

Terry Fox's revised message: 'I can't do it alone'

Can cancer be beaten? Halfway to his destination, young Terry Fox assured us this summer that it can indeed be overcome, that the lonely pain of a serious handicap can somehow be pushed aside by determination, that even cancer victims can set new marathon records, that sufficient funds can be raised through one virtuous, single-minded venture to push the success of cancer research to new heights and, perhaps most importantly, that millions of Canadians can respond on an utterly personal basis to the right kind of devotion and challenge.

Terry's apparent defeat by a different kind of cancer last week can't help but call all those reassurances into question: as mightily strong as his young heart is, even Terry Fox could not win that last battle alone.

And there lies the lesson of this untimely setback to the fight against cancer. We were really convinced he'd make it to Fort Coquitlam, B.C., his Marathon of Hope a resounding victory, a reference point for decades to come as any service organization, any handicapped person and any determined individual out to meet a challenge head on.

We wouldn't dare underestimate Terry, of course: there's still a chance he'll

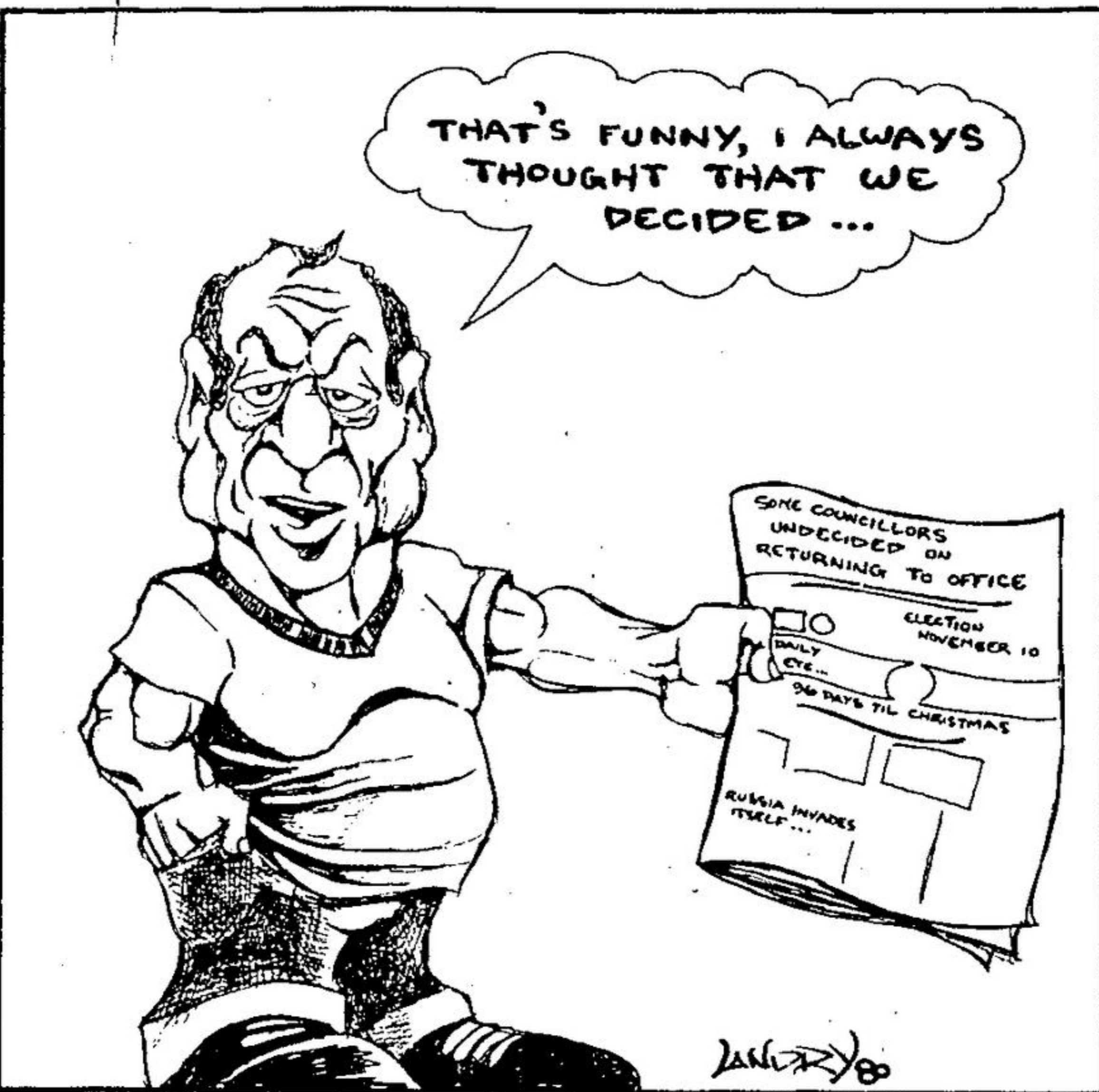
return to northern Ontario and resume the Marathon, and that in itself would be an astounding achievement, let alone the completion of the coast-to-coast run.

But for now the challenge has been - at least temporarily - passed onto us. Unable to complete his Marathon on a personal level, Terry now needs our support more than ever before; there is already every indication that the Marathon WILL be completed, not in miles but in dollars, by hundreds of individuals and organizations pulling out all the stops to rescue Terry's aborted mission of hope.

Already in Halton Hills, support for the Marathon has been renewed tenfold. Joggers are taking to the streets, pledge sheets in hand, local businesses are organizing special efforts designed to get the public involved, and two local artists are today (Wednesday) collaborating on a song tribute to the young amputee.

Nationwide events like Sunday's CTV telethon, "The Marathon Continues", supply ample proof that such an enormous undertaking as Terry's 5,000-mile run can perhaps only be successful if everyone gets involved.

Terry's message has simply been modified: if cancer is to be beaten, we must all get out and run - in spirit - alongside him.



Pierre wrapped up with BNA, who cares about Joe Clark?



Ottawa Report

By Stewart MacLeod

In case you haven't noticed, both Prime Minister Trudeau and Tory Leader Joe Clark are lying low these days. And that, it seems, is the way both men want it.

In Trudeau's case, he is staying quietly in the background while Jean Chretien, his justice minister, argues with his provincial counterparts over proposed constitutional changes. The prime minister spends much of his time at his Harrington Lake cottage, receiving detailed reports on the constitutional talks and presumably preparing for unilateral action should Chretien fail to reach any agreement with the provinces. While threatening noises come from his associates and advisors, the prime minister is remaining aloof and quiet.

For different reasons, Joe Clark is also lying low in the trench. The argument heard from those around him is that the 41-year-old former prime minister has absolutely nothing

to gain by trying to grab the spotlight this summer. Since his party has yet to announce a comprehensive policy on the constitution - and since that is about the only game in town - there is little incentive for him to say much.

And anyway, he is more preoccupied with internal party matters.

HAS PREOCCUPATION

Next February's national convention, when Clark's leadership will be put to the voting test, is high in his mind and most of his activities now are geared to those crucial three days.

While he confidently expects to receive a strong endorsement, it's important that the anti-Clark vote be kept to a bare minimum. Anything over, say, 25 per cent could be rather embarrassing.

So during the parliamentary recess, Clark is concentrating on reaching party members and potential delegates - along with spending a good deal of time with his family. It's not a high-powered summer by any means.

As for a short Florida holiday, the Tory leader went to Toronto to take part in caucus discussions on federal-provincial relations. And late next week he will spend a couple of days meeting party people in southern Ontario and offering a hand in that Hamilton West byelection. Then he'll have another relatively quiet week in Ottawa before going to Prince Edward Island for the party's Atlantic caucus. Again, he will have an opportunity to meet delegates to the February convention. He'll do the same thing a week later in Saskatchewan and Alberta, followed by two days of party

meetings in Quebec City. The entire summer has been like that - a few days in various parts of the country, often squeezed in between scattered days of vacation.

SOME RUMBLINGS

From time to time you hear rumblings about Clark's low profile - oddly, you seldom hear Liberals complain about Trudeau's hibernations - but Clark's people are very quick to defend his approach. If ever there was a time for staying close to the grassroots, they reason, this is it.

Having been thrown out of the prime ministerial office just last February, and having to face his own people, perhaps twice, before he faces the general electorate, Clark has little to gain by trying to stay on the front pages of the country's newspapers. Even on the one topical issue - the constitution - Clark's views lack a certain relevancy. That will be settled by governing politicians, not opposition politicians.

And having been defeated on budgetary proposals, even Clark's economic proposals don't command rapt attention. You don't even get those customary press releases from the Leader of the Opposition.

"I know some of our people think we should be doing a lot more in public," says a close advisor. "But we just got thrown out of office six months ago, and we have to wait four years for another election. Does it really matter what Joe Clark says right now?"

He's probably right. And anyway, Clark has next February to think about in the meantime.

NOMINATION FORM

We, the undersigned citizens of Canada,

do hereby nominate Terry Fox for the Order of Canada

NAME _____

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Letter from the Editor

Paul Dorsey

Nuclear disarmament not so far-fetched

Through a decision by town council, Halton Hills recently joined the growing list of Canadian municipalities taking part in a massive grass-roots movement to "ban the bomb", as it were, by endorsing a resolution calling for a global referendum on nuclear disarmament.

A copy of a letter to Mayor Pete Pomeroy thanking the town for its support found its way to The Herald last week, along with other literature circulated by "Operation Dismantle" and its founder-director James Stark. The information therein, highlighted by the slogan poster you see recreated on this page, carries quite a punch.

"Slow, balanced, very modest disarmament measures could liberate far more than enough

resources to solve - literally - most of the world's major problems by the year 2000." Mr. Stark claimed in one essay. "The two superpowers would suffer only insofar as they could wipe out the whole world maybe eight times over in 20 years, instead of the present 10 (each)!"

Mr. Stark's letter to Mayor Pomeroy reported that Halton Hills' endorsement of the disarmament resolution is the 69th municipal show of support received thus far. Together, he claimed, those 69 towns and cities represent some four million Canadians, whose opinion "is proving to be quite influential in shaping the views of MPs".

So far, he commented, 99 MPs and two senators have officially called for the global referendum on disarmament, but external affairs minister Mark McGuigan has yet to agree with Mr. Stark that Canada should sponsor a motion for a referendum at the United Nations. Mr. Stark is confident of finding another nation to sponsor the proposal.

"Let it be known," Mr. Stark relates elsewhere, "that the Russians and the Americans negotiated an alternative to a permanent arms race in 1959 and it was ratified unanimously in the UN General Assembly in 1961. It is called 'general disarmament' ... and the existence of this historic agreement is probably the best-kept secret in the world because the negotiations towards that end are a terrible joke and wicked fraud."

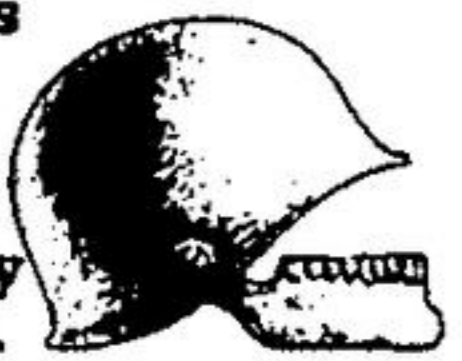
"The governments of 153 supposedly sovereign nations, acting alone, will never negotiate the repair of the human condition and the repair of the environment. Nor will they ever negotiate the disarmament process which is the key to all the rest - at least, not until they are bullied into it by people - by some irresistible expression of human will and demand from the people of all nations."

It seems fitting enough that Canada, which recently "survived" a referendum vote on its own future, should be the nation to propel the United Nations toward some form of accord on the nuclear arms issue. We may not be an arms race leader, but that's all the more reason to take an actively positive role in Earth's salvation.

What are the true costs of the arms race?

The money required to provide adequate food, water, education, health and housing for everyone in the world has been estimated at \$17 billion a year. It is a huge sum of money

... about as much as the world spends on arms every two weeks.



Roy McMurtry's generalities out of place for his office



Queen's Park

By Derek Nelson

Floury phrases touting high ideals are fine for the pulpit or the stump, but one wishes they didn't crop up so frequently in the speeches of Attorney-General Roy McMurtry.

It is unfortunate that the man responsible for our laws speaks in such a fuzzy manner.

Take these excerpts from the printed copy of a McMurtry speech made before the Canadian Bar Association in Montreal.

"Rights, like limbs, atrophy if they are not exercised.

"The freedom that comes from not yet having been the target of oppression is no freedom at all.

"If the spirit of liberty is sparked in the country, the beacon of freedom will burn brightly regardless of legal formulations."

Very pretty, but when dissected they reveal nothing of substance, at best, very hazy thinking at worst.

In a sense, however, they do convey the Attorney-General's predilection for wrapping his views in lofty generalities.

FLQ CRISIS

McMurtry was discussing a prime interest, Canadian civil liberties, and it is intriguing to notice how he tended to take something concrete and then

launch it into the Wild Blue Yonder.

He described the federal government's use of the War Measures Act during the 1970 FLQ crisis as "wantonly draconian... irresponsible... excessive and unjustifiable" and so on.

That's fine, if a bit overboard, but McMurtry then suggested the crisis was "a symptom of the disease of collective complacency and minority vulnerability."

Now what does that mean? I thought the crisis was the result of the kidnapping of a diplomat, exacerbated later by separatist politics and that handmaiden of chaos called terrorism.

PREFERS CLOUDS

It is this about McMurtry's views that irritates, not the specifics themselves, but the cloudy philosophy that underpins his reasoning.

The Attorney-General prefers the high moral road, and like most moralists he seems to believe his prejudices should also be accepted by society as his prejudices.

In the same speech, for example, McMurtry said "Instead of talking about law and order, I personally prefer to speak in terms of law and justice. The law is not the servant of order for the sake of orderliness."

Yet the record of human tyranny is the record of those who substituted justice for law. One man's justice is another's oppression. The word cannot be defined to the satisfaction of all.

That laws should always strive to be just goes without saying, of course, but in any crunch situation the purpose of the law is order.

PEOPLE KNOW

Ordinary people understand this. Without knowing the intricacies of the law, they know its prime function is to bring order into human relationships. That's why they've never wavered

in their support for the use of the War Measures Act in 1970 as a sure (if blunt) instrument for restoring order.

McMurtry can say "laws must always be the voice of justice, and must always reflect the supreme value which justice places on the human personality."

But that kind of woolly vision is not how people think.

All most of us want is to know it is safe to walk home at night, and that law works toward that very specific end.

Dear Terry,

Following is a copy of the poem written last week by Georgetown resident Bette Stokes and contributed to The Herald for publication.

Mrs. Stokes added the sentiment: "I only hope that in some small way, these words will help you to realize that you have not run out of our lives, but into our hearts."

As reported on page A1, the poem has now become a "song for Terry."

Dear Terry,
It doesn't end at Thunder Bay
It's just the dawn of another day,
The road a little harder,
more hills to climb
but only a place, and a space in time.

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Halton's History

From our files

THIRTY YEARS AGO - Reeve Marshall commented at a council meeting that he thought the time had come when the town needed a qualified engineer to oversee public works and that it is a matter which council should be thinking over.

Georgetown's oldest lady, Mrs. Anna Nielsen celebrated her 95th birthday on Monday, Mrs. Nielsen has been a resident of town since 1942 when she came here to live with her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Albert Nielsen.

Howard Wrigglesworth, principal of Georgetown Public School since 1938, died suddenly early Monday evening. Death of one of Georgetown's most prominent citizens from a heart attack at the age of 40 was a great shock to the town and his loss will be keenly felt. A son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wrigglesworth of Ashgrove, he was born on their farm near Hornby, and received his early education at Hornby Public School, continuing on to Milton High School where he was an outstanding student and athlete. He excelled in track events and was one of the best 100 yard runners Halton has ever produced.

TWENTY YEARS AGO - Georgetown's Horseshoe Club won't be thwarted by the dwindling daylight. The club, which has constructed eight horseshoe pitches near the Lorne Scots Armory, have put a little more work on their pet project and are now playing under lights.

Wendy Marks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Marks, 22 Shelley St., is a veteran rider of jump-riding at 11. While staying at Barrie with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Bell, this summer, Wendy competed in the Barrie Pony Show and captured the shield and first prize ribbon for equitation and another ribbon for placing fourth in horsemanship.

The body of a Streetsville man who drowned August 1 in Kawagama Lake near Dorset was recovered last Saturday by a fisherman from Georgetown, Dr. C.W. Sayers. Frederick P. Hansen fell overboard when his fishing line became entangled with the propeller of his outboard.

Merchants in the Delrex Market Centre are planning a spectacular two-day carnival to celebrate their first anniversary in business on Friday and Saturday. Officers of the centre's association say that merchandise values will be coupled with a lavish program of free entertainment, including mechanical rides, courtesy of Loblaws.

Georgetown's reputation as a hockey town should be even more enhanced in future, with location of a hockey school here planned this fall. Several young hockey hopefuls have already been attending a school in Weston operated by the same group which will launch the local enterprise, and others have enrolled.

End of a long dispute with Delrex Developments about a payment owed under a land release agreement and a counter-charge by the company that it had spent money above its agreement commitments was heralded in a letter from Toronto solicitors Willis and Dingwall, who have been acting for the town. The town has purchased a sewage plant site and partially completed lift station for some \$36,000 from the firm, and Delrex has agreed to apply this payment on \$26,000 owing under the release agreement and the balance on 1959 taxes owed to the town.

TEN YEARS AGO - Marty Wheeler of Glen Williams will be a featured soloist with the Bernard H. Clark Concert Band on October 26 of this year at Massey Hall in Toronto. He will be performing a trombone concerto by Rimski Korskakof. Marty started his musical career with the Georgetown Citizens' Band under the direction of Art Hilliard.

Two little Georgetown sisters were prize-winners at the Canadian National Exhibition this year. Sharon and Andrea Wilson won first prize in the baby show. They were entered in Class H, reserved for twins in the age group 12 to 18 months. The 16-month-olds are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wilson of Faldout Drive.

James Singleton, Halton county director of education, is one of three Canadian experts invited to join a U.S. task force to study the system of education in foreign countries. Mr. Singleton will join the directors from Windsor and Vancouver and 97 officials from the U.S. in a Kent State University program designed to study education procedures in countries facing particular problems.

The establishment of an economic and industrial development department for the county has been shelved until a definite plan for regional government in Halton is announced. Agreeing to shelve plans for the department last week, County Council requested the industrial development committee look into the possibility of setting up an information centre to direct industries wishing to locate in the county.

One would almost think that Harold Harrop, a North Halton member, was trying to pass on a message to up-and-coming guests at Saturday's invitational tournament. While playing with Jack Turner, Ray Mercure and Bob MacLaughlin, he had a hole in one on the 171 yard par-three 15th hole, using a 6 iron. Just to prove to everyone that this was not a fluke, and while playing with the same group the next day, he had a hole in one on the 142-yard 4th hole, using a 4 iron.

Congratulations to 13-year-old Brenda Hillman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hillman of Hornby, who won the championship award at the Canadian National Exhibition on her dual purpose shorthorn heifer, and she won the Showmanship award.

ONE YEAR AGO - Conflicting opinions about the advantages and disadvantages of removing the historic paper mill dam above Glen Williams have been presented to the town's general committee, both of them forecasting serious flooding. Officials of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA) brought a representative of the consulting firm Totten, Sims and Hubicki Associates Ltd. with them to committee's Monday night meeting to explain the circumstances leading them to recommend the dam should be removed.

The historic Georgetown train station has been granted a stay of execution for at least the next five years. Public concern over Canadian National Railway's application to close the station and withdraw its agency designation was resolved last Tuesday when town council received a letter from NC vice-president A.R. Williams announcing a new lease has been signed.

Angry Ontario chicken farmers picketed Maple Lodge Farms outside Norval Friday to protest the importing of chickens from the United States. The farmers want the federal government to prevent the importing of chickens from the United States. The farmers have already tried to block the delivery of an estimated 28,000 chickens at the Canada-U.S. border at Fort Erie.

Despite strenuous opposition by Coun. Roy Booth and other members, town council has backed an extra \$5,000 on to the \$45,000 cost of the Halton Hills Mass Parks and Recreation Plan scheduled for release next month. Council voted 7-5 last Tuesday night to invest more municipal funds into consultant's fees after recreation director Glen Gray suggested that the \$5,000 is "a small price to pay" to guarantee the plan's effectiveness.