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In its defence, the town must work within the law. It may not react fast enough on some issues to satisfy all its critics, but to our knowledge, no one presently sitting on town council is an advocate of the dump.

Let's sit back and put the issue into its proper perspective.

All the action and energy we are putting out against our council may well be better spent in working closer with council. Keep the in-fighting up and we will surely get DUMPED ON.

We should be setting our sights beyond the confines of our town borders and looking to the province. No matter what we as a town decide, and how hard we as a town fight the dump, it may well still become a reality.

When Fence Sitting Ruth and the province determine that the best location politically for all the citizens in the province is the Acton Quarry, it will be done.

What can we as a community do?

Well first, let's stop fighting among ourselves, work together and focus our energy on the province.

We know that a Private Members Bill can be introduced to fight the dump. So why hasn't one been proposed?

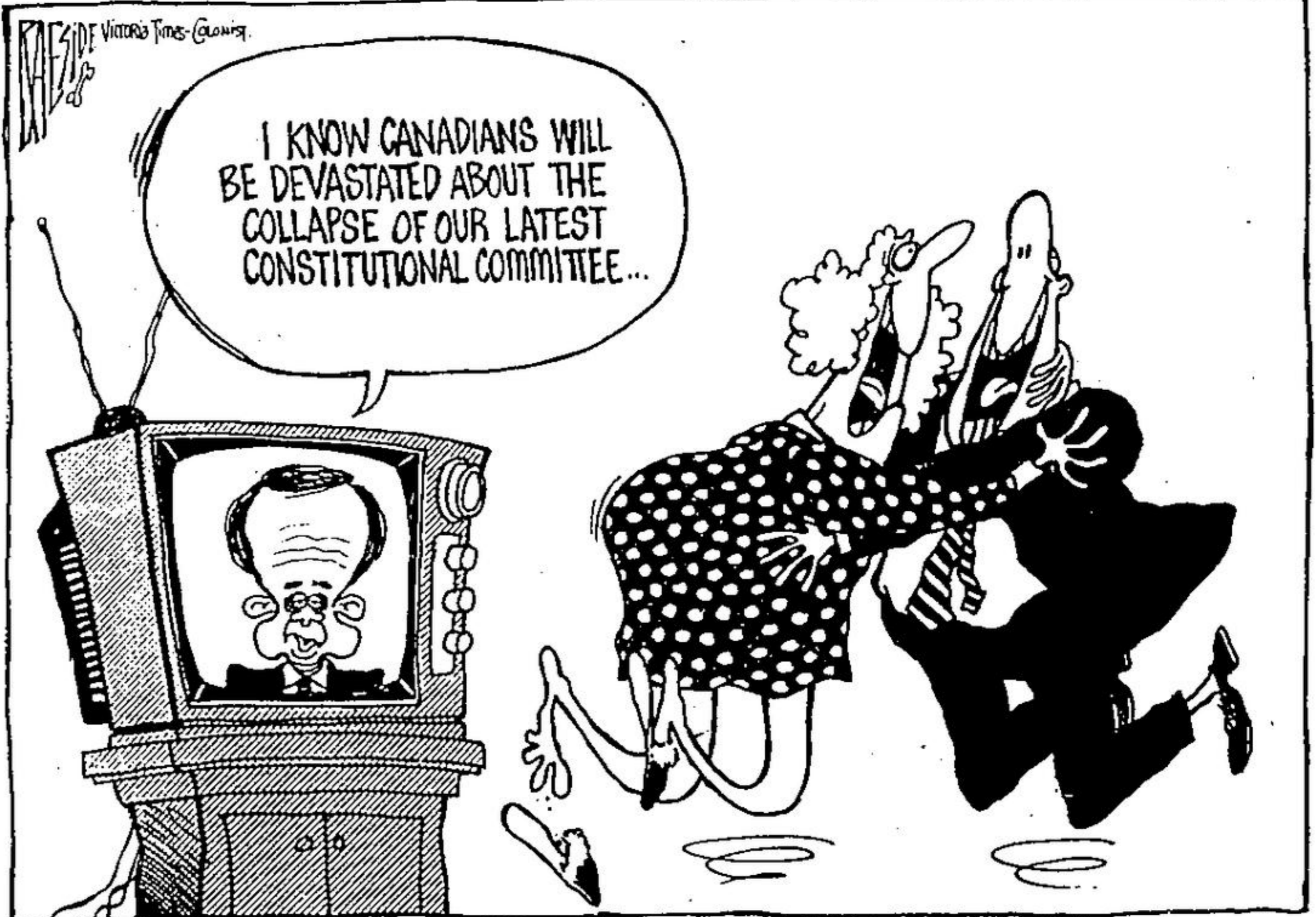
What is our local MPP, who is supposed to represent us, waiting for?

Can it be that our local member, who is also a member of a local environmental group, hasn't thought of the idea. Or is possible that he fears the wrath of Ruth.

Get off the fence Mr. Duignan.

We can assure you Mr. Duignan that to stand pat and do nothing will certainly get you the wrath of Halton Hills. It is time Mr. Duignan to stand up and defend the citizens who elected you and fight for our rights in parliament. If it means that Ruth and Bob exclude you from the in-crowd, so be it. They did not elect you, we did.

Let's dump the problem where it belongs and stop fighting amongst ourselves.



People's Forum

Community deserves better

Dear Colin:

Have I missed something? When was war declared between some of our neighbors and our community? Who requested such a drastic approach on our behalf? Why is public debate now dominated by viciousness, profanity and boorish behavior?

This wonderful community we share was built by neighbors who identified a concern and cooperated to build homes, churches, business, arenas, a hospital, swimming pools and theatres.

In some ways, their task was easier because they dealt in tangible needs and the levels of government they dealt with was not as structured as today.

Our contributions for tomorrow will often be intangible, such as health, environment, family, municipal development and our economy. Our neighbors who undertake the leadership roles

earn our gratitude and respect.

Their's is the task of changing existing laws and attitudes and sometimes stopping a specific project.

Their right to participate, whether with a minority or majority viewpoint, is well enshrined in law and precedent. The right of their neighbors to expect efficient local government rests in the Ethics of the Participants.

Our elected officials have our legal and moral mandate to make the decisions required as our community deals with the complex issues of the 1990's. There is a difficult situation as there is always two or more viewpoints on each issue or there would be no need of a decision. They are asked to consult and work with each person who voices a concern, and then accept the consequences of their decision - apathy when correct or scorn when wrong.

To the leadership and sup-

porters of the many groups participating in building our tomorrows, I offer these questions:

1. While my cause is noble and just, are my personal words and actions as noble and just?

2. Do we offer the dignity, courtesy and patience we request for ourselves?

3. As a leader or spokesperson, do I confuse personal spontaneous feelings with our stated objectives?

4. As a supporter, am I pleased with both the presentation of and the substance of our objectives?

Recently I have been reading of a lot of nonsense surrounding the very serious issues of the day. The community would be better served if acrimony and petulance were set aside. The goodwill and warm neighborliness which makes this such a great place to live will better serve our goals.

A concerned neighbor,
Dave Kentner.

Community Forum

Will you have a merry Christmas?



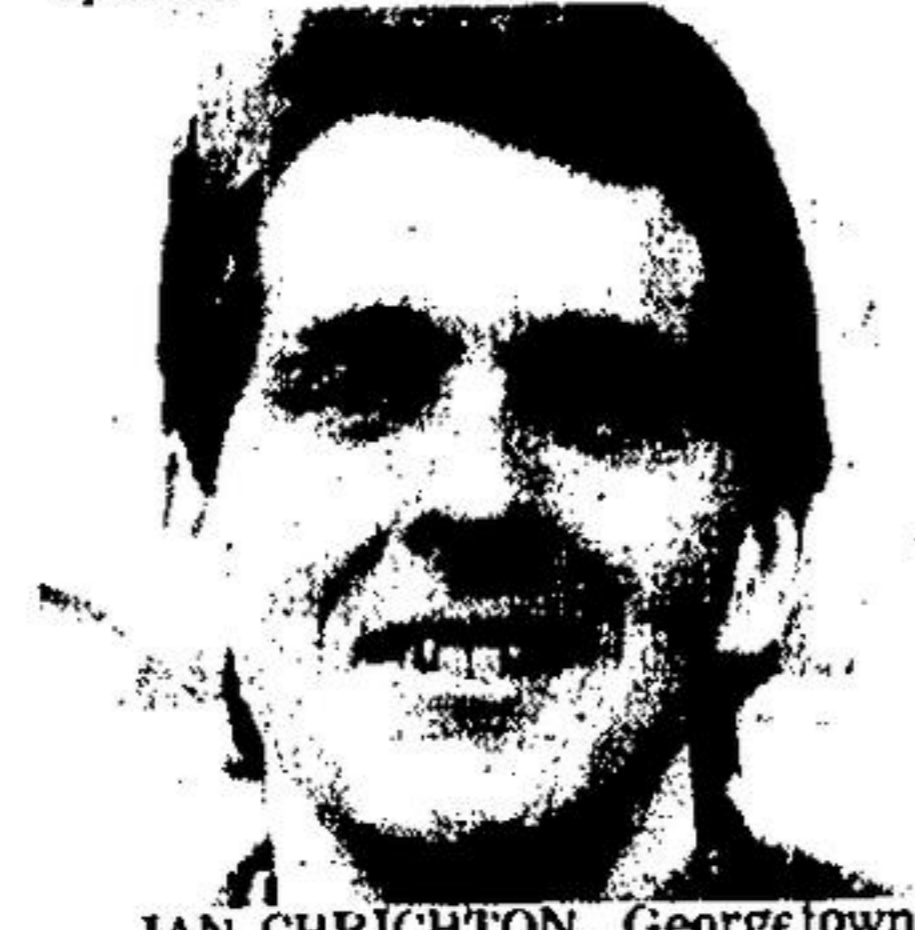
GEOFF CANNON, GUELPH: "Yes I will, with my first child on the way."



DARLENE BROWN, ACTON: "Definitely. I have four kids to celebrate it with so it will be very special."



MARY SHOEBRIDGE, LIMEHOUSE: "I certainly will because my family will be all together."



IAN CHRICHTON, Georgetown: "It will be alright because I'll have turkey dinner with my mother. That will be nice."

Sincere thanks

Dear Mr. Gibson:

A sincere thank you for your support in promoting the Ontario Agricultural Museum to your Halton Hills Herald readers.

We were delighted to report that our 1991 season was most successful with a moderate increase in attendance. We attribute this to favourable weather conditions, new events and your promotional support.

Coverage in the Herald helped to reach new audiences which resulted in many first time visitors to our site. Your efforts regarding this are very much appreciated.

Thank you again for your promotional support during this past season. We look forward to working with you in 1992.

Yours sincerely,
Dorene Collins,
Promotions and Public Relations Co-ordinator

Public ripped-off

Dear Editor:

I have just rec'd from The Ontario Gov't. the sixteenth annual report on election finances.

When I decided to run as a Libertarian in the Ontario election, I was not aware that party candidates are subsidized by taxpayers money. This is just one more rip-off of the public, for political gain.

Here the figures - Halton North.

Name	Party	Income	Expenses	Subsidy
Noel Duignan	NDP	7924	12597	8920
Walt Elliot	Liberal	28058	44871	8920
David Whiting	Conservative	2949	35893	8920
G. Gori	Fam. Coalit.	8258	11896	NIL
Pat Kammerer	Green	419	475	NIL
J. Shadbolt	Libertarian	575	538	NIL

The politicians of the old line parties make certain they get looked after. This is nothing new, but this is a typical spending plan for politicians own gain, in Ontario.

Libertarians, when they get elected will, without any doubt cut this spending out. Political parties should look after their own finances.

Multiply this hand out by the number of ridings in Ontario, and you will have some idea of the cost (130 ridings).

We would like to congratulate Garth Turner on his stand on property rights, there is no doubt that our government should not be allowed to take owning anything legal away.

We would also like to say Mr. Turner's stand on gun control takes guts, in this day and age. The Libertarian Party has a paper on violent crime, which is well worth reading.

Thank you,
John Shadbolt,