

The friends and supporters of The Centre on Main St. got together Saturday night to help collect toys for children in Milton. The group charged a one-toy admission to the Bavarian Inn and the results were pleasing to the organizers. Nancy Mountain, left, and Mike Winney, were at the door helping to collect the toys which will be distributed by the Salvation Army through The Canadian Champion Christmas Bureau Fund.

Fund needs you

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 donation and use it as a bonafide tax exemption. The fund is registered and licenced. We will issue receipts which can be used for that purpose.

We are also looking to Milton seniors in a big way. Seniors know what tears it brings to see a little youngster crying when that child finds

nothing in the way of a toy on Christmas Day.

We at The Canadian Champion know it is harder than ever for seniors to make ends meet, but we also know that no one cares more at Christmas.

Service clubs can assist in a very significant way.

We would ask Milton service clubs to take a

look at the budget to find out if there isn't something of a surplus which could be given to help others. Again the donation is tax deductible and it has the added bonus of assisting once again in community involvement and support for the welfare of all.

Fire fighters, police, ambulance drivers, we look to you as well.

The time is short and the need is great.

Milton can do it

Milton will do it because this is a people town which doesn't want to see anyone be without this Christmas day.

Won't wait much longer

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Mr. Harwood said he expected to hear from the new chairman of the board salary negotiating committee very early this week "and if that doesn't happen there are going to be some difficulties."

"The teachers are prepared to have an agreement by Christmas, but they are not prepared to wait much longer for some action," he added.

Robert Filman, president of the Halton Elementary Teachers Association, said his members are expressing a similar frustration at the lack of progress towards an agreement.

Elementary teachers are slated to meet with board negotiators Thursday afternoon at 1.30 to start again the talks that have been stalled since October.

Industry break given by region

Milton developers looking for a cheaper way to get sewers into their properties may be able to benefit from a decision made by regional council last week. Councillors agreed to allow a Burlington developer to service his industrial subdivision from sewer mains running up the back of his property, rather than along the road allowance in front.

The decision means a \$60,000 savings for the developer, Shell Canada Ltd., and marks a departure from Halton's policy in the past.

Councillors also agreed to extend a registration deadline for the project to Jan. 15, from Dec. 31 and to exempt the developer from the recently approved \$2,400 per acre lot levy.

Steve Providsa, project manager for Shell, told councillors the rear lot sewer connections were much cheaper, would avoid the need for eight cuts to Burleast Dr. and were needed to keep the

Burlington development financially "viable."

"We don't feel we're establishing any kind of precedent here," he said, "because cost efficiency should be part of every engineering design."

Dennis Perlin, chief administrative officer, told councillors regional staff opposed the back yard connections because they posed problems for servicing requirements.

He said regional policy has been to allow such connections only when there were strong topographical reasons in favor of the change—reasons that don't exist in this case.

"Shell wants the backlot easement in this case simply because it is cheaper," he said.

"If you allow this then other developers are going to expect the same treatment if they can show that the backlot easement is cheaper," he said.

"I don't see how you can treat others differently."

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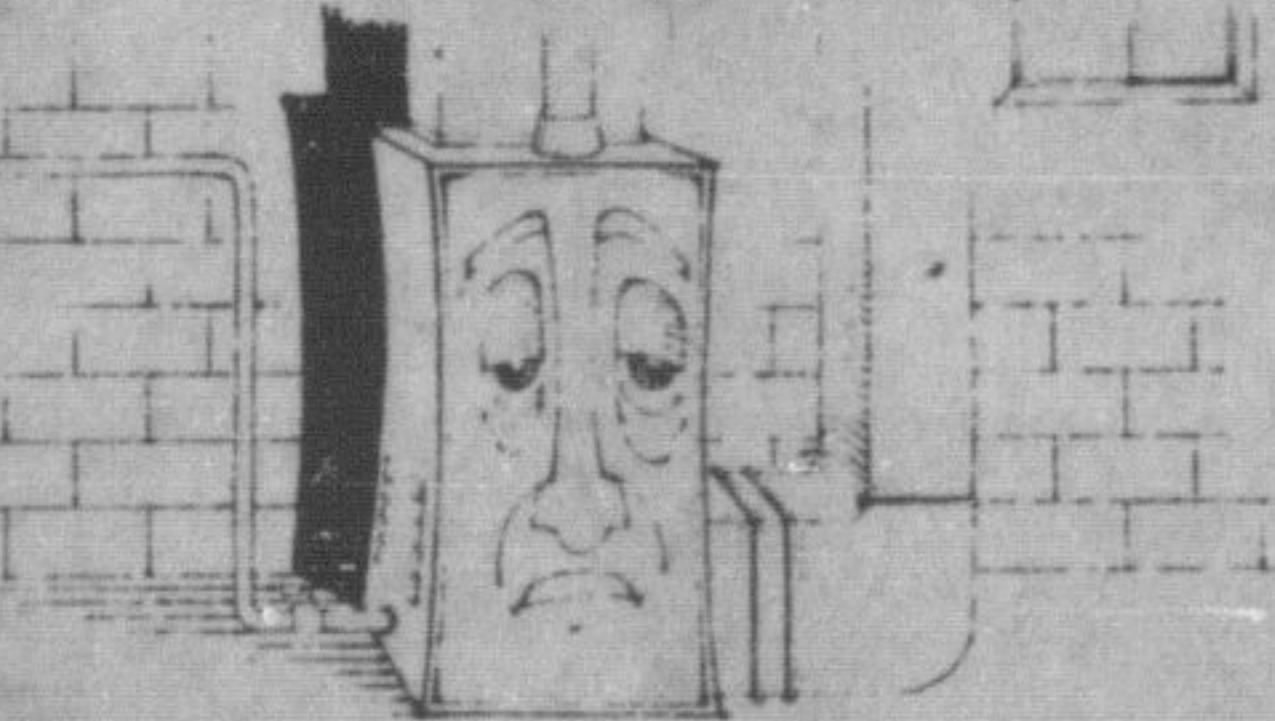
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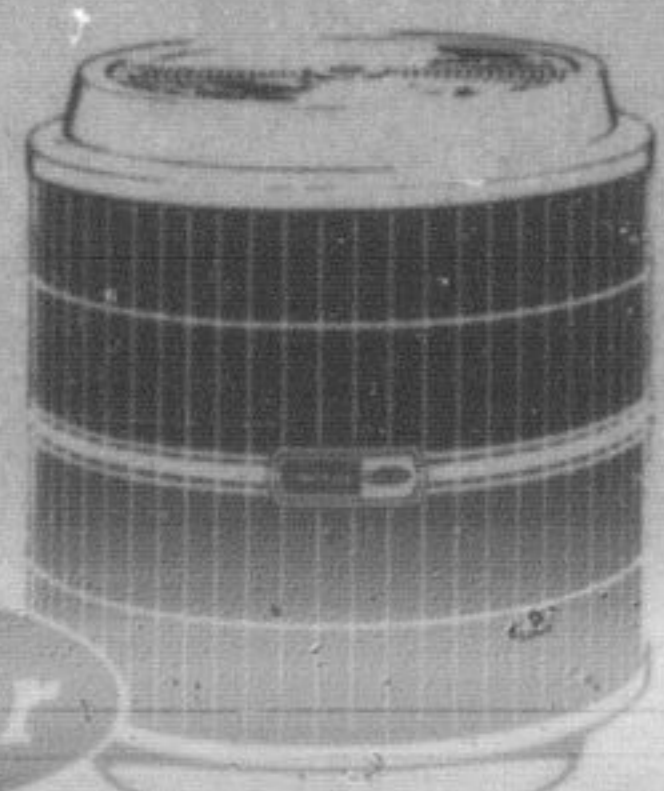
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