

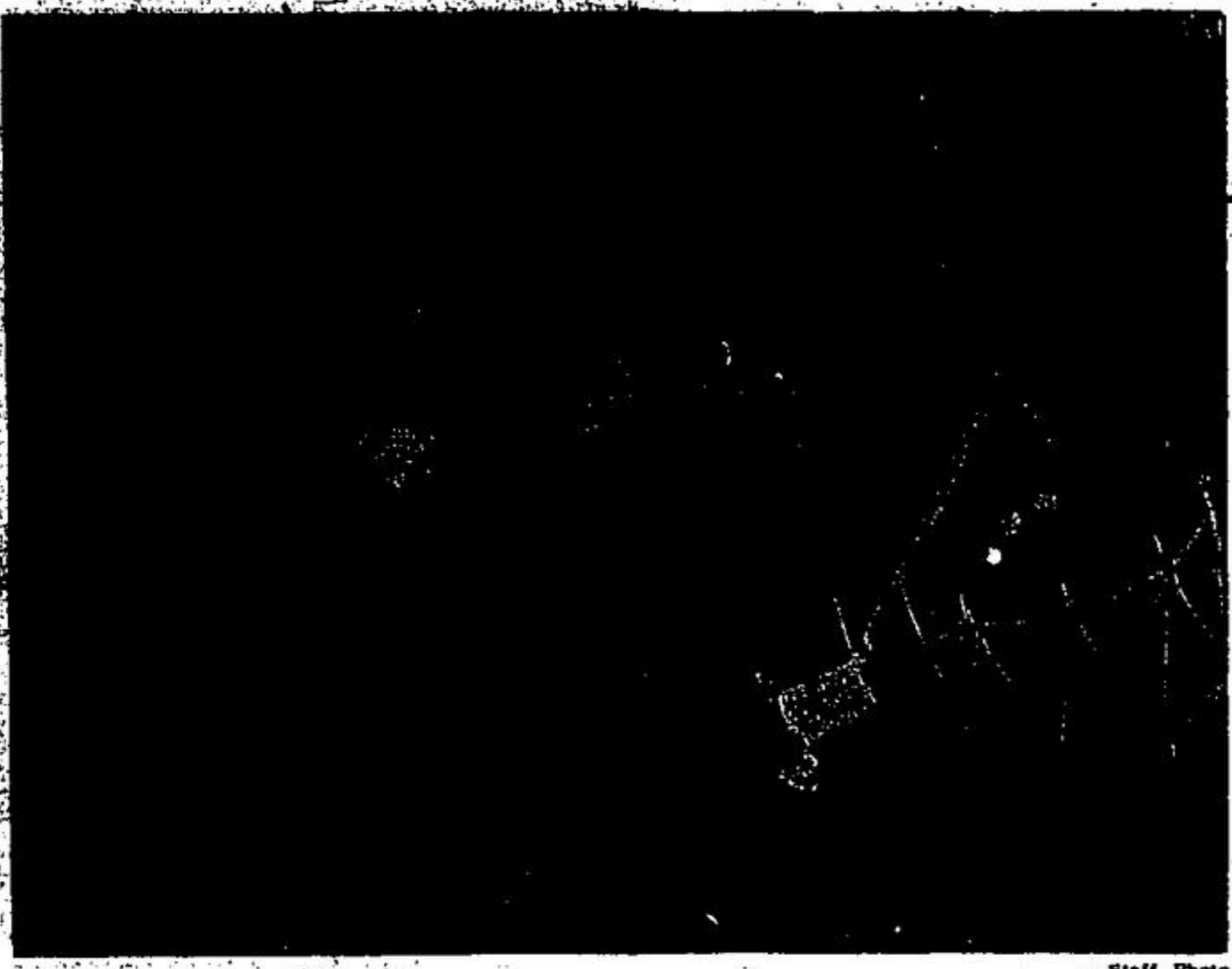
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ANY GOALIE could stop the puck during a hockey game if he had the support of two pretty lassies from the Junior Pipe Band. Two youngsters who played goal Booster Night at the arena in an exhibition game are demonstrating how, with the support of the two young ladies, they would block the net off entirely. Pictured left to right are Joyce Rennick, Bobby Waller, Mark Kowall and June Rennick.

Galt Skaters, Local Talent Thrill Near 700 During Booster Night Show

Almost 700 cold, shivering spectators braved the near zero weather at the Acton arena Friday evening, to view the excellent display of fancy skating presented by the Galt Figure Skating Club during the annual Minor Sports "Booster Night" program.

Nearly 100 skaters took part in the program and artists ranged from small tykes to adult skaters as they presented "Musical Memories", an interesting and colorful pageant.

Highlighting the evening of figure skating were Linda Ann Ward and Neil Carpenter, Western Ontario and Niagara Peninsula junior pairs champions. Their appearance on the ice surface drew regular rounds of applause as the couple waltzed to the recorded music.

Hockey Game
A hockey game between teams of the Squirts league started the evening's program off with a bang and the youngsters thrilled the gathering audience with their enthusiastic display of hockey.

Herb Cook and Bob Loutitt, well known Acton sports enthusiasts, stole the show when, complete in comic outfits, they donned the blades and attempted to repeat the feats of the fast moving Galt skaters.

Howls of laughter swept through the audience as the couple attempted figures and twirls, only to collapse on the surface of the ice after each attempt.

Acton Citizens' Band and Acton Junior Pipe Band were in attendance and provide music during the intermission.

During the program staged by the Galt club, Neil Carpenter made his first appearance dressed in a gay nineties costume and entertained the crowd with an excellent display of skating.

The intermediate skaters dressed in top hats and carrying canes, paid a tribute to band leader Ted Lewis as they danced around the ice surface as the lights were dimmed.

Wayne Palmer brought "Memories of Spain" to the interested audience as he executed intricate figures on the ice.

Not a murmur of complaint was heard from the skaters as they stood in flimsy costumes awaiting their turn to make an appearance on the ice surface or stood shivering on the surface of the ice while waiting their cue to do a solo number. The annual Booster Night fell on one of the coldest winter nights so far this season.

Skaters "Framed"
A picturesque pattern was followed by five of the young skaters as each girl in turn stepped out from a picture frame to whirl and waltz before the crowd. Taking part in this number were Barbara Schilling, Linda Farrell, Linda Ann Ward, Lynn Godwin and Ruth Fitzgibbon.

The ladies' group presented "Tea for Two", showing that many of the parents were talented skaters as well as their children.

The darling of the skating club, Terry Peer dressed as a little Dutch girl and her partner, Ronnie Shaver, stole the show with their display of skating as they kept pace with the intermediate skaters who accompanied them on the ice during the Dutch number.

Conclude Skating Program
The senior dance group and a solo number of Norman Disch concluded the program by the Galt Skating Club.

Mike Bennett, former secretary-treasurer of the Minor Sports Committee, acted as master of ceremonies for the evening and H. Arbie provided the amplifying system. Minor Sports officials, managers, coaches and many assistants were responsible for the colorful decorations which brightened up the arena for the show.

Draws Made
During the intermission, draws were made and the following won prizes: \$50 bond, Marc La-

ferriere, Acton; \$25 bond, George Cooper, Acton; \$15 bond, R. McKnight, Rexdale; \$10 bond, R. Henry, Guelph.

Admission ticket draw winners were P. Woods, R. T. Lee, W. Davidson and Mrs. F. Dunn, all of Acton, and Mrs. C. Loath of R.R. 2, Rockwood.

Consolation prize winners were J. Newton and Barry Buchanan of Acton, T. Beckett of Georgetown, G. Easton of Guelph and H. J. Smith of Galt.

Entertain Artists
At the conclusion of the program, the skaters and all who took part in the program were entertained by the Minor Sports group in the Legion auditorium.

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A small classified advertisement placed in the Acton Free Press last January is still drawing favorable results for the person who advertised.

As late as Monday of this week, a call was placed to the office of the newspaper from a reader who had kept a record of the January advertisement and wished to locate the home address of the advertiser.

Last week two calls were received regarding the same small advertisement.

Darts in Path of Car Receives Broken Arm

Roy Rognvaldson, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rognvaldson, R.R. 4, Acton, received a broken arm when he was struck by a car after darting from behind a school bus, near his home on Thursday, March 3.

Treated at the scene of the accident by Dr. D. A. Garrett the youngster was rushed to Guelph hospital part way by police cruiser and the balance by ambulance.

The young Stewarttown public school boy had just lighted from the school bus and had darted across the road toward his home when he was struck by a north-bound car on highway 25, driven by Cyril W. Stone of Acton.

The youngster has his arm in a cast from the shoulder to the wrist but will be allowed to return to school next week.

Damage to the car amounted to \$250 reported Constable William Bennett, investigating officer from North Halton O.P.P. Detachment.

Five Days Remain To Obtain '60 Plates

With only five days remaining until the deadline for driving with 1959 licence plates, local issuer Jack Hargrave reported that only 50 per cent of last year's sales have been made to date.

The issuer reminds motorists they must present a proper liability certificate when purchasing their new plates. If this certificate is not in the driver's possession he must obtain one from his insurance agent.

Teachers' Maximum Pay Upped, Minimum Maintained

Acton District High School Board met Monday evening to set the teachers' salary schedule for the 1960-61 school year.

E. S. Force, chairman of the finance and management committee, reported to the board on a meeting held with teachers' representatives and with his committee. In presenting his recommendations to the board he pointed out that the minimum salary rates had been maintained while a 10% increase had been adopted for a maximum. After considerable discussion by board members the schedule was unanimously adopted.

Consider Budget
The board budget for 1960 also came up for brief study late in the meeting. A special meeting has been called to thoroughly discuss the budget before forwarding it to council.

The Board also:
● Subscribed to membership in the Associated High School Trustees Association and the Ontario School Trustees Council at membership fees of \$100.

● Read a letter from the architect suggesting adjustments on the building contracts.

● Learned the Workmen's Compensation Commission had received and approved the application for coverage of employees and board members.

● Received a letter from a subcontractor's solicitor to the architects for clarification and opinion.

● Accepted an Ontario Hydro final inspection report on the electrical installation at the school.

● Received a letter of thanks from the Acton Night School committee for the use of the school and gymnasium for their annual display.

● Received a letter of thanks from the students who had visited the Royal Ontario Museum in February.

● Approved payment of the accounts of the property committee, \$2157.62; the current accounts, \$4485.83; the teachers' salaries, \$7,012.62.

● Decided to replace two typewriters of the commercial course equipment each year and maintain a four times a year inspection and repair of all machines.

● Learned the staff members would be attending an OSSTF District 12 Conference at Buffalo on March 18. The school will be closed.

● Received notification from the OSSTF through the principal that Mrs. Smith's qualifications had been upgraded from Class 1 to Class 3. The secretary was instructed to adjust Mrs. Smith's salary accordingly.

● Were advised the University of Toronto would be using the school for an examination in May for their Business Administration course.

● Heard from the property committee that the home economics room had been completed and the benches in the wash rooms installed.

● Learned the transportation committee was investigating possible attendance and bus route for the 1960-61 school year.

● Discussed the Accumulative Sick Leave program.

● Approved a resolution calling for the national emblem to be flown from the flag staff, to be raised before the opening and lowered at the end of each school day.

● Approved a resolution authorizing the secretary-treasurer to issue teachers' salary cheques on the last Friday of the month.

Proposal for Meter Reading Accepted Continue Collection at Two Offices

For a two-month trial period, hydro and water meters will once again be read by one meter reader. Consumers will receive both hydro and water accounts in two separate bills as one piece of mail. The hydro bill will still have to be paid at the hydro office on Elgin Street and the water accounts at the municipal offices on Mill Street.

This action was taken at the regular committee meeting Tuesday evening and resulted from the acceptance by council of the Hydro Commission's offer to read the meters for a two-month trial period at the rate of 10 cents per meter. The bills, being mailed together, will bring the cost to the town down to 6 cents per meter. The observation was made that this is the cheapest way in which to reduce the number of complaints received from having two meter readers.

Mayor Guy, reporting to council on the committee meeting with the hydro commission, expressed the general consensus of opinion was that "the ultimate in efficient and economical administration would not be reached until both departments were again under one roof." He left the general administrative costs would not go up this year.

No agreement, as yet, has been reached in which hydro and water bills may be paid at either the hydro office or the municipal office, although, as Councillor Love said, "It seems to be but a short step to getting back to paying in one place."

Councillor Arthur Field, the newly elected member of council, was appointed to No. 2 committee. He was sworn in to office in the clerk's office last Friday.

By-law Defeated
A by-law to set the period of Daylight Saving Time for the summer of 1960 was introduced and read a first time. The motion

to read the by-law a second time was defeated. This action was taken to apparently "goad some higher authority" into accepting the responsibility for adopting D.S.T. at uniform dates on possibly a provincial basis.

Unless some other government body sets the dates, or unless the by-law is returned to council and read twice more, no Daylight Saving Time will be observed in Acton. The suggested dates in the by-law were April 24 at 12:01 a.m. to October 30 at 2:00 a.m.

Mayor Guy or Reeve Greer and clerk-administrator McGeachie were appointed signing officers for the town.

A by-law to provide for 1960 expenditures on roads and streets in Acton was read the required three times and passed.

A subsidy from the provincial government is applied for amounting to 50 per cent of the proposed \$17,000. To a question, the answer was given that a supplementary application for additional grants on road expenditures was being considered.

Dial System Proposed
A motion was passed authorizing the clerk to "issue a building permit to the Bell Telephone Company of Canada for the erection of a substation... if the (Continued on Page Six)

Dial Phones Here By 1962 To Begin Building This Year

Installation of dial telephones for an estimated 1800 Acton and district customers was announced by C. S. Keith, local manager of the Bell Telephone in a noon hour interview today.

First official announcement of the project followed a Tuesday evening approval by Acton council on issuance of a building permit for a new exchange building. The new building will be constructed on three lots in town, presently occupied by the company on Church, and Elgin Streets.

Mr. Keith said he expected construction to begin in July of this year with dial telephones in operation sometime in 1962. Adoption of the dial system will make operators no longer necessary but it was pointed out present operators will be offered other employment with the company.

One Storey
The new exchange building will be of one storey construction with no basement. It will be designed for future expansion and all switching equipment will be housed in this building. While the new building is being constructed, Bell workers will begin installation of the necessary equipment and lines.

Final plans for the construction of the building will conform to existing zoning regulations.

Mayor John Guy, commenting on release of the information, praised the news as an excellent thing for Acton indicating another progressive step in the town's development.

A young Rockwood area man, David Benham, son of Ernest Benham, deputy reeve of Eramosa Township and Mrs. Benham, has been auditioned for the Ken Sobel amateur hour and will appear on Hamilton TV Sunday evening.

The young musician plays the accordion and teaches music in the Rockwood area.

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GIDEON BIBLES were presented to the Acton High School Tuesday by representatives of the society, during the assembly in the auditorium. Shown, left to right, are school principal E. A. Hansen receiving a Bible from M. M. Coles and G. Harrap. Each room will be in possession of a Bible for students' use.

Honor Mr. and Mrs. H. Masales On 60th Wedding Anniversary

Signs of spring were evident on Sunday in the Legion auditorium as beautiful bouquets of flowers from the family and friends decorated the hall as 150 guests gathered to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Howard Masales on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Four daughters, two sons, 25 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, as well as other relatives, friends and guests, attended to chat with the Acton couple and offer congratulations.

Six Children
True Actonians, Mr. and Mrs. Masales were married here in 1900 by Rev. McAlpine of Georgetown.

They have lived in Acton all their lives, raising a family of six children.

Two sons, Lloyd and Grenville, and two daughters, Madeleine (Mrs. J. Mooney) and Vera (Mrs. C. Spiras), all live in Acton and two other daughters, Viola (Mrs. L. Brown) and Doreen (Mrs. P. Purdy) both live in Oakville.

Mr. Masales was born in Erin Township and his wife, the former Alice Thomas, was born in Smith's Falls.

Mrs. Masales in her younger years was an active member of the United Church W.A. and, along with her husband, has taken a keen interest in the many changes in town since they were first married. She is now confined to the house during the winter months but enjoys the outdoors in the summertime.

Tannery Employee 37 Years
Mr. Masales was a worker at Beardmore and Co. for 37 years until poor health forced his retirement. In later years he delivered milk for a nephew, Wesley Masales, for 13 years.

An ardent sportsman, he can still be seen during the warm summer months as he takes his place in the cheering section during the baseball games.

Mr. Masales is a member of the Orange Lodge Local 467 and also belongs to the Black Perceptory Lodge in Guelph. He leads an active life and walks daily to the post office for mail as well as shopping.

Enjoy Visiting
During their anniversary celebration Sunday, the couple enjoyed visiting with their many relatives and friends and are

Firemen Answer Two Calls Saturday

Acton firemen answered two hurried calls on Saturday when the alarm summoned them to the residence of F. Kentner, Victoria Avenue, when an oil heater became overheated in a chicken house at the rear of the home.

No damage was estimated and firemen had everything under control soon after arrival.

The same afternoon firemen made a last run to the home of Hazen Gordon, in Esquesing Township on Highway 25, near Speeside, when the heating system became overheated.

The cold brisk ride on the truck was made in record time and by the time firemen reached the scene of the fire, all danger of an outbreak had been quelled by the residents.

On TV

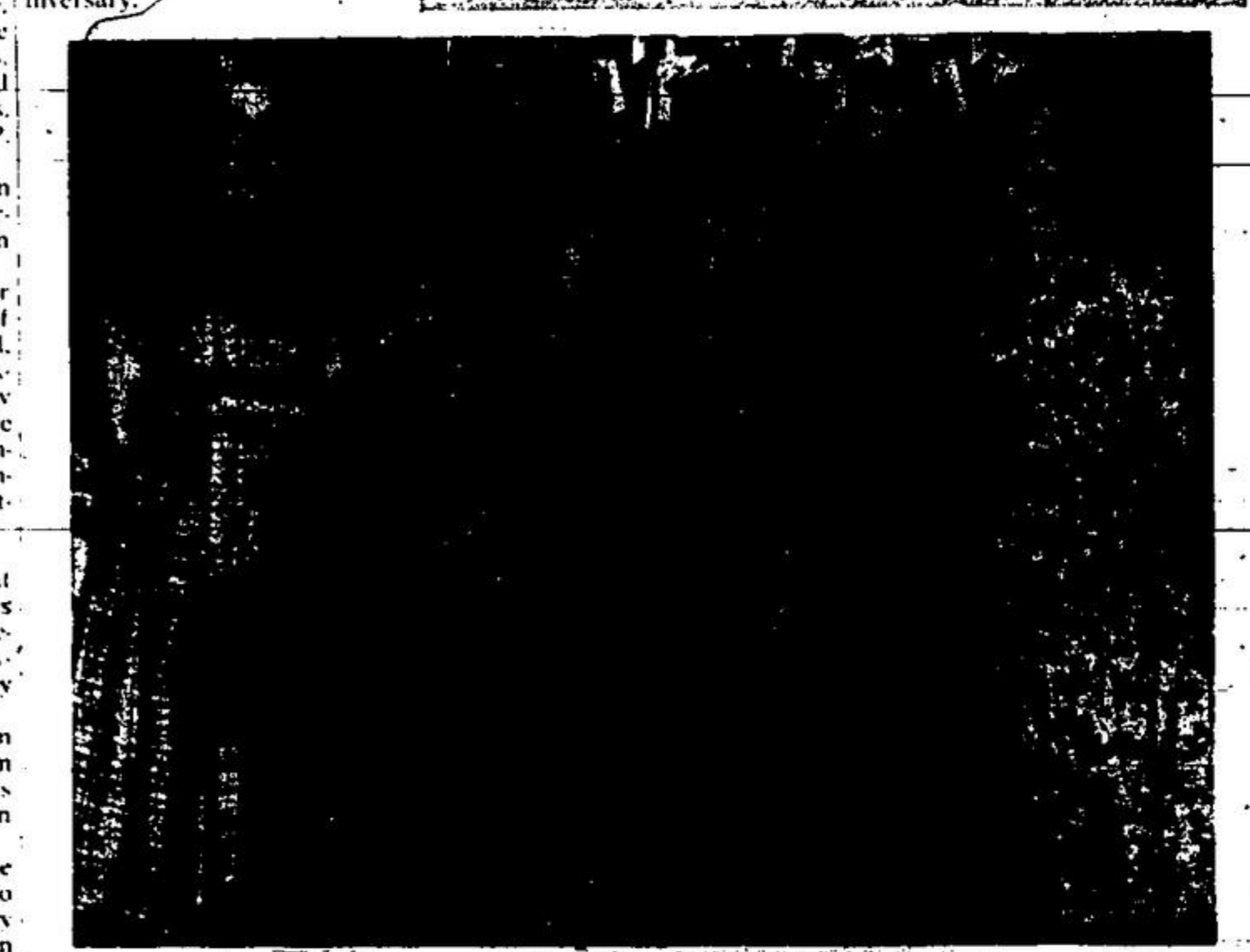
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A NEW MEMBER was inducted into the Acton Rotary Club Tuesday evening during the dinner meeting, when Dorkin MacBride received approval of the club. Pictured left to right are president F. Prouse, Mr. MacBride and secretary Ron Lewis. The new member is the owner and operator of Acton Dry Cleaners and is receiving congratulations from the club members.



SIXTY YEARS of married life were recognized on Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. Howard Masales of Acton were honored by 150 visitors during an "Open House" in the Legion Auditorium. The couple are pictured above with their two sons and four daughters, during the reception. The members of the family pictured left to right in the back row are Madeleine (Mrs. J. Mooney), Vera (Mrs. C. Spiras), Lloyd, Grenville, all living in Acton, Viola (Mrs. L. Brown) and Doreen (Mrs. P. Purdy) both of Oakville.