

# Mall on Mill St.?

Following is the brief Acton Chamber of Commerce presented to council last night regarding the proposed temporary mall on Mill Street:

Since we are addressing ourselves to a council which is well acquainted with the problems of the Acton Central Business District and which is equally well acquainted with the importance of this Central Business District both as a revenue producing entity and as a place where the whole population of Acton congregates to do business, we shall try to get to the heart of the matter without trying to give a comprehensive background for this plan.

At a meeting held by The Acton Chamber of Commerce it was unanimously decided to create a temporary walking mall on Mill St. between John St. and Main St. for a period of two weeks if possible, starting approximately June 10, 1968.

We propose to block Mill St. for vehicle traffic, as outlined, and decorate the pavement with live plants and trees, etc., set up benches and generally transform the area into a type of open Town Square.

Willow St. between Bower Ave. and Mill St. and between Church St. and Mill St. would be closed to through traffic and used for parking, also John St. should be made as one way South from Bower St. to Church St. with parking on one side.

All through traffic would be channelled through Eastern Ave. and along Church St. to Main St. and reverse.

Provisions for a Bus Stop at the Main and Mill corners would be made by setting back the barriers from Main 20 to 25 feet

west on Mill St. Benches would be provided for passengers. Passengers buying tickets from the depot will have to be individually advised where to board and parcels will have to be picked-up directly from the bus.

Other individual problems as regard to pick-up and delivery have been dealt with or will be dealt with as they appear during interviews taking place previous to the blocking of the street.

During a conversation on Monday May 13, 1968 this proposition was put before The Deputy Minister of Highways, Mr. Cam McNabb.

The Deputy Minister had a sympathetic ear and was provided with maps and pertinent information. The Deputy Minister was agreed to by this council, and was told "no" but that a most sympathetic attitude would be expected as the entire proposition was conveyed in order to obtain information for the use of the Town Council as well as the business community.

The Deputy Minister stated he was unable to make a decision on the matter on the spot, but that he would have the matter given study, immediately and would probably come to a decision by the end of this week.

If the mall becomes a reality, a number of activities would be inaugurated both Commercial and otherwise. Certainly a Band Concert and a merchandising event will take place. An attempt will be made to put the safe, quiet space thus created to good use. Also we asked the council to instruct the clerk to render assistance in the matter.

If the council should see fit to deal with this matter forthwith we can provide answers to your questions, if you prefer to deal with the matter later either tonight or at another time we will be willing to await your pleasure, however for many reasons, one being the heavier flow of traffic during the holiday season, we would appreciate your speedy dealings with the matter.

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"Concerned"

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### FARM VEHICLES HAZARD ON HIGHWAYS

Dear Sir:

For some time now I have felt that, in the event that something similar has not been said before, the following should be brought to your readers.

I refer, particularly at this time of year, to the increasing number of farm vehicles using our local highways and, indeed, our town streets. Tractors, trailers, rakes etc. may be seen daily plodding slowly down the highway, as well as everywhere but the Main Street.

Many of these vehicles are without proper lighting (although I will admit that they operate for the most part during daylight). They certainly bear no licence plates, and in all likelihood, they are burning unaxed farm type gasoline or diesel fuel... this also being illegal.

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## Urban board

# Compares tax rates in towns

Members of the North Halton Urban Board, interested in a county library set-up because of rumors on the "grape-vine" that a 25 cent per capita grant was available, still frowned on the idea at their last meeting in Georgetown.

There was not enough information available on a county library set-up but representatives from Acton, Georgetown and Milton didn't appear enthused about the possibility.

Board chairman Ron Harris of Milton said a county library system might give a wider choice of reading material through

trades among libraries. All delegates criticized present government policy of allowing schools to have large libraries despite the excellence of municipal facilities.

A system of paying taxes in 12 monthly instalments instead of the present plan in the three member towns came in for some discussion with Georgetown Deputy-rev. Ari Spaight advocating an eight instalment plan. Others opposed the idea because it would force councils to borrow bank money to meet commitments early in the year.

Acton clerk-administrator J. McGeachie said the interim levy in Acton last year earned more in interest than the amount of interest the town would have had to pay on loans. He suggested councils could avoid financial pain by making sure debenture debt repayments are scheduled late in the year.

The Georgetown deputy-rev. said his town doesn't have an interim levy but sends out five tax bills after the mill rate is set. The town gives half a per cent discount for early payment prompting some who can afford 10 per cent early which means commitment.

Mr. McGeachie was undimpressed, saying the Georgetown system means the discount has to be made up by other taxpayers, some of whom can't afford it.

Mill rates in the three municipalities were compared since the equalization factor is close. Figures showed Acton has the lowest rate for both residential and commercial and industrial. Compared they are:

	Res.	C & I
Acton	77	87
Georgetown	82.5	92.41
Milton	86	95

Policy re grants to local organizations was discussed where it quickly became apparent that Milton and Georgetown made grants to ball and hockey clubs while Acton did not. Milton representatives in particular were interested in the

## CHURCHILL

# Christening meeting in district report

By Mrs. R. McArthur

The regular May meeting of the Churchill U.C.W. was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Saunders on Wednesday evening, May 8, with a fair attendance. The President Mrs. R. Denny opened the meeting with a Prayer, then called on Mrs. F. Thompson who gave the devotions choosing as her topic, "Home the Magic Word". Scripture reading was 1st Corinthians Chapter 13 Verses 1-13.

Hymn "Happy the home" was sung. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary Mrs. R. Saunders. Some business was discussed. Mrs. Denny closed the meeting with Prayer.

The hostess served a delicious lunch when a friendly get-together was enjoyed, the main talk being Our New Cook book which is in the making. Courtesy Convener Mrs. D. Williamson thanked Mrs. Saunders for the use of her home and hospitality.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. A. Winter on Mother's Day were Mr. and Mrs. Clark Winter, Toronto and Mrs. Louis Hillz, also Mrs. Margaret Cameron, both of Rockwood.

Saturday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton and family were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Harrison of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binnie visited with Mr. and Mrs. William Maynard in Brampton on Saturday.

Mr. Alfred Saunders spent Sunday with her daughter and son.

In-law Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rodgers, Cyndy, Karen and Kelly of Hillsburg.

Lisa Charlene Daly, wee daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Daly of St. Catharines, was christened on Mother's Day in Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton. A dinner in honor was held after at the home of her Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Bob Marshall, Churchill Road, when Mr. and Mrs. Daly Senior and family of Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall and family of Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Marshall and wee Michael of Guelph, also Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Davidson attended.

Mrs. Verna Stephon spent the weekend with her niece Mrs. Gill of Uxbridge.

We are pleased to report wee Mark Hamilton was able to return home from the Georgetown District Memorial hospital on Sunday, Mother's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binnie spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pallett of Tottenham.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr were at Sunderland visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Down where her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Knox also a brother Mr. Ken Knox of Woodstock were visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Neer visited with her mother Mrs. Mabel Hattie in Shelburne on Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Swackhamer and Brenda of Georgetown were dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer, June, Kathy and Debbie. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer and Debbie visited with relatives in St. Catharines on Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner, David and Jillian spent Mother's day at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Julian, Milton, where other members of the family from North Bay and Brighton were there also.

Mrs. Fred MacArthur was in Toronto on Saturday and visited with her sister-in-law Miss Edna MacArthur who had the misfortune to break her hip and is in the Orthopedic Arthritic Hospital.

## Cars in collision in parking lot

Two vehicles backing up in the Station Hotel parking lot were in collision Sunday evening. A car driven by John Masales received about \$50 damage and a pick-up truck driven by Elmer Denny received about \$20 damage.

Class photographs were taken last week at the Robert Little school. M. Z. Bennett school pictures are taken later.

## OBITUARY

### Former Ospringle merchant dies

R. Lindsay Gordon, 74, died Monday at Guelph General Hospital when he suffered a heart attack after a short illness.

He is survived by his wife, the former Verna Mabel Goy, daughters Mrs. Pat McDougall of Montreal; Mrs. Ray Kissick, (Betty) Toronto and Mrs. Ed. Scarffe (Helen) of London. He is also survived by brothers, Bob E. of Sarnia, Ross of Guelph and 15 grandchildren. Mr. Gordon was raised on a farm in Guelph township and operated stores in Arkell, Ospringle and Linwood. He moved to Guelph in 1928 and had been employed as an auto salesman for Little Motor Sales and an agent for Manufacturers Life Insurance Co.

A member and Elder of Knox Presbyterian Church, Mr. Gordon was a past master and canon of the IOOF as well as an active curler and lawn bowler. Funeral services will be held Thursday with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery.

# Trophy, awards presented hockey party Saturday

by Mrs. R. Shortill

Ivan Woods completed his 30 mile hike. Being sponsored by the W.L. and U.C.W. organizations as well as Smith's Store and his own brothers and sister he was able to win a considerable sum for Oxfam. Thank you, Ivan.

Mrs. F. W. Shortill was able to return home from Georgetown Hospital where she had spent the past week.

Mrs. Ken Ridler flew down from Fort William to visit her parents for a day or two.

Little Jane and Maureen Burton were among those who received their first communion at Georgetown Holy Cross Church on Sunday May 12.

At Ballinafad Church the Junior Choir sang an anthem, their sweet young voices blending together very clearly. Mrs. Ernie McEnery was at the organ for the Mother's Day Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Stiller have finished off a splendid apartment in the upper story of their home the former manse.

Several homes in our area have changed hands in the last two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Swindlow moved into their home in Erin on Saturday. They had been renting rooms with the Allan's temporarily. We understand Lloyd is working with Mr. Rau at carpentry work.

Miss Donna Shortill is attending Guelph university in her final semester. She is majoring in history and political science and hopes to graduate the latter part of July. During the past week they were given the opportunity to vote on the new liberal leader for Guelph.

Messrs. Reg and Delmar French, Richard Shortill and Emerson Anderson were on a fishing trip to Parry Sound district over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hajar were in Wasaga last week preparing for the summer season, where they operate a lodge at Wasaga Beach.

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## BALLINAFAD

The three teams who enjoyed many games at Hillsburg last winter were present. The Chargers, Evaders and Beavers. The Evaders who were chosen best team were awarded a beautiful trophy by Bud Kentner on behalf of himself and Dick Shortill.

Also awards were presented as follows: Paul Hamilton, most sportsmanlike player; Most valuable player from each of the three teams, Howard Silder, the Chargers; Gordon McArthur, the Beavers; Clare Snow, the Evaders.

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Several years ago he moved to Milton where he built several homes, continued his entertaining and operated a music studio. In 1966 he retired from the music business and became a real estate salesman with Best Realty and Insurance Company in Milton.

Surviving are his wife Clarissa Anne, Acton, also four brothers and three sisters. He resided at the MacNab and Son Funeral Home in Milton until April 27 when a funeral service was conducted by the Rev. R. W. Foster of Grace Anglican Church, Milton. Cremation followed in Toronto.

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