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Lorne Colling and Dead Brush Wolf

## Man Shoots 80 Pound Brush Wolf Three Sighted Near Pony Farm

An 80 pound brush wolf was shot in Nassagaweya Monday by Lorne Colling, on his farm north west of Campbellville. It was one of a pack of three sighted near his ponies.

Noticing the animal on a rise of land near the ponies, Mr. Colling got his gun and followed the three wolves across two fields on the downwind side before lowering one with a shot from his .22.

The animal measured four and a half feet from the tip of the tail to his nose and resembled a police dog, with reddish black pelt.

First reports indicated the animal might be a timber wolf but Ed Meadows, a Conservation Officer with the Department of Lands and Forests at Hespeler, told The Champion it was impossible for timber wolves to be found this far south in Ontario. Mr. Meadows says timber wolves have been found at Parry Sound and in Algonquin Park, but "we just haven't got any timber wolves down here."

Wolves are worth a \$25 bounty, which is shared at 60 percent by the county in which it was shot, and 40 per cent by the Province.

## Town Drafts Brief to Plunkett Sets Guidelines for Submission

Hearings in March...

### Plunkett Expects 28 Briefs

A total of 28 briefs are to be presented to a special commissioner Thomas Plunkett in his Peel-Halton Local Government Review hearings scheduled for Milton on March 22, 23 and 24, it was revealed this week.

Hearings will also be held in Brampton on March 15 and 16 in the Peel County Council Chambers.

The Halton hearings will be

held in Milton at the Halton County Council Chambers.

Scheduled to begin on March 22 at 9:45 a.m., the first briefs presented during the morning sitting will be from the County of Halton, Town of Acton, Township of Nassagaweya, Police Village of Campbellville and Town of Burlington.

Afternoon session beginning at 2 p.m. will be from the Oakville

Catholic School Board, Burlington Board of Education, Milton Public School Board, Burlington Public Utilities Commission, Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital and Burlington Suburban Area Planning Board.

Wednesday sessions on March 23 will hear briefs from the County of Halton, Burlington Committee of Adjustment, Brian Best, Oakville Association for Mentally Retarded, Town of Oakville.

The Wednesday afternoon sessions will hear from seven county boards including Halton Centennial Manor, Halton Health Unit.

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### Use 1963 Report

#### Minister Says Study is Done

The deputy minister of highways suggested Milton Council look up a 1963 traffic study on the town before calling for more studies, when he wrote Council on Monday.

Late last year Milton Council had asked the Department of Highways to study the rerouting of Highway 25 north on Ontario St., rather than through the downtown area as at present.

"Before a further study is undertaken I would suggest that your Council review the Traffic Study for the Town of Milton prepared by the Department of Transport in May 1963. Perhaps the implementation of the recommendations contained in this report will alleviate the present traffic problem," the deputy minister wrote.

He explained that if Ontario St. is signed as a truck route it would not be eligible for the usu-

al connecting link subsidy unless the designation was removed from the present through-town route.

If the council wanted the designation of the route on Ontario St. and the Base Line it would be necessary for the town to assume the section of the Base Line Road from Ontario St. to Martin St. which is presently a county road.

"If the Council still wish to study the feasibility of the Ontario St. route, I would suggest that a comparative study of two alternative routes be undertaken by a Consultant Engineer retained by the municipality. The study qualifies for subsidy under the terms of the connecting link agreement and the Department will pay 90 per cent of the cost," the deputy minister explained.

Council directed the committee review the recommendations of the 1963 traffic study and submit a report next week.

## Laymen's Group Seeks Pioneer Club Will Approach High School Board

Following a special meeting Sunday night when a lengthy discussion was held on the prospects of an Inter-School Christian Fellowship "Pioneer Club" being established at Milton District High School, members of the Milton Christian Laymen's Society approved a resolution asking the high school board to approve the club and delegated G. G. Addison to approach the board with the resolution.

Laymen attending Sunday's meeting, representing Presbyterian, Baptist and Pentecostal faiths in Milton, were unanimous in their support for the I.S.C.F. club but agreed not to "pressure" to have one established.

Controversy on the subject of a Pioneer Club arose following a recent meeting of the Milton and District Ministerial Association, where a Pioneer Club representative asked the minister's endorsement of the movement. The ministers made no formal decision that day, but delegated William Fulton of I.S.C.F. and Rev. J. K. L. McGown of Knox Presbyterian Church to approach school principal R. C. Hunter with the proposal and see what reaction resulted.

Mr. Hunter revealed the proposal to school board members at their January meeting. Several board members were not in favor of the club and said so at the meeting. Although no formal decision was made and no motions were passed, the board's secretary-treasurer E. A. Millson told a Canadian Champion reporter at the conclusion of the meeting, the matter was "discreetly turned aside".

A subsequent story about the meeting in The Champion drew interest from readers and several parents wrote letters to the Editor urging the board to approve the club. The Laymen's Committee decided to hold the special meeting to discuss "the refusal" of the board to allow the club, although it was pointed out at Sunday's meeting that the board had never really refused a club, as no formal decision was made.

M. S. Kernighan was chairman for the discussion and Rev. J. K. L. McGown reported on the background of the issue and the reason for the meeting. "I am the one responsible for getting some thoughts going on the subject," Mr. McGown told the crowd. "I had no desire in raising a controversy and it is unfortunate that controversy has arisen out

of it. My only concern was for the youth of the community, and I felt the club would be of benefit to the community and the school."

He reported on the original meeting of the ministers, his visit with Mr. Fulton to see Mr. Hunter, and reports from the secretary and principal after the school board meeting that no decision was made.

The Ministerial Association met again last week and held a vote

on the club — with four voting in favor and two abstaining from voting. "It was not unanimous but it was in favor of the idea," he reported.

Mr. McGown said that I.S.C.F. has made it a policy that where a board or principal are not in favor of a club, they will not push the issue. I.S.C.F., he said, would rather skirt a controversy than force itself on the school.

Explaining the background of Pioneer Clubs, the minister indi-

cated the movement was founded in Great Britain's universities and was established in Canada in 1929 at the University level, later branching out into high schools, nursing and teaching colleges. There are presently over 350 clubs operating in Canadian high schools and all are interdenominational and not affiliated with any churches.

"As a ratepayer who pays taxes toward educational facilities, I feel I should have the right to let the board know how we feel about it," one man in the audience said.

A lady suggested "we as parents were never asked to decide on any other school clubs. I wouldn't let my daughter join the judo club, for instance," she added as she pointed out the board felt other after-school clubs were alright. Several disagreed with a statement by a school board trustee that each church should look after its own youth groups.

Mr. McGown wondered if the spiritual climate was right at the present time to begin a Pioneer Club. "I.S.C.F. would not want to initiate this club in a cloud of uncertainty," he warned, "if we force it in now, it may well be a dead dodo organization. We don't want to put the club in the situation where the club is the laughing stock of the school and its members have to fight back. We will have to work toward a more proper, Christian, gracious climate."

Norman Hare reported one such club had trouble being formed in Waterloo a few years ago, and the students met in members' homes for a year and a half before it was finally accepted as an after-school club. "It was not a dead dodo group," he argued.

Others agreed no attempt should be made to "bulldoze" the thing through, but all were unanimous in letting the school board know the parents are interested. "We don't like the school board making up our minds for us," said Robert Mackay. "The Board should be made aware they are not representing the viewpoint of all the parents concerned," another man added.

After over 90 minutes of discussion, a motion was drawn naming G. G. Addison the Laymen's delegate to attend the next board meeting, and urging the board to make facilities available for the club to operate in the school.



"I SALUTE MY FLAG..." Ontario School for the Deaf formed its first Guide Company on Monday evening and perky little Sharon Cook, 13, was one of the 11 girls who moved up from the Brownie group to become a Guide. She's shown in this candid shot, as she salutes the Canadian flag during part of the enrolment ceremony.

... For Needs Study

There will be a few startling suggestions in the Town of Milton brief, now being drafted, for submission to the Peel-Halton Local Government Review and special commissioner Thomas Plunkett.

Milton Council last week established the following guidelines to be followed by solicitor D. A. McConachie in preparing the town's submission.

- It will be recommended that Halton and Peel be dealt with separately due to the large development in South Peel.

- Halton County should remain in its present form and the local municipalities should be retained.

- Milton will ask for the land included in its annexation application with consideration to the inclusion of the town water supply.

- Hospital should take over ambulance service.
- The County should handle planning, fire, assessment, education, engineering services and have a full time industrial commissioner.

- Local municipalities should continue to control recreation, parks, hydro, water, sewers, library, roads and police.

The complete brief is expected to be submitted to members of council later this week and be considered during Monday's regular meeting.



MORE THAN 3,000 ADULTS AND STUDENTS in the Milton area will have been given Tuberculosis "patch tests" before the end of the week. Testing in Milton began on Monday and before the end of the week it has been estimated 3,048 students, teachers and employees at three public schools, the Milton District High School, the Holy Rosary Separate School, the Senior Public School and the Ontario School for the Deaf will be given tests. The totally painless patch test takes less than three minutes. Nurse Jean Brydie from Toronto is shown giving the test to Milton District High School student Christine McTrach while Susan Anderson looks on.

## Staff Photo Wins Prize In Ontario Competition

The Canadian Champion was awarded another prize for photography excellence Friday—its second such award in two years—during the 15th annual convention of the Ontario Weekly Newspapers Association held at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto.

An on-the-spot photo of an ambulance driver working on an accident victim was entered in the "spot news" picture competition and judge Wally Jones, picture editor of The Toronto Telegram, awarded it a third prize certificate.

Mr. Downs accepted the certificate when 35 awards for the general excellence, picture and special competitions were handed out to members at the Friday morning business session.

The Champion's managing editor Jim Dills, Mr. Downs and their wives attended the convention. Last year another of Mr. Downs' pictures won a first prize award in the editorial page scenic competition sponsored by O.W.N.A. The Champion enters pictures in the O.W.N.A. contest annually, but does not enter the general newspaper excellence classes.

The campaign, discontinued after 1962, was sponsored again this year by the Kinette Club of Milton and Mrs. Rowney reports, "it was very successful — we're quite pleased." The campaign was last organized in January of 1962 and \$975 was collected. The previous year — 1961 saw just over \$1,000 collected.

Officials of the Kinette Club thanked all the captains, canvassers, helpers and donors, who made the canvass a success. The March of Dimes was founded in the 1930's by the late comedian Eddie Cantor, to fight the dreaded poliomyelitis, and was incorporated in Ontario in 1951. Recently the Foundation has worked with disabled adults.

### Chief Alarmed

#### Barn, 12 Cattle, Crops Burn As Snow Stops Firefighters

The importance of keeping rural roadways and farm lanes open—and the need for better fire prevention measures—were emphasized today in a statement from Milton Fire Chief A. E. Clement.

A large barn and a smaller farm building were destroyed at a Walker's Lane farm owned by Brock Harris on Wednesday of last week, and firefighters were thwarted in their attempt to halt the fire because the farm lane was not plowed out. The loss included 12 head of cattle, 40 tons of hay, 40 tons of straw, 1,000 bushels of barley and 3,000 bushels of oats.

"I might as well stay home, as get half way there and get stuck in the snow," the fire chief stated. "That could easily have been a home as a barn."

The farm was owned by Mr. Harris but occupied by R. Edwards. Mr. Edwards apparently left the house at 7:30 a.m. and didn't notice any signs of fire. But a neighbor reported smoke pouring from the barn 20 minutes later.

Milton Fire brigade rushed to the scene but had to stop on the

roadway as the lane was plugged solid with snow. "We might have saved one part of the barn if we could have got in the lane," the fire chief said.

One of the firefighters, Sherwood Hume, owns a snowplow as it was asked to bring it out to plow out the farm lane. But by the time firefighters were able to reach the barn, it was gone.

One Last Week

Chief Clement pointed out that a week earlier, another barn in Nassagaweya was destroyed by fire. In this case, the firefighters were stopped when they reached the Second Line of Nassagaweya as it was snowbound; a county plow was called to clear a path to the farm; then the trucks were stopped again because although part of the lane was plowed, a path was not clear to the burning barn.

The barn fire last Wednesday was the 11th fire call in the first 33 days of 1966, and Chief Clement expressed alarm at the high number of calls to date. Last year the brigade had only 86 calls for the whole 12 months, an average of just over seven a month.

### "Trying to Use You"

#### Says Bell Firm "Involving" Council

"The Bell company is trying to use you," Martin Caputo warned members of Milton Council as he registered his opposition to any council action on a proposal for extended area telephone coverage.

Mr. Caputo emphasized the Bell Telephone Co. is supervised by the Board of Transport Commissioners and "they're coming under close scrutiny".

"The only reason they're involving council is to get support for their proposal to take to the Board of Transport Commissioners, that they haven't been able to get from the public."

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With references to the "gold edged stocks" of the Bell Telephone Company and extensive municipal opposition to Bell proposals to raise rates, the speaker suggested "Bell should make their own decisions".

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