

No government support Two accidents CORDC will dissolve no injuries

The Central Ontario Regional Development Council is voluntarily dissolving. Mayor Les Duby of Acton was a charter member and past president of the board of directors of CORDC and a particularly active member over the past eight years of operation. Dills Printing and Halton warden Anne MacArthur were also original members of the group.

CORDC was started by a group of interested and concerned citizens representing various municipalities in Halton, Peel, York and Ontario counties.

No more support

The board of directors of CORDC at its annual meeting, March 1, decided, with considerable regret, to surrender the council's charter and terminate the operations of the organization.

The decision by the board has been made necessary in view of the letters received from the

treasurer of Ontario, Ministry of Treasury, Economics and Intergovernmental Affairs, which terminated financial support.

Without provincial support and assistance, it was the opinion of the Board that satisfactory service to the province and to the public can no longer be maintained and therefore, the board reached the conclusion that its activities should be terminated.

The council received \$30,000 annually from the province and raised another \$10,000 from its municipal and corporate members.

President concerned

President Robert Williams expressed CORDC's concern at the province's decision. He indicated in his annual report that the goals have been completed up-to-date and the present financial position is sound.

There have been 10 regional development councils.

Many projects

Over the years CORDC has concerned itself with the Toronto Centred region plan, Niagara escarpment task force, Simcoe-Georgian task force technical committee, new Toronto airport, proposed new city of Cedarwood, a course of local government at the University of Guelph, a pocket guide of the region, and the parkway belt concept.

The group had hoped to be able to directly express the opinion of citizens to government, "unaltered by bureau-cratism or academic interpretations".

It was also its objective to co-ordinate local leadership for promoting orderly growth in the region.

Milton police report there have been no persons injured in accidents since last week. However, there were two accidents involving damages over \$100.

According to police a car driven by Karoly Szigethy of Mohawk Raceway collided with a parked vehicle owned by David Doyle, 122 Bronte St. on Commercial St. near Pearl St. There was no damage to Mr. Szigethy's automobile, however the parked vehicle suffered \$400 damage. The collision occurred Thursday, March 22.

A car driven by Terry Mastine, 2138 Main St. E. suffered \$750 damage when it collided with a pick-up truck driven by Neilson Waters, R.R. 2 Georgetown. Extent of the damage to the truck was only \$75. The accident occurred at the corners of Main and Ontario on Saturday, March 24.



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Sykes complains about poor road

A project to build a four lane road on Guelph Line between Upper Middle Rd. and Mainway Dr. in Burlington was endorsed at a Halton County Roads committee meeting last week.

The project is thought to cost about \$630,000 and includes curbs, gutters, sewers, water connections and street lighting.

During the same meeting the committee was advised of the bad condition of Maple Ave. in Georgetown. The road is slated for reconstruction in 1975 but in the meantime a section of the road between Mountainview and Guelph St. is in bad shape.

Bad road

Georgetown Deputy Reeve Ernie Sykes described the road as

being like a washboard and claimed it was full of pot holes.

County engineer Jack Corbett said the work was estimated at \$120,000 two years ago and was planned for 1975. He was asked to investigate and bring in a report about what could be done in the meantime.

Dealing with a plan to reconstruct Bronte Rd. between Lakeshore Rd. and the Queen Elizabeth Highway, the committee recommended county council hire W. Stok and Associates as consulting engineers on the project.

Included in the project will be a subway at the CN tracks south of the QEW. The railway and the Canadian Transport Commission are expected to absorb a large share of that work.

GUARD solicits written support

At the first meeting of GUARD (Group United Against Rural Dumping) it was decided to seek the written support of such groups as Women's Institutes, hunt clubs, conservation authorities, health authorities, junior farmers, 4-H clubs.

The new organization has 300 members, not counting 20 grade

school students who want to join the "Battle of the Dolly."

Meeting at the home of Fred Brooks the committee discussed the use of combines, tractors, manure spreaders, wagons, etc. to block off Dolly Varden to Metro garbage if appeals to elected representatives are negative.

Take garbage to Caledon

A proposal to bring Metro Toronto garbage and dump it in Indusmin Quarry in Esquesing has caused concern among area ratepayers and some of the neighboring councils.

Len Buckler, a former member of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, has one suggestion. He claims gravel pits near Caledon should be filled in.

Buckler claims there is no chance of disrupting a water supply there because the water would have to go through gravel before getting to the water table.

Buckler, like others in the area, is concerned about the possible contamination of water supplies if the Indusmin pits are used for land fill sites.

Police look for dog killers

Ontario Provincial Police are still investigating the poisoning deaths of two dogs on the Sixth Line near Georgetown.

Del Linstead told police his dog went into convulsions and

died from poisoning and not long after his neighbor Edward Hawes reported a similar incident in which his dog died.

No further incidents have been reported since then.

Fear snowmobilers may harm animals

Members of Halton County Administration Committee expressed concern about possible damage to vegetation and animal life in Halton County forests that could develop as a result of snowmobilers using the trail.

Halton County Forests are operated by the Ministry of Natural Resources through an agreement with the county. Some of the members of the committee questioned the ministry's attitude about encouraging snowmobiling in the county forests.

The ministry removed cables on the trails this winter to eliminate a possible hazard for snowmobilers. In a letter to the president of Carlisle Snowdrifters Club, District Forester John Halpenny indicated the trails were available for snowmobilers in general but not for any exclusive group.

Surprise

Members of the administration committee questioned the policy of allowing snowmobiling at all.

"We're trying to foster small trees and provide a home for animals. I was surprised hazards were removed for snowmobilers and I think we should encourage snowmobilers to use a trail at Kelso. There is a very good trail there," Warden Anne MacArthur told the committee.

At chairman Allan Masson's suggestion, the committee agreed to write the ministry and express concern about possible damage to small trees and animals. A meeting will be held with the ministry to discuss the matter.

Administrator Garfield Brown said he was afraid the county had lost control when they entered the management agreement with the ministry.

GUARD hears assurances from county, Queens Park

Members of the executive of GUARD met with Mr. Powell of the Halton County Health Department and Paul Isles of the Waste Management Branch of the Department of the Environment.

Mr. Isles assured the committee that the waste management branch of the Department would look into all the aspects of the proposed garbage site before they gave consent to it being used.

The Hon. James Auld's letter, in which he stated he had already approved the site, was discussed. Mr. Isles assured the GUARD committee that this letter was meant to imply that he approved of the scheme in principle.

Mr. Powell told the committee that his Department would test wells on request and the GUARD committee recommends that the people in the area of the Indusmin quarry avail

themselves of this service to establish the fact that they were not contaminated prior to any dumping in Indusmin Quarries.

GUARD has posted sheets in various stores and public places for people to sign in support of a campaign against garbage dumping in Indusmin quarries.

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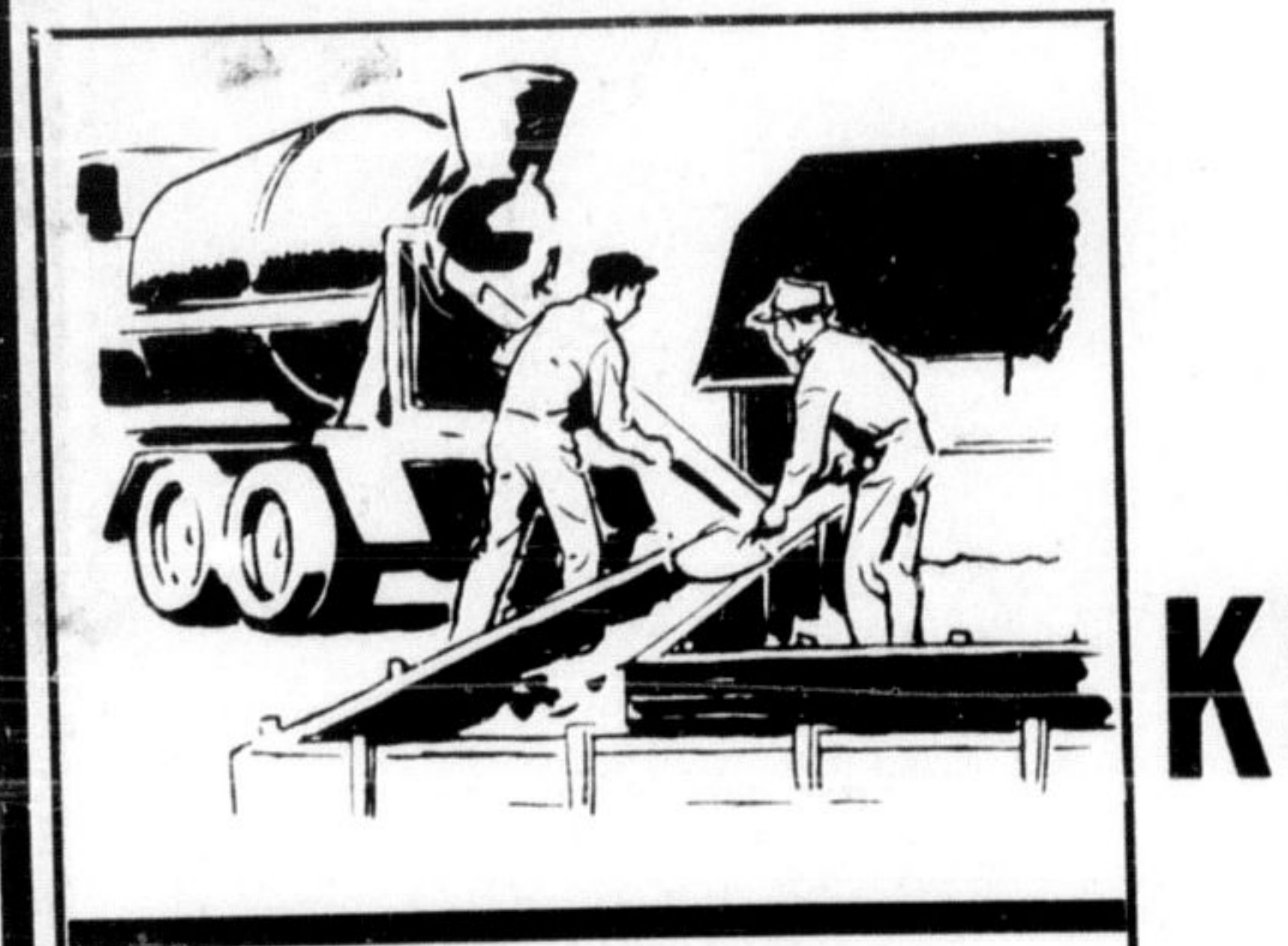
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