

Inflation improvements, speaker says

A senior Anti-inflation Board (AIB) official said Thursday the need for controls has not been lifted nor has inflation been beaten since the control guidelines were implemented one year ago.

But Donald Yeomans, executive director of the AIB, says it looks promising and he believes that the inflation rate will be below eight per cent by the end of October.

Speaking to the Peel-Halton Chapter of the Society of Industrial Accountants, Mr. Yeomans gave a prepared speech containing most if not all of the government comments contained in the recently announced advertising program to inform

Canadians about the success of the anti-inflation program.

Mr. Yeomans said that food prices played an important role in bringing down inflation. He sees no dramatic increases in the inflation rate because as the food prices begin to stabilize and then increase, industrial sector inflation is coming down.

"We are still well short of our final goal, which is to bring inflation down to a manageable four per cent by the fall of 1978," he said.

"Next year's target is six per cent already we predict higher prices for some commodities, imports and food that will make this target tough to reach."

He said "winding down labor costs and prices" sufficiently will allow the economy to enter the next phase without the catch-up demands that have faced the AIB since last October.

Following his speech, Mr. Yeomans admitted that one set of figures outlining the real income gains in a comparative period last year and during the control period this year were confusing.

"Real incomes—that is the average wage settlements adjusted for the increase in the consumer price index—were 'up' a respectable 3.6 per cent in the three month period from March to May," the text of Mr. Yeomans' speech reads.

Upon investigation using finance department figures, it shows real income compared

to the same period last year is within one tenth of a percentage point, both Mr. Yeomans and a reporter found.

He agreed that the word "up" confused the comparison and stated that real income for Canadians has been maintained since last year.

Jim Lawrence, controller for Twin Cee Ltd. of Georgetown said that the speech and figures quoted by Mr. Yeomans was very significant.

"By reading the newspapers you can get misled that the AIB is holding Canadians back when really it appears we are better off."

Also attending the meeting was Jim Brandford, cost analyst of Twin Cee Ltd.

Only minor accidents reported in past week

Estimated damage was \$1,500 after a car driven by Terrence H. Moffat, 32 Bairdrow Cres., entered a fog patch on Halton Road 13, one-quarter mile west of 10th Line, went out of control and rolled into the ditch, Sunday, police said.

The Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital parking lot was the scene of an accident

Sept. 28 when a car driven by Shelley McIntosh, 24 MacKenzie Dr., collided with one owned by David Bell, 69 Dawson Cres., police said.

Estimated damages were \$300 to Bell's vehicle and \$25 to McIntosh's.

Police said a car driven by Leigh W. Marchmont, 8 Erin St., Glen Williams, was in collision in front of 83 Mill St.

with one driven by Eleanor Gingras, 31 Heather Cr., Sept. 27.

A passenger in one of the vehicles Heather Morton, 20 Gower Rd., suffered minor injuries in the mishap, police said.

Estimated damages were \$400 to Marchmont's vehicle and \$25 to Gingras.

Guelph Street and Mill

Street was the scene of an accident Oct. 2 when a car driven by Sharon P. Renahan, 50 Edith St., was in collision with one driven by Alexander Otto, 128 C7, Limehouse, police said.

Estimated damages were \$400 to each vehicle.

The Becker's store parking lot on Guelph and Edwards Street was the scene of an accident Sept. 30 when a car driven by Edmund Osborne, 131 C8, RR1, Georgetown, was in collision with one owned by Eric Oliver Edie, 116 C8, RR2, Georgetown, police said.

Estimated damages were \$300 to Edie's vehicle and nil to Osborne's.

Police said a truck driven by Joseph J. Robinson, of Toronto was in collision with a car driven by Leonard Hunter, 78 Haylawn Cres. at the Georgetown Market Parking Lot, Oct. 1.

Estimated damages were \$50 to Robinson's.

A car driven by Downsview motorist Wayne F. Corbett collided with one driven by Fred Debeer, 43 Queen St. at the Mountainview Rd., Oct. 1, police said.

Estimated damages were \$400 to Corbett's vehicle but nil to Debeer's.

Lamb Report sought

Halton Region administration committee has asked for the controversial Lamb Report on integration of regional public utilities be released publicly.

The committee reviewed a portion of the report but found itself in a dilemma because it had been forwarded to the committee as a confidential document.

The future of the document and its impact on Halton is in doubt since the author of the report, Ross Lamb, general manager of the Oakville PUC died about one month ago.

Oakville Coun. Carl Erickson called for the supplied document and any further material received to be made public. He said the report should be public information and does not contain any real estate, personnel or legal information which might be jeopardized by such action.

Some regional officials have questioned whether the report, sought more than one year ago as part of the integration of all regional services, is being buried.

The report is the result of discussions with all public utilities within the region and Ontario Hydro which supplies electrical service to rural areas.

Three anniversaries

Seventy friends and relatives enjoyed a noon meal at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art McKane, RR4 Georgetown, on Sunday, September 26th to celebrate three recent wedding anniversaries.

John and Ruth Downey, of RR1 Inglewood, and Elliot and Lois Summerville of RR4 Caledon East have been married five years. Art and Marg McKane were married thirty-five years ago in Union Presbyterian Church with Rev. Arthur Leggett officiating.

Relatives from Toronto, Niagara Falls, Bracebridge and Thornbury were present for the occasion.

Windows smashed

Principal of Acton high school Dean Fink told police three glass windows in school doors were smashed in the early hours of Sept. 21.

Sometime between June and September, 31 metal curb clamps were stolen from the construction site on Church Hill Road, north Acton High School, Jim Scovill of Uxbridge reported.

Main Street project

Main Street North and south in Acton could be reconstructed next year, according to town engineer Bob Austin.

Mr. Austin told Coun. Joe Hurst at works committee meeting the job will likely involve rebuilding the highway from the Northern boundary of Acton to the point where this year's reconstruction will leave off, and from the southern boundary as far as Church Street. The north end, he said, has been a ministry of transportation and communications priority since 1973, when the road was resurfaced. Mill Street West, meanwhile is set to be curbed and paved this week.

Also under investigation is the theft of 29 metal report beams taken from the same site between August and September, according to Laval Construction Co. employee Lawrence Gobatto.

Bruce Loucks of Main St. Acton reported a 12 to 15 inch scratch was put on the rear left side of his car while parked in the driveway Sept. 19.

A pair of blue and white curtains valued at \$6 were stolen from the Church Street, Acton, home of Jerry McGinn Sept. 24.

Construction worker injured

A construction worker on Mill Street W. was injured and taken to Guelph General Hospital after he stepped back into the side of a car driving through the construction zone, Sept. 30, police said.

Police said a car driven by Susan M. Fuller, 176 Church Hill Rd. had been waved through the construction zone, one-tenth of a mile west of Wright Street, when Cesaro Guilana of Toronto stepped back into the side of it. Damage to the car was nil.

An unknown driver caused \$100 in damages to a car owned by Scott Davis, 131 Kingham Rd., and parked in front of 93 Mill St., Sept. 27, police said.

Queen Street and Longfield Road was the scene of an accident Friday when a car driven by Lynda A. Bowen, 143 Winford Pl. was in collision with one driven by James Brown, 127 C6, R.R.2 Rockford, police said.

Estimated damages were \$600 to Bowen's vehicle and \$350 to Brown's.

Disston purchase OK

Federal government approval has been given for the purchase of Disston Canada of Acton by Viska Incorporated of New Jersey.

Viska is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sandvik Incorporated of New Jersey, which in turn is a subsidiary of Sandvik AB of Sweden.

The sale, completed in February, was subject to ratification by the foreign investment review board.

Approval was also given for the purchase of Jean-Paul Rouel of St. Romauld, Que. Both Disston Canada and Jean-Paul Rouel are subsidiaries of Disston Incorporated of Pittsburgh, Penn.

Disston Canada officials do not anticipate any changes here. The plant manufactures hand tools, saws and industrial knives. Jean-Paul Rouel produces saw and machine blades for the furniture industry.

Ballinafad News

By Winifred Smith
Herald Correspondent

The Community Hall dance was fairly well attended on Saturday night, considering many of our young people went to Erin and attended the buffet supper and dance which was the wind up of the baseball season. It was held at the Legion Hall on Saturday evening.

Congratulations to Frances McLean, Halton County's Queen of the Furrow. She was chosen 2nd runner up in the competition at the International Plowing Match at Walkerton last week. Frances leaves next week-end with a group of other young Junior Farmers for a trip to Great Britain, where they will be guests of the Agricultural groups overseas.

held a family gathering at their home on Friday night. Friends and acquaintances of Mervin White, a former resident of the these parts and a nephew of Mrs. Briggs will be happy to know that he has recovered enough from his recent illness to be present with other members of his family.

Bobby Kirkwood returned home last week after spending a holiday in the British Isles. His uncle, Angus McEachren, accompanied Bobby on the trip.

We extend sympathy to Mrs. Kanusek in the loss of her grandmother. She flew to Manitoba last week to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Briggs

Science centre visit

Acton Friends-in-Deed club for the physically handicapped met Tuesday to discuss fall activities.

They started off the season with a hamburger barbecue at Acton fire hall Sept. 28 and enjoyed a trip to the art gallery in Kleinburg recently.

A visit to the Science Centre is planned for Nov. 14 and Oct. 28 is the Halloween costume party.

Most of the 26 group members get together Sunday mornings for a swimming class throughout the year.

4-H prepares for achievement day

By MARCIA LOWIN

The Georgetown No. 2 club held its 3rd meeting on Monday, September 27 at Cedarvale Park.

This week we discussed our assignment for Achievement Day (Nov. 20) which is a write-up on two fruits. Our last meeting will be November 4th and our record books must be in on November 7th at the latest.

For group work we made raspberry bavarian cream and tried some different types of dried fruits.

Near the end of the meeting we played 3 games dealing with the learning of fruits and read over "Fruit the Year Round" which is in our members pamphlet on Page 19.

This week we decided to enter our "Touch of Stitchery" display from last year into the Georgetown Fall Fair.

The second meeting of the Georgetown No. 2 club was held on Monday September 20 down in Cedarvale Park.

We decided that this club would be called "The Apple Dimples Gang" and that we would enter our last club display (A Touch of Stitchery) into the Milton Fair.

For our dues we will pay \$5c instead of 25c because of this club being a cooking club.

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