Hallowe'en,

anniversary

Ballinafad

By Mrs. R. Shortilli

family attended the golden

wedding anniversary family

dinner of Ruth's mother and

father, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred

Thompson. The celebration was

held on Saturday night at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. E.

Anniversary

Ballinafad friends called at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie

Kerr on Sunday afternoon to wish

Hallowe'en dance

night was well attended. Many

given. All enjoyed the music of

Mr. and Mrs. George Oakes of

Sympathy through this column

is extended to the families of the

Toronto visited Mr. and Mrs.

Richard Shortill on Thursday.

Jeff Berry and his orchestra.

Anderson.

anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Shortill and

WRITE: READERS OUR

Need candidates for municipal office

The Editor. Acton Free Press.

Dear Mr. Editor;

With your co-operation I would like to register an appeal to the citizens of Acton to give serious consideration to our upcoming municipal elections.

1973 should be the most important year in the history of our town, relative to expansion and growth of social and public works programs. The unprecedented growth in our assessment of 1972, accompanied by income from land sales should be in excess of \$100,000 and (provided the existing council does not incur too high a deficit) finally enable our 1973 municipal council to possibly lower or hold the tax rate, and also provide improvements to any needed municipal services.

I am concerned about the apathy being encouraged by those in our community who are suggesting that 1973 will only be a year for marking time prior to the implementation of regional government. Our town must be strong to reap the benefits of

regionalization and the 1973 council will have this as one of their main objectives.

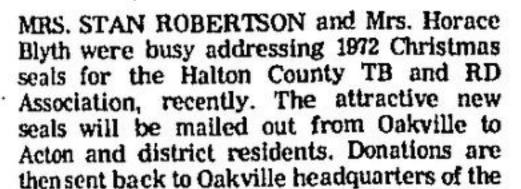
I would therefore strongly urge any person who feels they can contribute to the administration of Acton next year, to declare themselves as a candidate for any of the nine offices being contested. Any person who can think objectively and who has a sincere social conscience resulting in a desire to improve and administer community services has ample qualifications to meet the responsibility.

Equally important is the individual responsibility of all of us to become informed and then to register a vote on December 4. Don't let the over-saturation of the federal election campaign dampen our enthusiasm for this vital re-appraisal of our local administration.

I sincerely hope the Chamber of Commerce will continue their fine tradition of sponsoring a Candidates' Night to ensure that all interested voters may have the opportunity to become better informed.

Yours very truly,

P. E. Marks, Councillor.



TB and RD Association at 184 Balsam Drive. The ladies addressed almost 1,000 envelopes and stuffed the letters at the R. R. 1, Acton, Blyth home. Proceeds go to help fight emphysema, asthma, bronchitis and related diseases as well as tuberculosis.

---H. Coles Photo

The town engineer was to applications made to the inspect the wet situation in the Y committee of adjustment for basement and submit recommendations for repairs.

Beatrice Hilts and Mrs. Wm.

New homes Mr. and Mrs. Ernle McEnery Wm. Stuckey 853-2269 have started building their new

home on the 7th line. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett are also beginning a house on the former

Blue Mt. school grounds. A new roof has been completed by Mr. R. Grundy on the barn of

the former David McEnery farm.

a fine new stock building on his

Mr. Clarence Allan has erected

Erin fair prize list contained the names of several Ballinafad

exhibitors.

Congratulations

them greetings on their wedding Graduation pictures and commencement exercises in Acton included several of our The Hallowe'en dance in the former Blue Mt. pupils. We con-Community Centre on Saturday gratulate them - Irene and Ursula Fiedler, Nancy Swindlearrived in costume. Prizes were hurst, Sheila Jamieson, Beryl McEnery.

WEDDING late Mr. John Kirkwood; Miss YOUR WEDDING STORY IN COLOR BY

Relieve congestion with by-pass

The Editor, Acton Free Press.

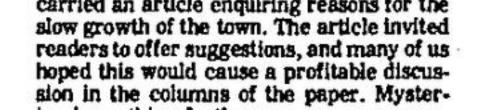
Dear Sir: Some time ago, the Acton Free Press carried an article enquiring reasons for the lously, nothing further appears.

It does appear without any reference to thought to aspects of the town life that could

Did you ever try to drive along Mill Street in certain hours of the day (not on Mondays) and find large vehicles parked on either side of the road, with a Gray Coach Lines bus trying to get through what is then single line traffic? Such congestion cannot bring joy to the hearts of the merchants for the long line of parked cars effectively prevents further parking.

Why do we not have a by-pass road? Such serious congestion is the bane of travellers going through who always remember a town by its amenities.

> Yours sincerely, G. A. Harrap.



individuals, the council might give serious show improvement.

Let's talk about

HORSES

with Jennifer Barr

All this talk about wild stallions

lately has reminded me of one of

the most exciting events ever to

Lipizzan stallions of Austria

when they toured the North

American continent. Now, a lot of

people saw these horses perform

in 1964 but very few had the

honour of meeting each stallion

personally. It all went like this:

coming of the Spanish Riding

School and we immediately sent

for tickets. Dressage is one of my

big interests so a trip to see these

most highly trained horses was

awaited with much anticipation.

Even cowboy Mac was keen to

see this famous performance.

director of the Spanish Riding

School, who was then in Toronto,

requesting permission to visit the

stallions backstage after the

great man would find time to

answer and was not surprised

However, on the Saturday that

we were due to drive the 60 miles

to Montreal (we were living in the

Ottawa Valley), the phone rang.

The long distance operator asked for me personally and a sweet

Friendly little boys

But I couldn't wait until the

We pushed our way backstage

party. How incongruous!

and down to the stables there to

find we were to be shown around with the Austrian Ambassador

Cowboy Mac and terribly pregnant me mincing along the

red carpet with the Austrian

What a surprise to find that

none of the 20 white stallions were confined to their stalls but were

popping in and out to visit each

other and their grooms.

Ambassador!

bigger event after the show.

when he didn't.

receive us.

the truck.



marvelled that these curious

stalls with ears back and tails

Travelling home in a daze, I made great plans for getting the pregnancy over with, polishing my saddle and de-burring my mare. We would take dressage icssons and set the world on fire.

Well, eight years later, two set the world on fire yet.

gentle pets were actually stallions and there was no animosity between the horses Grooms cleaned the 200 year old suede saddle as one horse Two months before our son was casually licked his freshly polished bridle. born, Mac and I read of the

What a difference in the friendly plump little boys pottering around like cubs at camp and the glamorous playboy Morgan stallions chained in their

Just on a whim, I wrote to Colonel Alois Podhajsky, the show. I never dreamed that the

> pregnancies are over, the saddle polished, the mare de-burred and the lessons taken. But I haven't

I chatted with Neopolitan Shana, discussed politics with Siglavy Gora, admired Maestoso happen to me - our visit to the Merurio's new shoes, and

council Monday night passed a

An offer to purchase by Mr. Nielsen and Mr. Civiero for approximately 50 acres of land in the industrial park, bordered by the CN tracks and Highway 25 (Main St. N.) was first made public at last week's regular meeting of council, Cost was not divulged but the Free Press learned it was in the neighborhood of \$60,000, comprised of \$3,000 an acre for serviced land and \$1,100 for unserviced land.

meeting was a resolution to petition the Department of Transportation and Communications for interim payment of road subsidies of \$93,791.70.

Authorize

agreement A special meeting of Acton

by-law authorizing the mayor and clerk to sign an agreement with Paul Nielsen and Gino Civiero for the purchase of land in the industrial park, providing it is approved by the town solicitor and engineer.

Sidewalk repairs Also passed at Monday's Brock, Willow, John, River and

Two members of council were absent at the regular meeting Tuesday of last week, Reeve Oakes and councillor Greer.

Councillor Chapman presided for the committee of the whole session. For the first time, representative of a delegation used the new furniture provided in the council chambers. A table near the front of the room is to be used by anyone addressing council. Ted Tyler Jr. of the

Municipal Council

ACTIVITIES

development commission had the honor. (This part of the council meeting was reported in last week's Free Press.) Councillor Masales reported the public works committee was disappointed to discover another holdup in the building of sidewalks on Elizabeth Dr. The town engineers had recommended that

the construction of sidewalks on

Elizabeth Dr. should now be

delayed until the road is

reconstructed and storm sewers installed. Council accepted the committee's recommendation to begin engineering for the reconstruction of Elizabeth including sidewalks, curbs, storm sewers, and servicing of future building lots on the south side.

Church St. Council also accepted the committee recommendation that the engineer begin engineering for Church St. from Main St. S. to Ave. for the reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs and completion of storm

"Now the community has seen Bower Ave. they're going to pressure us for Church," commented deputy reeve McKenzie.

Superintendent Duby was also authorized to spend up to \$5,000 to repair sidewalks on Park, Lake,

(Repairs at Acton arena have just been completed.)

LIP grants

building lot.

Council had no objections to

severances of property on Main

N. owned by Don Timmings and

Queen owned by Mr. and Mrs.

David Dawson. The purpose of

both applications is to create a

Clerk-administrator Joe Hurst reported he has forms and regulations available for Local Initiatives Programs grants. Councillor Marks wondered if these funds could be used to improve the storefronts on the main streets. Mr. Hurst said the money could not be used to enhance private enterprise, or increase value of property.

Police needs

Corp. Bob Arbour of the Acton detachment of the O.P.P. had attended a committee meeting of council. Discussed were the need for a filing cabinet, enforcement of town bylaws, the problem of the police washroom also being used by the public, and a bicycling violation.

A garbage container on Main St. N. across from the library was to be removed since it had been

Mid-Span TV cable company has submitted a verbal request to install cable service complete with tower on the Alteo Construction condominium property. At council committee meeting there was no objection as the installation will serve only one property.

Arena grants Council endorsed a resolution from Whitby requesting substantial capital incentive grants to municipalities for the repair of existing arenas or the reconstruction of new arenas to provide economic stimulation in the winter. The resolution resulted from the recent enactment of a

bill for the protection of people in industrial establishments which brings arena structures into safety regulations. It should be retroactive! councillors commented wryly as they approved the motion. SPECIAL PURCHASE

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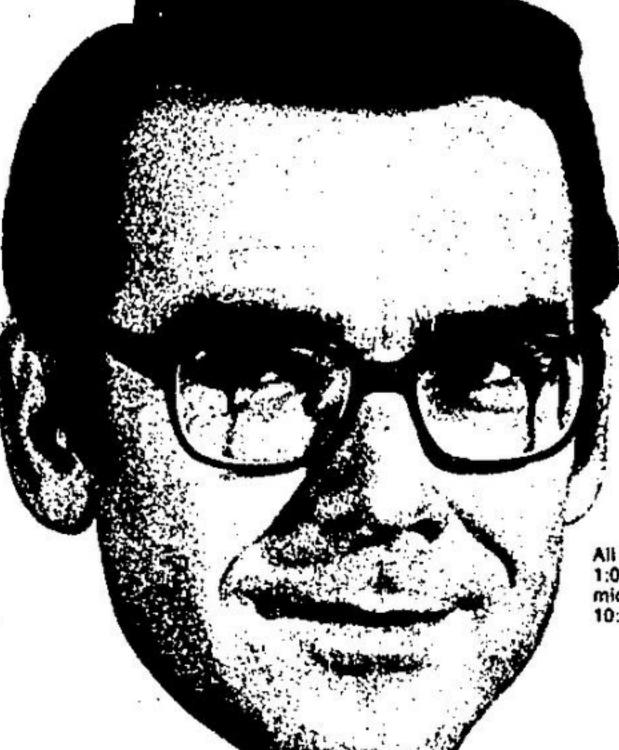
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The thinking man's friend...Bill McVean

If Bill McVean had a single mission in life, it would be stimulating people to think, "What you believe is important," Bill explains, "but even more important is that you've thought it through. However, if you can't change your mind once in a white, you're not thinking!", says he.

He advocates that people shake out prejudices once a month because they may be surprised to discover they've changed their views on some of them. "There's little virtue in consistency for consistency's sake!" is the way he puts it.

But, of course, Bill McVean is a man of many parts. Thinking all the time makes his head ache so he also plays music, eyes the current scene in a quizzical way and adds his own deft touches



All good listening! Weekdays: 1:05 to 3 p.m., 11:30 to midnight, and "Dialogue" 10:05 a.m. and 6:50 p.m.



Podhajsky verbally encouraging his horse. Never, as long as I live, will I see a rider like him. We were equally interested in New or Used Cars two Morgan stallions lent for the AL'S GEM THIS WEEK tour by Mr. and Mrs. C. Ferguson of Rhode Island. "Broadwall 1970 CUTLASS S.two goor Drum Major" and "Parade" hardtop. V8 automatic, P.B. & happened to be great grandfather P.S., radio, W / W tires, wheel and great uncle of some of our discs, Maroon with black borses.

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