

OUR READERS WRITE:

Many alarmed about regional govt.

Dear Sir,
I would like to reply to the letter sent in by J. Farnsworth Wallaby. "System needs time to work."

We are well aware that regional government has been in operation only 65 days, but we are also aware that it took some of the councillors only 65 minutes—more or less—to hike up their salaries to \$5,500 and some, so do you wonder if we are a little skeptical?

Mayor Duby is not the only one who has growing fears about the scheme, and where it is heading. We seem to have, from the Federal level down, tier upon tier of governments, rather ironic, when we are only a country of about 22 million. Many people are expressing alarm at the growing number of civil servants, where the ordinary person feels they are becoming more like a cold calculated computerized statistic. There is less personal approach to the needs of the smaller municipalities, where the larger towns will fare better than those in the more remote areas, even though we may pay as much in taxes in this new equalization.

You also say—that if we listen—we should see an improvement within nine years. I sincerely hope so, or heaven help us all. Remember nine years ago, inflation was at a walking pace, the rate it is going now is more like a stampede, with no end in sight. If we continue at this pace, I doubt whether we could afford the upkeep of this

system.
I suppose you were right when you say we have to 'buy' the system, because it appears this is exactly what we are doing.

Also, you thought the mayor was sounding off. It will be nothing like the sounds you will hear from the irate taxpayers, if (as we read in the committee reports) the spiralling costs that they propose must come about.

We folksy people, in our antiquated little towns, have to find the money within our taxes for all these bright schemes. Many of us are living from hand to mouth these days, with barely enough money for our weekly grocery bills, so when we read that Mr. X has been appointed to become assistant to the chief assistant's assistant, at a salary around \$15,000 to \$20,000, we begin to shake a little. It seems to me that politicians come out with such wonderful promises—"they always promise us bridges before they find the rivers."

Yes, maybe within nine years there will be streamlined efficiency, one huge bureaucracy, that will tell us how to live, where to live and what we can and cannot do. Meanwhile please tolerate us a little longer, in our old fashion ideals, and if we seem a little cautious and apprehensive we've had a lot on our plate lately, such as expropriations, airports, hydro, gas and oil pipe lines, etc., etc.

Yours truly,
J. D. Harvey

Recycling urged

An immediate and whopping 12 per cent increase in the volume of garbage in Halton Hills was predicted Monday night by John Mitchell, chairman of Pollution Probe Georgetown. The amount of garbage here could double every six years, Mr. Mitchell's brief to the works committee of council states the firm belief of Pollution Probe that municipal collection and recycling of paper from houses and businesses in Halton Hills is now an

economically viable proposition.

Appearing at the meeting with Mr. Mitchell were his wife Pam, and Fleming and Beth Mathiasen.

Copies

After he read the brief and councillors discussed it they recommended copies go to all councillors and to the works superintendent and engineer. Councillors looked with favor on the recycling of paper concept but councillor Ern Hyde wondered if private enterprise shouldn't do the

job. A private firm has lately taken over the collection of cardboard in Georgetown.

Mr. Mitchell felt the most reasonable method of collection is in conjunction with the regular garbage collection. Only extra cost is taking the paper off the trucks separately.

Councillor Joe Hurst thought the proposal should include all of Halton Hills. Paper is collected in Acton now monthly by the high school Outers club.

Willing
In his brief Mr. Mitchell pointed out a survey of almost 250 households in Georgetown in 1973 found 93 per cent were willing to save newsprint and 87 per cent willing to save magazines. "The will to recycle already exists to a greater extent than is realized."

He cited prices obtainable—\$15 a ton at Brampton, \$40 a ton at Toronto and \$30 a ton at Brantford, for paper sale.

Other systems show the most successful way is a regular garbage day pickup each week. Backs for use under or alongside regular garbage trucks are available at about \$100 each. A trailer or two trucks may be necessary later.

Regional shuffle aimed at more involvement

A motion designed to increase the workload and the involvement of councillors in the operation of Halton's regional government was endorsed by Halton Regional Council Wednesday.

The move will see each councillor sitting on two of the four council committees.

Chairman Allan Masson cast the deciding vote when council's vote ended in a 10-10 tie. Because it was a recorded vote, Masson had to break the tie.

Mover of the motion Mayor George Harrington of Burlington argued that motions coming to council

from committees had little chance of being passed, because not enough people had the opportunity to be in on the original committee discussion.

Easier to pass
He felt that with 12-man committees the recommendations would more readily be passed by council.

Halton Hills Mayor Tom Hill wondered how some members would be able to cope with attendance at two committee meetings when they have difficulty attending one. Each of the four committees meets twice a month and two council meetings are held per month.

Public Works Chairman Jack Rattis, Burlington,

opposed the motion. He noted his committee had had no difficulty in getting recommendations approved. "We have had good attendance and good discussion. We won't get it with a 12-member committee."

Oakville Councillor Bill Mason said council should go to a committee of the whole style. "Items don't come alive unless you're in on the discussion." But his amendment to that effect was defeated.

Halton Hills Councillor Ric Morrow felt more people would know more about the operation of the region if members sat on two committees.

Sometimes only three people are at a meeting. He noted it was often a waste of time for the three members to meet when they were dealing with contentious issues that were often eventually rejected by council.

Morrow drew the wrath of several members when he called the vote on Mason's amendment immediately after his speech and before Councillor Carl Eriksen of Oakville had an opportunity to speak.

"Point of order, Mr. Chairman, he (Eriksen) had his hand up earlier," Mayor Hill said.

"Can a question be put after a speech?" Terry

Mannell of Oakville wondered. "Yes," Chairman Masson replied.

Sees reason
"Now I know why the administration committee is in trouble," Archie Donaghey shouted as he and others joined in an angry protest against Morrow's move to end discussion.

After the vote was taken on the amendment, Mannell told Chairman Masson debate could now be held on the motion.

Eriksen was the first to be recognized and took the opportunity to rap Morrow. "I see no reason to serve on two committees when I'm not allowed to speak at the one I belong to now," he charged.

Eriksen detailed two of the problems with the administration committee. He said the first problem was the fact a great number of contentious issues had been put before the committee. He defended the right for members to debate and vote as they saw fit.

"The second problem has been partially displayed here. Our chairman acts like he is the Lord of the Manor in Medieval Europe," Eriksen said as he criticized Morrow for cutting discussion short.

"When we come here we don't have the answers you want and that is why matters are defeated or referred back."

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Obituary

Came to Canada as young man

Harold Percy Adby, who came to Canada as a young man, died at Guelph General Hospital on March 18. He had been in ill health for the past six months and had been hospitalized for six weeks.

Mr. Adby, a bachelor, lived at 29 Cobblehill Rd. and was 72 years of age.

He left England in 1919, and was always loyal to the Queen and country where he was born, as well as to Canada.

He worked for several farmers in Eramosa township and Stoney Creek area before settling in Acton. He was retired from Beardmore.

Will be missed
A quiet man, he loved his

home and garden. He was always ready to help others and will be sadly missed by those who knew him.

He is survived by a brother Fred, Terriers High Wycombe, Bucks, England, and a niece and nephew in England.

He was baptized in Acton at St. Alban's in April, 1947. The Rev. Len Ewing conducted the funeral service at the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home on March 20. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Funeral services were held on Saturday for Allan W. Leishman, a former Acton resident, who died at Halton Manor at the age of 98 after a two week illness.

Born Jan. 12, 1877, in Streetsville, Ont., Mr. Leishman was the son of William and Agnes Leishman. He was predeceased by two brothers, John R. and Halton, formerly of Hamilton, and four sisters, Mrs. George Barber (Ada), Acton, Mrs. James L. McCall (Liz), Toronto, Mrs. L. W. Hewitt (Eva), Stratford, and Maggie Leishman, Streetsville. He is survived by one brother, Cameron Bruce, of Acton.

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Presbyterian he attended No. 9 school in Nassagaweya and was a life member of the Acton Oddfellow lodge no. 467 and well respected in the community.

The funeral service was held at the Rumley-Shoemaker Funeral Home with Rev. Andrew McKenzie officiating. Interment was at the Fairview cemetery with pallbearers, Dr. A. J. Buchanan, Wm. Middleton, Bill Finley, Morley Allen, Ken McDonald and Bill Carnochan.

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Ask by-law change for kennel dogs

Kennel owners of purebred dogs in Halton Hills were in arms over the new licensing bylaw. It provides for receiving a tag for each dog for a \$25 kennel licensing fee.

Town treasurer Lloyd Peterson pointed out to the Finance Committee that in the case of Mrs. W. Jonson's Wynfield Kennels, licences would have to be written out for 150 dogs, stating not only their age and breed but also

color and temperament. This would be ridiculous, he added.

It was also pointed out when a new litter reached the age of 12 weeks, the kennel owner must get a new tag for each pup at the office.

The committee recommended the bylaw be changed to delete the issuance of tags to dogs in registered purebred kennels.

Five chairs gone

The reporting week of March 17 to 23 was fairly quiet for officers of the Acton O.P.P.

There were 40 general occurrences ranging from domestic complaints to wilful damage.

There were two accidents which resulted in minor damage and no injuries.

There were two liquor seizures and one impaired driver charged.

There were two thefts reported, both from the Dominion Hotel. One report was of a coat belonging to an employee and the other was

of five chairs from the dining room area. Investigation is continuing into these incidents.

O.P.P. seek some losers

Acton O.P.P. request anyone who has lost anything in the past three months to stop in to their office or phone describing the article.

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