

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE REPORT

During the past week the Schreiber Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police investigated two motor vehicle accidents, which resulted in approximately \$1,100. damage.

From December 22 to December 28, members of this detachment patrolled 1,393 miles of highways and logged 168 hours.

There were no charges laid under the Highway Traffic Act, eight persons were warned and twenty vehicles given safety checks.

One theft of property valued at less than \$50. was investigated, and is still under investigation. One disturbance investigated which resulted in one charge under the Criminal Code being laid.

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YEAR-END 1969 FORECAST

The Honourable John P. Robarts reports that twelve months ago, a prediction was made that the total value of goods and services produced or provided in Ontario would equal the increase of 1967. We predicted then that the Gross Provincial Product would rise by eight per cent. It looks as though our Gross Provincial Product will reach 26.9 billions of dollars, or another increase of eight per cent which is precisely what we estimated for 1968 with the outlook for 1969 of a similar nature and a similar growth.

The growth in the Ontario economy during 1968 was reflected in rising incomes, rising productions, rising investment and rising employment. You could see our growth in terms of the number of housing starts, increased purchases of automobiles and actually in a general jump in sales of a wide variety of consumer products. Increased sales of course mean more production which means increased employment which generally means an increase in services required by our people. All this adds up to an increase in Gross Provincial Product which is just about what we predicted would happen.

The important unknown of course for our economy is the economic health of the United States. There is also renewed uncertainty in world money markets which could have an affect on the growth of Ontario's manufacturing. But we feel that both the Canadian and Ontario economies are sufficiently strong to withstand any adverse effects if they should develop within the first six months of the year.



SKI CLUB NEWS

Ski lessons for members of all ages and abilities will be held Saturday, mornings at 10.00 a.m. commencing January 4th. Four C.S.I.A. trained instructors will be teaching the Canadian Skiing Method as employed by Nancy Green in her recent world triumphs. For details contact head instructor Lyle Nicol at 3510.

Skiers are reminded to purchase their membership at last year's rates prior to January 6. After this date, there will be a slight increase in fees. Contact Bob Hopper at 3225 or purchase at the hill this weekend.

Enjoy winter fun on your snow-machine and always remember to drive wisely to prevent unnecessary accidents.....

