

## Pool repairs given O.K.

Repairs to Acton pool were approved and recommended by Halton Hills administration committee last Thursday evening.

Gyproc board will be installed on the beams and ceiling of the pool mechanical room at a cost of \$325 and a fire-rated ceiling will be installed in the caretaker's room and hallway next to the men's washroom for \$460.

Councillor Maltby commented that the work should be done.

The matter of a new ceiling in the men's washroom will be held over while use of different materials is investigated. There has been a problem there since the opening of the pool. Tiles have had to be constantly replaced due to humidity and the pool users' deflecting the spray from the showers onto the ceiling tiles. Cost is estimated at about \$1,000 which will be shared by the Board of Education, fifty-fifty.

## Abbott Conway Beardmore v.p.

At the annual meeting of shareholders and directors of Beardmore and Co. Limited held in Acton on June 9, C. Abbott Conway was elected vice-president of the company. Mr. Conway, who has been with the company since 1962, is also assistant general manager.

Mungall, vice-president of Canada Packers Limited, president and general manager, Peter F. Dunham, and secretary-treasurer, Lorne E. Youngblut.

Directors elected were S. G. Bennett, C. A. Conway, P. F. Dunham, J. G. Greifeneder, J. E. Lareau, G. D. Mungall and L. E. Youngblut.

## Halton Hills signs on 401

Halton Hills works committee decided Monday to ask Queen's Park to erect signs on Highway 401 at Highway 25 and Trafalgar Road exits indicating drivers must go

north to reach Halton Hills. Under Halton Hills the committee wants Acton placed inside brackets at the Highway 25 and Georgetown in brackets at the Trafalgar Road exit.

## Design work "imperative"

Even though it wasn't included in this year's budget Halton Hills works committee intends to come up with the money to pay its share of the engineering work which is required to design the reconstruction of Main Street North and Guelph Street.

Austin noted the region is planning to do major water and sewer work on the street. Austin said it is imperative that the design work for reconstruction be done in 1976 so the work can be done in 1977.

Engineer Robert Austin told the committee Monday the town will have to spend no more than \$5,000 for its portion of the engineering work and the funds will come out of the miscellaneous road work funds.

He explained originally \$25,000 was included in the works budget for Main Street reconstruction but it was taken out when provincial plans to do the job this year fell through.

## Town opposes region on road widening land

Halton Region wants all the land in front of a property dedicated to the region for road widening when a separation is approved.

Councillor Dick Howitt pointed out a farmer could have 2,000 feet of frontage but only wanted to separate one 125 foot frontage lot. "It's hard enough to explain taking the frontage in front of a 125 foot lot without any payment without trying to take the frontage off the whole 2,000 feet for nothing."

Halton Hills council disagrees. They made it clear they would go for the dedication of the land in front of the land to be actually severed, but no more.

## GRADS

### Nursing graduate

Susan Gladys Payne, of 43 Rosemary Rd., Acton, graduated from the Guelph Nursing Division, Dehli St., of Conestoga College on Saturday with her Registered Nursing degree.

Convocation was held at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium.



Susan Gladys Payne

### B.A. Sc. degree

Mrs. Dora Kennedy of R. R. 2, Rockwood, Ont. attended the Convocation for the conferring of degrees at the University of Waterloo, on Saturday, May 22, for her grandson Richard Everdell, who received his B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering. He is now employed with the Ontario Hydro on University Ave., Toronto.

His parents, Hazel and Ray Everdell of Port Hope, Ont. and the rest of the family formerly lived in Acton, and Rick started his education here.



Rick Everdell



Susan Jamieson

### Sheridan graduate

Mrs. Susan Butler (nee Jamieson) graduated from Sheridan College from the two-year Legal Secretarial Course on May 26.

Susan attended Acton High where she obtained her Grade 13 Diploma. Susan is living in Rockwood and hopes to work in the Orangeville or Brampton area.

Susan was just married May 29.



Patricia A. Last

### Degree at U. of T.

Patricia A. Last, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Last, Main St., Acton, obtained her Diploma in Child Study (Option Child Assessment and Counselling) at the University of Toronto Spring Convocation on June 11.

A graduate of Acton High School, Patricia received her Bachelor of Arts (Honors) degree in Psychology at the University of Guelph in 1973.

## Bodnar says need consistent policy

A call for consistency in Halton high school examination policies made by Trustee Ernie Bodnar and other members of Halton Board of Education went unheeded Thursday when the board decided to continue allowing each school to hold exams whenever it wants.

Bodnar said he believes the board is "using a shotgun approach" when it comes to exams since each school uses its own discretion as to when exams will be written.

"Are we really achieving what we want with exams when some students write them part way through the school year and others at the end. Do we want to simulate the pressure of finals which is now even disappearing at universities? Maybe we are missing the boat as far as exams are concerned when there isn't any consistency with respect to the length of

of the hurdle system when day-by-day evaluation of a student's work isn't as important as one day's effort. Boich said exams shouldn't count for any more than 25 per cent of a pupil's final mark.

Bodnar said exams which are held in the middle of a semester are really just tests and said the entire school routine shouldn't be interrupted for tests. He said exams should be held at the end of a semester and deal with the entire year's work.

"Exams do more than simply teach students how to write university exams. They teach other skills which are exams or when they are held," Bodnar suggested.

Superintendent of Program John Boich explained the reason exams are written is because the experience is crucial. He worried that any change in board examination policies could lead to a return

used a great deal in later life such as how to take a body of knowledge and pick out the wheat from the chaff," Bodnar declared.

Trustee Richard Goodin said he thought exams taught other skills as well, such as how to meet a deadline.

Trustee Tom Watson disagreed with Bodnar, saying exams held in November and May are very effective and beneficial to both teachers and students. He said teachers learn what they have been getting across and learn what weaknesses are in pupils.

Boich told the board he didn't agree with Georgetown High School principal Mike Furlong's assessment that meaningful work can't be expected after June 17. He said that doesn't have to be the case if exams aren't deemed the climax of the year.

Exams are held in all grade 13 courses except art at Georgetown High School from January 17 to 21 and July 6 to 10.

At Acton High School grade 12 and 13 pupils write exams for 10 subjects from

December 2 to 7 and from April 23 to May 3.

There are exams at Milton High School for all grade 13 courses and about three-quarters of the grade 12 programs from December 1 to 8 and May 11 to 18.

### CHANGE of MEETING

During the summer months, July to September inclusive the ACTON HYDRO ELECTRIC meetings will be held on the SECOND Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. instead of 7:30 p.m. ACTON HYDRO ELECTRIC

## Region to study rural settlements

The feasibility of limited residential expansion of rural settlements across Halton Region—ranging from Kilbride to Brookville, Stewarttown and Norval—is to be studied by a firm of engineers for the regional public works department.

The \$40,000 study, approved last week by the regional public works committee, would investigate water supply and sewage disposal conditions, and determine the possibility of expansion of the settlements using small municipal water distribution systems and rural sewage disposal systems.

New settlements The study would also determine the suitability of areas for new rural settlements and subdivisions.

Said one public works official, "it'll show us what areas are suitable for growth and if so how much."

Other settlements listed in the resolution proposed by Milton Mayor Anne MacArthur

included Lowville, Campbellville, Moffat, Limehouse and Glen Williams.

The committee decision was made conditional on a provincial subsidy, being available, but the committee was advised the Ministry of Housing has financed similar studies in Hamilton-Wentworth and Durham regions.

## Four car accident

Four cars were involved in a collision Friday afternoon at 5:20 p.m. on Steeles Ave. at the fifth line. All the cars were eastbound; there were no injuries.

Driver Katherine Carroll, Milton, had estimated \$200 to her car; Carol Brooks, R. R. 6, Milton \$700, John Barnes, Georgetown \$200 and Keith McHugh, Georgetown, \$200.

In another accident on Steeles Sunday at 5:10 p.m. driver Sarina Hawkes, R. R. 1, Hornby, had \$150 damage estimated to her vehicle and Andrea Huberty, Oakville, \$200 to hers.

## Balloons for testing

Red balloons have been reported in the Limehouse and Silverwood areas. Previous enquiries have shown they are probably weather balloons, used for testing.

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