# Student ill, she was treated as drug

A Gordon Graydon Secondary School student claims school staff and Mississauga police officers over-reacted to her illness on Nov. 13 and rudely terrogated and searched her for signs of drug use.

Nancy Harrington said she became sick during a driver education class and went to the washroom where she was the washroom where she was

assisted by a teacher to the

There, the girl says, a vice principal and a group of teachers "decided I must have been on drugs. I guess they thought I was OD'ing (dying of a drug overdose) or

The student claims her

telltale odours of drugs, and the pupils of her eyes were

"I was lying there really, really sick and I didn't even have the energy to hit back," Nancy says. Teachers called the police who in turn called an ambulance and the girl was removed to the hospital.

Miss Harrington says she overheard as she was leaving that her locker and

be searched in her absence At the hospital the girl, who says she has never been involved in any drug trouble at the school, was told by a doctor who examined her

that she could tell school officials she was not on drugs. "He checked my eyes and said drugs weren't involved," Nancy relates. The student points out that

she can understand why

teachers called the am-

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Bureaucratic delays and

uninformed residents may

have scuttled a compromise

development proposal here

that would have replaced

high-rise apartments with

lower density semi-detached

homes and stacked

Carlton Holdings has told

town council's general committee and planning

board the company must reject a lower density

bulance but she says there was no excuse for the action of the police and ambulance drivers whom she claimed were "rotten and mean" to

"The ambulance men did everything to make me feel uncomfortable." according to Miss Harrington. "They kept calling me things like a 'stupid little freak!'

catch them leave a lot to be The girl says she is con-cerned that parents of

compromise reached after a

series of summer meetings

with residents and planning

officials and revert to a 18

storey high-rise plan for its

Alan Blott, the firm's

lawyer, revealed the decision was made after

objections were filed George

Clayton, of Crozier Court in

Mississauga. Carlton of-

ficials are not willing to

month delay in an Ontario

Municipal Board fight for the

accept the inevitable

25 acre west end site.

Gravdon students are not aware of what is going on in the school. "The foremost things on 'the teachers' minds seems to be drugs, not education," she says. "They don't seem to care about teaching. Sure there are a few dealers in our school like in all of the others but their teachers) tactics to (the

"If it weren't for

Summer Meeting May Have Been Wasted

Port Credit compromise shot

compromise proposal was to

be accepted only if it was

Court residents that if the

compromise solution was

opposed, Carlton would

revert to a high-rise rental

scheme. "There is no doubt

abut it that they felt they

could get further concessions from the company — they

did not take us seriously,

"There is no doubt that if

Blott told The Times.

Blott had warned Crozier

unopposed.

some of the teachers would which had been in the refrigerator a long time. Gordon Graydon principal have nothing to live for," she adds. "They're mostly in-William King confirmed that getting some

the drug problem.'

something she ate that day

had agreed to the

plain the compromise.

by Carlton Holdings.

promise we would have

carried through with it," he

said. Blott had met with

Crozier Court residents in

August and October to ex-

Originally slated to ac-

commodate some 3,000

residents in an apartment

development by Hum-

berbank Developments Ltd

in 1968, the land was bought

from the courts last January

dealers. I don't know why of facts Harrington's story were they're so-worked up over substantially correct. He said the girl was sick and incoherent and couldn't Nancy says the only thing she did wrong was to get sick seem to or would not com-"and that's not really my fault." She says her nausea municate. "The drug problem these due to food poisoning from

days tends to run rampant and it's naturally the first

Carlton's intentions to follow

through on the old plan

convinced the firm to enter

into voluntary negotiations

with an ad hoc committee of

residents and planning board

The result by the end of

July was a plan for 84 semi-

condominium stacked

detached homes.

members.

avenue for explanation,' King comments. "The teachers, not knowing what had happened, were con-cerned about reacting to

what she had taken. They were fearful of her life and they reacted as I would by calling the police. King complimented the Mississauga police youth

bureau for its "most sup-

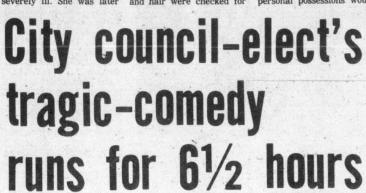
portive action" in such situations. 'Perhaps they could have been a little more con-cerned," the principal said of the officer's questioning. Some of our teachers were not pleased with the kind of questioning that was done

and I understand there was an informal complaint. "But you have to un see kids spaced out about have one hell of a hard job and we do them no service by being critical. When a kid is being wired in by some pusher, they can help straighten out some of these situations that the students

get themselves into." King says a student's parents would normally be called immediately when drugs are suspected and the parents would be asked to come and get the child. But Nancy didn't want her home called. Due to her "erration behaviour" and physical signs such as a cold, clammy forehead the police were called. "We won't play God. someone appears trouble we have to do something

townhouses, 120 con-dominium townhouses and a Admitting that the police attempt to "extract in-150 suite senior citizens

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were councillors Ron Searle new council's three op-position members. The third, city council-elect staged a comedy or a tragedy Thursday night, but then Harold Kennedy, was abvaried opinions are an earmark of the new council.

The curtain opened on the nine players arguing about whether Mayor-elect Martin Whichever dramatic masks the players thought they were wearing, they executive assistant at \$20,000 unquestionably put on political scenery-chewing salary per year. theatre for the better part of

on shortly after.

Boris is walking again

lthough his speech has been

affected along with the vision in his left eye. He is still being held in hospital.

rule in minor hockey

He was told by doctors that

Dobkin's job description of the post - a rider to conditional approval of the assistant introduced at an earlier meeting by Searle and Gregory — included having the assistant sit in for the mayor on committees.

"It's reprehensible that any civil servant should have the right to sit in committee in place of the mayor. rged Searle, adding that

full-time mayor who lays aside all other duties. Dobkin had picked for his executive assistant a longtime friend, 31-year-old Dr Gord Watt, a physician and

Dobkin had promised to be a

Searle called that patronage.
"A cheap shot," Dobkin

The boy's father Ivan Habus, secretary of the Ontario National Soccer retorted, explaining that his League says his son seems to assistant would not be in a be well known everywhere he plays hockey. Boris had civil service position.

Searle was playing clown scored five goals in six games when he was hurt. and gadfly. He posted a cardboard sign in front of his Habus said he didn't blame name plate. "Nils illegitimus the sport for the accident and non carborundum," it said. said he was "real thankful" Searle translated it as: for the compulsory helmet 'Don't let the bastards grind

you down.' He grinned a lot, but it was hard to detect. Searle had suffered a hemborrage in his nose and it was covered on one side with adhesive tape which ran across his upper lip and stiffened it.

Searle suggested Dobkin advertise nationally for candidates to fill executive assistant job.

suggestion since executive selected by the officials they serve. Searle was criticizing Dobkin for his position that all regional and city top jobs be advertised for nationally Searle has maintained that

present county municipal staffers demoralized by national advertising when there is ample local talent to wit: themselves available Nonetheless, national advertising was what brought M.I.T. and Harvard-trained Cyril Henderson to apply and be selected as Peel Region's

chief administrative officer. There had been vigorous lobbying by some councillors in Brampton and Caledon to select for that post Henry Rutherford, Peel County's clerk and administrator for the past 25 years. Rutherford himself campaigned strongly in his own behalf.



mined in blast which blew out two walls and seriously injured on An official of Ontario fire marshall's office moves in to inspect remains of a Ninth Street home in Lakeview which was rocked by explosion Thursday. No cause has been deter-

### An inquest will be held

Jan. 9 into the death of 17year-old Daniel Martin Price of Mississauga who fell 11 storeys at Rochdale College

Shelkey that Price went to the window about 4:30 a.m. Friday because he was going to be sick, leaned over and fell out. Price's body was found near some trash cans behind the 18-storey Bloor

and smoking marijuana singe 8:30 p.m. Thursday night, according to police

Stonepath drug overdoses and one

White truck not involved

Sept. 16. An autopsy showed she had been

sexually assaulted and strangled. Her body was found 300 yards south of the Erindale campus and 150 feet east of

Mississauga Road A \$3,000 reward has been offered by the town police commission for information

leading to an arrest.

#### Police plan to interview victim

Mississauga police are waiting to interview John Thomas Peer in their in vestigation of the explosion which demolished Peer's Ninth Street home in Lakeview last Thursday. The 23-year-old man was

blown out of the house in the explosion which knocked down two walls of the structure and left it leaning against a neighbour's home

Peer is in fair condition in the intensive care unit at Missaissauga Hospital. He is degree burns to 30 per cent of his body.

The explosion at 911 Ninth St. occurred about 3:35 p.m. A gas explosion was originally suspected in the incident but an investigation by Consumer's Gas officials supervised by the Ontario fire marhshall's office failed determine à cause. No leaks were found in gas operated appliances and

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Man Left Holding Envelope

### MP raps post office over Cup tickets caper

Roche Court resident Douglas Robb hadn't seen a Grey Cup game live in six years so he was justifiably excited when his mother-in-law told him she was sending four tickets to the Nov. 25 game.

She sent them by special delivery express from Regina through Canada Post usually a guarantee of delivery within 24

That was on Nov. 21. They arrived Nov.

"You're damn right I'm burning," Robb said Monday, a week after the tickets, worth between \$50 and \$70 arrived. "She (mother-in-law Joyce Strutt) is

ready to take them to court and I'm thinking of withholding what it cost me in tax money if I'm not compensated.

Robb figures it cost he and Mrs. Strutt between \$150 and \$200 for the postal system's faux pas.

"It cost me about \$35 to \$40 in long distance phone calls between Thursday and Saturday trying to trace the letter and it cost her about the same." Peel South MP Don Blenkarn has taken up Robb's case, calling it "just disgraceful." "This isn't the first time I've heard of

first class mail taking that long. The postal system is suffering from bad moral and inept organization."

Blenkarn doesn't think the problem lies in Mississauga, but rather in Toronto where all Mississauga mail is funnelled.

"They're trying in Mississauga but our mail is getting buried in Toronto," the MP

"The letter to Robb was postmarked Nov. 26 at Clarkson postal station, so the

hold-up must have been in Toronto He intends to press Canada Post for compensation for Robb and Mrs. Strutt. "I

think they have an obligation to pay when they promise 24-hour service and it takes

them six days."

Moreover, Blenkarn doesn't see any lessening of Mississauga postal problems when the new Gateway letter processing station opens at Dixie Road and Eglinton

## Collapsed 5 days after puck hit him, youth recovering mediately to Toronto Western and was operated

A 14-year-old hockey player had brain surgery this week for a blood clot he suffered after being struck with a puck.

Boris Habus of 760 Runningbrook Dr. was struck with the flat side of the puck above the left eyebrow near the edge of his hockey in a Mississauga Hockey League game at Malton Arena Saturday Nov.

The injury didn't appear to bother him noticeably and he played again Tuesday at Cawthra Arena. He practices with his team at 5 a.m. Wednesday but collapsed

later that morning at St. Paul's Separate School.

were it not for the helmet his He was taken to son w Mississauga Hospital, died t transferred almost imson would probably have died from the blow he suf-

### School sports survey

A \$12,300 study of the quality and cost of sports activities in Peel's elementary and high schools is finally underway. Ward 5 trustee Terry Lewis had earlier proposed the study in an effort to determine the merits of various sports programs in local schools. He was eager to promote individualized sports that would encourage life long in-The board of education approved the study after deter-

mining its cost. The study will outline the type of sports available in schools, the relative involvement of students, the relative cost of each sport and the cost per pupil involvement

The results of the study are expected to be available sometime early in the new year

### Inquest ordered

Friday morning.
Police were told by Eric

After investigating a white van truck

suspected of being involved in the Sep-

tember murder of Erindale College co-ed

Constance Dickey, Mississauga police have concluded it is "disconnected with

A picture of the truck was published in

the Erindale College student newspaper The Erindalian Nov. 21 with additional

information prepared in conjunction with

The newspaper asked that anyone, who recalled being picked up in the truck Sept.

10 or 11 of this year by a man claiming he

wanted to cut wood in the area, contact the

police. The man was described as having

strange and unusual mannerisms.

the police department.

Street West building. Price had been drinking

Price lived at 1847 tonepath Cres. in Mississauga. His death is the 10th at Rochdale since the college opened in 1969. There have been four suicides, two

in Erindale co-ed's death supervising the murder investigation says police have contacted the owner of the white van and concluded he could be of no

help in their case. "We've gone past that point in our investigation," Teggart says. The case is going very well, he adds.

The 19-year-old co-ed was reported missing Sept. 11 and her body was found.