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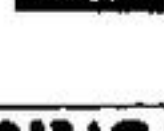
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Supermarkets push for Sunday shopping

By DONNA KELL
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Three top executives from national food store chains met with Halton Region's acting chairman Rob Forbes last week in an attempt to persuade the Region to support Sunday shopping.

A and P and Dominion vice-president Wayne Luedtke, Miracle Food Mart director of marketing projects Bob Winstanley, and Oshawa Group vice-president Jonathan Wolfe met privately with

Mr. Forbes last Wednesday to ask the Region to favor Sunday openings for grocery stores.

The grocers are members of an "ad hoc coalition" of those opposed to provincial government Bill C-113 which will limit number of stores open Sunday.

The grocer's group, which calls itself the Committee for Fair Shopping also includes Loblaw's Supermarkets Ltd. president David Stewart. The committee met with Peel Region recently and will meet

with Metro Toronto this week. Under a new provincial legislation amending the Retail Business Holidays Act, municipalities can make exceptions to Sunday shopping laws.

The legislation passed in February and scheduled to be implemented next February, will mean that fewer drug stores will be allowed to stay open and fruit markets will close Sundays from December to March.

Mr. Luedtke, acting as a

spokesman for the fair shopping committee, said there is a market for Sunday shopping in Halton. Grocers lose millions of dollars each Sunday stores are closed, he said.

And retailers "are selling all kinds of things," Mr. Luedtke told a group of reporters outside the Regional chairman's office. "We're just saying, give us the right to compete."

The fair shopping committee says it has visited fruit markets in

the Region. Reports from the grocers say stores are selling more than present laws allow.

But "we're not asking for anyone to be closed down," Mr. Luedtke said. "We believe that the consumer demand is there."

Burlington Councillor and acting Regional chairman Forbes told reporters Halton would likely not support Sunday shopping. "The first problem that council has to get over is to set rules for other Regions," Mr. Forbes said. The Region is presently preparing a report on Sunday shopping, and has received about 50 "letters of interest."

The legislation "ought to be dealt with on a province-wide basis," the acting chairman said. "I think the press conference was inappropriate because we're starting a process."

The Regional report on Sunday shopping should be complete in the next month.

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Developer's threat could freeze 21 projects

A bid to send all development applications requiring water service for appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board could leave 21 applicants for Halton Hills water high and dry.

Halton Hills Village Homes Inc. project manager Teby Barwick sent a letter to Halton Region recently saying his company would oppose any allocations for water granted by the town. The town recommends water servicing to Halton Region for approval.

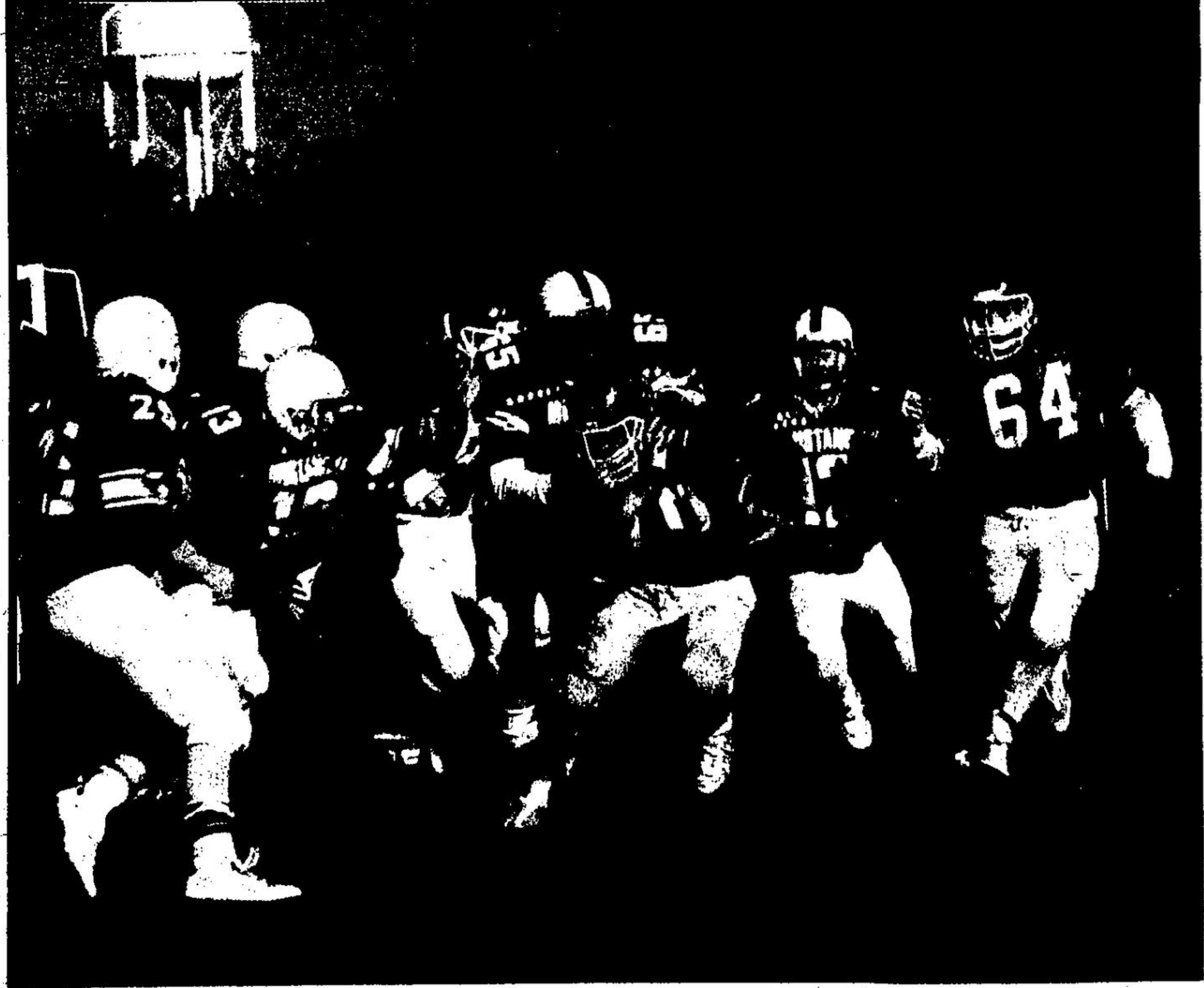
HHVHI has water allocation for 510 houses in Georgetown South near Mountainview Road but another 1000 houses await water allocation before they can be approved for construction. The 510 homes are currently under construction.

Requests to send applicants to the OMB for a hearing are "made in good faith and not only for the purpose of delay," Mr. Barwick writes. "Our primary concern is that the development of our land proceed in an orderly fashion as required by the official plan and that financial commitment which formed the basis of our front-ending participation is respected."

Mr. Barwick referred to the \$10.7 million paid by HHVHI to provide water and sewage services for Georgetown South. Initial services for the newly-developed area were paid for by HHVHI with a plan for re-imbursment from new developers.

But an appeal for any water

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Get out of my face!

GDHS Rebels ball carrier Jeff Delurey, found the going tough against Milton Mustangs in this junior football game played at GDHS field. The illegal face mask tactic didn't help Delurey in his quest for yardage. Milton Mustangs opened up a 16-6 lead at the half and appeared to have the game well in hand. The Georgetown gridgers surged in the second half, however, and Milton was fortunate to escape with a 16-14 win. The GDHS Rebels will try and get back on the winning track today (Wednesday) when the team journeys to Oakville to challenge T.A. Blakelock High School. Herald photo by Ben Dumme(S)