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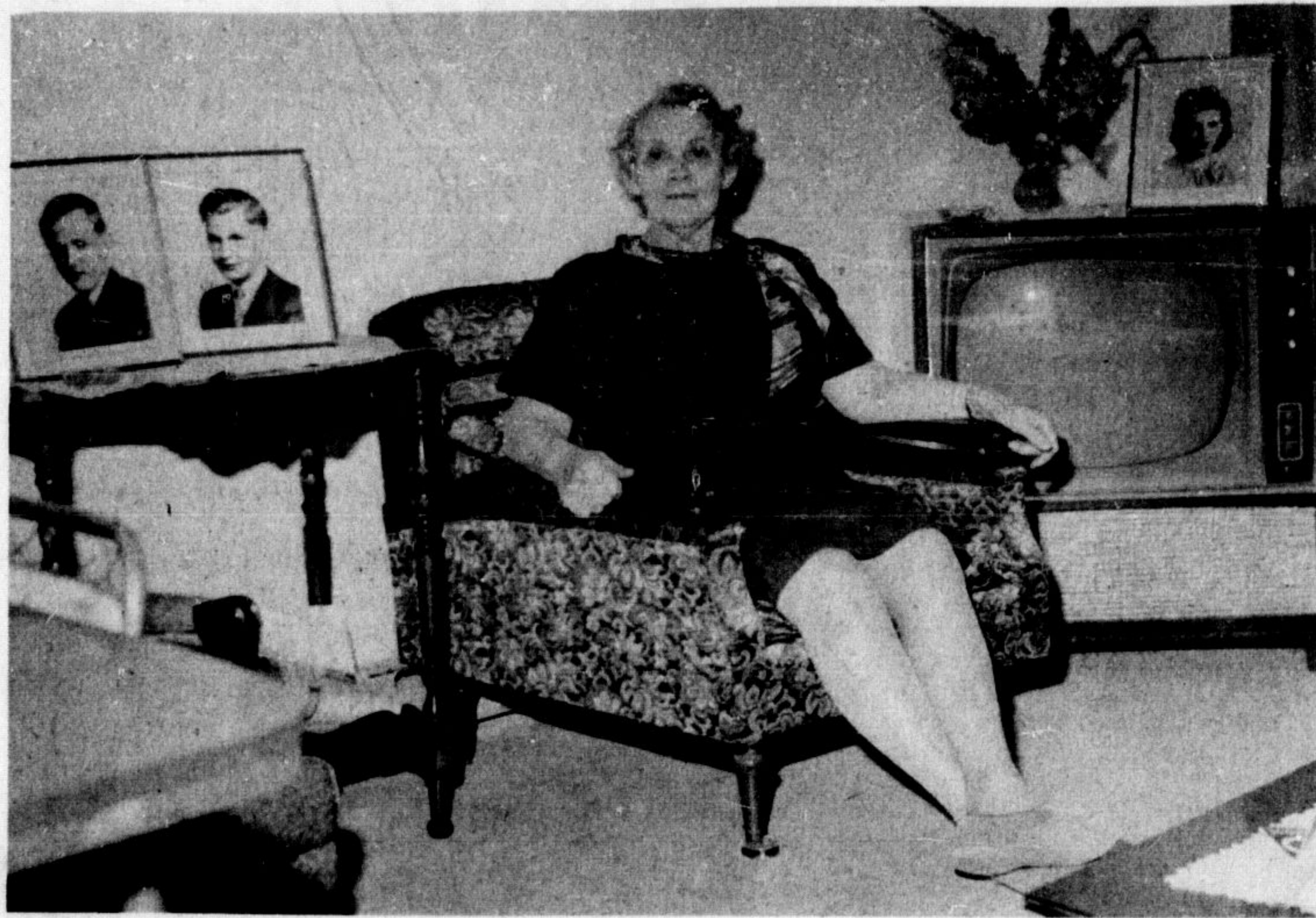
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**HAPPY IN HER NEW HOME**, Mrs. Daisy McLean is one of the first tenants at Milton's new senior citizens apartment building on Ontario St. She is pictured relaxing in her living room in one of the first floor apartments. This week a special feature report on the building appears in The Champion — see first page of the second section. Also inside today's paper: Sports on Pages 4, 5; classifieds, 8, 9, 10; Editorials, letters, columns and CWNA contest entries, B2; Youth, B3; Women's news, B4; Ski hike, B6; Farm news and features B7.—(Staff Photo)

## Worth \$750,000

### 36-lot subdivision starts this spring

Within the next month services for a 36-lot subdivision north of Highside Dr. and west of Ontario St. will be under construction, spokesmen for two local developers predicted this week. Peter K. McWilliams, president of Focus Developments Ltd., said the Focus firm and H. D. Sewell have combined to jointly develop the 36 lots and have awarded a contract to James Holiday Construction of Oakville for installation of \$100,000 worth of services. Machinery is already on the site.

will be a good style of home, all over \$20,000", said the company president. The Derrydown firm will welcome quotations from local suppliers and trades, he added. The firm also does custom building for home buyers.

#### Hold six lots

Lots in the subdivision are from 60 to 66 feet in frontage. Six ravine lots are being delayed at the present time as a Halton Region Conservation Authority

flood control report to Milton Council recommends no development until creek improvements are made.

The subdivision has been a frequent and controversial subject around the Milton Council and Planning Board tables. Focus Developments has been attempting to gain approval for its lots for the past two years. Mr. Sewell has been holding his lands for the past 10 years awaiting development.

#### Like Kelso?

### Wants no recreation at Hilton Falls dam

If and when Hilton Falls Dam project is completed it will be strictly for water control, representatives of Halton Region Conservation Authority told Milton Council and Planning Board last week at a joint meeting to discuss the flood control report on the west half of the 16 Mile Creek.

After hearing the statement.

secretary to Milton Planning Board Ross Pearen wondered aloud, "That's what we thought Kelso, was for when it was constructed."

HRC Manager Murray Stephen said the purpose of Kelso had changed and its prime purpose was recreation now, but there was no chance of the same thing happening at Hilton Falls.

## Price tag reaches \$1,330,000 on improvements, diversions

It will cost approximately \$1,330,000 to implement proposed channel improvements and diversions in the branch of the 16 Mile Creek that flows through Milton.

At a meeting Wednesday between representatives of the Ontario Department of Energy and Resources, Milton Council and Planning Board and Halton Region Conservation Authority, proposals in the flood control report were discussed.

Considerable discussion took place concerning the priorities of the various recommendations in the report.

### OK Martin apartment

A 100-suite apartment near Milton's central core was given rezoning approval by Milton Council this week.

Developer is Mrs. Marie Martin, wife of Dr. C. A. Martin of Milton. The property is in the north-west corner of lands on Millside Dr. commonly known as "the flats". Although Mrs. Martin has plans for five apartments on the property, her husband who appeared before council asked rezoning for only one. Others are delayed pending adoption of a new flood control report on town creeks.

The apartment would be 14 storeys in height with parking for 150 cars - 75 above ground and 75 underground, Dr. Martin explained.

### Mail 3,275 Easter seals

Milton Rotary Club's annual Easter Seal campaign was launched today (Wednesday) when the club's campaign chairman Ray Olan mailed out 3,275 letters to town and district homes.

Each letter contains an urgent appeal from the sponsoring Rotary Club for funds to aid in the rehabilitation of crippled children. The letters also contain a sheaf of Easter Seals which the club hopes recipients will use on their mail between now and Easter time.

Students at Sunshine School for the mentally retarded, Hornby, did the stuffing of envelopes again this year. In appreciation, Mr. Olan visited the school Monday afternoon to deliver a treat of ice cream and cake in return for their good deed.

Representatives from the province were more concerned about flood control on the portion of the creek below Main St. Councillor Charles Johnson noted the main concern with that recommendation seemed to be based on Hurricane Hazel. He says this happens once in 150 years and he calculated there were 133 years left.

Mayor Brian Best suggested the work should be done in three phases with work on Main to Martin including the mill pond and Main to the CPR tracks to be done in the first phase. He suggested the town allot \$120,000 this year and \$200,000 next year for their share of the work.

Representatives from the town, HRC and Department of Energy and Resources were to meet in a smaller group to discuss when the report should be implemented and in what order the recommendations would be acted upon.

The report notes flood prevention in the town of Milton depends on the use of restrictions against development in flood plains; channel improvements and flood storage reservoirs.

The report recommends

channel improvements on 16 Mile Creek above Martin St. to the CNR, below Main St. and between Main and Martin and between Main and the CNR.

Ontario Street Creek should not be diverted into a second branch unless necessary channel improvements are made according to the report.

**Influence development**  
The flood control report has a direct influence on the development of the town. Unless certain requirements are met, development is not apt to be allowed in many areas.

While the Department of Energy and Resources provides grants on all flood control programs there are varying degrees to which they will participate. While they assume 75 per cent of the cost of flood control they only pay 55 per cent if it is considered a development cost.

On straight flood control the town's share is 20 per cent and

—More snow on Sunday combined with high winds to make driving treacherous on district roads and highways.

### Okay channelization not flood, fill line

A creek channelization program is the first step in the town's fight to control future flooding, Dr. C. A. Martin, the town's representative to Halton Region Conservation Authority told Milton Council on Monday.

At his suggestion, council agreed to adopt the channelization suggestions contained in HRC's lengthy report on flood measures in Milton, and asked HRC to adopt the scheme with the town paying 95 per cent of the Authority's share of costs. Milton's share is estimated at \$513,000 on total expenditures of over \$1,200,000.

The HRC report also recommends flood lines and fill lines which it wants the town to adopt, but council isn't fussy on their recommendations. If the fill lines are followed several residential developments in Milton would have to be shelved. Dr. Martin suggested some of the figures in the HRC engineers' report are "very unrealistic" — in one place the report indicates Main St. could be six feet underwater if a storm with the potential of Hurricane Hazel centred itself on the town. He said that was impossible.

Council approved the resolution.

### Town charts road work

## Wants Parkway bridge first

Future expenditures on roads and new bridges in Milton, a \$706,800 portion of the \$7,303,800 five-year capital budget approved by council this week, came in for scrutiny and discussion during the Monday meeting of council.

Councillors approved the capital forecast and the roads expenditures but Councillor Charles Fay was adamant that a new bridge over the Sixteen Mile Creek and the completion of Parkway Dr. through the valley east of Milton District High School be placed closer to the top of the priority list.

#### "Bottleneck"

"I feel the Parkway Bridge is more important than the Pine St. reconstruction," said Councillor Fay. He called the roads and traffic situation around the Williams Ave. high school "the worst bottleneck we've got." Council estimates indicate the engineering work will be done in 1972 on linking Ontario St. with

Commercial St. via the Parkway Dr. route and the work will include a new bridge over the Sixteen Mile Creek on Parkway. Construction is slated for 1973.

#### Away from downtown

Councillor Fay noted there is a lot of traffic in the south end of town and it must all be funnelled to Main St.—"it sure is a bottleneck." Parkway Dr. would give residents in the Fallingbrook subdivision and high school traffic a chance to get in and out of town without using the downtown streets, by funneling traffic to and from Ontario St. near Ontario School for the Deaf.

Provision of a new bridge and reconstruction of the bridge accesses on Pine St. are slated for this year. Councillor Fay maintained the Parkway bridge should receive higher priority than the old bridge on Pine St. Councillors concurred the Parkway project could be moved ahead, but some other projects

the conservation authority pays five per cent.

The report and its

ramifications will be discussed again at future meetings. No final decisions have been made.



**SWORD DANCE . . .** These three girls kick high their heels as they dance in the sword competition. Ninety-three youngsters, male and female participated in the Western Ontario Highland Dance Competition held at Martin St. School on Sunday. Piper was Gail Brown of Milton. Pictures, story Page 3.—(Staff Photo)

### 1,000 jam nominations

## Bob Blake Liberal candidate

Bob Blake defeated David Butler in the race for the Halton East Liberal nomination at a jam-packed convention held in the Club Galaxy in Oakville last Tuesday.

The convention was marked by bands playing for each candidate, trumpets blowing and bagpipes piping. The hoopla was in direct contrast to the NDP convention just a week earlier that featured one band playing for no candidate in particular and a crowd of only 150 compared to close to 1,000 at the Liberal meeting.

#### Noisy night

Pandemonium broke loose when the ballots were counted and Blake was named the winner. "Oh, When The Saints Come Marching In," boomed from one corner of the room. A band on stage played a song "Hello Bobby" taken from "Hello Dolly". Meanwhile Blake was mobbed with well-wishers.

Former Liberal MP Harry Harley nominated Blake and billed him as a staunch Liberal and a hard-slugging opponent. In a prepared speech Blake said the Conservative government had ceased to be a concerned political force and ignored the real needs of the people.

#### Face dangers

Halton East is one of the fastest growing areas in Canada and faces danger of being harmed by overcrowded highways, polluted air and water and higher taxes. Blake claimed a Liberal government would implement their blueprint for government.

He criticized the Tories for allowing civil servants to run the province. He promised "people involvement" if he were elected. Blake is vice-president of manufacturing with a Streetsville brick company and lives in Oakville.

Nominated by Betty Robson of

Esqueuing, David Butler promised to set up advisory teams on agriculture, regional government, assessment and other government problems if elected.

#### A giant beater

Butler's speech took a unifying theme. He said either candidate

would win with the support of the people. He said the Liberals were aided by non-active Conservatives on one side and the radical NDP on the other.

"If you think Jim Snow is a Goliath either physically or politically, don't forget my name is David," he quipped.



**HALTON EAST LIBERALS** chose Bob Blake (left) with guest speaker Liberal Leader Robert Nixon and David Butler (right) who also sought the nomination.—(Staff Photo)

## Capital budget is \$7,303,800

A five-year capital budget forecast indicating \$7,303,800 worth of expenditures on parking, library, parks, arena, roads, waterworks, sewers, hydro and creek channelization was approved Monday by members of Milton Council.

Proposals call for expenditures of \$1,132,000 in 1971; \$2,342,550 in 1972; \$1,274,500 in 1973; \$1,174,750 in 1974 and \$930,000 in 1975. The estimates of future capital spending needs must be drawn each year and submitted to the Ontario Municipal Board for approval. Although funds are earmarked for certain projects in each of the five years, approval of the capital budget does not mean they will necessarily come about — it is only an indication to the OMB of the town's future needs.

Parking facilities will pick up \$300,000 in the five years of the proposed expenditures; library board \$310,000; parks \$270,000; arena board \$475,000; Milton Hydro \$450,000. A figure of \$675,000 is forecast for spending on creek channelization to carry out the objectives of the Halton Region Conservation Authority's flood control report on the town. Town roads, waterworks, storm sewers and sanitary sewers account for the remainder of the \$7,303,800.



**A WHITE BOUTONNIERE** for 105-year-old Simon Henry Baverstock, sent by Nassagaweya Reeve Mrs. Anne MacArthur is pinned on by Miss Sandra Binnie, a nurse at Halton Manor. Mr. Baverstock and friends and relatives enjoyed reminiscing over the old days at a special birthday party held Saturday for the centenarian. Shown beside Mr. Baverstock is his son Frank of Galt.—(Staff Photo)