

Here and There in Brief

One of 30 entries

Wins crest award

Halton Regional Council has a new crest. The crest designed by William J. Faulds of Burlington shows a beaver representing Halton Hills, a deer representing Milton, an Oak tree representing Oakville and a lighthouse representing Burlington.

His was one of about 30 designs entered in the crest contest. First prize was \$300.

Just two allowed

Ban trailer parks

There won't be any more trailer parks or camping grounds allowed in Milton.

At a planning and development committee meeting Wednesday, Milton Council approved an amendment to the zoning by-law stipulating that only the two trailer parks now in existence will be allowed. One is at Mohawk Inn, Campbellville and the other is the Milton Heights Campground at Milton Heights.

In describing the two properties to be allowed in the by-law, planning director Bob Zsadyani said a 90-acre parcel adjoining the Mohawk Inn trailer park is to be included, as it has been in use as a recreational area for the Mohawk park for several years.

May 14

Tory nominations

Halton Conservatives have the feeling there may be a federal election in the wind.

At the group's annual meeting last week, members agreed to hold a nominating convention on Tuesday, May 14 to select their candidate for the next federal race. It will be held at White Oaks School in Oakville, and MP Michael Meighan from Westmount, Montreal has been invited to speak.

Halton MP Terry O'Connor is the sitting member and there is every indication he will again contest the Halton seat for the Tories. He has been the MP since ousting Liberal member Rud Whiting four years ago.

Operation Placement

Job office opens

Operation Placement, a local office trying to provide summer jobs for students, will be officially opened in Milton next Wednesday, although the office is open and in business already.

An official opening ceremony is scheduled for 10.30 a.m. Wednesday, May 1 with local MP Terry O'Connor, MPP Jim Snow, the mayor and councillors invited to participate. The Milton office is located in the post office building and will remain open until the end of August.

Last year Operation Placement offices in Milton, Oakville and Clarkson received 2,989 registrations from students and found summer work for 1,418 of them. This year officials estimate close to 2,000 students will find jobs through the three offices.

Milton Chamber of Commerce is one of the sponsors, along with Canada Manpower and the Oakville and District Labor Council.

Scouts collect

11 tons of paper

Over 11 tons of waste newspaper and cardboard were collected from homes and stores in Milton, Saturday during the Milton Boy Scouts' monthly paper collection. Jim Strain, acting president of the Milton District Scout Association, said it was a record haul—the biggest pile of paper the Scouts have seen in the two years they have run paper drives.

The waste paper goes to a recycling plant in Brampton. The Scouts are paid by the ton.

Strain said next month's collection will be switched from May 18 to May 25, to avoid the Victoria Day holiday weekend. Meanwhile a trailer has been parked at the rear of the Scout Hall in the Milton Fair Grounds, and anyone wanting to dispose of waste paper or cardboard can take it to the trailer any day of the week. He

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TRIDENTS
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CHAMPS



JUST LIKE THE SIGN SAYS, Milton Tridents are champs and playing coach Carl Hymers (left) and forward Gary Hudson hold up the Ontario Intermediate "B" championship trophy to prove it. Tridents clipped Port Dover in number six of a seven game series, capping it off with a 7-6 win in Dover last Wednesday night. Hymers scored twice including the winner and Hudson added a single to bring the provincial honor to Milton for the first time.

(Photo by D. Pink)

New developments held up

Services at limit; growth in Halton stops

By Bob Burt

A report that could have severe effects on growth throughout Halton Region will be discussed this afternoon at a meeting of the region's Public Works Committee.

According to a report filed by Director of Public Works Bob Bailie, his department

has virtually ceased to give permission for new development throughout Halton Region.

"This is because we have been informed through discussions with staff at the Ministry of the Environment that our pollution control plants are either overloaded or have reached the limit of their present capacities. Under the

circumstances it would seem that the sensible thing to do is to take no action for which it could be claimed that we are worsening existing conditions," Bailie's report said.

Suddenly His report explains that the situation has developed suddenly because of changes in calculations at the ministry level.

Bailie said the new terms present special problems for Milton, Acton and Georgetown. "We have been informed there is insufficient flow in the receiving streams to properly dilute any additional effluent from the plants," he said.

Bailie said one of three things would have to be done in the northern areas. The

choices included increasing the standard of treatment; increasing the dry weather flow in the creeks by impounding upstream water, and the third choice would be to agree on a decreased standard of water in the creeks downstream of the plants.

No advice "We appreciate that the

aim is to improve the standard of pollution control treatment, protecting the environment to the benefit of all. Our difficulty at the present time is that we have been informed that the problem referred to exists but advice on the processing of new development has not been received.

"The situation is further confused by the fact that we

have seen statements in the press to the effect the province is prepared to some extent to sacrifice environmental considerations in an effort to speed up the construction of new homes."

Bailie said he and his staff would be sorting out unanswered questions and trying to chart a proper course.

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Obtain 58 cent increase

Rockwell strike is over

The Rockwell strike is over. Workmen returned to their jobs at 7 a.m. today (Wednesday), ending the 7½-day-old strike at the Milton plant of Rockwell International of Canada after a new three-year contract was ratified Tuesday. Ratification was far

from unanimous as only one-third of the Milton employees favored the contract—but a majority of the 1,500 employees at the company's three plants in Milton, Oshawa and Chatham plant carried the vote.

Local 1067 UAW president

Alex Petrie told The Champion the 430 Milton workers were about 67 per cent against the new contract and the majority of the 150 Oshawa employees also rejected it, but the 900 employees at Chatham were "pretty solid" behind the

contract offer.

Pay plus benefits The contract includes 58 cents in wage increases over three years, plus several expanded and new benefits, union officials reported. This includes a 25 cents an hour increase retroactive to March

15, a five cent increase in October, and two 14 cent raises on the contract anniversary dates in March 1975 and 1976. "We had asked for more," Petrie said, but refused to elaborate.

Employees will also benefit from a company offer to pay full cost of dental work, a new vision care program for families, a pension which allows retirement at age 58 for those with 30 years of service, and a cost of living clause which gives a one cent an hour raise for every .35 increase in the consumer index.

Previous pay rates in the union were an average \$4 an hour plus a 60 cent cost of living bonus.

Out early

The official strike deadline was 11 a.m. Monday, April 22. Negotiations which broke off the previous Monday had resumed Thursday and continued to just before the strike deadline—10.30 a.m. Monday. Union officials had quickly notified members in the three plants of the package offered. Milton workers had already been on strike for nearly a week and their fellow members in

Oshawa decided to strike at 11 o'clock Monday, but the Chatham work force remained at their jobs. Ratification votes were taken at 10 a.m. Tuesday and the result of the vote was not announced until 2.30 that afternoon.

In defiance of union orders, the Milton employees had left their jobs at 7.30 p.m. last Monday, before the official strike deadline. Workers said they walked off the job to protest delays in negotiating their new contract.

Things were quiet as (Continued on page eleven)



HALTON REGIONAL COUNCIL held its first meeting in the council room of the new Burlington headquarters last week. Councillors complained about the poor arrangement in the council

chambers. Some councillors could not hear what was being said and some could not see the speaker. (Photo by S. Dills)

Council endorses brief rejecting hydro routes in region site - - Hill

A brief written by Councillor Don Gordon which disputes the need and the location of both the Milton and Halton hydro substations and calls for a return to Ontario Hydro's original "middle" route for its 500 kV line, was endorsed by Milton Council Wednesday.

"I prefer hydro's original route," Gordon told the council. It passed through the north-west corner of Nassagaweya but left the remainder of Halton and the Milton area virtually untouched.

Gordon's report claimed Solandt Commission study and the BHI study recommended other routes because the direct cost of the entire inquiry has been about \$380,000—"and one does not spend vast sums of money to prove the original route was correct."

Move it east The Halton substation should be in the parkway belt around Halton's eastern boundary—preferably in the 10th Concession rather than the Ninth—his brief recommended.

And the Milton substation, to be located just east of the built-up section of the town, would not be necessary if hydro's original route was accepted, he suggests.

Gordon said "it is incredible to think a civil servant at Queen's Park can destroy years of planning (not only by a local municipality but by Hydro and such various provincial departments as high-

way planning and the Toronto Centred Region Report) in one stroke of the pen."

The north-south route from Limehouse to Milton goes through attractive rural lands, good farms and rural estates, he said. He agreed with Milton's earlier brief that claimed Milton will be "the most persecuted and unplanned community in Ontario," if hydro follows Solandt's recommendations.

Gordon also objected to

waiving the expropriation act hearings for land needed for the hydro line; and the exemption of Hydro from the Planning and Development Act's provisions for "extensive dialogue" between the planners and the public. These recommendations by Solandt are "totally unacceptable," he suggests.

Copies of his report will go to the premier, MPPs Jim Snow and George Kerr and other government members.

Geographical location will be the prime factor in making a recommendation for permanent headquarters for Halton Regional Council, according to site committee chairman Tom Hill.

Mayor Hill told reporters that his committee had toured five proposed sites during a meeting Monday morning.

He said the committee

wasn't limiting its choice to serviced land. According to Hill, a choice should be made by July.

Between now and then, the committee expects to visit each and every site that has been brought to the attention of the committee.

Propose it now

In order to avoid a situation where landowners bring in proposals after the com-

mittee has made a recommendation, Hill has invited submissions at this time. During the discussions held to select a temporary site, several applicants appeared on the scene after the council had felt it had considered all probabilities.

Councillors have expressed disappointment with new headquarters in Burlington. It was leased for three years.

Earlier the council had considered recommendations that would have seen a pool within a pool built, a steel liner installed and a number of other suggestions that ranged in price upwards from \$65,000.

Council had at one point all but given up hope of having the pool open and operational for this summer.

Takes six weeks Providing Heard's solution stands up and is endorsed by health officials, the work could be completed in a six week period.

Heard said that even if the main drain is faulty it could be closed and a new one installed.

Council expects to make a final decision soon.

8-year-old killed on way to school

An eight-year-old Milton girl was struck and killed while she crossed Trafalgar Rd. south of Britannia Rd. last Wednesday morning.

Devon Cook, a grade three and four student at Percy W. Merry School was crossing the road with her brother Earle, 6, to wait for the morning school bus just before 8 o'clock. Police said Devon apparently walked from behind a row of southbound cars when she was struck by a northbound vehicle. Her brother escaped unhurt.

Driver of the car was Scott Moyes of Oakville. No charges were laid.

Funeral service was held at Highway Gospel Church in Milton, Friday afternoon and

interment was at the Trafalgar Lawn Cemetery in Oakville.

Aside from Earle, Devon is survived by an older brother Scott, 13, and parents Mr. and Mrs. Watson Cook.

Start fund Friends at Highway Gospel Church have decided to start a Devon Cook Memorial Fund and plan to channel any donations into mission work, in her memory, said Rev. M. C. Christensen. Officials at Percy Merry School are assisting with the fund and donations can be made at either the church or the school.

Mrs. Christensen said Devon was an outgoing girl. "Everyone loved her," she added.



46 HALTON FIREFIGHTERS learned more about firefighting and fire prevention last week in a one-week regional fire school held in Milton, under the sponsorship of the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office.

Extinguishing pan fires with chemical fire extinguishers was one of the lessons. More photos of the fire school exercises in today's paper.

(Photo by R. Downs)

Region administrator movement is strongly opposed

By Bob Burt Halton Regional Council will be asked once again to reconsider an earlier decision and hire a chief administrative officer to pull loose ends together and make the region a cohesive unit.

Councillors Mary Munroe

of Burlington and Ric Morrow of Halton Hills will put a motion to that effect before the council at a meeting in the near future.

A similar motion was defeated early in the year. Some councillors feel an administrative officer could pull

various departments together and improve the apparently floundering operation.

Have to be convinced Several members contacted by this newspaper have indicated they'll need a lot of convincing before they approve of that motion.

Halton Hills Councillor Ernie Sykes expressed opposition to that route. "I'm opposed to it. I don't feel the need for it. This is what we have a chairman hired to do. We have sufficient staff to take care of the affairs of the region."

Sykes attributed the current confusion to the fact the region is in a transitional period. "We're drafting our first budget, setting up committees for the first time. We have nothing to compare with and have to do things on a trial and error basis."

Move a problem Sykes feels that by this time next year things will be running more smoothly. "The move to Burlington hasn't helped anything. It has disrupted staff and added to the problems. The sooner we get out of there, the better. The

building at its best will still be a makeshift arrangement," he suggested.

Milton Mayor Anne MacArthur said the administrator proposal had been turned down by council earlier. She felt the chairman would have (Continued on page eleven)