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Driver uninjured as train plows into car

by Barb Wynneck

Ronald Tosh of Puslinch came within inches of death when his car stalled on the Rockwood CNR crossing at 7:45 a.m. Monday.

He leaped from the door just as the train slammed into the 1973 Gremlin. The auto's front end was completely demolished.

The driver was taken to Guelph General Hospital and released, shaken, but uninjured.

Guelph detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police said Mr. Tosh was proceeding north on Main St., listening to the auto's stereo. The bright sun shining on the crossing lights obscured the flashing signal. Mr. Tosh told police his vehicle was on the tracks before he heard the warning wig-wag signal, and then he saw the approaching train.

He hit the brakes, police said, jamming the gear into reverse. The car stalled. He unfastened his seatbelt, opened the door and jumped, skidding on his posterior along the roadway, his head two inches from the rolling train wheels.

Damage to the locomotive steps and front end was estimated at \$1000 by engineer John Robert Fraser of Stratford. OPP estimated the auto damage at \$1000 to \$1200.



Robert Tosh escaped just in the nick of time when his car stalled on the Rockwood Main St. CNR crossing. Damage to the 1973 Gremlin was estimated at \$1,000 to \$1,200 by Guelph OPP.

Jelinek fails bid

Geographic distribution of ridings in Ontario has cost Otto Jelinek a Cabinet seat.

In an interview Mr. Jelinek, Halton's new Member of Parliament, said the Conservative party's losses in Ottawa hurt his chances.

"People like Bob de Cotret and Jean Pigott would have had senior cabinet posts, but they were defeated, so the senior posts are going to members in the Toronto-Hamilton-London area.

"Joe (Prime Minister Clark) is having difficulty in spreading around the junior portfolios geographically. I would be a junior minister (in a small business portfolio)," said Mr. Jelinek.

New chief

A new leader has been appointed commander of Halton's regional police force.

Deputy-Chief James Harding, a recent appointment to the force, will take over the duties of chief of police.

Stepping down to a position as special consultant to the Halton Police Commission, is Chief Ken Skerrett.

Dep. Chief Harding will be acting chief until a new chief is named by the commission.

His appointment comes three months after an Ontario Police Commission investigation found leadership to be lacking in the regional force.



M.Z. Bennett Public School students made their own puppets and put on three plays as part of an Arts and Language project. The plays, "Punch and Judy", "Dragons Teeth" and "The Little Red Hen" were performed for the school and at Summerfest. Two of the puppets were made by Alice Blaizer (left), and Peter Cargill and Danny Medland. Photo by ROBIN INSCOE.

Four candidates forfeit deposit

Four of the six Halton candidates in the federal election lost their \$200 deposits.

Doug Black, Karen Selick, Robert Ritchie and Charles Shrybman all forfeited the money because the polled less than 15 per cent of the total vote.

Mr. Black of the NDP missed the mark by .5 per cent. He received 7,836 votes for a percentage of 14.5.

Miss Selick of the

Libertarian Party received 143 votes or .3 per cent; independent candidate Mr. Ritchie registered 131 votes for 2.4 per cent and Marxist-Leninist standard bearer Mr. Shrybman tallied only 23 votes for a percentage of .04.

Each candidate had to pay \$200 as a deposit under the Canada Election Act. This is forfeited if they poll less than 15 per cent.

Progressive Conserv-

ative Otto Jelinek polled the most votes. He received 28,850 for a percentage figure of 53.3.

Dr. Frank Philbrook of the Liberals came second with 17,169 votes, for a percentage tally of 31.7. Of the over 64,500 voters eligible to vote, 54,154 exercised their right for a percentage of 83.5.

The Tories polled 7,290 more votes this election than the one in 1974 when Terry O'Connor was the

losing candidate. He received 21,556 votes.

Mr. Black polled 1,013 votes more than his predecessor Archie Brown who tallied 6,825 ballots in 1974.

Dr. Philbrook lost votes in this election. In 1974 he had received 23,479 votes, 6,310 more than in 1979.

"A spokesman from the Halton returning officer said no charges will be made in connection with

an alleged harrasing incident at one of the polls in Oakville May 22, the day of the election.

"The man was speaking in Portuguese, so no one could understand him anyway," the spokesman said.

Candidates are required to file a list of their expenses and contributors with the returning officer four months after the election. Deadline is Sept. 22.

Superior Glove, union hearing ends in puzzle

by Eric Elstone

The Ontario Labor Relations Board (OLRB) hearing concerning Superior Glove Works Ltd. ended last week with the board appearing to be puzzled by lawyers' arguments.

A decision will be handed down by the board later. Lawyers for the Acton glove manufacturer and the Canadian Union of United Brewery, Flour, Cereal, Soft Drink and Distillery Workers argued about different issues.

Superior Glove lawyer William Phelps argued Thursday as he had in the first day that the layoffs from the plant resulted from legitimate business reasons.

Mr. Phelps said the layoffs were a culmination of raw materials, cost factors, employee training problems and company financial considerations.

On the other hand, union lawyer John McNamee took a two-pronged argument to the board. The company linked the layoffs to union organizing, said Mr. McNamee and also he contended, Superior Glove is guilty of interference with union work.

Board chairman A.L. Haladner observed the union's complaint concerned only the layoffs. The interrogations in plant, manager Frank Geng's office, he classed as "color".

Mr. McNamee: "You can't ignore that conduct."

"I don't know that you complained of the conduct in the office," replied Mr. Haladner.

The union is asking for the reinstatement, with full compensation, of the 12 or so workers laid off in February.

Union lawyer McNamee cites the Labor Relations Act

which forbids anyone linked to management interfering with the formation of a union. Legislation allows a boss to express his views "so long as he does not use coercion, intimidation, threats, promises or undue influence."

The second section of the act, used by the union, is in regards to a boss not employing or discriminating against anyone because he is a union member.

During the hearing's four separate days, starting in April, much evidence regarding the company's knowledge of the union, and how management handled the matter was revealed.

All economic evidence regarding the company's financial position was heard behind closed doors because of company concerns. The same rule applied to Mr. Phelps, argument, so he gave reporters a sum-

mary later. Most important, said the lawyer, is that Mr. Geng spoke to his senior employees concerning imports because they had been promised \$5 an hour by the union and he was saying that was unrealistic.

"It's a very different point to say I can't afford \$5 to saying you're laid off because a union is here," said Mr. Phelps. Some plant people in the audience said they did not know where the \$5 figure came from. They indicated they were only at the point of trying to form a union.

The company, according to Mr. Phelps, first learned of union hopes of organizing in Superior Glove on January 30, five days after the decision to lay off was made. The union contends management knew of the union's activities earlier and that the layoffs were the result.

In earlier testimony Mr. Geng said he talked to some employees concerning the company's economy. He said he indicated the company may have to go to 30 per



In the practice run, Rosemary Findley and Lori Fountain looked like hopeless losers for the three legged race at Knox Presbyterian Church picnic Sunday afternoon. However in the race itself, the girls charged to a first place finish looking like they were Siamese twins. Many church members attended the picnic, enjoying good food, races and games.

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Blood donor clinic

Legion Auditorium

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 1979



Premier Bill Davis was in a jocular mood when he opened Halton's new headquarters in Oakville, Friday. During his platform speech in front of the bright green building, he laced his speech with humor. Later, he helped regional chairman Jack Raffis unveil the plaque commemorating the opening.

CVCA says

Landfill site a disgrace

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority is threatening to close up Georgetown landfill site unless something is done to their satisfaction about drainage water and leachate escaping into the river.

Thursday, the CVCA executive committee gave the Region of Halton, which operates the site, until June 15 to come up with some arrangement satisfactory to them to drain storm water from the landfill site, or the violation notice will be sent.

The CVCA will notify the Ministry of Environment and ask them to take further action to control the flow of leachate into the Credit River. In addition, the CVCA is asking for a meeting with the Ministry and

representatives of the Region, but prior to that, they want to meet with Region representatives, June 15, to discuss proposed alterations to the water course at the landfill site.

George Popodopolous, engineer for the CVCA, said the landfill site had been expanded, and an application to put a 600 foot swale on top of the fill to take storm water down to the river, had been made.

The engineer said part of the swale would be sod and part gabion lining, with four feet of top soil separating the landfill site from the swale. He explained he is concerned about water entering the site and going out the bottom as leachate into the river. He said last

year a storm sewer was installed but is covered with 20 to 30 feet of material.

"It would be getting into the range of Metcalfe ravine in cost," commented Chairman AG Clarkson.

Popodopolous said a staff meeting with the region was held April 12 to try and find an alternative solution but there has been no response.

Ken Whillans, CVCA member, said the landfill site is a disgrace, and the site storm sewer cannot take away the leachate. "This is right on the side of the river. It's wonder the Ministry of Environment is not on their necks."

Clarkson remarked, "They're getting away

with murder and we're living downstream from it". He warned there is a lot of money involved and many ramifications.

A suggestion from another member that dumping be stopped immediately, brought the reply from Gail Malby, that there is only this landfill site in the area, to serve Acton, Esquesing and Milton, as well as Georgetown. She said a violation notice would not stop dumping.

The chairman countered perhaps there should be a stop work issued.

Whillans said the resolution saying the work would be subject to a violation notice and the proposed meetings gave the municipality an opportunity to be heard and perhaps come up with an alternative.

Reject assessment review — wary of market value

Halton Hills council turned down any idea of a survey of methods of assessment that could lead eventually to market value assessment. Only Councillors Walter Biehn and Ross Knechtel backed the survey by the Ministry of Revenue.

The survey was suggested by Treasurer Ray King who claimed the review might result in increased assessment on older homes, and possibly a lowering of assessment on newer ones. He claimed it would provide greater equity to all taxpayers. He explained the Ministry must be asked by council to carry out the survey.

Councillor Roy Booth warned the survey would simply be the first step, and market value assessment would follow. He said taxes have jumped twice or three times in Hamilton under market value assessment and people are screaming.

He claimed the older homes perhaps assessed lower have paid completely for any facilities they enjoyed. He maintained while newer homes under plans of subdivision pay for

sewers, roads, etc., soft services, police and fire are not covered. He pointed out he lives in a newer home, so he was not talking from a personal viewpoint but emphasized older residents on fixed incomes and pensions would be badly hurt.

"The only way market value should be implemented is when the house is sold."

Councillor Pat Patterson claimed the survey was simply a back door approach to the tax reforms which the province tried to introduce a few years ago, and flopped. He said anyone with a bungalow and two or three acres in the country would find the assessment of the land would be twice the assessment of the house.

"We don't want it," Councillor Ross Knechtel argued comparable houses should be assessed the same, and said he could not understand council's reluctance simply to have a survey.

Councillor George Malby suggested the Province has devious ways of getting municipalities to do things

they want them to do, and warned the survey would lead to the implementation of market value assessment. "If you open the door, you'll get it."

Councillor Russ Miller warned any jump in assessment will force

older people out of homes they have lived in for 49 years.

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Perrin Beatty cabinet post



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Beatty has a neighboring riding to Mr. Beatty. He has just entered his third term as M.P.

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