

# You can't have us. Period. So there!

Mississauga may want to take over the Clearview subdivision in Oakville, but the residents there want no part of Mississauga.

Members of the Clearview Dr. Ratepayers' Association told Oakville council Monday night they "would rather stay undeveloped than go to Mississauga." Several residents criticized the planning of their neighbor municipality to the east and asked for a commitment from council that they will be allowed to remain a part of Oakville.

Mississauga has gone on record many times saying that the development south of the QEW and west of Winston Churchill Blvd. should be part of the city. They feel that because the Clearview development, of at least 5,000

residents, is isolated from the rest of Oakville by the parkway belt Mississauga will have to provide many of the services for the new residents, but will receive no taxes for it.

Oakville Mayor Harry Barrett told the residents that ward 4 Oakville Councillor Laurie Mannell's opinion that Mississauga should take over Clearview or that Oakville should "rent" services from Mississauga was a personal opinion which is not shared by the rest of Oakville council.

Irene Lackowicz, secretary of the Clearview Association, says she's "not impressed with Mississauga's planning of Park Royal." She complained that community "is a nuisance

to get into and get out of." She didn't think municipal government should be telling residents where they should go to shop and use recreational and other facilities.

Meanwhile, Mississauga council decided unanimously at a special council meeting last Wednesday to appeal, to the Supreme Court to get its objections to the Clearview subdivision resolved. The Minister of Housing approved the plan in late August despite Mississauga's request to have it referred to the Ontario Municipal Board if the city's concerns were not going to be taken into account in the final design.

Mississauga fears that the design of the

road connecting with Truscott Dr. in Mississauga will dump a great deal of additional traffic into Park Royal. The city also wants ramp metering installed at the new QEW-Winston Churchill Blvd. interchange which is now being constructed.

The city feels that the issue of development of the Sheridan Nurseries lands in the southern portion of Clearview should be settled before the northern portion is finally approved. Clearview could have a potential population of 9,440 if Sheridan's request for residential development instead of industrial is approved. However, both Oakville and Mississauga planning staffs are opposed to the change.

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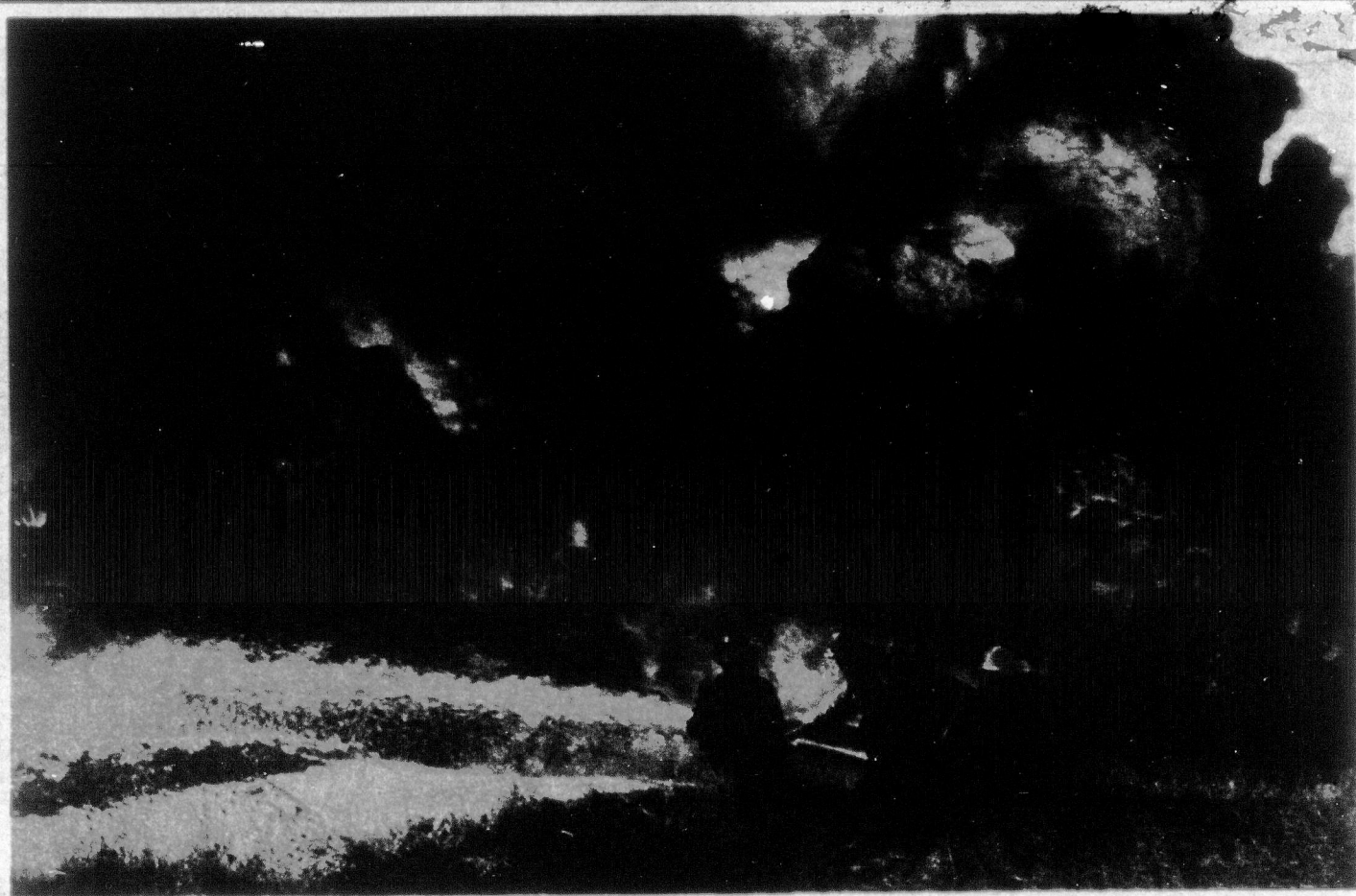
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## Is this refinery safe?

Neighbors of the Texaco Canada Ltd. refinery have revived protests about the safety of the plant after Monday's fire that caused the evacuation of 1,000 Port Credit residents.

There are no regulations governing the fire safety of tank farms like Texaco's on Kane Rd. And one neighbor, Joan Phillips, says she remembers Texaco officials claiming at a public meeting two years ago that such a serious fire could not happen.

No one was seriously injured in the blaze, which took firefighters from the Texaco, Gulf, BP and Shell refineries, Mississauga firefighters, and special units from the airport, ten hours to douse. One tank, holding two million gallons of stove oil, exploded and just when officials felt they had the fire under control at about 9 a.m. Monday a pipe exploded. Officials said safety valves should shut off automatically, but in this case did not and couldn't be turned off by hand because they were engulfed by fire. A faulty pump is the suspected cause but officials are still investigating.

Councillor Hazel McCallion has called for a public meeting, and neighbors are looking for increased assurances from Texaco that their homes, some a few hundred feet from the tanks, are not in danger.

Assistant Deputy Fire Chief Art Warner, who supervised a similar fire at the Lakeshore Rd. tank yard at Gulf Oil less than six months ago, said there is "nothing wrong with the safety of Texaco. It was just a malfunction. It could happen to anyone." His assurances are echoed by Texaco officials.

Fire crews had to water down 12

### Foul for ducks, too

A mallard duck, found covered in oil near the scene of the Texaco refinery fire Monday, is recovering at Oakville's new Waterfowl Rescue Foundation.

The bird was in "very poor" condition. But after spending the night wrapped in a warm cloth the bird

nearby tanks containing aviation fuels, gasoline and crude oil and railway cars containing propane and other highly explosive materials had to be moved.

A family that lives next to the storage yard and wished to remain anonymous claim they witnessed a short fire 30 months ago that was not reported in the media, that they have seen oil overflowing from the tanks and often smelled gasoline in the area.

However, a Texaco spokesman said he has not heard of those in-

cidents, although there was a small fire two years ago.

Although some residents fear the plant plans to expand, the spokesman said there will be no expansion.

Fire Inspector Gerry Sprowl says there are no regulations governing oil refineries. The Gas Handling Act covers small storage of such materials, but the Texaco tank farm is considered part of the refinery. Sprowl said refinery technicians are much more competent to police their own industry than municipal or provincial officials.

Deputy chief Art Warner said Mississauga has no jurisdiction over the tank farm as it isn't constituted as a building. As for houses built so close to the refinery, he said the tanks were there first and allowing permits for nearby housing was the responsibility of the municipality.

Gord Smith of the safety branch of the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations confirmed that there are no provincial laws regulating the storage of gas and petroleum products at refinery sites.

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