



ACTON PRESIDENT Mrs. George Fryer and zone president William Fellowes of Aldershot were two of the chief organizers of last Thursday's Golden Age zone picnic, in the park. Also helping to make the day a success were seated l. to r. zone secretary Mrs. K. Richardson of Aldershot, Mrs. Agnes Forster of Oakville, Mrs. Mary Cutler of Aldershot and Mrs. Muriel Ellis of Burlington.—(Staff Photo)

Record crowd of 460 Senior Citizens enjoy zone picnic in park Thursday

By Mrs. Elsie Heed
A record crowd of 460 Senior Citizens gathered in beautiful Acton Park on Thursday, June 25 to celebrate Senior Citizen Week with a most successful zone 13 picnic.
The day was one of those rare perfect June days. The sun was warm but not too hot, the air was balmy beside the placid waters of Fairy Lake.
The parks board had the park in excellent condition and all the picnic tables set out, mostly under the trees with a choice of sun or shade, but more smaller tables and chairs had to be brought out from the arena to accommodate the unexpectedly large crowd of visitors who arrived by private cars and several buses from Aldershot, Burlington, Bronte, Brampton, Georgetown, Oakville, Streetville, Milton and Waterdown to join Acton Golden Agers.
The crowd gathered from 11 o'clock on and cheery greetings

were heard on all sides as old friends met again and new acquaintances were made.
After the usual frustrations were straightened out, president William Fellowes got the program under way and welcomed the members, and called on Mrs. Fryer to introduce Mayor Doby. The mayor had taken time off from his busy schedule to give an official welcome to the folks to the park. He said Acton town council had a soft spot in their hearts for Senior Citizens. (Now Acton Senior Citizens will be watching for evidence of this in the near future).
Tom Bradley, past president of zone 13, thanked the mayor for his kind welcome.
Each club was responsible for one item of the program. Prizes were cash vouchers bought from Eaton's with last year's collection. Each race or contest created lots of merriment for the onlookers and for those taking

part from the finding of the Mystery Folk—Prince Charles and Barbra Streisand—to the amusing fashions created from newspapers by the ladies as her male partner stood meekly while she dangerously prodded pins all around his form to produce some ingenious costumes.
Mrs. Jean Smith and R. L. Davidson carried off the second prize in this event. Mr. Davidson also tied in "judging the distance". Fred Wale was on hand with his huge dice game and Mrs. Florence Robinson was the surprised winner. Mrs. Graham and Mrs. McNabb drew prizes in the free mystery draw.
Mrs. George Hargrave of St. John Ambulance gave some care to a 92-year-old visitor, and another visitor who had a fall. Her presence was much appreciated.
Mr. Bradley moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Fryer and Acton Golden Agers for hosting the successful picnic, and to the park board for their help and cooperation.
The happy crowd dispersed early with pleasant memories of an enjoyable day spent with congenial friends in the beautiful park.



AMONG THE 460 Golden Agers enjoying the zone picnic in Prospect Park Thursday, were two members of the local club Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Finnmore.



CARD GAMES were the order of the day for a large number of Golden Agers, who attended Thursday's zone picnic here. Other games arranged, included a treasure hunt, balloon busting, thread the needle and kicking off shoes.—(Staff Photo)

Will erect fencing Sir Donald Mann Park

The property committee of Acton Board of Parks Management and Recreation Committee is to proceed with the erection of 1,000 feet of fencing in Sir Donald Mann Park. Maximum cost of the erection is to be \$400.

Material for the fence, to be erected parallel to the railway tracks has already been supplied by Canadian National Railways.

At Thursday night's board meeting, chairman Peter Marks emphasized erection of the fence should be considered a priority item, to ensure the safety of children playing in the park.

Mr. Marks also asked the property committee to consider extending the top part of the screen on the baseball diamond, after vice-chairman Bob Laughlin reported receiving a complaint from a nearby resident about balls carrying over the present screen into her property.



MAYOR LES DUBY welcomed the 460 Golden Agers who attended the zone picnic at the park, last Thursday. Zone president William Fellowes of Aldershot served as master of ceremonies for the program.—(Staff Photo)

Steelworker calls for higher old age pension

Speaking to the executive of local United Steelworkers of America, the financial secretary Ross Britton of Acton said he felt the Federal Government should give consideration to an immediate and substantial increase

in the basic amount of the old age security pension and allowances. Since 1966 when the present old age pension benefits were established, the cost of living has gone up by 15.7 per cent while pensions have only gone up by 6.1 per cent — they are now 9.6 per cent behind, he said.

Mr. Britton pointed out that 51 per cent of Canada's one and a half million old age pensioners are drawing the guaranteed income supplement on the basis of a means test and 31 per cent are drawing the full amount of the supplement. In order to draw this supplement, one must be below the poverty line and have literally nothing else.

He felt that as these people needed the money, it would be spent almost immediately therefore putting it back in the general economy which in turn would help ease the present recession in the country.

Promote Sgt. Grant Inspector

Staff Sergeant W. G. Grant, a former commanding officer of the Milton Detachment OPP, is being promoted to the rank of Inspector and transferred to the traffic division at General Headquarters in Toronto.

He will be replacing Insp. H. G. Wilkins who has been promoted to the rank of Chief Inspector in a five-man shuffle at GHQ following the retirement of Assistant Commissioner J. L. Whitty.

Staff Sgt. Grant's promotion is effective July 1. He is presently serving as commander of the Oakville Detachment OPP.



Believe non-toxic Still investigating chemicals from trail

Halt County Health Unit is still investigating the type and possible dangers of a quantity of chemicals found dumped along the Bruce Trail near Speyside last month. Mrs. Wil Fortowsky, Hwy. 25, reports they still have received no word on the toxic content of the chemicals.
The chemicals were sent to the Ontario Water Resources Commission Laboratories for tests, said Halton MOH Dr. J. H. Chamberlain. "The primary tests proved the chemicals to be non-toxic, thus of no danger to anyone's health."
An acquaintance of Mr. Fortowsky was out walking when he found the quantity of chemicals dumped along the Bruce Trail.

He immediately alerted Mr. Fortowsky, fearing with all the rain at the time the chemicals would seep into the wells of area homes. The compounds varied in color and consistency, some powdery, others coarse. "Some of the labels read 'DANGER IF TAKEN INTERNALLY'," said Mrs. Fortowsky.
The Health Unit promised to let us know just how dangerous or harmless they were. They seem to be passing the buck lately. We've tried to contact them and have received no word. It would have washed into our water supply whether it was merely soap suds or not."
Tests still continue on the compounds.

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