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## New Subdivision Under Study Would Open Highside Dr. Lots

Subdividing agreements of neighboring municipalities are to be studied by members of Milton Council, following reference at Monday's meeting to a subdivision planned north of Highside Dr. and west of Ontario St.

Councillor B. Best wondered if the subdivision might be considered, with a stipulation that building permits would not be granted until the equivalent to 40 per cent of the assessment be matched in industrial development within the proposed annexation area.

### Remove Freeze?

Mayor S. G. Childs suggested the council would first have to decide whether it would remove

the freeze on subdivision development that was applied several years ago.

Councillor Best said if the annexation was not approved, such a subdivision could represent the only expansion of the town for the next two years.

Councillor N. Pearce pointed to the town's adverse residential-industrial assessment balance and suggested the town would be "skating on thin ice" to remove the freeze order. He noted, however, that unfortunately the town didn't have the industrial land which would alter the balance.

### More Apartments

Councillor Best suggested the town could be accused of discriminating in favour of apart-

ment house builders since apartments, with a considerably higher density of population, could be developed on the property and the council had no power to stop them as long as they conformed to the zoning by-law.

Reeve C. A. Martin suggested that if a subdivider would give an assurance of compensating industrial assessment, the town would be in a good position.

The problem of multi-story apartment buildings and the requirement of aerial fire fighting equipment was also discussed, and members agreed to have the solicitor investigate subdivision agreements and apartment building controls.

## Suggest Trade Fair in Spring Chamber Studies Changed Format

There will definitely be a seventh annual Milton Chamber of Commerce Trade Fair in 1965, but there is a possibility that the format will be changed considerably

### Remembrance Day Parade is Sunday

Milton's annual Remembrance Day parade will be held this Sunday afternoon, November 8, with a parade moving off from the Legion Hall at 1.45 p.m.

Mayor S. G. Childs has declared the day of remembrance, for those who lost their lives in the three wars, and he and Legion officials urge all citizens to pay their respects during the service that starts at the Victoria Park cenotaph at 2 p.m.

The Lorne Scots Pipes and Drums and Military Bands will lead the Sunday parade. Legion Padre Rev. J. L. Graham will conduct the service, and Rev. A. K. Griffiths of Lowville and Zimmerman United Churches will deliver the message.

Legion representatives will be selling poppies in town on Friday and Saturday, with funds slated to aid needy veterans.

and that it will be held in the spring instead of in October. At a Chamber of Commerce meeting recently it was learned that attendance at the 1964 Fair was considerably lower than the 1963 figure of 3,500 adults.

Trade Fair chairman Charles Harris reported that some of the booths were poorly lit during the two day event this year. E. B. Clements commented that three fairs in the fall were too many and he suggested that the 1965 fair be held in the spring. K. Easley suggested that the character of the Trade Fair be changed to something like a Mardi-Gras and Mr. Harris noted that it might be advisable to hold a spring promotion and combine it with the Trade Fair and the annual beautification program.

Trade Fair committee members agreed to formulate plans for a changed format and a changed date, and to present them to the Chamber executive in the near future.

—Hate to remind you, but there are only 43 shopping days left until Christmas.



PRETTY VERNA THOMPSON of R.R. 2, Milton was named the Halton County Queen of the Furrow for 1965 at the annual Halton County Plowing Match on Saturday. The attractive youngster won the title in a three way race with Ria Wilson of R.R. 1, Norval and Carol Swackhamer of R.R. 2, Acton. A large crowd attended the plowing match, held this year at the Jack Taylor farm, R.R. 1, Burlington. Halton County Judge George E. Elliott is shown here as he congratulates Verna. Judge Elliott was one of the judges in the Furrow Queen contest.

## Museum Building for Antique Vehicles Planned as County Centennial Project

The possible construction of a \$25,000 County Museum Building to house "magnificent antique vehicles," was firmly established at County Council on Thursday when councillors approved a by-law to establish a centennial project for Halton County.

Councillors accepted the suggestion of the Halton County Museum Board for the preparation of a Centennial Building for the County to house antique vehicles, agricultural vehicles and implements as an extension to the Mu-

seum. The by-law also approved an application to the Centennial Advisory Committee for a grant under the Confederation Centennial Act.

The Centennial grant figures for the County will be based on Esqueping Township's population since the Township has tentatively agreed to allow the County to take over their centennial project. Grants of \$1 each per capita from the Federal and Provincial governments can be received, providing the applying municipality or county agrees to contribute the same \$1 per capita figure to the project. The present population figure of Esqueping is estimated at 6,885.

Oakville Reeve Herb Merry, chairman of the Museum Board, reported that the museum is presently crowded to capacity. He noted that the crowded condition of the museum was caused because there are antique vehicles and implements in the museum which take up too much space. "We know some people who are wanting to donate valuable antique vehicles and implements,

but we simply don't have enough room for them right now," Mr. Merry commented that the restoration work done on these vehicles is "fantastic" and he intimated, "it would be ill advised to let this opportunity go by."

It had been suggested that Nassagaweya might also join into the County Centennial project, but Nassagaweya Reeve William Coulter stated that this should not be counted on.

### Gift Bonanza Planned for Milton Shoppers

Over \$1,000 in prizes will be given away to Milton shoppers this Christmas according to plans unveiled this week by the retail section of the Milton Chamber of Commerce.

First prize will be a 10 day trip to Bermuda for two including air transportation, meals and hotel expenses. Second prize in the Christmas Gift Bonanza will be a \$100 bond and third a \$50 bond.

In addition to the three major prizes the program includes weekly draws for other valuable prizes. Winners of the weekly draws will be eligible for the major prizes as well.

Local Merchants will be participating in the program and will soon display posters designating them as a "Gift Bonanza Centre". At these stores and businesses, customers will receive tickets with their purchases, on which to complete their name and address.

The program will be in operation within the next few days and continue through to Christmas.

### Four Protest New Dump

## Court of Revision Nixes Most Appeals

Results of Milton's annual county court of revision, held Friday in the council chambers, will make little difference to Milton's rateable assessment for 1965 taxation.

The four-man court heard 19 appeals, including four delega-

tions during the three-hour hearing, and allowed only \$700 in reductions from the figures set earlier by assessor John Charlton. Two of the appeals were successful — all others were confirmed.

Included in the protests were

those of four Williams Ave. homeowners who sought reduced assessments because Milton's new sanitary land fill site had recently been opened near their homes. Only one of the appellants appeared at the hearing, and none were successful in gaining a lower assessment.

Ivan Armstrong, 110 Bronte St., appealed his assessment on several grounds. He told the court surrounding properties had depreciated the value of his home, because a church had been converted into a funeral home; the funeral home had erected an illuminated sign that flaunted the town zoning by-law; a residence had been turned into a "temporary" police station, and although over four years had passed the police station was still there; the road in front of the house was a busy thoroughfare; the railroad had built a high wall behind his home and was not keeping the new elevated track tidy; neighboring lots had been raised above

his, causing flooding in the rear of his yard; and a radio tower at the police station was interfering with his television programs.

### Already Low

The court went to visit his property, and members agreed Mr. Armstrong's low lot would cause flooding; however they noted the owner had received a \$50 reduction on his lot assessment last year and he was already enjoying a low rate of assessment on the property — so his appeal was turned down.

John Bradley, 159 Martin St., had a \$100 minimum business assessment removed from his records, as he is no longer conducting an insurance business from his home.

Clifford Paul, 463 Kingsleigh Court, appealed a similar minimum business assessment, that the court informed him he would have to pay it as long as he conducts a furnace repair service in his spare time.

Joe Vassallo, 430 Ontario St., received a \$600 reduction in building assessment when he informed the board the house is not completed.

Another unsuccessful applicant was Lawrence Churchill, 256 Pine St., who appealed an increase in his assessment because of the age of the house, which was built in 1860. The court decided that using the "use factor" set out in the D.M.A. Manual, the assessment was just.

Four names that had been left off the separate school assessment roll, through a clerical error, were added to the roll. Six applicants seeking a change from the public to the separate school roll, were granted a change.

### Depreciated Value

Strongest protest of the day came from Robert H. Dance, 347 Williams Ave., who said the town's new dump behind his home was depreciating the value of his and neighbors' houses. Three neighbors, C. P. Phipps, R. Humphrey and Elmer Mills, also appealed for the same reason but not appeared at the hearing.

"I am very unhappy about the garbage dump," Mr. Dance stated. "If I wanted to sell that property, the whole value would be gone. I doubt if I would be able to sell it at the price I paid in July." He said there was no indication the land at the rear of his home would become a dump when he purchased it this summer — instead he was told the land was slated for parking.

### Flies in Summer

The appellant said he could expect more smell and flies in the summer months — but right now the street had extra traffic and there was smoke coming from the sanitary land fill area. "There is no doubt the town is interested in keeping it under control," he said, but "a dump

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At their regular meeting on Monday Milton Council:

- Learned that judgment had been given on a cheque received by the town several years ago which was not honored with sufficient funds. The costs of the action had been recovered by the town amounting to \$920 but the payment of the cheque amounting to \$1,600 had not yet been received. This was to be investigated further by solicitor D. A. McConnachie.

- Agreed to have the solicitor review the town's contract with R. V. Anderson engineers covering the Main St. widening project that was shelved last week.

- Asked the solicitor and clerk-manager R. B. Reynolds to prepare a progress chart including the necessary approvals and by-laws required for the planned addition to the town's sewage treatment plant next spring.

### Annexation Hearing Before End of Year Possible - - Solicitor

Hope that a full hearing on annexation might be held by the Ontario Municipal Board before the end of the year, was expressed to Milton Council Monday by solicitor D. A. McConnachie.

Reporting to the council, the solicitor told members he had finally been able to review the 400 pages of evidence filed at the first hearing in October 1963, and was hopeful the preliminary hearing for which he had filed application, as well as the full hearing might be held before the end of December.

While he had "general discussions" with Oakville he suggested any report on that would be better given at a committee meeting. "Public exposure might make it difficult at the time of the hearing" he suggested.

- Asked J. A. Elliott and W. Woods to make appraisals on lot 121 plan 556 in the Fallingbrook area as required by the Department of Municipal Affairs. (Continued on Page 5)

### Seven Live in "Caravan"

## Globe-Trotting Australian Family Visits Relative in Milton

Mrs. W. Fraser of 171 Court St., Milton, got quite a surprise Saturday evening when her nephew George Sutherland of Australia called on the telephone and said he'd be visiting her in five minutes' time. It was the first time Mrs. Fraser has seen a Sutherland relative since she came to town over 50 years ago.

And sure enough, five minutes later an English Commer van pulled up in front of the house and seven visitors piled out — Mr. and Mrs. George Sutherland, her mother Mrs. Herde, and the four little Sutherlands, Lynnott, 14; twins Jeanette and Leonie, 12; and Robert, 6.

### 12,179 Miles

The seven were half-way through an around-the-world-by-caravan trip that began on April 7 and won't end until December 29. Up to the time of their Milton stop-over the Sutherlands had put 12,179 miles on their house on wheels.

Mr. Sutherland, who figured the trip would cost a total of 7,000 Australian pounds (or a little over \$21,000 in our money), said "I've been planning this trip for 16 years." He figured this year was the best time, before his youngest girls get into high school. Last winter he sold one of his two pig and poultry farms, and he's using some of the funds from the sale to finance the tour.

### Left in April

They left their home in Oxford Falls, near Sydney, N.S.W., Australia, on April 7 and flew to London to buy the caravan. On

the way they spent some time in Hong Kong, Athens and Rome. After an eight day wait in London for the van — which cost 1,060 pounds — they set off to tour Great Britain and saw all the sights in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

Then it was off to the continent, to see France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg. Next they boarded the Queen Mary — caravan and all — and five days later arrived in New York. The Sutherlands spent three days there, then another three in Wash-

### Economy Drive Closes Armoury But Lorne Scots Regt. Survives

Milton's old armoury building will be closed, but the Lorne Scots Regiment has survived — despite a severe Ottawa economy drive which involves disbandment of nearly 60 major militia units.

The re-organization, which will save about \$8,700,000 annually, was announced Tuesday by Defence Minister Paul Hellyer.

Lt. Col. E. F. Conover, Commanding Officer of the Lorne

Scots, said the consolidation of regimental training centres was the only major change affecting his Peel, Dufferin and Halton unit. This involves re-locating the Milton platoon in Georgetown, with the parent C Company, Lt. Frank Ching is in charge of the Milton platoon. D Company, now in Orangeville, commanded by Capt. John Marshall; and A Company, now in Lakeview and commanded by Capt. Ron Dakers; will be relocated at Brampton Armoury.



ROUND-THE-WORLD CARAVAN: Mr. and Mrs. George Sutherland of Oxford Falls, Australia, stopped off to visit his aunt Mrs. W. Fraser of 171 Court St. over the weekend, about halfway through their trip around the world in this English van. Mr. Sutherland and his family are shown here with the vehicle that to date has logged 12,179 miles. They left Australia April 7 and will be home on December 29.

### Friday the 13th

## Hearing on Nassagaweya Hall

A hearing in Nassagaweya Township Hall on Friday, November 13, will decide the outcome of the township council's proposal to build a new \$40,000 township office.

The Ontario Municipal Board will conduct the hearing, with three major questions before it. The township seeks approval to issue debentures for \$18,176, repayable over five years; also approval for construction of the building, estimated at \$39,900; and also to dispense with a vote of the electors on the project.

Township clerk J. C. McIntyre

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