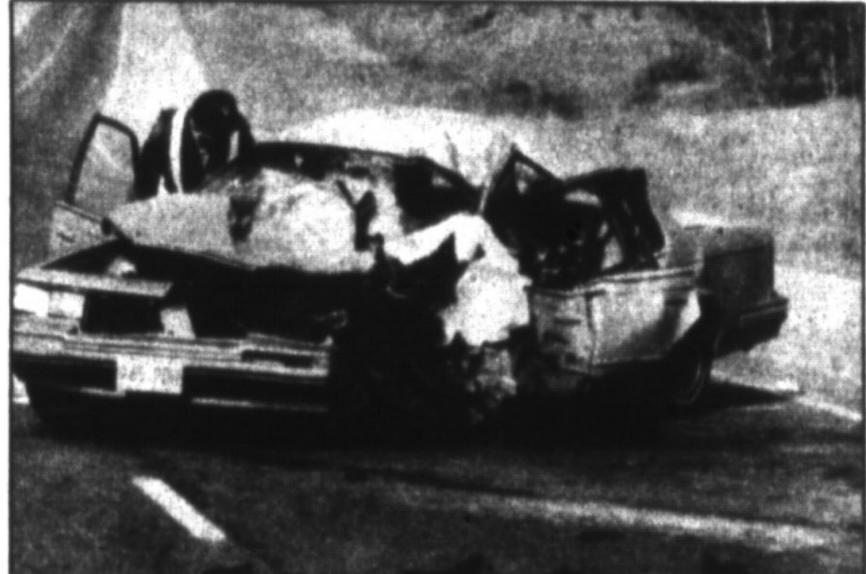


## Fatal crash

teachers, were killed Saturday when their car collided with a vehicle on Highway 401 Guelph Line. Their car (right) was hit by a vehicle which crossed the centre median, police said. The four occupants of the other car, a couple and their two children, were transported to area hospitals, one by air ambulance (above). The highway in both directions was closed for several hours, stopping traffic for miles. Dead are Ruth Stephenson, 29, of Guelph and Louise Stephenson, 55, of Burford. Photos by GRAHAM PAINE



## Mulvale takes heat over membership

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Both Ms Mitchell and Mr. Sparling earlier told the crowd they had been Tories for years. Ms Mulvale concluded her remarks by asking if people were ready to fall behind the one person who promised to keep the riding PC.

At one point, when two people attempted to move him away from the open microphone, Mr. Viana shouted not charge them.

Later, still angry about the exchange, Ms Mulvale said Conservative had come into the open.

answer the question," she said.

"I've been lobbied by all parties," she pointed out. She dismissed the notion of only being a credible candidate if judged by party membership tenure.

"Are they saying that if you can't be a card carrying member, we won't appreciate the skills you will bring? Nonsense. Are they saying we won't appreciate all those efforts?... Nonsense. And why say this to someone who has been lobbied by the community?"

During their five-minute opening remarks, each candidate spoke on the national deficit and fiscal policy to the audience at Oakville Trafalgar High School.

Mr. Sparling offered two proposals — balanced tions. budget legislation and better co-ordination between government and business. "We must get taxation down and create a more positive environment for business," he stressed.

Ms Mitchell urged controlled government spending, long-term caps on taxation, the prospect of future tax decreases and balanced budget legislation.

Ms Mulvale said it was important to create a climate and business experience of the three.

of confidence for investment and advocated the positions laid out in the Robert De Cotret report, including a 15 per cent government spending cut and trimming the number of MPs.

She also suggested giving increased tax credits to companies investing in Canada.

During the question part of the meeting the candidates fielded queries ranging from the controversial planned to touch him, that it was harassement and he could military helicopter purchase, to free trade, to how best to imporve provincial-federal relations.

All, at one point or another, said when budget cuts she was glad the issue of her status as a Progressive come, "everything (is) on the table." While listing the cuts she advocated on the federal level — including "I kept saying to Judy (Ms Alexander)... let me scrapping Hibernia and the PEI-mainland bridge — Ms Mitchell said she'd scrap baby bonuses for high income

"They're already gone," shouted someone from the crowd.

Ms Mitchell said she had forgotten that.

All three said they would restructure MP pensions. 'Double dipping has to go,' Mr. Sparling noted, adding that MP pensions should not mean cash for life.

Ms Mulvale said she was deeply opposed to indexed pensions, noting that when the Association of Municipalities of Ontario discussed similar arrangements for municipal officials, she also voiced objec-

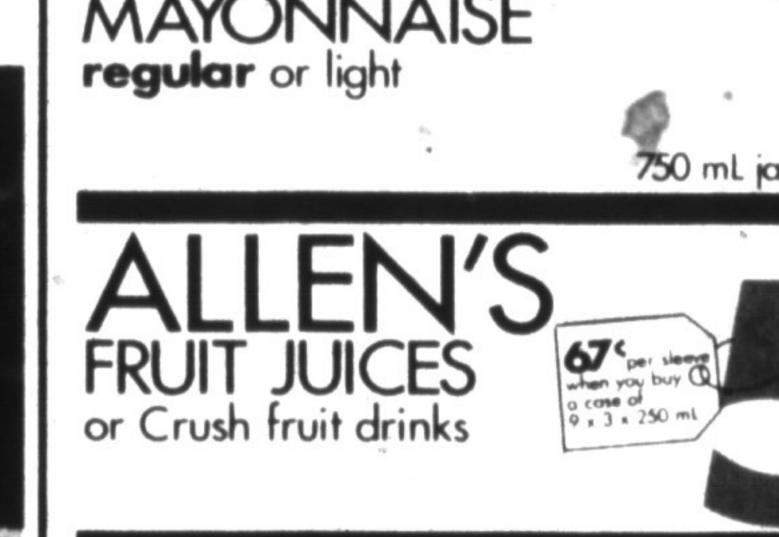
Ms Mitchell said she favoured pensions modelled more after private sector funds, perhaps in the form of a Registered Retirement Savings Plan. The government contribution to the individual's plan could end when that person left public service, she suggested.

In her closing remarks, Ms Mitchell said she was the only candidate with the requisite academic, municipal













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