



**BRIAN MOORE'S RINK** is presented with the Miram Walker trophy by Ted Tyler Sr., curling club president at the final club bonspiel. From left, Mr. Tyler, skip Brian Moore, Laura Lovell, Charlie Leatherland and Lily Higgins. (Staff Photo)



**DONOR JACK RIDLEY** presents his trophy to the winning Ted Tyler rink in the closing curling club presentations last week. From left, Mr. Ridley, skip Ted Tyler Sr., Jackie Blow, Val Drinkwater and Tony Stapleton. (Staff Photo)

## County spending higher

(Continued from Page Three) red by the former North Halton District High School Board. Totals for that are as follows: Acton \$14,950.35; Georgetown \$33,259.78; Milton \$20,264.70; Esquising \$22,560.99; and Nassagaweya \$9,234.94.

The most significant increase seemed to be in the budget for the roads department, where an additional \$64,255.26 will be spent, for a total of \$543,676.89. Warden William Coulter explained, "the road expenditure is up one-tenth of a mill because of the five year program which is starting to go into effect this year." He explained that with the new program, every municipality will have a good estimate of the work to be done in its area.

Reeve Gordon Gallagher of Burlington pointed out "we're taking to heart, the suggestions to cut down on council and committee fees and expenses." He pointed to a 1967 budget of \$27,100, compared to a 1966 budget of \$29,850. The actual expenditure last year was \$26,735.28.

The increase in the general government expense was not tremendously big in any one department. The greatest increase was in the schedule for protection to persons and property. Last year's total budgeted for was \$206,850.00,

while the actual was \$221,248.79. The 1967 budget calls for \$225,479.00. The cost of debt charges increased about \$7,300, from a budgeted figure of \$569,203.19 in 1966 to \$577,928.30.

A decrease of about \$15,000 was noted in the budgeted figure for "other expenditures", which include grants to groups such as the Museum Board, Lorne Scots, Halton County Health Unit and Royal Botanical Gardens. Total this year is \$321,662 compared to a budgeted figure of \$336,492.22 last year.

All county councillors except Reeve Herbert Hinton of Acton approved the budget. Reeve Hinton objected on the grounds that he didn't have an opportunity to see and study the itemized budgets of each committee and department. "I'm not competent to deal with the budget without having itemized figures," he said.

Deputy Reeve Dr. Frank Oakes of Acton said, "there's a breakdown on the next page that seems very adequate." The chairman of the finance committee Reeve Herbert Merry of Oakville pointed out, "each committee budget has been worked on by five members and then all the budgets have been studied by the finance committee and the Warden. It seems very fair to me."

## What are you paying for liquid fertilizer?

By H. J. Stanley  
Are you planning on using liquid fertilizer this spring? If you are, make sure you don't pay too much for it.

The price should be similar to the same amount of dry fertilizer on a pound-for-pound basis. Remember that one gallon of liquid fertilizer weighs 14 pounds. Therefore the price you pay for a gallon of liquid should approach the price you pay for 14 pounds of dry fertilizer. Let's consider an example:

100 lbs of dry 10-20-10 would cost \$4.50 at \$90 per ton.

100 lbs. (7.14 gallons of liquid 10-20-10 should cost approximately \$4.50 or about 65 cents per gallon (\$30 for a 45-gallon drum).

If the liquid fertilizer costs \$3 per gallon, for example, then 100 lbs would cost \$21.42 or one ton would cost \$428.40.

Liquid fertilizer should not be applied to the foliage of the growing crop, except in rare cases, to correct a minor element deficiency. It would then contain just the minor element or elements that were deficient. It is not practical to attempt to supply the major fertilizer nutrients — nitrogen, phosphorous, and potassium — through the leaves of the growing crop.

A 75 bushel corn crop removes over 100 lbs. of nitrogen (N), 35 lbs. of phosphate (P2O5), and 130 lbs of potash (K2O) per acre from the soil. One application of 10-20-10 foliar spray at 3.5 gallons per acre would supply five lbs of nitrogen, 10 lbs. of phosphorous and five lbs. of potash, if all the spray landed on the foliage of the plants, none on the soil.

and if all of it was completely absorbed by the plant. Obviously, it would take several applications to supply even a portion of the nutrients required for the crop.

There is nothing magical about foliar fertilization. Field trials conducted by the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food fail to find any increase in yield from this type of fertilizer application.

Liquid fertilizer applied to the soil is equally as good as the same weight of the same analysis of dry fertilizer applied to the soil. Also liquid fertilizer applied directly to corn seed during the planting operation may give a small yield response (University of Guelph trials have shown an average response of 6 bushels per acre).

But make sure you pay a reasonable price for liquid fertilizer.

## Barbershop harmony in Brampton on Sat.

Acton entertainers are taking a featured part in the fourth annual Barbershop Harmony and Variety festival in Brampton this Saturday sponsored by the Georgetown chapter.

The Georgetown Barbershop chorus includes two Acton singers, Jim Pope and John Barr.

Joyce Carpenter's part young dancers are on the program, too. As well as singing and dancing, they have a special number for the barbershoppers — a mime of barbershop quartet singing.

## Announcement



**RON MALLORY**

Mrs. H. Servos and Mr. Eric Ladner are pleased to announce Mr. Ron Mallory has joined the staff of Milton Department Store in the Men's and Boys' Department.

Born in Saint John, New Brunswick, Mr. Mallory has lived in Milton since January, 1966, and worked at P. L. Robertson Mfg. Co. for a year before joining the store last week.

Ron is interested in music, particularly piano. He is single, and although his parents still reside in New Brunswick, he has an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John Fields, living at 61 Longfield Rd., Acton.

## Personals

Mrs. A. J. McIsaac is convalescing in Oakville hospital.

Miss Nora Kenney has returned home after spending three months in Florida.

Mrs. Brian Gervais is on holiday in England, Scotland and France with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ware visited on the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Hufnagel and girls in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ware spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bill McHugh and Jill in Scarborough.

Friends are sorry chief librarian Mrs. Isobel Watson is not able to be at the new library these days. She is having treatment for a painful knee.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Poikles have come to town from Weston and live at 119 Tides Ave. with their three children. Mr. Poikles is with Douglas Aircraft.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Deuss have moved to 192 Elmore Dr. from Toronto with their two young children. Mr. Deuss is a draftsman at Air Canada. They came from Austria five years ago and Mr. Deuss's mother is presently visiting with them.

Newcomers to Acton are Mr. and Mrs. L. Mussett of 47 Meadvale Road. Mr. Mussett recently retired from the Air Force and works in Streetsville; they have moved here from Trenton.

## Const. Bill Bourne joins Milton O.P.P.

Const. Bill Bourne, originally from Norwood, is the newest addition to Milton Detachment, Ontario Provincial Police. The detachment serves Highways 401, 25 and 7 and the Townships of Esquising and Nassagaweya in North Halton.

The new constable is 22 and single. He joined the force late in February and after basic training in Toronto was posted to the Milton detachment. He previously worked for Canadian General Electric in Peterborough.

## HONESTY WINS PRAISE

Her honesty won a letter of appreciation from city officials in Memphis, Tenn., for Miss Nora Day. The secretary had returned to the city the \$2 which she got back from a defective coin — return at a municipal parking lot.



**CUSTOM CLEANERS** had a handsome new sign, which incorporates a clock erected on the store last week. Here erectors are busy with the "sky hook" installing it. (Staff Photo)

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## Cub and Scout news

### Centennial badges for both cub packs

Special centennial badges were distributed this week to all the cubs of both packs. The rectangular badges will be worn all this year by the boys on the front of their cub jerseys.

Attractive in dark blue, red and gold, the badges show the centennial symbol, the trefoil and '1967'.

The badges were ordered by the Acton leaders.

The Guides and Brownies also have special centennial badges to wear for this year only.

### SCOUT TROOP

On Thursday night we practised the semaphore code from A-Z and by the looks of things some will pass this part of their second class test in the near future. It is one of the most difficult parts of second class scout requirements and the rest of the tests should feel like a breeze once the semaphore has been passed.

On Saturday we had a good turn-out for our third hike. Sam Schonop, Steven Van Fleet, John Van der Kooy, Gregory Daigle, Adrian van Opstal, Gord Gibbs, Glen McKenzie and Ken Jordan went with Bosun and Skip to Rockwood. The morning was spent mountain climbing and distance measuring.

### B PACK

The first proficiency badges to be handed out to Cubs of Acton B Pack were presented at last Monday night's regular meeting. Akela made the presentations to three of the senior boys in the pack—David Morris, Robin Insoce and John Scoyne. Announcements were made of the five Cubs who successfully passed their Skaters Proficiency badge at the special skating session held at the arena last Thursday afternoon.

B Packs first sixers and second sixers were appointed at this meeting. Red Sixer John Pink and White Sixer David Morris were invested by Akela for their new position in the pack while Second Sixers announced were Robin Insoce, John Scoyne, Frank Houston and Kevin Jordan. One of the second sixers will be invested as a Sixer at a later meeting.

Centennial badges were also distributed to each Cub and asked that he have it sewn in the proper position for the next regular meeting.

### SHOOT FIRST

The important man was about ready to begin his speech when a news photographer was observed jockeying for a vantage point to get an action picture. The chairman, fearing that the speaker would be annoyed, called the photo man and said, "Don't take his picture while he is speaking. Shoot him before he starts."

## Improvement noted in employment scene

A considerable improvement in the employment picture in the Guelph area is shown at the end of March or February. A total of 1,194, comprising 681 males and 513 females, were registered as unemployed and seeking work as compared with 774 males and 657 females of the previous month.

These figures do not include those registered and still employed but seeking other work. Light demands for persons with clerical and kindred occupations left a fairly heavy concentration of unemployed in this category accounting for 13 per cent of the total and 24 per cent of all unemployed women.

When those in the sales and related occupations are added on to the clerical, 19 per cent of the total unemployed are concentrated in these two categories.

Another heavy concentration took place in the service occupations which accounted for over 12 per cent of the unemployed, most of them males.

The unskilled accounted for 32 per cent of the unemployed with the number of males predominating.

The improvement in employment was shown in those skilled and semi-skilled in textile trades, construction trades, trade and service occupations, unskilled textile and electrical workers.

Job vacancies increased over the previous month which should be the trend for the next few months.

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