

PNEUMATIC DRILLS JAB into the frozen surface of Wallace Street as efforts were intensified yesterday to locate the broken water main, eventually pinpointed near the Mill St. corner, which had cut off water to Warren Grove residents for a day and a half before the auxiliary well filled empty lines Background centre are P.U.C. Chairman F. Oakes, and A. Duby supervising the search.

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Main Breaks at Corner

Auxiliary Well Provides Water in Grove

Problems of Mental Illnesses Told Club

Dr. Robert Buchner addressed

taxpayers of the problem of treating water to this entire section the mentally sick, the speaker pointother types of illnesses. "Mental break difficulties affect a lot of people for. Tuesday night the molor at the a long time," he emphasized, pointing out the cost of treatment

treatment becomes imperative. He summer, also dealt with the use of new drugs,

Members concluded their dinner meeting with the preparation of ees carried drinking water into all 2,000 envelopes containing Easter homes affected Later that evening Seals for the annual campaign.

100 Women Join put sanitary closets into operation. In World Prayer

noon in Knox Presbyterian church ing through-at the exact break locat- assisting Oakville and Trafalgar

anan, Mrs. Charles Landsborough, conduit is also damaged. Mrs. Harold Force, Mrs R. Groenboer, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Cook and Mrs. H. F. Holmes, representing the Presbyterian, Baptist. United. CLUBERT CONTROL OF CHICARY CONTROL OF CONTROL O Christian Reformed, Pentecostal Aswide service

Miss Ellen Anderson, shortly returning to her missionary work in British Guiana, was the speaker for the day and gave an effective talk on women's part in the mission of every day life

Mrs. G Bowen of the Pentecostal Assembly church sang and was accompanied by the organist for the afternoon, Mrs. Melvin McCullough Rev R Armstrong pronounced the benediction to close the

Frank Brown, Milton, ran off North Board disclosed information which stay had not been asked for earlier, broke in "You readly haven't a sup-

and a total of \$600 damage was be set up. caused the two vehicles. Drivers and Glen Stringer, Milton, Slippery roads were blamed for the mishap.

Three Acton Men In Brief Court Sitting

Three local men appeared in a at Monday's hearing brief sitting of Magistrate's Court C. G. Charron, solicitor for An- mestic rates have generally risen in suggested a representative of the here Wednesday afternoon. ... thony Gas, made an impassioned each successive billing, members Ontario Hydro regional office be victed with impaired driving and of his company's hearing. He sald finding it difficult to explain the the situation."

A charge of drunkeness was dis- paring details and making arrange- in a startling number of cases there surance coverage. missed against another Acton man ments for financing. while a third, charged with driving "It is impossible in 20 days (since greater consumption and higher entered to discuss wages. He co

In stressing the importance of than 50 homes, broke and cut off

Waterworks and town employees ed out there are as many people in vesterday began to open the street. mental hospitals as there are pat- near the corner of Wallace and Mill. ients in all other hospitals for all in an effort to repair the main

aux hary well was remstalled after removal some weeks ago for wiging ! The speaker praised the system changes Water soon filled Warren used in Britain where patients went Grove lines and taps after users had voluntarily to mental hospitals reto resort to emergency ricans for a
alizing they were disturbed, rather day and a half. The auxiliary well For
Topic of Concern at Meeting lasked it there were any who wishto resort to emergency ricans for a
Board granting cancellation of a than waiting until later when has not been in use since late last

Micro Plastics and A. P. Green, Urban Board "went to the dogs" at Mr. Merry said the Society's in- sentatives on dog control in rural in cerain types of mental illnesses. Fire Brick Co have been supplied their regular meeting in Acton spector could either issue a fine to The appreciation of the club was since Monday with water run over Tuesday evening when the main the offender or take a dog to the being operated in Trafalgar success- five years. Mr Rachlin said there expressed by Dr. H Leib to the by fire hose from a nearby Mill St | topic for consideration was dog con- Oakville pound where the owner fully

the fire department brought in the tank pumper and brigade members ! filled bathtubs with water needed to

ter, waterworks employee A. Duby. H. Merry and Inspector Alan Macsupervising the repair work, pointed Nah, representing the Oakville and out added difficulty arises in pin- District Humane Society outlined The World Day of Prayer service pointing the trouble. Two to three the growth of their organization for 1956 was held last Friday after- feet of frost prevents water reach- from simply a Humane Society to with over 100 women of the town ion. Some water has spilled out the with dog control as well as Milton. human victim paralyzed for life. storm drain opening at Wallace and Members of the Milton, Acton;

> Pneumatic drills to break the the difficulties involved unless a dogs to be tied but they must be work generally on county roads, rock-like surface of the frozen road, pound is available for the deten- under control. Reeve Stan Allen, came in for heavy censure.

two local industries as well as more

Monday afternoon town employ-

With the break occurring in win-

Householders in Warren Grove top were brought into use yesterday; have had long experience in preci- the young pucksters have precious water on tap today, morning

in that part of town as an emerg- found it was a clean, division of coming from England, while Fred Fairelt of the Hamilton Skating stated to have been signed by 100 fee was served ency supply measure during last the watermain section. There was Ganley has been here about four Club. Two other Club skaters per cent of the homeowners in no apparent cause of the break, years. Some time during the dark hours. This morning the broken section Acton Rotarians on mental health of Monday morning the water main was replaced and water turned about the need for their type of ser- stoubleat the club's regular meeting Tues- on Waltace, Street, which supplies back on into the Wallace line

> Winner of last Saturday's Appregiation Day draw was Mrs W Gordon, who won a total of \$96. The jackpot continues to grow

levied for offenses, the rabies scare, out.

and the possibility of dog control

being enacted for all municipalities

through the County Council

Order 'No Vote' on Maria Street Bridge Debenture Responsibility of Town Verified

Small Machining - Lengthy Reports Industry Starts **Operations Here**

Acton's newest industry, small but unique in this district, is open for business this week with three owner-partners who are also the firm's

Acton Precision Engineering specializing in tool and die making and general machining, has set up shop on Mill St west and already is handling orders that keep a man working day and night.

Sam Brunelle, Will Smith and Fred Ganley are staff and management with long-range plans for the venture. In time, they consider there will be a healthy market for . In Canadian-made precision machine parts that are now bought by Canadian industrialists in the States

Wilf Smith and Fred Ganley, both machine engineers, are comparative newcomers to Canada. Mr Smith is ager of the Station Hotel.

Urban Board Goes to the Dogs

would have to pay \$1 a day for each

Discussing the recent rabies scare,

a disease that affects dogs and can

make their bite fatal to humans, the

Inspector noted five dogs are now

under observation. It was pointed

out rabies is a contagious disease

with dogs and the bite of an infect-

Members of the North Halton tion of stray dogs picked up

Approximately two and a half day it was impounded. Owners have

hours of discussion ranged over the three days in which to claim a dog.

services available from the Oakville. After that time it becomes the pro-

and District Humane Society, the perty of the society for sale or dis-

This week the Free Press car-

ries complète reports of two in-

this week. Both the natural gas franchise

hearing and the Maria Street bridge hearing start on the front page of this issue, but due to their length are carried over to inside pages. Carry-over for the gas hearing story is on Page Three, age Four.

Both hearings were covered and the reports written by staff re-

Two members of the partnership of spirit and effort on the part of Jaople, served by the bridge

sion machining. Will Smith worked | Added to the program' was a fig- Town clerk J. McGeachie was thanks to the auxiliary well drilled Late Wednesday the break was in Montreal for three years after ure skating exhibition by Lorinda called He passed on a petition The total attendance was 30 Cor-

their optimism doesn't seem mis- \$60 Emile Cote, Guelph, \$50, Mrs | paid for by Beardingre's

Further talk on the possibility of

In Ruling of Municipal Board Here portant official hearings held here Acton-ratepavers will not vote on the town's \$15,000 share of an estimated \$75 000 cost for a new Maria Street bridge, it was ruled Tuesday

by the Ontario Municipal Board, as the numericality's disputed claim to bridge responsibility was conclusively established ...

The ruling of the Board, in the . face of testimony and evidence preby 1955 council and the Beardmore M.O.H. Speaks Co Ltd. that the bridge should be for the bridge hearing story on maintained by the lown and now replaced by the town in accord with past records and present ex-

There had been talk and public assertions of opposition before the hearing Tuesday, when the hearing opened, only two men' registered opposition in the face of weighty and, apparently to the Board, conclusive evidence that the bridge is the town's charge

J. D. Lucas, special counsel for Acton Legion Minor Sports As- the town, opened his case before the sociation reports a successful out. Municipal Board's R Kennedy and conse of the annual booster right, D Jamieson He described the dec held last Friday night in the arena - repit state of the bridge, told of the a native of Birmingham, England, Five half-hour games were high, conditional approvals from the Dewhile Mr Ganley is a fellow coun- lights of the night's program. The partment of Highways for payment tryman from Coventry. Sam Bru- games were played between teams of an 80 per cent grant toward its nelle, an Acton native, is also man- of the minor league groups and, as construction and informed there exhibition contests, displayed plenty were some 53 homes, with 209

Petition from Crescent

scheduled to appear arrived, but too the Crescent in favor of the bridge All the partners are optimistic late after being held up by car He testified, under questioning, how the Crescent area was at first Elmira Takes Two vice in this district, especially in Three bonds were awarded to largely Beardmore houses Through view of the area's growing indus- body ticket holders during the the years annexations development [evening Winners were, \$100, II and growth enlarged the area until From Acton Jrs. And at the rate they've been lieltant, Georgetown sold by W Al- it was considerably changed since working since starting operation, lonly, Acton, who gets a \$50 bond, 1912 when the bridge vias built and

> Clerk McGeachie also verified in formation about the lown's 1955 debenture indebtedness, its assessment , for 1956 taxation and Department of Highways approval to the bridge oustruction by law At this point Chairman Kennedy

B D Rachlin objected as a citiz-Georgetown, questioned the repre- en He disputed Clerk McGeachie's statement that the bridge had been areas. It was learned a program is under consideration in council for had been no consideration given it when he was mayor in 1952. He implementing either a county or went on to recall that in his opinarea scheme for dog control is to be ion the bridge was necessitated by held with other municipal officials a rail siding cut out to serve a local Members discussed the recent re- industry

The Missing Minutes

problem of dog catching, the fines posal, the representatives pointed quest from the Health Unit directed to each municipality, on the divi- "The bridge has been maintained sion of plumbing inspection fees for by Beardmore's for years I haven't which the Unit does the inspecting, heard they have been re-leased from It was agreed a split of 35 per this responsibility and I feel the cent to the municipality and 65 per ratepayers should not be put to Acton goal but at least six other cent, to the Health Unit would be this additional taxation," Mr. Rach- shots on goal were score bound had, more equitable than the present 20 lin said.

Attention was also given the pos- was made. Mr. Rachlin, replying to ed the play all night. Elmira's ed dog can sometimes be prevented sibility of altering the percentage of a question from the Chair, said he counters came in the first and third from being fatal but may leave the rebate to urban centres from the couldn't remember how long the percents. Only two penalties, all Mrs. James Ingles, Mrs. A. Buch- Mill Streets, indicating this drain Georgetown Board emphasized the Members further discussed that connecting links Difficulties of ued, remarking that taxes in Acton, learn in the clean, fast contest, county road grant to cover work on minutes were missing He contin- miners, were handed out to each need for more rigid dog control and existing by-laws did not call for county connecting links and the are 40 per cent, higher for the same - A pestponed encounter with the

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Mr. Charron: "There is no other

McKenzie spoke on "Acceleration." This was welcome information for parents since the acceleration program has just been completed at the school Mr. McKenzie also answered many questions on the sub-Mis J Black's room won the

A successful and interesting meet-

maged the Acton Home and School

Association was held in the public

school auditorium Monday evening.

Dr A Bull of the Halton County

Health Unit was guest speaker of

the evening and delivered an in-

for mative talk on Immunity, fol-

lossed by an open question and an-

swer period which gave parents an

opportunity to learn many medical

humorous readings and Principal G.

Mrs Ward Bruce entertained with

Eluita blasted home four goals in the final period to round out a 7.1 victory over Acton Wednesday mght when the home team journeyed to the winners camp for the recent game of their play off

Last night's lone goal for the local squad came in the first pertod from the stick of Ted Footitt. Eliqua fired two in the first and another in the second to leave the contest fauly even up to the final frame The game was a cleanlyplayed match with few minor penalties called

Acton Jumors played hard but were met with hard luck here Tuesday night when Elmira moved into town for the first game of the best of five league play-off round. The local Junior D squad were cheated of a win by goal-mouth misfortune as their opponents seratched a.2-1 win

John Cunningham fired the lone per cent -60 per cent. arrangement. Mention of the "missing minutes" side misses. The Acton squad forc-

same squad here Saturday night saw Acton meet defeat again at the hands of Elmira. This game wound up the league schedule with Elmira on top. Acton next, Georgetown and Hamilton trailing.

Saturday's game, ending 6-3 for Elmita, was fairly even all except for a disastrous middle frame for the locals Here Elmira pumped in four goals without dispute Ron Sinclair, Ron Shannon and Wayne Arbic did the scoring for Acton

Remand Two Charged With Garage Theft

William Dron and Thomas Oakley, both of Acton, charged with the theft of \$370 from Thompson Motors on February 13, appeared in court in Mitton Wednesday afternorm Their case was remanded for another week at the request of the Crown attorney

sembly and Anglican churches resBattle for Area Gas Rights-

United Suburban Case Bids Strong to Win The question of whether Tony said Negotiations are pending with Mr. Charron replied he was under ply available, have you?" Chairman: "Have you any other

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the Fuel Board's nod to distribute extension from Consumers' to pick doesn't question you could get fin- question from the chairman who. The chairman repeated that if a natural gas to Acton, Milton and up their contract, it wasn't that ancial backing, Mr. Charron, but asked about the availability of pipe stay was granted the board would

Acton police over the week-end. No came late in the afternoon when, for undistributed gas.) serious injuries were caused any after a plea by the Acton comp- Mr Charron continued his plea with United Suburban." any's lawyer for a two months' for a postponement Board vice- Mr. Charron began to dispute Late Friday night a car driven by postponement was denied, the Fuel chairman Simpson asked why a this when vice-chairman Simpson turned over in the ditch. About hope of getting natural gas supplies with a supplies with the ditch. About hope of getting natural gas supplies from Consumers' Gas Co. Ltd. to

were Nicholas Betzler, Kitchener, an option with United Suburban for a gas supply contract into North Unreasonably large increases in stood the 60 cycle power would be was made by Fuel Board Chairman the P.U.C. office, Secretary J Mc- period of adjustment ends. United Suburban contract exhibited last week

fined \$50 plus \$20 costs. His licenses his company did not have "the ad- reasons to annoyed consumers. were also suspended for three vantage of a battery of experts" to The Commission was asked to F. Bean appeared to explain points assist in the considerable work pre-view the tendency seriously, since pertaining to increased theft

while license was under suspension, the Anthony franchise by-law was bills. Secretary McGeachie exapproved) to finalize details," . he plained that many customers under-

Car Flips on Roof lence and Necessity will likely go to with Consumers' by the end of Feb-start distribution by July " The case for United Suburban sed that United Suburban must take touch with Consumers' . Near Town Line lasted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and gas from Consumers' by July 1 Dedecision was reserved The case for lay afterward would mean the heard today at this hearing that us. decision was reserved. The case for lay afterward would mean the heard today at this hearing that Two accidents were reported by Anthony Gas met a dead end. This Hamilton company would be paying Consumers' will not enter into any

Seynuck's Anthony Gas & Oil Ex- Consumers' Gas for future supplies, the impression the details could "No sir," the solicitor began, plorations Ltd. or the powerful he announced, and added since Un- have been consummated by now. we're negotiating ... United Suburban Gas Co. Ltd. gets ited Suburban had already got an Chairman Crozier: "The Board He was again interrupted by a company in mind."

Georgetown hangs officially unan- serious that the rival company even if a stay of two months were and finances for a distribution sys- have to hold up decision on the Unswered this week, but after Mon- couldn't get another extension. given, where would you get the tem. In his reply, the subject of ited Suburtian hearing. This, he day's day-long sitting of the Board (Earlier it was brought out in the gas? And remember, under the future supplies from Consumers' said, would probably rule out any most observers and officials indicate United Suburban case that this terms of your agreement with the was again mentioned the Certificate of Public Conven- company must pick up the contract three towns, you would have to Chairman Crozier. "We have ev- He referred back to testimony of ruary or lose it. Too, it was testif-. Mr Charren: "We have been in won't supply you"

other contract in the area other than

Saturday morning two cars colbring drilled reserves to strength lided at Queen and Young Streets where a distribution system could Rising Hydro Bills Get Consumers' Gas, already holding Attention from P. U. C.

Since the 60 cycle changeover, do- creases could be perplexing. It was

Halton, will enter into no other the majority of Acton hydro con-initially dearer. However, he conagreement with any other company sumers' bills in recent months are tinued, those many; customers are to serve this area. This statement bringing a flood of complaints to now wondering if and when the A R Crozier and borne out in the Geachie told Commission members. The Commission allowed that

reasons for the unexplainable, in-One man was charged and con- but futile plea for a postponement were told, and the office staff is asked to attend a meeting to discuss:

ery reason to believe Consumers' the three mayors in the morning-Mr Charron, "Consumers' never gas as soon as p-ssible."

that each town is anxious to have

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company in mind?"



THE MARIA BRIDGE question, whether a vote should be required to endorse the town spending was no apparent reason for the Waterworks employee A Daby some \$15,000 as its share of reconstruction was answered this week as the Municipal Board ruled a vote was not necessary. The ruling lends implication that the town may rightly claim responsibility for the bridge. Recently the aged structure was put off limits to trucks as a safety measure.