



A COLORFUL NEW RUG was presented to Sunshine School for Trainable Retarded at Hornby last week by members of the Kinette Club of Milton. Kinettes Pat Lonergan (seated on couch) and Barbara Wood (standing, second from right) are pictured in the library and home economics room with students Donna Cannon, Amanda

Humphreys, Francis Leben, Bruce Armstrong, Henrietta Creamer, Sylvia Vandenburg, Tony Creamer, Mark Virus and Shirley Thompson as they put the new rug to good use. The money for the rug came from the Kinettes' Christmas bazaar.

Girls celebrate Guide movement

by Mrs. P. M. Waters
Milton 1st, 2nd, 6th and Drumquinn Brownie Pack have been getting involved in celebrating 65 years of "Guiding on the Move" this past month.

Learning about "Guiding Around the World" became much easier when combined with "Guiding on the Move". This all began when Mrs. Hughes, Sherri Bakker, Lisa Swales, Kerry Woods, Penny Wells, Carol Gaiotta, Michele Hughes, Tracey McDonnell, Debbie Van Hees from 2nd

Milton Pack and Bonnie Rivers, Jenny Hawes, Cindy Roche, Kelly Ann Miller and Hazel Ling from 1st Milton Pack were invited to spend Friday, Feb. 28 to March 1 with Drumquinn Brownies.

The days activity was planned around the badge "World Friendship" which helped them learn about Brownies in at least six other different countries.

Lunch was provided by Mrs. Carson and four Girl Guides, Jannet McMillan, Jerry Northcote, Mary Griffin and Susan Harris, who were working on their Service Project toward their Challenge Badge.

Mac the wit

Puts PCs in place

Mac Anderson furthered his reputation as one of regional council's wittiest politicians during the council's meeting Wednesday.

It was Anderson's turn to be chairman of the proceedings for the day. As he moved from his seat at the table to assume the chairman's chair at the front of the room, several councillors uttered comments about council running by "Liberal rules" for the day. (Anderson is an often-mentioned candidate for the Liberal candidacy in Halton in the next election.)

The veteran councillor and former Oakville mayor was not shaken by the jibes. He puffed slowly on his pipe, looked at a couple of Tory colleagues at the back of the room and quipped, "Well your polls are down, but its nice that you've kept your sense of humor." (Recent polls show the Conservatives slipping a further three percent in the Gallup Poll).

Upon arriving at "Percy W. Merry School", Brown Owl, Daryl Woods and Miss Saliba and Mrs. Vander Dussen introduced the Drumquinn Brownies to their guest for the night. After an evening of songs and games each Brownie took a guest home for the evening.

Seniors, karate club to use old library

Town staffers are currently working with a representative of the federal government's New Horizons program in order to develop the old library on Main St. into a spot that could be used jointly by senior citizens and the karate club.

The \$5,000 could go towards renovations and rent for the front portion of the program. Federal support for the program goes for a maximum of 18 months.

Mayor Anne MacArthur said the apartment above the library would be rented and the money possibly put into a sinking fund and possibly the revenue there could assist in financing the senior citizen centre on an ongoing basis.

Mr. McGeachie noted there is a possibility of converting the old office to a kitchen where light snacks could be provided. Council agreed to get competitive quotes on redecorating the apartment upstairs.

Plenty of questions about fire safety

Lt. Jim Coulson of Milton Fire Department was guest speaker at the March meeting of the Milton Newcomers Club on Monday. He demonstrated a home smoke alarm, explained the workings of the local fire department, and answered a barrage of questions about home fire safety, and handed out literature.

The question and answer period lasted two and a half hours—"they were pretty keen," he said.

Kindergartens too. Lt. Coulson also spoke to the morning and afternoon kindergarten classes at J. M. Denyes School on Thursday.

Friday afternoon and Monday morning, a total of 37 children and 20 adults from Brookville Pre-School toured the local fire hall. The children enjoyed touring the hall, seeing the firefighting apparatus and watching a Donald Duck film on fire prevention. The adults asked a pile of questions too, he said.

Region goes to Cabinet

Ask gov't. pay for hospitals

The provincial government should pick up the full shot for hospital expansions. That's one point Halton Regional Council will make when its brief is presented to the provincial cabinet March 12.

Regional Public Works Chairman, Jack Raftis, told council Wednesday the region had no Wednesday picking up one third of the region's hospitals.

Forecasts from the hospitals in the region predict a need for expansions totalling \$26,000,000 over the next five years.

Controlled by Ministry Mr. Raftis told council, "It's reaching the point that the taxpayer can't pay any longer. We don't control hospitals, the Ministry of Health does. We can't be saddled with a third of the cost and we have no business paying for capital projects in hospitals."

The regional brief hasn't been made public and according to regional chairman Allen Masson, won't be made public until after it is presented in Hamilton today.

There was considerable doubt and confusion about the

need for proposed expansions in Halton Hills and Oakville. When the councillors and staffers weren't able to sort out the matter, council agreed to meet with representatives of the various hospital boards and get acquainted with the programs being promoted.

Outpatient care During press conference Thursday, Mr. Masson said councillors don't understand the situation. He reviewed the changing trend in health care which led to additions being built to hospitals without any beds in

them. That trend saw an increasing number of outpatients being cared for.

Until recent years, Halton County contributed to hospital beds on a per-bed basis. With the changing trend the county changed its grant contribution so that it is based on one third of the capital expansion.

Masson supported Raftis' claim that the province should be footing the entire bill for hospital expansion. "We have gone about as far as we can on property tax. We can't do all of the things we are supposed to do. We just haven't got the dollars."

Sexual offender sought by police

A short man with a beard and moustache is being sought by Milton police. The suspect sexually exposed himself to three little boys who were playing Rotary park. The incident occurred on March 4.

Police made a drug arrest Saturday in Milton but are withholding all details of the crime.

A taxi cab was stolen from Ontario Street on Friday night.

An Ontario Street resident was arrested last week allowing police to close the books on a previous break and enter. Of the \$1535 the man had stolen in the break-in he still had \$855.45.

Cash and a pocket knife were stolen from the boy's change room at Milton high school on Saturday. The cash amounted to \$34.

A rug valued at \$300 was stolen from Robert Newman Shoes, Main Street, on Sun-

day. The rug had been at the rear of the store and police have two suspects.

Plywood valued at \$335 was stolen March 5 from Victoria Wood Homes, Steeles Avenue. The 55 sheets of plywood were taken late at night.

A woman stole a rug from Brown Street home on March 3. The woman was described as being in her mid-20s, about five feet six inches, heavy build with reddish-brown hair. The rug was valued at less than \$200.

A Main Street resident's car tires were slashed Saturday while it was parked at a Main Street service station lot. All four tires were slashed and the tires were valued at around \$200.

A construction trailer window was smashed on March 3. The trailer was on Satok Crescent.

Three arrests were made last week for liquor crimes.

Building permits

Milton's Building Department issued 28 permits for work valued at \$672,060 during the month of February. Twenty-four of the 28 permits were for new residential developments.

The other four involved either renovations or additions.

That brings the value of construction for the year to date to \$1,100,515.

President tells story of Meals on Wheels

When you hear someone mention the Meals on Wheels program and the more than 20 volunteers who supply the manpower, you tend to picture the volunteers as being women over 40 with children in high school and plenty of time on their hands.

"Not so," said president Mrs. Sheila Burt in a speech to the Milton Rotary Club last week.

"One man is 84 years old. He phoned me one day and told me that he couldn't help the next day as he had a doctor's appointment. He phoned when he returned and was very pleased with himself, as he was afraid that the doctor would make him give up his curling as he had had a black-out the night before. He is very active in card parties, travelogue and other com-

munity organizations. "Another man who is 92 helps out twice a week at the Harmony Court in any way he can, which quite often means he has to reheat his own meal before he can eat it."

25 clients Mrs. Burt told the Rotarians that about 25 elderly persons receive a hot meal once a week. It consists of soup, two vegetables, meat, potatoes, bread and butter, and dessert.

She said Meals on Wheels is considering extending the service to provide three meals weekly. The average cost to recipients is 80 cents per meal.

Mrs. Burt explained that the volunteers have found the companionship is often as welcome as a hot meal, and

said a visiting committee has been formed to, if possible, visit each person at least once a week and remember them on birthdays with a card or a cake.

Lonely people Regarding loneliness, she said that "we have a man on the Ninth Line who is stone deaf and lives alone. He is quite able to get his own meals, but we were asked if we could take him into our program to give him a contact with the outside world."

"One of our volunteers asked him if there was anything we could do for him, and he said yes and asked if we could possibly get him some fresh eggs from a farm as he didn't like store bought eggs."

"That isn't too much to ask, is it?" asked Mrs. Burt.

Brief goes to Cabinet Don Gordon says

Representatives of the Town of Milton are to appear at 5:50 p.m. today before the Ontario cabinet public forum at Hamilton Place.

Acting Mayor, Don Gordon, said Monday night that briefs would be submitted concerning parkway belt legislation, communications between the provincial and local governments and the Central Ontario Lakeshore Urban Complex (COLUC).

The Ontario cabinet will hold a regular meeting in private this morning and accept representations this afternoon from concerned individuals, organizations and municipalities.

Halton Regional Council will also present a brief.

Mr. Gordon said that town council wants to find out when the uncertainty surrounding the parkway belt will be lifted.

"It's been almost two years," he said, "and the future is still unknown."

"We want to stress the rights of individuals. People can't build on their property. What future do they have under Ontario control?"

The acting mayor also said the lack of communication between the Ontario government and the town causes "real problems" for staff members.

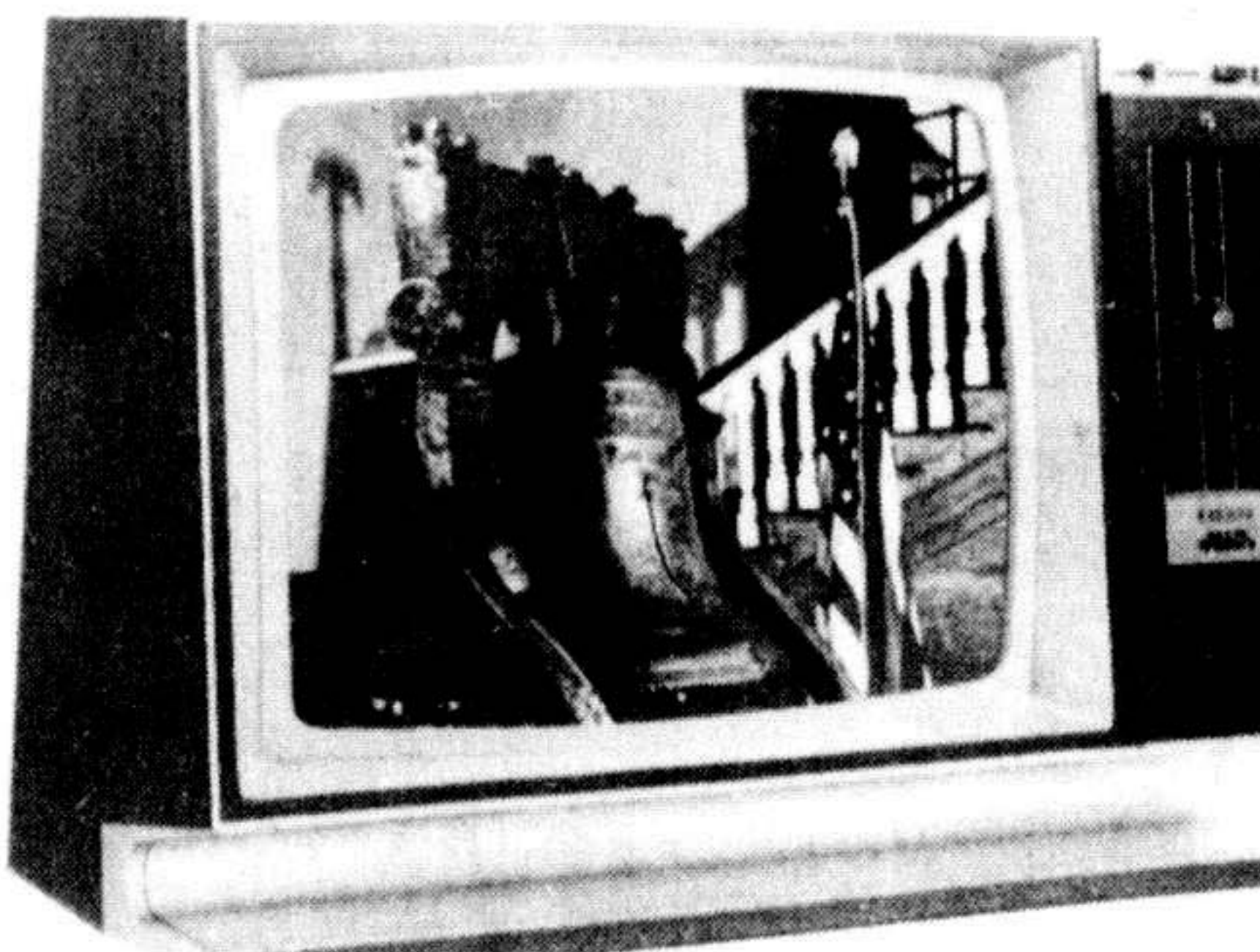
He said, for example, that the town clerk has had to deal with seven different officials of the Ministry of Housing over the senior citizen's building alone.

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