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Second Section.

Rain Re-Arranges Ceremony

Damp Opening for New Offices

Despite a heavy rainfall that forced a re-arrangement of the scheduled program, Nassagaweya Township's bright, spacious and modern new office building was officially opened Saturday afternoon, and over 150 dignitaries and guests attended the ceremony.

The Township's oldest living former Reeve, M. J. Carton who was Reeve in 1917, attended to officially cut the white ribbon stretched across the front door of the \$50,000 building. And Reeve William Coulter and Deputy Reeve Dr. B. D. Young laid the datestone in place at the front of the building to complete the official ceremony.

Rain somewhat dampened the opening. The scheduled program called for speeches by the dignitaries, the dedication services by the clergy, the ribbon cutting and datestone laying to be held outside, followed by a tour of the building and refreshments in the basement.

Instead, when Mr. Carton arrived the ribbon was quickly cut, allowing just enough time for photographers' pictures, and Rev. R. P. J. Jeffares read the dedication, then everyone hurried inside to tour the building. Later, of local guests gave brief speeches in the basement and as the rain eased off, the Reeve, Deputy Reeve and about 20 others went outside again to place the datestone. Rev. J. Schmid read the scriptures, and Rev. W. A. Leeman offered the benediction.

Mr. Carton, a resident of Halton Centennial Manor, lived on the Esquesing - Nassagaweya Town Line. Now in his 93rd year, he served on both Esquesing and Nassagaweya councils as councillor and reeve, taking the top post in Nassagaweya in 1917. Reminiscing after the ceremonies Saturday, he recalled when there were plenty of Indians in the township.

and he remembered when the first sideroads were surveyed.

Former Reeves of the township who were introduced during the program included Frank McNiven (1928), Alex Near (1942-45), Lloyd Crawford (1946-47), Edgar Ellenton (1951), Stanley Norrish (1952-53), Archie R. Service (who served several years after 1953), John A. Milne (1957-62). Reeve Coulter has held the post since 1964.

Mr. Crawford recalled that it was in 1947 the council first began discussing the need for new office accommodation. The office has been located at the rear of Brookville Hall in recent years.

Architect Clare G. MacLean and contractor Lando Herb Merry, Reeve of Oakville, called it "one more link in our unity here in Halton." Other dignitaries introduced included Mayor Rev. Duby of Acton, S. G. Childs of Milton and Allan M. Masson of Oakville.

The building, smartly furnished and decorated in bright, eye-pleasing colors, features a large council chamber with room for spectators, a spacious central hall with a vault, and separate rooms for the clerk, assessor, reeve and road superintendent on the main floor. In the lower floor are the furnace room and two large rooms for storage or eventual expansion of offices.

M.P.P. George A. Kerr, Burlington, congratulated the council for sound planning. He recalled there was "a certain amount of controversy surrounding the building but it was a wonderful addition to the Township. You have the advantage of having your deliberations under modern and spacious circumstances."

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Over 125 signed the guest book throughout the day. Wives of the councillors, Mrs. William Coulter, Mrs. B. D. Young, Mrs. Alan Parsons, Mrs. Rose Gordon and Mrs. William Mahon, were assisted in serving refreshments by assistant clerk Mrs. Vera Cockram, road superintendent's wife Mrs. Grant McMillan, clerk's wife Mrs. J. G. McIntyre and assessor's wife Mrs. M. Anderson.

Among the guests were many members of Halton and neighboring councils. The entire Esquesing council - Reeve George Lees, Deputy Reeve Will Leslie, councillors George Currie, Bob Lawson and Walter Linham, plus clerk Delmar French attended.

Councillors Attended

Action representatives were Mayor Duby, Deputy Reeve Roy Goodman and councillor Ab Irwin. Milton delegates were Mayor Childs, Reeve C. A. Martin and councillor Percy Barr. From Oakville were Mayor Masson, Reeve Herb Merry, clerk S. A. Feather.

Neighboring councils were represented by Clerk Doug Gilmore, Reeve Scott Fixler, deputy-reeve Sam Rosell and the entire Put-In-Bay Township council; Reeve Cameron Bush, road-superintendent Bob Hamilton and employee Gordon Gray of Lamoka council.

Provide Flowers

Flowers throughout the building were provided by Oakville Board of Parks and Recreation, Oakville Council, Warden Herb Merry, contractor L. Zanatta, subcontractor A. J. McCarthy, and Campbell's of Milton.

Other guests attending included J.P. William Sargent of Bronte, Halton M.O.H. Dr. A. F. Bull, Halton's assessors J. Ford Rogers, Brookville school principal K. P. Towbridge, and Campbellville school principal Kenneth Towbridge.

LAVING THE 1965 DATSTONE at their new office building Saturday, are Deputy Reeve Dr. B. D. Young and Reeve William Coulter of Nassagaweya Township Council. The laying of the datstone was part of the official opening ceremonies held Saturday afternoon at the Campbelville Road building.

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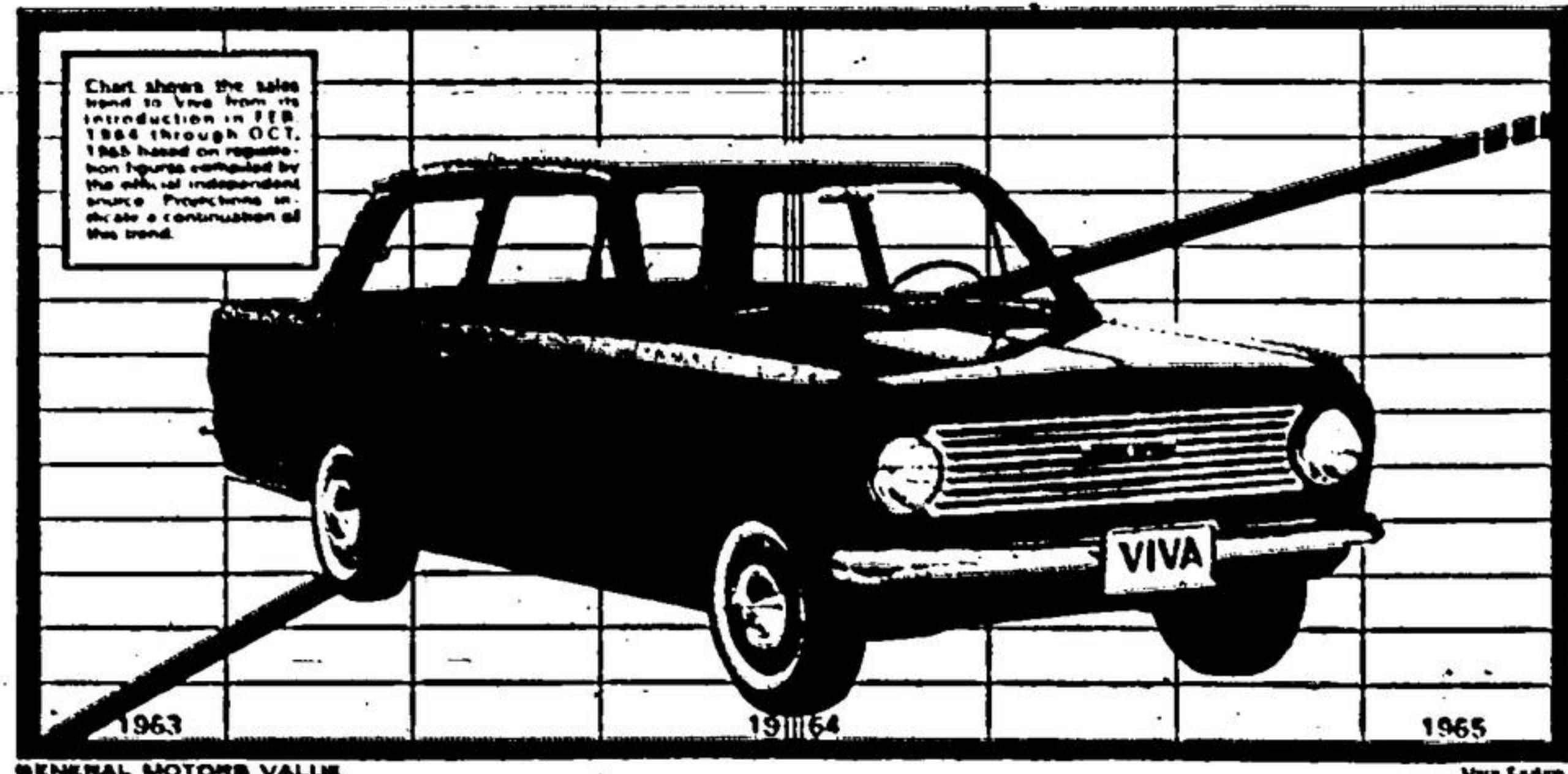
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NASSAGAWEYA COUNCIL PAID TRIBUTE to seven former Reeve Edgar Ellenton, 1951; Alex Near, 1942 to 1945 and John A. Reeves on Saturday at the official opening of the new \$50,000 Milne, 1957 to 1962. Over 150 residents and dignitaries attended the ceremony, which included the cutting of a ribbon.

From the left are Stanley Norrish, 1952-53, Frank McNiven, 1928; Lloyd Crawford, 1946-47, Archie Service, late 1950's.

Three ages of woman: youth, middle-age and - how well you look!

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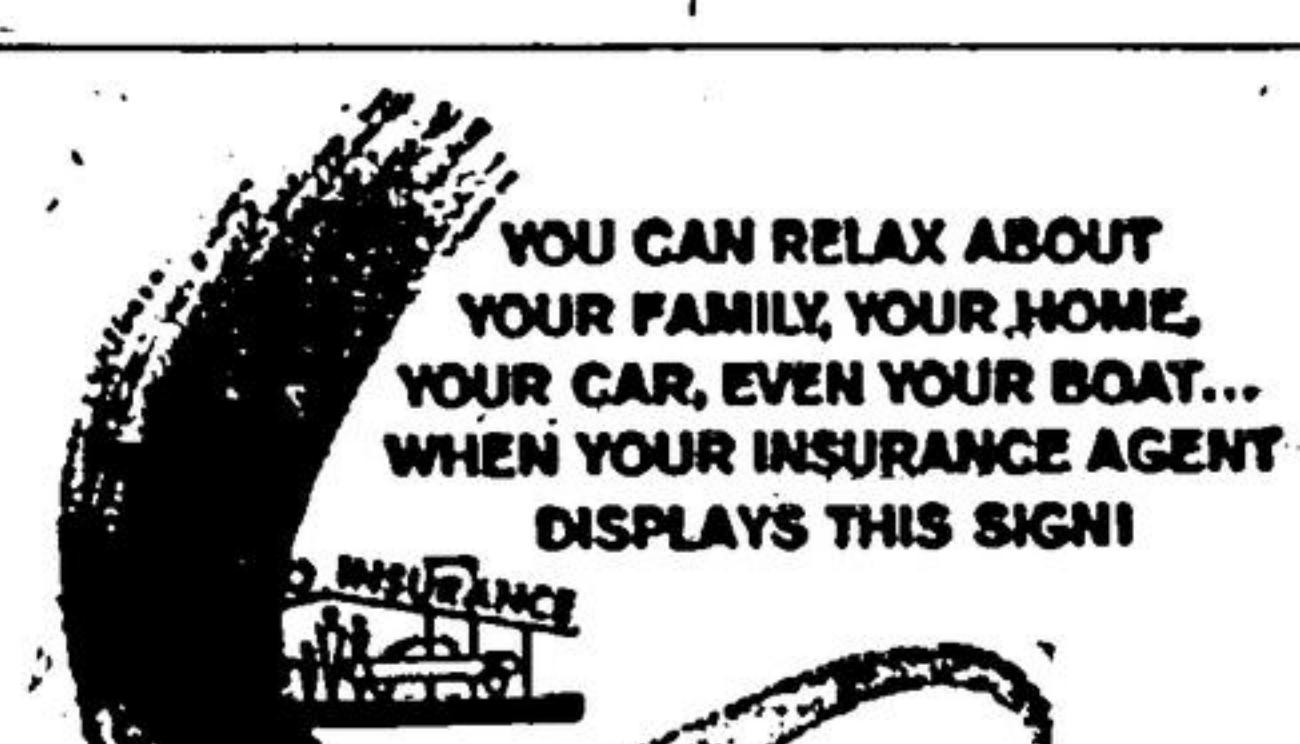
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To qualify, winners must come from a farming background and must prove their interest in farming by their accomplishments in 4-H and Junior Farmer work. The winners must use the scholarships to continue their education.

Three Winners

Arthur Lawson of Milton, Margaret Joubert of Palermo and Mary Moffat of Brookville are each winners of a \$100 scholarship this year. In previous years the

Rockwood, has enrolled in a four-year course at Macdonald Institute, Guelph. She was the second top student in the Acton District High School Grade 13 class last year, and besides her interest in Acton Junior Farmers has won Provincial Honors for completing 12 of the 4-H club projects. She also won a regional Women's Institute award of \$100, a \$100 proficiency award at Acton High School, and will receive \$500 over the next four years on a home-making club scholarship.

Margaret Joubert is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil L. Joubert, Palermo (2454 Bronte Rd.). She is in the first year of a four-year degree course in home economics at Macdonald Institute. A grade 13 graduate of Thomas A. Blakelock high school, Oakville, she won County Honors for completing six projects in 4-H club work.



Councillors, Wives At Urban Bd. Dinner

Councillors' representatives and their wives from Milton, George Town and Acton attended the annual North Halton Urban Board dinner Saturday evening, November 21, at Eleanor's Restaurant in Guelph. Following the dinner they enjoyed dancing to music supplied by The Glen Street Quartette.

Head table guests included Mayor and Mrs. Duby, Acton, Board chairman Charles Menefy and his wife from Milton, Mayor Sid Childs and his wife, Milton, board secretary Jack MacEachen and his wife, Acton, Mayor Joe Gibbons, Georgetown, and Mrs. Charles Johnson, Milton.

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