entire orientation has been to Guelph not to Georgetown so how the heck can we make a system work when it doesn't make sense!! It's beyond me how our councillors can

get lost in such a muddle. Perhaps it's because they do have to go to Georgetown on business. We don't.

Puzzled

#### Women guards at prison?

R.R. 2, Rockwood Nov. 17, 1977

Dear Sir:

Some three months ago I learned that the all-male Etobicoke prison being built, would be staffed by guards of whom onethird of the force would be women. Being concerned, I phoned a producer of a talk show at CHIC radio, Brampton. I also wrote to June Callwood, of CBC's "In Touch" suggesting that this would be a good topic for their programs. I still believe it would be a good topic, especially since our M.P.P. Julian Reed, has discussed the matter in the House, with Correctional Services Minister Frank Drea. I did not find Mr. Drea's explanations acceptable. I both question and challenge his statements. Equating female prison guards with Florence Nightingale, women doctors, and today's nurses, is an insult to female doctors and female nurses. I have a sister and a daughter who are nurses, and nurses are taught to respect the privacy of patients whenever possible. Furthermore, they administer to the sick. Male prison inmates are not physically sick. Inmates who are mentally sick should be in the care of competent medically trained people.

Many prison inmates are anti-social. Humiliating them by being supervised by female guards whilst performing bodily functions will only make them more antisocial. Inevitably, female guards will be taken as hostages, and the outcome could be disastrous.

I wonder what Mr. Drea will say then? I. question what type of woman would want to be a guard in an all-male prison? One of the whip and jack-boot set? Or a woman so desperate for work she will take anything?

Mr. Drea claims women guards have cleaned up the prison language. Would he have us believe the prisoners are now using such expletives as "Fuddle Duddle" and "Oh, Shoot?" I don't believe it, not for one minute.

Mr. Drea would have us believe that women guards have had the same effect as barmaids in beverage rooms. "Horseleathers! I don't know where Mr. Drea does his drinking, but I have yet to be followed to the washroom by a barmaid in a beverage room.

I am a firm believer in equality for women, and in progress, but this step is not equality, it is not unisex, it is a retrograde

step into a sexless society. William A. Johnson

### inda Franklin is new hostess

Welcome Wagon is alive and well in Acton.

Linda Franklin, a Kingham Rd. resident, has just started her new job as Welcome Wagon hostess. This is the same idea as the Hi Neighbour service, hosted by Marlene Steckley.

Once Mrs. Franklin gets some sponsors together, she will head out to new residents in the town. She feels Acton is large enough to have both hers and Mrs. Steckley's services, and looks forward to meeting new people.

The new Welcome Wagon hostess said there has always been this service in Acton, but it has sort of fallen by the wayside. She explains one person has been in charge of both Acton and Georgetown, but because of the great influx of new homes in Georgetown, Acton fell short.

When Mrs. Franklin herself moved to town more than three years ago, shw was visited by a Welcome Wagon



Crafts sale Saturday is Mrs. Fred Brillinger of Richmond Hill.

#### Obituary

### Former resident dies in Guelph

A former resident of Acton has died in Guelph General Hospital in his 77th year. Archie Kentner of 92D

Arthur St. No., Guelph lived in Acton for 35 years before his October 30 death. He is survived by his wife, Mary II. Ford, daughter Marguerite Robinson, Guelph; son Elwin of Stoney Creek; brother Walter of Acton, sisters Margaret of Acton and Viola of Georgetown. He is also survived by six grandchildren eight great-grandchildren. Mr. Kentner was predeceased by a brother

Funeral service was held at

November 2, with the Rev. A. McKenzie officiating. Interment was at Fairview ceme-

Pallhearers were grandsons, Garry Kentner, Don Meagher, Allan, Brian and Kenneth Robinson, and Brian Evans. Flowerbearers were John Goy, Sandy McEachern and Lorne (Minute) Walters.

#### Grant

Wellington county Association for Children with Learning Disabilities has received a Canada Works grant to

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#### items she will be giving the newcomers.

## CLEARANCE SALE

BEFORE THE NEW year, Mrs. Linda Franklin

hopes to have her new job as Welcome Wagon

hostess in full operation. She will be calling on

newcomers in town, helping them to orient

themselves. Her basket will be full of many

Suspects in mind

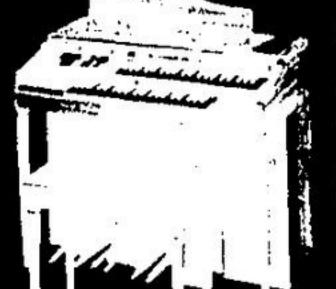
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#### Obituary

### Ethel Thompson well-known

A respected member of the community has died in Wellington Terrace, Elora, on November 16, in her 81st

Ethel Thompson, formerly of R.R.2. Acton had been in falling health since the death of her husband Joshua in May of 1976. They had farmed in the Ballinafad area for many

Left to mourn her loss are her children, Ray, Charlie, Bill, Frank, Doris (Mrs. Albert Cox) of Acton, Leonard and Fred of Guelph, Emily (Mrs. Plouffe) of Ballinafad, Edith (Mrs. Nodwell) of Orton, and Margaret (Mrs. Robson) of Hornby. She is also survived

by 21 grandchildren, 13 greatgrandchildren, and three

Obituary Resident

years ago Funeral service was held Tuesday (yesterday) at Stouffville for Margaret Merle (Richmond) Hamilton,

who died Saturday at the Parkview Home, Stouffville. Merle Richmond lived in Acton years ago at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stewart, while she attended high school. Her family lived on a farm at

She was in her 86th year. She is predeceased by her husband Philimore, and survived by sons Howard and Belfrey, daughters-in-law, brother George Richmond of Simcoe, sisters Lillian Cleland and Eunice Park of Listowel, seven grandchildren and five great-grand-

November 19 with the Rev. Cemetery.

Morden, Arthur and Alan Thompson, Acton. Flowerbearers were grandsons Ron Cox, John Thompson, Paul Robson and Jim Thompson.

#### Milton votes firehall bucks

In a nip and tuck 54 vote Milton council last week decided to go ahead with the completion of the new firehall on Steeles Avenue at a cost of

finish the \$366,524 job. It voted to give the contractor less, and let him stretch the money as far as It would go.

Council is spending about \$7,000 more than if it voted the amount needed for the work earlier.

Earlier this year council

found it had not the funds to

In another decision council decided to put a hold on the sale of the old firehall.

great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by one son Angus, as well as her hus-Funeral service was held in

Churchill Community church

A.W. Fosbury officiating. Interment was at Churchill Pallbearers were son-inlaw Albert Cox, Acton, and grandsons, Charles and Brian Plouffe, Ballinafad, Bob Robson, Georgetown, Andy

### VISIT AL & THEO

The Acton Free Press, Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1977 5

borhoods.

next year.

The board also set aside a

quarter of a million dollars'

for three elementary school

sites in the proposed Timber-

lea and Valley View neigh-

Those sites are to be bought

Family Barber

Bd. of E. OKs school

Halton Board of Education

last week approved plans for

a \$5,400,000 new Milton high

school which is slated to open

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