The Jarvis Record, Thursday, June 19, 1975-12.

Water flows at Backus Mill

for the first time, cheers held this would cause it to went up from members of the turn the wrong way.

Long Point Region Conservation Authority, their wives, and members of the Oakcrest

Wednesday afternoon.

Louis Gomori, and Tony Marques, who are employed by the LPRCA as carpenters,

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Roy Smith, chairman of the will be connected this sum-

assisted the starting of the that they are very satisfied original mill supposedly had Big Creek Conservation an undershot which meant Authority was formed. that water fell into buckets on the wheel and turned the power towards the bottom of



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By Richard Houghton sticks so that it couldn't turn in the wrong direction. One wheel in the buckets. This allows the wheel to harness the Backhouse Mill and the because it rested in the the power of the water and 12 foot overshot wheel turned water. If the wheel wasn't not just the force of gravity.

later in the summer when Under the direction of Tom Students Working in the Haskett, general superinten- Environmental Enhancement dent, the gears and bearings Program (SWEEP), who are working with the carpenters, LPRCA, opened the gates mer between the mill wheel finish cleaning, restoring, and the main drive wheel. and rebuilding inside the

overshot type wheel. The event since 1948 when the

previously the tour was for board members and guests only, because until last January, the LPRCA had 35 board members. When the With the overshot wheel LPRCA went regional, board members were reduced to 15, not counting three appointees, two of which have yet to be added.

> Now for the first time board members wives could come along to see the conservation areas and projects of the

The tour stopped at South and North Waterford, Little Lake, Teeterville, Lehman, Deer Creek, Backus, Fisher, Vittoria, and Norfolk Conservation areas, just to name



Construction workers Louis Gamori and Tony Marquis control the overflow gate on the flume of the Backhouse Mill, just before the sluice gate was opened. (Photo by Richard

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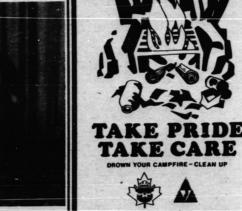
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