

## SAUGEEN TOWNSHIP



Saugeen Township Council held its inaugural meeting on Monday, January 10th and along with the Clerk,

township works department superintendent and employees, Pastor Cal Sturdy and the press were entertained to lunch by Reeve Alex Lamont, a tradition which he initiated and has followed since becoming Reeve.

Members of the new Saugeen Township Council are left to right, seated, Councillor Les Doll, Deputy Reeve Harry Thede, Reeve Alex Lamont and extreme right seated Councillor Russel Pycock, and standing third from the right, Councillor Dale McArthur. Also taking part in the inaugural meeting were Pastor Cal Sturdy from North Bruce United Brethren Church (standing left); Saugeen Road superintendent George Guyer (standing centre); and Town Clerk Don Sieffert (seated second from right).

Howard McCulloch, son of Andrew McCulloch, 4th of Saugeen, holds the record as musher of our vicinity. He started out last week (Friday) to visit relatives south of Chesley, which meant a run of eighteen miles, which his rather small but sturdy dog accomplished in three hours, and the return trip the day following in three and one-half

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There have been some big loads of logs brought to the mills here this winter, and during the past week there has been a bit of rivalry in this connection. Among the big loads last week, Dan Campbell had a bouncer with 1,800 feet of hemlock.

This was capped on Saturday last, by William Jeffrey, who drew for Sandy Bell three

logs which measured 1,936 feet of elm, drawn over the big hills on the 4th concession, also the mountain, by one team.

## Saugeen reeve feted at Warden's Banquet



Warden Alex Lamont and his wife Wilda admire the gift of a silver tea service presented to them by County Council at the Warden's Banquet on Friday evening in Underwood. Reeve Lamont commented that it was a very appropriate gift, coming so soon after their twenty fifth wedding anniversary. Report of the banquet appears on page 4A.

## 75 years ago

(From the Advocate files for June 29, 1905)

The garden party given by St. Andrew's Church, Saugeen, at Mr. Donald Cameron's home on Tuesday of last week, realized \$150. The chair was occupied by the past, Rev. H. McQuarrie, and short addresses were given by Rev. J. O'Neill of Paisley and Messrs. Kidd, Bowman, MPP, and K. Shaw of Walkerton. Solos were sung by Miss Brown and Messrs. Jos. A. Thomson, Alex Brunton, Thos. Rankin, Thos. Mather and J. H.

Evans. The Paisley quartette, composed of Messrs. Thompson, Strachan, McGillivray and McClure, sang lively numbers. North Bruce Brass Band and Pipers Sutherland and McLean also provided stirring music.

Mr. William Warren, lot 25, con. 3, Saugeen, will hold a clearing auction sale next Tuesday. There are to be sold 8 good cows, a lot of young cattle, 19 sheep, 6 pigs, and implements. Mr. R. McClure will wield the hammer. Mr. Warren is going to move to a farm two miles from Lion's Head.



Warden Alex Lamont

## Alex Lamont honoured at banquet

Alex Lamont was the guest of honor at the Bruce County Warden's banquet October 22 at the Bruce Township Hall. Toastmaster Andy Cormack, Reeve of Paisley presided.

Among the 200 guests were Bruce-Grey MP Crawford Douglas, Huron-Bruce MP Murray Gaunt and Wardens from Grey, Simcoe, Dufferin, Huron and Wellington counties.

The senior ex-warden present was Justice Campbell Grant, Bruce County warden in 1933. He praised the ability and integrity shown by Mr. Lamont during his term of office. Similarities were drawn between Alex Lamont and his father, Bruce County Warden in 1956.

Another ex-warden who spoke was William Oswald, Bruce County warden for 1954.

Messrs. Douglas and Gaunt said they respected the leadership demonstrated by Mr. Lamont during the International Plowing Match. He was said to be a credit to Bruce County and the whole country.

In his speech, Alex Lamont thanked his family, without whom, he said, he could not have done the job. He expressed his appreciation for the work they did when he had to leave the chores, seeding, haying, baling and harvesting.

During his year as warden, Mr. Lamont celebrated his twenty fifth wedding anniversary. "You know, 25 years ago last month, two people thought that two could live cheaper than one, so as a result, I am very happy to introduce my father and mother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. William McAngus."

"You know, this has been a busy but great year, a year that we will never forget. I do not know how to thank everyone enough for the wonderful co-operation and guidance that I have received through the year. County council members, I thank you each and every one. You are a great bunch to work with for the betterment of our wonderful county."

"To the heads of departments and office staff, a great big thank you for the co-operation and guidance you have given me. You know, they are a wonderful group of people to be associated with."

"We have just ended the biggest and best International Plowing Match and Machinery Show in history for the first time in Bruce County. Again, a great big thank you from Wilda and myself for the honour of being your warden for the year 1976. And I would like to thank the electors of Saugeen Township for being their reeve and for having a chance to be warden."

Alex and Wilda Lamont were presented with an engraved silver tea service. The Lamonts have three sons and a daughter.

Mr. Lamont will remain warden until the end of his term as reeve in 1977.

Previous Bruce County Wardens from Saugeen Township have been John Pierson, 1888, P. Cummings, 1894, A. McCannell, 1915, D.M. Lamont, 1956 and Alex Lamont 1976.