### Prisoners treated in sadistic manner, court told

By Peter Mills

police van was made worse by the actions of 12 uncomfortable." men within it, a Halton was told.

mechanical engineering treated during a ride to past nine years. conditions within the van "must have been very

number of men inside, it Constables

Regional Police hearing held in a Milton court and policeman for 12 years, stems from charges West Detention Centre Colter is presiding over from Milton court on the hearing. August 14, 1978.

bad. With the outside creditable conduct and measured at 32 degrees,

temperature and the neglect of duty are making it one of the hot- there were ways for air to heat pros- iation would increase by describing the conditions would have been terribly Vanclief, 35, and Annesly Raj Swaminathan, 39. The hearing is being Vanclief has been a and Swaminathan has made by the prisoners in been with Halton

The outside tem-

Charged with dis- perature that day was

at the University of Tor- the Metropolitan Toronto Judge William E. source of ventilation in compartment. the van was a circular vent on the roof. It would be primarily used for allowing air to escape.

test days of the year, get into the rear portion forms of ventilation were roof hole and be replaced tration." as much as three times if in the van as "stuffy and testimony indicated. where the prisoners were open. Dr. Allan, who special- seated. One was through izes in engines and a sliding window conthermodynamics, test- necting the van cab with ified he examined the the rear portion. The Halton Regional Police other was through a northe van they were mis- Regional Police for the van on Jan. 9, 1979, and mal ventilation fan which said he found the only would blow air into the

> Previous testimony indicated the sliding window was closed. Dr. Allan pointed out

Dr. Allan also said the conditions in the van

smaller than any of the amount to "slow circothers. Given the speed ulation", which would inof the van and the size of crease as the speed of the the prisoners' compart- van increased. ment and the size of the roof opening, you'd only "It got to the point

the van at a given mom- men inside would get

by incoming air. He "The roof opening was testified this speed would

get about five or six where the body was no changes of air per hour." longer able to lose its own Dr. Allan explained a heat. The longer you "change of air" is the were in it, the worse it time it takes for the air in got. As it got worse, the

imated the temperature active. inside the van to be over "A stationary man

gives off 400 British Thermal Units (BTU) so BTUs. That's if they were more air into the van. stationary."

Allan said the heat rad-

Dr. Allen said he est- the men were physically suffocating."

40 degrees. He based it on indicated the men were studies done previously. quite active in the van. Delbert Hesch, one of the prisoners, testified he and several of the prisonthe 12 men would be ers had tried to kick the giving off close to 5,000 back doors open to allow

"Any ventilation we Under questioning, Dr. could have had was closed off," he said,

Hesch also said the Previous testimony prisoners were yelling at van, and Swaminathan, who sat in the passenger seat, in an attempt to get them to turn down the heat in the van. (Several prisoners had testified the heater in the van was

> Hesch said the police (Continued on Page 6)

# VOLUME 118 -- NUMBER 39 MILTON, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1979

### Chairman's announcement blows open Site F case

the Ontario Municipal and Board Hearing on Site F matter with OMB chairman W. T. Schrives man.

Thursday. legal representatives Schrives' decision exfrom Halton, Milton and pands the scope of the the Tremaine-Britannia hearing since it allows Citizens' Group, Mr. evidence on the other

It will require fast

action on the part of the

town, but a \$150,000 loan

will be available from the

provincial government to

be used to beautify the

The best part is, the

Barney Henderson,

chairman of the Miltowne

Centre Business Im-

provement Area, spoke to

council Monday outlining

of the BIA members and

Historical Society, who

also heard of the propo-

Mr. Henderson intro-

duced three speakers,

Bob Pollock of the Minis-

try of Industry and

Tourism, Mirko Lakosel-

jac of the Ministry of

Housing, and Patty Craig

of the Ontario Heritage

Mr. Pollock showed a

slide presentation dealing

with problems faced by

other towns in Ontario,

notably Trenton, Barrie,

Ottawa, Kitchener, St.

Thomas, and Bloor St. in

Etobicoke. It showed

varying solutions to their

Mr. Pollock stressed

each of these towns recei-

ved excellent co-opera-

tion from municipal coun-

cil in trying to improve

the downtown area, but

the downtown community

got the ball rolling by

getting together and

committing their ener-

gies to improving the

downtown core and mak-

ing it an enjoyable place

Mr. Lakoseljac told

council the loan must be

paid back over a 10-year

period at an interest of

one per cent per annum.

The maximum loan is

\$150,000, which would

make the maximum

The money could be

annual payment \$16,500.

to do business.

particular problems.

Foundation.

sals for the first time.

the meeting were several further.

the group's proposal.

annual interest rate is

only one per cent over a

downtown area.

10-year period.

Expanding the scope of ion after calling a recess discussing approved by colleague A. J. C. Chap-

A spokesman for the Following debate with citizens' group said Mr. Schrives made the decis- proposed sanitary land- came

Town must hustle

taken out of the BIA's

budget, but it would have

to represent half of the

The money can be used

Mr. Henderson told

council the BIA group

wasn't expecting an im-

mediate answer on the

loan but wanted to advise

council what was avail-

able. He said the group

could come back at a

Mr. Henderson also

Also in attendance at later meeting to discuss it

members of the Milton pointed out it is man-

to buy land, he said to be used for parking pur-

group's annual budget,

Mr. Lakoseljac said.

fill sties to be heard. The hearing had orig-

inally been confined to evidence on other sites was repeatedly brought to the attention of the hearing through the testimony of witnesses.

The event triggering Mr. Schrives' decision

datory to have a mini-

Councillor Gord Krantz

said he believed time was

of the essence because

the loan applications

were being considered on

a first-come, first-served

basis, and the deadline is

Ministry has a total of

\$5,000,000 to be loaned out

the maximum (\$150,000)

the money ran out.

Mr. Lakoseljac said the

qualifying com-

THE

for the loan.

representing the region. Because Mr. Letich was asking questions about Site A in Burlington, Mr. Sexton rose to

Leitchs' cross-examina-

tion of Grant Anderson.

lawyer representing the

hydrogeologist from the

Gartner Lee Associates

He is the fourth witness

consulting firm

Mr. Leitch is the

Mr. Anderson is an

for downtown loan say he objected. was on Site F. It should remain true to its pur-

mum standards by-law Mr. Schrives decided before the town is eligible debate should be allowed and gave Mr. Anderson permission to sit down. the first witness so

> Arguments were heard from Mr. Sexton, Mr. Leitch and David Estrin, the lawyer representing the citizens' group. Debate centred on the question of whether the

allow evidence on other munities. If each community were to ask for Mr. Sexton was opposed while Mr. Leitch just 33 loan applications and Mr. Estrin were in would be approved before

Mr. Schrives called a hearing resumed, he said the hearing's base would be expanded because of sanitary landfill

However, he said little weight would be given to The region's case is witnesses on matters of which they are ignorant. Spokesmen from the town and citizens said nouncement improves

their chances. The citizens don't want Tremaine and Britannia Rds. and the town doesn't want it in Milton.

If the hearing is now willing to consider other locations, a decision may be made to locate elsewhere, town and citizens' spokesmen said

Thursday's legal exchange between the three lawyers and the OMB members is characteristic of the hearing. It began when Messrs.

hearing should expand to Estrin and Leitch began cross-examining the first witness, Halton Public Works Director Robert Moore, called by the region the first week.

The OMB members have asked for restraint and co-operation between the three lawyers. On Thursday, Jan. 11 the hearing adjourned early in order to allow the OMB to clear lines of procedure with the three

based on the premise a sanitary landfill location is needed and the best location is Site F.

Mr. Sexton first called Mr. Moore as a witness Hubert former Bourque, a landfill site at the regional engineer spec-

> Both have been crossexamined by Mr. Estrin and Mr. Leitch.

Wally Wells, a senior associate with the consulting firm of M. M. Dillon which the region has retained to advise it on landfill, was the third

Because of a death in the family, Mr. Wells was unable to appear Thursday, Jan. 18.

Rather than have his cross-examination interrupted by his absence, Mr. Schrives asked Mr. Sexton to call the region's next witness. This is Mr. Anderson.

nessstand later He is considered a key witness by the citizens and town because he was

Mr. Wells is expected

paring the Site F recommendations for Halton. The hearing goes on each week Monday to Thursday from 10 a.m. to p.m. and 2.15 to 4.30

instrumental in pre-

Held in the auditorium Halton Centennial Manor in Milton, the hearing is in its third week, having started January 8. It is projected to last to the end of

are the OMB members, hearing secretary and recorder who face the legal representing the region, town and citizens. Attendance

At the front of the hall

dwindled to a few hard core enthusiasts, almost all of whom are members of the Tremaine-Britannia Citizens' Group .

Many of these are employed and have had to arrange alternate work schedules in order to attend.

-Public schools have a developprofessional ment day holiday this Friday.

Middle School was one of the fortunate staffers to get involved with the annual

IT LOOKS MESSY, but tasted great. Beth

Perham, a grade six teacher, at W.I. Dick

#### Village will wait for snow removal

When it comes to saving money or shovelling snow, Milton Council opts for the former.

Director of Public Works Joe Pitushka presented a report to council Monday recommending a local contractor be hired to remove snow in Campbellville because existing equipment was tied up in other areas, and couldn't be spared to re-Campbellville's move

Council was told Halton Region considers snow removal on regional roads in Cambellville a low-priority item.

Council did too, voting to reject the recommendation. Members said the existing equipment would have to do, and if the equipment didn't get to Campbellville until "four days or so" after a snowstorm, that was all right.

afternoon as part of the Dick Winterfest. More photos on Community page, C1. (Champion photo by Peter McCusker)

cream pie-eating contest Wednesday

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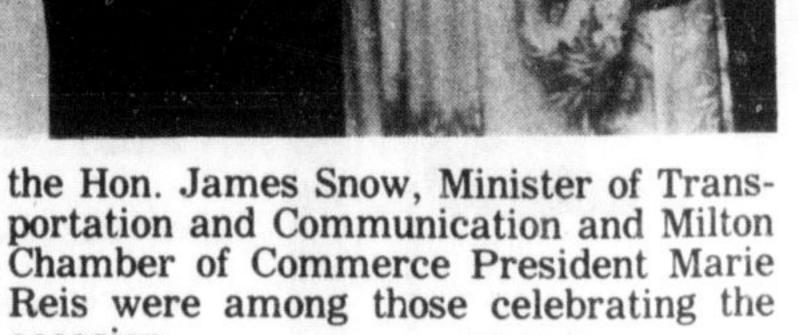
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#### Site F perpretators 'should be shot', says Planche where Site F is?"

#### Shooting the people responsible for inflicting Site F on Halton was suggested at regional council

Wednesday. Councillor Oakville Ron Planche said, "The people who got us into this Site F mess should be

The remark was made after Halton Solicitor Dennis Perlin asked approve recommendations shore up the region's case before the Ontario

Municipal Board (OMB) hearing on Site F at Hal-

"THE GREAT ONE" had plenty of cause

to feel great Saturday night, as more than

150 friends and elected officials attended a

banquet in honor of Milton's Citizen of the

Year, George Swann. Mayor Don Gordon,

ton Centennial Manor. The recommendations ask the region to express willingness to acquire lands adjacent to Site F, including the property of 93-year-old Bessie Smith.

Miss Smith's solicitor Peter McWilliams of Milton appeared before

"She doesn't want to sell her land," he said. her life. Her grandfather

farmed the land in 1846. He said she is opposed to locating a regional landfill dump at Site F around her property.

"She doesn't want to be surrounded," he said. The region's proposal drew fire from Milton's representatives.

Mayor Don Gordon said, "I am beginning to personally

"She has lived there all does not deserve to be

Councillor Bill Johnson described Mr. Perlin's proposals as 'skulduggery" by the reengineering consulting firm M. M.

Mr. Perlin had ap-

proached council with the recommendation apply to Milton for approval to acquire the lands required in con-

nection with the proposed sanitary landfill Site F... the lands of Mogil Properties and the lands of Kowal and Micallef together with the lands of

Bessie Smith." However, having received negative feed-"I am against this," he back, he said it appeared as if the region was proposing expropriation.

Consequently, amended his proposals. The amendment dealing with the proposed acquisition was amended

to say the region would be willing to acquire the three properties "after planning, financial and environmental approvals are received." This amendment to the

first amendment was further amended by council with the paragraph, "And further that staff prepare a report to council as to whether there are any additional adjacent properties that may be detrimentally affected by the Site

The last amendment was proposed after council was informed the re-

He had confused it with the Oakville dump map. Oakville Councillor Terry Mannell, "Don't you know

ments to his proposals were also a result of a gion wasn't sure what letter lawyer David Eslands were affected by trin wrote to council. Mr. Estrin, who is the When regional chair- solicitor representing the man Jack Raftis held up Tremaine-Britannia Citi-

a map of the Site F pro- zens' Group, said "It perties, it was the wrong would be illegal for council to make application to the Town of Milton for the acquisition of these

Mr. Perlin's amend-

"It would be illegal for (Continued on Page 8)