## In brief...

## Rash of break-ins

Halton police are investigating three break and enters and the theft of a vehicle that may be related. Police say sometime Wednesday night or Thursday morning a variety store on Guelph St. in Norval was broken into. Entry was gained through an



electrical room. Drywall in the room was damaged. Stolen were about 60 cartons of cigarettes, stamps and mail from mailboxes in the store. The value

of the missing items is set at about \$1,800.

Police also report sometime Wednesday night or Thursday morning someone entered a Mill St. Acton surveying company through the air duct system in the roof. Nothing was taken from the business, however \$500 damage was caused to drywall there.

Police say the variety store beside the business was also broken into. Entry into the store was gained through the drywall from the adjacent business. About \$2,500 worth of cigarettes and cash were taken from that store. The alarm went off in the store, however police weren't called immediately.

That same night police say a 1979 Chevrolet pickup truck was taken from a rural Acton home. The truck was recovered at 2 p.m. Thursday on 15 Sideroad, west of Fifth Line. Police say 45 cartons of cigarettes, several rolls of candies and firecrackers were among the items found in the truck.

## Spaull sentenced

David Spaull, the 43-year-old Georgetown man who faced several weapons charges in connection with a stand-off with police at an Edith St. home last December pleaded guilty to the charges in Oakville court Tuesday and was sentenced to two years less a day in jail.

Spaull pleaded guilty to two counts of weapons dangerous, two counts of careless use of a firearm and criminal harassment. At an earlier court date Spaull pleaded guilty to a charge of pointing a firearm, which relates to a 1994 incident.

On Tuesday Judge W.S. Sharpe also prohibited Spaull from owning firearms, ammunition or explosives, and sentenced him to three years probation.

## Seniors evacuated

Halton Hills Fire Department was called to the seniors building on Sargent Rd. Tuesday (April 22) morning at about 9:30 for a fire in the attic.

The building residents were evacuated while firefighters dealt with the fire, that was believed to have been caused by an electrical failure. A fire department spokesperson said the fire was contained in the attic although the ceiling in one apartment was scorched.

Damage is estimated at \$10,000.

