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## NEW YEAR GREETINGS

### Acton Redmen Win by 4-3 Over Brampton

Second Win and One Defeat in Pre-Season Tourney of Georgetown

Acton's campaigning Redmen posted their second win against one defeat in the pre-season Junior tournament at Georgetown last Thursday night by edging Brampton, 4-3. It was Excellor's first defeat against a win and a tie.

The Redmen showed plenty of hustle in downing the Brampton club and with better marksmanship might have added additional goals. Lack of polish and the efforts of a sound Brampton defence enabled the Excellors to just about keep pace with the Acton club. Coulton in the Acton nets let three soft ones behind him but came up with saves that bordered on the miraculous when he had men in on him alone.

In spite of convalescing from a bout with the flu red-head Billie Vaughan paced the Redmen with two markers. Keith Fay and Rossell posted singletons.

Zajac and Kentner played particularly well on defense for the Redmen smothering many dangerous forays by Excellors. The Brampton's a heavy, aggressive club were mystified by the combination of the Acton club, intimating they weren't prepared for that type of game. The Redmen kept them in their own end most of the length with rare interludes at Coulton's doorstep. The series resumes tonight with Acton facing Georgetown.

A schedule has been drafted for the six team Junior loop with the first O.H.A. fixture here on Thursday, January 5th with Thistleton guests of the Redmen. Clubs included in the group are Brampton, Oakville, Georgetown, Aurora and the two aforementioned teams.

Judging by their knack at defeating Junior "C" clubs in the pre-season tourney the locals are the No. 1 contender for group honors at present.

Joe Marzo is again guiding their destiny from the bench with Doctor Sirs managing. The nucleus of last year's semi-finalists are in Acton lively to defend the group title they won last season.

### Practice Sessions Needed By Locals Before Schedule

Mild weather has interfered, of late, with practice sessions of Acton intermediates and they're likely to get in the Int. B schedule late time before the Int. B schedule opens, probably some time next week. The lack of practice will put them at a disadvantage with the other clubs in the group like Hridgeport and Fergus, who have had both extensive practice and exhibition games on artificial ice facilities. And then if the O.H.A. decides in favour of Walkerton remaining in Group No. 1, it means an even greater disadvantage.

Walkerton has artificial ice and that coupled with a much shorter single schedule of five home games isn't going to allow much time to ease up the opposition. On the other hand if Walkerton is given the bounce there will be a double schedule that including eight home games.

The shorter schedule will affect the admission prices, too. Although the hockey club desire to retain the 35c admission fee, a 50c fall will be necessary in order to meet expenses if Walkerton is given the O.H.A.'s blessing.

### EUROPE'S POPULAR AIRLINES

Figures published by the Society of British Aircraft Constructors show the 40 Vickers-Armstrong Vikings in service with British European Airways are carrying more passengers over European air routes than any other type of plane and are gaining wide popularity with overseas operators. They carried 113,800 passengers in the third quarter of 1949 and in August alone flew more than a million miles, completing nearly 8,000 scheduled stage flights. Their regularity in service was 98.5 per cent.

### Reeve Geo. Currie Accepts Gratitude Esqueing Council

Esqueing Township Council met at ten o'clock Thursday morning December 15th, when the last meeting for the year was held. Deputy Reeve George Leslie, Councillors H. Craig Reid, Wilfred Bird and Walter Linham were present with Reeve George Currie presiding.

A letter from Mr. L. W. McMillan, Clerk of Nassagaweya, was read, enclosing a resolution passed by their Council. No action was taken. It was moved that the Treasurer pay the following Advertising: \$20.66, Fox claims paid, \$105.00; Sheep claims, \$40.00; Councilor's fees, \$217.10; G. C. Brown, \$24.50; Acton Free Press, \$42.26; Board of Hydro Commissioners, \$78.00; Municipal World Ltd., \$1.83; H. C. McClure, \$15.00; Mrs. Blanch Grieve, \$15.00; A. W. Benton, \$19.04; Richardson's Hardware, \$2.00.

Relief accounts as presented by the Relief Officer, are to be paid. It was moved by Councillor Reid that the Treasurer pay Dale and Bennett, legal account for 1948, \$254.14, the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario, to installing street lights in Norval as per invoice, \$1,453.55.

The treasurer was authorized to pay road account of \$7,050.62. The By-law to provide for holding Municipal Elections for the year 1950 and three members of the School Board of Township, School Area No. 1 for 1950 and 1951, was read and passed.

The Reeve and Treasurer were empowered to pay December road accounts. Deputy Reeve Leslie took the chair and called on the members of Council and officials to say a few words. All members will stand for 1950 Council, as in the present year.

It was moved by Councillor Linham and seconded by Deputy Reeve Leslie, that the thanks of this Council are hereby tendered to Reeve George Currie for the courteous and impartial manner in which he has presided over the meetings of this Council during the past year.

### TOWN BLACKED OUT WHEN CAR STRUCK WIRE, DRIVER IN HOSPITAL

One man was injured and taken to the General Hospital in Guelph as a result of injuries received Friday night when his car struck a guy wire on a hydro pole and rolled over in the ditch near Rockwood. In hospital is Elgin Crispin of Rockwood who sustained lacerations to the face and a severe shaking up. The car was a complete wreck.

The impact of the car striking the guy wire knocked another wire loose and disrupted power in Rockwood and Acton for almost two and a half hours.

Pre-holiday events were interrupted as all the lights were blacked out. A dance at the Y.M.C.A. was interrupted and the streets were soon vacated in the pitch black. Public places that were open for business were assisted by candles and lanterns held over from last year's power shortage. The power was interrupted at about 11:30 p.m. and was resumed again at about 1 p.m.

### Esqueing Twp. Voice Opposition Old People's Home

At the Nomination meeting of Esqueing Township on Monday, December 26, ratepayers passed the following resolution:

"That the ratepayers of the Twp. of Esqueing assembled at the annual nomination meeting go on record as being opposed to the building of an Old People's Home in the County of Halton at the present time, and that our representatives in County Council be instructed to make an effort to have this matter held in abeyance for the time being."

This motion was made by Col. G. O. Brown and seconded by M. J. Brown and was carried at the annual meeting of the ratepayers.

Penguins are birds, but they never fly.

As we greet the Mid-Point in the Fast-moving Twentieth Century, let us pause to take heed of its significance . . . to reflect upon the fifty momentous years that have just passed, and the events that have made them so. Let us resolve to take maximum advantage of the lessons we have learned so that the next five decades will be recorded in history as an era of Peace, Happiness, and Prosperity for all the nations of the Earth.

### Disposal Plant Land Is Offered to Acton

Beardmore and Co. Will Give Land and Right-of-Way to Site East of Acton For Erection of Disposal Plant

It will come as big and welcome news to Acton citizens generally that Beardmore and Co. have offered to Acton six acres of land south-east of the plant for the location of a sewage disposal plant and equipment. With this offer of land goes a right of way to the property for laying the sewer line from the pumping station. The land will be given to the town without charge along with the right-of-way to the property.

This was announced to the Council following a conference of Council members and company officials last week when problems in connection with sewage disposal were discussed. There are no commitments by the municipality, we understand, in connection with this arrangement of the site.

The co-operation of Beardmore and Co. will be appreciated by all citizens. There was protest which was growing over the location west of Victoria Avenue and objection to this situation for the plant. The new site will mean that the plant is well east of the town.

It is hoped that some co-operative arrangement can be developed to partially solve the disposal problem of all industries in town including part of the Beardmore and Co. water surplus. This, however, is a matter that will have to be discussed further with the town's engineer and plant engineers and will have no bearing on the disposal plant site, we understand.

### DIPLOMATIC SERVICE GROWS

In 31 cities of the world there's a piece of "Canadian" territory on which the local policeman can't go. Inside are Canadians, working for us, smoking Canadian cigarettes, tax free at six cents a pack and sometimes pouring tax-free Canadian whisky at a dollar or two a bottle.

This, says a feature writer in The Financial Post, is our diplomatic corps.

In size, we haven't had much of a corps until recent years. Now we've got a diplomatic setup that costs us \$2 millions a year and is the largest maintained by any of the Commonwealth countries of Britain.

### 380 Children Attend Beardmore Annual Christmas Party

Last Thursday afternoon, the Beardmore Co. played host to 380 children and some parents in the annual Christmas party held in the Roxy Theatre.

Roy Leonard, as a magician and master of ceremonies, entertained the large number of children with his sleight of hand and magical feats. Bernie Brand, harmonica player, introduced a novel instrument in this locale and entertained in the Christmas spirit. Johnny Perkins led the boys and girls in some carol singing and of course, they all received a stocking filled with gifts from Santa. Stockings included toys, fruit, clothing and candy and were handed out by St. Nick at the close of the afternoon.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES FEATURE SPECIAL MUSIC AT ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH

The Christmas season was marked by special services at St. Alban's Church. At the Carol service, the wide variety of carols used included "Coke in, dear angels" by the Junior Choir and an Indian carol by the Senior Choir and the Danish carol "O'er Bethlehem's Fields" by the combined choirs. Soloists for this service were Miss M. Fountain, Miss Yvonne Brunelle, Messrs V. Bristow, L. Duby and F. Kingsmill. An organ solo "O Holy Night of Memory" was played by Mrs. Oakes during the offertory.

On Christmas Eve, the Choral Communion service was presided by an organ recital by Mr. F. J. Salt. The anthem "O Holy Night" was sung with Miss Marjorie Fountain as soloist. On Christmas morning the anthems were "Sleep, my Savior, Sleep" and "Christians Awake", the solo part being taken by Mrs. H. G. Turner. The recitor, Rev. W. G. Luxton, was in charge of all services and expressed thanks to the members of the choir, to the organist, Mrs. F. G. Oakes and to the choir leader, Miss L. Stewart.

World cheese production increased in 1948, and for the world as a whole was near the pre-war level, although European output was still at only about 75 per cent of the pre-war average.

### Erin Twp. Council Borrow \$10,000 For Municipal Phones

At the December meeting of the Erin Township Council a by-law was passed giving a bounty of \$15,000 to the township for all workers killed within the township.

Wages were to be inspected by the Township clerk, and marked. A by-law authorizing the borrowing of \$10,000 for the use of the Municipal Telephone System received the third reading and was passed and numbered.

The Assessment Roll as revised for the year 1950 was accepted and passed.

A resolution, that the Hates Construction Co. be engaged for Snow plowing for the winter of 1950 as per the contract of the previous year, was introduced and passed. The treasurer was instructed to return the Deposit Bond of the Hayward Construction Co. on the travelling contract of 1949.

Township treasurer was also authorized to make adjustments of receipts and charges between the Township and the P. V. of Hills,burg and Orton, interest payments and interest receipts, between the Township and the Telephone System and be authorized to pay any Township accounts that may be presented on or before December 31st, 1949.

The treasurer was also authorized to sell the Municipal D-bent, are locally.

Council decided to purchase an oil burner furnace and double fan unit to be installed in the Township garage, subject to the approval of the Department.

Exemption was granted Paul Tatzwell on 10 acres of Lot 18 E. Con. 5 Township of Erin, to be used as a Demonstration Woodlot.

Boxing Day, December 27th was proclaimed a holiday throughout the Township.

The Township Federation of Agriculture was given a grant of \$300 for 1949.

Bounty of \$15 was paid to Dolymer Peavoy, for shooting a wolf in the Township.

Accounts were paid as follows: Election and nom. \$141.50; Commissioners services, \$40.00; General accounts and sal. \$696.94; Sheep, \$6.00; Relief chgd. to City Toronto, \$9.50; Road accounts, \$2478.02.

Reeve Colin Burt presided at this meeting on December 15, with all the members present but councillor Wheeler.

Under a national movement, Swedish housewives, from 20 to 60, are enthusiastic participants in gymnastics.

### Nomination Meets Are Acclamations In Two Townships

Nomination meetings in Esqueing and Nassagaweya Townships were well attended over the holiday. Both meetings resulted in acclamations for all offices.

In Nassagaweya Reeve VanSickle was elected by acclamation when Alex. Near withdrew. J. E. Ellenton, Geo. E. Stokes, J. S. Norrish and H. M. Storey are to be council for 1950 in the Township by acclamation. School trustees appointed also by acclamation are W. L. Ferguson, A. T. Moore and Edgar Cairns.

In Esqueing Township George Currie was returned as Reeve of the Township by acclamation. Geo. Leslie will again occupy the position of Deputy Reeve by acclamation. Councillors for the coming year in Esqueing are to be H. Craig Reid, Wilfred Bird and Walter Linham.

Trustees elected by acclamation to the School Area No. 1 are J. H. Hingham, R. H. Hunter, both of whom have been re-elected and William Dobbie who is taking the place of S. H. Webster. Mr. Webster retired on account of ill health.

### ST. ALBAN'S CONCERT DRAWS LARGE CROWD AS MEMBERS PARTICIPATE

Standing room was at a premium on Wednesday evening at St. Alban's Parish Hall when the annual Christmas concert was held. The interesting program opened with carols directed by Mr. D. Clarke. Recitations and songs were given by Carol Goodwin, Robena Sagakie, Carolyn Cook, Beverly Price, Yvonne Poole, Fred Cooke, Mary Hunter, Georgina Walker, Ruth Jones, Donald Price, Marian Luxton, Jill Haydon, Dianne Newton, Keith Mattocks, George Williamson, David Poole, and Faye Sagakie.

Three junior classes contributed numbers under the direction of their teachers, Mrs. H. T. Jolley, Mrs. J. Newton and Mrs. W. G. Luxton. The senior boys class gave two humorous skits and the senior girls presented the play "Helping Santa Claus". Sheila Paul gave two splendid violin selections. A quartette was sung by four boys, George Oakes, Donald Luxton, Earnest Lawson and Robert Jones. Everyone enjoyed the exhibition of magic tricks by Mr. George Mason and the guitar numbers by L. Duby.

With the arrival of Santa Claus, prizes and gifts were delivered to the children. The following received awards for best attendance at Sunday School during the year: Wayne Currie, George Ware, Bill McHugh, Sylvia Jones, Marjorie Ware, Robert Jones, Donald Luxton, George Oakes, Ruth Jones, Faye and Robena Sagakie, Fred Graham and Donald Cook.

### MANY WRONG ADDRESSES AS LETTERS INCREASE AT ACTON POST OFFICE

Postmaster Frank Terry reports a 25 per cent increase in the quantity of letters that passed through the Acton Post Office during this year's holiday rush as compared with last year.

Parcels remained about the same and there were no serious accidents or broken parcels to report during the Christmas rush. The postmaster commented, "It seems to be growing bigger every year." When it comes down to wrong addresses, letters without stamps, poor addresses "there were lots of them," Mr. Terry says. He also explained that most of the poorly addressed items had been returned to the sender and the errors corrected.

During the rush, which lasts for quite some time, Monday, December 19 was the busiest for the members of the Staff in the Acton Post Office. Unfortunately there is no count of the total number of letters that went out that day but it is not hard to imagine the quantity when we think of the number of Christmas cards that go out each year.

### CLENCHES

A man can't convince his lady love. She really is adored. Till he buys her something she doesn't need. At a price he can't afford.

### Presentation Made Utilities Chairman At Final Meeting

C. M. Hansen has served on Commission for 14 Years—Waterworks Transfer of \$3000

The final meeting of the Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. Reeve Thoron Jones, Commissioner J. H. MacArthur, were present and Chairman C. M. Hansen presided. A letter from the H.E.P.C. asked the local commission's co-operation in mailing literature for the Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto. This assistance was to be given by the Commission.

A letter from the district office at Hamilton enclosed a copy of a complaint made to that office. It was a complaint about the cost of service for power. The bill for a two-family house was around \$15 and this included water service. The consumers stated they had been saving electricity as much as possible yet there was no difference in the cost of the service. This account was to be investigated.

A transfer of \$3,000 was made from the Waterworks account to the general account of the Corporation.

Secretary McGeechie gave a report on a second hand billing machine which was available. More information was to be obtained from the manufacturers of this machine before a decision will be made.

A report by Superintendent Lambert who had received about a consumer who had a break on the water service on his property and had neglected to repair the same. This break was ordered to be repaired at once and Superintendent Lambert was given authority to deal with this matter.

The list of arrears was checked over and instructions issued as to their disposal. As this was the last meeting of the Commission, an address was read and a pen and pencil set presented to Chairman Hansen on behalf of the Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Hansen made a suitable reply and thanked all for their co-operation during his fourteen years as Public Utilities Commissioner.

Hydro Department	
H.E.P.C. of Ont. power etc.	\$574.80
Snap on Tools of Can. Ltd.	
supp.	11.55
Personal Stationery Sales, supp.	58.30
MacDonald Electric, supp.	2.45
Masco Electric Co. Ltd., supp.	6.67
Sungco Co. Ltd., supp.	43.00
Express and transport	1.04
	\$687.81

Waterworks Department	
McSwain Motors	\$43.75

Scotland Yard's record for "getting its man" has been bettered through use of two-way radio cars and motorcycles.

### Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, to cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcements of 30 lines.

Kidd Baker and his Pine Ridge Mountain Boys will be at the Town Hall, Milton, on Friday, January 6 for a dance. Dancing 9-1. Admission 50c. B

New Year's euchre and novelty dance, Friday, December 30, Crowson Corners Hall. Good Prizes. Refreshments. Admission 50c. Dancing 10-11 p.m.

Don't forget Kidd Baker and his Pine Ridge Mountain Boys will be at the Rockwood Town Hall, on Tuesday, January 3rd. Dancing 9-11. Admission 50c. B

Plan to attend the week of Prayer Services each evening from Tuesday, January 3rd to Friday, January 6th. They will be held at 8 p.m. in the various churches. See the Church notices for further particulars.

### Santa Gives Stockings to Children at Christmas Party



One of Santa's many pre-Christmas visits was scheduled for the Beardmore and Co. Christmas party held in the Roxy Theatre last Thursday. Above, Santa seated on his throne and surrounded by icebergs is pictured with some of the 380 children that attended the event and received a stocking from the jolly old fellow. Free Press Photo