

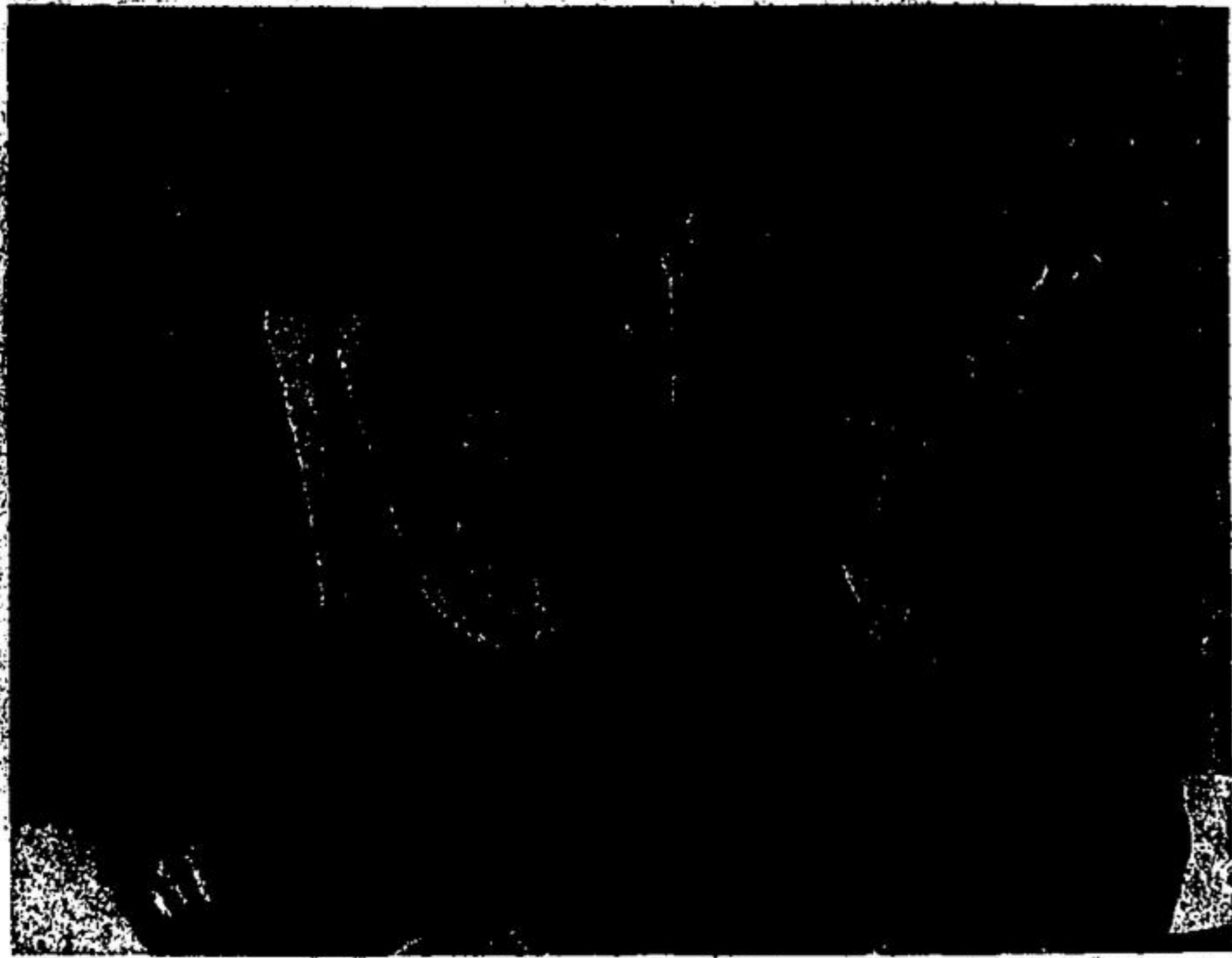
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ACTON ROTARIANS were intrigued Tuesday evening to receive first hand information about Sir Donald Campbell's famous racing car "The Bluebird" during trial runs at Bonneville Salt Flats. Andrew Brown, personal adviser to Sir Donald, and his wife were present during the meeting to give details of the racing car. Pictured above seated in front are Mrs. Brown and her husband; back row, Rotarian Fred Wright, president Rev. A. H. McKenzie and secretary Ron Lewis.

Ray Arbic Heads Branch Of Cancer Society Here

With town and district groups well represented by 35 persons, the Acton Branch of the North Halton Chapter of the Canadian Cancer Society was organized last evening (Wednesday) in the Robert Little school auditorium. Acton has been taking a small part in the work of the North Halton group, Aldo Braida is a former vice-president and Mrs. Rae West representative to the women's services committee. District W.I.'s have spent many hours making dressings. The Ontario division felt the time had come for branches in North Halton. Ron McFarlane of Ancaster, field secretary for the Ontario division of the Canadian Cancer Society, was present at the first meeting of the new group. He spoke on the

services given and showed a film stressing the detection of cancer to save life. Elect Executive Ray Arbic was named president of the fledgling group. Hill Elliott is secretary. Bill McKay treasurer, Mrs. A. J. Buchanan and Harold Denny educational chairman; Mrs. West women's services committee chairman with four assistants, Miss Alma Braida in charge of home visiting; Mrs. W. Coon, gift cupboard; Mrs. George Fryer transportation and Mrs. Ed Lidka dressing stations. Dr. Garrett is medical advisor and Aldo Braida legal advisor. The president of the North Halton Chapter, Peter K. McWilliams of Milton, spoke to the group. The first executive meeting will

be held early in October. Main Aim Education Rules and aims for the branch are already laid, down by the Canadian Cancer Society. The primary goal is educating the public, and the groups stress this strongly. Campaigning is important to obtain funds. Services include contributions of time. Four district institutes represented at last night's meeting, have been termed the "work horses" of the organizations since the ladies give many hours making dressings. The report of the North Halton Chapter's women's services committee was read, indicating much progress made in the past year. Cancer services, formerly headquartered in Milton, will shift to Acton with the formation of the new chapter.

Books for Attendance Given At First Service in Church

The new United Church, although not completed, was filled to capacity for the rally day service held there Sunday morning. All the Sunday School scholars joined the adults to worship for the first time in the new structure. Some of the windows were covered with thin sheets of plastic, while others were still open to outside noises. Folding chairs lined the fresh concrete floor. With organ installation still underway, George Elliott played on a small electric organ. The service was conducted by the Sunday School children with the superintendent, Tony Ironside, and assistant superintendent Mrs. E. Lidka and Ralph McKeown directing.

Children Take Part Scripture was read by Donald Long and stories were read by Karen Perkins and Diane Angell. The junior choir sang an anthem. Miss M. Z. Bennett and O. John

son presented children with books. All the tots in the nursery, kindergarten and grade one classes received small books. From the other classes, boys and girls who had missed three Sundays or fewer during the year were presented with books. These were Wendy Fryer, Gail Ironside, Mary Heikamp, Mark Wolfe, Jack Irwin, Ricky Everedell, Michael Wolfe, Ruth Everedell, Carol Kelly, Laurie Ironside, Elizabeth Hurst, Rachel Hotchen, Brenda McKeown, Ann Symon, Brenda Fryer, Sandra Irwin, Donna Sterritt, Jeanette Milnes, Susan Winter, Ann Fryer, Karen Perkins, Katharine McKenzie, Diane Ironside, Pat Dennis, Barbara Symon, Ruth Lamb, Dorothy Sterritt, Kay Dennis, Diane Swackhamer, Janice Woodburn, Nancy Miller, Bob Hart, Gordon Reid, Gary Kelly, Ralph Nellis, Henry Heikamp, Steven Wolfe, John McGeachie and David Lidka.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Murray Observe 50th Anniversary

Memories of wedding vows taken 50 years ago were recalled by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Murray, R.R. 3, Acton, when nearly 200 friends, relatives and neighbors called on them Saturday to offer congratulations on their anniversary.

Married the 24th day of September, 1910, in the Methodist parsonage at Rockwood by Rev. J. Douglas, the happy married couple held open house at their farm home on the second line where they have resided for the past 43 years.

Beautiful anniversary bouquets, numerous gifts and cards from family and friends as well as congratulations from Reeve-Cam Township and M.P.P. Stan Hall on behalf of the provincial government were proudly displayed

Racing Consultant Rotary Club Guest

Andrew Brown, past president of Kendall, Eng., Rotary Club and chief adviser to Sir Donald Campbell, was guest speaker at the Rotary Club meeting Tuesday evening and outlined details of the recent "Bluebird" trials at Bonneville Flats. A detailed account of the construction of the famous racing car and its performance was given. Rotarians were fascinated to learn the car travelling at a speed of 400 miles per hour was brought to a complete stop in 60 seconds, covering six miles. He pointed out that designers were faced with major problems in this situation but overcame them by installing air flaps and disc brakes.

Special Tires Tires suitable to withstand wear and tear at high speeds had to be designed and a special testing area was set up as a proving ground. The tire and tube combined weigh 50 pounds and are inflated with nitrogen to a pressure exceeding 100 pounds. The racing consultant's exciting account of Sir Donald Campbell's activities was much enjoyed. In conclusion he told the members he was delighted to return to Acton and renew old acquaintances. Mr. Brown is a friend of Rotarian Fred Wright.

Mrs. Brown gave a brief resume of the women's section of the Rotary Clubs in England and was presented with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the club by Mrs. K. Hulford. President Rev. A. H. McKenzie welcomed the members, wives and guests and expressed his hopes for many similar meetings.

Cruiser, Car Crash Causes \$220 Damage

A police cruiser and a private automobile were damaged to the extent of \$220 Monday evening when Calamity Corners in Acton chucked up another accident.

A police cruiser driven by Constable J. Feldcamp, of the North Halton O.P.P. Detachment was in a collision with a car driven by Jerry Jerome of Acton, at the Young-Queen Street intersection on number 7 highway. The cruiser was westbound and the Jerome vehicle was eastbound at the time.

Constable Bruce Kressler of the Acton O.P.P. Detachment investigated and reported damage to the cruiser estimated around \$20 and the Jerome car at \$200.

Seek Temporary Ambulance Drivers Pending Guelph Operator's Decision

Faced with discontinued ambulance service in Acton, council's welfare committee under the chairmanship of Les Duby is exploring ways and means of providing a service to Acton residents.

It was revealed Monday evening during a committee of the whole meeting that Guelph operator Verne Bouie regretted possible discontinuance of the service. Council was informed, however, one of his ambulances was at

their disposal to fulfill his contract. Council would have to locate operators. The ambulance, completely outfitted, could be purchased by the town if it becomes necessary to provide municipal service.

Seek Assistance Contacts are being made with several local residents seeking their assistance as ambulance drivers, until permanent arrangements made by the town.

Clerk administrator J. McGeachie informed council during their regular Tuesday night meeting, the St. John Ambulance Brigade had expressed their regret at being unable to act in this capacity. Their membership was limited and several worked out of Acton.

Expressing their alarm at the possible lack of service, council voted to refer the matter to the situation in order to solve the problem immediately.

During the discussion Tuesday, Reeve J. M. Greer said he felt it was just as important to provide an ambulance service as street paving. Pointing out that thousands of dollars were spent on street paving he urged council to consider provision of an ambulance service.

Arena Problem The late of Acton arena still hangs in the balance, but council's action Tuesday evening indicates steps of progress are being made to provide washroom facilities. Approval was given for installation of a sewer lateral to the arena.

Mayor John Gow informed council he intended to reopen negotiations with organizations interested in seeing the arena program continue. Councillor H. Lowe suggested some indication of this should be given Minor Sports.

Considerable concern was caused Monday evening when council learned that several windows had been smashed at the sewage

disposal plant Sunday night. At five o'clock Sunday afternoon an inspection of the plant revealed everything in good order but Monday morning several windows were found broken.

The deep concern was caused when council learned that gas in the generator enclosed in a glass case could cause death in 10 seconds. The generator could have been damaged by a stone tossed through a window. Recommendations to install protective screening around the windows were carefully considered by council and action will be taken at the plant for future protection.

Increase Rate Council approved a recommendation by the sewer and water committee and effective November 1, new applications for water services will pay a consumer deposit rate of \$8 instead of the present \$5 charge.

It was pointed out the new rate would not affect present consumers who already have signed agreements.

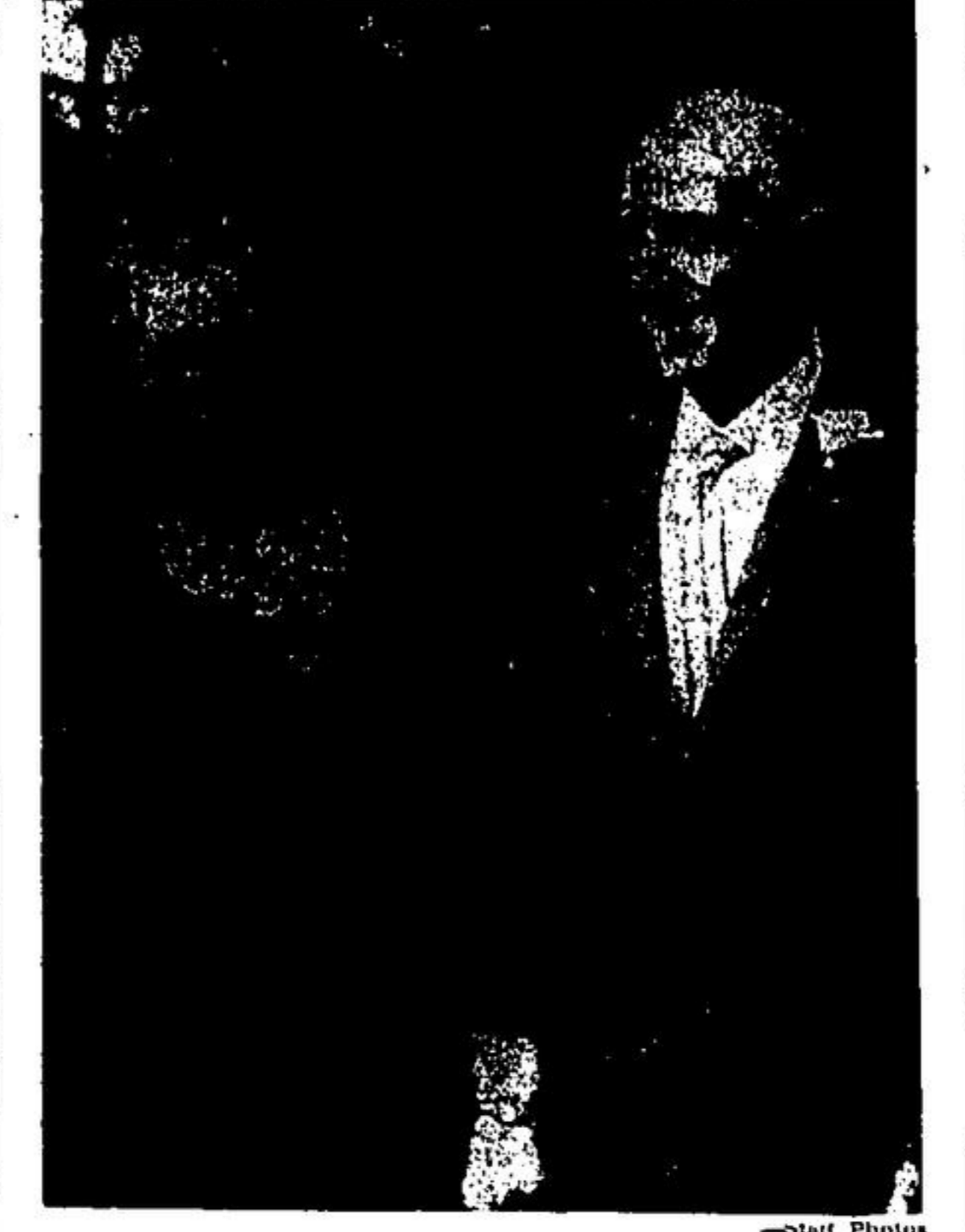
Rats Beware Rats at the town dump can look forward to rough treatment from town workmen following council's decision to continue the rat control at the dump until the end of December.

Sidewalks on Willow Street from Bowser Avenue to River and a portion of River Street to Dr. Garrett's driveway are slated for resurfacing, following council's approval of the road committee recommendation.

Following a request from a delegation from St. Alban's church to have the sidewalk at the side of the church paved, council obtained prices and gave the green light to the administrator to have this work done at a cost of \$253.

Sudding in Lakeview subdivision ditches will begin shortly following council's approval for

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50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE were observed by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Murray at their farm home, R.R. 3, Acton, Saturday when nearly 200 guests called to congratulate them. The couple are pictured on their lawn during the afternoon. They have lived at their present home since 1917, moving there five years after their marriage.

Help!

Operation "Stump Pulling" gets underway at 8 a.m. Saturday morning at Fairy Lake and members of the Parks Board anticipate a large turnout of volunteers for the project.

Chairman R. R. Parker announced that Beardmore and Co. would supply a hot lunch for the workers at noon and every piece of available equipment and volunteer assistance will be greatly appreciated. With the water level below normal, it is believed by the board the time is ripe to rid the lake of unsightly and dangerous stumps.

Teachers' Skit Real "Killer" At H. and S. Social Meeting

The highlight of the Home and School general meeting Monday evening, held in the Robert Little school auditorium, was a game of charades. The audience was divided into groups and each group selected a song title to act out in pantomime.

Everyone entered into the spirit of the game with much laughter and imagination. Mrs. E. Browne, the mad, mad, mixed up MC of the program, was assisted by Herman Freuler at the piano.

Killer Biller

Among the more original of the performances was the "School Days" skit complete with a dance in the corner wearing the traditional school room crown of glory, the dunce cap. The \$100 bet threads among the gold choice of the high school teachers really had folks guessing until someone noticed how the lights brought out the overtones of silver and gold in their hair. The public school teachers really presented a killer biller when they began to manhandle one of their members. The audience was truly puzzled and running out of guesses until a droll little voice suggested "Killer Biller". Arney Brown is the actor's name. After the charades many of the favorite tunes kept the raters ringing until coffee was served.

New Executive Members Concluded during the business portion of the evening was the confirmation by the general meeting of the nominations of the new executive members of the Home and School Association and Mrs. Mary Brown.

Passed was the motion to pay \$169.46 for the erection of a sign for the old school bell. W. Wilson, treasurer, pointed out that four years previous considerable volunteer labor was to be used. \$50 had seemed a suitable sum. But time had passed and in order to fulfill the home and school responsibility to the bell it was agreed that the cairn should be

Board to Review Zoning By-Law Following Joint Garage Debate

Over three hours were spent by Acton Planning Board, council and committee of Adjustment Tuesday, September 20, in discussing the problem of amending the zoning by-law in order to allow Acton residents to erect garages. At the end of the heated discussion no settlement was made regarding the situation, but Planning Board agreed to take a

second look at the zoning restrictions. During the period of time tempers flared and argument arose but 22 ratepayers who had submitted new plans of building garages as requested, received no further encouragement than when they had submitted original plans last May. (The submissions were not considered as applications to build.)

Garage Question Joe Whitlam, assuming the chair in the absence of Bud Lyons of the planning board, informed the representatives of the problem at hand was the garage question. He pointed out it was the board's opinion the committee of adjustment should deal with the ratepayers' requests to build garages.

The acting chairman told the meeting the committee of adjustment felt the sidewalk discrepancies were of a minor nature and stressed it was the board's opinion they were of a minor one. He also suggested the commit

tee of adjustment might eliminate the \$25 fee charged each ratepayer who makes an application for a hearing.

Fee Not Too High Committee of adjustment chairman Ken Hardman informed the meeting his committee had only \$15 left in their receipts after seven hearings and suggested the fee being requested was not too far out of line.

Mr. Hardman stressed the decision to charge a \$25 fee was not the committee's alone but that it was made after receipt of guidance from the Municipal Board.

Within Their Rights Mr. Whitlam stated it was the board's opinion that over 50 per cent of the ratepayers submitting building plans for garages were perfectly within their rights to build according to the zoning by-law. He suggested the balance could be dealt with by the committee of adjustment.

Mr. Hardman questioned why the 22 applications received by

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LOOKING UP as they prepare to shoot for a basket are three young members of Acton YMCA as general secretary Sid Saitz gives them a few pointers. Shown left to right are Gordon Lasby, Alan McNabb and Glen Holmes as Mr. Saitz shows them how to grip the ball. Activities at the Y are well under way. The secretary is looking for an increased attendance.



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1960 EXECUTIVE for the Amalgamated Home and School Association is pictured above during the meeting Monday evening. Seated in front, left to right, are secretary Mrs. L. Hurst, president H. Freuler and treasurer W. Wilson; back row, vice-president Mrs. W. Wolfe, parent education convener Mrs. G. Hargrave, corresponding secretary Mrs. C. Taylor, program director J. Davidson, grade mothers' representative Mrs. J. Dunn, and publicity director Mrs. E. Browne.