

# Doug Pritchard airs his farewell views

"Halton Hills is a microcosm of Canada with its mixture of two urban and one large rural area and faces the same problem of unity," commented Doug Pritchard, in a farewell interview, before leaving for his new post in Penticton, B.C. January 3.

He said a town such as Halton Hills is unique, with each town and all the hamlets having existed in their own right for more than a century before coming under one local government. He said councils of Halton Hills have not had an easy task but had done a relatively good job, "more by good luck than by design". He said the town is in a good financial position and credited councils with maintaining that position.

He said the town needs a unifying agent of some kind, and felt one centre for both cultural and recreational activities might be the binding force, where people would go to socialize from all over Halton Hills. He said he realized the question of where to build it could be "dicey", but pointed out there are 9000 residents of the rural areas who are often ignored.

**Municipal Building**  
Tackling the controversial municipal complex, Pritchard said it is not a complex, simply municipal offices: He said one unifying move would be a central office for the whole town. He said there should be one place where ratepayers can go for all municipal business, and "they should not be banded about from pillar to post."

He emphasized it was also good business practice to centralize everything under one roof.

**Leadership**  
The former clerk administrator claimed the mosaic quality of the town made good strong leadership more important than in one cohesive town. He said a strong sense of direction is needed, and claimed statutes are just words without people of vision to implement them.

toward the type of community the people want. He said the decision has to be made whether this will be mainly a dormitory town or whether jobs can be created here so people both work and live in the same area.

**Cut Council Numbers**  
Cutting the number of councillors from 13 to 9 would serve the public just as well and could prove more efficient, Pritchard suggested. He said one councillor to represent one ward on the local level is enough, and compared to the number of people represented by one member in the provincial and federal government, and at the regional level. He stressed there would still be one regional councillor from each ward. He claimed a nine member council is easier to handle and could accomplish more than a 13 member one.

**Regional Government**  
Pritchard predicted regional government was here to stay, in its present form with two tiers, but in a long range forecast he saw a joining of Peel and Halton Regions. This was suggested nine years ago in the Plunkett report, as a barrier between the sprawl of Toronto and Hamilton.

He said as time goes on the region will turn more and more over to the local municipalities. He said there may be no regional road crews, since the local works department will do the work and be reimbursed by the region.

**Library**  
The former clerk administrator said he was distressed to see the town torn by the library issue. He said in his mind a library is the highest cultural achievement of a town, and wondered if location is important enough to split the town. He said the service to the town should be the overriding factor. He emphasized he was not saying Cedarvale is the proper location, but stated the money has been approved for library purposes. "We have the \$400,000 from the debenture, and have assigned \$350,000 from lot levies, I feel the O.M.B. should not be



FORMER HALTON Hills clerk-administrator Doug Pritchard has resigned, and will be city manager at Penticton, B.C.

making the decision on specific details such as location or additions, as long as the money is used for library purposes".  
Pritchard criticized council for becoming too involved in the day to day administration of the town. He said elected officials are firstly legislators, and must be involved to some degree in the administrative process but "they are playing a little too close to the chest, and are not allowing for staff input as they should." He said council should define more clearly the responsibilities and authority of staff.

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## Our readers write

### Royal's 50th next

Now that we've had an opportunity to assess our press coverage of the 1977 Royal, just a brief note of appreciation for the strong support you have given us. In particular, we believe coverage of local participants is very important and you have certainly achieved this goal.

Thank you again for your help. We look forward to working with you in 1978—the Royal's 50th show.

Yours sincerely,  
Royal Agricultural Winter Fair  
Clive R. Tisdale, P. Ag.,  
Public Relations Director.

### Easy metric conversion formula

Metric conversion continues to confuse many people. Such confusion when it involves reading maximum speed signs on the highway accurately can be dangerous.

Several formulas for converting kilometres into miles for drivers who do not yet 'think metric' have been suggested. Most of them take too long to figure out when driving from one kilometre zone into another. Here, however, is one formula which is relatively simple and quick. It might be called 'The Six Rule'. Suppose you are entering an 80 kilometre zone. Multiply the first digit eight by six. This will give you 48. Add two to reach the even 50 m.p.h. Similarly, if the sign reads 40 km/h, multiply the four by six to get 24. Add one and you get 25 m.p.h.

## World population crisis

Dear Sir,  
In mid-December, I had the privilege of leading a Canadian delegation of MP's to Europe on the subject of this world's mounting population crisis.

Along with Japanese and American parliamentarians, our purpose was to enlist further support for this work with our British and German colleagues, which we did successfully. Sponsored by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) and encouraged by the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), the concept is to extend the work of governments and other organizations in this crucial field, only however, at the request of receiving nations.

By the way, Mr. and Mrs. George Cadbury of Oakville have been long standing and honored members of IPPF.

An exotic subject to be working on, some might ask when we seem to have so many serious problems at home, such as the economy and national unity?

It is true that world population problems have not been receiving the headlines they did in the 60's, due to our own preoccupations. But all countries' problems are interrelated these days and the "population time-bomb", one of the world's most serious problems, keeps ticking away whether we notice or not.

Canada and its partners can be proud of their efforts to date but the greater test is yet to come. The world's people have recently increased from two to four billion, and may swell even faster to seven billion in 20 years, and to twelve billion 50 years later.

illegal residents is too high in spite of our best efforts to control it. Our American neighbors have special worries for almost 10 per cent of the Mexican population now live in the USA without permission.

So our whole way of life is becoming increasingly affected by population, international development and all the world's problems. We are destined to hear more about it in the future.

For my own part, I am very pleased to have received such recognition on behalf of Halton. As you know a great deal of my career experience has occurred in this increasingly important field of world population control, with several years in Asia and several in birth control research. My present position as an MP is then a good one from which to apply that experience.

In this way also, I am determined to make the greatest contribution possible as your representative to help remedy one of the basic root causes for all our problems,—economic, social, political, military, whatever. Be they in the developing nations with little resources and annual incomes of \$25 to \$200, or in developed nations such as ours which are seen by the less fortunate as unbelievably wealthy, powerful and trouble free.

And so especially in the spirit of this festive season, let us try to remember, not only the blessings our Judeo-Christian teachings have brought us, but also the close relationships and obligations we have with our fellow men and women everywhere.

Yours for a worshipful Christmas and a New Year of world progress.

Dr. Frank A. Philbrook,  
Member of Parliament,  
Halton.

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**Sunday, January 8, 1978**

10:00-10:40 a.m. — Minister's Confirmation Class for Teenagers

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**Sunday, January 8, 1978**

9:45 a.m. — Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. — 8:30 p.m.  
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8:30 p.m. — Monthly meeting of A.C.W. They invite the ladies of the church to join them in a pot luck supper.

7:30 p.m. — Holy Eucharist  
**Sunday, January 8, 1978**

9:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist  
10:30 a.m. — "White Gift Sunday" Please bring your gift of canned goods, soup, fruit, vegetables, etc. Our gifts will be donated to St. George's House. Following the service there will be an "Epiphany Party". A special film will be shown and a light luncheon will be served. Gifts of fruit and candy will be given to the children as they leave the Parish Hall.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11**

10:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist

**BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

**Sunday, January 8, 1978**

Sunday Worship Services at 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Preschool Sunday School during the morning service. Sunday School during the morning service.

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**WEDNESDAY**

7:00 p.m. — Young People's Bible Study  
8:00 p.m. — Young People's General Meeting

**THURSDAY**

7:30 p.m. — Choir Practice  
**Sunday, January 8, 1978**

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School and Adult Class  
11:00 a.m. — Morning Worship  
7:00 p.m. — Evening Fellowship

**MONDAY**

8:00 p.m. — Mission Circle Annual Business Meeting at the Church

**TUESDAY**  
Baptist Men at Guelph  
Everyone Welcome

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## Legion news

by Harry Norton

Well, Comrades, the holiday season is over and it is time to look ahead to 1978 but before we leave 1977 to history I would like to extend the thanks of all members and their guests to the comrades who worked so hard to make our holiday festivities such a success. Special mention is extended to Bill (Weepy) Taylor and his crew for the magnificent job they did decorating the Branch. We also offer special thanks to the crews that worked New Year's Eve and contributed so much to our best New Year's Eve party ever.

Darts, Cribbage and Shuffleboard teams took the holidays off but will be back competing again next week.

The entertainment committee rightly think everyone needs a rest so no special entertainment is scheduled for this weekend in either the lounge or the auditoriums. On Friday 13 "The Dolsons" will entertain in the lounge and the following bands are scheduled for the auditorium: Jan. 14th "Camilla Band", Jan. 21st "Country Dees", and for Jan. 28th the "Tru Tones".

Don't forget your general meeting next Monday, Jan. 9. Come on out and learn what has been done and what is planned.

## Red Cross course

An emergency services course for "workers" will be given Saturday, February 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Red Cross Cedarvale Office in Georgetown.

The course has been designed to prepare people for major and minor disasters.

As this mini-class is filling up with registrations, anyone interested in taking a future course can call the Red Cross office - 877-8233 - Tuesdays and Thursdays.