

OUR READERS WRITE:

Defend pot hole patching

Dear Sir:
In reply to Mr. Williams' letter in last week's paper regarding the patching of pot holes on Bower Ave., quote, "I for one protest this obvious waste of money and waste of workmen's time, who must have so many other important things to attend to."
Most people in town will agree that the so-called futile attempt to repair the road did in fact improve the road considerably, plus preventing larger holes that would have resulted in a major repair job later on.
He also stated that he hoped council would not repair the older part of town at

the expense of the taxpayers in the new subdivisions, but we wonder if Mr. Williams realizes that the older part of town contributed to the services in the Lakeview subdivision which enabled him to buy his home at a premium rate which has now doubled in price.
We wonder if Mr. Williams considers the job done by the town workmen in baling out his basement during a past spring thaw a waste of taxpayers' money and a waste of workmen's time?
Yours truly,
Town workmen

Moffat subdivision not approved

Dear Sir,
With reference to the article that appeared in your paper on March 18, 1970 under the heading "O.K. rezoning at Brookville" I would like to point out that I was erroneously quoted.
I would like to place on record that my statement should have read "The Draft Plan of approval was pending Health Unit approval."

I trust that you will correct the misinformation in both your Milton and Acton papers.
Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I remain,
Yours truly,
Michael P. Brodigan
Representing Moffat Estates

It can be done, Mr. Kierans

Not all mail service is poor. A letter, which included a clipping from the Globe & Mail of March 11, 1970, was mailed in Acton by Mrs. Laura Dietrich during the afternoon of March 11. The

letter was received by her son in Inuvik, N.W.T. - more than 3,000 miles away, at 5.30 p.m. on March 12. No complaints about that sort of service.

Spring brings out bikes

During the O.P.P. reporting week, March 15 to March 22, the men at the Acton Detachment while working 195 hours patrolled 605 miles.
It was a bad week for traffic accidents with a total of three being investigated. The total damage in the accidents was \$620, and minor injuries to two of the persons involved. One driver in one of the accidents was charged with "Driving while his ability to drive was impaired

by alcohol" and another was charged under the Highway Traffic Act. A total of 13 charges and 14 warnings was issued for various infractions of the Traffic Act.
Liquor offences showed a marked increase with two charges of impaired driving, two of minor consuming, and one of having liquor other than in a residence.
Bikes and tricycles are re-appearing on the town streets and sidewalks with the advent of

warm weather. Watch out for the young cyclists, especially this week while they are on holiday. They'll be a little wobbly after not using their bicycles all winter and many of them will be inexperienced learners. So, father, check out the youngster's bike and make sure brake, steering and tires are in good mechanical condition. And mother, give them a little safety lecture on the rules of the road before letting them out!

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GOLDILOCKS and the three bears was a featured attraction of the South Central Library System's puppet show, held as a winter holiday treat for youngsters, at the Acton Public Library, Tuesday morning. A large group of children enjoyed the show put on by puppeteers Judy McAnanama, Anna Anderson, Leon Bell, Myrna Prudek and Ia Roddy. (Staff Photo)

CAS pres. predicts

Foster parents of future more than substitutes

Foster parents of the future may be more than just substitute parents, outgoing president Warren Harding told the annual meeting of the Halton County Children's Aid Society at the Halton Manor auditorium, Thursday night.
Mr. Harding said he could envision professional training for foster parents, being introduced in the future. He also recommended the Society's long range planning committee give high priority to the need for more "group homes", where trained personnel prepare children for life's hardships.
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probation, 42 in foster homes, six in group homes, five in institutions, one in a free home and four are elsewhere.
Mr. Harding explained that some of the children in foster homes may need specialized treatment for emotional disturbances, however, and added "we could be looking at \$175,000 extra expense, if they were in outside institutions".
The Society has also begun a "play therapy" program to provide special treatment for children.
Dr. Gordon Askwith, director of the Society told the meeting he hopes something can be worked out in the near future to provide larger accommodations for his staff. "We need more space badly", he said.
Because the Society has more applicants for adoption than it can use, children from outside the county are also brought in and placed on adoption. The Halton Society increased the number of children placed on adoption from other societies by 20 over 1968, while the number of county children placed increased by five.

"This isn't Eaton's or Simpson's. You don't take a child, then expect your money cheerfully refunded if you bring the goods back", he added.
On account of the confidentiality of the work, Dr. Askwith pointed out the Society cannot always say what they're doing and said he would like to see members respond with letters to the editor, "when the press is frying us".
Society treasurer Barry Nicol reported an end of the year surplus of funds amounting to \$28,907, a surplus he said would be applied to reduce 1970 provincial and county contributions.
Dennis Toews was chosen to succeed Mr. Harding as president for 1970. Michael Irwin will serve as vice-president, Mrs. James Sprout as secretary and Mr. Nicol as treasurer.
Bob Blake, Mrs. Richard Harris, John Kane, Mrs. Paul Lanz, Doug Latimer, Harold Young, Craig Fraser and past president Warren Harding will make up the rest of the executive along with six appointed members of county council, including Warden Allan Day of Oakville, reeve Ron Harris of Milton and deputy-reeves Ted Tyler of Acton, Tom Hill of Esquesing, David Coons of Burlington and Gordon Agnew of Nassagaweya.
Two honorary life members of the Society G. Frank Thompson and Albert Walsom attended the meeting. Mr. Thompson conducted the election of officers.
A film entitled "Wherever There Are Children", explaining the work of Children's Aid Societies was shown following the election of officers.
Ladies of Knox Presbyterian Church, Milton, served coffee, tea and sandwiches.



LOOKING AHEAD with confidence to the task ahead of them are the newly elected officers of the Halton Children's Aid Society, left to right, vice-president Michael Irwin, president Dennis Toews, secretary Mrs. James Sprout and treasurer Barry Nicol. Eight citizen members and six appointed members of county council, were also named directors at the Society's annual general meeting in the Halton Manor auditorium, last Thursday night. (Staff Photo)

Parks Board briefs

At the regular meeting of board of Parks Management and Recreation Committee:
* It was decided to support minor soccer in Acton by obtaining soccer nets and goals and have one field reduced to regulation size for the leagues. Ian Galbraith and Mick Davis from the Acton Minor Soccer Association appeared to request help this season. Vice-president Galbraith told the meeting registrations this year would be extensive and beyond the help of the four or five interested individuals who carried the cost last year.
* The board received word from the Eramosa township that they have their own recreation committee and this made it impossible to contribute towards the Acton recreation set-up as requested.
* It was decided to allow Acton Hi-Flyers the use of the arena for a hobby and crafts show on May 2 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and also give permission for the club to hold a bake sale in conjunction with the show. Twenty-five per cent of the proceeds of the show will be turned back to the recreation committee. Hi-Flyer head Ron

Malcolm told the committee admission for the event would only be 25c and there were several clubs interested in helping out with the event.
* It was decided to extend the time limit for the Acton Chamber of Commerce model air show from 12 noon to 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. in the evening. Chamber president John Shadbolt and Rotarian Bill Pendleton were present to explain the noon hour start would not allow enough time to run off the events Sunday, September 6. Mr. Shadbolt said there were people coming up from the States for the show and it would be unfair for them to come that far and not be able to run a full program of events. He said the Rotary Club will help out with this year's show and it would be bigger and better than ever.
* The board decided to provide a coach's walkway, enclose the penalty box with chicken wire and divide the players' bench at the arena at the request of the Acton junior lacrosse club. Estimated cost of the renovations was not expected to exceed \$100.
* The financial statement for

Hospital will construct research barn near Homby

A vivarium (holding barn for research animals) will be constructed by the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children, on two acres of land near the Master Feeds research farm, north of Homby.
Contractor George Hobson appeared at Monday night's meeting of Esquesing Council to get approval for the building.
Since the use of the land will not be changed, the building will be in compliance with the township's agricultural holding by-law.
Mr. Hobson said the building will have a maximum capacity of 50 rabbits, 30 dogs, 30 sheep, 12 calves and 20 young swine.
The land was donated to the hospital by the Maple Leaf Milling Company of which Master Feeds is a subsidiary.
The town of Accident, Md. hasn't had a traffic fatality for five years.

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