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Happy New Year Japanese Jacket

A happy coat for a Happy New Year!
That's how International Y's Men's president G. W. McKenzie started in 1964, with a new jacket direct from Japan. It was presented to him the last day of 1963 by past president Jack Takayasu of the Hamilton Club. The Hamilton's brother club Osaka Tsuburi club in Japan sent coats through for each Hamilton member and one for Mr. McKenzie.
A book of patterns — all in Japanese, and reading from back to front — was sent Mrs. McKenzie and she will choose a kimono which will arrive later.
The past president of the Hamilton club and his wife are of Japanese descent; they often have Japanese dinners for the men of that club. Recently the Hamilton club, through arrangement made by Bill Telephone employee Lorne Duberstein, himself a member of the Acton club, were able to make an open wire call to Japan.

New Walker Lodge Officers Installed

About 60 were in attendance when Installing Master Herb Ritchie installed the new officers of Walker Lodge A.F. and A.M. on Friday. There were guests from Toronto, Erin, Georgetown and Campbellville.
Assisting in installing his son Gordon Beatty as Master was W. J. Beatty who was Master himself in 1960.



HAPPY COAT was the gift of the Hamilton Y's Men's Club to International president G. W. McKenzie of Acton. Fitting the coat is Jack Takayasu, past president of the Hamilton club, who drove to Acton Tuesday to present the gift. The coats were originally sent to the Hamilton members from the Osaka Tsuburi club in Japan and an extra was sent for Mr. McKenzie. Mrs. McKenzie received a pattern book displaying Japanese kimono, she will select one of her choice and the Hamilton club will have it made.

Train Delayed This Morning Track Blocked

A C.N.R. express train due at Acton station at 8:01 a.m. Thursday morning was about 20 minutes late to begin with, but was held up a further 15 minutes until the main track was cleared of a tractor and pickup truck.
Jack McCallum was clearing the platform of deep snow with his tractor-plow when snow piled up in front of the vehicle halted plowing. He had on a pickup truck to help pull the tractor when both slid off the platform onto the main line.
Trains were put out to stop the westbound train at the Eastern Ave. crossing until two tow trucks removed both tractor and truck from the tracks.

Twelfth Night Tree Bonfire

Again on Twelfth Night, the town's Christmas trees will end their brief span of beauty in a monster bonfire. The Chamber of Commerce is arranging for the annual tree burning on the twelfth night of Christmas — Sunday evening, January 5.
The shrub trees will be massed on the lot between Glenca subdivision and the dump. Setting the match to them will be Mayor Les Dube and C. C. president Paul Nielsen (and they'll have a can of gasoline ready in case the fire needs encouragement).
The firefighters will be standing by. Coffee and doughnuts are being arranged.

It is expected the fire will be lit at 7:30. Cars of spectators may park along Longfield Road and Churchill Road.
This bonfire, a tradition here the past few years, makes an official finish to the holiday season.

Mr. Greer recalled many fond memories during his association with the retiring worker and extended best wishes on behalf of all the workers on his retirement.

Two Families Homeless In New Year's Day Fire

Eight people were left homeless New Year's Day when they were forced to flee their dwelling places when fire broke out in the duplex owned by Al Reimer, Mill Street West.
Mr. and Mrs. Ken Thompson and sons, Keith 4 and Gregg 3, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Allen and sons, Murray 2 and Wayne 15, were forced to vacate their apartments as dense smoke billowed from the cellar throughout the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were enjoying a cup of coffee in the kitchen when they first noticed the heavy smoke filling the room. They grabbed their children and rushed outside about the same time as the Allen family vacated their apartment.

Spectators gathered outside in the blinding snowstorm and watched as smoke billowed from the house, hampering firefighters. Smoke masks were donned to allow firefighters access to the burning and smoking building and the fire was finally

Nostalgic Memories of Bygone Era As Tanners Repulse Red Raiders 5-3

Georgetown Raiders paid their first official visit to Acton in 14 years Friday night and provided a jolt of excitement for 500 paying customers before bowing to the Tanners 5-3 in a tense W.O.A.A. hockey struggle.
Unlike the first meeting between the two clubs in Georgetown, which the Tanners won handily, Raiders fought from behind to tie the score midway through the third period. An arduous Acton team fired two goals in the last eight minutes to clinch the decision, their fourth straight and sixth in the nine games they've played this season.

Harold Hilt Hat
Harold (Sonny) Townsley, his slap shot working like an atomic rifle, sparked the Tanners to the victory with three goals, two of them picture efforts from left wing that Georgetown's J. D. Cannon barely made a move on. Hilt's last marker was the winner.
In the nets Jack (Nipper) Marshall played sparkling hockey. It was his acrobatic performance that kept the Raiders throughout the contest. Even Georgetown fans praised his puck slapping wizardry, when he smothered four of five shots from point blank range.
Dave Irons, big strapping centre, was the pick of the Raiders. He potted two of their goals and was a threat every time he was on the ice.

Fans were limp from excitement after the first penalty shot period which saw the Tanners chalk up one goal lead after repeated assaults on the Raiders net. Ugo Bolton, skating at almost Vancouver and back, cut the marker sprawled on the ice, his stick working like a pendulum. Jim Cashburn passed Ugo Bolton.

One previous effort flicked into the net on the red light but it was the crossbar of the Georgetown goal disallowed after much haggling. Officials, meanwhile were leading



FIGHTING SPIRIT was renewed Friday night when Georgetown and Acton intermediates clashed at the arena here after a layoff of 14 years. Acton Tanners proved the strongest when they emerged from the final whistle with a 5-3 victory. Facing off with back to camera is Fred Kenner of Acton and facing him is Dave Irons of Georgetown Raiders. Other players in distance is Paul Ward of the Raiders. Referee is Jack McKinnon of Guelph.

players from both teams to the penalty box in batches. Included in the penalty parade was a 10-minute misconduct to Grady of the Raiders.
Both teams settled down in the second stanza but the period's only penalty cost Raiders a goal. While Brush cut out a tripping penalty, Townsley took the blueline from Bolton, who accepted it from Bob Marshall, shifted up left wing and let fly a cannon shot to the far corner that put the Tanners up 2-0.
The goal brought new life to the Acton club which was steadily losing the play to persistent Georgetown forechecking but a loose puck which Dave Irons grabbed up and blasted home kept the Raiders in there. Then in an almost identical play to his first, Harold Townsley's second counter of the night with less than a minute in the period let the Tanners finish ahead 3-1.

Raiders skated out in determined fashion in the third period. A loose puck in front of the Acton cage was fired in by Ross Cunningham to cut the Acton margin to a goal. With Emerson Baxter sitting out a hooking sentence, Dave Irons tied the contest up at 11:44. Acton fans grained.
That was the turning point. On the very next play, 11 seconds later, Townsley finished up a hat trick with an unassisted effort from Acton ahead again. Then while Georgetown pressed for the equalizer, Max Stafford worked his way in on a strong rush and let fly a sizzler which Cameron stopped but Ross McIlroy was nimble on the spot to rap in the rebound for insurance.
The Tanners played without Paul Barber, Norm Lowe and Bud Haines for this game. Georgetown (Continued on Page Five)

Beardmore & Co. Employee 48 Years Wilfred Duval Feted on Retirement

A hide pickup man and internal inspector for hides for the past 48 years, Wilfred Duval Sr. received a royal send-off on his retirement Monday during a buffet dinner and presentation at Beardmore & Co. Ltd. offices.
Company president W. J. Beatty commended the internal inspector of hides and former hide buyer for his faithful and conscientious work with the company and presented him with an envelope containing two cheques. Mr. Beatty stressed the importance of his work and explained

to other officers and company foremen, Mr. Duval had been responsible for the high class of hides purchased for use in the process of leather.
The president recalled Mr. Duval had first started in 1915. He worked in Broadbridge and then moved to Acton in 1921. At one time, his job took him all over Canada buying hides for the company and in later years, he has been internal inspector of hides at the plant. His personal stamp of approval was given before hides left the hide house to

start the first process to make leather.
Jack Greer, foreman of the sale leather and finishing department, himself an employee with Beardmore's for the past 35 years, on behalf of the foremen's association presented Mr. Duval with a wallet containing a crisp \$100 bill.
Mr. Greer recalled many fond memories during his association with the retiring worker and extended best wishes on behalf of all the workers on his retirement.

Lots of Accidents, No Charges Police Busy in Holiday Week

Milton D.P.P. report dozens of accidents on North Halton Highways and rural roads over the past week.

New Year's eve and New Year's day were busy accident-wise for the D.P.P. but there were no disturbances caused by celebrants, and no charges of impaired or drunk driving had to be laid. Police set up checkpoints in the North Halton area to keep an eye on drivers, and report no liquor charges at all. Here is the week's roundup of the more serious incidents:

DEC. 26—Mrs. Roy H. Sykes, 60, Ottawa, and her son James 12, suffered cuts and bruises when a car driven by Mr. Syl went west on Highway 401 east of the Ninth Line overpass. The car received \$700 damage.

DEC. 26—Near the same accident, about the same time of the morning, cars driven by W. J. Mawhahaw of Kitchener and Dr. Steven Lamont of Toronto received a total of \$310 damage to a collision on 401.

DEC. 26—Cars driven by Bradford and Toronto men sustained \$125 total damage in an accident on 401 near the Peck-Halton Town Line.

DEC. 27—On Highway 7 just west of the Fourth Line Esquimaux, cars driven by Doreen M. Easler of 110 Tuley Ave. Acton and Edwin Earl Perryman, R.R. 1, Georgetown, collided for \$150 damage.

DEC. 27—A car owned by Herman Kuhn, 16 Viny St., Acton, was demolished by a train when the car stalled on the tracks at the Third Line Esquimaux near Acton Limestone Quarries.

DEC. 28—Early in the morning a car driven by William James Good, 27, of 9 Galt Ave., Guelph, hit a tree on Highway 25 at 22 Highway. He received two broken legs, severe lacerations to the throat and hand, and his 1957 Lincoln was a total wreck. He was taken to Milton District Hospital for treatment by the Georgetown ambulance, then transferred to Guelph General Hospital.

DEC. 28—Vehicles driven by a Weston woman and Wilfred

100 Workers

In response, Mr. Duval thanked company officials and foremen for their thoughtfulness both for himself and his wife and expressed his appreciation for the cooperation given him during his 48 years of employment. He also stated he and his father had almost completed 100 years in the leather trade between them.

Prior to the presentation, company officials, foremen and a few guests enjoyed an extensive and very delicious buffet lunch provided by a caterer from Guelph. Guests present for the occasion included Ted Eyer, St. Jack Wright, former supervisor of the beamhouse and presently hide broker for the firm in Toronto, as well as other Toronto employees. The men turned several times to the buffet, its contents rivaling the cuisine of top restaurants. Salads, meats, fish and special delicacies were served from silver bowls and waiters.



VETERAN HIDE INSPECTOR Wilfred Duval Sr. was honored by officers and foremen at Beardmore & Co. Ltd., Monday evening during a buffet dinner in the company board room. Two cheques were presented to him by president W. J. Beatty, left and a wallet containing money from the foremen by Jack Greer, right. Mr. Duval, centre has been employed by the company for 48 years and retired officially December 31.

One 250 Years Old Time Catches Up With Stately Trees Victims of Dread Dutch Elm Disease

The city of "Timber" school grounds Friday as Jim Lorne, Johnstone of Acton, and Bill McCann and Murray Ashkew of Rockwood were hired to do the job Friday, their chainsaws buzzed loudly and axes rang out as cut after cut was made in the broad base of each tree.
During a recent windstorm a large pine tree fell prey to the high winds and split in two, falling with a crash in the centre of the playground near the Stone school. After a close look at the two elm trees, which were the victims of the dread disease, Board members called for ten

to cut down the trees and immediately decided on a tree planting program for the spring. Lorne, Johnstone of Acton, and Bill McCann and Murray Ashkew of Rockwood were hired to do the job Friday, their chainsaws buzzed loudly and axes rang out as cut after cut was made in the broad base of each tree.
A section of the ground railing on the school sidewalk was removed and Mr. Ashkew, an Irishman by birth who is familiar with cutting trees, started the large elm would topple in this area and miss other trees and hydro wires — J. D.

The second tree, which was estimated around 250 years old, proved more difficult. Frank Tuth's tow truck was hooked to the middle of the branches and as the chain saw rang out, Mr. Tuth tightened the cable running to the tree from his truck.
Soon a cracking sound was heard and school board secretary-treasurer William Middleton shouted: "Here she comes!" and the tree crashed to the ground with a roar like thunder.
Adults and children who were at the scene watching, swarmed to the trunk of the tree to see (Continued on Page Four)

Man Leaps Out Train Hits Car

An Acton man, 22-year-old Herman Kuhn, 16 Viny St., jumped clear of his automobile minutes before a C.N.R. freight train crashed into it at the railway crossing near Acton Limestone Quarries Friday evening at 8:30 p.m.
Mr. Kuhn, driving south on the third line, was attempting to climb the hill on the south side of the crossing when his wheels began to spin in the slippery snow. The driver was backing his vehicle down the hill to get better traction and heard the train whistle just as his car stalled on the tracks.
He jumped clear of the vehicle seconds before the train derailed the rear end of his 1958 Ford. He was not injured. The train pulled to a stop. The engine was not damaged.

Head-On Collision Sunday Evening

\$225 damage required to two cars involved in a head-on collision at the corner of Mill and Young Sts. Sunday evening.
An eastbound car driven by Buddy Holmes, Church St., and a westbound vehicle driven by Rink Vileittra met head-on at the corner of Jack McCallum's service station. Damage to the Holmes car was estimated at \$150 and to the Vileittra vehicle at \$75.



INSTALLATION NIGHT for officers of Walker Lodge A.F. & A.M. was held Friday evening. New Worshipful Master for the year is Gordon Beatty. He is shown centre with his father W. J. Beatty, right, himself a Past Master, and Very Worshipful Brother Herb Ritchie who acted as Installing Officer.