Robert Aston has opened a new hair salon on Martin St. which he says will get back to the basics of hair styling. His wife Diane will assist him in the shop.

New hair salon gets 'back to the basics'

It is important to Robert Aston, proprieter of the recently opened Robert's Hair Studio, that clients feel comfortable in his new salon.

"We are trying to get back to the basics of hair styling," said Mr. Aston. "Large salons are just too cold and impersonal, and everyone is just another number."

The salon, nestled in the back of the same building which houses The Total Skin and Body Clinic on Martin St., is cosy. Mr. Aston's wife and partner in this venture, Diane, makes clients feel at home from the moment they walk in the door.

Robert's Hair Studio offers all facets of hair care and styling, including colouring, perming and cuts. Being in business for himself provides Mr. Aston with an opportunity to put his 14 years of hairdressing experience to work.

He says that trends in hairstyling are easy to follow because they are really just modified versions from the past. He has worked in the theatrical

end of the business, styling hair for the stars of a music show run on Channel 11 (CHCH-TV) five years ago, and as stylist for the Press Theatre in St. Catharines. More recently he has worked out of a Milton Mall salon for the past four

"Being on my own has given me more of a chance to do what I want in hairstyling, I have a freer hand to become involved in all angles of the field." He says he really enjoys hair-colouring and has his masters in that field from L'Oreal.

Business has been excellent so far. Several of his clients have followed him to his new location.

His March perm special was such a success that he will continue to run monthly specials year-round.

1,751 calls serviced, by 911

In its first three months of operation, Halton's 911 Emergency telephone system handled 1,751 calls for genuine assistance.

But in that same time, it received 4,540 bogus calls for help.

The region will buy a \$7,800 computer to keep better track of the calls which will be less expensive than paying Bell Canada to monitor them.

a headache in running the system.

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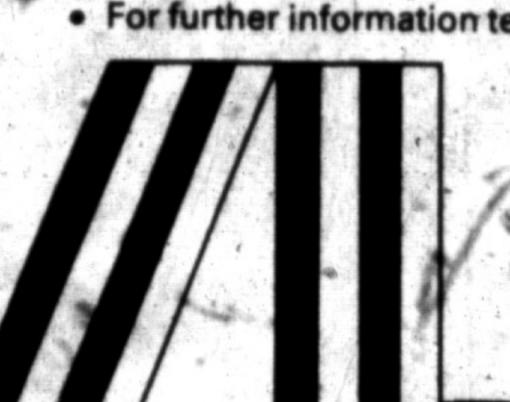
The system so far has resulted in 752 genuine police emergencies, 746 ambulance calls and 253 fire calls.

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Squabbles ensue over dump

A war of words concerning the future location of Halton's new landfill dump was raised a few more degrees at a recent solid waste management committee meeting at the region.

Milton councillor Bill Johnson, the chairman of the committee, cut off Barlington councillor Walter Malkewich who was giving a long dissertation on problems he found with Halton's environmental assessment (EA) document. It was returned to Halton by the Ministry of the

Environment (MOE) to clear up what the MOE found to be confusing passages.

After being cut off, Mr. Mulkewich responded angrily particularly when he was accused to trying to denigrate

Speaking in defence of the document was regional chief administrator Dennis Perlin and regional planner Rash Mohammed.

Both men said any criticisms will be solved by work going on now. Mr. Perlin took that opportunity to do

He warned that unless several groups, including municipalities, start co-operating, the process will go on even longer.

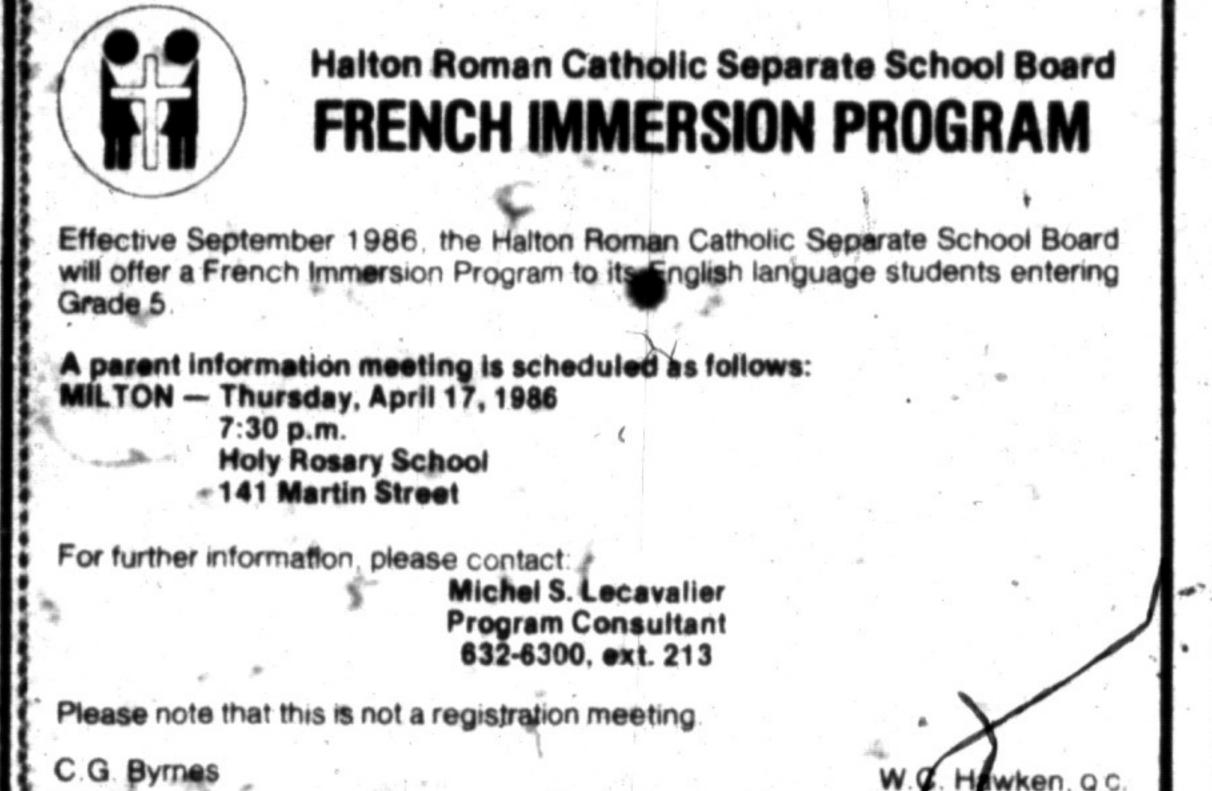
"If people don't start co-operating in this region ... you'll never have this issue resolved," he said.

Mr. Johnson preferred to lay much of the blame on the MOE saying it

was unpredictable in what it asks the region to do for EA approval.

"It's the Ministry of Funny Walks," he said.

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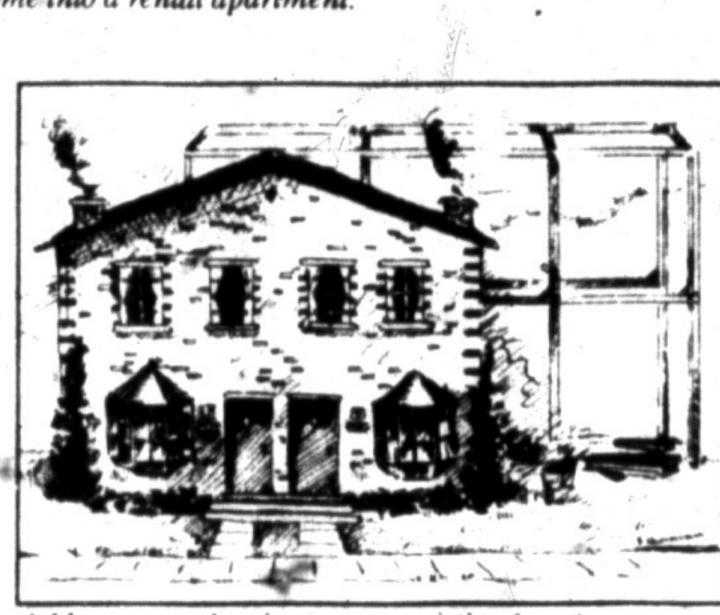
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