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Brief Review of Year of Progress

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 of Stewarttown has been chosen for the building.
 A former high school teacher here in Acton, Miss Claire Grindley was one of the passengers missing following the crash of an airplane in India this week. An aerial search is underway to locate the downed plane in the hope of finding some survivors. (There were no survivors.)
 Four weeks after ground was broken for the new home of Superior Glove Works on Main Street South, equipment was moved in and production began. The business is owned jointly by Julian Zajac and Frank Geng.
 The canvass for \$10,000 in the Ballinafad area has begun and building committee members are hopeful of raising the money toward building the \$21,000 community hall. Government grants total a donation amount to \$11,000.
 Jim Casburn has been hired as Acton's first recreation director from a list of 12 applicants. The new man has had years of experience in Scarborough.
 Dr. Victor W. Fern, Acton resident for the past two years, has been appointed to the staff of the Toronto Department of Health as Medical Planning Officer.

Stanley Hall, Halton's M.P.P. for 19 years, died in Milton District Hospital on Tuesday morning. Funeral service will be held in St. Paul's Church, Milton, with several members of the provincial government participating as honorary pallbearers.
 Seven-year-old Margaret Slavov brought honors to Acton when she won the Canadian Championship for Scottish dance at the World Exhibition in Ottawa.

September

Fred Spears and family of eight girls were delighted when word was received from Guelph General Hospital that the new baby born to Mrs. Spears was the former Margaret Anderson.
 Bruce Andrews, former high school student, left Tuesday for Seton Hall University at South Orange, New Jersey. Bruce, who gained fame in the area for breaking track records and ran under the colors of the Guelph Legion Track Club will don the colors of Seton Hall.
 Balaquing School Board was petitioned by four irate fathers asking for bus service for a total of 30 children. Board members expressed their sympathy to the delegates but failed to find a solution to the problem.
 Just one year before its golden anniversary Acton Fall Fair racked up its greatest attendance in many years when over 7,000 entered the gates for the two day fair.
 With facilities at the town of Acton overcrowded, town council have their eyes on the old post office building. Tuesday evening, members discussed the crowded office space and agreed to bid on the purchase of the federal building when it is vacated for the new post office on Bower Ave.
 A daring daylight theft-nearby highway with an estimated \$1,600 in cash and bearer bonds when he ransacked the home of Miss Millie Rowles, Main St.
 Rev. Jelle Nutma and his wife were among the 83 new Canadians receiving their citizenship papers from Judge W. M. Cory at the Milton courthouse this week.
 Acton firefighters' entry in the softball league captured the championship in an exciting game of softball Sunday at the park. A large crowd was on hand as firefighters defeated the youthful I.G.A. team 6-5 in a last inning rally.

October

The digester lid which deteriorated six months ago, was finally raised up by a huge crane and dropped into position on the digester plant. On hand to witness the project was sewer and water chairman J. Bert Wood who has been battling for completion of the lid during the past year. Even up to the last minute, the chairman struggled to have four bare spots on the underneath side painted. The lid was lowered into place and his pleas fell on deaf ears.

Water gushed into the new reservoirs on Churchill Road North as valves were turned in the control station. The tanks will be tested for leaks and sterilized before water is turned into the town system. Council is considering installation of two pressure relief valves to prevent possible breakage of older water lines in town.
 Production began Monday at the new two and a half million dollar Acton Limestone Quarry. Frederick K. Gardiner, former Metro chairman, is president of the new company.
 Motors began to hum and brine started to flow through eight miles of plastic pipe at the area this week when recreation director Jim Casburn turned the motors on in the control room. Providing the weather stays cold, brine should be available before the end of the month. This is the first year Acton has had ice so early.
 A \$21,000 Ballinafad Community Hall has been assured and contractor William Hall has been asked to proceed with work on the building. A public auction of used articles, donations, grants and money from a canvass have clinched the project.
 A new 2,400 square foot monitoring station is underway on a portion of the Fred Mellor farm north of Acton. The building is being erected by the Department of Transport and replaces one already in use at Brantford.

November

A \$6,000 offer of purchase by the town of Acton for approximately 50 acres of land adjoining the cemetery was accepted by the Wool Combing Corporation of Canada. The acquired land will be used for cemetery expansion.
 The St. John Ambulance Brigade here in Acton is the first in Canada to receive a charter for a combined boys and girls cadet division. Charter night was held Friday evening in Luxton Memorial Hall.
 Three men narrowly missed certain death when the helicopter they were riding in crashed in a field west of Acton during a blinding snowstorm. The helicopter was a complete wreck but the men escaped with minor bruises.
 Fir of unknown origin endangered the downtown business section Monday and gutted the interior of Frank Loth's shoe store. A semi-invalid, Mrs. Peter Maghrand, a tenant in the upstairs apartment, escaped seconds before the front plate glass window blew out.
 The first figure skating classes in the Community Centre got underway last Thursday when 95 skaters took to the ice. Andrew Drenters is teaching the young figure skaters. On Saturday, public skating brought 550 paid admissions.
 Rabid foxes and skunks are making their appearance again in the Acton area. Dr. Frank Oakes reported this week a dog at the farm home of Elwood Johnston was attacked by a rabid fox. At a home in Evesqueing, a rabid skunk attacked a horse.
 Two hundred and four pigs perished in a fire of unknown origin early Wednesday morning at the farm of Htel Lebovich, R.R. 3. Firemen were hampered in their work by a shortage of water. When they arrived on the scene, the entire barn was a mass of flames.
 Henry Ernest Batkin, R.R. 3, Georgetown, was killed instantly when his car was involved in an accident with one driven by Joseph Wagner of Georgetown. Mr. Batkin has served as secretary of Evesqueing School Board for the past six years.
 During the weekend, thieves burgled the municipal election business was slow the early part of the day for the polling clerks but toward evening, it picked up. Limestone Central School was officially opened Friday evening when former public school in

December

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HE'S A FAY ONE! seems to be the answer to the look on five-year-old Nancy Gardiner's face as she posed with Roger Haggell during the M. Z. Bennett school Christmas concert. Nancy took part with the Kindergarten group while Roger was in a skit presented by grade six.

Perennial Headache Is Plant Disease

One of the perennial headaches in raising seedlings in Halton's 16 acres of greenhouses is the disease "damping off". Each year more growers turn to the practice of treating the soil and flats with steam or chemicals.
 When soil is treated separately, the flats are moistened and then dipped in a solution of commercial formalin, one gallon in 25 gallons of water.
 When visitors enter the area where the flats have been set aside to air out the irritation of their eyes and noses will be the first indication that preparations are underway for the coming of spring.

Many Gifts, Candy Distributed During Annual Supper Meet

Over 100 attended the annual congregational and Sunday school supper in Nassagaweya church. The usual beautiful supper was served followed by a program by the Sunday school pupils. A gift of candy and oranges was presented to all the children.
C.G.I.T. Service
 Owing to the stormy night there were not as many out to the C.G.I.T. candlelight service in Nassagaweya Presbyterian church as expected.
 The girls and their leaders Mrs. Don McMillan and Miss Jean Britton put a lot of work into it and all did their parts well. The church was beautifully decorated with candles and Christmas trees with blue lights. Miss Shirley Dredge was guest speaker.
 Rev. H. C. Moffat, former minister of Nassagaweya Presbyterian church, held a Christmas Day service in St. David's church for both congregations.
Holiday Visitors
 W. S. Carnahan, Brandon, Manitoba and Mr. George King of Killarney, Manitoba, spent a couple of days with the former minister of Nassagaweya. Mr. and Mrs. David Henderson recently. Duncan Campbell, Toronto, and Scott Campbell, Guelph spent the Christmas holidays at their home. Mrs. Ethel Campbell spent Christmas with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kingsbury, Eden Mills.
 Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Robinson were Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Watkins, Shelburne.
On Sick List
 James Simpson was stricken with a heart attack on his way home from work recently and is confined to the hospital. His friends and neighbors wish him a speedy recovery.
 The friends of Duncan Clark are sorry to hear he is in the hospital and hope he may soon be well again.
Offer Congratulations
 Congratulations to John Robertson on being elected Reeve by acclamation for Nassagaweya township for 1963.

Police Crackdown Seek Faulty Cars

North Halton O.P.P. this week launched a crackdown on older cars that are not roadworthy. "Any vehicles found not roadworthy will be taken off the road," Sgt. C. Wilkinson warned. Cars and trucks will be checked for any serious mechanical defects that might cause accidents.

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Hints for Sewing Double-Knits Given by Local Home Economist

Double-knit wool or cotton dresses and suits have been so popular in "ready-to-wear" garments that home sewers welcomed the appearance of these fabrics in the yard-goods stores. However, many sewers are asking, "What are double-knits like to sew on?"
 "Fortunately, these materials do not present many problems," reports the home economist at the Ontario Department of Agriculture. She suggests that you choose a fairly simple pattern—the type recommended for wool jersey or lightweight wool. Colors and lapels should be interfaced with pre-shrunk muslin or a light woven interfacing. All curved or bias edges should be stay-stitched before the seam is sewn in order to prevent stretching.
 When it comes to the actual sewing, use mercerized thread and 12 to 15 stitches to the inch with the machine tension set at medium. As the material is being stitched, it should be stretched lightly. One authority even suggests using a zig zag machine stitch. A tailor's hem, that is a flat catch-stitched hem, is less bulky than the use of seam binding.
 Finally, double-knit materials can be pressed but the home economist warns that you press them only in the lengthwise direction.

Briefs

—So now we're all into the New Year and probably not with out some celebrating of some kind. Makes one wonder, though, just how important one year is. Guess that depends on your point of view. For some small animals it would be a lifetime; for a child he or she is a very important year older; for an accountant it might be a fresh start, for all of us it's a new calendar, for the historian it's a ripple, for the anthropologist it's really not significant. So it's a new year.
 —Quite a number of youngsters enjoyed tobogganing or skiing on the hills in the area New Year's Day.
 —New Year's day was utilized by many to take down their Christmas trees and restore their households to normal once again.
 —New Monday the town's mayor and council will be sworn in at the inaugural meeting. George Barbeau takes over from Johnny Moffat.

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Ebenezer choir held their annual candlelight carol service on Sunday evening the 16th. The church was well-filled for this service and was beautifully decorated for the Yuletide by the members of the choir.
 The service was interspersed throughout with Bible readings by members of the Y.P.U.
 The choir rendered several anthems and led the carol singing under the leadership of J. F. Kitching. Mr. Kitching also sang the beautiful solo "Jesu Bambino".
 Rev. Hadcock pronounced the benediction and led in prayer. A generous retiring collection will aid the choir in their music fund.
 This was also white gift Sunday at Ebenezer and a very generous contribution of gifts was collected for a girls' school to which they are sent annually.
 The annual Christmas concert was put on by the children of Ebenezer Sunday school on Friday, December 21, and the church was filled for this occasion. Rev. Hadcock was the amiable chairman.
 The usual skits, recitations, solos and carol singing by the different classes proved entertaining for old and young, and of course Santa paid his visit at the conclusion.
Happy New Year
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