



Bus safety . . .

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per year. They also have their own fleet of buses.

Denny buses take 1,100

Clarence Denny has 15 routes, covering the town of Erin, some in Bramosa and Rockwood. He is under special contract with the Wellington board of education.
Almost 1,100 students ride on his buses daily. These pupils are from schools in Erin, Hillsburgh, Brisbane, Ospringle and Rockwood.
None of these students are picked up before 7:55 a.m. and the last one off the bus at night is 4:30 p.m. This prevents any time being spent waiting in the dark.
Mr. Denny's drivers must have a class two license and take a first aid refresher course every two years. They all wear uniforms which are provided free of charge and stay on the same route for as long as they work for the company. Mr. Denny feels this is good for the driver because he or she learns the roads, and knows what to expect from the children. The youngsters can also get to know the driver and this perhaps stimulates them to behave.

Bus patrol will report

In the case of misbehaviour, the bus patrol, which is one of the students themselves, reports the guilty party to the principal involved. The patrols also check the first aid kit and some of the safety features on the bus to make sure everything is in working order.

Under the Wellington board of education, if the bus is over seven years old, 30 per cent of its route is taken away. Under the same board, if the bus is used as a school bus, it cannot be used for anything else.

Denny buses have the regular safety features, as well as a few the owner has had specially put on. The window and door by the driver both have thermo pane glass which will not fog up. The floors are rubber instead of linoleum and there is a mirror on the left front fender to see any small child directly in front of the bus.

Esquesing

The Esquesing bus line is now a branch of Travelways, but until recently was owned by Norton bus lines in Burlington.

This bus line covers the schools in Limehouse, Speyside, Pineview public school, Stewarttown, Glen Williams, Ballinad town line to Peel town lines, Terra Cotta, Norval and Steeles, Steeles to Milton, highway 25 to the 15th Sideroad west to Nassagaweya townline, the 25 Sideroad south of Acton and east of Acton to the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth lines.

Esquesing has 25 routes, with approximately 70 students on each route. Because most of the students at Limehouse school are based in, classes start at 8:15 and run until 2:45. Students going to this school are picked

IGNORANCE OF THE law by drivers is the main concern for local bus owners. Cars are legally bound to come to a complete stop in both directions when the bus's red flashing lights are on. A lot of drivers illegally pass. The law is outlined on page 63 of the 1974 Driver's Handbook.

up at 7:30 and leave the school at 3:15. Other bus routes pick up their first passengers at 7:50. The last student gets home at 4:45.
Esquesing bus lines do not use any bus older than eight years old. As they replace their old buses, the new ones have the specially padded seats. Seat belts are not used in any of the buses in any line.
Cliff Shaw, the service manager of Esquesing, hopes they never install them because it would just be something else for the children to hit each other with.

If any boys or girls misbehave on any of these buses, they are reported to the student's principal. If they are consistently bad, they will not be allowed back on the bus. "Riding on the bus is a privilege, not a must," Mr. Shaw stated.

Drivers for Esquesing bus line must be over 21 years old, and have a medical check-up and chest x-rays every three years.

Almost 1,000 students are transported daily over 1,500 miles of road. There are pickup points, and, on the average, a pupil has to walk a half a mile. Kindergarten children are dropped off at their door, and if they have to cross the road, they are instructed not to do so until the driver gives a signal.
Mr. Shaw would like to see signs go up along 25 highway telling drivers of other vehicles to stop when they see the flashing red lights of school buses. Such signs are now going up on Highway 10 just north of Brampton, and in other areas.

Tyler has terminal

Tyler bus lines take care of the students from the top end of Esquesing to all of Acton schools and from the top end of Nassagaweya, Puslinch townline to Halton and Ching-uacousy townlines into Acton.

The Acton high school is the terminal to Robert Little school and the Georgetown high school. There are some classes which are only offered in Georgetown, and students find it necessary to take their schooling there. They get to Georgetown via Limehouse, and go to some of the public schools.

Some go long way

They have three buses which go to General Brock school in Burlington and two buses to Nassagaweya and



Acton Public Library Patrons PLEASE NOTE!!

New Library Hours

- MONDAY Closed
- TUESDAY
- WEDNESDAY 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- THURSDAY
- FRIDAY
- SATURDAY 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(Effective January 2, 1975 until further notice.)



LAW STATES "SCHOOL BUS" must be written in black letters on a yellow background. Tyler bus lines, with their red and white buses, paint the back of their bus the lawful colors.

Because Ted Tyler also owns a transport company and has his trucks and buses painted red and white, he had to paint "school bus" on the front and rear of his buses in black on orange in order to comply with the laws.

Some will be ignorant

Ted Tyler Jr. believes, that no matter how much the laws on passing school buses are tightened, there will always be someone who will either be ignorant of the law, or disobey it knowingly.
The passengers riding his buses are basically well-behaved. Most of them have ridden on the bus all of their school life and know how to behave. The ones who are new to bus riding that cause the problems, if any.

Harley Lishman, of the Halton board of education,

felt the police were "doing a tremendous job" in stopping cars which pass stopped school buses, and he is working with Halton Hills and Milton for bigger signs on the highways.
California school buses have amber flashing lights which precede the red flashing lights. These give other drivers on the road warning that the bus is going to stop. Mr. Lishman felt this was a good idea and would like to see it in Ontario.

There have only been two recorded accidents concerning these three bus lines since 1948. The most recent was last month, when a dump truck with faulty brakes collided into the bus.

4,000 make the trip

For the 4,000 students riding buses in this area, the

DON'T MISS
KEN CAMPBELL
and
RENAISSANCE ON "CROSSROADS"
Sunday, December 29,
Channel 11, 1:30 p.m.
(also channel 13, 8 a.m.)

To all the Citizens of Acton and district:
MY BEST WISHES FOR A VERY
HOLY, JOYOUS CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
... Father Morgan

WINNERS of the ACTON LIONS CHRISTMAS DRAW

5 tails - G. Rennick - R.R. 4, Acton
5 tails - G. Holmes - 27 Mill, Acton
4 tails - F. Gordon - R. R. 2, Acton
4 tails - M. Dyriu
3 tails - R. Milmine - St. Catharines
3 tails - B. Weldon - 40 Mowbray, Acton
2 tails - K. Weston - Georgetown
2 tails - J. Walton - Toronto
1 tail - W. Smith - Burlington
1 tail - E. Jordan - Acton

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Season's Greetings

One from L. Beattie to board Acton left

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man, leaving only one Acton person on the Halton Hills library board, George Lee. He did not have to reapply since he is serving a two-year term, according to the town offices.

There are eight members on the board.

The policy of re-applying was adopted by Halton Hills council. It is the system previously used by the town of Georgetown.

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The two other vacant spots on the Halton Hills Library Board, one appointed by the Public School Board and one by the Separate School Board have not yet been filled.

The other members on the library board whose terms have not expired are George Lee, Acton; Mrs. D. Thompson, Georgetown; W. (Ben) Boyle, Georgetown; Mrs. Anne J. Currie, Georgetown; and Mrs. Ruth Wilson, R.R. 5, Milton. Mrs. Wilson lives in Halton Hills.

POLICE VILLAGE of ROCKWOOD

The Board of Trustees, Commissioners and Staff, Rockwood Hydro Electric extend

Season's Greetings

BINGO

TONIGHT
Lic. No. 137563
at 8 p.m.

CREDIT VALLEY CLUB (FORMERLY RIVIERA)

20 - \$40 GAMES
\$1,000 JACKPOT
(53 No.'s)

NO ADMISSION CHARGE

Cards 3 for \$1

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THERE WILL BE NO BINGO MON., DECEMBER 30

• HOLIDAY CLOSING •

Acton Hydro Electric Commission

from Tuesday, Dec. 24 - 12 Noon
until Friday, Dec. 27 - 9 a.m.
ALSO
from Tuesday, Dec. 31 - 12 Noon
until Thursday, Jan. 2nd - 9 a.m.

For Emergencies: Christmas, Phone 853-1245
New Year's, Phone 853-1245

Acton Agricultural Society

Extends Best Wishes

to Everyone

for a

Very Merry Christmas

and a

Happy and Prosperous New Year

Directors and Members
Acton Agricultural Society

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Afternoons \$2 per car
Busload \$10
Evenings \$3 per car
Busload \$15
CALL 634-6028
(Burlington) for full details

Toyota Community Calendar

What's doing in the North Halton Area!

OUTDOOR FUN

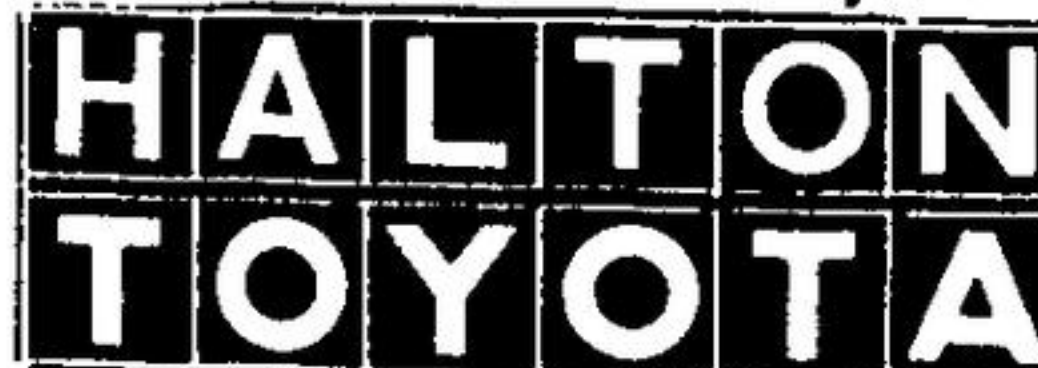
The three free outdoor ice surfaces in Acton are now in use so be sure to use these rinks for exercise and fun.

CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES

All the churches are holding special services at Christmas time. This is where the true meaning of Christmas is... attend a church service this week.

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM THE STAFF

See how much car your money will buy at



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MONDAY, DEC. 23 (6:00 p.m.) "The Hanging Woman" "The Love-Thrill Murders"

Tue. 24 Christmas Eve

THEATRE CLOSED
THE STAFF AND MANAGEMENT wish you a Merry Christmas

Wed. 25 Thu. 26 Fri. 27 Sat. 28 Showtime 6:45 on Fri. & Sat. only.

DAD FLIPS OUT! WALT DISNEY SUPERDAD
Walt Disney SON OF FLUBBER

Saturday Matinee Dec. 28, 2 p.m. Walt Disney "Son of Flubber"

Sun. 29 Mon. 30 Showtime 7:45 p.m.

Henry Fonda - Terence Hill
"My Name is Nobody"

Peace on Earth

The true meaning of Christmas stems from the message, that heralded His birth. "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men". We wish a generous share of spiritual happiness for you. And we take this opportunity to thank you for your friendly good will.

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Kinal and Staff

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