



DESTRUCTION

The Aero Inn was shattered and its roof ripped off when torrential rains and winds up to 60 mph crashed through Mississauga on the night of Aug. 30.



CONSTRUCTION

Ward 2 Councillor Lou Parsons gleefully lifted a shovelful of dirt during sod turning ceremonies for new Clarkson Arena complex. Mayor Bob Speck (right) watched the proceedings.

FLASHBACK 1970

As residents of Mississauga, Port Credit and Streetsville prepared to enter the Seventies last December, many were full of optimistic expectations.

They saw the whole South Peel area as an economic and sociological unit bursting at the seams, ready to flourish.

Not all of their hopes came true - many because the dreamers expected too much, too quickly. But 1970 was truly a year of action, of development, of excitement in this end of Peel County.

Anyone who was familiar with the area as it was at the end of 1969

and stayed away for any length of time would have trouble recognizing parts of the three towns. Even many of the people who lived here throughout the year often had trouble keeping up with what was going on.

In the following eight pages, The News looks back to some of the many highlights of 1970; some of the important moments and others of a lighter nature; some of the happy times and others of sadness and disappointment.

Here then is 1970 as it was.



VICTORY

Mississauga Reeve raised and clasped his hands in victory after he retained his seat on town council by defeating Ward 2 Councillor Caye Killaby in the Dec. 7 election.



CELEBRITY

Welsh singing star Tom Jones was mobbed by lady admirers when he landed June 11 at International Airport en route to a performance at Maple Leaf Gardens.