



THROUGH SNOW, SLEET, AND RAIN, one of Acton's newest businesses, Halton Furniture and Appliances on Queen St. Eastwood delivered flowers and a message of welcome Tuesday to Jake Kulken, co-owner of

Modern furniture store addition to new plaza

One of Acton's newest businesses is the Halton Furniture and Appliances store located at the new plaza on Queen St., in the east end of Acton.

Owners Jake and Jennie Kulken have taken over a double store in the plaza and using both the street level and downstairs turned it into an attractive and modern outlet for furniture, stereos, radios, freezers and a variety of small electrical appliances.

furniture store and we anticipate the east end of town will experience considerable growth in the years to come," said Jake about his newest venture. The couple lived in the Acton area for several years and have become well known. They have Mrs. Fred Gordon working in the store for them and helping to arrange the furniture tastefully.

One of the store's features is a downstairs sound room where TV and stereo equipment is joined by radios and other sound

equipment. Kitchen and bedroom furniture is also displayed in the downstairs showroom.

Upstairs they have displayed a variety of furniture and lighting which has added a new dimension to the plaza at the corner of Churchill Road and Queen Sts.

The Kulkens were officially welcomed into the Acton business community by Betty Eastwood of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday with the presentation of a bouquet of flowers.

Ottawa Report

by Terry O'Connor — Halton MP



I outlined briefly last week some of the background of the North Atlantic Assembly meeting which I attended as a Canadian delegate in Bonn, West Germany. This week, I would like to set out some of the lighter, less ponderous aspects of the trip.

In true Germanic tradition, the conference was run with utmost efficiency, meetings starting crack on time, bells, buzzers, and lights indicating and recording the delegates' wishes, and simultaneous translation in English, French and German of every word spoken. Our meetings, both committee and plenary, were held in the "Bundestag", the parliament buildings of the West German Government. Security was extremely tight, with the buildings surrounded 24 hours a day by machine-gun toting soldiers, dressed in field fatigues.

On one occasion, I left my identity badge in the hotel. I talked and cajoled in faltering German, attempting to gain entry, but eventually gave up and trotted the few blocks back to the hotel to retrieve the badge. I had the feeling that Willy Brandt himself could not have got me through the security checks into the conference without that magic little plastic button.

Mission Impossible. On another occasion, on the morning off, the delegates and wives were treated to a bus trip to Cologne. Our convoy of four buses was preceded by two police cars, followed by one and paralleled by another, all with lights flashing and horns beeping in true "Mission Impossible" fashion. As we travelled through Bonn, along the Autobahn and into Cologne, the police, with finely executed military precision, ran a moving blockade of all entrance and exit ramps to the highway, supposedly to ensure security and a quick passage. I feel we saved all of about seven minutes on the trip and undoubtedly attracted much more attention (with attendant security problems) than if we had all walked along the middle of the highway led by Ted Kennedy.

However, not to be critical, the German government was a most solicitous and gracious host, and of course was attempting only to discharge its responsibility of returning the delegates home with all the limbs and faculties with which they arrived.

The British, especially the members of the House of Lords, were generally very stiff-upper-lipped. However, two elderly Lords, during one long plenary session, were wont to fall into a snoring sleep, side by side. Occasional, very occasional, applause for the speaker brought their heads briefly and simultaneously snapping up, only then to nod slowly back down, chins again resting on wilted boutonnières.

No "pairing". Well, as much as the trip was a working affair, it did provide a brief interlude after a long and arduous election campaign. However, the serious and,

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I suspect, nerve-wracking business of operating a minority government lies ahead of us. We are advised by the party whips that there will be no "pairing" permitted, that is, the practice of a member agreeing with another member across the aisle to not vote unless both are present to vote. This type of arrangement, long a parliamentary tradition, allows for a member to be absent on government or committee business without jeopardizing his

party's voting strength in the House.

Thus, most of my time after Jan. 4 will be spent close to my Ottawa office.

However, anyone with a problem, idea, comment or who simply wants to get in touch with me, please stop by or call my riding office at 328 Lakeshore Road East, Oakville — 844-0222. I will try to contact you the same day.

Fairy tale told in words, music

Children filled the carpeted floor of the library meeting room to hear five musicians and a narrator retell the old tale of Rumpelstiltskin. Ron Lloyd, a dramatic arts student at McMaster University, told the story with vim and volume.

Minds wander. About 60 children and a few interested adults attended the half-hour production.

It began late, and the musicians later kindly attributed the children's restlessness to this. Most of them paid attention but many little minds wandered. Some kids strung beads. Some played with toys. Some slept through it all. "Where are the puppets, mummy?" some asked. ("There were no puppets").

Admission was free. The production has been travelling to libraries in the south central Regional Library System and played Milton the same day.

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Health service won't suffer from lack of subsidy

Current and proposed programs operated by the Halton County Health Unit shouldn't suffer because of the lack of provincial subsidies, even if county taxpayers have to pay the full shot. Those are the sentiments of Halton Community Services Committee Chairman David Coons.

Coons was commenting on the provincial government's announcement that the degree of acceleration in health costs will have to be reduced. The announcement came as part of a major policy decision at Queen's Park to direct more funds toward transportation and less towards health and education.

Health to the Boards of Health around the province, S. W. Martin explained the allowable increase for ongoing programs in 1973 will be up to five per cent over the 1972 expenditures. In other years eight per cent has been allowed in addition where programs are below the general provincial level, limited funds will be available for extensions to approved existing programs and for approved new programs.

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OUR READERS WRITE:

Opposes Sunday servings of alcohol

Editor, Free Press.

I am writing about the serving of alcoholic beverages on Sunday, New Year's Eve.

Is there no respect for God and the day he says is to be set aside for honor to Him?

This country was founded on the Bible, God's Word. The early settlers were God-fearing men who respected God and His Word and thus God honored their worship and the land prospered. This generation reaps many luxuries our ancestors never knew or dreamed about.

Has man been thankful? No, they have started turning away from God.

The Bible says the people of God cannot be

filled with strong drink and the spirit of God. There are serious warnings in God's word about those who are controlled by wine and strong drink.

Why does this country give in to the whims of those who wish to deliberately turn from God's way? God has a mighty everlasting power and will help and protect those who put their trust in Him.

Are you on God's side or the side of the world and its prince, the devil.

Some day you will stand before God. You cannot escape.

Has Jesus the rightful place in your heart that God's will may be done?

Concerned.

English visitor finds Acton attractive

197 Elmore Drive, Acton, Ont.

The Editor:

This is my first visit to Canada, where I have spent a happy and delightful five weeks, at the home of my friends, the Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Ball.

I return home to England next Wednesday, December 13th.

I have found the people in Acton very kind, and appreciated the smiles, and help of

assistants in the stores, the good wishes, for my stay to be a happy one, and even the greetings of the children.

To all these, and especially to the people of St. Alban's Anglican church, who greeted me and made me feel at home and amongst friends immediately. I say a big thank you, and hope that one day I may visit your attractive Acton town again.

(Mrs) Edna L. Young

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