

### Interrupted break-in

■ Police report on Tuesday at about 6:40 a.m. a woman was awakened by a noise coming from the kitchen of her Hwy. 7 home. When she went to investigate police say she saw a man attempting to climb through her kitchen window. Police say the woman hit the man on the head with a chair and he fled. Police were called, searched the area and found a man in a ditch near the house. A 32-year-old Brampton man was arrested and charged with break and enter. He is to appear in Milton court on Sept. 9.

### Man nabbed

■ Halton police report a River Dr. couple returned home Monday at 1 p.m. to discover a man in their living room attempting to remove their audio system. The man took off, and with the help of concerned neighbors the male homeowner grabbed him and restrained him until police arrived and took him into custody. A 28-year-old man of no fixed address has been charged with break and enter and theft in connection with the incident. He was held for a bail hearing Tuesday.

### Scrap stolen

■ Police are investigating the theft of about 1,000 pounds of scrap

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aluminum that was taken from a Tenth Line residence sometime overnight Saturday and Sunday. Police say no one was home when the aluminum was taken from a bin on the property.

### Flag and pole stolen

■ Police report a Canadian flag and flag pole were removed from a Stockman Cr., Georgetown property sometime on Tuesday. Value is set at about \$25.

### Car break-ins

■ Police are investigating the theft of a watch, walkman and cassette tapes from a vehicle parked in a MacKenzie Dr., Georgetown driveway sometime overnight last Tuesday and Wednesday. Police say entry into the locked car could have been gained through a pried open window. The missing property is valued at about \$100.

Police say a locked car parked in the driveway of a King St., Georgetown residence was broken into sometime between 1:30 and 7 a.m. Wednesday. A stereo valued at about \$300 was taken.

## More calls to Crime Stoppers tip line

Crime Stoppers of Halton Inc reports a 36 per cent in the number of anonymous crime-solving tips received for the first six months of 1996 (when compared to statistics for the same period in 1995).

Ted Acheson, the chair of the board of directors for Crime Stoppers of Halton Inc., credits their decision to contract with Crime Stoppers International for after-hours call answering, as the main reason for the surge in calls.

"We knew people were trying to reach the office after hours, but we are pleasantly

surprised by the volume." These calls have helped police solve 23 cases so far this year. While the number of cases closed, and charges laid, has remained relatively constant, the value of recovered stolen property and seized narcotics has jumped from \$6,860 in 1995, to \$160,400 so far in 1996.

Rewards for successful tips have also increased to more than double the amount approved last year.

"The board is very pleased with the program's improved statistics. We provide a means for people to communicate crime-

solving information anonymously, and it is apparent from the numbers the program works," Acheson says.

Crime Stoppers, which is a volunteer-managed organization is hopeful the new common number of Crime Stoppers will further assist with solving crime.

The number, 1-800-222-TIPS, will automatically channels the callers to their local programs. Callers do not have to give their names, and any tip that leads to an arrest automatically qualifies the caller for a cash reward of between \$50 and \$1,000.

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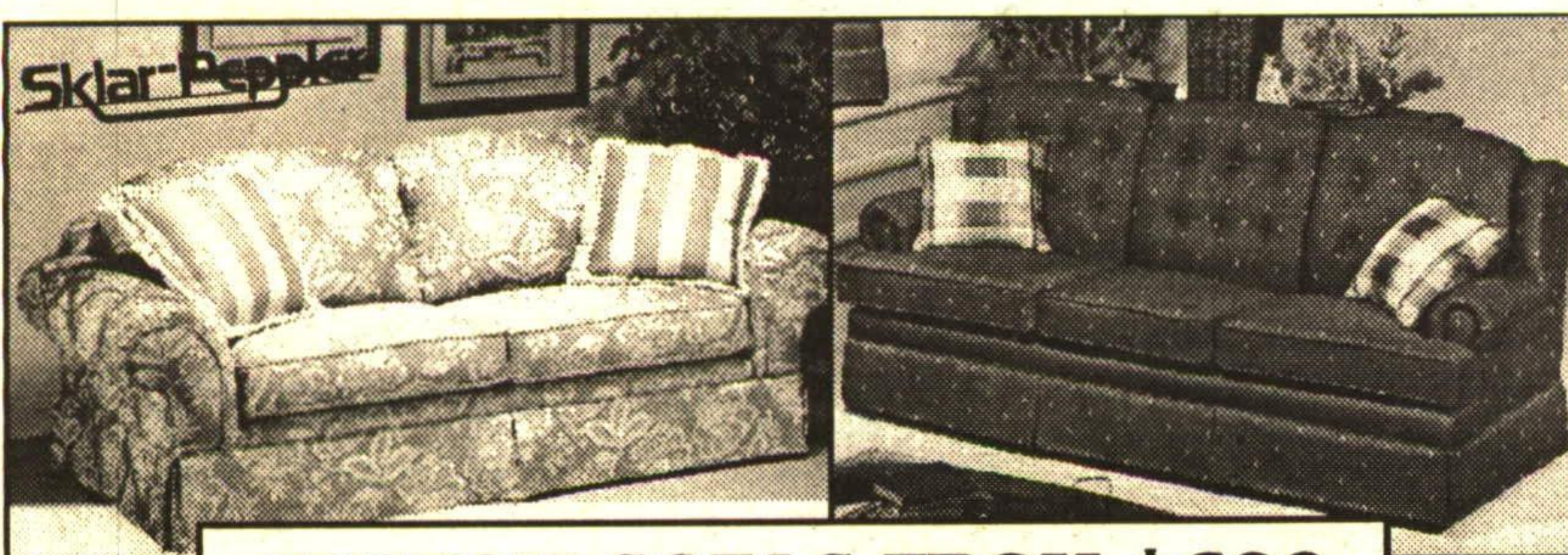
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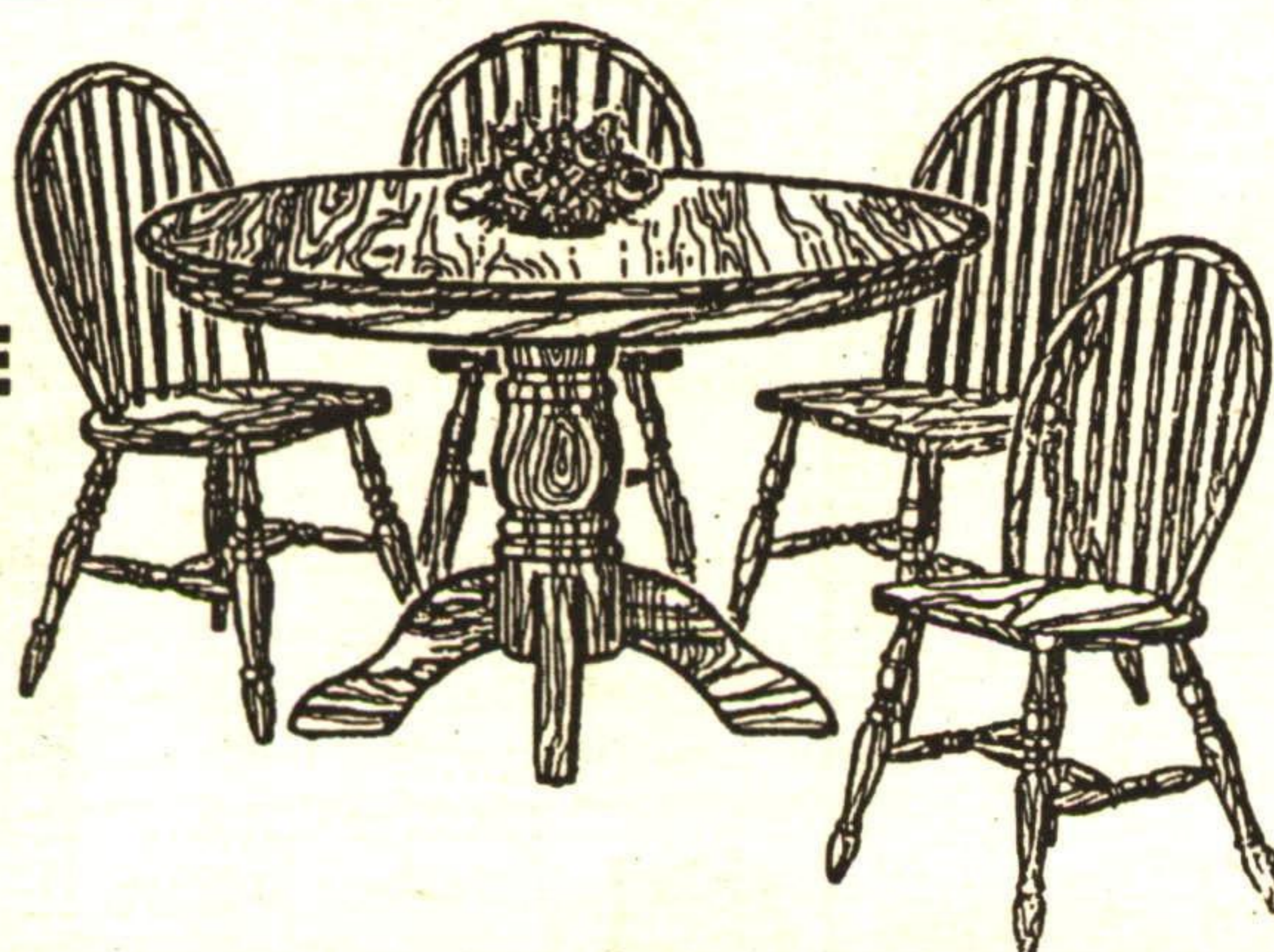
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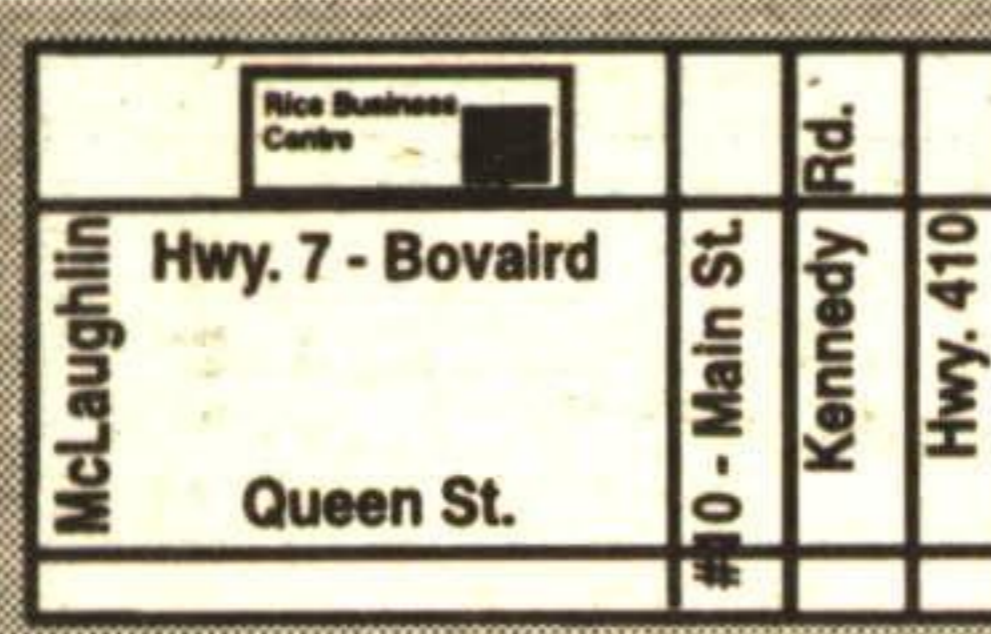
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