



AN HISTORICAL PLAQUE to mark the history and memory of Halton County was unveiled during a short ceremony at the County Administration Building on Saturday. After the ceremony a handful of guests marked the spot where the plaque will permanently stand—in the west part of the county property. Pictured with the plaque are Oakville Reeve Allan Masson; Walter J. Reeves, chairman of Halton County Museum Board; Nassagaweya Deputy Reeve Don McMillan; G. William Johnston, vice-chairman of the Halton County Board of Education; Halton East MPP and Minister of

Governmental Services Jim Snow; Georgetown Deputy Reeve Art Speight; Judge Alan B. Sprague of the Halton County Court; Acton Deputy Reeve G. McKenzie; Warden James Swanborough; Right Rev. John C. Bothwell, Co-adjutor Bishop of Niagara; Henry Stanley, Halton County Agricultural Representative; Milton Reeve Ron Harris, Halton MP Rud Whiting; Nassagaweya Reeve Anna MacArthur; Garfield Brown, Clerk Administrator of Halton County.

## Plaque will retain memory of Halton

Memories of a young "establishment" man who became a radical and of the County which bears his name were embodied in metal form during a short but significant ceremony at the Halton County Administration Building on Saturday.

About 250 invited guests and members of the public gathered inside the county building, located on Steeles Ave., for the official unveiling of a plaque commemorating the name and history of Halton County.

On hand for the event were representatives of Halton's seven municipalities, Halton County Councilors, and officials from various County departments. Halton's two M.P.'s, Jim Snow and George Kerr, and the riding's representative in Ottawa, Rud Whiting, were also on hand.

Future unsure Purpose of the plaque is to preserve the name of Halton for all time, even though the political future of the county may be altered with the implementation of regional government some time in the future.

Saturday's ceremony took place in the hallway of the second floor of the Administration building. The event had been scheduled for outdoors but the

day's chilly weather prompted county officials to move it inside. Official unveiling of the plaque was performed by Halton Warden James Swanborough. The Warden said he was happy to be associated with the unveiling and he also paid tribute to Milton resident, G.F. Thompson.

His idea Mr. Thompson, a local historian and retired director of the Halton Children's Aid Society, was the catalyst behind the idea of the plaque. Thompson suggested the creation of a Halton plaque in a letter to County Council last year.

Mr. Thompson had obtained information from the Department of Public Records and Archives on the origin of Halton, then suggested the county erect a plaque to recognize the origin of the municipality.

Preceding Swanborough's talk and the unveiling, several brief speeches were delivered by special guests. A history of how Halton got his name was narrated by Walter J. Reeves, Chairman of the Halton Museum Board.

Halton is named after William Halton, who was Secretary to Francis Gore, Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, Reeves told the audience.

Halton was a young Englishman who, as a representative of the colonial government in the early 1800's, worked tirelessly for the benefit of early settlers in this region. Reeves suggested.

"This young man a member of the establishment—turned out to be quite a radical," Reeves pointed out. "Halton pushed for relocations for settlers who had suffered in the War of 1812 and for better deals for the local Militia."

Because of his help and concern for the early pioneers he was a "man who made several political enemies," Reeves rounded out his historical talk by remarking "the more you study history, the less mistakes you make in the present."

Provincial and federal representatives, Halton East MPP and Minister of Governmental Services Jim Snow, Halton West MPP and newly named provincial secretary of Justice George Kerr and Halton MP Rud Whiting delivered brief congratulatory messages to Halton County Council.

Dynamic Kerr called Halton the "banner" county of the province, while Snow said the county might be small in size but not in "fame". Whiting said the county was dynamic, "because it was founded by dynamic people."

The Right Rev. John C. Bothwell, who made the dedication, suggested the past should be remembered. "I've been reading the book Future Shock and I sometimes wonder if there isn't too much emphasis placed on the future."

After the unveiling Warden Swanborough and several county councilors moved the plaque outside to the west parking lot of the Administration Building, where it will be a permanent fixture.

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## Want rail car bedroom in area

Parking facilities for passenger rail cars on the Georgetown-Toronto GO-Train will be located at the east end of Georgetown or in the area of the Smith and Stone plant, if the councils of Esqueping and Georgetown have their way.

Reeve Tom Hill announced Monday night Esqueping and Georgetown councils will hold a joint meeting in the near future. He said representatives of the Government of Ontario transit will attend.

"There'll be a good argument put up why they should be there," the reeve said in reference to the proposed locations.

Govt. position Government officials first

favoured a location on the west side of the Seventh Line crossing in the township but Esqueping officials held out for a site in between the crossing and the Georgetown town limits.

Councillor Len Cox revealed that K.C. Lindsay, a clerk of the township for many years and an expert on its terrain knows of very good reasons why the rail car parking lot should not be constructed in the proposed area in Esqueping. He indicated engineers could encounter drainage problems.

Sixth Line resident Tom Brotherton attended Monday night's meeting to object to the Esqueping location.

## Increase patrols at high school

Several minor incidents were investigated by police this past week. A calculator was reported stolen from the high school; a window was broken with a pellet gun; damage was reported from the arena and restitution made; a prowler was suspected.

Four flower boxes were dumped on the main street Saturday night, and some gar-

bage thrown. Police report they have increased patrols at the high school due to complaints of careless driving in that area.

A parked car owned by Lyle Broughton was struck Monday on Main St. S. This was the only accident of the week investigated by the Acton detachment.

## Businessmen's breakfast

Halton M.P. Rud Whiting answered questions from Acton and area businessmen at a special breakfast held at the Dominion Hotel yesterday (Tuesday) morning.

The Liberal candidate had previously greeted workers on their way to the Beardmore plant.

About 25 people attended the breakfast.

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## No trace of alleged killer

A thickly wooded and rocky square mile of land west of Milton became the centre of an intensive police manhunt Monday for the alleged killer of a young Burlington woman and her 10-month-old son.

The accused is alleged to have broken into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Severina DeCecca of 2169 Mountside Dr. in Burlington early Saturday morning. He is said to have strangled 19-year-old Katherina DeCecca and to have killed her infant son Rocco.

On Sunday afternoon police received an anonymous tip from a person who reported seeing someone resembling the suspect in the Rattlesnake Point Park area on Appleby Lane.

An OPP plane which was clocking speeders on the Queen Elizabeth Way was called in. Burlington Police and OPP searched the area, but the suspect was not sighted.

The anonymous caller may or may not have spotted the man for on Monday a full-scale manhunt developed in the piece of land bordered by 10 Sideroad, Bell School Line, Tremaine Rd. and 14 Sideroad in North Burlington.

Monday's manhunt began when George Newell of 5409 10 Sideroad arrived home at a little after 12 noon. A maintenance supervisor at a local factory, he likes to eat lunch at his own residence.



No one was supposed to be at home at the time but he heard footsteps in the upper part of the house and the slamming of a door.

"I suppose he exited out one door as I came in the other door," Newell observed. "From what I can tell, all that's missing is some food."

Newell contacted Burlington Police and the department, acting on the hunch the intruder was the alleged killer of Mrs. DeCecca, started a co-ordinated manhunt. Within a short time the

combined force had the area of 10 Sideroad, Bell School Line, Tremaine Rd. and 14 Sideroad completely surrounded.

Plane, dog An OPP plane combed the square mile of land almost continuously from shortly after the search began until about 5 p.m.—leaving the area only to refuel.

Burlington Police and members of OPP detachments as far west as Brantford and as far south as Simcoe joined in the search. Tuesday morning Inspector

Moore said the suspect was still at large. He said a "perimeter surveillance" would be kept on the area.

On Tuesday officials of Joseph Brant Hospital in Burlington reported that Mr. DeCecca was in satisfactory condition. He had been taken there after the shooting.

The suspect is a 19-year-old neighbor of the DeCecca family. He is described as six feet, one inch tall with long curly brown hair and brown eyes. He weighs about 230 lbs. As of press time he has not been apprehended.

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