



Luke Thibodeau

Youth killed . . .

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The driver, Lasby, age 17, suffered minor injuries and was charged under the careless driving section of the snowmobile act, police said.

Luke is survived by his parents, Gerda and Maurice, brother Charles and sisters Anita, Susan and Judy.

knives thrown . . .

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The guest then struck his host a few times in the face, making his nose bleed and cutting his face.

The men were taken to hospital, but police could not lay any charges because the guest refused to sign a complaint. Police noted in effect they have no witnesses to the knife throwing incident. Police were called by the wife of the man who threw the knives.

The guest was however charged with drinking under age.

Police noted such incidents aren't uncommon this time of year when people do a little too much drinking while celebrating the holidays.

There was another incident, a man smashing up the interior of his home, after too much drinking in the same neighborhood earlier last week.

Coloring contest winners

Maria Krill, 12, and Judy Eaton, 8, took top prizes in their respective categories in the Acton Free Press Christmas Coloring Contest recently.

Maria, of 331 Peel St. came first in the 9-13 age group, with Jackie (Judith) Roach, 39 Willow St. S. earning second prize. Judy, R.R. 4, Acton won in the 5 to 8 year old category with Tamara Reynolds, R.R. 1, Acton placing second.

Prizes of tickets to the Georgetown Cinema 3 will soon be in the mail to the winners. Santa Claus himself was the judge in the contest, and noted the fine job done by all entrants. He hopes everyone will participate in next year's contest.

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Lloyd Hemsworth sits talking about discussing the Royal corgies with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and directing Prince Philip to the bathroom as if it's the sort of thing people do every day.

My jaw is dropping and my mind is tying itself in knots!

As Executive Director of the 1980 Commonwealth Study Conference held in Canada, Lloyd has worked very closely with the Duke of Edinburgh and has visited Royal residences, lunching privately with the Royal family.

Lloyd and his wife Betty are now retired (they hope) and living on ten acres in Nassagaweya. Lloyd would like to have some time to work his vineyard but the paper work from the Conference is still being published and there's the National Labor Board of which he's a part-time member. Lloyd is a fascinating man, very low-key, and convinced no-one wants to hear about his life in personnel-labor relations with various companies or of his experience with the Conference.

The Hemsworths lived in Montreal for 20 years during the 50's and 60's while Lloyd was employed with CIL. Prior to this Lloyd, a graduate of Western University, had spent six years in the Army. His business career sent him all around Canada and the States as labor-management liaison manager for a variety of firms including de Havilland Aircraft.

He's served on a wide variety of boards and community committees and is reputed to be one of the best labor-management arbitrators this country has ever seen.

The Hemsworths have two children and seven grandchildren. In 1956, the Duke of Edinburgh spear-headed the first Commonwealth Conference in England inviting people from all Commonwealth countries employed in areas of company management and trade unions. The Conference was started in an attempt (successful) to bring people from all over the world together to learn from each other.

Apparently the Duke was astounded, after the famous six month trip he and the Queen took around the Commonwealth in the early 50's at how often the same mistakes were repeated in different countries.

As a result of his position with CIL, Lloyd was invited to attend the Conference along with a group of Canadian delegates.

Later a Conference alumnus, he found himself assisting with more Conferences including the second one in 1962 here in Canada, 1968 in Australia and 1974 in England.

Each Conference is a study tour lasting three weeks. Orientation lectures and meetings kick off the Conference followed by smaller study groups travelling to communities to talk to community leaders on labor-management problems.

During the '62 Conference two trains left McGill University, the headquarters of the Conference, and travelled across Canada detouring for stops until Vancouver was reached.

After so many years involvement in the Conference, Lloyd was a logical choice as Executive Director in 1980.

The Governor General Roland Michener acted as Conference Chairman. Lloyd tells an amusing story of Mr. Michener's selection as Chairman.

At an earlier Conference meeting it was suggested that E.P. Taylor, present at the meeting, should chair the event. He declined and was told by Prince Philip, that he'd better come up with someone if he (Taylor) wanted the Queen to appear at the running of "his race" (The Queen's Plate). Mr. Michener added he would impound the State carriage so the Queen would have nothing to ride in unless Taylor found a chairman. Taylor found a chairman - Michener - and the



Lloyd Hemsworth and Bridgette. Queen appeared at "his" race.

Other tales include adventures in India where Lloyd was assigned a bearer for the duration of his stay; a quick flight to Greenland to pick up the Duke en route; Many jaunts and meetings with His Royal Highness all over Canada; and scheduling the Duke's time in this country.

"If there's a spare 15 minutes, the Prince will put something in it" says Lloyd.

At one point, a meeting between the Duke and Lloyd was necessary to make Conference plans. "Come to Windsor for lunch", invited the Duke's assistant.

And Lloyd found himself on his way to England to have lunch at Windsor on a quiet family day.

The Queen, Princes Andrew and Edward and the Duke, were present while Lloyd and his companion made conversation over lamb chops.

Lloyd is obviously very fond of the Duke and speaks of him with admiration and respect.

"He's very quick, he only has to be told something once. . . he's very anxious to put you at your ease."

Lloyd won't be involved in the next Commonwealth Conference due to take place in 1986 in India or Australia. He's retired now and glad of it.

"I'm relieved," but he also says, "I've never regretted it - it's been a lot of fun."

Lloyd needs a book written about him, he has a wealth of stories about his vast travels and experiences. But, I liked the story about him popping over to Windsor for lunch best didn't you?

Looking back at '80

Hotel fire arrest, Vacform closing

The start of a new year brought bad news for three men as Halton Regional Police arrested the trio of suspects in the fatal Dominion Hotel blaze of the previous August.

Cosimo Mercuri, Michael McCristall and Leonard Cripps were taken into custody and charged with second degree murder in the death of hotel resident Howard Gibbons after a four month police and Ontario

Fire Marshal's office investigation determined the century old Main St. fixture was deliberately set on fire. The three stayed in jail a little over a week before being released on bail.

Amidst unconfirmed reports that a local firm, Frank Heller and Co., would be consolidating its three plant operation in the Disston factory, two government officials, Halton Business Development Officer Bill

Marshall and Bob Plank of the Ontario Ministry of Industry and Tourism, Halton office, announced optimistically the closed plant would have a new occupant by the end of 1980. They said several firms were considering moving into the huge manufacturing facility.

At the same time a three year old Acton industry, Vacform, revealed it had merged several months earlier with a Brampton com-

pany and the two firms would be joining forces in a single plant in Brampton. Vacform general manager Roy Topelko said Vacform would be moved by late April or May.

Children from Acton schools, looking forward to competing in the spring at the North Halton Music Festival, were disappointed to learn the festival would be shelved for 1980 and likely scrapped

altogether. A Provincial Court judge granted Halton Regional Police officer Joe Prasad an absolute discharge after he pleaded guilty to a charge of assault stemming from the slapping of an Acton man in the fall. The court decided Prasad's action was caused by a racial slur.

A long-time women's organization, the Acton Women's Institute decided to disband.

Looking back at '80

Hinton offers house

A proposal by veteran Acton politician H.H. Bert Hinton to give his house beside Prospect Park to the town for recreational use in exchange for renaming the park Hinton Park and erecting a memorial plaque to his late wife Mary wasn't well received by residents.

When details of the agreement Hinton wanted with the town, calling for him to receive a life tax free tenancy in the house were revealed, even more Actonians urged council turn down the offer.

However, before Halton Hills council got a chance to decide if it would accept Hinton's offer he withdrew his proposal. Council received about 300 ob-

jections to the idea in the form of letters sent to the town and negative response ballots clipped from this paper.

When it came time to troop to the polls in mid-February Acton voters joined the rest of Halton in sending Progressive Conservative Otto Jelinek back to Ottawa for another term.

In the area's other two ridings, incumbent Perrin Beatty was re-elected for Wellington-Dufferin-Simcoe, while Liberal Jim Schroeder ousted incumbent Tory Albert Fish in Guelph, which includes Rock-

wood. The town put up warning signs near the bridge at Fairy Lake not far from the rink after two incidents in which

children slipped through the soft ice and were plunged into the icy waters and rescued by friends.

A high school band from Edmonton visited with members of the Acton High School band in late February for a week and thrilled a large audience at a joint concert at the school.

Bell Canada bought Community Telephone, an American firm serving the Erin and Hillsburgh areas, prompting hopes among subscribers that service would improve and costs lowered.

The historic old Eden Mills saw mill was destroyed by fire for the second time in 12 years and owner Ted Barden said it would not be rebuilt.

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