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Support anniversary

Increased means and increased leisure are the two civilizers of man.

-Benjamin Disraeli, April 3, 1872

Although Disraeli's remarks may be somewhat philosophical in nature, his message, recorded some 15 years after the incorporation of the town of Milton, still holds true today.

Milton, one of the 15 wealthiest communities in Canada, is providing its residents with some of the best socio-economic opportunities to be found in southern On-

tario. As a result, Milton has built up an endearing relationship over the past 125 years with almost all who have lived here or passed through at one time or another.

Geographically separated from Toronto or Hamilton, yet centrally and conveniently located near both because of excellent rail and highway networks, Milton has been able to develop spirit and personality—a true sense of community as well as a sense of what it really is as a town-other municipalities can only dream about.

In terms of recreation and leisure time activities, few municipalities in the Golden Horseshoe can compete with Milton's natural amenities, i.e. Kelso Conservation Area, Glen Eden Ski Area, Mountsberg Conservation Area, Hilton Falls, Crawford Lake Conservation Area et al.

And, how many Ontario towns have a centrally located pond that can be used for summer and winter recreation?

Our philosophical meanderings aside, Miltonians can and should

Halton's "average" homeowner

is facing the threat of a \$245 tax

hike this year, despite the best ef-

forts of local governments to hold

wave a banner condemning the

irresponsibility of elected officials

who refuse to respond to the needs

That would be an easy approach

to take, but not wholly responsible

however. It is clear that during

times of economic or social

upheaval the demand for the ser-

Obviously, we are experiencing

a time of social and economic

upheaval and the demand for the

services of all levles of govern-

As more and more people have

trouble meeting the insatiable in-

terest demands of banks they de-

mand government services for

daycare and transit so that a se-

cond member of the family can

As people experience more

stress in their daily lives they turn

to the government-financed

health service seeking a cure for

As families falter under the

weight of stress and the various

ways of dealing with that problem

they turn to government agencies

for welfare or for some form of

counselling service.

ment is clearly on the rise.

vices of government increases.

of residents for restraint.

It would be easy to criticize—to

the line.

work.

their ills.

Those tax dollars

be proud of the community they have chosen to live in. After all, it is they, as individuals, whose contribution has made this town what it is and what it will be in the

Which, in a roundabout way, brings us to this year's celebration of Milton's 125th anniversary as a

Planning is underway for the festivities, which are scheduled to take place on and around July 1,

But, like all community events that have taken place in Milton during the past 125 years, your help is needed. Community groups, service clubs (all the service clubs) and individuals are needed to staff and support the various events.

The committee, headed by Dave Brush, is looking for your ideas and assistance. Show your support and give yourself the opportunity to become involved in the biggest celebration Milton will have in many years, by attending tonight's meeting at Town Hall.

It kicks off at 7.30 p.m. and everybody is invited.

While we would like to see individual residents rise to this occasion, we would particularly like to see all of Milton's service clubs pitch in on this one. We are confident they can all work together in harmony for the benefit of a community they have all contributed so much to.

Canada Day has traditionally been a great day in Milton and the town's 125th birthday should be no exception.

Show you care and demonstrate your spirit by attending tonight's meeting.

Social problems also lead to an

increase in crime, which trans-

lates to a higher budget demand

for the government-financed

All of these services cost

money, and the amounts of money

needed to keep them functioning

Regional councillors have been

fighting for several weeks with a

budget which will mean an \$18 tax

increase on the average assess-

ment. The board of education has

approved an increase of \$91 and

Town councillors are facing a

budget calling for an increase of

Since the public review of these

budgets started councillors have

been able to make only superficial

cuts in the total amounts because

they are faced constantly with the

realization that they cannot start

to lower the quality or the quanti-

Are taxpayers really going to

It appears that there is little

support such a move given the

that can be done to change the lot

of the overburdened taxpayer in

Halton, unless he wants to act for

himself in providing protection

for his home and day care for his

Perhaps at the same time he

can produce his own drinking

water and dispose of his own

sewage to affect even further sav-

ty of the services they offer.

social times we are facing?

children.

are climbing steadily.

police force and judicial system.

TO COST HALTONITAXPAYERS WITHYOUR UPTO \$100 MORE IM 1982. ...YOU'VE GOT TO BE ! MARILEI

Wiewpoint

NEWS ITEM:

EDUCATION IS GOING

With LINDA KIRBY

The Williams tragedy

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

They stand by the roadside watching, occasionally smirking, sharing some joke. They are perhaps 16 or 17 years old.

The presence of a television crew some 50 feet away attracts adults and teens alike to peek behind curtains and stand with arms folded by front door windows. The location of this set is 329 Bell St. and

the cameras are rolling. John Williams speaks deliberately, choosing his words carefully, trying to explain his feelings, the emotions of coming home to a house in ruins.

A soft spoken person, he still manages to convey the anger, the frustration and anguish of someone who has been very much hurt.

Earlier the camera man and reporter toured the wreckage (it can't be called a home anymore) recording on film vandalism spree that has left more than a few people shocked.

But, for the teenagers who watch, it is hardly shocking. It was entertaining, not and defence (is there a defence?)

A few minutes later, they roar off in It is too bad that only a television crew

and reporter, insurance agents and police have had the experience of walking through the sea of debris.

I would dearly love to organize the grand tour that would see each of the 100 kids involved in the house party on the night of the destruction, lead by the hand through each and every room.

The admission price would be a mere \$500 per person. (This would cover the minimal \$50,000 expense of restoring the house to its original condition.)

As part of the tour, the visitors would be obliged to spend a minimum of 30 minutes inside of the house. By that time their hair and clothes would have absorbed the stench of beer and rotting food, thrown all over the house—a sort of souvenir of the

Approximately seven kids are charged, so I think it would be appropriate for the judge to have a quick tour of the premises. Just enough to provide him with a clear impression of the damage. (A picture worth a thousand words-this would save considerable talking time for the prosecuting crown).

The defense lawyer should be obliged to conduct all of his consultations with his young clients inside these premises. What better place to discuss evidence

We can't really forget the parents. A tour is not really necessary -by now they probably have a good picture of the

A fair price for the parents would be the donation of something dear treasured—something to replace antique plate collection that belonged to Marlene Williams and now lies thousands of pieces.

Something to replace a broken heirloom antique dresser given to John Williams by

his mother. But what would you give to replace the smashed and ripped family portraits, gone for good? Like Mr. Williams, I don't have too much

confidence in our system of justice. These seven teenagers charged, if first time offenders, are unlikely to get much

more than a slap on the wrist. The lawyer will explain that his young client was acting out of character, that he is a model student and would never again be involved in such an escapade. He will present character references and suddenly this youngster appears as the victim-the victim of circumstances and peer pressure, and that young Joe Smith is no

It is too bad, that along with the seven to be charged, the rest (which amounts to more than 90) will bear no responsibility there and allowing the

criminal and should not be treated as one.

Never mind the fact that he did commit a

destruction. Ironically, the 17-year-old relative and boarder who gave the party has escaped charges because he was apparently too drunk and "wasted" to know what was going on. It doesn't matter that he opened

the doors to these people. It will be interesting to follow this case through the courts and I would like to be proven wrong. Perhaps someone will sit up and say this type of behavior will not be tolerated, and perhaps there will be more than a slap on the wrist.

Politician and

businessman

Martin says.

got a wonderful scenic outlook, good roads

and good rail systems, good water-it's a

town that really should be in stride," Dr.

He adds Milton is "in a very good pos-

ition in every way and I think it should go

From the March 31, 1932 issue Crocuses are in bloom in Milton.

One Year Ago

From the April 1, 1981 issue

ment are now facing the prospect of

layoffs because of further deficit

problems at the Region. Members of the

public works committee were told last

week that the Region's auditors have

warned the expected deficit in the sewer

portion of the works department budget

has joined the ranks of those historic

buildings to find a permanent home at

Torstar Corp. chairman Beland

Honderich brushed aside suggestions

that the recent purchase by Metrospan,

the community newspaper division of

Torstar, of the rival string of 13 com-

munity papers in the Inland Publishing

Co. Limited chain has created a "con-

centration of power" in the Metro

group of Campbellville friends and

neighbours have once again come for-

ward with a community donation for the

Town's local fire department. Members

of the group presented the Campbellville

Fire Station with a cheque for \$500 to be

used towards the purchase of special

The employees of Halton Children's

Aid Society have signed their first union

contract which gives them an 11 per cent

20 Years Ago

From the April 5, 1962 issue

that will seat nearly 200 people will be

opening in the Milton Plaza in the near

future John Gianopolus, president of Surf

Restaurants, announced this week.

Milton Plaza has been chosen by the

company for their eighth "Surf Restaur-

ant". They currently operate two in Bur-

lington and one each in Hamilton, Dun-

For 16 years Charlie Laundon has been

clerk of the First Division Court of the

County of Halton. This month he is

retiring. No successor has yet been

Milton Rotary Club officials outlined a

1962 crash program for \$5,000 worth of

improvements to Rotary Park and asked

Town council to assist with the installa-

tion of a 1.050 foot sewer line, when a

delegation appeared before Town council

Rudy Arbeiter as manager of the Mas-

sey-Ferguson Division of Milton Milling

50 Years Ago

Co., it was announced this week.

Mel Phelps has been named to succeed

das, Toronto, London and Ancaster.

A modern 3,000 square foot restaurant

salary increase this year.

"Bushwacker's Paradise,"

the Ontario Agricultural Museum.

Toronto area.

equipment

named.

on Monday night.

The former Puslinch Township Hall

could be higher than expected.

Staff in Halton's Public Works Depart-

This year Wasaga Beach will take on a city air as the cottages are to be num-

The influenza epidemic still has a number of people under its influence and

feeling wretchedly ill. Radio licenses have been increased to

two dollars. All licenses expire on March 31st, and there is to be a more stringent enforcement of the law.

Six applications were received for the position of assessor of Brampton. The

appointment went to R. W. Hall, one of last year's assessors. He will do all the work for \$500. Hamilton, Fourth Line, Esquesing, wishes it understood that while he does not object to hunters

passing through his farm, he does object to having his fowl shot and killed. Hunters, please take warning. Reports from the district would indicate that pheasants came through the

winter with few fatalities for want of Vivid northern lights were seen here

late Monday night, which were of a particularly brilliant nature. Comparatively few rose bushes and

shrubs have been winter killed. Burlington has been forced to abandon its water extension, following the refusal of the banks to advance the loan. A

smaller loan may be sought. belt of Ontario-if not of Canada; we've

75 Years ago

From the April 4, 1907 issue S. Bradley of the Ontario Licence Department, was in town last week and returned to Toronto on Monday evening, taking with him his family and household effects. Mr. Bradley was born in Milton about 60 years ago and has lived here ever since. He claimed he was the oldest resident of the town. For a number of years he did good service as chief con-

The directors of the Public Library are making arrangements for a concert to be held on the evening of Tuesday, 15 inst., proceeds to be applied towards the purchase of books. Further particulars of the concert will be published next week.

We understand that Mr. E. M. Doull who has been manager of the Metropolitan Bank here since its inception three years ago intends leaving the village. We regret to hear of his removal as Mr. Doull has been very popular with the citizens of Streetsville, and customers of the bank have always been treated with the greatest courtesy at his hands.

Constable Joseph Timbers has one of his hands in a sling. He broke a thumb last week at the brick works and will be disabled for a month or two.

S. Freeman, having sold out to G. A. Griffith, removed on Saturday to the house on Mill St., just vacated by S. Bradley.

Miss Jennie Morley spent the Easter

People in our past

A continuing series during Milton's 125th anniversary

Dr. CM Martin

Who could possibly be considered more as native Miltonians than the members of

the Martin family? After all, the Martins were one of Milton's founding families.

Certainly, having lived here since 1905, Dr. C.A. (Carl) Martin not only has to be looked upon as a descendent of the founder but as a sterling example of what comprises a Miltonian. While during his political and business

careers he has demonstrated this notion, the fact is Dr. Martin wasn't born in

He wasn't born in Halton - he wasn't even born in Ontario.

Dr. Martin was born in 1899 in Harrison Mills, B.C. During a 10-year stretch his father operated a saw mill there. His great-grandfather, Jasper Martin, built the mill (then Martin's Mills but now Supersweet Foods, a division of Robin Hood Multifoods Ltd., around 1818 to 1820 and the large home, located on the corner of Martin St., named for the founder, and

Millside Dr., came shortly afterwards. Dr. Martin was educated in Milton and attended the University of Toronto to study medicine, where he graduated as a general practitioner in 1922.

He still has his licence. He practised in Toronto until he was called home about 1930 to take over responsibility for the family milling operation. He never returned to active prac-

Shortly after returning home, Dr. Martin became interested in local and provincial politics because he believed "every young man should become involved in

"I believe every young person should take their turn in municipal politics-not necessarily stay in it so long that somebody gets bored with them or they start to neglect other things," he says. "I think people would have a better understanding of the general runnings of government if they spent some time on council."

Dr. Martin stayed in politics, as an elected representative or an appointee on a municipal or provincial committee, until

His elected career started in the 1930s as an elected councillor. He became mayor of Milton in 1936 and served for two years. He later served as a reeve and warden of Halton County and also served on the

school board. He was involved in both the addition of Martin St. School and Milton District High School. He has also served on the board of

governors of Sheridan College, conservation authorities and water resources committees. On the business side, Dr. Martin started the first pig farm hatchery in Canada on

business and operated the mill until the Martin's Mill became Milton Flour Mills during Dr. Martin's youth and was renamed Milton Milling Co. Ltd. when he took over the family business.

Dr. Martin was also a director of Halton and Peel Trust, later to become Canada Of today's Milton, Dr. Martin says the

town "is in an very enviable position." "We're in the centre of the population

Highway 25, started a lucrative chicken

DR. CARL MARTIN

holidays in Brantford.