

Region has own special needs

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provincial government is moving forward to make local restructuring easier across Ontario.

One of the most important aspects of this GTA discussion is that we maintain Toronto as a world-class city as the entire region's economic health depends upon Toronto's prosperity. The recession that hit this region in 1990 left the GTA's economy lagging behind the rest of the country and revealed its vulnerability in the new global economy.

The goal of this government is to create a healthy economic climate for job creation and the efficient delivery of services.

If new economic activity is not spurred, unsuccessful job-seekers and those who have simply given up looking for jobs will add to the demands on an already strained social services system.

The discussion paper - Developing the Framework for a Greater Toronto Services Board, produced after consultations with the regions of the GTA - has suggested that a Greater Toronto Area Services Board be created to co-ordinate economic development and such area-wide services as public transit, water and sewers for the regions of Durham, York, Halton and Peel.

The regional governments would be given restructuring powers. They would be able to act on their own decisions without needing an amend-

ment to provincial legislation.

The goal of any changes is to maintain and even strengthen the quality of life, which is the key factor in keeping and attracting business to our communities. Durham-York - along with the rest of small town Ontario - is not a homogeneous region where municipalities have uniform priorities. They will be better equipped to co-ordinate the delivery of services, while saving taxpayers money.

At the end of the day, we all want to develop an economy of scale for the delivery of services for taxpayers, while maintaining and even strengthening the quality of life in our communities.

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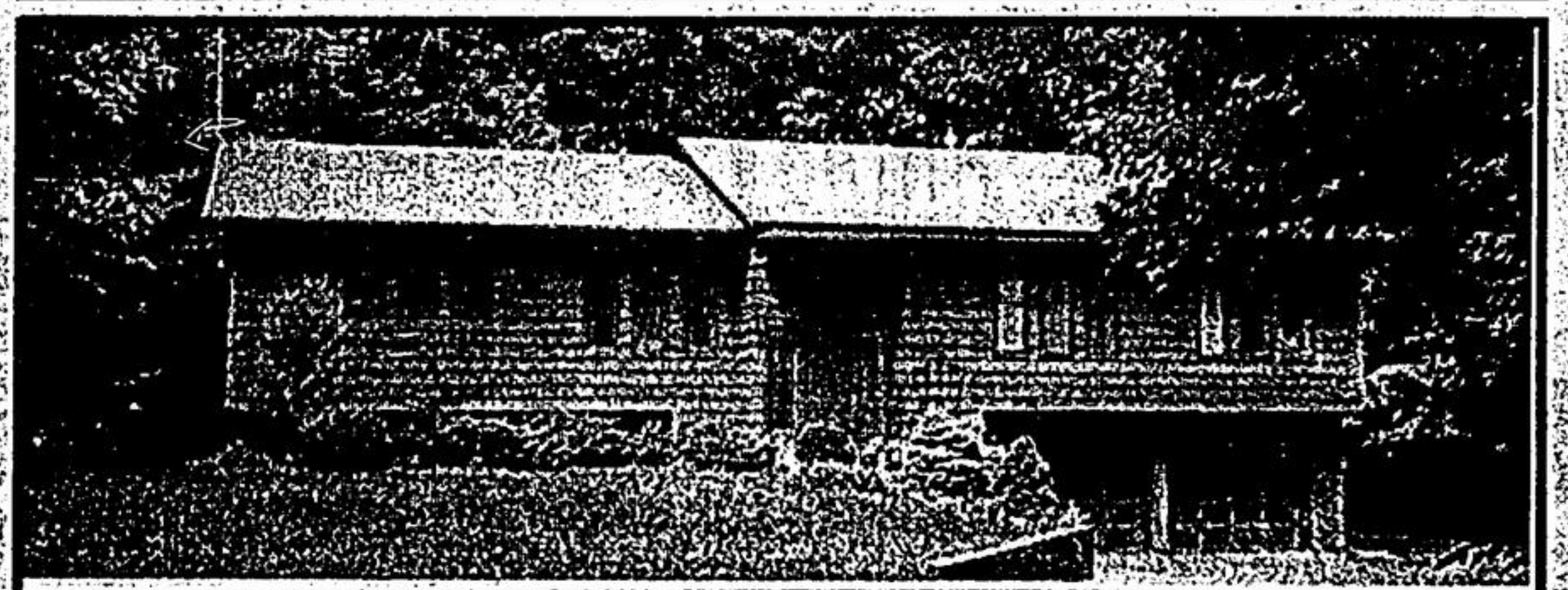
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