

City threatens walkout over \$45 million

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 in any urban area was carrying any other urban area in terms of assessment. Councillor Jim Yarrow of Brampton who said later the meeting had degenerated into the Mississauga against Brampton and Caledon battle which he had feared, look exception with the suggestion that Mississauga "carried" other areas. He said he felt that no one

its budget the province would be prepared to grant that amount of money in special assistance grants for the beginning of regionalism. That was termed a "ridiculous \$1 million-swap" by Terry Miller of Brampton. Council reduced the budget by refinancing its sewer program to take \$2.5 million from the regional levy and by cutting some \$1 million from the current budget. A total of \$250,000 was chipped from the \$9 million Peel regional police expenditure and other savings were achieved by spreading financing over longer periods of time for purchases, reducing working capital by \$100,000, cutting departmental contingency allowances, waiting to

purchase lands that will be needed for future roads, etc. Councillor Yarrow warned that the province should be willing to grant more money next year for regional start-up costs if the region was spreading those costs over more than one year. The region will not have to pay \$1.4 million in 1975 it expended this year to begin operations but salaries alone will cost an additional \$2.1 million next year when staff is available for a full 12 months. Mrs. McCallion said council had to deal with long range costs. "We have to see the projected 1975 and 1976 costs or we're just fooling ourselves," she said. With the budget adjustments, and assuming a total of \$1.5 million dollars combining the provincial grants and further cuts, the increased taxes on a \$30,000 Mississauga home were projected as \$10. Brampton taxes would remain the same as last year's and Caledon's would drop \$12. A total of \$720,000 which Mississauga has accumulated in a rate stabilization fund can also be applied against the tax rise in the city. City taxes in Mississauga are expected to rise some \$60-70. Region budget talks will continue tomorrow morning at 9 a.m.

Trudeau here Friday

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau will be coming to Mississauga Friday for the second time during the federal election campaign. The PM will be arriving at the Square One Shopping Centre at Highway 10 and Burnhamthorpe at about 12:30 p.m. He will make a tour of the mall greeting the public. Trudeau is expected to give a speech of some 20 minutes in length at the mall before leaving Mississauga at about 2 p.m. The last time Trudeau was in the city, he visited the Streetsville Bread and Honey Festival shortly after the campaign had begun.

Cleared of threat charge, man remains in custody

A 40-year-old Mississauga man remains in custody in Brampton jail although he was cleared of the charge which put him there last month.

Alexander Davidson, of 1073 Lakeshore Rd. was on parole on March 10 when he was arrested by police on a charge of making threatening phone calls to his common law wife. Because of the charge, his parole from a four-year sentence for wounding was suspended. On May 14, a Peel County Court grand jury threw out the charge by returning a "no bill", and Judge Barry Shapiro ordered Davidson's release.

He remains in custody, however, because the federal parole board has not yet revoked the parole suspension which resulted from the March 10 charge, despite representations from his lawyer, his employer, and a Salvation Army corrections official. Davidson received the original four-year term on Jan. 11, 1971 after pleading guilty to the wounding, which involved the shooting of a Brampton woman on Oct. 22, 1970.

Ian Hermiston, an official of the parole board in Toronto, said that the parole suspension could continue even without a conviction, because Davidson "exhibited behaviour patterns" similar to those which he showed at the time of the wounding.

If parole is revoked, Davidson could have the period of time in which he was free tacked onto his original sentence. His original term was due to end on Jan. 11, 1975.

Texaco poisonings

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 were so severely poisoned that they required a week's hospitalization.

Officials of the Ministries of Labour and Health began an investigation of the incident. Because of the number of chemicals and poisons in the laboratory, it was originally suspected that fumes or gas leakage was the cause. It was not until several days later that the tea kettle which the men had used to make their tea was discovered to contain a lethal dose of arsenic.

"If they had made coffee," commented Inspector Lawson, "they could all have been killed. Fortunately the tea bags absorbed most of the poison."

On April 16, police were called in and Detectives John Gray and Tony Paret began an extensive criminal investigation. The tea bags, kettle and water were sent to the Ontario Centre for Forensic Sciences in Toronto for examination, and numerous employees, including management personnel, were questioned. It was only after the police

investigation began that the stricken employees learned what had happened to them.

Police secured the cooperation of union and management officials in keeping the poisonings confidential while they continued their search for the potential killer, and there were no further incidents.

Then, on May 29, Gerard Streun, 47, of Hannon, who works in the instrument repair shop located a quarter-mile west of the laboratory, reported that he was feeling ill. Streun was taken to hospital, treated and later released.

Police found sodium dichromate crystals on teabags Streun had used and are awaiting confirmation from the Forensic Sciences Centre that this was the poison used.

Sodium dichromate is a deadly poison with the same lethal properties as arsenic.

Although the person has not yet been identified, "we believe we are narrowing in on a suspect," said Insp. Lawson.

"There is no apparent motive for these senseless crimes," he added.

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Policewomen to carry guns

Armed policewomen — that's right, women — will be peeling the streets of Mississauga beginning Aug. 19. Peel Regional Police have embarked upon a pilot project

which will mean that women officers will take on the full duties, responsibilities, and weapons, of their male counterparts. They will handle armed robberies, domestic assaults, and all other crimes which are presently the prerogative of male officers, says Staff Superintendent George Wilson.

Eight policewomen will begin regular recruit training at the Ontario Police College on July 8 following a two-week introductory course with local police. Their training will include the use of firearms.

Upon their return from college, they will be assigned to regular patrol duties out of the 11 Division station in Cooksville with male partners. If the experiment works, they will eventually go out on lone patrol.

The policewomen will be armed with .38-calibre Smith and Wesson revolvers with 3-inch barrels which are one inch shorter than the barrels regular police revolvers and one inch longer than those used by detectives.

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Co-op probe

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 basement are a disgrace," Laidlaw feared that the cooperative would eventually collapse as the upper income tenants moved out in disgust

to be replaced by lower income subsidized tenants. The system was set up to rent most of the suites to middle income groups, some to upper income tenants who pay a small extra surcharge and the remainder to lower income groups who receive a subsidy.

Laidlaw charged that the parent company, Co-operative Habitat of Toronto, had never filed a financial statement with the province in its five-year life either. The ministry told Laidlaw that it depended on the good faith of co-ops to fulfill the act's regulations.

A new full time superintendent is scheduled to start July 1 but he may have a problem moving in.

Former super John Cochrane will soon be evicted from their first floor suite but he is promising to sit down with his family in the lobby and block traffic on Kirwin with his car.

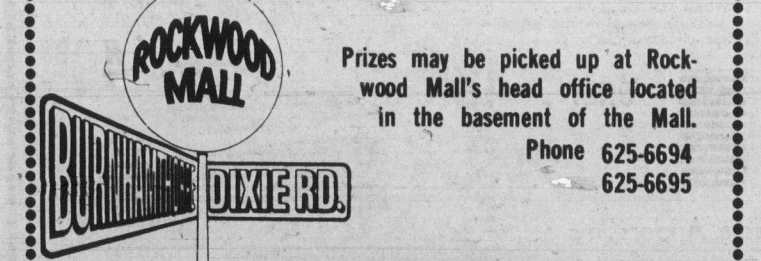
Cochrane lost his job in January when he talked to a Times reporter about conditions and the building's colorful internal politics. He appealed the board's decision but an appointed arbitrator from the University of Toronto ruled against him.

Since January Cochrane has refused to pay his rent. A letter from the board sent last Thursday informed Cochrane that he would be forcibly evicted if he did not move out by the end of the month.

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