



TRANSFORMER REPLACED

DOUG MASON, superintendent of Acton Hydro Commission, rests his foot on a 25 cycle transformer installed in the Acton system July 20, 1912 and recently removed from service to a farm house. The 7 1/2 KV unit originally operated the street lights in Acton. Other than a pair of worn out leads, the unit is still capable of service. In 1912 it cost \$90.

Appeal for core sidewalks

The works committee will recommend that textured sidewalks be installed on Mill Street during the reconstruction of that street.

Following an eleventh hour appeal Monday by Acton chamber of Commerce President Louis Charlebois, the works committee told him it was not too late even though construction is scheduled to begin early October.

Assistant town engineer Ted Ballinger said the contract for reconstruction of Mill Street could be revised without the approval of the minister of transport and communication but that the municipality would bear the extra cost.

A concrete sidewalk costs \$1.25 per square foot while interlocking paving stones cost \$1.40 per square foot, Ballinger said.

Ballinger said that the planning department were in favor of textured sidewalks because it adds character to the town.

A sidewalk of interlocking stones was easy to install and maintain, Ballinger said, and could be piled up and reused if the sidewalk had to be ripped up for any reason.

Louis Charlebois asked that textured sidewalks be installed in the entire area designated as a business improvement area which is from the intersection of Mill Street and Bower Avenue, west to the intersection of Mill Street and Park Avenue and from Main Street and Church Street north to St. Albans Drive.



ACTON FRIENDS BOWLING EXECUTIVE

Acton Friends Bowling League executive Watson, vice-president Gord Lott and treasurer John Chapman. The mixed league meets every Thursday at 9 p.m.

Child study group to form

Parents in Acton looking for guidelines to raise their children have an opportunity to form study groups in late October or early November.

The Acton Community Services Centre, Judy McLin says.

"It's a way of bringing up your children in today's world because the world is definitely different now than when parents were kids," she said in an interview.

At the core of the study groups is a book titled "Children: the Challenge", written by Dr. Rudolph Dreikurs with Vicki Soltz, a registered nurse, McLin said.

Dr. Dreikurs, a psychiatrist, has also written books titled "The Challenge of Marriage" and "The Challenge of Parenthood."

"The roles of mothers and fathers have changed so much," McLin said. "Mothers are more independent now. Mommy and Daddy are equals now and so the kids want to be equal, too."

The study sessions, to be headed by herself and Sue Burns, "is a way of treating your children as equals but not in a way to scare the children off," McLin said. "In the end result it's a way of feeling better about yourself - more relaxed."

Children today can be a lot more responsible than they are given credit for, McLin said. "They're not stupid."

McLin said the study groups would be limited to about eight parents each to allow ample time for them to discuss their own family and problems. The study sessions will be held one evening a week for eight weeks and be advertised through the schools.

Survey set for October

The works committee Monday tabled police superintendent Floyd Schwant's letter saying that with the resumption of school, a new survey of the one way portions of Mill Street and Arthur Street will be completed by October.

The survey followed a request by a resident who had asked that Mill Street and Arthur Streets be changed to allow two-way traffic.

Coun. Joe Hurst said that in considering changing the streets to two-way traffic, approaches by motorists to Mill Street and Young Street must also be considered.

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Acton news

1977 hydro budget down \$69,394.50

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Street lights to cost \$40,000

The Acton Chamber of Commerce's request to the hydro commission to change 20 street lights on Mill Street to sodium vapor from the current mercury vapor will cost approximately \$10,000.

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Dreams of pennies at Halton WI

By MRS. H. WILSON
Members past and present of Halton W.I. met for a luncheon celebration of the 75th Anniversary of Halton District on Thursday, Sept. 9 at Lyon's Hall, Milton.

There were 190 ladies present and the Past Officers of the District were honored with a corsage.

After a lovely luncheon, served by the ladies of Palermo United Church, the Head Table Guests were introduced by Mrs. Geo. Ironside, present secretary of the District and included Mrs. H. Meluske, F.W.I.O. Pres. Mrs. W. Jamieson, Guelph Area Pres., Mrs. A. Zoeller, Editor of Home and Country; Mrs. M. Reid, Prov. Board Member; Miss Helen McKeircher, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Womens Dept.; Mrs. P. Merry, earliest District Officer able to attend, and the present executive of the District.

Greetings were read from those who were unable to attend and Mrs. W. Jamieson read a Prayer by Padre Young. The Anniversary cake, which was beautifully

decorated by Mrs. M. Nellis, was cut by Mrs. Merry who was Pres. in 1941 and secretary in 1924, and all past officers were asked to stand to be recognized. A letter was read from Dr. Ethel Chapman, and the members were saddened to hear of her passing away this last week. Miss H. McKeircher presented a Scholarship in Dr. Chapman's name to Miss Nancy Shortill, Georgetown, also Two W.I. Bursaries to Miss Marion Jamieson, Ballinacraig and Miss Dorothy Eakins of Palermo.

An original skit was enacted by Mrs. McIntyre, a Life member and Mrs. Hunter of Dublin Branch, "When Mother Joins The Institute" which was very amusing.

The guest speaker, Mrs. Maluske, was introduced by Mrs. W. Alexander, Mrs. Maluske spoke on "Ideas Blessed in our Institute days. She told how Mrs. Hoodless was asked to speak at a meeting of the Farmers Institute in Stony Creek on Feb. 12, 1897 and the idea came to her to get a group of women together on Feb. 19 and 128 women and 1 man attended

and the Womens Institute was born from this idea. Mrs. Graves was trying to think how to raise money and she had a dream of pennies falling and it gave her the idea of "Pennies for Friendship" other worthwhile ideas were the restoration of parts of the E. Lea Homestead, our 75 Anniversary Historical Review book as a memento of our history, the W.I. Hall at the Agricultural Museum. Mrs. Maluske asked if anyone would offer to stand on a committee for the Hall. Another idea that is reaping a benefit for the future is the idea Lady Tweedsmuir had for the community history books, these are now being used by school children to copy local history. Mrs. Maluske was thanked and presented with a gift from the District by Mrs. D. Dillon of Dublin Branch.

A Reading "A Story has Two Sides" was given by Mrs. J. McEnery which was amusing and so true to human nature. The Dublin Branch performed an original musical number written by a member which just finished the days entertainment, it was a song of thanks to Mrs. Maluske. The courtesies were given by Mrs. L. Jamieson Past president of the District. The Days Activities were under the leadership of the President, Mrs. Glen Campbell, who was chairlady for the day. Floral arrangements were presented to Mrs. Merry and Miss McKeircher, who is retiring from the ministry in October. She will be missed by many 4H girls who knew her through the Club Work as well as W.I. members.

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