

Police blotter

Windshield suspect nabbed

A 28-year-old Milton man has been arrested and charged in connection with a vandalism spree at two local car dealerships 10 days ago.

Philip Whinney of 410 Oak St. was arrested on Main St. Wednesday evening and charged with mischief.

Halton Regional Police S. Sgt. Ron Southgate said the arrest was as a result of police investigation.

A reward had been offered by Keith Dill, general manager of Trafalgar Motors Co. Ltd., where 12 new car windshields had been smashed.

Mr. Dill was offering a cash reward for information leading to the arrest of the person responsible.

Police said nobody collected the reward.

Four other windshields were smashed out of new cars on display at Murray Wilson Ltd. at 388 Main St.

Mr. Whinney is due to appear in Milton Provincial Court on Monday, December 7, 1981.

Stereo stolen

Halton Regional Police are investigating the theft of \$1,500 worth of stereo equipment, jewelry and cash from a Milton home last Wednesday.

Police said the daytime entry into the home of John Wallace on Second Line occurred when thieves smashed a glass out of a door.

B & E romp

Halton Regional Police are investigating a series of break and enters believed to have been done by the same individual.

Police said two local schools were entered last week and two homes broken into.

A \$40 guitar was reported stolen from Robert Baldwin Public School on Wilson Dr. last Monday. Police said the thief unlocked a window and also ransacked a school room.

Ten dollars cash was removed from the desk drawer in a portable at St. Peter's Separate School on Woodward Ave. last week.

Police said a total of \$3 in change was taken from the home of Richard Sobieraj at 516 Woodward Ave. last Tuesday. The house was also ransacked.

A basement window was smashed in the home of Dennis Lusignan at 768 Coulson Ave.

A total of \$50 in assorted change, beer and wine was taken.

Ramp death

A Mississauga man died instantly Monday when his truck rolled off a Highway 401 ramp leading to Guelph Line.

William Terris, 39, of Golden Orchard Dr., was dead on arrival at Milton District Hospital, the Milton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) report.

The accident, a single truck mishap, occurred about 7:45 p.m.

—Linda Kirby

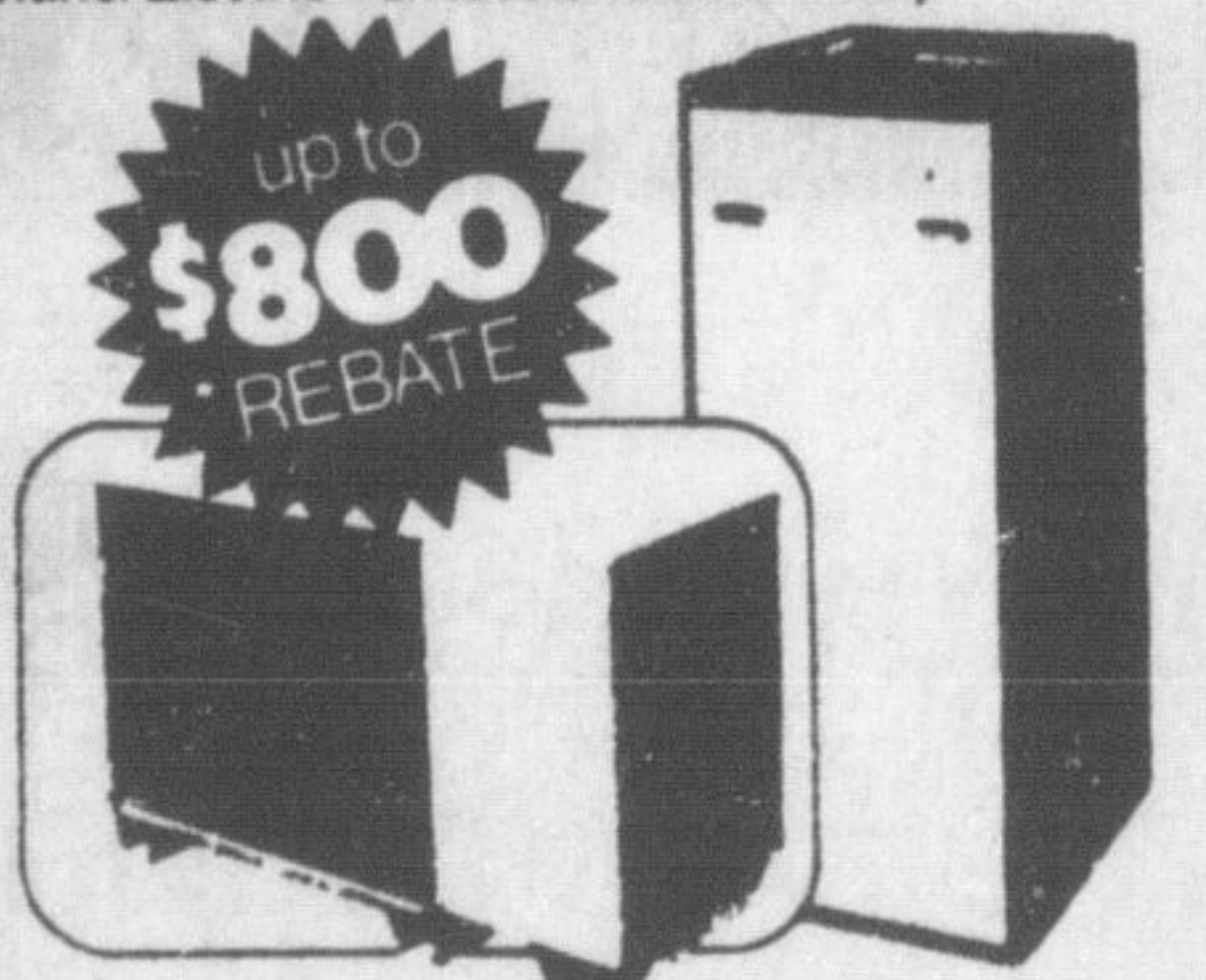
Appeal sentence

The sentence of a Burlington man who killed three women in a bicycle-car accident in the summer of 1980, including former Acton and Esquesing resident Lorraine Robertson (nee Lavigne), will be appealed next month.

Crown attorney Jim Treleven initiated the appeal and it will be heard in Milton Provincial Court December 17. Valente had been convicted of driving offenses previously and his licence was suspended a couple of times.

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When he is not busy studying or taking part in team sports, Robert likes to devote his spare time to skiing—water skiing in the summer and downhill skiing in the winter.

Once a month, he comes home to Milton to spend a weekend with his parents and younger sister Barbara, 11, and his brother Hugh, 13.

A top math student, Robert hopes to make accounting his eventual career.

He is already making plans to go to the University of Western Ontario, which boasts one of the finest rowing teams, according to Robert.

One of those proudest of Robert's achievement was his mother, who admitted she knew nothing about the award until she received a letter in the mail.

"He didn't even tell us about it. We just got this notice in the mail. I thought it was perhaps another swimming award," said Marilyn Silk.

"We were very pleased, because he does work hard," she said.

The award symbolizes he has matured and is accepting responsibilities and is making some very good decisions," she added.

Although recipients of the gold pin are few and far between Robert hopes to make the grade by next year.

Town buys old hospital, body shop

A \$265,000 purchase of the former hospital at 17 Martin St. and the original Bill's Auto Body shop building by the town was authorized Monday night during an in-camera meeting of committee of the whole.

The purchase means the Town now owns the entire property block surrounding Town Hall—which has been offered for sale since January, 1981. The property is being sold to finance a proposed move of the council chambers and municipal offices to the old court house and jail complex on Brown St.

Although a \$210,000 heritage grant has already been allotted to the Brown St. complex and preliminary plans for its development approved, council must wait for the sale of their current headquarters before more than some exterior improvements to the courthouse and jail complex can be proceeded with.

Mayor Gord Krantz and Coun. Brad Clements declared conflicts of interest and were excused from the meeting.

Cop of the Month Nabbed armed robbers, prevented planned heist

By Linda Kirby

A Milton man and member of the Toronto Police force has received the Policeman of the Month award for his part in nabbing two suspects and preventing the planned robbery of a 73-year-old man.

First class Constable Robert Relske of Milton along with his partner Constable Richard Rozanski of 52 Division, were presented the award at a special dinner given by the Toronto Junior Board of Trade last week.

"Sure enough, he was high but wanted to know why we were 'picking' on him."

"There are two guys upstairs with a loaded revolver," he told the police officers.

The constables nabbed the two men, but found no gun. A key to a locker was found, however.

Inside the locker was a .38 calibre revolver, an old Webley gun, a starter's pistol, burglary equipment and an estimated \$25,000 worth of stolen jewellery.

Further investigation revealed the two men were responsible for 55 break and enter incidents in Kitchener and Guelph.

A search of a suspect's apartment in Guelph produced another \$125,000 worth of stolen property.

According to Constable Felske, the suspects had planned to go to Ottawa to rob the grandfather of one of the two men, of about \$10,000.

"They admitted to police if they had needed to, they would have shot the old man," said Constable Felske.

Both officers were commended for their initiative and dedication in getting the two suspects after receiving the information.

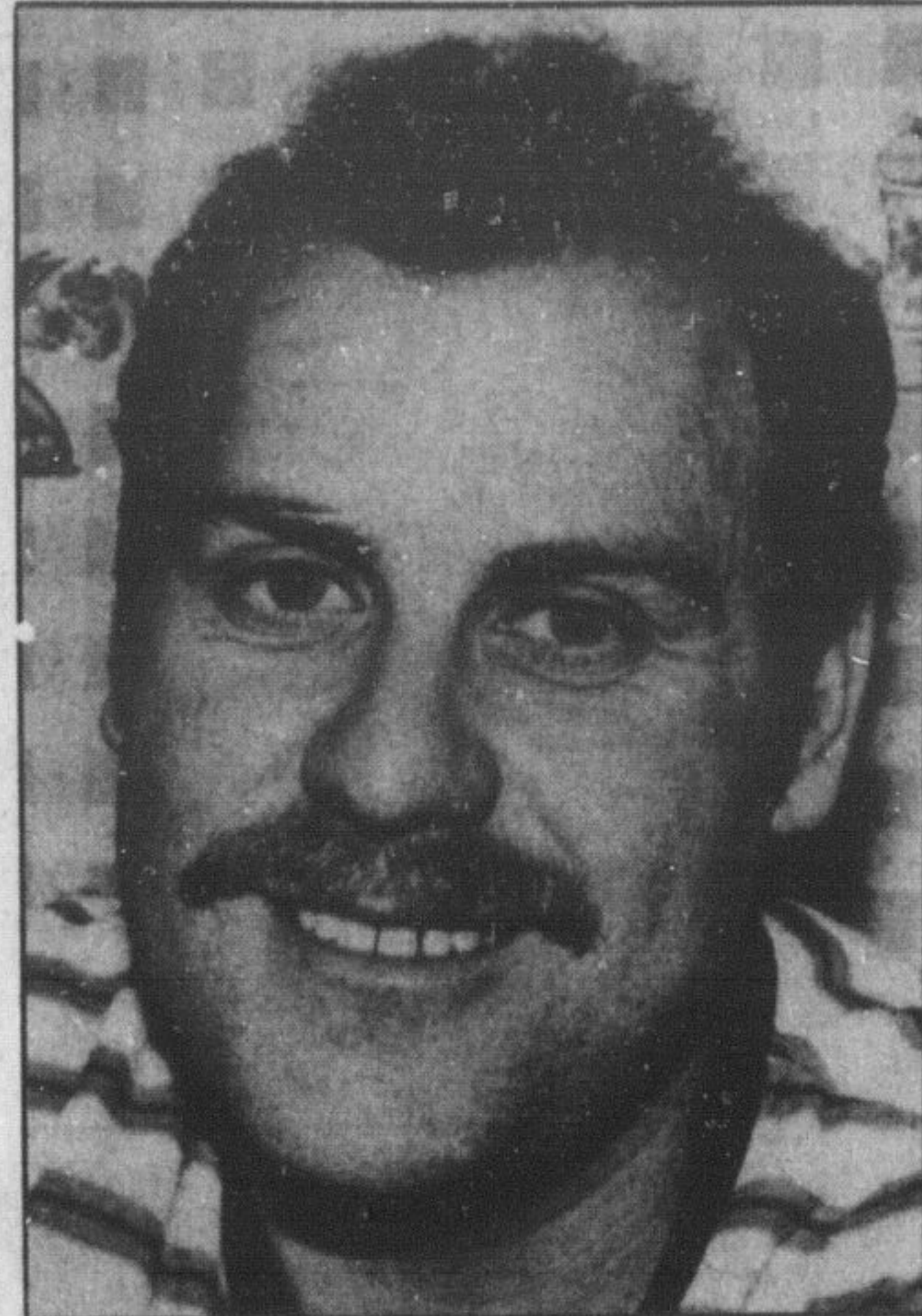
He admits the incident had its moments of fear.

"I guess the part that scared me was the fact that these two men saw us in the bus terminal and had access to the loaded revolver," he said.

The case was however, in the line of police work Constable Felske enjoys the most.

He hopes to work in the special investigative unit of the Metro force in the very near future.

Originally from Tillsonburg, he has worked with the Toronto force for the past 10 years.



CONSTABLE ROBERT RELSKE

A former factory worker, the 31-year-old officer admitted he was attracted to the "big city" life of Toronto, after living in a small town for most of his life.

"I was interested in police work and wanted to see what I could do in the big city of Toronto," he explained.

He feels Toronto has become more dangerous with the increasing number of violent crimes but still likes his job.

"It is a comfortable living. You will never be rich, but there is security and it is a very interesting job."

"You do have the opportunity to meet a lot of people and it has its exciting moments," he said.

As much as he enjoys working in Toronto, he would never live in the city and for that reason resides in Dorest Park in Milton.

A sports fan, he likes hockey and baseball and reads in his spare time.

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