



A BOUQUET for the winner Public speaking judge Rev. Harry Dawson jokingly presents one of the props for the operetta to top-ranking Ricky Rocher Friday. Susan Shoemaker placed second in the field of seven contestants from Acton, Milton and Nassagaweya. The two Robert Little grade seven students proceed to county finals Friday in Oakville. — (Staff Photo)

50th anniversary celebration highlight of Lakeside year

The annual report of Lakeside chapter of the I.O.D.E. has been submitted to the Free Press for publication.

During the year the chapter held 10 regular meetings and two executive meetings in the Legion auditorium, with a total membership of 48, including five out-of-town members. The average attendance was 24. Membership was divided into six groups, each being responsible for programming and lunch for meetings.

The highlight of our year was the banquet celebration of our 50th anniversary, held in Knox Presbyterian Church, April 6. Over 120 members and former members attended. Mrs. W. R. Morrison, Provincial president, was guest speaker. She also presented five fifty year pins to charter members Mrs. Isabel Watson, Mrs. Lucy Walters, Mrs. Stella Adamson and Mrs. Marguerite Taylor, and also to Mrs. George Musselle.

Programs for the year were varied and interesting, including two pot-luck suppers and a picnic meeting at Halton County Museum when a doll, dressed by two of our members in 1867 costume, was presented as a centennial gift to the museum.

Mrs. Robert Kerr gave an interesting account of her trip to Britain which was made as a representative of Ontario Junior Farmers. She also showed slides of the rural areas of the countries.

Mr. Harold Denny showed slides of Expo and the Rose Bowl Parade. Two Bell Telephone films were also presented.

Two local teachers, Miss Cynthia Blade and Miss Vanessa Hussiam, spoke on their homeland, Trinidad. At another meeting we had a demonstration of liquid embroidery by Mrs. Doris Scoyne.

Our work in the community during the year included several



food hampers and parcels of clothing to needy families. Co-operating with the Rotary Club we distributed Christmas hampers to 30 needy families (which included 67 hand-made articles). Members assisted at the Blood Clinic and with C.N.I.B. and Cancer drives.

Again we had many entries in the local fall fair, and the prize money helped boost our funds. Our annual November bazaar, including our anniversary tea, was very successful.

Two flags were presented to Robert Little School. At commencement rings were awarded to the high school boy and girl with the highest standing in middle and upper school and a \$25 scholarship was presented. Thirty-six never-late never-absent certificates were also presented.

Donations were given to North Halton Music Festival, Decoration Day Committee, Canadian Legion Poppy Fund and Remembrance Day Wreath. Two flags were carried at Remembrance Day and one at Decoration Day parades.

The sick were remembered

with cards and flowers went to the bereaved.

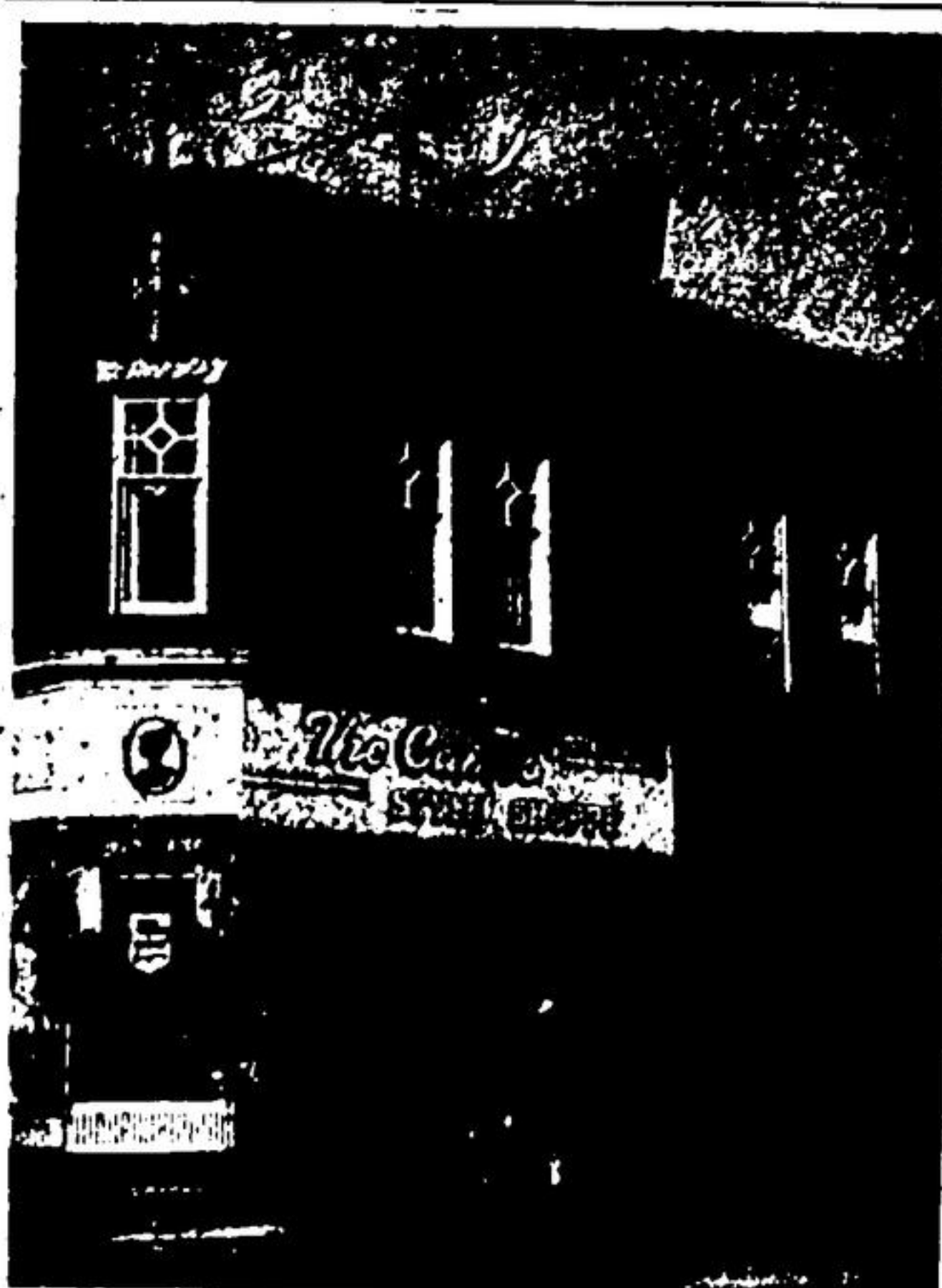
As a member of the National Organization we donated to the following funds: X-Ray for Korea; Commonwealth relations; Overseas Relief Fund; Peace Garden Fund; National Shipping; Korean Projects; Wilhelmina Gordon Foundation.

Provincially our donations went to: Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund; Special Representatives Fund; Canadian Scene; Services at Home and Abroad Shipping.

Our Services at Home and Abroad Committee inspired us to prepare a bale of 188 articles, including eight quilts. Hospital gowns were also made. Pocket books were shipped to armed services overseas.

1968 was a very rewarding year for Lakeside Chapter, and at this time we express our appreciation to our Regent and executive for their leadership and enthusiasm. We trust that the coming year will be as rewarding, and that the members will make every effort to contribute their talents to the work of the chapter.

Mary Hinton, Regent.
Kit Dowling, Secretary.



Watch out for new crosswalks!

ACTON'S ILLUMINATED cross walk signs are making crossing the highway safer for school children and all motorists. This one is at [location]. — (Staff Photo)

25,000 women raise \$1,000,000 annually.

I.O.D.E. celebrates its 69th birthday

On Feb. 13 the I.O.D.E. (Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire) will celebrate its 69th birthday.

The I.O.D.E. is a Canadian women's organization, which helps to contribute to the unity of Canada, and to the betterment of mankind. It is comprised of over 25,000 dedicated and enthusiastic women. This National organization raises and disburses annually a \$1,000,000 for education, emergency and disaster relief.

Over \$350,000 was spent on education, and it is interesting to note that this figure increases considerably each year.

Canadian schools receiving I.O.D.E. aid is an impressive 1,950.

All of the schools in the Northwest Territories receive substantial aid from the I.O.D.E. In order to combat the high drop-out rate in all of the eight secondary schools serving Eskimo and Indian pupils in the Northwest Territories, "Incentive Awards" are given to encourage the students to return

to school to complete their courses.

The Canadian arts continue to be supported financially and include the National Ballet, National Theatre School of Canada and the National Youth Orchestra.

It is encouraging to note the continued increase of membership in the Junior Chapters. The members have stocked a Dominica Bookmobile with over 4,000 books. Recently

Junior Chapters have acquired a new project called "Operation Surusikuluit" meaning "dear little people." Educational toys and supplies will be sent to all pre-school classes in the Northwest Territories.

I.O.D.E. assistance has expanded to include schools of nursing, art, music, teacher training, ballet, theatre, and to community colleges, schools of technology and design.

The work of the Commonwealth Relations Department is done mainly in education. This year two undergraduate students are studying medicine at Indian Medical Colleges. One student from Barbados is taking a post-graduate course in Canada.

Approximately \$60,000 was awarded from I.O.D.E. First and Second War Memorial Funds to provide post-graduate scholarships of \$3,000 each (for study in Canada) and \$5,000 each (for overseas study).

In the field of service over half a million dollars annually is spent at home and abroad \$372,000 was spent in Canada and \$170,000 overseas.

The I.O.D.E. continues to provide furnishings and equipment to assist such groups as the blind, handicapped and

aged. Donations to institutions include color TV, babies' cribs, hospital kitchen equipment, outfitting of a research laboratory, washing machines and hair dryers, heart monitor, hospital playroom, an organ and piano.

Practical, yet attractive clothing, is made in quantity for distribution both in Canada and abroad. In the past year 711 cases with clothes for the needy were shipped.

Recently a donation of \$1,000 from the National Chapter was sent to Dr. Elizabeth Cass to help institute a feasibility study re the possibility of the establishing of an Eye Research Centre in the Northwest Territories.

The work with the native Indian and the Metis people continues to expand. Close contact is maintained with the Friendship Centres. Food, clothing, games, musical instruments and furnishings are provided for their use.

The I.O.D.E. continues to be a strong and progressive organization. It presents a challenge to its dedicated members, and provides a satisfying outlet for their enthusiasm and willingness to serve wherever needed.

Don't leave keys in car O.P.P. warning

The first month of the year 1969 has proven to be very hectic. General occurrences and traffic accidents are up considerably over the same period last year.

The O.P.P. reporting week of February 2 to February 8, showed a slight slow down. Only seven general occurrences were investigated of which two were liquor violations.

One traffic accident was investigated involving three vehicles. No one was injured and damage was estimated at \$200.

Six people were charged under the Highway Traffic Act and another five people were warned.

Prov. Const. R. Wood lectured at the local high school. In attendance were 23 students.

Provincial Court in Milton saw 11 people convicted of various charges under the Highway Traffic Act and the Liquor Control Act. Fines and costs totalled \$372.

DID you know that it's not only against the law to leave your car parked in a public place with the key in the ignition, but is also an invitation to anyone who feels like it to hop in your car and drive it away?

May we point out that most of the cars stolen by inexperienced youngsters were left with the keys in the ignition lock - quite a temptation to a reckless kid. And at times, such joy rides end in a smash-up.

Make it a habit to always remove the keys when leaving your car even if it's only for a few minutes. Take out the keys - and remove temptation.

Free Press News Briefs

HOT CAKES couldn't sell faster than operetta tickets.

POLICE REPORT more liquor seizures and charges on the weekend.

HASN'T THIS winter lasted just about long enough?

SYD LAMB real estate and Dollar Daddy store both have new outdoor signs in bright red.

PRIZES in the Acton W. I. penny sale are on display in the Main variety store window.

A LARGE Canada goose has been making an out-of-season home in the Sixteen Mile creek just south of Milton.

SEVEN SCOUT troops from Milton, Oakville, Trafalgar and Palermo went winter camping on the sixth line in Nassagaweya. The 75 boys were at Oakville district's new Dufferin campsite. Milton Rover crew sponsored the unusual experience for the boys.

MILTON 878-3272

SHOW TIMES
Sun. thru Thurs. 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 7 & 9 p.m.
Sat. Matinee at 2 p.m.

THUR. - FRI. - SAT. FEB. 13 - 14 - 15

"FIVE CARD STUD" (Color)
(Dean Martin, Robert Mitchum)

"SULKIES & SILKS"

"INFERIOR DECORATOR" (Cartoon)

SUN. - MON. TUES. FEB. 16 - 17 - 18

ADMITTANCE
10 PERSONS 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER

"I A LOVER" (Color)
MONDO CANE

WED. - THURS. - FRI. - SAT. FEB. 19 - 20 - 21 - 22

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"ROSEMARY'S BABY"
MIA FARROW (COLOR)

SAY. MATINEE FEB. 22

"THE NUTTY PROFESSOR" (Color)
JERRY LEWIS
CARTOON

Acton District High School

presents

"PHUTURE PHREEZE"

WINTER CARNIVAL

NOW IN PROGRESS

AT

ACTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Tonight, Wednesday, Feb. 12

TORCH PARADE - 7.30 P.M.

Starts at Post Office - Ends at High School

- FEATURING -

Acton Citizens' Band - Floats - Clowns

- Beauty Contestants - Decorated Cars - Etc.

- SCHOOL PROGRAM -

• Queen and Float Judging - Skidooring

• Sculptures • Continuous Activities

Thursday, February 13th

BASKETBALL - SKATING - SKIDOOING - DANCE with Jerome Rufus Blues Band

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14th

VARIETY SHOW 8 P.M.

"FEATURING"

Our Singing Mayor Les Duby • Singers • Dancers

The Georgetown Barbershop Chorus and other Entertainment

- SATURDAY PROGRAM -

Full Day Program Beginning at 11 a.m.

• CHARIOT RACING • DOG SLED RACING • WOOD CHOPPING and SAWING

• ICE SCULPTURE JUDGING • YOBOGGAN RACING • SKIDOOING

and Numerous Other Activities including Skating

SEMI-FORMAL DANCE WINDS UP WEEK

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