

OUR READERS WRITE:

Not all Acton merchants happy

Dear Mr. Editor:

The remark made that Acton merchants are delightfully happy about business in 1972 is nothing but nonsense. (Free Press Jan. 24, 1973)

I believe anyone is entitled to an opinion but they should first check the facts by taking a survey of all stores, not just one or two.

This year, for the first time, the day

before Christmas was like a saving miracle for most of us.

By making a remark such as I referred to in the first paragraph a person is only creating a false sense of prosperity.

I believe you have to get the facts in order to present a true picture.

If people are saying things just to get free publicity I think it is time the Free Press started charging for the space.

Yours truly,
John Coniglio

Former resident urges centennial support

Following is a letter received by Acton Centennial Commission from a former Acton resident. It is self-explanatory.

Jan. 23, 1973

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find a cheque for \$15 towards "Buy-a-Brick" Campaign. I certainly want to take this opportunity of congratulating you on your efforts in promoting Acton's 1974 Centennial Celebration. We are looking forward to attending as many of your activities during

your Centennial Year as possible.

I also would like to have you challenge all former residents of Acton to get behind this project with their money and support.

Wishing the Centennial Committee all the best in this wonderful effort and will be following your results closely.

I remain,

Yours truly,
Ron Cripps, President
Aitken Motors (1971) Ltd.,
Simcoe.

Equates regional govt. with education

R.R. 2, Rockwood, Ont.

To the Editor:

Dear Sir:

During W.W. I, and to a lesser extent in W.W. 2 there was a cartoon character, a rotund individual who was usually portrayed sitting in his muddy bunker whilst the war went on around him. This character was "Old Bill in the better ole."

Old Bill Davis reminds me of this character as he sits in his better ole at Queen's Park whilst the people of Ontario scrap and fight about Hydro lines, garbage, airports and regional government.

All these issues follow the same classic pattern: "put forward one or two proposals offering a few plums here and there, then sit back and watch the jackals fight over the plums when they should be organizing against the overall plan."

When something new is tried, usually there is a criteria to refer to. With regional government we can refer to that brain child of Premier Davis—regional education. There we find costs have skyrocketed and chaos rules. There is both teacher and student unrest.

Just before the last municipal election in Nassagaweya Township, Mr. Mooney, chairman of the Jockey Club sent a letter to

the people of Nassagaweya on the issue of Sunday racing. In this letter it was pointed out that without the Mohawk race track assessment, taxes in Nassagaweya could increase by about \$70 per household.

With Regional government plans, Nassagaweya has lost the Mohawk race track and now we will be left with all the inconvenience and none of the assessment. Something troubles me for more.

Airport plans are still up in the air (pardon the pun) and if Nassagaweya (which was once a prime location) is once more considered, there would be little or no opposition. South and Central Halton would not be concerned. Georgetown and Acton would be delighted with the assessment and would be left out in the cold.

It is interesting to note that on matters of little or no consequence, whether an area goes wet or dry, etc., it is considered of sufficient importance to call a plebiscite. Politicians wouldn't dream of ruling "aye" or "nay" but on the momentous subject of regional government and its effects on the lives of thousands upon thousands of people, we get no chance to use our democratic right.

What the majority voted for is what you've got!!!

Wm. A. Johnson

Ice dangerous police warn

During the reporting week of January 21 to January 23, officers of the Acton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police investigated a total of 23 general occurrences.

There were two requests for assistance, two violations of the Liquor Control Act, one reported break and enter, a minor disturbance, a report of obscene phone calls and a complaint of assault.

Charges

A local man was charged with 'Assault Causing Bodily Harm' as a result of an out-of-town man being beaten, after he left a local hotel. Two out-of-town men were charged with 'Impaired Driving'.

A local woman was charged with 'Liquor other than Residence' after police learned she had thrown a bottle of beer away when she became involved in a motor vehicle accident.

Five collisions

There were five motor vehicle collisions investigated during the reporting week. One of the collisions resulted in injuries to a local girl, after she was struck by a car while crossing the street. The other four collisions resulted in property damage only.

Charges laid included, 'Falling to Yield to a Pedestrian', 'Falling to signal intentions to turn' and 'Turning not in safety'.

Warning

With recent mild temperatures, the ice on local bodies of water has become dangerous. Mild temperatures have caused breakage of ice and soft slushy areas on local lakes and ponds. Before you venture out onto ice-covered waters, make sure the surface is of sufficient thickness to support you.

Prov. Const. Paul Brown

Police investigate four collisions here

Four accidents were investigated by Acton police the past week, with one minor injury recorded.

Last Wednesday a jeep and car collided, drivers Larry Frizzell and Lyle Prueter, both of town. Total damage was estimated at a minimum of \$450. The collision occurred on Main St. S. at 12:50 p.m.

On Friday at 7:45 p.m. a parked car owned by Park Toyota received \$150 damage. Driver of the other car involved is William Hesselink, Georgetown, and his car had no damage. The collision happened on Elgin St.

Passenger injured

Sunday at 2:30 p.m. on Churchill St. at the entrance to Becker's two cars were in collision, drivers Margaret Emmerson, Acton and Robert Gilmore, Esquesing township. The Emmerson car had estimated \$100 damage. The Gilmore car had estimated \$200 damage and passenger Joseph Kenner suffered a bruised wrist.

Monday at 12:45 p.m. a gas truck, headed for the construction area, mounted a fire hydrant on Mill E. and had to be pulled off by a bulldozer. Damage, all to the truck, was set at \$30.

New name? 'slow growth'

Proposed regional government boundaries were hardly dry on maps when residents of the town and district started to clean up names for the large North Halton borough encompassing Acton, Esquesing, Georgetown and Nassagaweya.

One was suggested taking the first letter from each existing municipality, shuffling them and adding court. This comes out AGENCOURT.

Another has suggested NARHQUEMING as a title which would attract attention, mystify everyone including the Indians and be difficult to say as well. He

felt the name filled all the requirements.

Someone has also suggested we call it LAND OF TALL PINES AND CLEAR STREAMS in recognition of both townships, which in the Indian tongue is literally translated Esquesing and Nassagaweya.

Still another suggestion was SLOW GROWTH AREA, a name on which no one else has yet laid a claim. Another thought NORTH HALTON would be sufficient, retaining the old county name and signifying it was the true north strong and free.

The Free Press is open for suggestions, which in turn will be passed along to the proper authorities whoever they are.

Speyside will fight

Ratepayers in the Speyside area of Esquesing township are prepared to fight as a group to prevent Consolidated Sand and Gravel from operating a quarry on their property, Jim Sheldon, spokesman for the group said Monday night.

Consolidated has so far been unsuccessful in convincing council it should designate the land as extractive industrial in the official plan. However, council has agreed to meet with company representatives and officials at Queen's Park to get a ruling on whether or not the quarry should be allowed to operate. Council has taken the position the company has not established a land use, although it was granted a building permit by the 1962 township council.

Councillor Dick Howitt told the Speyside deputation that under present circumstances the only way Consolidated can begin operating without council's knowledge would be for the province to backtrack and declare the company has established an extractive use of the land.

Board votes against ban

The public will have the right to elect teachers to the Halton County Board of Education if they so desire. Trustees on the board voted 15-4 on a recorded vote not to support a motion by Dick Goodin to prohibit teachers supported by legislative grants to work on the board as a trustee.

Goodin's suggestion received support from past chairman Ernie Bodnar and trustees George Pelletterio and Noel Cooper.

ANNOUNCEMENT



Dr. W. T. Pun.

Drs. Moore and van der Bent are pleased to announce that Dr. W. T. Pun will be joining Acton Medical Group February 1, 1973.

Dr. Pun graduated from University of British Columbia medical school in 1968, interned at the Ottawa Civic Hospital and subsequently practised in West Toronto and Kitchener.

For the past 6 months he has been working as an assistant resident in internal medicine at Toronto General Hospital.

Dr. Pun has a wife, Sandra, who is a registered nurse and a 2 month old son, Winston.

Proclamation, tag day approved for Y week

Breaking with precedent, Acton council Tuesday night agreed to proclaim Y week. An advertisement appears in today's Free Press indicating council's support.

Councillor Bill Coats cast the only vote against the motion, on a matter of principle.

Mayor Doby introduced the motion explaining the request and the program co-ordinator's enthusiastic hopes for a really good program. He feels the Y presents a unique situation for council. "We know their problems."

Councillor Norm Elliott made the motion, also speaking in favor of the Y.

Pick and choose

Councillor Coats said he appreciates their work at the Y but he is reluctant to see council pick and choose which organizations they will proclaim a week for. He was personally reluctant to break the decision made not to make proclamations for special weeks.

The \$10 or \$15 cost isn't major in a half million dollar budget, added Deputy-revee Marks, but it had been getting out of hand.

Tag day

Council speedily approved a tag day for the Y as requested. Buttons will be sold on the street by young Y members on Saturday, February 3.

Two meetings

All Acton councillors will attend a special meeting in Georgetown to discuss the new regional government plan for North Halton. The meeting is Wednesday, February 7, in Georgetown council chamber. All four municipalities involved will be there.

Mayor Doby explained a meeting was being set up for a night Acton council couldn't attend and the date had later been changed. He also asked clerk-administrator Hurst to see if Grant Usher and Hugh Patterson could attend as well.

Projection

Councillor Earl Masales expressed his concern over the council's five year projection and felt a joint committee meeting on this was equally important.

The projection should be in to the O.M.B. by Feb. 15. Perusing their calendars filled with meeting dates, councillors agreed to gather Friday, Feb. 9

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Town of Acton Proclamation

WHEREAS the Murray Memorial Y.M.C.A. of Acton has distinguished itself in efforts to serve the people of this community and

WHEREAS the goals, services and programs of this association have benefitted the people of this community for 38 years, and

WHEREAS in addition to serving youth, the Y has been a notable force in promoting inter-communication and understanding between people of different age groups, and people of different racial and religious backgrounds;

NOW, therefore, I Leslie A. Doby, Mayor of Acton, join with mayors across Canada and hereby proclaim the week of February 3rd to 10th, 1973, as Y Week in Canada.

L. A. Doby
Mayor

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