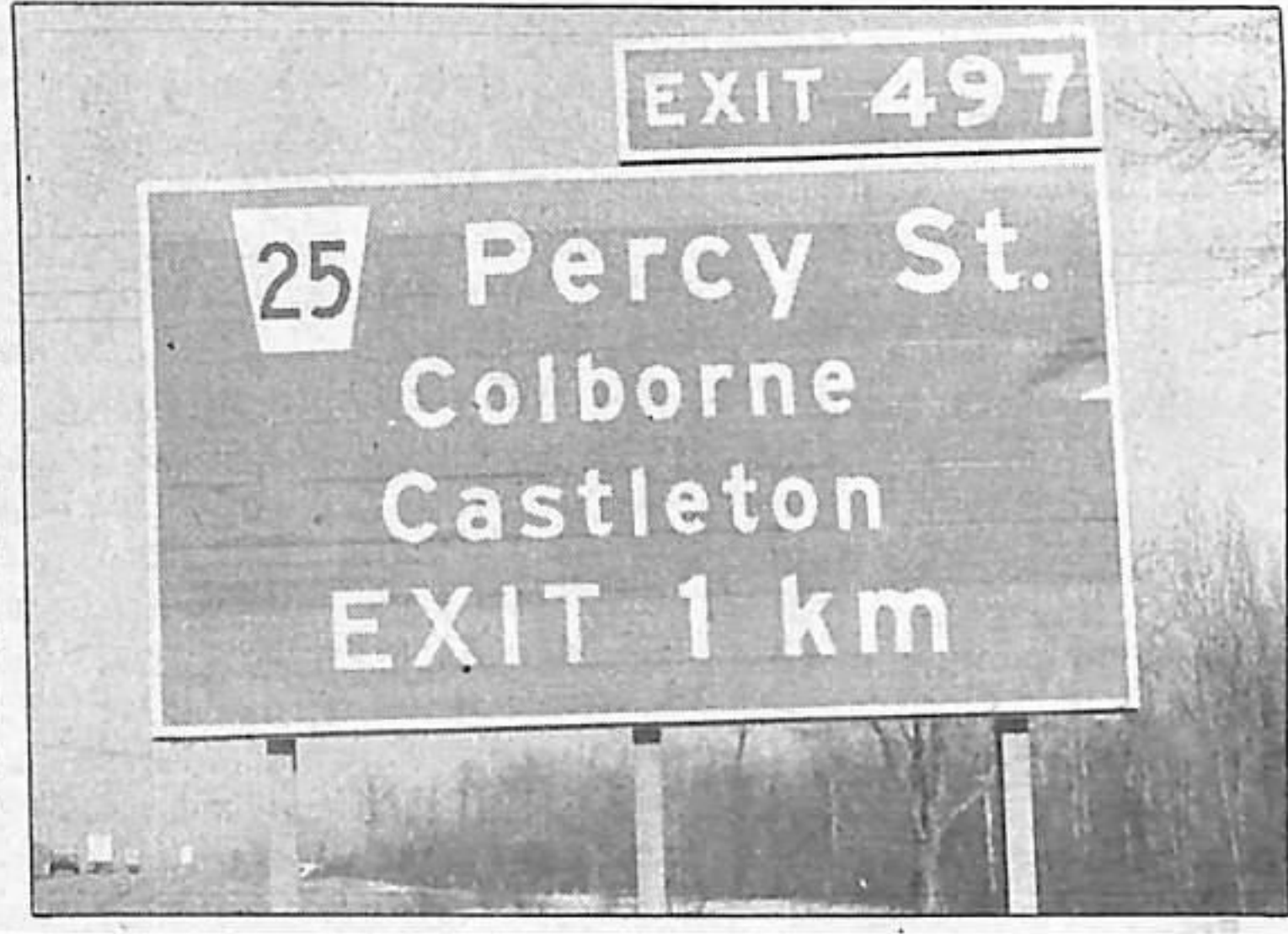




The old and the new -- Signs went up on Highway 401 last week, designating Exit 497, Percy Street and Big Apple Drive. Big Apple Drive runs from the 401 exit south along the former Percy St. to Orchard Drive, the turnoff for the Big Apple. Officials at the Ministry of Transportation refused to grant the Big Apple signage as a tourist destination, but said renaming the road would be the next best thing. The turnoff is expected to form the beginning (or end, depending from which direction you approach) of the Apple Route, south along Percy, through Colborne and points east. Photos by Eileen Argyris



Diving board for swim lessons

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By Eileen Argyris

Over the objections of Councillor Howard Whaley, Cramahe council has voted to spend \$389 for replacement of a diving board at the Depaepes' swimming pool in Castleton.

The matter came before council at its meeting of Aug. 3.

George and Judith Depaepe of Castleton have for a number of years volunteered the use of their private swimming pool for the Cramahe Recreation's annual Red Cross swim program. Rent for the pool is \$600 per year.

The Depaepes have also always allowed the swim instructors, students and parents to use washroom facilities inside their private home, but concerns arose earlier this year that, for the first time, the privilege was being abused.

The Depaepes requested that the Recreation

Committee rent a porta-potty for public use.

However, minutes from the Cramahe Recreation Committee meeting of July 20 indicated that suggested rental of a porta-potty would cost in excess of \$1,000. Judith Depaepe, who is a member of the committee, agreed that the cost was prohibitive.

It was suggested that, if the Depaepes continue to allow the public to use their private washrooms, the Rec. Committee might "spring" for the cost of a new diving board, which has already been replaced.

In registering his objection to the expenditure, Mr. Whaley said the porta-potty had been deemed a necessity and, if it were necessary, the \$1,000 should be spent. However, he added, if it were found that it was not necessary, then the money should not be regarded as available to be spent on something else, such as the diving board.

But, Reeve Stuart Oliver disagreed, "If she (Mrs. Depaepe) had wanted to be mean, she could have forced the issue. But she agreed to let them continue to use the house."

He added that the diving board was necessary so that swim students could learn everything on their course. He supported the expenditure.

Births

CROTHERS: Pete and Wendy (Allen) are proud to announce the arrival of their son ELIJAH PETER was born on July 24th, 1993, at Peterborough Civic Hospital, weighing 6lbs, 11ounces. Grandparents are Jim & Margaret Crothers and Jack & Joan Allen.

Proud parents Gord and Linda Thompson wish to announce the birth of their daughter KELLA MARIE, born July 7, 1993 at 3:03pm. in Oshawa General Hospital. Jamie and Ciji welcome their baby sister to their family. Thanks to everyone for their good wishes and support.

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