

ALMOST READY

Fire Chief Mick Holmes, Deputy Chief Bob Hyde and Coun. Russ Miller inspect the training room at the Acton firehall. Also on the inspection tour was Coun. Garnet (Pat) McKenzie, not shown. The hull expansion is expected to be completed by mid-February.

Acton plant on time

The \$1 million expansion of Acton's sewage treatment plant on Churchill Road south is "on schedule" and expected to be completed in late April or early May, according to a Halton regional public works engineer.

George Stone reported Wednesday that the expansion work by Varamae Construction Ltd. is more than 90 per cent complete, but workers must wait for warmer temperatures before certain jobs can be finalized.

The plant's capacity, he said, is now close to the 1 million gallons per day mark which the expansion was designed to achieve, and additional work should fulfill expectations without problem.

Mr. Stone explained that the project will be completed rapidly once the weather improves and the ground begins to thaw. Spray beds, which complete the plant's aeration process, cannot be completed and put into operation until that time, he said. Otherwise, only minor painting and plumbing chores remain to be tackled, along with some work on the sewage ponds.

The project's original schedule set the expansion's completion date for sometime this month, but according to Mr. Stone, the late delivery of aeration tank devices caused the entire schedule to be moved ahead. Work that had been expected to be completed before winter began, he said, must instead wait for the end of the season.

The final cost of the project is \$1,167,543, of which \$169,543 represents the engineering fee paid to R. V. Anderson Associates. Varamae's \$900,000 tender for the expansion, the lowest of those received, was approximately \$60,000 higher than had been anticipated.

The ministry of environment and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation will contribute \$370,000 toward the project costs while the region will rely upon a \$683,000 debenture to cover its share.

The original Acton plant is 28-years-old this year, having been expanded once before in 1969 to raise its capacity from 250,000 gallons per day to 675,000 gallons per day.

It is 98 per cent efficient in its treatment of sewage wastes.

The ministry announced in August that no further expansion of the plant beyond its new 1 million gallons per day capacity will be possible unless technological advances provide a new means of doing so.

900 phones

Bell Canada has spent \$293,000 to increase the capacity of its Georgetown switching centre on Main St. by more than 900 telephone directory numbers, Bill Barnes, local Bell Canada manager, said today.

Installation of the new equipment began in May and is now complete. The Georgetown "877" exchange presently handles about 8,200 main telephone numbers.

The work was necessary because of increased telephone demand in the Georgetown exchange, Mr. Barnes said. He said that when all the switching equipment and rearrangements included in the Bell Canada network are taken into consideration, the capital cost to provide for each new telephone service is in excess of \$2,000.

Reflections, look ahead

St. John's United Church Women held its general meeting Jan. 18 in the Church Hall. The evening began with approximately 30 women enjoying a potluck supper. Mrs. Lauretta Mills, the retiring president, welcomed the group and read a piece from the book "Patchwork Pieces."

Mrs. Marilyn Milton conducted the Worship Service on "Reflections on the Past - Looking into the Future". She was assisted by Mrs. Anne McClements, Mrs. Marguerite French, Mrs. Nura Williams and Mrs. Norma Nokes.

Correction

An error appeared in a story in last week's Herald about Halton region's budget. The story said erroneously that Chairman Hic Morrow pleaded with council to put the sum of \$552,300 into a reserve for landfill sites. In actual fact Mr. Morrow asked that the sum be placed in general revenue with the effect of reducing gross expenditure over 1977 to 3.3 per cent. The Herald regrets the error and any embarrassment it may have caused to Mr. Morrow.

A business meeting then followed with minutes of previous meeting and annual reports presented. The persons nominated for the 1978-79 U.C.W. Executive were read by Mrs. Bernice Nicholls and members voted their acceptance.

The program "Songs and Sonnets" was enjoyed with Mrs. Karen Llewellyn rendering a lovely solo, piano solo by Miss Cheryl Hauser, a piano medley by Miss Flora McDonald and a duet by Mrs. Majorie Bailey and Miss Isabel Dobson. The songs were interspersed by poems and readings given by Mrs. Fran Crichton, Mrs. Tib Runham and Mrs. Bernice Nicholls.



LIBERAL EXECUTIVE

The executive of the Halton Liberal Association meet with MP Dr. Frank Philbrook. From the left are Larry Carr, secretary, Powel Vis, treasurer, Bill Perras and David Butler, president and Dr. Philbrook.

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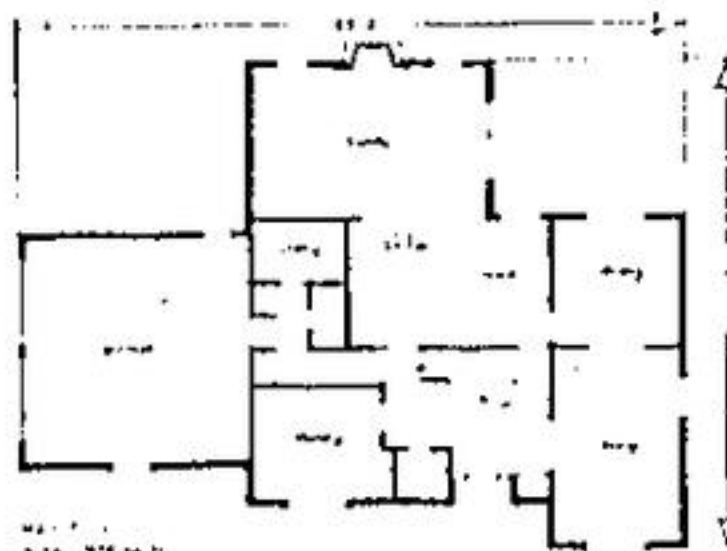
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NEW HOME OF THE WEEK



STATELY TUDOR MANOR

Every classic line and impressive detail of this two storey home suggests the luxury and aristocracy of a genteel English mansion. The stone surround and the heavy plank door of the deeply recessed front entrance emphasizes the tone of history and permanence established by the brick veneer, stucco and board, and shingled roof the exterior.

Inside the entrance foyer, the traditional begins to merge with the modern and the practical, blending the formal and the natural into an impressive and unique whole. You move left to the library or go right to the formal living room.

Although traditional in general character, this home is definitely right up-to-date in modern conveniences. The kitchen, breakfast nook and enormous family room with raised hearth fireplace is one vast open area, which provides for a smooth and easy traffic flow. The kitchen itself is a homemaker's dream, featuring an L-shaped countertop, eye-level oven and a central work island with grill top. The nook is sufficiently large to allow for any style of dining decor and furnishing.

Conveniences abound. Two downstairs vanity baths, conveniently located utility and laundry rooms, scads of storage space, and a formal dining room and sliding glass doors connecting to a rear patio off the family room.

The upstairs is equally as grand. Five bedrooms, all with charming diamond paned windows and ample closets. The master bedroom has a full walk in closet behind a pocket door, as well as a regular closet with louvered bi-fold doors. A three piece ensuite bath with shower adjoins a large vanity area facing the walk-in closet.

Naturally, this home has such standard amenities as a full basement and a double garage with adequate space for home workshop, garden tools, etc.

Choosing the furnishings and the wallcoverings for this stately home will be a labour of love. Plans for design No. 65-3247 may be obtained at a cost of \$70. for the first set and \$9. for each additional set, plus \$4.00 for postage and handling. Ontario residents please include 7 per cent sales tax.

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