



Mayor draws that lucky number . . .



LUCKY WINNERS of an all expense paid trip to Nassau, Bob and Barbara Ashby, 14 Cobblehill Road received their tickets from Paul Nielsen following the draw Saturday

Cobblehill couple bound for Nassau

A Cobblehill Road couple, Bob and Barbara Ashby, will be taking a free trip to Nassau sometime between now and September, courtesy of Acton merchants.

The Ashbys, who have lived here only two years, were the grand prize winners in the merchants' 20 week shopping contest.

Shoppers filled out coupons with every purchase at participating Acton stores. Each week 75 names were drawn and put into the master drum to become eligible for the grand prize. Remaining coupon holders were eligible for \$10 prizes.

Draws coupon

Mayor Les Duby drew the lucky Ashby coupon from the master drum in front of the municipal offices Saturday afternoon. Merchants Paul Nielsen and Don Lindsay assisted at the draw.

Bob Ashby is a water works employee with the borough of Etobicoke, while Barbara is employed with the H. K. Porter Company in town.

Neither was at the afternoon draw, but both hurried downtown for pictures, when Don Lindsay telephoned to tell them the good news. They'll try to arrange their holidays so that they can make the trip together.

Money too

The grand prize includes \$200 spending money and assorted other privileges upon arrival in Nassau.

Consolation prize winners of \$10 vouchers were, Ethel McMullen, Mrs. L. Davidson, Shirley Swackhammer, E. Frystax, Irene Mackay, L. Marshall, T. N. LeBlanc, Reg Adams, Babe Roszell, K. Heptner, Mrs. M. E. Favro, M. Mellor, Elsie Favro, Ted Brankiewicz and Javald Sheeth.

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Arrest man in Milton charge fraud scheme

After two incidents of bank fraud here in Acton last Friday, a Toronto man was arrested by the Milton police later in the day for the same offense. He will be charged by Acton, Milton and other towns for bank fraud.

The 30-year-old man had opened accounts at the Bank of Commerce and the Bank of Nova Scotia here a few days previously with a fictitious deposit. Then he

withdrew money from the account, according to police.

Both bank managers phoned the Acton police Friday when the fraud was discovered. At one bank he had withdrawn \$250, at the other \$320. A Telex description and information on his methods went out immediately. When he attempted the same thing in Milton bank authorities recognized him and

contacted police. He did not give any resistance when arrested by two constables.

(A similar occurrence happened here several weeks but the accused was harder to catch.)

Police note there is a considerable increase in the incidence of bank fraud in the province.



Hold that note, please

FAMED DUTCH SINGER, known as the Singer without a Name, holds a pear-shaped tone for Holland Canada Club executive members Jules Fryters of Acton and president J. B. (Ben) Reis of Milton. The real

Mary Cerlaar, the singer headlined a Dutch troupe touring Canada for the past two weeks. They were entertained at the Fryters' home on Mill St. Sunday evening. Turn inside for the story. —(Staff Photo)

Cities dictate D.S.T. — Greer

Councillor Jack Greer made his annual protest at council meeting Tuesday night, again opposing the by-law designating Daylight Saving Time. The by-law stating the dates for the changeover is a yearly affair, but councillor Greer makes sure it isn't automatic. He votes "against" at each reading.

There should be a ballot on this, Mr. Greer grumbled. "We don't have a say in it at all. We're just dictated by the cities." "You fellows forget!" admonished Mr. Greer, a council oldtimer. "We had to go back because the city of Toronto went back." "We're being dictated to . . . just like regional government!"

Councillor Marks agreed it was foolish for council to discuss it at all.

Reeve Oakes recalled a province-wide proclamation had been turned down when many municipalities wanted to maintain some independence.

Daylight Saving Time begins April 30, lasts till October 29.



SPRING must be on the way. At least the crocuses in the garden of Cy Perkins, Alice St. seem to think so.—(Staff Photo)

Parks, recreation ask for \$47,387

Acton Parks and Recreation Committee is asking town council to spend \$31,666.81 on recreation and \$15,718.21 on parks in the coming fiscal year.

The recreation figure includes a \$12,000 deficit from last year, and \$5,000 for a recreation director, whom Councillor Peter Marks has suggested the town should hire. Half of the \$5,000 would be recoverable in a government grant.

Chairman for Thursday night's parks and recreation meeting, Councillor Orval Chapman said he feels the budget would be handed back by council "just as sure as spring is coming."

Council chopped a much smaller parks and recreation budget, presented last year.

Wants meeting

Marks said he would like to see council explain reasons for cut-backs at a meeting, attended by parks and recreation members. He suggested only two parks and recreation members take an active part in the meeting, but that the entire committee be allowed to attend as observers.

"This committee spends a good 10 hours every year preparing a budget and I just don't feel it's right to have 10 hours work go out the window with one stroke of a pencil," he charged.

the committee dropped close to \$7,000 on revenue it expected to receive last year. Public skating revenue was down \$1,000, while miscellaneous hockey took a \$2,300 dip.

Marks belittled any suggestion the committee should attempt not to raise the ire of council by presenting the high budget.

"There's an excellent chance any politician who tries to please all the people all the time, is not doing the job he's supposed to," he warned.

Committee members Hugh Patterson, Barry Insoe and Gil Malcolm were absent, when the budgets were approved.



SHOULD ACTON ANNEX LAND to the East? This was the subject of a hefty discussion at the regular meeting of Planning Board Thursday evening. Mayor Les Duby would like Acton to annex 1,000 acres of Esquesing land including the acreage shown in this aerial photo by Jack Carpenter looking east from the Glenlea subdivision.

Power corridor has serious flaws CCC charges in brief to Premier

Over 30 representatives of different municipalities were in attendance when a brief from the Coalition of Concerned Citizens was presented to Premier William Davis Monday afternoon.

The brief accompanied a 5,084 name petition asking for review of plans for a major Hydro transmission corridor from Pickering on Lake Ontario to Nanticoke on Lake Erie. Many townships in this area would be affected by the proposed line including Erin, Eramosa, Caledon and Nassagaweya.

Lee Symmes of Terra Cotta, chairman of the CCC, presented the brief to Mr. Davis and John Schreiber the list of names.

The group reported they were very well received by Premier Davis and Minister of the Environment James Auld. "We were given more time than we had anticipated," said Mrs. M. Tizard, R.R. 2, Acton who was among the delegates

from the CCC at the meeting. Also with the group from this district were Mrs. Elizabeth Hoey, Miss Martha Hoey and Mrs. Joyce Barnes from Nassagaweya township and Vic Johnson from Eramosa township.

Serious flaws

The brief explained that the CCC is convinced Ontario Hydro's proposed 500 kv transmission corridor has serious flaws and should be examined before an objective Commission of Inquiry. The group also contends that the Cabinet has been ill-advised by Ontario Hydro in the matter.

The brief stated, "We do not profess to be technical experts and can be readily 'snowed under' once the discussion gets beyond the realm of common-sense and into the realm of technology." However, it also stated that a public examination by unbiased experts has not been

made to ensure that the best and most acceptable compromise between efficient and economical power and the conservation of the quality of life in Ontario has been achieved.

Many of the Coalition's members will be affected by the route of the proposed line, some losing houses and others out-buildings, others chunks of land. The group criticized Ontario Hydro's apparent reluctance to discuss the matter and the criteria used to arrive at the chosen route. They suggested Ontario Hydro's method of operation is outdated in a democratic state.

The CCC suggests that laying underground cable is the norm in New York state and the United States but that Ontario Hydro has deliberately turned its back on undergrounding by choosing a voltage which they are incapable of burying for any distance. Although the status report on the

Toronto-Centred Region endorsed the Parkway Belt for transmission lines, the CCC charges Ontario Hydro has ignored it.

No bunching

The brief also states that although it is energy policy to normally avoid bunching of EHV lines in a single right of way for security reasons and the New York Public Service Commission defines "visual saturation" in terms of three towers abreast, the Ontario corridor will have five towers abreast, each tower carrying one circuit.

"Ontario Hydro states they have designed the line to minimize the impact on the environment but in the rolling moraine country north and west of Toronto the proposed Hydro route marches in a straight line for over 30 miles, many of the miles being skylined from all southerly approaches."

Although the provincial

government enacted a statute to protect the Niagara escarpment area with a high rating for the Halton-Peel area. "Ontario Hydro's proposed route climbs slowly up the escarpment at an acute angle, finally crosses the crest north-west of Cheltenham and then parallels the crest on the skyline for several miles," which would have maximum impact on an area of unique character.

In conclusion, the brief states that although Ontario Hydro has emphasized that the 140 mile 500 kv transmission line is absolutely necessary to transmit power from new generating stations to the commercial and industrial heartland of the province, the proposed corridor is nowhere good enough.

The brief states the route and corridor would impose an unnecessary hardship on the people of Southern Ontario, and proposes setting up a permanent body to hold a full public inquiry.

There will be at least two more nights of committee meetings before the town budget is ready to come to council, Reeve Oakes told council Tuesday night. It probably won't be ready for the next regular council meeting.

Two items councillors hoped would be included in the budget came up for discussion—councillor Marks introducing the Elizabeth Drive improvements and councillor Elliott a grant to the centennial commission.

Legality problem

Legal boundaries on Elizabeth Dr. have still not been determined and lawyer C. F. Leatherland is on holidays, council learned. However, councillor Massias told Mr. Marks the matter should be settled soon.

Mr. Marks wanted assurance the work was being included in the budget. Councillor Greer assured him the project still had priority.

Mr. Marks explained "we all know the legality will be settled after the budget so I raise the point" to make certain it was included.

"It'll all come out at budget time," soothed Mr. Greer, who was chairman for the committee of the whole meeting of council.

\$100 for centennial

After attending the centennial commission meeting, councillor Elliott reported to council "I have the impression they're severely strapped for funds." He suggested a motion granting them a sum of \$100. Deputy-reeve McKenzie said he'd rather see it termed an "advance on budget."

Reeve Oakes, chairman of the finance committee, said he'd like

to know the whole amount wanted. How many \$100's will there be?

There has been no direct request for funds, said councillor Coats — no direct approach or budget presented to us.

The mayor objected strongly. I've been asking since January, he said. After some of the committee attended a council meeting the mayor said he took the matter to committee. "I made it clear they'd like an advance until budget . . . they've had nothing forthcoming as a tentative sum on which to operate."

The mayor said the committee could very quickly come up with a sum. He is a member of the centennial committee.

A motion to advance the centennial committee \$100 passed unanimously.

Tax payments

Clerk-administrator Joe Hurst reported to the full council that at the budget committee meeting the night before approval was recommended for four further payments of taxes. The dates would be announced, as close as possible to the old dates. Council approved the recommendation. (There will be six instalments this year, replacing the four of previous years.)

Councillor Marks wondered about the extra cost involved in having extra collection. Is it "minimizing the profitability?" he wondered. Mr. Hurst felt most of the extra work was paper work in the office.

Deputy-reeve McKenzie added this would be offset by convenience to the ratepayers.

Georgetown GO by '73

A Go transit type commuter service will use the existing Canadian National railway line from Union Station, Toronto, to Georgetown via Weston, Malton, Bramalea and Brampton, beginning in 1973.

A spokesman for the Department of Transportation and Communications said the decision to introduce the service

followed the preliminary reading of a federal government report two weeks ago. The report assessed the potential of rail lines in the Toronto area for commuter transportation.

The Toronto-Georgetown route is expected to receive substantial assistance from the federal government.