

## Landlord says council going from bad to worse

While members of Halton County Council were in a jovial mood last week and engaged in back-patting and what Warden Allan Day called "the mutual admiration society", John Kalanda appeared as a one man delegation and told the council he felt they were not operating in the best interests of the public.

Kalanda is the landlord for the Halton County Health Unit in Burlington. Referring to council's decision to move the facilities from there to the old library, Mr. Kalanda said they were going from bad to worse.

Not doing job  
"Some place along the line I don't think councillors are doing their job and I feel that an injustice has been done to the public," he said.

Okville Deputy-Reeve Bill Gillies, chairman of the property committee of council, said his

committee reacted to a request from the employees who wanted more space. He said under the new setup the various health services in Burlington would be under one roof and would be more economical.

Too late  
Warden Day explained a contract had been signed with the new landlord and it was irrevocable for one year at least. "The die has been cast and there isn't much we can do about it now," he said.

A petition signed by 25 employees was sent to the county protesting the move. The petition came after the lease was signed, however.

Mrs. A. MacArthur pointed out the Board of Health had been overruled by the property committee and the council. She said she thought it was foolish to move.

## A letter from Eden Mills

By V. K. Barrow

Eden Mills, Ont.,  
22 August, 1966.

Dear May:

What a busy summer it's been! So many friends have dropped in - either on their way to Stratford or coming or going on holidays. It's been wonderful to have them and has "warmed" this old house.

And as for the house itself - you remember I told you how run-down it was - well, I feel I've been able to restore its self-respect. Since I wrote last it's been completely re-painted.

Wilk Wilson the best stonemason in the district, agreed to do it. All the old mortar was taken out from around the stones - some of them could have been called boulders - and new mortar worked in - amounting almost to re-building. The front and north (back door) sides have been tape pointed.

I should have asked Wilk exactly how it's done so that I could tell you. But tape pointing seems to be the application of a sort of white plaster outlining the stones in rectangles. The strip is

about one inch wide and as a guide Wilk uses one of those very old 3-pronged forks with the middle prong removed. It seems to be "the thing" when renovating these old houses.

Personally, I prefer the back of the house where it wasn't done, because there you can see the outline of the stones better. But I must say whichever side you contemplate you are bound to admit that the restoration is the work of a master craftsman.

Besides the repointing Wilk has poured a good-sized concrete patio to replace the flagged one damaged when the septic tank was installed. On the up-hill end, cinder blocks about nine inches high hold back the soil on the top of the tank. I shall plant trailing nasturtiums there next spring. And he also put a good little "pad" out of sight for garbage cans.

The old foundations of the store have been rebuilt, except for the gap where the drive comes up the hill to the flat area which was the inside of the store. That's where we park in summer, by the way.

Wilk made the parts of the foundation varying heights, depending on the levels of the flower beds or hill-side for which they act as retaining walls. Good concrete slabs form the copings for these different sections. The flagged steps to the road were in very bad condition and quite treacherous in places, so he replaced them with concrete ones.

And to top it all off some

repairs were done to that old chimney so stones wouldn't fall on people going down the steps beside it. Apart from the cost of tearing it down, it would have been sacrilege to destroy such a landmark.

So you will gather that you'd hardly recognize the place as the one I bought last year. And yet there is a strong feeling of continuity, of being only one person in the long line of those who have loved and taken pride in this particular part of Lot 1, Main Street.

Ye gods, it's time I went to bed.  
Love,  
Val.

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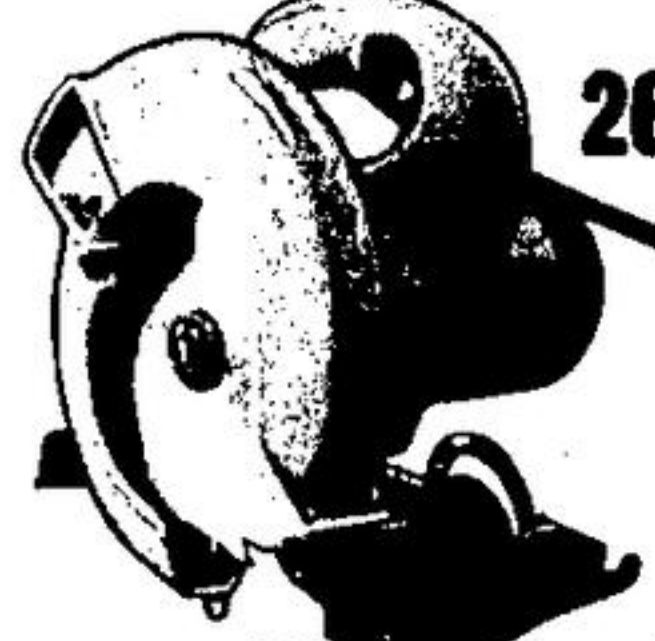
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### Obituary

#### Ethel Parker

#### Everton burial

Funeral service was held at the Mumley-Shoemaker funeral home on December 4 for Ethel Parker, R. R. 4, Rockwood, who died in St. Joseph's hospital, Guelph, on December 2.

Rev. Whitehead and Rev. Tucker conducted the service; interment was in Everton cemetery. Pallbearers were Tom McKenna, Stanley McMillan, George Mitchell, Alex McPhedran, Ted Jestin and William Jackson.

Mrs. Parker is survived by sons Omar H. Parker, Everton; H. David Parker, Namaka, Alberta; Archie A. Parker, Tilbury, Ontario and D. H. Colin Parker, Everton; Sisters Mrs. Mary Edge, Hamilton and Mrs. Dorothy McKenna, Guelph. Her husband Daniel H. Parker predeceased her. She was a member of the Christian Church.

### Weed still not banned

The fight to have Goldenrod declared a noxious weed and banned from Halton County hasn't been won yet, and unless individual municipal councils take action on the matter the weed will be allowed to live a happy existence in the fields of Halton County.

Chief weed inspector for the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food K. E. Falls told Halton County Council's Agriculture Committee the province will not consider requests from the county to ban the weed on a county-wide basis.

Consider municipal request  
In his letter he said the province would consider individual requests by urban municipalities but not by the county.

The matter was the subject of a heated debate at county council earlier this year. The matter of banning the weed was decided on a recorded vote with at least two members defending its existence.

### HALTON County Council HIGHLIGHTS

At the final 1970 meeting of Halton County Council in Milton last week council:

- Agreed not to bargain with the Nurses' Association as requested by the president of the association. Under the terms of the current agreement the association has 30 days in which to request a meeting. This time allowance had expired prior to the request.
- Agreed the 1971 roads committee meet with ratepayers concerning work to be done on 15 Sideroad as early as possible in the new year.
- Received a report from the assistant engineer recommending parking be prohibited on the west side of the Guelph Line for 200 feet north of the centre line of Campbell Avenue in the village of Campbellville. The report also recommended new signs be placed and hazard markers be placed on checkerboards on the curve.
- Learned G. Vansoelen would paint the museum barn when weather permitted at a cost of \$650.
- Agreed to the hiring of a university graduate with an arts degree as a part time employee for the cataloguing and general museum work at budget time.
- Approved plans for a footbridge to be erected over the ditch between Halton Centennial Manor and the Ontario School for the Deaf. The bridge is to be erected by OSD at no cost to the county.
- Authorized Stan Allen, administrator at Halton Centennial Manor to choose a fitting title for the position of a field worker to be hired for work with the Manor.
- Learned Halton County Museum would be closed from Dec. 23 until the second week of January.
- Received a letter from Lt. Governor W. Ross MacDonald expressing his desire to attend the museum party Dec. 22 if possible.
- Authorized the clerk administrator to offer the Halton County film for showing at "Ontario Place" and a copy of that film be left at "Ontario Place" on a permanent basis.
- Agreed to offer Stuart Gunby \$3,500 for 33 and one third acres of landlocked property in Nassagaweya. Mr. Gunby had requested \$800 an acre.
- Agreed to support the International Plowing Match in Halton in 1974 to the extent of \$8,000. A by-law was to be set up for a sinking fund that would have \$2,000 a year set aside for four years. Halton County is co-hosting the event with the Halton County Plowmen's Association.
- Authorized weed inspector Doug Currie to attend a weed control school at the University of Guelph.
- Agreed to hire one additional nurse to help in the immunization program offered by the Halton County Health Unit.