. Not much good news in budget

There's not much good news in the budget released by federal Finance Minister Michael Wilson last week, said Clarkson and Gordon partner Ron Bogart speaking in Georgetown last week.

Mr. Bogart addressed a crowd at the post-budget breakfast held by Progressive Conservative MP Garth Turner in the North Halton Golf and Country Club Friday.

"There's not a lot of good news, not a lot of technical changes (in the budget). But the ones that are there, hit you hard," said Mr. Bogart.

The national accounting firm Clarkson Gordon released its federal budget review April 27 following a "breach of secrecy" before the budget was announced in the House of Commons.

Clarkson Gordon says the deficit, the basis of tighter budget restrictions for Canadians, will increase in the fiscal year (1989-90) to \$30.5 billion but will decline in fiscal year 1990.91 to \$28 billion.

Mr. Bogart said although the basic rate of surtax paid by individuals has not changed, it will increase from three to five per cent.

The Clarkson Gordon budget report says "Mr. Wilson appears to have abandoned, at least temporarily, one of the planks of his tax reform package."

The report goes on to say the new budget and its increased surtax on personal incomes, and its modifying of corporate surtaxes along with "the lack of any explicit commitment to remove either the personal or corporate taxes as part of a sales tax reform" counters earlier moves to reduce income tax rates.

Mr. Bogart said the tax will impact on business as 75 per cent of capital gained in Canada will be taxed.

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Handicapped association expands in town

"The developmentally handicapped are those who develop at a different pace than you and I," said the association's Residential Director in explaining who the organization serves.

Andy Rotsma said these words during an Open House, May 5, celebrating the recent expansion of the organization's office space located here in Georgetown.

Liberal provincial MPP, Walt Elliot, the association's president, the board of directors and staff were all in attendance, however as the group's president, Chris Dolliver pointed out during his opening speech, it was the attendance of those served by the association that made the day special.

The association runs a number of programs including residential services, work placement, development life skills and children's services, all of which encourage independence.

Mr. Rotsma and his department run the Support Independent Living Program which makes it possible for the developmentally han-

dicapped to live in a home setting. The association provides up to 24hour care for those occupying one of its six apartment units located in Halton Hills.

Currently, Mr. Rotsma oversees two, four and eight bedroom apartments. However from here on in, the organization will only operate four bedroom buildings or smaller.

"There are not many families with eight people anymore," Mr. Rotsma said.

He also points out that public reaction to its locations in Georgetown and Milton has been favorable to those in Toronto, Oakville and Burlington.

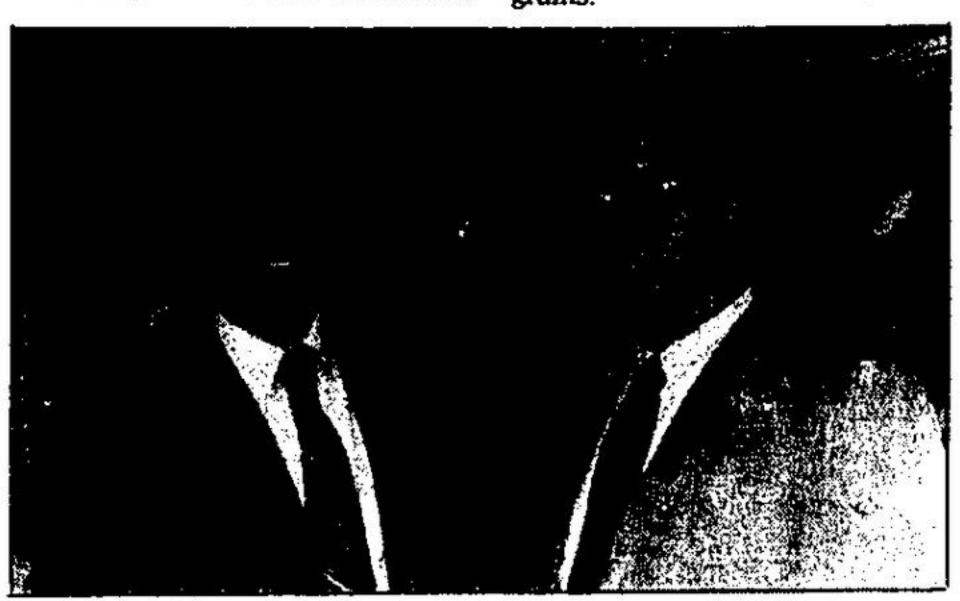
The director of day services, Margaret Nikolaus, said her department offers two programs, one of which teaches basic social skills and the other provides job training. Clients participating in the job related workshops have the opportunity to do a job placement. If after three months they prove themselves they will be hired on as a fulltime employee, Ms. Nikolaus said. But, she said, 'sufficient public transportation is all that is

missing to make the program a complete success.

Some clients must turn down job offers because they have no access to transportation. The association

has five vans to serve almost 60 clients, Ms. Nikolaus said.

The child services director, Peggy McCandless, runs the special needs and intergration programs.



The president of the North Halton Association for the Developmentally Handicapped, Chris Dolliver (left), receives congratulations from provincial Liberal MPP, Walt Elliot, following a brief speech given by Mr. Dolliver to open the association's expanded office, May 5.

New show at House Sol

The late artist, Frank C. Black, is the focus of an exhibition showing his watercolor paintings from the thirties to the eig ties. This is being held from May 6-25 at Gallery House Sol, 45 Charles Street, Georgetown. This exhibition is dedicated to his wife Lillian.

Frank Charles Black was born on December 18, 1893 in England. After moving with his motehr and her children to Toronto in 1911, he became an apprentice with the Hough Litho Company. He enlisted with the 48th Highlanders in 1915 and was sent to war.

He returned in 1919 with a few injuries, and did a lot of work in the art field. He took courses in such schools as the Ontario College of

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His paintings are in private and public collections in many parts of Canada, especially in Georgetown where he lived up to his death in May, 1988.



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