

CONGRATULATES SCHOOL ON EXCELLENT OPERETTA

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the students and teachers of Martin St. School on the fine performances of their operetta "Aunt Drusilla's Garden". Presumably the audience was mostly dutiful parents and relatives who were pleasantly surprised by the professionalism displayed, the result of very proficient and dedicated teachers who generated this enthusiasm in their pupils.

It is regretful the training does not extend into the high school level, this to me is an important aspect of education that seems to be neglected after the grade eight level.

Mrs. Marg McNeill  
129 Meadowbrook Dr., Milton.

LAKE LEVELS HIGH WHY CHANNELIZE TOO?

Dear Sir,  
It view of the current flooding problems on the Great Lakes, it seems at cross purposes to proceed with further channelization projects similar to that proposed for the Sixteen Mile Creek in Milton.

Aside from the aesthetics of having a miniature Suez Canal in one's back yard, it moves spring runoff into the lakes at too great a rate, adding to an already severe flooding problem. At the same time, it tends to lower the vital water table further inland. The United States is already feeling the pinch of municipal water shortages in certain areas and looks to Canadian sources.

It seems to me that the ultimate answer lies in judicious reforestation to delay spring

runoff, in combination with additional dams and holding basins like the one at Kelso, to minimize flooding and build up the water tables.

Rivers and streams are being channelized by regional Conservation Authorities to avoid Hurrican Hazel-type floods, which occur perhaps once a century. Summer water shortages and spring flooding of the lower lakes occur virtually every year. Priorities need to be assigned accordingly.

Yours sincerely,  
William H. Innes,  
296 Pine St., Milton.

Haltom Council submitted what councillors hope to be the county's final brief on regional government last week. Councillors discussed and heard presentations from the seven municipalities last month and finalized their own submission Friday.

The brief outlines the areas of responsibility the council feels should be handled at each level of authority.

They suggest planning be a split function with overall planning at the region and subdivision agreements done locally. Water and sewer service is recommended to be handled at the regional level.

Public transit should be handled locally and provision made for regional takeover at some point in the future, the brief says.

The brief recommends a regional police force take effect Jan. 1, 1974 and be governed by a police commission with a majority of the members being regional councillors.

Council deliberated at great length about store closing hours whether or not they should be common throughout the region. The brief suggests hydro be a regional responsibility. The province has suggested it remain local for the time being.

Haltom County Council learned last week that the province is a ready and willing buyer for the county administration building on Steeles Ave. in Milton. The commitment from the province, however, didn't help council in their deliberations about establishing regional headquarters when regional government takes effect.

The county owns the building but 82 per cent of the space is taken by provincial offices and the province rents the space from the county.

The building cost \$1,000,000 in 1962 and has \$313,000 still owing on it. Council is faced with the decision to sell the building and

seek regional quarters elsewhere, or to use the whole building and have provincial offices moved, or to enlarge the building to accommodate both provincial and county offices.

Haven't decided  
To date council hasn't decided where the best geographic location for a building is, or how much space it will require.

Clerk Garfield Brown suggested the province indicated a willingness to take the building because of court room accommodation. If county offices were to replace the courtrooms

with offices, considerable work would have to be done.

Brown told council 27 acres to the east and an additional 14 acres to the north were available and it was possible for the county to be protected from having industry move onto that land.

While some councillors agreed the county should keep the building, others felt the matter was premature and should be left for the regional council to consider.

A committee was appointed to consider the problem and report back.

**BOAT SHOW**  
It's on now  
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Better bus service for Milton people

Milton will have improved bus service both inside and outside the town limits at the end of this month. Mayor Brian Best said arrangements have been made for a Gray Coach bus to stop at Fifth Wheel Stop, just off Highway 401 at 4.30 each day.

The bus enroute to Toronto from Galt would pick up

passengers here and take them into the city. That arrangement will go into effect April 30.

Late Bus  
Mayor Best indicated that while arrangements are not final yet, there is a possibility of having a late bus from Toronto stop at Fifth Wheel stop on Friday and Saturday nights. This would provide an opportunity for people in town who want to go into the city for the evening to have a form of public transportation to bring them home.

To further facilitate the late afternoon trip to Toronto, Milton Bus Lines will run a bus leaving Milton Travel Service on Martin St. at 4.20, arriving at Fifth Wheel at 4.25 in time to wait for the Gray Coach to come at 4.30.

Milton Bus Lines gets into full swing on Monday when the subsidy takes effect.

O.M.B. hearing

An Ontario Municipal Board hearing considering an 88-acre subdivision in the Brookville community of Nassagaweya Township will be resumed July 5. The hearing was postponed Wednesday when planning evidence wasn't available.

M. C. McCaid, attorney for Brookville Estates said the firm had waited two and a half years for a ruling from the province concerning the effect the Toronto Centred Region Plan would have on the development.

McCaid said the official plan designated the Brookville area as being zoned for community use. When the hearing resumes Brookville Estates will ask for clarification concerning the Toronto Centred Region Plan for development.

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Ebenezer Young people birthday news

By Mrs. Ron McLean  
Birthday greetings to Mrs. H. Blyth.  
Corie-Lynn Susan Fatt made her first appearance at church. The young people are to go to Durham on Saturday night.

Church service  
The Junior choir sang, "Yesterday He died for me."

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**Should I have cuffs on my pants or not?**

If you like them, yes. If not, no. In general, though, Fred says "yes" to trouser cuffs this year. For one reason, trouser legs have become slightly wider. And on this burlier leg, a cuff looks very nice indeed. Another reason is the renaissance of fabric patterns that hark back to the 1930's and 40's. For them, what could be more appropriate than a cuffed trouser? So Fred says, "go ahead, get cuffs. They'll look great on you."

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