

HYSTERIA CHARGE:

What was SANA doing in Mississauga?

Why did Etobicoke's Society for Aircraft Noise Abatement cross the creek and come to Mississauga to lustily protest the Department of Transport's \$300 million expansion proposal for Malton Airport?

The question was brought up at Mississauga general committee last week when councillor Lou Parsons pointed out Etobicoke's cause for alarm at the proposal was on a different basis than that in Mississauga.

"My belief is that SANA has done nothing more than prime the hysteria point in Mississauga," he said.

"I thank SANA very much for what they have done but I think SANA's cause for concern is really different from what we have in the town of Mississauga.

"They might be well advised to stay a little bit east of the Etobicoke river."

Earlier, in an exclusive interview with The News, SANA spokesman David

Lacey denied there was anything behind the move into Mississauga other than that the group was invited across the creek in an advisory capacity.

At general committee last week Malton area councillor Frank McKechnie complained he and other councillors were not kept abreast of the airport situation officially and asked to see the technical committee reports on the town's investigation into the case.

REPORT

He also wanted to see Report 67, a 400-page document describing the airport proposal.

He complained he had to rely "almost completely" on SANA and newspaper reports to know what was going on.

Why did SANA come to Mississauga to lead the protest movements against the expansion proposal.

Mr. Lacey said: "We called in representatives of property owners' associations in Mississauga and asked what their reaction to the subject was.

"They were alarmed at

the potential of having the airport expansion in their community and asked us to co-operate with speakers and information which we have done all the way through."

Mississauga Homeowners' Association official John Rheinlander, however, told The News, it was he who invited SANA to Mississauga, to talk to the homeowners.

Mr. Lacey said his group was not interested in building a society or an organization which would last for a long time.

"It's an informal group with a common problem," he added. "There's really no conflict."

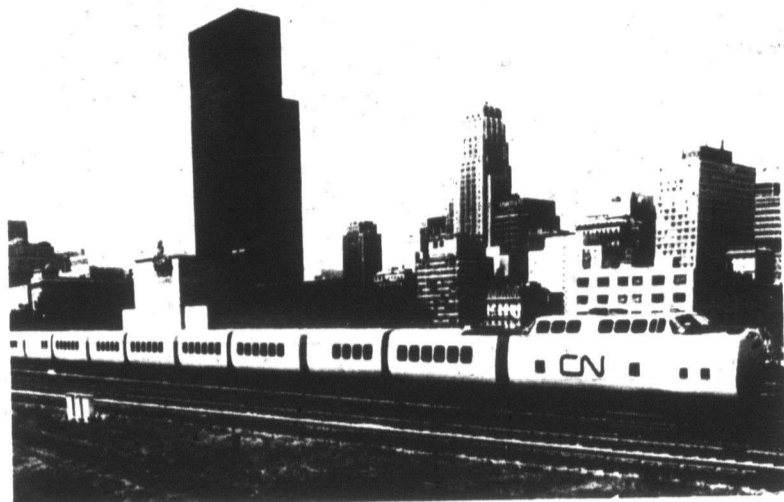
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He said homeowners had sent 10,000 protest letters to the department and added "This has restored my faith in democracy."

"It's very gratifying to see enough people willing to come forward on this in a democratic process."

He said he had been disappointed in recent election turnouts.

"If the government completely ignores our statements and proceeds with the expansion the SANA organization is quite prepared to take more militant action," he added.



Canadian National's Turbo goes into twice-daily Toronto-Montreal service this fall slashing downtown-to-downtown travelling time to four hours. The 300-seat, seven-car train, the greatest advance in railway technology in 100 years, features new methods of on-train meals and beverage service. Turboclub car passengers are served at their seats by hostesses and stewards; Turboluxe travellers purchase their meals at the cafe and eat at seat-back trays.

Penny parking parried

Those extra pennies in your pocket won't do you much good anymore if you're used to parking on Lakeshore rd. in Port Credit.

A bylaw passed Tuesday, Dec. 3, in the city's council put parking up to five cents per half-hour on new two-hour maximum meters on the north and south sides of Lakeshore rd. between Seneca ave. and the Credit river. The department of

transport reported that the meters were installed Thursday.

But your pennies are still good everywhere else

in the city. The bylaw specified the one-cent for-12-minutes rate still goes on the remainder of the city's streets.

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Thinks nothing of \$1,700

A Rattray Estate developer doesn't think too much of paying the town a \$1,700 bill instead of building a sidewalk, general committee was told last week.

R. Webb, solicitor, appearing for Bahama Homes, Ltd., said council had no authority to demand cash in lieu of the sidewalk construction.

He said about a year ago committee decided the developer did not have to install sidewalks and the developer did not expect to be billed for \$1,754 for it.

Christmas melodramatics for kiddies

Scores of local youngsters are expected to watch The Great Toy Robbery at a showing at Mississauga Central Library, Dec. 21. They will also be entertained with a film called The Christmas Cracker.

Christmas stories will be told to the children at the library at 9.30 a.m., Dec. 14, followed at 10 o'clock with trimming the story-book Christmas tree.



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