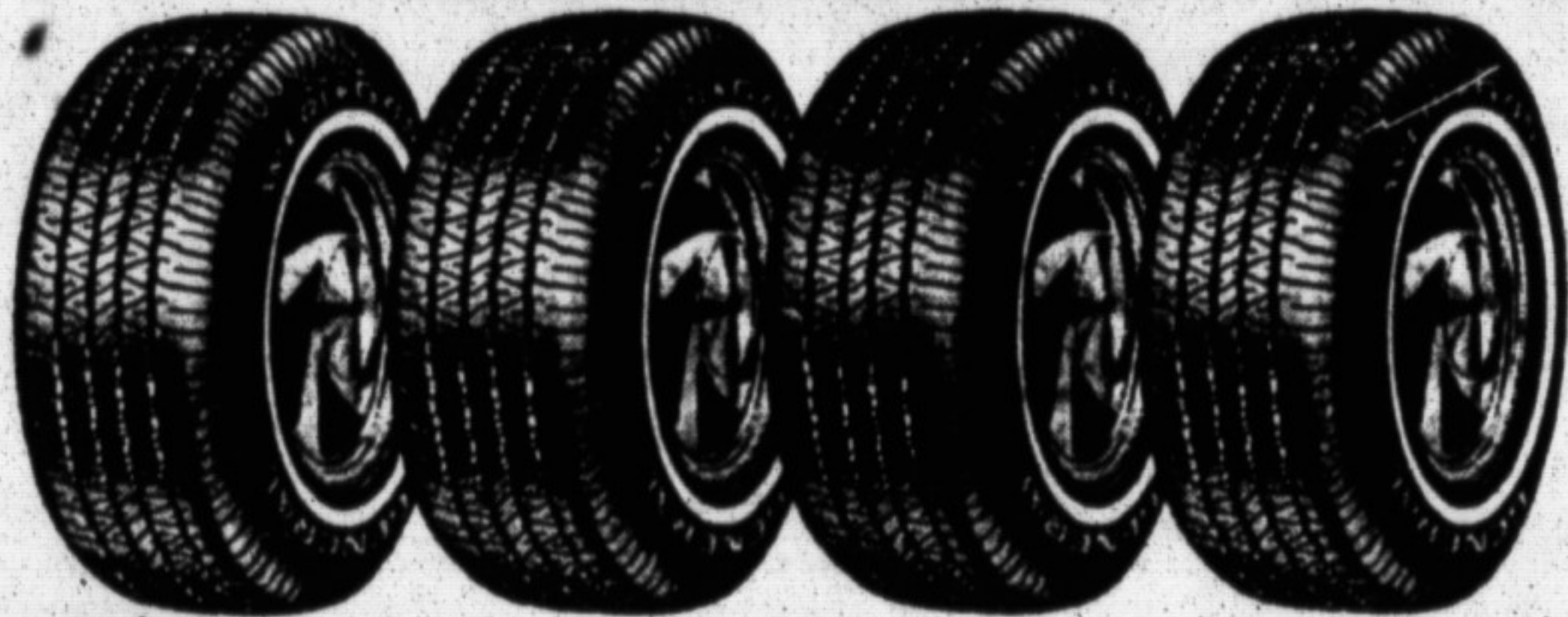


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## Chudleigh says

# People want Toronto fixed

By **BRAD REAUME**  
*The Champion*

While not opposing the recent filibuster attempt by opposition parties in the Ontario legislature, Halton North MPP Ted Chudleigh said he feels the public did not appreciate the tactic.

"I can't criticize them because they didn't break any rules," he said. "The filibuster cost \$2.3 million. If I were going to pick a fight I would have picked another subject."

Mr. Chudleigh attributed the filibuster to frustration by opposition parties that the Harris government is fulfilling its platform, while the economy improves and the projected deficit is pegged to be lower than expected.

"When we talked to people after the Golden Report,

after Joyce Trimmer's report and the Libby Birnham report (all on municipal reform) we heard without exception that we had to fix Toronto first," Mr. Chudleigh said.

"That was a very strong and very consistent position: Toronto first, because Toronto cannot do it by themselves. So that's what we're doing."

Mr. Chudleigh said changes to school boards, municipal organizations and property taxation are all related.

He admitted the changes are confusing to many people and said that confusion was the main reason the necessary changes have not been made before.

"If we do it right we'll have a big political win. If it comes out wrong then we may be a one-term government," he said. "We are putting it on the line. We were elected to govern."

## Talk scheduled to discuss budget

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He continues to suggest all boards should be looking at ways to save money."

His ideas include contracting out custodial and maintenance work, reducing administration and monitoring how much they spend on staff overtime and retirement gratuities.

Ms Glover said Halton trustees and administrators are looking for direction and increased funding from the province in the aftermath of a meeting last week that failed to produce a budget.

Mr. Young perceives the latest

call for government help as crying wolf.

"I've never listened too much to what this board has to say. They handed out 500 pink slips (to teachers in 1996) and almost all of them were recalled. The director of education (Bob Williams) quit and then he was rehired as a superintendent at \$90,000 a year. One week they have a (budget) deficit and the next week they're \$6 million in the black (due to an unexpected supplementary tax windfall)."

"We have a lot of trustees who are very competent and know what

needs to be done, but the director and board chair are not listening to their own people," said Mr. Young.

Ms Glover, naturally, doesn't agree with the MPPs' assessment:

"I do whatever the board directs me to do. The board operates as a corporate body, not as individuals. Are they (politicians) ready to support us in the area of staffing changes we may need to make?" The Halton board, which has been given an extension until May 9, attempts to pass its 1997 budget at a meeting Thursday at 8 p.m. School closure issues are also expected to be on the agenda.



## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MILTON

# TAX NOTICE

Ratepayers of the Town of Milton are reminded that the second installment of the 1997 Interim Tax Bill is due on April 30, 1997

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- By the phone if you bank with Canada Trust, TD Bank, CIBC, Royal Bank or Bank of Montreal. Please call them for details.
- By using the mail deposit box to the left of the glass doors at Town Hall.
- Between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm at the Corporate Services Office, Town Hall, Victoria Park Square, Milton. (cheque or money orders preferred rather than cash).

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Milton intends to declare surplus and dispose of property legally described as Part of Lot 14, Concession 2, New Survey, (Trafalgar), designated as part 6 and part 1, Plan 20R-9881, Town of Milton. The subject property is located at the Northwest corner of Highway 25 and Main Street

This notice is provided pursuant to Section 193 (4c) of The Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.45, as amended, and in accordance with Town of Milton Property Disposal By-law No. 34-95.

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