

Chief reports fewer 1969 fires, but

Fire loss skyrockets to \$348,581

Town's first cocktail lounge to be opened, named Thursday

Milton's first licenced cocktail lounge will be officially opened at the Charles Hotel, Main St. on Thursday evening in a dual ribbon-cutting ceremony that will also officially open the hotel's new dining lounge and "christen" both lounges with new names.

Charles Hotel's owners Adam, Nick and Peter Chuchmach have planned a gala evening to celebrate the official opening of the facilities. The rooms were first opened on Jan. 15, the day after the liquor licencing board gave its final approval for the cocktail lounge.

Thursday's program includes a reception and dinner for an official party of about 20 couples. They will be piped into the lounge at 10.30 p.m. by pipers from the Lorne Scots, then Mayor Brian Best and MPP Jim Snow will snip two ribbons to declare the dining lounge and cocktail lounge "officially" opened. During the evening further festivities are planned and continuous entertainment will include Ron Hopkins at the organ, Jack Reeves and his trio, Bill Brush at the organ and J.C. and the Squires band.

The addition and renovation program that transformed the former restaurant and kitchen section of the hotel into the two new lounges was a year's work and represents an investment of almost \$100,000, the hotel

owners report. The expansion of the building was first agreed upon during centennial year and actual construction started last May. Contractors were chosen locally and the staff is all local as well.

The Chuchmachs have owned the Charles Hotel and restaurant since the fall of 1965 and have carried out extensive renovations over the years.

The cocktail lounge, finished in a Spanish decor with plush red seats and mahogany woodwork, seats 131. The dining lounge can handle 60 at a time and the two separate beverage rooms can seat 104 each. In the near future a banquet room seating 150 will open in the basement level of the expanded building. Ron Hopkins will be entertaining weekends in the cocktail lounge and regular country and western entertainment will continue in the beverage rooms on weekend, the owners report.

The dining lounge is open to 8.30 p.m. daily, weekends to midnight; while the cocktail lounge is open six days a week from 12 noon to 1 a.m. The owners are hoping to soon be able to offer liquor, beer and wine with meals in the dining room area.

Until December's plebiscite, which overwhelmingly favored liquor with meals and liquor lounges, Milton was restricted to public drinking in the beverage rooms of the two local hotels. Proprietors of the Charles, the Milton Inn and the Caravan Restaurant sponsored the plebiscite in December and the other two outlets are considering lounges and liquor with meals in the future as well.

While Milton Area Fire Department received fewer calls during 1969 than they did the previous year, damage was multiplied almost five times in 1969 according to the annual report issued this week by Chief A. E. Clement to municipal councils.

Insurance claims for fire losses in 1968 were \$72,342, and then skyrocketed the following year to reach \$348,581, an increase of over \$276,239. Fire calls decreased by 30, from 119 in 1968 to 89 in 1969.

Attributing the great increase as a result of several bad

structural fires in 1969, the Chief noted this could be combated only with a rigid fire inspection program and this could be accomplished only by more full time inspectors.

In view of an increased work load and recalling the many hours of overtime on his own part, the Chief recommended the hiring of three full-time men and two more part-time firefighters for the brigade. He also recommended the purchase of a water tank truck, to use at rural fires where no water is available.

The districts' five largest fires by town or township totalled \$184,000 with an Esqueving barn owned by Dr. R. D. Kunic being estimated at a loss of \$54,576, \$42,000 for the G. R. Chater dwelling in Burlington; \$40,000 for Milton Tire and Radiator Shop; \$32,000 for a store and apartment owned by William Coulter in Nassagaweya and \$16,000 for a barn belonging to A. Hickling in Oakville.

The Chief reports with pride his brigade took an active part in fire prevention activities, both on the department and county level through the Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau. Over 800 people saw films and attended open house at Milton Fire Department during fire prevention week.

October 9 and 10 the department held demonstrations and fire prevention awards were presented to the school classes which brought the most parents to open house.

During the year the

department conducted spring clean-up, Halloween and Christmas safety programs and had a booth at Milton Fair. A poster contest for grade five students is held annually.

Other lines of prevention saw 6,000 pieces of literature distributed, as well as lectures and tours to various groups and fire drills at a number of places. During the year Chief Clement was appointed Chairman of the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs' fire prevention committee and William Dyer Jr. was elected president of the Humber-Credit Firemen's Association. Ivan Shepherd was vice-president of the same association.

An average of 22 men out of the 30 man brigade attended bi-monthly training nights where they drilled on the following aspects of the business: ladders, hose lays, pumps, forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, radio procedure and first aid.

During the year the chief attended many meetings with various boards and committees in the county as well as a four day course at Trent University, Peterboro, a four-day Fire Chiefs' conference at McMaster University in Hamilton and the

Ontario Firefighters' Convention in Whitby. In 1969 Milton was the scene of 26 fires, six more than Nassagaweya with 20. Other areas served by the department were Burlington with 11 calls, Oakville with eight, and Esqueving with 14.

Fire fighters suffered a total of 13 injuries while combating fires during the year, most of them cuts or minor injuries. He completed inspections on 31 buildings last year and conducted 30 investigations.



ONE OF THE FIRST Contempora telephones to be installed in Halton County was put in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hill of the El Primo Apartments on Ontario St. Mrs. Hill tries out the new phone which features the receiver, mouthpiece and dialing mechanism in one unit. Bell Canada released the phones for installation beginning Monday of this week. —(Staff Photo)

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"O come let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker."

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1970
9:45 a.m.—Sr. Church School.
9:45 a.m.—Young People's Bible Class.
10:50 a.m.—Jr. Church School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
Minister, Rev. Professor J. C. Hay, B.D., Ph.D.
11:00 a.m.—Nursery.

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12:15 p.m.—Sunday School.
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Wednesday, 8 p.m. — Prayer and Bible reading.
All are welcome to these services.

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9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
6:00 p.m.—Family Prayer.
7:00 p.m. — Evening Evangelistic Service.
Wednesday — Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.
Friday — Young People's, 8:00 p.m.
Commit thy way unto the Lord. Trust also in Him and He shall bring it to pass. Psalm 37, verse 5.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1970
10:00 a.m.—Boston: Worship Service.
11:15 a.m.—Boston: Church School.
10:15 a.m.—Omagh: Church School.
11:30 a.m.—Omagh: Worship Service.
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1970
Quinquagesima Sunday
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
9:30 a.m.—Jr. Church School.
9:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist and Sermon.
10:45 a.m.—Sr. Church School.
11:00 a.m.—Matins and Sermon with installation of Church Officials.

Thursday, February 5 — 10:00 a.m., Holy Communion.
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1970
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
All ages.

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
5:30 p.m.—Youth Meetings.
6:50 p.m.—Song Service.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship.
The Campbell - Reese Team will be ministering at both services.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11, 1970
6:30 p.m.—Junior Club.
Youth Planning Session.
8:00 p.m.—Bible Study and Prayer.
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10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
CHURCH SCHOOL
9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all boys and girls over 8 years.
11:00 a.m.—Infant Nursery in charge of registered nurse and nursery department.
11:00 a.m.—Kindergarten and Primary Department, ages 4 - 8.
Invitation To All

Speedway promoters offer residents one year option

Promoters of the proposed \$2 million dollar Indianapolis-type speedway between the Third and Fourth Lines of Esqueving near Milton, have met with the nine or 10 ratepayers who live close to the site with an offer to purchase their property.

Lawyer E. A. Goodman told Esqueving Council at their regular meeting Monday night that his clients have offered the nearby landowners an option to purchase their property for a period of one year. If the residents find that they have been adversely affected by the speedway, one year after racing begins, Mr. Goodman's group will purchase the property at a figure he himself described as "10 to 15 per cent above the market price".

Mr. Goodman told Council he expects to know within the next few days how many of the ratepayers he approached will enter into the agreement.

Mr. Goodman also requested that council pass a resolution exempting his group from the provisions of the township's agricultural holding by-law. The by-law prevents the use of land

buildings and structures for any other purpose than the one existing. The site of the proposed speedway has been used for agricultural purposes in the past.

Council agreed to allow Mr. Goodman to appear again at their February 16 meeting. Earlier in the meeting, clerk-treasurer Delmar French read council a letter from Dr. Ivor Dent, mayor of Edmonton, saying there have been no complaints about Edmonton International Speedway Park, although it is located close to the city. The mayor admitted that traffic to and from the speedway is heavy at times, but that most times it does not create a problem.

Mayor Dent promised to have the city's planning director and traffic engineer send along their comments to council as well.

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During the year it cost the brigade \$4,032 to fight fires in Milton; \$2,258 in Oakville; \$1,051 in Burlington; \$1,590 in Esqueving and \$1,979 in Nassagaweya. Expenses for meetings and miscellaneous expenditures totalled \$3,186.00 for the year.

Fire fighters suffered a total of 13 injuries while combating fires during the year, most of them cuts or minor injuries. He completed inspections on 31 buildings last year and conducted 30 investigations.

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