



ODD WAY to practice dancing? Dancers from the Joyce Carpenter group limber up at their first outdoor rehearsal during a park picnic Saturday. Bottom, left to right, Mary Lou Pendleton, Bonnie

Bristow, Mary Frances Marcoux, Cathy Ashley, Carol Pickles, Middle, Helen Robertson, Heather Reed, Becky Baxter, Pam Carnegie. Top Vicky Bristow, Kathleen Nolan and Julia Bowen.

Our Readers Write

Resident says odor makes him retch

August 19, 1969

The Editor,
Acton Free Press

Dear Sir:

For the third summer since I settled in Acton, I and my neighbours are plagued by a most offensive odor that arises around sunset on a hot, humid evening and continues in spasms throughout the night.

Things have again reached the stage where it is sometimes impossible to sit in the garden because of the stench and at bedtime, one is forced to close all windows before retiring. You can imagine trying to sleep in an airless room at about 82 degrees Fahrenheit.

Sometimes, if we are unwise enough to risk leaving the windows open on going to bed, almost invariably we are awakened in the wee small hours by a room full of vile smell. We are then faced with the alternative of closing all windows before going to the bathroom to vomit, or vice versa.

Although no part of Acton totally escapes, the concentration of smells seems to be in the Churchill-Longfield area. I have noticed sometime that when the smell is unbearable outside my house I can walk 100 yards up Churchill or Longfield and find the air almost breathable. For, perhaps for topographic reasons on a calm night our corner and the apartment site literally reeks.

Zoning the dump area for apartments was a most moronic decision by our planning board and the fact that council allowed the apartments to be built was equally stupid. To condemn upwards of 200 people to live in apartments in one of the smelliest areas in Ontario was in my opinion, morally criminal.

The stock answer to that is, of course, "No one is forced to live there," just as I was told by a senior Acton official after I had complained of something—"you can always move."

Unfortunately, while moving might solve my problem, it does nothing to alleviate the problem of our air pollution. A great deal

of time and money is being spent on anti-pollution measures these days and also on public health measures.

The Medical officer of Health for Halton County last year defined our pollution in approximately these words: "Any emission that causes discomfort to man or beast."

This problem is, I feel in both areas, particularly public health. Imagine a sick person or a tiny baby being forced to either sleep in smells reminiscent of a cesspool or alternatively, to swelter in a room with all windows closed on a hot humid summer night. I am in excellent health and I can't stand it.

Three summers ago in a letter published in this paper, I asked the mayor for a statement on the source of the pollution and what was being done to eliminate it. That statement, of course, was never made.

Today, I am again asking that the mayor or his spokesman issue a statement in the Acton Free Press next week regarding this pollution and again, what is being done about it, just to put

CHURCHILL

Residents return home from summer vacations

By Mrs. F. MacArthur
A Thankoffering service will be held on Sunday evening September 7 in Churchill Community Church. Rev. W. J. Murray and Mrs. Murray of Caledon Presbyterian Church will speak and show slides of their work they did while in India. The offering is to go to Mr. James Kirkwood of Ballinacree to aid his work in Zambia.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson of Guelph on the birth of a baby girl Peggy Lynn Irene on Friday, August 22, in Guelph General Hospital.

Mrs. Alfred Saunders has arrived home after enjoying a visit with relatives and friends in Cape Breton and Nova Scotia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clara Bragg, also Mr. and Mrs. Eric Lawrence of Toronto, visited with Mr. Alfred Saunders on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reid of Palgrave visited on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton and family.

Vern Denny and Brent Marshall returned home after an enjoyable trip touring Britain.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Taylor and children of Hampton spent a couple days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bob McEnery, Ballinacree, and Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Winn, of Acton visited their friends the Hayward families of Listowel and Atwood on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Smith of Kitchener, also Mrs. Lloyd Anderson of Powassan, visited on Sunday at their brother's home with Mr. and Mrs. William Dobbie.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Drysdale and son Mark of Brampton, also Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Marchmont of Hornby and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lindsay, Maria and Glyn of Georgetown, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Brown and family.

The Acton Junior Farmers enjoyed a hay ride and afterward a corn roast last Saturday evening at Gerry Dobbie's home.

Mrs. Don Anderson, Donald and David, and Mrs. Archie Kerr, attended the massed band concert held in the Canadian National Exhibition.

Mrs. C. W. McDonald of

Streetsville, Mrs. F. A. Williamson of Kansas City, and Mr. Evan McDonald of Carstairs, Alberta, visited at their brother's home with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald on Tuesday last. Evan McDonald who is back home visiting, stayed over for a couple days to visit friends of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson enjoyed a week's holidays at their cottage at Bracebridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Saunders, Norman and Stephen, also Miss Beverly Leitch spent a few days at the cottage on the French River.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer and Debbie spent a few days holidaying at Spartan Lake with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thiesen.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare MacArthur of Welland spent a few days at their brother's home with Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lawn, Robert, Paul, Philip and James of Scarborough visited last Monday with their Aunt and Uncle Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur. Mrs. Mable Baldwin also of Scarborough and Debbie Lawn of Karmloops, B.C. spent a few days at the same home and also with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy MacArthur and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Saunders, Linda and Donald spent two weeks vacationing in Nova Scotia with cousins.

See extra grants in the offing health merger is turned down

A proposal to establish Halton and Peel as a district health unit was rejected by Halton County Council on Tuesday. Introducing the resolution to delete the proposal from a committee report, Reeve A. Ledwith of Milton expressed objection to being "blackmailed" into joining another county to obtain additional grants.

Deputy-Reeve T. Tyler, Acton, supported the rejection, exclaiming "we shouldn't lose our individuality by jumping for grants." He suggested that

although all the arrows point to a Halton-Peel region, it would not take place if minister of Municipal Affairs Darcy McKeough listened to people at the local level, as he has promised.

"We say we want Halton as one region, and if we then say we are willing to merge health units with Peel, we will be defeating the purpose we are trying to achieve," Deputy-Reeve Arthur Speight declared.

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Long Week End

us newcomers and relative newcomers to Acton in the picture.

I would advise the mayor and council that now the "natives are getting restless." In other words, some of the apartment dwellers, as well as myself and my neighbors, are getting up in arms about these smells.

If no satisfactory answer is forthcoming, I personally intend to contact the pollution and the health authorities for Halton County and if necessary will go to the provincial authorities. A little publicity via the communication media might help our cause, too.

After all, we're not asking much. Just the right to be able to sit in our gardens or balconies in the evening or to be able to go to bed and leave our windows open and not wake up retching.

That's not so much to ask, is it?

Charles E. Wright,
188 Churchill Rd. S.

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Free Press Church Notices

CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Churchill Road North
Minister: The Rev. A. Walter Fosbury, B.A., B.D.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
10.00 a.m. - Worship Service.
Sermon subject, "The Labourer is Worthy."
All are invited to worship in the church on the hill.

ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH
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Pastor: Rev. Stanley Gammon
Rm. 144 Tidy Ave., Phone 853-1615.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
11.00 a.m. - Morning Worship.
Speaker, Mr. Stuart Burnham, Guelph.
No Evening Service during August.
Wednesday, 8 p.m. - Deacons in charge of the August prayer meetings.
"Study to show yourself approved of God."
2 Tim. 2: 15.
All Welcome

BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Minister - Rev. F. Brouwer, B.A., B.D.
Acton, Ontario

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
10.00 a.m. - English Service.
11.10 a.m. - Sunday School.
4.00 p.m. - English Service.
Everyone Welcome

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
The Rev. Gordon B. Turner, B.A., B.D.
Minister:
Director of Music: Dr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.

SEVENTH SEASON - COMBINED SUMMER SERVICES IN KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Preacher, Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie
SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
10.00 a.m. - Divine Worship.

EVANGEL PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
P.A.O.C. 33 Churchill Road
Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor, 853-2715.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
10.00 a.m. - Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. - Morning Worship.
7.00 p.m. - Evangelistic Service.
Evangelist Ella Parmenter will be guest speaker at both services.
Tuesday, 8 p.m. - Prayer Service and Bible Study.
Thursday, 8.00 p.m. - Christ's Ambassadors.
1 John 4, 10 - "Here in His love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His son to be the Propitiation for our Sins."

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81 Maple Ave., Georgetown
Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Lohnes

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
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11.00 a.m. - Morning Service.
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st, 1969
Trinity XIII
10.00 a.m. (One Service)
1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays - Eucharist.
2nd and 4th Sundays - Matins.
Saints Days as announced.

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