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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE ESTATE OF FREDERICK KINGS-MILL, late of 185 Onterio Street South, Milton, Ontario, in the Town of Milton, in the Regional Municipality of Halton, formerly of the Town of Halton Hills (Acton), in the Regional Municipality of Halton, Retired Labourer, de-

cassed. ALL persons having claims against the aforementioned Estate of Frederick Kingsmill who died on or about the Tenth day of January. 1982 are required to file proof thereof with the undersigned solicitors for the Executor on or before the Seventh day of May, 1982, after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims then filed. DATED at Halton Hills (Acton), this 29th day of

Mackenzie and Chap-Barristers and Solicitors, 28 Main Street North, Acton, Ontario.

March, 1982.

Solicitors for the Executor 071-16

NOTICE TO

CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE ESTATE OF REGINALD ARTHUR

GINGER, late of 156 Churchill Road South, Acton, Ontario, in the Town of Halton Hills, in the Regional Municipality of Halton, deceased. ALL Persons having claims against the aforementioned Estate of Reginald Arthur Ginger, who died on or about the first day of May, 1981, are required to file proof thereof with the undersigned solicitors for the Administrat, on or before the Seventh day of May, 1982, after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims then filed. DATED at Halton Hills (Acton), this 29th day of

March, 1982. Mackenzie and Chap-

Barristers and Solic-28 Main Street North, Acton, Ontario. Solicitors for the Administratrix. 073a FE



His lawyer tells jury

# Lots of "reasonable doubt" surrounding Mike McCristall

"Reasonable doubt means never having to say, 'I wonder.'

As he drew to an end of his address to the fury. John D. Smith, defense counsel for Michael Mc-Cristall equated his feelings on the second degree murder trial with the infamous saying from the movie Love Story-'Love means never having to say you're sorry."

Smith told the jury there were nine points of reasonable doubt in the case against his client. The August 19 decision to remove the rubble of the north-east end of the building before a thorough investigation was conducted could have denied evidence to exponerate his client. No one took the gas furnace or fittings apart to

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IN THE ESTATE OF ELSIE CATHERINE SYME

late of the Town of Halton Hills, in the Regional Municipality of Halton, deceased. Creditors and others

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Drop-in...

(Continued from page 5) Beevor countered the board has closed some schools and will be looking at closing more and then selling them. However, he warned it is hard to close a school because of community outrage. Miller noted all north trustees were elected by acclamation so he wondered how it could be said schools can't be closed because it's a

explosive

politically

Whiting said the board follow should region's suggestion of having developers pay to build new schools the same as they front-end water and sewer costs Beevor said the board can't do that under the Education Act, but Whiting countered the region could do the job for the board through subdivision agreements. I municipalities want to help the board they should give the school system its money as soon as it collects the taxes.

ined. Bruce said busing more and not building schools something trustees have to start looking at. " know we have to ge tough and should have school earlier on

closings."

Beevor said. Whiting

and Beevor agreed both

ideas should be exam

Knechtel said wasn't sure the education hierarchy appreciated the depth of Cook's concerns and the (eelings about education taxes which was expressed in two recent editorials in the Free Press. He noted since the town sends out the tax bills councillors hear from ratepayers. "What Bill sald you could go out and hear from the 7,000 people here." Knechtel said it is "absolutely essential" that the board better communicate with the public and explain their spending better. He also said board spending and education

taxes are forcing council to cut back on its own spending and charge for things like sports field rentals. Beevor said he has visited two Acton sch-

ools and found there are "substantial" facilities, opportunities for studhighly ents. and qualified staff.

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dottermine if natural gas was a possible cause of the fire, he noted. A gas company employee merely looked through a hole.

The theory of where the fire started is Smith's reasonable doubt two. If, as the Crown contends, the fire started in Crippe' room at the hand of McCristall, why would be start the fire in that room, where it was known he was located? And why, Smith saks, would be not wait until later in the night?

Another person on the scene who has never been charged should be a suspect in the case. contended the defense counsel. Counsel does not have to show this person, who testifled, started the fire. Smith said, although he had a certain amount of motive in that his male vanity was hurt and he got mad at Mercuri. Smith pointed out the testimony of this person's actions around the time of the fire differed from the testimony of two rest home employees. No one ever considered him as a suspect, Smith said.

Self-confessed arsonist Cecil Kirby is a long way "from poor old Mike McCristall" contends the defense lawyer. Smith pointed out how Kirby almost lost control of his emotions when shaking hands with Mercuri's lawyer. "It was one of the most frightening things I have seen in a court room" he said.

Kirby's life is in constant danger, Smith said. "I ask you not to waste any tears for Kirby, he never wasted any tears for the man he killed in

Reasonable doubt five, Smith contended, is that McCristall had no motive to burn the hotel. In two-and-a-half years investigation, no one has been able to provide any motive for McCristall burning his home, the bane of his existence, the centre of his universe.

The air conditioner McCristall was seen touching offers no indication it had anything to do with the fire. The air conditioner acted as a condult carrying smoke from the inside of the building The black smoke, Smith said, was probably the

burning of the knobs inside the building. "Are you going to convict a man because he

felt an air conditioner?" McCristall was a hero, a significant person following the fire, Smith told the jury. Reasonable doubt seven in Smith's mind was the snippets of conversation heard August 23 by Kim Allan in the Station Hotel. Allan testified she heard the accused instructing Bert Eade to tell the fire marshal's office that he woke people up the night of the fire. As for the cover up statement, maybe McCristall believed the gossip around town about Mercuri and the fire.

"Do you not think if he was guilty he would have a nice quick explanation instead of a mixedup account? (of the fire)? Smith asked the jury. Why would Mercuri use McCristall as a torch

"Just for the sake of argument, let's assume Mercuri was going to burn down the hotel. . . and that he tried to hire Cecil Kirby," Smith said. Does it always have to cost \$10,000 (Kirby's asking price). Couldn't he have found someone cheaper?, the lawyer questioned.

McCristall helped awaken people, called the owner, and stayed around during the fire. These were not the actions of a guilty man, Smith His client was not a letter perfect witness, he

pointed out. "You saw how he acted, did he seem like a man who would commit murder?" the lawyer asked. After 49 years of living, as a good character,

McCristall should be able to draw upon his good past, Smith said.

His October 1979 arrest is Smith's reasonable doubt number nine. October 11-23 McCristall was arrested for the murder. The Crown Attorney's office recommended release pending further evidence. However, no more evidence was found between then and the second December 28 ar-

Townhall.... (Continued from page 1)

community, and the fact are needed in Acton. groups buy it presented about \$50,000, and added a great opportunity to he has talked to consulwhen larger town offices for \$80,000.

have nothing Whiting said the personal to gain from building is surplus only saving the building, because it isn't being 'This is an honest at- used now. He said the by honest town would never get the people." He said saving appraised value for the the hall by letting the building, rumored to be the town to save money tants and contractors five years down the road who say a lot can be done

funds for a committed project and added volunteer labor would save money. He urged council give the groups a chance, adding if they failed the town could demolish the hall later.

Rockwood...

(Continued from page 8) played again, rounding out the program. Everybody dispursed for home after an enjoyable af-Sunshiners miss Mr. and Mrs. Max Milne hope they will soon be able to be out.

There were lots of members on hand for a recent meeting-even in the snow flurries. The regular opening exercises and sing song were conducted by President Mrs. C. Robertson with Mrs. V. Black at the

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