FINGERPRINTS ARE taken of school children at during a tour on Tuesday. Officers of the O.P.P. the police office, during Police Week demon- detachment also went to the M.Z. Bennett school

Halton Hills' till is empty again

there's no immediate money in sight.

It is illegal to float another interim levy and the finance committee of council can see no tide-

over grants from the Province coming soon. "Tell 'em (the Province) we want a meeting." thundered Councillor Harry Levy when the state of the town's finances was made clear by the trea-

surer at the committee's Monday meeting. "We've written to them, talked to them and they have completely ignored us. In the meantime, we have no money. The squeaky wheel gets the

oil-we've got to squeak more," Levy told the committee. Chairman G. W. (Pat) McKenzie explained

that when the town paid the levy to the Halton Board of Education and to the region it left the town pocketbook pretty flat. The committee is still working on the budget but it will be some time yet. Meanwhile the town's expenses go on just the same in spite of the almost empty pot.

Earlier in the year a similar situation developed and the town had to operate on a surplus accrued by Georgetown in 1973. Rescue came in the form of interim tax billing.

Now the finance committee has instructed the treasurer to contact the Ministry of Treasury, Economics and Inter-Governmental Affairs to obtain permission for another interim tax levy or a subsidy to tide the municipality over until more skeptical. tax dollars flow into the treasury.

Treasurer Lloyd Peterson said his attempts to sary to straighten finances out.

The Lorne Scots Cadet cadets will be going to Camp

Corps have been meeting ir lpperwash. The course runs

the Acton YMCA since March for six weeks and in that time

15. This Acton group is a they go through five hours a

branch of the Georgetown day of regular cadet training.

corps and is under the guid-

ance of Noel Weir and

felt it would be worth his

youths showed an interest in the Lorne Scots. Many of

participate there, in the

Learn discipline

of guns, they have orienteer-

indirectly are learning dis-

cipline and citizenship. Out of

the 25 cadets in the course.

The course runs all year

round, although by the end of

Survival course

This summer 14 of the

seven are girls.

because of holidays.

classes.

assistant Dave Diamond.

Halton Hills is almost broke again-and contact the Ministry people responsible had been zoned M2 for industrial use, futile. They always seem to be in Mississauga, he and asked it be rezoned for said, or busy with regional affairs.

The committee felt a meeting this week was imperative and asked the treasurer to pull out all the stops in order to arrange it. They noted there were still many unknowns they wanted to iron out.

"Tell them we are pretty mad about it," said serving the townhouses would Councillor Levy.

In a letter to council this week Peterson explained the difficulty he was experiencing with Government officials over the proposed grant structure. He said it was his understanding local municipalities will be paid seven percent of the 1974 net levy as a general support grant. But this cannot be determined until council has decided what the net levy will be in dollars.

The Resources Equalization grant will be paid calculated similar to 1973 but the treasurer noted he experienced difficulty in obtaining the 1973 equalization assessment figures from the Ministry of Revenue, Assessment Branch, which forms the basis in calculating the grant, which represents the deficiency on an equalized assessments base.

Queen's Park is blaming the mail strike for the fact that 50 percent of the two combined grants paid to the former municipalities had not been received as promised by the end of April this year. However, members of the finance committee were

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Weather hold-up

water table in the area of the swimming pool at a four foot level below the ground.

"At the present time 50 or 60 pipes were working dally pumping water so that workmen can proceed," said Mr. Gordon. He explains the level must be down to 14 feet before excavation can begin for pouring the cement floor. Forms for the building are

already in. Mr. Gordon feels everything will go ahead quickly once the initial floor

lins been lald.

Headquarter location for the Lions drive was moved on Saturday. Residents will be kept informed of canyass receipts from the window of the former Syd Lamb Real Estate office window on corners of Mill and Main St. mediately. where the thermometer has been placed.

"If you want to donate just Gordon, "or any Lion club member will be glad to make collections."

Outside workmen Recent rains have slowed progress considerably on the pool project, according to Lion Art Gordon. Soil tests had revealed the soil tests had

The 50 outside workers of Halton Hills voted 80 per cent in favor of a strike at Tuesday night's was attended by Councillors Ernle Sykes, Len meeting of Local 73, Canadian Union of Public Coxe, Russell Miller, and Pat McKenzie for the Service Employees.

and neither budged from their position.

The town offered \$4.01 an hour for laborers Mery White for the union. while the union demanded \$4.06 an hour, The strike will bring garbage collection, road

and park maintenance and grave digging to a halt throughout Halton Hills. Talks broke down when a meeting last week

with a provincial conclination officer falled to bring agreement.

The strike date will be 16 days after a letter 🔀 from the conciliation board, giving a "no board" ruling, is received. The letter is expected im-

In addition to the five cents an hour wage demand, the union also want an increased rate for call Vic Bristow," said Mr. heavy equipment operators, shift premiums, an increased clothing allowance, and a set policy for pay for summer students.

The day long meeting with conciliation officer town, and International Representative Jim The union and the town were five cents apart, Anderson, Local 73 president Kent Robinson, vice president Bob Hyde, and committee member

> Local 73 president Kent Robinson said after the strike vote, "if everything we want is added together it comes to about \$6000—less than the pay boost some of the councillors voted themselves, this year."



NEW TO music festival, the Elmer Smith trophy was presented by Mrs. Vivian Smith to Brookville school. The trophy is for the winner in the former principal's favorite class, boys' unchanged voices.

Homes proposed for Acton Industrial Park

Gino Civiero and Paul frontage and the semi- acre for 120 units. Nielsen of Acton hope to build detached with 60 feet. The a mixture of single family townhouses are planned in homes, seml-detached and townhouses on 12.4 acres of land bounded by Wallace Street, Main Street and the CNR tracks, in Acton.

Alan D. Ward, president of Planistics Inc. a planning firm, unveiled the proposal at the general administration committee of Halton Hills, Monday night.

Mr. Ward said the land was residential use.

He said none of the units would front on Main St., but would be served by a one loop road and a short cut de sac. He pointed out the loop road run on the outside of the development to act as a further buffer from the

were shown with 55 foot the past week.

He said the development would complement the residential area immediately blocks of eight with a central park area behind each block. to the west of the property. Mr. Ward pointed out there Councillor Les Duby said was one acre of parkland for the single family It2 homes 107 units, while the provincial shown in the plan would be

Drug raid Monday

recommendations stated one

On Monday at 6 p.m. in a drug raid on a Church St. apartment a small quantity of marijuana was seized. A local man was charged and will

appear in court July 17. On Sunday a man was charged by Acton O.P.P. with having liquor, causing a disturbance and mischief. There were two liquor seizures, one impaired driver and one driving under The single family dwellings suspension in the police books planner for their recom-

amount of land designated industrial," said the planner. Chairman Roy Booth sald he could see a certain amount of merit in the plan.

handy for employees in the

of residents in the area have asked for rezoning of the land

from industrial to residential.

"According to your plan there

seems to be a substantial

Mr. Ward stated a number

nearby industrial park.

Duby said there are duplexes on the other side of the tracks, and stated the land would have to be graded. The proposal was turned over to the Planning Advisory sub-committee and the

if for any reason they wanted

With no message at the

checkpoint the scout leaders

called police and members of

Peel Regional force and

Snelgrove O.P.P. conducted

an all night search with no

During the search the two scouts, aged 12 and 13, set up

camp near Belfountain, and

tried to keep warm during the

Sunday morning police spotted them walking along a

road, picked them up and

A scout leader told this

newspaper, all precautions

were taken for the boys

safety. He said they were

provided with the phone

to quit the hike, and were told

they must then call their

A trophy for the best team

Karl Martino.

parents to be picked up.

driving rainstorm.

took them home.

mendations.

to leave.

RL walkathon family affair

> On Saturday, May 25, students from Robert Little school will take part in a walkathon to raise funds for the Lions Club Centennial Pool. The event is to be held on the track in the park and will begin at 1 p.m.

> Students may walk a maximum of 25 laps and will be approaching residents seeking sponsorship for each lap walked. Refreshments will be free for all participants.

> It is hoped that parents will also seek sponsors and make the event a "Family Walkathon." Any residents wishing to take part in the walk may pick up sponsor sheets at Robert Little or phone 853-1433 after 5 p.m.

Community day set for July 1

Rotarians and firefighters will combine forces to bring the entire community of Acton together for a gala Monday, July 1, centennial celebration, according to a spokesman for the fire department

number to call if they wanted Monday's meeting held at the firehall, representatives of The heavy rain caused the ment discussed plans. They remaining 78 boyscouts and decided to make it a one-day their leaders to call off the stand where the Rotary will Sunday activities and they too convene a chicken barbecue from 5 p.m. into the evening. came home Sunday morning. their annual fireworks display beginning at dusk.

hikers, in the competition, went to Brian Culpepper, and scheduled for this Saturday. departments.

fferb Dodds said that at Acton Rotary and fire depart-The fire department will have

Other plans Another meeting has been

Mr. Dodds said tentative plans include a fish derby, parade, band concert, and a waterball fight between the Acton and Georgetown fire

"We hope to finalize all our plans on Saturday," he said and added that other events might also be added that would hopefully be tied up at the meeting

"What we hope to see," said the spokesman," is a day of community picnicking at the park " He said that only the Monday holiday will be included in the plans of the Rotary club and fire department.

Anti-rabies injections for 565 dogs, cats

A total of 565 dogs and cats few days so there was no rush Brookville, Georgetow, arena and out the back door charge were Dr. Frank last Thursday, and the rables Oakes, Dr. George Mraz of clinic operated smoothly - the federal health of animals with no dog fights.

The anti-rables clinic was Bob Cunningham. authorized by Halton council following a serious out-break of rables in the district last winter and early spring. Clinics were held through-

Dr. Oakes recalls another clinic when over 600 dogs and cats were immunized here. out the whole county within a Clinics were also held at

Not record

came in the front door of the during the afternoon here. In Milton, Hornby, Oakville and Burlington this week.

Dog owners were encouraged to exit by the back door so they wouldn't meet branch and layman inspector arriving dogs. Cats were brought in baskets and bags, with many of them on leashes like the dogs.

Considering the customers, it was a peaceful four hours; Dr. Oakes says.

Two lost Scouts safe after search

orders, did not pay off for two Acton scouts, John Nesset and Dave Haverty who were lost in the Belfountain area, and had to spend Saturday night camped out in the pouring rain, while Peel regional police and scout leaders looked for them.

a group of 80 scouts from the North Halton District Scouts, taking part in a camping and

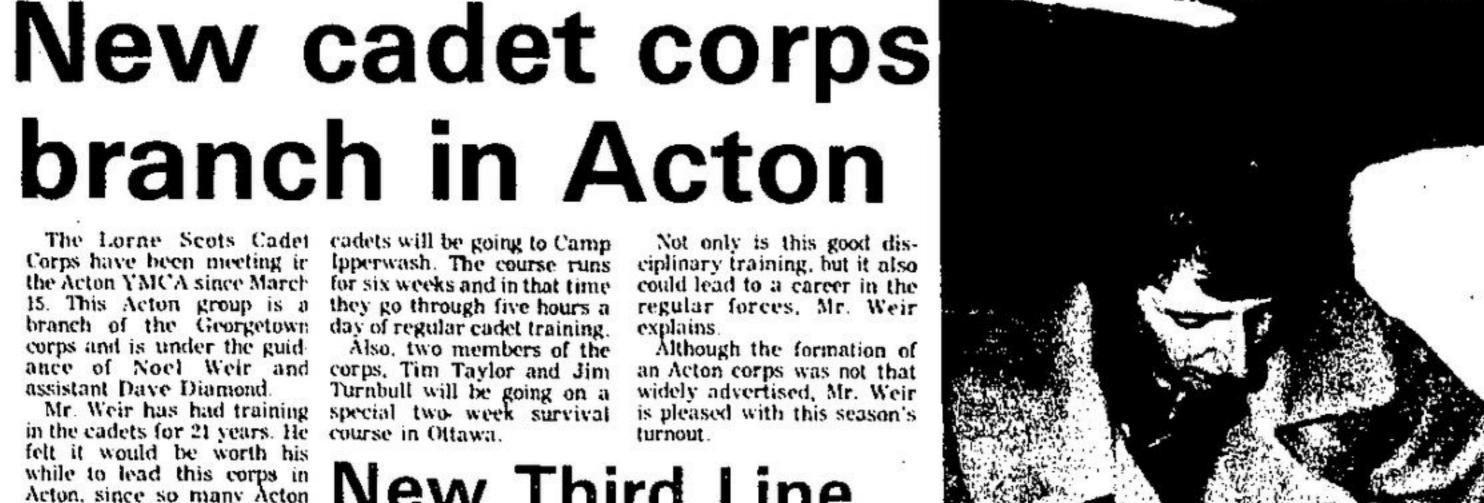
Taking a short cut, against the Credit to an area north of nearest farm house to phone When roll call was held

Saturday night, scout leaders realized they were missing. They immediately phoned the check point number which

half a mile from the road, so

each scout was given so he could let the scouters know If they wanted to quit the hike, but no message had been The hike at any point was

The two scouts were among hiking trip from the Forks of scouts were told to go to the



in the cadets for 21 years. He course in Ottawa. while to lead this corps in Acton, since so many Acton New Third Line them were hitchhiking to to skirt Indusmin

A proposal by Indusmin quarry The cadets learn map reading, operation and care ing and survival courses and

Also, two members of the

corps, Tim Taylor and Jim

Turnbull will be going on a

which would eventually close a portion of the existing Third Line from Indusmin to 22 Sideroad when the new Third Line was completed, was passed by council.

May meetings are not so The third reading was frequent. This is partly due to school exams and partly delayed to give residents a chance to voice their opinions.

Residents met with the

A proposal by Indusmin quarry owners, and I.td. to relocate a portion of Esquesing council twice last the. Third Line to skirt their year to discuss the proposal. property, was endorsed by At that time maps and Halton Hills council last rehabilitation plans were

Two readings of a by-law Indusmin Ltd. owns land on both sides of the existing Third Line, and made the proposal to enable them to use another part of the quarry without undermining the

> The town will swap the existing road for the new one. after the road has been completed by Indusmin and Continued on page 2



NOT N-E-O-W-W! Snoopy, the pet of the Trueman family of Ballinafad, is the cat who behaves herself as veterinarian Dr. Frank Oakes plunges the needle gently but deep to ensure owner Ann Trueman that her pet is completely vaccinated.