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Joe Clark goes punk: look down dummy



Woody Allen isn't on the moon

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And these are the Moon staffers



Parrot: He's a budgie

Fees rise, minister takes bird

By Paul Nabisco and Paul Stupid Sunday Moon.

In two surprise announcements Hairy Parrot, Minister of Colleges and Universities and resident of the Metro Zoo, told startled reporters that he has become a budgie, and that tuition fees will be raised to \$15,000 at all Ontario Universities next year.

Parrot said the increase, up from about \$700, was necessary to cover escalating university costs and the rising price of birdseed.

The press conference at which Parrot made

his announcements, was frequently interrupted by the Minister's requests that fresh newspapers be placed under his perch.

When *Excalibur* reporter Hagnes Hootchikoo, pointed out the increase would mean a profit of \$8-billion and that most students would be unable to raise the money, Parrot replied: "It's the early bird that gets the worm."

Asked to clarify his remark, Parrot squawked, "shiver me timbers and pieces of eight," flew over Hootchikoo's head and splattered the press room with droppings.

Experts in the Ministry estimate that Ontario will have only 73 university students next year. When Hootchikoo attributed the drop in enrolment to the tuition-hike, Parrot asked her why she is so concerned about the rising costs of education, when there are far more serious issues facing us like "the cruelty of duck-hunters and the squalid conditions of the province's turkey farms."

When Hootchikoo queried Parrot about the number of Tory cabinet ministers raised on the turkey farms, the Minister refused to comment.

Next year all remaining students will be pooled in one small campus rather than sprinkling two or three throughout each of Ontario's universities. "The other campuses can be put to better use," chirped Parrot, as he soared gracefully around the light-fixtures in his Queen's Park office.

He made these suggestions for vacant universities: the Bill Davis Museum of Aborted Education Programs, office-space for American multinational corporations, tropical bird aviaries and rest homes for

Canadian Senators. **Birdshot...** After the press conference Hootchikoo drew Parrot's ire when she described him as "just another politician out to feather his nest," and that Premier Davis had "laid an egg" when he chose him as Minister... Parrot then flew to the legislature where he drew cackles of derision as he perched on the Premier's shoulder and nibbled his ear. Proposition Leader Stupid Smith remarked that politics "does indeed make for strange bedfellows."

NEWS BRIEFS

Politicians' kids afflicted with incurable illness

By Casey Creepie

The staff of Sick Children's Hospital is continuing research round-the-clock in a desperate effort to battle Politicians' Disease, the dread affliction which affects the children of politicians.

There is no known cure for the disease, which renders the children totally incapable of giving straight answers to any question.

The afflicted children themselves, however, continue to be brave. When asked how they felt today, little Peter Parliament replied:

"Well, essentially, although I would hesitate at this point in time to reveal precisely the information at my disposal regarding this matter, I might make the comment pending a further investigation that my advisors are hopeful of arriving at a firm, if somewhat unqualified, reply at a later date."

Peter asked that he not be held to his comment.

Presley gives last concert

Madison Square Gardens was the scene of the world's last Elvis Presley concert last Sunday. The singer, who had given no performance since his death August 16, was reported to have been very relaxed throughout his box-office record-breaking performance.

Dressed rather stiffly in a jet-black jumpsuit, Presley gave a very subdued, though enthusiastically received, show. He received a standing ovation from the capacity crowd the moment he was dragged onto the stage.

Reviews were mixed. Said one critic, "The old magic was still there. You could see it in his eyes. He hadn't lost his touch, even if he was more quiet than usual." Another remarked, "He just laid there. He didn't speak. He didn't dance. I want my money back."

Be that as it may, critics and fans alike were reminded that, come what may, there will never be another Elvis.

Leafs trade Shack, get Lafleur

By Beameborad Scotty

Toronto Maple Leafs made some key trades yesterday that could make them Stanley Cup competitors.

They acquired the "Flying Swedes", Anders Hedberg and Ulf Nilsson from Winnipeg Jets of the WHA. It was a straight cash deal, and speculation has it that the Jets dumped the Swedes to get rid of their high-priced contracts.

Equally important, they acquired Guy Lafleur and Larry Robinson from the Canadiens in Montreal Canadiens, in exchange for winger Bob Neely, and minor leaguer Don Ashby and Eddie Shack.

Canadiens coach Scotty Bowman said after the trades, "The team's been on the skids, and we think the trade will shake up the team, and get us on track again."

Canadiens, who swept the league last season, with only five losses in eighty games, are currently locked in a four way tie for first place in the league standings.

Leafs are doing well, but the acquisition of three of hockey's best forwards and a defenceman considered by many to be the league's premier blueliner, should give them a good shot at the championship.

Harold Ballard, the Leaf owner, was ecstatic about the additions and said "I'd bet five to ten in Kingston pen that we take the Cup this year."

Mounties bugging daycare kids

Solicitor-General Francis Foxy admitted yesterday in the House of Commons that the RCMP has had an illegal bug since 1931 in the York Daycare Centre.

The admission caused an uproar from opposition benches, as both leaders of opposition parties demanded a Royal Commission to get to the bottom of the matter.

"How can three-year olds be a threat to national security", said Joe Croak, the punk-rocking leader of the Progressive Conservatives.

"I have no qualms about the Mountie's 1973 bugging of the kindergarten class at Shoreham Drive public school. Five year olds are notoriously left-wing. But the daycare centre bugging; I don't think that can be justified."

Croak then offered a razor-blade sandwich to the Moon reporter.

"I also share Mr. Croak's doubts as to whether the daycare kids were a national security threat," said Foxy, "but we should get the Mounties side of the story before passing judgement. After all, the kids were members of York University, a notorious haven for men, women, cleaners and other subversive elements."

Since learning of the bugging, the daycare kids have organized an "ad duck committee to oppose political repression among preschoolers". Committee spokeschild-Mark Achoo said the bug was part of a "state-organized assault by a fascist cop-adult-thug alliance to prevent the rights of us kiddies to disseminate progressive, revolutionary, Groucho-Marxist fairy tales."

The committee is organizing a play-in for next Thursday, and has called upon "all pro-children elements" in the university to vigorously support the "struggle and come and play with them in the Daycare games room."

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"Box seats" for smokers in Not York

NOT YORK — The Borough of Not York has joined the city of Toronto in banning smoking in public places.

But according to Not York Mayor Money Crassman, his borough's bylaw has an added twist to make it more realistic than the city's, where hard-core pufflers are breaking the law hourly.

Not York will provide nicotine addicts who register at borough offices with personal "smoking boxes". The low-cost boxes will be custom-fitted over the nicotine freak's heads. They'll include a glass panel to allow smokers to see, but no ventilation.

Crassman's son is pictured above during trial run in elevator.

Black lung group terrorizes puffers

By Ted Bumford

TORONTO - Vigilante groups of non-smokers are beginning to take the law into their own hands, according to Metro Police Chief Harold Adamsapple.

Adamsapple says "Black Lung", the terrorist arm of the "Respiratory Liberation Army", has been enforcing Toronto's smoking bylaw with violence. He cited 14 known incidences of elevator hijackings in downtown skyscrapers and a number of sadistic acts performed on bylaw violators in cinemas, restaurants and TTC stations

and shelters. In most of the hijackings, smokers who lit up on lengthy elevator rides have been forcibly evicted from elevators on the roofs of downtown office buildings, to fare as best they could in hostile December weather.

Meanwhile, individuals who smoked in non-smoking areas of MacDonald's restaurants have been forced to eat "Buttburgers" by Black Lung members.

Adamsapple reports that Black Lung membership is "growing like lung cancer cells", but Metro police have the situation under control.

Adamsapple has taken a hard line with smokers. "I don't care from what vantage one approaches this question. Craven violators of the bylaw should be exported, regardless of whether they're in a matinee, or being in vogue by lighting up in a subway station," he said.

There will be no special treatment for celebrities, Adamsapple went on to explain. "I don't believe in giving internationally known players special mild treatment while they're doing some cameo role locally, and the same goes for visiting viceroys and viscounts."

The city of Sudbury, Ontario, was struck by three feet of snow yesterday following a build-up of pressure in the ionosphere. The precipitation occurred at 2:31 PM.

Many Sudburians were taken by surprise, failing to make it to shelter before the snow struck the earth. Numerous cases of whiplash were reported, and a few elderly persons lost their lives in the snowfall.

"I think it's a good idea," said Sudbury mayor Jim Gordon. "Why wait around for the snow to drift to earth? This way, it falls, whump, and then we take it away. Simple."

Snowfall flattens Sudbury

Tory leader goes punk; glue blamed

By Paul Nabisco and Paul Stupid, Sunday Moon

VESTIBULE — The national executive of the Progressive Conservative Party has announced a leadership convention for next February 12, to find a replacement for ex-leader Joe Croak.

Croak surprised the party last week, when he announced his decision to resign as party leader in order to pursue a new career as lead singer in "The Sex Bazookas", a punk rock band operating out of Vestibule, Ontario.

"I've been a closet punk ever since the day one year ago when I was putting together a statue of former BC Premier W.A.C. Bennett in my "Great Canadian Mantlepiece" series. I guess it was the airplane glue, but I suddenly realized that Punk is Love and that I'd rather play garage rock than become Prime Minister."

Croak reaffirmed his faith in the PC's, and said that the Liberals and NDP are "parties for '60's has-beens who are still into the Beatles and the Stones." NDP Leader Ed Dogscot retorted Croak should "do some acid, he needs it," and that Mick Jagger is the "Grand Dame of rock and roll."

Croak finished his news conference by standing on a press room table-top, stripping from his three-piece suit and beating himself with a microphone.

He was dragged from the room by three RCMP officers screaming, "cut me, cut me," at Scum reporter Ron Crawliester, another recent convert to punk, who stood in a corner breaking beer bottles over his head.

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Cable tv will be harshest penalty

By Tweeter Q. McMumphy

OTTAWA - An NDP member of the House of Commons has suggested that capital punishment be reinstated in Canada - but this time, with a new definition.

Tony Vigilante (Dogpatch-Outback) proposed yesterday in the commons that convicted murderers serve their terms in the very hall he was speaking in. The inmates would be required to sit through every session in the House of Commons for a life term.

Vigilante told the commons prisoners who misbehave or attempt to escape could be forced to watch reruns of proceedings on cable TV.

"Most of these types are such zombies that the threat of death of life in prison is no disincentive at all," he added, "Potential murderers must be made to realize that their part will be repaid with something that is truly icky."



Ivontu B. Alone

Stickball 'slammed'

Noted author Ivontu B. Alone, writer of the controversial book *Is Bigotry Racism?*, has devised a unique method of ending all poverty on Earth by making stickball illegal. Ms. Alone reasons thusly:

"Why are people poor? Because they don't have any money. Why don't they have any money? Because they don't have jobs. Why don't they have jobs? Because they don't have an education. Why don't they have an education? Because they never went to school. Why did they never go to school? Because they were too busy playing stickball in the street!"

Henceforth, anyone found attempting to play stickball in the street will be shot on sight.

Pierre in showbiz too!

By Andy Nikhikup

UPPER - A press release from the Prime Minister's Office announced today that Pierre Trudeau will star in his own television series entitled, "I, Pierre."

In the show the Prime Minister portrays a swinging bachelor who teaches English

to new Canadians during the day, and sells roses on Yonge Street at night.

The first sequence was previewed last night at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa. In this initial segment the PM calls a group of jobless Canadians "lazy bums", advises Newfoundlanders to eat "fuddle-

duddle", battles three separatist thugs in the streets of Montreal, arrests twenty members of the opposition for "creating a disturbance" and dates 13 civil servants.

Marc Lalonde co-stars as Trudeau's personal physician and Jean Cretien as one of Trudeau's "swinging friends".

The program has been designed to promote national unity and to demonstrate the wisdom of "Liberal living".

H. Ronald MacDonald, President of York University, a mental institute in Toronto, has already described the series as a "masterpiece in communication". It is rumoured that Mr. MacDonald declined a role in the series.

The program will appear three times nightly in both English and French on CBC television.

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Rene, Pierre elope; loneliness ends

By PAUL STUPID, Half Moon reporter

After a tempestuous private luncheon in Québec City, Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and Québec Premier René Levesque flew off to a little Laurentian resort near Steeping Bâge, Québec, and were married last night.

After the wedding the couple, looking very much in love, held a joint news conference in which each reversed their stands on the future of Confederation.

"If my little honey-baby wants his own country it's fine with me," purred Pierre. Kissing Levesque's hand he told the Premier, "you light up my life, brown eyes."

"Et tu es mon enfant de miel," cooed René, "but separating

from you is the last thing on my mind."

Both leaders are expected to introduce radical new gay rights legislation in their respective parliaments tomorrow.

Anguished Liberal and Parti Québécois officials conferred all night trying to find out what had caused the affair. Senior Liberal strategist Senator Keith Crazy, today accused punk-rocking former opposition Leader Joe Croak of putting Spanish Fly into the coffee served at the leaders' tete-a-tete.

"They didn't need any help from me," responded Croak. The Tory leader, who interrupted rehearsals of his new punk band The Sex Bazookas when news of the marriage hit Ottawa, called the Trudeau-Levesque betrothal the greatest thing since "Johnny Rotten threw up at London Airport".

Levesque, who was married in a simple white gown his mother had owned, told reporters how the love affair began.

"It was just after Troodles made that silly 'you're misfortunes' toast, that I noticed what beautiful eyes he had. The sight of Pierre in his leather coat devastated me, he's such a hunk."

The Prime Minister, who dabbed his eyes repeatedly during the conference told reporters, "I've been just another lonely bachelor since Maggie joined the Stones."

Asked why their relationship had shown such dramatic improvement after years of political rivalry, Trudeau replied, "We never got a chance to be alone."