he town in abeyince until further office from the present town office

MURRAY HARRISON took over his duties as customs officer

in Acton on Wednesday. He succeeds Billy Middleton who

has held the office for the past 25 years. Pictured above left

is Mr. Middleton as he explains some minor details to his

successor. Mr. Harrison is from Brampton and has had seven

years' experience there. The retiring officer was honored dur-

cognition by his headquarters

DEPENDENCE OF THE LAND

Arena Renovations

Acton arena is receiving a partial

face-lifting prior to the ice sur

winter as workmen work at

replaced with new ones.

the arena are being rectified,

Approve Expenditure

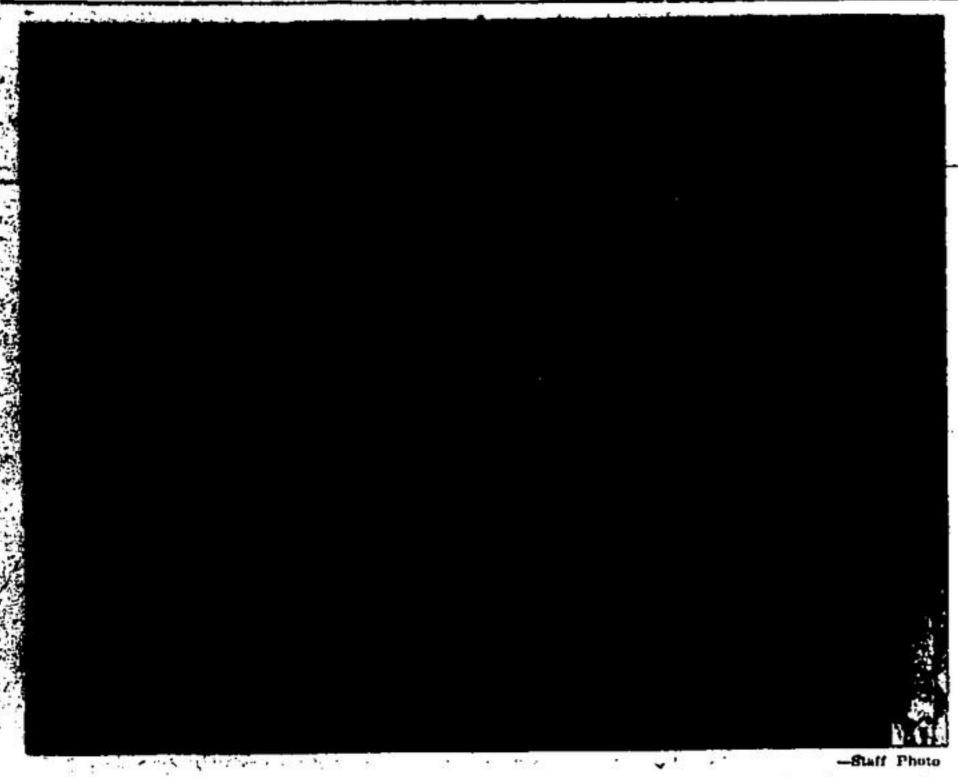
as busy fixing change rooms, re-

tators this winter

face being made for hockey this

feverish pace in order to prepare

the inside of the building for win-



NEW JACKETS were presented to the Acton Intermediate ball club during their banquet last night at the Station Hotel. The banquet was sponsored by Sam Brunelle, hotel manager, and ardent sports fan. Pictured above, left to right, are Tracy Barrager, Chester Peycha, Harold Townsley and Paul Lawson. The three players are captains and Chester Peycha is one of the executives.

# The appropriate the transfer of the state of To Consider Substation Purchase Following H.E.P.C. Power Report

increase to consumers in Acton that should be sufficient." promoted Acton Public Utilities; Commission to consider the pos- and commission it had been agreed aibility of purchasing No. Two sub- at the first of the year when the station from the Ontario Hydro salary structure had been discuss-Electric Power Commission.

of last week.

This consideration follows a let- The mayor agreed that promises 1960, cost of power purchased from Christmas bonuses. the H.E.P.C. would be possibly in-

Although no Indication was given that cost to consumers in Acton would be increased, the commission agreed to secure a price New Hospital

the purchase of the town's No. One Opening Monday substation, which lowered the cost of power purchased by the com-

Bonuses Okav The commission authorized payment of the yearly bonuses to the office staff and superintendents, on

the same basis as in 1958 When the subject was introduced by chairman J. J. Stewart, the mayor conveyed his sentiments as he reminded the commission he had objected to the bonuses being process of an authorisa work in the process of the paid when the subject had been

stated Mayor Cook "There pe ple

### Co-operation

by one of the supervisors that it former mayor J M Ledwith

Mr Stewart reminded the mayor

ed that until the commission com-The matter was discussed at the pleted their term of office, they P.U.C. meeting Thursday evening, would continue the yearly bonus to the new hydro office and his de-

ter from the H.E.P.C. informing should be kept but echoed his the commission that beginning in feelings about the payment of

Hydro superintendent D. Mason reported that his department had BLOW THE PROPERTY OF STREET WINDS

## Five years in the planning, the new 60-bed Milton District Hos-

nital is scheduled to open next Monday morning, Dec. 14 at 9.00

The complete staff has been engaged and most of the supplies are now on hand. The first patients are expected to be admitted sometime Monday or early in

Notice of a possible hydro rate are receiving good salaries and been busy installing the Christmus decorations on the streets and that the "season's greetings" sign would and played for a sing-song. be installed on the YM.C.A. building the same as last year. He also informed members the s.gn .had! the executive.

The lights had been installed in partment had been busy calibrat-

ing meters. the gas engine at the pumphouse cit. on the cemetery hill, but this had

winning candidates for the office; ry Shortill and Roy Hansen.

proved for payment:

## Esquesing Election

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Esquesing township Reeve Order Halt to Office Supply Purchases

Stemple to take his 31st term on Order Halt to Office Supply Purchases township council Monday, when Deputy Reeve Campbell Sinclate Mr. Sinclair won 619 to 564 votes in the 11 polling places

About 40 per cent, of the township's 3272 eligible voters turned out for the Monday election Final returns were in from all booths quite early in the evening

Newcomer Leads Polls hotice It was also agreed to dis- Councillors II Love and B Rach- it was his belief that the two of-Newcomer Mac Sprowl and cumbents R J Cunningham and Clarence Coles led the school trustre vote in that order defeat ing Stanley Brown and Thomas Hill for the three vacant seats Voting was Sprowl 562, Cunningham 410, Coles 405, Brown 337 and Hill 278 Each receives a two year

term on the board. Deputy Reeve Wilfrid Bird and councillors Walter Linham, George Leslie and Wilfred Leslie were acclaimed to council.

## Present Jackets **During Banquet**

The presentation of new baseball jackets highlighted a banquet held in honor of the Acton Intermediate baseball team. Wednesday night at the Station Hotel.

S. J. Brunelle, hotel owner and long time baseball supporter sponsored the dinner for the Acton club and treated the players to a mast beef dinner topped off with many oncy and tasty relishes.

During the dinner, entertainment was supplied by Jim Young of Guelph, George Fountain and Leighton Phillips, both of Acton.

Harry Nicols, local merchant and pianist, entertained during the evening with many piano selections

Presentation of ball jackets was made by Chester Peycha, one of

## Georgetown Election

Incumbent Georgetown Deputy Reeve Walter H. Gray defeated his Jack Lambert, superintendent of copponent James H. Emmerson the water department, stated he 1305-881 in the town's election or had been busy cheeking hydrante Monday. Voters also said a hearty for the winter season. He noted he "no" by 1506 votes to 429 favoring had run into a little trouble with a two year term of affice for coun-

A nomination meeting to name a Mayor will be held December 15 The superintendent, on behalf of and if necessary, the mayoralty his wife and himself, thanked the election will be held December 28 commission for the privilege of at Reeve Douglas Sargent was ac- Nearing Conclusion tending the annual municipal claimed to office, as was hydro party held at Hillton Lodge rec- commissioner E. W. Binkley and ently. He also congratulated the school trustees Edwin Wilson, Har-

Following is the voting for coun-The regular business meeting cil (first six elected)-John Elliott adjourned at nine o'clock. Mem- 1206, Fred Harrison 1137, John Kelbers were requested to remain for liv 1078 William Hunter 884. John a short session after adjournment. Gunn 874, Ian Cass 861; Garfield

# Close Contests for Civic Positions During Milton Municipal Elections

Mary Pettit retained her position as #59, Robert C Cunningham 460, RUSH 907, Frank Jones 403, It was pointed out this week deputy-reeve in a 38 vote lead over. Roy Smith 34

Close contests for the deputy- David T. Green, Co-operation of all car and reeve, six councillors and a school. John Rush, long time member of JOHNSON 708, ROBERT REID 671. truck owners in keeping parked trustee were features of the mun- the Millon Hydr -Electric Com- Glyn Roberts 655, Bryn Cross 343. | vehicles off number 7 highway te pal elections held in Milton Mon- mission was returned, defeating Roy Stuart 326, Charles Menefy through town in the evening day Arthur Desjardine, a former challenger Frank Jones, 907 to 402 '293. At Skinner 277, Stan Moffat would be much appreciated by councillor, was elected reeve over. Mayor Sydney Childs (acel) 259, Reg Latham 258. the Department of Highways incumbent R C Cunningham Mrs . Reeve-ARTHUR DESJARDINE Hydro Commissioner -- JOHN

> Deputy Reeve MRS MARY MRS MURIEL KERNIGHAN 309. Only 16 votes separated two con- PETTIT 698, Michael Ledwith 660 David Green 293.

highway of snow when cars and testants seeking election for the Councillors is a elected. JOHN trucks are parked on the main north ward school trustee with Mrs. CHARLTON 787, NORMAN PEA-Muriel Kernighan the victor over RCE 768, CHARLES WILSON 755,

School Trustee (North Ward)

Construction was slow in Nassa- Lat this time of year type of building

with no permits taken out for any lists of teams for the various back ats pieces, which the board,

To date in 1959 there have been raring to don their skates and stands, with local tradesmen's espermits for 23 homes purchased, start their bookey season come the times a permitted tru tecanta defer I've a year's total value of \$282,900 first sheet of ice at the archa a mission of the new Jolly Old St Nick will hover tesy of the hydro department in-

# Customs Officer Begins In Busy Spot Wednesday

Murror Harrison of Brampton checking the records for the past offices in Actor on Wednesday, He customers wasting for service replaces the former officer Billy. The community ports at his M: Harrison who is a native of core we come Brampton, comes to Acton with seven signs experience. He is martied w : two children, Cathy, age two and Scott four months old. Presently living with his family n Brampion the new customs officer will be moving to Acton in the

new surpaindings

as three auditors were busily ed his constant co-operation.

started his duties as new customs year. The phone was jungling and M Idntin, who officially retired Free Press in wishing Mr. Middle vesterd or affect serving in this caps, top the best of back in his service. and to help for the mast 25 years ment and Mr. Harrison a most sine

# A mely solver clock appropria-

Mr. Middleton who has served attly institled was posented but. Reserved a letter from staff tribute the candy. Limited

Pending Further Investigation in 1960 This action followed a discussion red and conjument shared by both \$5,232,501 to \$5,348,137 for 1960. in order to avoid expense for new ment to hold all orders placed by newly elected hadea commission's equipment

Dentiy-reeve J M Greer stated

roof This was met with disapproval from councillor W J McLeod who stated that both offices should of taxes on the YMCA amounting be separated Clerk J McGeachie reminded council that following their

and been placed He was doubtful if it could be cancelled

H.E.P.C. Letter A letter from the Ontario Hydro, the aspects of the lease. Commission in Hamilton informed. He pointed out that the building the council the HEPC understood was not used entirely for communthat by-law No 1159 made provis- ity purposes so he could not agree non for the dissolution of the pre- to paying the taxes. He suggested sent PUC in favor of a hydro that someone should open up an commission and noted this action, avenue to investigate the situation required the consent of the Ontario Hydro.

quest for their consent as soon as a county assessor. letter was forthcoming. It was suggisted in the letter that the council's solicitor could advice them on town of Orangeville asked Acton's

Mayor Cook informed the members that a letter had been sent in reply to the Ontario Hydro.

New Netting

sent a new appearance for hockey! was taken. ial for this purpose Tuesday.

entirely new nets had been received but investigation revealed the framework to be in good condition and new netting only was recommended.

Assessment Up

ing his last day in office by the presentation of a scroll of resessment appeal by Burlington, Ac- for this amount.

A letter from the Ontario Department of Highways requested counc.l approval for adoption of a 40 nule speed limit on Highway 7 and 25 approaches to Acton, following a recent survey by the department A resolution to approve payment

Pope voting in the negative Mr Rachin informed his colthe component necessary an order been a mixed up affair for quite some time and no one had ever been able to get to the bottom of

to \$802.30 for 1950 was approved

with conneithers B Rachlin and E

Councillor J. Hargrave onquired when tax bills began to come in for The letter also stated HEP.C. the YM.C.A. and was told it followwould be pleased to consider a re- ed the new assessment by the

> Seek Support A copy of a resolution from the support to petition the government to pass legislation ordering the erectam of at least two morey

school buildings in the future. The request for support of the Acton arena this year will pre- resolution was lost when a vote

fans with renovations completed! A letter from the St. John Amin some sections. Players will enjoy bulance Brigade thanked council new netting on the goal posts for their support in lending equipthis year following council's ap- ment formerly used in the town proval for the purchase of mater- ambulance to the brigade and requested council's views regarding It was noted that a request for final disposal of the equipment.

The letter was referred to the welfare committee. Council also:

· Heard the police report listing fines etc. for the month.

· Accepted notification that un-A Halton County assessment by- der the Communities Centre Act law read at council during the two the town would be eligible for a and a half hour meeting informed, grant amounting to \$3,955.00. It was the members that following the as- , noted the cheque has been mailed

# THE RESERVE OF THE PROPERTY OF Architect Explains Heating System During School Board Meeting

sday evening ran the gamut from The outside north wall has been an illustrated heating beture by ception to some facets of the let-347.53 Beard 208, Wilfred Brisbois 200. placed on cement block footings session was a letter from the tea- board expects full co-operation ed a building permit for demolition and the two side ice surface boards chers and caretakers at both from the staff at all times but was and construction of, the Robert have been removed and are being schools informing trustees, they assured by Principal McKenzie Little school addition. This was rewere signing up with the PSI that the implication in the letter ferred to the architect.

-Staff Photo

Dressings rooms are being cleaned to hear port of the cost up and toilet facilities improved Architect Art Barnes Called on Generally, many of the faults at the carnet to answer several questions on construction of the new wing at the Robert Lattle school, Contractors have been busy the tesorted to a chick talk to conpast few weeks making major; since members of the practicability changes in the arena's appearance; of the heating system. With the aid since council approved the spend icf text books and blackboard, he ing of \$2,200 30 to make necessary outlined the mechanics of the sy-

Town workmen have tieen hist they came up Fully Guaranterd pairing windows and cleaning up! fortable for both players and specifics reliance on solar radiation but the most convinced evidence in When renovations are completed "its favor was the nebelect's state

the ice surface, will be stated ment that the beating system in the which should present no problem new addition of ally guaranteed in gawaya township during November. Committees have completed their games one between contract. By Helicopter ey schedules. The youngsters are thought "redicalous" in some incet Monday Dicensies 7. Appoint Member

May a to a to the proce the every home

Join P.S.I

this community faithfully and ex- weekend to refined customs effice and a taker of the two schools pertly during his term in office B.Bs Middlet in Ken Mino maje was acknowledged by the schair-; Clowns will be in attendance at the said his department would sery will remain to assist the new the presentation on beneff of Dick man out tosked the securitary, the park to entertain the children. man for a few days until he be- Von Draysck, general manager of M: Middleton to could it to the In the event weather does not lagty. comes better acquainted with his Baxter Laboratories of Canada bland The letter reverled teachers permit the visit to be held out-The former Acton company, new PS1 medical plan and asked the will be held in the arena-The customs office was a busy at Alliston, had many dealings with board to pay part of the cost. In preparation for Christmas and was to allow town workmen to spot for the new man yesterday the custom officer and appreciat. 1.52.65 per month) and went on to Santa's visit, Acton Chamber of plow the streets during the enumerate the advantages of the Commerce have through the cour-

The regular December meeting; plan for the staff. Deductions must; milk in bulk was contrary to of Acton public school hoard Thur- come from their salaries at source. health regulations and only bottled Members of the board took ex- milk could be delivered to the schools. A suggestion by trustee The following accounts were ap- McGilvray 743. John Henley 706, shored up and placed on cement architect Art Baines to the ap- ter, particularly when it was stat- Smith at the last meeting led to Harrison Wood 639, William Carr footings instead of the old system pointment of a representative to ed consent would engender maxi- the investigation. \$946.60 629, Pearce Porter 586, Mrs. Anne of cedar poles Inside main braces the newly formed Acton district mum co-operation from the teach- Was advised by the town clerk 40.38 Currie 537. John Zorge 284, Eric along the board section have been high school board Enlivening the ers. The chairman stated that the that the contractor had not secur-

Windows are being replaced, medical pian and asking the board was not intended by the teachers. Members felt teachers had an clerk that \$1,364.59 supplemental adequate salary schedule at pres- assessment credit was due them. ent. However, they agreed to auth- Asked the secretary to conorize the secretary to deduct the tact Bob Frank re painting of full PSI payment from salaries, rooms starting in kindergarten

> They asked the principals to con- during the Christmas holidays. vey to the staff their full intent and | Gave permission to the men they would discuss the matter of teachers to paint the staff room at contribuing to the cost further at the Robert Little school on their tem and dealt with questions as In the discussion which ensued, paint. both the board and principals ag- Reviewed some electrical

reed mutual co-operation and good problems at the M. Z. Bennett

Trustees were impressed with will were never absent in their school. inside to make things more com- his espection of the system and relations and hoped this would. Trustees present at the nearly four hour session were T. Watson. The board also:

M. Smith, E. Marks, D. Manning . Heard from the secretary that and chairman C. W. Bradley.

## Santa to Arrive Saturday

a.n., who were a sum a beat con- over Acton in his belieopter this stalled colored street lighting and tracing and his regard. The Saturday and land in the park at Acton's main thoroughfare takes a post 1 a real train report of 200 p.m. to distribute bags of can- back seat to no town in the district the new sixten with the archit dy to Acton and district children, for beauty and brightness. In spite of his busy schedule. Santa, after being contacted by the ber, local merchants have done a A terest they could appear the Acton Chamber of Commerce, con- bang-up job of decorating their

at this school heard, sweep down on Action to visit all of the town in general is much the were informed the three the good girls and boys in the improved with that added touch of made combine from Action on area before returning to the North the Christmas spirit the North Hatten took it were ave Pole to complete his packing for [ a late. Arthur constant in with the Christmas visit to each and bear to a series William Coon as Sponsored by the Chamber, San-

ta's visit this Saturday is expected There The Watern temarked to draw a large crowd of parents hate the terring that the ap- as well as children. Christmas muspermitted if Mr. Coon is an Top. in will be supplied by courtesy of per early to establish a public- the Acton Firefighters' loud speakigh a need labers' in the com-jer system and weather permitting. the hehcopter will land in the park area where Santa will dis-

and talk to wished to join the doors, the distribution of candy

Received notice from the town

own time with the board supplying

In co-operation with the Chammonths to the newly formed Ac-sented to have his helicopter pilot store windows and the appearance

Issue Warning

This week Corporal Ray Mason of the local O.P.P. detackment inued a warning urging all con drivers to keep vehicles off the streets in Acton between the hours of midnight and 7 a.m.

tack merning. The corporal pulmied out that according to the by-law, any offrader would be subject to a

It was noted by the corporal



LAYING FLOOR TRE at the newly leased Hydro Commission office is Albert-Van Gils, owner of the building. Preparations for the newly elected hydro commission to move into the building are being completed. A portion of the office equipment arrived this week and will be installed as soon as the building is ready for the installation.