

LOOK ALIKE CRAFTS. Mrs. Laura Dittrich has been painting for years but has just taken up hooking. She makes use of her previous talent to aid the new, as she repeats her portrait of St. Alban's church in olls (in frame) on canvas with strips of material she dyes herself. Her table at the arts and crafts exhibit Saturday also included batik, straw work, and -(Photo by K. Dills) decorated lamp bases.

Reform advocate

# Acton super at Halton jail

By Joyce Beaton Binne (Ben) Jongsma recently assumed his duties as superintendent of Milton Jail after 16 years of work and study in various aspects of prison work. Mr. Jongsma supervises a staff of 24 at the provincial jail serving all of

For seven years prior to his immigration to Canada, Mr. Jongsma was a policeman in his native Holland. He discovered he couldn't continue with police work here until he became a Canadian citizen. This took six years and by that time he was too old to ion the force. He then set about to look for similar

In 1957, after working on a farm in Picton for five years and Blackstock for one year, he was hired as a general duty officer at Milibrook Correctional Centre. In 1968 at Peterborough jail.

Came to Milton again promoted, this time to year. Their first courses of CO4 (sergeant) and was study will be introductory transferred to Milton Jail. Because of difficulties with the sale of his house he was forced to return to the Millbrook area and worked at Co-

bourg jail from January until July of this year.

It was in 1968 that he began to study through correspondence courses with McMaster University. "When I immlgrated in 1951 I didn't know English, my knowledge of the language was really limited," he said, "It was very difficult for me, especially during the first year, but I don't believe in giving up"

He stayed with his schooling for five years, working a 40 hour week and putting in 45 hours of studying. Many people thought he wouldn't make it, but always in the back of his mind was the knowledge that in order to become a superintendent of a jail he must continue his

On the wall of his office Mr. Jongsma proudly displays his two certificates, one in corrections and one in social welfare. Through his encouragement four guards at the fail In November 1971 he was have enrolled in school this

Inmates are people "I don't see inmates as criminals primarily," Mr. Jongsma says, "but as human beings who have gone wrong with the law". He eredits the advancement of this attitude to his studies in human development.

In his associations with prisoners he does not believe in force but rather in 'mind over matter'. A former inmate recently wrote to thank him "for that little blt of hope" referring to talks he and the man had.

Ills interest in the men as persons first makes him an advocate of the new 'temporary absence' program. This is the scheme where some prisoners already sentenced, may go to school or work during the day and return to the jail evenings and weekends. This is in effect at Milton Jail and throughout the province.

Milton Jail houses men and women awalting trial or who have been sentenced and are waiting to be transferred to à penitentiary or other institution. The average occupancy is 22 to 25 inmates.

Mr. Jongsma and his wife Geziena (Ena) have five children. Two are married, two are employed at General Motors in Oshawa, and one daughter is at home with her parents in Acton.



MILTON JAIL SUPERINTENDENT Binne (Ben) Jongsma is shown at his desk. His new position culminates 16 years of prison work. (Photo by R. Downs)

### Charges

Acton police report that on Saturday a local man was arrested in Walkerton and returned to jail in Milton on warrants for failing to appear on petty trespass charges. He is in custody until Wednesday (today) when he appears in

Also on Saturday there was a drug seizure at the community centre and an Acton man was charged. He will appear in court in Milton in

On Monday a local man was arrested for Georgetown police for uttering a forged document, He was picked up here and taken back to Georgetown. Tuesday another local man was arrested, also for uttering, and taken to Georgetown.

There were four liquor seizures during the week.

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#### Six hurt on 4th line - three on ninth

Several accidents in the district were investigated by the O.P.P.

On Sunday, October 21, William McBain, 39 Moultrey Cres., Georgetown, was operating a vehicle which was involved in a single vehicle collision on the 9th Line of Esquesing township north of 5 Sideroad. Damage to the 1972 Datsun being driven by Mr. McBain was estimated to be \$2,500. Mr. McBain and a passenger Murray McMullen. McIntyre Cr., Georgetown, austained minor injuries.

Six people were injured in a two car collision Sunday, October 21, on the 4th Line of Esquesing south of 15 Siderond. Drivers of the

By Jennifer Barr

By the time a colt is two

years old it is usually possible

to have some idea of his

personality, ability, and

aptitudes, in other words, you

himself admirably, I repeat -

After raising more than 50

colts, we felt we knew our

youngsters pretty well until

Teal and Kall came along.

These colts were born four

and a half years ago to dif-

ferent mares on our farm - a

week apart, by the same Arab

stud. Brought up as brothers,

although complete opposites.

Teal was fine boned,

He was born afraid of his

recognize his own mother

when I rode her and went

screaming around like a lost

sheep out of the House of

content and confident in the

world. He loved everyone and

Kall was placid, chunky,

The century-old Halton Jail

on Brown St., Milton will be

closed when a new jail is built

in the fall of 1975 or the spring

of 1976 according to Don Kerr,

Information Director for the

Ministry of Correctional Ser-

at work on working drawings

now and expected to have

them finished by mid-Jan-

uary, "We have management

board approval to go ahead

with the working drawings

and will go back to manage-

ment board for approval of

funds in the new year," Kerr

House 150

the Maplehurst complex. It

will accommodate 150 in-

mates and facilitate the clos-

ing of both Milton and Brampton Jails, now serving Halton and Peel Counties.

A regional detention centre and an adult training centre

are being erected at the

The new jail will be built at

willowy, graceful, flighty and

nervous - oh so nervous.

Let's talk about

**HORSES** 

can label him, put him in his good for this high flying

little niche, and he'll adapt fellow, He was labelled.

Burlington, and total property damage exceeded \$2,500. Injured were both drivers, Patricia Bennett and her son James Bennett, one year, both of Islington, Kathy Pickering and her son Scott Pickering, both of Burlington.

Allan C. Gordon, 328 Peel St., Acton, received minor injuries in a single vehicle collision on Sunday, October 21 on the 6th Line of Esquesing north of 7 Highway and damage to his 1973 Ford pick up was estimated to be

Anton Skok, R.R. 1, way west of Norval on and the 9th Line Esquesing. Tuesday, October 23, when a vehicles were James Edward deer ran across the road in

had developed enough to be

able to aim their training at

one branch or another. Teal's

grace and balance indicated

he could be a dressage horse.

The quiet discipline would be

Kull fooked like a good

endurance trall prospect-

healthy, strong, con-

formationally sturdy, willing

and unafraid, Kali would

brave the steepest hills for his

Two years later some

changes have taken place - in

the colts, not in the training.

Kali remained an easy going

steady chunk for some time

until he did an ugly-duckling-

to-swan routine. The neck

lengthened, the legs slimmed

flowing smooth Arab trot. He

was glamorous, but also

any obstacle put in his path.

No longer would be accept

New jail at Maplehurst

Maplehurst complex now.

That site is on Highway 25

It is expected the detention

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Voting in favor were

George Harrington, David Coons, Pat McLaughlin, Paul

Preston, Vern Connell, Ted

Raise, and Tom Sutherland

all of Burlington; Gordon

Brown of Oakville; Tom Hill, Len Coxe, Pat McKenzie and

Ernie Sykes of Halton Hills;

Anne MacArthur and Jim

Terry Mannell, Archie Mc-

Gonaghy, Carl Eriksen and

Bill Mason, Oakville.

Against: Jack Rastis, Mary

Munroe, Burlington; Ric Morrow, Halton Hills; Mar-Jorie Powys, Milton; Harry Barrett, McLean Anderson,

Watson of Milton.

centre and the adult training

south of Highway 401.

became nervous.

At the age of two, both colts He would shy, dance, run for

Kerr sald architects were Set pay \$8,500

rider. Label number two.

Bonnett, Islington, and front of him. His car struck Donald Pickering, and killed the deer causing \$1,000 damage to Mr. Skok's vehicle. He was not injured. Myra Davies, R.R. 1, Cambellville, received minor

injuries when the yehicle she was operating collided with a vehicle being driven by Douglas John Bearss, Markham. Property damage was estimated to lotal \$175. This collision occurred on Wednesday, October 24, on the Guelph Line north of 20 sideroad, Nassagaweya Township. Three persons were injured

in a two vehicle collision of Thursday, October 25. This Georgetown, was operating collision took place at the his 1907 Rambler on 7 High- Intersection of Steeles Ave. Both drivers, Ross MacKay, 0 Garnet Dr., Georgetown, and Wayne McCallum, 235 Ontario St., Milton, received minor injuries as did Karen McCallum, 21 years, a passenger in her husband's vehicle. Property damage was estimated to exceed \$2,400.

A single vehicle collision on Thursday, October 25, on 22 Sideroad east of the 1st Line, Esquesing Township resulted in injury to the driver, Robin A. Salt, 179 Longfield Rd., Acton. Property damage was estimated to exceed \$1,500.

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home, He decided he didn't The boys were sold together want to be a trail horse and and went to live at the same told everyone vehemently. He stable and were trained by was now so beautiful he the same person who had the thought he could be a show they were inseparable same plans for each colt as

And gorgeous Teal stayed gorgeous, but settled down after giving his owners a very bad year, and decided to be a good trail horse. The colt who couldn't bear to have his hide touched, is now a loving slob. The chap who had a nervous breakdown over a new bucket in his stall, now marches calmly through woods, past tractors and over culverts. How wrong can you get?

Anyhody want two slightly

centre will house about 200

people each. Those two

departments are expected to

relieve crowded conditions at

Guelph Reformatory and re-

place the accommodation at

Takes 18-24 months Kerr said plans call for the

contractor to be on the site in

April and a completion date

will be set at 18 to 24 months

Grand Jury reports have

repeatedly urged replace-

ment of the antiquated jail in

after construction starts.

Mimico.

#### Mission at St. Joe's A Franciscan priest from

New York City is preaching week mission at St. Joseph's Church, Acton, beginning at

have preached to the men renew the faith of preaching. following a one week mission for women preached by Father Jerry Hayes of the Redemptorial order but it was decided instead to invite men and women to both missions in the hope all members of the parish would have a chance to participate. Invitations have also been issued to the public to attend the missions which have a mass each morning and a service each evening with a

#### Tree orders are booming

Land owners in the Credit Valley Watershed have ordered about 50,000 trees to be planted by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority next spring. Orders are still being

Each Authority In Ontario has a quota of trees available from the Ministry of Natural Resources nurseries to be planted in April and May when planting is suitable and staff time available.

The Credit Authority accepts applications from land owners willing to plant a minimum of 3,000 trees on a first come, first served basis.

the second week of a two J. Gillen said he was pleased with the attendance at the Father Smithbower was to vice. A mission is designed to ciscans

Parish priest Rev. Father better understanding of it. Father Smithbower is a member of the Franciscan first week where question and Order, which was founded by the regular 7 p.m. Saturday answer periods were a St. Francis of Assissi in the mass. specialize

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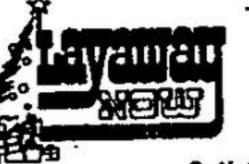


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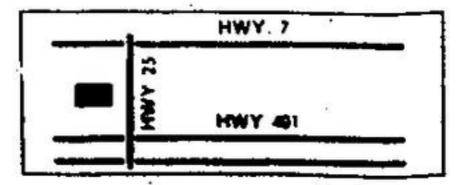
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