

Federal election underway

Halton and Halton-Wentworth riding politicians and citizens are gearing up for the July 8 federal election. The election machinery was turned on last week when parliament was dissolved after a non-confidence motion brought the Liberal government to defeat.

A brisk eight weeks of campaigning appears inevitable—although the election call caught local ridings without declared candidates, that should be remedied before the end of this month as all the parties are scheduling nomination meetings.

The first is tonight (Wednesday) when Halton Liberals meet at Ontario School for the Deaf in Milton to select their representative. Oakville physician Dr. Frank Philbrook and Georgetown industrialist Frank Allen are in the running for the party's nod. Both have been quietly campaigning among Liberals for the past two weeks and once a winner is declared he will turn his attention to wooing votes from the uncommitted.

O'Connor ready

Halton MP Terry O'Connor, who defeated incumbent Liberal Rud Whiting in the last election in October 1972, is expected to be the choice when Halton Conservatives meet at White Oaks Secondary School in Oakville this Thursday to name a candidate. O'Connor says he's ready for the election campaign and confident his record in the House and the current PC popularity will send him back to Ottawa again—although he's also planning a vigorous campaign.

Halton New Democrats, who fielded Erin school teacher Carolyn Holstein in the last federal race, have not yet scheduled a nomination meeting but local supporters said one was "imminent". Mrs. Holstein ran third to O'Connor and Whiting in 1972, polling 8,800 votes to Whiting's 20,000 and O'Connor's 22,000.

Halton riding includes all of Oakville, that part of Milton east of Tremaine Rd. the Town Line, all the former Esquing, Georgetown and Acton areas, Erin Township and the town of Erin. There was an 83 percent turnout in the last federal election here.

Kemping winner

Halton-Wentworth includes Burlington, that part of Milton formerly known as North Burlington and Nassagaweya, East and West Flamborough, Dundas and Waterdown. In 1972 an 82.42 percent turnout

of the 76,000 eligible voters swept newcomer Bill Kemping of Dundas into office for the Conservatives. He defeated Liberal standard-bearer Norm McGuinness 30,000 to 21,000 while the NDP candidate Dickson Bailey polled 10,000.

The three riding associations for Halton-Wentworth will be ready to begin election campaigning by the end of the month when they have their candidates chosen.

First to get into action will be the Liberals after their nomination meeting on May 21 at 8 p.m. in the ballroom of the Burlington Holiday Inn. Memberships from 1973 may be renewed at the door, but new memberships will have to be taken out at least 72 hours before the meeting. After the business is finished, there will be refreshments and dancing. Information is available from campaign headquarters at 639-2156, or 2157. Spokesmen say, some candidates are showing interest but their names weren't released.

BULLETIN: Eric Cunningham, 25, of Burlington announced himself Tuesday as a candidate for the Halton-Wentworth Liberal nomination. He is a public relations consultant.

The next day, May 22, the Progressive Conservatives will do their nominating at M. M. Robinson High School in Burlington at 8.30 p.m. Information is available from Jim Swanborough at Hamilton 525-1660. Bill Kemping of Dundas, sitting MP, says he'll run again and the party is not expecting any PC opposition.

On May 29, the NDP will choose their federal candidate at Central Public School in Burlington at 8 p.m. Visitors are welcome and a guest speaker will be announced later. Walter Mulkevic, a former provincial candidate is expected to run. Pat Clancy has more information at 634-5497.

Returning officers

Halton's returning officer is John Haight of Oakville and he is busy this week lining up enumerators who must go through the entire riding, recording the names of eligible voters in the 278 polls. An enumeration staff of about 450 will handle the chore. Haight has already met with officials of the three political parties to lay out the ground rules for the July election.

In Halton-Wentworth, Donald Goodrow of Burlington is back as returning officer after running the 1972 election for the riding. There were 318 polls in the last election in Halton-Wentworth.



MAY I CUT IN? Dr. Frank Philbrook moves in on Frank Allen while he dances with Betty Robson, president of the Halton and Halton East Liberal Association. Mr. Allen and Dr. Philbrook were introduced as candidates for the riding Liberal nomination on Friday at the association's spring dance. (Photo by P. Ford)

Johnson feels shunned by region bureaucrats

William A. "Wicked Willie" Johnson of Nassagaweya, spokesman for the Ontario Garbage Coalition and its 55 member groups, feels he has been shunned by what he calls "bureaucrats" at Halton Regional Council.

Johnson was scheduled to speak to regional council earlier this year on the need for recycling of garbage and a regional incinerator project. But he couldn't keep the first appointment due to illness and when a second chance was scheduled, he was booked to speak to a group of students the same day.

In the meantime regional council introduced a new procedural by-law which rules

delegations must appear at a committee meeting instead of going before the whole council.

"No point" When Johnson called Friday to arrange to speak to this week's council meeting, he was told by two staffers he couldn't go to the council level—he would have to speak to the public works committee instead.

"There is no point in going to a committee—I didn't vote for a committee, I voted for a council. I think it's time we got through some of this bureaucratic red tape and our elected representatives got off the fence and did something," Johnson told this newspaper.

The Coalition spokesman says he proposes to encourage the region to set up an incinerator project somewhere where industrial assessment is needed. The incinerator's proximity would encourage some industries to locate there, he said.

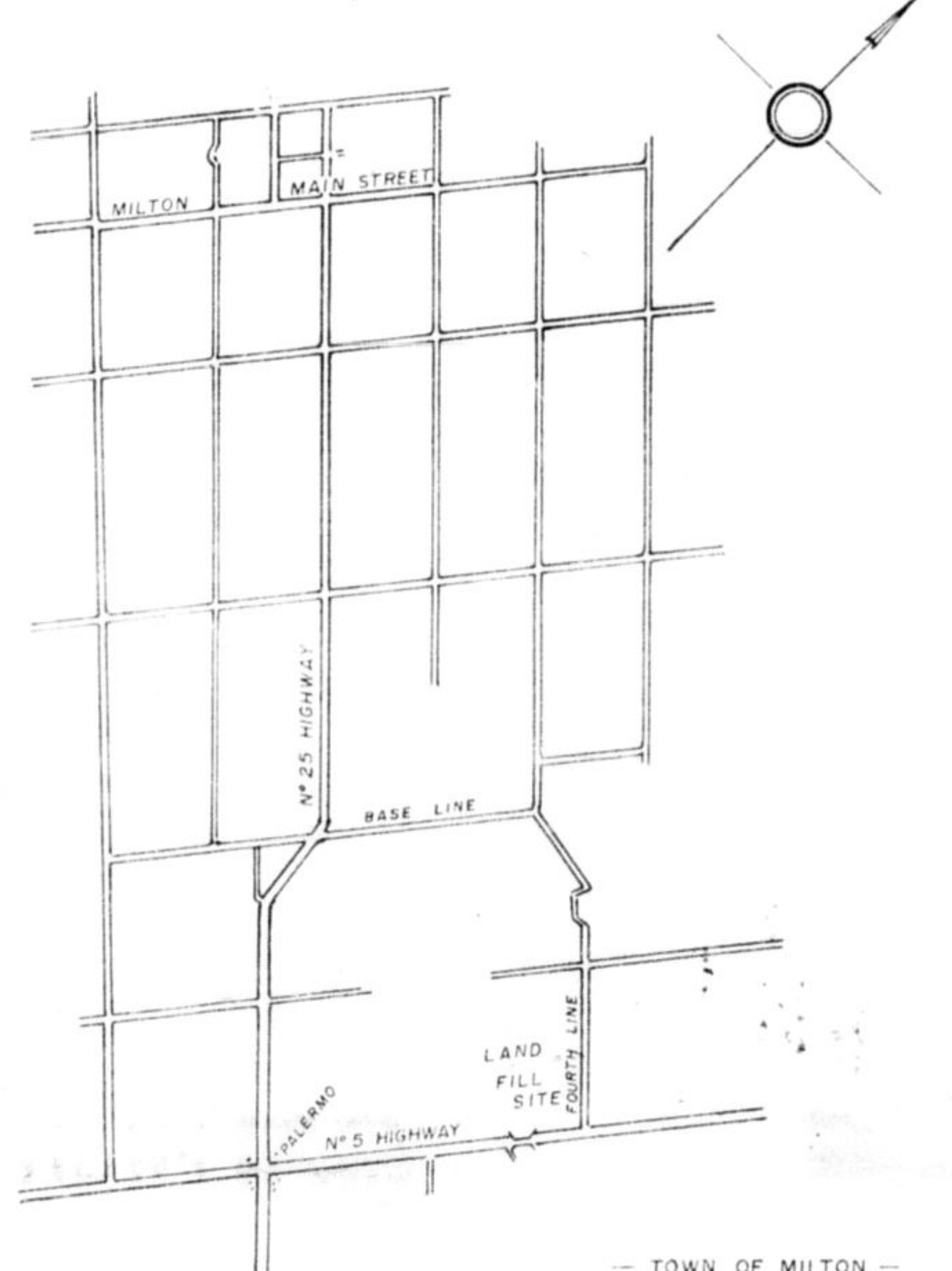
Celebrates 80th birthday

Robert Anderson of 200 Sarah St. is celebrating his 80th birthday on Monday, May 20 and will be at home to friends and family on that day from 1 to 4 p.m.

INFORMATION TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF MILTON

Garbage may be taken to the regional land fill site in Oakville

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Escarpment plan area has no land "freeze"

There is no "freeze" on land in the Niagara Escarpment Planning Area, says Walter Gowing, information officer for the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

A map and article outlining the newly defined planning area appeared last week in this newspaper concerned some readers who have land in the planning area which embraces 2,000 square miles of land from Niagara to Tobermory. But, according to Gowing, outside of one parcel of land close to Burlington and Milton where the Parkway Belt overlaps on the Escarpment planning area, there are no controls.

However, Mr. Gowing said the commission is moving rapidly towards a developmental program which will decide which areas will be allowed to develop in a style compatible to the Escarpment. Any properties in the control area must get a permit from the Commission before they can make changes. If they are successful in getting a permit they are still subject to the local building regulations which must be compatible to Escarpment controls.

Mr. Gowing noted this was something entirely new in North America although some parts of Europe have pioneered in this type of development.

He said the commission must decide where the

critical areas which need controls. In a matter of weeks he expects the commission will have maps which will clear up a lot of questions people in the planning area may have.

The planning area includes Acton, part of Milton and most of Halton Hills, although it avoids Georgetown by skirting the old western boundary.

The Escarpment Commission hopes to have a Master Plan created within the next three years but municipalities within the planning area will have a chance to participate in the final presentation which in turn will be handed back to the regions and counties to control.

Gowing noted that proposed subdivisions along the planning area are already being scrutinized by the commission as well as other Government regulatory bodies. This is controlled through the Plans Advisory Branch of the Ministry of Housing which submits the plans to 23 additional agencies for their comments, including the commission.

Escarpment regulations will supersede all local zoning by-laws which are not compatible with it, Mr.

Gowing said, but he felt there would be more give and take than in rigid zoning by-laws which state the type of housing which can be built. He said developmental controls could vary from lot to lot.

Twenty-five people are now employed by the commission in the Georgetown head office but this number will shrink when branch offices are opened at Clarksburg, near Thornbury, and Grimsby. Gowing felt the commission had already progressed rapidly in its understanding and plans for the 2,000 square miles of Escarpment.

Baptism service

Baptized with water from the Jordan River Sunday morning at St. Paul's United Church, were four infants.

Rev. C. Hainer obtained the Jordan River water on his recent visit to the Holy Land. Those baptized were Joseph Aaron, son of Delano and Marsha Duke; Clinton Wade, son of David and Patricia Anne Farkas; Karen Margaret, daughter of Gary and Alice Fetter; and Shari-Ann Hope, daughter of Norman and Cathy White.

Near \$4 million

Permits for growth

Officials at Milton's Building Department issued permits for construction valued at \$3,852,815 during the month of April.

Of that \$3,770,015 was for residential construction, \$16,000 for industrial construction and \$66,800 for institutional and government construction.

The industrial addition referred to was an addition to facilities at Ontario Rock Drillers on Steeles Ave.

The residential developments included 26 single family homes and 139 row housing units.

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