

# Don't need airport now:—pilot's head

Mayor Les Duby of Acton, vice-president of the influential Central Ontario Regional Development Council, and chairman of the conference speakers' committee at the recent conference at the Cara Inn, Milton, said this year's event was a highlight with speakers of the highest calibre.

Most startling development to come out of the conference was the statement from Captain John Gallagher, chairman of the Canadian Airline Pilots

Association, that another airport was not needed at this time.

Captain Gallagher, a nephew of Gordon Gallagher of Burlington, surprised the conference by saying that no matter where they went as pilots the facilities in Canada equal anything in the world. He said even his son figured out that the new aircraft being introduced into service with sophisticated landing gear which could land on smaller space than present jets, would reduce the demand for a new

airport.

Captain Gallagher also shot down the concept being touted in Toronto that Lake Ontario would make a suitable site for a landing strip. He granted that the federal government should be planning ahead for acreage for the new jetport but figured it would be many years before it would be needed, especially with the present expansion at Malton.

Garbage shredder

Another development touted at the conference which Mayor

Duby found particularly interesting and impressive was a waste disposal system which shreds garbage and turns it into humus suitable for use. Practically odorless the cost is also within the reach of individual municipalities.

"It was a real good presentation," said Mr. Duby, "and officials at the conference were impressed. I think it may be the answer to the garbage problem."

"I don't think anyone at the

conference wouldn't want to know more about shredding garbage," the mayor thought.

Although cost can be entertained by a municipality, the mayor thought the idea would be more appealing on a regional basis, with costs almost negligible.

Four objectives

There were four objectives for the conference:

First . . . To inform the corporate sector of the regional community of the present status

of the proposed provincial concept, and to discuss it and its alternatives.

Second . . . To alert the financial section of the regional community to the needs of the members of the community who will be implementing the concept, and to ensure that the financial groups understand the direction of travel the concept is taking.

Third . . . Help the

municipalities to ensure that the final concept produced will be one in which they may play a useful and constructive part and indeed that they can play the part assigned to them under the rules created for them.

Finally . . . Inform the provincial government of Ontario of the findings of this conference and obtain public participation in the preparation and presentation of this advice.

There were also strong

indications from Peel and Halton officials at the conference that the two counties would attempt to step out on their own as units of regional government.

For Mayor Duby it was a trifle annoying that this concept should have been done two years ago and things like a shredded garbage machine already in operation on a regional basis.

The mayor also said that was little thought about where money for the projects would come from.

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### Safety harness saves

Whistles at Beardmore and Co. last Thursday signalled an emergency on the huge drums which tan hides.

An employee slipped on the rope of his safety harness and plunged into the drum suspended by the straps. Fortunately Robert Guyett received only bruised ribs from the mishap and after treatment at the doctor's office was able to return home.

The drum was empty and awaiting a load of hides when Mr. Guyett slipped through the grating pulled aside to receive the load. Safety co-ordinator Les Duby said the accident could have been more serious.

### Monster pics shown on TV

Pictures of the Fairy Lake monster were shown on the late news on CKCO TV 13, last night (Tuesday).

Sports announcer Brian Goff's commentary on what is presently known about the creature prompted many enquiring phone calls to the station.

Anglers from across the province are reportedly eager to try their luck at capturing the mysterious monster.

Acton Chamber of Commerce officials are hoping no one will succeed before their annual Sportsmen's Show in September.

### CNIB plans drive here

Once again the Canadian National Institute for the Blind is looking for assistance from the public during its annual campaign. Acton at present has six registered members who benefit by contributions.

Blitz date is set for Monday, June 28. A planning meeting with a film is arranged for St. Alban's parish hall June 22. Members of the Lions club will be assisting this year.

For the '71 campaign, the CNIB is stressing the thought "Blindness is always sudden. Whether it begins gradually or happens overnight, the problems it creates are immediate. Prevention of blindness and rehabilitation or retraining of newly blind persons is a community problem, not an individual one."



Outstanding students, athletes

ACTON DISTRICT High School's outstanding students and athletes were presented with trophies last week. Award winners are front row l. to r. Mary Fran Marcoux, junior girls' basketball, Joe Petric, outstanding all-round student, Shirley Mitchell, outstanding female athlete and senior girls' basketball. Second row l. to r.

are, Randy Weldon, soccer, Barbara Beier, outstanding typist, Bob Andrews, cross-country, Craig Weldon, hockey. Back row l. to r. are Steve Van Fleet, junior boys' basketball and Phil Morris, outstanding male athlete, track and field and senior boys' basketball. — (Staff Photo)

### Open centre Thursday

The Centre, a recreational centre for young people will open tomorrow (Thursday) night in the Y.M.C.A. building.

Acton's new summer

recreational co-ordinator Brian Campbell will supervise at the centre, which is being sponsored by Acton Parks and Recreation Committee.

### Loitering charge laid

As a result of repeated warnings, a Guelph youth has been charged with loitering in Acton. The charge was laid Sunday.

## Confront Minister with school costs

Nassagaweya Township carried their education tax problems to the Minister of Education Robert Welch yesterday afternoon (Tuesday). Deputy Reeve Don McMillan and Cal McIntyre met with the minister and presented a brief they had drawn on behalf of Nassagaweya Council.

The brief points out what the township feels is an inequitable education tax system. It compares four properties in the

township to another four in the town of Acton. While the township property owners' education bills have increased from 35 to 214 per cent since 1967, in Acton four samples used in the brief show the education tax dropping by an average of two or three per cent.

Entirely unfair

The brief says the load the municipality is carrying is entirely unfair. The township blames the provincial equalization factor as the cause

of their ills. They suggest a factor be applied to the township as it relates to the county.

The brief points out the sale of residential subdivision type property has very high dollar volume, as do apartment and industrial buildings and when they along with true farmlands are sold they create a predominant value which has a bearing to value.

Few such sales

The brief explains the township

has had very few sales similar to those mentioned and notes that in the sales that do occur are built such values for things such as trees, rivers, views, landscaping and logs which are not assessable items and produce a low ratio of assessment.

The brief requests money be given from the province to the Milton board on behalf of the township until a better, more equitable way of apportioning the cost of education in the county is found.

## Lots of interest no sale as yet for Mason Knit

Although there has been plenty of interest shown in purchasing the Mason Knit plant, there has been no sale so far, according to accountant Neale Trewartha who along with Vernon Paige is in charge of disposing of the plant's inventory.

The company laid off 130 employees over the last few weeks, calling some back at various times to help dispose of the inventory. Hope was guarded but strong that a buyer will purchase the financially-

embarrassed plant and get it operating again at its full potential.

There have also been inoffs at the Building Products plastics plant on Main St., which makes the employment situation in Acton bleak at this time, especially for women, who constituted most of the Mason employees.

Rumors have been rife that the Mason Knit plant has been sold but so far there has been no confirmation from official sources.



John McDonald

### Radio, TV arts grad

John McDonald, Radio Television Arts graduate, was among more than 1,400 graduates receiving diplomas from the chairman of the Board of Governors, R. G. Reid, and President D. J. Mordell at the Spring Convocation at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto.

Mr. McDonald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell McDonald, R. R. 4, Acton.

He is employed at Eatons in Toronto.

He attended Bannockburn and Lamehouse public schools and Georgetown and Acton high schools before attending Ryerson.

### Car rolls men hurt

Two men were treated for minor injuries at Milton District Hospital Saturday evening, following a one car collision on Highway 25 near Speyside.

Glen Warren Maracle, 34, of Milton sustained injuries to his left shoulder and ear, and a passenger Gordon Park, 39, of Brambleton, suffered abrasions to his chest and ear, when their car careened out of control on Highway 25 and rolled over several times.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$3,500. Constable Jim Hodson of Milton OPP investigated the accident.

### Drag racer dies after crash

A 20-year-old Richmond Hill youth has died in Toronto Western Hospital, of injuries suffered following a freak accident at Toronto International Dragway on June 5.

George MacIntyre Jr. died of brain compression, following an accident where his speeding dragster careened out of control and flipped over, crushing the youth's skull, at the dragstrip on Esquesing's Fifth Line. The youth also sustained other minor injuries in the mishap.

Milton OPP had not been informed of the accident until June 12, a day after the young man's death, when they were informed by Downsview OPP officers of the coroner's report.

## Only a Dad!

(For Father's Day, Sunday)

Only a dad with a tired face,  
Coming home from the daily race,  
Bringing home the daily race,  
Bringing home the daily race,  
To show how well he has played the game  
But glad is his heart that his own rejoice  
To see him come and to hear his voice.

Only a dad, neither rich nor proud,  
Merely one of the surging crowd;  
Only a dad, but he gives his all  
To smooth the way for his children small,  
Doing with courage, stern and grim,  
The deeds that his father did for him.  
This is the line that for him I pen,  
Only a dad, but the best of men.

### On TV

Tonight (Wednesday) at 10.30 p.m. on the CBC program Vacation Canada. Frank Freeman's farm is included in the program. The CBC crew has been at his farm taking pictures

## Warden Oakes bails out Reeve at garage opening

Halton County Warden Dr. Frank Oakes galloped to the rescue with a pair of his own surgical scissors Friday night, when it was discovered nobody remembered to bring a pair of scissors to Esquesing township's brand new ultra-modern works garage.

Reeve Tom Hill used the scissors to snip the ceremonial ribbon and officially open the 5600 square foot, four bay garage, described by planner Don Tefft as one of the best equipped in the province.

Officials attend

Warden Oakes, Deputy-reeve Russell Miller, township roads superintendent C. E. "Bud" Snow

and Bruce Newington, representing the Department of Highways, who provided 50 per cent of the funds for the building, also officiated at the ribbon cutting, highlight of a gala open house attended by of township residents.

Members of township council were on hand to greet visitors and Bob and Corey, a musical combo, played for those who wished to dance. Girls from Glen Williams United Church C.G.I.T. helped serve coffee and doughnuts. Ballpoint pens were also passed out, compliments of council, to commemorate the occasion.

Best of ideas

McCarthy Construction of

Georgetown began work on the building about a year ago, after Mr. Tefft of Phillips Planning drew up plans.

"We looked around at works garages in several other townships, then took the best of ideas and put them all together," Mr. Tefft explained.

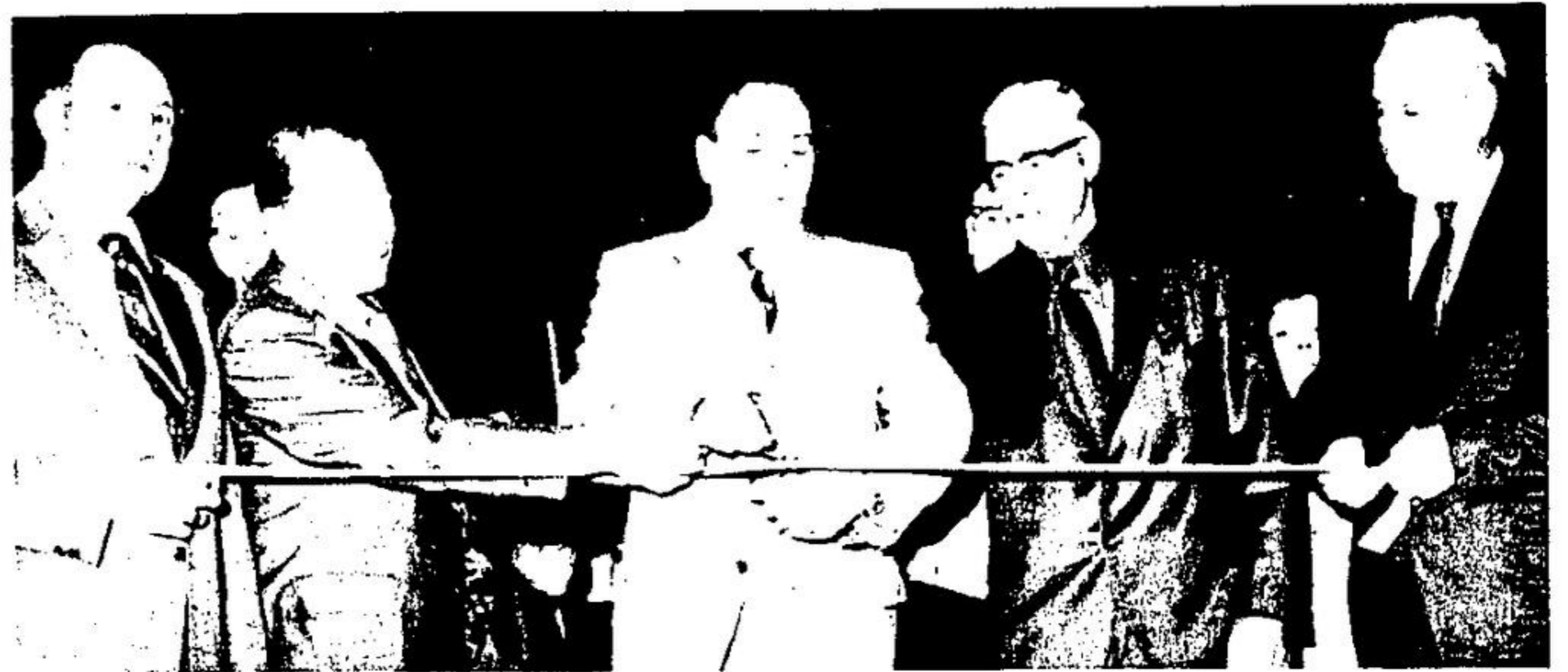
Warden Oakes called the new building "the envy of the whole county." He congratulated council on being able to finance construction over a two year period without debenturing.

Room for 12

In addition to two separate garages which can hold a total of 12 vehicles at one time, the two storey building contains a

spacious carpeted office for the roads superintendent, two upstairs lunch rooms, a large washroom complete with showers and several storage rooms. Sliding doors on the garage entrance are painted green. The words "Esquesing Works Garage" are mounted on the east end wall in huge red letters and can be easily seen from the Seventh Line, which passes the township offices.

Mayor Bill Smith and deputy-reeve Art Speight of Georgetown attended the event, while deputy-reeve Garnet McKenzie and councillor Earl Masales represented Acton.



ESQUESING REEVE Tom Hill cut the ribbon to officially open the township's brand new works garage Friday night. Also officiating at the ribbon cutting ceremony were l. to r.

Deputy-reeve Russell Miller, Department of Highways official Bruce Newington, roads superintendent C. E. "Bud" Snow and Halton County Warden Dr. F. G. Oakes of Acton.