

OMB approves Campbellville quarry rezoning



HAPPY ST.
PATRICK'S DAY

The Canadian Champion

VOL. 111 - No. 46

MILTON, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1971

Twenty Pages - Fifteen Cents

In a six page decision, the Ontario Municipal Board approved the application of Cloverleaf Quarries for rezoning of land in Nassagaweya from quarry holding to quarry.

The decision, received Tuesday by township officials, noted the township should now pass a by-law implementing the decision.

The three day hearing before the board last fall was wound up in final argument in the Board chambers last month.

Across from track

The 150 acre site affected is on the Guelph Line approximately across the road from Mohawk Raceway.

The possibility of interference with the Jockey Club water supply was acknowledged in the Board's lengthy decision, but they maintained earlier a quarry operation on the site had evidently not caused Jockey Club officials concern at the time the land use by-law was being considered.

The Board maintained the Campbellville residents who had lodged objections at the hearing were too far removed to be affected by the quarry operation since they were separated by Highway 401.

Personal objections
Objections filed by the township were labelled personal objections of the reeve and deputy reeve. The report noted the reeve had opposed the land use by-law at its initial passing and her continued opposition was

considered "ineffectual".

The Board said it tempered its consideration of the objections of the deputy reeve since he had acknowledged he also owned quarry land and was holding its use in abeyance in the hope of a higher price.

Problems of traffic congestion, it was ruled, had been alleviated by construction of the new county road running east from the Guelph Line north of Highway 401.

Requirement shown

The Board noted the representations for and against the application were amply documented but the question revolved around that of requirement. Several pages of the decision discussed this aspect.

Board vice-chairman H. E. Roberts and member W. Shrub signed the decision.



HIGHLAND LASSIES, part of Scotland's addition to "Come Fly With Us", the second part of Saturday's skating carnival, are shown with lead dancer Merri Griswold. Left to right around the circle are Kathy Blacklock, Susan Smith, Cindi

Hood, Kelly Cann, Crystal Chuchmach, Lana Ellison and Cheryl Fitzpatrick. The local pipers, Harvey and Kirk Brush and Elmer Blacklock, accompanied them. See photo-feature and story on Page B1.—(Staff Photo)

Sympathy, but little help on roads scheme

Halton County Councillors offered sympathy but not a lot of help to Milton Council when they adopted a five year county road plan which outlines the county's road program over the next five years.

Milton asked for several concessions but met with limited success. Milton Reeve Ron Harris asked if the county would assume debenture costs for reconstruction of Main St. west of Martin St., as it was one of the roads the county will assume according to the report passed at Tuesday's meeting.

While roads chairman Reeve Jim Swanborough avoided a straight "no" to the question. He said the county solicitor had advised the committee the county was under no obligation to pay.

No dice
Failing that, Reeve Harris asked if the county would take over Bronte St. from Main to Steeles Ave. He was advised the road didn't meet the criteria and wouldn't be considered.

The Milton representatives advised Main St. from Martin to Bronte is programmed for reconstruction in 1972. Harris was told the town and county would have to work in conjunction on it when he asked where the town would stand if they decided they wanted parking meters on the Main St.

Poor communications
Deputy Reeve Percy Barr wondered why municipalities had not been kept informed about the report until now. He said Milton wouldn't have spent money on Main St. if they knew the county was going to take away its control.

Oakville, Georgetown and Burlington representatives agreed the report was somewhat a surprise when it was tabled. Oakville Reeve Allan Masson said the staff in Oakville never knew anything about it until he took the report down to them.

Burlington Deputy Reeve Dave Coons suggested Milton should be represented on the county roads

committee as they are the only municipality without a member. He said he could understand them feeling they were not getting a really fair deal.

At their own meeting Monday, Milton Councillors had accused the county council of "empire building" and "trying to justify their existence" with the grand road take-over plan.

Halton will take over three major streets in Milton through the county proposal and Councillor Charles Fay, one of the opponents, warned the county would not give good service. "They might all be cowpaths in five years' time—what do they care?" he said.

—You can sell just about anything with Champion classifieds.

Robert St. site

Wants town concessions for low-rental housing

If Milton is ever going to get low-rental housing units built by Ontario Housing Corporation, the council will have to give some concessions, a developer warned Milton Council Monday.

E. Ganja representing Headway Corporation appeared to ask council to cut its capital lot levies in half and give his firm approval for an eventual 41 units of low-rental housing he proposes on land south of Robert St., west of Milton Fair Grounds. Council made no decision but agreed to discuss the request in a committee meeting next week.

Want it developed

Civiero Construction owns the land and had earlier proposed a medium density development including a three-storey, 66-unit apartment building for the land. Councillors looked favorably on this project as the site is part of the "core" area in the older part of town they would like to see developed.

Headway is planning to purchase almost half the land and has submitted a proposal of OHC for low-rental housing units, but the land costs plus costs of enclosing a creek through the property have upped the cost to over \$6,000 per unit, Mr. Ganja told council. He said if the town cut its \$1,040 per unit capital lot levies in half (as neighboring Mississauga did recently for an OHC project) and gave him their blessing for a future total of 41

units in five buildings, he felt OHC would approve his proposal.

Only 14 needed
A recent OHC survey indicated the need for just 14 low-rental units in Milton. The developer explained that to apply the land and creek repair costs to just 14 units, it was not a profitable venture. Mr. Ganja said his was the only proposal received by OHC for the Milton project.

Neighbors along Bell St. were recently asked for their opinions

"Sap's running"

Sugar bush open to all

"The sap's running", once magical words to every country boy and girl, can again be heard at the Crawford Lake Area. Again this year Halton Region Conservation Authority is sponsoring maple sugar bush demonstrations open to the public.

Smitten Currie and his 23-year-old horse Queenie will once again bring delight to every child's eye at the Crawford Lake sugar bush. The area is open to the public three weekends - March 13-14, 20-21 and 27-28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Weekdays an appointment must be made at the HRCA office for school groups to visit the

on the Civiero development and while several complained that the creek that separates their properties from the medium density development needs repairs, only one homeowner objected to the proposed land use.

Civiero's and Headway's plans for the creek call for it to be fully enclosed in a four and a half foot concrete tile at a cost of about \$40 per foot. Mr. Ganja said the 41 units would likely mean another 182 children of school age.

Raw sap is then pulled by stoneboat (sleigh) to the large iron cauldron where it is boiled down to maple syrup or maple sugar by-products, such as maple taffy.

Mr. Currie invites everyone to taste the maple sap and come out and enjoy an afternoon walk through the sugar bush. It's invigorating for people of all ages.

Crawford Lake sugar bush is located at Guelph Line and Burlington-Nassagawega Base Line Road, approximately three miles north of Lowville and a mile south of Campbellville.

Raw sap is then pulled by stoneboat (sleigh) to the large iron cauldron where it is boiled down to maple syrup or maple sugar by-products, such as maple taffy.

Mr. Currie invites everyone to taste the maple sap and come out and enjoy an afternoon walk through the sugar bush. It's invigorating for people of all ages.

Crawford Lake sugar bush is located at Guelph Line and Burlington-Nassagawega Base Line Road, approximately three miles north of Lowville and a mile south of Campbellville.

Raw sap is then pulled by stoneboat (sleigh) to the large iron cauldron where it is boiled down to maple syrup or maple sugar by-products, such as maple taffy.

Mr. Currie invites everyone to taste the maple sap and come out and enjoy an afternoon walk through the sugar bush. It's invigorating for people of all ages.

Councillor Charles Johnson said he was reluctant to cut the impost charges because it would set a precedent. He said if the town fixed the Bronte St. creek as planned, the creek problem would not be so bad at this point south of Robert St.

Councillor Gordon Krantz said the town's forgiveness would mean \$36,000 on 41 units and "\$36,000 will go a long way toward a \$1,000,000 sewage treatment plant" which the town will soon be needing.

Want pool room open on Sundays

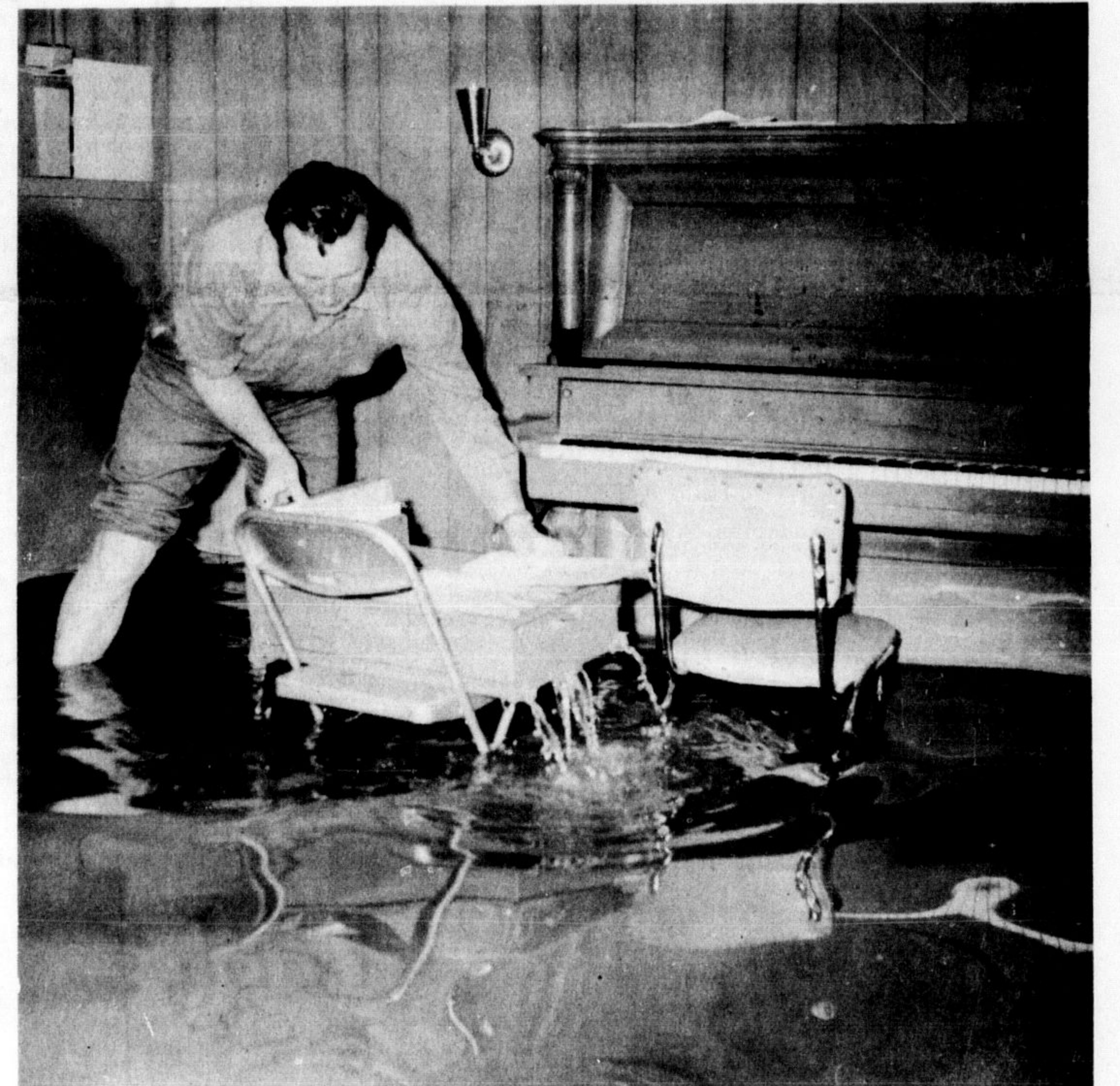
A 207-name petition appeared before Milton Council this week, asking the town to revise its by-law and allow a Main St. pool room to remain open on Sundays from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The four pages of supporting names included several adults, many young people and "a couple of Main St. businessmen," said Reeve Ron Harris. The town has twice refused to allow Sunday pool.

"I'd like to try it out for a while," said the reeve, "you could always stop it later."

"It's pretty hard to stop the wheel, once it starts turning," warned Councillor Johnson.

Council's administration committee and police chief were to be asked their opinions before any action is taken.



ATTEMPTING TO SALVAGE what he can, Tony Kurz wades around in knee-high water in his recently panelled basement recreation room where Monday's thaw deposited almost two feet of water. He's pictured lifting a drawerful of income tax records onto a chair



FLOOD WATERS RAMPAGED through Milton on Monday and large chunks of ice hampered passage of the runoff through culverts and bridges. Wayne Howden digs out the chunks at a bridge in Milton Plaza on Ontario St. where the water was backed up and overflowing the road. One man reported seeing a chunk of ice a foot thick and 12 feet across go floating down the normally placid stream.—(Staff Photo)

Winter, dogs take toll on deer

Three female deer were killed when they plunged over a 50 foot cliff near Milton Thursday. The deer, two carrying twin fawns and one with a single fawn, appeared to be running from dogs. The incident occurred on property owned by Dufferin Quarry on the escarpment.

Fish and Wildlife Deputy at the Hespeler Division of the Department of Lands and Forest, Harry Gingrich said the accident brought the total deer deaths to 45 since Feb. 1 in the six counties served from Hespeler.

15 killed by dogs

Of the 45 deer killed, 15 lost their lives running from dogs or fighting with them. Others were killed by cars and trucks, illegal

hunting, and some were caught in fences.

Deer find themselves at a distinct disadvantage in a dog chase over heavy snow. While dogs can run across the crust of the snow, deer sink into it. The problem is compounded at this time of year as bucks have shed their antlers and are defenseless. Many of the female deer are carrying young and are more susceptible to attacks.

"The number of deer killed by cars and trucks is staggering," Gingrich said. Statistics show that property damage to cars often exceeds \$500 in car-deer collisions.

Advocate hunt
Mr. Gingrich explained deer

can be a real problem if the population is not controlled. The department and local sportsmen's clubs have advocated limited deer hunting to control the population.

Paul Coulson, past president of Halton Sportsmen's Association, is a strong supporter of a controlled hunting season. "I'd sooner see them hunted than starving to death. I'd like to take some of the so-called naturalists around in the spring and show them skeletons. It would really make them think," he noted.

Department of Lands and Forest officials and local sportsmen agree that if hunting is not allowed, nature will take the situation in hand. When the deer

population becomes excessive, some either die due to starvation or disease or are killed in any one of a number of ways.

This winter has been particularly harsh. The lack of food is more acute with the heavy snow than it has been in many years.

Complaints of deer chewing on small shrubs and ruining young apple trees have been filed. Several area farmers advocated a deer hunting season some time ago when the matter was up for discussion. Deer hunting has been illegal in Halton for several years.

Officials from sportsmen's

clubs and the Department of Lands and Forests are conducting a series of meetings with county councils in this zone to discuss deer hunting. Brant, Halton, Oxford, Waterloo, Wellington and Wentworth counties are controlled by the Hespeler division.

A meeting with a committee of Halton County Council will be held Saturday. One of the alternatives the Lands and Forest officials will suggest is a three-day staggered hunting season once every two years. That would allow hunters three days once every two years to hunt deer but the three days would not be consecutive.