

# Create North Halton riding - Philbrook

Halton MP Dr. Frank Philbrook doesn't intend to see Halton Hills split into two federal ridings and plans to suggest the Electoral Boundaries Commission create a new North Halton riding similar to the new Halton-Burlington provincial seat.

"If our first appeal fails we are going to go back and ask them to put Halton Hills and Milton together as a riding and make Oakville another riding. If I have to I will debate this in the House of Commons because Halton Hills must remain together," he said in an interview this week.

Last August the Electoral Boundary Commission unveiled plans to create a new Halton riding with Georgetown, north-east Esquewaugh Township, Erin and Eramosa Township missing. Oakville, Milton and Acton would remain in Halton.

Georgetown and north-east Esquewaugh township were lumped in with the Town of Caledon, and Vaughan and King Townships.

On October 6 Dr. Philbrook, Halton Hills Mayor Tom Hill and Halton Region Chairman Allan Masson appeared before the Electoral Boundaries Commission to plead their case that Halton Hills should remain together.

"We told them Halton Hills has natural ties with Milton and Oakville. Halton is a regional unit and the ties among communities run north-south and there aren't many ties in the east or west directions," Dr. Philbrook said.

He noted the delegation admitted to the commission that they realize the commission's concern about population balance but "we feel keeping Halton Hills together is of greater concern."

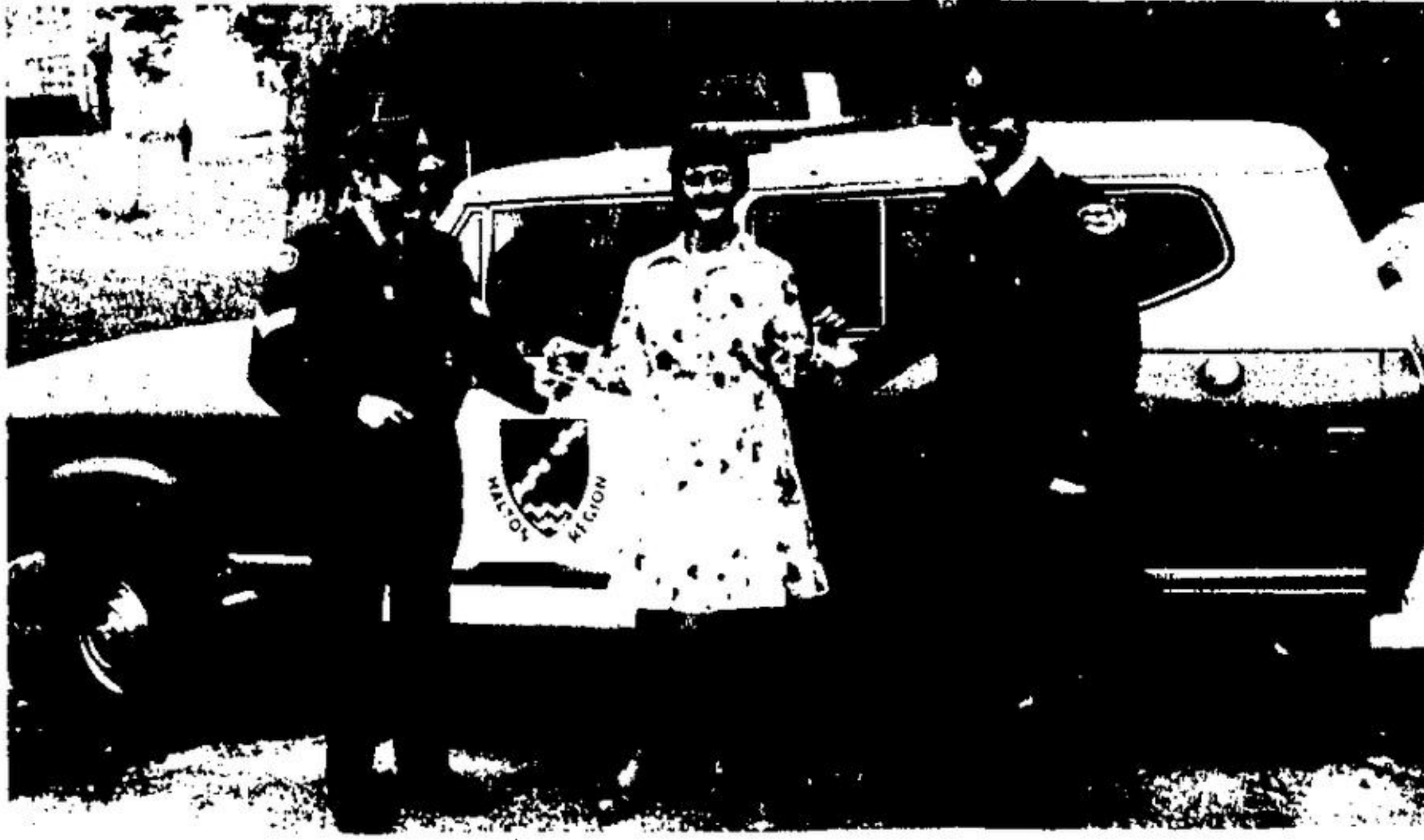
Dr. Philbrook pointed out that Masson not only presented objections from Halton Region but informed the commission that meetings between Halton and Peel region representatives revealed that Peel is cool to the idea of Georgetown being thrust into a riding with Caledon too.

"The commission asked us how we felt about the possibility of leaving Georgetown in Halton and the riding having a population of 102,000 and being the largest in the country. They were also worried about the MP not being able to cover the area properly. I told them I wouldn't mind having a large riding and thought I could cover the riding well. We added there haven't been a lot of complaints about my not being able to cover the riding properly either."

He said the delegation from Halton suggested the commission look into the possibility of making changes in Peel where four ridings were created out of two and just leave Halton alone.

"We told them we have a good arrangement in this riding and would prefer they just leave it alone."

"Halton Hills is a social, political and cultural unit and it is very important that the town remain together," he concluded.



KEYS TO TWO new Safety Vehicles are presented by chairman of the Halton Safety Council Edna Johnstone, Oakville, to Sgt. P. Bromley and his assistant Cons. Keith Woods. The presentation was made when Halton Police Commission met for the first time in Acton last Thursday afternoon.

## Police commissioners meet

referring to the light at the Mill-Main corner which used to summon officers when the phone rang in the office.

The booster will increase the signal from the EMO tower at Rattlesnake Point.

Moving Milton police headquarters into vacated quarters of the Juvenile and Family Court will be considered by members of the Halton Regional Police Commission.

Members meeting for the first time in Acton last Thursday agreed to look at the proposed new location.

The Juvenile and Family Court will be transferred from Brown St. near the jail into the court house on Steeles Ave.

The Milton police are presently in a house on Hugh St.

Chief Skerrett pointed out that the proposed new location would be all on one floor; at present their accommodation is on three floors. As it is now the officer has to come down three floors or the citizen has to go up three floors to discuss mutual problems, he said.

Commissioners agreed to look at the court location before making a decision.

Present vehicles Two safety vehicles, parked outside Acton Library, were officially presented to the commission by Mrs. E. Johnstone, Oakville, chairman of the Halton Region Safety Council and trustee A. Goodyear, Oakville, of Halton board of education.

The keys were accepted by Sgt. P. Bromley who heads the safety instruction program and Cons. K. Woods who is on his staff.

Mrs. Johnstone pointed out one vehicle is the joint gift of the Kinsmen of Burlington and the Safety Council, and the other the gift of the Safety Council. She thanked both public and separate school boards for co-operation and financial assistance.

The police officers assured her the vehicles would be put to good use.

Auxiliary police The program of auxiliary policemen is being examined for the region, according to Chief Skerrett. He was replying to an inquiry received by mail from Solicitor-General George Kerr.

Auxiliary police officers in the county had gradually been dropped and weren't replaced because of the cost, Chief Skerrett said.

He added there is one

## Unrest accusations . . . .

Continued from page 1 parties with those guys, and I told them so," Mrs. Sheldon emphasized.

She continued to say Mr. Papillon said he did not feel recommendations coming from their committee were getting to general administration committee. Mrs. Sheldon said she asked Mr. Cooper to find out just how many of the recommendations were taken to GAC.

Mrs. Sheldon said she thought it was time the buck stopped being passed and someone assume responsibility to see that the ad was placed and to find out why not.

Mrs. Sheldon said she told the Recreation committee members about a gymnastic program in which the

children were left out in the cold and dark by themselves for 45 minutes last week. All were wearing either shorts or leotard outfits.

She continued to say that the first week of the program, the children were left outside for more than 15 minutes while waiting for the leaders of the course.

She feels that the entire program has been put together without sufficient thought.

Mrs. Sheldon told this newspaper she does not intend to go back to the meetings until four new members have been acquired.

Mr. Cooper also told this paper that there would be no meetings until the members have been appointed.

## Board unveils school plans

Continued from page 1 their own dining room they would be able to supervise the students dining room more easily.

Community use Trustee Len Auger said he hoped the school would be used extensively by the community and wondered if provisions had been made for the handicapped. He was told

there were no special provisions but was assured this would be looked into.

Mr. Watson moved the new sketches and tentative budget be approved and the board supported him unanimously.

At the same meeting the board passed a by-law allowing them to issue a debenture worth \$158,000 to pay for the purchase of the land for the new high school.

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## Hydro money is wasted Ted Tyler Sr. claims

Ted Tyler Sr. does not see why the Acton Volunteer Fire Department did not use their own ladder and men to erect a Fire Prevention Week Sign over their doors.

Mr. Tyler questioned this at the monthly Acton Hydro Commission meeting last Thursday evening. He told the other members of the group that two hydro employees and a bucket truck, worth \$40,000, were at the fire hall for at least 20 minutes. Mr. Tyler watched for this length of time and did not know how long they were there before or after he was there.

Mr. Tyler indicated "I've got nothing against the fire department. I am willing to help them in almost any way, but this is ridiculous." He continued to say that the fire fighters themselves could have put the sign in position during fire practice or the weekends and not at the hydro's time and expense.

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