

Funds, equipment donated to retarded

The annual meeting of the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded was held at the Sunshine School, Hornby, on Thursday. Vice-president Ralph Barton chaired the meeting, in the absence of William Ferguson, president. Reports on their year's activities were presented by each of the three Ladies Auxiliaries.

Acton and Milton Ladies Auxiliaries presented the Association with cheques for \$500 each. Georgetown Auxiliary had previously presented \$1,000 to the Association. The Flowers of Hope Chairman reported a total of \$5,300 had been realized from the campaign. He thanked the Auxiliaries and everyone who

had worked so hard to help in the campaign. H. Isham, Director of the Workshop, gave a report on the progress made in this project. The advances made, in less than three years of operation, are encouraging. The association thanked the Adult Services Chairman, S. Dance, for his tremendous effort. With this project making such strides, the

Association feels this coming year will see some action taken on the Residential Care project. At this time in the meeting John Trotter, treasurer of the Acton Lions Club, presented a heavy-duty vacuum cleaner to the Workshop Director. Under the direction of Ray Banner, Nomination Chairman, an election of officers was held. Rev. R. P. E. Jeffares installed the following officers:

President, Ralph Barton, Georgetown; first vice-president, F. V. Cannon, Milton; second vice-president, James Langedyk, Milton; treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Barton, Georgetown; recording secretary, Mrs. W. Treahy, Georgetown; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Tom Nye, Milton.

The following Committee chairmen were also elected, Adult Services, S. Dance, Milton; Home Care, Mrs. Laughlin, Acton; Research, Mrs. G. Jeffares, Milton; Residential Care, Mr. Laughlin, Acton; Spiritual Guidance, Rev. James Reese, Milton; Membership, J. Langedyk, Milton; Public Relations, F. V. Cannon, Milton; Bulletin, Mrs. H. Isham, Milton; Recreation, Gordon Dawe, Acton; Scrapbook, Mrs. S. Dance, Milton.

These people were thanked for offering their services and it is their hope the public will support their efforts in the coming year.



NEW EXECUTIVE for North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded during 1969 was chosen Thursday evening at the N.A.H.M.R. annual meeting. Included were (back) second vice-president J. Langedyk, president Ralph Barton, first vice-president F. V. Cannon; and (front) recording secretary Mrs. W. Treahy, treasurer Mrs. R. Barton and corresponding secretary Mrs. T. G. Nye. (Staff Photo)

Phone rates up in March to meet cost of expansion

Bell Canada announced today that because of rising costs it has applied to the Canadian Transport Commission for approval of higher telephone rates and charges. The company has asked that the new rates take effect March 1, 1969.

Under the new exchange grouping system, part of the company's application, Acton will change from old rate group 5 to new rate group 4.

According to L. G. Denby, local Bell manager, the rate for individual residence service in Acton would increase from \$4.15 to 4.70 per month. Business service would go up from \$8.00 to \$10.00 for individual line service and the monthly cost of private branch exchange trunks would change from \$12.00 to \$15.00.

No change is proposed in the rates for customer-dialed long distance calls over 35 miles. Most calls requiring the services of a long distance operator will be higher.

In making the announcement, Bell president Robert C. Scrivener said, "Bell Canada telephone service is not only equal to the best in quality, but also among the least expensive in

the world." He pointed out that basic telephone rates have not been increased in the past 10 years.

"To do our job of providing up-to-date and reliable services to the public," Mr. Scrivener said, "we must have adequate financial resources. It is essential that telephone rates enable us to meet the cost of day-to-day operations, and make possible the financing at reasonable cost of the necessary facilities and research."

Bell officials emphasize that the company must spend substantial sums of money for research and innovation. This is vital not only to permit the

introduction of new products and services, but also to expand and improve the existing telecommunications network and meet the requirements of the public.

ACTON RATES		
Service	Present	Proposed
RESIDENCE:		
Individual	\$4.15	\$4.70
2 party	3.25	3.75
Multi-party	3.05	3.55
Extensions	1.00	1.00
BUSINESS:		
Individual	8.00	10.00
Private branch exch. trunks	12.00	15.00
Extensions	1.35	1.50

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Y's Men induct five members

November - membership month for the Y's Men - saw Acton Y's Men take positive action by inducting five new members into the club.

District Governor Don Israel, on his official visit with District Governor-elect Gene Fillebos, assisted an induction team composed of Elmer Smith, Walter Dubois, Ed Leatherland, Pat McKenzie and president Gary Bateman, inducting Lloyd Broostad, Alvin Clarke, Harvey Goodman, Ross Ribey and Frank Scott.

Gift for the Chinese Auction was won by Barry Cleland. Fines Master Bruce Andrews extracted a heavy toll from the membership, especially Bill Henry whose legal counsel Norm Elliott missed the session.

Highlight of the meeting was the presentation of a cheque for \$766.88 to the Y's Men's U.N.I.C.E.F. fund by the Student Council of the Robert Little school.

Rev. Gordon Turner of Trinity United Church will speak at the next regular dinner meeting of the club.

Make sure the crook is the only one gyped

General occurrences in town during the O.P.P. reporting week were considerably heavier than usual, 19 in all.

A case of shoplifting in the business area and a theft of outside Christmas lights were investigated and a number of youths were questioned and warned. There also was a report of a phony bank inspector in town. However, nobody was victimized by him.

The six-man detachment booked a total of 240 hours while the town cruiser booked on 680 miles. Two non-injury accidents were investigated and resulted in minor damages to the four cars involved. Four people were charged and nine more warned under the Highway Traffic Act.

Magistrate's Court in Milton on December 2 saw the majority of cases remanded until February. However, six people were convicted of various offences and paid a total of \$120 in fines and costs.

As the Christmas season draws closer, we would like to remind the public to beware of the swindler, the police urge. The Christmas season, as the crook knows, is the time of year everybody is purchasing and large amounts of money are being spent.

The phony bank inspector and different door to

door salesmen are there to get their share of your dollar. The past week saw one report of a phony bank inspector and there will very likely be more attempts.

It is up to the public to inform the police if any attempt to defraud them is made.

Merchants also, beware! The bad cheque passer and the short changer will be out in full force and attempting to take advantage of you in your rush affairs when you are busy and maybe not quite as observant as you ordinarily would be.

If you are careful and watch whom you deal with and how you deal with them, nobody should be gyped but the crook himself, and who cares about him!

Safety patrols trip to city

Safety patrol members from both public schools will see "Christmas Fairyland" at the C.N.E. grounds, Toronto, this Saturday. The group of 60 is leaving the arena at 1 o'clock by bus.

Going with them are Const. Bruce McArthur, Const. Roy Wood and Auxiliary policeman Leo Remer.

The trip is a "thank you" for the efforts of the safety patrols.

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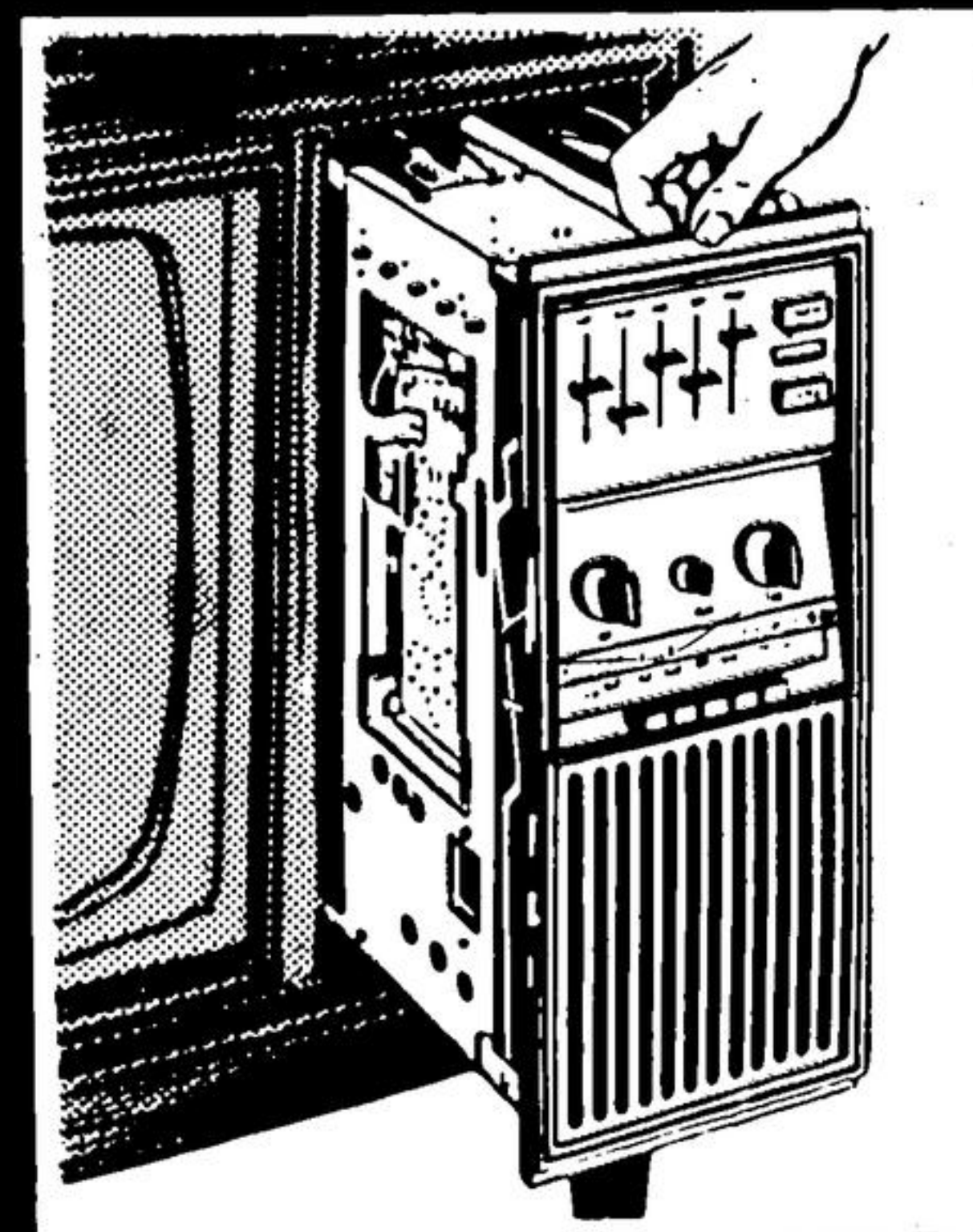
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