

MILTON'S NEW TENNIS COURTS in Rotary Park are completed and in operation at last. Milton Tennis Club was for many years located on Main St. near Bronte St., but the property was sold to Milton Community Credit Union last year for their new office building. The tennis club used the money from the sale of the land to build three new courts in Rotary Park. It has taken all summer to get the ground prepared and asphalted, install fencing and floodlights, erect the nets and paint the lines. Now they're ready for action and tennis balls are bounding there almost daily. Two youths are pictured playing on the new courts.—(Staff Photo)

Owners support water line to serve possible industry

Property owners on Main St. east of Nipissing Rd. generally support installation of a new water line on a local improvement basis, Milton Council was advised Monday.

The possibility of providing the water service to the Third Line was discussed by Milton Council last week in an effort to serve a possible industry eyeing property at the Third Line and Main St. area.

Councillors concluded the only way the service could be extended would be on a local improvement basis, where property owners bear most of the cost.

The town proposes installation of a 12 inch line although property owners would be charged local improvement rates on only a six inch line.

Confirmation was received by The Champion from the single outstanding applicant Tuesday morning indicating that firm was also applying for municipal water.

With all property owners making application for the installation, it is not expected an Ontario Municipal Board hearing would be required on the local improvement installation.

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159-home subdivision scheme proposed for Moffat area

At Tuesday evening's meeting of Nassagaweya council, a by-law was passed which paved the way for a 159-home subdivision to be built near the village of Moffat.

The development, called Moffat Estates, will be built at the corner of the First Line and 15 Sideroad. The houses will be priced between \$25,000 and \$28,000 with construction expected to begin on the first 50 homes by next spring if final approval is given by the Ontario Municipal Board.

Canadian Mitchell Associates of Bramalea is doing the engineering work for the project and they expect the work to be done in two or three phases with approximately 50 houses being built the first year.

Final costs of the whole subdivision have not been settled but an official of Canadian Mitchell said services and roads are expected to run around \$230,000.

Canadian Mitchell Associates has done other work in the housing field with their most

outstanding accomplishment to date being the engineering work done in establishing the satellite city of Bramalea.

Residents of the new subdivision are expected to come from the Guelph, Hamilton, Burlington and Metro Toronto areas if final approval is given to the project.

Whiting sees flood problem

Halton M.P. Rud Whiting met with town officials Friday morning in Milton to review the town's long-standing battle with the CNR over drainage problems created by the CNR by-pass line that borders Milton on two sides.

When the meeting ended the town officials took Mr. Whiting on a tour of the railway embankment along the west side of town, to point out where runoff from the bank is creating flooding conditions during rains.

Mr. Whiting has promised to take the matter up with the federal minister of transport, also the minister of energy and resources.

Town councillors have held several meetings with CNR representatives on this problem, without much success.

Would protest OHSIP premiums

More information on Ontario's OHSIP costs will be sought by Milton Council after Councillor Colin Smillie objected to the disparity in costs between Ontario and other provinces for the service.

He observed that Manitoba and Alberta could obtain the service cheaper than Ontario and suggested a protest be lodged with the province.

Councillor Bob McCuaig suggested a need for some actual figures before council went on record in support or opposition to the service. Councillor P. Barr maintained the new service was cheaper than the former PSI service for other than a single man.

Deputy-Reeve R. Harris suggested the Manitoba Sales Tax was seven per cent and it was possible funds from this were being used to reduce the cost of medicare premiums.



HALTON EAST MEMBER Jim Snow, wearing shorts and a long white apron, pitched in to help dish out the barbecued chicken at the Halton Progressive Conservative Association's family barbecue party held at Hornby Park Saturday

afternoon. He's pictured doling out a half chicken to Mrs. W. McInnes, Oakville. About 600 attended the get-together—a purely social event for members with no organized program and no speeches.—(Staff Photo)

Announce list of courses in expanded night classes

Care to brush up on some high school academic subjects, learn to type or take shorthand, take up auto mechanics, learn dressmaking, get started on conversational French or learn more about flower arranging?

Halton County Board of Education's 1969-70 series of evening classes will run from October to March this year, and a half page advertisement inside today's Champion gives all the details on the greatly expanded courses. The Board is sponsoring classes at Milton and Georgetown high schools for the residents of North Halton this winter, with W. M. Tom of Milton and A. M. Baxter of Georgetown in charge.

The advertisement contains all necessary information including registration dates, fees, and a list of courses. The classes have been expanded to include several academic subjects from Grades 9 to 13 plus commercial, technical, home economics and

general interest courses—plus both beginner's and intermediate courses in English for New Canadians.

Through our pages

TOMATOES are in season and things are busy at one district farm, advertising "pick your own" tomatoes. See farm page B9

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TOMATO SEASON HAS ARRIVED and they're going like the proverbial "hotcakes" at the Walker's Line farm of George Readhead in north Burlington. Rose Reggi of Oakville fills up a hamper in a pick-your-own patch of 20,000 tomato plants. More pictures inside.—(Staff Photo)

Test new well this week

Expect two million gallons

Final testing of Milton's new well at Kelso is being carried out this week and all indications are that it will be a good one.

"It looks like we'll be getting our two million gallons a day from the new well," according to Mayor Brian Best. The town had expected at least 1,000,000 gallons daily, and up to two million, from the town's fourth well and so far it looks capable of producing the 2,000,000 a day, the Mayor said.

International Water Supply has been doing the well work. Test holes indicated a site just a few yards south of the town's present No. 3 well at Kelso would yield the required water, and they drilled down close to 200 feet. But the drillers found

silt and had to move the drill rig a few yards north-east of the No. 3 well pumphouse. The second well paid off.

This week the firm is testing the aquifer. They have informed council they will definitely be finished all tests by Sept. 20.

Meanwhile R. V. Anderson and Associates have been instructed to prepare engineering drawings for the new pumphouse that will be required. The well and pumphouse are expected to cost a little over \$100,000.

The fourth well will give the town a capacity of 5,500,000 gallons per day. The first two wells on Walker's Line in north Burlington can produce 1,500,000 a day and a total of

3,000,000 per day is expected from the two newer wells at Kelso.

Mayor Best says the development of the new well puts the 12 inch watermain from Kelso to Milton at capacity. He suggests this points up the fallacy of a 1964 council decision to install a 12 inch main, rather than an 18 inch main. He recalls arguing for the 18 inch main at the time but opponents insisted on a 12 inch main because it would save \$44,000. The 12 inch main was installed, at a cost of \$109,000.

"It will cost a lot more than that to put a new 12 inch main there today," concluded the Mayor. "It just goes to prove that in the municipal field, you can't look far enough forward."

How old are they?

Rocks full of fossils

Are there any "rock hounds" in the Milton district, interested in looking through a pile of fossilized rocks that were uncovered last week near Campbellville?

George Robertson, Kilbride, was blasting away north of Campbellville, when he discovered a 25 foot long ridge of soft stone thickly imbedded with fossilized creatures from another age.

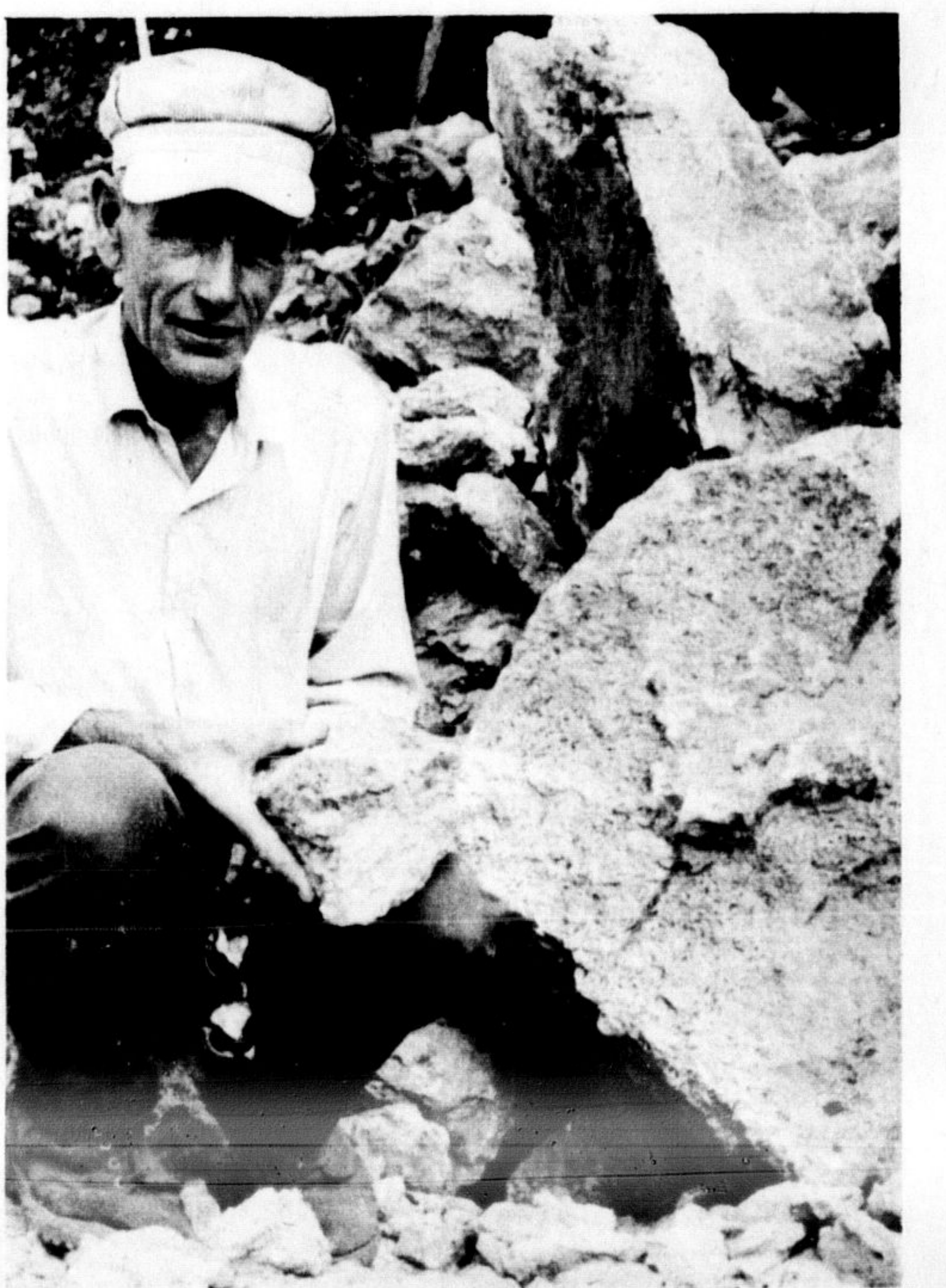
He found imprints of two large clam-like shells, plus millions of long, slender shelled animals imbedded in the rock. A couple of pieces even had a honeycomb effect.

The rocks were found less than 10 feet below the surface of the ground. Most of the fossils were in an eight to 10

inch thick layer of stone, on the east side of the rocky ridge.

"It looks as if the water ran through here once and these creatures were washed over the rocks," Mr. Robertson explains. He looked through one of his children's encyclopedia books but couldn't find anything resembling this type of fossil in it.

The property is located just east of the Guelph Line, less than half a mile north of Highway 401. Several samples of the fossils are on display this week in The Champion office window. Anyone with an interest in geology is welcome to come in and examine them—Mr. Robertson would like to find out how many million years old the rock might be.



ROCKS FULL OF FOSSILS, probably dating back to Canada's ice age, turned up this week when County of Halton construction crews blasted away a rocky ridge standing in the way of the new Five Sideroad diversion north of Campbellville. George Robertson is pictured with a rock bearing the impression of a fossilized honeycomb, and beside him is a large rock encrusted with worm-like creatures.—(Staff Photo)

Keep Halton one unit reeves to tell McKeough

Halton representatives will ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs to leave Halton as a regional government unit with five internal divisions, when they meet him on Thursday.

A meeting of the Peel-Halton Intermunicipal Committee, studying regional government for the area, will also hear the results of a financial study indicating possible effects on the tax rates.

The study, ordered by the Minister since the last meeting March 21, will consider three possibilities. The three possible regional arrangements considered in the study are:

Peel-Halton separately including Orangeville; Peel and Halton together but excluding Burlington and Orangeville; Peel and Halton in a single region including Burlington and Orangeville.

"This is not to say that any of these alternatives will be implemented. They are simply being used as a basis for the study to illustrate the financial consequences that could be expected from different definitions of the region", the Minister wrote.

The results of the study are to be presented to the Intermunicipal Committee on

Thursday morning at 9.30 a.m. in Toronto.

Halton members on the committee include the reeves of each municipality. The committee met last week to determine the position it would take with the Minister but there was no attempt to define the boundaries of the five areas proposed within the desired Halton region.

The five regions suggested are Burlington, Oakville, an enlarged Milton, Georgetown-Esquevas and Acton-Nassagaweya.

Discussing the proposed meeting with Milton Council, Reeve A. Ledwith underlined

the difficulty in reaching any agreement on internal boundaries. Mayor B. Best suggested the results of the Steele Commission and the proposals as they affect Burlington would be required before any real progress could be made on Halton boundaries.

Reeve Ledwith agreed he would have a copy of the Milton brief on regional government with him at the meeting. Milton had proposed its local unit include north Burlington, which was originally left out by the Minister in his tentative proposals for regional government.

Final obstacles overcome zoning by-law is passed

With final objections cleared up during recent meetings, Milton Council gave its final approval to the town's new zoning by-law at a special supertime meeting Thursday.

The by-law and the new official plan for the town will be forwarded to the Ontario Municipal Board for approval before they become law. A hearing is expected and council urged the OMB deal with both items at the same time because they are closely associated with one another.

Latest objections dealt with parking trailers on residential properties, and minimum five acre properties for industrial lands fronting on Highways 25 and 401 and the Base Line Rd. Councillor Colin Smillie had objected to stipulations limiting

the parking of house trailers on residential lots for more than 72 hours. He withdrew his protest when a paragraph was deleted, allowing trailers to be parked in a rear yard for lengthy periods of time and the front yard occupancy limited to 72 hours.

Members agreed to drop the five acre ruling on "showpiece" industrial properties facing the main northern entrances to the town, when the planning consultant pointed out this area requires a minimum of 10,000 square foot buildings. They had feared "a series of small boxes" on this prime industrial land, but the majority agreed the 10,000 foot minimum building size was adequate protection.

The entire by-law will be published in The Champion later this month.