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## Slaughter of Turkeys Leads to Men's Arrest

Prompt action by Constable R. Mason and Constable B. Morrison of the local O.P.P. detachment led to the arrest of two men, assumed responsible for the slaughter and theft of nearly 30 turkeys from the turkey farm of J. W. Wolfe, 1500 St. Avenue in Acton, Sunday.

Victor Pashko, 45, and Earl H. Victor, 50, were arrested Sunday morning when they heard a commotion from the turkey pens around 1:30 a.m.

Grabbing a flashlight, the men investigated the pens but at that time could find nothing and of order outside of the turkeys causing a racket.

Later in the morning the hired man entered one of the pens and saw blood and turkey feathers scattered across the floor where it was assumed the turkeys had been killed and lost some of their feathers.

Mr. Pashko notified a man, a neighbor who lives nearby. At 1:30 p.m. local police were called and immediately began their investigation.

## P.U.C. to Process Effluent Ted Tyler Questions Mayor

Processing of tannery waste was given the nod of approval by the Acton Public Utilities Commission at the final meeting of the year on Thursday evening, December 17.

The report recommended the superintendent be provided with a key to the plant in the event of overloading. Beardmore officials would be notified.

Beardmore superintendent A. D. Dubs informed the commission that the plant was not overloaded during the week-end.

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## 20 Below

The weatherman said today's weather was a white Christmas in white of snow.

A few days ago the mercury hit 20 below. Today the snow is melting in the valleys.

## H.K. Porter Employees Hold Christmas Party

Fifty-three employees and their families held a Christmas party sponsored by the Hamilton, New York Division of H. K. Porter company, held at the Club of the City in Hamilton on Friday evening, December 19.

Following a delicious turkey dinner, an evening of dancing was enjoyed and prizes awarded for the dances and raffles.

## Woman Injured When Vehicle Rams Pole

Laurel Hutchinson of Rockwood sustained broken ribs and other injuries when the car she was driving skidded on the icy highway Monday evening and rammed into a hydro pole approximately two miles west of Acton.

Police from the North Halton O.P.P. detachment investigated and reported damage to the vehicle to be approximately \$1,000.

## Next Issue

The staff of the Free Press will take a long Christmas holiday this year. The office will close at 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 23, and re-open Monday morning, December 29 at 8 a.m.

Next week the paper will be published on Wednesday afternoon, a day earlier than usual. Deadline for classified ads is Tuesday noon, and news articles and display advertisements should be submitted by Monday at noon.

## To Stage Crackdown On Drinking Drivers

Local O.P.P. officers will be working a more aggressive drinking driver campaign. The officers, working with the assistance of the police from other towns, will check and if you drink, don't drive.

Constable B. Mason also reminds motorists to be extra cautious with children out of schools and playing on the streets during the holiday season.

The local detachment will be on their toes over the Christmas and New Year's season in order to contribute 100 per cent on law enforcement, it was reported this week.

## Crowds Line Streets to Cheer Santa In Below Zero Weather Saturday

Hundreds of people braved the below zero temperature on Saturday morning to view the colorful Santa Claus parade, sponsored by the Acton Chamber of Commerce. Santa made his appearance riding high atop a massive float and later presented children with bags of candy.

Starting at the High School, the parade, including Acton Junior Pipe Band and Acton Citizens Band, proceeded down Mill Street amidst cheers and waves from the neatly frozen spectators.

Included in the parade were eight floats depicting Mother Goose Fairy Tales, Robin Hood, Sergeant Preston, Jack Spratt, Peter Peter Pumpkin Eater, the Good Ship Lollypop, a float with Santa's reindeer and sleigh representing Christmas Eve, and Santa Claus himself.

Candy at School

After completing the three mile parade route, the procession finished at the high school, where Santa was seated on his throne to meet the children and hand out bags of candy.

The Chamber members obtained the floats through the Georgetown Lions Club and used Acton children and adults dressed in costume on the floats in the parade.

The parade was financed by individual members of the Acton

## Challenge Mayor

At this point on the agenda F. G. Tyler, 2nd member elect, for 1959 questioned the mayor on his statement as published in the Acton Free Press regarding Mr. Tyler giving Beardmore the authority to pump waste into the plant in the beginning when Mr. Tyler was mayor.

Mayor Cook replied: "You did."

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## Process Tannery Waste Special Meeting Reveals

Waste from the Beardmore tannery will be processed through the Acton disposal plant as the result of a decision at a special meeting involving the Ontario Water Resources Commission, P.U.C. and Beardmore official on Monday afternoon.

Although the press was not notified of the meeting it was later learned that the decision to accept tannery sewage followed a lengthy discussion with A. R. Townsend of the O.W.R.C., the commission and R. R. Parker from the Beardmore plant.

It was also learned that costs involved in handling the waste could not be arrived at until the effluent had been processed for a couple of months.

Information received also noted that no overtime would be involved for the sewage superintendent A. Dubs, but the effluent would be processed from 11 p.m. at night until 5 a.m. in the morning.

A final agreement as to costs is to be signed by the P.U.C. and Beardmore officials after processing has been carried on for the two month period of time.



ADMIRING SANTA CLAUS four youngsters at the Firemen's Christmas party last Sunday afternoon, appear to be thanking the jovial gentleman for their presents. Thirty-four children of firemen belonging to the department were entertained during the afternoon by the Fire Department members. Movies showing a rodeo scene and steam and diesel trains were shown prior to Santa's visit.