



The finished job and what remains to be done. Jack Carpenter stands in front of the brick facade of his home. The facade is to be covered by insulation, just as the rear of the home is to the right.

Insulation a total barrier —and it's made here

The man knows his insulation.

That's why Jack Carpenter, well-known radio personality, had no qualms about covering his brick bungalow on Elizabeth Drive with this sort of white "stuff", although his neighbours were aghast.

"They certainly wondered what I was covering my bricks with," said Carpenter, "and why."

Well folks, it's urethane and it's made locally at Condecor in Linnehouse. It's what both the manufacturer and carpenter call complete insulation. The product comes in tectonic sections; it's light, weighing only a few ounces. The back is cheery-coloured while the front is face-bonded concrete with a stucco-like finish. It fits in, supported by steel backing, like a puzzle. It's not brick, a panel or a sheet.

"It's a total insulation barrier," said Carpenter. "It's level of insulation (R.A.T.) is 24—that's extremely high. The higher the R., the higher the insulation value."

"There are no variations (of R insulation) in this wall," Carpenter added, pointing to the back outside wall of his home. He had it read with an electro-thermometer.

Carpenter was shopping for insulation but found out about Condecor through research for a story he was doing. He said he talked to several homeowners who insulated with the product as well as a Catholic Church in Brampton.

Everyone I talked to was impressed. The priest at the Church said the building could be heated all week just through body heat and insulation from Sunday masses."

Carpenter said it was easy to put together, requiring no special tools. He cuts it with a hand saw. He's been putting up the insulation in his spare time, so far taking him a year. He said he finished about 35-40 sections a day. "It's great for a handyman."

He said he started with the basement last year, has the back and by the time this article is printed, the front of the home completed.

Last year Carpenter said he had a 40 per cent savings in gallons of fuel. And he added, there are no cold spots in the house from floor to ceiling. With his insulation, the fireplace in the basement can heat the house quite easily.

A square foot costs about \$1.99 to \$2.50. R-factors, weight and easy installation aside, the most unusual aspect of the insulation is Carpenter's putting it on

the outside of his home. No mess. No fuss.

Carpenter said the product can be put on the inside but it would require tearing down existing walls. He pointed out how difficult it would be to insulate around wiring and plumbing. This way he added, there are no holes, no frost infiltration, it's completely waterproof and weatherproof and it seals windows and frames.

Carpenter is leaving on the stucco-like appearance and changing his brick bungalow into a tudor-style home. But he says almost any exterior can be added, including brick veneer or siding. And his neighbours? They think it's a great idea.

Acton pupils have been in 'penalty box'

In the last few days it has become known as the penalty box and some Acton children have spent time in this sin bin.

A plywood booth about the size of a phone booth, with a shielded light bulb near the top of the approximately nine foot high walls is used as a cooling off spot for emotionally disturbed children in a special class for troubled children at George Kennedy School in Georgetown.

Local principals Doug Magwood and Ron Chatten said the booth isn't used in Acton schools and never has been to their knowledge since there aren't programs here for emotionally disturbed pupils. They both said they don't really know too much about the booth, just what they have read in newspapers.

Acton-Esqueing trustee Betty Fisher said she knew nothing about the booth, but that Georgetown trustee Barry Shepherd was made aware of it because he represents the area where the school with the booth is located. Fisher contends she should have been made aware of the booth since pupils in the class where it is used come from all over Halton Hills. "In this particular case children from Acton are involved too."

Every parent who has a child in that class knows and approves of the use of the "time-out booth" says George Heaver, Area Superintendent of Special Services for the northern area for Halton Board of Education.

The time-out booth has no seat, windows nor inside handle and sits in a storage space next to the classroom.

The use of the booth has been suspended until further direction from the board.

Both Heaver and Principal Jack Reed insist the booth is used only as a last resort when the child is out of control, and is only one of a series of techniques used in the class of only three children this year for short periods of up to ten minutes.

Teacher Sharon Johnson and child care worker Lois Clark are in charge of the class for "troubled children," as Heaver terms the students.

He said positive approaches such as praise and congratulations are used primarily, but some of the children have trouble controlling their emotions and outbursts, so the time-out booth is used for serious cases. "By setting limits and known consequences for failure to live up to the known standard we aim to have the child learn to set limits on anti-social behavior."

The Area Superintendent emphasized the

judgment of the people using such a technique is of the most importance and said the teacher is highly skilled, the child care worker a professional, and the principal first rate. "It is supported by a first-rate psychologist, and if all these people combined feel it is a good idea I'm sure there is no harm to the child."

Principal Jack Reed explained in the year '78 and '79 there were 10 children in the class, with six of them at some time during the year using the "Time-out booth."

Reed emphasized, "Today all these children are integrated into the regular school classes and are functioning. That's a pretty good track record and speaks well for the staff."

He maintained schools

now have the responsibility for a far wider range of children than they ever did before, so more and more special classes of all kinds are being established.

In the whole of Halton last year there were 17 students in this program with 12 of the successfully integrated into regular classes now, said Heaver. Five are not yet in regular classes and

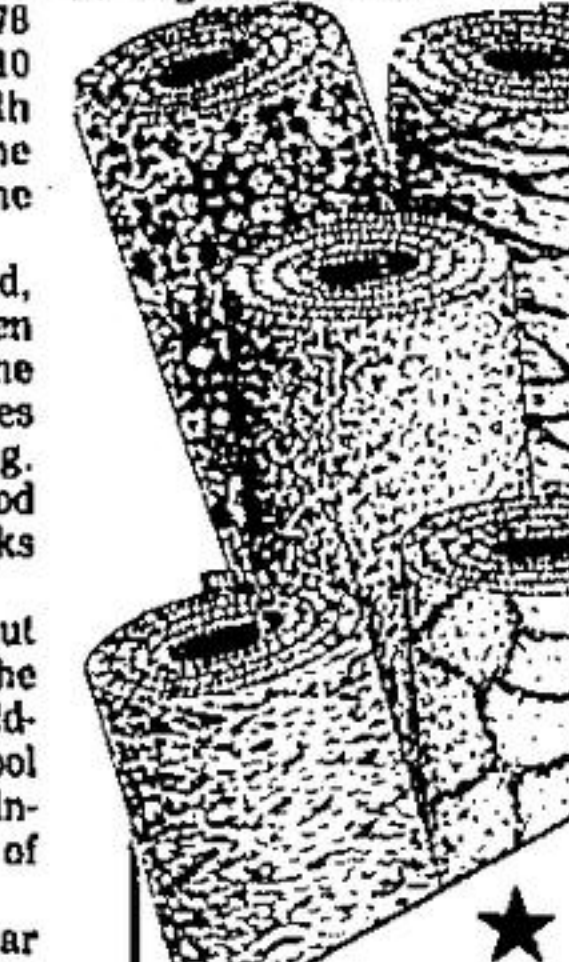
one is taking some subjects with the regular class.

Asked what happens if nothing works, Heaver replied, "They may have to attend day sessions at Clark Institute."

A similar program in a school in Illinois is termed successful by the staff, but is being criticized by some psychologists and psychiatrists.

"I support the behavioral class program and perhaps a separate room where students can cool off, but I definitely do not support the use of a box to put kids in," stated Fisher.

She warned against the project becoming a witch hunt for Kennedy School which she described as a "terrific school with dedicated staff."



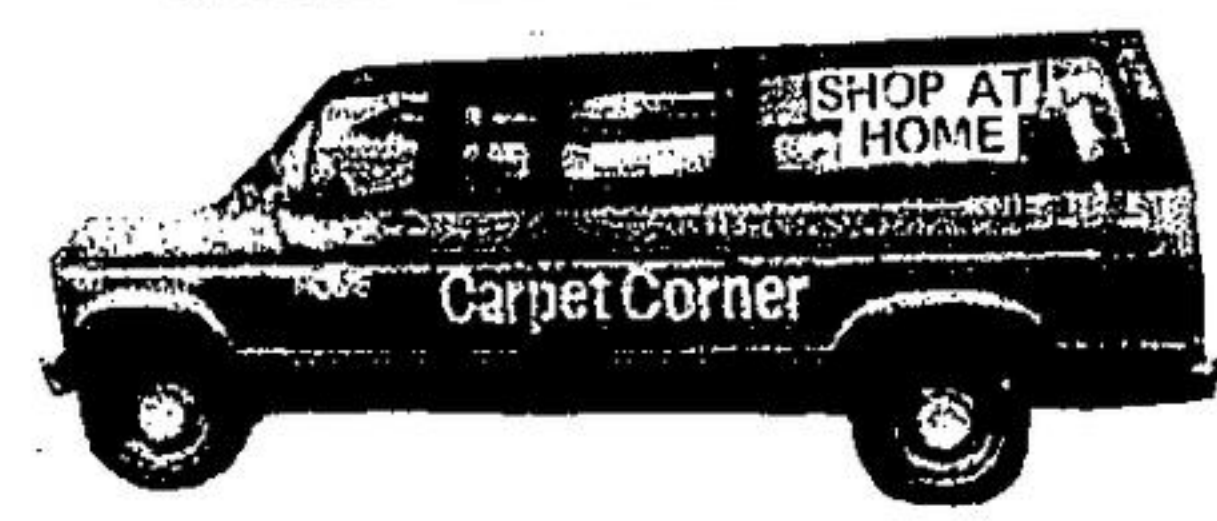
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Elizabeth Drive resident Jack Carpenter fits a new piece of exterior insulation onto his house.

Legion Ladies' Auxiliary

New member initiated

The September meeting of the Legion Ladies Auxiliary was held on Thursday September 4. A new member, Bev Taylor, was initiated.

Anyone interested in going on the bus trip to Woodbine on September is asked to call Phyllis Angell 853-0427 or Lily Higgins 853-2906 as soon as possible.

Thirteen members left Acton at 7 a.m. Saturday to attend the convention in Ottawa. Delegates this year are Kathy Jansen and Jean Earle.

On Saturday Nov. 8 vets from Sunnybrook as well as from our own branch will be entertained for the afternoon and then served dinner before they return home again.

Our Christmas dinner has been booked for December 20 this year. Hope to see a good turnout for this annual party.

The ladies decided to give up catering in the months of July and August next year. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday October 2.

Rockmosa agreement

A new agreement has been signed concerning the operation of the Rockmosa Community Centre.

Eramosa Township and the Rockwood and District Lions Club inked an agreement recently which mainly concerns the first agreement.

Under terms of the new agreement Lions will run the bar while Lionettes can cater to functions held at Rockmosa. There are other terms.

The Lions Club sought a new agreement from the township.

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