

Committee warm to tourist grant request

Halton Region's Administration Committee will consider a grant request of just over \$2,000 to promote tourism in the Mid-Western Ontario area when it meets Wednesday.

The Niagara and Mid-Western Travel Association made what some councillors feel the most convincing pitch for regional support that has been made in the past four years.

President Paul Randolph told the committee tourism is the second largest industry in Ontario, turning an estimated \$2.8 billion dollars.

Randolph said \$40,000,000 of that comes to rest in this area. MWTA manager Marg Sharkey said the association worked on a \$191,000 budget and represented five regions and three counties known as Festival Country.

Through brochures and publicity pieces the area is promoted throughout the world. Randolph told the

committee that with the increases in accommodation many families are accepting their homes as their hotels and resorting to one day trips for their holiday.

He argued that the association was doing a good job in pointing out the features that are available for people to see.

Administration Committee Chairman Mac Anderson said he was impressed with the work being done and the presentation, and he vowed he would support a grant for the first time in four years.

Councillor Jim Watson suggested that surely the region had some obligation to support the industry, especially when it brings dollars into the community. Councillor Walter Mulkewich indicated he, too, is sympathetic to the request.

But the committee wasn't by any means unanimous in the move to break from the position the region has

always held towards the group.

Burlington Mayor Mary Munro said she felt the city of Burlington recognizes the industry by providing a staffed tourist booth. She noted the capital cost alone was \$35,000 last year.

Councillor Carl Eriksen said no one disputed the significance of the industry but he felt the tourist industry received financial help from both the federal and provincial levels of government.

"The business community is the first to object to government spending, but the first to stick their hand into the pot," he added.

Both he and Mayor Munro felt the hotel owners and innkeepers should be absorbing more of the cost of the operation than they do. Of the \$191,000, chambers of commerce and business people contribute only \$5,000.



MANY MANY SHOPPERS crowded the Cedarvale cottage in Georgetown for the Credit Valley Artisans' sale Saturday. Among the many were Val Walters and Kim of Heather Court. They examine a farmer doll made by M. Buchanan. Mrs. Walters is a public health nurse in Acton.

High unemployment may lead to civil unrest

High unemployment could lead to civil unrest in Ontario during the winter, Ontario MPP Michael Breaugh told an NDP meeting in Milton Wednesday night.

"I've never heard such radical talk among young people," Breaugh told reporters after the meeting.

Breaugh is one of three NDP candidates seeking the NDP leadership in Ontario.

"We will be lucky to get through the winter without social unrest," he said.

Breaugh explained the taverns generally are full during times of high unemployment.

"It might not be any more than trouble in taverns," Breaugh said, but he wasn't confident of that.

"Young people are being turfed out on the street and you can't expect them to just take it."

The Oshawa MPP said people have come to expect a high standard of living and are now very frustrated.

"No one will listen to the man on the street unless he riots," he said.

Breaugh indicated Sudbury was the first obvious example of potential trouble. "There are 2,800 people laid off and young families are going to find it difficult to meet their responsibilities. It will effect every industrial area," he explained.

History in stone

Tracking glaciers

by Ward Chesworth
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Sexton Blake, the famous detective of British fiction, was lying bound and gagged on the deck of a villain's yacht somewhere off the coast of England. He had no idea of his whereabouts but, luckily (though most improbably) a wave washed a stone on board and as it landed it made the distinctive ringing sound of the rare rock phonolite. "Aha," said Mr. Blake, "we are anchored off Wolf Rock, the only occurrence of phonolite in Britain."

and Wentworth counties are mostly made up of fairly local rocks. Around Acton and Guelph, limestones are found. Closer to Hamilton the distinctive shale found at the base of the Niagara escarpment is common and imparts a reddish colour to the glacial debris.

But all over this area roughly ten to fifteen percent of the stones are of a more distant origin. Pink and grey granites, volcanic and metamorphic rocks occur, and indicate that the ice that carried them must have passed over part of the Canadian Shield. Many of the rocks found locally in fact, appear to have come from the Haliburton-Hastings Highlands region of Central Ontario.

Central Ontario. But the path wasn't straight down. It involved a detour into the Lake Ontario basin and then a more or less east to west track towards us.

Scratches on the bedrock surface and the smoothing off of hills in the direction that the ice moved, is extra evidence used by glaciologists to prove this detour.

In other words the glaciers flowed down this way from



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Horses attract big spenders

For people outside of the equestrian world, \$25,000 or \$30,000 for a horse appears an astronomical figure, but for those familiar with fine horseflesh, such prices are considered a sound value.

Such was the case at the recent auction of hunters and jumpers at Sam-Son Farms in Hornby, attended by an estimated 1,500 people from Canada and the United States. It was a buyer's market according to Sam-Son Farm officials and included 54 horses on the auction block, with sales totalling \$108,000.

A top price of \$31,000 was paid for Sir Certain, an eight-year-old chestnut gelding. A successful junior and intermediate jumper in Canada and the United States, the horse was bought by Carl Knee, coach of the Canadian Equestrian Team.

Tower Bridge, a five-year-old stallion, consigned by Sam-Son Farms went for \$25,000, the second top bid of the evening.

A sale of approximately the same number of horses last August and in November of last year produced \$148,000 in sales.

The auction is part of a move to reduce the hunter and jumper stock at the farm for expansion of thoroughbred breeding, according to Jim Day, manager of the farm and considered one of Canada's top equestrians.

Noted for his successes in the jumping ring, Mr. Day is now busy training thoroughbreds for the race track.

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Postal switch

Postmaster Gord McKeown is the acting postmaster in Georgetown these days. A new postmaster should be starting the job in Georgetown in a couple of weeks. While he is away, Chris McMillan is acting postmaster here.

Youths charged

Three youths have been charged by Halton Regional Police for consuming beer in a van parked at St. Alban's church, Willow St. N., police say.

Worth

Even the rigors of a Christmas eve snow fall are endurable when there's a glimpse of Santa Claus on his route, most the youngsters think.

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Ospringe

Teacher on jury, sub teaches class

by Doris Finles

Mrs. Ann Smith had a new enlightening experience last week as she was chosen to act on a jury for three days. In the meantime Mrs. Gail Baldwin supply teacher, was teaching her grade 2-3 class.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Brown hosted a dinner party for the staff of Ospringe school and their husbands and wives, last Tuesday evening, at their farm home on the Erin-Eramosa town line.

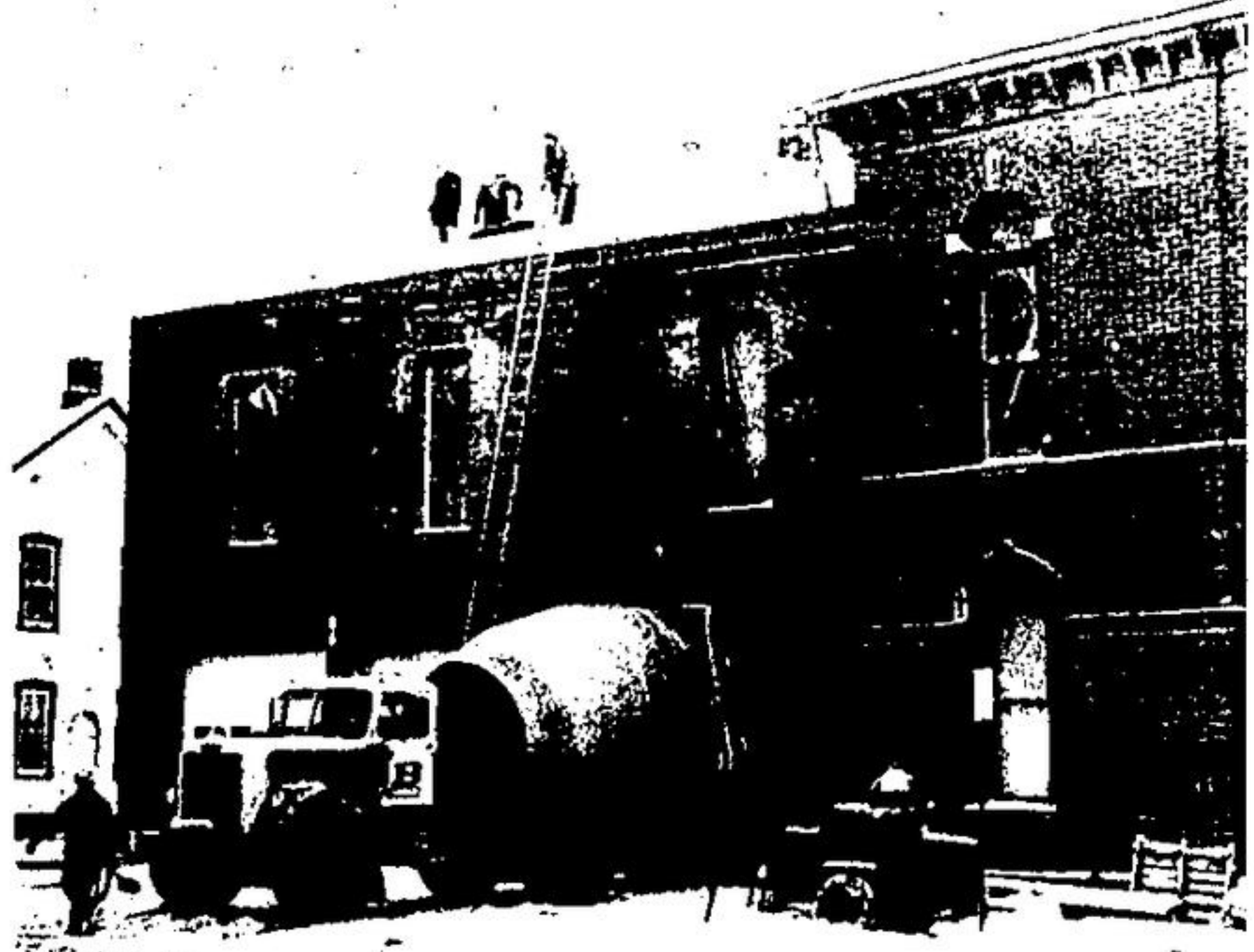
At the last meeting of Ospringe Fruitteers the record books were examined by the leaders, in readiness to send

to the Home Economist, so they can be marked before Achievement Day, which will be held in Hillsburgh.

The principals and librarians of Area I met with Mr. Corbett, Area Superintendent, at Ospringe school on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Pauline Weber, Library Consultant, addressed the group, emphasizing the way in which a library should be correlated into the complete curriculum. The principals later, met separately and conducted their regular business meeting.

Nine Tweenies were en-

rolled into Brownies Thursday evening in a special ceremony which was attended by their parents. Laura Ann Robinson, Sheryl Brown, Diana Grundy, Julie Lewandowski, Shannon Salter, Melissa Gregory, Heidi Schotsch, Cheryl Misurka, and Melanie Patterson, were each brought to the stone by a Brownie, and they walked up the pathway to the toadstool to say their promise. Afterwards they sang songs and played games, while six Brownies who are working for their Golden Hand, made the coffee, and served coffee and cake to the guests.



FIRE HALL addition roof is now under construction and should be completed in a couple of weeks.

Bell rate reduction for Brookville

Some 32 Bell Canada subscribers in the Brookville area of the Campbellville "854" exchange who already have individual or two-party

telephone service will have their rates reduced to \$9.15 and \$6.35 a month respectively, beginning Dec. 7, Bill Barnes, local Bell Canada manager, said today.

This is a reduction from their present rates, which vary because they are based on a charge for every quarter mile from the built-up area of the exchange, Mr. Barnes said.

This service arrangement is called a Locality Rate Area (LRA) and is for the area immediately around the intersection of the Guelph Line and 15 Sideroad. The cost to Bell Canada is \$58,000.

The new rates that take effect in the area Dec. 7 for one and two-party service will be 35 cents and 25 cents respectively higher monthly

than in the built-up or base rate area of the Campbellville exchange. The business office will be contacting all customers to determine the type of service they want.

The Non-Urban Service Improvement (NUSI) program for the Campbellville exchange will also be completed by Dec. 7, Mr. Barnes said. This upgrading of non-urban telephone service is costing Bell Canada \$600 million over a four-year period in Ontario and Quebec. It brings about the reduction of the numbers of customers on one multi-party line to a maximum of four and adequate facilities to provide one or two-party service for customers who would like such service at an additional charge.

Create 500 jobs

It is possible Nelson's will expand its Georgetown warehousing operation for production of chocolate products, creating over 500 jobs. However, details of the firm's plans are both sketchy and contradictory at this time.

The possibility of Nelson's expanding in 1978 was raised Friday at the McLaughlin Ontario Municipal Board hearing which is reviewing allocation of space in Georgetown's expanded sewage treatment plant.

Robert Jarvis, McLaughlin's lawyer, told the OMB that earlier he had said Nelson's wasn't coming to Georgetown so shouldn't be included in the town's sewage allocation policy.

Friday he corrected himself, stating associates of his have recently been in touch with Nelson's officials who said there is a chance the company will move production to Georgetown.

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