

Dancers on stage Friday

This year Carol Wharton's dance recital was held in Ross Hall, Guelph, with nearly 40 young Acton dancers taking part. A large crowd attended last Friday.

(The Acton dancers again performed their share of the program for Lakeside I.O.O.F. members and their mothers on Tuesday evening in the Legion Hall.)

A charming highlight of the program was the Minuet, featuring Karen Brown, Corinne Andrews, Sherri Brace, Anita Lindsay, Susan Milne and Elaine Graham. These four and five year olds were presenting their first modern jazz dance.

Other characters were three and four year old beginners Tracy Currie, Tammy Dunn, Linda Oso, Robin House, and Tracy Allan. Other scene-stealers just completing their first term are Jamie O'Connor, Janet Rowe, Marie LaMarsh, Trevor Diggins, Heather McEachern, Jennifer

Rowe, Cindy Currie and Kim Bishop. Modern jazz was presented by high school students, including two beginners, Marnie Masales, Mary Jane Lambert, Margot Matheson and Susan McGiloway.

Others who appeared in several number, including a series depicting different

Minuet in Gee

countries of the world, were Susan Milne, Carol Marzo, Valerie Mitchell, Linda Deforest, Sandra Wood, Barbara Turkosz, Kathy Turkosz, Maria Griefeneder, Teresa McGiloway, Catherine Frizzell, Trudy Toebes, Kim Barber, Donny Woodward, Nancy Frank, Teresa Luty, Juanita Andrews, Yvette Hogan, Cathy Ann Brown, Alison Brace, Robin Marshall, Lynne McNaughton, Joy Musalle, Christine Pottier, Karen Barber and Cathy Chapman.



CARE TO DANCE a minuet? asks petite Elaine Graham of partner Helen Kockx at the Carol Wharton recital in Guelph.-(Staff Photo)



SHERRI BRACE and Susan Milne demonstrate how a minuet should be performed for the rest of the Acton troupe.-(Staff Photo)



CHERI LINDSAY and Karen Brown are still mystified by the steps but it wasn't long until they were performing.-(Staff Photo)

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Jim Peal killed Friday in Guelph car accident

A car accident in Guelph Friday night claimed the life of 23-year-old James Robert Peal of 219 Arthur St., Acton. His new model small car crashed into a traffic divider at Norfolk St. and Macdonnell about 4:20 a.m. and he was pronounced dead on arrival at St. Joseph's hospital.

A taxi driver reported the accident. The car was almost completely demolished. Jim Peal, son of Ada Lorraine (Elliott) Peal and William Hamilton Peal, attended Acton public and high schools and then Guelph Business College. He trained as a data processing operator.

He was a member of the Lorne Scots (militia) from 1961 to 1964.

Rev. H. Dawson conducted the funeral service at the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home on Monday, June 2, and interment was in Rockwood cemetery. Pallbearers were cousins Doug Scott, Hamilton, Grant Rusk, Rockwood and Richie Rusk, Guelph, and friends Doug Abercrombie, Guelph, Pete Homer, and Ray Toth of Acton.

He is survived by his parents, at Sarnia, sister Joy (Mrs. R. A. Smith) R. R. 5, Guelph and brother David W. Peal, Sarnia, grandmothers Mrs. George Peal of Guelph and Mrs. Stephen Elliott of Acton.

He had been staying in town with relatives lately while working in Guelph.

Jury likes our jail

For the first time in several years, there was a note of optimism in the Halton County Grand Jury report on the County Jail.

The jurors noted they felt maximum consideration is presently being given to the comfort, sanitation and convenience of the inmates "in view of the limited facilities available".

It was observed plans exist for the enlargement of the Governor's office, staff room and receiving facilities and the jury suggested the plans should be acted on as soon as possible.

The kitchen and food facilities

were listed as "adequate". Their recommendations included, however, establishment of recreation provisions for evening including a later lock-up, evening refreshment, piped-in music and also more frequent showers.

The governor and his staff were commended for their obvious consideration and concern regarding the welfare of the inmates and upkeep of facilities.

The jury also reported they were satisfied there were no persons being held in the jail who were not in the course of being tried or heard.

100 acres up \$270

Esquering tax hike hits farmer hardest

Ratepayers in Esquering township will have a healthy tax hike to contend with this year, despite re-assessment and a large increase in assessment.

Esquering Council set the residential tax rate at 59.03 mills at their regular meeting Monday night and fixed the commercial and industrial rate at 66.75 mills. There are slight variations within the three fire areas of Acton, Georgetown and Milton and a further change for street lighting in Norval, Glen Williams and Stewarttown.

A ratepayer with a \$5,000 assessment on his home will pay from \$50 to \$60 more in taxes this year, which will be partially offset by the provincial residential tax reduction which amounts to \$32.83 in the Acton fire area, \$32.48 in the Milton fire area and \$33.78 in the Georgetown fire area.

Farmers will be hit hardest by the tax hike which Esquering officials blame on the rising cost of education.

A typical farm of 100 acres with a \$13,525 assessment faces an increase of \$270 in this year's taxes, a

figure over which councillors have no control.

In the tax breakdown, the county has been slated for 5.56 mills from all farm, residential, industrial and commercial properties. For current township purposes, 8.36 will be levied on farm and residential property and 11.13 mills on industrial and commercial land.

With the new county school board, school taxes are lumped into single levies. For public schools, farm and residential levy is 26.84 mills and the industrial and commercial tax is 29.82 mills. For secondary schools, 18.26 mills will be levied on farms and residential property and 20.28 on industrial and commercial.

Esquering fire area No. 1, in need of a new fire truck, gets the highest levy of the three fire areas with a mill rate of 3.54 mills. Acton fire area No. 2 has a levy of 1.8 mills while Milton fire area has 1.15 mills.

On the slate for new street lighting, residents of Glen Williams will pay an extra 1.22 mills; Norval 1.20 mills and Stewarttown 2.50 mills.

Heavy trucks through Limehouse create "emergency"

Heavy traffic over an ancient CNR over-bridge in Limehouse has created what Esquering's Reeve George Currie termed an "emergency in our township." Presenting a 50-name petition to Esquering Council Monday night, Limehouse residents

complained that the load limit of 10 tons over the bridge is being completely ignored and the speed limit of 30 miles an hour through town is not being enforced. "The truck drivers are a real danger to residents, particularly children who use the bridge and road to and from school," said spokesman George Morrison.

Traffic through Limehouse has been heavy over the past month because of trucks from nearby

quarries being re-routed around the bridge construction on the 17th sideroad.

After the Limehouse delegation had left, Mr. Armstrong of Armstrong Quarries presented his side of the argument. He maintained that the situation was only temporary and when the new bridge is completed his trucks will be going down the 4th line to the 17th sideroad. He pointed out that very few trucks today could legally cross a bridge with a 10-ton weight limit, and suggested that the CNR should be required to provide a bridge to meet the need.

Mr. Armstrong denied that he had any control over the speed of his drivers through the village. "Unfortunately I employ people," he said. "They are employed on an hourly rate. Maybe they're hurrying to get to the next coffee shop."

Clerk-treasurer K. C. Lindsay says he thought the bridge was built around 1917, and was certainly not intended to carry trucks full of gravel. Road superintendent Bud Snow reported that the cement at the base had begun to crack and the piers looked as if they were starting to give way.

"There must be a law that says the CNR has to provide safe bridges," submitted Counsellor Ken Marshall. "Why don't we get Bud Whiting working on it?"

"No matter what way you look at it that bridge is important to us for school buses and local traffic. Our township trucks can't legally cross it with

the present weight limit," added Bud Snow.

Reeve Currie declared the situation a township emergency but maintained that it was not Council's responsibility. The

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99 today

JUST A YEAR short of a century old, C. K. Browne celebrates his 99th birthday today (Wednesday). Mr. Browne, the town's oldest merchant, holds many honors in the Orange Lodge.-(Staff Photo)

Neighbors meet in road

Two neighbors, both backing from their driveways, found their cars making contact in the road last Friday. The drivers were Mrs. Eileen Pratt, 125 Longfield Rd., and Brian Hammond, 126 Longfield. There was no damage to the Pratt car but the Hammond vehicle had an estimated \$90 damage to the left rear door.

Cons. Kresler investigated the incident about 1 p.m.

On Saturday at 12 noon another car, backing out of a driveway, was in collision with a car passing along the street. Drivers involved were Mrs. Jean McMullen, Mill St., whose car had \$85 damage, and Virginia Hubbell, Queen St., whose car received \$70 damage. Cons. Kresler investigated.

Monday evening another two car accident was investigated by Cons. Stafford. Cars proceeding east and west along Mill St. were in collision. Drivers were John Turkosz, Peel St., and Eligio Bilocco, Scene St.

Unusual problems during weekend

The tables were turned on an area man who phoned Acton police Friday night to complain his car had been stolen. He thought he had seen someone driving his car up the street.

The investigating officer discovered the man's car - parked right where he left it - and instead charged the caller with being drunk in a public place.

He has since been remanded till June 30.

Saturday evening about 11 p.m. the police had another problem with a novel twist. Three Kitchener "hippies" who were passing through complained that Acton youths were threatening them. There had apparently been a suggestion the Acton youths would cut the hair of the visitors.

When the out-of-town lads learned they would have to lay a charge and appear in court, they decided against it.



DECORATION DAY address was given by the Rev. Harry Dawson at Fairview cemetery Sunday afternoon. Assisting in the service were the Rev. A. H. McKenzie, the Rev. S. Thoman, the Rev. Gordon Turner, and Mayor Les Duby. A large crowd attended the 15th observance.-(Staff Photo)

Free rabies clinic

Free anti-rabies clinics for every municipality in Halton were announced this week by Halton County Council. The clinics will be held Monday to Friday of next week in nine locations, through the co-operation of the Canada Department of Agriculture, Health of Animals Branch.

All dogs and cats are welcome and there is no charge for the service.

Clinics are slated for Nantaweg and Milton on Monday, Kilbride and Burlington Tuesday, Homby and Georgetown Wednesday, Palermo and Trafalgar Thursday, and Acton on Friday. Times and locations are listed in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue.



PLAQUE VEILED and ribbon cut, Acton's new Music Centre awaits the official ceremonies Saturday afternoon. Tour of the building and a band concert followed.-(Staff Photo)