Man arrested

man was arrested Thursday morning at a residence in rural Halton Hills on charges of sexual assault and break and enter. Tuesday at about 2 a.m. someone entered a woman's Georgetown residence through a window, said Det. Sgt. Don Cousens. The woman was alone at the time, and was sexually assaulted, he said. On Wednesday Halton Regional Police issued a warrant for the arrest of a 28-year-old man. He was found at his parents' residence Thursday and held in custody for a bail hearing Friday.

Tractor pins man

An Acton resident was driving a tractor at Sheridan Nurseries up a hill on Tenth Line Monday afternoon when it rolled over, pinning the victim underneath, police said. He was transported to Georgetown Hospital with rib and pelvic injuries, police said.

Youth charged

A young offender was charged with break and enter and theft in relation to an breakin at a Carole St. residence on July 13. Someone entered through an unlocked back door and removed \$300 U.S. cash from a bedroom, police said.

Window broken

Someone threw a rock through a window at the Four Seasons Restaurant in Acton on July 23 in the early morning. The damage was estimated to be \$950, police said.

Wheel covers gone

Someone broke into a car parked at 60 Park Ave. July 19, police said, found the lock for the wheel covers and took all four of them. The total value is about \$800, police said.

Charities fear impact of social contract

By JANET BAINE

Staff writer

While some health-related charities fear they will be affected by the social contract, the NDP government is denying that it will take 5 per cent of donations.

"As the premier of the province has said, no private donations will be taken from charities," Halton North MPP Noel Duignan said.

However, officials of some agencies fear the impact if they have to return 5 per cent of their payroll costs each year for three years. Only health-oriented charities which receive grants from the government, like the Canadian Mental Health Association and the Red Cross, are afraid they will be affected. Other charities which are funded through private donations, like the Canadian Cancer Society, are not affected.

"As far as we know, we're not affected. We don't receive any government funding whatever," said Carol Jamieson, the manager of communications for the Canadian

Cancer Society in an interview Wednesday. "We just found out about this yesterday. I understand it affects organizations who do receive government funding." These organizations, she said, have been involved in the social contract discussions.

Premier Bob Rae and Finance minister Floyd Laughren denied they will take a portion of donations back from charitable organizations. However, they say the charities, which receive funding from the government are expected to return 5 per cent of their payroll costs each year for three years.

Duignan said he was out of the country July 23 to 27 when the headlines hit the daily newspapers. He was in San Diego speaking with members of the Nevada Gaming Commission, which is undergoing a major expansion of gaming. He said he was learning from their experience as part of his duties as parliamentary assistant to Consumer and Commercial Relations minister Marilyn Churley.

Contract settled before deadline

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software, or a \$5,000 laptop computer for the planning department.

After all the adjustments and cuts are made, the town will meet its target.

The contract, which covers the towns non-unionized employees, was to be posted Friday, prior to August 1. By posting the contract before the deadline, the town's target reduction was slashed by 20 per cent or \$70,000.

Agreements still have to be struck with the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) and the Halton Hills Firefighters Association which represent about 50 of the town's 155 employees.

King is optimistic the same agreement reached with non-union

employees can be reached with the unions by August 10.

Under the terms of the local contract, which will run through March 1996, the town reserves the right to impose restructuring layoffs and extended position vacancies to achieve targets. Voluntary leaves of absence, additional unpaid leave days, and job reduction through attrition, early retirements and exits may also be considered.

If there are layoffs, under the contract employees may have access to the public sector job security fund, which would top up unemployment benefits to 95 per cent of their salary for a year.

Employees have until Aug. 16 to submit written objections to the town's personnel officer.

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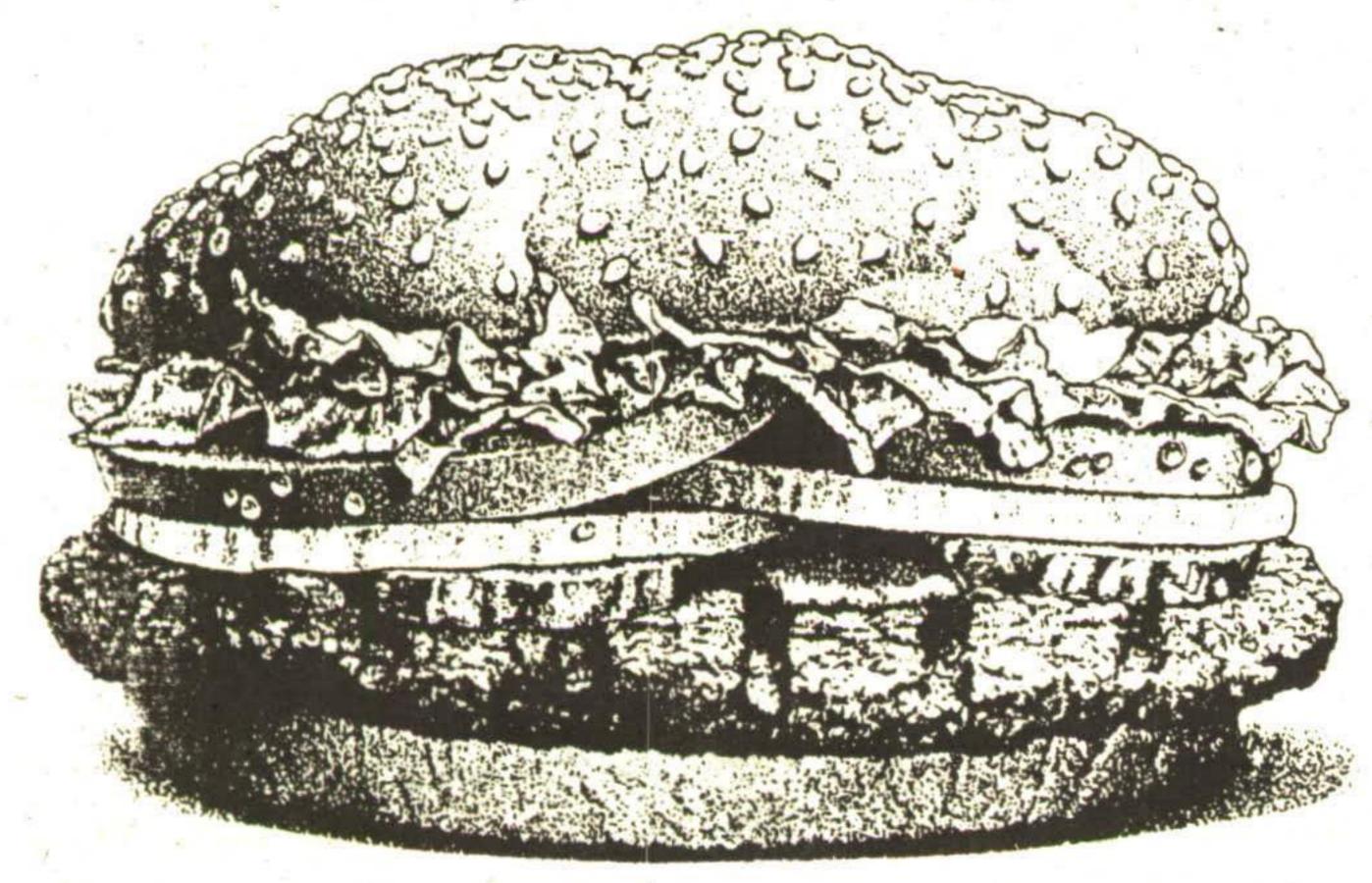
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