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**50th anniversary**

Irene and James Budd are congratulated during their 50th wedding anniversary by Edyth Thompson (right) at the Sandy Bay Inn recently. Close to 100 people came from as far as California and North Carolina to join in the festivities.

## Judge orders jail terms for two impaired drivers

Two men will be spending the next few weeks in jail after pleading guilty to impaired driving charges. James B. Milroy from Tay Township and Reginald C. Sloan from Kingston appeared in provincial court Thursday. It was the second time for both men as each had been convicted of impaired driving in the past.

Ontario Provincial Police officers nabbed Milroy on July 1 after coming across his vehicle in a ditch on highway 12 near Tay concession seven. Milroy admitted being the driver of the car.

Police suspected Milroy had been drinking because of his appearance and his difficulty walking. A breathalyzer test was ordered and the result showed a reading of 190,

which is 120 over the limit.

The defence called two character witnesses in the case. Gilbert Oram, owner of a Victoria Harbour business where Milroy is

employed and father to Milroy's girlfriend, testified he'd seen an incredible change in the accused since September. "He wants to go ahead and live the life of a normal person," Oram

said, "rather than an unpredictable one." Oram also testified that Milroy "drinks very little now."

James Milroy Sr. told the court his son is a "different boy" now.

In his sentencing, Judge L.T. Montgomery said the court has a responsibility to protect society from the tremendous carnage caused by drinking drivers, and sentenced Milroy to 20 days in jail. Reginald Sloan was also sentenced to 20 days in jail for his slip of the law.

Ontario Provincial Police officers noticed Sloan's vehicle crossing the centre line on several occasions as he travelled north on highway 69 on November 2.

A breathalyzer reading of 190 confirmed their suspicion that the accused had been drinking.

**Stiff fine**  
Judge Montgomery sentenced John Masionis of Port Severn to a stiff fine for impaired driving, even though it was his first scrape with the courts.

The fine of \$350 was imposed because of Masionis' high breathalyzer reading.

OPP were attracted to Masionis' vehicle because of the manner in which it was proceeding along old highway 103 at 2:00 a.m. November 3. A subsequent breathalyzer test registered a reading of 260.

**Personal use**  
Stewart P. Bowles was fined \$100 after pleading guilty to a charge of possession of a narcotic. Police entered his residence in Tiny Township October 25 on another matter. During their investigation three bags of marijuana were discovered.

Judge Montgomery told the three bags contained approximately an ounce each.

Charges were dropped against two other suspects in the case.

## Police report

The mayhem resulting from the season's first major snowfall will be causing a lot of drivers, or at least their respective insurance companies, to dip deeply into their wallets.

Winter caught Penetanguishene residents with their snow tires down Friday as four accidents were reported.

The first, and worst, occurred at 1:40 Friday afternoon, as three vehicles piled-up on the steep Poyntz St. hill.

A van driven by Arthur Patenaude of concession 15, Tiny Township, received the majority of damage in the accident and Patenaude was rushed to Penetanguishene General Hospital with major injuries. His vehicle sustained \$3,000 damage.

A dump truck driven by Joseph Juneau of Port McNicoll incurred \$1,000 damage and a pick-up truck driven by Albert Blondin of Robert St. was hit for \$25 worth of damage.

Neither Juneau or Blondin were injured. Police laid no charges in the incident, blaming the crash on the bad weather conditions.

**\$3200 damage**  
Another major accident occurred on Robert St. East at Lorne St., less than an hour later.

A car driven by Charles Chevrette of Midland collided with Steven McDonald's vehicle.

Chevrette's car incurred \$3,000 damage. The car driven by McDonald, of Yeo Street, was damaged to the tune of \$200.

Only minor injuries were reported and no charges laid.

### Lost control

A minor accident resulted when Timothy Garratt of Church St. lost control of his vehicle on Water St., and struck a road sign.

Damage was estimated at \$50, all to the sign. No charges were laid.

Another driver had problems remaining on the road Friday night as the snow continued to accumulate. Teresa Rosniak of Toronto did \$350 damage to her car as she slid and struck a tree on Robert St. East. Neither Rosniak or the tree sustained injuries.

**Break, enter and theft**  
Dave LaPage of Robert St. is \$250 poorer as the result of a theft of cash from his residence November 21.

Constable Whiteside is still investigating the incident.

### PSS victimized

Thieves rifled various desks at Penetanguishene Secondary School, Sunday night or Monday morning, in an apparent search for money.

Constable Thomas Marchand said entry was made by smashing the glass at the main entrance. The case is still under investigation.

### \$700 stolen

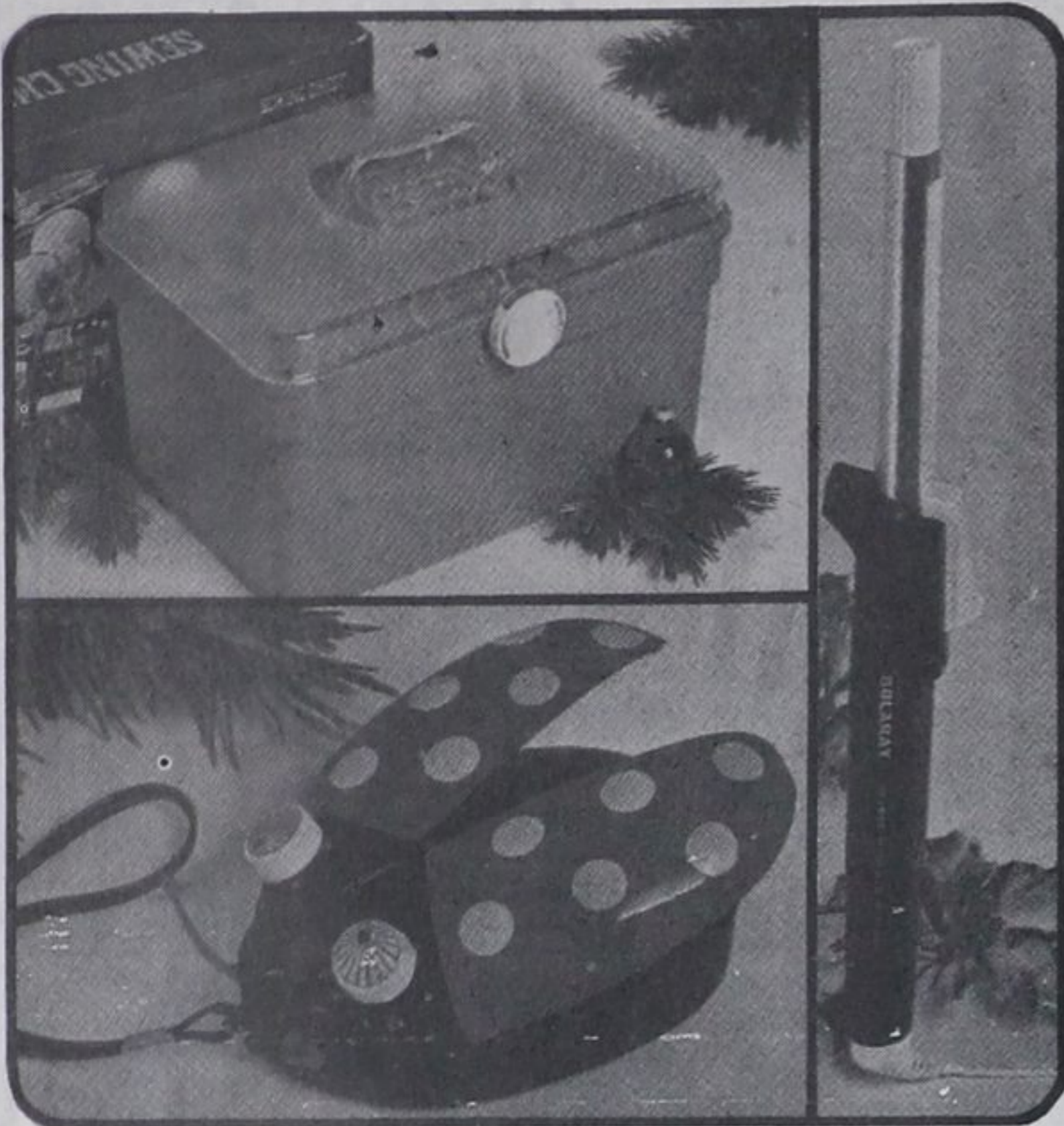
Thieves hit the jackpot Saturday night at the residence of Paul Charlebois on Lafontaine Road. Charlebois reported the theft of \$700 in cash to Penetanguishene police.

Constable Marchand is investigating the theft.

### PUC vehicle victimized

Public Utilities Commission employees hopped into one of their trucks Monday, only to find a tool box, complete with tools missing.

The box and tools were estimated to be worth \$125. Sergeant Don Westcott is still investigating the theft.



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**WHERE** is the money coming from to maintain and improve our schools, churches, the library, civic services and other community facilities?  
**ANSWER:** Much comes from taxes and contributions made by our local business people. Part of every dollar you spend locally helps build a better community for you and your family!

Let's make it a happier, merrier season for everyone.

## Decor relocation rumour dispelled

by Dave Wilson  
Although the strike by UAW local 1411 against Decor Metal Products continues into its second week, union and management are still negotiating, attempting to bring a prompt end to the walkout.

management since the strike began last Tuesday at midnight.

Both union and management continue to maintain a policy of silence concerning the issues of negotiation, although some reports have indicated that talks have yet to focus on wage scales for the new contract.

Wayne Latour, president of UAW 1411 and chief negotiator for the union said Monday that the union is prepared to continue talking with management with the hope that a settlement can be reached before Christmas.

The week old strike has caused numerous rumours to develop concerning the future of Decor in Midland, especially in light of a statement issued last Thursday by Decor management claiming that should the company meet the union's demands, the settlement "would seriously affect our ability to compete in the marketplace and therefore contribute to the eventual downfall of the company".

One prevalent rumour has been that Decor may pull out of Midland and move to the U.S., possibly to Mississippi where Decor's parent company, Firestone Tire Ltd. is presently building a new facility that will manufacture seat belts—the same product that is manufactured in Midland.

In an interview with The Times Monday, Decor personnel manager and chief company negotiator Mike Tidy categorically dispelled any rumours that Decor would move south to the U.S.

Instead, said Tidy, the issue at stake in the present strike is the ability of Decor to remain competitive with Firestone's U.S. seat belt operations.

**Won't move**  
Commenting on the rumours that Decor may move to Mississippi, Tidy commented "This is not so. My reference to Decor's survival was based solely on the fact of our remaining competition."

He went on to explain that "it should be noted that we are in competition with other seat belt manufacturers and if indeed some seat belts are manufactured in Mississippi, that presents another further competition which is within the seatbelt division of Firestone".

When asked to outline Firestone's present seat belt operations, Tidy explained that the Mississippi facility has yet to go into production. "Firestone seat belt operations are currently located in Michigan and Ontario (Midland). The Mississippi operation is being created as an addition to the Michigan operation, and is not part of Decor Metal Products".

In response to a question asking him to clarify whether Decor will have to compete with the joint U.S. Firestone operations, Tidy replied "Yes, and this is part of the battle in the marketplace."