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Discovery time in Old World

A trip to the Middle East by Brenda Gogan was an eye-opener. The Georgetown travel agent can't wait to return. See page A3.



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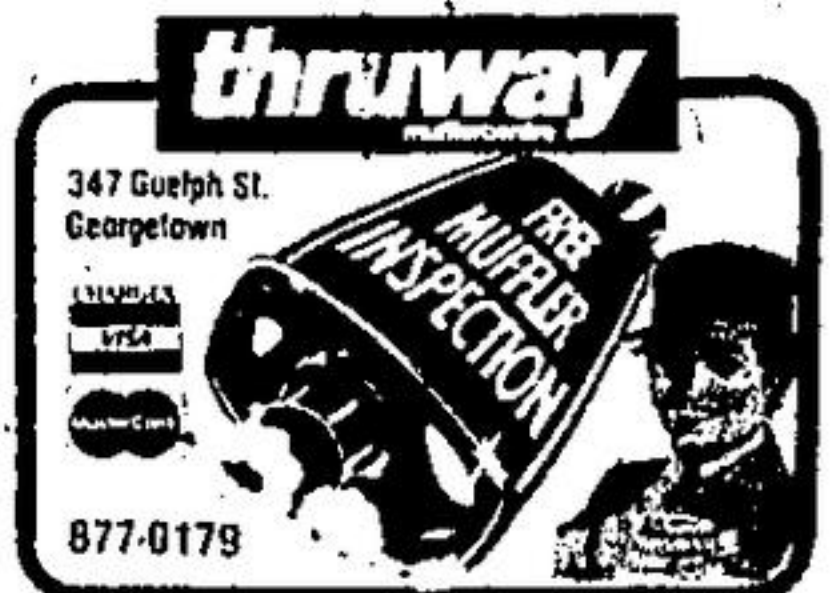
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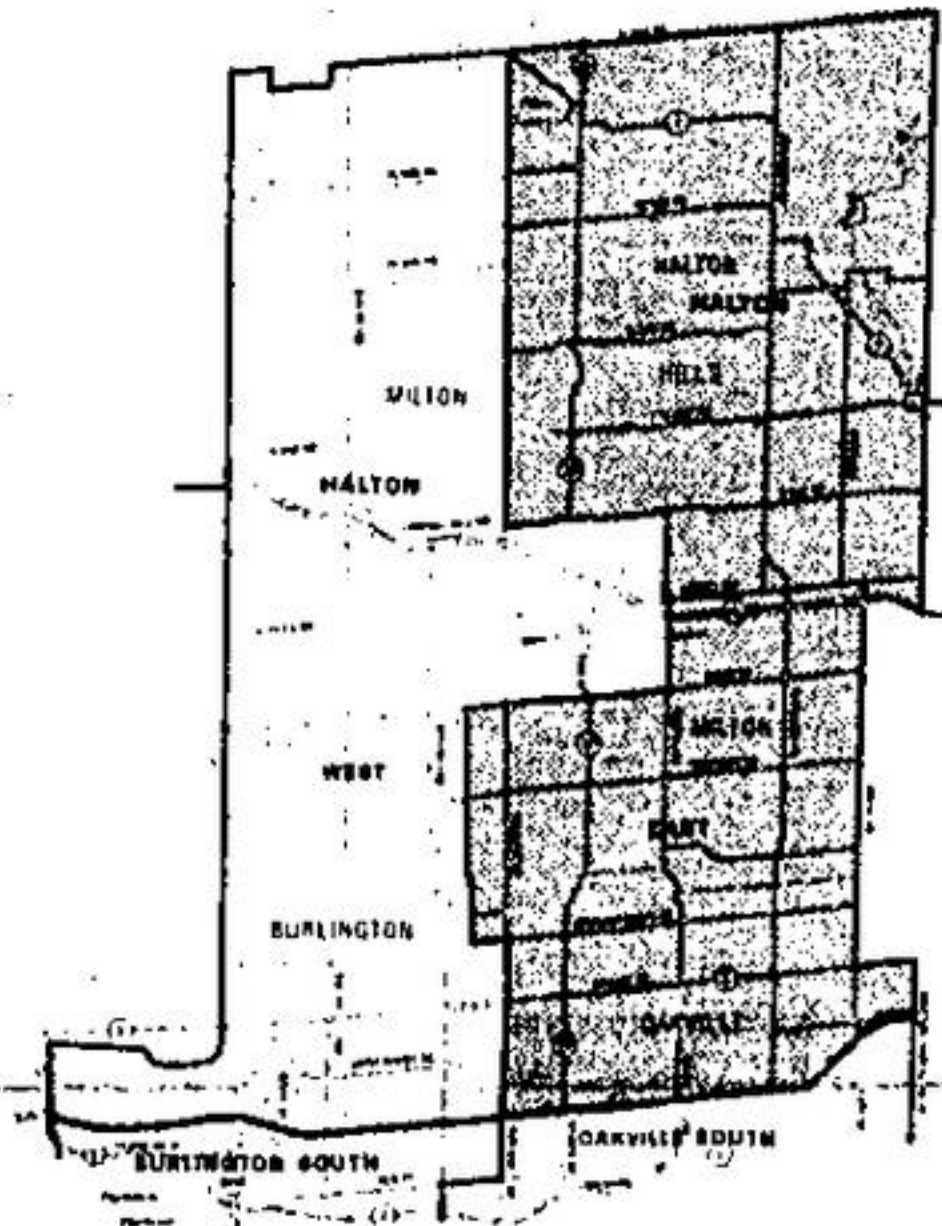
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Halton split in proposal for boundary

By ANI PADERIAN
Herald Staff
A provincial committee has decided to split Halton region into four new provincial ridings. Its report last week, the Ontario Electoral



The map above indicates how Halton has been split in the new election boundary proposal. The darkened area to the right encompasses Halton Hills.

Boundaries Commission gave support to a request from Halton, Brampton and Mississauga representatives to keep electoral districts within the boundaries of each region.

Originally, the Commission had proposed to join Halton Hills with the neighboring region of Peel, to make the Halton-Peel riding.

However, the recent report joins Halton Hills with the easterly part of Milton and the northern portion of Oakville. Called Halton East, this new riding has a population of 57,980 and goes as far south as the Queen Elizabeth Way.

The region had presented four alternatives for ridings within its boundaries to the Commission this spring.

"The alternative preferred by the Regional Municipality, while thoughtful and of assistance, was found wanting in that it envisaged a rural northerly district having a greater population than two urban-based districts within the City of Burlington while allowing large population disparities between the Oakville district and the two Burlington-based districts," the Commission's report said.

The ridings split regional councillors had preferred kept the region's municipalities intact as much as possible.

It created an electoral district made up of the towns of Halton Hills and Milton in the north. With a population of 63,936, this riding was to be called Halton North.

In the south, there were to be the ridings of Oakville, Burlington and Burlington West.

However, the Commission found that in keeping the regional boundaries, it had to divide up Halton's municipalities to avoid population imbalances.

The Commission proposed the more urbanized part of Oakville south of the Queen Elizabeth Way plus the southeasterly portion of Burlington make up the riding of Oakville South (population 65,295).

The remainder of the heavily urbanized portion of Burlington, south of Highway 403 and the Queen Elizabeth Way is to be called Burlington South (population 66,447).

Halton West (population 64,161) comprises the westerly portion of Milton and the northern end of Burlington.

The three provincial ridings now in the region are: Halton-Burlington (population 91,371), Burlington South (population 66,739) and Oakville (population 75,773).

The Commission's proposals now go through another public hearing process, before being taken up by the Legislature.

Reed not pleased with revisions

Herald Staff
Halton-Burlington MPP Julian Reed isn't too pleased with the revisions the Ontario Electoral Boundaries Commission came up with last week.

The Commission splits Halton region into four ridings, creating the riding of Halton East in Mr. Reed's territory.

With a population of 57,980 people, the riding is the smallest of the four. It's made up of Halton Hills, the eastern part of Milton and the northern part of Oakville.

"I was prepared to live with the last redistribution proposal. I think it was better than this one, personally," Mr. Reed told The Herald. "The other one would have put my home more in the centre and would have had a larger rural area."

The proposals of the Commission have not passed the provincial legislature and until they do, the new ridings won't be in place.

It's unlikely the new ridings will be in effect until after next year's provincial election, Mr. Reed said.

The Norval resident preferred the Commission's earlier proposal to create a Halton-Peel riding which joined Halton Hills with part of its neighboring region.

The Commission backed off from it when Halton and Peel regions objected, requesting that electoral districts be kept within the bounds of each region.

"I will regret losing the old Township of Nassagaweya, because there was a very large base of support there," Mr. Reed said.

The riding has a new area in Oakville's northern end which is mostly semi-rural. That area made up part of MPP Jim Snow's (a Progressive Conservative) riding.

Halton regional chairman and Progressive-Conservative candidate for the riding, Peter Pomeroy said he was pleased that the Commission had kept the new electoral districts within the boundaries of the region.

"I would have preferred the north stay intact as an entity and separate from Burlington and Oakville," Mr. Pomeroy said.



WIZARD OF OZ CHRISTMAS

Rusty the Tin Man Dave Tunney gets some help with his hat during a practice session for the play "The Wizard of Oz". The Georgetown Little Theatre is putting on the play starting Dec. 7 at the John Elliott Theatre. The performance is nearly sold out, but some tickets are still available by contacting Young's Pharmacy. (Herald photo by Dan Ralph)

For saving 11 year old

Reluctant hero awarded

By ANI PADERIAN
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Frank Giffen is a "reluctant hero", as his wife Louise puts it. The Moore Park Crescent resident is to receive a Commissioner Citation tomorrow (Thursday) morning for some quick action on his part.

The OPP officer recently put out a fire that had started in the dress of an 11-year old girl with his bare hands.

"I personally commend you for your timely response to an emergency situation," a letter dated Oct. 15 from OPP Commissioner Archie Ferguson reads.

The security attendant and body guard of Ontario's Lieutenant Governor John Black Ald, OPP Constable Giffen was on duty when the Lieutenant Governor flew to Cleveland to attend a nephew's wedding Sept. 1.

The wedding reception was held outdoors with the 300 or more guests eating under tents. The near tragedy occurred when little Abbie Mae Buck Miller of Cleveland, one of the flower-girls, finished her dinner early.

"She was skipping around like a little girl would," Const. Giffen recalled. "She got too near one of the candles



put it out with my hands." The flames were coming up from Abbie's skirt. They melted the young girl's stockings and burned her ankle slightly.

"Everything is back to normal here. My dress is not beyond repair and my ankle stopped hurting," Abbie recently wrote Const. Giffen.

She enclosed a bright yellow and orange God's eye she'd woven, explaining it's used by the Indians to protect themselves from fire.

"I hope your hand isn't permanently scarred," little Abbie added.

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EARTH-SHATTERING

Friday there was a ground breaking ceremony to celebrate the beginning of construction on a parcel of land behind the Georgetown Marketplace shopping plaza. Seen here to mark the occasion are: (left to right) Dan Timmons of ReMax Real Estate,

Mayor Russ Miller, a representative from Calvert-Dale Homes, Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson, Regional Chairman Pete Pomeroy, Coun. Dave Whiting and Coun. Ross Knechtel. (Photo by Bob Lightbourn)

Trustees reject teacher settlement

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
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Trustees with the Halton Board of Education did not ratify a settlement with the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation at a board meeting Saturday.

In a close vote of 7-5 against the settlement, a contentious issue appeared to be the workload provisions in the contract.

Only 13 out of a possible 20 votes could be counted because many of the trustees were members, or had spouses who were members, of the Ontario Teachers' Federation. This represented a "conflict of interest" and those involved could not vote.

Article 25 in the contract seemed to be the major stumbling block which deals with the work provisions. It outlines the number of classes a teacher must teach and the number of students in the different classes.

Some trustees are opposed to the rigid guidelines in Article 25 which outline how many students are to be taught in one particular class.

The number of teachers a school is assigned is decided by the pupil-teacher ratio (PTR). The teachers allotted to a school is in direct proportion to the number of students attending.

Article 25, if implemented, might result in teachers from other departments in the school teaching courses which exceed the limit outlined. That situation may affect other courses in the school from which teachers would have to be pulled.

To ensure all courses could be offered might mean adding new staff which would affect costs. One of the concerns

trustee Pat Hillhouse cited about Article 25 was the "infringement on the board's right and ability to govern the schools."

Mrs. Hillhouse said the board will request a meeting with the OSSTF bargaining committee as soon as possible and a meeting with the salary committee was scheduled for Monday night (Dec. 3).

Licence renewed

A Norval resident who lives on Tenth Line with his uncle and operates a motorbike repair shop four months of the year, received permission last month to carry on servicing them.

Arthur G. May owns 100 acres of land and runs a farm with the help of his nephew Wyman Walkam. The Halton Hills Committee of Adjustment allowed the repair of motor bikes and the sale of parts to continue.

ABOUT THE HILLS

Letters to Santa

Got your letter to Santa in yet? Not only is Santa Claus a fine foreman for those toy-making elves, but he's a literary man at heart.

Starting next week, Santa will be writing his replies to children's letters in The Herald. If you want to write, send or drop your letters off to: Santa Claus, 45 Guelph St., Georgetown, Ont. L7G 3Z6.

Toy drive underway

If you'd like to share your Christmas with a needy child, the Kinetics of Georgetown can help. They're organizing a Christmas toy drive for underprivileged children in Georgetown. Bring a new toy or a used toy in good condition to one of four drop off points: The Herald, Georgetown Post Office, Johnson Real Estate on Guelph Street or 25 Heather Court.

Fall from roof?

John Van Dam, the Acton resident found with fractures and internal injuries on the sidewalk outside the Erin County Inn last week, is in a coma and reported in serious condition at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto.

Through an extensive investigation by Guelph members of the Ontario Provincial Police, evidence suggests Mr. Van Dam's injuries may have been the result of a fall from the three story roof of the Erin County Inn.

The evidence is a result of various interviews and tests from the Centre of Forensic Sciences.

OPP do not believe the man was criminally assaulted and say it is not unusual for youths to climb to the roof of the Inn by means of the television aerial.

Policeman clubbed

Halton's Constable Gavin Hayes was treated and released from Milton District Hospital after being clubbed over the head Saturday night.

Mr. Hayes was investigating a stolen vehicle from Hamilton which he spotted in the Campbellville area in the vicinity of Guelph Line and Steeles Avenue.

The officer found the engine of the vehicle was still warm and noticed two male parties on foot near the scene. On approaching, the men fled into the bush and the officer followed.

Record on pipers

They just cleared Canada Customs, and there are only 400 of them, so don't miss out. The record of the Regimental Band and Pipes and Drums of The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment) cut in England with the Band of the Fifth Battalion Royal Regiment of Fusiliers is here.

Selling for \$10 an album, the record features the combined military bands. It was recorded at St. George's Barracks, Sutton Coldfield.

The Lorne Scots made the overseas trip this summer. Money raised from the sale of the records will be put towards the transportation cost of their trip.

The Halton Hills Public Library just bought a copy of the record, so if you want to know what you're buying before you pull out your wallet, pop over for a listen.



It makes a great gift for a music lover in town. Hugh Patterson is one of the sounds behind the record, as are several other Lorne Scots from Halton Hills who hopped across the ocean to cut a record with an English regimental band.