



Gerald Looyenga digs into the pancakes while Walter Kroezen cooked an the annual Calvinist Cadet breakfast Saturday morning.

# Peace Camp drops appeal

International Peace Camp (IPC) withdrew its appeal of the Niagara Escarpment Commission's (NEC) rejection of their proposal to develop the old Twin Lakes property south of Speyside into a major multi-ethnic cultural recreation centre.

## No cheers for Zhao

The national media made a much bigger deal out of Halton MP Otto Jelinek not rising to applaud the remarks of Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang in Parliament recently than the event warranted, the main character in the drama says.

Jelinek sald in a free, democratic society like Canada anyone, including Zhao, has the right to speak and be heard.

But when MPs and Senators rose to give Zhao a standing ovation, Jelinek said he couldn't join in.

He said it would be hypocritical for him, a person who fled his homeland to escape one form of communism, to applaud the comments of the leader of another communist state. He added it would be wrong to have cheered the leader of a nation which has no

### Man hit by truck

regard for any human rights.

A 46-year-old Acton man has been charged with failing to yield the right of way after na pedestrian was hit by a pick-up truck at the corner of Main and Mill Streets Thursday.

According to Halton Regional Police. James Gordon, 53, of 71 Agnes St., suffered minor injuries when he was struck as he was crossing Main St. with the green light. The truck was travelling at about 10 km an hour and was turning south on Main from Mill St. Police say the driver looked for traffic, but . failed to see the pedestrian.

A letter from IPC was read at the outset of the appeal hearing last Wednesday at the Milton town hall at which it was revealed the

organization was withdrawing its appeal. Hearing officer J. W. Duncanson is going to recommend to Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Claude Bennett that the NEC be instructed not to issue a permit to IPC in light of their withdrawal of the appeal.

The letter from IPC lawyers withdrawing the appeal arrived just the day before the scheduled hearing.

Now that they've withdrawn the appeal, IPC is planning to have the studies done which the NEC has required and possibly resubmit an application for development in the future.

NEC planner Keith Anderson said the IPC its application without prejudice", meaning it will be re-applying and will do the studies.

IPC is back to square one, it must go through the whole development application process again. Their old application is a dead issue now.

Anderson said he would be seeking legal advice as to what should be done now with a restoration order approved last year by the NEC after considerable development took place on the IPC property without a development permit.

The restoration order was put on hold pending final disposition of the IPC application. Anderson noted while it's 99 per cent certain now Bennett will reject the application, there's still a chance it could in theory be approved.

Among the studies various government agencies told NEC they wanted done were a traffic impact study, hydrological study and environmental impact study.

Halton Hills, Milton, Halton Region, Ministry of Natural Resources and Halton Region Conservation Authority all expressed various concerns about the IPC development.

# Fate of moto cross track in hands of justice of peace

It will be another two weeks before Mansell Nellis will find out whether or not the moto cross track on his Sixth Line Nassagaweya property can continue operat-

Nellis, and Lorne Doberthlen of Leathertown Cycle, built the track last summer on the Ponderosa, which Nellis owns. However complaints from neighbors about noise prompted a public meeting in the fall, with the Town of Milton saying the track was in contravention of their zoning bylaw. Nellis contended it wasn't.

Monday His Worship M.H. Allen, Justice of the Peace, heard lawyers for both sides argue the phrasing of a bylaw which leaves the conclusion open to interpretation.

The land is zoned Rural, the lawyers agreed, but Nellis' lawyer, Fred Helson, argued the track falls under the open air recreational use of the permitted use section of the Town's bylaw. A section states race tracks are permitted, but Jonathan Wigley. of Gardner and Roberts solicitor for the Town, argued that is specifically for Mowhawk Raceway.

Helson said if just Mohawk was intended, it would say that, but Wigley said if all race tracks were a permitted use, there would be

## Victims taken to nearest hospital

The hospital a victim is taken to is decided by the driver or dispatcher, according to a Georgetown Ambulance driver.

The driver informed this newspaper that the Ontario Ambulance Act states that the ambulance goes to the closest hospital in an emergency.

The question of service was raised earlier this month when the matter was brought up at a council drop-in. Kerwin McPhail said Acton should have its own service and not have to rely on Guelph or Georgetown cars. He also pointed out that although many Acton people want to go to Guelph hospital, they are taken to Georgetown instead.

### Ebenezer

by Mrs. R. McLean Rev. John Buttars of Harcourt Church in Guelph took the service.

Marion Diamond is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital. Her many, friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Henny and David Ward on the birth of Christine Frances, a sister for Laurie, Karen and Brian. Also we send congratulations to Bonnie and Brian Small on the birth of James Douglas, a brother for Shawn and Vicki.

The church annual meeting will be held next Sunday. Lunch will be served after the service, followed by the business no need to mention any at all.

The Official Plan for Milton specifies Mowhawk Raceway, Helson still contended if the Town did not want a motorcycle race track there, they should have said so in the bylaw. He insisted the track falls under the open air use category.

To establish just what goes on at the track. Wigley called to the stand Doberthien, who explained the uses. Doberthien testified there were about four races last year at the site, to which admission was charged. There were referees, spectators, flag men, food concessions, etc. Also called to the stand was Bob Zsadanyi, Milton planner, who explained a trap shooting club nearby began

before the bylaw was drawn up and thus is a

permitted use. Wigley pointed out Nellis' property falls

within the permitted land use as an open air recreation use, but felt the rest of the section dealing with race tracks was being ignored. He does not feel race tracks fall under the permitted use.

Wigley also noted that when bylaws are drawn up, they cannot possibly mention every single possible use for the land. As an example, he said, in 1967 councillors would have had no thought to today's video pariors.

J.P. Allen reserved judgment until

# Acton ambulance issue to deputy minister

The provincial Ministry of Health has been contacted regarding providing an ambulance for Acton.

Kerwin McPhail recently attended council drop-in to urge local councillors appeal to Queen's Park so Acton can have its own ambulance.

The councillors decided regional representative Dave Whiting would initiate action on this issue and in an interview this week he revealed he has called the Deputy Minister of Health, Bob Mitchell, as well as written him a letter.

#### Caller says Georgetown better

Whiting observed he has received just one call regarding this issue since a story was published in the paper and that one Acton voter took exception to some of the councillors comments at drop-in. Whiting explained the woman, who refused to identiny herself, said Georgetown hospital is better than Guelph's facilities, not the other way around, as councillors had observed. The caller also claimed that if a case is serious the person is sent from Georgetown to Toronto, not Brampton (Whiting says he knows of cases of Acton people taken to Georgetown Hospital and then transferred to Brampton), and that people are taken to whichever hospital they ask to be taken to.

Whiting indicated he'd appreciate hearing more comments from Actonians regarding the issue of an ambulance here and where people are taken, it will assist him in pursuing this matter.

### Talked to doctors

He explained he talked with a couple of Acton physicians about the situation and then took it up with regional staff. He found that while the region has an ambulance advisory committee, chaired by Councillor Fred Oliver of Oakville, it simply advises the province. Nothing the committee suggests is binding on the province.

Whiting said he then decided to take the issue up with the province. He colled Mitchell, who is number two to the minister, Keith Norton.

Mitchell, after hearing about Acton's problems, said he is familiar with these types of ambulance dilemmas because he has personally been in a similar situation.

### Paramedics will help

He continued that this type of problem should be alleviated when there are paramedics manning ambulances in Ontario. But Whiting said, Mitchell conceded there won't be paramedics on ambulances from Georgetown for many years.

When there are paramedics they'll assess the situation and decide to which hospital a person goes to. Whiting said Mitchell told him in a serious case the paramedies would chose Guelph, not Georgetown, because it is a bigger hospital with more facilities. In cases of extremely serious injury the paramedics would probably take the victim to Georgelown Hospital to the heliport for transfer to a Toronto hospital.

In the meantime, Mitchell requested that Acton's concerns be put in writing and forwarded to him so he can examine this community's needs.

### Letter to province

Whiting said the letter has been written and sent. In it he noted there is concern in Acton and area about the lack of an ambulonce here and that even when doctors on the scene have said an accident victim should go to Guelph, they've still been taken to Georgetown. He pointed out in the letter that · local doctors use Guelph hospitals as do 90 per cent of the residents.

He sent copies of the letter to Councillor Oliver, all ward one and two Halten Hills councillors, Mayor Russ Miller and regional chairman Peter Pomeroy.

"I'm not degrading Georgetown hospital. but Guelph is bigger and obviously has better facilities. Even the ministry acknowledged that in serious cases Guelph's where prople from here should be taken," he concluded.

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