

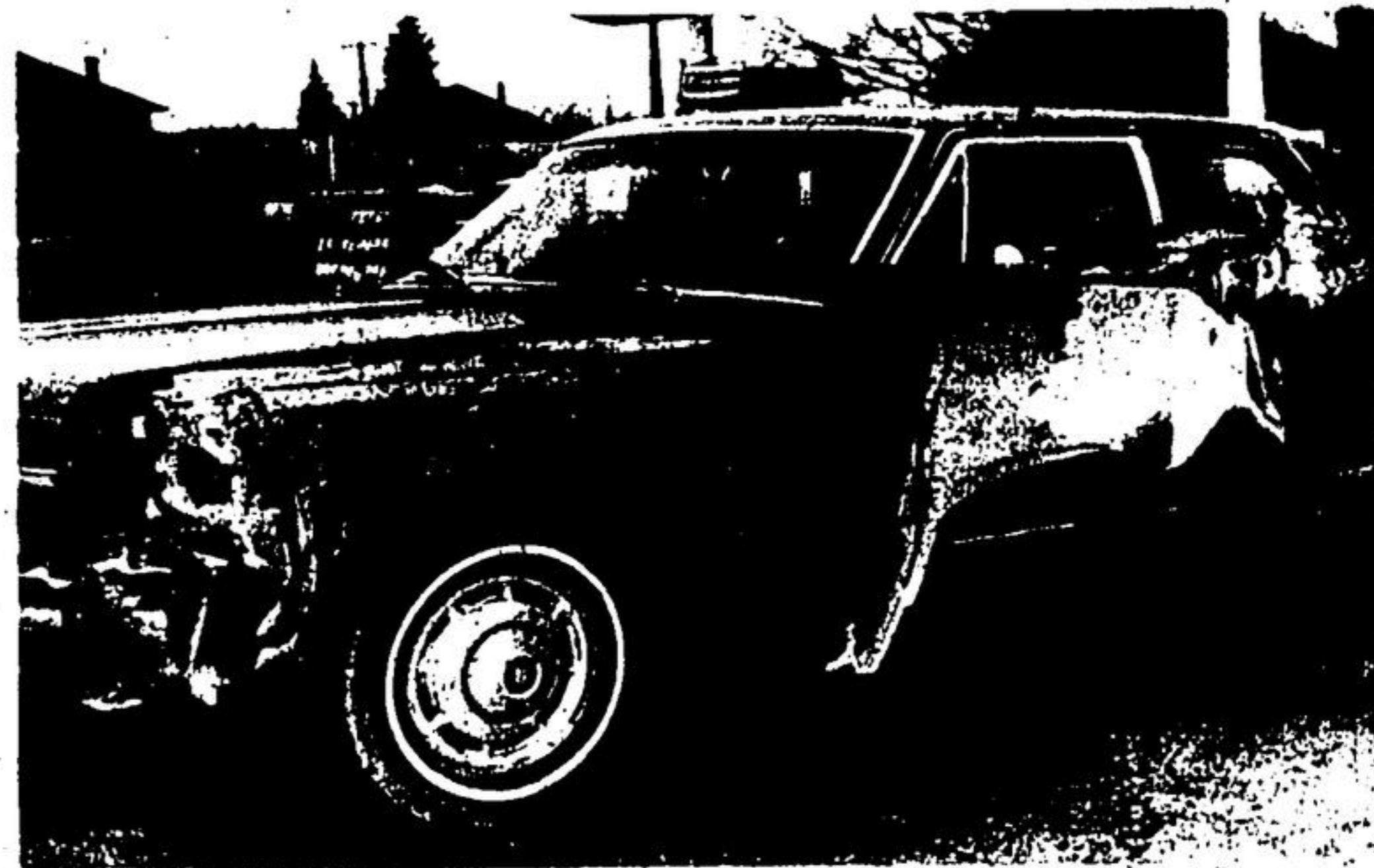


REEVE OF ACTON for the next two years will be Dr. Frank Oakes who has been deputy-reeve for the past two year term. (Staff Photo)

## Passenger train peels fender off waiting car

Like a key opening a sardine can, a CNR train peeled the fender and left side of the hood off a '68 car Thursday morning at the Mill St. crossing. James Morgan of Guelph stopped his car on one track as the morning passenger train passed, ripping off the bumper, twisting it at sharp right angles to the car. Shaken but not injured, Mr. Morgan sought temporary repairs for his car at John's Texaco service station, and continued on his way to Georgetown.

Approaching and put on his brakes. He came to a stop on one set of tracks, and was struck by one of the cars on the train. Mr. Morgan felt something projecting from one of the cars must have struck his vehicle in the spectacular accident. Spectators agreed it was several seconds after he had stopped when the front of his car was peeled away. The hood, grill, front bumper, a fender and left front door received an estimated \$800 damage. CNR train engineer Edward Weeks of Toronto stopped the train. The incident occurred at 9:15 a.m. Const. Farion investigated, and police say charges against Mr. Morgan are pending. Despite the harrowing experience, Mr. Morgan continued on to Georgetown to make business calls before returning home to Guelph.



HALF-PEELED side of James Morgan's car was struck by the CNR morning passenger train Monday. The shaken driver, a Guelph traveler, was unhurt. Charges are pending. (Staff Photo)

## Mayorality candidates face public

"Meet the Candidates for Mayor" is the title, when the Chamber of Commerce stages a public meeting Thursday, November 25, in the P. J. Little auditorium. Chamber president Paul Nielsen issued an open invitation to everyone at the neighborhood meeting Monday to follow up their interest by attending the further meeting. It is designed for the three candidates for the position of mayor to outline their platforms and answer questions from the floor. "There are some important decisions to be made," Mr. Nielsen stressed.

Used car dealer during demonstration drive "This is the opportunity of a lifetime!" Prospective customer: "Yes, I hear it knocking!"



NEW DEPUTY-REEVE of Acton is Councillor Ted Tyler Jr. who was unopposed for the position. He succeeds Dr. Frank Oakes. (Staff Photo)

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## Reeve, deputy acclaimed three way race for mayor

Acton's reeve and deputy reeve are acclaimed to office, but there will be an election for all other seats on Monday, December 2. There were 23 nominations from the floor at the annual nomination meeting, held Monday in the Robert Little auditorium. Three were for the trio who have all already been campaigning for the mayor's seat, reeve Herbert H. Hinton, incumbent Leslie Doby and present councillor Robert Drinkwater. All qualified to run before the Tuesday 9 p.m. deadline. Deputy-reeve Frank Oakes was the only person nominated as reeve and received a round of applause from the 70-odd in attendance. A father and son combination, appeared on the slates for a while as if they might oppose each other for the deputy-reeve's post, but Edward Tyler Sr. withdrew in favor of hydro commission, leaving son Edward Tyler Jr. in possession. The former councillor was also applauded by the audience as he promised to continue to act in Acton's best interests. ELEVEN MEN were nominated for council. Two withdrew that evening and the eight who qualified are William Williams, Earl Masales, William Coats, John Greer, Garnet McKenzie, Cyril Bishop, Peter Marks and Orval Chapman. There are six council seats.



MAYOR LES DOBY, right, will be opposed by Reeve H. H. Hinton, left and Councillor Bob Drinkwater for the office of mayor for the next two years. The contest, brought out in the open weeks ago, has generated much election interest. There will also be elections for council, hydro and the new Halton County Board of Education. (Staff Photo)

## Acton's first rate power sets bulb popping problem

Bulbs are popping out all over, Counsellor Bob Drinkwater told the Hydro Commission at the regular meeting last Thursday night. Others at the meeting agreed that there appears to be power surges at night and residents have been breaking budgets buying bulbs to replace those burned out. The Commission explained that during the daytime, voltage in town runs between 118-120, but at night when consumption is down, it climbs to about 125. Residents are advised to use nothing less than 130 volt bulbs. "You can buy cheaper bulbs but you're only asking for trouble," said chairman Tyler. "We have first rate power in Acton." Acton no longer has to foot the bill for subdivisions members of the Council Planning Board were told. Bob Drinkwater, Ted Tyler Jr. and Bill Williams approached the hydro

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## Tanners tie Fergus in fast game Tuesday

Coach Harold Townsley pulled goalkeeper Jim Sweeney in the last minute of play and Acton Tanners salvaged a 4-4 tie in an O.H.A. Int. B. game last night (Tuesday) in Fergus. Pivot Gordie Bell sank his second goal of the game to deadlock the count with 13 seconds left on the clock. The teams played 10 minutes of overtime but failed to score although the Tanners had four good chances. Playing fast, exciting hockey all the way, the Tanners grabbed a 1-0 lead at the four minute mark of the second period when Phil Marzo scored assisted by Dennis Snider and Jan Riddall. Gordie Bell made it 2-0 with the prettiest goal of the night, picking the top right hand corner. Steve Townsley and Kevin Hall helped. Fergus came back with two goals to tie it all up but Kevin Hall put the Tanners ahead again assisted by Marzo and Riddall. Fergus bounced back again with two more goals to go ahead 4-3 setting the stage for the last minute drama when Bell clanged again. Coach Townsley was pleased with his club's performance, their first point in three games, but still feels they can do better.



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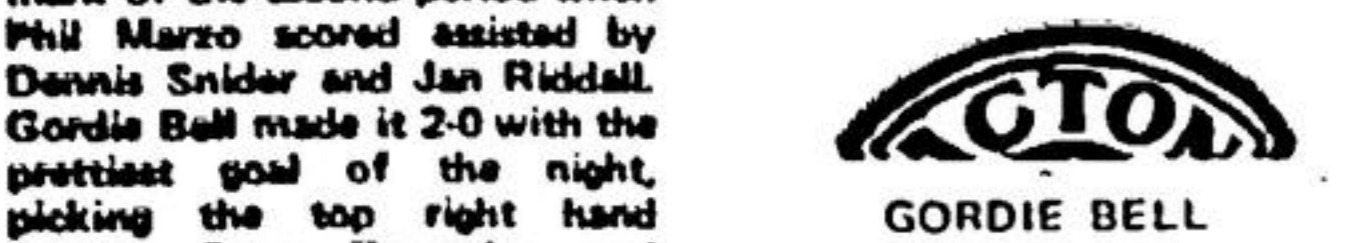
Acton—Jim Sweeney, goal; Dennis Snider, Ken Haerns, Steve Gervais and Jim Bullough, defense; Jan Riddall, Gordie Bell, Phil Marzo, Harry (Red) Phillips, Gary Taillefer, Ron

AS NOMINATIONS were received from the floor, they were processed by clerk Joe Hurst and new deputy clerk Grant Usher, and written on school blackboards by Paul Nielsen. (It's the Danish influence that caused him to spell Doug D-O-G.) Jack Carpenter was speedily named meeting chairman. First, town representatives were called on for reports; then those nominated spoke in turn. Questions were received from the floor to any speaker. FIRST SPEAKER, Mayor Les Doby, gave the report of council's activities for the past two years. (It is published in full elsewhere.)

He also referred to the Citizens' Band progress report, which had been given to him for inclusion. The music centre, now almost completed, has an estimated worth of between \$25 and \$30,000, materials cost \$11,000. There will be an official opening in June, 1969. With the financial statement was an account of activities, including practices, rentals and catering. Girls are given lessons now on a limited scale, the band would like more adult beginners. There are 67 people involved altogether. REVEE, BERT Hinton reported on various aspects of his work with county council, referring to the Ontario Counties Association, where regional studies have been underway for years; the county's regional Peel-Halton government study; Sheridan College of which he's on the board of governors, and the opening of the new Martin House extension to the Manor at Milton. On roads committee, he advocated improvement of north-south roads in particular, and plugged for a "connecting link" for Acton. On personnel, legislation and by-law committee he worked for improved relations for county employees; a personnel officer was hired. On property and administration he participated in

the province-county agreement for sharing of the county building when the province took over the administration of justice. With a county population of 170,000, assessment of 300 million dollars, he found county work rewarding experience, and assured his listeners he never neglected Acton. DR. OAKES also reported on his county work, beginning by saying he was disappointed the hall wasn't packed. Is it apathy or is there a lot going on tonight? He wondered if citizens realized Acton has a debenture debt of one million, two

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## Esqueving electors to vote for reeve, deputy-reeve, council

Esqueving electors will be asked to choose a reeve, deputy-reeve and three councillors at elections Monday, Dec. 2, for the first two year term in the township's history. Monday's nomination meeting in Stewarttown township hall saw candidates qualify for all positions and force an election. Only one post was settled: the seat on the new county school board went to William A. Lawson by acclamation. Malcolm Freeman of R. R. 1, Georgetown, has challenged

incumbent George Currie for the reeve's chair. Jim France of R.R. 4, Georgetown, is contesting the deputy-reeve's post with the present seat holder, Tom Hill of Glen Williams. Percy R. Hicks of R.R. 3, Milton, James Goodlet of R.R. 3, Georgetown, Russell Miller of R.R. 1, Georgetown, Wilfrid Leslie of R. R. 4, Georgetown, Kenneth P. Marshall of R. R. 5, Milton, and C. F. (Pat) Patterson of Norval are contesting the three council seats. Mr. Leslie

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nominations and he told the near-capacity audience it would be the last time he will chair a nomination meeting and it "could very well be the last meeting of this kind in the Township of Esqueving." Reeve George Currie, called on first to give his report to the ratepayers, predicted that "before 1970 expires we'll have regional government." He reviewed the signs which all pointed to an imminent take-over by the province of the

## Students conduct survey

In response to a request from Parks Board and Recreation Committee, six boys from the Grade XI history class at Acton District high school are conducting a survey of recreation and educational programs and facilities in town. Later the entire Grade XI class will analyze the results of the survey to determine the extent of existing recreational and educational facilities in Acton. The Parks and recreation committee will use the student's findings to co-ordinate recreation and educational programs to avoid duplication, and initiate new programs, especially those which are subject to grants from the provincial government. As part of the survey, questionnaires will be sent home with all elementary and high school students to establish what programs are now operating and asking for suggestions. Students participating in the survey will be given credit for their work on the history course.

## Passenger hurt Saturday crash

Mrs. Patricia Conn, 77 Bower Ave., was injured Saturday afternoon when the car driven by her husband William Conn was involved in an accident. She suffered a sprained right ankle and severe whiplash, was treated by Dr. David Van der Bent at the scene and taken to Guelph General Hospital, where she was later released. A car driven by Mrs. Nancy Jensen, Cook St., Acton was travelling south on Main St. S., and slowed to allow the car preceding her to make a turn. The Conn vehicle, following hit the rear of the Jensen car, causing \$200 damage. The Conn car suffered \$450 damage.

## Santa Rama draw winners picked Sat.

First winners in Acton merchants' Santa Rama draw were picked out of a drum Saturday afternoon downtown. Winners were Gerald Schonnop of 28 Mill St. W., D. Zawilski, Mrs. Vera Semanec of 345 Peel St., Lloyd Murr of 85 Mill St. W. and Harold DeForest 108 Church St. Vouchers worth \$90 will be drawn for the next five weeks. Each purchase in a store participating in the Santa Rama program affords customers a chance. A clown band composed of Frank Spisvogel, Ted Tyler Jr., Joe Vostry, John McHugh, Ray Agnew, Julian Zajac and Joe Pauli toured town prior to the draw to drum up enthusiasm. Next draw will be Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the Lakeside Chapter's I.O.D.E. bazaar at the Legion hall. (Continued on Page C7)