

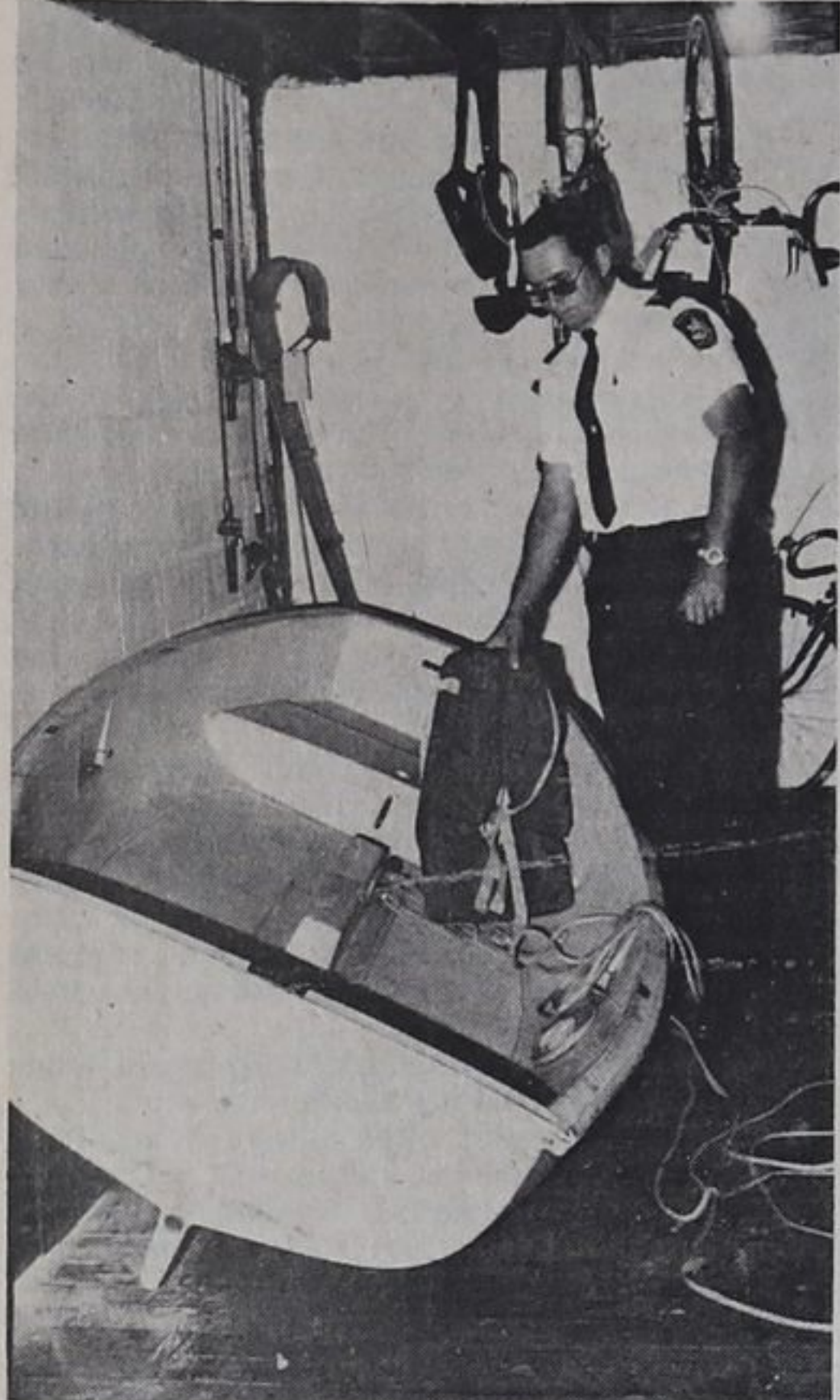
# Town police

A battery but no car

Mike Beauchamp of Highland Point was left holding the battery to his 1969 Pontiac Firebird in his hands after someone stole his car last Saturday night. The scenario goes something like this. Beauchamp parked his car at the town dock and removed the battery to use in his boat. When he returned around 10 p.m. from a leisurely cruise the car was gone. The value of Beauchamp's car was estimated at \$1,500 exclusive of the battery. A conservative estimate would put the value of the battery at between \$15 and \$30. At least he didn't lose everything!

## Stolen bicycle

Mrs. Stewart of 14 Church Street reported the theft of her son's bicycle last Saturday. The bicycle was valued at \$35.



## Dingy needs an owner

Police Chief John Geere examines a 15 foot fibreglass dingy which was found at Spann Park at the Mental Health Centre on August 5. The owner is asked to pick it up at the police station.

Staff photo

# OPP report

## Woodland Beach man charged

The Ontario Provincial Police charged a Woodland Beach man with careless driving Saturday, after his car backed into another at the junction of Tiny Township concession 12 and County Road 6. A spokesman at the Midland detachment said there was no damage to an auto driven by Murray Stanley, 28, but the vehicle driven by Thomas Luke, 59, of the township, suffered an estimated \$350. Stanley was charged following the 1:30 p.m. mishap.

## Centennial dance

The excuse for a party was a chance for the 1975 centennial committee to begin discussions on how to formulate plans for the next centennial in "2075". And the best way turned out to be what centennial committee chairman Doug Dubeau described as a "beautiful party" complete with Albert Blondin's recorded square dancing music and "some really nimble dancing" by one Gil Robillard. About 25 members of the town's 1975 centennial committee attended Sunday's beach party at the Gilberts cottage at Midland Point. Beautiful weather, beautiful food, beautiful music and beautiful people added up to "one beautiful party!"

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# White house owners seek zoning change



## The White House

For the present the dream of John and Lillian Brunton, owners of the Fox Street White House, of having a small, exclusive lodge "somewhere where people can come to relax" will have to remain unfulfilled because of one word.

That's the opinion of Lillian Brunton and her husband who claim that the reason the Penetanguishene planning board denied a request to change the zoning of the White House property from rural to commercial marina is because, for want of a

better word, they described their proposed establishment as a hotel. After receiving a petition from Fox Street residents objecting to the use of the White House as a hotel, the planning board turned down the Brunton's request for a rezoning which would have allowed them to operate their weekend lodge.

Actually a hotel of the Commodore or Brule variety on Main Street is the furthest thing from the Bruntons' minds. "We used the wrong word. We should never have used the word hotel," said Mrs. Brunton during an in-

terview last Friday.

Instead of a hotel Mrs. Brunton says she wants to operate a weekend lodge where 16 to 20 people (reservations only) can come to spend a couple days to relax and enjoy good food. "If they want an afternoon tea, I'll serve it," says Mrs. Brunton who despite having left England years ago still retains an English accent and the traditional English habit of always having her afternoon tea.

The prices for a weekend at the White House would have to be a little higher than a hotel in order to attract a more exclusive clientele Mrs. Brunton indicated. "I don't want to encourage a

crowd. That I don't want. The White House she says, "Will never be a noisy place."

What the Bruntons are seeking to offer then, is an alternative to the quick serve places which rely on massive sales for a profit. Their White House lodge, if it ever is approved by the town, will not be a MacDonalds hamburger factory. Neither will it be a hotel because the Bruntons have not sought a liquor license.

"We're not young anymore," Mrs. Brunton said. "We want it to be a nice place where people can appreciate a home cooked meal."

One of her dreams Mrs. Brunton said, "is to serve

a home cooked meal Saturday and Sunday...in a nice atmosphere with none of this pushing to get the table filled (by someone else) again. I find there's a great shortage of this thing...what we want to do...in the world today. People need a place to relax for 48 hours to get away from it all."

If the town's planning board sees fit to overturn its recent ruling against a commercial operation at the White House, Mrs. Brunton will be able to put to use her lifetime of experience in famous hotels. She was born in a

small 21 bedroom hotel in England and since coming to Canada has worked in the Royal York, the King Edward and the Hyatt Regency Hotels in Toronto.

"I've been in more or less exclusive catering for years and years," Mrs. Brunton said. "It's the only thing I know about really."

A place where people can spend a quiet weekend in the country, - that's been Mrs. Brunton's dream ever since she came to Canada. But if the town's planning board doesn't reverse its earlier decision to oppose

a commercial marina license for the White House her dream will remain unfulfilled. As

John Brunton said on Friday, "Until the zoning is changed we can't do very much at all."

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## ELMVALE OPP SEEK INFORMATION ON ROOFING FRAUD

The Elmvale OPP Detachment is appealing to the public for information on fraudulent roofing operators who may have operated in the Elmvale and Flos, Tiny and Medonte Township area policed by Elmvale OPP.

Anyone who has had spraying or shingling done on a cash basis recently and are not satisfied with the results are asked to contact Elmvale OPP.

An Officer from the Anti-Rackets Squad of the Toronto OPP Special Services Branch is investigating the fraudulent operators who are said to victimize elderly people and operate on a cash basis.

The roofers canvass door-to-door and usually do a rapid job assuring the homeowner that the problem has been fixed.



The Bruntons at tea

## Maracle pleads guilty to possessing marijuana

A 19-year-old Penetanguishene youth pleaded guilty Monday to simple possession of a narcotic, after prosecutor Douglas Haig accepted the plea and dropped the more serious charge of possession for the purpose of trafficking.

Albert Maracle was searched by police on Main Street in Penetanguishene shortly before 11 p.m. July 25. The initial search turned up one plastic bag of a "green plant-like substance" in one of his socks, and later at the station officers found two more bags and a glass vial containing what the court was told was liquid hashish.

Maracle admitted to police the night of his arrest that the bags contained marijuana and signed a waiver of the requirement that the drugs be analyzed in Toronto.

Presiding Judge Len Montgomery fined the youth \$250, warning him

that "you are walking a very thin line between possession and trafficking."

The amount in question totalled roughly 100 grams, according to prosecutor Haig.

In a second drug case, 17-year-old Glen Walker, also of Penetanguishene, received a conditional discharge and six months' probation after he pleaded guilty to possession of a narcotic.

Constable Thomas Tiffin pulled a car over July 19 at 1:25 a.m. on Brock Street after a routine traffic violation had been committed on Main Street. Tiffin found a bag of marijuana in a blue jean jacket. It contained about 10 grams of the drug, according to prosecutor Haig.

Judge Montgomery noted the lack of any record before passing sentence, adding that "Mr. Walker got involved in something that was rather foolish."

An 18-year-old Hawkstone youth who pleaded guilty to failing to remain at the scene of an accident was fined \$200.

Hal David McEvoy was involved in an accident at the Port Severn Marina parking lot on July 17. He had no previous record. The case was heard in provincial court in

Penetanguishene last Thursday.

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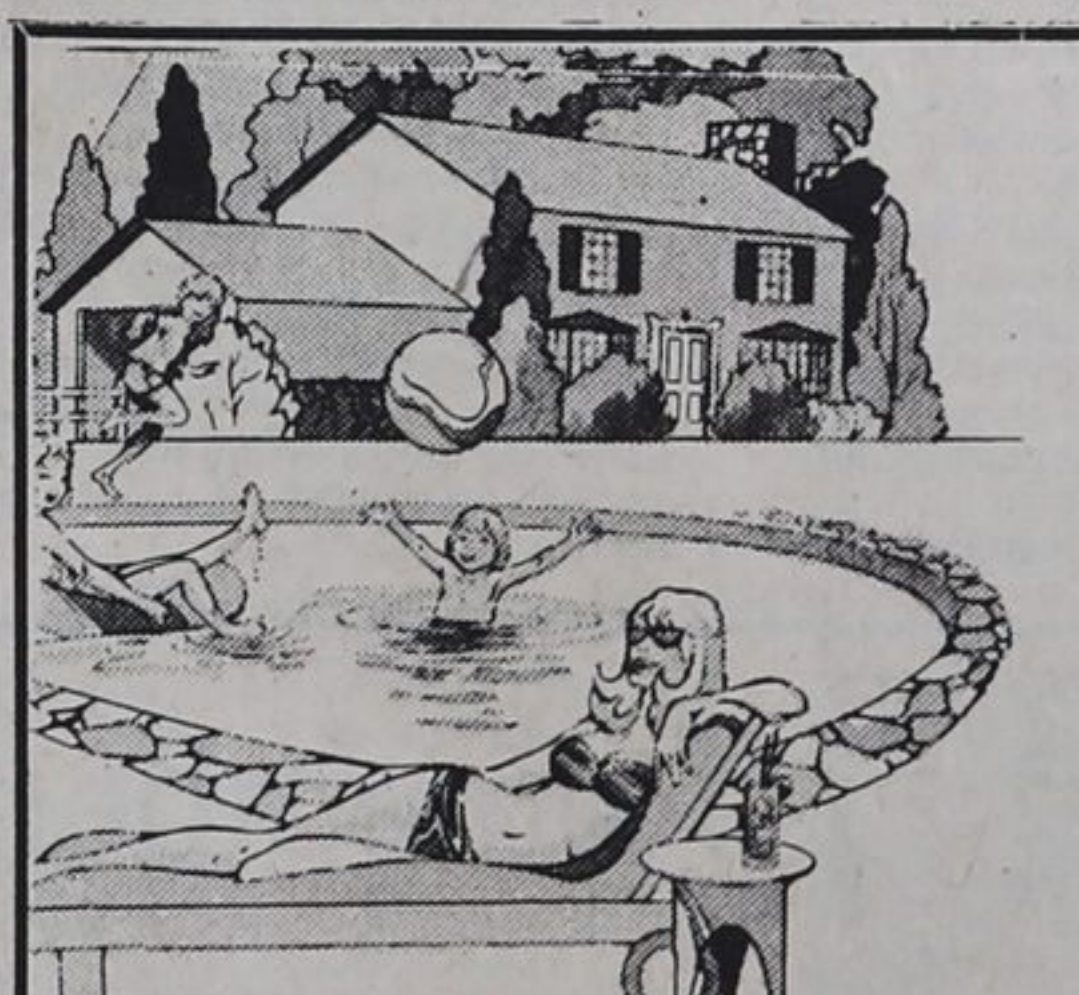
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