

Business forecast explained

Halton Regional Chairman Jack Raftis and Business Development Officer Brent Kearse were in Milton Thursday to explain the region's business development policies and plans for the future. They spoke with the Milton Jaycees. From left: Dan Dunn, Jaycee president; Mr. Kearse; Mr. Raftis; Tom Blanchard, Jaycee past-president; and Milton Mayor Don Gordon.

Says most child care money is being spent outside Halton

For every \$1 Halton spends on children's services in the region, it spends \$3 for similar services outside the boundaries of the municipality. That is the major conclusion drawn by a report on the Children's Services Project, which is an inventory of residential services utilized by Halton.

The report notes that during 1978 and 1979, 76 per cent or 38 of the residential facilities utilized by Halton were located in other areas.

"Such a high degree of outside service indicates that Halton does not have

particular resources within to meet the needs of children. "Therefore, it may be appropriate for Halton to review the situation and consider the further development of more appropriate services," the report concludes.

The services in question are group homes, residences for young offenders, and homes for emotionally disturbed children.

It is suggested in the report it might pay Halton in the long run to develop its own homes in Halton rather than expend money to other jurisdictions.

Dental program said needed - now

The supply of preventive dentistry programs in Halton needs substantial upgrading if it is to reach Ministry of Health standards, according to Councillor Carol Gooding.

Mrs. Gooding, in a report on "Gaps in the Delivery of Health and Social Services" said "no treatment is now being provided" in terms of a public health dental program.

She noted the Region will have to "catch up" to be within recent provincial guidelines.

A school prevention program would have to reach into higher grades, at least up to Grade 10. "There is a need to provide dental programs for infants, a senior citizen preventive clinic, and a central clinic for marginal income people of all ages," she said.

Mrs. Gooding has urged the Health and Social Services Committee to send her report to staff so methodology on correcting gaps can be brought to committee as soon as possible for discussion.

Drive-in rejected

A drive-in theatre proposed for the Lowville area has been turned down by Niagara Escarpment Commission, scoring a victory for area neighbors who opposed it.

Samuel Roy Enterprises had proposed a twin-screen drive-in project on 62 acres on 8 Sideroad at Guelph Line. The neighbors protested it on the basis of noise, litter and traffic and claimed it would destroy the rural residential neighborhood.

Earlier Halton Region and the City of Burlington had opposed the drive-in. The only recourse now for the drive-in proponents is to appeal to the Minister of Housing Claude Bennett.

No payoffs, corruption

There have been "no payoffs and no corruption" at Halton Region, as have been suggested by an Oakville Councillor.

Acting Chief Administrative Officer Dennis Perlin said he had made a thorough investigation of charges made by Councillor Laurie Mannell regarding an Oakville subdivision.

Mr. Perlin rejected Mr. Mannell's call for a "complete investigation into financial affairs of the Region as they now exist and submit to council a full report on the exact status of all money received, budgeted, and allocated."

Mr. Perlin read the Mannell letter clause by clause and was able to refute all the suggestions contained to the satisfaction of the Administration and Finance Committee.

Who doused the lights?

The cause of a mysterious power outage Oct. 1 is becoming more mysterious.

Milton Hydro Manager Oz Hadley had been asked by the town to investigate a three-hour lack of electricity on that date but has come up empty handed.

He said there was a report of one-half power at a lot on Concession and on Oct. 2 there was a burnt out transformer affecting one customer on No. 20 Sideroad, but that's all.

"From this, there was not a three-hour interruption on Oct. 1," Mr. Hadley said.

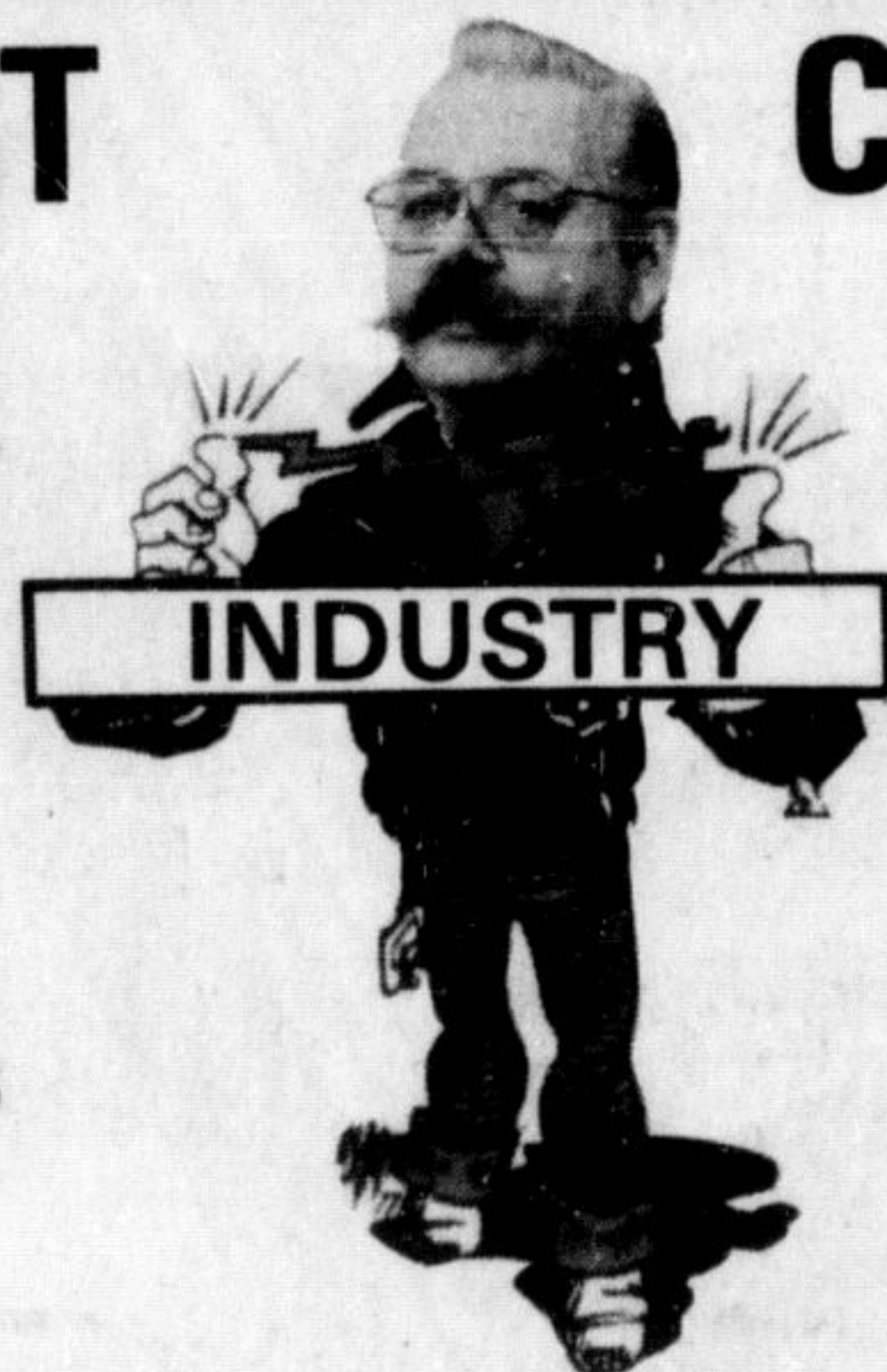
He did say if council disagreed or had better information, to contact him and he would investigate further.



Kiwanis officers

The Milton Kiwanis Club installed its officers at a dinner meeting this week. In front is Lt.-Gov. Jack Simpson of Humber Valley (left), welcoming new president Jim Hall. In the second row from left are secretary Bob Roberts, vice-president Hedley Grieves, treasurer Peter McGowan and past president Phillip McGowan.

SHORT CIRCUIT



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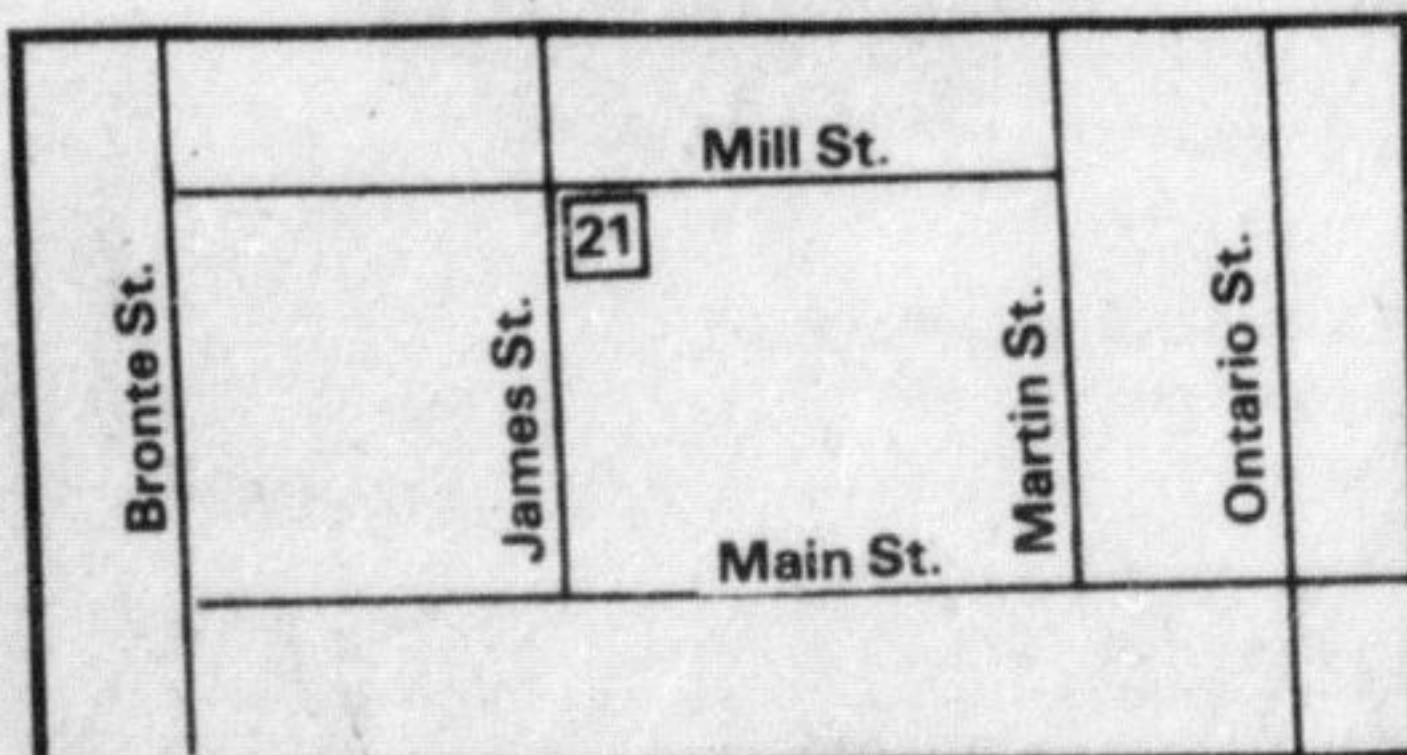
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