

First a knife, then the dogs

Good Samaritan attacked - twice in three days

by Bob Burt

For some fellows, it just doesn't pay to be a "Good Samaritan."

Twice in three days Ron Kostiuik, who lives in Mississauga and works in Milton, went out of his way to help a stranger in trouble and twice in three days his good intentions were rewarded by trips to the emergency ward of Milton District Hospital.

Thursday Kostiuik was driving along Bronte St. when he saw what he thought was four youths beating up a girl. When he stopped the youths turned on him and in the ensuing battle, he was knifed and had his left arm ripped open.

That was the first trip to the hospital. Extensive stitching was needed for his wound, which varied from three quarters of an inch to an inch deep in places.

Second encounter

The wound hardly had a chance to heal when Kostiuik once again offered assistance to a stranger in distress. This time it was a

man who had parked his car on Main St. Saturday, and returned to find two large German Shepherd dogs had assumed control of the car.

Kostiuik, a dog lover, went once again to offer assistance in luring the dogs out of the man's car. Once Kostiuik got across the street from the S&H Sunoco station where he works with Fred Schell and John Harrington, the dogs got out of the car.

When Schell and Kostiuik told the story they indicated the dogs seemed friendly enough until they were out of the car and then they attacked Kostiuik, time and time again, ripping open the old wound from Thursday and opening several new ones. He estimates the dogs weighed over 100 pounds each and bit him about 30 times in the short, fierce battle.

The dogs were finally restrained with the assistance of the car owner, Schell, Harrington and Kostiuik. Police were called and the dogs were taken to Oakville Humane Society.

The dogs apparently broke out or were

released from the Timberlea Subdivision built by Victoria Wood Developments on Steeles Ave. where they and one other dog have been stationed as watchdogs.

Hits close to home

Recalling the incident, Kostiuik said he was glad he had borne the brunt of the attack, rather than a child. "They were hitting at my waist and as high as my shoulders and if they hit that high on me, they would have been at a child's head. I have two little children, and that hits close to home."

Kostiuik said he braced himself against the wall at the Charles Hotel to avoid being knocked to the ground. Once the battle was over and the dogs had been taken quietly away in the back of a police cruiser, Kostiuik was once again a patient at Milton District Hospital.

Good deterrent

The spokesman said the dogs were used for security measures because security guards and other security devices hadn't been able to provide the desired effect.



A SIGN AT the Timberlea Development on Steeles Ave. warns that the area is protected by sonic alarm as well as dogs trained to hold burglars until police arrive. Two of the three guard dogs got loose Saturday and inflicted cuts and wounds to a man during an encounter on Main St.

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Melanson, Powys, Kerr candidates

Election still a quiet battle

Unless a great flurry of activity takes place between now and Sept. 10 in local political circles, the Oct. 1 election for local and regional councils will be the quietest in some time.

With only 12 days before the deadline for nominations to be filed, several of the incumbents have yet to make their decision public and newcomers are few in number.

This week Milton councillor Art Melanson, Deputy Reeve Marjory Powys and councillor

Jim Kerr announced they'd be in the race again. Kerr and Melanson will run for local council while Mrs. Powys will seek a seat on the regional council as one of Central Halton's three representatives.

Art Melanson

Mr. Melanson will be heading into his fourth election, having served one two-year term and one-year terms. During the past year he has worked on the works, parks and recreation and economic development com-

mittees and has been chairman of the water committee.

A junior partner in Knight's Men's Wear, he has served with the Milton Separate School Board and the Kinsmen Club. He is well known for his participation in hockey and baseball teams.

One of his pet projects has been trying to attract low rental housing to the town.

Jim Kerr

Jim Kerr, 200 Queen St., was a successful candidate for office last December and is currently in

his first term as a councillor. He was born and educated in Milton, then got a BA degree in economics at Waterloo-Lutheran University (now Wilfrid Laurier University) and for the past 11 years has been teaching. He is currently vice-principal at Elmerest Public School in Mississauga.

This year he began serving on the personnel and works committees but changed to development and works committees when a resignation

created a shuffle of committee posts. He is also a member of the planning board, parks and recreation committee, and the Central Halton steering committee. Kerr is also on the board of stewards at St. Paul's United Church.

Mrs. Powys

Mrs. Powys will be running for the third time, having served two one-year terms. She currently sits on the community services committee, the administration committee, the Children's Aid Society at the county level and the personnel, administration and finance committees at the town level. She is chairlady of the personnel committee and is also a member of the Library Board.

A commercial teacher at Milton District High School, she works with OSSTF and is a member of the University Women's Club.

No Mayor

As of press time no one has thrown their hat into the mayor's race.

Percy Barr, who served as deputy reeve for several years on Milton Council, said he wouldn't run for regional council but may consider seeking a seat on the local council.

Milton vocational wing nixed Halton board appeals decision

Unless representatives from Halton are successful in appealing a decision by the Ministry of Education, there will be no 400 pupil place special vocational wing built in conjunction with the new high school in Milton's east end.

The board had planned to build an 800 pupil regional high school in Dorset Park and with it, a 400 pupil place wing for vocational students.

In a directive recently received from the ministry, the province has said that as long as there are places available in the county for vocational students, new

facilities will not be approved.

Still some seats

Currently there are two vocational schools in the county, one in Oakville and a second in Burlington. While General Wolfe in Oakville is near capacity now, there are still 350 pupil places open in the General Brock School in Burlington. General Brock was built to accommodate 1,000 students.

The Dorset Park high school is planned to be open by September of 1975. Calculations at the board level see General Brock being almost at capacity in about three years.

Meanwhile over 200 students

are bussed from all over North Halton to schools in the south and some travel as much as 80 miles per day on school buses.

Esquering trustee Bill Lawson told the board he had been told by students, drivers and parents that much of the good at the special schools was being undone on the long trips to and from school.

Urges appeal

The board had felt the transportation lines could be cut considerably by opening the vocational wing in Milton. After discussing the proposal, administrators were urged to go back to the province to appeal the decision and plead a case for the northern students.

Superintendent of Business and

Finance Bruce Lindley indicated the 800 pupil places would cost about \$3,000,000 and the 400 pupil place wing would bring the project to a cost of \$4,250,000.

Em Lavender

Even though assistant to the director Em Lavender predicted chances of changing the ministry's mind were remote, Lawson urged the board appeal the decision. "If that fails, then build the school for 800 and plan to add the special wing later. We must try once more," he urged.

Asked if it was possible to use some of the space at Brock for students otherwise in conventional schools, Lavender said it would be difficult to convert a vocational school into one for conventional use.

Food store sought

Rezoning of a 17.8 acre parcel of land on Steeles Ave. at Third Line for a major food store outlet and a community mall was proposed to Milton Planning Board Wednesday by Kenneth Marshall, owner of the land.

The land is a triangle at the junction of Steeles Ave. and Highway 401, north of Steeles Ave., and presently zoned for industrial use.

Solicitor Harold Funk, representing the applicant, suggested the town already has sufficient land for industries and in the future lands north of Highway 401 would likely be given industrial designation. Milton

will need more food outlets to serve its future population, he said—Brampton has one for every 5,550 people now and Milton's future population of 28,000 would require at least five outlets.

The lawyer said another food store would help keep shoppers in Milton but it would not compete with the downtown area.

He said it would be better to have the land fully assessed than to leave it vacant, waiting for an industry. A large food store will employ as many as an industry, he said.

The board will deal with the application at its next meeting.

MPPs meet county over headquarters

Minister of Government Services Jim Snow and Justice Secretary George Kerr will meet with Halton Regional Chairman Allan Masson and members of Warden Anne MacArthur's special committee on regional government Sept. 6 to discuss the future of the Halton County Administration Building and Court House, according to an

informed source.

Chairman Masson, contacted in connection with plans for the future of the building, indicated that both the regional government and the provincial courts would need more space soon.

He said the province wanted to buy the building. Masson noted it had been built mainly as a court house and it would be an expensive proposition to renovate the building from a court house to solely administrative use.

Not near population

Asked where he favored the building, Masson said Milton was the centre of the county geographically. "That's fine, but it isn't near the centre of population and the regional council will have to decide whether they should make more people than necessary commute back and forth or whether they should locate near the centre of population." When a reporter assumed Masson would prefer the headquarters further south, he said he had no preference and it wouldn't be for him to decide, but regional council.

North Halton politicians, who could find themselves making frequent trips to Burlington or Oakville for meetings, favor the Milton site because of the distance involved.

While Masson did not mention the Sept. 6 meeting, and would not comment on his personal choice for a location, he has voiced opinions on where a headquarters should be. In discussions months before he was made regional chairman, Masson strongly urged an Oakville or Burlington location.

Steak house, motel proposal unveiled

Plans to convert the old Edwin Harrop farmhouse into a steak house and add a 24-unit motel and enclosed swimming pool on the property, were unveiled to Milton Planning Board Wednesday by J. M. Ledwith of Milton.

Ledwith, one of the principals in Country Inns Ltd., sought rezoning of the land to commercial. Part of it is presently zoned development and part is industrial. The firm has purchased some industrially-zoned land at the north corner of the

property to square off the shape of the 198 by 377 foot lot.

He said the original stone farmhouse would be converted into a steak house and the motel will be constructed at the north corner of the site. The indoor pool is definite and an indoor gymnasium and multi-purpose building may be added later. A total of 96 parking spaces will be provided—the town's by-law demands 54.

The board will deal with Country Inns' application at its Sept. 19 meeting.

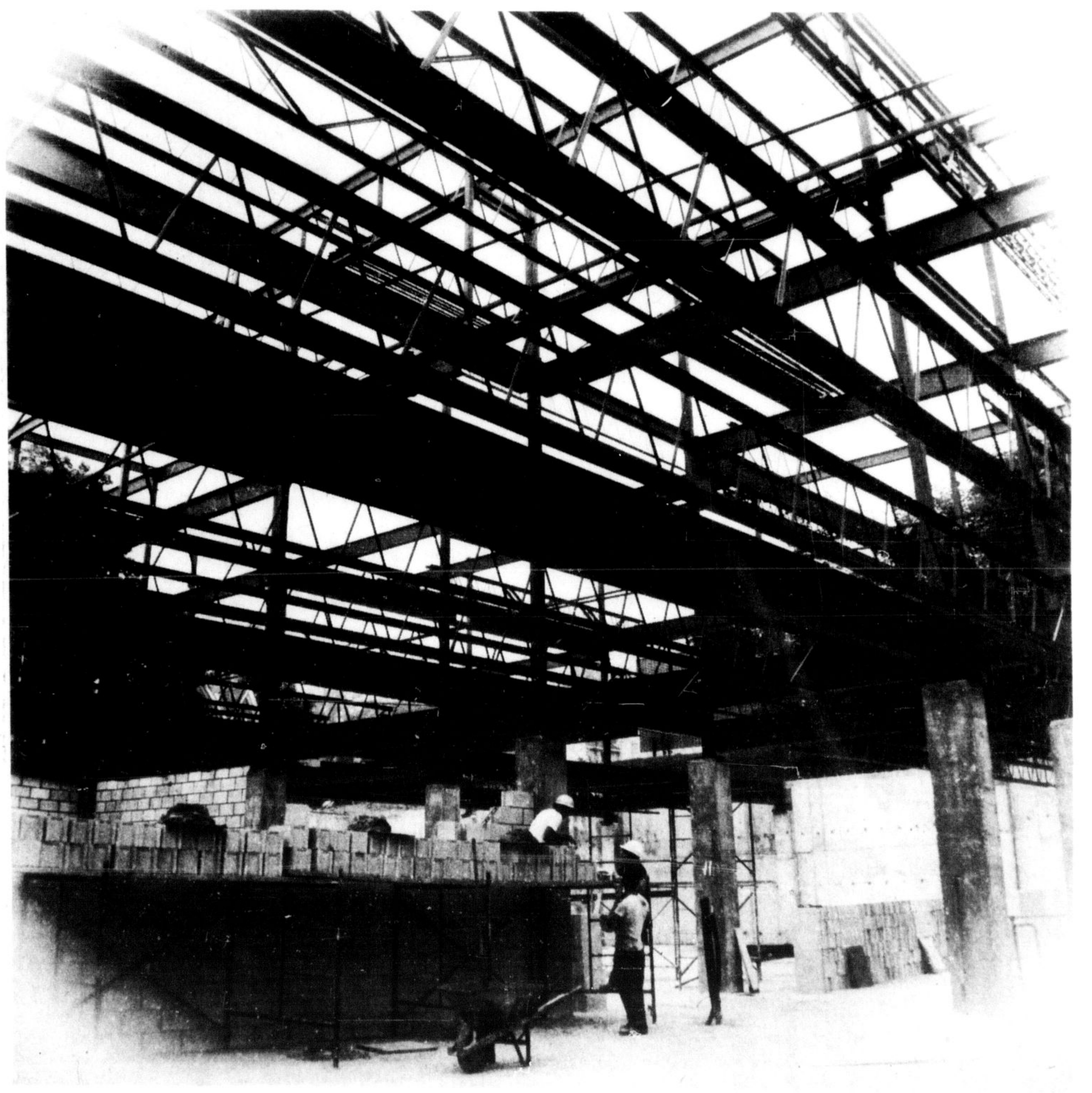
Bring a chair

Free band concert

A free Sunday evening band concert has been arranged by the town council, it was announced Tuesday, to be held in conjunction with the Labor Day weekend events.

The Hindoo Koosh Grotto Band of Hamilton and District will present a concert between 7.30 and 9 in Milton Arena. The concert by the 45-piece group under the direction of Elgin Corlett will include classic, popular and march music.

Councillors suggested citizens bring their own lawn chairs to enjoy the concert program in the arena.



STEEL IS RISING and masonry work has started at Trafalgar Square, a new commercial building underway on Main St. at Fulton St. Toronto-Dominion Bank, Best Realty and Insurance and several offices

and stores will occupy the 15,000 square feet of floor area and owner-developer Brian Best estimates the cost at close to \$300,000. It will be completed this fall. (Photo by R. Downs)

Weekend festival of antiques

Steamers return for 13th show

"The days when steam was king" will return to Milton this weekend as the Ontario Steam and Antique Preservers Association invades Milton Fair Grounds for a three-day reunion and steam festival.

All day Friday, Saturday and Monday (the grounds are closed Sunday) lumbering giants of yesteryear will be on show and on parade for an expected crowd of as many as 30,000 visitors, as the 13th annual Steam-Era reunion unfolds.

Directors have arranged some innovations in the program, including a quilting demonstration and tug of war contests, and many newly restored antique steam engines, gas tractors, gas

engines and old cars and trucks will be on display. But the stalwarts of the show, the 30 restored Canadian and American steam engines, over 40 gas tractors and over 200 gas engines that have starred at previous shows, will all be back again and performing daily for the crowds.

Want good weather

Club president Ross Calder of Preston says Steam-Era is a guaranteed success, even if nobody comes, because the members have a lot of fun exhibiting their collections. "All we need now is a weekend of perfect weather and we can top our attendance record," he said. Steam-Era visitors usually are one of two types—the old timers

who recall the days of steam and come back year after year for nostalgic reasons, and the younger people who have never seen steam engines and early farm implements running and working. The older comes to "relive a bit of their history" while the younger people come to be entertained and educated, says president Calder.

He and his nine-man board of directors, assisted by over 200 members and another 150 associate members, run the Steam-Era. Any profit from the weekend is salted away for the day the club can have its own permanent home and erect some buildings for year-round storage

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