### About the Hills

### Charity event for new store

With all proceeds pledged to a local charity, Miracle Foodmart and the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority are sponsoring an informative and entertaining evening at St. Andrew's United Church on Mountainview Road in Georgetown tonight (Wednesday). New Miracle Foodmart manager Bob Gudgeon and other company representatives will host a meat-cutting demonstration, show slides of the new store, offer baked goods fresh from the bakery and outline the operation of a new scanner take-out system. Admission to the event, which begins at 7:30 p.m., is \$2.

### Leslie re-appointed

If a recommendation of the town's general committee is accepted next week by council, Keith Leslie of RR4 Georgetown will be appointed as the town's weed inspector for the fifth consecutive year. The committee recommended Monday night that Mr. Leslie be retained for 1979 at a fee of \$3,180, increased for the first time since 1976 from \$3,000.

### Building permit fees up

Subject to approval by council next week, a recommendation by the town's general committee council see municipal fees for the issuance of building permits increased for the first time since 1976. The committee recommended Monday night that \$10 should be charged for issuing permits for projects valued at \$1,000 or less, increased from \$3, and \$4 for each additional \$1,000 worth of construction work. For larger projects, a fee of \$2,006 up from \$1,507, would be charged for the first \$500,000 of the project's estimated cost and \$1 for each additional \$1,000. Chief building inspector Doug Sargent reported that other municipalities in Halton region charge less than the \$10 fee for the first \$1,000, but more for the additional \$1,000 units.

### Candidates ready for battle of polls

good".

over the past four years, and

with an excellent campaign

team, our chances are very

LESS OPTIMISTIC

tic about the chances of the

Liberal party being returned

to power. He predicted the

Liberals would receive "a bare

majority", but in order to do

that, the party will have to do

well in lower British Columbia

Mr. McDermld said the Con-

servatives will win a majority

"We'll do extremely well

everywhere but in Quebec, and

we'll do marginally better in

stronger now than it was

before 1974, and Ed Broadbent

has done well in the last year

and a half drawing up and

This is the third election

campaign for Mr. Milne, while

Mr. McDermid and Mr. Moul-

presenting NDP policies.

Mr. Moulton said the NDP is

and Ontario, he said.

Quebec," he said.

government.

first time.

He was slightly less optimis-

Continued from Page one

The NDP will also be promising a strong national industrial strategy to establish industries here which will export the finished product rather than the raw materials, Mr. Moul-

ton said. DOMTAR PLANT

"Canadians must begin to control their own destiny through control of the economy," he said. As a local example he cited the decision to close the Domtar plant in Georgetown. That decision wasn't made in the office in Toronto or Montreal, but in the

United States, he said. Mr. Moulton said the prime minister's references to national unity and the quality of life

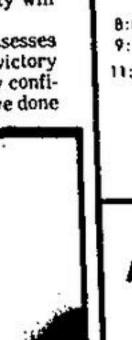
are "strictly rhetorical". "When we solve the economic problems, the rest will come

around," he said. Mr. Moultin is concerned about Mr. Trudeau's comments on restraint in government spending, and says that while he could not approve of further cuts in social programs and works programs which provide jobs, the government spending he is primarily interested in is that which "will get the economy going again and result in a more efficiently spent dollar".

Mr. McDermid said the impetus of the Conservative campaign will be to point out the ineffectiveness of the Liberal government's rule since 1968, but at the same time, to offer positive solutions to the prob-

Each of the candidates is confident that their party will do well in the election.

Mr. Milne said he assesses his personal chances of victory as "very good. I'm very confident that with the job I've done





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Prime Minister Trudeau's decision to call an election for May 22 caught incumbent Halion MP and Liberal candidate Dr. Frank Philbrook by surprise, but NDP candidate Douglas Black said his campaign is ready to go, and Conservative candidate Otto Jelinek said he has been ready

The Halton riding includes Acton as well as rural areas in Halton Hills.

for a year.

Dr. Philbrook is in Mexico for the United Nation's Parliamentarians' Conference on Population, and according to his Ottawa office, Dr. Philbrook wasn't informed of the impending election until Tuesday morning. He was committed to make a presentation in Mexico as part of the conference, and will not be returning to Canada until the end of the

Dr. Philbrook has not yet appointed a campaign manaer, his office said, and for the mean time, his wife will be handling some of the aspects of his campaign.

ABOUT TIME

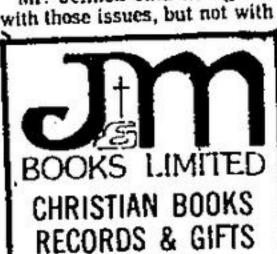
"I've been expecting it for a year." Conservative candidate Otto Jelinek said of the election call. "My only reaction is, it's about time." Mr. Jelinek is running for the first time in the riding of Halton. He was MP for the Toronto riding of Humber Valley-High Park, which vanished under re-distribu-

Mr. Jelinek said the delay in calling the election has been costly to both the country and to Canadians, because activity in the House of Commons has been at "a virtual standstill" for some time, as parliamentarians awaited an election call that didn't come.

"The election will now cost an additional \$10 million, because of inflation," he said.

AGREES WITH ISSUES Prime Minister Trudeau stated following the announcement of the election that the five "high-priority" issues of the campaign will be national unit, new economic policies to fight unemployment and increase prosperity, new social' policies to improve the quality of life, control of inflation through restrictions on government spending, and a guarantee of an adequate supply of

Mr. Jelinek said he agrees with those issues, but not with,



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# Election call catches Halton MP by surprise

says the NDP's campaign team is ready to go. The riding association has been making some preparation for the election, he said and "we're well organized."

NATIONAL FOCUS The issues in this campaign will be nationally focussed. Mr: Black said, and will focus mainly on "the disastrous record of the Liberal government"...

Mr. Black said through his contacts with residents in the riding, it has become apparent to him that the high rate of unemployment is still a "highly rated" priority with the electorate".

The over-riding issue, however, is the government's total abdication of control of the

The town's general commit-

tee has recommended remun-

eration hikes for Acton Hydro-

electric Commissioners that

would create an overall annual

increase of \$340 for the Com-

Subject to the approval of

council next week and, that of

the Hydroelectric Power Com-

mission of Ontario, the chair-

man of the Acton utility's

five-member board of direct-

ors will receive \$520 a year,

compared to \$360 in previous

The commissioners themse-

lve would receive \$420 a year,

increased from \$300. The total

remuneration to the Acton

commission would increase

In a report considered by the

general committee Monday

night, deputy clerk Delmar

French said the increase is

offset to some extent due to the

recent death of commissioner

Ted Tyler. In accordance with

provincial legislation, Mr. Ty-

ler's position on the Commis-

sion will not be filled during

the remainder of the current

from \$1,860 to \$2,200.

mission as a whole.

economy, and its "abject failure to prevent local industries and resources from being gobbled up by multi-national companies.

Mr. Black said the Liberal party is using the issue of national unity to cover up their "dismal" economic record, "and there's a whole question of the sell-out of Canada's the priority Mr. Trudeau has apparently assigned to them. As far as the Conservative party is concerned, the economy is the main issue, he said.

"We hope once the economy falls in line, the secondary issues will fall in place," Mr. Jelinek said.

Mr. Jelinek said that while

Recommend increases

COMMISSION'S REQUEST Mr. French added Georgetown's Hydro commissioners receive \$1,000 a year each, due in part to the larger number of consumers served by their Commission. The increase for the Acton commissioners has been recommended in respon-; se to a request from the Commission itself.

Mayor Pete Pomeroy and Coun. Les Duby, both members of the Acton Commission, declared conflicts of interest in the matter and did not participate in the committee's discussion or voting.

Coun. Ross Knechtel expressed concern over a recommendation contained in the recently released report of a regional task force that examined proposals for the restructuring of hydro utilities and their servicing areas across Halton.

Although the group's restructuring recommendations have little effect upon Halton Hills, it suggests that commis-

his basic plan for his campaign is to invest his time according to the population in the different areas of the riding, he may be spending a little more time in the Campbellville, Milton and Acton areas, because he lives in Oakville.

Douglas Black, an Oakville lawyer, is the New Democratic candidate for the riding of Halton, Mr. Black was not really surprised by the call, he said, aithough the date was a little unexpected.

"I did think he (Prime Minister Trudeau) might wait until April 10 to call the election, but I'm not really surprised," he

said. Mr. Black was officially nominated only last week, but he

sioners of the individual muni-

cipal utilities should stand for

public election on a regular

basis. Under the terms of Bill

151, the provincial legislation

which introduced regional go-

vernment in Halton, the mem-

bership of all hydroclectric

commissions was "frozen" as

Coun. Kneethel said that the

remuneration paid commis-

sioners may not be enough to encourage any would-be cand-

idates at election time. He

suggested instead that council

should appoint commissioners

on a regular basis to set terms.

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control over our own economy." "In the past decade, the

country has further lost its ability to control its own industrial development," Mr. Black said. "No other country in the world, except Canada, would allow Exxon to dictate to a subsidiary company, what they do in that country," He emphasized that it was the NDP which, holding the balance of power with the Liberal minority government in 1972, managed to get the govern-

Canadians gain control over resources and the lack of their resources.

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