

The remains of a treehouse and a doghouse long evacuated are the only signs of life in this South Service Road lot. (Times photo by Ray Saitz).

Yesterday

30 YEARS AGO

A school for war workers' children in Lakeview was approved by the federal and provincial governments. It was the first time such a school had been established outside the city of Toronto. The children would receive schooling and meals for a small daily fee.

A thief got \$1.60 in change during a robbery attempt on Centre Road. William Stevens gave a 23-year-old man a lift from the Long Branch hotel to Port Credit. When he stopped the car and told the man he was leaving the Lakeshore Highway he received the response — "You go where I tell you, hand over your money and watch." Given the \$1.60 the man replied "chicken feed!" and struggled with Stevens for control of the car. A passerby saw the scuffle and notified police who arrived quickly to make the arrest.

The Port Credit Weekly provided front page step by step instructions on how local housewives could calculate the amount of canning sugar they would need for their preserves. The women had to apply for the sugar due to war rationing.

20 YEARS AGO

House to house letter carrier service of Lakeview and Port Credit was scheduled to begin May 4, it was learned from a letter written by M.P. Gordon Graydon. Postmaster-General Alcide Cote and told Graydon more than 5,000 homes would be included — a large increase over the original proposal made six months before.

Toronto Township police presented council with a brief asking for introduction of a 40 hour work week and a \$400 a year salary increase. The 21 man force would have to hire six new constables to go to the 40-hour week. Chief Garnet McGill said that if the request to police Malton was approved, an additional six men and a cruiser would also be needed. First class

constables were receiving \$3,500 a year; second class constables \$3,200 and third class \$3,000.

MP Gordon Graydon complained of the CNR's commuter service during the Commons budget debate. He called for improved facilities to relieve the "monstrous traffic snarls" which plagued motorists night and day.

10 YEARS AGO

A \$10 million subdivision to house 4,000 people in the Erindale Woodlands was approved by Toronto Township planning board. Amelia Developments also received approval for a two million dollar, 60-unit shopping centre at Erindale Station Road and the Dundas Highway. The new project was immediately east of Erindale Woodlands, developed by the same company.

A 36 member delegation from the Canadian Peace Research Institute failed to get the South Peel Board of Education to lift its ban preventing the peace group from addressing school assemblies in the area. A spokesman for the group told the Board young people were growing up in a nuclear age and needed a "small program of information." Board chairman Les Bailey said the board didn't specifically object to such a program but curriculum time was more valuable if spent on other subjects.

Toronto Township was prevented from hiring an assistant industrial commissioner because it was limited to spending \$20,000 a year on industrial promotion by the municipal act. The township had received \$69,000 on miscellaneous items but could spend only \$20,000 on industry.

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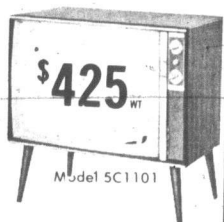
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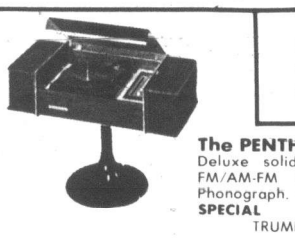
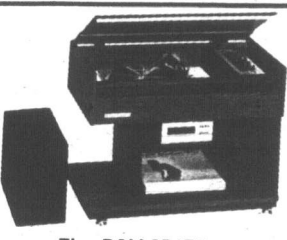
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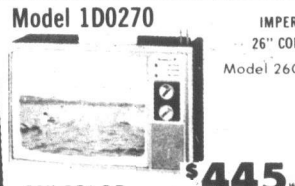
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