

Remodelled Hardware Store In Family Past Eight Years

Several weeks of intensive remodeling at Gordon Hardware are just about over. The varied stock in the store at the corner of Mill and Willow Sts. has been displayed in shining new chrome cases or against brightly painted new peg board.

Two front windows and the door were replaced with gleaming modern ones. Above the aluminum window trim is a wood facing where the store's name will be placed. Bright fluorescent lights stretch the length of the store.

The interior has been changed considerably. An office has been relocated behind a side wall and up a short flight of stairs. Behind part of the west wall and all of the south wall, there is a compact, well planned service area for small repairs and storage. There is access from here as well as from the store proper to the large storeroom at the back.

A lighted plastic canopy above each store section names the types of items found below. There are smart center aisle displays as well as those around the walls.

The store was bought in 1954 by Thomas Gordon and his sons John and Fred from Mr. and Mrs. William Talbot. Mr. Talbot has since died. It is Mrs. Gordon Sr. and Fred who help their many customers each day. Mr. Gordon Sr. and John are construction contractors.

The family is close in more than the operation of a successful business. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gordon and their children moved a year ago to a new house at Bannockburn and they'll be followed there soon by his parents as neighbors and next by daughter Arlene, her husband, Bob Bruce and family.

The building where their store is was erected by the late James W. Mann, who operated a hardware business there before moving to Guelph. Various businessmen followed. The late J. B. Pearson bought the property and improved it. He was followed by Johnstone and Co. and later Muggs Saxe.

Beardmore and Co. purchased the building and conducted a co-operative grocery store. When this store discontinued business, James Symon moved his hardware store there before moving to his present location farther along the main street. About 25 years ago, W. D. Talbot bought the store, selling to Gordon's eight years ago.

As well as a full line of hardware needs, Gordon's have paints, wallpaper, toys and an attractive gift section.



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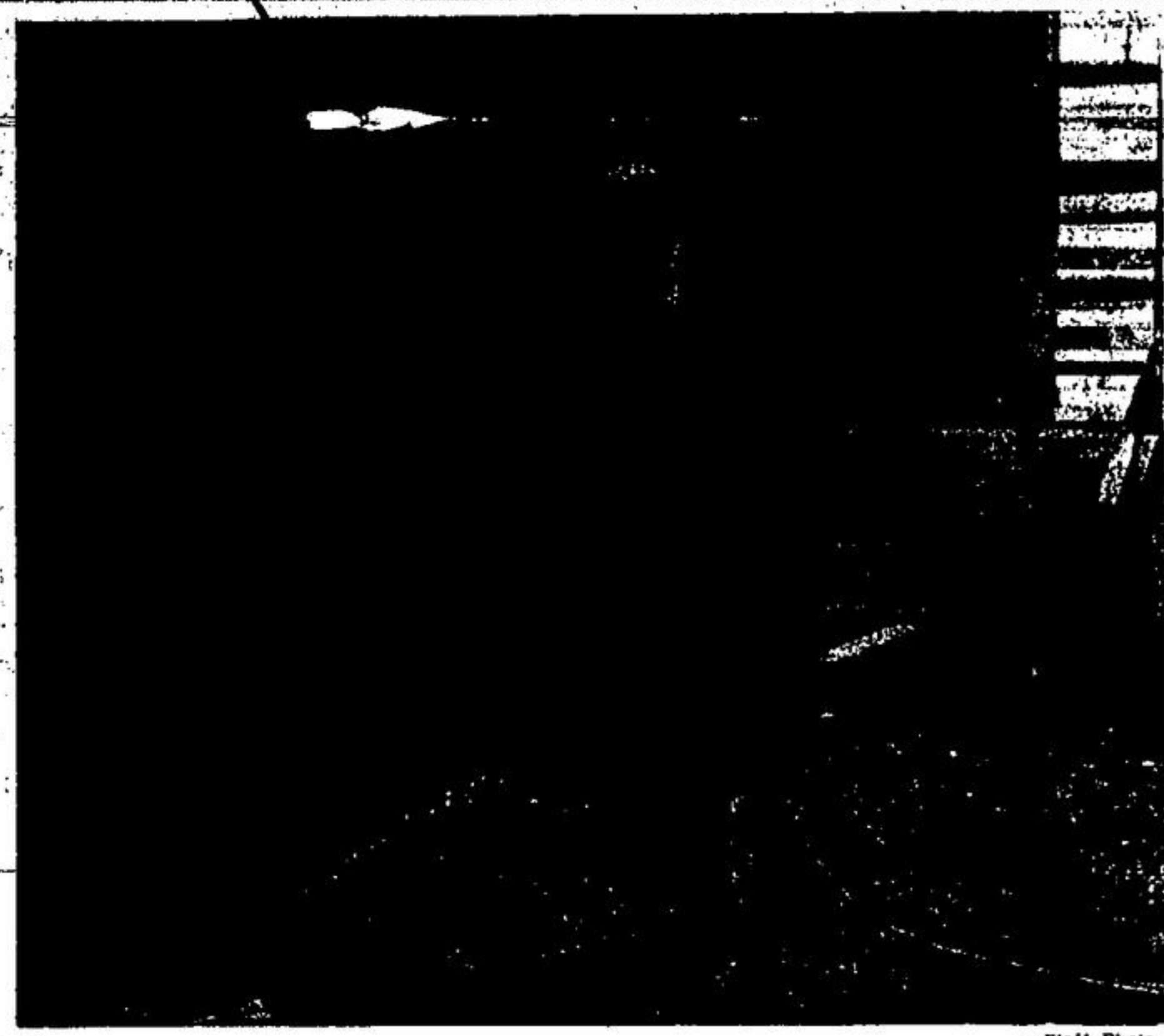


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ACTON COMMUNITY CENTRE is receiving a facelift this week and Triangle Spray Painting Company of Georgetown is spraying the cement blocks a medium grey. Pictured above is Orlando Nuttall as he wishes the paint on the front corner of the building. Window frames and sashes will be painted and the front portion of the old arena will be sprayed the same color to blend in with the Community Centre. Parks Board has had the change station sprayed grey as well.

OSPRINGE

Farewell Party, Wedding, Fireworks Of Interest to Community Residents

On Saturday evening, a number of young people, including last year's grade 8 pupils, held a social evening and farewell party for Mary Anne Robertson at the home of Marlene and Gail Fuller. Mary Anne and her parents are moving shortly to Acton from the Town Line.

Baseball games and a singing were enjoyed on the spacious lawn. Beverly Bruce read an address and Gail Fuller made the presentation of a Bible and necklace. Following thanks expressed by Mary Anne, hot dogs, hamburgers and pop were served.

McKittick-Grundy Wedding
The home of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Grundy was the scene of a pretty wedding May 5, at 3 p.m., when Rev. T. R. Maxwell of Erin united in marriage Betty Rose Ann Grundy and Murray East McKittick of R. R. 2, Waldemar.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a two-piece turquoise blue suit, white hat, shoes and gloves, and a three-strand pearl necklace and a corsage of red roses.

Shirley Agnes Slater, sister of the bride, was maid of honor wearing a gown of rose chiffon with a corsage of white carnations. Marlene McKittick, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid wearing a green figured nylon dress, white accessories and corsage of pink carnations.

Ralph Barber of Acton attended the groom as best man. Brother of the bride, George Allen Grundy was usher.

The wedding music was played on a record player.

Reception Held
Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. The wedding cake, flanked by pink candles, adorned the bride's table.

The bride's mother received her guests wearing a two-piece brown dress with pink hat and gloves and a pink carnation corsage. She was assisted by the groom's mother, Mrs. Ernest McKittick, gowned in a blue and white suit and matching accessories.

For travelling, the bride wore a blue suit and short fur jacket. During the trip north, they visited with Mr. and Mrs. William Chapman at Hanover, and Mr.

and Mrs. Carl Plester at Flesherton.

Special guests were the bride's 82-year-old grandmother, Mrs. Saretta E. Grundy of Guelph and the groom's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas East of Grand Valley.

Fireworks Display
A community fireworks display was held in the village on Monday night. A collection had been taken up previously and fireworks purchased, which were set off under supervision and a goodly number of young (and not-so-young) gathered to watch the spectacle.

Miss Joan Atken and friend, Miss Laura Poyton of Dundas spent the weekend with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Atken.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Avery attended the graduation exercises at the O.A.C. on Wednesday when their eldest son, Elgin, received his diploma in agriculture.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ismond visited on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox MacPherson and Ron near Hornby.

Cadet Trophy
Congratulations to Brian Bessy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bessy, Dundas, who received a trophy for the best all-around cadet at Elm District High School Cadet Inspection on Tuesday night. The award given by the Elm Legion was presented by Lt. J. Deane, the president.

Two Grass Fires Doused on Sunday

Dense smoke billowing for miles around as flames crackled from tinder-dry grass startled residents living near the Esquesing dump and Acton firefighters were called to extinguish the blaze burning near a barn owned by Joe McDonald Sunday morning.

Firemen sprayed water from the booster lines on the fire while using brooms to beat out the flames.

Later Sunday afternoon firefighters were summoned to the hall again when an alarm was sent in to fight a grass fire, racing out of control near the Guelph road in a vacant field.

It is believed the fire was started when careless smokers left smouldering cigarettes burning in the tall grass. As flames were fanned by the high winds nearby residents were unable to cope with the blaze.

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