The three options open to the

\$581,000 more than the original staff in the new building.

budget of \$2,000,000. time and time again that the what should be done. building could, and would be built within budget.

during Wednesday's council the three options open to renew the lease with Peter G. meeting. Last February council but after more than agreed to hike the two years of deliberations the the Abbey Life building on

OLDS PROS AT THIS GAME, Amanda Deforest

and Christine Couture performed a duet in a dance recital held June 11 in Robert Little

with Councillor Russ Miller's

suggestion approval of the

said the committee had

pendent, overseeing auditing

body, reporting directly to the

taxpayers of Hallon, would

greatly increase our un-

derstanding of and control

ticularly in the structure of citizens.

restore more automomy to Members:

means the re-establishment of land, L. Lovell, G. Malcolm,

a seat of government in Acton B. Shoemaker, M. Smith, D.

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itself, then perhaps that is the Swetman, B. Yundt.

what is presently the local

area of Halton Hills. In

general, we believe changes to

Actonians to control their own

next committee meeting.

Delay rental

We want out....

With the backing of council

administration committee

will take another look at rent-

al increase for town offices in

from \$160 to \$360 a month, of

which \$110 would be paid by

Acton Community Services

Centre. The centre would

expand, taking over some of the present office space at the

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proper, and is a major issue in

our criticism of government

Thirdly, and very signi-

ficantly, a major criticism we have of Regional Government

under Bill 151, is the rapid and

continuing escalation of costs

to area taxpayers. A rational

perspective on how much tax-

payers can afford seems to

have disappeared with the

emergence of Regional

Government in both Halton

Region and locally in Halton

Hills. Growth in the numbers

of municipal employees has

increased dramatically. In-

creased costs of salaries,

benefits, pensions, are unpre-

cedented. Large capital ex-

penditures which previously

were scheduled over longer

terms, based on local af-

fordability, are now collec-

tively approved by both

Halton Regional and Halton

Hills Council apparently on the presumption that a

broader tax base is now sup-

porting these costs. It is our considered opinion that our current system of local government in Halton Hills and regionally in Halton has become too costly to maintain at its current rate of growth in

We believe that some form of accountability must be restored to government in Halton and Halton Hills: Perhaps the creation of some equivalent to an auditor-general for regional government should be required. It is virtually impossible for the average citizen to comprehend the financial operations of regional government established under Bill 151, and the establishment of an inde-

taxes.

established under Bill 151.

front of the Y building.

Last week the committee approved a rent increase

the Acton Y building.

School.

The future home of regional budget figure up to \$2,220,000 committee had no firm recom-government in Halton will cost and include the Health Unit mendation. The region's building com- committee included accepting

Halton Regional Council mittee met for four hours the low tender and taking the endorsed plans for construc- Wednesday in an effort to extra funds out of 1978 taxes: tion even though it had said come to some consensus on accepting none of the three moving from Milton in the When Committee Chairman back to the architect for the idea of a regional building David Coons went before redesigning within the budget in the first place was to house A narrow 13-11 vote was council in the afternoon he or finally postponing or can- the entire regional family, the enough to carry the motion made a presentation featuring celling building plans and police, CAS, HRCA and the

> Harvester Rd. in Burlington. Council accepted the low tender of \$2,273,337 of Newton Construction and agreed that an amount of \$308,000 be approved to cover architect fees, interior design work, furnishings and redesigning.

Newton's original tender price came in at \$2,409,000 but was reduced to \$2,273,000 after deletions were made from the original specifications.

The proposal to continue renting appeared to gain support when council was advised that the current landlord P. G. Lush would hold the rent at its current level for the next five years with the exception of increases to cover tax in-

Burlington Councillor Ben . Ciprietti said the idea of staying and renting had merit. He said it would work out to \$2.35 cents per foot cheaper than the proposal to buy.

Oakville Mayor Harry Barrett said it would cost the region \$125,000 for the architect's service whether they built the building or not. "If we scuttle the plans it is-

Watson said he would sign the resolutions authorizing construction and the overexpenditure if council agreed to build it on the Milton site. "The savings of \$160,000 would be enough to win my support,"

Morrow appeared ready to introduce yet a fourth option when he said he had received a call from Rudy Reimer's office. Reimer is a major Burlington developer.

But before he could go any further Coons cut him off. "Don't pull that into it now. I don't even want to hear about

Oakville Councillor Mac Anderson said the building can't be morally justified.

"The staff will expand to fill any space available so more staff can come to create the need for a new addition. Don't saddle the ratepayers with the

Milton Mayor Don Gordon said the building was over-

designed in the expectation that people will use it. "People won't use it. Staff, councillors and developers will."

Councillor Watson said the against it. region's first mistake was tenders and sending the plans first place. "It seems to me within budget. Halton Board of Education, Lush for the existing space in We said our house isn't big enough for the whole family. But now the family has gone and left us anyway. I say we should stay here until regional

> we have our own houses Councillor Gord Reade said Sus. he opposed the building. "We Councillor Jim Kerr said don't need it. It is too rich. Taxpayers don't want to spend \$2,000,000 to solve an identity crisis. They'll find us here if it of. He said he was angry when

think they'll find us." Coons' presentation surprised some councillors who to speak to it.

is important enough. As a

matter of fact if we pass this I

had attended the committee meeting earlier in the day. Some felt he was trying to sell the overexpenditure and were surprised when he voted

Outside the meeting he said he wasn't trying to sell anything but simply point out the options. He said he favored having the building redesigned without the frills and

Milton Councillor Jim Kerr had attended the committee meeting earlier in the day and he claimed the consensus at the meeting was to have the building redesigned. government fizzles out and

A member of the committee then we could go back to the Jim Watson said he didn't feel areas where we should be and the committee had ever reached any kind of consen-

> there was a lot of information that came out in committee that council was never aware Halton Hills Mayor Tom Hill successfully put a motion of closure and ended a discussion before he had an opportunity

Council against nuclear

Halton Hills council did its bit Monday to stop nuclear proliferation.

At the urging of Councillor Peter Marks council en-

dorsed the Stockholm Appeal. The Canadian Peace Congress sent the Stockholm Appeal to council for its endorsation, noting much federal money is used to

Try land swap for parkland

Venditti was asked by Halton Hills planning board to try to land south of Elizabeth Drive, Acton, deemed parkland. Councillor Peter Marks

Mario said the floodline precludes building on five lots. He suggested the town negotiate a come up with a land swap for. land swap so the land could be acquired for parkland, on the edge of Fairy Lake.

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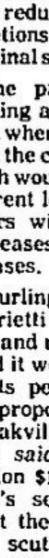
The Stockholm Appeal calls for an end to the Arms race and urges disarmament. "Building more arms when the present stockpiles could destroy the world several times over is completely mad," the letter to the town ection."

Marks said it might appear an endorsation'from Halton Hills of the Stockholm Appeal is just a grain of sand on the beach but the town should support the cause. "It's a mini-step in the right dir-

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\$125,000 out the window." Milton Councillor Jim

Regional Chairman Ric

Monday council agreed rent hike be delayed while it," he shouted.

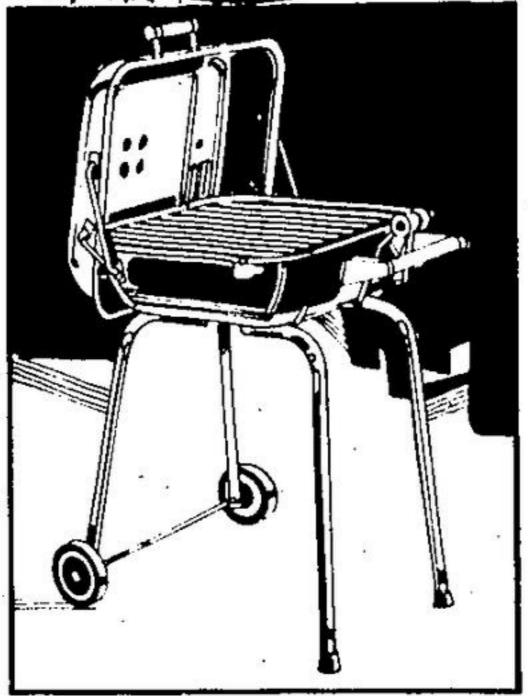
department heads are given a chance to comment on use by the town of the facility. He

received a letter with regards to the building and it would have to be examined at the

No other details of the cost of a new building." reason for the rent increase approval were revealed.

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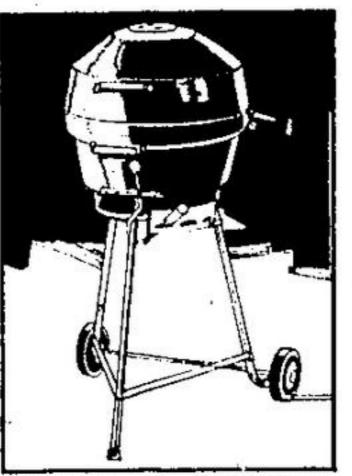
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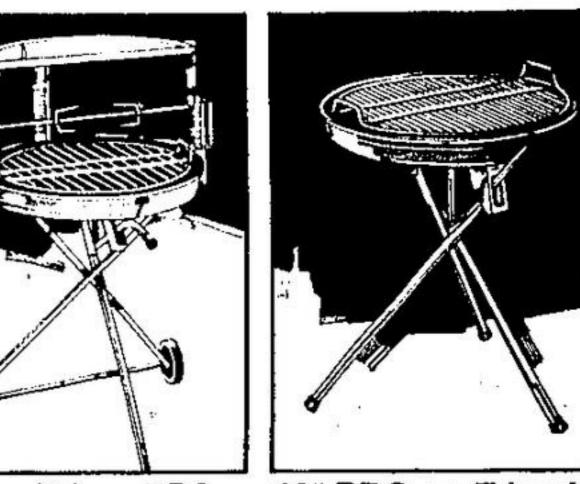


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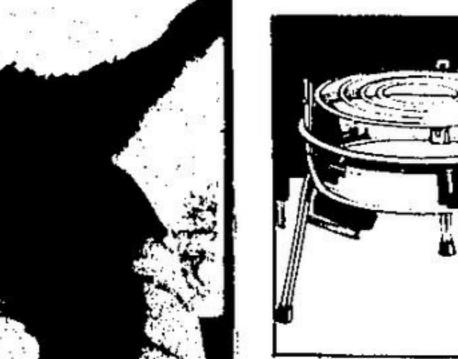


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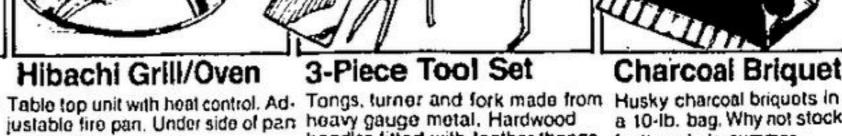




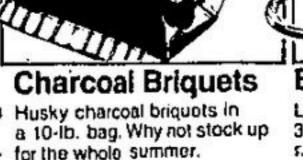
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