THEY REACTED:

When the gas blew

A female monkey called George Bubel Sand was the last to escape from the plaza during the Malton explosion.

Her master, Lloyd La Vaux, operator of the Lloyd LaVaux School of Music, was teaching when he heard the blast. The lights in his shop went out and he saw the flames.

The 45-year-old musician helped three students escape and was not able to return for his monkey because firemen and police blocked his entrance

After waiting over an hour he returned with a Mississauga fireman and grabbed the monkey and one of his best accordions.

He was just crossing the railroad track with his oneyear-old pet, who is also principal of his music school, when a Toronto photographer asked him to pose for a picture.

The temperature outside the store was 1,500 degrees as firemen hurried him on and sent the photographer

Mr. LaVaux was not the only person who made a hasty exit after the explosion

George Lew, of the Avronian Chinese Restaurant, ran out in his underwear and left his trousers behind which contained \$1,000 worth of receipts.

A woman shopping in the meat market returned for a

roast after the window of the store blew in. The owner screamed at her to get out fast and she dropped it and ran.

Scott Padersen, who was riding to the hamburger

off his bicycle into the path of oncoming cars during the explosion.

He was saved by his mother who grabbed him and ran for safety

Malton fire victim feared gas heat

There had been some settling of the earth over a natural gas line several years ago in front of the home of Mrs. Jean Perigo, the elderly widow killed in Saturday's explosion and "There was some subsi-

dance there and the gas company corrected the situation when they were noti-fied," Malton Councillor Frank McKechnie told The News Monday

The gas line explosion took place only a few feet away from Mrs. Perigo's home

Mr. McKechnie said he didn't know whether a work crew had merely filled in the depression or had excavated to determine why the sinking was taking

He said he had received complaints from Mrs. Perigo and had passed them on to the gas company.

As far as he knew, Mrs. Perigo did not have gas heating in her home but was unaware that she had gas service taken out of her home several years ago because she was afraid of

An Ontario Fire Marshal inspector has stated the explosion may have been caused when the earth beneath a 12-inch gas line gave way, causing it to



A crowd gathers on Airport Rd. as police, ambulances and fire trucks conve on the scene of the gas explosion, bursting into flames and causing a cloud of thick, oily smoke to whirl skyward. In the background firefighters have already begun spraying a gas station on the south-eastern corner of the Airport-Derry Rd. intersection in an effort to curtail the blaze to its immediate area. None could approach the inferno closer than about 200 yards because of the heat. Within half an hour thousands more people turned up to watch the fire wreak havoc

DACAN scorched

Things were smoothly Monday, at the Douglas Aircraft of Canada plant on Airport Rd., close to the explosion centre, where little damage beyond blistered paint was re-

"It could most certainly have been a very serious situation for us," A. W. Baker. company president and general manager said

"We were extremely wellserved by various people, notably the fire department.

Mr. Baker said he was most impressed with the work of the police and fire departments.

Firemen sprayed the north-east end of the DACAN building to keep the fire at bay and to prevent the intense heat from damaging to the plant.

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May I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to you, the voters of Port Credit for having given me your local support over the past four years during my two terms in office as your elected remy ability. I honestly believe that I have served you to the best of

ny aonity.

In answer to the numerous telephone calls and personal inquiries I In answer to the numerous telephone calls and personal inquiries I have received over the past few weeks, my answer is definitely yes. I will stand for re-election in December. I hope that once again I will stand for expective your support as I have in the past and shall look forward to serving you for another term in office.

Respectfully Yours,
Peter Mitchell
Councillor, Town of Port Credit

UNA LETTERA APERTA A TUTTE LE PERSONE DI PORT CREDIT

Vorrei prendere questa opportunita per esprimere la mia gratitudine a voi elettori di Port Credit, per avermi dato il vostro appoggio dura voi elettori di Port Credit, per averini uato ii vostito appoggio durante i quattro anni passati come vostro rappresentante elettorale. Io credo onestamente di avervi servito nel migliore della mia abilite. A creao onestamente di avervi servito nei mignore della mia abinte. A In risposta alle moltissime telefonate e domande personali durante le scorse settimane la mia risposta finale e si, lo mi ripresento per le scor se settimane la fina risposta finale e si, to fina ripresento per le elezioni di Dicembre. Io spero che ancora una volta ricevero il vostro aiuto come nel passato, e spero di servirvi in futuro per ancora una volta come consigliere di Port Credit.

Sinceramente vostro Peter Mitchell Consigliere di Port Credit.

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