

In the Courts Lost control, youth fined

An 18-year-old Kilbride youth convicted of impaired driving was fined \$250 in Milton Provincial Court Wednesday.

His driving licence has also been suspended for three months.

The charges arose over a driving accident December 20, 1980 when Neil Nicholson of 6666 McNiven Rd., Burlington, apparently lost control of the truck he was driving and slammed into a mailbox and a parked car on Twiss Rd. at approximately 3.15 p.m.

Halton Regional Police Constable Vaughan Ashley said he arrested the youth at his Kilbride home a short time after the accident when Bruce Nicholson, father of the accused, reported the accident.

According to Constable Ashley, the youth who escaped unhurt, showed signs of being intoxicated including the fact he was unsteady on his feet and smelled of alcohol.

In his defense, Nicholson said he was "shaken" up by the accident and family problems which included an earlier altercation with

his father, and had five drinks following the accident.

He said he had only consumed one rye and cola prior to the accident while visiting with friends in the area.

According to Nicholson, the accident occurred when a tractor trailer travelling in the opposite direction, forced him onto the curb.

But according to an eyewitness, there was no tractor trailer in the area at the time of the accident.

He admitted in court he had lied to police because he feared additional charges would be laid.

Crown attorney John Ayre argued the youth had probably consumed more than one drink prior to the accident.

Nicholson said he remembered hitting the mailbox but did not realize he had struck a parked car in a nearby driveway.

Following the accident he left the scene and visited a friend before returning home 10 minutes later. A short time later, his father arrived at home and called police.

Fine, 'break' in drug case

A 21-year-old Hamilton man, on the road to recovery from his addiction to narcotics, was given his break in Milton Provincial Court Wednesday.

Rick Shields of Hunter St., Hamilton, found guilty of trafficking drugs, was fined \$300 and placed on probation for two years for his part in selling marijuana to an undercover RCMP officer one year ago.

Constable Tim Killam of the Oakville RCMP detachment posed as a long-haired, bearded man for three-and-a-half months, while conducting his investigation.

He made the arrest of Shields and another youth from Milton last April after he was led by

Shields to a downtown Milton parking lot to meet with a potential supplier.

Shields testified he did not know the drug supplier and had only seen him a couple of times before.

But according to Constable Killam, the transaction took place through Shields and included several cigarettes of marijuana for Shields and the Milton youth as their pay-off.

Shields, who now works part-time as a cook and attends a drug clinic, admitted he had a long history of using drugs but was attempting to get help.

The light sentence "is your break," said Judge Latimer.

"And I hope you do something with it."

'Male chauvinist' group's speaker

The University Women's Club of Milton District was privileged to be entertained by Kenneth Leigh-Wood. He spoke on the

role of women in Islam, on May 7.

Mr. Leigh-Wood comes with an enviable list of academic achievements including a B.A.; M.A.

from Oxford, England and further studies throughout Europe—the Sorbonne in Paris, the Universities of Salzburg.

From 1940 to 1958 he pursued a career in the British Army. This entailed numerous postings overseas encompassing much of Europe, the middle East and the far East.

Much of his presentation was based on his personal experiences during these travels.

He stressed that in order to understand the very different role of Islamic women, it was necessary to consider the total Arabian context,

especially the very marked influence of the Mohammedan religion. While acknowledging that women were (and are) treated as mere chattels, he emphasized that the system works.

The audience readily accepted the viability of the system—for the men!

The speaker's enthusiasm for his topic and his spicy personal anecdotes provided an amusing evening. There were no contradictions when Mr. Leigh-Wood admitted to being a male chauvinist—with a penchant for ladies' ankles!

In recognition of the policing efforts of the Halton regional force, Herb Crowther, publisher of The Milton Canadian Champion and representing the four other Inland papers stated they will seek to honor a police officer each month from the region beginning in June.

The announcement was made during the annual Halton Regional Police awards ceremony. It is the first presentation of its kind in this area.

"Our tribute to a police officer in this force symbolizes our community interest and our appreciation and respect for law enforcement officers in this area," said Mr. Crowther.

The project, proposed by Inland Publishing several months ago, will use the co-operative efforts of The Milton Canadian Champion, The Georgetown Independent, The Acton Free Press, Burlington Post and Oakville Beaver to select an officer.

The chosen officer will be announced in a feature story with an accompanying picture in the first Wednesday of every month. He or she will receive a wooden plaque.

Outstanding bravery or service to the community or its people is the criteria for the award.

No one district will be patronized and each of the regions' 280 officers is eligible. The award may be won by the same officer more than once.

At the end of a 12-month period, one officer will be named police officer of the year. He or she may be one of those receiving the monthly honor, but this is not a necessity.

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Short hike soon ends for inmate

An 18-year-old Maplehurst inmate who decided to take a personal hike while working on a bush gang, had second thoughts and surrendered to police within one hour.

The incident took place Thursday noon, when Brad Parker from Chatham decided to pursue a trail in Puslinch

brush. Halton Regional Police said the youth surrendered to Constable Tom Roduck when he was discovered on 15 Sideroad, a short distance from the inmate work gang site.

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The event is being staged at the auditorium and chapel of Halton Centennial Manor.

Instrumental, piano and vocal competitions are being featured all day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Thursday evening at Dealership going ahead

Milton has passed a bylaw to allow Murray Wilson to go ahead with the construction of a new General Motors dealership east of Ontario St. on Main St.

After a year of discussion with residents whose properties back onto the dealership site, many contentious areas were resolved. Some of these involved angling the lights so they will not shine on the houses, and putting in a paging system which would not intrude on the homeowners.

7.30 the top performers will present a concert of winners at the Manor, and awards will be distributed to the various class winners. There is also a display of pianos during the festival.

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