



"LET'S SEE HOW MUCH GUTS the Free Press has", a downtown merchant said one morning last week, with a challenge to take a picture of debris along downtown streets.

-D. Pink Photo

O.P.P. report

The reporting week of August 13 to August 20, 1972, proved to be a busy one for the officers of the Acton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police.

A total of 26 general occurrences and two motor vehicle collisions were investigated.

Of the general occurrences investigated, there were two reports of vandalism, three reports of theft, two complaints of assault, two disturbances and liquor law violation. The remainder ranged from reports of suspicious persons to requests for assistance.

A Montreal woman has been charged with "Fraud" as a result of an investigation into the passing of counterfeit travellers cheques. Investigation revealed that a number of cheques had been cashed throughout the area.

Officers are presently investigating three theft reports. A total loss of \$125 has been reported.

A Rockwood man's car was completely demolished when it collided with a telephone pole after the driver lost control. The driver was charged with "Careless Driving" as a result of the collision.

Parents! Motor vehicle collisions are the greatest single cause of death and injuries for infants and children. Whenever your child rides in the family car, make sure he's properly protected by a restraining device.

Drivers!—Keep in mind that vacationing school children will be returning to classes shortly. Keep a watchful eye for young children playing along the shoulders of the roadway.

Prov. Const. Paul Brown

ROXY THEATRE MILTON advertisement listing showtimes and plays like 'The Groundstar Conspiracy' and 'FROGS'.

Preserve downtown core says Coats opposes move of Credit Union office

Councillor Bill Coats said Tuesday he was opposed to allowing Acton Community Credit Union from re-establishing their business offices from the present downtown location to one on Queen St. where Mae and Andy's Restaurant is located.

Councillor Coats said it was another step in the decentralization of downtown Acton—a move which would let something else out of the downtown core.

feeling about council. We should tell the merchants what our plans for the development of the town will be. We either should "protect" the downtown or go after a big plaza.

Coats remarks were made following the disclosure that the Committee of Adjustment had received an application from the Acton Community Credit Union to enlarge and change the use of a legal non-conforming use.

"Why go from one non-conforming use to another?" Coats asked council Tuesday night. He voted against the resolution which registered no objection by council to the change.

On the other side of the coin, they (Credit Union) are renting where they are and the new place will allow them better parking facilities," said Deputy Reeve Garnet McKenzie.

Mayor Les Doby said council did have a concern for the downtown merchants. "In spite of our stores are being closed," he said, "and we are not consulted because it is a private enterprise area."

The deputy reeve said if development was restricted to downtown rents would go sky-high. And Councillor Peter Marks

said economics played a part in the Credit Union decision to get new quarters out of the downtown area. "The price to get competitive facilities downtown would be up to 30 per cent higher and we can't make any business spend thousands of dollars to conform," he declared.

"We've seen the Credit Union grow in Acton and their need for

more room" Councillor Norm Elliott said. "They are handicapped downtown now and need to relocate to larger quarters. We didn't quibble when the banks wanted to enlarge."

Councillor Coats said he was concerned about the downtown as recent articles in the Free Press had been. But he was the lone objector to the motion not to oppose the application.

Obituary

Paratrooper in Italy, James O'Rourke dies

Funeral service was held from the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home for James Edward O'Rourke of Acton who died Sunday, August 13 at Guelph General Hospital, in his 54th year.

James O'Rourke was born in Stewartstown, Tyrone, Ireland, to Hugh and Annie O'Rourke, and came to Western Canada at the age of 35, moving to Acton when he was 35.

In 1939 he enlisted with the Highland Light Infantry at Galt. Later, during the war, he was among the Canadian and American paratroopers who were picked for the special American Paratroopers Force.

During his time in the armed forces he served in Canada, Great Britain and the central Mediterranean area. He was honorably discharged October 30, 1954, in Toronto. He was awarded the Italy Star, Defence Medal, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, the War Medal and the 1939-45 Star in recognition of his services.

His post-war career led him into the well drilling field as owner and operator of his own business which serviced Halton and Peel Counties for over 14 years.

Mr. O'Rourke is survived by his wife, the former Dorothy Frank, two daughters, Dorothy Ann and Karen Elizabeth and a son James Edward. Also surviving are three brothers, Thomas of Rockwood, Desmond of Acton, and Hugh of Alberta, and three sisters, Mrs. J. Sykes of Alberta, Mrs. Winnie Howard and Mrs. Ella Maxwell, both of British Columbia.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. Pallbearers were Gordon McConnell, Walter Cole, Bill Frank, John Oosterhof, all of Acton, Desmond O'Rourke, Camp Borden, and Bill Dawe, Toronto.

Flower bearers were Horace Blyth, Bill Findlay, Alex Frank, Bus Chisholm, Herb Cook, Eric Schubert, Henry McLeod, Hugh O'Rourke and Gordon Dawe.

Expect increase in students

It is expected there will be more than 2,800 daytime students at Sheridan College this year—up 600 from 1971-72. The original enrolment projection was 2,550.

In a Registrar's report, John Bromley stated the college has received 2,100 first year student confirmations already, in addition to at least 700 returning students in the fall.

"The increase in enrolment," said President John M. Porter, "represents the largest increase in student numbers in any year in the history of the college."

Quality programs We attribute this accelerating growth rate to the high quality of programs developed to meet students' needs and to the effective relationship between college and community, says Bromley.

The college started operation on one campus in Brampton in 1967 with 400 students enrolled in almost 20 programs. Sheridan is now located on seven campuses throughout Halton and Peel counties offering over 70 full-time programs.

This increased growth rate of 2,800 brings student enrolment to the level originally predicted for 1973-74.

SHERIDAN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY ANNOUNCES. Lists various programs like School of Business and Secretarial Studies, School of Applied and Liberal Studies, School of Visual Arts, and Technology Division.

Limehouse

Visitors from Holland

Mrs. A. Benton Mr. and Mrs. George Howes of Vancouver were recent visitors with cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Norton.

About 35 persons attended a miscellaneous shower for bride-to-be Miss Beth Karn, in Limehouse Memorial Hall on August 15. Miss Jackie Crichton and Mrs. Merv Smith were hostesses.

All enjoyed a tasty lunch served by the committee and their families.

Newlyweds Congratulations to Jackie Bos and Henry Hesselink who were married in the Georgetown Christian Reformed Church on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Smits of Lieshout, Holland visited her brother, Mr. A. Swinkles, his wife and family. The Swinkles family holidayed in July at Shawanaga. Congratulations to the Acton Free Press in winning three awards in the Better Newspaper Competitions recently.

Pass skating tests in July

Three Acton girls attended summer skating school in July in Chatham, and were successful in passing tests.

Cindy McGiloway completed her bronze dances, passed her bronze free style, first figure and first dance in senior bronze. Robin Marshall passed her second figure

and received her bronze medal for dances. Sharon Barber passed her second figure.

Across Canada The school was sponsored by the Chatham Figure Skating Club and was attended by young skaters from all over Canada. Trudy Amelia is the pro at the Chatham club.

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