



Quilt represents area

Sainte Marie, Little Lake, the Public Library, the Grain elevators, Edgehill (the old Playfair home), the Martyrs' Shrine - all are lovingly represented in hand stitchery in this impressive centennial quilt designed by Midland's Bev Hunter, and translated into stitches

by Rena Bell. Rena and seventeen friends worked on the quilt, which will be raffled later this year to raise money for the Centennial Committee. A duplicate of the quilt will be placed in the Huronia Museum.

Staff photo

Police promise seatbelt crackdown

Do you wear your seatbelt everytime you get out in your car and encourage your passengers to do the same?

If you aren't wearing your seatbelt, even for that short trip to the milk store, you could be in for a fine.

The Midland Police report said that they're starting a stiffer crackdown on seatbelt legislation.

If you are stopped and your seatbelt is still curled up on the floor, it will cost you \$28, according to Staff Sergeant Ross Willett. What's more, if your

passenger is a minor, and doesn't have his seatbelt on, you could be charged \$28 for him too. Passengers can also be charged and fined for failing to wear a seatbelt.

If your seatbelt is broken, don't think that will get you off the hook. According to Sergeant Willett it is your responsibility to get it fixed before you are stopped.

Only drivers of old cars that never had and still don't have seatbelts get off the hook. However, if you drive an old car and have had seatbelts installed, you must wear them, says Sergeant

Willett.

People exempt from wearing a seatbelt are children under the age of two and those with a medical certificate from their doctor. However, Willett says that doctors are becoming more reluctant to hand out medical certificates.

The crackdown by the Midland Police means that more cars will be stopped and the occupants checked to make sure they are all buckled up.

Willett says that so far, the majority of the drivers stopped have had their seatbelts on. He

says there is only the odd one that is still leaving the seatbelt on the floor.

Council notes

Mayor Moreland Lynn announced that CHCH-TV is coming to Midland to tape a live program on Midland's Centennial sometime near the end of May.

Mayor Lynn and some local talent went to Hamilton and taped a show on Midland two weeks ago. It is going to be aired on March 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Heating Fuels

At council's regular meeting on Monday, council endorsed a resolution from the Township of Otonabee voicing its concern over the increasing costs of heating fuels and furnace oil and petitioning the government of Canada and Ontario to consider this concern.

Alderman Jim Malcolm presented the motion telling council that "it is an item of expense that hits everyone of us every day of the week."

TTPPB

Midland council agreed to adopt the Tiny Tay Peninsula's Budget for 1978 at Monday's meeting. Midland's portion of the budget is \$16,303 which is an increase of \$1,497 over last year.

The TTPPB has only increased their net levy \$3,376 over the 1977 net levy. Alderman Platt told council that he was impressed with the efforts of the TTPPB.

Planning Board representative

Council passed a motion changing their policy of having the planning board report to council. Reeve Sam Ancio was reporting to council as chairman of the public works committee. The new policy changes the reporting duties to a member of council that also sits on the Planning Board. Reeve Ancio does not sit on the Planning Board.

After this motion was passed, council passed a motion appointing Richard Platt as the one to report to

council on the Planning Board. This new policy goes into effect immediately.

Hospital Board

Council is still trying to get Huronia District Hospital Board to change their meeting night, since it falls on the same Monday as a regular council meeting does.

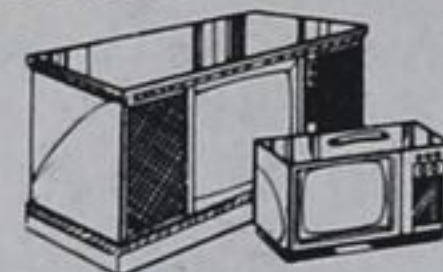
A report from the Finance Committee said that the committee takes a "dim view" to the reason given for refusing council's request to change the meeting.

Midland is the largest financial contributor to the Hospital.

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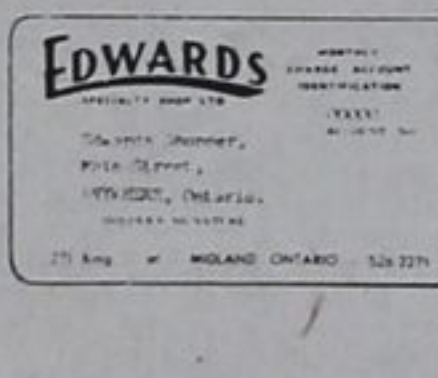
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