



THE NEW COMPRESSOR for the artificial ice plant at the community centre arrived last week and within an hour of being unloaded was being installed. Arena manager Harold Townsley demonstrates the compact unit which takes only a third of the space occupied by its predecessor. Cost of the complete installation came to approximately \$6,400 with trade-ins and included a new 50 h.p. motor to comply with Department of Labor regulations. (Staff Photo)

Acton not eligible for O.D.C. assistance

A letter from the Ontario Development Commission notified council Acton is not eligible for assistance under the industrial opportunity program for equalization of opportunity.

The O.D.C. outlined three reasons why the town does not qualify for the program:

1. There was a net gain of 34 jobs in the last five years through new plants and plant expansion.
2. A satisfactory rate of commercial and industrial assessment exists in the town.
3. There is a comparatively low unemployment rate in Acton.

"In other words," summed up Mayor Doby, "we're disgustingly healthy and don't need a doctor."

The letter said council could re-apply before the present program expires in June, 1968, if conditions changed. Although Acton is not eligible under the grant program industries may be considered by the O.D.C. for conventional mortgage financing, the letter concluded.

OSPRINGE

First euchre of new year draws ten tables Friday

by Mrs. D. G. Robertson

Jim Islay accompanied by the Cox brothers and George Flewelling of Eramosa township left on Saturday by train for Kamloops, B.C., where they hope to get work in the lumber camp.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. E. Archibald in the recent passing of the former's brother William at Schomberg. He at one time made his home with the Archibalds on the 1st Line.

There were ten tables of cards played at the first euchre of the New Year, on Friday evening at the school and sponsored by the Women's Institute. Prize winners were Mrs. A. Sinclair, Mrs. D. Winter, Colin Parker and Roy Wheeler.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. White in the passing of the former's father in Orangeville on Sunday morning. The Whites are living on the former McEwan farm on 25 highway below the village.

Mrs. M. Jackson had as guests last week, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Watson and Rieck, Orton; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Klumpenower, Brampton; Mr. and Mrs. Murray Milson and family, Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Somerville, Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gattie, Guelph; Mr. Allan Watson, Mr. and Mrs. George Cruickshanks, Hillsburgh.

Friends of Mrs. Ida Woods are pleased to learn she is now convalescing at the Guelph Hospital following recent surgery. Mrs. Woods is the mother of Mrs. Jack Ferguson, with whom she resides part time.

Cars interfere with plows police review legislation

If the early stages of 1968 are any indication of what the rest of the year will bring, then Acton can look forward to a year of almost absolute calm. The O.P.P. reporting week of January 7 to 13, 1968 seems indicative of the lack of activity prevalent throughout the town. A total of five occurrences, the majority dealing with lost or found property, premise checks and other routine matters, were reported to the Acton Police Office.

Two accidents, one involving minor injuries to a young pedestrian, the other causing \$350 damage to the car involved, were investigated by members of the Acton O.P.P. No charges resulted from either accident.

Other traffic activities encountered during the 240 hours worked and 616 miles patrolled produced one traffic citation and 11 traffic warnings.

The weather, as it is, this would seem to be more appropriate time to remind local drivers of over night parking and snow removal legislation, as it applies to you.

The by-laws of Acton include a section prohibiting overnight parking on the town streets. Where a car owner fails to comply, and cannot be located, the vehicle can be "tagged" or it could be towed away at the owner's expense.

The Highway Traffic Act, as legislated by the Ontario Government, states in section 89, subsection 9, that "no person shall park or stand a vehicle on a highway in such a manner as to interfere with the clearing of snow from the highway."

"Your compliance with these laws will not only avoid your bearing a monetary punishment and/or inconvenience, but will assist those persons responsible for clearing the streets. Remember, they are clearing them for you," the police say.

What council did

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was agreed the present system in Halton is adequate for Acton's purposes.

Approved the proposed route of the Orange parade which will be held in Acton this year on July 6.

Heard an explanation from the mayor and clerk administrator about the work scheduling for snow removal. Town staff worked all night Sunday and Monday to get streets clear. Garbage collection and snow clearance had to be halted because of the number of funerals and interments in cemetery.

Received a letter from the Ontario Housing Corporation acknowledging a reply from the town on the low rental housing for senior citizens. Council feels there is an immediate need not shown in the survey and the letter spelled out the onus lay on the municipality to determine the need. The welfare committee is looking into the need for additional units for senior citizens.

Two die on 401

Two Toronto men were killed when they lost control of their car and it smashed into a cement abutment on Highway 401 at Trafalgar Road Saturday afternoon.

Dead are Rodolfo Facchini, 44 years old, of 8 Boon Avenue, Toronto and Abelle Luigi Panni, age 30, of the same address. They were driving a 1963 Pontiac coach eastbound on Highway 401 when the accident occurred. The car was a total wreck.

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Car leaves road clips off elm tree

Five Acton youths escaped from a severe accident which saw a Ford Thunderbird completely wrecked after leaving the road, flying nearly 185 feet in the air and clipping off an elm tree a foot in diameter at the 11 foot level. All were shaken up and suffered cuts and bruises.

Police said Mike Churchill, Larry McAfee, Barry Wilson and Jim McKenna were passengers in a vehicle driven by Frank Morton, which left the road west of the sand pit on No. 7 highway west of Acton, Saturday morning about 2:30 a.m. The car was a total wreck.

The injured were taken to Guelph General Hospital where it's reported three were released after treatment and Barry Wilson and Mike Churchill kept due to more serious injuries.

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Snow, ice smother...

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had been applied Tuesday night to some stubborn locations.

Plowing contractors, swamped with business, worked as long as they could before going home soaked.

Buses kept running and the latest, according to Ken Adams were just about an hour late on Monday morning.

Commuting by train is a thing

of the past, and there's no phone at the station to check on departures and arrivals.

Rural mail was not delivered Monday and some roads were still drifted in on Tuesday.

By Monday night, a huge golden snow rose in the east to illuminate a scene of sparkling beauty. But all the typical Canadians were snug inside.

Milton councillor president association for retarded

A new executive was elected Wednesday evening at the annual business meeting of the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded. The group operates the Sunshine School for retarded children, and the H.O.P.E. Workshop for adult retardates, both at Hornby.

William E. Ferguson, a Milton councillor, was chosen president for 1968. He was public relations chairman last year. Vice-presidents are Ralph Barton of Georgetown and F. V. Cannon of Milton.

Mrs. Peggy Treahy of Georgetown was named recording secretary and Mrs. Diane Wood of Milton corresponding secretary.

The new president moved a sincere vote of thanks to Harry Isham of Milton, the retiring president, for an excellent job during the past year.

Rev. Jim Reese of Milton, spiritual guidance director for the association, inducted the officers.

Also named were chairman for 13 committees. They include Ray Banner, Milton, public relations; Mrs. Audrey Kingdon, Milton, home care; Mrs. Gwen Jeffares, Campbellville, residential program; Fred Bickers, Milton, property; H. Isham, Milton, adult services; Ralph Barton, Georgetown, membership; Jim Renning, Stewarttown, recreation; Syd Dance, Milton, workshop programs; F. V. Cannon, Milton, special fundraising; Mrs. S. Daniels, Milton, scrapbook; Mrs. H. Isham, bulletin; C. Beardolf, Milton, residential care; and Rev. Jim Reese, Milton, spiritual guidance.

A cheque for \$500 from the Milton Ladies Auxiliary was presented by the group's president Mrs. Isham. A special visitor was Brian Holliday of Burlington, special services co-ordinator with the provincial organization.

Films and slides of the school and workshop were shown at the conclusion of the meeting.

Collision at crossing damages two cars

A head-on collision just north of the Main St. North railroad crossing Tuesday at 5:45 p.m. involved vehicles driven by Robert James Walker of Georgetown and Jetty Rimsma of R.R. 1, Acton.

Police report road conditions were not to blame as there was room to pass. At this location, there is a distinct fog in the road and the sections north and south of the track are not aligned.

Damage to the Walker vehicle was estimated at \$400 and to the Rimsma car at \$300.

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