



DON MATHIESON and Don Lindsay checkout the stock at A-B Supermarket. The two have just taken over the ownership of the store.

Council says no to APWA

If Halton Regional Councilors take part in a junket to Boston for the American Public Works Association International Congress and Trade Show, it won't be on the taxpayers' tab.

Or at least that's the way Halton Regional Council left the matter after debate Wednesday.

Public Works Chairman Jack Raftis insisted that the trip was essential if Halton is to be informed in the areas of resource recovery and other pertinent public works areas. He received support from members of his committee but others suggested the deal was one more way for councilors to live off the public trough.

Oakville Councillor McLean Anderson said there was no money in the budget for councillor conventions and there should be no money spent on them. The works committee was prepared to recommend an over-expenditure or draw from a fund set up for staff conferences and conventions.

The trip would have cost about \$1,800 to \$2,000 to send three councilors. Burlington Councillor Dave Coons cautioned council and suggested they haven't heard the end of it. He predicted Raftis would find a way to introduce the request once again.

No fire Tuesday

The fire truck rushed to Indusmin Quarry Tuesday afternoon, but found no fire and a surprised staff there. Firefighters drove through the property but found no

Fire call is rubbish

A case of mistaken identity saw Acton firefighters rushing to the scene of a controlled rubbish fire on the Sixth Line of Nassagaweya Saturday.

A resident of that road saw smoke and called in the alarm. When firefighters arrived on the scene they discovered the innocent origin of the smoke, a neighbor burning his garbage.

Alarm at Beardmore

A fire at Beardmore's Monday noon caused the tannery alarm system to sound. The situation was under control without calling the town brigade.

Cut off

A Willow St. resident reported to police that some of her clothes line was cut off.

Resent urban influence

Rural people say they've lost control

Delegates to a workshop in Milton Saturday expressed frustration with increasing urban influence in the rural areas of Halton. Delegates indicated rural people lacked control on the elected groups and suffered from the lack of proper input on councils and other governmental or regulatory bodies.

The workshop, organized as a Rural Development Outreach Project of the University of Guelph, involved more than 40 citizens drawn from various areas of Halton.

The Rural Development Outreach Project is to make the resources of the University available to citizens. It is supported by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation which has supplied the major part of the funding.

Valerie Gilmor, who presided for the workshop Saturday at Halton Centennial Manor, told those present they represented a cross section of the community and the University group hoped to assist in a supportive way.

She emphasized that the term rural development dealt with improvements in the quality of living and ways of making a living. She said that discussions would be held under headings such as human development, environmental improvements and preservation, economic development and community facilities.

A similar type of project was undertaken in Huron County, dealing largely with a rural community. The project in Halton focuses on an area that is experiencing urbanizing influences.

"What in your view are the major issues or concerns facing Halton today and in the near future", was the topic exposed to the participants in various discussion groups. Those reporting for discussion groups, following the noon lunch break, were Henry Stanley, Allan Gleason, Rod Pinkney, Frank Harshman, Ron Break, Gordon Kidd and Peter McCarthy.

Henry Stanley summarized discussion in the group on economic development placing the alienation of farm people and the difficulties of small communities such as Campbellville in retaining their identity with all levels of government. He pointed to a general lack of knowledge of farm problems by those on councils, lack of communication since the form-

ation of regional councils and acknowledged the problem of part time politicians in an area of rapid growth.

The high taxes resulting from provision of urban-oriented services, the education tax which the group felt was unfairly based on land as opposed to an urban type dwelling in a rural setting that required more services yet paid less and duplication of planning staffs at regional and local level drew criticism.

The high land costs were influenced by lack of adequate planning, the government designation of green belt areas and the feeling of insecurity of farm people in developing an agricultural operation. These resulted in farmers in Halton becoming non-competitive with farmers in other parts of the province.

The "invasion" of rural areas by urbanites was a problem the group thought because of the slow integration of the groups, the high service costs, the problems with smells and the lack of awareness of farm problems. This was also resulting in a change in the voting pattern reducing the influence of the farm voice.

Rod Pinkney emphasized the lack of respect many have for the property of others, pointing to the impact of the Bruce Trail. He suggested, in reporting for his group on environmental concerns, it was unfair that a person's property should be frozen so society, which wasn't paying for it, could use it.

He dealt also with the impact of the dump proposal,

the hydro corridor, the taxes and the impact of urbanizing in rural areas.

Allan Gleason expressed concerns of his group, citing the first concern as preservation of area communities, followed by the integration of urbanites into the rural communities. The need to develop an understanding of the stewardship of land and environment was also ranked in matters of concern. The difficulties of providing adequate facilities and programs for the elderly in rural areas, the need for nutrition education and the respect of others for private property were topics emphasized.

Gordon Kidd reported a concern with the provision of community services, suggesting the rural dweller doesn't get his money's worth — particularly in the provision of recreational facilities.

The lack of community centres in rural communities that would provide a focus was indicated. He emphasized that rural areas have no real control with smaller representation that the urban areas have on councils. Urban people don't know and can't understand the rural needs, he suggested.

Mr. Kidd also pointed out that other agencies really control one fifth of the region through the region, water-

sheds, and escarpment controls.

He also suggested government was not responsive to the needs of rural residents, noting that often the staffs are not familiar either. Councillors from rural areas are often not farmers, he noted.

Frank Harshman spelled out major concerns from his group centering around garbage disposal, the desire for facilities beyond an ability to pay, the need to use marginal land for development, the lack of consideration for and communication with the rural community by planning agencies, and the appreciation of social values.

Identifying his personal concern in opposition to the proposed Site F garbage dump, he charged that to use the area would ruin it for all time to come. The area of 2,500 acres included some of the finest agricultural land in the province, he suggested. He urged consideration to recycling. "We can't afford to waste agricultural land" he emphasized. The region proposes use of less than 300 of the 2,500 acres for landfill.

He also stressed that rural areas cannot afford the things possible in urban areas because of the smaller tax base. Acknowledging that areas cannot halt all growth, he suggested the use of marginal land for estate type developments. "Nassagaweya could ideally be used for this type of development", he suggested.

The problem of planners figuring out restrictive plans rather than being positive and suggesting what is possible, also troubled Mr. Harshman's group. The difficulty of trespassing by trail walkers and others was

also spotlighted. The lack of respect for rural life, by urban dwellers who move to the country was stressed by Peter McCarthy for his group. He pointed to the requests for a higher level of service, the difficulty of absentee landlords, the large lot with a small part maintained and poor land husbandry by speculators or renters of land. The need for better representation of farm groups and rural residents was stressed.

Mr. McCarthy's group was also critical of the provision of recreational facilities like Kelso, Halton Falls, or Bronte Creek Provincial Park which were really utilized by urban residents. He suggested the playgrounds for the urban dwellers should be paid for by them.

Evaluating the workshop at the conclusion, members were asked to express their views in individual questionnaires.

Valerie Gilmor who had presided said she was "really pleased" with the participation.

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