



THE PRICE OF PORK may be way up, especially for those who are living high on the hog, but these porkers at the farm of Gordon Thomson, R.R. 1, Acton, don't seem to care. Horatio the Boar, left, is highly suspicious about the whole thing anyway, especially when he seems to be barred from the pig house, where he feels he belongs. The two specimens below seem to have no apprehension about one day landing on someone's table in the form of a chop, roast, pickled hocks or even as roasted tails. Pork prices, along with beef and other commodities, have been soaring. Farmers blame the high prices on the high price of feed, which has doubled in some cases, coupled with a scarcity of meat. Meanwhile, the consumers' budgets are way out of whack!

—Photos by Wendy Thomson



## Food prices concern for Acton restaurateurs and retailers

Daily fluctuations in food prices affected consumer buying power across Canada and most Acton food retailers say they have felt the pinch. Restaurateurs complain they cannot bolster prices to match rising cost of food without fearing a loss in business. Olympia Drive-in proprietors analyzed the problem, stating food has nearly doubled in price yet it is impossible to double prices without complaints from customers; therefore the profit margin drops. Hamburger recently experienced a rise of almost 100 percent, 54c to \$1.04, clarified Mr. Athanassoulis, but he is unwilling to raise prices to match the meat suppliers. The Olympia proprietors made one concession to meat prices raising the cost of hamburgers 20 per cent.

### Barn or shed? Council will decide

Esquing Council will meet in committee to decide whether or not H.G. Haslett who resides on Highway 7 east of Acton will be allowed to keep a horse in a shed which is very close to the property line of his neighbor. Mr. Haslett told council Monday night a mare he owns had a colt in the shed two months ago. Somebody, he said, complained about the situation and the township building inspector paid a visit to the Haslett home. A township by-law calls for a 100 foot sideyard for all barns.

"What constitutes a barn?" Mr. Haslett asked council, implying the shed in which the horses were being kept was just that, a shed. "A barn is anything you keep livestock in," replied Reeve Tom Hill. Although Mrs. Haslett pointed out the horses were kept in the shed only one month, Deputy Reeve Len Cox expressed the opinion the need for a 100 foot sideyard was at issue, not whether the horses were kept inside or outside. Mrs. Haslett also said the shed had previously been used for rabbits and chickens. Mr. Haslett said he would eventually like to get a permit to allow his wife to give private horse riding and jumping lessons. Reeve Hill promised the matter would be referred to committee and that council members would visit the Haslett property.

raise his prices but stated his business has not been affected by it.

New owner of Watson's Restaurant, George Kotsopoulos says he's "waiting day by day" for prices to drop. He is concerned with establishing a new business and is worried about losing new patrons if he were to up his prices.

Len Lovell admits business at Lovell Brothers' meat market has dropped off 30 per cent since the rise in the cost of meat. "I think the peak's over," spoke Mr. Lovell, "it'll settle back next week."

Mr. Huxley, considers monopolistic Kitchener wholesalers responsible for high prices in this area. Kong Wong, co-owner of the Royal Cafe, admits he has had to

often as they did for wholesalers. Foodland manager Raymond Lachapelle feels the price is cheaper this year on various items of produce, that it is meat which makes shopping bills rise.

Below cost Keeping an eye on the competitors Mr. Lachapelle feels he cannot raise prices without losing customers. He contends there is still a food price war and that he finds himself selling staple items below cost.

A&B Supermarket manager Don Lindsay says his business is steady in spite of price increases, though the sale of steak is down about 40 per cent. He rationalizes saying, "people have to eat."

Food prices, he feels, work on such a small mark-up the retailer has to follow the wholesalers' trend.

IGA manager Tom Manes contends there is little difference in business though meat has slowed up a bit. IGA fixes prices according to supplier Oshawa Wholesale.

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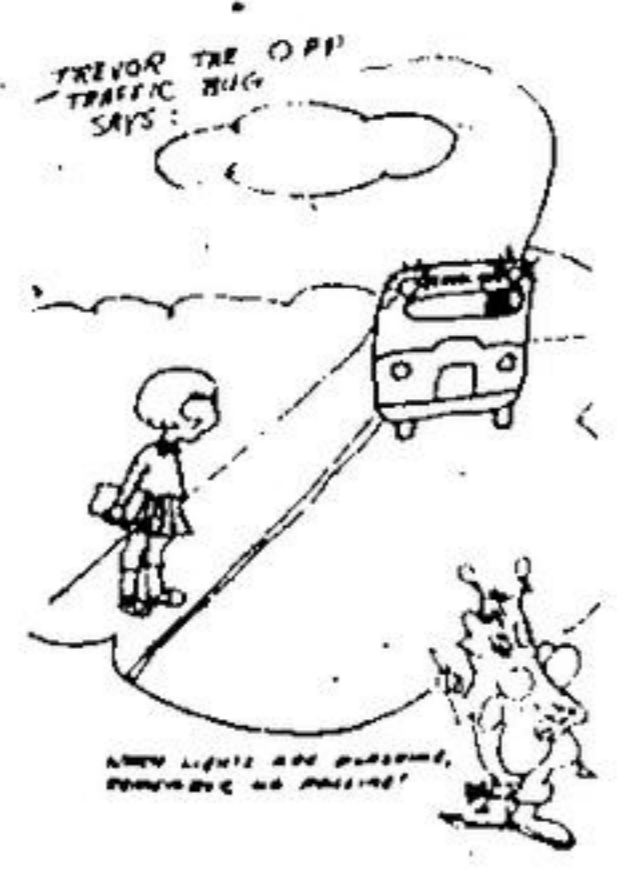
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County engineer D. J. Corbett informed the committee last week there was a lot of night accidents at the intersection and it did not meet lighting standards for county roads. Newly-appointed Oakville Reeve Terry Mannell suggested it was "the old story about no action until someone is killed," and said, "the county should take action before it is forced to by a serious situation." He was informed by the Burlington, Nassagaweya and

Esquing reeves their municipalities paid for their own lighting. Nassagaweya Reeve Anne MacArthur cited new lights the township has placed "because we feel it's our responsibility." Esquing Reeve Tom Hill added all Esquing villages except Limehouse have been lighted by the township, "all on county roads."



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