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**HALTON LIBERALS** on Friday evening held their nominating convention in Milton Town Hall. Owen Mullin, 30, shown in the centre was named candidate for the forthcoming provincial election later announced for June 11. The candidate is being congratulated by association president Lester Whiting while Dr. Claude Vipond, Oshawa, guest speaker, looks on.

## Halton Liberals Name Owen Mullin, 30 To Contest Provincial Election in June

Thirty year old Owen Mullin, Burlington, was named Liberal candidate for the forthcoming provincial election when Halton Liberals held their nominating convention in Milton Town hall on Friday evening of last week.

The candidate defeated Cecil J. Ryder, also of Burlington, on the first ballot. Two other candidates, Peter Papillon, Acton, and Rud Whiting, Oakville, declined to stand for the nomination.

The candidate was born in Prince Edward Island, graduating with a B.Sc. degree in 1949. Married, with two children, he is presently employed by the Ford Motor Co. in the engineering department.

**Reviews Problems**

In his acceptance speech Mr. Mullin stressed the need for co-operation noting that "for 17 years the county has been without an effective vote". He reviewed the problems when Lowville residents required special legislation to prohibit blasting, when Avro workers were laid off, and when action is needed to prevent gas explosions. "Halton needs a man to stand on

his two feet and present the views of the people of the county", the candidate declared.

Mr. Mullin also stressed the need for equal election, a portable pension plan, a department of marketing "so the small farmer gets a share of the wealth of Ontario . . . The answer won't be found by an old inept government that has lost imagination from being too long in power . . . There must be young men with foresight not older men with hindsight."

**Financial Picture Reviewed**

Dr. Claude Vipond, Oshawa, guest speaker, covered the three main points of finances, education and health in this address.

He complained the financial picture in the province was not as bright as was generally printed. He charged the Frost government with keeping two sets of books, one for operations and one for capital. The speaker noted annual interest payment on the provincial debt is \$105,000,000 . . . more than we are spending on building schools . . . more than we are spending on building highways."

The speaker noted the hospital insurance plan was a great credit to the Hon. Paul Martin, former federal minister of health. In Ontario the details for the province had been given to a Commission.

"We have in Ontario over 25 Boards or Commissions . . . These have become arbitrary . . . a thing as important as the hospital insurance should be administered by the legislature under the Minister of Health."

**Charges "Finagling"**

"The only field in which we on the North American continent can gain supremacy is on education if we put our minds and hearts to it". Dr. Vipond continued pointing out the Conservative government under Premier Drew had promised to pay 50 per cent. of education costs and they had never in any single year done it.

"On finagling with the budget, the inadequacy of the hospital insurance and education, the Frost government has condemned itself" the speaker concluded.

Refreshments were served to the group at the close of the meeting.

## Council Will Meet with Consultant Consider Trafalgar's Proposal

A plan to extend Milton's boundaries, allow the county level of government to expand to city status, and have other Halton municipalities become boroughs was suggested to Milton Council on Monday night.

K. Y. Dick noted business men on the main street had become concerned about Trafalgar's amalgamation plan and had been doing some thinking on the subject too. He called on E. B. Clements, one of half a dozen businessmen present at the meeting, to outline the suggestion.

Mr. Clements noted concern that if the municipality proposed by Trafalgar was created it would be an Oakville-Trafalgar community, that Milton would be forced to join or allowed to remain the same

without any provision for expansion.

**Milton to Annex**

The plan outlined was for Milton to annex the north part of Trafalgar, Burlington and part of Esquesing. The county council could eventually develop into a city type administration with the other municipalities as boroughs.

It was pointed out there was a spot in the area that could relieve Milton's needs for water for some years to come.

It was stressed that Milton should not lose its identity as the centre of Halton.

Reeve Cunningham noted Trafalgar had spent considerable time and money on their amalgamation plan.

Councillor Wilson explained that

in the past the Ontario Municipal Board wouldn't allow annexation unless the municipality was able to service.

Questioned on what plan Trafalgar had to service the area they proposed to annex, Councillor Wilson explained he didn't know anything about the Faludi plan.

**No Reason for Change**

Councillor Charlton questioned why the joining of Trafalgar and the north of Burlington should be formed into a city. "The whole move is an effort by Trafalgar to oppose the Oakville application for annexation," he stressed. "Milton has been here for a long time and I don't see any reason for it to change," he concluded.

Councillor Johnson pointed out,

## Halton Election Machine in Gear Provincial Contest on June 11

### Nassagaweya Okays School Board Split

Georgetown's plan for the breaking up of the North Halton high school district board was discussed Monday evening by members of Nassagaweya township council and members concurred with the suggestion, subject to conditions.

A motion was approved that the township "agrees to the division of the area into three boards, providing each area so set up provides education for the rural areas surrounding the existing high schools, and as presently served by existing bus routes."

### Seek Garbage Site

Councillors Thomson and Robertson were named a committee to seek a garbage disposal site within the township.

A motion was prepared asking the County Council to assume 50 per cent. of the net cost of patient care in nursing homes, and a by-law was approved giving the Halton County Health Unit authority in septic tanks and installations in the township, as in other parts of the county.

Road superintendent Grant McMillan received approval to attend a school for road superintendents in Toronto next week. His road voucher for \$3,614.07 was approved, as were accounts totalling \$949.96.

It was agreed to buy a new council chair for the Reeve and cushions for all other council chairs.

### \$2,000,000 Deaf School "In the Near Future"

The proposed new Milton residence school for deaf children will be constructed "in the near future" according to Stanley Hall, M.P.P., who relayed education minister Dr. W. J. Dunlop's announcement Friday to the Champion.

"Dr. Dunlop made the announcement," he said. "Planning is now in progress so that the construction may start in the near future. The school will be of the most modern design with staff residence and hospital, and will be equipped with living quarters for 250 pupils," he added.

Cost of the project, he said, would be "over \$2,000,000." It is understood the initial building is only a stage of the school, which eventually will equal the size of the 445-pupil school at Belleville.

It will be located on Highway 25 directly south of Halton Centennial Manor, on the former Kingdon farm at the boundary of the town.

### New High

Building permits for April totalled \$430,600 for an all-time high, issuer Frank McNeven reported this week. Largest slice of the month's construction figure was for the new high school, \$380,700.

Other activity includes two residences and two alterations to homes totalling \$27,500, an addition to Halton Co-Operative Supplies at \$21,900, and an industrial addition at \$500.

Total to date for 1959 is \$632,600.



John Wrigglesworth

Monday election saw John Wrigglesworth named president of the Kinsmen Club of Milton. He will take over his duties from Fred Bennett in the fall.

### Local Delegates At Conference

Local delegates attending the International Reading Association Conference in Toronto last weekend were Supervising Principal E. W. Foster and Miss Gemmill representing the Milton Public School staff.

They were among 4,000 delegates attending the event from all parts of the United States and Canada.

### Better Reading

The organization is aimed at better reading. A local committee of the organization was formed about three years ago in Halton and meetings of the group are held regularly.

Theme of the three day conference was "Reading in a Changing Society". The final dinner in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel was attended by 1,250.

### —Mother's Day Sunday.

—Here's this week's lists of signs of spring: forsythia in bloom, marshmallows, butterflies, flies . . . and somebody tells us he heard a mosquito already.

### Committee Allows Variances In Two of Three Applications

Two applications for zoning by-law variances were approved and one rejected when the Milton Committee of Adjustment conducted a hearing on Tuesday evening.

Variance from the side and rear yard requirements was approved on the application of E. B. Clements for a proposed two storey office building on the south side of King St.

### Objections Entered

Objections were entered by Wm. Ruigrok who suggested the building should be erected on Main St. by Mrs. A. Champagne who argued the building would spoil the privacy of her rear yard, and suggested

that the existing building be removed and the new one erected on the same line, and by Clark Harris who thought the area fronting on Victoria Park should be residential.

Committee member G. C. Gowland explained that all the objections were against the zoning by-law and not against the variance.

The variances were approved in a unanimous decision.

### Approve Application

An application from Ashbrook Estates Ltd. for permission to build a house in their subdivision on a lot with a frontage of 41.9 feet rather than 60 feet was unanimously approved.

It was explained the existing road allowance to Court St. could not be widened without reducing the front yards of the adjacent houses beyond a reasonable minimum. There were no objections to the variance.

### Refuse Application

The Committee refused an application from Humber Construction Co. Ltd. for permission to build a single family dwelling house closer to the back of the lot than permitted by the zoning by-law.

The lot is located at the corner of Wakefield Rd. and highway 25. Ludwig Tuerk objected that there would be no backyard. Norman Ward objected since the lot line would be only six feet away it would allow only 12 feet between the houses.

Members of the Planning Board form the Committee of Adjustment.

"It's a mistake to start asking when everyone else is asking."

K. Y. Dick noted that whoever controls the 401 area and the railway areas can develop a good city.

Deputy Reeve Pettit explained that Trafalgar would be sending out a report to the municipalities.

"The hearing is on May 19. When can we expect the report?" Mayor Childs inquired.

"If the town does want to do (Continued on Page Two)

With three candidates in the field for the June 11 provincial election Halton's election machinery, under returning officer F. W. B. Fitzgerald is getting into high gear.

The Liberals were last to name a candidate on Friday night just prior to Premier Frost's announcement on Monday morning.

### 162 Enumerators

This week the returning officer reported 162 enumerators listing Halton voters for the election with urban enumeration starting on May 11 for completion by May 14 and rural enumeration starting May 13 for completion by May 21.

Eligible voters must be a British subject, 21 years old, an Ontario resident for one year, and resident of the Halton riding on May 4, 1959, when the writ of election was issued.

Mr. Fitzgerald plans 177 polling stations that will require an equal number of poll clerks, and deputy returning officers.

Candidates for the election will be nominated at an official nomination meeting prior to the election but it is not expected there will be more than the three candidates—Stan Hall for the Conservatives, Owen Mullin for the Liberals and Jack Henry for the C.C.F.

Standings in the 98 seat legislature before dissolution were Conservatives 83, Liberals 11, CCF 1 and 1 vacant one.

### 34,210 Voted

In the last provincial election 43,466 voters in Halton were eligible to cast ballots and 34,210 exercised their franchise.

In the last election there were a total of 2,965,769 eligible voters and the figure now is estimated at more than 3,000,000. More than 300 candidates are expected, with at least 180 already picked by party riding associations.

## Approval, Disapproval Greet Trafalgar Plan

Trafalgar's amalgamation plan which was unveiled for the press Tuesday evening of last week has caused a lot of comment in municipal circles surrounding the township. While some greet the idea of amalgamating Oakville, Trafalgar, Milton, part of Burlington and part of Esquesing with agreement, others are totally against it. Still others see merit in part of the idea but won't approve the overall project.

Here in Milton, council discussed the plan at Monday's meeting and decided to call a special meeting with the planning consultant, P. Alan Deacon. Trafalgar has made no formal approach to Milton on the matter.

### Solicitor on Job

Burlington's council didn't voice an opinion for or against but decided to drop its application to annex 92 acres of Hamilton beach, to allow the solicitor more time to work on Trafalgar's plan to lop 11,400 acres off Burlington's total area.

## Victoria Park Building Site

Halton's new municipal building will be located in Victoria Park, Milton, in the block immediately in front of the present Court House building, members of Halton County Council agreed at a special meeting on Thursday evening of last week.

Fears about destroying the park were considered and the building committee was instructed to engage a landscape architect to consider the setting for the new building in that area.

Consideration may also be given to relocating the memorial in a place immediately in front of the new building with suitable landscaping. The committee was instructed to continue discussions with the county engineer, the architect and a landscape architect on the subject.

Reeve George Currie of Esquesing predicted a fight if Trafalgar tried taking any Esquesing property along Highway 401. He said Trafalgar was having trouble running what it now contains, without taking more land.

"Visionary and far-fetched" was the way Oakville's Mayor William Anderson termed the plan. The Mayor whose council has applied to annex all of Trafalgar below No. 5 highway was quoted as saying "I don't think it is good planning to have a city and a rural municipality under one administration."

### "Over-Ambitious"

William Card, Reeve of Oakville said he didn't think the people of the area were ready for such an amalgamation. Councillor Allan Day of Oakville said the plan was "exaggerated and over-ambitious" and said it was like trying to amalgamate Hamilton and Toronto.

In Toronto Township, which would gain some 4,000 acres from Trafalgar which the latter is unable to service, Reeve Mary Fix said Dr. Faludi's plan was an intelligent attempt to define the proper limits of a municipality, geographically and economically.

### Hearing Goes On

Municipal Board chairman Lorne Cumming said the Oakville application to annex the lower half of Trafalgar would go on as scheduled on May 19, unless one or both parties ask to postpone it.

## Burlington Vetoes Asphalt at Lowville

Burlington Council ruled against allowing K. J. Beamish Construction Company Ltd., Thornhill, to establish a temporary asphalt mixing plant in the Lowville area at Monday's meeting.

G. F. Harshman, a resident of the area concerned, questioned the council's authority to grant the application on either a temporary or any other basis.

He said the area where the plant was proposed was to be zoned conservation. He felt such a plant would have to be situated in a M3 area.

"We believe the application is an attempt to change zoning restrictions in our area," he said.

Third reading was given to a by-law prohibiting the establishment of new quarries and gravel pits in town.

### Two Douse Fire

Two firemen looked after a fire Tuesday night in the dump near the sewage disposal plant when a pile of rubbish ignited mysteriously.

Chief A. E. Clement, who was at the plant at 6:00 p.m., said the rubbish wasn't burning then, but at 11:00 p.m. a call was received from a neighbor. Chief Clement and fireman Dunc Patterson took the truck to the fire and doused the flames.

### Not Joining

A ratepayers' meeting in Hornby by Monday evening decided to keep school section S.A.E.E. Hornby as a school section.

Trustees called the meeting to see if the parents wanted to have the school join the school area, but the majority favored keeping the school under the local board's jurisdiction. Lou Sampson chaired the meeting, and Mrs. Olive Wallace was secretary.

—Residents are advised to be careful with fires as grass is tinder dry.

—Gardens have been ploughed in some cases and many homeowners are busy planting bulbs and seeds.

## Rotary Reports

### Approve \$2,000 to Grade, Seed Park

At a club assembly Tuesday night, members of the Rotary Club approved an expenditure of \$2,000 for grading and seeding of the Rotary Park, agreed to sponsor the Halton 4-H Tractor Maintenance Club, heard reports on the annual Halloween party, crippled children's work, honoring of the Dairy Herd Improvement Association, sponsorship of a student to Ottawa, sponsorship of the minor hockey program, and other developments in the park.

### Quarterly Assembly

The quarterly club assembly reviews the work of the club and its directors receiving the reports on the progress of the various activities.

The financial statement showed \$132.79 in the general account, \$951.31 in the crippled children's account.

It was noted that with the coming peanut day and continuation of the suit of the month draw it was hoped sufficient funds would be

available to complete the approved park expenditure.

### \$200 Cheque

A cheque from the Milton Figure Skating club for \$200 as the club's share of the profit on the skating carnival was gratefully acknowledged when C. Dobie reported on the success of the event. Profits on the carnival had totalled \$491.12 and the year had been an outstanding success. President John Osiler praised the efforts of the Rotary Anns who organized the skating club and offered further support to the club for the next year's program.

### Official Delegate

Howard Griswold was named the club's official delegate to the International Convention scheduled for New York later this month, and was also presented with a two year pin for perfect attendance during that time.

International Service Director Ed Gawronski reported for his group noting contributions to the Fellow-

ship fund enabled students to be exchanged for study between countries extending international understanding.

### Review Projects

Club Service Director Ken Marshall reviewed the projects undertaken by the club and Ed Clutton, chairman of the park committee, explained plans to grade the park for adequate drainage and then seed it as quickly as possible.

Harold Kelson reported for the vocational service section and Howard Griswold for the club service committees.

It was reported a joint meeting with the Kinsmen's Club was being planned when discussions on the results of the Kin inquiry regarding a swimming pool might be discussed.

Plans for the annual Peanut Blitz were reviewed and chairman Mike Ledwith reported the peanuts would be purchased soon. Dewar Thomson was named chairman of the advertising committee.



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CANADIAN LEGION members in one of their regular church parades on Sunday paraded to the Holy Rosary Church headed by the Lorne Scots Pipe Band. A good number of legionnaires were on hand for the parade and the service was conducted by Father Lardie. Here the group is shown following the service as they move off headed by legion president Chuck Gervais.