

Morrow joins

Halton Hills Councillor Ric Morrow announced late last week that he will be a candidate for the regional chairman's job. Council will attempt to elect a chairman at the inaugural meeting today (Wednesday).

In a telephone interview Thursday night, Mr. Morrow explained he had been disappointed at the informal meeting of council Tuesday afternoon.

He said that he had never considered the prospect of a part time chairman until the meeting Tuesday. He noted that all other regions had full time chairmen. Morrow pointed out that he had felt that a full time chairman was the way to go.

But if council is going to consider the job as a part time post, along the lines of the old warden's job instead of a super mayor he wants to be considered.

Milton shades maj. peewees

In spite of having a man advantage four times the major peewees were edged 2-1 by Milton's A team in exhibition play here on January 4.

Rick Greenly attempted to rally Acton's BB club with a second period goal from Paul Phelan and Mark Duval after

Milton had taken a 2-0 lead in the first period.

Milton players took all four penalties called in the match.

Snow train chugs again

The famous Algoma Snow Train started chugging again January 1, from Sault Ste. Marie into some of the most spectacular winter scenery in the world.

Waterfalls and rocky cliffs, now masses of ice, and the clear crystal air, together

with the snow-laden branches of spruce and pine, combine to make this area of Canada a genuine winter wonderland.

The Snow Train goes across and through scenic Bellevue and Searchmont Valleys, skirting the frozen shores of Algoma's numerous lakes,

1 point for Maj. atoms

Major atoms earned one out of a possible four points in W-W league action against New Hamburg and Orangeville.

Acton forced New Hamburg to tie 2-2, but the team dropped a 3-1 decision to Orangeville.

Against New Hamburg Saturday Acton moved into a 2-1 lead in the second period, however, Burger Mike Schwartz evened the game up. Kevin McTae fired both major atom goals. The first from Jim Richard and the second from Dave McNight.

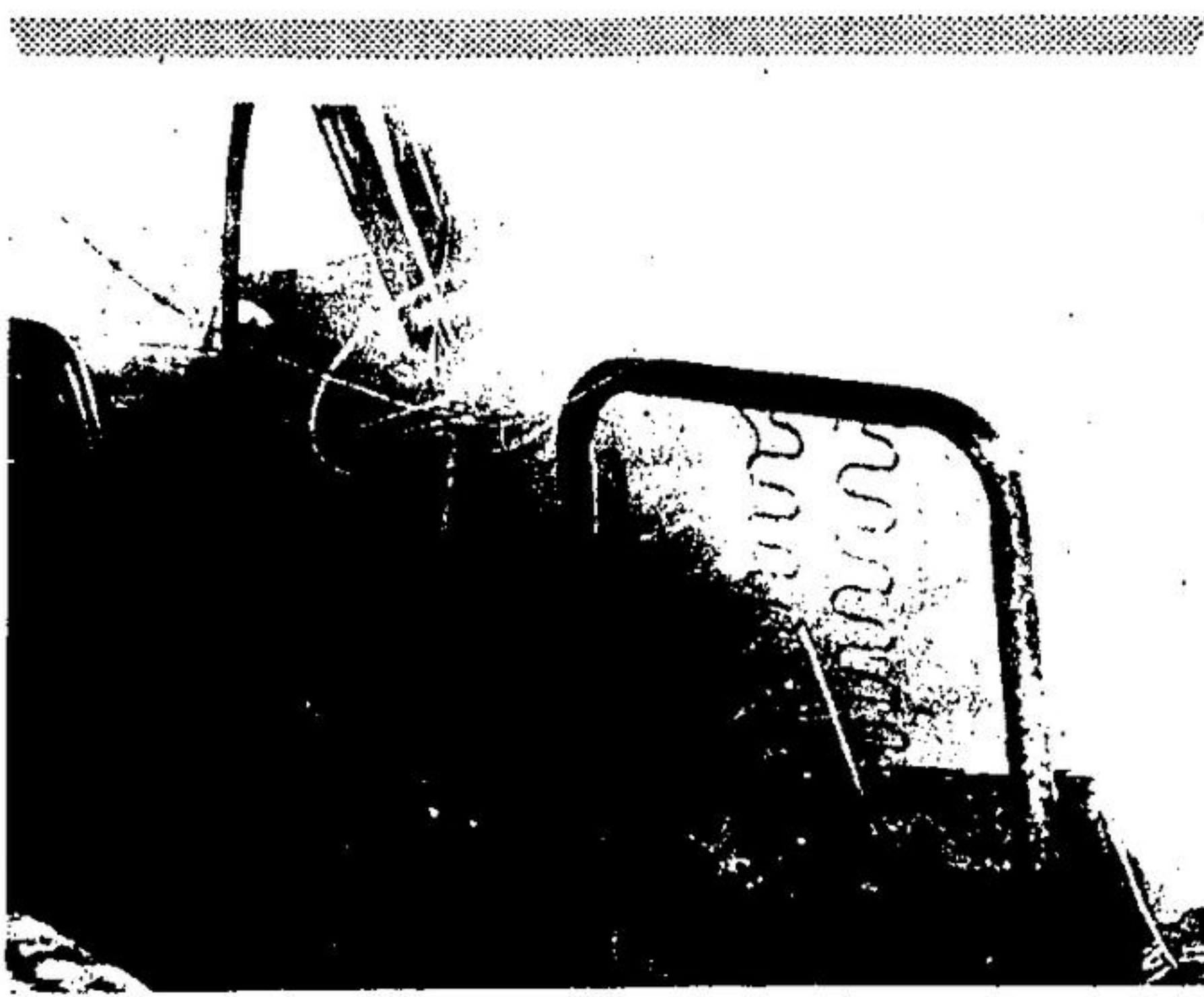
Mike Moir got the first New Hamburg goal.

On January 4 at Orangeville Jim Richard's goal from Lorenzo Civiero matched a previous O'ville marker by Barry Sawyer. The teams played through the rest of the second period without managing to score.

Two goals by Bill Bradford sank all hope of major atoms rallying for a win or a tie.

through Agawa Canyon, as far north as Eton, Mile 120 on the line.

At Eton, coaches and dining car are switched to the south-bound train for the return journey.



AN EARLY MORNING fire Saturday gutted a 1973 Chevy van parked near the Indusmin quarry. About \$4,000 damage was caused by the blaze which may have started in the wiring. A passing motorist noticed the fire and reported it.

Board to borrow \$40 million

Halton Board of Education senior administrative staff was authorized to borrow up to \$40 million from the bank until tax money starts flowing in. The decision was made by trustees, Thursday.

Director of Education Em Lavender said from time to time the board has to borrow

money to keep the education system running until Halton's four municipalities start turning over the board's share of taxes. The board will borrow different sums of money from time to time but the total of all borrowings can't exceed \$40 million.

Trustee Bill Priestner said.

questioned the heavy borrowing, noting the board was setting aside \$5 million for borrowing just a few years ago when the budget was \$50 million a year.

"Why such a large sum? It must cause a big debt to borrow so much," Priestner said.

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Some GO trains cut

Monday's snow storm raised havoc with the Georgetown GO trains but in the end everything worked out fine.

GO Transit spokesman Tom Henry said Tuesday the trains were carrying close to their normal totals and despite delays it is believed everyone was able to get back to Georgetown from Toronto even though only two trains ran in the evening.

Some early risers were disappointed to discover they had to wait for the second GO train going to Toronto in the morning after the 6.35 a.m. train never arrived in Georgetown. Henry said the first train only got as far as

Brampton when it was sent back to Toronto.

The next three Georgetown GO trains left for Toronto on time but none got into Union Station on time.

Henry explained all were running on schedule until they reached Parkdale, in the Queen and Dufferin Street area, where they were delayed because railmen couldn't keep snow off the switches. He said it took most trains an hour to go from Parkdale to Union Station.

The last Georgetown train didn't get into the city until after 10 a.m. The four morning trains usually carry an average of 2,000 people. There were 1,980 Monday morning

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