape imaginable, some like creatures out of Hieronymus Bosch's worst nightmares, but all so totally fearless they will eat out of your hand.

Some will even go so far as to eat your hand. The coral formations, out by the reef that surrounds the island, seem to mirror the tropical vegetation on land, though I had always thought of coral as mineral rather than vegetable—though I suppose, strictly speaking, it is neither, being in fact animal. Regardless of its social standing, however, there is no doubt in my mind that it is as sharp as a razor. The only ways through the reef are along the winding channels between the clumps of coral, which are kept clear by the currents as the tides go in and out. These channels are usually about four feet wide but often when you are following one, to your horror, it suddenly narrows down to about 2 feet. There is no room to turn round and go back, so you have to pidge on, carefully, hardly daring to breathe, lest you brush against the millions of tiny razor-edged hairs' breadth away from your skin. I had the misfortune to make an unpremeditated move on one such occasion, for which my leg was profitably lacerated to ribbons. Fortunately the coral round here is not generally poisonous, though you do occasionally see small clumps of fire-coral, which can really give you a good working over.

I have a little thatched hut (called a *faré*) with no sides—the weather is so good you don't need a warrant building walls—and the only protection you need is from the sun. It is made of palm fronds, and in the rainy season it is a good place to sit. For instance, as we were sitting in the dry season, but even so, each little island created its own peculiar climate. Even on the sunniest of days, you can usually see a small fat man sitting tramping on an atoll in the middle of the island, and whenever it rains he goes to the beach and trots around, raining on overhanging for about 10 minutes, before he goes back and returns to his look-out post. The thatched roofs are so steeply pitched that they also provide a good deal of shade. The only other selection available is as good as no selection at all. I was in a boat to tie up my gear and go on to leaving the boat. I had just spotted a splendid specimen of the coral, and was comfortably settled in my chair and clearly hoping to avoid the mosquitoes, when a cluster of eggs that must have been an inch in diameter. It was interesting to speculate on the species that might have crossed the customs off the island. (Anything to declare, sir?)

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"Well, just to be sure, let's have a look at it." I was millions of miles away, but I had poured out of the boat.

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The Goose and Duck has received a communication from Bill and Mary George who are now in Taiwan. Look for it in the

(INCOMING)

Dear Ed

A month ago we started a new theatre in Toronto. One of the things we planned to do but haven't got around to yet is to set up a stall in the lobby selling crafts.

I know that there are many people on the island who make beautiful things and may need an outlet. We have 1000-1800 people standing in our lobby munching cookies, talking or being shy six nights a week from 7:45 to 8:30 and again at 9:45-10:30. (The play we are doing now is called Creeps and doesn't have an intermission but many people stay after the show to eat more cookies and to talk.) I think they'll be interested in browsing and buying crafts.

If anyone is interested in organizing something like this or talking further please call me.

Jane Glasco
964-8833

Dear Ed

Have received and enjoyed my second copy of the G&D. May I use bits now and again? We issue a syndicated 30 page weekly paper to 104 Radio Stations.

Thank you,

Al Holika

Ed's note: Oh, all right. But does this mean we have the world's worst jokes?

Dear Ed

For some reason I can't quite remember I failed to get the last issue of the G&D, the most eagerly awaited publication of my lifetime.

Please rush a back copy and news of what's happening in your journalism department.

Yours truly,
Henry Cavendish

Dear Ed

What you have here is a letter of praise for the Algonquin Island Association and their recent Masquerade Ball, which was a very ENJOYABLE success. The costumes, and the light illuminated our marriage skies like never before.

Don McHenry appeared as Arctic Power and I know super heroes more familiar to Island wives. Pat Corrie looked like a real "hot" angel, only you knew he wasn't because he was always laughing. The atmosphere was one of continual rhythm and movement and it keeps the kids off the street.

The quiet and sublime enjoyment of a who and cheese party, and the spiritual joy of a raucous rock revival indicates a willingness on the part of the AIA to entertain all possible clientele throughout the winter weekends. Encourage them with your interest and get to know your neighbors better than you already do.

Yours with laughter

Michael Albright

THE "I AIN'T SHOWN NO REASONABLE PROGRESS BLUES"

My Gyroc, all get rained on.
Antenheads is out of paint.
When I climb up on a ladder
I get to feeling faint.

The dogs run off with my paintbrush
And I'm almost out of nails.
I get the I ain't shown no Reasonable Progress Blues.

The winds are getting colder.
The days are getting shorter.
I don't think I'll take a break now
and go in and have a shirt.

The dogs run off with my paintbrush
And I'm almost out of nails.
I get the I ain't shown no Reasonable Progress Blues.

The Inspector calls tomorrow
and the eavesdropper still ain't here.
I woulda done it Sunday
instead of watching the Grey's.

The dogs run off with my paintbrush
And I'm almost out of nails.
I get the I ain't shown no Reasonable Progress Blues.

Anonymous

FERGUS

ALL THE RIGHT NOISES



The music that you hear in this record would probably make those who think of themselves as "rock and roll" people think into the night. It's a real "weird" record from the new album by Toronto's "Island" - we're talking about what personality. Fergus Henderson, 1000 Dundas Street, 79-877.

Reviews of new albums have been all too infrequently praising Fergus Henderson's great music and great talent. Lord Baden Powell, Reginald, and the Right, Able Days.

He's got a great record with Reggae every time. Joe Theisman and the other side of the album. Margaret Sanger.

He's got a great record for years, and he's showing it. He's got a great record. H. Locke.

He's got a great record. He's got a great record. Vic Coppis.



The Goose and Duck needs a typewriter. It's a brand new one and there would be a lot of people who would like to see it.



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A FEW WORDS FROM OUR FAR EAST BUREAU

As promised in our last issue, we have a report from Bill and Mary George, who are in Taiwan for a year. While Bill is studying Chinese, Mary is teaching postal workers conversational English. That last bit sounds a mite weird, we know, but 6,738 Taiwanese cannot be denied.

Along with their report they send everyone their regards. If you'd like to send yours back, try sending one of those leftover Christmas cards to:

Bill and Mary George
Ho Ping E. Road
Section 1224-2
Taipei 106 Taiwan
Republic of China

LION'S HEAD MOUNTAIN

Almost two-thirds of Taiwan is occupied by a mountain range that contains fifty peaks over 10,000 feet. Lion's Head Mountain lies on the western side of this range overlooking the alluvial plain which stretches to the sea. It was named in 1826 after an exploring party noted the mountain's shape resembled that of a crouching lion. In 1892 an itinerant Buddhist monk happened upon the mountain and settled in a cave high on its western flank. That cave, known as the cave of the lion, is now the site of a Buddhist monastery and was our objective as we set out from Taipei some weeks ago.

To a group of city-worm students the prospect of spending a night in a Buddhist monastery high in the clear mountain air seemed something akin to Nirvana itself, and so laden with cameras and tape recorders and other impedimenta of civilization we eagerly trudged up the winding path to the summit. The path is not particularly difficult even with our numerous stops to investigate the temples along the way, to catch our breath, and enjoy the view of hillsides of terraced rice paddies or row after row of tea bushes, we arrived at the monastery on the summit in less than three hours.

The 100 or so monks and nuns of Lion's Head Mountain belong to the Pure Land sect of Mahayana Buddhism. The principle deity of this sect is the Buddha Amida (Omitofo in Chinese), and the path up the hill is dotted with small plaques which read "I pay homage to the Buddha Amida" with a subscript reminding the pilgrims of the great merit to be gained by frequent repetition. It is the Buddha Amida who usually occupies the central position in the trinity of statues in the temples of Lion's Head Mountain. On his left there is the Bodhisattva Guan-yin the Goddess of Mercy. (The name of the Goddess of Mercy has also been invoked commercially and applied to a particularly strong type of tea, which, according to a book of mine, is drunk by trained monkeys in Fukien province.) Bodhisattvas are those beings who have renounced the attainment of Nirvana in order to remain closer to the world of men and act in their behalf. They are objects of devotion much as saints are in Catholicism. To the right of Amida in eternal serenity sits Maharthana the personification of Amida's Buddha wisdom. Further off to the side we find the supreme trinity of Buddha and a statue of the King of the Netherworld, the particular favourite of supplicants in distress. Often too, as was the case in our monastery, in front of the awesome central trinity sits a smaller porcelain image in life-like colors, one which is familiar to most Westerners, the image of Milofu, the fat, laughing Buddha. In contrast to his more august neighbours, Milofu is the soul of conviviality and sociability dispensing his bounteous material riches to whoever is in need. There is not a malicious bone in Milofu's corpulent body, yet somehow his place in front of the ascetic trio seems a mild rebuke to the central Buddhist doctrine of self-denial. A contradiction perhaps, but one indicative of the viable and sophisticated religion whose adherents are well aware they do not have a monopoly of the "truth" whatever that may be.

Buddhists are vegetarians. Their reverence for life is all inclusive, a small placard in the dining room reads "Be kind to animals by not eating them." A masterpiece of understatement indeed. One may of course argue that vegetarianism is but a rationalization of the lack of readily available animal protein in densely populated Asian countries, but whatever the origin of the belief, the development of vegetarian cookery in the hands of the Buddhists has reached awe-inspiring heights. There is at least one restaurant in Toronto that offers a token dish of Lo-han Tsai (literally disciple of Buddha dish), but, alas, it is but a pale imitation of those sixteen or so dishes which were set before us at the evening meal. Every variety of vegetable was accounted for, from succulent bamboo shoots to marinated peanuts, And do-fu, at least six different preparations, Do-fu, is quite prosaically bean curd by itself an uninspiring white substance resembling stiffened yoghurt. Most westerners regard it as a meat substitute as it is an excellent source of protein, and, under the ministrations of an experienced cook, can emerge from the kitchen almost undistinguishable from any of several types of meat, complete with its own sauce.

The view is breathtaking from the top of Lion's Head Mountain, the monastery, a haven of restful quiet in an otherwise noisy and bothersome world. But if anything is going to convert this particular unformed pagan from his heathenish ways, it will, I'm afraid, not the 532nd repetition of the name of Buddha, but the all but divine sensation of utter satisfaction after a Buddhist meal.

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU TOO

Did you see the article about the Island in the Star on December 28th? The one in which the Parks Commissioner is quoted? Seems he said that council should set a deadline, anywhere from one to ten years - then at its expiration take over the homes. Did you see that? TEN YEARS! Let's hear it for T.W. Thompson, one of North America's great Parks Commissioners.

YOU'RE STANDING ON MY HALO

Congratulations to everyone concerned with the Island School Christmas Concert. Just before Christmas, two busloads of apprehensive performers and their long suffering parents and friends inundated the school to enjoy outstanding entertainment, cookies and hot punch.

A special salute to Anne Phibbs whose music added so much to the fun of the evening.



photo: STEWART BRADLEY

I SAY IT'S RAW SEAL HEART AND I SAY THE HELL WITH IT

Land of Igloolik will be seen on Television
Sunday, January 30 at 5:00pm.
Channel 6 (CBLT).

See 20 Island kids taking a sun break 200 miles
North of the Arctic Circle!

See learning take place!



photo: STEWART BRADLEY

DONALD RUSSELL

A very faithful friend of the Island community died suddenly on December 17th. Donald Russell, the Etobicoke controller, supported the Island community on Metro Council longer than anyone else now on council, except of course for Alderman Rotenberg. The TIRA executive sent flowers on behalf of all Islanders.

We all owe him a debt of gratitude for his help. He sat on Metro first as Mayor of New Toronto, and then became Etobicoke Controller when the municipalities were reduced to six. He made no speeches, merely listened to the long hours of debate, and then never failed to vote for us.

Thank you, Don Russell, may you rest in peace.

Mrs. McLaughlin

SEASONAL PROBLEM

Is it appropriate to tip the driver of a Mr. Passers?



A MODEST PROPOSAL

Wherein it is proposed that a team of able-bodied consenting adults be brought together for the purpose of throwing a large rubber sphere (hereafter called "the ball") through a small hoop (hereafter to be called "the basket"). The game itself shall be played on a large open court without the aid of horses or any of those other animals larger than an Island peach and including smaller than an Island watermelon muskox. The players themselves limited in number to five (not to matter

where the area is suitable) and wearing little or no clothes. The contest shall be held on the first of each month in some convenient and convenient location.

The further it proved that the purpose to prevent themselves and to every Thursday night at the Aqueduct Social Clubhouse. The teams shall be known as the Island Artists Basketball League. Every day on the Island shall necessarily be known as Island Artist.



RULES

- (1) No loud swearing or rude warts although each team shall be encouraged to cheer for their favorites.
- (2) No favorites.
- (3) All rules, laws and conventions invoked.
- (4) All soft shoes and no wrestling.
- (5) The suspicions of the judges will be final.
- (6) Ties will be given to the orphans for Christmas.

Yours in health and fair play—
Active Jim and/or Speed Savage



GRUB GURU

ALBERTA'S ALTERNATIVE

While the rest of us spent the holiday season staggering under the load of all that turkey, Alberta Clarke beat the turkey high rip by preparing a down-east favourite: salmon & fiddleheads. Here's how she did it:

First of all select your salmon. I suggest you use Andy, the friendly fish monger, at St. Lawrence Market. He will gladly reserve you a fish and being a former chef will even give free culinary advice.

I ordered a seven pound salmon and stuffed it loosely with the following ingredients:

- 1/2 cup cooked rice
- approx. 2 cups bread crumbs
- salt white pepper to taste
- cooked meat from backbone of salmon (filleted by Andy on request and poached beforehand in a little water)
- a few squirts of Worcestershire sauce
- a few drops of tomato sauce
- 4T lemon juice
- white of one egg

Then I sautéed it with ketchup and string, place it on a greased baking sheet and brush with melted butter. The fish was measured at its thickest part and baked at 400 degrees F following ten minutes per inch of thickness. My wife loved the result.

I served it with medium white sauce. Andy says "a little powdered mustard and who who added to the sauce makes all the difference in the world!"

Alberta Clarke



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THE FAD PAD

KRISTMAS KRAFTS & KUSTOMS by David Young

Seasons Greetings! Last week we talked about balancing the family budget and the whys and wherefores of the old favourite, turkey dressing. We hope all of you were able to take advantage of the many supermarket specials on Xmas gobblers to try it out (the turkey dressing).

At this special time of year all of us here at the Fad Pad have gathered 'round the hearth with our loved ones to contemplate the age-old story of the lonely wiseman who followed the wandering star with their herds of reindeer. As we spend these few quiet moments each year looking toward the deeper meaning of Christmas we hope, like all good men *everywhere*, that it's eternal promise to mankind has come a year closer to fruition. While the last roasted chestnut is still cooling in the fluff under the fridge we wanted to throw the Fad Pad open to you, the readers of The Goose & Duck, so all of us can share your rich and varied ways of passing this joyous season.

Mr. P.B. Kirzitzer, Sudbury, Ontario:

"Each year my honey here makes Christmas cards to send to our friends and relatives who are scattered all over the world. I always send real estate cards from the office but this is different. We wanted it to be real personal so in the different places they could say 'Gee, there's Betty and Pete and the kids and I think that's the dog.' Last year we did one of the whole family dressed in hockey gear sitting in the den and the kids stuck them on brightly coloured construction paper and crayoned the faces. Inside we all signed our names and wrote a greeting, like 'Hi, how's it going?'. In the summer we also do boating.

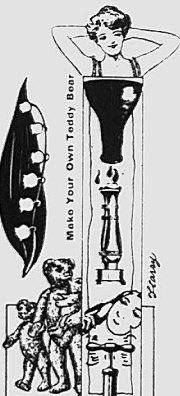
Mrs. K. Yanovanoski, Thompson, Manitoba.

"Each year we do like the old country. There is potatoes boiled for everyone and later we sing and dance and make a snowman with potatoes for eyes and his mouth. If the face is still on the lawn in June we know it's going to be a cool summer for the crops."

Mrs. S.R. Batman, Windsor, Ontario:

"The highlight of the Christmas season for my husband and our four boys (aged 18, 19, 25 and 29) has always been the Super Bowl when they have all their friends over to drink beer and watch the game. Here's a hint for other moms who want to keep the men in their life happy and contented - put off Christmas dinner! I know it sounds unconventional, but try it! On the 25th, when you would normally serve your festive table, simply turn the heat under your turkey and vegetables down very low. Now for the next couple of days your home will be rich with the warm smells of good cooking. (Remember to keep basting that meat, otherwise it will lose a good deal of moisture!) On Super Bowl day simply spread your piping hot buffet in the TV room and watch you family dig in during the game."

Collages: HAROLD KLUNDER



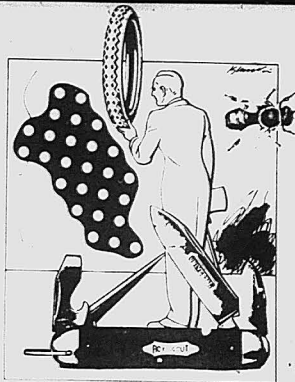
YOU'VE GOT TO KNOW THE TERRITORY

Once upon a time, three retired hookers opened a lingerie shop in a downtown Toronto hotel. Things were moving nicely until one mild Christmas eve when a man from the Island came looking for a present for his lady.

The sound of boggle bells is still echoing through the little shop. The man had asked, naturally enough, for flannelette pyjamas.

THYME ON MY HANDS

Anyone out there suffering from a seasonal ailment known as frustrated green thumb? If so why not grow your own herbs and stuff on the kitchen windowsill? Seeds can be bought from the Richters in Locust Hill, Ontario. If you are a Sunday driver you can drop in, or send 50 cents for their catalogue which is surprisingly lengthy. It also contains some delightful recipes and bits of information on herbs.



Col. R. (Big Red) Shook, Omaha, Nebraska:

"Each year, on the first day of December, we receive a directive from the President advising that our command is to maintain a Fed Alert during the Christmas season to keep an unscrupulous enemy from launching a sneak attack while the men are at home visiting their families. Yearly this results in the cancellation of all holiday furloughs as we take up our war posture, and as you can imagine, those of us in command are faced with one big fat morale problem. To deal with this we have in past years instituted a number of special procedural changes from the fifteenth of December till the second day of January which enable the men to participate in the joy of the Yuletide season. For instance, we name all of our equipment after Santa's reindeer, the big B-52s we call Blitzen, the drop-nosed Phantom attack-bombers become Rudolphs and so on. On the evening of the 24th there is generally a pretty good party in the Nuclear Situation Room.

The boys mix up a special SAC eggnog for the occasion, the recipe is a slowly chartered secret, but without giving it away I can say that it's mostly bourbon and gin. This seems to ease much of the tension caused by our full alert profile (last year the head air marshal had one too many and stood in the middle of the glow board shouting out the top secret alpha from his GO NO GO code log!) It's really great fun and the evidence indicated that the special Christmas feeling we create here at SAC really helps to keep our guys sharp and ready."

Mrs. L.L. Gibney, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia:

"All year long my kids save all their soft drink bottle caps and collect them from friends. In the week immediately before the big day they paint them with bright red and green nail polish. On Christmas morning we spread them all over the living room floor and walk on them with bare feet. We've been doing this for years and it feels just marvelous."

Mrs. E. Bauer, Acapulco, Mexico:

"We celebrate our holiday in the traditional Mexican fashion, may be some of your readers would like to pick up a few hints to add a splash of colour to their season."

On Christmas eve we all gather in our living room with a bottle of Tequila and sing Mexican carols that have been handed down from father to son since the days of Cortez. As the hour of midnight approaches the children bring the gaily festooned piñata which they have been busy decorating all day up from the basement. With great ceremony the elders of our householdasten it to the ceiling beam and then we all take turns hitting it with a sharp stick, singing and dancing and drinking tequila till sunrise the next morning. It's an interesting ritual and we think an important part of our Mexican Christmas heritage.

En note: a piñata is a four-sided member of the fluff family available in most pet shops.

THURSDAY NOON ON THE SQUARE

JANUARY PROGRAM

Holy Trinity Church

Trinity Square (near Eaton's)

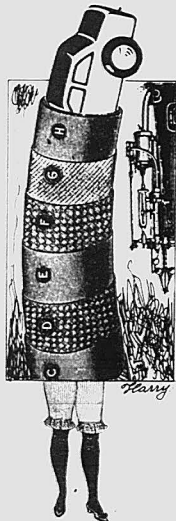
Lunch is available

JANUARY 6 "RENDER UNTO CAESAR" The New Tax Laws

JANUARY 13 "THE QUIET RACKET" Noise Pollution

TUESDAY

JANUARY 18 "DOWNTOWN IS FOR PEOPLE" (Film)
12:15 to 1:15pm



MACRAME CLASS

Angela McHenry, 5 Wyandot, 366-1439 will be having a Macramé Class on Tuesday afternoons (& possibly evenings) beginning in January.

SAUNA CLUB

Anyone interested in forming a Sauna Club on the Island (contributing money and/or work, etc.) Call Don McHenry, 5 Wyandot Avenue, 366-1439 or come and see me.

W.I.A. MINUTES FROM 1942

A hard-working team of ace G&D reporters has managed to uncover some ~~until-now-secret~~ files of the Ward's Island Association. In fact, we've come into possession of incomplete minutes and correspondence of the W.I.A. from the years 1936-1950. We'll do the nostalgia bit over the next few issues and reprint a few of the pages. For a kick-off, we have some minutes from the wonderful year 1942.

Minutes of Nomination meeting of Ward's Island Association held at the new Club House on Tuesday August 18th, 1942.



Photo: AL SCHOENBERG

The President Mr. Geo. Goulding occupied the chair with Mrs. W. B. Ruston as Secretary.

Minutes:

Minutes of the last annual general meeting of August 21st 1941 were read.
Moved by Mr. Jim Davis, seconded by Mr. A. Saywell that minutes be adopted as read. (Carried)

Nominations for 1942:

The President informed the meeting that the nomination box had been opened in accordance with the Constitution and read the names of those nominated for office for 1942 as per attached list.

All the offices being filled, the chairman declared the nomination closed.

The President spoke on the annual Winter Dance of 1942 not being a success. There being a deficit of \$46.00

Moved by Mr. Art Coleman, seconded by Mr. Frank Aitkens that the Winter Dance be discontinued. An amendment was moved to the motion by Mr. Saywell, seconded by Mr. Jack Williams that the Winter Dance be carried on as in former years. (Carried)

The annual subject of Supervision was opened and much discussion arose. Mr. Torrey suggested that rules be drawn for supervision.

Major Alex Sinclair spoke on hearing a rumour that some of the boys in Supervision refused to salute the flag. Major Sinclair said, if it was only a rumour it should be treated as such, but if there was any truth to this matter, it should be dealt with at once, as this was too serious a matter to ignore.

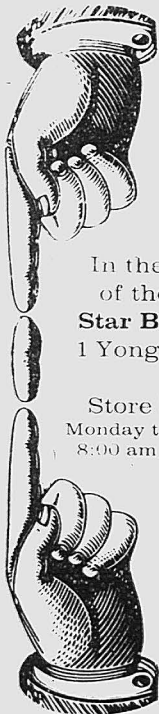
After much discussion on Supervision by several members, it was moved by Mr. Sid Torrey, seconded by Mr. A. Saywell that the discussion be closed. (Carried)

It was moved by Mr. Hind seconded by Mr. At. Henderson that each kid who had joined the armed forces be sent a box at Christmas time. When it was pointed out to Mr. Hind that Mrs. Alex Sinclair had a complete change of war effort, Mr. Hind withdrew his motion.

Moved by Mr. Henderson seconded by Mr. Hind, that a vote of thanks be given to Mrs. Sinclair and her committee for the good work they are doing. (Carried)

On motion of Mr. J. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Sinclair the meeting adjourned.

G. Goulding



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WEATHER—High today, low tonight, with a scattering in mid-afternoon.

ISLANDERS MUST CHOOSE

Segregated Waiting or Integrated Waiting

It was a merry band of Islanders who staggered off the ice-covered 9am ferry on January 25, the first day in the life of the new ferry terminal. Gaily they burst into the new building eager to tour the premises and savour the comforts of the new waiting room.

It was without regret that many of us said goodbye to the old 'pen', ungraced as it was by so much as a tinkle tin. As for the evil yellow waiting room, there isn't a number small enough to describe the amount of warmth emitted by the last of the old stone cold heaters.

Rumour that there were heated wash

rooms in the new building but no waiting room was confirmed. So we look back wistfully to our days of comfort at the foot of York Street.

Could it possibly be same error?

We are told that the major part of the (minimum security) terminal building is occupied by Waller's Catering (purveyors of what passes for food at the Center Island concessions). Could this in fact be 'The Walky's Building'? Do we dare hope that soon a structure will arise which accomodates citizens travelling to and from the island?

Moo.



TEACHERS SURVIVE WEEKEND!

from the Gibraltar Pointers

In preparation for a future field trip the pupils of Room 5 wisely decided to take Mr. Bennett and friends camping last weekend. By the time they had gathered enough supplies for two days they had a load twice as large as the equipment which they took to Igloolik a year ago.

Upon arriving early Saturday morning at a site near Orangville they quickly set up camp. As usual the pupils were all unpacked while the teachers were still reading the directions as to how to erect a tent.

After a light lunch snow began to fly but most of the flakes were the size of snowballs. Unfortunately for Ted Lye and Evan Roersck, the area immediately surrounding their tent was most heavily hit and as a result their tent sagged badly.

Of course by this time our supplies were running low so Miss Harris bravely volunteered to risk a trip to the nearest supermarket for more food. However she could not make a steep hill and was forced to return to camp and place some weight in the back of her car. Thus with Mr. Bennett, Robin and Virginia, she zoomed down the road and up the hill, only to find Mr. Stein stuck at the top.

Eventually, she returned and it was time for supper. While most of the pupils were devouring steaks the staff ate a hearty meal of delicious dark brown chili. One of the hungriest members of the group was Arthur but we also haven't seen him at school all week as he waits for his meal to digest.

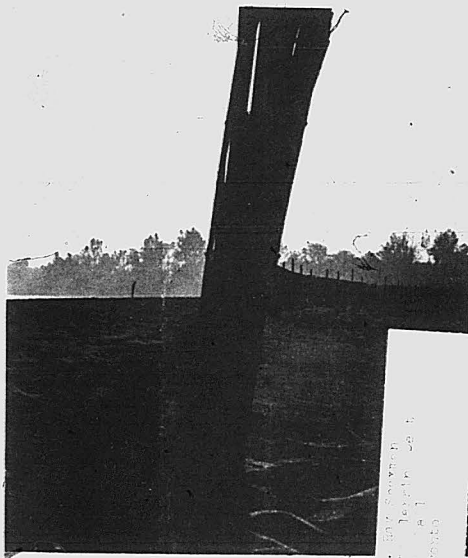
Best housekeeping award has to go to John C. First of all he was the only one seen washing dishes, but also he was seen drying them on the inside of his coat.

As bedtime came near, the pupils were gathered and instructed to run quickly from a warm shelter to their tents and get into their sleeping bags immediately. Poor Jeremy listened carefully and then took off. Unfortunately no one told him about the fence and he hit it running at top speed. Fortunately, Alice and Evan heard his mournful screams and rescued him.

Speaking of screams, none of the male teachers were able to hear the cry for help coming from the vicinity of Miss Harris' tent during the middle of the night. Thus she was left to repitch her tent while the men teachers slept warmly in their tent.

Everyone awoke early Sunday morning but very few jumped out of their sleeping bags. Last one to get out was Trevor and then it wasn't until noon. Doug was quite surprised to find his long underwear had dried during the night but they were frozen in the shape of the roof of his tent.

As you can see, it was a most successful weekend and we would especially like to thank those parents (Mr. Stein, Mr. Lye, Mr. Guest and Mr. Millen) who gave up their weekend to provide transportation for us.



NOTICE TO PARENTS OF CLIENTS OF ISLAND SCHOOL BUS

Brilliant young Toronto Island School principal Chuck Hopkins, who is able to arrange 2,500 mile airlifts for 20 kids with great ease is having trouble closer to home. It seems the school bus is starting to get out of hand. Here are the rules:

Please pay clients per day per child on the first Monday of each month. Under the present system, time is being spent during the kids for bus money, time which could well be spent teaching the little sweethearts how to spell. First things first.

NEWS CREATION

Most parents could find the G & D staff gathered around the old coffee pot pondering our major problem: what to do about what is known in the trade as 'lack of hard news'. All good news need just and we're stuck with it. How about giving us a hand. The next time you stumble on an interesting news item, fact or fiction, just write it up without worrying about style or diction and stick it to us. We'll be glad to print it. Here in the Goose and Duck, any news is good news.



ISLAND SCHOOL TO DO IT AGAIN

Is it true the Island School kids are going to the Virgin Islands this year?

It's true.

I can't stand it. I didn't mind so much last year, after all you could freeze your knees off in Igloolik. But the Virgin Islands are green, and so am I. When are they going?

Middle of May for two weeks. They'll be living and travelling on 34 foot fibre-glass sailboats. Tortola is a group of islands and lagoons 40 miles long and five miles wide with tropical rainforest, caves, and a fascinating undersea life which the kids can explore.

Isn't this going to be expensive?

The film company which made Land of Igloolik will be making an hour long nature film which they hope to sell around the world to finance the trip. The kids will be the actors.

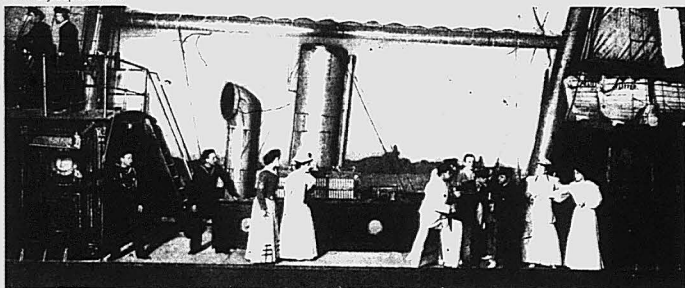
Will they have a chance to meet the local kids? I know this was a memorable part of the Igloolik trip.

Arrangements have been made for them to spend time with a group from one of the Tortola schools.

Where exactly is Tortola?

It's 60 miles east of Puerto Rico in the Caribbean.

I don't suppose they're looking for a bat boy?



SKIING WITHOUT MOUNTAINS

The Barrys, Broeckers and Cridlands have been doing cross country skiing. Some of them plan to enter a hundred mile race between Ottawa and Montreal. Peter Cridland has given us a detailed consumer report on the equipment which follows.

A package deal can be bought from some suppliers for as little as \$55.00. Considering the time and effort which goes into converting secondhand equipment this may be the most economical approach. At the moment it's a sellers market due to a sudden rush of interest in cross country skiing.

Skis \$25-\$30 new \$8 at Crippled Civilians. To convert secondhand standard skis steel edges must be removed and edges must be planed down to width minus edges length, body to wrist or palm. Choose skis with 2" camber between skis when held by tips.

Poles \$6 difficult to find secondhand. Should fit under arm with skis and boots on.

Boots Addidas \$25 or Norwegian Boots \$50. Kids' boots toes should touch ends of boots. Can be used also for hiking.

Bindings toe bindings \$5 get at same time as boots.

Possible Sources Collegiate Sports in Scarborough, nice people and knowledgeable.

Suomi Aitu North Yonge near International Cinema.

A good booklet on skiing available at Queen's Printer (Government Book Store) at Yonge and Shuter.

PEOPLE

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Frank Staniland who recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. As a late resident of the island once said "It's a long time to live with one woman and not kill her."

Nancy Lee saw a golden eagle in the Bay. Anybody want to buy a good used birdwatcher?

Cliff and Tom Haddral have just returned to the island from a skiing trip to Mount St. Anne Quebec City and Vermont.

Anna Wadon whose efforts to open a community run coffee shop in the rectory have been hung up on red tape, is now discussing going ahead with the project at the A.I.A. clubhouse. Further announcements will be posted. Many thanks to all the Islanders who so generously made donations and offered their time.

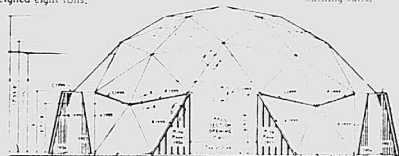
The Cartwrights with their year old Thomas spent time recently visiting Biek's family in Belgium.

As those of you who tuned in on January 30 have already discovered LAND OF IGLOOLIK has been postponed until Sunday, February 13, Channel 6 at 8 PM.



John and Marilyn McHugh report that their holiday in England was a smashing success.

The biggest watermelon in the world was grown in Come Home, Texas. It weighed eight tons.



Fat people don't like to wear bathing suits.

HAVE YOU SEEN IT?

Have you ever gone by 15 Dacotah and seen the Dome on the roof? It has been built just recently. My brother built it out of 2 x 4's and plywood, then he scraped off the asphalt on the roof of our house and put down the rug. He used my room's heater and it became warm up there and cold in my room. Now some of the disadvantages since he lives up there and hardly ever comes down, when the phone rings, I have to go up there and get him. Once it was terrible, it was raining, the phone rang and it was for Mark. I had to go up in my bare feet since my shoes were wet. I got him and when we got down the guy had hung up. My brother felt terrible but boy I was mad. My brother put together a bell but my brother said it was too loud. There was another thing—Dinner! I would go up and get Mark but he would always come down late. My mom would say "Are you sure he's coming?" He always came a bit late but he was there. It is about time I ended my story so if you are ever walking by, be sure to look up.

THE END by John Millen, grade 6 (from the Gibraltar Painter)

THE BARRY IN MEXICO

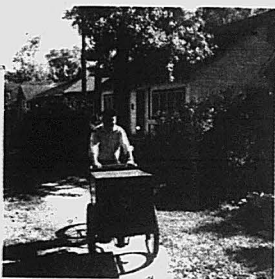
You know those folding bikes that can be seen here and there on the island, Luz and Chris Barry took two of them to Mexico recently. Although they weren't able to use them in Mexico City they proved to be perfect transportation in the country. There was room for their 4 bags and a seat for 4 year old Rufus. They were even able to take them on the local bus.

Highlight of the trip was a visit by air to a remote Indian village called Jesus Maria. There they visited the compound of the Huicholes Indians. They also made contact on the village road with one of the Cora Indians, from whom they bought an unusually beautiful woven bag.

The village huts were made of stone and electric service was limited to 6 street lights and the priest's home. They learned more about the Indians from the priest and bought some exceptional beadwork from him.

At present the village is only accessible by air but the government is building a road. As the road gets closer to the village the Indians move deeper into the mountains. They know what they're doing.





The Biphropiforms sometimes leaves pump-pressed turds.

LETTERS

Dear Eds:

Thank you for the copies of the *Goose and Duck* I have received lately. It is good to know "that there are still people living on the Island" and that, if anything, life is getting even livelier there.

On the back page of the Oct. 31 issue you show a hand held guage that appears to be cheap and distributing dollar notes. How many Islanders know what it really is, I wonder.

It is in fact a razor blade sharpener dating from about the 1920's, when saxes, or any other coin, were used, and had to come by and it was, believe it or not, economical and worth the trouble to make two razor blades instead of buying new ones each time. You can just use the blade in its holder. As the handle was turned the triangular blade holder automatically lifted and turned over so that each side of the edge came alternately in contact with the honing disc that rotated idly. The razor once had a blade last nearly a year with this treatment. The illustration was probably part of an advertisement claiming that the word "dollar" and dollars using it.

Roger and Sheila are with a woman that was spotted in the wilds back, having with them the kind of a real suspense, especially in Africa. I hope one day to visit you in Uganda.

Sincerely, and with best wishes

Fitzroy de Toit
Squirrel's Leap
Deep River
Cape Town, South Africa

Dear Eds:

Until I got on the 10th January, I was a member of the Cape Town Resident's Association of the "The Goose and Duck".

I am greatly taken by the same, and hope to be able to visit the Island with great pleasure the good and the bad, and the good and the bad, and the good and the bad.

I no longer go over to the Island, but I will be glad to see you, or evening, my house is rented.

However, I will certainly be interested to read the "Goose and Duck" and enclose herewith cheque for £10.00, which I have deposited in your publication. Let me thank you for your interest in my work.

The *Goose and Duck*.

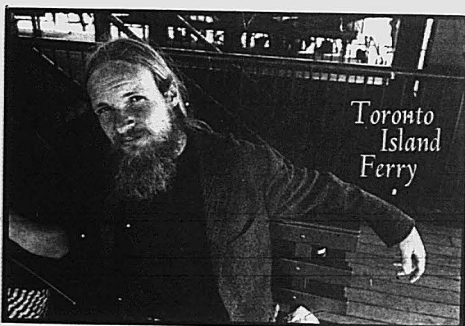
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FOOD CO-OP

Some people on the Island have started another new thing: buying food cooperatively. We are part of a new Co-op called "EARTH: An Island representative (rotating weekly) collect order forms and money by Sunday evening, which are then brought to the Co-op store in the city. On Thursday the rep. goes to the city, helps sort out orders and brings stuff to the Island via truck. We have one for the time being) and change cart (to our brothers of the ferry docks for a nominal 7.0¢ to a centrally located house by 7:30 that evening. Membership is 50¢ per person: the prices are good and the produce is great.

Since the produce is intercepted at the terminal before it goes to Lichman's or really fresh. The dry goods are primarily 7-11, organic flours, grains, beans etc. Several butters, some homemade, honey, unpasteurized.

Some sample prices include:

Russian 22¢ lb., Brown Eggs 16¢/doz., Squash 10¢/lb., Bananas 24¢ lb., Carrots 4¢/lb., Mustard 4¢/lb., Horseradish 4¢/lb., Grapefruit 7¢/each, Swedish 10¢/lb., Raisins 14¢/lb., etc.

If you are interested in finding out more about the new Co-op call Julia Lynn or Sue Ann West at 463-4145 or write: "EARTH", c/o Kropf, 4145 St. Lawrence St., Toronto, Ontario M6K 1K7.

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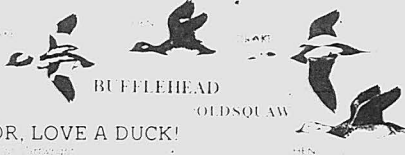
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LOR, LOVE A DUCK!

by John Chalmer

I usually duck in a breeze in summer in the quiet lakes and rivers of the far North, Toronto Harbour and Island and a mud-watery River, ideal for spending a sociable winter with the family.

First meet the Oldsquaw, a long-tailed duck, they are the ones you see most often flapping and floating away from the ferry and across the harbour. The male Oldsquaw (Oldstraw) has a bright white-topped head, white neck and a narrow pointed black tail, his back and sides are patterned in black, white and grey. The female has an irregular tail and her face is patterned in black and white.

Oldsquaw tend to fly in irregular trailing lines, with sudden twists and turns, looking like elegant long-winged sparrows. These birds have been clocked at 72 mph in level flight. Last winter there were probably nearly a thousand Oldsquaw here by the end of the winter and like good Torontonians they all trekked north on Victoria Day.

The Bufflehead is another strong duck, unlike the Mallard and Canada Goose, for example, which can only put their heads and necks under water, while their tails stick up in the air. Although its closely related to the Oldsquaw, and is also black and white, it's considerably smaller and an altogether stubbier shape. The Oxford English Dictionary defines a bufflehead as "a fool, blockhead" and "buffheaded" as "having a head like a buffalo's large head". Despite these darts, the male Bufflehead simply has a large white patch on his black head and seems to be as smart as any other duck. The top of his back is black and his sides are bright white. The female has a black head with a small white patch behind her eye, and a dullish black-and-grey body.

Buffleheads are often to be seen off the boardwalk, swimming in compact groups of a few dozen. Unlike Oldsquaw, whose wings are all black, Buffleheads show a patch of white on their wings in flight.

Next: Scaups, Canvasbacks and passerines.



BOOKS

This here is the educational part of the paper, folks, so before you read any further, put your gum in the basket, make sure you've got a clean handkerchief in your pocket, and sit up straight. (The singing of a chorus of the National Anthem is optional)

We'd like to tell you about some of the books at the Whole Earth Truck Store, which is run by Robert Cotie of Ward's Island. To give you a general idea of the kind of books they sell, we'll quote from the Whole Earth Catalogue, which gives its purpose as aiding "the power of the individual to conduct his own education, find his own inspiration, shape his own environment, and share his adventure with however is interested".

We asked Robert to give us some brief reviews of a cross-section of the books he carries, and here's what he came up with:

BOOK OF THE EARTH AND SKY BOOKS 1 & 2
Richard Grossinger \$4 each, \$7 set

Richard Grossinger writes kaleidoscopic novels that he calls, "The quest vision of the magi who have no origin. Who stand outside of time. Who come as close as they dare."

"The waters in the car settle overnight. In the star, in the knee, settle overnight. It is a slow rain, and in daylight the sun obscures it, drenching the cities in a rich imago of themselves. It is a rain that begins electromagnetically, pass from darkness beyond the spectrum into the ionospheric blues of the bedchamber, settles electrochemically in the burning flesh of the dream. We have no umbra-ellas, but a creature made of light requires no protection...."

WILD PLUMS IN BRANDY (Wild Foods Cookery)
Silvia Boorman \$7.00 hardcover

Canadian recipes that cover a wide range of foods from simple excellent plant dishes to fish and game. Most recipes have a pioneer flavour and are unique in having been taken from old diaries.

Wild Fruits	Fish	Game
Wild Flowers	Green Vegetables	Fungi
Nuts	Root Vegetables	Wild Fowl

PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND THE NEWBORN (A Manual for Rural Midwives)
\$2.00 paperback

Originally written in Mexican, this manual provides concise instructions and clear line drawings for anyone interested in the procedures of childbirth.

Thirty-eight chapters and sixty-five drawings cover seemingly all aspects of birth, from diet and hygiene to the actual delivery. An additional manual for persons interested in teaching these skills to others can be obtained from the publisher.

CALENDAR

Saturday February 12 9pm AIA

Valentine's Day Dance

If you can't find a valentine, don't worry, they'll be given out at the door.

Featured attraction: All new "light comic" opera by members of the Algonquin Repertory Players.

Sunday February 13 5pm

LAND OF IGLOOLIK

CBLT Channel 6

Every Thursday Night at 8:30

The Island Artists' Basketball
Ladies Welcome

Every Sunday Night at 7:30

YOGA

Bring a mat with you

\$1.50 per session

Monday February 14 8pm AIA

Home and School Film Night
and Social Thing

See an outstanding film on Canada Geese and Kids by the makers of that non-pornographic winner, Land of Igloolik.

Remember those delicious savoury tarts featured at the last H&S film night? There will be more of the same and a bar.

Come, bring your valentine.

February 19 ENGLISH PUB NIGHT

February 26 OPEN HOUSE

March 18 ST' PATTY'S DANCE

The Snardville, Wisconsin Pork Pie Eating Festival celebrated its one hundredth anniversary on April 6.

PUZZLE PAGE

Using a well sharpened pencil connect each noun with its logical verb. The first correct answer to arrive at 1 Willow Avenue will appear in the next *City* D. (neatness counts!)

PEANUT	PITTED
BOOTS	BUCKLED
EZRA	FREED
JUDAS	SHRUGGED
PHILADELPHIA	HARDENED
WILLIAM	RANDOLPHED
TIM	POUNDED
ELIJAH	RUSHED
ATLAS	BURROWED
SCOTT	CREEPED
BILL	CREAMED
JIMMY	BRITLED

IT PAYS BIG To Amuse The Public With Motion Pictures



READY WHEN YOU ARE, C.B.

Want a change in your Sunday afternoon routine? Then why not try building a replica of the new Island Ferry Docks out of old beer can appetizers?

Or, if that doesn't appeal to you, you might take in one of the movies that Chris Barry has been showing at the Algonquin Island clubhouse. Among the featured flicks over the past few months have been "The Red Balloon", "Culloden", "The Tokyo Olympics" and a group of surfing movies. The films are shown on a twice monthly basis, so check the bulletin boards at the dock or at the Algonquin Bridge or phone Chrs at 368-7208 to see what's happening. Show time is 4:00 to 6:00 on Sundays and there's no charge for admission.

Or, if that doesn't appeal to you, why don't you finish up your work on the house? If you don't, soon get that Gyproc out of the living room your wife's going to kill you.

JAPANESE HOMES AND THEIR SURROUNDINGS
Edward S. Morse \$3.00

A complete guide to the building of Japanese homes with many illustrations and ideas for home improvement. The beauty of Japanese architecture lies in its simplicity and economic use of space and materials. The results reflect a stark utilitarian asceticism applicable in many instances to cottage living.

A flower-pot bracket made from a tree branch, a cooking hearth built on the floor like a bed of bricks, movable room partitions, verandas, hibachis, towel racks — all utilizing cheap or naturally free materials and minimal labour.

There are also suggestions for gardens, approaches and entrances and household shrines, not to mention bird cages, ponds and many more ideas. Even if one doesn't intend to use the book for actual building purposes it makes enjoyable reading as an insight into the living habits of an astounding culture.

GOOD MEDICINE BOOKS nos. 2, 3 & 4

\$1.50 \$2.50

Adolf Hungry Wolf

These fine little books are a true reflection of the Indian way of life in harmony with the natural forces of this planet. This young Indian mentor has a fresh and thoughtful approach to life & spirituality which he expresses clearly and often proudly. Scattered among the paragraphs are photographs of campsites, events and individual Indians who have contributed to Indian history. Good lore and tales worth telling.

FOR EVERY NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN WHO BEGINS TO DISAPPEAR I ALSO BEGIN TO DISAPPEAR

Wilfred Pelletier, D.C. Poole, John A. MacKenzie, Robert W. Thomas, Ernest Tompkins, Newwin Publishing, Toronto.

The title is indicative of the position held by the authors of this book. It is a contemporary, point-blank look at the harmonious tribal system of the Indian colliding with the white-man's machine age. The companions of the serenity of old and the subsequent demeaning of these people to the overbearing attitudes of government are painstakingly clear.

THE POPULATION BOMB Dr. Paul Ehrlich

95 cents

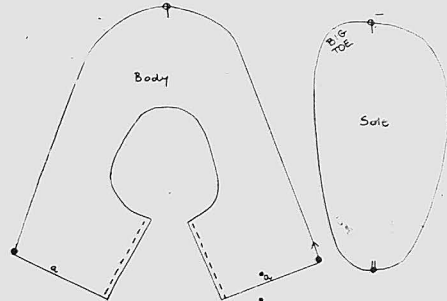
Dr. Paul Ehrlich

"While you are reading these words, five people, mostly children, have died of starvation and forty more babies have been born."

So reads the cover of this painfully truthful account of the world population crisis. Man's so-called unalienable rights are in serious jeopardy, not to mention his survival on this planet. Dr. Ehrlich gives suggestions for action that is now necessary.

Robert Cotie

The Canadian Whole Earth Truck Store is located at 250 Robert Street, one block west of Spadina, one block south of Bloor. Their phone number is 925-7689. When you get there, tell them Fingers sent you.



SOFT SHOES FOR A CRAWLER 6-12 MONTHS

Left-overs of leather - if you want to use felt or fabric use double thickness. Sew the body onto the sole (sued?) starting at the arrow, matching the ● and ●. Sew a and a together.

Thread a shoelace or leather-strap or string through the dotted line.
By Cartwright

ERNIE KIRKPATRICK

Islanders were sad to hear of the death of Ernie Kirkpatrick on Saturday February 5. Ernie and his family have been long time residents of Algonquin Island. He has been in our thoughts recently as he had been seriously ill for some time.

People who have been following the White Oaks of Jalna may have noticed that Ernie was cameraman for the series. His distinguished outdoor camera work has been seen on the CBC for a number of years.

Our sympathy to his wife Yvonne, their daughter Annabelle and son Rob.



The Goose and Duck

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WINTER ENDS

Well, if we had to have winter, that was a great way to end it. Ice from one end of the Island to the other. Kids and adults skating all over the place. Packs of 10 or 15 people swirling between the houses like roller derby all stars, careening off across the park, between the bushes and trees all the way to Hanlan's, then back to the amusement park at Center to slide down the hills like so many giggling penguins.

Eat your hearts out, you city people!



photo by Dave Hlynsky

TINY ISLAND COMMUNITY ROCKED BY SCANDAL. ISLAND ARTISTS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE LOCKED OUT.

What actually happened?

As close as this reporter can make out, the local basketball crowd was indirectly accused of breaking walls, chairs and lights in a brawl apparently within their own ranks.

Island Saint Named

A local Island power is being fingered as the man actually responsible for the subsequent stripping of the courts. People here were shocked to learn that this popular elderly strongman is being implicated in the overnight pulling down of the hets.

Came as a surprise

The news of basketball stoppage came as a surprise to most players who had not been informed of the quick justice meted out by the Executive Tribunal of the AIA. Informed sources report that these same Executive members refused to even speak with the representatives of the league, choosing instead to remain silent for the time being. There seems to be confusion within the triumvirate as to exactly what their responsibility is to the dispossessed players.

Sudden move

The sudden move left most of the players flatfooted. Many were unable to believe that the courts had been closed.

Talks in the wind

Talks between the two divergent factions have been mentioned but nothing concrete has taken place as we go to press. The basketball representatives have stated publicly that they are willing to repair any damages and to limit the pace of the game.

The executive have stated that they feel the building is better suited for 'cultural' events. Although this reporter knows that a planned for middle winter Goose & Duck Benefit Poetry Reading featuring three Governor General's Awards winners was also squelched in lieu of some inopportune 'cultural' event of another nature.

Members of the executive have said that they feel they are just doing their jobs and that they themselves 'Didn't like it.'

The Treasurer of the organization went so far as to offer his job to anyone who would take it. Elder statesmen in the community state that they hope the two groups can come to a quiet settlement.

A letter requesting Executive action reopening the talks has been sent to the Executive of the Toronto Island Residents' Association.

CONVERSATIONS OVERHEARD

— between two Island 3 year olds.

1st kid: What do you want to be when you grow up?

2nd kid: I think... I think I'd like to be a spaghetti factory man.

PAUSE

1st kid: I wanna be a bunny rabbit!

— somewhere in the bowels of the new ferry terminal:

Island lady: Please, could I use your phone?

Ticket taker: Sorry, but I'm afraid you can't.

Lady: But I have to phone my babysitter.

Taker: Sorry...

2nd Island lady: Oh, come on, let her use the phone.

Taker: I can't. It's against the regulations.

2nd lady: Oh, forget the regulations. She's human isn't she?

Taker: It's not enough.

photo by Doug Ganton

PATH PROMISED THROUGH MUD TO FERRY DOCK

(lifted from the Star)

Metro Parks Commissioner T. W. Thompson today promised a pedestrian path will be built to the new \$1 million ferry terminal at the foot of Yonge St. and "we'll sort out who pays for it later."

About 300 passengers a day use the terminal at this time of year and during a recent mild spell there was a ruckus over people having to walk through deep mud.

One woman unable to pull her baby carriage through the mud asked workers to open a truck gate so she could detour along pavement. They refused but later opened it for a policeman.

"This is where your staff lets you down," said Thompson. "They let a cop in but won't let the mother."

He said until the path is built the truck gate will be left open for Island ferry passengers and boards will be laid near the north wall of the terminal.

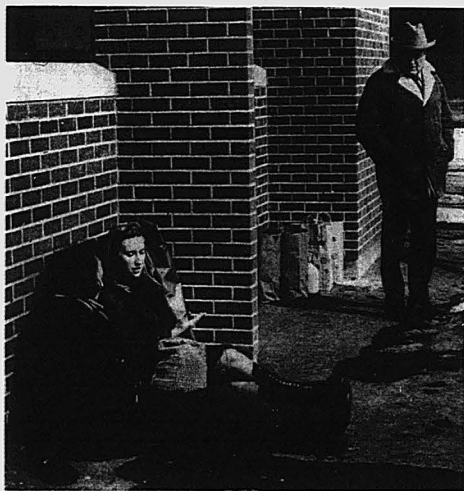
Metro and Toronto officials have been at loggerheads over which municipality will pay for a path.

Aside from this, Thompson has other problems with the new harbour layout. He claims winter operations have been made more difficult.

The new terminal, built at the cost of \$519,000 and opened in late January, has no heated waiting rooms. Winter passengers sometimes have an hour's wait, he said.

Four boats operate in summer geared to handle peak Sunday loads totalling 30,000 passengers. In winter, one boat, the Ongara, runs to Ward's Island, when ice conditions permit.

Thompson said he would have preferred the new terminal at the foot of Bay St. where the old one was located, but the new site was chosen to fit in with a proposed \$250 million waterfront hotel-apartment-office complex.



WAITING FOR THE FERRY to arrive to take them to the Island, John McHugh and Lynne Stelling sit on the pavement outside the new \$1 million ferry

terminal at the foot of Yonge St., watched by Metro Parks Commissioner T. W. (Tommy) Thompson who promised improvements to facility after making survey.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

To Be Continued...

At the last meeting of Yoga enthusiasts it was decided that after a three week break classes would resume on a more informal basis. This will happen sometime after Easter. Please telephone either Lynn or Julia at 368-4965 and leave your name and phone number for information about the starting date.



Julia Oldenburg (of Eat-It-Co-op fame) advises that a few people who have dropped out of the co-op may be entitled to a refund. This means you... John Reddy.



There seems to be reason to hope that some of the Iqloolik children will be visiting with us before the school year is out. Plans are in the very early stages so watch the Gibraltar Pointer and the Goose and Duck for a complete report.



Around Christmas a number of Islanders responded to an appeal for help from teachers at an Indian Reserve school. Many thanks have been sent from the teachers who said that the help was heartening. They enclosed a snapshot of the Christmas party with their letter to show the effects of a little help from your friends.



Our agents in the U.S. tell us that it's getting impossible to buy unpasteurized honey down there as Kellogg's is starting to make its own version of Crunchy Granola. Crunchy Kranola? How are they going to make empty calories out of that stuff?



Photos by Doug Ganton



Show-Biz Notes

Among the most recent Islanders to rocket to stardom is Peter Dewdney, who produced the recent 'Survival' segment for CBC-TV's 'This Land' series.

Fergus Hambleton and 'Flash' are now working on a new album which is slated for early summer release. Rumour has it that some 'Yankee band' has already usurped the name 'Flash' and that our boys will be looking for a new name.

Sounds like a good gimmick for a Goose and Duck contest.

What about Tayste?

Mark Guest and Mark Millen (known as 'Solar Beef') swamped the crowds at Waves, the Bloor and Yonge eatery.

Island Poet Laureate, Victor Coleman, gave an excellent reading of his mostly filthy ditties to a standing room only crowd in the Echo Chamber of The Art Gallery of Ontario on Thursday, March 9. The series continues every Thursday night in March at 8:00pm.



Here's a free idea for anybody planning to apply for an Opportunity for Youth grant (actually, you're too late - deadline was March 8th). How about setting up a towing service to get cars out of the mud at the new ferry docks?



What to do until Spring gets here

Get some branches from the sleeping bushes near your house. Bring them in and put them in water. Soon they'll wake up and make little beauties in the house. The ones with the yellow flowers are forsythia.

The Goose and Duck is about to suffer its first anniversary. We may celebrate with fireworks and searchlights and balloons for all the kiddies, but it's more likely that we'll just do a lot of sitting around wondering how we got ourselves into this mess.

One thing does come to mind, though. You might remember our 'How to Grow an Avocado' story in issue 1. Then again, you might not. But if you do, and if you grew an avocado, we'd like to hear about it. In 25 words or less. Or more. The earliest judgment will be the decision of the postmark last.

WARD'S ISLAND ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacancies in the WIA Executive Treasurer, Entertainment Chairman, Senior Dance Chairman, Intermediate Dance Chairman, Junior Dance Chairman. Please contact Georgia Peat, 2nd St., if you can help.

WIA are receiving applications for girls' and boys' supervisors for the summer playground. Please apply before April 15 to George and Vandy Stein, 16 Fourth St.

WANTED

Room to rent as summer accommodation. From May 1, 1972. Call Bill Little, 929-3321 (office)

NOW SHOWING

A new column that will commence in the next issue - a pointer to the interesting films that will appear in the cinemas and on the 'box' - films that you may have missed otherwise. Does anyone have soundtrack recordings - contact me, John McHugh at 366-4250.

HOUSE WANTED

Goose & Duck pressman would like to rent a house on Ward's or Algonquin for the summer. V Contact Michael Sowdon at the Coach House Press: 923-6817.

THE FIRST ANNUAL KEN LYE GOOSE-ALERT

No Madame, that's not what we mean. We're talking about the Canada Geese on the island who've started pairing off in order to... so that... because at this time of year... Mother Nature's Great Plan is such that... er... um Well, you know what they're doing, and at least they're not doing it out there on the ball diamond where some dogs we can mention.

Anyway, when the male goes to the nest, he's supposed to give you a good thumping. Close enough can be 30 or 40 yards from the nest. And these does come all the way to the beach like a pair of pliers.

They're liable to let you have it even if you're minding your own business. Ask Hank Hanger. He was innocently riding his bike down at Center last Spring and a goose came up behind him and knocked him sprawling.

Madja Van Dam, whose drawing illustrates this page, is having a show of her Collages and Wall Hangings in The Edward Johnson Building at the University of Toronto's Conservatory of Music, just behind the Planetarium.

The show runs until April 15, Monday thru Friday from 9am to 10pm, and on Saturday from 9am to 6pm.

These elegant works of art are Mrs Van Dam's first showing in this country since she moved here two years ago with her two sons Mark and Basil.

The exhibit was arranged by the Adams Gallery. Enquiries: 364-6714.

THE FRIDAY PUB
NOON - MIDNIGHT
6 TRINITY SQUARE

COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION AND CITY PROPERTY

RECOMMENDATION EMBODIED IN REPORT NO. 48 OF THE CITY OF TORONTO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 9, 1971.

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HARBOUR SQUARE (CENTRAL WATERFRONT) DEVELOPMENT—ACCESS TO MAINLAND FERRY TERMINAL BUILDING.

The Toronto Executive Committee submits the report (November 26, 1971) from the Commissioner of Development, viz:

"Report: The Mainland Ferry Terminal building is nearing completion and is expected to be put into use on or about January 1, 1972. At the request of the Metropolitan Parks Department, I was asked to look into the matter of a route of access to this facility from Queen's Quay to the entrance of the Ferry Terminal over the City-owned land

"In order to discuss this request, a meeting was held with all interested officials including representatives of the Toronto Harbour Commission and the Campeau Corporation Limited on Friday, November 26, 1971. From this meeting it was learned that an asphalt strip between 35 and 40 feet in width will be required and that if this strip is to be in place for use in the new year, it would have to be laid prior to December 15th, 1971. The representatives of Campeau Corporation Limited did mention that they are working on plans and proposals in the hope that they can start Phase I of their project during 1972. At the present time, construction will continue on the Marine Station for the Fire Boat with completion expected about March 15, 1972.

"It was, therefore, suggested that permission for an access route to accommodate a 40 foot asphalt strip be granted to the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto for pedestrian access and egress for ferry patrons over the City-owned land as shown on the plan attached. Should this walkway be required to be relocated in the future due to construction activities on the adjoining lands or due to the development (landscaping) of the City-owned land, then those requesting such relocation would be required to absorb the costs involved in such relocation. In the case of a relocation of this nature, the access to Queen's Quay will be kept within the area of the City-owned land fronting on Queen's Quay.

"It was also agreed that any construction access required for the completion of the Marine Station for the Fire Boat could be accommodated by the balance of the frontage to Queen's Quay of the City-owned land not taken up with the pedestrian access route or by arrangement with the Campeau Corporation Limited.

"It was pointed out in this meeting by the representatives from the Metropolitan Parks Department that they feel there should be some liability on the part of the City of Toronto to provide this paved access on the grounds that it was to a large extent at the City's instigation that the Ferry Terminal had been relocated which required the abandonment of their present facilities and their present access. This matter was not pressed at this time due to the urgency of providing access to the new Ferry Terminal facility.

"The Commissioner of City Property brought up the question of the beautification by landscaping of the area of City land adjacent to the Ferry Terminal Building and the Marine Station for the Fire Boat. On previous occasions, the Architectural Advisor, Professor James A. Murray, has pointed out that as these facilities are permanent in nature, that attention could be given to the landscaping immediately adjacent to these facilities as it is unlikely that it will be affected by future construction projects. I am in agreement with this suggestion as, of late, within Council and its Committees there has been considerable discussion about eyesores, unkempt vacant lots, etc., and attention should therefore be given to this point with a view to setting a proper example to private developers.

Recommendations: It is recommended that:

- (1) permission be granted to the Corporation of Metropolitan Toronto for an access and egress route for pedestrian patrons of the Ferry Terminal facility over City-owned land as shown on the plan attached;
- (2) the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation and the Chief Planner in consultation with the Metropolitan Commissioner of Parks be requested to examine and present a proposal for the landscaping and beautification of the area of City lands immediately adjacent to the new Ferry Terminal Building and the Marine Station for the Fire Boat;
- (3) the City Solicitor and the other officials concerned be authorized to do whatever is necessary to give effect to the foregoing."

The Toronto Executive Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Metropolitan Corporation to construct at its expense on the dotted area shown on the plan attached to the foregoing report of the Commissioner of Development an access and egress route for pedestrian patrons of the ferry terminal facilities, such to be constructed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation and that the Metropolitan Corporation indemnify the City in respect of any public liability claims arising out of the granting of such permission, such permission to be subject to cancellation by the City on ninety days' written notice on the termination of which the Metropolitan Corporation is to remove such installation without payment of compensation; and that the appropriate Officials be authorized to do whatever is necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

It is also recommended that the recommendation marginally noted (2) contained in the foregoing report of the Commissioner of Development be adopted and that such proposal be submitted to the Committee on Parks, Recreation and City Property prior to March 31, 1972, and further, that the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation be requested to report to the Committee on Parks, Recreation and City Property at its first meeting in 1972 on this recommendation for temporary treatment of these lands in the vicinity of the Ferry Terminal including his recommendations for funding thereof.

THEY'RE NOT SPOILED, THEY SMELL LIKE THAT ALL THE TIME

Goose and Duck Proposal for Beautification of Ferry Terminal.

1. Citizens travelling to the Island should be given access to the Ongiara mooring. At present it is necessary to circle the entire building in a sea of mud to reach the ticket office. Frequently a late-comer is left standing at the last minute because he cannot be seen approaching by the Captain.
2. Benches which were in evidence earlier have now disappeared. People must stand during the often long wait between ferries. These benches belong to the citizens of Toronto.
3. At present people travelling to the Island are not allowed inside the terminal building. To whom does this building belong? We propose that space be made available inside the building for those waiting for the ferry in inclement weather (is there any other kind?).
4. A spirit of co-operation between people travelling to the Island and the terminal employees should be allowed to continue. At present rules regarding parking space for bicycles, delivery of diapers and other bulky articles, safe storage for bundle buggies, etc. are causing undue hostilities.

To be positive for a fleeting moment we would like to appreciate the clean and comfortable washrooms provided and to welcome the recent addition of two pay telephones.

INSERT CITY HALL CLIP

our neighbour journals

Ever since we got into the journalism game we've been paying a bit of attention to offbeat newspapers around the city. Two that we thought you might be interested in—City Hall and The Toronto Citizen—concern themselves with politics. (And since the members of Metro Council are the people who decide how long we're going to stay here, we might as well find out as much about their attitudes as we can.)

City Hall gives the often startling and forthright views of Aldermen Crombie, Jaffray, Kilbourn and Sewell, as in this column by John Sewell on The Great Grape Debate.

Council was to reconvene at 8:30 pm but in fact it was not until 8:50 that enough people rolled in to make a quorum. People were in a boisterous mood, and discussion on two items was interrupted on a continuous basis by people giggling, calling out, and generally enjoying themselves. Since I was the person who was trying to do the speaking on both items, under discussion, it seemed to be most upset. Finally, after 25 minutes of this sort of thing, I felt I should remark on the propriety of the show. I said that I thought the other side of the house had had too much alcohol at dinner. Pickett immediately shouted out: "Names names."

I looked across at the crew, and decided that it was so clearly obvious who were most out of it that I did, "Lampport and Grys." I said, "Lampport jumped to his feet to complain. He said that he did not have a single drink over the dinner hour; people laughed at that remark," and Grys shouted out that I did not have any evidence. Ten minutes later Grys fell out of his chair. "Lampport" said he wanted an apology, and continued saying that he had a right to be there even if he had to be carried in a chair.

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Single copies: 50cents; subscriptions: \$10/year, introductory subscription 5 issues for \$2.

TORONTO CITIZEN, published every other Thursday at 171 Harbor St., Toronto 4.
Single copies: 25cents.

The Toronto Citizen, which bills itself as 'Midtown's Community Newspaper' gets thoroughly into local issues. Here's part of a report on a meeting they organized for your favourite ward and ours, Ward 6:

There are already two declared aldermanic candidates for this year's election in Ward six and before very long it's expected that the ward may have more contenders than any other in the city. Alderman Horace Brown, who won election last time by just 27 votes, says he's definitely in the race. Ross Smith, the President of the Sussex Ratepayers Association, is the other declared candidate.

In 1969 there were ten candidates and the reform group trying to sort out the current situation recently discussed 17 people as possible contenders in December. They include: Brown and Ward six's senior alderman June Marks, who is expected to run in Ward 10 this time; Alderman William Archer of Ward five;

Jeremy Carver, one of the leaders behind the city-wide reform movement, CO 72; Elbert Frieche, the secretary of CORRA; Norman De Poo, the CBC newsmaster and President of the North-Jarvis Community Association; Larry Grossman, son of the Minister of Trade and Development;

Peter Stollery, who came in third place in the 1969 election and whom the reformers believe will lose as the Liberal Party candidate in the forthcoming federal election in Spadina riding;

Dan Heap, the defeated NDP candidate in St. Andrew's St., Patrick; and Allen Powell, one of the leaders of the anti-Spadina Expressway movement.

Strangely enough, both papers occasionally lay the wood to local hero David Rotenberg. Don't read that part.

Can we credit a rumour which says the Parks Dept. is circulating adding toilet seats at the terminal so that people waiting for the ferry don't get their overcoats wet?



SCAUPTS AND CANVASBACKS

John Cartwright

Next: OWLS

Going across the Harbour from Hanlan's recently, you could usually see a large, compact flock of smallish duck sitting on the water in the middle distance. These are likely to be Scaup, of which there are many hundreds about at present. Between a Buffhead and an Oldsquaw in size, they are quite different from either, although also black and white. The male's head and neck are shiny black, his back grey to white, and his sides white, while the female is generally very dark brown, with a little white in front of the eye. In flight they show a prominent white stripe along the wing (Oldsquaw's wings are all black, Buffhead have a white patch near the body). They are quite sociable with other species.

The Canvasback is the largest duck we have described so far (actually about the same total length - 15 inches, as the Oldsquaw, but that includes the Oldsquaw's spiky tail) at a distance they appear to be all black and white, but in fact the head

and neck are a fine dark wine colour, while back and sides are greyish to white. Their necks are longish, and they have rather prominent beaks; in flight they show a lot of white and grey on their wings. They tend to keep to themselves. Both Canvasbacks and Scaup are diving ducks.

The ferry is about the best place for birdwatching at present, it seems - recently a pair of Golden Eagles have been regularly seen on the ice or soaring above. They are quite unmistakable - much bigger than a gull, in shades of light tawny to dark brown, with long and very broad wings (and striking primary feathers at the ends of the wings, spread out like fingers) and, if you get a good view, a heavy hooked beak. Even if you see few of these features, you can tell it (from a large owl, for example) by the way it flies, flapping its wings to take off, but soon soaring in circles on the air-currents, with only the smallest movements of its wings and tail.

MARCH GARDENING NOTES

by Harold B. Aitken

APPLY "LAWN FOOD"

to grass area a 40 lb bag of 10 6 4 or similar will do one application for the average Island garden. One or two more feedings during the season will help Eatons or Simpsons will deliver it for you. Apply the first lot to your Grass area as soon after March 15th as possible, while the ground is still frozen. Don't let a bit of ice delay you, and don't wait until the ground is soft. The fertilizer cannot burn if the area is frozen. Grass tries to grow at about 40 degrees and then is vulnerable to chemical fertilizer. Follow the instructions on the bag. Give the lawn a very gentle raking after fertilizing.

TUBEROUS BEGONIAS

have given us a lot of pleasure in our Island gardens and are not hard to grow. If given reasonable care some last for 10 15 years so their initial cost is not bad. You can watch the papers for bargains. I start mine in flats of sifted compost around the end of March or beginning of April. Plant with the hollow or concave side up. Gently push the tubers down into the compost, leave the tops showing and space them 2 3 inches apart so that you can water between them. Be careful not to get water in the hollow tops. Place the flats in medium light and medium heat (65 70 degrees), and don't let the compost dry out. Your objective is to produce dark green sturdy plants about 6 inches high by the end of May. You have to avoid growing thin, pale, spindly specimens.

When the weather warms up to 65 70 degrees, take your flats outside during the day and place them in a spot sheltered from the wind but don't let the sun scorch them - they are very tender plants at this stage. You have to remember to bring them inside at night or you may lose the lot. Having them outside on suitable days will tend to make them sturdy and barden them ready for planting in your flower beds around the beginning of June.

I transplant from the flats into porous 6"x8" flower pots and sink these pots in the flower beds for the summer. This method has many advantages - absence of tree roots - rotate if blooms in wrong direction - take inside if late frost threatened - move to new location if you wish. To fill the pots.

start with broken pots - pebbles - gravel at the bottom for drainage, then a little sand - then compost - next the plant, being very careful not to disturb the fine fibrous roots - then 1 2" compost over the tuber and leave a 1" space to the top of the rim. You can mix some bone-meal with the compost or add a little garden fertilizer inside the rim of the pot but be very careful to keep it well away from the roots.

Begonias do not want complete shade - they do much better with a few hours sun each day. Don't place them in full sun, however, or they may get scorched and don't pick a windy spot. Many make heavy growth and with their large blooms benefit by support from sticks and string.

VEGETABLES

are usually worth the effort if you have a sunny back garden. If you have the average light sandy soil you can try carrots, beank, radishes, squash, tomatoes, etc. It will be worthwhile to add a complete Garden Fertilizer to your vegetable patch - you will get a better crop, and if your tomatoes and squash are in pockets of compost they will do better than in our Island sand.

Remember that when using a Commercial Fertilizer don't let the chemicals come into contact with seed or plant roots.

FLOWER SEEDS

will also benefit from fertilizer worked into the soil a week before you set the seed. Marigolds and Zinnias, Cosmos, California Poppies, Portulaca, Cornflowers and Nasturtiums are all worth trying from seed. Dig the ground to one spade depth and pick a sunny spot for your annuals. Why not get a Seed Catalogue and do a bit of dreaming?

ROSES

require care when the time comes to remove the winter protection. Better be late than sorry. You have to avoid thawing in the daytime and freezing at night. Draw the protection away from the plant gradually and wait until the night temperatures are above 32 degrees.

If you've just about had it with this weather, you might take some comfort from this panorama that Ken Lye sent us. It shows the view from Ken's window, and the extreme of the sun's north/south swing during the year. The perspective might be a little different from your place, but if you look for the sunsets over the next few weeks, you'll find it very encouraging. Hang in there, gang. In a few months the sun will be setting over the center of the city, and we'll be putting up with those clowns who give us their 'privileged few' routine.





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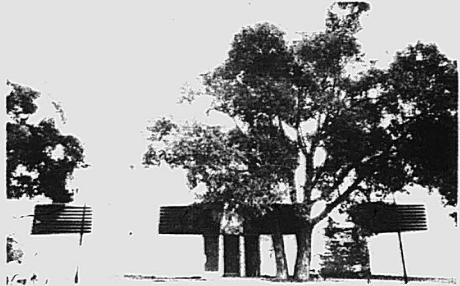
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HERMETIC POLITICS?

The following clipping from William Kibourn's article in *City Hall* will make all friends of the Island who sat through a gruelling day in the council chambers last June think very carefully.

Footnote: There wasn't time at Committee to deal with the controversial report on the use of the Council Chamber (see CITY HALL March 23, for my article on the incidents that led to this). But we'll be dealing with it on April 13th. If you want to be a deputation on this item, write or call Mr. Wilton, City Clerk's office. The report recommends, among other things, a rigid limitation on numbers of the public in the Chamber, and exclusion from the Lounge of all but Aldermen and "one or two" Special Guests, media people and Civic officials. I plan to do everything possible to get it shelved. If that doesn't work, I guess we'll just have to try theatre. Anybody want to be my Special Guest?



IF HE SAYS "COME INTO THE GARDEN & RUDE," WEAR YOUR CLIMBING SPIKES

There've been many plans over the years to turn the Islands into "The Venice of the North". Now, plans are afoot to turn the place into a "Babylon of the North". We're talking about the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, not that other stuff they used to do there.

It all started when Barclay Livingston suggested to the W.I.A. executive that the bowling green at Ward's could be made more attractive if it was decorated with pots full of trailing flowers hanging from the lighting standards. Not content with that, Barclay is now suggesting that Islanders get together and arrange to hang flowering baskets from all lampposts on Island streets.

Talk it over with your neighbours. If enough people are interested we could buy the pots, hangers, and plants in bulk and keep costs at a minimum. The last week in May is traditional planting-out time for flowers on the Island so watch the next G&D for further news.

COFFEE SERVICE FOR ISLAND VISITORS

Bruce Weber

For several years now there has been talk of the Island residents providing a place where park visitors could warm up and get a cup of coffee during the fall, winter and spring seasons - a perfect way to demonstrate how well the resident community compliments the park. The major attempts to set up a "coffee house" have been disappointing. A half-dozen Island residents are now trying something new. For the last month, they have advertised on the various signboards that weekend visitors can warm up and get a cup of coffee at any of the homes listed. The results have been encouraging; there have not been great numbers, but a few each weekend dropping in to enjoy a much appreciated, if novel, welcoming service.

We are anxious to expand the service to make it more accessible. We especially need representation on Ward's Island. With enough homes participating, we could supply the necessary coffee and sugar. Homes displaying the "GO" or "WELCOME" sign. Participating households could then put their sign in the window or remove it on occasion as they preferred.

Want to join in this simple welcoming service?

Call Sheila du Toit at 366-8208, or Bruce Weber at 366-3263 for information.



YEAH, BUT WOULD YOU BUY A USED CAR FROM HIM?

Peter Holt offers an unsolicited testimonial for John Woodburn's insurance business. Seems that Peter was away for a few days

his pipes froze, then burst, and the house was flooded. Within a few days an insurance adjuster had evaluated the damage and sent a cheque, and Peter hadn't even mailed in his first premium!

As we go to press, something occurs to us that we haven't had time to check out with John. Is it possible to insure bicycles against theft?

NICE TRY, BUT NO CIGARS

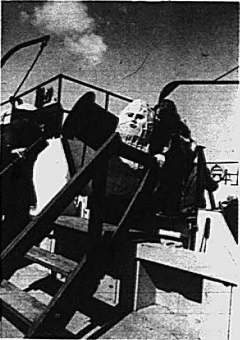
Martin ter Woost recently took on the Industrial Metals Car Crusher in a one-round bout in court. The decision of the judges: Car Crusher 1, Martin 0.

Martin promises a blow-by-blow report in the next Goose and Duck.



Photo: Barclay Livingston

"I did it all with my own little pail and shovel," says Harbour Commission engineer.



To the Board of Education:

The principal of the Island School has requested approval, in principle, of a combined science-geography exploration to the British Virgin Islands for two weeks during mid-May 1972, for approximately 20 pupils in grades 6, 7, and 8.

The trip will be filmed for a one-hour television presentation. K.E.G. Productions, which has worked with the school on two previous occasions, is the television company involved and attempts are being made to provide a small royalty to the Board if the show is a financial success. It is the school's hope that any monies accruing to the Board could be used for outdoor education equipment. If the show is not a financial success, the Board will not be held in any way responsible.

It is intended that the cost to the student be less than \$50 and no student will be excluded for lack of funds. There will be no additional cost to the Board of Education.

Personnel on the trip will include Mr G. Bennett, the classroom teacher. Mr Rowan Wilson, from the Island Natural Science School staff, Mr C. Hopkins, Mrs Evelyn Murphy, a Toronto swimming teacher presently on leave of absence, a doctor and a technical crew supplied by K.E.G. Productions.

The parents have been kept fully informed and back the venture completely. It is recommended:

- (a) That approval in principle be granted to the students of Grades 6, 7 and 8 of the Island School to undertake the trip to the British Virgin Islands during mid-May 1972.
- (b) That the teachers accompanying the students be granted the necessary leave of absence without loss of salary or other benefits.



Igloolik, N.W.T.
via Frobisher Bay
Feb. 22, 1972

Dear Mr Charles Hopkins

Last spring approximately 20 students from Toronto visited Igloolik under your guidance and supervision. Though I was not on staff at the time, I understand everyone had a good time and a certain amount of cultural knowledge was exchanged.

Mr Robinson, the principal here this year, recently mentioned that you may be interested in participating in a return trip by a small number of Igloolik students (16). This would mean a fair amount of organizing on your part.

Would you still be interested? When? Some time this spring suitable? Could you, if possible, give me some understanding of costs involved in such a trip and how the money was raised?

My wife and I will probably be chaperones, organizers from this end, etc. Hoping to receive a favorable reply. I remain,

Yours truly,
Gordon P. Turner

Home and School Bake Sale made \$100. This money will be used to pay for the music lessons so ably given by Ann Philpott. Grades 1 to 8 are now learning the recorder. Many thanks to those who organized the event, those who baked, those who donated books and those who came and bought.



Wellington, British Island
photograph by Mrs David Hryciak

Elizabeth Woodward was the lucky winner of the gingerbread house draw at the Home & School Book & Bake Sale. The draw raised about \$30. for AIA's Girls' Night program.

PEOPLE

Born to Mrs Robbie Black (née Tory McLaughlin) a son, Kevin, in West Vancouver.

Born to Donna and Murray Seymour, a daughter, 8lb 15oz, April 5 at the Toronto General Hospital.

Born to Penny and Dwight Chalmers, a daughter, 8lb 13oz, April 11 at North York General Hospital.

On March 4, Lesley Christine Rose of Devon, England and Douglas Aitken, son of Mr & Mrs Harold B. Aitken of Algonquin Island were married.

Welcome Home Fred and Nell Lee. Nell reports a wonderful winter in Florida and a rude awakening on returning to the rigours of a Toronto April.

The priest at St. Rita's Roman Catholic Church at Centre Island, Father Kratchik has been assigned to another parish. The church will now come under the wing of St. Michael's Cathedral and a priest will come to the Island each Sunday to say Mass.



Adelle Davis, author of *Let's Eat Right to Keep Fit*, *Let's Have Healthy Children*, & *Let's Cook It Right*, nutritionist extraordinaire, will be speaking at the Skyline Hotel May 23 and 24. The event is sponsored by the Association of Health Food Dealers and tickets are \$2.50.

As we go to press, Local 43 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees is on strike for Better Wages. During the strike the ferries are running on the regular schedule, except that service begins at 7am and ends at 7pm. Garbage Collection will also be effected.

This might be a good time to experiment with not buying things which result in excessive garbage (cans, bottles, boxes, excessive packaging of one kind and another).

If you keep an organic garbage can in the kitchen you can start a terrific compost for your garden or the lawn and it will cut the garbage volume in half. If you must use cans and boxes try flattening them before you put them in the garbage can. (Also, see the compost story elsewhere in this issue.)

A report from the Australian Branch of our Bureau of Missing Parsons is imminent.



Can a beautiful and intelligent homemaker of 25 or more find happiness with 5 Polish Goldfinches in a sawed off Christmas tree? For the answer to these and other important questions keep tuned for the next moving chapter of *Nina Faces Life*.

Good News! Anne Broecker found her kilt. (I wonder if Toni Haddall ever found that brown bikini bottom?)

An employee of our good neighbour, the Star, is reported to have expressed his intention to carry a knife now that he's working on the waterfront. Sounds like a dangerous man.

Is there any truth, we wonder, to the rumour being circulated that the Parks Department will leave the summer ferry toll at 50 cents? And raise it to 75 cents next winter? Let's hope not.

Notes from an Island Diary
"Sunday April 9th, Drains frozen, Aaaaargh!"



STOP YOUR SNIFFLING, JOCK

How Mary McLaughlin Cured Her Hay Fever

(caution: for incessant nagging or other persistent symptoms, see your physician)

Starting 4 months before hay fever season (April) I took 100,000 international Units of Vitamin A daily. This was divided into 2 equal doses and taken after a meal containing some fat to ensure absorption. With this I took 1000 mg. Vitamin C and 1 capsule of Vitamin E.

Cost: 100 caps of Vitamin A at \$1.85 lasts 25 days.

100 Vitamin C at \$2 lasts 50 days. Vitamin E is optional and the price should be investigated.

Mary McLaughlin

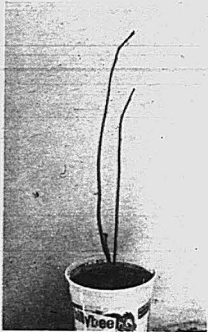


photo Archie Erwin

Pictured here is an avocado grown by Bonnie Erwin. This horticultural underachievement nearly won best in show in the Goose and Duck avocado growing sweepstakes until Archie and Bonnie's kids did a little creative bell ringing with it.

THINGS THAT GO SPLASH IN THE NIGHT

The Department of Natural Resources is quoted in a paper called *The Toronto Star* as forecasting that a good run of smelt is expected for this year. They suggest the smelt should arrive at the Credit, Humber and Mimico Rivers April 23rd, and at the Rouge River and Frenchman's Bay about May 7th.

We ran the above information through the G&D computer and within just 2 days got back a reply which read "What's a smelt?" Looks like you'll have to baysage it out yourself.

We did look through our reference library, though, and came up with the following Olde Islande epic:

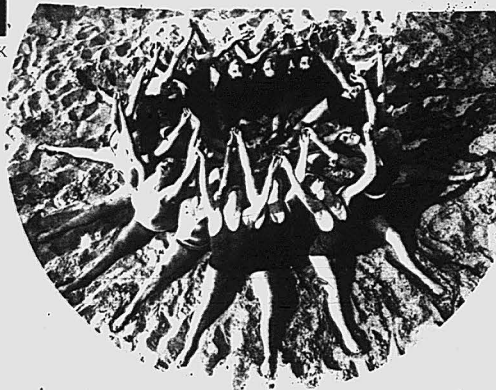
The wind was a torrent of darkness, among the Island trees,
The moon was a ghostly ferry-boat, tossed on cloudy seas,
The road was a ribbon of moonlight, over the vacant park,
And an Islander came smelting - smelting - smelting -
An Islander came smelting, and cursed as he tripped in the dark.

He'd a baseball cap on his forehead, a macramé scarf at his chin,
A coat from Crippled Civilians, and Levis worn paper thin,
They fitted with many a wrinkle, with a patch at the knee and the thigh
And he fished with a jewelled twinkle - his lantern all a-twinkle
His twenty-sixer a twinkle under the jewelled sky.

It goes on for quite a bit after that, including something about a girl named Bess who is "plating a dark red love-knot in a large fishing net", but we can't quite make out the rest.

Come to think of it, gang, that sounds like the basis for another terrific Goose and Duck Contest!! Let's see... it would be Contest 87 or so, wouldn't it? Yes, that's about it. Anyway, complete the poem in 25 words or less, etc., etc., etc.

The winner will receive a cursory nod from the G&D editors.



NOW SHOWING

John McHugh

I'd like to start this column by mentioning the book sale at Coles of those lovely big big books on the Stars: Monroe, Garland, Cooper, Harlow, the Fondas, etc. Well worth buying, they are going out of print and might not make the scene (the books, I mean) again.

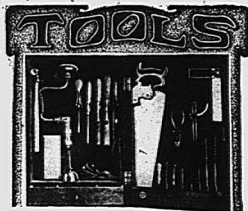
Three paperbacks about the Musical which are worth reading make up an illustrated guide to 500 major figures in the American musical, and an index to nearly 2,000 films. *The American Musical* by Tom Vallance (Zwenner Barnes), Vallance manages to cover, by means of brief bios and even briefer comments, the vast majority of musicals, comedies and dramas that featured music on camera. Recommended.

Douglas McVay's *The Musical Film* (Zwenner Barnes) is a much more critical commentary on the musicals throughout the years. McVay chronologically sets out the films that he has seen (this book starts with a list of all the musicals he hasn't seen!) And his criticism extends to the choreography in some detail. At \$3.95 a little expensive but worth looking for.

Finally we come to the biggest and most profusely illustrated of the books reviewed. *All Talking, All Singing, All Dancing*, at \$4.95 is a good, although rather confused, history in pictures and text of the movie musical by John Springer (Citadel Press, New York). Read in conjunction with your television listings any or all of these books would provide an excellent guide to the Hollywood Musical.

Next column will discuss two recent hardcover books on the same subject, after that we'll be able to provide a guide to what's on when the G&D comes out every second week.

I'm still very interested in borrowing only any soundtracks that you may have. Call me at 366-4250 (no, not *The Sound of Music* or *Mary Poppins* T.V.M.)



USING NAIL 'A' AND HAMMER 'B', ATTACH BOARD 'C' TO BOARD 'D'

Been a little cramped for space this winter? If you have, and you want to make that wall you've been going up a little bigger, you might benefit from some of the experience Roger and Sheila du Toit gained while building the extension to their house.

Roger's no-fail-building-permit-procedure involves submitting plans to the Metro Parks Department. They'll ask you to sign a statement that indicates you expect no less extension because of the alterations, and that the cost of removal at the end of the lease will be borne by the owner. After that the permit goes through in the usual way, being subject to the same by-laws as are normally enforced by the housing inspector. If you want to know more, call Roger at 368-8202.

POEM

Archie Erwin

I never
thought
It would be like this.
The whittling
I thought that young trees
growing /
now
would never be
old trees
waiting.
I thought that
one brick
could be put on another
and another
and another.
Determined man building.
Time
The whittling
Ozymandias and I.
I first
saw him in his arrogance
dying young and proud
not
knowing
Now I see him
lonely
held up by a slave
leaning on his statue
seeing with his hands
pock marks in the base
listening to the wind.
whittling.

CLASSIFIED

WANTED TO BORROW

- Pedagogy of the Oppressed by Paulo Friere
- School is Dead: Alternatives in Education by Everett Ruesser
- 1972 CIDOC calendar
- tape player for cassettes

HAVE TO LEND

- Ivan Illich library
- Paul Goodman books
- Nobody Can Teach Anyone Anything W.R. Wees
- tapes of Illich, Goodman, Neil Postman, John Holt, Edgar Friedenberg

Please call Bruce Weber, 3 Oneida Ave., 366-3263.

WANTED

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Virgin Islands Cancelled Iceland Here We Come

It looks as if success has spoiled our benefactor, KEG Productions.
Thom Benson (not to be sneezed at) is so impressed with the film, *dan gibson's WILDLIFE FAMILY*, that he asked KEG to make 5 similar films for CBC-TV's fall schedule. The shortage of time to complete this assignment and the strict Canadian content rules have caused KEG to cancel the filming of the Island kids' trip to the Virgins. The financing of the trip depended on the sale of the film and without the film there can be no trip.

Our dauntless principal has done his superman number again (!) and arranged a trip to Iceland instead. Barring unforeseen disaster, the grades 6, 7 and 8 kids will leave Toronto on June 4 for a 10 day visit to Reykjavik.

We congratulate the people at the school who have worked so hard and with such imagination on behalf of the students.

An on the spot survey has shown that the parents are anticipating this 10 day opportunity to locate and launder dozens of dirty socks now buried in the bedrooms of their loved ones.

In Iceland it's against the law to own a dog unless you live on a farm and have livestock. In the city of Reykjavik (with a population of 90,000) there is not one dog.

This is a true story

So much for true stories. Now, back to The News.

More News

To have a good time and help finance Igloolik's visit to the Island be sure to attend the Island School Third Annual Steak Barbeque and Dance on Friday, June 2 at 6:30 pm.

Dance starts at 9 pm. Tickets 2.50 per person. On sale at your friendly neighbourhood kid. Last year's was terrific! Bar!

Rambling, Woolly & Disjointed To Represent New W.I.A.

With summer approaching (notice how cleverly we arrest your attention right in the opening phrase?) with summer approaching there will probably be those who are eyeing the W.I.A. Clubhouse with plans for using it for one project or another. Great The W.I.A. Executive has passed on the word that they'd like to hear from anyone who has an interesting use for the building.

But you should keep in mind that the clubhouse is the property of the Ward's Island Association, not the Ward's Island Community. We mention the difference not because we don't think it would be a great idea if access to the building was wide open, but because we think we should point out that it costs money to run the thing.

For that matter, it costs a lot of money to run the whole program that the W.I.A. executive organizes for each summer. The financial statement for 1971 shows expenses of \$6,571.66, and receipts of \$6,664.01. Among the 15 activities listed in the statement are items like \$931.69 for baseball, \$1,060.23 for supervision, \$650.43 for the large clubhouse, and \$880.77 for tennis.

All of which is probably just a round-about way of saying that if you want to have some influence in the way the W.I.A. Executive runs the program this summer, you should join the Association. Jay Bascom passes along the following information about membership fees:

W.I.A. STORY

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Jr. \$1.00

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Women \$4.00
Baseball \$4.00
Supervision \$3.00 for the first child
\$2.00 for each addition child

Fearless Firemen Fight Fort Fire

by Mark Van Dam

Do you know our fort? Well, it burned down. The fort belonged to me, Ronny Handy and Adam Lye. Some other people helped for part time. We found some fire-retardant paint, but it was very little. So very little got covered. It happened Sunday, May 12, about 3pm. I came back from Centre and saw the firemen putting it out. The fire wasn't too big, but the fort disappeared. Ronnie is making a new fort already.

South Market Building To Be Restored

The City Parks Committee has recommended that the 125 year old South St. Lawrence Market Building be restored, instead of demolished as was originally recommended by the commissioner. (Cost: \$2.5 million)

This recommendation was due, in part, to the work of a group called Time and Place who produced an exciting alternative plan. The group takes its name from John Sewell's booklet, *A Sense of Time and Place*, which describes nice old Toronto buildings which are threatened with demolition. (Secretary Jay Macpherson, 922-4458)

These people are fighting for the fine old city neighbourhoods against powerful forces who seem to want them all converted into money factories. Details of the plan for the market are published in Vol. II No. 13 of *City Hall* magazine available at the Goose and Duck Multi-Media Resource Centre

Guerilla Thinks Island A 'Nice Place to Live'

The May 26th edition of *'Guerilla'*, available at every intersection in downtown Toronto) contains an article about everybody's favourite Island. It's great stuff, but there's one part that's either a misprint, or it's based on misinformation.

It says that the next extension battle is expected in 1974, and TIRA is already working out long range strategy.

WRONG!
At present time, a survey of available TIRA executive members found no one who would give an iron-clad guarantee that we'll get an extension this year, let alone in '73 or '74.

Other than that, Tim McCaskell has written something which makes this sound like a nice place to live.

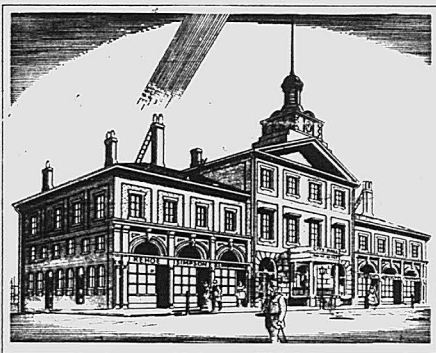
G&D to Open New Multi-Media Resource Center

Actually, 'multi-media' might be a bit of an abstraction. What we really mean is that we've got a book you might like to borrow.

Remember the bicycle books we wrote about in the last issue? Mercenary minded as we are, we sent a copy of the paper to the company that publishes Eugene Sloane's *The Complete Book of Bicycling* and, lo and behold, they sent us a free copy! Sort of gives you a feeling of power.

Anyway, since we don't have a ten-gear bike, and since just about everybody else does, the book is yours for a loan. We'll probably have to develop a lot of rules about no talking in the library and stuff like that, but to begin, just come to the G&D Complex and ask for the book for a few days.

Don't lose it though. If you do, we'll punish your name. Everybody will think you stole it.



Parks Department Notes

Over the past few months, Alderman William Archer has been sending us copies of Metro Parks Committee reports and correspondence. From the material he has sent us, we've collected the following items:

- You can look for changes in the lighting along the boardwalk. Parks Commissioner Thompson feels the present lights are "unmagnificently and susceptible to high maintenance costs as the fixtures are easily vandalized." He proposes "fewer lights, but they'll be on new standards, brighter, and higher off the ground. He expects to realize a reduction in maintenance costs.
- The Capital estimates for 1972 included "Item 9 Toronto Island development." Included are funds for completion of the road from Snake Island to Ward's Dock, and for the construction of a new ferry terminal shelter at Ward's. Washrooms are to be constructed in the Chippewa Avenue area (near the R.C.Y.C. bridge), and sums are included for water, hydro, and septic tank and field. (Editor's note: "What??" Septic Tanks on the Island?? Horrors!!)
- A report on the revised fares for the ferry service includes the following statistics:

Year	Ferry Passengers	Year	Ferry Passengers
1966	1,028,900	1969	1,304,961
1967	1,114,743	1970	1,426,713
1968	1,117,270	1971	1,408,392

Estimated for 1972 - 1,425,000

It is expected that the new summer fare schedule will generate an additional \$200,000 in revenue.

Our thanks to Alderman Archer for sending the reports along. As more arrive we'll publish excerpts in the G&D.

Incidentally, at a recent Parks Committee meeting, during Johnny Lombardi's application to erect transmitting towers for CHIN on the old CHUM site on Algonquin Island, the following exchange between two Parks Committeemen was overheard:

"Well, if they put up transmitter towers over there, that means they'll have to put up a hut, too."

"What the hell, they've already got 200 huts over there."

Letters to the Editor

Dear Goose and Duck:

We've had lots of sunshine, 72 degrees and we swim each day with one eye out for sharks! We went to visit Skippy (the bush Kangaroo). Unfortunately he was away opening a new shopping centre. However, we could get other Wallabies and Kangaroos. The Galas were also missing. Apparently let out for mating purposes. If Tues. is not the 9th in Canada it's probably the International Dateline's fault.

Jean and Tony, Palm Beach,
New South Wales
Tuesday May 9 1972

The Goose and Duck:

I feel a word of congratulations should go to the organizers of the annual smelt fry, banquet and dance. It was easily observed that a great deal of time and effort went into the organization of this event, which I am sure was appreciated by all who attended. Also thanks to the Dixieland band, that seemed to be equally enjoyed by all age groups. Let's have more like that in the future.

Gail Napier, May 15

Dear Goose and Duck:

The garbage strike recently settled by so-called "democratic" procedures was the most disturbing political game I have witnessed in Canada. The City's approach wasted everyone's money and time while forcing upon its employees the most potentially distasteful contract ever. Because of political unconcern the City is now open to wild cat strikes and disinterest among its employees.

The strike should have been settled this way:

- 1) The original union contract should have been given immediate ratification with the inclusion of conditions which prevent future negotiation for money. This would mean that the hours worked by each employee and the total number of employees are susceptible to change.
- 2) The City officials or "managers" should then have accepted the moral obligation to fix their own salaries at the present rate. If as leaders of our community

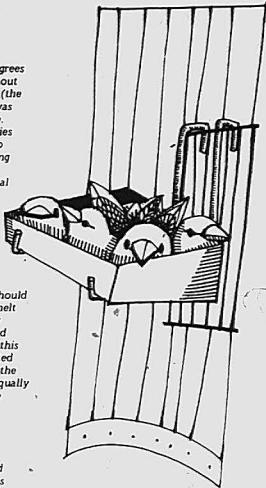
they could realize this need we could solve the inflation problem.

The strike proved one thing: Every individual in this city needs garbage pick up as it now exists; the loan exception is big business. This is a necessity as well as a convenience. The bubonic plague attacks only the strong and fails to be impressed by money.

Political incompetence at its worst. Preference shown for rats rather than men. The inflation spiral will run our social structure into the ground unless elected officials begin to respond to the needs of people rather than revenue.

Civic employees have always been underpaid and this present contract continues to do so.

Michael Albright



LIFE IN A CHRISTMAS TREE

by Janina Wodon

Somehow it seemed so much against nature, so unfair, to take away a bird's freedom, giving him the safety of a cage as a substitute. A poor substitute indeed. But how could I refuse when my son brought home an Indian Goldfinch and begged me to let him keep it? Wouldn't the bird be happier in our home than in a crowded pet store cage? A powerful persuasion. I had to agree.

We have lived with Ptá-pá for almost four years now and she has gained our respect and admiration. Somehow the cage did not conquer her spirit. Full of energy, she has survived three of her mates. In periods of waiting, she amused herself by responding to her own reflection in the mirror. She fought herself busy laying eggs, winter and spring. Sometimes she chooses to sit on them, but never longer than 24 hours.

After the initial adjustment she managed to be contented with each of her partners, although some were not easy to live with. (Anything, it seemed, was better than living alone.) But it was three years before Ptá-pá finally found true happiness.

It was Ptá, the forty-year-old who brought real meaning to her life. We was just right for her, strong healthy and good natured. It was a love affair from the first moment. Ptá was straightforward, and did not take long to convince her of his feelings. The fact that our windows were painted by frost did not delay him.

Our Christmas tree obviously appealed to their wild instincts. We had never seen them happier. Every day they searched for new hiding places among the dusty branches, and every day they seemed more enchanted in some cozy little nook. Usually at sunset they flew back to the cage, to have their last meal, and return to a soap dish nest, high in the cage. One evening they flatly refused to return. After futile attempts to direct them to the cage, we had no choice but to give in and respect their determination to stay in the tree.

Next day while enjoying my morning coffee, I became aware of a strange clamour from the direction of the Christmas tree. There was Ptá, the little thief, pulling the straw from the roof of our nativity scene with all his might. He had to struggle as we had done a good job of building the previous Christmas. Before that day was over he had destroyed it mercilessly. Thus their winter idyll began.

To my surprise they distinctly divided their responsibilities. He was the architect, the builder — she was the artist, the interior decorator. Proud of himself and his achievement, he sang for her, and she, gazing at a work in progress, expressed her admiration with a wide range of music sounds. The nest was beautiful, globe-like, with one opening on the side, a masterpiece of construction of straw, string and cotton.

Soon there were eggs. It was not difficult to guess their intentions. As for us, the pine needles were falling, and the Christmas tree looked rather awkward, and out of place. We called a family council and decided to cut out of the top of the tree, leaving the nest in place.

Throughout the whole process of cutting the birds stayed in their nest — as if to show us that they were not going to give up.

We hung the tree top from the ceiling, in the least drafty part of our living room. It was rather awkward, they ran a while but after six days they took a few times in search of the rest of the tree, they settled contentedly in their new home. From then on Ptá-pá sat on the eggs. She was so conscientious that Ptá had a hard time persuading her to eat. Achieving little by gentle persuasion, he decided to use a rather desperate method. He stepped right into the nest. The tree swung and shook, then suddenly Ptá-pá jumped out. At last she understood what all the commotion was about — and that Ptá was not just a troublemaker. She looked around, stretched her wings, ate, drank, had a bath, and after shaking her feathers dry, went back to the nest. Ptá, who had taken her place on the eggs in the meantime, stopped asleep. A routine was established.

It was happy and peaceful for two weeks. Then one Saturday a sudden flurry of excitement — during their air, singing, peeping into the nest — they obviously had a secret. We watched them all afternoon wondering what had caused such extreme joy. We wanted to be sure and decided to check.

There it is! It's alive! We stared at the newborn with awe, as if a miracle had happened. A premature call of nature — in mid winter.

Next morning, everything was quiet again. The newborn chick did not move. Ptá and Ptá-pá sat on a branch beside the nest. The time went by in a glacial pace.

On the third day, rather suddenly, Ptá decided to rebuild. Taking apart the old nest piece by piece, he spent two days in hard work. With the old materials he made a brand new nest — this time placing it very close to the wall, away from the draft, and our eyes.

A week or so passed, and I noticed that Ptá was sitting on the eggs. Perhaps he felt that Ptá-pá had not done a good job before, quite unjustly, of course. She responded to this new situation with noticeable displeasure. But, as time went by, she accepted it and patiently waited for the great moment to come.

It was a success. All four baby finches are alive! They are healthy and as mischievous as kittens. Waking every morning to the symphony of their voices we feel like being in the midst of a forest.

We have had many unforgettable moments. One of the most delightful was the first flying lesson. The boldest of the young could not resist the temptation to fly and up he went into the air, the first time out of the nest. He was already almost the size of his parents (3"). I could not help but ponder the helplessness of a human baby in comparison.

The others needed more encouragement. Slowly, responding to the parents' persistent invitations another came out of the nest. He sat on the branch, looked at those in the nest, and decided to try his wings. Again and again he raised them, and dropped them down. It looked too dangerous! He went back to the nest. Immediately, he came out again. Once more he tried his wings, and once more he looked back to the safety of the nest. As he struggled with his conflicting feelings the flying trip passed by. He could not resist any longer, up he went. Before an hour was up, all four of them were flying. Breathless with the excitement of their first adventure.

In every family, they had their problems. One of the youngsters, unlike his brothers and sister, simply refused to grow up. While others managed to fend for themselves, he followed his parents and opening his beak as wide as he could begged to be fed. If ignored, he screamed with an unbelievably powerful voice. It went on for hours and became quite disturbing to the birds and to us. Nobody could think of a solution.

All attempts were futile, even his mother's scolding and spanking. She was more determined than the father to teach the child to stand on his own two feet. Ptá's tender heart was still open to the screaming monster.

After a few weeks, in a desperate attempt to stop this nuisance, especially as it happened to be exam time, we separated the young from the parents by placing them in a separate cage. Bless to be that moment. He has not screamed since, and now behaves in a relaxed and confident manner.

A psychologist could make many valuable observations — a writer could find ample material for a novel and we regard our life with the finches as a rare experience from which we have learned a lot.



A primary teacher we know recently told us a story about the class pet. It seems the white rat had taken to nipping the children's fingers, so the teacher asked one of them to make a warning notice.

The notice read: Do Not Douche the Rat.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT GET THE MONEY!

As many of you know, the Goose and Duck is in the midst of a fund raising campaign ("Pain"). At one point we feared that we would have to suspend publication, but response to our letter has been encouraging, so here we are.

We have received 500 dollars from about 60 people, mostly residents. We need about 1500 dollars to plan for another year but we are going ahead, hopeful that we will hear from you and other people who receive and enjoy the paper again.

Other means of fund raising are being explored. A benefit dance by our old friends FLASH is in the near future. Grants are being sought. We are anxious to hear from anyone who would be willing to sell advertising space in the paper. This is an almost untapped source of income. Although our ad rates are low, 5 dollar to 25 dollar ads are the range we can handle without offending your better sensibilities with quantities.

We are grateful to Barclay Livingston, Bruce Weber, Jamie and Janet Williamson, Sheila du Toit and the Belises who canvassed their streets for the G&D. They collected about 100 dollars of the total receipts. More canvassers are needed on Ward's and Algonquin. Please call us if you can help (364-5051). The following are the 60 who are keeping the Goose and Duck alive.

Bob and Frieda Ward	Francis and Edith Ward	Bill Roedde
Lynne Robinson	Barclay and Sally Livingston	Joan Willis
Dorothy Fiske	Nina and Jan Wadon	Mr and Mrs Stephan
Michael Albright	Sheila and Roger du Toit	Mr and Mrs Ruskin
C. Root	Bruce Weber	John and Helen Wilson
Don Longwell	Tom Cornalt	Jim Nasmith
Jan Bircau	Jamie and Janet Williamson	Mary Roberts
Debbie Anderson	Frieda Lord	Bob Hamill
Gene Green	Jim Gilhenny	Barb Roedrick
Jim Jones	Roy and Gail Colman	Fred Colman
Freya Godard	Cliff Haddrall	Fred Karp
David Smith	Maureen and Michael Smith	Ann and Peter Broecker
Glen Brown	Gary and Michelle Howland	Sue and Andy Reid
David Rotenberg	Bill Little	Mary Daski
Dwight and Penny Chalmers	Archie and Bonnie Erwin	Jean and Ted Danniel
Patrick Loubert	Robert Kotyk	Meredith Lansdown
Peter and Jenny Detolly	Nina Kilpatrick	Frank Hanger
Tom and Tilly Taylor	William Avery	Bud and Marg Burrows
Ann Ashburn	Kay Avery	Liz and Chris Barry
Sandy and Suzanne Lapsley	Doreen and Phil Green	Honor and Michael de Fenier
Mr and Mrs Roger Brown	Ruth and Ray Patt	Frank Sullivan
Lesley Bell	Mandi and Bob Webster	John and Jean Elliot
Naida Stein	Pat Coyle	Peter and Jenny Gzowski
Jack Lye	Jim and Marilyn Belise	Howard Hughes
The Coach House Press	Mary Milne	

CENTREVILLE



I don't see how they stand it"
—"It's the MATERIALS!"



NOW SHOWING

The Crest Cinema, with a policy of "oldies but goodies" does, I suppose, represent to some of our readers the apotheosis of film nostalgia. There, once again, uninterrupted on the big silver screen, we can see the films that represent the first symptoms of the virus that have consumed thousands of hours, devoured a fair percentage of our wages and threatened to ruin our eyesight.

There were plenty of cinemas in my home town in England when I was at school but unlike Torroto nearly all of them have since closed down. Several of the "flea pits" are still in operation though, tarted up for the battle with the "telly", and they are almost unrecognizable in their interiors, so unlike the old cinema with its leaky horsehair seats that pricked my bare legs. And the place that I went every Saturday morning to the Junior Cinema Club is still there, where I saw a very young John Wayne in a serial of the Foreign Legion which later was followed by Flash Gordon. Bew why was it that the sound was always hollow (could it have been that the films shown us kids were "eatly sound")? I remember the soppy love scenes that were never-ending and the young audience that was always restless except during the fights and the chases.

A boiled sweet stuck firmly in one cheek and up there Errol Flynn, swashbuckling his way across the Spanish Main, Hopalong Cassidy looking like (and sounding like) a western Man from Glad, and the coolest of the inscrutable Charlie Chan saluting his excitable (and American) number one son or Bogey/George Raft/Chester Morris driving his truck some place where the Anns Sheridan or Sothern waited.

The cinema offers to me and I presume to many of you the old addiction, the rock that has been the foundation for something that has started to spread again, for suddenly in the last decade, it's a healthy state of mind to be movie crazy. And it's a relief to know that half a lifetime hasn't been wasted.

P.S. If you haven't seen "Cabaret", you should. From the opening scene in the Berlin cafe those tatty chorus girls and Liza come out at you — even "hing clicks". A real Hollywood musical again, not a stage/Cinemascope bound spectacle but a film musical. Joel Gray as the Master of Ceremonies is wickedly together and director/choreographer Bob Fosse is to be congratulated.

Another book review next issue

John McHugh

TOADS

by Freya Godard

After spending a weekend protecting the toads in the "frog pond" in front of my house from death and torture at the hands of numerous island children, I've reached the conclusion that many parents don't know their children as well as they thought they did.

Surprisingly enough, the most gentle were the pre-schoolers who wanted to take the toads home in their little buckets. No amount of reasoning could persuade them that the toads were "happy with their mummies and daddies in the pond" and didn't want to be taken away. The only response was "but there are lots more toads" — a rather shocking reaction from children of an age that easily imagines human feelings even in inanimate objects. The analogy, "how would you like it if someone took you away?" seemed to be beyond them.

At about the same time I saw a gentle, well-mannered child stamp violently on a toad until it was obviously very dead. This may have been a case of putting an injured creature out of its misery; but that was impossible to find out as the child refused to explain.

Early Sunday evening an older child amused himself by riding his bicycle back and forth through the pond while his friend grabbed up toads one after another and hurled them out of the pond in all directions. The same day I watched two older children whose favourite game was to throw toads twenty feet into the air and watch them turning somersaults on their way down.

One would think that the close contact with nature that the island children enjoy would make them respectful of other living creatures, but it appears that familiarity does breed contempt. Of course, your children would never behave this way, but someone's children did. There were more than half a dozen of them of various ages, from several different families, and from both Ward's and Algonquin. Please talk to your children in language they understand. The toad pond may be gone by the time you read this, but there will always be other toads and other animals.

Beastly Brothers Welcome New Season in Centreville

by Frank Zappa

The Beastly Bothers were born and raised in the jungle where it was all one long sweltering hot afternoon and ice cubes cost 25 cents. Images of the dirty thirties wavered like mirages. Fred Astaire dancing his way toward Pearl Harbour. John Q. Public sitting beside his crystal set with dirty fingernails and oily hair. Richard Nixon holding down four jobs to put himself through night school. Babe Ruth swatting flies in the steaming haze. These were lean hard years. Prosperity and the electric carving knife were only vague Christmas dinner wishes men drank shaving lotion to forget.

For three years the Beastly Brothers sat on the front stoop of a remote prairie town playing dominoes and talking endlessly about their ideas for the future. Long into the night you could hear them carrying on.

"Hey, Biff, spose there's a way of building a machine to keep crows off corn?"

"Beats me, Buz, let's try to figure it out."

And they would work on until daybreak, making careful notes and diagrams, incorporating old ideas into the new trying.

When the new deal finally got the blast furnaces belching again our boys hit the big city at a dead run. Inside his windbreaker Biff carried a soiled shopping bag which contained all their worldly possessions, seven pairs of odd socks, a 'lucky' road apple and a wrinkled sheet of paper. On the paper was scribbled a rough plan for an idea which would someday change human history.

For seven months they dragged themselves bleary-eyed from their bus terminal locker to pound the scorching pavement in search of backers. Finally, in 1939, a little old lady reluctantly handed over \$73.00 from the till of her bake shop. With this money the Beastlys set up their first business in a vacant lot.

Within three days they repayed their original loan with interest. By the end of the first year they had opened three branch outlets. Inside five years those three outlets had grown to 30.

Today the Beastlys control a vast empire which stretches from que end of the world to the other. They wear silk shirts and drink expensive scotch. Chauffeur driven limosines take them to appointments with the rich and powerful of both public and private life.

The original shopping bag has found its way into a special room in the archives. Beside it in a glass case is the road apple and the wrinkled sheet of paper. The ink has faded and the paper yellowed but by looking closely you'll just be able to read Biff's crude handwriting. BUMP EM CARS.



WHAT KIND OF WOMAN READS THE GOOSE AND DUCK

Mrs. Knight, of Channel Avenue, does. She's lived on the Island since 1945—on Centre until her house was torn down, and since then on Ward's. She holds a newspaper clipping which says:

A little boy says God took out his tonsils. The boy's account of the tonsilectomy went like this: "When I went into the big room there were two lady angels all dressed in white. Then two men angels came in.

One of the men angels looked down my throat and said "God, look at that child's tonsils!" And God looked and said "I'll take them out at once."

Word From Igloolik

Last year in June 20 Island kids made a never-to-be-forgotten trip to the Eskimo village of Igloolik (200 miles north of the Arctic Circle). This year we hope that a group of the Igloolik children will visit the Island late in June.

There are plans to take all the children camping and there have been discussions about a community weiner roast and dance to welcome them. Final arrangements have not been made so watch the notice boards and the Island School Paper (Gibraltar Pointer) for more news.

The following material was received by Alice Millen, who was good enough to pass it on to us. It was written by Sack, 14, one of the Eskimo children who we hope will be visiting us soon.

Alice on The Caribou Hunt

by Sack

Once upon a time there was a girl named Alice. She would like to know anything. One day they were talking about a caribou hunting. Alice was to go. She said she will kill a caribou. So off she went. Alice never saw a caribou alive. When she saw a caribou and she saw the big horn she started to run away from it.

She was so afraid she go home before the men were going hunting.

There goes my father over the snow

There he goes

his dogs can

go fast as the

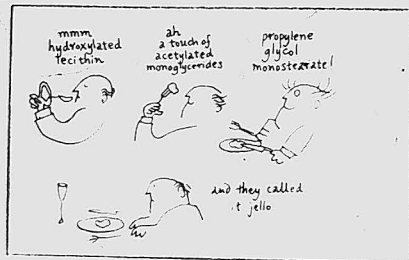
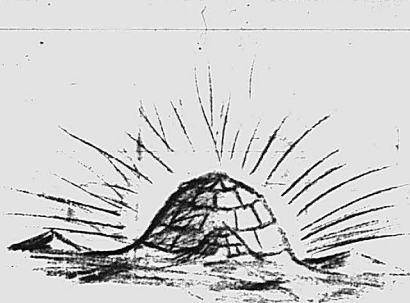
wind

If I was big, I

would go too

A Ghost Story by Sack

Once upon a time. There was a sealskin tent. There were no other tents and it was morning. A man and his wife were sleeping and the sun was bright. When the man awoke he heard a sound and it was a man or an animal walking. The man was afraid because there were no people around there he live. The sound went to the door. The door was tied inside so it had to be open inside. The man saw a fingernail very sharp trying to open the door. He try to wake his wife but she wouldn't. The monster came in. It had a big eye, big mouth and it was hairy too and he was looking at things. The man move close to his wife, when he move the monster would come closer. When the monster hear them the man was trying to be still. When the monster went out his wife woke up when the monster was just out of the door.



PEOPLE

Last issue, we promised you a report from Martin ter Woort on his legal confrontation with The Car Crusher. We're sad to report that Martin was so shaken by his defeat that he decided to take a rest cure. Most of us would just slink home and curl up with a good television set, but not Martin. The kid's got class. He took his family to Holland, and when they got bored with that, they went to Spain for a few days. At present time they're still there, so the court case story will have to wait for the next issue.

An Island couple were recently entertaining a South African family who were visiting the Island for the first time. As they walked along the lagoon, they were discussing the differences in the wild life in our country and their's. At one point one of the South African children, a 6-year-old, noticed in the distance the mooring tires that float in the lagoon just off the Queen City Yacht Club. "Look, Mommy," he cried. "Hippot!"

At a recent Metro Parks meeting the animal control officer (dog catcher) was questioned closely about his enforcement of the dog rules on the Island. He complained of the moccasin telegraph system which clears the Island of dogs at the first sign of his truck at the city dock. It was suggested that he might disguise the truck in order to make a lightning raid. When last seen he was in heavy conference with Mr. Passer. Mrs. Porter, at 40 Lakeshore, has an old but good gas cook stove and a studio couch that anyone can have. If she is not at home see Francis Ward at 2 Lenore.

Children: Their Care and Maintenance

Gerte Wennhart found the following information, and thought you'd like to see it too.

Children Learn What They Live

If a child lives with criticism, he learns to condemn. With honesty to fight, with ridicule to be shy.

If a child lives with shame, he learns to appreciate.

If a child lives with tolerance, he learns to feel guilty. With tolerance to be patient, with encouragement, to be confident.

If a child lives with praise, he learns to appreciate.

If a child lives with fairness to be just, with security to have faith.

If a child lives with acceptance and friendship, he learns to find love in the world.

Barclay's Baskets

More news from Barclay Livingston, resident hanging basket expert. You'll need:

coat hanger
chicken wire 21" x 21"
3 pieces 28" wire
peat moss

- 1) Take a standard wire coat hanger and pull out to a circle of about 11" diameter. (Don't unwind the hook, or the circle will lose its strength)
- 2) bend the hook upwards and slightly towards the center of the circle.
- 3) cut a piece of chicken wire 21"x21"
- 4) At the center of each side, attach the chicken wire to the coat hanger. Just bend the cut-ends of the wire around the coathanger.
- 5) Cut excess chicken wire off at the corners level with the coat hanger—then attach loose ends to hanger.
- 5) Push the middle of the chicken wire down to make a bowl shape.
- 6) Cut excess chicken wire off at the corners level with the coat hanger—then attach loose ends to hanger.
- 7) Complete bowl shape and line with 3/4" of wet peat moss and allow to dry.
- 8) Upon drying, fill up with good plant soil and fill with beautiful flowers.
- 9) Hang basket from your lamppost to decorate your street, using three pieces of wire about 28" long.

It will dry out quickly, so check it daily to see if it needs water. A sample basket hangs in front of Barclay's place at 5 5th.



Gord Bennett and Grunt, caught up in a vortex of twisted love and strange desires two people at odds with a world they never made.



Life Upon the Wicked Stage

A number of Islanders took part in the National Ballet's recent production of Romeo and Juliet at the O'Keefe Centre. G&D Contest Number 623 is to see if you can identify: Jorge, Pat Coyle, Mike Davey, Stan Bevington, Thomas Sheehan, David Riley, Karl Jaffary, Dave Barret, Mike Schoenborn, Don McHenry and Swere Reid. The first three correct answers win a fake beard and a special Fireman's glasses with nose. Good Luck!

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"Call me Fred," said the banana
"I fear," said Dugat heavily, "that this is going to be one of those days."



A POLICEMAN'S LOT CAN BE A HAPPY ONE

One of our favourite paragraphs from Keith Richardson's recent article on the Island Community, which appeared in the Toronto Citizen, reads:

Islanders have so many nice things to be proud of, but one thing for anti-social behaviour. (I sat in the front of the bus with the Island police detachment for two or three years, and I have to say that there is no crime on the island. I don't think you should all have been used. Sure, there's some petty theft, but nothing really, and the odd drink, say, has to be put up with. People here mind their own business, and there's no crime. It's a good place to live, you know.

Richardson's article contains a list of professional community staff that's been assembled with what to us seems to be a complete disregard for how hard and knows how far and open minded we are. The only thing that changed the scene we have a couple of copies of the paper at the N.W. Mountain Club's meeting centre. Drop by and pick one up.



photo: Doug Ganton

ISLANDERS AGAIN ON OLYMPIC YACHTING TEAM

by Paul Henderson

Toronto Island has again produced members for Canada's Olympic Team, which will this year compete in Kiel, Germany, August 28 - September 10.

The team was picked in Halifax under very tough conditions 8 miles out in the Atlantic. The Islanders selected are:

Dr. John Clarke, in the single handed Finn. John has gone to Europe, and is now competing in the World Championship in Italy.

Paul Henderson will be the coach of the team, and was last seen sailing a Pram at the Cove, being handily beaten by Chris Barry and Stinky Stein.

Gordon Norton will be the Assistant Manager.

To ensure the Island's Olympic string, Terry McLaughlin defeated 26 competitors from all provinces, and will represent Canada in the Youth-Worlds in Trarvnunde, Germany from August 18-25th.

Good luck to all the Islanders, and to all the 10 year olds, remember 1980 in Moscow.

GARBAGE REGULATIONS

TIRA requests everyone comply with garbage regulations. There will be no bulk garbage collection until the Wednesday nearest the middle of the month. No large items should be put out before the Tuesday night previous to this date as this ruins the appearance of our community. Also the ends of the streets are not for garbage.

Also leaves you have should be placed with your regular garbage in containers. Branches should not be dumped on streets or on park property, but tied in bundles and

put out with your own garbage.

The parks department has asked us to trim back hedges and bushes that are in the way of sidewalks and that make it difficult to get by. We are particularly impressed with the fact that to prevent accidents, we should be cutting them back. We should be cutting them back. We should be cutting them back. We should be cutting them back.

MORE ON GARBAGE

by Bruce Weber

The high expense of collecting garbage was discussed at a recent TIRA meeting. The following are some of the points raised:

1. Is twice weekly garbage collection worth the cost? A survey of residents' preferences would be sufficient.

2. Would one collection twice a week be worth the cost? A survey of residents' preferences would be sufficient.

3. Could a new garbage collection system be developed?

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Finally there is the ultimate solution - a high speed train. This would be the use of the Goose & Duck or even the Island Community program. It would be a high speed train. It would be a high speed train. It would be a high speed train.



COVE FLEET NEWS

by George Stein

Seven boats are in the water, and more are just about ready to be launched. Our first series of races was held last Sunday for the Old Men, and was won by Chris Barry, with P.G. Stein himself running a close second. There was a good group of spectators, cheering the fleet on, and when Chris was presented with a bottle of bubbly it was promptly enjoyed by all.

Every Sunday, weather permitting, there will be an Old Man's race at 9:30 am, followed by a race for the wives and any other femme fatale wishing to risk life and limb. (Ed's note: we think that means women get to sail, not to be chased.) Then there will be a race for kids. Everyone welcome. If you don't care to race, come and watch. It sure beats cutting the lawn.

When we get better organized we hope to have races for the kids during the week. Maybe we'll even get to see the Big Polish Red Machine in action soon. See you on the wall.

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The Goose & Duck is a paper about us and our friends and those people who should know how to be successful.

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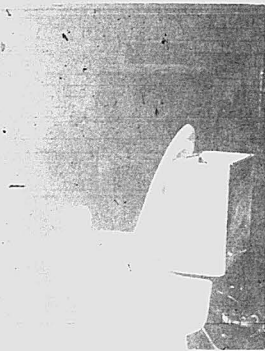
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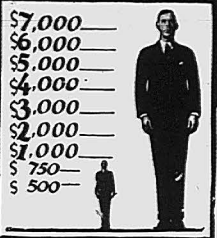
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THE GOOSE AND DUCK PROPOSAL FOR CANADIAN ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE

You know that little sign of dollar \$? Did you know that it is nothing but a U. for United superimposed on an S. for States? Our little scheme is this: in future, when you make a dollar sign, make it with the two lines as usual superimposed on a C for Canada instead of an S for U know who of an S for U know who.

When this idea first came to us we wondered if there was a Canadian Typewriter manufacturer who would like to be the first on his block to use the all new Goose and Duck Canadian Dollar sign.

Upon checking we discovered that we should have been wondering if there was a Canadian Typewriter manufacturer. There isn't. However, we learned that to have a special symbol made would cost the original buyer \$100. Ever after it can be duplicated without extra cost. We are now searching through our list of Canadian Nationalists to find a person who would like to pioneer the Canadian Dollar sign.

Meanwhile, whenever you have occasion, use \$ instead of S.

We have received further contributions of just under \$50,000 from about thirty more islanders and others. The list below includes people who made substantial contributions before our present campaign. In this issue we have 3/4 page of advertising which brings in another \$65.00. This puts us in good financial health until Christmas at which time no doubt we will hear from Santa Claus. Our attempts at obtaining grants have not been successful (see letters) but more time will be spent in this effort over the summer. Many streets have not been canvassed and this would likely result in another hundred dollars. If you would be willing to canvass your street we would be delighted.

Many thanks to the following

Dear Mr and Mrs Amer

I must regretfully inform you that the Ontario Arts Council has reluctantly declined the application for assistance of The Goose and Duck.

My Council colleagues and I are generally sympathetic to your position and admiring of your efforts but feel such assistance is at this time beyond the provisions of our limited resources.

Again, our regrets. May we, however, wish you continuing success.

Anthony Adamson, Chairman, Province of Ontario Council for the Arts

Dear Mrs Amer

Thank you for your letter of March 22, 1972, to my associate, Geoff Anderson. We read with great interest the copies of 'The Goose and Duck' which you enclosed. It is a very lively newspaper indeed.

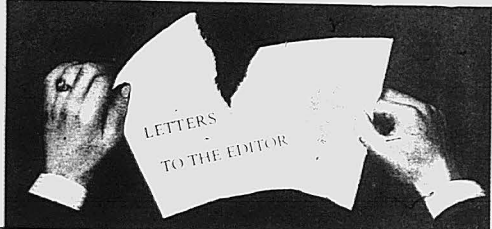
I regret, however, that the Community Development Branch will not be able to provide a grant in support of the paper. Our funds are exceedingly limited, and are intended as seed money to assist citizens' groups or special community projects in the initial stages of their organization. It just is not possible for us to provide sustaining support to ongoing projects such as your community newspaper.

Because of the cut back in our grants budget for this year, we are also having to radically re-examine our so-called 'grants program' in general. This should result in placing the funds back in their original and correct context as a minor support tool to be used by our Field Offices in their development work with citizens' groups.

I recognize that such explanation is of little use to you in resolving the present financial problems you face. I wish you well in finding a means to continue your work and regret our inability to assist.

John Coruhis, Chief, Field Services, Community Development Branch

We have no doubt missed some names. Please forgive us.



Sir

It has recently been brought to my attention that both the word goose and the word duck have more than one meaning. I understand that a corrupted title for the paper is being circulated. Certain persons, careless of their grammar, are calling it "The Tabloid Goose and Duck". It is the novel use of the title that leads one into error. It should be clear that both major words of the true title (viz. The Goose & Duck) are nouns. Corrupt usage leads one to consider them as verbs. (As an aside I might point out that if one interprets the first as a verb it seems only sensible to consider the second also as a verb - perhaps even imperative. This leaves one in a very amusing position, however, and possibly subject to some other corrupt readers' misusage.)

It is unfortunate that the richness of the English language does not permit clarification of the title. The "Goose" may be misinterpreted even as a noun, then followed by "and Duck", a suitable verb. At present there is a hardcore group who consider "The Goose and Duck" as a sportsman's term, rather like the Shot and Followthrough. Apprehension can be relieved neither by those who say there is no problem since both are fowl, nor by those who point out that the title is an obvious reference to island birds. After all, island birds are English ladies to many thoughtless readers. I should therefore suggest:

- 1) The paper appear untitled until a less controversial title be found
- 2) A new title be chosen following a suitable contest. (My suggestion would be the Cooling & Duckling.)
- 3) If a suitable title cannot be found, publication cease.

A E Erwin M.D., M.Sc.

Look for Dr Erwin's article to be published in the Summer '72 issue of THIS MAGAZINE IS ABOUT SCHOOLS', to be released in July. To subscribe to This Mag send \$4.00 to Lorraine, Room 408, 56 Esplanade, Toronto. (This will entitle you to 4 issues.)

Dear Amers

How we loved receiving the Goose & Duck this winter. It has kept us in touch with friends and a place we consider more than a bit magic. We are crossing our fingers that we will get back this summer.

Harold and I will be at Berkeley, California starting this month. We have bought a relatively old (for California - 35 years) house in the hills, looking over the San Francisco Bay and San Francisco. We have a hillside terraced garden, trees, flowers, and a house that will be fun shaping into our own.

We hope to send you something from Berkeley - I can't promise it won't be the remains of a tear gas canister, this spring's riot zone has been too close for comfort. We will send you something verbal.

Beth Bexton



Dear Goose and Duck

As one of the original supporters of your unique enterprise, I attach my cheque with my best wishes for the continued survival of one of my favourite pieces of reading.

I trust all is going well with you and my friends on the Island. I know that I will hear from you if you need any assistance.

Horace Brown
Alderman - Ward 6

Dear Goose and Duck

I am enclosing a cheque for a subscription for the coming year. Keep up the good work.

Alderman David Rotenberg

Dear Goose and Duck

Mindful of many happy memories on the Island over the past 30 years, I am pleased to enclose a cheque to help the Goose and Duck carry on its good work.

William L. Archer, Q.C.
Alderman - Ward 5

Dear Goose and Duck

I understand you are in the midst of a fund raising campaign, and I thought I would send you a small donation.

I have been offered the free loan of a film entitled "Our Living World" which I understand has been endorsed by the Minister of the Environment for the Province of Ontario. It is all about the activities of a young boy as he discovers "the nature of all living things through studying the lives of animals." We also might be able to get movies of sporting events at the Canadian National Exhibition. Perhaps if the editors get any feedback from the Island community, they could contact me at City Hall and we could set up a date.

June Marks
Alderman - Ward 6



photo: Ted Currie

A PARCEL OF THANKS FROM OUR ESKIMO FRIENDS

Dear Hosting Parents and Island Students:

How do we begin to thank a group of people who have done so much for our students? It's almost impossible, but we'll try.

Thank you first for opening your homes and your hearts to our group. The students loved each and every moment of your hospitality.

Second, thank you to all of you who gave the children things for themselves and their families. Your generosity will always be remembered.

A special thanks to the following: the grade nines, who prepared the first day's meal at the school; the parents who helped chaperone on the tours; the parents who took the children sailing; Flash, for the fine dance music; the parents who organized the wiener roast; and to all who were friendly and kind in any way.

We are disappointed that we didn't get to meet each one of you personally but from the students' descriptions, comments and general well-being we feel we are very close to all of you.

Thank you to the Island students who 'took in' a friend from the North. You were a little rambunctious at times, but overall, just great.

Our deepest thanks to the physical Island itself. No better place could have been found for a home away from home.

Cordially
Gordon and Alexia Turner



photo: Ted Currie

IGLOOLIK AGAIN

from the Gibraltar Pointer June 30, 1972

WHY NOT?

How many times have you wished to return to a place you really liked? Well, a certain group of island students who's destination IGLOOLIK haunting their souls, are doing just that! THEY'RE RETURNING! All that it takes is six ambitious Arctic Addicts: a little understanding and a little money.

James Fowle, Trevor Pohl, Robin and Doug Barker, Alice Millen and Scott Stein have already started preparing for this return trip. These ambitious Arctic Addicts are applying for an opportunity for youth project at the suggestion of Mr. C. Hopkins to help finance their trip. However, the students are not holding their breaths.

THEREFORE, if you need

- a) a babysitter
- b) a lawn mower, leaf raker, etc.
- c) painter
- d) or anything else you can think of

PLEASE CALL

Scott Stein	368 5078
Alice Millen	363 0743
James Fowle	368 5491
Trevor Pohl	368 9718

THANK YOU

IGLOOLIK CAMP BISCUITS

Here's the recipe for the biscuits that the kids ate during last summer's trip to Igloolik. Island School chef Rosa Klotz multiplied the recipe to 250 servings, then packed the mixed ingredients into plastic containers for transport from here to there.

- 2 Cups sifted pastry flour
- 3 3/4 teaspoons baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 6 tablespoons cold shortening
- 2 heaped tablespoons powdered milk
- 3/4 cup water

Sift flour and salt together. Cut in shortening, stir in liquid quickly, knead lightly for a few seconds, using as little flour as possible on the board. Roll to 1/4 inch thickness, cut with 2 1/2 inch cutter.

Cook on lightly greased hot skillet over very low heat, until biscuits are light delicate brown, and raised to a height of 1 inch. Turn and brown on other side.

Makes 18 biscuits

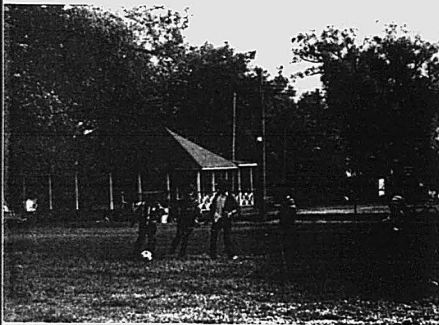
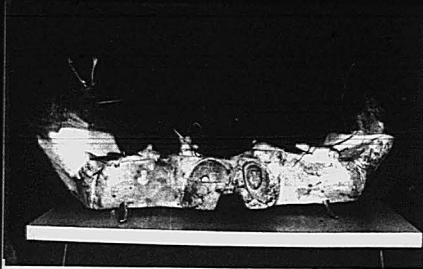


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NEW SCULPTURE PURCHASED FOR ISLAND SCHOOL

If you've seen "Land of Igloolik", the TV film about last summer's trip to the N.W.T. by the Island school kids, you may remember a sequence which showed an Eskimo making a carving from a large whale bone.

A Montreal art collector saw the program and flew to Igloolik to buy the piece, a three foot long hunting tableau. When he returned to Montreal, the sculpture was appraised at \$4000. He phoned the Island School principal Chuck Hopkins to see if the school wanted to buy it.

Staggered by the price but undaunted, Chuck plunged into negotiations and ended up getting the thing for \$800.00.

It's now on display at the School, and he's not telling how he got the price down so far, but Nanci Lye suggests he took a cue from *The Godfather*, and "made him an offer he couldn't refuse." Could be. Next time you see Hopkins, study him closely. He's got a baby face, but killer's eyes.

LEARNING TO LEARN

The Gibraltar Pointer, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Island Public School, recently asked kids in grades 2 and 3 to give some advice to the newcomers for the Fall. Here are some of the results.

The only thing I liked to do was fool around, and do not do it please. Do work instead.
Bas Van Dam

Math is time, take away, add, carry, and divided by. Reading is simple. Reading work books is harder. Phonics is harder too. Writing is hard, it hurts your hand.
Konnie Handy

Watch out for tricky math problems. In writing you let your hand glide. Spelling is easy. Reading is simple.
Susan Smith

When you are in grade two, watch out for the tricks in the sentences like "at the end of sentences. When you aren't paying attention to your subtraction and you don't see the take away sign you add your work and you get your work wrong. Don't be bad for Mrs. Patterson."
Mark Pritchard

The work is harder. Find secret ways in spelling words. You will learn times tables and you will learn lots of things about reading.
Jane Taylor

We've also received some material from Jean and Tony Parsons, who'll be returning soon from their visit to Australia. They enrolled Charlotte and Claire in school there and an Information Bulletin for Parents included the following:

NO LUNCHES ARE AVAILABLE FOR 10 CENTS

PLAYLUNCH MENU DAILY Biscuit (1 cent each)
Cust (1 cent each) one only per child
Half roll (3 cents) one only per child
Extra apple (4 cents)

WRITING PENCILS: These are the pencils used by second and first grade children and later by older kindergarten children. They have thick soft lead and are twelve sided so that they do not roll, and yet have no sharp angles to press into little fingers.

Do not buy eight sided pencils such as Black Prince 8, as these have angles sharp enough to hurt. Twelve sided pencils are made by Columbia (called Formative), Royal Sovereign (called Black Prince 12) and Staedtler (called Twelxev 6B).

Do not think any old black pencil will do black colouring, marking, copying or chinograph pencils are not the same, and not satisfactory for the purpose.

PENCIL SHARPENER SHAVINGS: In classes where a pencil sharpener is asked for it is advisable also to provide a container for shavings. This should be small, lidded to prevent spillage and definitely unbreakable (no glass).

It's possible to carry paper, saving too far.
We don't think much of the Island Mother
who gave her son his lunch in an Icelandic
Airlines Airsickness Bag.

SOS

Please save my babies. My master brought me from the city and left me on the island to starve. I had to bear my four kittens under the Lapsley's house and was rescued by Mattus, who took us to stay with Freya. Now they say we have to go. Can you help before it's too late?

I have three tabby males with faces like pansies and one black female, the brightest of the litter. Each is more beautiful than the last.

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Don Plewes

THE MERRY MOTTLIES

We would like to get together with other musicians on the Island to play chamber music and/or to expand the Ward's Island Marching Band. For chamber music, we're a piano/cello/flute trio and would especially welcome a violin; for the band, the mottlier the merrier.

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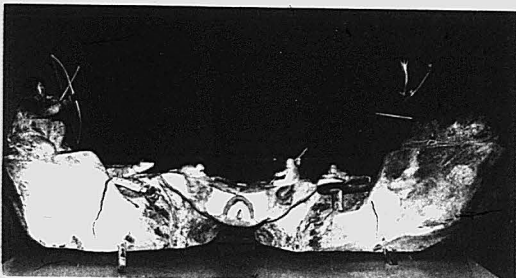
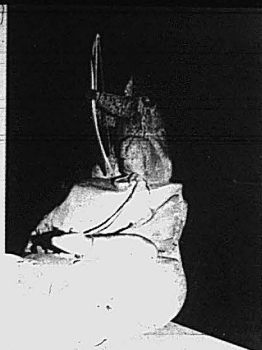


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JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

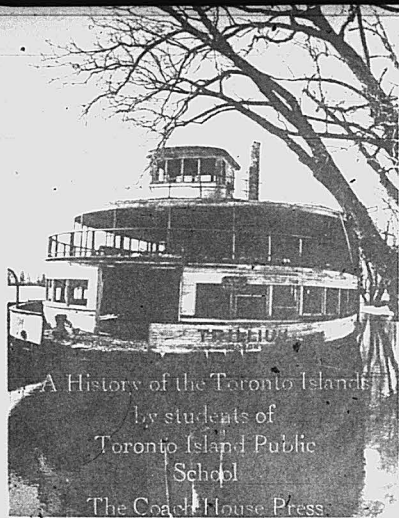
Have you noticed hopeful smiles on the mothers of the local 4 year olds? It may be because the Island School is starting a Junior Kindergarten in September. Already 13 children have been enrolled bringing the total of kindergarten students to 21. The junior class will be held in the afternoon for the first month and then combined with the senior class in the mornings for the rest of the year. Mrs. Hervey will be the teacher. Most of the children have been attending the co-operative dayschool at the Algonquin Island clubhouse.



photo: Bonnie Erwin



photo: Dave Hlvsky



A History of the Toronto Islands
by students of
Toronto Island Public
School
The Coach House Press

Copies of the new *Island History* are now available. The Island School and its Home & School executive will be making the books available through two outlets to begin with. The Amers, at 11 Willow Avenue on Ward's and The Broekers at 6 Norton on Algonquin. Island residents will receive a discount of 40 percent on orders of five or more books. This first printing was limited to 1000 copies and we recommend you get them now!

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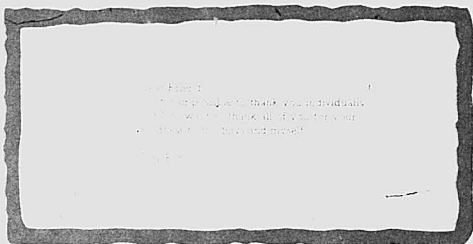
The *Goose and Duck* is edited at 11 Willow Avenue, Ward's Island, Toronto, Canada by David and Elizabeth Amer, who are quick to admit that the production done by the Coach House Press makes all the difference. The paper is published 15 times yearly, often at regular intervals, and is funded by Island residents, who obviously have more money than they know what to do with. Letters of complaint concerning errors in grammar or spelling will be neither published nor acknowledged. Subscriptions cost \$3.00/year more if you feel like it.

Local heroes who helped with this issue include Circulation Manager Alice Coleman, typist for this issue, Sue Keane and Nanci Lye with her 10 (count 'em, ten) flashing fingers.

CAUTION If any dealer says he has the W.L. Douglas shoes without name and price stamped on the bottom, put him down as a fraud. If not sold by your dealer, write W.L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass.

The *Goose & Duck* would like to hear from someone who could provide us with the kind of IBM selective computer typewriter. We would need it for 2 1/2 years or more. We would also like to know of anyone who can operate such a machine for us, if possible.

Photographers! Have you given up on black and white film altogether? Remember sometimes the old way is the best way. Be that as it may, the G & D is anxious to see what everybody has to offer in the way of black and white photos of scenes and people of the island.



Barclay Lye, 47, is a former Toronto Police Officer. He is now a member of the Toronto Police Association. He is also a member of the Toronto Police Association.

NOTICE

Registration of a new business...
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It was nice to see Jill Morrison visiting...
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The Harbour Commission neglects to mention the "260 foot gain at the east end of the beach" contains a large pond. If you like to lie down with frogs, this is for you!

Ward's Island Beach

Some people have stated that the constriction of the east headland by the T.H.C. is the cause of erosion at Ward's Island. They are wrong. The headland has so effectively intercepted the destructively eastern waves that the erosion of Ward's Island Beach on the whole has not only ceased but it has gained additional beach area. Since the T.H.C. landfilling started in the lake, the Ward's Island net gain has been three and a half acres. If the headland were removed, this Ward's Island beach gain would disappear in a few years.

By cutting off the waves from the west, the net wave approach has shifted to the south-west. This has also resulted in a clockwise shift of the Ward's Island Beach. This shift has narrowed the beach at the west end by

a maximum of 70 feet and at the same time widened the east end by 260 feet. The clockwise realignment of the beach was severely accelerated in the stormy 1970-71 winter, which equalled intensities of 8 and one half times the amount of a normal winter's south-westerly storms.

Grading of the steep wave-cut bank supplanted with material from sand dunes higher than the board walk is recommended as short term treatment for the west end of the Ward's Island Beach.

The direct method of cutting off the gained beach and returning the material to the west end of the beach is not recommended because:

- a) the west end of the beach is shunned by the general public due to its proximity to privately leased cottages;
- b) the beach would shortly return to its present form.

These are just brief excerpts from the report. (And it's a big one - almost as thick as an Eaton's catalogue, with lots of neat maps and some interesting Island History information.) Read it through, and you're almost convinced, until you start to get the feeling that they're saying that although there has been no erosion, the building of the Western Headland will eliminate it.

Then look at the beach. To say that it has narrowed at the west end by 70 feet is not telling. The beach has two dimensions. Our observation is that it is reduced by as much as 70 feet, times the width of 4 house lots (30 feet) for about 8,400 square feet.

The cover photo on the report shows Commission dredges building up Ward's Island in 1915, and when Mr. Jones visited us last fall he was quick to remind us that they had built up Algonquin Island and had made it possible to build the houses there. The moral of the whole exercise is, it seems, "The Harbour Commission greth and the Harbour Commission taketh away."

ON SEPTEMBER 13, THE CITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE APPOINTMENT OF FRED WADE TO THE TORONTO HARBOUR COMMISSION. MR. WADE IS CHAIRMAN OF METRO'S WATERFRONT ADVISORY BOARD. ANOTHER NOMINEE WAS OUR NEIGHBOUR, MARY McLAUGHLIN. THE ONLY MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE TO VOTE IN HER FAVOUR WAS DAVID ROTENBURG.

THIS RECOMMENDATION WILL GO TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR A DECISION ON SEPTEMBER 27TH. MRS. McLAUGHLIN COULD STILL BE APPOINTED IF SHE WINS A MAJORITY OF VOTES AT THIS TIME.

For more of the same, see the Commission's monthly "Port of Toronto News", in which the situation is whimsically described as "optical erosion". The magazine often has material of interest to Islanders and you can get one free by calling John Jusa at 863-2036, 34 or 35.

BEACH TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

Recently, the Goose and Duck and other outstanding publications have mentioned the erosion of the beach at Ward's Island. We have observed, over the past lifetime, yearly changes in the shape of the beach, but it was obvious early this spring that somethings quite beyond the usual minor change was taking place.

In answer to these cries and some formal inquiries by the Metro Parks Committee (at the instigation of Commissioner Thompson) the Engineering Department of the Harbour Commission has issued a report entitled "The Toronto Island Beaches - A Reclamation and Stabilization Feasibility Study".

Copies of this document are available at the Goose and Duck Multi Medi Resource Centre if anyone is interested. If then, here are some telling excerpts, along with some quotes and hints from the Goose and Duck and others.

June 12, 1971
Mr. E.B. Griffith,
General Manager.

Dear Sir:

This report is in response to your authorization to carry out a study to examine the changes taking place on the shoreline of Toronto Islands and to recommend means of improving conditions for public use.

For the purpose of this study, it is fortunate that the shoreline of Toronto Islands has a long history of surveys to accurately document the changes that have taken place. The majority of this information is contained in the files of the Toronto Harbour Commissioners.

Before any substantial work was started on the Outer Harbour construction, an intensive program of sounding, borings and bottom sampling was carried out. By comparing this information with the present conditions, an accurate assessment of changing conditions is possible.

The use of wind and wave data obtained from the meteorological station on the Headland and long time wind records of the Island Airport, has enabled our Coastal Engineers to analyse, with reasonable accuracy, the cause of various changes taking place on our coastline and to predict the effect of various potential man-made structures.

Special tests of bottom movement related to the proposed Eastern Channel dredging have been carried out over a number of years showing that the bottom movements have been, as predicted, minimal.

The liaison we maintain with organizations such as the Great Lakes Institute, the Ministry of the Environment and Canada Centre for Inland Waters, keeps us informed of the latest studies on currents, temperatures, water quality, etc.

I am pleased to advise, as set out in detail in this report, that the Outer Harbour East Headland has had the beneficial effect of reducing the erosion of the Toronto Island's shoreline and that the Headland makes it possible to now convert the rocky shoreline between Ward's Island and Centre Island into sandy beaches.

The beaches in the vicinity of Gibraltar Point are beyond the protection of the East Headland and will continue to erode, particularly with the present high water.

The proposed West Headland would practically eliminate erosion of the entire south shore of the Islands, as well as create a large body of recreational water with more parkland and beaches. It is suggested that the West Headland proposal be given careful study for park development in this area.

With the completion of the Eastern Channel / Aquatic Park dredging in about one and one-half years, commercial shipping will use the new Channel to the Harbour. This will make it possible to bridge the Western Channel and construct the West Headland using the techniques developed in building the East Headland.

J.H. Jones,
Chief Engineer

Islanders will remember our enchanted evening with Mr. Jones last fall (see the Goose and Duck, September '71 for Jeff Bury's report).

POLITICIAN

Dear Goose and Duck etc.

Sorry to keep you waiting for a foreign correspondent's report - the weather has been too fine! Here I sit North of the Arctic Circle, on the Lofoten Islands, looking at the sunset behind the mountain, the ocean in the foreground with fishing boats bobbing to and fro. It is 9:15 now... the sun will still be setting for another hour and at 12 it will still be light out. We are renting a fishing shanty in a small village - very primitive - reminds one of home only the holding tank hasn't needed to be pumped out yet - of course, it makes a bit more noise at low tide.

These islands are very strange and beautiful - jagged, rugged mountains rising 1,500 - 2,500 feet right out of the ocean. They are not very friendly - I mean one can not walk on them very easily - but they are fantastic sculptures. I've been hitchhiking all over the country, meeting the people getting involved with the political issue of today, the pros and cons of entering the common market. I only met two people who are in favour - one didn't really know why he just thought Norway should join while it has a chance. The other person was the Prime Minister who was walking in the mountains - he was too exhausted from the day's hike to discuss the issue.

Everyone else feels that it would destroy all farming, jeopardize the fishing industry - force people therefore, to move into cities; and disable Norway's self sufficiency. So all the nice people, the "good guys" who gave me rides, the people walking on the mountains (not including the P.M.) the young people, the farmers, the fishermen, the country folk - maybe we should consider establishing a program or reciprocal support? In the light of our common desire to preserve aesthetic, pleasing, wholesome styles of living.

letters to the editor

Dear Dave,

Yes indeed, we thank you for the back copies of "The Goose and Duck". It was great pouring over all the news and the photos which make us realize just how much we miss the island life.

Living in the mountains is almost as good! We really look forward to receiving some new editions to keep us posted. Hope you keep on with ever more good work.

Patti, Lorne and Tapia Jones

Hiking in Norway has been incredible. People are really into doing it without suffering. The huts serve fantastic meals. (Breakfast is unreal!) Fish, sausage, all kinds of cheese, cereal, eggs, relishes, pickles, potatoes, preserves.) There are hot showers, one can buy beer and wine. It's all very tempting after walking 15 miles over a rocky path! One hut even went so far as to have a sauna and swimming pool! The hikes I did were most difficult but most exciting. I climbed Glittertind which is capped with a very thick glacier (thus making it the highest mountain in Norway) so that the last mile or so was on snow - blue sky, bright sun. And the view! Infinite! I also crawled up Glopappan from a height of 5,500 feet to 8,150. One tends to let the mind take over and drag the body behind - but again the sight of snow covered peaks forever, in all directions. Insnare!

Most Norwegians start learning to speak English at twelve years old so communication has been fairly easy. They are a very friendly, open and warm people. It appears that their education is much more practical than academic. They feel a very strong bond with the Danes, and tend to dislike Germans and Swedes as a carry-over from the war although the younger generation are beginning to feel no ill towards them. They live in a very wonderful country of great beauty but are being forced into becoming aware of the reality of destruction; one valley I wanted to travel to is being bulldozed for a gigantic hydro system. But there still is a fantastic wilderness and many more beautiful valleys.

The sheep are still talking, the gulls are still yelling - I am still able to write at 11:30 without a light on!

Julia Oldenberg
Ballstad, Norway
August, 1972

L'Or et Canard
c/o Dave & Liz Amer
11 Willow Avenue
Ward's Island
Toronto

Bonjour Mes Amis,
Bicycling through the Gaspé is a great way to have a holiday. The area consists of a variety of contrasting regions, each of which fits into our daily mileage of about 50 miles. Most of the villages

and towns are found at the mouths of rivers along the St. Lawrence and Gulf coasts. We have packtraced on the tidal rocks pounded by large waves; camped in deep shadowy valleys overwhelmed by great hills (2,000 ft.) and marked by many landmarks, and slept in a number of village hotels which are reasonably priced and whose food is delicious. The people accept our poor French and are very friendly.
Ann & Terry Maher

The following item was left out of the Huly paper due to the poor house-keeping practices of the stationery engineer at the Goose and Duck complex. Our apologies to everyone involved.

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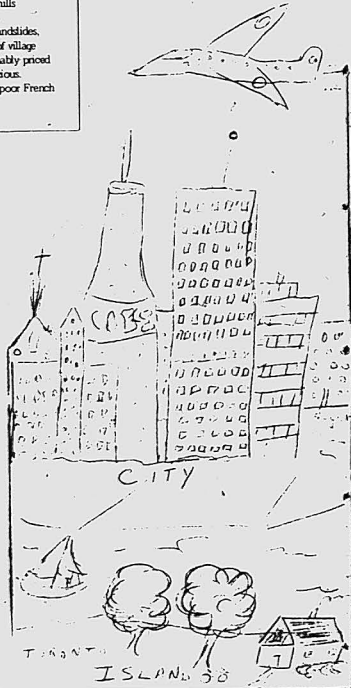
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THIS IS A TIRA BULLETIN - IN RESPONSE TO COMPLAINTS TO MEMBERS OF THE TIRA EXECUTIVE CONCERNING MAN'S BEST FRIEND.
CITY OF TORONTO BY-LAW NO. 45867 STATES THAT NO PERSON SHALL ALLOW HIS DOG TO RUN AT LARGE IN THE CITY - THIS INCLUDES THE ISLANDS - UNLESS SUCH DOG IS UNDER THE IMMEDIATE CHARGE AND CONTROL OF SOME COMPETENT PERSON. THE ENFORCEMENT OF THIS BY-LAW HAS BEEN PLACED IN THE HANDS OF THE TORONTO HUMANE SOCIETY WHO ARE EMPLOYED TO CAPTURE AND IMPOUND SUCH DOGS.
THE CITY'S ANTI-NOISE BY-LAW 14913 REQUIRES OWNERS OF DOGS TO PREVENT THEM FROM DISTURBING THE PEACE OF THEIR NEIGHBOUR FROM WITHOUT BY BARKING. AS GOOD CITIZENS OF TORONTO WE WOULD ENDEAVOUR TO OBEY ALL BY-LAWS OF THE CITY.
IT WOULD APPEAR THAT MOST OF THE PROBLEM OWNERS ARE PEOPLE WHO GO TO THE CITY AND LEAVE THEIR DOGS ON THE LOOSE ALL DAY. IN THE INTERESTS OF A QUIET AND PEACEFUL AND LOVING ISLAND COMMUNITY PERHAPS SUCH OWNERS COULD ARRANGE WITH NEIGHBOURS TO CARE FOR THEIR DOGS WHILE THEY ARE AT WORK!



thank you to everyone for
helping me to make such
a beautiful wedding
margaret colman
Pie Rate

Congratulations.

Graduation Festivity

At the June graduation festivity Island School people (staff, students, parents and others) said a rather tearful farewell to our principal Charles Hopkins. He will begin a new job as director of the Toronto Board's new Boyne River Natural Science School in September.

Speeches were made and gifts given, and everyone felt appreciative of the many and varied things Mr. Hopkins has done for the school in the past ten years. We wish him all the best.

Vice principal, Ted Currie will be principal this year. Due to budget cuts there will be no vice principal, so he'll be a very busy man. We hope that there will be time for such projects as the Island History Book which has been so successful. The book was written and researched by the students but it was Ted who supported and kept the project moving. The Island History has been published in a limited edition of 1,000. There are now very few left and a second printing is coming soon.

Also leaving the school for a year's exchange teaching in Scotland (Coventry) is Peter Middleton of the Science School. Peter, an expert birdman, has been involved with the day school kids and has taken an interest in community affairs. He will be missed. Susan Nash, a teacher from Scotland is teaching grades 3, 4 and 5, and Villem Tarrn will teach grades 6, 7 and 8.

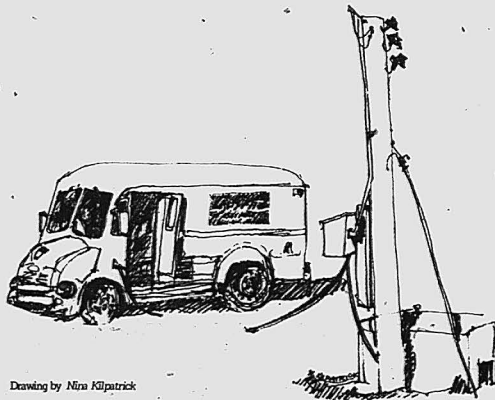
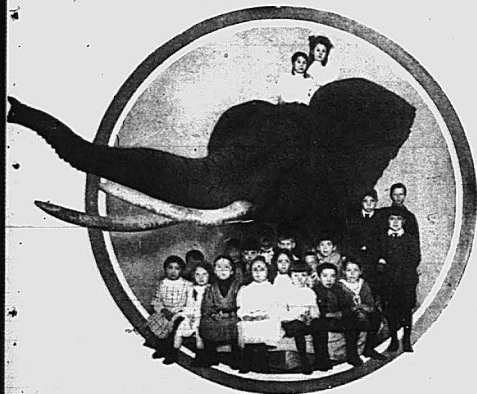
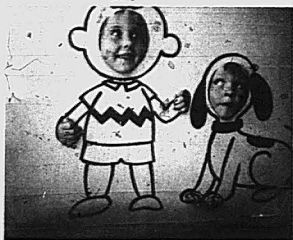
Gord Bennett will work at the Island Science School until Christmas and then move to the Boyne River School to continue working with Mr. Hopkins.



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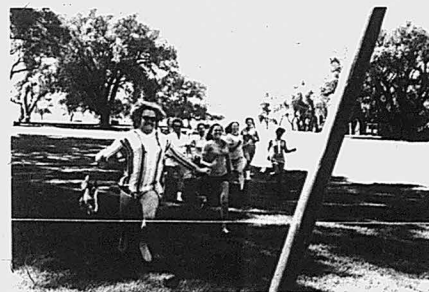
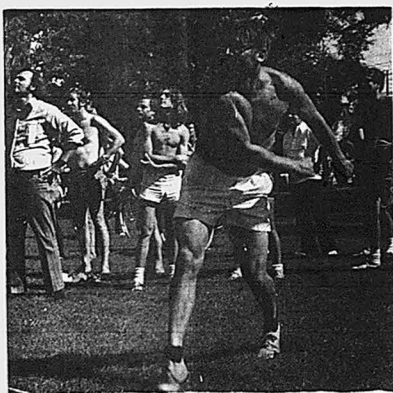
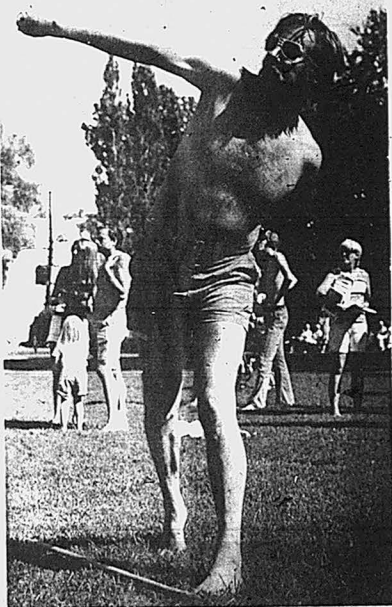
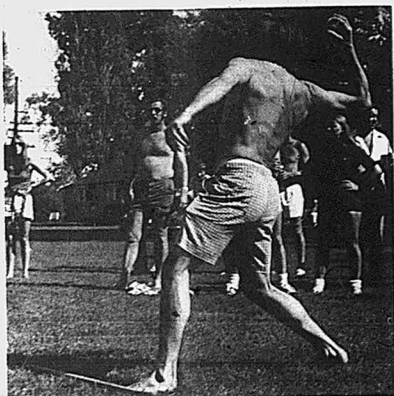
ISLAND PLAY SCHOOL
WILL RESUME ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER.
CHILDREN MUST BE 24 MONTHS BY
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MOM OR SUBSTITUTE MUST BE WILLING
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ALSO HELP.



Drawing by Nina Kilpatrick

SPECIALTIES

Photography by Doug Gibson.



It must be really great to live on the Island.

Yup



I mean, there aren't any cars - no noise, no pollution, no slush, no parking lots, no traffic jams.

Nope



And it's so great for kids. You don't have to worry about their being run over all the time.

Yup



Then there's this great community spirit - nobody minds if you're rich or poor or educated or where you work or what.

Nope



Like you have community newspapers and social services and sports and dances and classes and daycare - all with no municipal help.

Yup



And it's high density too - only everyone gets to live in a detached house. Which proves you don't need high rise to have high density.

Umhuh



Well I can see why nearly all new towns the world over are being planned like that. But it's nice to see it working all the while.

Yup.



And it's right here in Toronto! They must be very proud at City Hall. I bet they brag to visiting town planners. What do they say about it?

They say it should be torn down.



Super City, Inc.

MEET THE WINNER OF THE DATE DEREK CONTEST, MABEL HODGKINS, AND HER PRIZE
are you in the know? should a girl really kiss on the first date? yes..... if she's in
love no..... if she wants the boy to respect her, or put to the sword.....

Press.

CALORIE QUEEN

Ma's oatmeal bread. (That's Mary Glendinning's Ma.) Read the recipe carefully before beginning.

- 1 tablespoon shortening (butter)
- 2 cups boiling water
- 1 and one half cups rolled oats
- half teaspoon salt
- three quarters of a cup of molasses

allow all this to cool before adding yeast

mix 1 envelope or tablespoon yeast
1 teaspoon sugar and
one half cup warm water in a warm bowl
cover and let stand 10 minutes

to oat mixture add
2 cups of bread flour
then add yeast and 2 and one half more cups of flour

KNEAD! Let rise for 2 hours in a warm place. Form into loaves and let rise again for 45 minutes. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Loosen edges, turn out and cool on rack.

If rushed, second rising can be eliminated.

Press.

"Pickles are fine," says Margaret Coleman

These are mustard pickles. Put a six quart basket of four inch cucumbers in brine overnight with as many small onions as you like and cauliflower. Pour, all brine off in the morning, fill crock or jars and cover with two-thirds of a cup of dry mustard, one cup of flour, two pounds of white sugar (honey instead, maybe!) 2 quarts of malt or cider vinegar, 2 tablespoons of celery seed and 2 of mustard seed, one of turmeric and curry to cook.

Brine. 3 cups of salt and enough water to cover the veg etables.

Dill Pickles. Put dill and garlic in clean jars. Wash gherkins and pack. On top, put 2 tablespoons of white sugar and half teaspoon salt. Also on top of each jar put one teaspoon of mixed pickling spice, then cover with boiling cider vinegar and seal.

Grape Conserve.

- 5 pounds of blue grapes
- 4 pounds of white sugar
- 1 pound of raisins
- 1 pound of walnuts

Slip the insides out of the grapes and heat them til the seeds come out. Strain, then add other ingredients and cook twenty minutes. Pour into jars and seal with wax.

Gooseberry Relish

- 4 pounds of gooseberries
- 4 cups of sugar
- 1 cup of cider vinegar
- 1 teaspoon of salt

few sticks of cinnamon
1 tablespoon of whole cloved tied in a bag. Wash and stem fruit. Cook until thick. Pack in clean jars and seal.

Mustard Beans. 6 quart basket of yellow and green beans cut into inch long pieces and boiled in saltwater for ten minutes. Sauce. 3 cups cider vinegar, half a cup of water, 1 teaspoon of turmeric, 2 and one half cups of brown sugar, 1 teaspoon of celery seed, one half cup of dry mustard, three eighths of a cup of flour and 1 cup of white sugar. Blend the vinegar with the dry stuff. Gradually boil add the drained beans, jar and Seal.

Chili Sauce

- 6 quart ripe tomatoes (peeled)
- 8 large onions, chopped
- 1 head of celery, chopped
- 3 red and 3 green peppers - chopped
- A few peaches, apples and pears
- 3 tablespoons pickling spice tied in a bag
- 2 cups of cider

Boil about 2 hours and add one pound of brown sugar. Pour into jars and seal.

new equipment

Roger and Sheila du Toit (like boy) have a new baby, Robert Nicholas, born 22 August. 8 pounds, 9 and one half ounces.

Susan and Gaetan Godin have a daughter Jacqueline Anita. Hello Jacqueline!

Born to Linda and Don Longwell, a son Scott August, July 13. 10 pounds, 9 ounces. (!)

To Janet and Jamie Williamson, a daughter Virginia Patricia Elizabeth. 6 pounds 6 ounces on the 31st. of August.



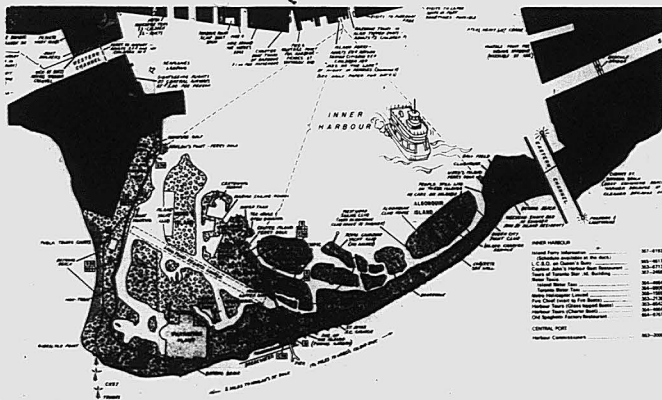
New waterfowl map

For several years now, Ontario has been particularly successful with the return of the Toronto waterfowl. In this regard we have recently spent hundreds of hours preparing the area by Jack and Margie. With the valuable knowledge we have gained from this we have created a unique map of the Toronto waterfowl.

The map draws attention to the areas which have already been put along the water edge. All have been the result of a painstaking search of the literature to see what facilities were available. By implication the assessment of what to do there and to provide the best for development guidelines, whether in the form of small scale districts, use of land usage plans.

Ontario has been pleased to share to go, see to get there, and to have the map to use and share the map to share. When possible we have tried to relate areas to plans or with diagrams and evening some and a special location of specific information.

We hope this map (which takes in general detail will establish an emphasis on the growth of an active appreciation of Toronto waterfowl. Other maps may be obtained by sending 25¢ to: Richard J. Day, 1000, Scarborough, Ontario.



L A K E

the last word

BEWARE OF FADDY FOODS ADVISES EMINENT NUTRITIONIST

The full story of damage to the astronaut's health has not yet been told, Adelle Davis told her audience at the Skyline Hotel in May. In private consultation with Ed Mitchell, she was told that certain cells in the bodies of the astronauts were destroyed in space.

She zeros in on the skim milk craze for babies by saying that some babies now being given skim milk are dying because calcium cannot be absorbed into the body without fat (or vitamin c). She is also against giving children two percent milk.

Random notes as the event progresses. Curried baby foods have too many nitrates, as well as preservatives which make these products practically lethal to the growing young child. Children as well as adults need magnesium. Children under twelve should have one tablespoon of cod liver oil daily. Also be aware that baby food now on the market contains no pantothenic acid (part of the B complex) which is an important element needed for the body (old and young) to combat allergies and arthritis.

Did you know that your liver produces far more cholesterol than the human body can gobble up in a day. Heart problems are actually caused by a lack of lecithin. This element (found in things like soybeans, millet, lentils and other legumes) helps the digestive system to break down and then assimilate all that cholesterol that you've already accumulated in your system (heart, arteries etc.) Adelle Davis also tells of the autopsies on heart transplants which revealed that both calcium and vitamin E were lacking.

While we are on the subject, you'd be interested to know that this vitamin is now being used in Cancer therapy and can prevent the occurrence especially if a woman has been using an oral contraceptive. She says that taking the pill increases the need for vitamin E by 30 times - also taking Estrogen over a two year period is courting danger so better to climb the walls! Or take vitamin E!

Are food prices at high food stores too high, she was asked? What about the waste of money spent on refined foods which in many cases provide only roughage for the digestion. She also mentions that older people who have begun using health food stores (i.e. buying more fresh fruit and vegetables and less convenience foods, whole wheat and rye flours, especially durum wheat, millet and rice flours because they are high in protein and sensitive stomachs can easily digest them) have definitely noticed an improvement in their own physical state. A very good sign!

Glaucoma, an eye affliction which used to happen only in old age, now claims many young children all because of poor diet and stress of the present age. Her anti-stress formula (a highly potentized and protonized milk drink with carbs, brewer's yeast, a taste which I might add one gets used to gradually, cinnamon, calcium lactate and a few other goodies) can be found in LETS GET WELL which is out in paperback now.

Environmental Backlash

U.N. CONFERENCE ON THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT - STOCKHOLM
 REVOLUTION NOT POLLUTION WHAT IS MOSTLY ABOUT

by Pat Hallstone

"Pollution is not a technical problem. The fault lies not in science and technology, but in the sense of values of the contemporary world, which ignores the rights of others and is oblivious of the inner perspective." Those are the words of Mrs. Indira Gandhi, the prime minister of India. They come from a speech she made towards the end of the recent United Nations conference on the human environment in Stockholm. They express the essential underlying message of Stockholm, reflect if you like, the basic philosophy upon which all that was achieved there is built.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi received a standing ovation when she spoke. Such an accolade happened two other times during the entire two weeks of the conference - the former to Canadian businessman Maurice Strong, its secretary-general and chief architect, and to Barbara Ward, the internationally known British economist who contributed much to both the original structuring of the conference and to fleshing out its content. Of the literally hundreds of statements made at Stockholm, theirs were the ones most applauded and talked about. Perhaps the reason for this was the remarkable degree of accord there appeared to be, that mankind does indeed face a severe environmental problem (crisis may not be too strong a word) and that this problem is a global one; and that its resolution will mean the sacrifice of some very sacred cows - like the "all growth is good" creed.

The message came through loud and clear at Stockholm that we are engaged in something as basic as a fight for our lives. "We are in this mess up to our necks, and we are in it together - arguments about whose fault it is academic," said one university professor. "This implies," as Margaret Mead explained, "a need to accept political systems which see the planet itself as a centre of loyalty, and a renunciation of racial and political oppression, economic exploitation, and the final governmental insult of war."

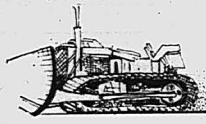
Like a true blue American, Margaret Mead was angered by the several outspoken attacks on her country. But her words came closer to those of the Chinese communists than to the mealy-mouthed "official" pronouncements of the U.S. delegation. What angered other countries about the U.S. were its paternalism and its resolute refusal to talk about Viet Nam.

"It is shocking," said Swedish prime minister Olof Palme early in the conference, "that only preliminary discussions have been possible so far... of the immense destructions brought about by indiscriminate bombing, by large scale use of bulldozers and herbicides." To which the U.S. delegation responded that it was "shocked" that anyone would have the affrontery to raise the uncomfortable subject "in this forum". Which caused one Canadian diplomat to wonder wryly at the topsy-turviness of a world in which "it is apparently more disgraceful to talk about occidial war than it is to wage it".

One might also wonder - naively I'm sure - why there was so much support in Stockholm for a ten year moratorium on killing whales, while a suggestion for a similar moratorium on killing human beings was met only with cynical smiles. It was frustration at this kind of illogic which inflamed participants in some of the breakout conferences to the point where the threat of revolution looked very real. There were outbursts of verbal violence reminiscent of October '70 in Quebec - or the previous summer in Detroit, Newark and Watts. Nor is it too far fetched to recognize some common threads linking these apparently diverse events.

I am inclined to agree with the Stockholm poster which proclaimed to those attending one of the several unofficial conferences there: "The revolution is here, and you are part of it." When the history books are written, I believe that's what Stockholm will be seen to have been all about.

Pat Hallstone was one of 1,500 journalists covering the U.N. Conference on the Human Environment this summer.



MEASLEY ABUSEMENTS

PRETTY GARDENS AND PROGRAMMED LAWNS BEGAN TO DISAPPEAR. We wonder why hundreds of beautiful wood-burning cottages on Centre Island were bulldozed at Centre and Hanlan. The question is one which gnaws at Islanders past and present.

Don't trouble your head about it further. It's all explained in the current issue of the Island's alternate press, the CENTREVILLE SUMMER TIMES. The article, under the banner THOMPSON'S TOPICS is quoted in full.

by Tommy Thompson
 Metro Parks Commission

"The lakes the highest it's been in quite a few years... In 1971 passengers on the Sam McBride ferry to the ship that sat alongside him during the 10-minute trip from the pier to Centre Island... his pipe-smoking friend... 'I recall the days in 1954 when it was higher... maybe that's the reason we're not living at the island now.' That bit of eavesdropping took me back to the beginning of the Metropolitan Parks Department. It was the decade of the City of Toronto to ask the Metropolitan government to take over the island and develop it as a park... and it was that high water in 1954 and '55 that created a circumstance of hazards that precipitated the decision. Metropolitan Toronto agreed, and in 1960 we were on our way, with the approval of a multimillion plan that was a part of the concept. We wanted an aquatic park, with safe, protected waterways; undulating stretches of greenward; plenty of shade, good grass and clean beaches.

THE VILLAGES OF OLD TORONTO ISLAND

It's hard to appreciate now that in many ways old Toronto Island was a complete municipality - a village, with three churches, a theatre, two hotels, a fire hall, a police station, a beer store, a couple of grocery stores, a barber and hair dresser, a hardware, etc. In addition, there was canoe rental, bicycle rental, candy floss, balloons, outdoor bowling alleys, bowling greens, trout vendors, and places to eat. There were over 650 houses and places of business.

The houses varied from simple, small summer cottages, to three-storied frame structures, once the summer homes of the city's aristocracy. However, as the original owners moved away, pretty gardens and programmed lawns began to disappear, and high water caused some houses to be "reappraised" only to be sold for scrap.

There were many who said we would never carry out our plans for a park. The residents were a fairly cohesive group, with happy Island memories and "roots" there. Frequent meetings produced urgent pleas to save a home, a church, a boat house. But the decision had been made, and in 1962 we began a program of building acquisition not yet fully completed. Concurrently a "fill" program was begun so that flooding at high water would no longer occur. More than a million cubic yards of fill have since been placed on Centre Island, Island Park and Hanlan's Point - most of it obtained by dredging the lagoons.

The landscaping was done as the finished grades were established, and slowly there emerged the dream we had on that April day in 1956. Most of the large willows, planted in the 1880's were retained and still stand. To this we added extensive plantings of other trees and shrubs. But the real achievement is the grass. Top soil was imported - all of the grass was grown from seed on sand dredged from the lagoons.

In 1962 the Metropolitan Parks Department took over the operation of the Ferry service. Before that time now they have been operated on the mainland and at Hanlan's Point and Ward's Island making it possible to run a service particularly adapted to the Island visitor where he could walk on the Grass.

The folks at the CENTREVILLE TIMES are great fans of the recently published History of the Toronto Islands by the pupils of the Island School. It's too bad they dispense with the usual courtesy of a credit line. For more of the same obtain a copy of the SUMMER TIMES at the information book near the Centre Island ferry dock.

POPULAR PRE-WAR NIGHT

The following profile of Centreville's "Mayor" is reprinted from the TIMES for your information.

The son of the late "Bill" Beasley, known locally as the "Bingo King", Warren Beasley was not content to just carry on the family business. He wanted to create something of his own. That "something" is Centreville, a unique free-gate, 14-acre, turn-of-the-century amusement park on Centre Island.

Amusement for the masses is a long tradition with the Beasley family. In the early 1900's Warren's Uncle Alfred ran the games of skill at Hanlan's Point, operated games at the CNE and exhibited there a wax representation of "The Last Supper". Another uncle had the distinction of being one of Canada's most famous strongmen. A bronze model of his right arm is still on display in the West End YMCA.

Warren's father, the youngest in the family, showed such talent for the amusement business that, after starting with two Tango games (as Bingo was then called), he soon had his brothers working for him.

Mr. Beasley Senior thought big and his surprises included bringing the first big odds to the CNE in the twenties and urticid. Bands like Guy Lombardo, Abe Lyman and Rudy Vallee. He opened the Club Esquire, one of Toronto's most popular pre-war night clubs.

When the CNE got back into full operation after World War II young Warren joined the family business as general handy-man and jack-of-all-trades. On his father's death in 1968, he assumed full control of the business. The CNE activities of the Beasley Company have grown to what Warren calls, "the biggest and best bingo games anywhere."

In addition, Beasley Amusements Co. manages the coin-operated machines at the CNE, sells games and prizes to the other Canadian operators, and has a rental service of games of chance for service clubs and parties.

An enthusiasm for thoroughbred racing has led Warren Beasley and his father before him to one of the most absorbing occupations - the breeding and training of fine race horses. The Beasley Racing Stables, which include 125 thoroughbreds, produced the famous "Jumpin' Joseph" which won the 1969 Queen's Plate and was then chosen Horse of the Year.

Warren Beasley was born in Toronto and educated at Appleby College in Oakville, Ontario. He and his wife, Norene have 8 children.





The first edition of *A HISTORY OF THE TORONTO ISLANDS* by the students of the Island Public School is now sold out. A second printing is coming soon. (First printing was 1,000 copies.) Books are on sale at the yacht clubs, Britnells, David Mason Bookshop, The Coach House and at the Amers, Steins and Broekers on the island.

Natalia Krawetz, the first Canadian doctoral student in environmental psychology at the Graduate Centre of City University of New York.

Barclay Livingstone would be delighted to acquire any French Doors that you may have crowding up your attic.

Anybody wishing a complete set of the *Goose and Duck* can get one for \$5.00. Recently we sold three sets to the David Mason Bookshop. David says in a number of years they will provide an interesting social history.

Scrapbooks, postcards, matching bookends, your own copy of the *Coronation* invitation, anything that in some way documents the life of our present Queen, Elizabeth R., would be of tremendous assistance to us in our search for nobility. Address all inquiries and objects to the Cuffitts Island Sisters, 6 Lakeshore on Ward's. Share with us in mutual discovery.



month's news

The Downtown Action Project is a group sponsored by the Local Initiatives Program which does title searches, corporate research and other necessary work for tenants, homeowners and other community groups. Information such as government reports, community publications and other information on developments in the city of Toronto are available at our office. We are also interested in receiving and helping to distribute reports, maps, publications, etc. which other groups in the city have prepared. The DAP office is open from 10.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. Monday through Friday at 298 Gerrard Street West, 924-8887.

Dan Heap enters Ward 6 aldermanic race

Dan Heap, who finished second in last year's provincial election in St. Andrew-St. Patrick riding, has announced he will run for alderman in Ward six in December's municipal election.

Heap, a veteran member of the NDP, said he will run in the civic election as an independent. He said he has been considering his candidacy for about six months and that a number of people had encouraged him to run.

He said he considers himself a reformer within the municipal political spectrum and is a strong

advocate of the reconstruction of the home in the ward rather than the policy of tearing them down and building high-rises.

Heap received more than 8,000 votes in the provincial election in losing to Allan Grossman, a longtime Conservative cabinet minister. An estimated 3,000 of Heap's votes came from the Ward Six area.

A press operator in a corrugated paper box plant, Heap, 46, has lived in Ward six since 1966. If elected he will devote fulltime to his aldermanic work.

Heap has been active in the Toronto Labour Council and believes his election support will come from labour, the NDP, and the ward's reform element.

The ward is presently represented by June Marks and Horace Brown. It is uncertain whether Marks will run in Ward Six again, but Brown has announced his candidacy, as has Howe Smith, of the Sussex Usher Residents Association. A number of other people are known to also be considering running.



DAN HEAP

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Does anyone have a typewriter table in the attic? The Goose and Duck needs one. Please call 364-5051 for prompt pick up.



Harbor is expanding while trade shrinks

To the editor of The Star

The report on the activities of the Toronto Harbour Commission has led me to note the significance of the single most important fact about the harbor. The amount of trade being handled on the pier.

The figures for the total amount of Toronto's trade in recent years are revealing: 1989: 63 million tons, 1990: 63 million tons, 1991: 43 million tons.

Despite this declining volume of trade, the commissioners are busily expanding the harbor area in a program that began in the mid-1970s and is now well advanced.

In the light of the striking volume of trade the huge eastern waterfront has built now means a significant increase in a waterfront development. Putting a harbor area at the end of it will be a disaster.

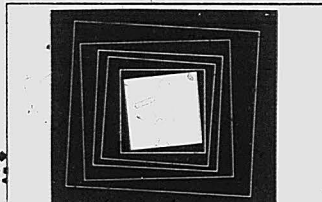
And to matter it with a western headland, which the commission is now preparing to embark on another crowding catastrophe which will leave the Toronto Islands inside a lagoon instead of floating on open water.

An alternative explanation for massive expanding the harbor area even while the volume of trade shrinks drastically is possible.

Was the shift from the central waterfront to the eastern waterfront anticipated so that the commission could sell and lease more and more of the waterfront to a consortium for Harbour Square (an example)?

Was it such selling off of our central waterfront really an appropriate role for the commission, whose responsibility is supposedly trade?

H. ROY MERRIENS
Chairman, Waterfront Task Force



WINTER IS ICUMIN IN THUS THE OIL WILL BE DELIVERED AS IT WAS LAST SEASON BY SEAN MCCUTCHEON OF 14 FIFTH STREET ON WARDS.

TELEPHONE 363-4738 UNTIL DON McHENRY RETURNS FROM KUWAIT. FIREWOOD AND COAL FOR THEM WHAT WANTS IT. SING GODAMN!

TORONTO CITIZEN'S FORUM

The Toronto Citizen's Forum held a steering committee August 30, 1992. At that meeting the following was decided:

Each forum commencing September 12th would deal with ward candidates and ward issues as they relate to city wide issues and policies.

September 26th - Wards 5, 6 & 9 - Contact Phil Carter, For Ward 9 at his business number 363-4398 or at home, 699-2103, or Lorraine Van Riet, 921-6041.

ALL THE LISTED MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT CITY HALL COMMITTEE ROOM 1 AT 8:00 P.M.

The purpose of the Forum remains the same as in the past to promote open, informal public discussion with politicians. But because this is the first civic election since we began, we will for the first time be able to focus on new candidates as well as the voting record of all those who are running for re election.

For further information, call Vern Burnett at 463-7893





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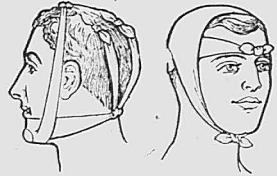
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WELCOME HOME TONY

FIREMAN PUTS IN FALSE ALARM

It was panic-button time for a few islanders late this summer when one of the firemen started what has to be one of the wildest rumours yet. His story, probably, was this:

The firehall (according to him) was in such bad repair that the Fire Department had decided to vacate the building. The school, filtration plant, yacht clubs, and amusement park would be protected from fire by the fire-boat. The residential community would be looked after by the Parks Department, which was going to buy a pumper.

Sounds weird now, but at the time, the fireman was convincing enough that a few people (G & D folk included) bought the whole story, hoses, lincs, and fireplug. It was Paranoia Place until Mr. Ward, Barclay and Harry Livingston heard about it and pointed out that we'd been had by the Department's most notorious practical joker. Fortunately, the guy has left the island station. May we never see his face again.

OUR LADY OF THE SPIT

Paul and Mary McLaughlin were at a party recently, when one of the other guests surprised Mary with a big kiss. "Here! What's going on?" said Mary. "Nothing personal, Mary," said the man. "I just wanted to be able to say I kissed a Harbour Commissioner."

Mary McLaughlin was appointed to the Harbour Commission on September 2. She'd been nominated by Citizens for a Better Waterfront as part of their efforts to get citizen participation in places where waterfront planning is done.

Mary was nominated by Joe Cusimano, CBW's Executive Director, who made the nomination verbally to the City Executive Committee. When the Executive dealt with it officially, Alderman Rotenberg was her nominator and the only one to vote for her. The Committee recommended Mr. Wade of the Conservation Authority and Chairman of the Waterfront Advisory Board. He was nominated by Alderman Pickett, and Dennison and O'Donohue voted for him.

Alderman Beavis nominated Mr. Kingsley Graham, a lawyer, former ambassador to Sweden, and friend of Lampy.

On September 2, the appointment came before City Council. We had asked Mary to take some notes, and here's what she brought back.

A number of speeches were made and June Marks made the motion that the appointment should go to me. Speakers on my behalf were Alderman Rotenberg, Sewell, Brown, Crombie, Marks and Scott. For Kingsley Graham there were Beavis, Piccininni, and Lampport. For Fred Wade, Pickett, Dennison and O'Donohue.

O'Donohue and Pickett thought Mr. Wade should be appointed so that he could coordinate the waterfront planning of the Harbour Commission with that of the Waterfront Authority. The supporters of Kingsley Graham relied on his business experience to bring financial success to the port. Piccininni said Kingsley Graham could sell the port internationally, and Lampy said that of course he was not against women, but in business matters certain things were better settled man to man. The Mayor made his usual attack on the islanders, which didn't get much attention. Ying Hope came up to chat to me while the Mayor was speaking so I didn't hear all of his remarks.

After the speeches Council decided on a signed ballot. The first result was 10-6-4 for me. Wade got Pickett, Dennison, O'Donohue and Archer. For Kingsley Graham it was Boytchuk, Lampport, Beavis, Clifford, Piccininni and Gryv. McLaughlin got Chisholm, Kilborn, Hope, Marks, Rotenberg, Sewell, Jaffary, Scott, Brown and Crombie. Wade was dropped for the second ballot.

This time it was 13-7, with Rotenberg, O'Donohue, Pickett, Marks, Hope, Kilborn, Jaffary, Sewell, Eggleston, and I. I'd been on the side and missed the first vote. Scott, Brown, Crombie and Chisholm voted McLaughlin. For Kingsley Graham it was Dennison, Beavis, Lampy, Boytchuk, Piccininni, Clifford and Gryv, with Archer refusing to vote.

A two-thirds majority is required to overturn a recommendation of the Executive, so Beavis said he would withdraw his candidature as the majority of Council had voted for me. They finally made it unanimous, even Dennison and Archer going along with the group.

Aldermen who spoke on my behalf were very kind. Alderman Rotenberg said he had worked with me for 12 years and mentioned my knowledge of the waterfront. Alderman Marks made a very good speech and spoke very highly of the island community. Alderman Brown thought a non-member of the establishment should get the job. Alderman Sewell was all for having a citizen appointee. Alderman Crombie called me the lady of the spit, referring to my interest in the headland. Alderman Scott said they had received letters from people all over the city supporting my appointment.

Mary has asked us to pass on her thanks to IIRA, who sent good letters of support to Alderman Rotenberg, Marks, and Brown, to CBW who initiated the idea and worked hard to help her get elected, those citizen groups and individuals who wrote to their aldermen on her behalf, and the Toronto Star who supported her editorially.

She feels that an interesting aspect of the whole affair is that all her activities on behalf of the island over the years, some of which were controversial, seem to have made her more friends than enemies at City Hall.

She also says that in case islanders think she's filthy rich, the 3-year term carries no salary.

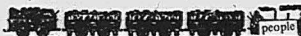
A salutary honk to our newly appointed Harbour Commissioner.



Photo by Ken Butler



Do you think she should buy a Bond?



MAN FRANK BEECHER
HURT BECAUSE HE
HARD USED THE SAME MARRIAGE 70 YEARS

Wendy Mackay's lawn is sporting a pen full of puppies these days, and the neighbours are engaged in a guessing game to figure out who the sire can be. Sounds like the basis of yet another great G and D Contest. Let's call this one contest number 236. Answer any question you like, and send your answer to Wendy. Winner gets the puppies.

Julia Oldenberg reports that she will not be initiating any mad projects this winter. If you want a lot of turnips smuggled in or your dog vaccinated you're on your own.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - Alderman Rotenberg

As Alderman David Rotenberg is running for Mayor in the Dec. 4 Municipal Elections it is time to recall details of his involvement with the island communities. He has voted for us since he was first elected to Council 12 years ago, when he was the only vote on Council for us. Gradually over the years with hard work on his part and help from the community's core of supporters for the community was built up on Metro. We have heard him insulted and ridiculed by other Council members because of his support of the islanders. He has listened to our problems and must have spent many many hours on island concerns. To our knowledge he has never given us poor advice. Even after ward boundaries were changed to put the island out of his ward he was still our champion, and as helpful as ever. The first thing any of us do in an island emergency is to call Rotenberg, and he has not let us down. We are convinced there would be no homes on the island today if it were not for David Rotenberg and his work and determination. He is our best bet for Mayor for we have proof of his support in dozens of recorded votes. He is well known to the suburban members of Council whose aid must be enlisted for island votes, and is experienced in dealing with Metro officials. If he runs and is not elected, he will be out of politics altogether till the next election, and we cannot afford to lose him. We owe him a tremendous debt of gratitude, and now is the time to show it. For election time is the only time we can repay the help that politicians give us all through the terms of office. So we feel that not only does he deserve a solid island vote, but we must help in the city campaign. His campaign headquarters states that the biggest need is for workers, though of course money is always needed. Here is where we can help. Active campaigning is not starting till after the Federal election. Now, I, but names and phone numbers are required now so that preparations can be completed. So you can spend some time before Dec. 4th working in the city for Dave Rotenberg, your help will be welcomed. Workers are needed for active campaigning and knocking on doors, putting up signs, and less active but no less important tasks, such as telephoning and addressing envelopes, etc. So if you can devote a few days, afternoons, or evenings, a couple of hours now and then you're sorely needed. Call the campaign office 888-1850 and say you're an islander wanting to help Dave Rotenberg. Large numbers of devoted workers will be the deciding factor in this election and there are jobs for all of us, no matter what our talents are.

Islanders for David Rotenberg Committee



Our sympathy to Johnny Peat, who almost got to go to Russia to see the hockey games. He was one of the unlucky ones whose toilet reservations didn't come through. Johnny was probably the only guy on the whole Island crying instead of laughing at the end of the last game.

It seems that not all island residents are resisting the idea of moving to town. Peggy Mortimore's dog Kim was lost for several days and after frantic searching by his family he was found wandering at large in Rosedale. At the Goose and Duck, we like an upwardly mobile dog.

If you would like to help elect David Crombie Mayor, call his headquarters at 961-5130.



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FROM METROPOLITAN PARKS DEPARTMENT

Re: THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Subject: Respecting Dogs in Metropolitan Toronto Parks

I am now in receipt of a communication (September 5, 1972) from Mr. L. L. Addison, Acting General Manager of the Toronto Humane Society, advising that the Animal Control Officer for the City of Toronto visited Centre Island, Ward's Island and Hanlan's Point on six occasions from June 1 to 27, 1972, picking up six dogs and issuing 40 warnings to dog owners.

During June and July very few dogs were observed running at large, due to the programme, but the situation deteriorated in August and a serious problem with respect to dogs again exists in Toronto Island Park.

Subject: Engaging of Architect - Summer Centre for Senior Citizens, Ward's Island

Earlier in the year, working in the context of the Provincial-Municipal Employment Incentive Program, the firm of Gillespie & Evans, Architects, prepared preliminary plans for a Summer Centre for Senior Citizens at Ward's Island. These plans were approved by your Committee on May 30, 1972, and I was directed to include funds in the 1973 Capital Works Estimates for construction of the facility.

In this regard, it is my opinion that the preliminary plans should be taken to the working drawing and specification stage at this time. Tenders can then be called very early in the new year.

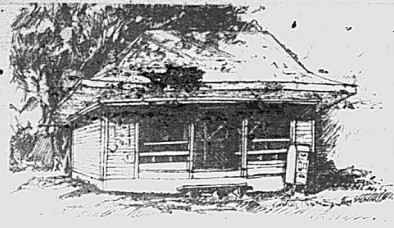
Funds for this work, which I would estimate to cost approximately \$4,400,000, can be made available from the Current Account - Special Item-Professional Fees.

Accordingly, I recommend that:

1. the firm of Gillespie & Evans, Architects, 3 Church Street, Toronto be retained to complete the working drawings and specifications for the Summer Centre for Senior Citizens, Ward's Island, at the minimum percentage fee as set out in the Schedule of Fees of the Ontario Association of Architects, and
2. the appropriate Metropolitan Officials be authorized and directed to take any action necessary to give effect hereto

T.W. THOMPSON
Metropolitan Parks Commissioner





PLEASE WALK ON THE STEEL AND CONCRETE by Freya Golan

What is an obstruction to the out-of-place and cost \$10,000. One is the new shelter that Metro Parks proposes to build at the Ward's Island ferry dock. Although the project is a heated winter shelter with a lean and low roof is a pleasant one, the shelter is not the one that the Parks Department's solution to the problem of shelter is a ferry with a canopy with a canopy of grass and trees. This is a plan to build a shelter for the community to see how seriously our municipal government takes environmental concerns and interests, read on.

When the Parks Department announced plans for a new shelter at the Ward's Island ferry dock, TIRA asked the architect to show the plan and the design which will be a pleasant one. Mr. Jerome Markson, Toronto, Ontario, is the architect of the new shelter. He is a professional architect and a member of the Ontario Association of Architects.

According to the Architectural Magazine, Toronto, Ontario, Mr. Markson and Mr. Clarke designed the shelter. The shelter is a simple structure with a lean roof and a low wall. The shelter is made of steel and concrete. The shelter is a simple structure with a lean roof and a low wall. The shelter is made of steel and concrete.

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Mr. Jerome Markson
Jerome Markson Architects
 40 Prince Arthur
 Toronto

Dear Mr. Markson,

Many thanks to you and Mr. Clarke for discussing your design for the new shelter on Ward's Island with members of the Toronto Island Residents' Association, and for providing us with copies of the drawings, which have been studied and discussed by many members of the community including the executive of TIRA. Needless to say, there is keen interest and strong opinion in the community about this shelter, which will become a permanent part of our daily lives.

We should like to preface our specific comments and suggestions by an explanation of our view of what Ward's Island is, and what role it plays in the Island Parks system.

Since the eighteenth century the Island has always managed to serve a great variety of different purposes at any one time. Horse racing and fishing co-existed with Governor Simcoe's military establishment. A few decades ago, a visitor could stroll through the very tent community on Ward's, walk past the magnificent Lalwardian summer houses on the Lakeshore, have lunch at the Pearson Hotel at Centre, paddle a rented canoe along the lagoon, and end the day with rides on the merry-go-round and roller coaster at Harlan's Point.

This diversity of Island attractions has continued to the present day, and with a growing population and a pluralistic society that has an increasing variety of tastes and interests, this diversity is probably more needed than ever.

This leads us to a consideration of the peculiar character of Ward's Island. Now, Ward's Island is not just the CN or Ontario Place, and this is not to criticize these other places, which all have their place in the waterfront, rather, it is to make a plea for the attractions peculiar to Ward's, its visitors, Islanders, and their guests are attracted to Ward's by its own way of living, its rural, even rustic atmosphere, by the glimpse of country life it affords from the city, by the feeling of freedom that comes from slipping on to an open landscape of barns and large buildings. As far as we can determine, the Parks Department hopes to keep Ward's as a grass and trees park, more like a rural estate, and for people come to Ward's to enjoy the noise, asphalt, pollution, cars and masses, concrete buildings of the city.

It is in this context that the design criteria that we set forth in the following criteria.

The shelter should be compatible with the topography of the site, and should blend in to preserve, not destroy, the unique aspects of the site, rather than compete with them. It should also be compatible with the activities that take place on this site, and not be a barrier to them, and with those that are planned for the future.

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QUEUES

We should like to see the design of the two shelters that project into the water on either side of the ferry dock. These sunny, breezy places afford an excellent view of the bay, the approaching ferry, and sailboats entering the lagoon, and are a great place to sit and wait for the ferry, and by children and young people, who find them a great place for cycling. It would be a great pity if these shelters were to become unusable to the public.

CROWD CONTROL

We are deeply concerned at the formal, "cattle pen" appearance of the extensive queue control devices. These gates, bars and barriers present a most unfriendly and inhospitable entrance to a park, especially a park as free as the Island, where visitors are invited to walk on the grass. The very presence of these bars, even when not actually in use, cannot help but cast a pall over the carefree atmosphere of the park.

We strongly urge that these crowd control devices be made movable, so that they can be removed for the 95 per cent of the time that they are not needed, and that their construction be placed and the final sections be built only if the expected crowds materialize.

TREES

As there is a shortage of trees of this age and size on the Island, we suggest that the shelter be designed to accommodate every tree on the site, in fact, some new plantings might well be part of the design.

OLD PEOPLE

We are concerned that provision be made for the elderly and people with small children. For example, adequate seating should be available in the waiting areas. In this connection, there is a particular group of park users who may require special consideration. They are the members of two day camps, which will be operating five days a week for at least six months of the year, one for old people, the other for mental patients. These people require above all simplicity of access to the boat. As some of them are unable to walk far, it is necessary that pedicelers be able to drive right up to the ramp.

This is what you will see as a system for the shelter in this picture: the steel poles and cables that support the roof are clearly visible. An idea of the height of the poles can be had by comparing them with the leading lights for the ferry. The long horizontal structure is an elevated walkway leading from nowhere to nowhere. It is 144 ft. long and has a 12 ft. clearance below it. Towards the right hand (east) end is an extra roof intended to provide shelter for the crowds that into the Crowd control devices (see picture 4) outside the main roof. To make way for this end of the walkway, the two trees closest to the east side of the dock will be cut down. The architect has decided to do away with the lovers' leap at the left hand (west) end, so that the end of the walkway will be flush with the edge of the wharf facing the Queen City. The walkway is about 40 ft. out from the corner of the lagoon.

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Alexander
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A happy, warm old-fashioned Island wedding

A community is a place where everybody knows the milkman's name, and everybody in town attends the best weddings. And that's something our local politicians might ponder the next time they vote on the issue of tearing down the remaining homes on Toronto Island. For the wedding of Alice Coleman and Michael Albrecht on Saturday proved that the people who still live on the Toronto Islands have achieved the kind of community that town planners are forever talking about, but seldom achieve.

It was the happiest, warmest wedding I've ever attended, a miracle of small-town good times in the middle of a large and unlovely city. And it happened mainly because a few hundred Toronto residents, by an accident of nature and municipal politics, are living roughly the way God intended—in a green place, among friends and neighbors, with the stars above their heads and lots of dogs and cats and children underfoot.



Michael and Alice decided to make their wedding a celebration of *being*—and they feel about the island and about life. They decided it would be a big wedding, about 300 guests. Of course it would be held in the island church. Of course the reception would be at the Ward's Island Community Association clubhouse, a small-town dancehall sort of building which has as its chief adornment, a gentlemanly misanthrope peering out above the front entrance.



The Groom and Best Man's Hats

A QUESTION that calls for consideration is—What is the proper disposition for the best man to make of his own and the groom's hats? One of the best man's most obvious duties is supposed to be the guardianship of the groom's hat and gloves during the ceremony, and it stands to reason that if he takes his own hat and gloves into the chancel and also assumes the care of his friend's belongings, he will not only present a ludicrous spectacle as he stands through the service with a silk hat in either hand, but when the moment for presentation of the ring arrives he will be unable, without awkwardly laying aside at least one hat and one pair of gloves, to fulfil his allotted and most important office in the programme.

Alice



The whole thing was unearthly. The wedding party seemed to glide over the wide lawns beneath the willow trees toward the church. The men looked like dapper types, almost. Most of the girls had that marvelous pre-Raphaelite quality that goes with long hair and long dresses. But it was more than custom for these were island girls. And island girls after 17 or so good summers, have a special tawny radiance about them—the kind of beauty you associate with southern California or Australia or West Vancouver, but certainly not with Toronto. The bridal couple rode to the church in the police jeep.

Margaret Coleman, the new mother-in-law, has one of those strong, merry faces that you see on Bohemians who've survived. She was bare-foot at the reception, and wearing a sari that a Pakistani friend had draped for her.

BECAUSE, IF YOU WEREN'T ASLEEP, I WOULD'NT HAVE HAD TO WAKE YOU UP TO ASK YOU



That wedding was a masterpiece, because it was shared by people who have built their own roots and, in the middle of a city intent on eradicating its own past, created that rarest of urban phenomena, a sense of place.

Ted Currie, principal of the Island School says that since 1961 pupils of the School have been measuring the rate of growth of the Islands at Gibraltar Point using the light-house as a base. Unfortunately, scientific records were never kept but the average rate of growth was approximately 2 feet per year. Contrary to the Harbour Commission's recent report it wasn't until the eastern headland was built that this natural process of deposition was reversed and the pupils were recording the rate of erosion instead.



Terry McLaughlin and his crew, Peter Higgins are back from a week sailing trip to Europe where they sailed very well and consistently in two major regattas. In Nieuwpoort, Belgium at the 420 World Championships (no age limits) Terry and Peter finished 8th in a fleet of 67 boats. In the 420 single-handed championship he was 4th. Then in Travemunde West Germany Terry and Peter finished 4th out of 50 entries from all over the world in the Youth Under 20 World Championship sponsored by the International Yacht Racing Union. They almost won a race (their rudder broke when they were almost at the finish) but having tied the whole fleet and scored 3rd in IRI, 2nd and 4th.



High School Boys—the Empire Calls You

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Gen. Meston is participating in a series of political progresses in the British Isles. The boys are excited at the thought of going living on the beach. Ray? Then minutes is about the same as the residents of Algonquin Island. This has suggested many interesting comparisons to Gen. Meston's progress. We have invited him to write some of his observations for us and will look forward to his report in a future Green and Duck.



NEW HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

On Monday, Sept. 25th, a group of parents met at the school to form the executive for 1972-73. Our new committee consists of Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Broecker, Mrs. Collis, Mrs. de Tolley, Mrs. Erwin, Mr. Gamble, Mrs. Handy, Mrs. Hanger, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Stein, Mrs. Waller and Mrs. Welch.



Hero-of-the-week award goes to Don Watson who has become the city's only (and perhaps first) male junior kindergarten teacher. If you don't know Don, he's easily recognized. He's the one with all the teeth-marks in his knees.



School

The following are reprinted from the Island School's weekly newspaper, The Gibraltar Post.

MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

Much to the relief of the staff and students we are pleased to announce that Mrs. Philipot has graciously decided not to retire. Instead, she will be coming to the Island School every Monday, and once again we will be able to listen to her sweet sounds of music. Mr. Lamm's class is especially happy because he will now have to put away his guitar.

Mrs. Philipot will still attend Teacher's College but the music department at the Island School has such a great reputation that they have assigned her to study under our music director (Mr. Lamm).

MARKHAM FAIR by Alison Bury

Maybe it's the fact that we were brought up with rocks. You know living over on the Island, there's an awful lot of rocks. But whatever it is, we finally cleaned up in something. The Rock Baby contest.

Ted Barker and Adam Lye took first. With Romi Handy coming 2nd. Jane Taylor came third and Karen Labonte-Smith coming a close fourth. 5th place was taken by the unknown. 6th place was taken by Mimi Lutz. So finally we won something—everything else we lost in. Way to go guys.

In the morning we walked around looking at the exhibits and unopened rides and games. We also went to see the animals and feed our faces. Everyone met at 11:45 in the bus for lunch. After lunch we went to play the games and to ride the rides. About two o'clock the bus was almost full except for a few stragglers which were found and brought back. I loaded with the stuffed animals, glasses, keys, stamps, pens, necklaces and other trinkets we left Markham fair after a very enjoyable day. I thank the teachers very much.

THE APPLE ORCHARD by Karen Labonte-Smith

First we caught the 8:30 bus, then we got on the bus. The 3:4 and 5:4 had to sit in the back of the bus. It took an hour to get to the apple orchard.

We got a ride on a tractor. It was fun. We got up all bags to put apples in, we had to pick windfalls. Then we got another ride on the tractor. We got on the bus again. At the ferry docks every one went to the snack bar. Some people went on the wrong ferry. They got back home. We had to go back to school.



Nancy Lamm is been getting letters from Rosalind Lamm in Gibraltar. Rosalind is one of the kids who visited this summer and she sent during the news trial although the temperature got up to 70 degrees this summer, and they started to go out in August, winter has arrived already. She also says that some work has been done on their school and that they now have a new library, gymnasium, and some new classrooms.

Nancy has suggested that it might be a good idea to send used skates with laces (??) to the kids in Gibraltar. Comic books would be another welcome item. She's warning to be ordinary to the shipping, but points out that the postage on US comic books is 90 cents, so she'd like the donations to be accompanied by postage. Come to think of it, maybe the skates should be sharpened, too. Anyway, talk it over with Nancy next time you see her.

Dogs rooted for wedding cake

I have not yet mentioned the dogs. They were everywhere—brown dogs, black dogs, police dogs, furry dogs, short-haired dogs, well-bred dogs and dogs that looked like scouring pads. One dog followed the bridal party up the aisle of the church. At the reception the guests included perhaps a dozen dogs who rooted around under the tables after crumbs of wedding cake, or strolled around the dance floor or sniffed each other civilly, as guests will do at any gathering. They co-existed cheerfully with the children—most of the girls like their older sisters, wore granny dresses—and with the older people, whom the dogs seemed to regard as equals.



QUESTIONS	ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES			MAYORALTY CANDIDATES
	WILLIAM ARCHER	HORACE BROWN	DAN HEAP	
1. Do you support the present mixed land use of Toronto Island, i.e., beaches, parks, amusement areas, nature school, day camps, small residential area and yacht clubs?	Yes, I support the mixed land use because this is a policy that should apply everywhere as we try to obtain diversity throughout our community.	Yes	Yes.	
2. Have you any objections to retaining the present long-established island residential community of 250 homes?	I consider it perhaps best if we had 5 year leases, with a clause providing for termination on a 12 months notice, if Metro is ready to take action as proposed in question 3.	Either one - provided everyone had a definite understanding and was not left out on a limb as at present. This has been my public stand for some time, viz., letter to the Toronto Star (I think it was 1966).	10 year, subject to active city decisions, as below.	I would lease de quality
3. What reasons, if any, would you consider sufficient for removal of the island community which occupies only 5 percent of the Island land area?	When Metro has prepared viable plans and is financially able to take immediate action is the time when change should occur with respect to the residential area at Ward's Island. While I see this happening at some time, I do not expect it for 5 years and definite assurances should be given to the Island residents. Toronto should have residential development orientated directly to the lake suitable for family use. This is the key principle that is involved and I look forward to the time when we can implement it.	I have not as yet heard of any valid ones of any emergent nature.	I understand that no actual plan exists for using the land on which the houses rest. Till such plan is agreed upon residents should be secure. If the houses are to be replaced by park or other use, the Islanders must be party to the decision.	The Island be removed city, an park. I have kind of on the With pe kids own know th there's them a word.
4. What methods of access to the island do you favour? Ferry only Ferry and pedestrian bridge bus bridge - car bridge - pedestrian tunnel - bus tunnel - car tunnel - subway (rapid transit) - monorail - other methods (please specify)	There is nothing more delightful than the ferry ride across the bay which I think should be maintained. In addition, we should consider a short distance ferry trip to handle large crowds. In the long term, it may be feasible to consider a tunnel for public transit vehicles only, or it might be feasible to establish an overhead monorail, such as at Expo to assist in bringing people to the island. No facility should be provided which encourages motor vehicles or permits private cars.	Ferry and subway (rapid transit)* I have urged this in council as the most logical method. My second choice would be a bus bridge. But something has to be done other than depending solely on ferries.	Ferry and pedestrian bridge pedestrian tunnel, subway (rapid transit) monorail.	
5. Would you favour increased winter use of the Island?	This question brings memories of the pictures of ice boating on the bay. Yes, we should increase the winter use of the Island.	Yes, but it would have to be thought out. For instance, although I own one, No snowmobiles! Perhaps some form of cross country skiing. The possibilities of winter use are fascinating.	Yes	I have times 15 year from h people and we people the po
6. Do you favour community involvement in the running of parks?	Community involvement is essential in all projects and particularly in the operation of parks, which are basically there for the benefit of the people. It may be that we could have recreation centres similar to our community centres on the mainland operated by citizen Boards of Management.	I always have. We worked this quite successfully this year in the planning of the new Dunlop Park.	Yes	I favour in all as planning in the e which w people the dec
7. a. Do you think the private yacht clubs which take up 5 percent of Island acreage should remain?	This is a difficult question. As a member of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club I know of the problems. I know too, that the use is restricted to members even though they are the people who pay for the cost of the facility.	I think yacht clubs should go elsewhere. They are privileged groups and this is wrong on public land. There! I've just alienated the sailors, of which I was once one.	We need marinas available to the public. Why do the yacht clubs need so much land?	Yes. M Island If the a vital there s attract
8. At present Island residents are not allowed to rent or sell their house. Do you think this situation should continue?	I know of the difficulties the Island residents have as I have had to assist some clients with respect to maintaining the tenancy of property on the Island. I think the petty regulations and restrictions should end. So long as there are people on the Island there should be a reasonable method of allowing them to rent or sell their properties.	I think Island residents knew the conditions when they settled on the Islands. Knowing Islanders, I am sure they would not expect undue favors.	I think the houses should be occupiable and occupied so long as no other use is actually about to be made of that land.	No. Are Toronto
9. Should a western headland be constructed? Yes. No. Not sure.	At the moment I have insufficient information to reach a firm conclusion on this programme.	Yes. I think it would help protect the Islands against further erosion. See Harbor Commission Study to learn how the Islands have been saved since the 1870's.	Not sure	
10. When was the last time you visited the Island?	In September I visited the residential community and met with many of the residents on the Island.	Last Summer. Fun too! But it's hard for me to get around there on crutches, as you all know and have given me kind assistance.	Several times in the spring and summer and fall of 1971	My wife a fine d an Island
12. Would you like to visit the Island community this winter as a guest of the Toronto Island Residents Association?	Be delighted - What's the date?	Yes. But I'll need transportation.	Yes	I would

The Toronto Island Residents Association circulated this questionnaire to all candidates in Toronto and Boroughs who might be elected to Metro Council. All have not been returned but the Goose and Duck is publishing the results so far.

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MAYORALTY CANDIDATES	DAVID CROMBIE	DAVID ROTENBERG
	Yes	<i>Yes. I have supported mixed-use for the past 12 years.</i>
	<i>I would support any long-term lease designed to preserve the unique quality of the Island community.</i>	<i>It is because of my fight for the Island community that it remains. I intend to continue that fight.</i>
	<i>The Island community should not be removed. It is an asset to the city, and an essential part of the park. Town planners today are having difficulty achieving the kind of community life that exists on the Island.</i>	<i>At present I know of no such conditions.</i>
	<i>With people living on the island I can feel secure about sending my kids over with their bikes. I know that if they run into trouble there's somebody there to give them a hand-aid or a reassuring word.</i>	
	<i>Ferry only</i>	<i>Ferry and monorail</i>
		
	<i>I have visited the Island 2 or 3 times every winter for the past 15 years. I've taken the bus ride from Hanlan's to Ward's and seen people skiing, skating, jogging and walking the dog. More people should be made aware of the potential of the Island in winter</i>	<i>Definitely. Islanders are well aware of the possibilities of winter use and so am I.</i>
	<i>I favour community involvement in all aspects of neighbourhood planning. Citizens should be involved in the early stages of any plan which will affect them. Too often people can only react after all the decisions have been made.</i>	<i>Yes. I know of no other community that runs as extensive or successful a program as the Islanders.</i>
	<i>Yes. Many people who go to the Island go to visit the Yacht clubs. If the Island is to continue to be a vital and safe part of the city, there should be a variety of attractions.</i>	<i>Ten yacht clubs have no more or less right to use of the Islands than does the Island community.</i>
	<i>No. Are other tenants of Metro Toronto subject to these restrictions?</i>	<i>This should be changed. When you consider that about 20 percent of Toronto people move each year, it is unfair that this restriction is applied.</i>
	No	<i>Not sure. Need study - something must be done to protect Ward's beach.</i>
	<i>My wife and daughter and I spent a fine day in September attending an Island wedding.</i>	<i>Last week</i>
	<i>I would be happy to.</i>	<i>Yes, as I have been on many occasions.</i>

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DAN HEAP

The December 4th municipal elections may well determine the shape of downtown Toronto and the future of the Toronto Islands.

Highrise residential and commercial development and expressways are the priorities of the present majority on City and on Metro Councils. This means the destruction of residential neighbourhoods and insufficient provision of parkland and recreational facilities in the downtown area.

Across the city, developers assemble land, tear down good houses, then get rezoning from City hall which allows them to build high rise apartments. As a result, former homeowners and tenants of the area are forced out by high rents and the lack of family accommodation. Ward 6 is at the centre of the confrontation between low cost housing and the development industry. The Toronto Islands dispute of residents vs parkland highlights this Ward 6 conflict.

Since 1968, Metro Council has threatened the Island residents with destruction of their homes. Yet there is no clear plan at present for the use of the Island land. To bulldoze the houses, which are an integral part of the Island environment, is a poor solution to the parkland problem.

Dan Heap supported the right of the island residents to remain. As long as Toronto has no active plan to use the land, the houses must stay. We have lost far too much low-cost housing not only to high rise development, but to vague schemes that failed - urban renewal, recreation and so on.

June Marks, a consistent member of the old guard on City Council is one of the major proponents of development. Ten years ago she made her name in city politics as the defender of the residents of Pembroke Street (Queen-Sherbourne area). Today, a 240 suite tower sits on Pembroke Street, a second is being planned. At a recent public meeting, June Marks stated that the Island houses would only come down over her dead body. Ten years from now, what will that statement be worth?

Dan Heap won't promise that the Island homes will remain forever. But he does promise that the Island residents will have the opportunity to take part in the planning for the whole Island and waterfront. This is a promise the Islanders can trust. Dan Heap has proven that he can work with community groups in Kensington in Grange Park and against the Spadina Expressway.

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HORACE BROWN

Dear Goose and Duck:

The goose hangs high and it is certainly no time to duck. December 4 is Election Day in Toronto and once again I seek the honor of representing Ward 6 as one of its two aldermen.

This is a special election to me. On July 13 I escaped death by a miracle when my car hit a patch of unobviously flooded road and left the highway to end up in a deep ditch against a rock cut. The only thing that saved my life, the Ontario Provincial Police and my doctor are agreed, is that I was wearing both my seat and shoulder belts. I pass this tip along to my constituents, as I have been a confirmed seat-belt wearer for years.

In taking my place at a previously-planned picnic at a park I had secured for my constituents on Brunswick Avenue, my dear wife said: jip.

My husband has had many close calls in his lifetime. This makes me feel there is a great force beyond which tells him there is still some work for him to perform for the benefit of mankind.

These words of my wife have left a deep impression on me. They remind me that I have had the honor and pleasure to serve you for twelve years. They tell me that I have been right in always trying to make myself available to each and every one of you for assistance or counsel.

Not the least in my affections have been the Islands and their indomitable inhabitants. But for some reason this affection has not been entirely reciprocated. In the last election, many Islanders forgot that Brown was on the ballot. This really goes back to the time some years ago when a fellow-alderman spread the word that only he could save the Islands for people. When I found out about this canard, it was too late. Some of you may even remember that Ron Haggart wrote a column about it, proving that it cost me the Metro seat, where I could have helped the Islanders.

But all that is in the past. We have another two years ahead of us, two years that could be crucial to those who want to see people on the Islands. Those who know me know I am a doubtful fighter for causes. I have felt for a long time that Metro should have a definite policy on the matter of the Islands, instead of drifting along from year to year and keeping people in suspense. That policy, I am now convinced, should contain people living on the Islands as part of its aims.

I heartily supported in Council the appointment of Mary McLaughlin to the Board of Harbor Commissioners as one of the steps to give the Islands a voice. Mary will do a great job of representing you and the best interests of the City as a whole.

This is just one step in the right direction. Another, I feel, is that I should receive Island support on the ballot on December 4.

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The Island is a great place and while inevitably it will become a park to serve thousands and thousands of people who live in the central area of Toronto, there is no need to "push the squatters off" as the Star proposes.

When the time comes that Metro has consulted with the people and prepared viable plans and has the dollars available to take immediate action then and then only is the time when change should occur with respect to the residential area at Ward's Island. The people of Ward's Island have demonstrated the importance of having facilities for family life and a community near the lake. They have demonstrated clearly the need for this in Toronto. Somehow we must develop housing facilities close to the lake and separated, if possible, from the hurly-burly of the downtown core.

As your Alderman I assure you that I will do my best for you and that I have the experience, ability, capacity and concern to do it effectively.

William L. Archer.



WILLIAM ARCHER

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STOP PRESS

Islanders wondering about the new shelter will be interested to know that plans are final, more or less in the form which appeared in the last issue of the Goose and Duck; and that tenders were called for more than a month ago. This means that construction could begin any time. The shelter is intended to be ready for May 24, 1972.

On October 20, Tony Campfens, John Woodburn and I had a meeting with the architects, Jerome Markson and Andy Clarke. Mr. Markson had requested the meeting after receiving a criticism of the shelter in the Toronto Star, in an art column written by Wayne Goodstone. The criticism was attributed to Tony Campfens, an Island architect. Tony explained that his remark referred to the flags, fences, crowd control devices and the roof which is considered unnecessarily high and unfriendly. The meeting did not bring about any meeting agreement. At any rate, tenders had already been called for.

However, we did obtain some interesting bits of information during the discussion. Mr. Markson said that to acquaint themselves with the Island before designing the shelter, he and Mr. Clarke cycled from one end of the island to the other. (Let's be said, in fairness to Mr. Clarke that several times he has visited a friend on the Island.)

Mr. Markson also says that one of the two trees that are to be removed to make way for the elevated walkway is already dead. He told us that one of the first ideas about the shelter was to use the top deck of an old ferryboat as a roof. This was perhaps the origin of the attempt to make the shelter look like a ferryboat. The building it of steel and concrete, as you may recall from the last issue of the Goose and Duck.

We also learned that the architects are not particularly fond of the "crowd control devices", but were told by the Parks Department that these are necessary to prevent the mobs from trampling each other. The architects were also told by the Parks Department that regardless of comments Islanders may have about the shelter, they really don't want any kind of building there.

I have been asked how we could have reached the decisions that have been made about the shelter and whether it was simply a question of being too late. In a case such as this, the Parks Department or committee decides to build a shelter on Ward's Island, requests the Parks Committee's permission to spend the money, retains the architect of his choice, and has the shelter built. The Parks Committee consists of several members of Metro Council. This presumably is the group best able to make decisions about Metro Parks matters. If a request is approved by the Committee, it must still be approved by Metro Executive and the Metro Council. Because of the amount of business originating from its various committees, Metro Council has no choice but to approve most items automatically, discussing only the most important or controversial. For example, the Metro Executive report for May 2, 1972 lists no fewer than 94 separate items, including the Ward's Island shelter for the consideration of Metro Council on that one day.

The list is long and varied, and includes the following items: Authority to Apply to Expropriate Land on Albion Road at the Humber River; Reserved Bus Lane on Eglinton Avenue; Parking Meters on Bathurst Street; Sign Restrictions on Don Valley Parkway; Revised Fares for Toronto Island Ferry Service; Installation of Archery Range in the West Thompson Seaton Park; a request from the Director of Emergency Services to rent two extra parking spaces for service vehicles; and an item entitled "Brooms". This was a request to buy almost two thousand brooms for the various City and Metro departments, and is accompanied by quotations from eleven broom manufacturers.

As can be seen, there is no provision for citizen involvement anywhere in the process. In the case of the shelter, our participation, even many months ago, would have depended entirely on the good will of the Parks Department and the architect.



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by Freya Godard

EROSION SPY

Erosion is a continuing threat to the Ward's Island Beach. Lakeshore residents are concerned about the safety of their houses. As the beach wears away (3 feet per day at the moment according to Mr. and Mrs. Steffan) the rock base below the boardwalk is more and more exposed. The question is how far along does this rock base go? Does it stop where the sidewalk begins at 32 Lakeshore? If so there is nothing to protect these properties from the onslaught of the waves.

At the corner of Channel and First the house on the Bay side is seriously threatened by erosion and the battering waves. Paul Saltzman built an 18 inch breakwall of concrete blocks to protect it in the fall and since then the water has risen over it.

Paul says that the big willow tree at the corner is about to go, exposing the whole corner to rapid erosion. He feels the problem is far too much for him to tackle alone.

Mary McLaughlin, a harbour commissioner and a city engineer came to look at the situation.

The engineer said that the buildup of ice would protect the corner for now but that in the spring action would have to be taken immediately. He thought that rubble from the demolished east pier of the eastern gap could be dumped there and that material from the dredging of the channel could be used to fill. No commitment from the city or metro has been made but it seems essential that this be done to save the land and the houses.

Mr. Vanderhoop of Metro Parks came along with Mary and the City Engineer to check out the erosion and he reported that at Gibraltar Point 2 rows of trees have been washed away and a third is threatened.

The engineer predicts that the lake level will rise even further before it falls again. (See Martin ter Woort's report.)

It is apparent that erosion control must be given a very high priority on the island.

It has not been shown that a new shelter at Ward's Island is essential, certainly not one of such grandiose proportions. Perhaps this project could be delayed and the money spent on the erosion control which is so urgent.

Mary McLaughlin, an island resident & Harbour Commissioner reports that the Globe and Mail story fails to make clear that the beach on Ward's will be restored by next spring regardless of the western headland.



THE LEVEL OF LAKE ONTARIO by Martin ter Woort

Islanders cannot have failed to notice the unusually high water level of the lake this year. The level reached this summer was a record high for the last 17 years; about 15 inches above the long-term average.

High lake levels affect the island in a number of ways, from the usefulness of certain park areas (the volleyball field east of the Ward's changehouse turned into a duck pond) to the efficient operation of certain sewerage disposal systems. The recent gain in area at the eastern section of Ward's beach, which the Harbour Commission claimed more than offset the loss at the western section, was made useless as beach due to high water level.

The nature of lake levels is cyclical; no doubt many islanders will remember the concern over the abnormally low level of the lake around 1965.

The principal cause of the high water, according to the Canada Centre for Inland Waters, has been the above normal rainfall almost continuously from early last spring. In June alone, largely as a result of hurricane Agnes, more than twice the normal amount of rain fell on Lake Ontario and its surrounding drainage area. Between January and July of last year the amount of rainfall was 6.5 inches - or 30 per cent more than the average for the last decade. (24.5 inches as against 18 inches.)

The supply of water to Lake Ontario comes from rain and snow fall, runoff from the Lake's drainage basin, groundwater flow to the lake and discharge into the lake from Lake Erie. The lake's water supply is diminished by surface evaporation and discharge into the St. Lawrence River.

This is called the hydrological cycle; its complexity arises from the fact that the individual factors have varying degrees of effect, depending on the year and time of year.

Since 1958 the outflow from Lake Ontario has been partially controlled by a dam at Cornwall. In the absence of this control measure, the increase in lake level would have been one foot higher - (goodbye Ward's).

Because of the difficulty of getting adequate longterm weather information, it is hard to forecast the lake level with any precision. Moreover, the Canada Centre for Inland Waters suggests that the present trend will likely continue for another year.



ISLAND OPEN HOUSES

In order to increase mainlanders' enjoyment of the park, the islanders are welcoming visitors into their houses on winter weekends. Every Saturday and Sunday until spring, there will be two island houses where you can warm up, dry your feet, and have a free cup of tea and coffee.

Details of the plan, including dates, addresses, and a map of the Island are posted on the waiting room at Ward's dock.

January 20	24 Omaha	3 Second
January 21	17 Dacotah	10 Fourth
January 27	16 Ojibway	30 Lakeshore
January 28	14 Dacotah	5 Fourth
February 3	15 Dacotah	19 Fifth
February 4	7 Nottawa	4 Withrow
February 10	13 Ojibway	14 Fifth
February 11	3 Wyandot	6 First
February 17	6 Oneida	14 Lakeshore
February 18	1 Seneca	15 Fifth
February 24	19 Seneca	3 Fourth
February 25	17 Seneca	7 Willow

ALGONQUIN ISLAND ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

Weekly Schedule

Monday:	Mixed Badminton - 8.00 p.m.
Tuesday:	Cubs (Bob Ward, Withrow Avenue) Bridge at 8.00 p.m. - Kay Mjlen and John Fowle Ladies' Badminton, 8.30 p.m.
Wednesday:	OPEN - sometimes badminton is played - call Jean Elliot
Thursday:	OPEN
Friday:	James Fowle is organizing indoor sports for boys 12 - 14. He needs an adult volunteer before he will be allowed the use of the A.I.A. clubhouse. If you can help him, call 368-5491 after 6.00 p.m.
Saturday:	Pub night 9.00 p.m. Entertainment to be announced - Dudley Davey
Sunday:	OPEN

DATES TO RESERVE

Saturday, January 20 - FERGUS & FLASH	Dance, Bar, 9.00 p.m.
Saturday, February 10 - ST. VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE - KID BASTIEN & CAMELLIA BAND	Bring your Ice Carnival Guests. Bar 9.00 p.m.

A membership drive is now in progress. Someone will call on you. If you can't wait, call Dudley Davey - 861-1904 after 7.30 p.m.

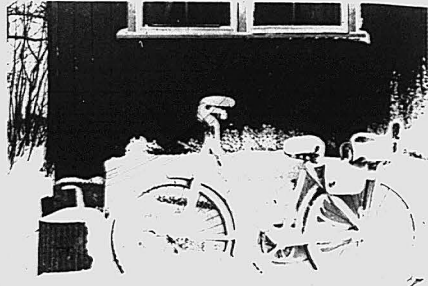


photo by Archie Erwin

New 10c Ferry System Turns Out Easy Sailing

Staten Island ferry riders adjusted quickly to the new system of one-way toll collection that went into effect yesterday.

Under the system a 10-cent fare is paid at the Manhattan end. Riders boarding ferry boats at Staten Island in the morning go through the turnstiles without paying.

A spokesman for the city's Department of Marine and Aviation said that everything went smoothly yesterday and that most riders during the evening rush hour had dimes ready. Lines at change booths, he said, were no longer than usual.

The only sour note, he said, is that some riders come to Manhattan in the morning by express buses and have to pay 10 cents to go home by ferry instead of a nickel, as before.



Photo by Archie Erwin

Dear Goose and Duck

I have read your article in the Goose and Duck about the Island School.

You mention Peter Middleton's exchange with me and state that I come from Scotland. I hope you do not object if I point out that I am not from Scotland but Coventry, born and bred - from the Midlands of England.

Peter and his wife Jan have gone to Coventry to live for the year and Peter is teaching at my school there. However, the confusion may have come about because Peter was born in Scotland, hence his Scottish-Canadian accent and has already been to see the places and people of his early life. I have heard from him and several other sources that they are enjoying their stay in England.

May I say what a pleasure it is to be working on the island and how welcome everyone has made me feel. How pleasant it is to get away from the noisy city life to the beauty and peace of the islands.

Sue Nash

Miss Nash teaches grades 3, 4 and 5 at the Island School.

GOOD NEWS !! (BEEN DOWN SO LONG IT LOOKS LIKE UP TO ME)

Early in February there will be a meeting on the island with TIRA executive, Ward 6 alderman, Archer and Heap, members of Metro Parks Committee, and member of the City Council executive Karl Jaffray. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the future of the island community. Members of TIRA executive have worked out some proposals which we will ask our representatives to present to Metro Council. Newly elected members of Council indicate reason to be optimistic.

THE HOT-LINES ARE OPEN - WE'RE WAITING FOR YOUR CALLS

In past, if we had problems with things like barking dogs, or garbage collection or boat service, the almost automatic reaction has been to pick up the phone and call Tommy Thompson at the Parks Department.

The difficulty with this is that it's almost too easy to talk to the guy, and what he really wants to do is to spend his time on stuff like growing flowers and building the new zoo. He's complained recently that the number of calls he receives is becoming a little too time-consuming.

When you get right down to it, there's not really much reason to call him anyway. We've got two new aldermen who have taken a lot of interest in the island. Both Bill Archer and Dan Heap are friendly and approachable types who'll be able to lead you quickly through the maze of civil service.

If you've got a problem, you can call either of the aldermen at the Alderman's office at City Hall at 367-7480. If the Parks Commissioner is stuck with us (and let's hope he is) we might as well make it as easy on him as we can.

RESULTS OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION, DEC. 4

	MAYOR	
	Wards	Algonquin
Andrews		
Clarke		
Crombie	77	52
Henderson		
O'Donohue		2
Rimstead		1
Rotenberg	81	116

	ALDERMEN	
	Wards	Algonquin
Archer	32	29
Brown	14	8
Downes	20	19
Heap	53	53
Marks	123	145

Dan Leckie and K. Dock Yip were elected to the Board of Education from Ward 6.

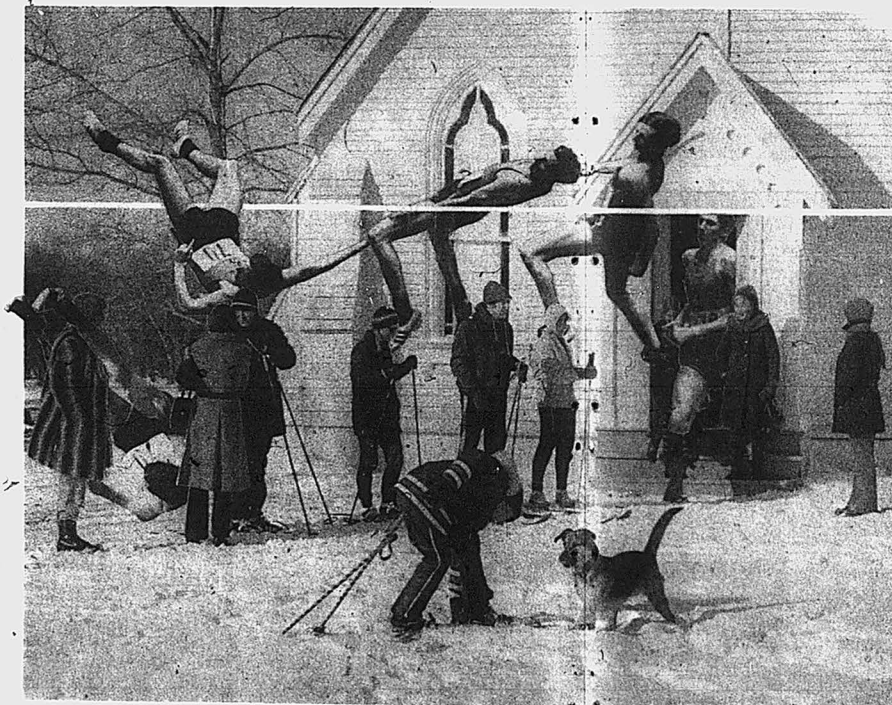


JUST A CLOSER WALK

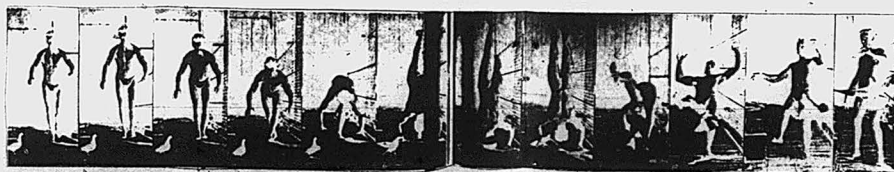
Four Island women marched for the Anglican Outreach Program and our church St. Andrew by-the-Lake. Wendi Hangar, Toni Haddrall, Georgina Barrett and Luise Schoenborn marched additional miles to canvas for sponsors, and surprised even the most optimistic ones by raising \$480.00. For this good deed they deserve our thanks, and so do the many many Islanders, who made this campaign into a community success, and showed there exists still much affection for our old beautiful church. Thanks too, go to Julia Oldenberg and Lynn Robinson for finding more sponsors.

Now, if by some unfortunate circumstances you should have been missed in this drive, or as a summer Islander had already returned to the mainland, please do not feel unwanted. Your donation will still be much appreciated. Your cheque should be made payable to Island Church, St. Andrew by-the-Lake, and sent to Luise Schoenborn, 13 Ojibway Avenue Toronto Island.

He didn't give me much time



Christmas Carol Singing in St. Andrew by-the-Lake on Toronto Island has long been a happy occasion. This time, it was enhanced by perfect winter weather, and many came on skis, enjoying the new powder snow as well as the service.



RUPTURED DUCK—Poor Elmer, pet duck of family in MacDonald, Manitoba, was kicked by a horse and suffered a crushed wing and a broken leg. He was put into traction in stovepipe elbow, which served as cast, and rubber boots to prevent him from walking about.

CANADIAN DUCK MAKES INTERNATIONAL NEWS!

Heidelberg is a very fine old city except for its climate. Constant Rain. This keeps the swans and ducks on the Neckar River happy and would perhaps appeal to an Island Duck—spread this news.

Suzann Greenway

ISLAND AEROBICS by J. Trull

If you have noticed people regularly running or jogging on the boardwalk, take note that they are, consciously or unconsciously, adhering to an aerobic concept of exercise. This concept places emphasis on exercising the heart, lung, circulatory system rather than the skeletal muscles. The main objective of an aerobic exercise program then is to increase the amount of oxygen that the body can process in a given time.

The basic philosophy or proposition is that passive fitness, the mere absence of illness is insufficient; that muscular fitness is of some value but limited; that endurance fitness should be your goal. To achieve endurance fitness only locomotive or continuous movement exercises are advocated.

The best are running, swimming, cycling and walking in that order these exercises produce steady demands on the heart, lung, and circulatory system which when continued for more than 5 minutes will cause a so called training effect. In brief this means you will get better at it, your capacity will increase.

The amount of oxygen absorbed per minute, per lb of body weight whilst running on a treadmill at maximum effort after 5 minutes has elapsed is your "aerobic capacity". It is your fitness index. It follows that different forms of exercise may be equated by means of oxygen consumption information. This has been done by the author of THE NEW AEROBICS, Kenneth Cooper M.D., with progression charts and points systems for all recommended exercises. If you can develop a high aerobic capacity it is a matter of record that you will have less chance of injury in sports using skeletal muscle strength. This is in part because a high standard of fitness will increase alertness in dangerous situations, take note skiers!

As far as jogging is concerned, 1.5 miles or the distance that you can run in 12 minutes has been found ideal to produce the beneficial training effect. After this desired level of fitness has been achieved it can be maintained by running only 4 times a week.

Things to note—warm up properly with a few minutes of stretching exercises, perform within your tolerance, progress slowly.



DIRTY DOG STORY

Sean just told us this story, although it happened a couple of years ago. Old story or not, it's worth re-telling.

One of his huskies needed a bath and since there was no tub and money to wash in a tub, Sean decided to wash it at the public changing room on the beach.

After stripping down, he managed to wrangle the animal into the shower, hot water, and start soaping. The whole thing took quite a bit of time, but it was done, and he was well, until a visitor to the Island happened to wander in.

And what he saw was a naked man with a soap suds flowing, limp, tangled between his knees. He abruptly turned around and left, without giving Sean a chance to explain.

So if you're in the city sometime, and some guy starts talking about the 1960s, that quaint Island customs, maybe you can explain.





CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

The Christmas Boutique on December 7 solved gift buying problems for islanders and also raised money for the Algonquin Island Association. Local artists and craftsmen offered for sale their ceramics, photographs, candles, batik, weaving, needlework and toys. Total receipts for the boutique were \$2,200.00 and the A.I.A. received \$330.00 which will be used to pay club expenses.

One item of interest was a book called EXPLORING TORONTO, published by Architecture Canada Magazine. The book sells for \$2.50 and describes areas of Toronto of special architectural interest. A chapter on the Island was written by Roger du Toit. If you'd like a copy call Patrick Halstone, 368-6684

PEOPLE

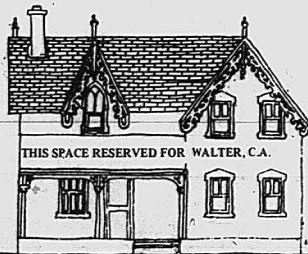
Congratulations to Santa's helper on Fourth Street who festooned pillar and post with boughs of evergreen

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Susie Stanland who died in hospital early in December. Mrs. Stanland was a longtime island resident and a life member of the Ward's Island Association.

Born on November 25 to Gail and Roy Coleman, twin boys, Scott and Todd. The babes are identical twins born at 4 lb. 8 oz and 3 lb. 9 oz. They had to remain in hospital for 3 and 4 weeks until each weighed 5 lb. 8 oz. Caring for the twins is a hectic job keeping both parents very busy. Scott is fed every four hours and Todd every three. Gail told the Goose and Duck that the most difficult part of the job is middle of the night changing and feeding and the mountain of laundry. She gives herself a holiday now and then by using disposable diapers for a day. A congratulatory honk to all four of you!

David and Annabeth Black, our new neighbours on Algonquin have had some chats with Gail and Roy. They have been able to share some of their experiences with their 5 month old twin boys, Alan and Frazer.

Maureen Smith reports that island kids collected \$53.56 for UNICEF on Halloween. Thirty-seven rolls of pennies, says the overburdened Mrs. S.



FRIENDSHIP CAMP by AL CARRIERE

The Canadian Mental Health Camp at Ward's Island would like to express its thanks to the people of Ward's Island for the kind consideration given campers and staff of Queen Street Psychiatric Hospital these past three years.

Mrs. Porter, John Woodburn, Susan Webster, Danny Cox and the Island Recreation Program, the men at the Fire Department, Mr. Ward, the Ferry Service, EMO, the Police and occasional Island visitors all made our stay a very pleasant one.

Gladys Treva and Al Carriere in co-operation with Bob Lacey, and Al Jackson of the Queen Street Psychiatric Hospital and the numerous staff and campers of the Special, Northern, South-Eastern and South-Western services of the hospital. Dieticians and Budgeting services operated an unstructured 5 day program (weekends excluded) which commenced in early August and ended on October 27th.

Feeding the ducks, collecting fancy rocks and driftwood, volleyball, bingo, painting, dancing, down to just plain conversation enhanced the experience. The ferry boat trip was always a pleasant time also.

Hope to see everyone out next year - and best wishes for the coming year.

Martin ter Woort and Liz Barry appeared on Channel 11 TV recently, talking about the Island. Martin illustrated his talk on the Island situation, physically and politically, with charts, photos and line drawings done by other islanders.

Liz showed examples of islanders' work, pottery, weaving, leatherwork, beading, woodwork, batik, carving and painting, sculpture, etching and copper enamelling, and discussed Island life with Suzanne McDougall of Channel 11 - a good way to make the Island and islanders familiar to people living outside the metro area.



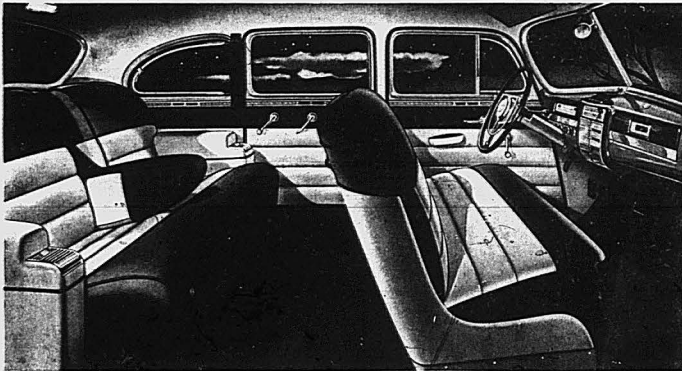
CHRISTMAS PARTY

Well, Santa's come and gone again. Percy's ice-cream has all been devoured, the tree has dropped all its needles and now sits forlornly in the corner. Before Rudolph pointed the reindeer's noses toward the North Pole, the Jolly Old Gent tacked a note to the door of the A.I.A.

The warmth and fun of the afternoon was such that I delayed my departure until I feared I would be late returning to the Pole to prepare for my regular Christmas Eve run. I thank sincerely all the good ladies who baked and helped out in the many small but very necessary ways. I thank also the spontaneity and good fun of the group from Ward's (you really ought to get that chimney fixed by next year). Megan, Jennifer, Elizabeth, Michael, Eric and Mark are a first rate group of puppeteers - wasn't that wolf scary, and didn't he get what he deserved!

Good luck, and best wishes in the New Year - especially to you, Tommy.

Santa



ICE CARNIVAL: Mark your calendar now for our ice carnival, February 10th (weather permitting) or February 17th, 2:00 p.m.

Here shall be competitive and novelty events for all; a decorated sleigh, toboggan, bike, what-have-you-parade; prizes for the brightest, gayest, and most imaginative hat for all ages; an ice show; a boutique, hockey and broomball games, etc. etc.

If you would like to be involved come to our next organization meeting at the A.I.A. clubhouse, Thursday, January 25 at 7:30 p.m. Help play host to Metro by inviting two or three family groups of relatives and acquaintances or adopt a group of strangers for the day.

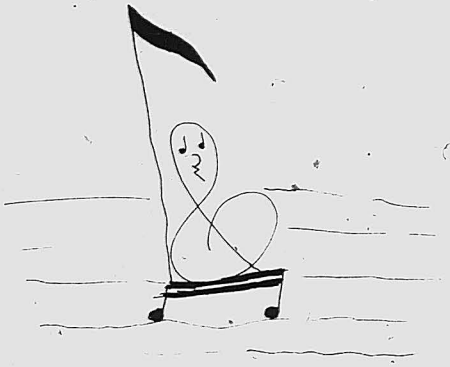
Plan to get involved and have yourself a great day.



ISLAND SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Before the holidays, islanders made their way to Hanlan's Point to attend the IPS Christmas Concert. Bouquets to the students, teachers and parents who provided us with a delightful evening very much in the spirit of the season. After an excess of professionalism via television it was exhilarating to be part of the heights (and depths) involved in real, live, make-your-own-fun stuff. (That blond with the cymbals is going to hear from Zeigfeld!)

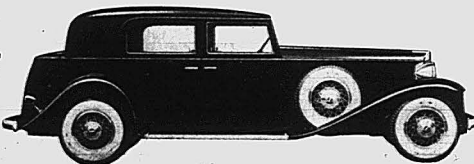
On the same evening we said goodbye to Gord Bennett — a teacher here for the past seven years and one whose students regard him with respect and affection. Mr. Bennett will be working at the Boyne River Natural Science School near Orangeville. He was presented with a pair of Adidas shoes which were very well received. We wish him all the best and hope that we will find lots of reasons to keep in touch.



ISLAND SCHOOL HOCKEY TEAM RECORDS ITS FIRST WIN

from *The Gibraltar Pointer*

The seniors played their first home game on the lagoon against King Edward Public School on January 11. Playing with a full team of seven players the Islanders were just too strong for the city team. One of the largest crowds of the season was there to cheer for the home team and this made a big difference. Evan Roerck played brilliantly in goal. Whenever the opposing team got too close, he would move the goal posts (rubber boots) closer together and they just couldn't score. Dave Amer and Doug Barker each scored twice and John Miller scored once for the home team. Camera crews from CTV and CIB were there. Also, there were reporters there from the Globe, Sun, Star and Gibraltar Pointer. The final score was 5-1 for the good guys.



The following review appeared in IN REVIEW, a magazine published by the Province of Ontario Library Service and distributed free to all public libraries and elementary schools in Ontario.

in Review

CANADIAN BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

A HISTORY OF THE TORONTO ISLANDS, by students of Toronto Island Public School, illustrated with photographs. (Coach House, 1972. 64 pages, \$2.00 (paper).)

We all remember projects at school — a model farm in the sand box, a Christmas play in the auditorium. But they were child-sized enterprises, not really a part of the big world outside. But a book, written by students at Toronto Island School, and already selling well on the island and beyond! Quite an accomplishment for children barely in their teens.

Principal Edward Currie is not surprised, and this is a measure of the high expectations he has. Two years ago the project was a visit to Igloolik in the Canadian Arctic where the youngsters lived with Eskimo children, and a return visit by the Eskimo children to Toronto Island the following year. This past summer the children visited Iceland. One wishes there were more principals like Currie. One wishes, too, that Mr. Currie and the authors were less modest and included their names and an account of their efforts. For the sake of posterity, I shall name them: David Amer, Barton Ward, Terri Haddrall, Michael Jones, Jeremy Fowle, John Campfens, Scott Stein — all in grade 7 or 8. They did research, collected photographs, wrote the stories, and worked with the people at Coach House Press on design layout. They pre-paid copies to pay for the first printing.

The book is a history of the islands that surround Toronto Harbour, and is evenly divided into prose and pictures. Some of the stories are too brief (one wants to know more about the murdered lighthouse keeper, the diving horse, and the weed cutter), but the book will interest those who know Toronto Island. It will also interest teachers, children and others who want to emulate for their own communities the very admirable accomplishment of the students at Toronto Island School.

W. A. Ronde
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Bob Corcoran with watchdog Rascal at Eastern Gap

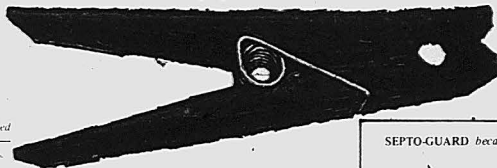
WHITHER THE EASTERN GAP LIGHTHOUSE?

By Anna Barana

Anna Barana, former town fool of Victoria, B.C., and editor of the *SOMETIMES MONTHLY BANANA RAG*, checked out the lighthouse for us when she was here, recently touring installations in the east.

Robert Corcoran and his wife Mahel have been residents and keepers of the lighthouse at the Eastern Gap for the past thirteen years. Although no date has been set for the removal of the house and lighthouse, work has begun on the dredging of the channel. The Harbour Commission hopes that the lighthouse will be removed, intact, and placed for "historical interest" in a park somewhere on the vicinity — perhaps on the Eastern end of Wards Island, but this is apparently a decision for the Federal Ministry of Navigation, and one that hasn't yet been made. On the mainland side of the gap, the land will be cut back twenty feet behind the present house site to create a new, deep-sea channel to both inner and outer harbour, in lieu of the western channel. Since 90 per cent of shipping is done from the eastern end of the harbour, the new channel will shave 40 minutes per trip. The wider and deeper channel will be divided into lanes, one 50-80 feet wide for deep sea traffic, and nearest to Wards Island, one of 50 feet for local traffic and pleasure craft. These will be marked by bell buoys, black buoys and flashing lights. The spokesman for the Harbour Commission was not sure if there would be a log horn.

Corcoran hopes to be transferred to some other lighthouse in the district if there is an opening, but this matter has not been settled. Asked to describe the highlights of his thirteen year post, he commented that it was the quiet life that attracted him to the life of lighthouse-keeper. How, he was asked, could living with the constant noise of a fog horn be considered the quiet life? "Oh," he replied, "you get so used to it that you have to listen to hear if it's going or not."



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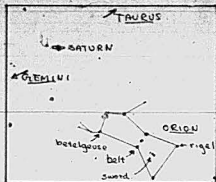
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WHAT'S WHAT IN THE ISLAND SKY by Tom Sheehan

The planets are divided into two categories, the inner planets (Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars) being heavy, small, with slow rotations and few satellites, and the outer planets (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto), which are light, large, with rapid rotations and extensive satellite systems (Jupiter has twelve moons and Saturn nine!). They are separated by an asteroid belt. Some people think that this belt is the result of the break-up of a once-existent planet, but this view is not widely held.

The differences between the earth and the other planets are considerable. Unlike Terra, there is no boundary between atmosphere and surface. The atmosphere is mainly composed of methane, ammonia and hydrogen, and is more dense towards its centre. There is no "surface" of the planet.

Saturn's one claim to fame is its lovely rings. These, composed of fine particles, are dense enough to cast a shadow on the planet (and are not a red edge-on), they are invisible. Fortunately they are not so close that they can be seen on any fine night.

According to the Raman theory, Saturn's atmosphere is 95 per cent carbon dioxide with a surface temperature of about 400 degrees. It is covered with a very dense and reflective cloud layer that hides the three bright spots in the sky. (Jupiter is fourth.)

Currently, there is a search for a seventh planet. Neptune was discovered on the basis of variations in the orbit of Uranus and Saturn. When astronomers looked for it, it was right where they supposed it to be. A triumph for mathematics.

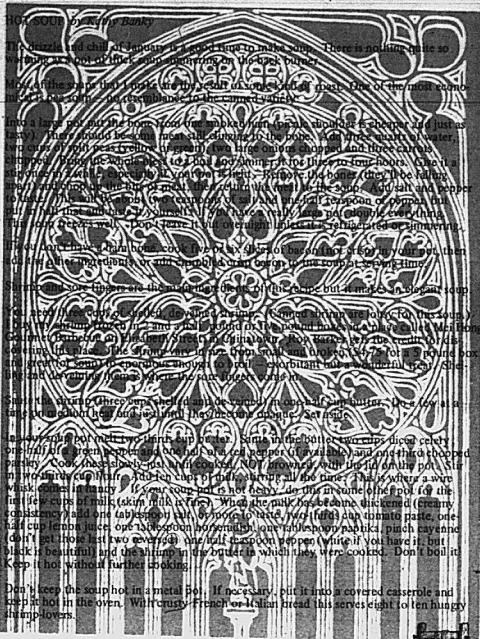
An analogous situation exists with the orbits of Uranus and Halley's Comet. The comet, by the way, returns to us in 76 years (75.3). There is a certain regularity in their orbits cannot be accounted for with the present astronomical data. It lies in a certain plane. Unfortunately, the orbital path passes in the middle of the Milky Way, making it virtually impossible to see from the back of our heads.

There is also, supposed to be, a planet between Uranus and the planet Vulcan. It was first predicted by the orbit of Neptune. It was named "Planet X" as a result of variations in the orbit of Mercury. Some astronomers claim to have seen it, until a gentleman named Einstein came along with his fancy theory and the prediction of those dedicated few to rest.

For those who would like to see Venus, it is best to see it in the morning over the sun over by Cherry Beach. It really is a beautiful scene. Jupiter is best seen by almost directly beneath it. Its four main moons can easily be seen with a small telescope or binoculars. The bright red star nearby is the red giant Antares, the eye of the Scorpion. Both Venus and Jupiter are white.

In the evening sky, near Orion, is Saturn. Although its moons are hard to see, the rings are clearly distinguishable through a small telescope. It should be fairly easy to find the belt of Orion (it's just over the lake after dinner) and, using the diagram, Mars. It is very bright, distinctly yellow and it doesn't twinkle. Also, note the colours of Betelgeuse and Rigel.

The sword of Orion contains one of the few naked eye nebulae in the sky. It is the great Crab Nebula, formed by a super nova in 1054 A.D.

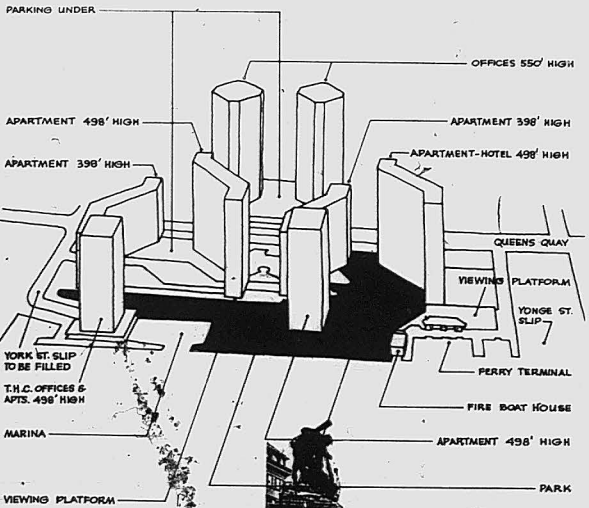


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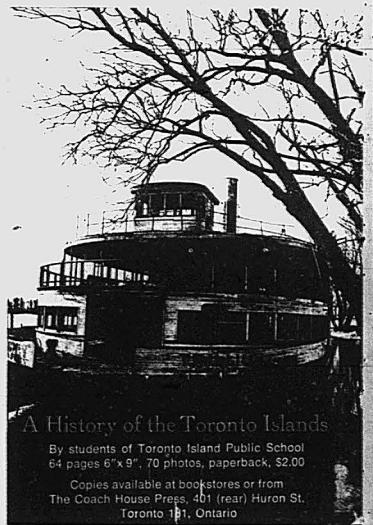
Yep. That's what it is. Suggested by Peter Goring, gone, but not forgotten.

The whole thing started when Peter received his new Postal Code (M5J 1Y1), and, like most people, said, "How the goodness am I supposed to remember that?" (That's not exactly what he said, but that's not exactly what most other people said, either.) Anyway, he then began to use the cool, inclusive resourcefulness for which Islanders are known the world over, and decided to turn the combination into a sentence: "My 5 Jersey's 1 yellow!" or "Mary's 5 Johns 1 wearing!"

Actually he didn't! He used your solution, but his was much too ribald for a family newspaper, but you get the idea. So either your solutions to the G & D. Mark your envelopes "Contest No. 673". Least ribald entry wins free bus rides to Hanlans for the rest of the winter.



Now that some new buildings have started to sprout around the dock, we thought that you'd like to see what the fully-grown crop will look like. The building on your left as you leave the ferry dock is going to be 30 stories high. The illustration is from a 1969 press-kit released by the builder. (The Star Building is 13 stories high.)



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ACTION DEMANDED ON ISLAND EROSION

During the last couple of months, several attempts by member of the TIRA executive and our aldermen to persuade T.W. Thompson to deal with the erosion problem have been unsuccessful. Mr. Thompson maintaining on the one hand that Paul Saltzman, whose house is in danger of falling into the Bay, should have gone directly to the Parks Department; and on the other hand that as Parks Commissioner, he was not empowered to deal with an "illegal" tenant.

A Harbour Commission engineer who inspected the damage at the corner of Channel and First Street suggested that sand fill from the dredging and widening of the Eastern Gap might be used to replace the eroded land. However, the earliest this could be done was spring '73.

On Thursday, February 1, at a meeting with the TIRA executive, the Commissioner admitted the seriousness of the problem but stated that nothing could be done without spending millions on a breakwater. He also reminded us that the Island shoreline has never been stable.

On Saturday, February 3, at a meeting with the TIRA executive, Aldermen Archer, Heap, and Jaffray discussed the erosion of the Island and personally inspected the damage, both on the Ward's Island beach and at the corner of First Street and Channel, and promised quick action.

On Monday, February 5, Alderman Jaffray wrote a two-page, hand-delivered letter to Mr. Thompson in which he made specific suggestions for control of the erosion and urged immediate action.

On Monday afternoon (same day), Mr. Thompson caught the 1:55 boat to the Island, where he personally inspected the situation on the Bay side.

On Thursday morning, February 8, the first of three loads of sand arrived at the corner of First Street. This material will be used to protect the endangered water-main and street corner, but not the houses on Channel Avenue.

At the same time, Paul Saltzman had a meeting with the Commissioner with the result that he was asked to appear before the Parks Committee meeting that afternoon.

On Thursday afternoon, Alderman Jaffray's letter to Mr. Thompson was placed before the regular meeting of the Metro Parks Committee, as was a report on various waterfront issues from Commissioner Mary McLaughlin of the Harbour Commission.

Mr. Saltzman described in detail his attempts to save both his house and a threatened tree. After the committee had questioned him at considerable length, Alderman Eays moved that up to \$3000 be spent immediately to protect the houses and beach on the Bay side, and that Commissioner Thompson report later on how other parts of the Island shoreline, such as the Ward's beach and Gibraltar Point, might be protected. The motion was passed unanimously.

NEW BEACHES FOR OLD

from Part of Toronto News

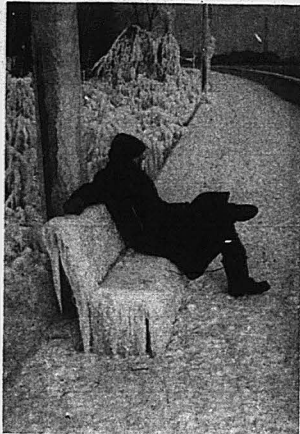
A suggestion for a 100-foot-wide, 6,000-foot-long sandy beach on the rocky south shore of the Toronto Islands has been made by the Toronto Harbour Commission. However, the Commission said that before such a suggestion can be implemented, some kind of protective works would have to be constructed to shield the beach from south-westerly storms.

The Commission, which has no authority to create such developments, is sending letters to Metro Toronto and the Federal Government explaining the proposal.

Sand for the project would come from dredging operations in the Eastern Channel where a new entrance to the port is being built.

Regardless of whether the large beach is approved, the Commission suggested that 100,000 cubic yards of sand be deposited at Ward's Island where a portion of the existing beach has shifted to the east.

Except for the 400,000 cubic yards of material to be diverted to the Toronto Islands if approval is granted, the 10 million cubic yards of sand to be dredged from the Eastern Channel and the Eastern Gap will be used to create Aquatic Park at the end of the East Headland. Members of the Harbour Commission's staff are presently meeting with various interested groups in the city to determine what kind of park the public wants Aquatic Park to be.



SHELTER

As many Islanders no doubt know, it appears that the new shelter at Ward's Island docks will not be built. A report from Commissioner Thompson to Metro Executive dated January 12, 1973 explains that all the tenders received were too high for the budget, which allowed \$110,000 for the project. The lowest tender was \$169,000. The report continues:

"It therefore appears that it is necessary to undertake some redesign and re-tender the work. The consultant (the architect) indicates that he is prepared to undertake this work in the immediate future at no additional cost."

In an explanatory letter to Alderman Archer dated January 9th, the Commissioner writes: "Due to the escalation of costs and the diversity of opinion on design from the Island residents, the project will not now be proceeded with. It is doubtful that any new facility will be built in 1973. The road to Ward's Island Dock will be paved this spring."

As can be seen from the accompanying letters, the Parks Department has decided against building the new shelter at Ward's Island, at least in the form described in the *Goose and Duck*. It seems improbable that anything will be built there this year.

In order to fill temporarily and in a small way the need for a shelter, especially for city people and Algonquin Islanders, who cannot easily go home again if the boat is late, TIRA would like to make some repairs and improvements to the present shelter. We thought it might be useful and fairly easy to close in the front part with windows and a door and to add a window to the side facing the bay. There are also a number of holes and cracks that should be covered to keep out the wind, and it might even be possible to heat the shelter with an old oil stove, although a number of difficulties come to mind in connection with heating.

If you are interested in taking part in such a project please get in touch with Freya Godard, 10 Lakeshore, Em 8-2288 or leave a message at the *Goose and Duck* complex, 17 Willow.

Thompson recommends shelter be redesigned and re-tendered later

FROM: T.W. Thompson

TO: Alderman William L. Archer, Q.C.,
City Hall,
Toronto 1, Ontario.

January 9, 1973.

Dear Sir:

I must apologize for the delay in answering your letter of October 20th, but difficulties encountered with the construction of the Ferry Dock at Ward's Island have made a definite reply impossible before this date.

Due to the escalation of costs and the diversity of opinion on design from the Island residents, the project will not now be proceeded with. I am meeting with the Island Residents' Association on February 4th and this matter will be discussed at that time. However, it is doubtful that any new facility will be built in 1973. The road to Ward's Island Dock will be paved this spring.

The problem of passengers on the "Onigara", mentioned by Mr. Hamby in the Star's story on October 14th, has been resolved by the increased seating on the boat. Prior to this arrangement, the number of people waiting to come to the City for one or two runs in the early morning was greater than the capacity of the boat.

FROM: METROPOLITAN PARKS DEPARTMENT

TO: THE METROPOLITAN EXECUTIVE COMM.

January 12th, 1973

Subject: Construction of Dock Shelter at Ward's Island Ferry Dock

The Metropolitan Executive Committee on November 7th, 1972, opened tenders for the following Contract No. P-155-72 - Construction of dock shelter at Ward's Island Ferry Dock

No.	Name	Amount
1.	Umacs Construction Limited	\$169,000
3.	Ruliff Grass Limited	\$206,237
2.	Paul Carruthers Construction Co. Ltd.	\$236,000

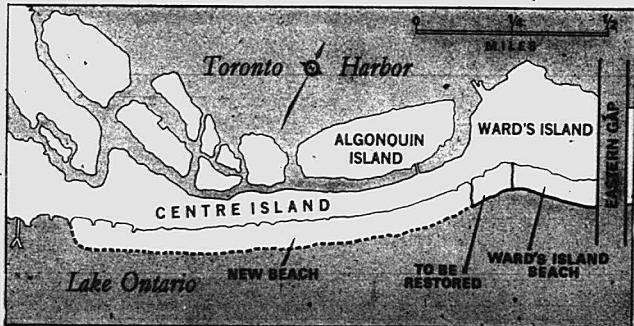
The Committee directed that the foregoing tenders be referred to me for report and recommendation.

The tenders received are all in excess of the budget for this contract package. Working through our consultants, discussions with the low tenderer indicate that by negotiation the intent of the contract could be completed for approximately \$152,000. However, this cost still exceeds the budget and, in our opinion, is unrealistically high. It therefore appears that it is necessary to undertake some redesign and re-tender the work.

The consultants indicates that he is prepared to undertake this work in the immediate future at no additional cost.

Accordingly, I now recommend that Contract No. P-155-72 be not awarded on the basis of the tenders received and that the project be redesigned and re-tendered at a later date.

T.W. Thompson
Metropolitan Parks Commissioner



—Ottawa and Mail, Will Christie

LETTERS

Dear Islanders:

Are you facing the annual dilemma of where to find a warm enough place to crack off those rusty bolts and install your new license plates? Why not try the Caribbean beach of St. John's Town, British Honduras - or, hopefully soon, to be known as the new nation of Belize!

We stumbled across the Mexican border to find a land suddenly and astonishingly different from Latin America: the fastidious and unjammable black officials tending the border station; the language suddenly different, but hardly more understandable than the Spanish we had become used to; the wooden, two-storied, balconied colonial architecture of its largest city, Belize (45,000 persons) in place of Mexican adobe and masonry. And the colony itself, though less than 9,000 square miles and 120,000 population, provides tremendous contrasts - from the sugar cane fields and model Mennonite farms of the north to the jungles and citrus groves of the south and the Muskoko-like mountain pineidge of the interior; from the colonial (frequently inundated) seacoast city of Belize to the sterile "suburbs" plan of the new capitol, Belmopan, 50 miles inland.

The peoples range from the dominant Negroes and Caribes, Mestizos and Creoles, to recently settled Canadian-Mexican Mennonites, and topeasy Mayan Indians.

But the highlight of British Honduras for Islanders has to be the cays. A \$4-00 plane trip takes one to San Pedro on Ambergris Cay, a beautiful ocean-paned almost-island alone which stretches miles of untouched white sand beach, turquoise Caribbean, and coral reef, second in length only to the Great Barrier Reef of Australia. With my introduction to the fascinating new world of undersea snorkelling here, I somehow forgot my longing for the winter I am missing.

The colony finds itself in a strange dilemma cast between a strong neighbour, Guatemala, which claims it and uses its American arms to periodically threaten; a British government apparently all too anxious to grant complete independence and rid itself of its expensive defence responsibility; and Canadian and American interests poised to flood in, buying up desirable tourist sites and agricultural land (now mainly held unused by absentee owners).

But for Islanders with their yen for the out-of-the-way, this anachronistic little patch of Caribbean coast should be a delight.

Just ran into Lilien Adams of CORRA fame in the middle of the fantastic market at Chichicastenango, Guatemala. In spite of a broken arm, she is getting along fine following the Mayan Trail, able to do everything except sign travellers' cheques. She filled me in on Toronto political situation, but regrettably had just thrown out the last 3 editions of *The Goose and Duck* after catching up on her reading!

Can you help me

Embajada de Canada
Apartado Postal 10303
San Jose, Costa Rica

Un muy feliz Año Nuevo.
Bruce Weber
Guatemala City, Guatemala

Dear Goose and Duck

It was very pleasant to meet you last Thursday as part of a most enjoyable trip to Toronto. I discovered some very interesting progress in clinical pathology but more to discover the Island was even more exciting. Thanks to the bundle of Geese and Ducks I am acquainted with your struggle for survival and also with the ongoing life of your community. The account of the trip to Igloolik was worth my trip alone.

Your star gazing columns were excellent and solved a problem which has been perplexing me for some time. Enclosed is a check to cover a years subscription to *Goose and Duck* and also a small contribution to help keep up your good work.

Thanks again
Bradley E. Copeland
Brookline, Mass.

Dear Liz and David:

Everybody's concerned. I hope, praise your paper and appreciates the amount of time spent in getting it out. We think it is an astonishingly good product considering the circumstances.

Our only gripe is with your printer's graphic exuberance. They get carried away by their Picasso-like inventiveness and with clever double printing (if that is the method) often make the underlying copy just about non-readable. And what they did to my White Christmas picture of the church in the last issue is quite abominable.

What was wrong with this pretty letter? Composition and quality were good and the contents told the story right.

We fail to see the improvement or the joke or the entertaining value and find this particular combination in poor taste besides.

Better luck next time.

Yours truly,
Aland Lu.

ALDERMAN MEET T.I.R.A. EXEC

by Freya Godard

The following is intended to answer the questions asked by many Islanders about the meeting held on February 3 between members of the TIRA executive and Aldermen William Archer, Dan Heap and Karl Jaffary. It should be explained that the executive presented the meeting with this list of objectives as a basis for discussion.

1. The community should have a reasonable security of tenure, e.g., a minimum of five years.
2. The community must be able to maintain its numbers; change of ownership must not be legislated against.
3. Persons living on the island, whether owner or renter, should not be unreasonably removed during the term of the lease.
4. The community's economic, age, education, occupation and cultural mix should continue to be encouraged.
5. Satisfactory housing standards (structural, health, safety and appearance) should be established and maintained.
6. No building should be demolished without community participation in the decision.
7. Individuals should not receive excessive profits owing to the situation.
8. There should be year-round occupancy of all houses.
9. The public should continue to enjoy access to all shorelines in the residential area.
10. The present restriction on automobiles should continue.

It is implicit in the above that it is essential for the community to participate in decisions concerning its vitality and future.

Although it may not be realistic to hope for 100 percent fulfillment of these aims, we believe we must try to find ways of achieving them. The politicians all agreed with these aims although they realize it would be very difficult to find ways of achieving some of them. Some of the ten aims require explanation.

In number three, we want to avoid a situation that would force present owners to sell their houses or force people who are living in rented houses to leave the Island. The latter situation might occur if a longer lease suddenly raised the market value of Island houses, and absentee landlords decided to sell their houses to city people for a higher price than the present tenants could afford.

The intention of number four is to make it possible for people of all ages, occupations and incomes to live on the Island, as is now the case. We are afraid that a longer lease combined with the shortage of single family housing in the city will drive the prices of our houses so high that only the well-to-do will be able to buy a house here. There is definitely no intention of classifying certain Islanders as "undesirable" or trying to remove anyone who is now living on the Island.

The housing standards mentioned in number five would probably be decided on by discussions between the community and the City Housing Standards Division. As was the case last time, we would probably have a long time in which to make necessary improvements.

Both the executive and the politicians are of the opinion that the seventh aim (the limiting of "excessive profits") would be one of the most difficult to accomplish. However, we are keeping in mind the constitution, which states that the first objective of the Toronto Island Residents' Association is to "protect and preserve the Toronto Island Community and its way of life".

This implies that we must make it possible for all Islanders to live here and enjoy the Island for as long as possible. We do not believe that we have any duty to enable anyone to make huge profits when they sell their house and leave the Island.

The eighth aim does not intend to force present summer (or winter) Islanders to live here all year round. It does suggest that new Islanders might not be given a lease unless they were willing to live here for the whole year.

To anyone who disagrees with these aims, we want to make two things very clear:

1. TIRA will not make any final decisions without giving everyone a chance to take part in these decisions, both at a public meeting, which we hope will be attended by some interested politicians, and also at smaller block meetings. We are also preparing a referendum, which will ask all Islanders for their opinions on these matters.

2. Unless we can find a way of keeping down the prices of Island houses and preventing the Island from becoming a summer resort for wealthy city people, we will not have the support of a number of politicians including Alderman Jaffary. As many of you will remember, Mr. Jaffary was prominent in the fight for our last extension in 1971.



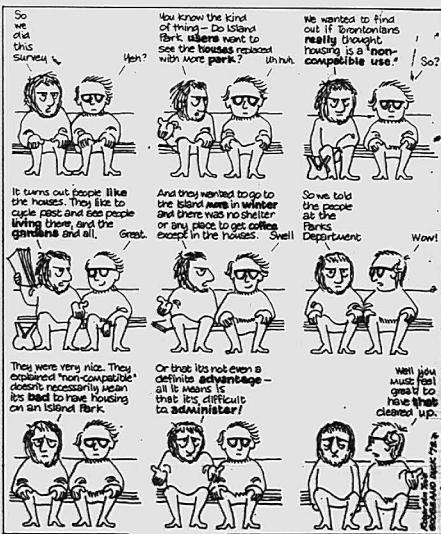
ARE WE LOSING OUR TREES?

Have you ever wondered what Ward's and Algonquin Islands would look like without any trees? Well, we certainly have, and many Islanders have expressed concern that most of the trees are the same age and that many of them are approaching the end of their lives. As the Parks Department does not plan to replace dead and dying trees at the community's end of the Island, it is up to us to do so. We plan tentatively to plant some new trees on Ward's and Algonquin Islands this spring, but will need money for buying young trees and willing workers to plant them, as well as suggestions as to where they are most needed. As yet we have no details on prices, but we would like to know how many Islanders are interested in the idea. Mr. Thompson has no objection to this project and is willing to give us information on suitable species of trees.

If you are interested, please get in touch with Freya Godard, 10 Lakeshore Avenue, Em 8-2888



Displaying a "not in service" sign, the ferry boat Sam McBride rests for the winter in the Ship Channel, having spent the summer season taking visitors across to the Island parks. It is one of 37 vessels wintering in Toronto Harbour. The Port of Toronto News



ON-THE WATERFRONT

by Mary McLaughlin
Toronto Harbour Commission

January 22nd, 1973

Wards Island Beach and the protection of the Islands. The Harbour Commission has proposed to Metro a repair job for the Wards Island beach, which is in effect a short extension of the beach to the west. This could be constructed in time for the coming summer if Metro agrees, and would be a valuable improvement to the island. A long beach all the way to the old Main Street at Centre Island from Wards would later be possible, depending on construction of some form of permanent protection to hold the beach in place. The Harbour Commission has asked Metro to approve this proposal, and if approval is received a further study on the means of protection will be made. Metro will then have to make the decision as to whether a Western headland should be built, or groynes, a Sunnyside style seawall, or a broken rock seawall, or possibly some combination of these. It is suggested that the results of the study be made public, and the citizens of Toronto be involved in the decision making here which will have far-reaching consequences for the future of the islands, boating and recreation in the area.

High Water level and erosion of shorelines. The present Lake Ontario water level is 1.8 feet above the level of this time last year, and 1.6 feet above the average for this time over the last 10 years. It is expected to rise another foot and a half during the coming year, which will be 1/2 ft. above the supposed controlled high. This is causing serious erosion problems on the Island, on the Eastern Beaches and probably elsewhere on the Toronto waterfront.

Sanitary facilities on Olympic island were not usable last summer, and it is most possible that this will again be the case this summer. If scheduled events on Olympic Island will have to be cancelled or moved elsewhere on the Island. The land level at Olympic is lower than the remainder of Centre and Hanlan.

At least one house is seriously threatened by erosion of the north shore of Wards Island, and residents are alarmed at the rate of the shrinkage of the Wards Island beach.

Two rows of trees have gone at Gibraltar Point on Hanlan, and a road is threatened. It would seem imperative that this be treated as the No. 1 problem on the waterfront, and it is recommended that City and Metro officials meet at once with Harbour Commission engineers to propose immediate and long term measures to deal with the alarming situation on the Islands and Eastern Beaches.

Perhaps they could come up with an answer that would be a priority project of the Conservation authority which is the regulating authority for the central area. The City might raise some questions in this regard. What is the schedule of spending of the Toronto section of waterfront funds? Are we getting our fair share of development of the waterfront that we are paying for? Perhaps the progress of MTRCA projects might be examined and the allocation of fund funds for the central section also.

Is there a possibility that a diversion of funds could take place if the City and Metro so requested that would take immediate care of erosion work in preference to other less urgent projects?

If 1952 high water levels return, the Eastern headland may well prove a blessing in preventing serious flooding of the Islands in Easterly gales. The International Joint Commission controls the flow of water from Lake Ontario down the St. Lawrence. Montreal had low water this past summer while the Great Lakes all experienced high water. The rules appear to have been set to protect down river areas with little attention given to Lake Ontario. What is to happen this coming year? Are we going to have high water, flooding and erosion because the I.J.C. is protecting down river areas from flooding? Perhaps City Council might ask Cabinet ministers from Toronto to take this matter up with the I.J.C. and ensure that Lake Ontario gets fair play.

Transportation and Parking. With the advent of new major development on the waterfront public transportation to and on the waterfront will be increasingly important. Perhaps the T.T.C. should be included in the planning process from early on so that needed vehicles could be ordered early enough to be in service when these new parks are opened. It seems that parking spaces available on the central waterfront near the ferry docks will be fewer in future as Campeau and possibly the Federal park develop some area formerly

used for parking. Some waterfront activities involve the need to transport equipment and a good supply of parking spaces at reasonable rates will always be needed.

Snow dumping in Lake Ontario. The public should be reassured that should snow be dumped directly into the Lake there is no cause for concern because the salt level in Lake Ontario is way below danger level. In fact the Provincial based more on emotion than on facts. Senior levels of governments do not seem to be working as hard as they should in finding a solution to this problem of developing a satisfactory substitute for salt for our roads.

Proposed Stolport at Island Airport. We are at least 3 years away from a decision on a Stolport. The De Havilland strike stopped production of planes for a test run from Montreal to Ottawa, and difficulties have developed in the use of Rockport airport at Ottawa for this service. It was at first said by the Federal government that the Island airport was not suitable for a Stolport because there is no instrument landing—now there is hope for new instruments able to do the job.

New plans for C.N.E. As \$50 million in public funds is to be spent on remodelling the C.N.E. and this is a well loved recreation area of Toronto's people, it is to be hoped that Metro will enable the people to participate in planning any changes that are to take place. Again, what the people want retained and what they want changed should be ascertained before plans are approved.

Mosquito threat on islands. Mosquitoes were really bad on the island last year having bred in pools of stagnant water caused by high lake levels. For the sake of the million island visitors as well as the residents it is suggested that a programme of spraying from the air be reintroduced in the late spring or early summer before mosquitoes hatch.

Campeau project. Building for one apartment building and 1 tower of two for a hotel are proceeding under agreements between the City—Campeau—T.H.C. The land in question was purchased from Canada Steamship Lines, and the Harbour Commission, by Marvo, who later sold to Campeau.

GREAT LAKES WATER LEVELS



MORE HOT SOUP

by Kathy Banks

BEEF

The ribs from a roast of beef start my favourite soup. On weeks when I can't afford a Sunday roast, I use soup bones and some braising ribs. If you deal with one butcher regularly you can probably still get soup bones through in for good will.

Put the bones and adhering meat into your pot with three to six quarts of water. (The amount of water depends upon the size of your pot.) Add all the wilted celery, cabbage leaves and carrots that you found when you defrosted the fridge plus a couple of chopped onions. Bring it to a boil and simmer for the morning. Pick out the meat bits and chop them. Cool strained broth and remove fat. Put the broth, meat and whatever chopped vegetables you prefer—carrots, celery onions, cabbage, etc.—and a large can of tomatoes into a pot and cook for ten minutes. Then add noodles or barley. Cook ten minutes for noodles, 30 minutes for barley. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

TURKEY

The skeleton of a turkey or chicken is another soup base. Put all the bones (including the drumstick that your four-year-old insisted upon having and only half-finished) into the soup pot. Add three to six quarts of water. Bring to a boil and simmer for three hours. Remove the bones and let the broth cool, preferably in the fridge for overnight. Remove the fat from the bones. Add the meat to the broth along with three stalks of celery (with leaves please), three carrots and two onions, all diced. Bring it to a boil and simmer for 30 minutes. Add to the boiling soup either rice or noodles. Simmer for 20 minutes for rice, a bit for noodles, then season to taste with salt and pepper, a ten of chopped parsley added just before serving adds eye-appeal.

ISLAND COOKS

from The Gibraltar Pointer

The Island Home and School is once again requesting your help on another fund raising project—an Island Cook-book. We would like you to submit as many of your recipes as you wish, perhaps choosing those which you consider your own personal favourites. For your help we are supplying blank recipe cards and a list of categories to be included in the book.

We urge you to prepare your recipe carefully, including approximate number of servings, oven temperature and cooking time. Please sign your name to each recipe submitted. Note the section "for men only" and urge your favourite male gourmet to contribute his specialties.

We're sure you know many ex-Islanders who would enjoy contributing and hope you'll contact them for us. You may drop off your completed cards at one of the following committee members homes or phone for a pickup:—

Doris Collis	368-5016	Ojibway
Kathy Banks	363-9830	15 Onedia
Anne Brunker	861-1371	6 Nottawa
Yvonne Stein	366-5078	16 Fourth St.
Cathy Welch	368-7504	23 Fourth St.

WHEN IS THE ICE REALLY SAFE?

If the ice is clear and blue, and you're walking across it alone, you'll need a depth of at least two inches, says R.A. Balkwill, district forester at Fort Frances for the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. Stay off, he says, if it's anything less.

Adds Balkwill: "If more than one person is crossing at the same time, the ice should be three inches thick at least, and the crossing should be done in single file to spread the combined weight over a greater surface of ice. A snowmobile or car needs ice at least 7 1/2 inches thick, and when parked, a correspondingly greater thickness." Balkwill says beware of a well-travelled path, because ice becomes tired and wears thin. If the ice is soft and slushy instead of clear blue, twice the thickness is recommended. "Watch for air holes," he says. "Weedy areas, shallow waters with muskog bottom, and changes in water level are the usual causes of air holes in thin ice. River ice is treacherous, as is that of inlets and outlets of lakes, because the flow of current impedes freezing." Incidentally, if you happen to be driving a 110-ton truck, you'll need at least three feet of ice.

from the Canadian Magazine

WINTER CARNIVAL

by Muriel Handy

Saturday, February 10, 1973, the sun obligingly rose over the island and smiled benignly on the scene of feverish excitement and bustling activity below. The lagoon was frozen! The WINTER CARNIVAL was on!

Early in the day the Ferry Dock was as busy as 800 shivering visitors lined up to pay their fares and board the boat transporting them across the frozen bay to a world of winter whiteness, and a day of fun. This was a new adventure—visiting the island in the winter—most carried skates, some toed lunches, all were out to enjoy the winter outdoors.

Time and time again, with apparent clumsy ease, the "Oniagra" sliced her way through the crusting of ice, depositing her happy cargo on the other side.

And what a round of activities at the site of the WINTER CARNIVAL by the Algonquin Bridge. Sleighs, toboggans and even baby carriages were decorated with great imagination and daring; there was a close and exciting hockey game between Ward's and Algonquin, all kinds of races and games on skates, baggy-trousered clowns, and junior girls in beautiful costumes who did precision skating with

all the aplomb of Ice Capade stars. On the right bank of the lagoon, you could throw darts at balloons, or take a chance on several other games. You could admire (or buy) the handcraft goods at the boutique, and if you were hungry, you could enjoy hot dogs and steaming bowls of chili. Hot coffee and hot chocolate were extremely popular, as was the delicious home-made candy and sugar dipped apples.

All too quickly the sun started on her downward journey and the day moved steadily to a close. For the more hardy types, there was a dance at the AIA Clubhouse, for most of us, all that fresh air and exercise had made us refreshingly tired. With rosy cheeks, and a sense of well being we made our way home. What did it matter if we'd eaten too much chili? And that our helium-filled balloon had gotten away from us and was now a bobbing red ball at the top of a tree? Our visitors made their way back to the boat—it had been a wonderful day for all. God willing there will be another just like it next winter and for many winters to come!



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M5S 1K1 929-0931

North Toronto couple 2 children
9 and 5, wish to reside on island
please phone 485-8037

House for Rent

Responsible persons wanted to look
after house on Algonquin Island from
April 1st until mid-July. Peaceful
neighbourhood. Small children welcomed.
House in good condition phone 364-2608

Live with French family, girl wanted in
Belgium to look after two small girls
(3 and 7) in April, May and June phone
364-2608

JOHANNISBURG (Reuter)

Housewives have been asked by the milk
distributors association to stop leading
their milkmen astray by getting them
drunk over Christmas. "Drunk milkmen
are a hazard on the roads," the association
said.

SURREAL ESTATE

The Toronto Fun offers classified space to
anyone greedy enough to take advantage
of the current rumours indicating leaves
extension on the Islands.

WARDS ISLAND spacious two room
bed room, fully equipped with tools,
own lawn mower, no water, no sewage
problem (take a pointer from man's best
friend) \$8000.00

WARDS ISLAND four rooms, partly in-
sulated, a few repairs still necessary, not
too near the water \$35,000.00 power
mower extra

ALGONQUIN ISLAND completely re-
bathed split level ranch house style three
room shack overlooking last years T.V.
tubes and a happy 21 year old Molson's
Blue cases. Full price \$28,000.00

HOUSEBOAT Get it while it's still stuck
in the ice. Experiences that almost floaters
feeling before the thaw. Apply. Steve
Keating, if you can find him.

WARDS ISLAND One big room, all walls
have been removed, walls holding up roof
made of actual Campbell Soup pull-ards
A treat for the young mammals of the '50s
at \$23,000.00

Dewdney Memorial Skateway

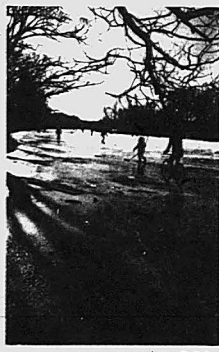


HON. EDGAR DEWDEY
Lieutenant-Governor of N.W.T. 1881 to 1888

The honourable Edgar Dewdney was Lieutenant-Governor of the N.W.T. from 1881 to 1888. It was his great grand nephew, Peter Dewdney, who first thought of the idea to open a skateway on the island. We would like to thank those people who have helped make it such a success.

Michael and Alice Albrecht

SEEN AN ALIEN AROUND?
SEND YOUR PICTURES OF ALIENS TO PROF.
BEST PICTURES WILL BE HUNG IN S.O.D.
ACCORDINGLY SO SEND THEM IN OLD PICTURES OF
ALIENS AND PICTURES OF OLD ALIENS ARE
ALSO ELIGIBLE PROVIDING THEY'RE MOST MARKED
IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW YOUNG YOU ARE FOR
TO BE REMEMBER THERE'S GOING TO BE PRIZES, YES PRIZES
FOR THE BEST PHOTOGRAPHS AND DRAWINGS SO DON'T BE BASHFUL
THERE MAY BE A SMALL FORTUNE IN ALIEN PIX IN YOUR HOUSE!
SO SEND THEM IN
IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TO BE A WINNER AND REMEMBER
— IF YOU CAN'T SEND YOUR PICTURE THROUGH THE POST
TAKE IT TO THE HEALTH AND FAIR PLAY
THE PROFESSOR



photography by Jim Belisle

MORE DUCK SCOOPS FROM S' GREENAWAY

The roof-eating Duck of Brisbane, California, had its wings clipped Saturday. The clipping was administered by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at the request of the duck's owner after complaints from neighbors, police said. "He just tips the little devils (shingles) off, does a chew job on them and drops the pieces all over," explained policeman Steve Stanton. "People don't like that sort of thing."

Clapp to correct faulty footings? ??
Is there any truth to the rumour that Mr. Clapp, founder of the Covefleet and original owner of the Saltzman house, now threatened with high water destruction has offered to send several truckloads of mismatched corrective shoes to shore up the footings of the house?

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People yelling,
Bells ringing,
People singing,
Truck motors,
Teachers talking,
Birds squawking,
Leaves crunching,
Girls skipping,
All these things I can hear
People's feet pouncing,
Rubber balls bouncing.

Recha Campfens



SOME TIMES MONTHLY BANANA A RAG

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ARCHITECT GOES BANANAS

Three troops of boy scouts and 30 employees of Farrell's Ice Cream Products built the longest banana split in the world. The previous record was 350 ft in Hawaii, 50 ft short of the Farrell project.

The site was the parking lot of the new Los Cerritos shopping center in Cerritos (on the way to Disneyland). The length of the site imposed a J-shaped plan. "The Hawaii job was linear while ours was complicated by four 30-degree turns, and if not handled properly this could have resulted in spillage of the infill," said Bill Johnson of Arden Farms, of which Farrell's is a subsidiary.

"It was a matter of logistics," said Tom Egan of Farrell's. "We wanted minimal handling so we conceived the idea of making transportation an integral part of the operation. Because of the momentum of the material, we were working with a time/space factor. We therefore combined mechanization with hand labor. The system we used was developed to take care of such unknowns as consumption time and the temperature on the day of the procedure, which, if unfavorable, would affect the stability of the split. Efforts to apply the Hat-field short-time creep test proved unscientific because of the difference in coefficients of the materials employed."

The program to produce a three-hinged shell ran into a cost problem, but this was imaginatively solved when the team came up with the idea for adapting standard rain gutters to the purpose. The section selected was 4 in. deep by 4 in. wide. The 40 standard 10-ft lengths required could be accommodated on existing racks in the freezer truck.

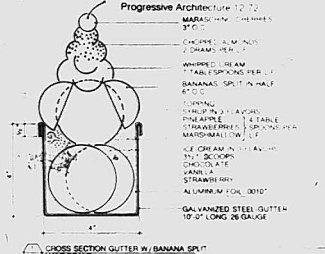
No decimal tolerance was anticipated because the 3,500-in. diameter ice cream scoop allowed 500-in. tolerance for over-load while allowing for the substance to be injected in the interstices. This was marshmallow and pineapple topping, which incidentally served to stabilize the mass.

There was an increasing increment of load with the application of the split bananas (750 ± R) and the movement under load was noted. For the superstructure of foam, almonds and cherries the moment of inertia was determined by the formula $I = \frac{3}{8} \times \text{ft} \times \text{stress}$, M as the bending moment and D as distance between supports.

The off-site preparation consisted of lining the gutters with an 0010-in. aluminum foil membrane and filling them with scoops of ice cream; the gutters were stored overnight in the freezer truck. The following morning 40 standard wooden road blocks were set up at 10-ft intervals in a J configuration. Stationed at each road block were two scouts and a Farrell man. Then the truck rolled from station to station unloading the gutters onto the road blocks. One gutter was inserted into the next to the depth of 1 in. to form a lock.

Then the scoops positioned the 1200 bananas along the 65 gals of scooped ice cream, poured 45 gals of topping, sprayed 14 gals of whipped cream, spackled on 20 lbs of chopped almonds and balanced 15 lb of cherries 3-in. o.c. The on-site operation took exactly 9½ minutes.

The biggest banana split in the world was eaten in 15 minutes by 3000 people. [Ester McCoy]



BANANA REPUBLICS

Five days north of the Canal we reached Colfno, a banana port in Costa Rica. Early on our second morning in port, the family set out on one of the banana trains which made a circuit into the interior to land bananas at eight different plantations. What a day! The train rumbled by miles and miles of banana palms all in rows, and we could see busy Costa Ricans working in the groves.

The stalks are picked from the palms when the bananas are still green. Suspended wires run from one end of the grove to the other, about 100 yards apart, and as the stalks are cut they are hung on the wire on pulleys. Then along comes a little tractor which hooks onto the stalks and tow them along the wire to the sorting shed, & stalks at a time.



SCREWED BANANAS by Mike Gerber, Fat City Midwest

THEY CALLED ME BANANA NOSE



Instead of saying "Here comes Golda," they would say, "Here comes Banana Nose." If they saw me walking down the street toward them, I don't know who said it first, someone must have said it first. They didn't all think of it at once and I suppose it was a girl. Whoever she was, she certainly started a lot of misery and suffering in my life because my new name caught on like wildfire.

"Hey, here comes Banana Nose."

Then of course everyone bursts out laughing or giggling. What would you do in my place? Would you keep on walking toward them knowing why they are laughing? Keep on walking toward them with a smile on your face? And then say "Hi, Carol" and "Hi, Jeanne" and "Hi, Barb" just as though nothing had happened? Or would you stop walking toward them and turn around and run away?

That was what I used to do most of the time. Naturally it didn't always happen. There were times when nobody said "Here comes Banana Nose," because kids aren't naturally cruel. They just seem that way sometimes and the nose ones in our crowd knew that it must have hurt me a lot to hear "Banana Nose." Banana Nose here comes Banana Nose. And I told myself that after a while even those who put a card with a lock out of calling me "Banana Nose" would get tired of it. They'd get interested in something else. And someone new to pick up.

But I didn't know if it would last that long. I used to run home and cry. When I had cried until there were no more tears left I would get up and look in the mirror, then hold a hand mirror at one side so I could see myself in profile. It was true, my nose curved over in the middle so you could see who that girl is with the cruel imagination could say "Banana Nose." (Perhaps she didn't really mean to hurt me, she was just laughing.) She was just wanted to be funny and make the others laugh. She was not having fun!

How could I ever expect any boy to look at me seriously. I mean romantically if he should hear that I was the girl called "Banana Nose." Even if he had looked at me seriously he would stop. I could say "Hi, James" or "Hi, you were a boy, would you want to go around with a girl called "Banana Nose?"

I didn't get any help at home with my problem. One day my mother could see that I had been crying and said why. I told her. She just laughed. "Kids are like that. I remember when I was your age there was a kid at school they used to call Loving Cup because his ears stuck out."

"It isn't so bad for a boy. I had it. I don't know if that's true. Maybe it isn't."

"They'll get over it," she said. "Any way it's nothing to cry about."

"Could a plastic surgeon fix my nose?" I asked.

"Don't be ridiculous," she said.

That was all she would say. Don't be ridiculous. I got up the nerve to go to the library and ask a librarian if there were any books on plastic surgery. This took nerve because anyone looking at me would see right away why I was interested in that kind of book. It was a woman librarian and she was kind and helpful. Yes, there was a book about plastic surgery and not a big technical book, but an easy one to understand. She got it for me and I went to a table and looked for the part I was interested in.

"What did I learn right away?" That the nose was not fully developed until you were 15. No plastic surgeon would perform what was called *cosmetic surgery* (plastic for appearance) on your nose before that age.

That meant I had almost a whole year to wait, even if I could figure out then how to get the money to pay for the operation.

There isn't any real happy ending to my story. No boy suddenly went crazy and fell in love with me. No girl friend came along and told me what to do. My mother didn't say, "It's no more, Golda. I shouldn't have hated the way I did. We'll have your nose fixed after you're 16. You have that to look forward to." In the meantime, just keep away from any kids who are cruel enough to call you that name. And remember that you have very pretty light blue eyes and very fine, silky hair and beautiful lips. Just wait... you're going to be something after you're 16.

If only she could have said something like that, but she didn't. No, she did.

So I had to do it for myself, which is the real reason I am writing this. Because there may be others who have my problem or a problem like it... and maybe there's no one to help them. So learn how to help yourself!

I looked in the mirror and told myself that I had pretty eyes and hair. (And if my hair had been in bad shape, I could have got it into shape with the proper treatment... washing frequently and doing lots and lots of brushing.) So I must try to pay attention to my eyes and hair. I must try to look after them in my eyes and hair. With a little makeup (NOT TOO MUCH) I must draw attention to my eyes. That was something I could learn. I would let my hair grow longer and I would brush it and brush it until it shone, always.

I would start on a campaign to make the best of myself. That is what I did.

No, there isn't a happy ending yet, but things aren't as bad as they used to be.

And please remember this: the girl who was called "Banana Nose."

If you have a bad figure, draw attention to your good features. (A year from now if I have my nose done, I'll tell you all about it.)

EAT-A-BANANA PHOTO PROJECT CONTINUES



MASTER'S DEGREE OF BANANOLOGY and memberships in the Royal Order of Banana are available to all who submit a banana creation (drawing, photo, poem, story, collage, anecdote, etc.) to the Banana Bank, 44 W 6 Ave. Vancouver, B.C.



In the shed, the stalks are cut into fingers of about six bananas to each finger. The fingers are individually inspected, dipped in a solution to kill bugs, stamped with a Chiquita sticker, and then packed in Chiquita banana boxes. The cartons are sealed and passed by conveyor into a waiting boxcar which hooks onto our train. This happens at each plantation we visited, so when the day was over we had a train load of banana boxcars.

The train then returns to Colfno in the United Fruit Growers dock. The bananas are unloaded by hand and passed by conveyor aboard a banana boat for shipment to overseas markets.

We were really thrilled when the conductor, who spoke no English, gave us a 50-pound box of bananas to take back to the boat with us. But it was a bit thin later in the day and the longshoremen also showed us with bananas. The following day we sailed out of the harbor with 150 pounds of green Chiquita bananas on board!

By CATHERINE WALKER
-from Daily Oklahoman

BANANA BANK BONANZA

COOKING WITH BANANAS

CREAM OF BANANA SOUP

- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 can (10 1/2 oz.) chicken broth
- 1 can (10 1/2 oz.) water
- 1/2 pt (1 cup) light cream
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2-3 drops hot-pepper sauce
- 2 bananas, peeled and sliced

1. In 2-qt. saucepan, melt butter; stir in onion and celery. Cook until vegetables are limp. Stir in flour; mix well. Add chicken broth, water, cream and salt. Bring to boiling, stirring constantly.

2. Add hot-pepper seasoning and sliced bananas. Serve hot. Best served right after making.

Makes 5-6 servings

EAST INDIA STYLE CURRY

- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1 large banana, sliced
- 2 medium onions, quartered
- 1 small clove garlic
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1/2 lbs. cooked, cleaned shrimp
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 8 servings hot cooked rice

1. Put chicken broth and next 7 ingredients in electric blender; blend until banana and onions are chopped fine. Pour in saucepan; bring to boil, stirring constantly.

2. Add shrimp and simmer 5 minutes longer; remove from heat. Stir small amount of hot sauce into sour cream; then stir mixture into sauce. Heat gently just to boiling. Pour into serving dish.

3. Serve with rice, and bowls of peanuts, pineapple, coconut and onion.

Makes 6 servings

George and Inger Wallace's puchero

- 1 pound boneless lean round of beef, cubed
- 2 pieces marrowbone
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup peppercorns
- 1 two-and-one-half-to-three-pound chicken, cut into serving pieces
- 1/2 pound smoked ham, cubed
- 1/2 pound chorizo, sliced
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 4 large carrots, cut into one-inch lengths
- 1 cup green beans, cut into sections
- 1 cup whole-rye corn
- 4 zucchini, unpeeled, cut into one-inch pieces
- 4 medium-size boiling potatoes
- 2 tablespoons oil
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 large firm bananas
- Chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 pounds or 1 1/2 (1 pound) cans garbanzo beans, drained
- 2 avocados, diced
- 1/2 cup cilantro (or parsley), chopped

- Put beef, marrowbone, onion, garlic, peppercorns in a large pot; cover with water; simmer 45 minutes.
- Add chicken, ham, chorizo, salt, water, if needed, to cover meat. Bring to boil, then simmer 25 minutes.
- Add carrots and green beans. Simmer 15 minutes. Add corn and zucchini. Cook five minutes more.
- While meat is cooking, boil the potatoes. Then peel, slice and fry them in hot oil and butter. Brown both sides and keep warm in a covered casserole.
- Slice bananas diagonally and fry in same pan until slightly browned. Place in casserole with potatoes.
- Drain broth from the meat for soup and gravy — adding water or chicken broth, if necessary, to make up 12 cups. Put the meat and vegetables in another casserole to keep warm.
- Mix cornstarch with a little cold water. Add two cups broth, bring to boil, stirring, and cook two minutes. Serve with meats and potato mixture.
- Add garbanzo to remaining broth, boil five minutes, pour into bowls. Garnish with avocado and cilantro.

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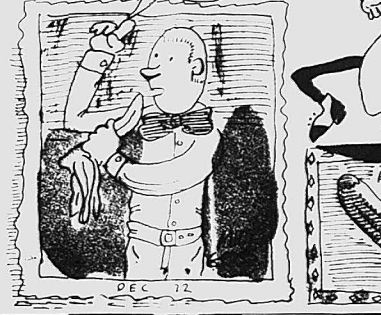
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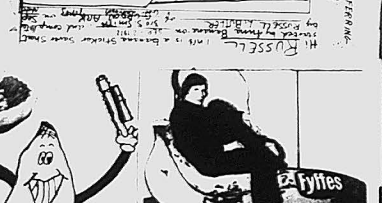
FROM MYRON P. NAUGHT
"It's got a look dignified at a banana."



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HEAVEN'S A LIFE TIME METHOD FOR ANOTHER STICKERS FISHING



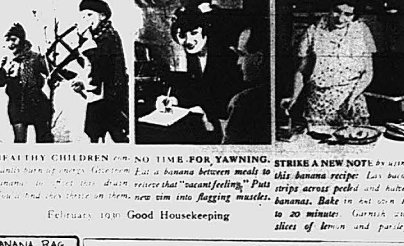
HEALTHY CHILDREN

More than a fruit... A VITALITY FOOD

That's why bananas belong in the daily diet

NEARLY every time you pick up a magazine or tune in on the radio today, there is a new story by some food authority on the value of the banana in the daily diet. No longer the mere fruit we once thought of, this remarkable product from the tropics is now recognized as abounding in vitalizing food materials.

No fewer than three vitamins are present—A, B, and C, those protective elements we must



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YES... THEY HAD SOME BANANAS

Daily Mail, Dec. 15/72 Genesis P. Orridge
MRS. NANCY TAYLOR, of 27, Arcon drive, Avondale Heights, New South Wales, ran by the son of former Hull Trades Officers' Guild secretary Mr. Jack Brock, who...
This is why she read with great interest, on mention last week of the letter I had received from Jack, who with his wife, went to join his son 15 years ago.
Mrs. Taylor tells me: "We were of Australia on holiday recently and we stopped to see the show on the plantation and buy some bananas."
"We were all allowed to go and choose our own brand of bananas and a beautiful pineapple. Needless to say, they were the best we have ever tasted."
Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Anna

Thank you for submitting the Banana (Apache Banana) I really enjoyed receiving it. Our original inquiry into your work, as you know, came as a result of a recommendation at the last minute from Todd McKee.

I found your work very interesting and am retaining the information in my file. However, we did not find it feasible to include the piece in our last Art exhibition. Thank you for your contribution. Please keep sending me your Banana news letters.

Respectfully, Jack Boulton, Director
TOS, Ronkinkoma, NY

Dear Anna Banana,

Thank you for the information with Royal Order of the Banana. I was really surprised that you answered my letter. I hope I can participate in the way I can, just give the word. As you probably know, not too many people in the U.S. know about this organization. I would like to tell people about it for start a chapter in the U.S. people will probably BREAK UP THE HOPE to hear from you soon, Gregg Gilbert

Dear Anna

The Banana "burst" Banana culture is abundant in Cleveland, as well as the rest of the U.S. Plans are being made between the Rose Garden and the infamously Isadora, among others, for an all-out "Banana Search Day" at our local library. We intend to collect all trivial and irrelevant facts of literature concerning the Banana, as well as participate in the Latin Banana Project. Plans proceed far and apace for our many ventures and hope that yours are also.

Sincerely
Aunt Rode, Cleveland Heights, Ohio

TRAVEL PLANS OF A FOOL AT LARGE

Anna Banana is currently working on plans to tour the USA and Canada in the coming spring, summer, fall and winter. I am interested in hearing from persons who could arrange a time and place for her to present Bananarama or to give a workshop in Esalen Massage. For details write to Anna Banana, 44 West 6th Avenue, Vancouver 10, B.C. before April 1/73.

REQUESTS

Send articles, pro & con animals, & word editorial cartoons to Indiana, 2469 Larchhurst Drive, University Heights, Ohio 44118 send \$2.00 for your subscription to the Banana Rag today to AB, 44 W 6 Ave, Vancouver 10, B.C.



THE HOO HOO ARCHIVE



RIDDER WHAT LOOKS LIKE A BANANA BUT IS GREEN?



BANANA CREAM PIE

- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 2 or 3 drops yellow food color
- 3 ripe, firm medium bananas, quartered
- 1 cup heavy or whipping cream
- 12 regular marshmallows
- 1 tablespoon sugar

QUICK BANANA ICE CREAM

1. In covered blender container at high speed, blend all ingredients except cream until smooth, about 1 minute. (Completely ripened bananas will give strong flavor and dark color to ice cream.)

2. In large bowl with mixer at medium speed, whip cream until soft peaks form. With rubber spatula, fold in banana mixture; pour into an ice-cube tray or 8" by 8" baking pan and freeze until firm to serve.

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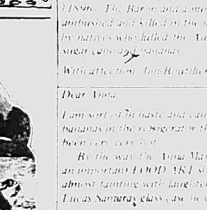
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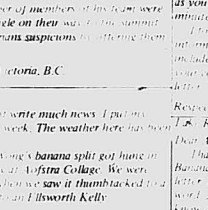
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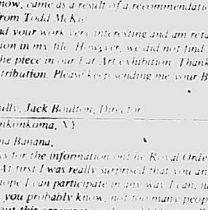
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POPULAR DOGS PUBLISHING CO., LTD.

"ELSEWHERE IN THIS PAPER"

Dear Goose & Duck

Four cats are known to have been killed by dogs on the Island in the past few months. There may have been others. Never before have Island cats had much to fear from Island dogs except the usual chasing and barking. What has happened to turn man's best friend into a predator? It could be hunger. The dogs could be fat. It could be... perhaps some Island dogs are getting enough to eat. Or it could be two things and supervision. The cats are a great matter to dog owners are just sad and less beasts running wild. What is the reason, it must be corrected, that Island animals can live together again with peace of mind - and their owners too.

Jean Willis

*Mrs. Anna Wadon
1 Seneca Avenue
Toronto, Ontario*

Dear Nina

Thank you very much for a simple, strong and my family. We often feel when we were skating on the Island. It has a delightful feeling to me. I have been asked their to be so available to us. It is certainly brings back the type of spirit that prevails on a home often in our lives.

I understand that some Federal Government money was made available to fund the ice running on the lagoon, which I think is a delightful idea. I certainly would not encourage doing with some of the other things. The idea of getting park area skated in all its way up the lagoon is a very interesting idea. I would like to see some of the skating extremely enjoyable. It is a very good idea for a recreation without having to be so much in the winter months.

Your hospitality, especially in the winter, has been a great help. I am sure that ensuring that a regular ferry service is available to the Island in the winter months will be for the best of everyone. I am sure the Island will be a great place to visit. I mention a similar discussion to the Island's winter months in the past.

Very truly yours, Warren

*Warren Higgins
Toronto*

To the editor of The Star:

I trust most strongly protest against your seeming vendetta against the Island squatters as you do them Feb 19.

These people pay their way just as most of us do.

Also consider the consequence of your suggestion. Who will police the Island? Can Toronto afford a "Central Park" of our own like New York? Because that is what we will have no doubt.

Embodied by the absence of observation, I assure you Toronto's headlines will read "Evacuate Toronto Island".

**VERNON J. KIPP
Toronto**

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LUMINARIES

Congratulations to Tina Pliker-Lindner on the birth of her son, Simon, now 10 months old.

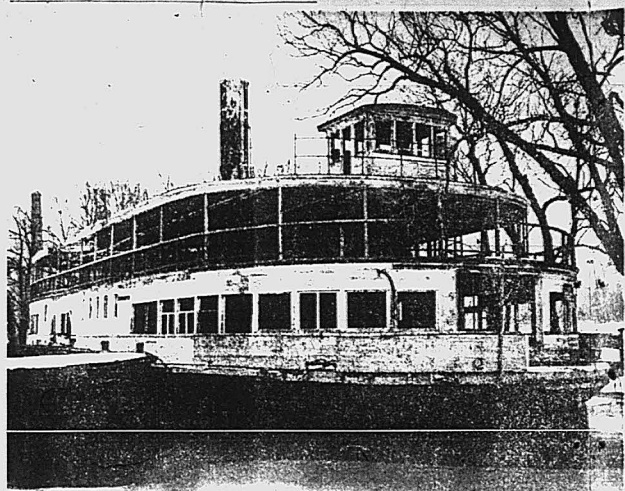
Three island boys were involved in the Little T.H.L. playoffs at Varsity arena on 24th of March. Adam Ives is a member of the Omaha team which was shut out by Ronny Handy's Dallas team 2 to 0. Ronnie got one goal and an assist in the sure tie play which secured the trophy.

Tom Malcolmson played in the playoffs of the paperweight division.

Martin Ives reports that a new member has been added to the fast growing Ives animal family. She is a 3 year old mare who has already proven her independence by bringing her master for a loop. The Ives now have 4 horses at their farm near Collingwood, and will soon be getting more.

Peter Cradland has discovered a good bike shop. It's Bicycle Sports on King Street East near the St. Lawrence market. It's run by a couple of times who know all there is to know about bikes. Sales and repairs.

Girls and Boys who wish to enroll in the OY's Junior Sailing Club should get in touch with Mr. George R. Lambert, 30 Orion Park Road, Scarborough (Telephone 282-8909).



THE OLD TRILLIUM MAY SAIL AGAIN

The Trillium, a steam-powered sidewheel ferry built in 1910 and retired in 1956, may soon be back in use between Toronto and the Islands. Toronto Executive

Committee decided yesterday to ask Metro to provide estimated \$1,500 for renovations to put the boat back in operation. It is moored in a Toronto Island



Photography by Rick Redelph

The rescue and duck diving hero of the month, Nina Hurdly, Nina rescued a 15 lb. year old duck in the semi-protected lagoon recently. The six had been seen since of being caught by themselves by the elbow and was submerged in the water to his attempt. Nina's son Eric heard him yelling, sent his older brother, Adam for help then attempted the rescue. Nina came running for her being near the lagoon. Wading, chest high in freezing water and out by the sharp edges of the buoyancy, she grabbed him and brought him to shore. Got the little lady a cigar!

A group of 12 and 13 year old island boys will be taking part in the North Toronto Y's Men's Club Softball league this spring. The boys are Wesley Webster, Evan Rierick, Barton Ward, Brett Stein, Dave Amer and Ted Ives. The games are played at 7 PM at Belmont Park School in North Toronto.

One of the items in the Parks Department budget for 1973 is \$121,000.00 for construction of a Summer Centre for Senior Citizens at Ward's Island. Some surveying was done in the area last east of the Fire hall last summer.

The glass topped boats will be running a supplementary ferry service to the island again this summer. Fare is 75 cents adults and 40 cents children one way.

Interesting statistics uncovered recently by Patsy Fleming, Liz Amer and Liz Barry concerning island houses.

Owners occupied year round 61 per cent

Temporarily occupied year round 18 per cent

Owner occupied part of the winter 27 per cent

Temporarily occupied part of the winter 12 per cent

Winterized homes, winter occupied summer only 7 per cent

Summer residence only 10 per cent

The last years of special interest as this figure for summer residence only in 1972 was 20 per cent.

The lesson for today is: Strong institutions are strong communities make Mrs. Amer (E) for this reason and for other reasons, and those who recommend you join the Algonquin Island Association. Single membership \$5.00, Family \$10.00. Send cheques payable to A.I.A. Bill Ward, 7 Wanda Avenue.

An article in *Architecture Canada* magazine regarding the change in Parks Department plans for the Ward's Island Shelter says: "It may not have been as significant a decision as Ontario Premier William Davis's cutting off of the Spadina Express way, but it's a good example of what is happening all across Canada as people power turns on the heat."

As the points out, such incidents in themselves are not very significant, but as part of larger movement in cities across the country it is recognized as important.

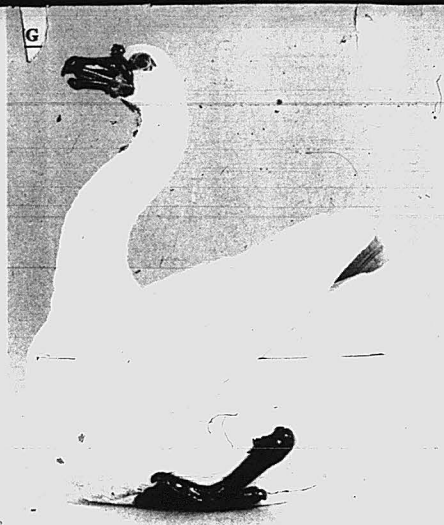


The following paragraphs are excerpts from a long article about *Star* editorials in the March 9 **TORONTO CITIZEN**. Although the writer uses other examples to support his criticism, his thesis seems to apply very well to editorials about the island. People who are unhappy about these editorials should read the article in full. You can phone the **CITIZEN** at 532-4456.

Newspople at the *Toronto Star* like it to be known that what's published on the editorial page is no responsibility of theirs. And they will say that the paper's editorials about city politics aren't to be taken too seriously; that these are often muddled and factually misinformed, and are best ignored. Few readers more than glance at the editorial page anyway, one of them remarked once.

It's sometimes hard to ignore the *Star's* city editorials though. They're not just innocuous fluff. They are the expression of opinion by an enormous newspaper, Canada's largest, and are difficult to simply dismiss — not because the views they express are disagreeable ones but because the editorials often blatantly misrepresent facts.

Maybe the *Star's* editorials should be ignored. Maybe few people do read them and most of those who do are aware what they're reading is baloney. But it's hard to believe some people aren't being misled badly by the *Star* editorial page's version of the facts. The address of the Ontario Press Council, which is supposed to provide a self-monitoring system among the province's newspapers, is 151 Slater Street, Suite 708, Ottawa K1P 5H3. Next time the *Star* burns you off, you might drop them a line. One letter wouldn't do much, but several thousand over the course of a few months might help clean up the *Star's* act. Or maybe newspapers can get away with bald misrepresentation.



THE SECOND ANNUAL KEN LYE GOOSE-ALERT

Campbell Jureen collection

While the rest of us have been busy with block meetings and the like, guess what those Canada Geese have been doing down at Center and Hanlan?

Reader: Pause here. Think about it now, resume reading.

That's right? That's what they've been doing? No doubt about it. They've got some Community Arms of their own, and before long the mothers will be nesting and the fathers will be patrolling an area around the nests.

And that's the part us guys have got to be alert about, because if you get to within 20 or 30 yards of the nest, the father takes off at you, honking and hissing. It's scary enough if you can't get out of the way, but worse if you can't. His beak can gash you badly, and his wings are strong enough to break your arm.

Watch for our Giant Frog Warning in the next issue.

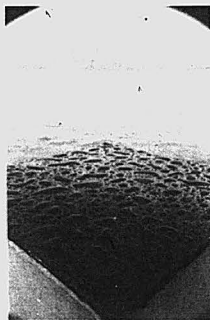
from the Port of Toronto News

There were only 5,575 take-offs and landings during the month of December at Toronto Island Airport, the lowest total since statistics were started in September, 1953. One-third of the available flying time was lost when the ceiling was below 1,000 feet or visibility restricted to three miles.

A total of 3,141 sailors signed the Missions to Seamen guest book last year, according to Anglican Chaplain Rev. Joseph Abbott. The seamen, who visited the Flying Angel at the Container Distribution Centre from April to December, represented 52 nationalities.

"The greatest attraction for most seamen was Niagara Falls," said Mr. Abbott. "We took 736 to the Falls in our 1965 bus which has now travelled around 80,000 miles."

Toronto Harbour Commissioner Okahak L. Jones, chairman of Consumers' Gas Co., will be awarded Toronto's Civic Award of Merit. Commissioner Jones was one of 10 persons nominated for the awards by a special citizens' committee. Recipients will be presented with the award, a gold medalion, in a ceremony at City Hall later this year.



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FROM THE GIBBALTAR POINTER

From: The Gibraltar Pointer

What are girls made of?
What are girls made of?
Flowers, boys and cupid's bows

That's what little girls are
made of.
Adam Eve

What are little boys made of?
What are little boys made of?
Brains and chains and bulging veins

That's what little boys are
made of.
Marxism



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Graffiti Island Sisters Piano Playoffs: A Late Winter Fete (And not a magnum)

THE PLAYERS: Lorraine, Fred, Judy and Aaron, Fergus, Alfred, Andy, Gretchen, (Our Lads in Waiting and Emily)

THE PLAY BY PLAY BY PLAY: Eric, Satire (1806-1925) having mastered parallel fourths by 1891, moved on to parallel tritones in "Exaltation," which also marks the invention of twentieth century sonic wall paper (1/20 Fourth Street branch of our Island Protection Plant was the setting of this banquet year event). The board was heard to groan with the sisters' sustenance. The elephant hooves thrashed on far into the night. I identified off on the settee.

Signed
E. Satire
your G&D Music Critic

(1) See Waiting room, Island Ferry Docks. Tape available upon request.

PAZIFIC
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ACTIVITY

News from St. Andrew-by-the-Lake

On Easter Sunday, Walter Banks, an old Islander, received his certificate as a Lay Reader through the Reverend Abbott at our church St. Andrew-by-the-Lake. Rev. Abbott also announced that Captain Harold Noseworthy of the Church Army will be his assistant in his work at the Mission of Seamen and will also, whenever necessary, replace Rev. Abbott in our church. The congregation was in for a wonderful surprise and grateful to see the interior of the whole church freshly painted by Rev. Abbott and Alice and Michael Abrecht.

Island Church St. Andrew-by-the-Lake

Services by Rev. W. Abbott on every Sunday at 11 a.m. Everyone is invited and welcome.

Car leaves Ward's Dock at 10:45 a.m. for the Island with additional runs of request.

Right now, there is no snow on the ground, but it is warm.

Special events

May 27 Service and worship, St. Andrew's church, Bay of Islands, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

June 10 Service and worship, St. Andrew's church, Bay of Islands, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

June 24 Service and worship, St. Andrew's church, Bay of Islands, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BELIEVE THIS - BUT

Realizing that it was heresy to say it, a Highly Respected Local Gardener was very careful to make sure that no one else on the boat was listening the other day when he whispered to us that what the Island gardens needed right now was a little rain.

While surveying the sandbagging operation at Bayview the other night, we heard an incredulous voice in the night which called out "Hey!". I think we're about to send some into the hay. There's *supposed* to be a star sign!

Remember in public school how you were taught to read and write, when the teacher told you to write the next assignment was to write six more pages. They were all sent to the printer at the Island Public Library. The assignment was to write about the Star Sign.

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NATURE

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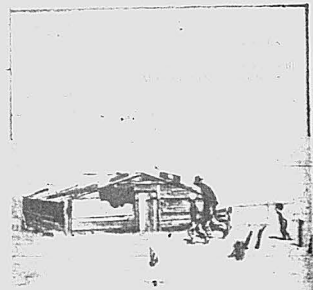
Looking out over the water.

Island girls by Fortune Lake



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The Goose and Duck

TORONTO ISLAND COMMUNITY NEWS JUNE 1973

GOOSE & DUCK
ROYAL VISIT
COMMEMORATIVE

**YOU MAY KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING,
 BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON DEPT.**

Here's a quote from Jon Caulfield's column in the current issue of *The Toronto Citizen*, which adds a little depth to the Island's recent encounter with Metro Council. It's from an article about Reid Scott's hopes of becoming Metro Council's next Chairman.

"On one issue which has arisen at Metro Council since January, Scott could not take a middle path — the future of the Toronto Island community. He supported the effort to get rid of the Island community. He says he believes the Islands must be given over entirely for parks use for the benefit of the whole City and that maintaining the Island community is a waste of potentially fine parkland. Some of his critics have interpreted his position as a blatant political move to win support from Metro Councillors who might otherwise vote for Godfrey as chairman, others accept his remarks as sincere."



Mr. Ray Spaxman
 City Planning Dept.
 City Hall
 Toronto, Ont. U. Spaxman

Building Up of the Wards Island Beach

The projected Stage One of the beach building operation at Wards Beach will consist of 100,000 cubic yards of dredged sand being placed from the easterly end of where the rock revetment has been uncovered approximately as far as the Algonquin Bridge.

This beach will be 100 ft. wide, and will be higher than the old beach to ensure that it is above the high water level, and also to allow for some settling later on. Consequently the north limit of the beach at the seawall will be higher than the boardwalk level, probably about two feet higher.

This work was originally planned for June, but the whole dredging contract started later than expected.

The plan is now to have the contractor go ahead working on Aquatic Park for a while till all the bugs are out of the operation and it is working smoothly. This will be done this summer, hopefully in July. Another reason for delay, the Harbour Commission engineers want to use the best quality sand available on the island, and so are waiting till this has been located in the outer harbour.

The grain of sand to be used on the beach will be somewhat coarser than the present fine sand. The reason for this is that coarser sand is expected to stay in place better, and will not shift around as much as very fine sand. We want the beach to be as stable as possible. I have asked that the pool at the east end of the beach be filled in and I believe this will be done.

Stage 2, the long section of beach to Centre Island is planned for completion in 1974. Some sort of commitment from Metro to the Federal Government is necessary before this work goes ahead. The Federal government needs to know that the beach is going to have some form of protection to hold it in place. Exactly what this form of protection will be is for Metro to decide. They have been asked to examine all the alternatives with the Harbour Commission engineering staff before a decision is made.

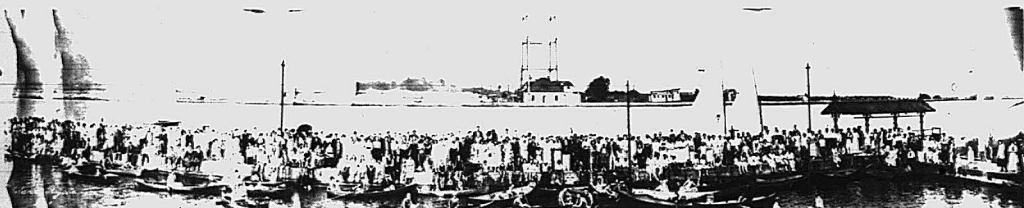
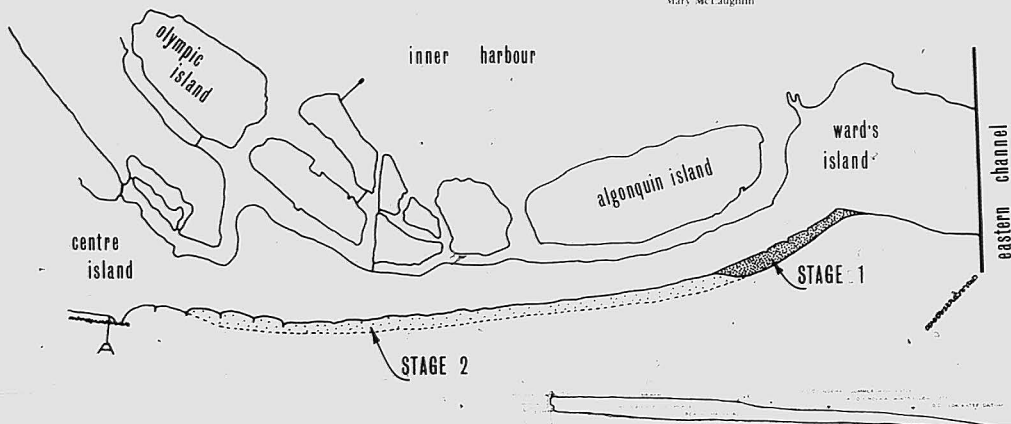
However, as long as a decision is made by the end of 1973 that *something* will be done, the actual decision on what form this protection is to take does not need to be made so early.

The form of protection could be groynes, a Sunnyside type seawall (at \$5 million a mile not too likely), a broken rock seawall similar to the one at Centre Island beach, a series of islands, or an island headland. The Harbour Commission on my suggestion proposed that Metro should involve the public in discussion of the alternatives. This suggestion is also part of my second report on the waterfront to City Council.

As your Harbour Commissioner, I will be glad to come to a meeting on the Island with our Chief Engineer to discuss this project and the alternatives with you. I could cover the political aspects, and he could deal with technical questions.

Further studies are to be made, and I'm not sure when these would be ready. It rather depends on how fast Metro Parks staff are prepared to move. I am convinced that an additional mile of good beach in a Metropolitan city such as Toronto is, will be of inestimable recreational value to the people of Toronto in the future, so I am a strong supporter of the beach project.

Mary McLaughlin



letters to the editor

On board the "Santa Rosa" down the Ucayali River Pucallpa to Iquitos, Peru

May 1, 1973

Dear friends,

Enjoying a marvellous trip: remarkable scenery, wonderful people, unforgettable experiences—from the fascinating undersea reefs of British Honduras to the magnificent heights of Machu Picchu, from the fabulous sounds of Preservation Hall, New Orleans to the joyful Indian rhythms of the fiestas of Ecuador; rafting on the Martha Brae in Jamaica, climbing through the sulphur steam of live Volcan Pacaya of Guatemala; the 2-mile drive through the mineshaft to the ghost town of Catorce, Mexico; stuck in the middle of a river at Puerto Escondido, waking in an earthquake in Ambato, Ecuador and recalling the devastation of Managua; landslides in the Andes; dysentery in the jungle; meeting a boyhood friend in the middle of the market of Chichicastenango, Guatemala; walking the railroad tracks through the Valley of the Incas when the train went off without me; sweating for the fifth time the always "never-again" paths over the mountains to

Marilyn McHugh visited Pat and Fred Schmidt for 2 weeks recently. She reports that she and John and the girls are enjoying their new home in Portugal. They're living in a flat in a converted fisherman's shack (they probably feel right at home). On moving day John startled the neighbours by sweeping the front walk. This kind of behaviour is not expected of a man in Portugal. Nor is going for the milk apparently. John caused so many stifled giggles when he made this gaffe that in future he plans to confine himself to such appropriate activities as leaning against walls, smoking and looking menacingly down his nose.

see old friends in Gargantella, Mexico; scaling the magnificent temples of Tikal and Chichen Itza and Patenque and Monte Alban and . . . the beautiful weaving of the Indians at Chichicastenango, Guatemala and Otavalo, Ecuador; the incredible real-life Otavalo zoo of the Galapagos Islands; shirring on the altiplano of Bolivia; blistering in the deserts of Peru; basking on palm-shaded beaches and hiking in the mountain . . .

Six months now, through Mexico, Belize, Jamaica, Central America, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia. I turned around reluctantly at La Paz and am heading back to my camper in Panama; I must get it out of the country before my 90-day permit expires and the car is nationalized! Driving back from there with Winnipeg friends, but taking our time hoping to enjoy camping through the late spring. But I must make it back in time to get a headstart on the crabgrass and get my vegetable garden in. Looking forward to home on the island.

See you in June.

Bruce Weber



The Editor,
The Goose and Duck,
11 Willow Avenue,
Toronto Island,
Toronto, Ontario,
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Dear Sir,

I have noted that the shoreline of the Island directly adjacent to the residential community, north of Channel and east of Third, has been eroding away behind the wall of the Eastern Gap

I have contacted the Toronto Harbour Commissioners to see if there is any possibility of re-building in this area, in particular from material available from dredging the Eastern Gap. They have indicated that during this coming summer's dredging operation of the Eastern Gap, there will be days when the Lake conditions and weather make it difficult for them to deposit dredge material on the spit. One of the other variables encountered in dredging is the quality of the dredge material. When the weather conditions and the cleanliness of the sand are right, the Harbour Commissioners have assured me that it will be possible for them to do this work. I have asked that they contact the municipality to explore further details and costs of this work.

I noticed in a recent issue of your newspaper that Tommy Thompson had suggested that it would be a good idea for the Harbour Commissioners to help stabilize the South Shore of the Island near the Eastern Gap. The Harbour Commissioners have already applied for an alteration of their contract to do this and have been given the necessary permission, so that work will also take place this summer.

I hope that residents of the Island can weather both the high water this summer, and all storms, natural and political.

Yours sincerely,

Donald S. Macdonald



Drawing by Don Sinclair

GO TO SEED (SEED Summer School Programme)

The programme is aimed primarily at students from grades 7, 8 and 9 but is open to high school students as well.

Some of the courses are theatre arts, photography and literature. Students can pursue any subject that interests them, and can work individually or in groups.

SEED would also like to hear from volunteer teachers of any subject. Classes could be held at their OISE office, 252 Bloor West or anywhere else that is appropriate to the subject.

Summer SEED headquarters is the INNO-SPACE Dept of The Ontario Institute of Studies in Education, 252 Bloor West. If you are thinking of offering your services as a teacher you might consider holding four classes or workshops on the island.

If you are interested in becoming a student or teacher please call Brian, Doug or Seth at 923-5143 for further information.

SEED School is an alternative in education for secondary school students who want the freedom to learn in any area that interests them. The informal structure at SEED (held at the Bloor YMHA), allows the community to be the classroom. Subject areas vary from philosophy and Yoga to creative writing and mathematics.



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GARDENING TIPS

Here's some good advice from the old garden doctor.

Many islanders are faced with soggy flower beds. One good solution is to grow things in window boxes or containers. Somewhere in every island house is a big galvanized tub used for rinsing laundry back in the old days when the human body was considered a prime source of energy. This tub or any other roomy container will make a good flowerbed. One advantage is that it can be placed where it will get lots of sun, not true of many gardens on this shady island.

To begin punch holes in the bottom of the tub, one in each corner and one in the centre, then add 2 or 3 inches of small stones to ensure drainage. Fill the tub with soil and you're ready to plant either flowers or vegetables. If you want to try some vegetables, put a pole in the middle of the tub of earth and plant a tomato, surround this with yellow beans or herbs.

As for window boxes the old garden doctor always plants watermelons in his. When the box falls off the wall you'll know the watermelons are ready! Happy gardening!



IT'S NICE TO HAVE FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES

As we go to press, we've heard of eight (count 'em, 8) Islanders who've been invited to the civic luncheon for the Queen. If nothing else, it should give Michael Best the opportunity to write a column about how Island political influence reaches right to The Very Top.

Queen Elizabeth to Launch Brigantine *Playfair*

by Freya Godard

The Sail Training Vessel *Playfair* will be christened in Kingston by the Queen on June 27.

Two Islanders have been continuing the Island boat building tradition at Kingston where they have been helping to build the new sister ship of the Brigantines *Pathfinder* and *St. Lawrence*.

Fred McConnell, who is staying with Sean McCutcheon this summer, is project manager in charge of the building of the ship. Although *Playfair* has been planned for some time it was Fred who actually got the work going last October. Fred sailed on *Pathfinder* as a boy. Bridget Turner as well as baking bread for Island tables, has been driving down to Kingston to help sand and varnish.

The new ship is being built for Toronto Brigantire Inc. as a sail training ship for boys 14 to 18. It will operate in much the same way as *Pathfinder*. A crew of 30 boys spends a week sailing on Lake Ontario with an adult captain and several permanent officers (boys). The program is designed to develop a sense of responsibility and initiative in young boys. Unfortunately, the participation of girls is limited to day cruises where there is no danger of fraternizing between the boys and girls. Have the directors of the Brigantine Corporation themselves shown a sense of responsibility and initiative in preferring to discriminate against girls rather than to face the problem honestly and try to cope with it?

Like her sister ships, *Playfair* will be rigged as a brigantine with two masts, the fore-mast with square sails and the main mast with fore and aft sails. She is a little larger than *Pathfinder* and *St. Lawrence* (60 ft over all) and has been built for ocean as well as lake sailing. Her hull is steel, but the deckhouse has been made of aluminum to reduce the deviation of the compass. Her spars were made from eight 40 ft. tall Eastern spruce found in the bush near Renfrew and shipped to Kingston where Mr. Gilbert, a 60-year old from Nanapanee spent a week squaring them with a broad axe. It took another 250 hours to turn them into perfectly round, smooth, tapered masts. The brass wheel stand, a relic from a Canaler of the early 1900's was found at a Hamilton ship wrecker's.

Late in July *Playfair* will be brought up to Toronto under power and will be berthed at Pier 5, where the fitting out will continue through the winter. She will be commissioned next spring.

HAVING A BABY AT HOME

by Michael Albrecht



From the conception of Elizabeth Portia we were determined to have our baby at home. There were doubts in the beginning. Our closest friends advised strongly against such foolishness. This misunderstanding of the birth experience made us search harder for someone to help us.

The more pregnant we became the more confident we grew in our decision. At the suggestion of the public health nurse, Linda Reed, we called the Victorian Order of Nurses. (Mrs. Reed, a teacher of prenatal classes said that home delivery was the ideal situation, the first professional to support our wishes.)

The Victorian Order of Nurses seemed our only hope. They told us that they would be thrilled to assist before, during and after the childbirth providing there was a written request from the doctor who must be present to deliver the baby.

In Canada only a doctor may deliver a baby. All doctors and hospitals we consulted up to 3 months prior to the birth were uncooperative and competitive in their attitude. Then we discovered that there were two Toronto doctors who would do deliveries at home. One was not sure about coming to the island.

Dr. David, a large and gentle man is a general practi-

tioner and writer. No sooner had his letter been sent to the V.O.N. than Marcia Meikle, mother, nurse and humanitarian called at our door.

V.O.N. nurses generally look after the misfits other institutions reject as incurable. Something as simple as baby delivery is a pleasant change. Ms. Meikle has 5 years pediatric experience at Toronto's Sick Children's Hospital. She has delivered only 2 babies under the V.O.N. at home.

Why are so few babies born at home in Canada? Having a baby is an everyday occurrence, but North America has made it an unbearable experience, with drugs, episiotomies, isolation, etc. etc. This is not to say that some of these things are useless. My wife was given 50 cc of demerol to help her relax between contractions as she was in sporadic labour for 4 days.

The V.O.N. supplied all the drugs, cotton balls, soap, bed pan, safety pins, newspapers etc. through an organization affiliated with OHIP called Home Care.

Alice did say damnit once during the delivery as I recall so there is work involved, but not unpleasant work if you're prepared. The work is easier if someone is sharing the nine months of pregnancy with the mother. It doesn't matter who long as they can be sympathetic to an expectant mother's sudden changes in mood.

Seeing a woman have a baby is an unexplainable event and incomprehensible seen on film.

I held my wife's hand during the delivery and tried to encourage her to use the Lamaze breathing method which helped early in the labour. But the last 2 hours Dr. Collins and Ms. Meikle told Alice what to do and she did it. Even steady breathing slowly becoming faster and then easing off. It helped for me to hold her up when she began to deliver the baby. She did yell in my ear but not as loudly as our lovely brown haired blue eyed baby can scream at present.

To us the whole experience seemed brief and pleasant. It is a pity that the North American man is usually not allowed to participate in the great adventure of the delivery of his own child.

We're happy to report the arrival of Casey, the 7lb 14oz son of Leda and Kas Rutke.

FROM THE GIBRALTAR POINTER

You will remember in the last issue we praised the island school's poetry writing program. We're not sure about sex education.

HOW TO MAKE A PREGNANT WOMAN

1. Get one very thin lady.
2. Put a maternity dress on her.
3. Put a large bra on her and fill it with kleenex.
4. Under her dress put a large pillow.
5. Then take her to the hairdresser and get her hair styled.
6. Take her to a cupid computer and get her a boy friend. And Voila! you have made a pregnant woman!

By Cindy Jones

Congratulations to John and Andrew Allen on the birth of their son, *the Gibraltar Pointer* right when it reported his weight at 9.3.4 lbs.



IOSAH (and the Island) and the Whale

Whales have several things in common with Islanders they live in water and are in danger of becoming only a memory. Appropriate then is the fact that the national headquarters for Project Jonah, an organization trying to save the whales from extinction, is located on the island.

Farley Mowat, champion of vanishing breeds is President of Jonah, whose birth was simultaneous with the announcement of a total ban on whaling by Canadian companies operating on the east coast.

Through the ages whales and whaling have captured the fancy of many writers and poets. Moby Dick is perhaps the best known of these accounts, but the romantic days described by Melville when levitating stood a sporting chance against the whalers abruptly ended with the advent of factory ships. These vessels equipped with radar, grenade guns and other death dealing technological gadgets can accurately locate pods of whales from great distances and can kill and process a whale within an hour.

When one becomes aware of the remarkable intelligence they exhibit, the uses for whales killed in this manner become truly incredible. Man is reducing creatures who may equal or surpass his own mental capacities to pet food, chicken feed, lubricating oil, cosmetics and other trivial products, and is on the verge of destroying the whales. Now scientists are beginning to explore the possibilities of communication with them.

Project Jonah is leading the fight for a ten year world wide moratorium on whaling. Such a period would give the endangered species time to increase their numbers and would allow man to re-think his present definition of whales as a natural resource to be harvested.

A crucial time for the whales is coming up shortly when the International Whaling Commission convenes its annual meeting in London, England towards the end of June. This voluntary membership body which generally serves whaling interests, rather than the interests of the whales, will consider a moratorium proposal presented by the United States and supported by Canada. A similar proposal was presented last year, but Project Jonah expects that if this occurs Japan and Russia, who together account for over 80 percent of all whaling, will simply resign and carry on whaling operations unimpeded.

If you're interested in Project Jonah, drop around to the office at 13 Dorset St. I'll send an eyewitness report of the I.W.C. Proceedings from London for those who want to follow the continuing saga of the whales.

Edna Cunningham



Project Jonah

FOR SALE

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\$68.50

Congratulations to the class of '73 Island School. Dave Amer, Doug Barker, Barton Ward, Ted Lyle, Evan Roerick, and Susan Guest. The presentation of special awards is taking place as the *Gambit* goes to press and will be published in our next issue or in the upcoming *Ward's Island Weekly*. A slide presentation on the Vancouver trip of the senior class and Anthony Barton's film *MARYROSE* were shown.

ISLAND TO BE IMMORTALIZED BY THEATRE GROUP

The Open Circle Theatre is a new company of actors whose aim it is to create Toronto's first professional community theatre. They are attempting to unite the professional artist with the community by finding the roots of the creations in the community itself.

Their first show opened in April and was "A Musical Documentaries on Welfare and Unemployment" entitled "No Way, Jose". It was received enthusiastically in Toronto and was performed as a benefit for TIRA here on the island. Their second production is now in rehearsal and will be about the Island (past and present). So far the company has spent two weeks gathering information by talking to Islanders. They are probably a familiar sight to most of you by now as they slog through the mud, trusty tape recorders slung over their shoulders. They hope to open the show here on the Island in early July. When last seen they were all practicing being sea-gulls.

As some of the actors have expressed an interest in staying on the island for a night or two to get a better feel for the community and the space, anyone with a spare bunk can offer it by phoning Open Circle Theatre 967-5584.

Even now it is whispered that the grand opening will be attended by the chief engineer of the Toronto Island Harbour Commission, B. Livingstone Esq. and Mrs. Livingstone. No doubt it will be hard to surpass the commissioner's sartorial opulence.



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An expansive look at the Islands' future The prospect of a permanent community

During the past few months, the city planning board staff has been making a thorough study of the Island community (remember all those questionnaires?), and what should happen to the homes here and the people who live in them.

The results of all this labor are contained in an extensive "report to end all reports" on how the Island community came to be the way it is, and what should be done to preserve it (which the report recommends should happen).

It's a long document to read, so we thought it would be useful to extract the most important parts for *Goose and Duck* readers. These are the objectives (chapter 5), and the recommendations (chapter 6).

Here are the texts of those two chapters.

Objectives

It is obvious that if the City is to reassume forthwith the Toronto Islands residential areas of Ward's and Algonquin, not all details can be resolved at this time. However, in taking back the lands* it is suggested that a number of principles can be established, and that these should be adopted by City Council as its policy in all future discussion with the community toward the resolution of the detailed mechanisms to govern the future of the areas. They are as follows:

- To encourage public use of the park areas surrounding the residential areas, by properly maintaining these areas and designing such additional facilities as may be deemed necessary and appropriate.
- To encourage year-round use of these areas and of the rest of Toronto Islands Park.
- To preserve the automobile-free environment.
- To clean up any pollution or debris that now exists in the residential area, and prevent any development that might pollute the surrounding environment.
- To provide for preservation of the special character and strengths of the existing Toronto Island community by, among other things:

Providing present residents with an opportunity to continue living on the island.

Retaining as much of the existing housing as possible.

Developing and requiring that houses come up to housing standards deemed suitable by the city for the area.

Providing an appropriate level of municipal services.

Ensuring that any replacement housing is in keeping with the character of the present housing.

Maintaining and extending year-round residency.

Resolving the question of whether there should be some small-scale commercial facilities such as a variety store or a coffee shop both to serve an



expanding residential area and to further invite year-round residential and public use of the areas. To explore the possibilities of an expansion of the residential areas, ensuring that any expansion:

is in keeping with the style and character of the present residential area and is in harmony with the park surroundings.

- Includes a mix of income groups.
- Includes a large proportion of family units.
- To prevent windfall profits at any time, including in the interim period between now and the time at which lands be reassumed by the city.

• To ensure that a wide range of social and economic groups will have access to present and future island housing.

• To obtain controls to ensure that excessive rents are not charged.

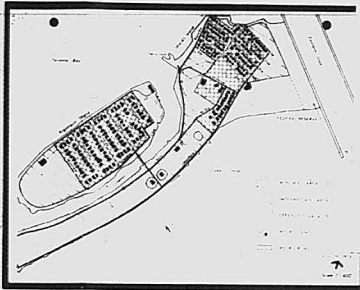
• To involve present island residents and other groups and individuals interested in the future of the residential areas in the preparation of official plan amendments and other policies and laws required to give effect to the above-stated objective.

Recommendations

1. That this report be adopted-in-principle and form the basis for any future discussions and decisions regarding the Toronto residential areas.

2. That the objectives outlined in Section 5 of this report be adopted as policy by Council.

3. That the City state its intention to use all of its powers — including its zoning powers, its official



DAVID HEINSEY

plan powers and especially the powers conferred on it by the ownership of the land — to attain the objective contained in this report.

4. That the City request that the Toronto Islands (residents and absentee landlords) present an indication to the City, prior to the final City decision regarding the Islands, that all or nearly all of the existing community will support the objectives outlined in Section 5 of this report and controls deemed necessary by the City, after full discussion with the Island communities, to attain those objectives, that, without this indication, the City may be ill-advised to reassume the Toronto Island residential areas.

5. That those portions of Ward's and Algonquin Islands delineated in Intermediate Area, (see map) be transferred from Metro to the City for residential and ancillary purposes.

6. That the Metropolitan Toronto Act be amended to effect the transfer of these lands from Metro to the City and that this be an outright transfer, accompanied by no reversion clause.

7. That the City's Official Plan be concurrently amended to permit low-density residence in the lands to be reverted in the City.

8. That the legislation necessary to give effect to this transfer include a provision that ensures that the City has the power to expand the housing and any other powers necessary to carry out the objectives of this report.

9. That the legislation necessary to give effect to this transfer include a notice of termination of the existing leases at the end of their present term (August 31, 1974).

10. That the City advise all owners of houses on the Toronto Islands that it may require all houses bought and sold after September 1, 1973, to be vacated upon the City's reassumption of land on the Toronto Islands.

11. That the transferred leases be administered by the Rental Division of the City Property Department until or unless a more appropriate alternative is found.

12. That the costs of servicing the Island residential areas be share with Metro as outlined in this report, and that, where appropriate and most economical, work orders should be issued to Metro Departments and/or Metro contractors to do the necessary work and bill the City.

13. That the City investigate the possibility of making comprehensive changes in the type of tenure to be adopted for the present residential areas on the Islands (e.g., the possibility of the City itself renting both the land and the buildings to individual lessees; the City leasing its land only to one or more non-profit co-operatives; the possibility of individual ground leases with special conditions and controls).

14. That, as soon as any decision is made to transfer land to the City, funds be made available to the City of Toronto Planning Board to conduct an area planning program in the City-owned residential area.

15. That this planning program be carried out in conjunction with the Island community possibly through the establishment of a working committee, with a view to finding ways of implementing community and City objectives, prior to the expiration of leases in August of 1974.

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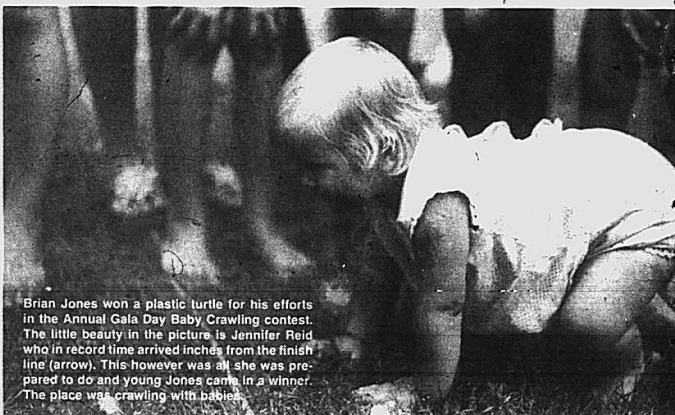


These seven babies were born between August 20 and September 2, 1972. Celebrating at a group birthday party are Susan Godin, Jacqueline Godin, Jan Williamson, Virginia Williamson, Robert duToit, Jessie Harris, Alan Black, Bree Webb (hidden), and Fraser Black.

Jacqueline Godin, Jan Williamson, Virginia Williamson, Robert duToit, Jessie Harris, Alan Black, Bree Webb (hidden), and Fraser Black.



Doug Ganton



Brian Jones won a plastic turtle for his efforts in the Annual Gala Day Baby Crawling contest. The little beauty in the picture is Jennifer Reid who in record time arrived inches from the finish line (arrow). This however was all she was prepared to do and young Jones came in a winner. The place was crawling with babies.

Gaet Godin

August 31, 1973

Dear Goose and Duck,
I have just received the Toronto Island Community News for June, 1973, which was postmarked 28th December, 1973. This was a very interesting issue, but arrived rather late to let me know about "No way, Jose".

Have I not subscribed to the Goose and Duck? Have I not paid membership fees in the Island Association?

Why should the June issue of The Goose and Duck be postmarked in December, and delivered to me in August?

Another question: why don't the photographers give titles to their pictures? Maybe everyone with a cottage on the Island is expected to know what the pictures are all about.

Finally, I wonder if someone, at the Island, informed on Marine biology, would tell us about whales with two blow-holes.

Are there to be two publications at the Island, or is Goose and Duck to be changing its name to The Ward's Island Weekly?

Kind regards to the Ruskins.

Let me know if I owe a membership fee in the Association, or a subscription fee to your publication.

Best wishes to all at the Goose and Duck.

Gilbert Templeton

**EXCLUSIVE G&D PICTURE OF
STRANGE ISLAND RITES!!**

This rare photo shows part of an exotic religious ritual long rumoured to take place among Island residents. The picture shows an Islander paying homage to the Great God "Pump".



Rick Radelja

This strange custom, believed to be practised only by certain of those residents whose houses border the bay side of Ward's and Algonquin Island, has, until now, been only a rumour at Anthropological circles. Reports have it that the custom is practised in the springtime, once every 20 years, and is done in an effort to frighten away an evil spirit who is described as "a large man, who likes wearing a cowboy hat."



PLAYSCHOOL 1973-74

A co-operative playschool may generally be described as a non-profit organization of parents who have banded together for the purpose of setting up and maintaining a playschool for their children. Such a project may be a family affair with mother, father and child all interested in the same venture. It can also be a valuable community project with each family making its own contribution for the good of all. The more the parents and community put into it, the more they will get out of the experience.

To be eligible for playschool children must be 24 months by December 31st 1973. Each mother or a substitute arranged by the mother must participate in the programme. Playschool takes place on Tuesday and Thursday morning of each week from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and will start on Oct. 9, 1973. The fee is \$5.00 for each term or \$12.00 for the year per child.

for further information call

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Editors' Note: The above item, written by Bonnie Erwin, was not solicited by the editors of this paper, or by any of its executive officers. The editors wish to point out that they do not necessarily either endorse or disclaim any political philosophes expressed or implied in Ms. Erwin's message.



THE GOOSE AND SQUARE DUCK DANCE

Who among you has information on the availability of a caller for a square dance. We feel that the time is ripe for a *Goose and Duck* square dance at the Ward's Island Clubhouse. If you know a caller or are a caller or can work with a record please call 364-5051. Or would that be a retrograde step.

AT HOME WINTER COFFEE REOPENS SERVICE

Because there are no coffee shops open on the island in the off seasons, island residents are once again providing open houses each Saturday and Sunday from October 20.

Last winter an estimated 700 park visitors accepted our invitation to warm up in one of 60 houses which were open during the winter.

The first half of the winter roster is now filled entirely with people who weren't involved last year. This means that nearly half the island households have been involved in the program.

If you would like to be included in the list for the second half of the winter, please call Sheila du Toit at 368-8202.

If you plan to visit the park here are the dates and addresses of the open houses.

- Oct. 20 15 Seneca
- Oct. 21 8 Third
- Oct. 27 16 Lakeshore
- Oct. 28 32 Omaha
- Nov. 3 8 Dacotah
- Nov. 4 13 Wyandot
- Nov. 10 7 Dacotah
- Nov. 11 14 Omaha
- Nov. 17 20 Lakeshore
- Nov. 18 6 Ojibway
- Nov. 24 11 Oneida
- Nov. 25 5 Channel
- Dec. 1 4 Second Street
- Dec. 2 28 Omaha
- Dec. 8 36 Lakeshore
- Dec. 9 29 Seneca
- Dec. 15 15 Third
- Dec. 16 7 Ojibway
- Dec. 22 5 Wyandot
- Dec. 23 4 Nottawa
- Dec. 29 10 Omaha



The Junior Auxiliary of the T.I.R.A. (open to any Island resident under the age of 18) held its first meeting last Monday night.

The group, which is being groomed to take over T.I.R.A. executive positions in the mid-70s (at the time when the Metric system will be implemented across Canada) has issued its first policy statement.

"Although we realize that the Metric System will some day be of great value to all of Canada, we do not feel that it will apply for some time to the residential community on Toronto Island.

Because of this, when the rest of the country adopts the system, we plan to ask the Federal Government for a 5 year extension.



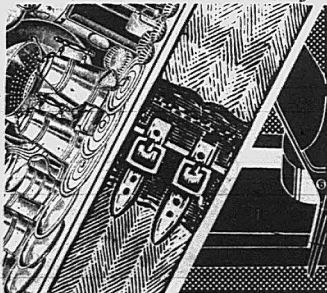
BIRTHDAY CAKE (1870-1950) is presented to Cleveland's Mayor Burke by three long-time Sohio employees.

HOT STUFF

OIL WOOD COAL

Leave orders in mailbox at 14 Fifth. Wards Oil deliveries will start the first week in October.

Energy crisis means prices will probably go up 3 to 4 cents a gallon according to Dibble.
Sean McCutcheon



A CHAMPION PROVES THEY CAN COME BACK

Presented to Mr. William Ward by the members of the Toronto Gun Club for bravery in rescuing the crew of the schooner Olive Branch, wrecked on Toronto Island, Nov. 14, 1975.

Jan. 18th, 1876
The inscription on the inner case of a big gold watch, with a chain heavy enough to moor a frigate, caught the eye and prompted the question:

"Oh, I was given that," answered Capt. William Ward, the owner of the timepiece, "for the rescue of the ten people in the crew of the Olive Branch, opposite Mr. Gordon's house, on the Island, a long while ago."

A Veteran Lifesaver

Bronzed by the suns of sixty-three summers, and grizzled by the snows of as many winters, Capt. Ward, lifeboat coxswain, is still as hale and hearty a waterman as ever pulled an oar. Everybody in Toronto knows him, and takes it for granted that he and his sons will be on hand in case of a wreck, but wrecks have not been numerous of late years, and it will surprise many to know that Capt. Ward has the saving of one hundred and forty-two lives to his credit.

Many Mementoes

Capt. Ward possesses the Royal Humane Society's gold medal, only one of which is given each year for the most conspicuous act of bravery; he has the society's silver medal, the first ever given in Canada; he has the society's silver clasp for life-saving feats, but he doesn't wear the medals; he doesn't parade his trophies, and it is somewhat of a triumph, and at the same time a treat, to get him to talk about them.

The Olive Branch

The Olive Branch was an Oswego schooner of five or six hundred tons; the coxswain said, urged to tell more of the watch: "She was driven ashore half a mile to the westward of our house."

"She came close in—within 250 or 300 feet of the shore. It was blowing a gale, and the breakers bursting on the beach made it impossible to launch a boat. Father and the other fishermen tried time after time, but the boat was always capsized or dashed back on the beach, and there seemed no hope."

Trying to get a Line Ashore

The crew of the Olive Branch all got forward in the shelter of the foresail, which was still flying. She was lying broadside to the sea, parallel to the beach, and every time a wave burst over her it would strike the sail and go shooting aft.

"We could see a sailor clear one of the halliards and bend the end on to the ring-bolt of a hatch cover. They shoved this overboard, trying to float a line to shore, but the Three Brothers—breakers three in a row—sucked the hatch over all along the vessel's length, and as soon as it got half way to the beach the backwash would carry it out again."

Plucky Son Made Try

"Will, said my father to me, 'make a line fast round your waist and have a try for that hatch. I'll stand by the shore end of the line, and if I think there's too much to tackle I'll haul you back in time.'"

"I made the line fast and plunged in. I dived through the breakers, and every time I came up I looked around for the tossing hatch cover. One sea reared up fourteen feet of solid water above me. I dove through it, and when I came up something hit me on the head. It was the rope on the hatch cover. I grabbed it with one hand and yanked hard on my life-line with the other. They pulled me back ashore, dragging the line and the hatch cover with me."

All Were Rescued

Once the line was ashore the sailors carried their end up the mast, and we made our end fast and hove it taut. She was a big vessel, so that there was considerable slant to the rope. They lashed the woman cook to it and sid her down from the mast-head to the shore. And then one by one the sailors followed her and all hands were saved.

"I got more than the watch for this. All the clothing firms in Toronto vied with one another in offering outfits to the life-savers, and besides I got this—producing a thick gold medal, about the size of a silver dollar. That's the English Royal Humane Society's gold medal, and only one of them is given each year for the most conspicuous act of bravery reported."

The medal has the figure of a child blowing a torch on it, on one side, with the motto in Latin meaning "Perhaps a Spark Remains." Around the rim is inscribed the name of the medal winner and the date.

We Wanted—We Got—We Pay The other day, we saw two elderly gents getting off the boat at the Ward's dock, and overheard one of them say to the other, "This is Ward's Island. It's named after one of Ned Hanlan's sons—Ward Hanlan."

It's this spirit of enthusiastic misinformation that has led us to offer this page of historical trivia. This item isn't all that historical, but it does come from an item headlined "The Law" from a 1960 Globe and Mail, so maybe it fits in here. The item is about the increased expense of sandbagging operation and under arrest. Drop those burlap bags and come out of your houses with your hands up!

By and large we are well satisfied with things as they are in that respect. We should all, however, give some consideration to the improvement of our situation. Our toilet facilities for example are far from ideal. It is possible that the thing about which we should concern ourselves is the amount of money that is spent by the manner in which the money is used.

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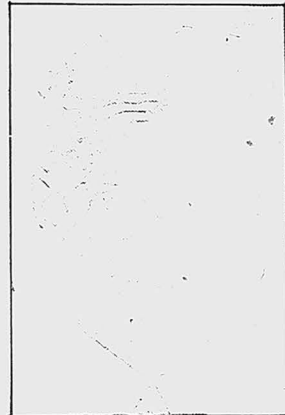
Globe and Mail, Thursday, Feb. 4, 1960
It is illegal to ride a bicycle on any bridge on Toronto's Centre Island. The regulation is set out in bylaw No. 14973. No person shall ride or operate a bicycle on any Toronto Island bridge.

The Toronto Telegram used to publish a feature called "50 Years Ago in the Tely." Here's some island stuff we culled from the series, and to set the scene, we have to tell you that the fireboat of the city was moored at Centre Island.

August 6, 1907
Fire destroyed the Island ferry Shamrock and sheds at the foot of Bay Street.

August 8, 1907
Capt. Goodwin explained that the tug Nellie By far failed to go to the Shamrock ferry fire because there was no telephone communication with the Island after midnight.

July 22, 1908
The fire-tug Nellie By can now be reached by telephone.



CAPT. WILLIAM WARD.

Everybody here know Barton Ward? He's a 14-year old 6th-generation Islander, and here's a story about his great-great grandfather. It's from a 1910 newspaper, and it's a bit of Ward family history that we dug out of the Metro Toronto Library system.

ISLAND PLAN MUST TAKE BACK SEAT TO DEFENCE HOWE TELLS TORONTO

Toronto was told recently by Right Hon. C.D. Howe, minister of trade and commerce, that development of Toronto Island may take a back seat to defence requirements. Plans to be presented to city council within three months "certainly" cannot be implemented at this time, Mr. Howe said by telephone from Ottawa.

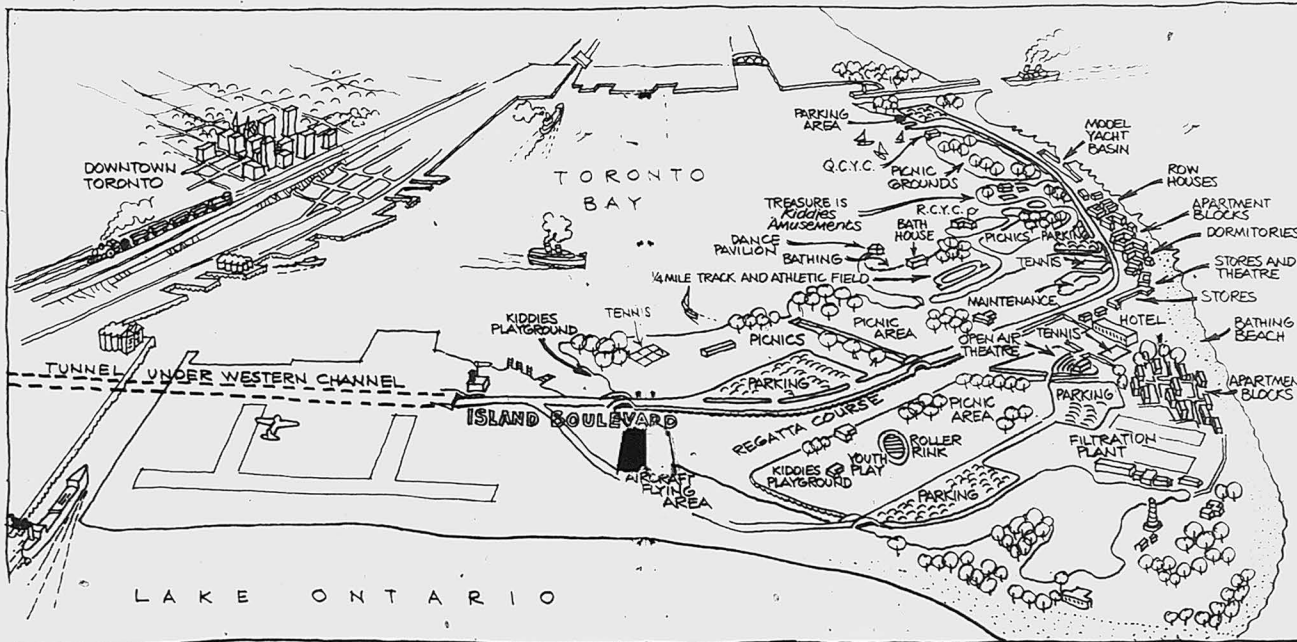
The minister's views were received philosophically by Mayor McCallum, who heard from Con. Balfour yesterday that realization of the Island dream would be "quite a feather" in the mayoral cap.

"We certainly couldn't go ahead with the project if the present world situation continues," the mayor admitted. "But the plans must be prepared first. We have to get ready for the development. Doing so doesn't mean we have to go ahead with the work right away."

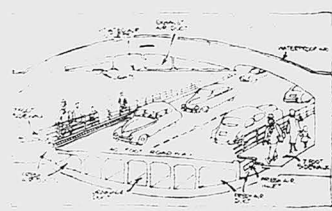
In Ottawa, Mr. Howe was definite in saying the federal government is not interested in making any financial contributions to the project at present. W.H. Bosley, harbour commission chairman, said yesterday Mr. Howe had indicated the government was prepared to spend nearly \$1,000,000 for a tunnel to provide access to the Island airport.

Mr. Howe made it clear the government has no such intentions now. No steel could be allotted to the job, and "we are having enough trouble building the Toronto subway," he said. "I certainly wouldn't encourage this thing in wartime. I certainly would have nothing to do with it at this particular time."

The tunnel construction linking the mainland with the Island on which apartment houses, hotels and permanent homes would arise, could not be realized "in the face of defence needs," Mr. Bosley said today. "No one expected the government would allocate steel to it at the moment. But with the plans ready, we can get started on the development when the right time comes."



CITY AUTHORITIES TO PREPARE PLANS AND SKETCHES FOR ISLAND IMPROVEMENTS DESPITE DEFENCE PRIORITIES



Really, this isn't the plan. It's just a plan. One which was in vogue in 1951. Thanks to Etile Horne for loaning us the Toronto Star clipping with the story, and thanks to brilliant young Toronto architect Roger du... for the art-work. (And extra points in the G&D Sweepstakes to each reader who can tell us what war was going on in 1951.)

"The Shadow" mixed a lot of lads dressed as jaxies, and vice versa, over at the Hard Time Dance. 'Twas kind of hard to tell who was which, something like some of this summer's Island romances.



Duck statue found in N.Y.

NEW YORK (AP)—The Ugly Duckling, stolen about 10 days ago from Central Park, has been found and soon will be back at his old stand, police said yesterday.

The two-foot bronze, normally located at the base of a seven-foot statue of Danish storyteller Hans Christian Andersen, was found near a warehouse after authorities received an anonymous telephone call.



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The following report is from Seán MacDiarmáid of Ireland.

I was hiking alongside a pleasant river in the North-west Coast of Ireland when I met an old man. He was tying together bits of string which he found in his pockets making a sling and handle for carrying his package. I asked him if this was the road to Teelin Pier. It was and he would come with me most of the way. He wasn't wearing his teeth and he spoke in the slow and gentle cadences of the area. Did he know Felix, the friend (former islander) whom I was visiting.

I do. I do indeed. So Felix is a friend of yours -- well, no shame on you, no shame on you at all. That's the nicest man I ever talked to.

We crossed a stream, one of dozens coursing down from the mountain bogs. When I asked the name he explained that the waters come down from up there in Siveveague, and they do run down past here and off to the sea. He repeated this, pointing so that I understood.

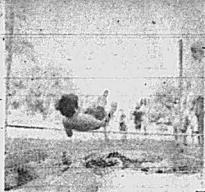
Blackfaced sheep bounded uphill bleating in fright when we disturbed their grazing. He pointed out the different varieties of potatoes in the rocky beds and talked of the great richness in their taste. This, and the smell of turf smoke from the constant cooking and heating fires in the cottages, whetted my appetite, but I had no food with me and the blackberries growing in the ditches weren't ripe yet, we were greeted from most of the cottages we passed, sometimes in Gaelic.

God be with you

Jesus and Joseph and Mary be with you. Then we came to a crossroads and the top of a hill. Below I could see Teelin Pier sheltering a couple of lobster boats and beyond a glimpse of a lovely and spectacular coastline. Here, the old man left me, saying "When you get down to Teelin Look out for the hole in the wall. They've got eggs for tuppence a dozen And whiskey for nothing at all."

Later Felix told me he was an epileptic and considered a little touched.

Bill GEORGE JANE AND MARY



by BILL GEORGE

Taiwan is a land of mountains. Fully two-thirds of the island is occupied by the massive central range which runs north to south leaving only a thin strip of arable land on either side.

Very few people have willingly gone into the mountains. The aborigines only left their lowland villages when they were driven from them by the Chinese. The Chinese themselves were content to carve out a few tea plantations in the foothills, but, save for an occasional expedition into the interior in search of animal hides or camphor wood, they left the interior alone.

The Japanese were more aggressive. They wanted Taiwan for its natural resources, primarily the timber which grew on the heavily wooded mountain slopes around the island's highest peak, Jade Mountain. They drove inland from Chiayi, laying narrow gauge railroad tracks as they went. They secured wood-burning steam locomotives and rolling stock from the United States; and then proceeded, during the fifty years of Japanese rule (1895-1945), to strip the south-central mountain region of its lumber. To this day there are vast areas around Jade Mountain that are completely bare. It is said that half of pre-war Tokyo was built of wood taken from Taiwan's Jade Mountain.

Jade Mountain was our objective. To get there we followed the Japanese built logging railway. These days the first part of the trip is done in a tiny little train pulled by a miniature diesel. This train, pretty much of a tourist express, travels as far as a place called Mt. Ali, a mountain of some 9,000 feet which has become a famous tourist spot in the years since 1945 when Japan ceded Taiwan to the Chinese. The main attraction of an otherwise unimpressive village there is the sunrise viewed over the clouds which cover the valley between Mt. Ali and Jade Mountain.

During the ride up, I sat scowling through the train window at the cold, grey drizzle which increased as we ascended. We had done that part of the trip before, the previous spring. At that time, it rained for three days—continuously, obliterating trails in both directions, up and down.

We only made it back down the mountain via an assortment of trains. One would take us a short way down to where a landslide had blocked the tracks. We would then clamber over rocks and through furiously leaking tunnels where it was feared the train's vibration would set off another landslide. Having passed through the dangerous area, we would then climb onto another train. This time, the weather looked even worse.

By evening when we arrived at Mt. Ali, the drizzle had increased to a downpour. As the seven members of our climbing party plodded off to a hostel, I began to wonder how many Chinese gods we had offended to merit such vindictive retribution.

At the hostel we greedily ate our evening meal, mostly rice and vegetables, and warmed ourselves by sipping huge bowls of steaming soup. The hostel, like most buildings on Taiwan, was unheated; and at 9,000 feet in late November, it was cold. Not long after we had finished supper we began to shiver in spite of our heavy Chinese style padded jackets. We climbed into the large tatami-floored room which was to be our communal bedroom. There we huddled under thick Chinese quilts and discussed whether to go back or go on and perhaps risk being stranded further up on the mountain.

Someone had the foresight to bring along a large bottle of yellow rice wine. We were well into our cups when five of us decided that if the logging train were running, we would let it take us to the base of the Jade Mountain ridge where we would make our final decision to go on or not.

Morning came in the form of scalding tea abusing my wine-parched mouth. We stumbled through the pre-dawn darkness to a dubious rendezvous with one of the wood-burning locomotives the Japanese had brought to Taiwan so many years before. The locomotives had been relegated to the last part of the trip, a two hour run from Mt. Ali to the base of Jade Mountain ridge, where the Chinese still maintained a logging station.

The car into which we climbed was tiny, some twenty feet long, in keeping with the reduced scale of the whole train. I took my pack off and sat down heavily on one of the long wooden benches which were set against the side walls of the car.



Beside me were four aborigines, descendants of the original non-Chinese settlers of the island. I stretched my mouth into what I hoped might pass for a smile and was greeted with what very definitely were smiles from the mountain people. A few minutes of conversation elicited the information that they were returning home. Where exactly home was, though, I couldn't be certain, for I had absolutely no knowledge of the names of the various mountain villages in that area.

While the aborigines and I were smiling and misunderstanding each other, another passenger hoisted himself into the car causing it to shake prodigiously. With practiced economy of motion, I lifted my eyes to the precise level where I would find the eyes of an average size Chinese—only to find an enormous quantity of gold piping on a black uniform.

I had to look up another foot to find the fellow's face, broad and grinning under a black-brimmed, gold-braided officer's cap. Even my foggy brain could quickly ascertain that I was in the presence of a police official of some greater importance than the local constabulary. The apparition set my mind working at a furious pace, furious that is, for five o'clock in the morning, which wouldn't set records in anyone's book. I ventured a mental calculation on the fellow's place of origin. He must have come

from Shantung province on the Chinese mainland. Such a deduction is not very remarkable, however, as 90 percent of all Chinese over six feet come from that particular province. I introduced myself; he did likewise. He was indeed the area police superintendent, and was also from Shantung province on the mainland.

Most westerners think of Chinese as relatively small people, and a lot of them are. In general, however, northern Chinese are physically larger than their southern counterparts. The Chinese themselves believe this is due to diet; southerners eat rice; northerners eat noodles and bread. For some reason, Chinese from Shantung are the largest; our official friend hit 6'3" in his tennis-shoed feet. Shantung, incidentally, was the birthplace of Confucius. It is interesting to reflect that the author of a philosophy which placed so much emphasis on education and moral behaviour probably resembled a professional wrestler much more than our conception of a wizened sage.

After the train's whistle shrieked its starting blast, we began chugging up the mountain. The drizzle which had continued through the night seemed to become lighter. And we probably would have felt much better about climbing had not the police official chosen to entertain us with stories of how unwary climbers had met their end on the mountain we were about to climb. Being how unappreciative we were of stories of the perils of Jade Mountain, he then launched into tales of his own exploits as a member of the "big Knife Brigade", a Chinese military unit during World War II. Apparently this brigade consisted of a group of cut-throat commandos whose purpose was to make life difficult for Japanese who had the temerity to venture outside their fortified garrisons. He spoke with great relish of decapitating Japanese soldiers with one swipe of his cut-throat—a feat of which I could well believe him capable.

In between our friend's animated description of people falling off the mountain or being hacked to death by his trusty blade I stared out the window. I kept looking for that break in the clouds which might presage good weather, but I did not find it.

(end of part 1)



What perils lay in wait for Bill George and Mary Anderson on the infamous mountain they are innocently approaching? How will Bill's brooding depression and the still unmentioned emotional upheaval in the hearts of his companion climbers affect their fate? Only the Goose and Duck know, but you will too, if you read the next issue.



Announcing!!! at the Wards' Island Association Clubhouse

THE TOILET BOWL

The first annual flag football championship Eliminations games begin at 12 noon, October 6 (if rain, Oct. 7) at 3 pm.

Big Championship match will decide the winner of the Terrific Michael Best Trophy

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Call Dave Harris at 364-0589 if you can help with goal posts, yard sticks field markers, refereeing. We need help!

bring your own steak, hamburger, hot dog, scrambled eggs etc. for bar b q at the Ward's Island Clubhouse. 7 pm.

City readers of the Goose & Duck welcome



Archie Erwin



Community picture taken on Ward's Island's annual Gala Day, held traditionally on Dominion Day.



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The Goose and Duck

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IF THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SEEN THIS PAPER, START READING HERE:

Let's get one thing straight, right from the start. What you're reading is another of the Vicious Propoganda Weapons of the infamous Slick Island Lobby. O.K.?

Now that your mind and morals are completely corrupted, we'll fill you in with this little problem we have.

We live on Toronto Island. Many of us lived here long before it became a Metro Park. — Last May, Metro Council asked the city of Toronto if they'd like to present some proposals for taking back control of our community.

"Right" says the City, "we'll do a little study." So they put the City Planning Department to work. Well sir, the Planning Department came up with a 160-page document which said that taking back the community sounded like a good idea to them.

This report was accepted at City Council in November by a 17-2 vote, and they passed the word along to Metro Council.

And then, on December 11th, the roof fell in.

"Forget it!" says Metro Council by a 20-12 vote. "Throw the squatters off! And we want them off by August 31st this year!"

If Metro Council has its way, next August 31st 250 families will be thrown out of their houses, without compensation, and the houses will be bulldozed over, burned, and then the ashes will be buried. Well, we're not about to stand by and let that happen. Especially since *Toronto Life* has just published a survey which shows that less than 25 per cent of the people of Metro Toronto agree with metro Council's decision. So as part of our 'devious plan for staying a while longer, we've decided to increase our mailing list to give you a look at our neighbourhood, in hopes that you'll offer us some support.



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Mr. Dennis Barker



A modest portion of goose guano to the Metropolitan Parks Department who busied themselves one recent snowy day removing all the markers on cross country ski trail mapped out by Chris Bary. One of Tommy Thompson's boys told Chris that people should not be encouraged to venture onto the ice. Chris feels that the ice is about six inches deep and at this time of year quite safe. He thinks it would be appropriate to post danger signs in the spring break-up when the ice really is unsafe so that people would believe them. Now they're around in all seasons and nobody pays much attention. It would be nice to see some use being made of the natural resources of the island, instead of figuring out reasons why it can't be done. What are the precautions taken for public safety on the skateway on the Rideau Canal in Ottawa?

SPECIAL INVITATION TO METRO READERS

Come to the Island Winter Carnival

Saturday February 16 12:30 - 4:30

Sunday February 17 11:30 - 4:30

sking, skating and snow shoeing races

Ice boat rides, curling

horse-drawn sleigh ride

beer garden food

Celebrate 150 years of island life. Period Costume.

hockey and broomball games
3period costume (not that period madame!)

many island homes open for visitors

As you may have heard, Metro Council recently decided not to renew the leases of people living on Toronto Island and therefore, these people will have to move off the island by next August.

(1) Are you aware of this decision?

Yes	65%
No	35%

(2) Do you agree or disagree with that decision?

Agree	35%
Disagree	65%

(3) Why do you say that?

70% of those who agreed with Metro Council's decision, the reason for their decision was that they agreed with the island's plan to develop and improve the island. 35% of those who disagreed with Metro Council's decision, the reason for their decision was that they did not want to see the island's plan to develop and improve the island.

This survey was undertaken for Toronto Life by Elliott Research Corporation Limited, a long established Canadian marketing research organization. Of the 400 people interviewed, half of them were city residents, half from the boroughs, half of them male and half female. The percentages were calculated to reflect the fact that 65% of the population lives in the boroughs and 35% lives in the city proper. As in most surveys, there is a 3 or 6 percent margin of error.

ISLAND PARK ATTENDANCE

One of the claims that Michael Best often makes in his campaign to destroy our homes is that 'the land is needed for the ever-increasing number of Island park visitors'

The next time you hear that statement, you might keep in mind that, in fact, Island parks attendance was the same last year as it was in 1944. Here are some sample ferry passenger statistics:

Year	Ferry Passengers (in millions)
1927	1.0
1931	1.1
1944	1.3
1950	1.0
1970	1.4
1971	1.4
1972	1.2
1973	1.3

The figures from the early years are from the TTC—the more recent ones are from the Metro Parks Department.

LOCK PICTURE PATCHWORK

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LIVING COLOUR - and for heavy denim, velvet, etc. for the back of the quilt.

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WINTER CARNIVAL

NO PADDING (unless you need it for your own quilting stitches) QUILT TERMINOLOGY #

total height don't forget to add 1/2" all around for seams

WINTER CARNIVAL
SATURDAY morning
FEB 2nd
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"Place a live duck on the throat. Pains will then pass to duck."
-OLD ROMAN REMEDY FOR SORE THROAT-

Two island Dreams (a heavy number)

Past chairman of TIRA, John Woodburn reports a dream: "I came out in the morning to discover a strange hose going under my house. I then noticed that there were similar hoses going into the neighbouring houses. My neighbour and I followed the source of these hoses to the water filtration plant. Inside the plant we discovered that the source of the hose was a small windowless room. In the room sat a grey little man wearing a fedora. On his desk was a green telephone and next to him was a very large canister of gas which was attached to the hose. That was the end."

David Amer dreamt that he was standing beside his bed freezing cold. He wanted to get into bed and under the electric blanket. Something was preventing him and he just had to stand there shivering. Hello! someone was already in the bed! Alderman Bill Archer. Amer resigned himself to a long cold night. True.



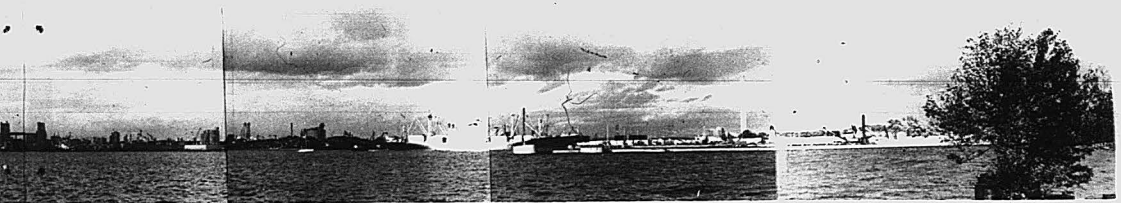
Here are some views on life as she should be lived, as expressed by Megan Cridland in the Island Public School's weekly paper, *The Gibraltar Pointer*:

ADULTHOOD

When I become an adult I think I will be a veterinarian and have three children. My husband will take me out once a week. I will have a maid who would clean up for me. This is going to be a typical day in my life as an adult.

I wake up at 7 o'clock and the maid gets breakfast. I send my children off to school. My husband and I have breakfast and go to work. At work I treat all kinds of sick animals. Meanwhile at home the maid cleans up. When the children come home at noon the maid fixes them lunch and sends them off to school again. When I come home from work my husband is already home. At 6 o'clock my husband takes me out to dinner. At 8:30 the maid puts the children to bed. When we get home at around 11:00 the maid, my husband, and I go to bed.

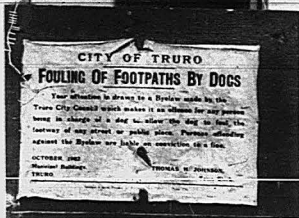
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BABY BARRY MAKES HER ENTRANCE

Liz and Chris Barry have been anxiously awaiting the birth of their third child. Tension was running high before the new Year. Liz would like to have had the baby in '73 so that he or she would be eligible for kindergarten earlier. However the new year passed and it wasn't until 4 am on a freezing January 6 that Liz was awakened by the unmistakable signs of impending birth. Chris called the island police department who arrived at the door before the bag was packed. They sped off to the ferry dock where they were met by the fireboat, *William Lyon Mackenzie*. Docking was difficult in the thick ice and driving wind but the *Mackenzie* nosed up to the dock where Liz and Chris climbed over the bow and made their way to the warmth of the cabin. A police cruiser awaited and with lights flashing and siren sounding they sped to hospital, arriving safely exactly 45 minutes after they called the police. Later Liz gave birth to an 8 lb. 8 oz. girl who is as yet unnamed. Chris had the opportunity to be present for the birth. A congratulatory quack from the *Goose and Duck* to the Barrys on this joyous occasion!





LOST TROPHY FOUND!!

Anybody out there remember the Coveted Goose and Duck Trophy?

It was a little bauble the G&D Board of Directors offered a few years ago. The general idea was that the Coveted Trophy was to be awarded to Islanders for noteworthy acts of heroism, sacrifice, sportsmanship, charity, thrift, restraint, accuracy, therapy, patriotism, pillowfighting, chastity, etc. etc. Seemed like a reasonable idea at the time, and it was awarded a couple of times, but somehow the thing got lost.

One day we were accidentally cleaning up the Goose and Duck Complex when, what do you know, we found it. So—let's start awarding it again.

The award this time goes to George Merrick. It's for something he did last summer, but even at this late date it has to be honoured. Here's what happened:

When the Open Circle Theatre was here last summer, they needed a piano for their production, and felt that the one in the Ward's Island Association Clubhouse was a little too out of tune. So George lent them his—but a few days later the Clubhouse roof leaked, and the piano got soaked.

"Don't worry about it," said George. "I can fix it myself," and he took the keyboard apart, and took the pieces home to dry them out.

A day or so later, however, George got the urge to play one of his favourite songs. The urge turned into a compulsion. But he knew that if he put the whole keyboard back into the piano the water-swollen parts would stick, and he wouldn't be able to play at all.

So he picked out just enough black and white keys to play the song he wanted, took them over to the clubhouse, put them into the piano, played his song a couple of times, took them out, and went home again.

CITATION: To George Merrick, for Musical Creativity in an Imperfect World, the Coveted Goose and Duck Trophy.

George gets to keep the trophy until the next issue, then we'll award it to someone else. You too can win, all you have to do is get heroic.

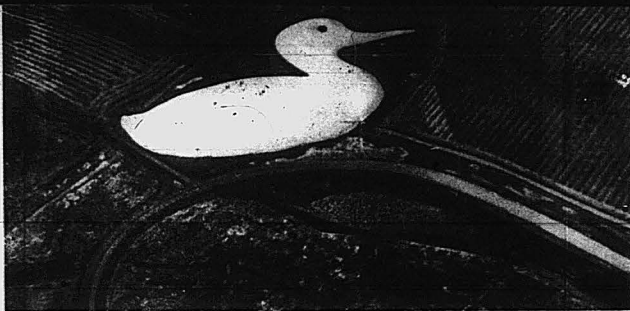


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TRANS. BY JAMES Michie



Island ouster vote disaster, says Crombie

Metro made a disastrous decision when it voted to oust 29 acres they occupy can be used for parkland.

Toronto Island residents and raze their homes, Toronto Mayor David Crombie said yesterday.

Crombie, who voted along with other City representatives against the Metro decision to expel 700 islanders from their homes, said any move to reverse the decision or to aid their cause would receive his support.

The Metro decision requires the occupants of the remaining 24 homes to leave the island when their leases expire on Aug. 31, 1974, so the

Island residents, some of whom have been living there for decades, have served notice they intend to fight eviction.

Crombie said he found it strange that borough representatives on Metro Council who voted to expel the islanders had no comment to make about three yacht clubs occupying 33 acres on the island.

"We can always make land in the lake," Crombie said. "But once those houses are gone they can't be replaced."

"If they drive the islanders out in about four or five years someone will want to construct a model community to show what the island was like when it was inhabited."

The mayor said it was silly to suggest there had to be a choice between houses and parkland.

"There are 600 acres of parkland now. There's plenty of room for park, houses and yacht clubs."

