# Race for reeve creates interest in Esquesing election

Electors in Esquesing township will be looking at a busy ballot when they go to the polls December 4 to choose the men they want to handle the township's business for the next two years (or less if regional government is introduced). Following the deadline for nominations Monday, the board

in the township offices in Stewarttown showed there will be races for reeve, deputy-reeve and

Only W. A. "Bill" Lawson, who has represented Esquesing on the Halton County Board of Education since its inception was returned to office by acclamation.

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Nassagaweya

Deputy-reeve Russell Miller's decision to challenge incumbent Reeve Tom Hill for the township's top elected post has created what is likely to be the most interesting contest in

Esquesing in recent years. Hill has scored landslide victories in his last two trips to the the polls in a six man race for polls, beating Jim France for the

deputy-reeve's seat, by better than a 2 to 1 marginin 1968 and defeating challenger Malcolm Freeman by a similar count in a race for reeve, following the retirement of George Currie in

employees of the Domtar Paper Company in Georgetown. Miller has been equally popular with township voters. He headed

three council seats in his first try in 1968 and scored a comfortable 241 vote victory in a three way race for deputy-reeve in 1970. Both Hill and Miller are

Veteran returns In a last minute surprise,

former Councillor C. F. "Pat"

Patterson has come out of retirement to challenge Councillor Len Coxe for the position of deputy-

Patterson served three years on Esquesing Council before being unseated in the 1968 election. He did not run in 1970. Coxe topped the polls in his first attempt at election to municipal office in 1970. He is a painter and

decorator and lives at R. R. Georgetown, near Ashgrove. Mr. Patterson is vice-president of Swift Chemical Company. He resides at R. R. 2, Norval.

Five run Newcomers Malcolm Freeman, George Haltby and F. J. "John" Cartwright join incumbents Wilfrid Leslie and Dick Howitt in a five man race for three council seats.

Seventh Line just north of the two occasions, losing to George at R. R. 4, Georgetown. Currie in 1968 and to Tom Hill in

Running for council for the first time in 1970, Mr. Malthy finished last in a field of six candidates. He is a salesman for the Atlas Alloys firm and resides on the Third Line, north of Acton.

Chairman of the Pinegrove Ratepayers' Association, F. J. "John" Cartwright is making his first try for elected office. He is marketing services manager for the Ampex company, which produces magnetic recording instruments. His home is on the Ninth Line, just south of 10

Councillor Leslie boasts as much municipal council experience as the rest of the Mr. Freeman, who lives on the candidates combined. He has served 14 years, eight as a township offices unsuccessfully councillor and six as deputycontested the position of reeve on reeve. A farmer, Mr. Leslie lives

Councillor Howitt polled an event,000 votes to gain a seat on council in his first try in 1970. He is a lawyer, who commutes to Toronto daily from his residence, the old Scotch Block House, on 10

### From grey to white

three "man" affair. The present

Deputy Reeve, Don McMillan

against Reeve Anne MacArthur.

After a month of grey, everyone woke up to whiteness Tuesday. This part of the country was covered in swirling snow, hurling in from the east all day

Most were caught without snow tires and there were many problems, mostly minor, for drivers all day.

Town workmen were out sanding early.

The children were delighted, making snowballs and slides immediately. Snowmobiles and skis were out for the first time at

At least it makes a big change from constant grey. Previous weather compaints included the depressing statistic there had been rain every Saturday for the past five weeks.

# Racing fan stricken

A 58-year-old Preston man suffered, a fatal heart attack as he was about to enter the racing stadium at Mohawk Raceway Thursday night.

Milton OPP said Borden Proctor had driven his car into the racetrack grounds, paid for his parking, and was walking into the building when the seizure took place. The attack occurred at about 7.50 p.m.

Mr. Proctor, who had previously been suffering from heart trouble, died at the racttrack. His body was taken to Milton District Hospital. His son,

### Meet the candidates

A meet-the-candidates night will be held for Nassagaweya voters on Friday, Nov. 24. The event will be held in the Brookville Hall and will start at 8 p.m. A question period will follow the

Three vie for reeve Nassagaweya; The race for the decided to go after the Deputy Reeve's chair has turned into a Reeve's spot. His only challenger is newcomer Hugh P. MacMillan. Competing for the three seats on and former Deputy Reeve Council are incumbent members Gordon Agnew will be contesting J.C. McIntyre and Arthur Gibson and newcomers Gerald Webbe, Councillor James Watson has John Henry, Mrs. Elizabeth Hoey

and Russell Powadiuk, The township's representative on the Halton County Board of Education will be Tom Watson. Watson represents both Nassagaweya and Acton on the board. There were no challengers for his spot.

# Burning bed wakes resident

Prompt action by Acton Firefighters averted what could have been a serious fire at the home of Leonard Porte, 28 Church St. W., in the early hours Monday morning.

Mr. Porte awoke about 4.30 a.m. to find the bed he was sleeping in on fire. He was able to smother it with bedclothes before calling the fire brigade. He was not injured.

The fire, of unknown origin, destroyed the mattress and bedding and also caused smoke damage to the house. Portions of a stairway mat were also burned, when firefighters dragged the burning mattress downstairs. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson

and their two children reside in

the lower level of the house. Mrs. Johnson is Mr. Porte's sister. The building is owned by Paul Nielsen. There was no Insurance on the destroyed materials.

Firefighters answered a call to the Fourth Line of Esquesing Saturday afternoon at 4.45, but were unable to find a car which was reported to be on fire.

Twelve accidents occurred in the North Halton area patrolled by the Milton OPP during the week of Nov. 5 to Nov. 11, report

The collisions involved 14 vehicles and caused an estimated property damage of \$6,770.

# Credit Union reaches magic 1,000 figure

Thursday's board meeting of Georgetown, holds membership **Acton District Community Credit** Union was proceeding normally when one of the directors leaped to his feet, expelling words of

He said he wasn't in pain, but had just remembered the membership of the Acton community Credit Union was well past its one-thousandth member.

The board agreed this figure believes. represented another milestone in the life of the credit union. Linda Harris, a resident of

number 1,000. There won't be a ticker tape

parade for Linda but the credit union will swell her share account a little as an appreciation of her patronage.

To quote the Beatles-"With a little help from some of my friends" - there is no reason why number 2,000 should not come up some time in 1973, the board

> -John Last, Director.

# who was contacted by police. Christmas contest made a positive identification. Christmas contest

Actori Hydro Commission will again sponsor a Christmas lighting contest for homes in town.

First prize will be \$75, second \$50 and third \$25 for the best decorated homes in Acton, it was decided Thursday.

Commissioners recognized there had been some criticism of judging in the past and proposed to lay out terms of reference for judges, which would make the job easier.

Commissioner Ted Tyler also suggested the commission should consider spending money on the fast approaching centennial. "A few people are doing a lot of work on this and don't get enough credit. And we should make this an occasion because I'm sure none of us are going to be around for the next centennial."



Fridays and Saturdays

# Emergency landing here for four balloonists

To see a huge balloon travelling overhead was surprise enough, but district residents were even more surprised when one began to make a steady descent north of town Sunday morning. Turbulence caused four balloon voyageurs to make an emergency landing in a field owned by Lloyd McEnery, next to Waldies' Maple Lodge home at Churchill.

A truck which had been following the balloon from the ground tracked them to the field promptly and packed the balloon and its passengers on.

The three young men and a girl

from Guelph explained they had been ballooning from Guelph to the airport when turbulence aloft made them decide to land. The Waldies and others attracted to the field could hear the hiss of escaping air as the four made their descent into the field. Their basket was six or seven feet high and was loaded upright on the

The balloon was a bright red

"It was a funny sensation at first," said Mrs. W. Waldie, who was one of the first to see the incident." You wondered if you were being invaded from Mars!

But it was very interesting. Now I'd like to have a ride in one,

Use binoculars

The incident happened shortly after 10 Sunday morning. Some neighbors farther away were watching with the ald of binoculars.

The balloonists chatted with their spectators and then, as they left, thanked them for their hospitality and interest.

Another balloon cruised over this district from Rockwood when a brewery sent up its promotion balloon for the Old Tyme Fiddlers contest.

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