

## Postpone Seeding Glenora Park Until Fall; Will Remove Stones

Seeding of Glenora park area has been postponed until fall. Meanwhile, Acton Parks Board will have the balance of the land leveled off and hire a man to pick off stones which have been uncovered by the spring runoff.

Thursday evening of last week board members discussed the park area and agreed seeding the park would have to be postponed until fall because of the large stones and leveling.

A delegation from the Acton softball league received board

permission to install floodlights at Prospect Park, and asked board members to request council to seek a grant from the provincial Department of Agriculture towards this expense. Grants amounting to \$11,000 are available for recreation purposes. It is hoped council will apply a portion of this amount for floodlights.

During the meeting, Jack Ford was hired as park gate attendant in June when the park officially opens.

## LEGION NOTES FOR BRANCH 197

By George Ward



At a special executive meeting held Monday evening in the branch it was decided to send a questionnaire to all members of the branch.

The prime purpose of the questionnaire is to find the true feelings of our members on two touchy issues now facing all Legion members. The issues, namely: transfer of veterans' hospitals and the well editorialized flag issue, will be put to the members in a letter form with two or more choices for each issue to give the individual a choice and there will also be room for plenty of his own much welcomed comments.

The compiled results of the questionnaire will be carried to a meeting on May 30 in Oakville to meet all Legion presidents in Hamilton County and our Member of Parliament, Dr. Harry Harlev, who is on the Veterans' Affairs committee.

The questionnaire should be in the mail before this paper hits the street and we hope every member will take the extra few moments to fill it out, plus adding a few of his own personal comments to the form. It is a very important form as both is

touch all Legionnaires quite deeply.

It will be secret if the person so desires and a ballot box has been placed in the branch for this purpose. Those not able to get to the branch may mail it. Please return your questionnaire as soon as possible. We need your opinion.

All members in the branch are glad to see comrade Tom Bennett home again from Sunningbrook hospital.

Acton's dart supremacy was upheld on Saturday as the team whipped the paperowners in a close battle to retain the Labatt trophy. This is the third year of competition between the two branches and although the branch 120 boys took it the first year, Acton grabbed it the second year and by the looks of it, they aren't going to give it up.

It seems to have brought back plenty of good old-fashioned rivalry between the towns which is always good to see.

Georgetown were not left in the cold, however, as they capped the doubles play.

## 25,000-Square Foot Addition For Micro Slated for August

If you have heard blasting near the Micro Plastics plant, don't be alarmed or panic! This isn't a local gold rush. Workmen are blasting rock in preparation for a new 25,000-square foot addition.

Company manager Jack Reid announced Wednesday the new one-storey cement block addition should be ready for occupancy by mid-August. Since plans have not been completed, no contract has been let to date.

The new building, which will adjoin present ones, will house expanding manufacturing facilities for rigid vinyl pipe and

custom extrusion equipment with four new production lines.

Additional personnel will eventually be required to operate machinery.

The original building on Main St. North was 40,000 square feet and was erected in 1960. The first addition of 16,000 square feet was added in 1962, the second amounting to 4,000 was added last year. With the new addition, the plant will cover 85,000 square feet.

## Fell 17 Feet Lad in Hospital

James Coles, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coles, R.R. 2, Acton was rushed by ambulance to Toronto Sick Children's Hospital Saturday afternoon with a police escort. The youngster suffered a fractured skull when he fell about 17 feet from the top storey of an old barn to a cement floor two floors down.

The Coles boy and Colin Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gordon, who are occupying the former Didero farm, were playing in the loft of the old horse barn where the late Mr. Didero waxed turnips. The youngster fell through the false ceiling which was used for insulation of the building, through an opening in the main floor formerly used for a conveyor belt to the cement floor of the building.

Dr. Brian Moore was called to the barn and police summoned Guelph City Ambulance which arrived on the scene shortly. Under police escort the lad was rushed to Toronto Hospital with a large bump on the side of his head.

According to a report from the family Wednesday the youngster is progressing favorably but will remain in hospital under observation for a while yet.

## "Save-a-Life" Two-Hour Course

Each year close to 1,200 Canadians die because of drowning accidents. Many of these victims could have been saved if someone present at the time knew how to administer artificial respiration.

Beginning next week St. John Ambulance Brigade of Acton will start "Save-a-Life" summer courses available to all organizations or individuals. The courses are free of charge and it is hoped many people will take advantage of them. The course lasts for two hours and is adapted to teach students how to administer artificial respiration.

The "Save-a-Life" campaign is only part of the many chores handled by St. John and in view of the shortage of members at the present time, volunteers to join the Brigade are being sought. In spite of this shortage, members will still conduct their summer program but the Brigade is in danger of losing equipment which is presently stationed in Acton.

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**CAR AFIRE**

A 1958 Volkswagen was termed a total loss Tuesday afternoon, when it caught fire at the R.R. 3 home of P. D. Kelly a mile east of Speyside. Milton Fire Brigade answered the alarm but the car was beyond saving. Firefighters said it apparently caught fire when a resident of the home was filling a gasoline power mower nearby.



ACTON LIONS CLUB presented cheques to three organizations Monday evening at their regular dinner meeting. Cheques were given to the Acton Safety Council, the Acton Auxiliary of the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded and St. John Ambulance Corps. Pictured left to right are Mrs. John Buckman, Constable Ron Rupert, Lion president Pete Papillon, St. John superintendent George Hargrave, Mrs. Norman Price and St. John corps staff officer R. S. Hart.

## Warned About Arrears

## Esqueusing Records \$2,019 Deficit

A slight deficit on the 1963 operations was recorded in the Township of Esqueusing Auditor's report, released recently.

Auditors Lever, Hoskin, Chag-

non and MacGillivray noted the deficit of \$2,019.93 was deducted from the surplus carried forward from prior years and this surplus now stands at \$15,992.44.

The report called attention to the unpaid taxes "which now stand at \$144,391.57, representing in total 32 per cent of the current year's levy."

"In our opinion, this is a potentially dangerous situation and should be a matter for concern. A determined effort should be made to reduce these unpaid taxes," the report continued.

**Not Paid Over**

The auditors also reported the share of supplementary tax was not paid over to the schools and county by December 31 "as is required by regulations".

Total revenue for the township during the year was \$556,749.69 with total expenditures at \$558,769.62. Of these amounts education, including debt charges accounted for expenditures of \$300,206.81. Paid to the county on the county rate was \$50,150.02.

—This is the big weekend for fireworks.

## H.S. Play Sparsely Attended Second Performance Tonight

A disappointing crowd of only about 60 attended the high school drama club's production of two acts from J. M. Barrie's popular comedy The Admirable Crichton in the auditorium Wednesday evening. The play, excellently costumed and performed, is being presented tonight (Thursday).

The Village Players, directed by teacher Miss Dianne McConnell, earlier this year presented another play.

The comedy captured the interest of the small audience who roundly applauded the youthful players.

Taking the leading role of the butler, Crichton, was Axel Niese-

zari. David Watson ably played the father of the wealthy family, the Earl of Loom. His three daughters were Vicki Newton, Vivian Smith and Mary Anne Robertson. Tommy McKeown was a friend of the family and George Bershiri was a minister. Servants were Carol Swackhamer, Bob Watson, Gwen Lauder, Paul McNabb, Sandra Hargrave, Nellie Hunsman, Nancy Lauder, Carol Beatty, Teresa Marro, Dorothy Sterritt and Dorothy Thompson.

A naval officer was David Laska. Gay White was narrator.

On Thursday, Margie Mackenzie will be narrator; Gail Withers will play one daughter.

**Staff**

In charge of make-up are Mary Grischow and Nancy Rognvaldson. Helping with the sets and lighting were Rick Whyte, John Davidson, John Price and Bob Watson.

Others who helped were Mrs. E. Franklin, R. R. Parker, Mrs. Alan Lauder and the caretakers.

## Wins Red Scooter In Pepsi Contest

Glenn White, 50 John Street, will soon be spotting a brand new vehicle, a Honda motor scooter which he won in a Pepsi Cola contest.

The contest, which has been running for some time, is the first one he has won and last week he received word his name had been drawn and he was asked to answer a question.

Later in the week he received another letter stating he was the winner of the motor scooter. His prize will be delivered as soon as it comes from the manufacturer.

## Two Baptized

Baptized Sunday morning at St. Alban's Church were two children, James Stuart Hunter, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hunter, and Linda May Creasey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Creasey.

## Decoration Day Set for June 7

Decoration Day will be considerably changed this year, the committee has decided. It will be more than just a fine-weather Remembrance Day, and individual units will be especially invited to decorate graves of loved ones, and service organizations to place flowers on the graves of former members. Former Actonians will be urged to return.

The parade and outdoor service will be on Sunday, June 7, with a band concert in the park that evening. The Ministerial Association will conduct the service in the meadow at Fairview cemetery gates.

Permanent tribute will be instituted at the Pioneer cemetery, where, it's hoped, evergreens will be planted each year on Decoration Day.

Six new Red Ensigns have been purchased by the committee.

Ab Irwin is committee chairman, Mrs. Alex Orr is again secretary as she has been since in 1954. Mrs. George Hargrave is treasurer, Jim Gunn is in charge of publicity and Ted Tyler Jr. in charge of programs. Bill Nicolak is parade marshal.

## Margaret Slaven Wins Five Medals

Margaret Slaven, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Slaven, R.R. 4, Acton added more laurels to her crown when she won five medals at the Guelph and District Highland Dance Association contest in Guelph Saturday.

She won two gold, two silver and one bronze medal.

This is the young dancer's first competition since winning the Canadian championship for Scottish dancers one and a half years ago. Margaret will enter both the Ontario and Canadian championship contest again this year but will be in a higher age bracket.

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## Zone Commander 12 Years Mrs. W. Finley Honored

Mrs. William Finley, zone commander for the past 12 years of the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, was honored last week at the monthly meeting at the Legion Hall when she was presented with a life membership pin.

Mrs. Finley is a charter member of the local Branch having joined in 1945. Mrs. Fern Shultis, president, presented her with the life membership pin on behalf of Provincial Command and vice-president Mrs. Janet Rogers presented her with a dozen red roses, and a citation from Branch members.

The retiring zone commander cut a special cake in honor of her service with the Acton Auxiliary during the past 19 years. At

the conclusion of the ceremony members congratulated Mrs. Finley who was born in Kendall, England, and is a registered nurse.

## No Dragging

Grading and seeding at the new section of the cemetery are completed. Police have been alerted to watch for young drivers watching the property for a drag strip.

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