



JANET AGER and Rick Lubbers, grade eight M. Z. Bennett school graduates, received the best male and female athlete awards June 21 at graduation exercises. For more photos and stories see inside.

Still seek Cameron drainage solution

Halton Hills works committee is back looking at Cameron Street again and trying to find some way of solving the street's drainage problems. Councillor Joe Hurst told the committee Monday the paving job on the street was "beautiful" but didn't do much to solve the drainage problems which saw one resi-

dent's basement flooded twice in the past week. "We should look at it again and try to do something," Hurst said. Dishing Committee chairman Mike Armstrong noted the region was supposed to create a sort of dish when it repaved the street so water would run

down Mill Street but didn't. "I still think the dishing idea was sound. Maybe we can put a dishing topping on now," he said. Engineer Robert Austin said he didn't know if that would solve the problem because "frankly I just don't know where the water is coming from."

He noted he went up one night last week and observed water flow in the Mill Street storm sewer "and I don't think water is going down Cameron from Mill." Austin said flooding after last Saturday's heavy rain shouldn't be blamed on poor drainage since many homes throughout the town were

flooded. Many had never had water in the basement before the heavy rain. Cost a lot "We could still pad the asphalt to make water go down Mill but it will cost a lot," Austin warned. Armstrong wondered if the town could hold the region responsible for the problems

since sanitary sewer work was done in the area. Austin said that charges would be very hard to prove and Hurst noted there was flooding before the region did any work in the area. Hurst said the town has some kind of responsibility for the problem he thought since the flooded homes were

getting water in their basements which didn't all fall on their property. Councillor Ern Hyde said a sidewalk might be the answer and noted it has solved similar drainage problems throughout Georgetown. It was decided the committee members will go up and look at the street again

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\$4.75 million teacher raise with increments over 10%

Halton Board of Education has offered its 2,400 teachers an average 7.3 per cent wage hike, which with annual increments added means elementary school teachers will get a 10.8 per cent raise

and high school teachers 10.6 per cent increase. The terms of the board's collective agreement package, which will be voted on by teachers this week, was announced Thursday night.

The wage hike will cost taxpayers \$4.75 million. Since only 55 per cent of the cost will be picked up by Queen's Park it will add three-and-a-half mills to next year's tax bills.

Pay for elementary school teachers now range from \$8,261 to \$25,350 a year as compared to a range of \$7,706 to \$23,500 this year. Secondary school teachers wages have gone from \$11,005 to \$23,500 this year to a range of \$11,850 to \$25,350 under the new agreement.

High school principals can now make from \$31,100 to \$35,300 plus an increment of \$840 a year, as compared to a maximum of \$33,100 this year. The maximum for secondary school vice-principals has gone up from \$27,950 to \$30,200.

Elementary school principals can now make as much as \$30,900 compared to \$27,950 under the old agreement and vice-principals \$25,400, up \$1,900 from this year.

Trustee Bill Herd noted this was the first contract negotiated with the teachers since Bill 100, which gives teachers the right to strike, was born, and also the first contract since wage guidelines came into effect.

On Seventh Line New complex is approved by one vote

After a nose count of potential votes a \$900,000 municipal complex was approved by one vote Tuesday night at a special meeting of Halton Hills council.

A recorded vote showed Councillors Dick Howitt, Ern Hyde, Pat McKenzie, Joe Hurst, Ernie Sykes and Les Duby in favor. Opposed were Councillors Ric Morrow, George Malby, Harry Levy, Roy Booth and Mayor Tom Hill.

Councillors Mike Armstrong and Russ Miller were absent. Voicing opposition to the proposal, Mayor Tom Hill stated the cost was too heavy a burden for

taxpayers. All opposing councillors voiced the same opinion. On the other hand, Councillor Ern Hyde maintained the need for centralization of municipal staff was urgent.

However, a hitch could develop to stop the complex. Treasurer Ray King cautioned council they may have to have a two-thirds or three-quarter majority to pass the money by-law necessary.

Ardent opponent of the complex, Councillor Morrow commented—"A million dollars passed by one vote."

He noted Arthur, Peel and Mill Streets are also in need of the same kind of construction and will have to be done someday. Hyde said he wanted a cost estimate and Austin agreed to bring one back.

Hinton stands school board



Tuesday afternoon H.H. "Bert" Hinton announced that he will be a candidate for the ward 1 and 2 seat on Halton Board of Education.

Sitting member Tom Watson also expects to contest the election. Bert Hinton, owner of Hinton's store, Mill St., Acton, has been in the town for 10 years a member of the board of governors of Sheridan College. He has also been an Acton councillor, county councillor and warden of the county.

"I have grave concerns about what's happening in education," Mr. Hinton explains. He terms salaries "ridiculous", added onto a budget already hard pressed.

He feels his experience on community college board of

ACTON businessman H. H. (Bert) Hinton said this week he will contest the Wards one and two Halton Hills seat on the Halton County Board of Education.

governors has made him keep close tabs on the secondary schools, and since he has always been on Sheridan's building committees he would be knowledgeable about Acton's current building program.

"I am highly concerned about the integrity and morality of the system," he states. "We have to be more accountable for what is being taught."

Just another step

Improvements coming for Cobblehill Road

Halton Hills works committee is considering installing curbs, gutters and storm sewers on the odd-numbered side of Cobblehill Road.

Following up on complaints about the street from Laura Dittich, Halton Hills engi-

neer Robert Austin suggested Monday night that the improvements to the street be included in the town's five year works forecast.

He said the curb, gutter and storm sewer work would be done on the one side of the

street which has steep ditches and the distance was 800 to 900 feet. The other side of Cobblehill Road has storm sewers.

Councillor Ern Hyde said there was no way the project could be added to the five

year forecast until a cost estimate was known. Just a step Austin explained its inclusion in the five year forecast didn't mean it would be done right away. He explained the town has a list of projects and

each year it decides which ones must be done. "This is just another step towards complete urbanization construction and services in all urban areas of the town," Councillor Joe Hurst explained.

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Hope for plexiglass round arena

Plexiglass all round the Acton arena ice surface, instead of just down the sides as was recommended two weeks ago, may be installed if the

extra money can be found. Facility Superintendent Pat Sheehan told Halton Hills administration committee tenders for other items at the

arena would be received within two weeks, and at that time the recreation department would know if the extra money is available.

During strike

Need time and money to travel in Canada

The recent air line crisis did not leave any Actonians stranded in a foreign city, or unable to get away on a vacation, according to Ted Tyler Jr. of Tyler Travel.

Mr. Tyler said that the people waiting on a trip requiring air travel, were re-booked for flights every few days, so the day the strike was over, they would have reservations.

He also said that any traveller can get any place he wants, if he has the time and

the money. Mr. Tyler cited the typical flight to Toronto-Thunder Bay as an example of the inconvenience the traveller must go through.

An ordinary flight is direct, and takes two hours and 40 minutes. When the planes were at a standstill one had to travel from Toronto to Buffalo, to Minneapolis, Duluth and Thunder Bay, or the more direct Toronto, Buffalo Detroit and Thunder Bay. Total time is nine hours and 39 minutes.

Mr. Tyler said he has not had one complaint from passengers, as they all feel the pilots are right in the controversial issue over bilingualism. He himself, he admits, is backing the pilots 100 per cent.

Monday morning, while the planes were still grounded, CFTO's morning program, Canada AM, offered alternatives to buses, trains or U.S.A. air carriers to get from Toronto to Vancouver. To rent a car for the journey, according to writer Sandy Rinaldo, it would cost a person \$1000 for the four day journey plus \$100 per province entered.

A taxi, which also takes four days, is more expensive at \$2886.90. For those fortunate enough to be able to rent a light aircraft, the cost for four people would be \$3500, with ten hours flying time. A Lear jet, Mr. Rinaldo discovered, would cost a mere \$10,000. All these prices are one way, only.

She got these figures, she told the Free Press, from various phone calls around the city.

Canada Day action Sunday

Fun and excitement will prevail for everyone at Prospect Park on Sunday as the Acton firefighters and the Rotary club stage joint Canada Day Celebrations.

The day will begin as early as 7 a.m. for eager anglers. That's the time the fishing derby commences. Winners will be named at four in the afternoon.

A firefighting demonstration at 8 p.m. should keep many thrilled as the highly skilled and highly trained volunteers show just why Acton and area has the lowest fire insurance rate around. At dusk, for everyone's enjoyment, there will be a fireworks display. Young and old alike can marvel at the burst of color in the dark sky.

To cover the cost of the fireworks, a small admission fee is being charged into the park. However, it is kept to a minimum.

Cameron man is stabbed

Gilles Boisclair, 26 Cameron St., Acton, was taken by ambulance to Georgetown district hospital Saturday suffering from slight injuries as a result of a stabbing, according to Halton Regional Police. The injuries resulted from a domestic dispute.

No reason to close

Closing the water billing office in Acton is no reason to close the whole building, Councillor Les Duby told administration committee Monday night.

He said while the region runs water and sewers and can close the water billing office, there are many other agencies in the building. "It's ridiculous."

He said the fire department and the recreation department would stay there as well as other social services that use the building.

Duby said he wants the matter straightened out and asked for a committee of the whole meeting where a full discussion can be held. He said the recreation department and the treasury department should be represented to let their needs be known.



TOMBERRY'S MOUTH ORGAN music so moved one of the residents at Kelly's Rest Home Saturday evening that she got right up and danced a jig for her friends. Mr. Berry's playing was one of an assortment of entertainments brought to the rest home by Don Marzo to top off Senior Citizens Week. The acts were to be presented outside, but a violent thunderstorm forced participants indoors.



THE WEDDING ceremony was in both sign language and spoken words when the Rev. R. Rumball of Toronto, left, officiated at the marriage of Carole Mae Bowman and Jeffrey Brent Goy. Both attended the Drury school at Milton. More details on the family page.