could be a symbol of change in production methods at the bustling Acton plant which is self confessed largest extruder of plastic pipe in the country.

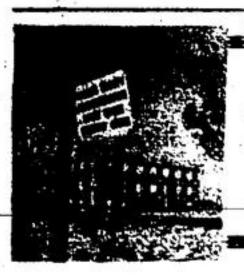
Instead of flour the twin silos will store polyvinyl chlor-



A TANKER with 40,000 lbs. of polyvinyl chloride resin aboard pulls up to the twin silos to unload

his cargo at Micro Plastics. Top, the flour-like resin is sucked up into the silo for storage until processing is done and it will wind up in its twin. The silos, part of an automated compound system are equipped with automatic shut-offs. (Staff Photos)

George Kerr expected to Halton West P.C. nomination



Briets

At their regular meeting in the County Administration Building last week, Halton County councillors:

· Debated at length whether committee reports should note the late arrival and early leaving of committee members at meetings. Deputy-Reeve George Currie of Esquesing closed the discussion by suggesting enough time had already been wasted on the subject, and there was no valid reason for recording the information.

County open house celebration between 10 a.m. and noon on July 1 in Victoria Park. The Campbellville W.I. will cater to the visitors and will prepare for a minimum of 200 guests.

• Detailed representation to four meetings and conventions.

Parking let

A parking lot bounded by Newton's 5c to \$1 Store, Syd Lamb's real estate office and Custom Cleaners was laid out on the previously vacant lot last week.

During the laying of the stone base a dump truck dropped one wheel into an old well or cesspool and was extricated with much difficulty.

 Approved the re-appointment of Dr. L. M. Stuart as acting director of the Health Unit and Medical Officer of

Health for a further period of

three months. • Learned that a further increase of close to \$29,000,000 in assessment will be relected in this year's assessment report, and that for the first time the Town of Burlington's assessment will exceed that of the Town of Oakville.

· Learned from the finance committee that the total levy mills, the same as in 1966.

George Kerr, present M.P.P. for Halton, is expected to receive the nomination of the Progressive Conservative Association in the new riding of Halton West on Friday even-

Halton West Tories will hold their first nomination convention in the 'Central High School, Burlington. Guest speaker for the 8 p.m. convention will be Stanley Rändall, Minister of Economic Affairs for the province.

Mr. Kerr was elected to the provincial legislature in the last election, September, 1963. He succeeded the late Stanley Hall of Hornby as Halton's representative in the legislature, defeating Owen Mullin, Liberal, of Burlington and William Gillies, New Democrat,

of Oakville, to win the seat. The new riding of Halton West consists of Acton, Burlington, Nassagaweya and • Accepted a plan for a for 1967 is expected to be 5.95. North Esquesing. The old riding consisted of all of Halton.

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Requisition less for h.s. budget

An increased total budget totalling \$400,310 which will actually cost Acton ratepayers less was presented Monday evening to the high school board by finance chairman Chester Anderson. Two factors, increased provincial grants and a surplus from 1966, offset the \$48,432 in-

ide, a sugar-like substance used

First shipment of polyvinyl

chloride resin was received

from a new plant in Sarnia last

week and pumped into silo

number one. The cylindrical

towers have a capacity of 100,-

000 lbs. Huge tank trucks with

a capacity of 40,000 lbs. will

require two and a half trips to

From the first silo the resin

is drawn over into a com-

pounding area and blended

with additives. The blended

powder is processed by a com-

pounding extruder, made into

small pellets and the pellets

are blown into silo number two

The entire process is auto-

matic and does away with in-

efficient bag handling methods

Cleanliness is of the utmost

purities and give a cleaner

product. Efficiency which was

impaired by bag handling has

Once the pellets have been

they are ready for the produc-

They are blown automatical-

ly from the silo to the extrud-

ers where the actual manufac-

(First on a series on expan-

sion and changes in local in-

turing process takes place.

been reduced to a minimum.

to make plastic.

fill one.

for storage.

tion line.

work into the bags.

"It's much better than thought it was going to be," summed up chairman Tom Watson as members reviewed the figures.

Total levy requisitioned for 1967 is \$176,153; minus \$50,697 for debentures. The remainder of \$125,456 Acton pays 65.53 percent - \$82,211.32; Esquesing township 23.81 percent -\$29,871.07; and Nassagaweya township 10.66 percent -

Acton's share is down \$15,000 from last year. which caused grief when im-Teachers' salaries, increased purities sometimes managed to from \$184,555.96 in 1966 to \$220,000 this year, account for over half of the \$400,310 budimportance. The entire pro-

cess is geared to prevent im-The board finished the year with a \$11,856.92 surplus. It expects to receive \$210,000 in provincial grants—an increase over the 1966 figure of \$191,-

blown back into the second silo Present with chairman Tom Watson and retiring secretary Bill Middleton were Kerwin McPhail, Chester Anderson and Ray Arbic, principal Hansen and vice-principal Joe Bray. Trustee Duncan Moffat is back in hospital with a back

> "What is our present four year business and commercial course offering students?" wondered Mr. Arbic. His question was echoed by Mr. Mc-Phail. "What can the graduate

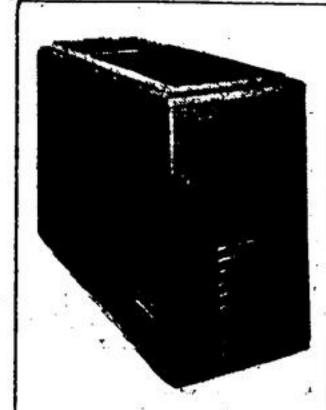
actually do?" Answered vice-principal Joe Bray, "there is a wide variation in ability. However, we have made a point of trying to attract the 'idealist' type into business and commerce. We've fought against it being at the bottom of the heap. It's catching on and we're getting a good quality of students showing in-

Port revenue all-time high

Murray Harrison, collector of customs at the Port of Acton, disclosed revenue for the fiscal year of 1966-67 at the port was at an all-time high of \$332,634.46, almost double the amount received the previous

Entries were also up - 2,756 over 2,224 in the previous year. Mr. Harrison attributed the large rise in revenue and entries to the presence of new industry in Acton, expansion of existing industry and the fact more people were taking advantage of the facilities of inland ports rather than at the

Revenue in the first six months of the year was \$113, 612.87 compared to \$81,876.62 in the same period in 1965-66. In the second half revenue shot-up-to-\$219,021.59-compared to \$86,127.60 the previous year. Total for 1966-67 is \$332,634.46 as against \$168,004.22 in the same period last year. Entries in 1965-66 totalled 2,224 while 2,756 were entered in the fiscal year just ended.



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"Hold-the-line" levy

The Acton Free Press, Wednesday, April 5,

County spending \$113,000 higher

Despite a "hold-the-line" mill rate levy, Halton County Council will ask local municipalities for a total of \$113,000 more than last year.

Since it was not economically feasible the special commercial course which could be taken after grade 11 is being. Problem of the heating in washroom - "which stays a county, the levy produces an

cosy 55" - was again discussadditional \$113,356.08. ed as well as chalkboards in the new section. Efforts continue to have the problems rec-The position of secretarytreasurer for the board will be

iication has been received. The tender of Lawrence Slingerland was accepted for painting a hall, classroom; objected to the cuts. shower room and certain

up to grade 12.

tified.

The property committee was authorized to investigate tender prices and purchase a tractor and mower and snowblower for cutting grass and snow

In his report, principal Ted Hansen said the students of grades 12C and 12D toured the American Motors plant and five inspectors observed the work in the school in March in girls' and boys' physical education, guidance, geography and agriculture. He also reported Mrs. Hazel

Orr began teaching March 20, replacing Mrs. Barbara Davis who resigned. Changes are being initiated in the scholarship field, he

ments were lined up for vacancies on the teaching staff, but contracts are not signed vet. Applicants were interviewed

As well as typing, bookkeeping and shorthand they take academic subjects. Next year will see the extension of the new course into all four years

At a special session on Thursday afternoon, approval was given to the county's 1967 budget which estimates expenditures of \$1,837,998.58. The mill rate levy of 5.95 to local municipalities is the same as in 1966, but because of the increased assessment in the

Of the increase, \$64,225.26 will be spent on county roads and \$49,100.82 will be absorbed by general rate expenditures. In order to "hold-the-line" on the mill rate, the county's finadvertised again. Just one ap-

ance committee was forced to slash several proposed items on the budget. However, at Thursday's meeting, no one The Health Unit budget was cut from \$204,490 to \$175,000.

The finance committee indica-

ted this would be possible be-

cause of a substantial Health

Unit surplus. The committee found it impossible to include \$30,000 in the budget towards the purchase of a new site for a further Home for the Aged. The amount was reduced to \$15,000 with the hope that a further amount might be available in

The industrial committee budget was trimmed to \$7,150 and it was noted the committee should arrange to pay \$3,000 of the cost of producing the county film in 1968, together with the cost of the film prints at \$1,400.

On the equalized assessment was reported replace- basis, the total levy to local municipalities will be shared as follows: Acton, 2.37 per cent or \$43,560.56; Burlington, 40.35 per cent or \$741,632.43; on two weekends at the Royal Georgetown, 5.27 per cent or York Hotel, Toronto, and oth- : \$96,862.52; Milton, 3.21 per er applicants answered adver- cent or \$58,999.76; Oakville, 43.76 per cent or \$804,308.17;

\$65,616.56; and Nassagaweya, 1.47 per cent or \$27,018.58. In addition, Acton, George-

Esquesing, 3.57 per cent or town, Milton, Esquesing and Nassagaweya must pay their annual share of the debt incur-(Continued on Page Nine)



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