



WELL-KNOWN Acton couple, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hargrave celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last Saturday. There was a reception in the parish hall in the afternoon and "Open House" at their home in the evening. Mr. Hargrave was a garage operator and later license issuer. (Staff Photo)

## Golden anniversary for Mr., Mrs. J. Hargrave

The number of friends who came to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hargrave on their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday were a delightful surprise for the well-known couple. They had expected a few friends to join their family at the reception in the parish hall - but not the 175 who came to bring best wishes. And their home was filled with visitors all evening, too.

"We enjoyed it tremendously," they agreed after the happy occasion.

The gold anniversary celebration was planned by their family and the well-known couple had only to enjoy it.

Their family includes two daughters, Mrs. John Seager (Lorraine) Islington and Mrs. Frank Crump (Bernice) Oakville; and a son, George, who is still in Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crump brought their children with them, and the two oldest girls, Susanne and Nancy, helped serve the guests. Young son Robert was in charge of the guest book. The youngest girl is Kathy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Seager have Jimmy, James and Karen.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hargrave of Acton have a married son Peter. Sandra Hargrave, back from Kitchener, also assisted with the tea. The youngest of this family is David.

The three tiered wedding cake that highlighted the tea table was made by Mrs. Hargrave's niece from Scarborough, Mrs. Edward Gallagher.

Special guests were his brother and her sister - their attendants at their wedding in Toronto half a century ago. Charles Hargrave, Scarborough, stood up with his brother and Miss Isabella

Tanner, Pickering, was the bridesmaid.

Other brothers and sisters came to make the day more memorable. Mr. Hargrave was joined by his sister Mrs. Edith Holmes, Niagara Falls and three brothers and a sister in the Toronto area, Harry, Thomas, Charles and Mrs. Kathleen Shackleton.

Another sister of Mrs. Hargrave's who was here was Mrs. May Cook of Toronto. And naturally many nieces and nephews helped swell the throng.

The couple met in Toronto and were married there May 1, 1916, at All Hallows Anglican Church, Main St. North, Toronto. They lived there till '39.

Then they came to Acton and Mr. Hargrave operated the service station at the corner of Young and Mill from then until 1952. Then he became issuer of motor vehicle licenses, issuer of hunting licenses and driver examiner. He had his office in his home - their third since moving to Acton on Arthur St.

When he became ill about a year ago, he retired.

Mr. Hargrave has a long career in community life as well as in business. He was on town council for 11 years, ranging from 1950 to 1964. For eight of those he was on county council

as reeve or deputy-reeve of the town. In county administration he was chairman of the committee that opened the Manor; on the building committee for the new county building, was a member of the first museum board and was on the board of the Children's Aid Society.

He has been a Walker Lodge member for over 25 years.

Both are charter members of the Golden Age Club, and he was treasurer for a term.

They enjoy gardening and their crocuses, planted singly by their home, are always about the first to bloom in the spring.

On behalf of the town, Mayor Les Doby and clerk-administrator Jack McGeachie attended the reception to present them with the traditional gold tea service. The children had a novel gift in gold - a gold carpet for their living room. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Thomas Hargrave, presented them with a beautiful painting she had done herself. There were gifts from England, and many beautiful flowers from neighbors, friends, the Golden Age Club and Walker Lodge. There were other gifts, many cards and a special telegram from Premier John Robarts.

The Free Press joins in congratulating the couple and wishing them many more happy years.

## Commission passes \$35,000 capital expenditure budget

Acton Hydro Commission dealt with and approved a proposed \$35,000 capital expenditure budget at their regular meeting on Thursday night. The budget has been sent to Ontario Hydro for their approval.

Broken down, expenses were listed as:

Distribution, overhead, \$5,000; street lighting, \$6,000; transformers, \$5,000; meters, \$4,000; water heater control, \$2,000; water heaters \$1,500; trenching machine, \$4,000; tools, \$200; air conditioner, \$1,200.

Tenders for an air conditioning system, the last item on the budget were opened and commission members took another look at the \$4,000 proposal deciding an upright machine at \$1,200 would be more economical and practical.

Mayor Doby questioned practicability of the proposed system which would have 19 vents pouring cold air into the new offices, remarking the commission "could be buying a \$4,000 backache." Chairman Ted Tyler was concerned what the installation would do to the appearance of the office.

A suggestion from the mayor that the commission consider an upright machine received an endorsement from commissioners who agreed a \$1,200 estimate should go on the budget.

Commissioners dealt with complaints about tree trimming on the property of Wayne Kelly after inspection of the evergreen

which Mr. Kelly complained of at the last Commission meeting. His complaint about the tree being "butchered" drew some sharp comments from the Commission. "I'm surprised at a hydro man making the complaints," said the mayor.

Chairman Tyler said he thought hydro workmen did everything possible and suggested Mr. Kelly should be held responsible for anything the tree could do. "It could have put a whole section out," he stated.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter to Mr. Kelly outlining the Commission's position.

The mayor suggested commissioners could discuss this and similar subjects with more knowledge if a polaroid camera was available to take shots of disputed areas.

Purchase of film to use in the chairman's camera whenever necessary was authorized.

The mayor also suggested the Commission should investigate the possibilities of electrical installations for a proposed new subdivision in the Seynuck property.

He said the developer had already been to the planning board and council.

Mayor Doby also expressed concern about overdevelopment in Acton which "could get out of control." We are working on an extra 100 homes and I see by The Free Press there's another 250 proposed we don't even know about."

The Commission agreed information on underground wiring for new subdivisions should be readily available and electrical heating advantages explained to home owners.

A working demonstration of the trenching machine purchased by the Commission drew admiring comments from Commissioners. They felt the machine could be used to advantage in many areas.

The secretary was authorized to issue cheques for \$2,760.20 to cover expenses.

Chairman Ted Tyler presided at the meeting which was attended by Commissioners Doug Dawkins, Will McEachern, Orville Brown, Mayor Doby, Supt. Doug Mason and secretary-treasurer Audrey Urquhart.

## Walkers raise... Plan 50-60 apartment suites to be built on Churchill Road

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stant shuttle service along the route all day.

Unlike last year's endurance contest which featured buffeting winds, rain and even some snowflakes, marchers this year were treated to brilliant sunshine and moderate temperatures just over 50 degrees. They were subjects for many roadside conversations about the purpose of the hike words of encouragement, a cheque for \$25 from a Toronto man who had lost a brother to cancer two weeks previously. He presented the cheque to Wally Gordon.

Another refinement added to this year's marathon was food depots organized by Mrs. Gloria Browne to refresh marchers along the route. Among those assisting was Mrs. Catharine Kelly who drove all Friday night and Saturday feeding and encouraging the Markham group.

Among others who assisted with arrangements, drove and fed bikers, were Mr. and Mrs. Stu Reed, Jim Cooney, Mrs. R. Ginger, Joan Gordon, Ellen Wisson, Brenda Browne, Debbie Drinkwater, Peggy Wheeler, Diane Timbers, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Timbers, Mr. Dick Lee, Mrs. W. Smallwood, Mrs. B. Aherne, Mrs. J. Weldon, Mrs. G. White, Elaine Johnston, Carol Priest, Kim Edson, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Ockenden, Gloria Browne, Lyn Froehlich, Dan Arbie, Susan Clarke, Nancy Lander, Harold Denny, Gib Jordan and many Clarence Denny and Tyler Transport supplied buses for the marchers to leave the community centre at 6 a.m. Saturday morning, transporting the bulk of them to Thornhill.

One walker, Gordon Dawe, raised \$110 by enterprisingly collecting several sponsors and then walking the entire distance from Markham to Acton. Several other walkers raised the ante and collected as much as double the 20 cents a mile for their performance.

Organizers for the event were Marianne Coles, Bob Browne, Mrs. Gloria Browne and members of the Project Acton committee.

Following is a list of those who walked, with the names of the finishers first. Sponsors names were not all available at press time.

Those who completed the walk from Toronto to Acton were just two - Lyn Perry and Birnie Benton.

Finishers from Markham to

Acton were Jack Irwin, Mike Marchmont, George Cook, Lloyd Smallwood, Gary Kelly, Dean McDougall, Bob Browne, Gerry Ochendon, Gord Dawe (who earned a whopping \$110.70 for it), Ray Salts, Phil Dupuis, George Beshiri, Rogor Haggot, John Hartlin and George Cook.

Those who finished the walk from Thornhill to Acton were Fiona Gidman, Seth Armstrong, Bill Severinski, Ron Culp, Dave Biltorf, Rick Livermore, Debbie Booth, Margaret Slavov, Keith Smallwood, Charlie Doornbos, Cathy Smith, Norma Quee, Gordon Reed, Mark Kowall, Bill Pendleton, Bob Andrews, Marsha McKenzie, Carol Masalor, Karen Ashley, Marie Timbers, Sharon Dowling, Craig Weldon, John Last, Gord Williams, Joseph Tar, Pat Wheeler, Ted Saltz, Torry Curtis, Susan McGilloway, Joan Gibbons, Dave Rochester, Brad Timbers, David Braida, Gay Ellis, Marg. Papillon, Bob Smith, Art Thompson, Irene Severinski, Bev Brunello, Bob Krul.

Dave Pink, Mike Field, Mike Cooper, Mark Hurst, Cathy Dunn, Charlene Higgins, Carole Patterson, Brent Marshall, Judy Connell, Paul Braida, David McMillan, Cathy Cook, Anne Watson, Cathy Clark, Jessie-Ann Davidson, Nancy Frost, Andy Miller.

Game starters who were forced - by either prudence or blisters - to drop out were, Mary De Bartolo, Dianne Bonnette, Mary Jane Lambert, Susan Hachey, Torry Goodridge, Tim Coles, Susan Marchmont, Judy Cormier, Ely Toebes, Charlie Thomson, Brenda Browne, Debbie Drinkwater, Dianne Timbers, Terri Dowling, Sheri Johnston, Nancy Lee, Diane Foster, Dave Hodgson, Madona Ellis, Jane Watson, Linda Gordon.

Julie Smith, Carol McCutcheon, Bev Moore, Nancy Snow, Steve Roby, Linda Lou Moon, Trudy Morris, Virginia Morton, Pam Snow, Judy Middleton, Diane Frank, Judy Dwyer, Marg Churchill.

Juanice Jordan, Sandra Waters, Debbie Jordan, Brenda Aherne, Marlene McKinnon, Susan Murray, Karen Townsley, Mary Fuchs, Debbie Winter, Susan Clendenning, Jackie Lee, Sheila Collett.

Dietmar Khan, Doug Garrett, Nancy Doby, Sally Dick, Jackie Dawe, Ken Owens, Bob Radford, Paul Mockrycki, Paul Dupuis, Barry Cooper, John Courtney, Steve Goy, Sean Dwyer, Bill Landsborough, Glen Taillefer, Rae Hibbard, Bill Seminec.

### FLOWERS OF HOPE

Over the last few months the retarded children have been preparing little packages of flower seeds. They are called Flowers of Hope. Why not plant them on Mother's Day to help to give hope to the retarded children? That is Flowers of Hope and please be generous when your canvasser calls.

## What council did

- At their regular meeting Tuesday night, Acton Council:
- Instructed the clerk to issue cheques to pay financial statement No. 5 of \$6,781.49.
- Accepted the tender of Civero Construction for the old dump site property with the stipulation apartments are built on the property.
- Declared the week of May 12-18 "Flowers of Hope Week" in aid of Retarded Children.
- Appointed Neil Miller to Committee of Adjustment for a three year term, Jim Lindsay for two years and Henry Ruppert for one year.

**GUIDE COOKIE DAY**  
SATURDAY, MAY 4th, 1968  
ONE - DAY HOUSE TO HOUSE BLITZ  
"PLEASE SUPPORT LOCAL GUIDING"  
COOKIES 50c PER BOX

**DINE HERE**  
ON Mother's Day

We know what Mom likes... heaping plates of savory food, pleasant service, a varied menu, careful attention to every detail. Bring Mom here for fine dining!

**Watson's**  
RESTAURANT  
CALL NOW FOR RESERVATIONS

**NOTICE**

Council of the Town of Acton have been advised that final application has been made to close the Acton Canadian National Railway Station and Council are therefore calling a

**PUBLIC MEETING**

to which all interested parties are requested to attend so that opposition to the closing of the station can be made with the appropriate authorities.

You are urgently requested to attend this meeting to pass your opinion

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS in the Town of Acton on**  
**MONDAY, MAY 6th., 1968**  
AT 8.00 P.M.

JACK McGEACHIE,  
Clerk-Administrator

**Acton Public School**  
**Kindergarten Enrolment**

Acton public schools will be able to accommodate all pupils of Kindergarten age this year. To enrol they must be five years old by December 31, 1968. (Birth certificate required.) To avoid confusion, please complete the form below before May 10 and send or mail it to your district school in care of GARNET W. MCKENZIE, Principal, Robert Little School, Box 870 or W. D. ELMER SMITH, Principal, M. Z. Bennett School, Box 840.

Child's Name Christian Name Surname  
Date of Birth Day Month Year  
Parent's or Guardian's Name in Full  
Address No. Street  
Phone No.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL  
ROBERT LITTLE SCHOOL - 853-2540  
OR  
M. Z. BENNETT SCHOOL - 853-0530  
Birth certificates can be secured from - Registrar General Branch, 70 Lombard St., Toronto, Ont.