



PARADE PASSING along Mill St. was photographed many years ago, but the interest has shifted to the properties behind them. From the left are Perrymans' house, the vacant lot where the Y is now, the store that was last Elissa Shoe store, and then a shady lot with the sign "Ice Cream Lawn". A little further down the block was the post office and Matthews store.



FRAME ADDITION at the rear of Elissa shoe store was razed Tuesday. An addition will be built to replace it. When repairs are made, Elissa Shoe Store will re-open. The Cavics lost their business and home by fire in February.

Elissa Shoes will rebuild

Plans are being made to re-open Elissa Shoe Store and erect an addition at the rear. This week the frame addition at the back of the building has been razed. The two-storey brick building remains and will be repaired.

The shoe store itself will be enlarged. The Civic family plans to live in the new one-storey addition behind the store. The apartment upstairs will be repaired.

Elissa Shoes and the Mill St. building were gutted by fire in February with the damage estimate placed then at \$100,000. Mr. and Mrs. Gojko Cavic and their two children have been living with relatives in Hamilton.

The building has been on Mill St. since before the turn of the century. It is pictured in the earliest photographs owned by the Free Press, which date back to 1898.

It is believed the building was first built about 120 years ago. Acton's Early Days, published in 1939, had this to say about the building:

"On the next lot, on which McLean's barber shop now stands, a dwelling was erected eighty or ninety years ago. Many and many a tenant called it home. When Mr. George Havill put up this fine brick building the old house was moved to the rear. A number of years ago it was torn down. About 65 years ago Wm. Baird had a photograph gallery there. One day his son Alfred, who disliked going to school, played truant and occupied his afternoon in "jumping freights" in the Grand Trunk yards. Taking a more venturesome turn he attempted jumping on an engine. He failed, fell under the cruel wheels, both legs were ground off and he died that night.

"It was in this building that Robt. Craine started shoe making. Here also Wm. Williams commenced his business career on his own account. Wm. Cripps used it for a fruit and vegetable store, and some one also had a meat shop there."

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MILITIA RETURNING from camp were photographed as they passed the present Elissa Shoe store in July, 1898. The Y.M.C.A. was built in the vacant lot. The house at the corner belonged to the Perrymans. It's presently occupied by Hurst's barber shop, Blue Springs flower shop and the Mainprize family.

Signs proclaim Block Parents

Two signs have been made to be posted at Acton's outskirts proclaiming "Block Parent Community". The large signs will be erected soon.

Valerie Caissie is the new co-ordinator for the Block Parents here, replacing Lonnie Harkins.

The scheme has been operating well, with no problems, according to Ms. Harkins.

Any Block Parent volunteers, or anyone with questions, may now call Ms. Caissie at the Community Services Centre.

Car wheel covers stolen

Thieves made off with the wheel covers of a Kingham Road man's auto while the vehicle was parked in the driveway.

Police set a value on the stolen items at less than \$200.

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800 pancakes sold by Cadets Corps

Saturday's Pancake Breakfast at the Christian Reformed Church was so successful, say organizers, it is hoped it can be held every three months.

More than 800 pancakes were made by the Calvinist \$400 in auto damage

A station wagon-auto accident on Guelph Street Thursday resulted in a total of \$400 in damages to the vehicles.

Damage to the auto driven by Robert Rossell of 350 Orville Rd. is about \$100, according to police.

Damages to the wagon, driven by Elsie Syme of 120 Elmore Dr. are about \$300, police say.

Cadet Corps. The boys also served. Customers had a choice of plain pancakes, or with bacon. The bacon was cooked right into the pancake.

Over \$68 dollars was raised for camping equipment and crafts for the Cadets. Pancake devourers said the breakfast was a very good fund raising idea, as they were getting something for their money, and getting out to meet the people, not to mention having a good breakfast.

One of the organizers, Hank Kleine Deters, said the group has tried various fund raising events, such as dance-gathons, bike-a-thons, and selling chocolate bars. The breakfast, he said, is the most successful.

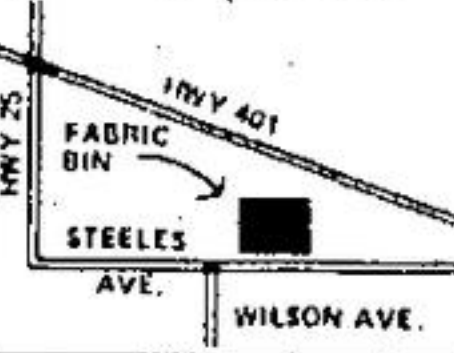
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