AFTER SWERVING to avoid children and then an oncoming car, this vehicle driven by Douglas Puddister, Nelson Court, wrapped itself around a hydro pole on Main St. S. Tuesday

at noon hour. The car was considered a write-

off with extensive damage. Mr. Puddister was taken to hospital with cuts.

(Staff Photo)

O.P.P. report

First accident-free week in three months

For the first time in over three months, Acton has experienced an accident free week. We of the Acton O.P.P. salute you, but implore you to continue your alert driving. It is gratifying to witness such statistics and think that perhaps we have in some small way contributed to it. However, neither we, nor you, should swell our chests too much. It might affect our driving.

Despite the absence of accidents, the members of the Acton Force were well occupied during the 240 hours worked and 748 miles patrolled. The remainder of the traffic figures compiled at the local office show eight persons were charged under the Highway Traffic Act, 33 others were cautioned about less serious offences and 15 vehicles were checked as to their roadworthi-

General and criminal occurrences numbered 12 and resulted in two liquor and one criminal charge being laid. Other occurrences included reports of both lost and found property. Do wo have something that might belong to you?

Sensible operation of a motor vehicle, coupled with a sound knowledge of the rules governing its operation and mechanical atness are the main ingredients that constitute trouble and accident free driving.

The 'Driver's Handbook', as produced by the Ontario Department of Transport, should be a must in the library of every driver. Whether you are young or old, a new or experienced driver, you mover know enough about driving, nor can you study about driving too much. The

Driver's Handbook contains, a wealth of information useful to drivers at every level of exparience. These booklets can be obtained, free of charge, at any Department of Transport office as well as at your local Police affice. It will be to your benefit to take advantage of the offer.

The Honorable Irwin Haskett, Minister of Transport for Ontario, capably sums up his address in the booklet by saying "I cannot umphasize too strongly that, as a driver, you have a personal responsibility to know and to obey the traffic laws and rules of the road. By so doing you will protect yourself from many highway hazards and male driving safer and more pleasant for all highway users."

-For the first time in its 115 year history, a husband and wife team heads Milton fair. George Reachead was elected president for 1966, and his wife Lillian has secretary-treasurer for



OVER 80 WATCH Hamilton hairdresser Margaret Charters style a glossy black fall in various ways on pert model Mrs. Pat Kentner Story and pictures on Second Front

Rev. Ritchie McMurray becomes first full-time chaplain at U. of Guelph

The Rev. Ritchie McMurray has been named permanent chaplain at the University of Guelph. and will be leaving St. Alban's. Acton. He does not know when his new position will begin, but

expects to learn soon. The cost of the new position at the university is to be divided between the Anglican and United

Mr. McMurray has been acting as Anglican chaplain at the univ-

ersity part-time. Other changes at St. Alban's include the naming of Donald . Lindsay as the new people's warden, and of Mrs. George Haggett as the church secretary-treas-

Mr. McMurray, as the only full-time chaplain, will have an office in the new academic building. He will also teach philosophy part-time at Wellington Col-

'We regret very much leavng Acton," he said. Mr. and Mrs. McMurray and family came here May 1, 1965.

He is very happy that the University of Guelph is openly encouraging denominational chaplains. There are several other part-time chaplains,

For the Anglican and United churches, his new jointly-sponsored post is a pilot project in. mission work. It's costly, since there is no income from the students or university.

The cost sharing is also in

the final uxams on June 4.

-- Feeling hearty ' It's Valen-

line with the current ecumenical

ating with each other, running

programs and holding services.

into hydro pole

Court suffered cuts, and his car

day at 12,43 p.m. Mr. Puddister

when he swerved to avoid school

children and then swerved again

to avoid an oncoming car. The

car slid sideways, went off the

road and smashed up against a

Dr. Buckner treated the driver

at the scene for lacerations to

the forehead and mouth, and he

was taken by ambulance to hos-

other damage to the right side,

roof, side, and windows, Damage

was estimated at \$600 and the

car was considered a complete

The accident occurred at the

The car's frame was bent with

hydro pole.

pital in Guelph.

write-off.

pump house.

Douglas Puddister, Nelson

The chaplains will be co-oper-

endeavor, he explained.

Car smashes

-- Easter exams at the high

school start early in March, and

Council approves school addition grants tentative library approval

d for and received approval for Bennett school at last night's (Tuesday) meeting bi-council schools simultaneously. They'll apply to the Ontario Min- Estimated cost of the proposed are three classes in the Robert icipal Board for approval.

given for a proposed library on with furnishings. Anticipated the Robert Little school at an estimated cost of \$50,000. This was a surprise presentation and left some councillors gasping F. Oakes the board chairman until trustees, at the meeting in a body, explained the reason for ed on the east end of the school,

up-to-date picture of the proposed addition to the M.Z. Bennott school. The board went ahead with ground work pending a directive from the Department of Education. Then they applied for approval and received it for four classrooms, a gymnasium and library.

drawing up working plans. Ap- lor Bob Drinkwalter. proval was requested without d)lay so the addition could be ready for September occupancy.

Additional pupil enrolment no cossitating another kindergarten teacher at the Robert Little school has resulted in the displacement of the school library for the third time. Mr. Bishop told council. He said the school needed a permanent library and a request for approval was sub-

Acton public school boardask- mitted-to the Department. He we never know about this beasked tentative approval from the \$356,425 addition to the M. Z. council so the building program could be conducted at both

extension for a library on the Tentative approval was also Robert Little school is \$50,000. grants could be as high as on 90% of the cost.

Questioned by Deputy-Reeve said the library would be locat-

School board chairman Cyril char," said Dr. Oakes, "is Bishop, acting as spokesman for that debentures issued in 1968 the delegation, gave council an will be paid for by the joint board of education in 1969 but we'll be taking on other people's

> Councillor Pat McKenzie said the need at the schools is urgent "There is no place to go. If the delay continues we'll have to consider portables in September." "If the addition is approved,

The board hadthe co-operation to what extent will this relieve of architect, Donald Skinner, in the congestion?" asked Council-Board vice-chairman Vic heater inspector had entered her

Bristow said even if children are moved from the Robert Little to the M.Z. Bennett school it won't necessarily mean moving kindergarten children. Reason is the M.Z. Bennett kindergarten to do anything about the man since is also crowded.

"Why bring in a library?" asked Roove Hinton, "Why did

. "It's happened since the last time we talked with council." answered Mr. Bristow. "There Little kindergarten now, If therest of the houses are built in Lakeview this spring we may need four kindergarten classes."

"I've no intention of blockading this submission but we must have a projection of your capital costs over the next five years the Ontario Municipal Board,"

For Valentine's Day: a police

Last week the Acton O.P.P.

reported a call from a housewife

that a man posing as a water

home, and had left after she ques-

ers to seek credentials of any

unknown callers, but were unable

there was no license number or

The sequel: he came back to

The police warned household-

tioned him.

other information.

the same house!

story with a "heartening" ending.

After a long look at the school board's submission the reeve said it sounded reasonable aslong as the town was not overbuilding: He mentioned the possibility of a separate school in Acton and thought additions would possibly be suspending the idea. although declaring himself neither pro or con.

The woman called police again

He came from Union Gas, Ham-

After reading last week's

The local hydro commission

ilton, and was happy to be able

story, some others also began to

wonder about unknown men who'd

been in their basements.

heater inspector.

to identify himself.

inspectors.

Council reviewed the history : school library." of the proposed addition at the school with frequent reference to the county board's ideas for schools in the future. Asked the Bishoo said it would occupy 1925 Dr. Oakes told the board. . sq. ft.

Water heater inspector

story has happy ending

"It costs \$55,000 for a library. to serve our 4,500 people and \$50,000 for one to serve 500?" puzzled the clerk.

"The figures seem out of proportion.". admitted vice-chairman Bristow, "but they are a different type of operation. The Department says every student should have 10 books in the

Mr. Bishop broke down costs for the proposal as follows: construction, \$42,000; architect fees, \$2,520; furnishings and equipment, \$5,000; contingencies, \$2,~

Councilior McKenzie in his dual role as councilior and Robert Little principal, explained the changing concept of a school library. The written word is no longer adequate. A library is also a repository for film strips, projectors, tapes and a work-

room set apart for the books. "A library for movies?" asked Councillor Tyler.

- a constable went to the house -Even TV shows are taped in and discovered the man was, inthe morning so they can be used deed, a water heater inspector. later in the day, explained Mr. And a rather surprised water McKenzie. Mr. Bishop explained the board

wished tentative approval on the library but expected a sound approval for the M.Z. Bemett ad-A resolution carried approv-

ing the proposed addition to the M.Z. Bennett school. Approval will now be sought from the O. does not send out water heater M.B. A motion also passed granting

tentative approval to the proposed Ubrary at the Robert Little school at a cost of \$50,000 at the request of the public school

board.

In library lobby

Acton's history comes to life in Mrs. Joe Bray's large

Acton's pioneer past and burgeoning present are depicted in an 8 x 10 foot mural which was installed in the library lobby on Sunday afternoon. The talented painter, Mrs. Joe Bray, has been working on her unique centennial

project since the fall. A recent newcomer to Acton, she did much research before her sketches for the striking painting were submitted to the library board. The Lions club made a donation of money toward mat-

erial for the big project. The four panels were painted the brick wall at the right hand side of the entrance. They're so high they won't be touched by curious young fingers. But for protection, the entire painted

surface has been sprayed with a

plastic finish. A small plaque below the mural indicated it is the gift of Melani to and Joe Bray, with materials supplied by the Lions club, Mr. Bray is high school vice-prin-

Mrs. Bray has had no formal art training, but her paintings are widely admired and many have been sold.

of paints and brushes for the project. The hard board were out nearly 20 brushes completely. separately at the Bray home and She had to borrow a brush from then assembled in the library on a neighbor to sign her name in the corner!

The dull wall, as transformed by a painting, was first visualized by Mrs. Bray about a year ago, and the thought was nourished with encouragement from the library board and the service club. Work began in the fall, but since Christmas Mrs. Bray has

been devoting most of her spare time to the plan. With two spirited young sons, it hasn't all been easy. Wet paint is not the best thing to leave unattended in a house with

pre-schoolers. "It was lots of hard work and fun," she concluded

Sunshine yellow and vividlemony greens predominate in the background, with accents mixed from all the gayer hues of the palette.

Seen from outside on the street on a cold night the buildings and figures depicted melt into a zingv impressionistic painting that emanates the heat of July.

Research and reading produced the subjects for the scenes. Earliest in time is the wagoupresumably bearing the Adams family - the first settlers. Pioneer scenes are spotted here and

The Stevenson Plough Company once famous - is there, with an early locomotive, the onceimpressive town hall, the old post office and the quaint aquatic club. The Dominion House was the original one - not the present hotel, and the Storey Glove Company plant is no longer here.

The first reeve, W.A. Storey, is here in portrait, as is Robert Little with the early school behind him. The authors of Acton's only history, Acton's Early Days, H. P. Moore and G. A. Dills, are included.

All the schools are shown and the churches can be located. Factories range from Beardmore and Company to H. K. Porter and Micro. The new music centre is shown - and even the centermial library.

Each section offers more for the curious eye and, as they've said for years - "it has to be seen to be appreciated." Mrs. Bray's library project

isn't cuite finished yet. She is painting the Ontario crest and Acton crest, to be hung on either side of the picture of the Queen.

Guide, Brownie banquet held Tuesday night

About 130 enjoyed the Guide and Brownie Mother and Daughter banquet Tuesday evening in the Legion auditorium.

Also present were the six Rangers in the newly-formed group, wearing their uniforms purchased with money raised by themselves. Their perky caps are like stewardesses'. Leaders are Mrs. Ginger and Mrs.

The girls prepared and presented the entertaining program, A highlight was the purpost show based on Guide laws, given by Mrs. Orval Chapman's group. The puppets, operated by strings, peformed (in Guide uniform) on a specially built doll-size stage. Mothers joined the girls in a singsong of camping favorites.

Attempted broak-in Beardnore and Co. An attempted break and entry

at Beardmore and Co. was reported to police Monday night at 10 p.m. Watchman Karl Vivian discovered three men at the pipe shop. They pulled their coats over their faces and fled on foot. Their footprints were followed

as far as the Crescent but couldn't be traced further.

Nothing was reported stolen.

Final reading by-laws for new sewage plant

Final reading and passing of two by-laws so construction of the addition to the town sewage plant can proceed was passed at Tuesday night's meeting of council

Engineers have almost completed plans for the plant addition, estimated cost of which is not expected to exceed \$487,-000, 'It is expected they will be ready to call tenders by the end of February.

A construction by-law and a borrowing by-law received final readings so the work can pro- est figures, of course. York ceed, Councilior Earl Massles expressed his satisfaction with the way things were going with (Staff Photo) plans for the plant.

Many accidents happen at work

1966 figures just released indicate that 2,216 suffered accidents on which comprised on claims were mitted in Hallon County. Seven of those socidents were fittl, 116 resulted for permeans distilly sails, lot oppoed temporary total disability. Halton didn't register the high-County won that undestrable distinction with 37,006 claims settied in 1966, People do get hurt at work



MURAL DEPICTING Actor's history, painted lively hues, with yellowy greens predominatby Mrs. Joe Bray, was installed Sunday in the ing library lobby It depicts Acton landmarks in