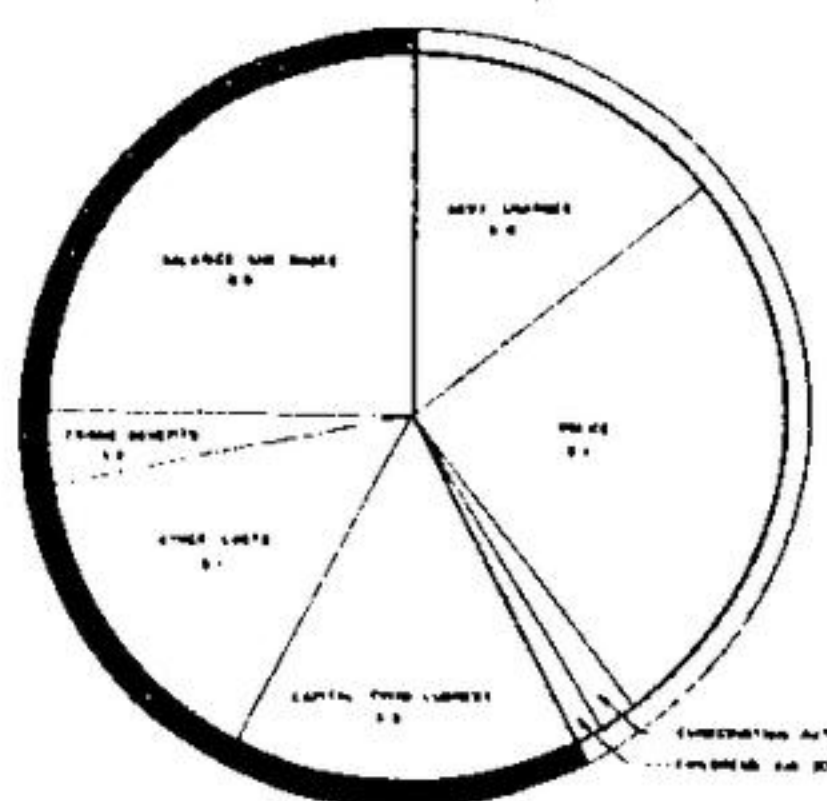


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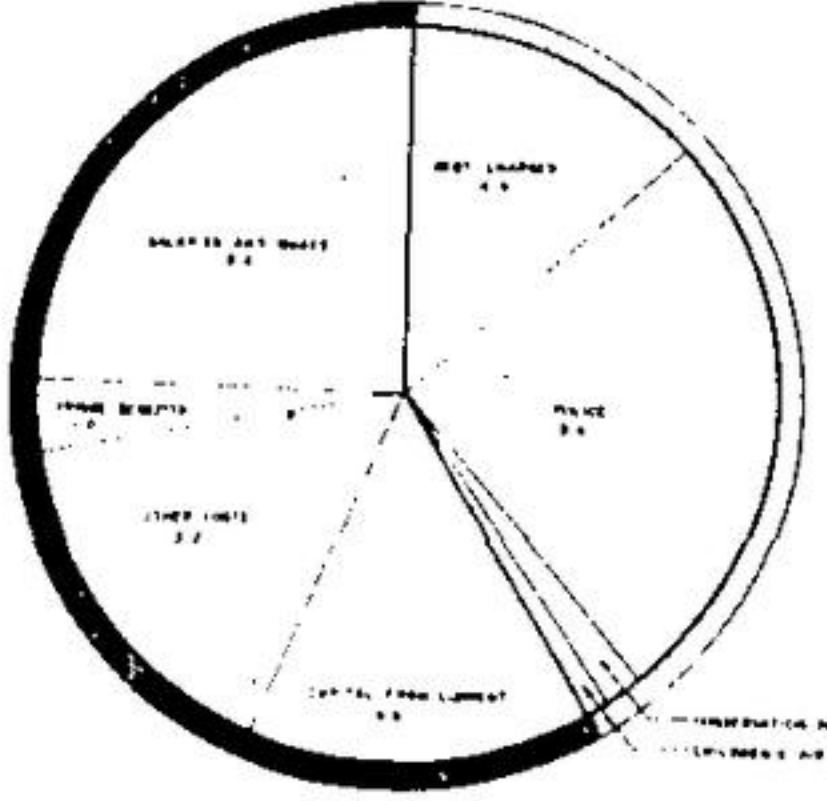


**REGION BUDGET**

Regional treasurer Don Farmer has released two "pie" diagrams comparing the 1977 budget of \$32.9 million with the proposed 1978 budget of \$35.5 million. The 1978 draft budget reflects an increase in expenditures over 1977 of 4.8 per cent which is within the 5.4 per cent increase council set as a guideline.

■ BUDGET UNDER CONTROL OF COUNCIL  
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**1977 BUDGET**



**CLERGY COMMENT**

**Having faith**

By Rev. E. J. Friesen  
Pastor, Halton Hills  
Pentecostal Church

Without faith there is no knowledge. All true faith depends largely upon knowledge. I believe that in order to know anything we must assume certain things, for reason cannot guarantee itself. If faith is missing, reason will never begin.

Guinness says, "We can choose to believe anything but all must believe something." The value then of doubt is that it can be used to detect error. Francis Bacon wrote, "If man will begin with certainties he shall end in doubts, but if he will be content to begin with doubts he shall end in certainties."

In the book of Joshua we have recorded the lesson on crossing the Jordan. As they camped near the river prior to God's great miracle in the life of the new leader Joshua, there was the element of doubt. Joshua came to the Jordan and he is encouraged by the Lord and he in turn encourages the people to look by faith beyond their doubts and natural abilities to a miracle working God. The same God who was with David, who opened the Red Sea for Moses, will reveal Himself also in this desperate situation.

Before God divided the waters He gave careful instruction to the people. I believe there must be spiritual preparation, godly reverence, instruction from God, before He will provide a way for us in this world so congested with problems.

I believe we can learn many lessons of faith from the crossing of the Jordan. We are reminded today that we can know a living God, one who will take care of our problems, but who is primarily interested in taking care of sin. We must know Him personally, we must wait on Him, we must accept His Word for it is sure and believing it will produce overcoming faith in place of doubt.

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**\$2 million Alcott plaza gets council nod**

Halton Hills council Monday is expected to give third reading to a bylaw permitting construction of a \$2 million, 62,500 square foot shopping centre adjacent to Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena on Guelph Street in Georgetown.

Council held two meetings last week to hammer out four major conditions with the developer, Gerry Sprackman of Halton Hills Shopping Centres Ltd. Town staff have until today (Wednesday) to come up with a number of "housekeeping" items for the agreement.

The conditions council agreed Tuesday were necessary cover drainage of the site, a "walk-don't walk" traffic signal, a sidewalk on the proposed road between the shopping centre and the arena and what Mr. Sprackman termed as "a sidewalk to nowhere."

The sidewalk is to front the shopping centre on Guelph Street and is "the first step" in a sidewalk along the north side of Guelph Street between Sinclair Avenue and Mountainview Road said Coun. George Malby, who proposed the amendment. Cost of the sidewalk is about \$15,000.

The developer agreed that any problems arising from drainage of water on the site would be his responsibility although he did ask council to show its support by seeking easements across private property. Water from both the arena site and the shopping centre site now drain into a ditch owned by Canadian National Railway (CNR) which refused to sign an agreement in perpetuity.

The developer will also install a sidewalk on the east side of the proposed road into the shopping centre and a "walk-don't walk" traffic signal on the north side of Guelph Street across the proposed road.

Council failed to give third reading to the bylaw at its regular meeting last Monday because some councillors felt they lacked adequate information from town staff on some of the proposed conditions. When council reconvened Tuesday, they turned down requests by recreation director Glen Gray that about 200 posts around the island in front of the arena be replaced with curbs at the developer's expense, as well as a sidewalk across the island.

Coun. Roy Booth said Tuesday that the only problem holding up third reading was the drainage agreement. Requests by town staff or extras in the interim period are not right, he said.

Coun. Mike Armstrong said council's function is to make decisions based on staff recommendations. Mr. Armstrong was objecting to councillors having to work out the specific details of the conditions. He said he would not sit through another such "fiasco."

"We aren't going to be any further ahead tonight even if we pass this resolution," Coun. Armstrong said.

Construction of the shopping centre is expected to begin in April and be complete in October. Space in the plaza has been leased to Miracle Food Mart, The Toronto-Dominion Bank, and Goodyear Tire Stores.

**18 month sentence**

A Georgetown youth has been sentenced to 18 months in reformatory after pleading guilty to a charge of conspiracy to traffic in Phenylephrine (P.P.).

Brian Boyle, 18, was sentenced in provincial court in Georgetown March 8, after pleading guilty Feb. 15. Sentencing was postponed to allow time for the probation officer to prepare a pre-sentence report.

Mr. Boyle's lawyer requested psychiatric assistance for his client.

Michael Baltram, who also pleaded guilty to a charge of

**conspiracy to traffic in PCP, will be sentenced today.**

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