

HAGERSVILLE

Highlights

Fire Calls

The Hagersville Volunteer Firemen were called to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Altig, R. R. 4 Hagersville, (west end of the 13th Concession), on Tuesday Sept. 18, at 1:05 p.m. Cause for the alarm was a grass fire out-of-control, resulting from the burning of garbage. No damage resulted. The fire was quickly extinguished upon the arrival of the fire-fighting crew.

Firemen from Hagersville were called once again to a grass fire on Friday afternoon at 2:20 the 21st of September. More than 20 acres of stubble was burnt on the farm of Mr. George King, on the First Line of New Credit of the Mississaugas. This grass fire likewise erupted from the burning of garbage on the property. No damage resulted from the mishap. Firemen extinguished the flames upon their arrival at the scene.

Monday, September 24, the Volunteer Hagersville Firemen were urgently called to the

home of Mr. Edward Parsons, Parkview Rd., (adjacent to the Parkview Elementary School). The call was received at 5:40 p.m. when an over-heated oil space heater caused much concern. No damage resulted from this occurrence.

A much appreciated phone call was recently received by the Hagersville Fire Chief, from Mr. Leo Vander-Bussche, R. R. 4 Hagersville. Mr. Vander-Bussche was sincerely appreciative to the entire fire-fighting crew for their quick response for "help" at the time of his fire on September 11th. Without their rapid arrival at the scene, he believed the fire would certainly have caused a great deal of damage.

Adoption

LOFTHOUSE - Alvin and Ruth Lofthouse and family are very pleased to announce Billy's final adoption. Thanks especially to Mrs. Gibson.

Compulsory Subjects At H.S.S.

WHEN Hagersville Secondary School adopted the Credit System four years ago, it was decided to make no subjects compulsory for incoming students. After three years, the staff is re-assessing the question of compulsory subjects in an attempt to assure the community that every student who attends H.S.S. will have a minimum core of basic courses.

Police Report

Please find, in the following, the monthly activities of the Hagersville Police Force for the month of August.

REPORT
The accident rate for the month of August was down compared with last months statistics, for this department. The officers investigated five M.V.C. reportables; one non-reportable and there were no personal injuries as a result. There were 53 charges laid under the H.T.A. one charge under the M.V.A.C.A. (no insurance); 10 parking tags issued under by-law, 32 traffic warnings issued and several assists to other motorists.

The department investigated one house-

breaking; one theft - under \$200.00; three theft - over; and laid six charges under the Criminal Code; five charges under the Liquor Control Act; recorded two reports of auto theft; one stolen bicycle report.

The department investigated three occurrences for other forces, assisted 15 different occasions for other forces, and served 11 summonses for other departments. Three persons were arrested for other police forces on warrant.

Under general occurrences, there were 205 complaints registered, seven business premises found insecure, nine requests for unoccupied house checks, one adult and one child reported missing and found. The officers patrolled a total of 4,524 miles in the department auto during this month of August/73.

MESSAGE:
Parents! If you or your child has had a bicycle stolen and you have not reported it to the police, please do so, immediately. We urge you to take the serial number, make, model, and other particulars of the bicycle and place this information in a safe place in your home. In the event the bicycle is stolen or lost, it can be identified. Thank-you for making our task easier.

at the moment is the following proposal: YEAR ONE: English, History or Geography, Mathematics and Science. YEAR TWO: English, History or Geography, Mathematics or Science. YEAR THREE: English, Mathematics or Science. PLUS: One language course

This amounts to ten credits out of the twenty-seven required for the secondary school diploma. Each of the subjects listed is taught at various levels of difficulty to suit individual abilities; therefore, what might appear very restrictive at first glance is really a very broad choice.

There are valid reasons to support each subject on the list of compulsory subjects, which will be explained in a future article. Public meetings were

50th Anniversary

A happy occasion was held in the Rose Room of the Erie Beach Hotel, Port Dover, on Wednesday Sept. 12 to honour Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Courtage on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Adding attractively to the party was a bouquet of 50 red roses, candles and an anniversary cake. The Courtages were married in the Baptist Church at Villa

Nova with the ceremony being performed by the late Rev. Silas Lamb. Arranging the delightful time together were the couple's two children, Laura Jane (Robinson) of Hamilton, and William of Hagersville. Doris and Harold reside at 12 Sherring Street S., Hagersville, after moving from Howard Street a number of years ago.

Mutual Fire Aid Meeting Held

Approximately 40 were in attendance at the Hagersville Legion Auditorium, on Tuesday evening, Sept. 18, when local Fire Chief William McClarty welcomed the gathering.

He expressed his apologies for having to hold the Mutual Aid meeting in the Legion Hall. "The Fire Department here in Hagersville has no facilities of their own, to hold such a meeting, such as some neighboring fire departments, of even smaller sized localities do," he said.

The Mutual Aid organization was formed in April 1966, with representation from 13 various fire departments in the County. The purpose of Mutual Aid is to provide back-up protection from adjacent fire department

Following the business, Hagersville Fireman Don Laidlaw acted as projectionist, when several films were shown to the audience, each proving to be informative and interesting.

The first film, "Ladders," showed the extensive use of various types of ladders in fire-fighting procedures today, while the second film, "Various Types of Extinguishing Fires With Water," portrayed to the firemen the importance of "foam" or "fog." Discussion followed regarding various types of foam available, cost, etc., as well as perhaps "foam reserve banks." There was much discussion among all the various fire departments represented, regarding the approaching Regional Government.

The general conclusion was that perhaps it would effect all volunteer fire-fighting departments in the Haldimand County area. Following the adjournment of the meeting, a buffet lunch was served by the hosting Hagersville Volunteer Fire Department.

held last year to hear opinions on the question, and strong parental support was offered, although there was some difficulty picking the subjects which all students should be required to take. If you have opinions on the matter, please put them in writing and send them to Mr. D. G. Bishop, Principal, Hagersville Secondary School, Box 669, Hagersville.

History Of Hagersville

The History of Hagersville and area is being written this summer by Mary Lou Willard, Audre Graham and Janet Carr on an Opportunity for Youth grant.

The following is the seventh installment of their book. A requisition addressed to Brown was prepared and circulated for signature. Jacob Turner of Seneca, a prominent mill owner, was already in the field on the same ticket, and the powers that were did not know how to get rid of him. Finally a convention of the Reform Party was called with a representation from each township voting, and Brown was chosen to represent their party. Mackenzie refused to withdraw, but everyone believed that the real race would be between George Brown and the Conservatives, Ronald McKinnon of Caledonia.

McKinnon, not being a speaker, could do little on the stump, whereas Brown was formidable. The people greatly enjoyed hearing Mackenzie on the platform and came in large numbers to hear him attack George Brown and his witty and sarcastic way throughout that famous campaign. It is related that Mackenzie, who had no organization, attended one of Brown's meetings and asked Brown if he might be permitted to speak after he, Brown, had concluded his remarks. Brown consented after Mackenzie gave an assurance that there would be no interruption on his part, but asked that the same courtesy be extended when he came to speak. Brown spoke for three long, uninterrupted hours, but Mackenzie had not been on his feet five minutes before Brown jumped up. Mackenzie sat down, remarking that he thought Brown was through, but if he wasn't, he could wait. Brown seemed ashamed but could not keep still, and continued his interruptions. During one of them, a calf tied in the barn started to bleat. Then Mackenzie turned to Brown and said, "I protest against this, one at a time please." Years later Ronald Mackinnon admitted that his party had used Mackenzie to fight Brown, but their mistake was in using him too much. They overdid it and Mackenzie was elected by a small majority over Mackinnon, and Brown did not get a look in as far as votes were concerned.

During this decade there was a large number of travelling medicine shows, peddlers and hawkers and side shows all rolling around the county selling their entertainment, wares and cure-all medicines in their brightly painted wagons. Being on the Plank, we can be sure that Hagersville got its share of the action.

Apparently there was so many travelling shows visiting the county that the Council found it necessary to have some check on them, so accordingly, in 1859, a county licensing by-law was passed whereby the following license fees were charged: Circuses \$30; Wild Animal Shows, \$20; Side Shows, \$6; Exhibits of wax, \$4; Puppet Shows, \$4; Rope Dancing, \$4; Jugglers, \$10; Mountebanks, \$10; Common Showmen, \$10.

The business directory of 1861 gives the population of the village of Hagersville at 200, and the directory of 1864 lists the population at 100. Who do you believe?

The businesses listed are: David Almas - stage proprietor; John Baprie - tailor; Henry Byers - saddler; John Giles - wagon-maker; Richard Glendon - blacksmith; Richard Graham - blacksmith; Charles Hager-farmer; William Harrison - shoemaker; Benjamin Hamstreet - innkeeper; John Kenner - blacksmith; John Lewis - grocer; Lewis Lewis - carpenter; A. MacDonald - innkeeper; James McCarty - cabinet-maker; Thomas Pyne - M.D. Physician; Joseph Seymour - wagon-maker; Turnbull & Almas - merchants; L. T. Walters - tailor; John Scott - first town clerk, drew up municipal by-laws.

In 1861, Joseph Seymour started up the first weekly newspaper and called it the "Hagersville News."

This was, on the whole, an uneventful decade for the village. Many people came intending to stay, and wandered on somewhere else. Notice the list of businessmen above, and then realize how few of those family names are still those of local people.

The County Council once again showed its temperate colours when, in 1865, horse racing was outlawed in Haldimand County.

So make plans now to come to the Fair on Thursday evening, September 27th to see this exciting all Canadian Tractor Pull.

WALPOLE TOWNSHIP HUNTING LICENSES
The Council of the Township of Walpole wish to notify that Special Hunting Licenses, both Resident and Non-Resident, will go on sale at 9 a.m., the 4th day of October, 1973. Resident and Non-Resident Licenses will be on sale, one license only to each person, at the following points:
Lindsay's Hardware Store, Selkirk
Wells' General Store, Nanticoke
Walpole Municipal Office, Jarvis
Resident Licenses Only shall be sold at Tremain's General Store, Springvale.
Notice Inserted by David Wilson Sr., Clerk of Walpole Township

At H.S.S.

"Evermore '74"

Yesterday I picked up my yearbook, looked through it and my mind was immediately filled with memories of my year of '72 at H.S.S. My yearbook is one of my most precious possessions because I can look through it and it gives me a chance to remember the past. Behind each picture there's a story and for

High School News

On Sept. 14, Hagersville Secondary School, had its annual Tabloid and Initiation Day for the Gr. 9's. The Gr. 9's dressed up and bowed to the will of senior students. The day was successful and it's hoped the new students feel more a part of the school. The initiation dance will be this Friday, Sept. 28 and the group featured is "Mecca."

As the major money making project this year, the Student's Council has decided to hold another work day. The work day will be a community involvement day, where students will work one day, Oct. 5, doing odd jobs around the community. This will be a one day affair

each different photograph there's a different memory for everyone. The yearbook this year, "Evermore '74" is in progress, headed by a very capable editor, Brian Duxbury and his staff. We hope to capture events that will please everyone and it should turn out to be one of the best yet. Evermore '74 will represent the

school year with the theme "the Agony and the Ecstasy," which best sums up any school year. The magic of the yearbook cannot be captured by looking through a friend's copy; it is a personal treasure. When they are being sold, every student is urged to purchase his own copy... its like a gift to yourself.

Brenda Cowen
Secretary of
Evermore '74

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Tractor Pull Comes To Caledonia Fair

On Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. September 27th, the first day of the Caledonia Fair - stock and modified tractors from many areas of Ontario will gather to compete in Canadian Tractor Puller's sanctioned event, where points will be awarded to the winners as well as the regular class prize money.

For 1973 this is probably the fastest growing sport in Ontario, as daily new competitors are getting their tractors ready to compete. Arnold Churchill of Paris will attend with his modified Cockshutt 40 with a 440 Chrysler engine as he is neck and neck in points competition with the Vansickle - McLelland Tractor from Onondaga.

We also hope that Gordon Oughtred of R. R. 7, Brantford with his AC 220 will be able to attend - he has been a regular competitor over U.S.A. and at Cayuga Speedway in the National Tractor Pullers events for 1973 and the only Canadian competing in the U.S.A. this year.

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