Propose another three-day deer hunt

Regional councillors will today discuss the possibility of another three-day, controlled Halton deer hunt for sometime in the

The Planning and Public Works Committee will review a recommendation from Planner Rash Mohammed that "the Ministry of Natural Resources be advised that

Halton has no objection to a three-day controlled deer hunt in 1981, but with only a similar number of hunters and supervision as in 1980."

The Ministry, which conducted the hunt last year in hopes of cutting back the high number of deer in Halton and Flamborough Township, was disappointed only 128 deer

were shot instead of the 1,000 expected. Much of the reason for the low kill was that hunters were not allowed to hunt in groups, but had to alone.

The results of the Ministry hunt were sent to the Halton Ecological and Environmental Advisory Committee and it concluded another hunt could be held, provided

the number of hunters and supervision remained the same as 1980.

The Halton Agricultural Advisory Committee has also backed the concept of another deer hunt in Halton.

According to Mr. Mohammed, the Ministry study shows "surprisingly few persons called to state their objection to the

"By constract, approximately 2,800

requests for applications for the hunt were received at the Ministry of Natural Resources District Office."

The one problem besides a decision to back the hunt which the committee must face is whether or not to give licences to

more out-of-Halton hunters. Last year 1,000 licences were authorized

but only 704 were actually issued. So far the EEAC has opposed the idea of filling the quota with hunters from outside the region.

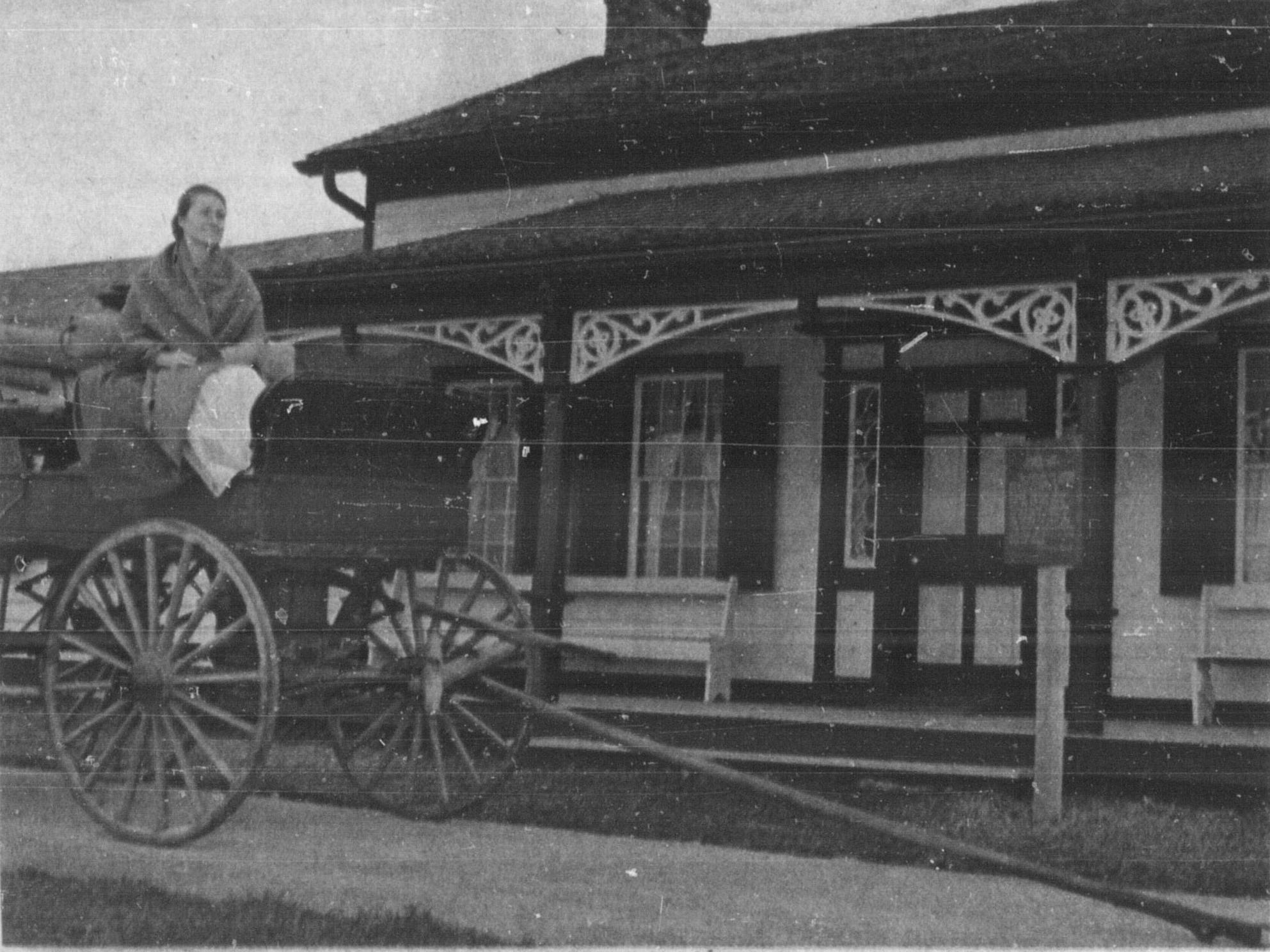
Councillors will decide on that question

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All set for Museum opening

Ontario Agricultural Museum is putting the finishing touches on several new displays, in readiness for the season's opening on Monday, May 11. Guide Celeste Brush was all set for a ride in the three-seat democrat, parked in front of the Lucas homestead, when

the photographer passed by the other day. The Museum recreates many styles of early agricultural homesteads on its 88-acre site next door to Kelso Park. It will feature 23 buildings and 20,000 artifacts when it opens May 11.

Rockwell, union find jobs for 136 workers

By Linda Kirby

A joint effort by Rockwell International in Milton and the local union to secure work for 136 laid-off workers has resulted in the placement of 90 per cent of those men in new jobs.

The project, which also utilized the efforts of a private consultant and Canada Manpower expertise, led to 122 jobs. Many of the employees had not worked in more than one year.

"It worked very well," said union chairman Bill Zillio with reference to a six-man committee that began the task of finding employment in January.

"We all took a very positive attitude." Fellow committee members admit they are pleasantly surprised with the success of

their efforts. "It was really seven weeks of intensive job searching," said Bob Mickle. There were no large blocks of people that

were placed with an employer, but instead

one or two people were usually required for

the position, he said. The Manpower Adjustment Committee, as it was named, wrote to 106 companies, following up with telephone calls and personal visits.

In all, 491 contacts were made. Of the 122 placed, fewer than 10 landed jobs in the town of Milton.

There is very little opportunity in town, said one member, adding the majority of those with new positions are working in secondary manufacturing in the surrounding area.

But there are no complaints, said Mr. Zil-

"The men have been happy with the help they got. Many were willing to move, if necessary, but none moved." Few are doing jobs similar to their pre-

vious work in Rockwell. Some of the new employers include Westinghouse, Firestone, Stelco, Wimpco

Steel, American Motors and Tonka Toys. The cost of the project---\$18,000, split between the company and the federal and provincial governments—is miniscule when compared to the savings in umem-

McLoughlin, private consultant. "At approximately \$51,000 per month for 122 men over the past seven months, that amounts to more than \$360,000.

ployment insurance draws, said Alex

"Now they are not drawing that any-

Although the committee will officially wind up tomorrow, Rockwell will pass on any new job leads to those still out of work.

Mr. McLoughlin said the success of the project was comparable to a similar task force arranged by Ford of Oakville to look for jobs for approximately 2,100 laid-off

Approximately 85 per cent of those were eventually placed.

Heritage grant \$210,000 court house renovation

By Jane Muller

A citizens' group has been formed in

Milton, to work on getting Bell Canada's toll

charges dropped on calls from Milton to

Halton's Conservative MP Otto Jelinek

has joined the "Milton Citizens Action Com-

mittee for Free Calling with Toronto"

(MCACFCT) and promises to make repre-

sentations on the group's behalf. A petition

has been drawn and signatures are needed

from a minimum of 60 per cent of the popu-

Arlene McMahon, whose in-depth article

on Bell's Toronto call toll rates appeared in

The Champion's editorial page on April 8, is

also a member of the committee. She is vio-

lently opposed to Bell's application for a 30

The following is the petition. The Com-

mittee urges every Milton telephone sub-

scriber to sign it and mail it to Otto Jelinek,

MP, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ont. K1A

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per cent rate increase.

Toronto phones

ton court house and jail.

over Toronto calling

The Town of Milton has been awarded the maximum grant of \$210,000 by the Ontario Heritage Foundation to help preserve and restore the old Hal-

"It is as large as any grant we've given," said Mr. White, a former provincial

MP Otto tackles Bell The grant will go toward exterior ren-ovations which will restore the 19th century building to its original state.

The old court house is Tudoresque in design and has paired crenelated towers at the entrance. These are not common in Ontario.

Even with the grant now in hand, the future of the redevelopment of the Brown St. complex is dependent upon the sale of the existing Milton town hall and surrounding municipal property.

The courthouse and jail will become the new council chambers, municipal offices and will even house a senior citizen drop-in centre in an addition.

The \$2.3 million renovation price tag cannot be met by the town until the present location is sold. The package of town land, advertised for

sale or lease since January, has attracted the interest of several developers but a buyer has not yet been found. Mr. White suggested a heritage grant may be made available for the present town hall if its use is to be changed due to its

purchase by a commercial developer. "Although I am unable to make a firm commitment for a grant to assist in the restoration of the present town hall, my Board has in the past looked favorably upon

similar applications for funding assistance," stated Mr. White in a letter to mayor Architect Carlos Ventin, who has been hired by the town to design preliminary plans and oversee reconstruction if the pro-

ject goes ahead, was also present at Thurs-"The movement to save these court house buildings was initiated by Carlos Ventin. Because of the success of a previous project enjoyed in Simcoe, we see a number of similar successful endeavors in Goderich, Guelph and other Ontario locations," said Mr. White.

Mr. Ventin's recycling project in Simcoe where his business is based, was visited by Milton councillors early last year and was a source of inspiration to them.

Mayor Gord Krantz said "serious negotiations" with potential buyers of the municipal block will begin, now that the grant has been secured for the court house

Mr. Ventin will be back to council within the next four to six weeks with further price estimates and plans.

It is hoped the Main St. municipal block will be developed for commercial use. An estimated tax revenue from the developed property is the main advantage seen in the move to Brown St.

It is hoped a commercial development to include street level boutiques and upper level offices will also stimulate activity in the downtown core and increase business for Main St. merchants.

The proposed new town hall will offer municipal staff more office space and the addition will provide a meeting place for local seniors.

Bi-Way coming

A Bi-Way department store will be established in Milton's downtown core in a few weeks, it was learned this week.

Bi-Way is renting the former Stedmans Store in the centre of Main St., according to local realtors Mike Ledwith of E. A. Mitchell Realty and Gus Goutouski of Halton Real Estate, who co-operated on bringing the firm to the empty store. Stedmans closed a couple of months ago, leaving a gap in the town core that was a concern to the Downtown Business Improvement Area board of management.

Abe Fish, president of Bi-Way, visited the store Thursday and agreed to the rental terms. Papers are being drawn this week and a confirmation that the deal is signed is expected within the next week, the realtors said. An opening is expected by Aug. 1.

Negotiations with Bi-Way have been going on for several weeks. The company has a chain of 82 stores carrying lowerpriced clothing and dry goods. "This will make a fantastic difference to

the Main St.," Mr. Goutouski said. "We sure need that type of store."

Petition

In view of the fact the Milton area does not have any direct free calling service to any major urban centre, we the undersigned demand that the CRTC reconsider its present position and provide extended area service with Toron-

NAME. (please print) ADDRESS.

The grant was announced by Foundation Chairman

John White Thursday morning at a press conference.

SIGNATURE.

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Suspense-filled ride

It was touch and go recently as Hugh Wallis attempted to make a tethered flight in his balloon one windy afternoon. His balloon, as well as several others were ready and waiting at Blue Springs Scout Camp, Milton where the Canadian Balloon Association held its first rally. High winds kept the group grounded for most of the Easter weekend, but an attempt was made Saturday afternoon by Mr. Wallis to become airborne. He abandoned his attempt after his balloon plummeted to the ground—with him in it. See more pictures and story on Pg. C1.

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Darn, he's right

Halton MP Otto Jelinek's prediction, one year ago, of a 50 cents a gallon gas price increase has come true. Story Pg. 2.

Centre swamped

Success is bad news at The Centre, where women's daytime programs are so popular they've caused a babysitting problem. The story on Pg. 3 explains the need for more

New column

Champion staffers are writing a "collective" or "co-operative" editorial page column. It's introduced on Pg. 4.

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and T-shirt at work? Pg. 7.

Milton's outside workers have signed a new contract. See Pg. 5. Lots of jobs

Prospects for student summer employ-

ment are pretty good this year. See what Manpower has to offer, Pg. 6. A better mouth

For volunteers

It's Volunteer Week in Milton and Halton Manor is doing its part to keep volunteers busy. See Pg. 8.

Racers have Edge

The Racer's Edge swept their three-game final series over Firefighters to take the Milton Industrial Hockey League championship Sunday. See sports, Pgs. B1 to B4.

Fishin' fun Guess where everyone was on the weekend? Fishing! And they were catching some beauties. See Pg. C6 for pictures of the

ones that didn't get away.

Spring in Halton A colourful look at the rich beauty of the countryside, in the season of new life and growth. Pg. D1.

School news

Why was the dentist wearing a hard-hat Exercises are used to good advantage in this school. Pg. D3.

Frisbee champs

They know how to throw-and catch-those discs. They're Canadian champions. Pg. D6.

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