

Meeting tomorrow should be big step toward town's growth to 10,000

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longer-term solutions."

Mohammed also predicted that once Halton Hills Council decides how much growth is wanted and where, there will be major fights.

"Right now there are a lot of development applications for Acton and there's a really limited amount of growth available. The developers will be competing."

Regional Councillor Rick Bonnette says he is not concerned by Mohammed's caution. "It's staff job to be cautious on bringing forth major reports or any expense so that doesn't surprise me. As far as the big pipe coming up you're not going to convince me to bring the pipe up from the lake for Acton to grow.

"First of all, you're not going to convince a lot of Acton people to drink Lake Ontario water. Secondly, if we can get an extra 1,500 people in the next few years would it really make sense to bring the big pipe up just to grow by an extra

1,500 or 2,000? I don't think so; I would take a lot of convincing. I think the planner is warning us to support plans for the big pipe to solve all of Halton's water problems."

To accommodate the increased growth Halton has asked the Province to allow it to take more water than now permitted from Fairy Lake.

Studies done this past summer have indicated that drawing enough water to accommodate the proposed growth and maintaining enough for fire emergencies would likely impact the lake.

Halton planner Rick Robertshaw says Halton is confident the Ministry will approve its proposal to take more water.

"We're asking the Ministry of Environment for an increased capacity allocation in the permit to take water. What that would provide for is additional water to be taken from the Prospect Park well. Currently we have a permit that

provides for a half-million gallons a day that can be taken. But of that half-million only 250,000 gallons is for regular daily use. The rest is held as an emergency reserve," Robertshaw explained.

"We want the permit amended so the full 500,000 gallons can be used for daily consumption to provide existing residents and the proposed new ones with daily water. To do that we would have to build some new, stand-by wells and have some additional stand-by power in case there's a hydro failure."

At tomorrow's (Wednesday) Regional Council meeting politicians are expected to direct Chairman Peter Pomeroy to convey to the Ministry of Environment the Region's request for "expeditious approval" of the increased permit to take water from the Prospect Park well and for the Ministry's co-operation in finding a solution to providing water to accommodate the expected growth to 10,000 population in Acton.

NEWS SHORTS

Family feud on Holmesway

Halton police had to separate two angry brothers who got into a loud fight Saturday night at 38 Holmesway Pl. in Acton. Police said homeowner 33-year-old Sidney Englefield called them complaining that his brother, Randall, who was visiting next door, called him names and kicked his car in a fit of sibling rivalry. Police persuaded both men to stay indoors and ignore one another. No charges were laid.

Limehouse car ditched in Acton

A 1982 white Pontiac is back with its Limehouse owner after being stolen and left in Acton, Thursday. A Churchill Road resident called police to report that a car had been left running in a lane off Churchill Road just north of the curling rink. Police arrived to find the engine running and the car's interior and bumper damaged. The car was dusted for prints and returned to its owner.

Cigarette fracas in local club

A Woodstock couple had a wild night at the Meeting Place on Mill Street Friday night. Police said the couple, both of whom had been drinking heavily, were assaulted in a back alley over some missing cigarettes. When the husband's cigarettes disappeared another bar patron told him to go out into the alley if he wanted to find out who stole them. When her husband didn't come back into the bar, the woman went out and found him bleeding and bruised, with two other men. She was pushed to the ground by one of the suspects. The couple could not give police a description of their attackers.

Neither sleet, nor snow ...

Vandals are responsible for smashing as many as five Canada Post mail boxes off posts on Churchill Road north in rural Acton. One victim said his mail box, worth \$65, looked like it had been knocked off by a car. Police have no witnesses or suspects.

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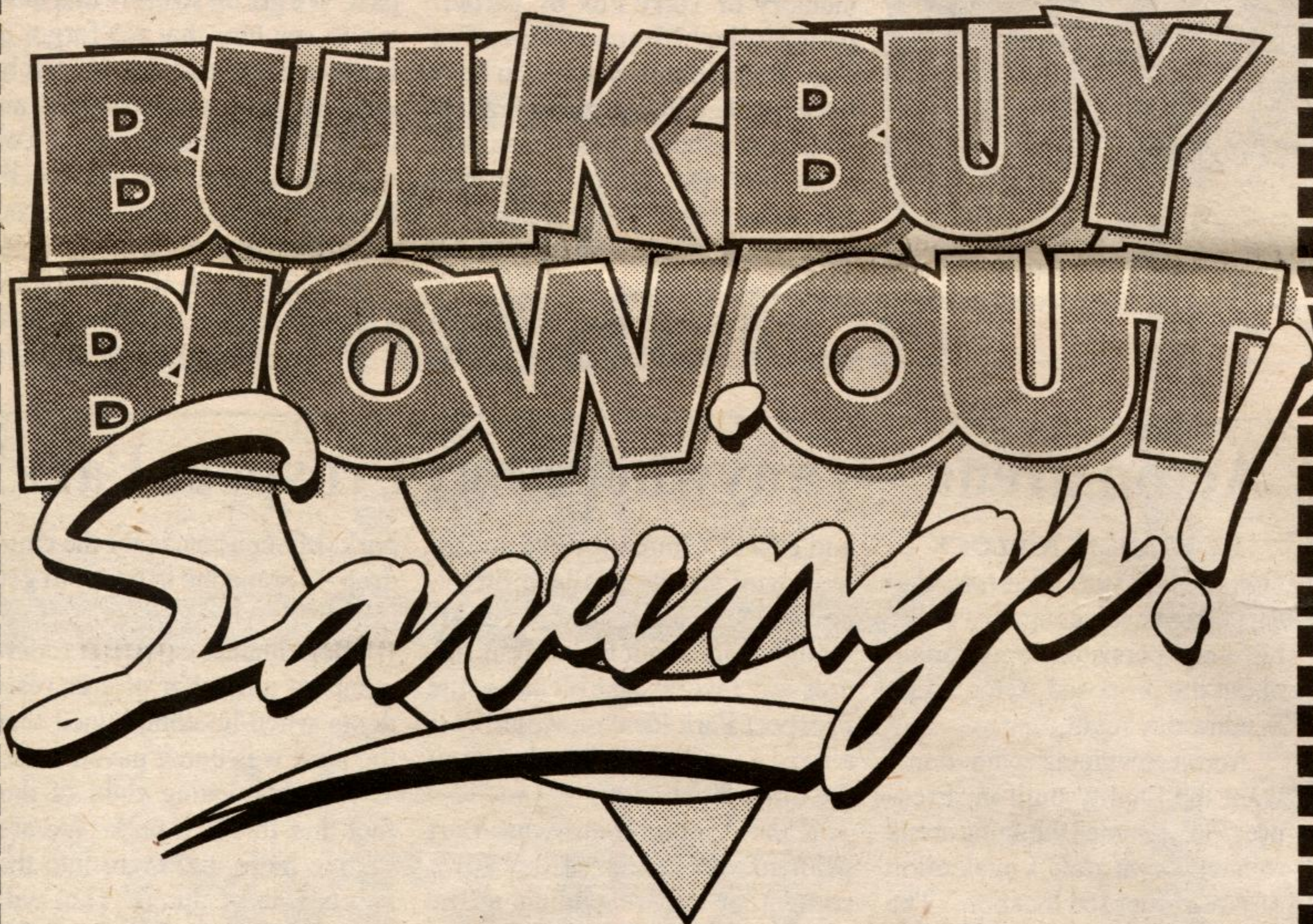
"... you're not going to convince a lot of Acton people to drink Lake Ontario water."

— Rick Bonnette, Halton Regional councillor

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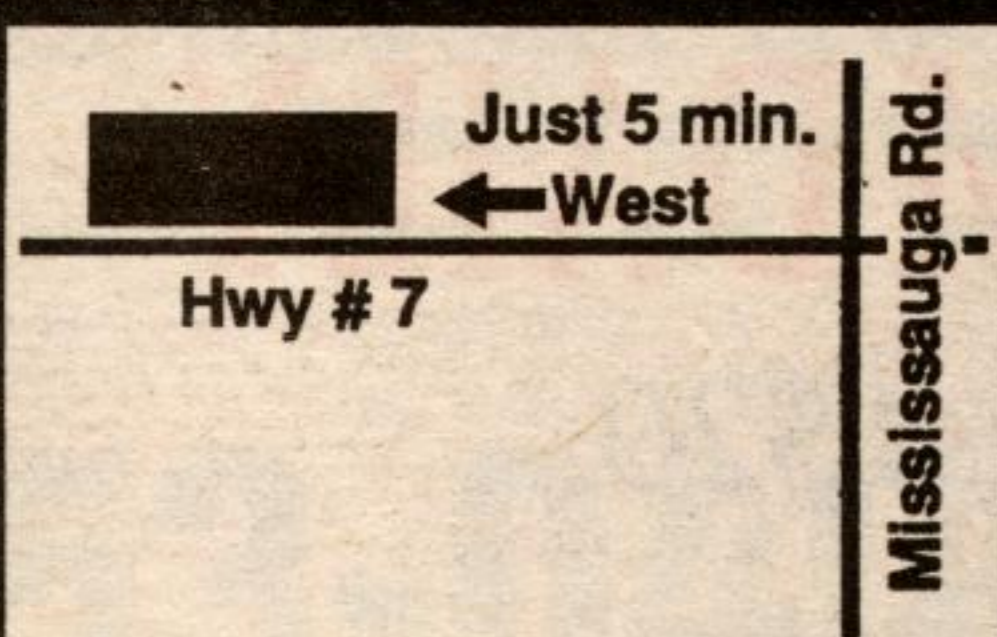
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