

Human Services Council is first for province

Declared a first for the province, Halton's new 25-member Human Services Council was inaugurated Wednesday evening in Milton as representatives of regional council, administrators, citizens and organizations gathered at Halton Manor.

Gov. V. Varah told the sparse gathering at Halton Manor, she saw the council's major task in examining the ways in which delivery systems for human services can more adequately meet the needs of individuals. The co-ordination of existing services, and determination of where supporting services can be shared are also objectives.

Dave Coons, chairman of the Halton community services committee fostered the idea of a co-ordinating council for the human services. He noted it was a step beyond the health council now being fostered by the province.

Dr. Michael Thompson, director of the London Psychiatric Hospital, and an early influence in establishing the co-ordinating group, recalled pressures from north Halton regarding the lack of psychiatric services that led to the early discussions.

He paid tribute to those responsible for the new co-ordinating agency as those who "were able to rise above your own personal needs for ego satisfaction within your own organizational hierarchy to vision... vision beyond that which exists within your own agencies... your own experiences... beyond that about which you could read... to vision a way of offering to those in need all that which we are able to provide in a manner which is easily accessible to all."

Dr. Thompson urged the council to rise above parochialism to benefit the total person in need, provide the least disruptive service and the least costly first, maintain an external social and physical environment which is conducive to contentment, make the helping services easily and totally available to all the members of the community in a way that promotes human dignity.

Halton Regional Police Chief Ken Skerrett em-

phasized he would "scream loud and long if we adopt too professional an attitude and don't listen to the problems of the community."

Family Court Judge K. M. Langdon emphasized the use of his court was making of referral services. Of the 57 referrals to one home, half would have been in training schools if the service had not been available. Since the service existed there weren't a dozen in training schools.

"If I had the power I'd only refer inadequate or incompetent parents. It now seems parents are the last ones called on."

David Coons praised the efforts of the many people involved in countless discussions that led to the final format for the new group. He paid particular tribute to last year's Warden Anne MacArthur for her support.

Accepting the chairmanship of the new council, John Graham accepted the challenge to "try to turn an idea into a reality... into something successful."

Mrs. E. Sales, Georgetown representing the Red Cross, was named vice-chairman of the new council.

Members of the council as representative of the regional council are Councillors Marjorie Powys and Patrick McLaughlin, of the administrators of statutory services in the region; Dr. G. I. Askwith, Children's Aid;



HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL members chat briefly after the inauguration of the new council last week at Halton Manor. Included in this group are Councillor Marjorie Powys, Milton, Mrs. E. Sales, vice chairman of the group, Georgetown, Chairman John Graham, Tom Bradley, Milton and Peter Marks, Acton. The Council is to co-ordinate the many services available to assist individuals in Halton.

Dr. J. H. Chamberlain, Health Unit; J. K. Graham, Board of Education; Judge K. Langdon, Family Court; R. J. Vivian, Social and Family Services; C. G. Byres, Separate School Board.

Other organizational and citizen representatives are Rev. P. Barrow, Georgetown, Dr. L. Box, Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital, T.

Bradley, Milton, B. Clark, Oakville and District Labor Council, Mrs. E. Kiddle, Milton, Dr. A. Majeski, Joseph Brant Hospital, Peter Marks, Acton, Mrs. P. Palmer, Addiction Research Foundation, Rev. J. Parr, Burlington, B. Skerrett, guidance counsellor, Mrs. E. Sales, Georgetown Red Cross, Mrs. Dubka, Burlington Social Planning

Council, George Heym, Oakville Social Planning Council, Dr. R. Hines, Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital, G. Lavalee, Halton Victorian Order of Nurses, Miss L. Parson, Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital, K. Skerrett, Halton Regional Police, Miss G. Varah, Joseph Brant Hospital.

Car owner is charged

A local man who left his car running and the keys in it has been charged by the local O.P.P. The vehicle was recovered in Toronto being driven by a 16-year-old boy.

The town by-law reads as follows: "No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle, other than a commercial motor vehicle, shall allow such motor vehicle to stand unattended on any street, roadway or municipality operated parking lot in the Town of Acton, unless it is locked in such a manner as to prevent its operation by any person not authorized by the owner, driver or person in charge."

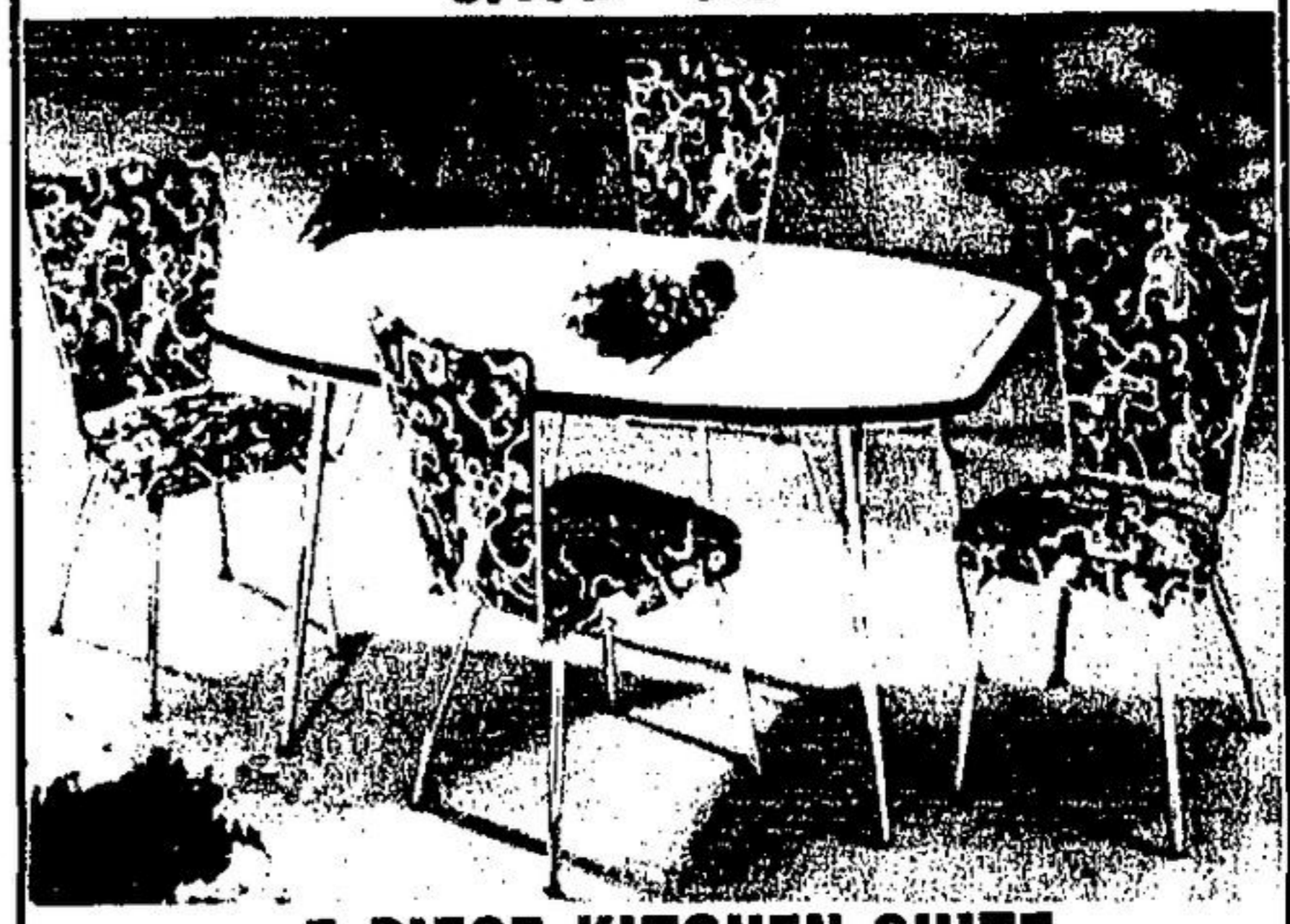
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Davis telegram
Premier William Davis, in a telegram to the founding meeting read by Regional Chairman Allan Masson, praised the objectives and noted he was aware of the need for co-ordination.

A "white paper" prepared by a steering committee, under the chairmanship of John Graham, had earlier received approval of the county council and was being implemented with the formation of the Human Ser-



LAURA WILES, believed to be longest residing Actonian, has a cuppa with her long-time friend, **Jean Steel**, at Senior Citizens drop-in centre. Serving are R. L. Davidson and Laura Dennis.

Club completes drop-in plans

A goodly number of members braved the cold to attend the afternoon meeting of Acton Golden Age club last Wednesday in Luxton Hall. Ivan Harris presided, and welcomed a new member and visitors.

A letter, re new tax exemptions as affecting senior citizens, was read, and was of interest to all.

A senior citizens special tour to Ottawa in tulip time was offered by a bus company in Toronto, to which some interest was shown.

Mrs. Jean Precious offered to act as assistant card convener.

Valentine greetings are being sent to the sick and shut-in members.

New centre
Several items of business

were disposed of in regard to the opening of the Drop-In Centre. It is hoped seniors of the town will make use of this centre, either for a short rest or play cards or just chat awhile; hours are 1 to 5, Monday to Friday inclusive.

New owners
Terra Cotta Inn is presently undergoing a facelift by its new owner D.S. Bangard, who took over February 1.

Together with Mrs. Kay Van Remoortel, manager and director, they have taken on the task of renovating the Inn. "We will still retain the English decor but plans for a rustic Canadian atmosphere are underway," said Mrs. Van Remoortel.

Mrs. M. De Vries reported her family will provide a musical program at the next meeting.

Cards and crokinole were played with prizes for euchre going to Mrs. J. Precious, Mrs. K. Post, Mrs. A. Duhay and Ivan Harris.

Crokinole winners were Mrs. M. Spear, Miss A. Atkins, Bert Davidson and A. Mann.

Birthdays noted were for Mrs. F. Finimore, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lambert.

A cup of tea and delicious fruit bread concluded a pleasant afternoon.

Drive for funds adult residence

A new residence for adult retardates is the goal of a campaign presently underway to industries by the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded. The ambitious project has been planned for some time.

The residence will be in the Hornby area and expected cost of the land and home will be well over \$100,000.

There hasn't been a campaign to industries for some time so it is being undertaken now. Funds are also raised through a yearly lottery and the spring Flowers of Hope campaign.

Negotiations for the 1-acre parcel of land are now being finalized.

Through campaigns such as this the association in the past 19 years have been able to construct Sunshine school, ABC workshop and establish Tankerbell nursery.

record of achievement and we hope for continued support as the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded prepares to meet the needs of the future," says campaign committee chairman Irv Hinds, Marilyn Cres., Georgetown.

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