

Swim pool and tennis courts at Acton schools?

Schools in Acton may be sites of a swimming pool and tennis courts.

A letter to the Halton County Board of Education last Thursday revealed the town of Acton was acting as an intermediary for the Lions Club which plans to raise funds to build an indoor swimming pool at Acton high school.

The superintendent of business and finance, Bruce Lindley, noted the pool would be smaller than Olympic-size and if an agreement was reached it would have to be between the board and the town, not the Lions.

If the town's proposal for the swimming pool is accepted the board would maintain the pool in conjunction with the school. It would be reserved for students during school hours and during the rest of the week would be open to the community, quite possibly under the arm of the recreation committee. Similar arrangements are being considered in Georgetown.

Parks board had been informed of the Lions' intention to investigate the feasibility of a pool at a special meeting prior to a regular meeting from which the press was barred.

Acton Lions are saying nothing about their plans for a pool. President Tom Fountain told the Free Press he might have something more in the way of information next Monday, but he could release nothing as yet.

The Lions abandoned their project with the old CN station and it was common knowledge they were looking for a new centennial project but the swimming pool story never leaked out until last week.

Police recover stolen motor

Acton O.P.P. have recovered a 35 horsepower outboard motor which was reported stolen in Dorset August 15. The motor is valued at \$250. Police are continuing their investigation.

FIVE CRASHES
Milton OPP investigated five accidents during the week of Aug. 12 to 18, in which two persons were injured and \$12,638 property damage was caused to the 10 vehicles involved.

although the grapevine was busy with rumors.

Second letter

The board also received a second letter from Acton indicating interest in establishing tennis courts at the Robert Little school rather than at the high school. The board is being asked to set aside two or three acres of the 12 acre grounds for the courts. There again the agreement would have to be between the board and the town although the funding will come from the newly formed Acton Tennis Association.

Tennis president George Elliott told the Free Press a site at the Robert Little school would be fine but would eliminate plans for high school students to participate in a tennis program. The association is already active at other club's courts and plans a playing night this Friday at the tennis bubble in Guilph. They anticipate raising money for the courts by paying advance memberships.

MPP's meet county over headquarters

Minister of Government Services Jim Snow and Justice Secretary George Kerr will meet with Halton Regional Chairman Allan Masson and members of Warden Anne MacArthur's special committee on regional government Sept. 6 to discuss the future of the Halton County Administration Building and Court House, according to an informed source.

Chairman Masson, contacted in connection with plans for the future of the building, indicated that both the regional government and the provincial courts would need more space soon.

He said the province wanted to buy the building. Masson noted it had been built mainly as a court house and it would be an expensive proposition to renovate the building from a court house to solely administrative use.

Not near population
Asked where he favored the building, Masson said Milton was the centre of the county geographically. "That's fine, but it isn't near the centre of population and the regional council will have to decide whether they should make more people than necessary commute back and forth or whether they should locate near the centre of population." When a reporter assumed Masson would prefer the headquarters further south,

he said he had no preference and it wouldn't be for him to decide, but regional council.

North Halton politicians, who could find themselves making frequent trips to Burlington or Oakville for meetings, favor the Milton site because of the distance involved.

While Masson did not mention the Sept. 6 meeting, and would not comment on his personal choice for a location, he has voiced opinions on where a headquarters should be. In discussions months before he was made regional chairman, Masson strongly urged an Oakville or Burlington location.

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Acton streets new surface

Warren (Habitat) Construction workers have temporarily left Acton this week to complete a project in another community and they've left their mark.

Since being commissioned by the town the construction crew has rebuilt and resurfaced most streets deemed by council to be in bad need of repair.

Streets in Glenora, Warren Grove and the Crescent have been resurfaced as well as side streets in the older section of town.

When the construction company returns they will begin work on Mill St. W. Victoria and Brock Sts. then move to Lakeview subdivision to resurface Elizabeth Dr. and Elmore Ave.

Underpass
If an assessment proves the town is underpass repaving programs for either Lakeview subdivision secondary streets or streets in the area of Arthur and

George Sts. will be considered. Engineers are keeping tabs of town money.

"To the best of my knowledge we're underpass," said clerk-administrator Grant Usher. He is unaware of any plan to lay shoulders along these streets already repaved.

Presently Acton Blvd. is going through a change of face. The

street will be widened and the boulevard removed following current laying of storm sewers and underground hydro lines.

Elizabeth Drive is also torn up for the laying of storm sewers.

Though not yet initiated, a clean up program will remove dirt that has spread across the new asphalt as soon as the paving program is complete.



One way to cool off!

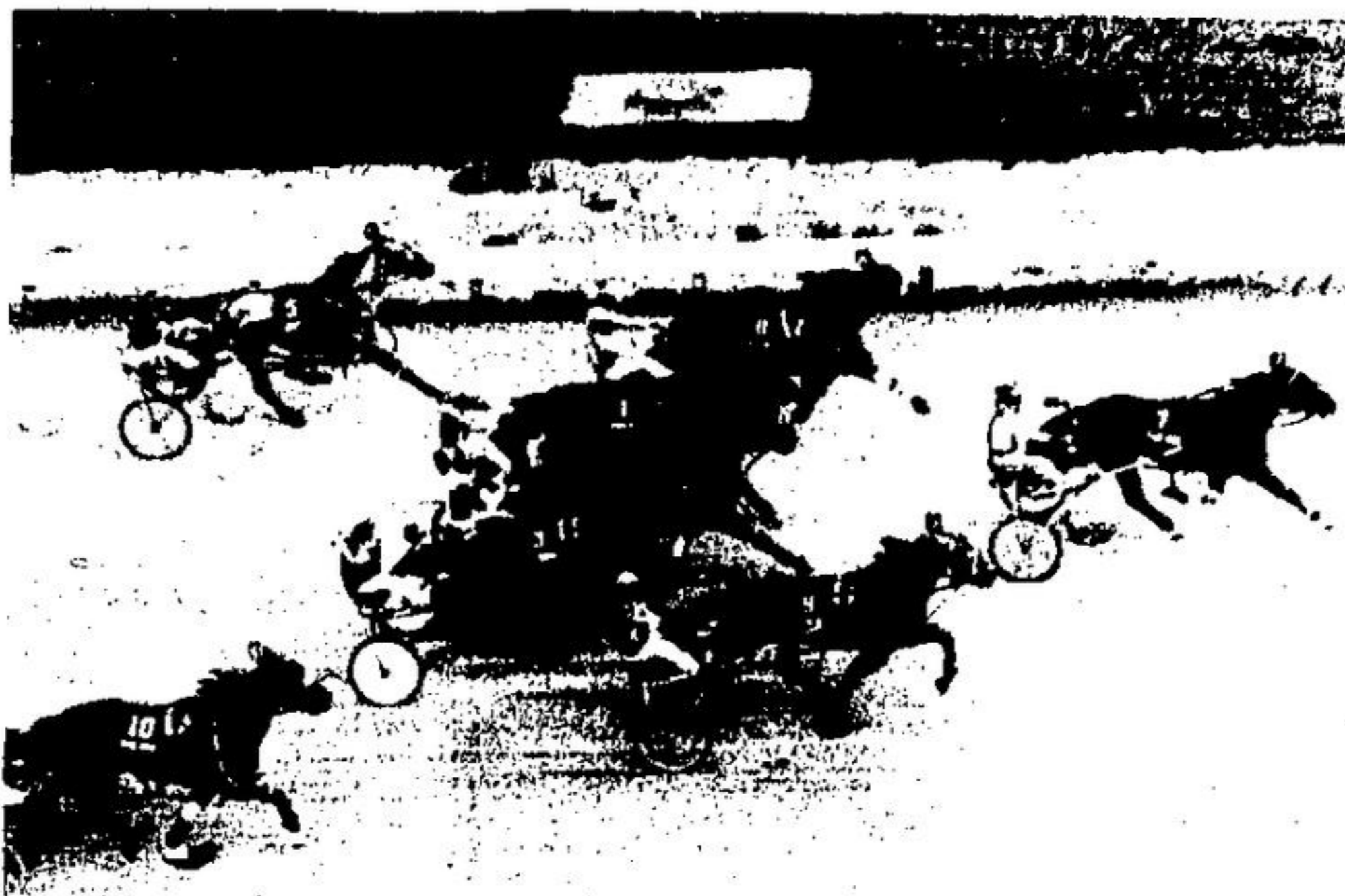
ONE LOCAL BOY demonstrates a cheap way to cool off at Acton park during this week's heat wave which sent the mercury into the high 90's and left town and district limp. Humidity also climbed to uncomfortable margins to compound the agony. The weather didn't bother this youth and dozens like him who cooled off in Fairy Lake. The weatherman promises relief Friday.

—H. Coles Photo

Cautions Lakeview parents

Hazen Allan, new principal of the Robert Little school, is cautioning parents of children from Lakeview subdivision to send them to school along Highway 7 on the south side if construction along Elizabeth Drive makes it impassable.

Mr. Allan said construction may be completed for pedestrian traffic by that time, but in the event it isn't, he wants to ensure no children have to cross the road before they reach the crossing guard at the School Lane and 7 Highway intersection.



NASSAGAWEYA'S Nelson White drives Armbro Nadir across the finish line first in Sunday's \$130,000 Prix D'Ete at Blue Bonnets Raceway in Montreal. Second is Rob Ron Ritzar driven by Hall of Famer

Keith Waples and third is pre-race favorite Reenie Ricci Time with Harold Dancer Jr. in the bike. White earned himself \$7500 for the win.

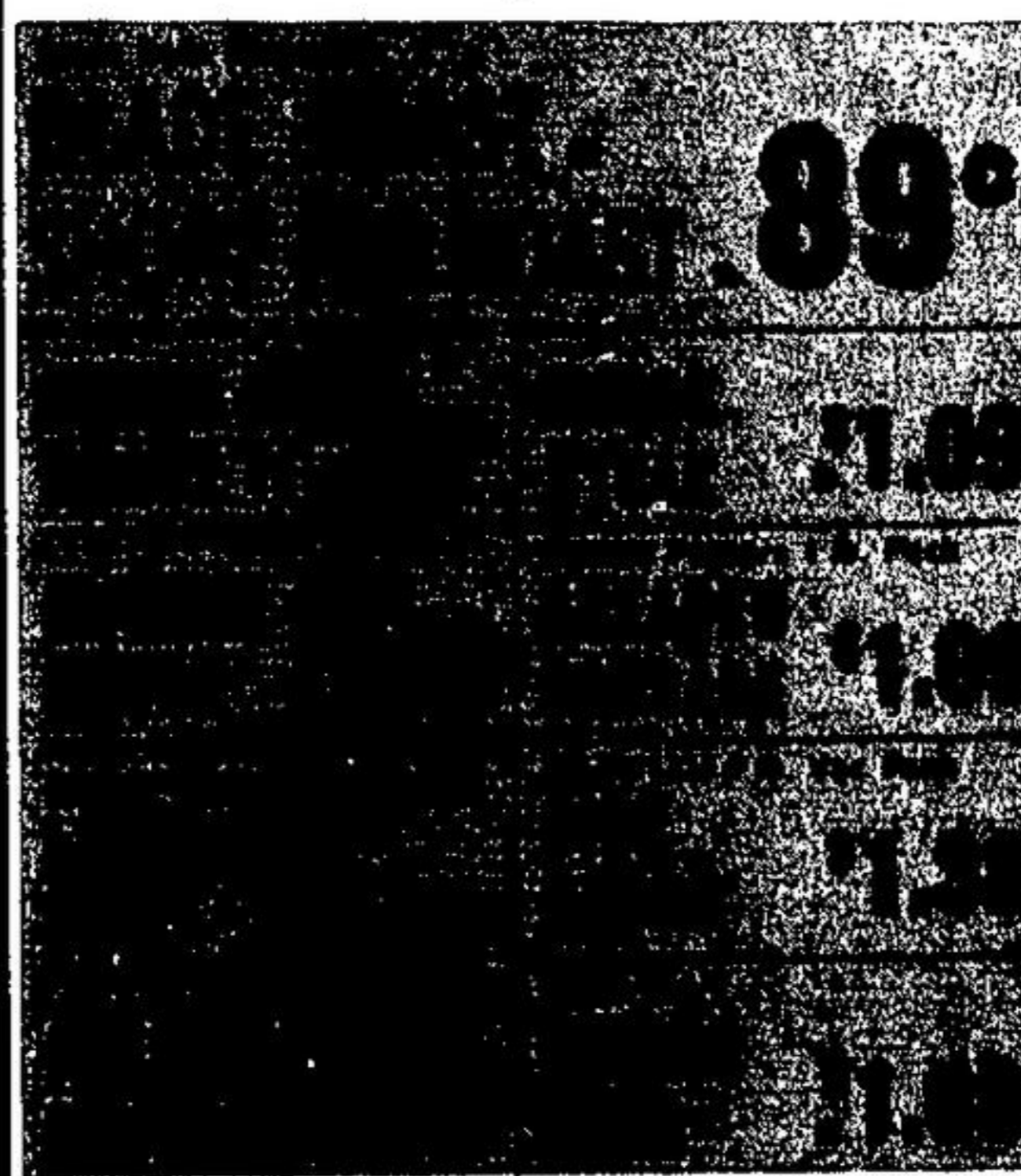
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