The Acton Auxiliary of the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded held its regular monthly meeting the library at 8.00 p.m. on Thursday, May 4. The president, Mrs. R. Louttet was in the chair, and 15 members attended. One new member was

welcomed. After much discussion and thought, it has been decided to change the name of the Auxiliary. It is felt the name The Acton Auxiliary" was cumbersome because in itself it meant nothing and always had to have the explanatory "of the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retard-

ed" appended. no change of relationship to the North Halton Association, and no change in our present aims and goals: It is a change of name only, to one that is felt to be more explanatory and less clinical.

The name chosen is L'Arche Auxiliary, Acton, North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded. It is hoped that as the name "L'Arche Auxiliary" becomes more familiar it will be used alone by friends when referring to the auxiliary. What is L'Arche? Why that

name? It is the name of a village near Paris in France that was built and is maintained for mentally retarded boys. The director of this village is Dr. Jean Vanier, son of the late Governor-General G. P.

Vanier. Many readers will remember that at the time of the late Governor General's funeral, Dr. Vanier made a number of television appearances and spoke to several large groups about

retardation. L'Arche means an art, a haven, a place of refuge. The French word has a much broader implication of tenderness and love than the Eng-

lish word "art". As well as describing what members are trying to give to the retarded in North Halton, "L'Arche" would also show the concern and involvement with those who are "always

children" in every country. Mental retardation is a concern shared by all of mankind, and L'Arche, Acton, proudly shares in the interchange of encouragement and learning between nations. Perhaps the common name will lead to a correspondence between L'Ar-che Acton and L'Arche, Paris; because two of the assistants in this village are Ontarions. L'Arche Acton hopes to have a distinctive "crest" designed for

letterheads and publicity.

Miss Merie Laing, a student at Acton High School, spoke to the meeting about her trip, over the past weekend to Ottawa, as a delegate from the North Halton Association to the first Youth Conference on Mental Retardation, sponsored by the Ontario Association for

Mentally Retarded. Miss Laing gave a most enthusiastic report of the educational and social events -There were panel discussions. buzz groups, a trip to Ottawa's Adult Workshop and Bright Hope School and the residence a tour of Ottawa and a dance at the Chateau Laurier on Saturday night.

Miss Laing requested that L'Arche Auxiliary help herself and the other three North Halton delegates to form a youth auxiliary. This request was accepted and a motion will be placed before the Association

at the next meeting at Hornby. The treasurer, Mrs. J. Buckman, reported a balance on hand of \$379.45. Of this, \$130.65

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was proceeds from the Rummage Sale. Mrs. H. Dodds, corresponding secretary, reports that a list of high school girls interested in baby sitting mentally retarded children is on hand. The girls from grade 12 at the high school will be visiting the

Sunshine School this coming

L'Arche Auxillory would like to purchase a gift for the Library, perhaps coffee mugs, in appreciation for the use of the facilities, but the library board will be consulted before the

purchase. Two young boys will be sponsored at the summer camp at Ayr, for a ten day period Fifteen children will be taken to Niagara Falls on May 17 by members of the Auxiliary for a day of sight seeing, and also to Kitchener on June 24, to see the Centennial train.

The Auction Sale to raise funds for the trip, will be held on the evening of May 26 at the old post office. Mrs. Dupuis is still looking for articles for this, which is being combined with the regular spring bake

all is well in hand for the Flowers of Hope Campaign which will be a door to door canvass this year. (The rural areas will be covered by mail). Area captains are meeting with the can-vassers in a training session this week. Posters have been distributed throughout the

The Cosmos seeds and literature will be distributed at the

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Full-time duty in search for Milton O.P.P. officers

Several officers of the Milton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police were detailed time of the appeal, when canto full time duty in the search vassers are out in the early for missing Marianne Schuett evening of May 15. Bulletin of Kilbride.

blanks with an Association During the period April 30 message have been given to to May 6, personnel of the delocal churches. tachment worked a total of 975 The Fair Board has been aphours and patrolled a total of proached for a booth at the 6,815 miles on area highways. fall fair. There will be, as As a result of patrol, five trafusual, a display from the fic charges were preferred, 10 school and workshop, a quilt traffic violation warnings were and other articles for a draw, issued, 18 vehicles were safety chocolate bars for sale. checked and 81 convictions re-A dance to raise funds for gistered.

the Association will be held There were three personal inat the Legion Hall on October jury accidents and one property damage accident investigat-The feesibility of holding a study seminar in the fall was ed, resulting in six persons being injured and approximatediscussed: the Association will ly \$4,040 in property damage. be approached to see if the Causes of accidents were inat-Georgetown and Milton auxilitentive driving, careless drivaries would like to share this ing and following too close. venture, which would be con-

Kilbride.

There were 100 general oc-

currences during this period,

many of which related to Mar-

ianne Schuett, missing from

tion. Because the last few meetings have had such a heavy business agenda, coffee is sipped during the proceedings, and all count themselves lucky to be home before midnight.

ducted by the Ontario Associa-

auto from Esquesing Twp.; two stolen autos recovered for other police departments; one break, enter and theft of sum-

mer cottage in Esquesing Twp. in which an antique dark wood mantel clock, keyhole shape, was stolen, along with other items: theft of two Hereford steers from the farm of Fred Ruddell, Esquesing Twp.; theft of four - speed transmission from a car; one assault causing bodily harm, resulting in one person being charged; one impaired driver; one L.C.A. investigation resulting in one person being charged; one person charged under the Game and Fish Act; one driver charged for driving under suspension; a 15' x 3' home-made boat found on the river at Glen Williams! two premises found in-

Other occurrences were of a minor nature.

There was one escort supplied for a Centennial Caravan in this detachment area during the past week.

Other occurrences included The modern cigar making one attempted theft of auto machine produces 620 stogies from Campbellville; one stolen

String Art orchestra prepares concert program

The Guelph Academy of String Art Orchestra is preparing a program which includes two Canadian Composers, Dr. Healey Willan and Harry Somers. There will be violin,

viola and cello solos. This Orchestra has been in existence for six years and is excellent training for young string players. Already three members of the group have been accepted in the National Youth Orchestra.

CANADIAN NATIONAL

Two have been members for three years, which included

tours of Canada and a tour of Europe last year. This year a third member of the Academy group has been

accepted. This year's program will be a tour of Canada which includes performances at Ex-

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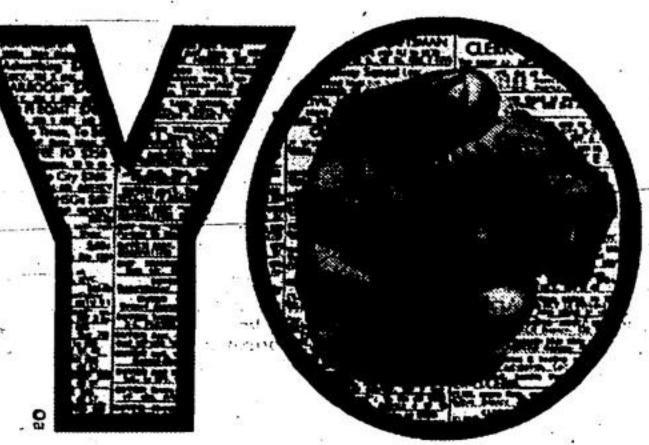
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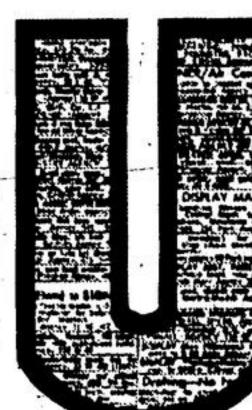
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