

### Improper passing

A Georgetown man was charged with improper passing after an accident in which John Ramsden of RR1 Georgetown received minor injuries Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Mr. Ramsden was treated and released from Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital.

Both vehicles were southbound on Winston Churchill Boulevard and were approaching the Fifth Line intersection. Mr. Ramsden attempted to turn left and was hit by the Georgetown man who attempted to pass him, police said. Damage to Mr. Ramsden's 1985 Chrysler was \$6,000 and the Georgetown man's 1985 Pontiac received \$5,000 in damage, police said.

### Careless driver

A Georgetown man was charged with careless driving Oct. 12 at 3:30 a.m. when he drove his car onto a lawn and into a fence. He was westbound on Main Street North at Ontario Street when he lost control on a curve, crossed into eastbound lanes and drove onto grass, police said. Damage to the fence was estimated at \$1,000 and the man's 1986 Ford received \$4,000 damage.

### 3 charges

A 22-year-old Oakville man was charged three times after forcing a police car off the road on Highway 7 at the Sixth Line. He was charged with careless driving, driving without a license and driving without a safety belt at 3:45 a.m. Saturday. The man was stopped at Queen Street and Acton Boulevard.

### Hydro pole vandals

A hatchet was used by vandals to cut down a hydro pole at the Beardmore Tannery in Acton Friday night or early Saturday morning. The hydro lines were connected to a water pump at the tannery. Damage was estimated at \$1,000.

### Thieves kneaded dough

Thieves entered an unlocked window at the Bread Basket Bakery on Mill Street in Acton and stole \$100 in cash. The bakery was robbed between Oct. 11 and 14, police said.

### Lost control

A Brampton man suffered minimal injuries and caused \$10,000 damage to his vehicle in an accident on Regional Road 23 Oct. 13. He hit a patch of gravel on a curve, police said. He lost control, hit a ditch and rolled over. The accident happened at 10:41 p.m.

### Hit and run

A car parked at a Park Avenue parking lot in Georgetown Saturday and Sunday received \$2,000 damage after an unknown vehicle hit it. The 1982 Honda was pushed into the concrete wall behind it, police said.

### House burglar

Cigarettes and a stereo were taken from an RR5 Georgetown home between 2:30 and 6 p.m. Oct. 15. The home was entered through a basement window which was removed. Total value of the stolen items was \$500, police said.

### \$7 theft

A 16-year-old male was arrested for stealing \$7 in parts from Bowman's Truck Service Centre Ltd. at 12 Todd Road in Georgetown. An electric signal switch, door handle and truck shift knob were taken, police said.

### Home ransacked

An estimated \$7,000 in cash and household items were taken from a Marilyn Crescent home Saturday evening. Cash, rings (including wedding rings), binoculars and a radio were missing. Thieves entered by forcing the front door open. Damage to the door was estimated at \$200, police said.

### New cars damaged

Fourteen new cars were damaged at Georgetown Chrysler Ltd. on Mountainview Road North Friday night. Damage totalled \$3,000. Aerials, window wipers and mirrors were damaged.

### Distracting cat

A cat which ran onto Raylawn Crescent Oct. 12 caused a three vehicle collision. A Georgetown man was southbound on Raylawn Crescent at 50 kilometres per hour when a cat ran in front of his vehicle and he swerved to miss it, police said. He hit the back of another car, causing \$1,000 damage, and drove it into a third vehicle which received \$300 damage. The driver left the scene and reported the accident the next day. He had been drinking, police said.

### Car vandals

A \$1,000 stereo was taken from a car parked on River Road in Georgetown the evening of Oct. 14. The doors of the vehicle were locked, police said.

A vehicle parked on Churchill Road North in Acton had a camera stolen from it. The \$350 camera was taken Saturday at 12:45 p.m.

Someone removed the headlight from a car parked on Mountainview Road in Georgetown over Thursday night. The light is worth \$19.

### Assault charge

A 36-year-old Acton youth was charged with assault Friday for striking his stepfather. The father was hit with a fist and forearm, police said.

### Window smashed

An 18-year-old Acton man was arrested Oct. 13 for smashing the window in the door of the police station at 40 Mill Street in Acton. The window was broken Oct. 5. He will appear in court Dec. 17.

## MP back at Carney's side

MP John McDermid will be joining his former minister Pat Carney in a shuffle of parliamentary assistants. It was announced last Wednesday.

The Brampton-Georgetown MP was the parliamentary assistant to Pat Carney when she was the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

When Ms. Carney was given the International Trade portfolio, Mr. McDermid stayed on, helping the new minister, Marcel Masse, adjust to the department of Energy, Mines and Resources.

Mr. McDermid said he was "very pleased" with the announcement and that he enjoyed working with Mrs. Carney.

Why the shuffle? The two worked well as a team before and it was felt a strong voice from Ontario was needed to promote the East on the international trade scene, Mr. McDermid said. Pat Carney is from western Canada.

Mr. McDermid's appointment was



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part of a large shuffle of parliamentary assistants last week. About half of the former assistants were dropped, the MP said.

In his tenure with the energy ministry, Mr. McDermid said he carried five bills through the House of Commons from start to finish. The last one was a bill about frontier exploration which is now going through third reading, he said.

In his new role, Mr. McDermid said one of his major responsibilities will be in communications. Part of his job will be to fill the list of requests for experts and ministers to speak to groups about trade issues. The MP also expects to be making his own round of speaking engagements on behalf of the government.

"My first concern will continue to be working for my constituents," he said.

There are two objectives the MP wants to accomplish while working with the Ministry of International Trade.

One is to ensure the protectionist attitude in the United States does not damage the tremendous trade Canada does with its neighbor to the south. "Some of them (Americans) don't know we're their greatest trading partner."

The other objective is to enlarge Canada's trading area, to encourage more trade, especially in the Pacific Rim area which has great potential, he said.

## Positive response to UW appeal

Halton Hills United Way canvassers are pleased to find there are less people than they thought who need to be persuaded to give to the United Way.

Many people in town are already giving money to the United Way in the community they work in, said Tom Hewer, campaign chairman of the Halton Hills United Way. Those people are very willing to re-channel their payroll deductions to Halton Hills, he said.

Mr. Hewer believes the campaign is on target and if the giving continues as it has, the goal of \$87,500 will be reached. There are 700 canvassers going door-to-door in Halton Hills. They will have tried every door in town by the end of the month at the latest, Mr. Hewer said.

The biggest challenge is to reach the hundreds of businesses outside Halton Hills who have local residents working for them, Mr. Hewer said. They are the hardest market to get payroll deductions from, he said.

United Way canvassers have been working at that market by meeting commuters in the morning at the GO station in Georgetown. They have been distributing forms which permit payroll deductions to be redirected to Halton Hills.

Television and radio spots promoting the United Way are having an effect locally, he said. A hockey player endorsing the United Way is good for the Halton Hills campaign, Mr. Hewer said.

Local competitions and sponsored

### Sport-Aid

Oct. 22 from 7 - 11 p.m. at Harrison Public School, parks and recreation, the Herald, Capital Ford and the United Way Board of Directors will take part in a volleyball tournament to raise money for the United Way.

The United Way kicked off its campaign Oct. 1 and have started to raise money for many charitable causes.

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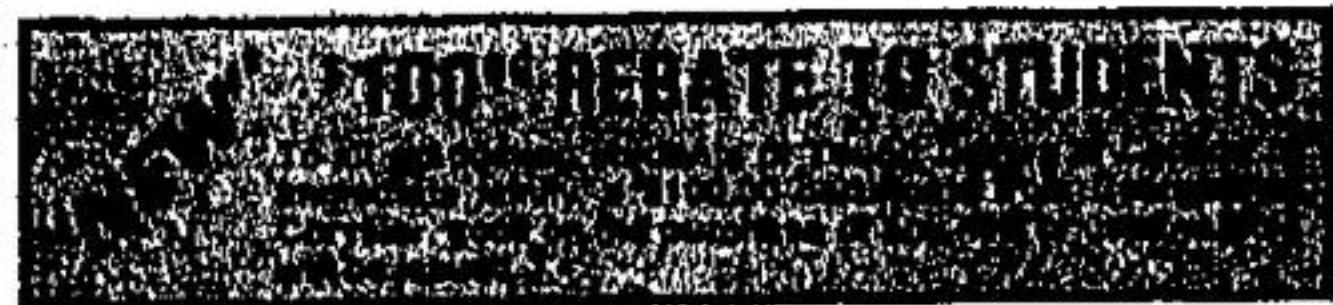
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