

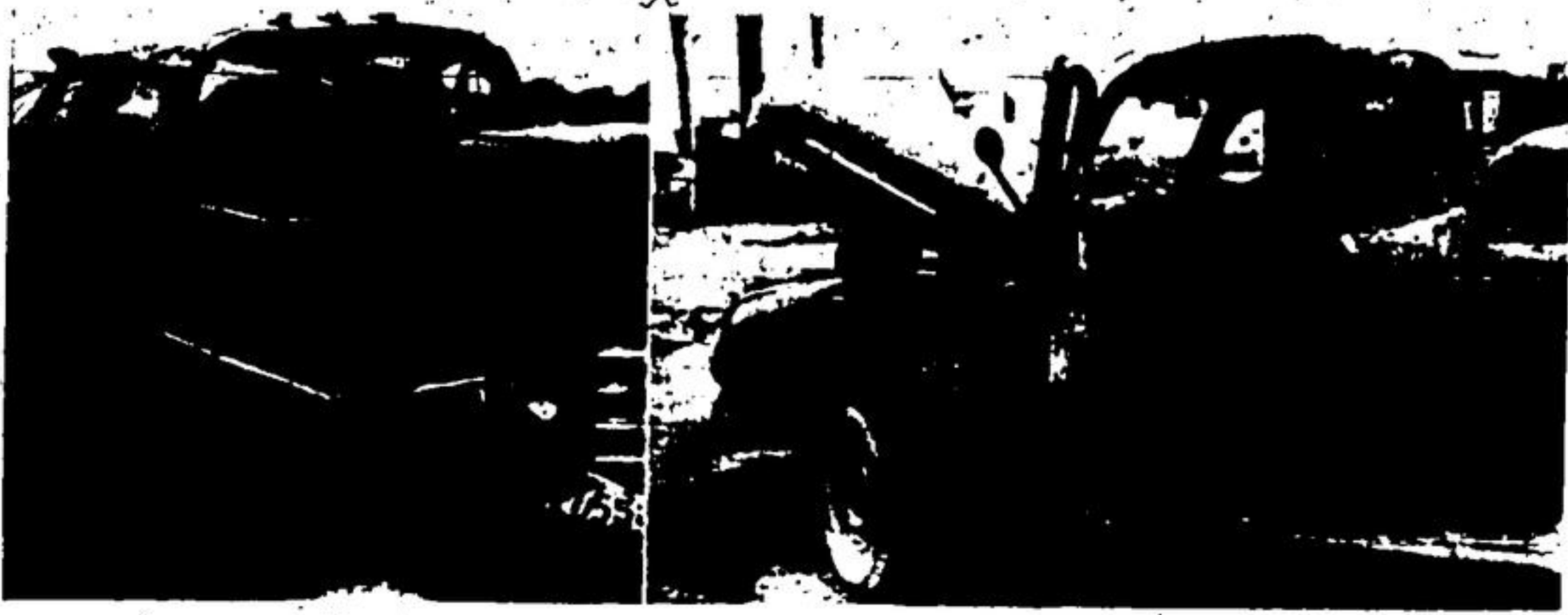
# The Acton Free Press.

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## ROAD REPAIR PROGRAM UNDERWAY



CARRYING A CARGO of 400 gallons of gasoline, the Thompson Motors gas truck, shown at left, was in collision with a light pick-up truck shown at right and driven by L. Ferguson of R. R. 2 Hillsburgh. The light truck caught fire and police estimated it a total loss. Damage to the gas truck was placed at \$2,000. The accident occurred Friday about 5 p.m. at Churchill. Acton Fire Brigade was called to the scene.

### Gas, Pick-up Truck Seriously Damaged

A light truck was burned to a total loss and a heavy gasoline truck with a 400 gallon cargo of gas was seriously damaged Friday at Churchill about 5 p.m.

The gasoline truck of Thompson Motors driven by Aldon Patterson of Limehouse was going west on the county line towards the second line when it was in collision with a half-ton truck driven by L. Ferguson of R. R. 2 Hillsburgh. The light truck was going south on the third line toward No. 7 highway.

On collision the light truck turned on its side, and took fire. The cab was burned out. Upholstery was burned off the front seat and only the steel ring remained of the steering wheel.

Seven-year-old Donald Jackson was a passenger in the light truck. He escaped with the driver without injury. Mr. Patterson was also uninjured.

Acton Fire Brigade attended the fire but was unable to save the truck. Provincial police of the Guelph detachment, estimate the small truck a total loss and damage to Thompson Motors gas truck at \$2,000.

Police would not say whether charges would be laid.

### STEEL BEAMS, BRICKS TAKE PLACES AS PUBLIC SCHOOL ADDITION GROWS

Steel beams were swung into place this week as construction progresses on the new public school addition. Brick work is well advanced on the one section that is vital.

Contractors are trying to beat a September date for the completion of the section that is to house the boiler room and lavatories.

One brick wall is complete and the brick work along the front of one side leaves ample room for large front windows on what will eventually be the principal classroom adjacent to the office.

### Will Oil Town Streets, Paving Gets Final O.K.

Council, in a special session Thursday evening of last week, accepted the tender of Municipal Spraying and Oiling Co. Ltd. for oiling some Acton streets.

Church, Bower, Frederick, Elgin, Knox, Park, Mill, Willow, John, Wilbur and Main streets are included in the oiling program. Council expressed a feeling that these were the most heavily travelled and would therefore require the application.

### P. C. Todd Recovers Stolen Car, Friday

P. C. W. Todd of the local police force recognized and recovered a stolen car on Friday evening at approximately 8:30.

Stolen from Denfield, Ont. near London, the 38 cubic Chevrolet was travelling on No. 25 highway. "It just stopped at the corner and I recognized the license number," the constable reported.

Robert Duff, 16-year-old, was turned over to the London police department. The car had been stolen Thursday evening but the radio call was received just about half an hour before Constable Todd recovered it.

### JOCQUE-McLELLAN WEDDING SATURDAY IN KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Knox Presbyterian Church was decorated with peonies, orange blossoms and gladioli, with roses at the ends of the pews, for the June wedding of Helen Shirley McLellan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. McLellan, Acton, and Joseph Jocque, son of Mrs. Agnes Jocque, Acton, last Saturday. Rev. R. H. Armstrong conducted the ceremony with Miss Ethel Franklin providing the wedding music.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a street length dress of grey nylon marquisette over pink taffeta with pink accessories. She carried American beauty rose buds and Stephanotis.

Mrs. L. McKersie, the sister of the bride, was matron of honor in a dress of dusty blue lace, over crepe with matching headdress. She carried rose buds and sweet peas.

The brother-in-law of the bride, L. R. McKersie, was best man and the ushers were J. H. Goy, the brother-in-law of the groom and G. L. McLellan, the brother of the bride.

About 45 guests attended the reception in the Sunday School room following the ceremony.

In a dress of printed silk with white accessories, the bride left with her husband on a trip north. Guests attended the wedding from New Westminster, B.C., Delaware, Hamilton and Georgetown as well as from Acton.

### Mayor Tyler reported that the Road Committee with the Brevé and himself had visited Georgetown where roads had recently been oiled.

"After it has been down two or three days you can't tell it from asphalt," the mayor said. He also reported the Mayor and a councillor of Georgetown had said in conversation they were well satisfied with the asphalt base used.

Oiling of the roads is done by spraying. This is reported to eliminate grading and applications of calcium for one year at least.

Three tenders were submitted to council. Stone Oil Co. quoted 15 cents per gallon on dust layer, Armstrong Bros. Construction quoted 10.3c gallon for dust layer and 21.75c per gallon for primer, including the laying on the roads. Municipal Road Spraying tendered at 17.35 per gallon for dust layer and 19.8 per gallon for primer, including application.

It was expected the oiling would start early this week. Council expected to apply approximately 6,000 gallons of material.

Approval was received from the Department of Highways on the contract for Mill and Main St. improvements. The latter estimated the share paid by the department would be \$19,214, of the \$41,000 tender. In the balance of \$22,284, which is termed Acton's share, a 50 per cent grant on regular road costs is available which would make the actual cost to the town approximately \$11,192 not allowing for extras.

Council authorized the mayor and clerk to sign the agreement with the K. J. Bigham Construction Co. for the Main and Mill St. improvements at their tendered price of \$41,000.

Councillors Greer, Wood, Thompson, Wick, Taylor, Fryer, and Reeve Hargrave were present at this special session. Mayor Tyler presided.

### MOTHERS JOIN YOUNGSTERS IN CLASS PRESENTATION MADE TEACHER

The mothers of the Grade One pupils came to class on Wednesday afternoon June 27. The teacher, Miss Bentley, adjourned lessons as a party atmosphere invaded the room.

Miss Bentley was presented with a corsage and then a navy blue umbrella with a silver handle. She is retiring after teaching here for several years.

### SCHOOL PROMOTION RESULTS ARE ISSUED, SOME ENROLLING REFUSED

The promotion lists of the 378 children who attended Acton Public School this year was announced by Principal G. McKenzie this week. The graduating class numbered 31 while there are 58 youngsters enrolling. About 15 who enrolled had to be deferred for a year since there is not enough room until the new school is built.

All the students in Grade 8 passed with 10 obtaining honors. Following is the list of those promoted to high school:

Promoted from Grade VIII to High School

Anderson, Barbara; Barr, Betty Ann; Bradshaw, Peggy; Chisholm, Joan; Dadds, Herbie; Emms, Ronald; Garner, Faye; Halliday, Joyce; Haydon, John; Holmes, Alan; Hufnagel, John; Jany, Joseph; Lamarche, Adèle; Lambert, John; Laxton, Helen; Mages, Mary; Mages, Stanley; Marks, Marilyn; Morton, Cheryl; McCall, Colin; McCrea, Jean; Oakes, Francis; Plesler, Georgina; Rachlin, Elaine; Sagaski, Leona; Sargent, Bernice; Stucky, Jo-Anne; Tyler, Lorraine; White, Jerry; Winter, Marjorie; Withers, Grant.

Promoted from Grade VII to Grade VIII

Pass, Andrews, Fay; Armstrong, Bob; Baxter, Emerson; Cunniff, Ham; John, Currie; Wayne, Dawkins; Dorothy; Dawkins, Gary; De Forest, Hartley; DeForest, Juanita; Halliday, Bert; Hunter, Marvyn; Hurst, Edna; Jany, Elizabeth; Jennings, Edna; Jones, Sylvia; Landsborough, Bob; Lewandowski, Stella; Mages, Sylvia; Nielsen, Selva; Oakes, Joan; Paul, Sheila; Peal, Joy; Ritchie, Beth; Robson, Nora; Sheppard, Ron; Sigsworth, Marilyn; Sinclair, Ron; Smethurst, George; Spies, Wayne; Thorarinnson, Brian; Ware, Marjorie; Wild, Norma.

Recommended — Allen, Ted; Brown, Lorna; McFadden, Gary; Marshall, Paul; Spielvogel, Bill.

Promoted from Grade VI to Grade VII

Pass — Barnes, Phyllis; Boslar, Annie; Brada, Raymond; Brown, Donald; Clow, Ronald; Cooper, Frank; Cripps, Ruth; DeForest, Elaine; Dennis, Margaret; Dennis, Paul; Dolner, Evelyn; Dolner, William; Fountain, George; Ger-

### Front Axle Meets Mill St. Boulder

The sight of a car astir in the Mill St. with its front left wheel at a contorted angle beneath it caused motorists travelling through Acton to slow down suddenly. The car, driven by Stu Russell, had struck a large stone in the road and the front axle was broken.

The street was being dug up for the laying of cable when the accident occurred about 6 p.m. last Friday afternoon.

The vivid warning to "drive carefully" was towed away by McEachern's garage truck.

Promotions from Grade V to Grade VI

Pass—Arbie, Teresa; Bean, Betty; Brankiewicz, Helen; Coles, Patricia; Coles, Paul; Foree, Mary Jane; Hansen, Carol; Higgins, Rosalie; Hunter, David; Yurst, Michael; Johnston, Billy; Jones, Robert; Jennings, Edwin; Kroll, Olga; Lambert, Marie; Landsborough, Ruth; Lawson, Ernest; Lux, (Continued on Page Five)

### YELLOW BRIAR INN CHOSEN FOR RECEPTION AFTER KNOX MANSE WEDDING

The Presbyterian Manse was the scene of a quiet wedding last Saturday, June 30, when Helen Doreen Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Moore, Acton, was married to Robert R. Pearson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Pearson, Brampton. Rev. R. H. Armstrong conducted the ceremony.

The bride wore a gown of blue nylon net over taffeta with matching accessories with a corsage of red roses. Her bridesmaid, Bonnie Cosdes of Brampton, wore pink nylon marquisette with matching accessories and a corsage of yellow roses.

The best man was William Coates of Brampton.

After the wedding, the guests were received at the Yellow Briar Inn, Brampton, by the bride's mother in grey rayon faconne with white accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. She was assisted by the groom's mother in blue with matching accessories and a similar corsage of pink carnations.

The bride, in a grey gabardine suit with pink accessories, left with her husband for a trip to Ottawa and other eastern centres.

### Cabinet of Silver Given By Friends

A large gathering of neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Van Goozen gathered at Bloomsbury School, Nassagaweya, on Friday evening to say farewell to their prior to their removal to Guelph.

Euchre was played during the first part of the evening and then Mr. Duncan Moffat called the meeting to order and Mrs. Alex. Near read a complimentary address to Mr. and Mrs. Van Goozen.

Mrs. Lindsay Ferguson presented a cabinet of silver on behalf of those attending.

Several neighbors spoke of the loss of this couple from the neighborhood as Mr. Van Goozen was a member of the first Nassagaweya Area School Board and served on it for several years. At present he is a Councillor for the township. Mrs. Van Goozen has been a valued member of Dublin Women's Institute for many years. Both took an active interest in all things for the betterment of School Section No. 9 and the whole township.

A bounteous lunch was served by the ladies and the rest of the evening was spent in dancing with music by Mr. Alex Near and Mrs. Early.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Goozen have sold their 200 acre farm on the Blue Springs Road to Mr. Wilson Barrett, a well-known blind printer from Toronto, who with his family has moved to the farm. The 200 acre farm nearby belonging to the Chas. Barber Estate has also been purchased by Mr. Barrett.

A large crowd, resembling a country fair, assembled at the farm last week for the disposal by auction of the stock and implements under the hammer of Hindley and Elliott, auctioneers.

### Draft Acton Plan Finish Next Spring

R. L. Shoemaker, land surveyor, was present at the meeting of the Planning Board on June 22 to discuss with the Board the compiling of the new official plan of Acton. Work is to commence immediately on the plan and is expected to be completed by next spring. Mr. Shoemaker was representing the Bowman, Black and Shoemaker firm of Guelph.

Chairman Theron Jones raised the question of setting out a commercial zone in the zoning by-law that would restrict the erection of residences in the specified area. This was to be taken up with other proposed amendments for the zoning by-law.

The proposal of Lee Can to open a laundry on the corner of Church and Willow Sts., which was referred by council to the planning board, was dealt with. The board recommended to council that the application be refused since the size of the lot was not adequate under the Ontario requirements.

The Board made a recommendation to council that the site chosen by T. Atkinson for the erection of tourist cabins was unfavorable. Members of the board felt that due to the proximity of several private homes, a better site could be chosen.

Mr. Atkinson proposed building three cabins facing Fairy Lake just off Mill Street West behind Cameron St. this year and possibly three more next year.

In connection with the lot of John Williamson and his application to erect a dwelling on a part of a lot in zone 1, the board was of the opinion that since the part lot was purchased in 1946 before the zoning by-law was passed, some consideration should be given

### Promotions Listed For Lorne School

Following are the names of the pupils who were promoted this year at Lorne School.

Promoted to Grade 2 — Sandra Davidson (Hon.), James Kay (Hon.), Patay Kay.

Promoted to Grade 3 — Janette Kay (Hon.), Donald Swackhammer (Hon.), Ann Watkins (Hon).

Promoted to Grade 4 — Mervyn Broughton (Hon.), Calvin Kay (Hon.), Emily Saul (Hon).

Promoted to Grade 5 — Barbara Davidson (Hon.), Charles Saul (Hon).

Promoted to Grade 6 — Ronald Davidson, Gail Dobbie (Hon.), Gordon Holmes, Sophia Moore.

Promoted to Grade 9 — Robert Holmes, Shirley Saul (Hon.), William Thompson.

### Life-Long Resident Of Esquing Dies

After a lengthy illness at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Delaney, Erin, and four days in Guelph General Hospital, John F. Sinclair of Ballinacraig died on Thursday morning, June 28. Born in 1863 in Esquing Twp., lot 32, concession 9, Mr. Sinclair was predeceased by his wife in 1948.

After a short service at his early home now owned by his son, Norman, funeral services were conducted in Ballinacraig United Church by Mr. Gibb and Rev. Foreman.

Burialbearers were his six sons: Gilbert, Fred, Gear, Stanley, Norman and Donald and six grandsons, Jack and Douglas Cramble, Murray and Ross Sinclair and Billie and Mack Sinclair, bore the lovely floral tributes.

Allan McDougall sang "In the Upper Garden" during the service. Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

Mr. Sinclair, who spent all his life in this community, leaves to mourn his loss, his six sons, Gilbert, Acton; Fred, Norman and Donald, Ballinacraig; Gear, Milton; and Stanley, Oustie; and daughters, Mrs. Dan, McKernie (Bessie), Ballinacraig; Mrs. Ray McEnery (Kate), Erin; Mrs. James Cramble (Elsie), Toronto; Mrs. Ross Huxley (Florence), Hillsburgh and Mr. Will Delaney (Margaret), Erin. Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. Annie McKay, Toronto and a brother, Gilbert, Georgetown.

### Machinery Moving To Quebec Border

Law Construction Co. has begun moving its large quantity of road building machinery out of the pit at Mr. Rae Scott's farm, having completed their contract on highway 25.

Most of the machinery and the workmen will begin work on another road construction job at Lancaster near the Quebec border as soon as the plant can be reassembled.

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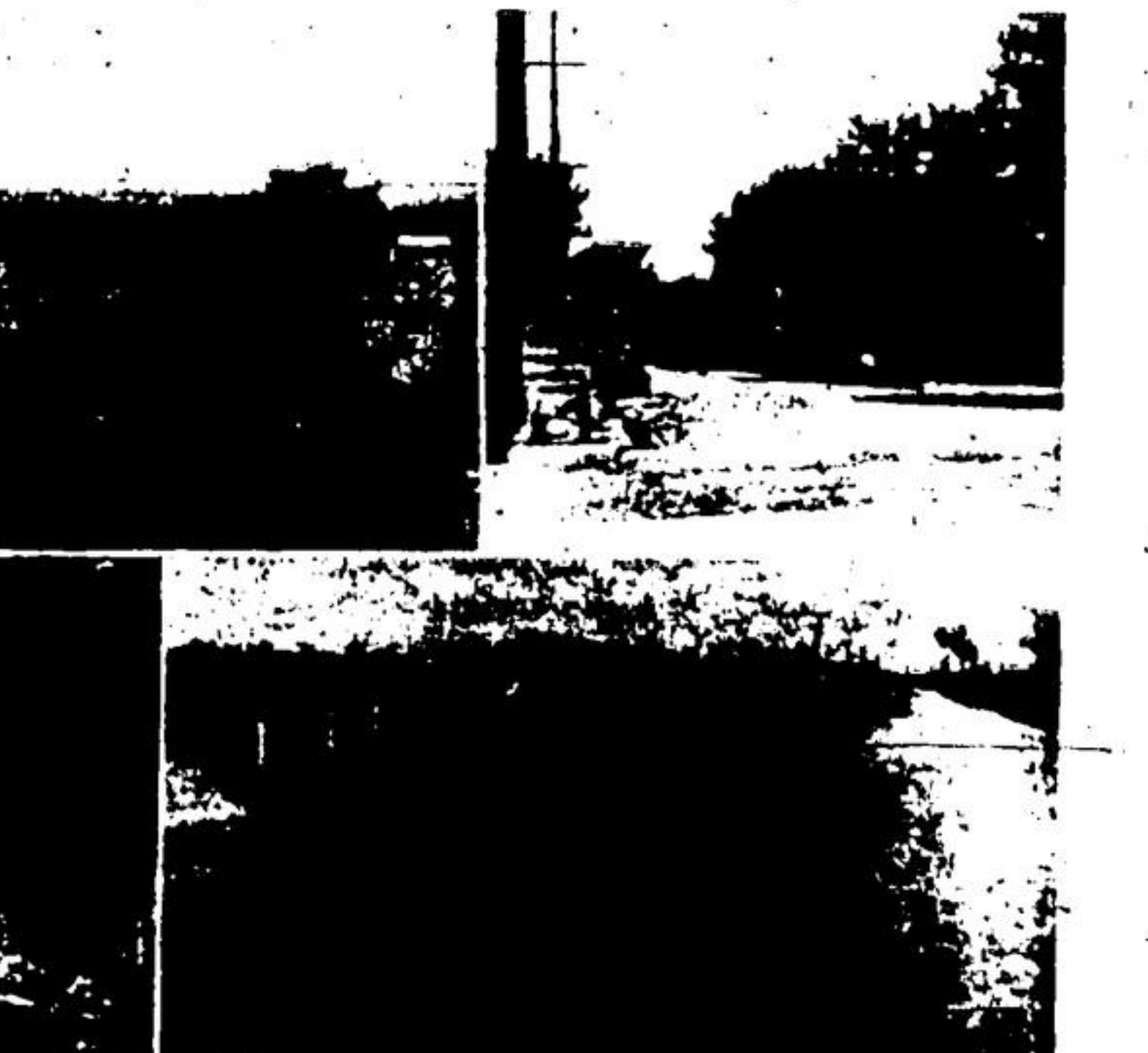
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SCENIC SUPER HIGHWAY No. 25, now completely paved with a fine coating of asphalt makes a trip between Acton and Milton a pleasant jaunt. Top left is the much-talked of mountain view, one of the best in the country and much improved with the widening operations a short time ago. At the top right No. 25 joins No. 7 highway at the corner of Mill and Main streets in Acton. Lower left is one of the many tree-lined bowers that add to the scenic beauty of the new highway. At the lower right is the beautiful even curve that leads to the gateway of Milton. —Staff Photos

### SMALLEST TOWN IN NORTH AMERICA TO HAVE 'Y' REPRESENTED BY TRIO

Representing the smallest town in North America to have a Y.M.C.A. Garnet McKenzie, Caroline Oakes and Bob Blow flew to Cleveland, Ohio for the centennial celebration of the founding of the Y.

Mr. McKenzie flew from London on Wednesday June 20 while the two representing Acton's Young Adults left Mallon airport on Tuesday, June 19.

There were 700 in the Young Adult session with their headquarters in one hotel. Acton's pair were accommodated in dormitories at Fern College since the rooms at the hotel were all taken.

About 50 helped finance Mel Blow and Caroline Oakes, while most of their funds were raised by themselves through a dance and baking sale.

Many of the discussions brought up ideas that were impractical for Acton's Y, the delegates reported,

since they dealt with larger organizations. They heard of work in all countries of the world which will help in plans with the Y here.

Canadian delegates flaunted their patriotism under red and blue hats. Emmentons had hats with miniature oil wells on top.

As well as sessions with all the delegates in the Cleveland Public Auditorium, there were specialized groups. Dances were held every night with a square dance category's proud contribution.

There was a banquet, a parade through the streets, an open house at Cleveland Y and a special closing session with the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra and Senator Paul Douglas as speaker.

The 7,000 delegates separated Sunday with Acton's delegates returning by plane to the smallest centre represented.