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## County Council Opposed to Producer-Consumer Price Spread

Debitures for \$65,688.54 Bring Price of \$103.081—Former Clerk Pantan Threatens Suit for \$69.00 — New Police Magistrate Requests Office Quarters and Equipment—Accounts for \$537.65 Passed at Special Meeting.

The Council met at a special meeting in the Court House, Milton, on Thursday, August 27, with Warden A. Mason in the chair. Other members present being Messrs. D. Campbell, Buck, Headhead, Peet, G. Cleave, Currie, Harris, Vanscriber, Morden, Hamshaw, M. Cleave, Hewson and Robinson.

Considerable business was brought before the Council, foremost in importance being the consideration of debitures of the County of Halton.

At the last meeting the Clerk had been asked to write for tenders from a number of bond houses. The tenders received were opened and read by the Clerk in open Council and upon recommendation of the Finance Committee an offer was accepted from C. H. Burgess and Co., Toronto, for debitures amounting to \$65,688.54, at \$103.081, which in the opinion of the Committee was the best proposition submitted to the Council.

The nearest offer to the Burgess Company came from the Dominion Security Corporation, at \$103.02, plus expenses, which the Committee figured would run close to \$1,000, an expense which could be eliminated by accepting the tender from the C. H. Burgess Co. for twenty year debitures, without further expense to the Council.

Tenders read from other companies were as follows: Miller Moss, 102.02; J. O. Sanderson, 102; Stewart, Healy, Co., 30 year, 102.800; Stewart, Healy, Co., 10 year, 101.473; Harris, McKelven, Co., 101.30; Fry, Mackenzie, Co., 102.07; J. L. Graham & Co., 102.97; McCallar, Young & Weir, 101.77; Wood, Grundy, 101.63; Bank of Nova Scotia, \$67,561; Garden & Co., 102.31; Dymont, Anderson & Co., 20 year, 102.556; Dymont, Anderson & Co., 10 year, 101.252.

Communications were read from an insurance company, stating the claim from two Coronas, residents re damage to cars had been approved and paid.

A letter was read from Magistrate J. H. Elliott requesting the Council to furnish him with a suitable office and office equipment for his exclusive use as Magistrate of the County.

The matter was considered from every angle by members of the Council and left in the hands of the Finance Committee.

A communication was read from Mr. William Pantan, stating that a summons would be taken out against the Council for payment of the sum of \$69.00, which Mr. Pantan considered was owing to him for certain work done by him while serving his capacity as County Clerk.

Payment of the amount specified had been requested by Mr. Pantan at a previous meeting but in the opinion of the Council the salary paid Mr. Pantan while in office included the duties for which he was demanding the money.

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Reports were read from the various Standing Committees and the Council went into Committee of the Whole, with Reeve H. Cleave in the chair.

Accounts passed were as follows:

Special Communications ..... \$420.25  
County Building ..... 22.00  
Railways, Legation, Agri ..... 21.20  
Culture ..... 59.20  
Old Age Pensions ..... 15.00  
Finance ..... 537.65

A lengthy discussion took place in regard to the cost of living and it was the unanimous wish of the Council that a resolution be sent to the Government, asking for legislation to regulate the spread of prices between the producer and consumer.

Mr. Vanscriber, with easy eloquence, strongly championed the cause of both producer and consumer and asked the pertinent question: "For Government has voted \$100,000.00 for relief work—who is going to pay it? Is it to be taken from the top six inches of the soil?"

He further contended that when we, as a nation, wake up to the way in which we have been deceived and hoodwinked by the capitalists, there is going to be trouble, and very serious trouble, unless measures be quickly taken to alleviate the distressing agricultural and industrial conditions existing in Canada. "Proletarian" is the most deadly enemy to the welfare of any nation and if the Government could be made to realize the imminent danger of this proletarian system he was sure immediate steps would be taken to put every kind of business on a proper working basis.

Mr. Buck: Mr. Vanscriber has given us his views in an uncertain manner, but I, being a farmer myself, am naturally more interested in the situation from the viewpoint of the farmer, and let me tell you, gentlemen, that conditions have come to such a pass that the farmers cannot possibly go on, year after year, selling produce at less than production costs. Prices on the market to-day are worth \$5.75 and you all know the price you pay for your pork and bacon from the store. In another part of the Province, I heard

## Various Items of Local Interest

### Giving Free Silverware

In an advertisement in another column the Gregory Theatre, Acton, makes announcement of a plan for giving, free silverware to every lady patron each Saturday evening. The silver in question is to be given to the ladies of Acton and it is doubtful the ladies of Acton will be so desirous of securing a complete set of the fifty-two pieces, which are obtainable. This Saturday Mr. Gregory will present each lady patron with one of the large salad forks. A different piece will be given each Saturday until the set is complete.

### Milton Eliminated Fergus

Milton was badly handicapped in the second game played in the County "Town" Saturday afternoon, with Fergus in the lead for the O. H. A. A. Inter-mediate B championship. Two of the best of the local regulars, Albert Clement, second base, and his brother, William, right-fielder, could not play on account of the death of their father, H. W. Clement, and an application for postponement was refused by the O. H. A. A. secretary with the explanation that none should be granted under any circumstances. However, the locals won the game, 10 to 6, and the round. The locals won the uphill game on the courage and nerve which they have displayed throughout the season, scoring the winning run in the ninth. Fergus lost on errors. Only one of Milton's affected the score. This was Bradley, pitcher, and Pether, umpire. Whiteham, of Hamilton, and Nicholson, Toronto.

### Traffic Officer Assaulted

Traffic Officer Charles Heffernon was taken to his home in Brampton, believed to be seriously injured on Thursday afternoon, and one man was arrested after an alleged assault on the officer. The assault, it is claimed, occurred when the officer was leading half an hour, Cyril Middlebrook, Milton, was finally overpowered by Chief Herkes, of Brampton, and Traffic Officers Ted Kyle and Joseph Palmer, and taken to Brampton jail on a nominal charge of being intoxicated. His companion, M. Sprout, Milton, was also arrested on the same charge. The latter, his motorcycle around, he raced after the car and stopped it. His request that the occupants get out of the car was met with abuse, it is claimed, and Middlebrook, alleged to have been intoxicated, struck him on the left temple, almost knocking him out. Middlebrook then got out and attacked the officer, it is alleged. A motorist happened along and ran to the aid of the police. When the other officers arrived, it required their combined efforts to overpower Middlebrook.

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### Amber glass, indirect lighting and other novel innovations to prevent glare in the finished of motor cars are being utilized in the Automobile Building at the Canadian National Exhibition.

On good authority, that the farmers had got together and agreed, as a body, to positively refuse to pay their taxes until they could obtain a better price for their produce. The interest the Council is taking in this matter should, I think, be known to the public, and I certainly hope that it will be given every prominence by the press. It is a mighty serious proposition, gentlemen, when the producers of the country are forced to quit farms and equipment for non-payment of taxes when the least you might expect is that they should be enabled to make a comfortable living.

It was finally decided that a resolution be sent to the Government, urging a thorough investigation of the unprosperous and consumer and that a copy of this resolution be sent to every County Council in the Province, and a copy be given to every member of the Provincial and Federal Governments.

Following this animated discussion a by-law was passed appointing Dr. C. H. Stevenson as Gaol Surgeon of the County of Galt at a salary of \$75 per annum.

The Council adjourned at 6 p. m., to meet at whatever date shall be set by the Warden.

## Various Interesting Items of News

**A Family of Nurses**  
Last week Miss Muriel McComb completed her nurse's training course at St. Joseph's Hospital. Her first case serving as a graduate nurse was taken the day she completed her course. This week Miss Kathleen McComb will enter the Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto to start her training course, and Miss Lorna has made arrangements to enter the Nurses' Training School at the Toronto General Hospital in November.

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## ACTON TENNIS CLUB ELIMINATED

By Church of Our Lady Team, Guelph—Splendid Contest Last Week and on Monday

In one of the most keenly contested matches of the season, the Church of Our Lady, B Team, Guelph, defeated Acton Tennis Club, 3 events to 2 on Monday night in Acton, at the grounds of Acton Athletic Association. The players produced tennis of high calibre, which was most interesting to watch, the final outcome being in doubt to the very last. Probably the best event from a spectators viewpoint was the first single event, between H. Halton, Acton, and L. Kloepfer, Guelph. Both men gave a wonderful exhibition of tennis, with numerous long rallies and smashing drives. The latter won after a long struggle.

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## News of Acton and the District

**Conducted Decoration Service**  
On Sunday afternoon, members of LeVina and Balvinder Lodges of Loyal True Blues, of Guelph, visited Fairview Cemetery, Acton, and conducted a decoration service for two of the members interred there, Mrs. Alex. Crawford and Mrs. Leflan. Messrs. F. L. O. L. Mac, 1331 and 3521 accompanied the order. The service was conducted by Rev. C. L. Poole, B. A., of Acton.

### The Junior I. O. D. E. Meeting

The Lakeside Chapter, I. O. D. E. E. held a very fully evening at the home of Mrs. J. A. Robinson, Knox Avenue, Galt, Wednesday. The gathering was a farewell for two of the members who are leaving town and was a continual round of hilarious events. Mrs. O. Leshman won the prize in "Chasing the Nickel" game, Miss Vera Hurst, in the "King" contest, and Miss M. Tyson held the lucky ticket in the "Laudryman's Exchange." A very dainty lunch was served by the four hostesses for the evening, followed by tea cup reading, which filled each and every mind with thoughts of tall, dark heroes and brilliant futures.

### No Increase in Bus Fares

Emphatic denial of the rumor that bus fares have been increased since the operations of the radial have ceased was made by Mr. H. J. Rymes, Superintendent of the Arrow Coach Lines, in a conversation with The Free Press last week. There has been no increase in fares in the past two years on the line and where the rumor gained foundation is unexplainable. The company has made arrangements also to accommodate the school children with a suitable time table that will change as the daylight saving period ends. Special rates are obtainable for students and the tickets are good for a trip on any school day. Mr. Rymes was quite anxious to learn suggestions that would improve the service rendered by the company.

### Hilton Not Affected

According to the Municipal World, an amendment to the Municipal Act this year is of particular interest to municipalities. At the next municipal election no municipality in a county, with the exception of the Townships of York and North York, will be entitled to elect more than one deputy-receiver. If the number of municipal electors (other than husbands and wives of owners or tenants) of a town (not being a separated town), a village, or township is 1,000 or less, a revo is to be elected. If the number of municipal electors exceeds 1,000, a deputy-receiver is also to be elected. Where the municipality has more than 2,000 and not more than 3,000 municipal electors, the revo is to have two votes in the County Council; and where the municipality has more than 3,000 electors, the deputy-receiver will have two votes.

### Re-union in Honor of Octogenarian

A re-union in honor of Mrs. Mary Bell MacArthur, of Crystal, North Dakota, was held at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. R. Gibson, Roslin Avenue, Toronto, last Thursday. Mrs. MacArthur, who is now in her 80th year, came to Canada from Scotland over 70 years ago, and settled in Galt, Grey County. After the death of her husband, Gilbert MacArthur, she went to reside in North Dakota, and this was her first return visit after an absence of 21 years. A most enjoyable evening was spent, and Major Hannah (a descendant of the MacArthur's of Inlay) gave a few snippets of selections, after which a game of euchre was enjoyed by those present. The lady's prize, a vase of Indian brass, was won by Mrs. Mary MacArthur, and the lady's prize, an ash tray of Indian brass, by Mr. Jas. Hall, Toronto. Among the out-of-town guests were the MacArthur's from Acton, Speyside, Hamilton, and Flint, Mich., and Miss Joan Aikenhead, a visitor from Scotland.

### Narrow Escape of Traffic Officer

R. M. Young, Jackson, Michigan, and Robert Keegan, Guelph, narrowly escaped with their lives when their light coupe crashed into the rear of a truck on the Centre Road at Perry West on Monday night, and rolled into the ditch, badly mangled. Mr. Keegan was knocked unconscious and had to be attended by Dr. Colin Hoggie, Brampton, later being taken to the Peel Memorial Hospital, where it was ascertained that he was not seriously hurt. Traffic Officer Charles Heffernon, who was at the scene of the accident when it occurred, suffered a lacerated right hand when the truck was thrown to the right side of the road, grazing a car driven by Lively Althorpe, of Toronto. Mr. Althorpe had pulled to the side of the road to light a cigarette, and Constable Heffernon had stopped to order him to move on. The truck, driven by Roy Vance, of Orangeville, pulled in behind the truck to allow a south-bound car to pass, and then started driving. Mr. Young, driving north at considerable speed, mistook the intention of the truck driver, and crashed into the rear of the truck. Only the fact that Heffernon saw that a smash was impending and stepped on the side of the parked car, saved his life.

## Council Urges Construction of the Highway Milton to Acton

Resolution Favoring Work as Unemployment Relief Measure Passed—Bond Granted \$150 for Year—Milk Report Satisfactory with One Exception—Militia Rooms to be Fitted Up

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### Mrs. T. J. Moore

The estate and relatives here of Mrs. T. J. Moore, Guelph, were shocked to be notified of her sudden death at her home, 141 Yorkshire Street, on Monday. Mrs. Moore resided alone, and was discovered sitting on the veranda on Tuesday about noon by a neighbor, Mr. Joseph Goetz, who was attracted by the motionless figure in the veranda chair. It is thought she had taken a weak spell the previous evening while attending her flowers and had reached the chair and expired there. Mrs. Moore was the widow of the late City Clerk T. J. Moore, of Guelph. Her sudden death, as a result of a shooting accident while hunting in Northern Ontario, in November, 1920, was a great shock. She was, before her marriage, Mollie Nelson, eldest daughter of the late John Nelson, and was born in Rockwood. She had been a resident of Guelph for many years, and was highly esteemed by the citizens there as well as all who knew her in the old home here, where she resided prior to her marriage. Two daughters survive their mother, Mrs. Melville, of Grove City, Penn., and Mrs. Staniland, of Prater, Ontario. Four sisters also remain of the family of seven, Mrs. J. R. Kennedy and Miss Minnie Nelson, Acton; Mrs. Jas. L. Warren and Mrs. A. P. Scott, Toronto. To all of these the sympathy of the community is extended in their sudden bereavement. Two brothers, John C. Nelson, of Acton, and R. E. Nelson, of Guelph, passed away in 1918 and 1920 respectively. The funeral will be held from the home in Guelph to-morrow afternoon, with service at two o'clock (daylight saving time) interment will be made in Fairview Cemetery, Acton, beside the beloved partner, who had gone on before.

### TOOK PART IN PARADE

Acton Legion and Acton Band Formed Part of Warriors' Day Parade at Exhibition  
Acton Branch, No. 107, of the Canadian Legion, journeyed to Toronto last Saturday, accompanied by Acton Citizens' Band, to participate in the Warriors' Day parade and exhibition activities. Both the Legion and Band were out in good numbers and formed an important part of the estimated parade numbers of 15,000, and a score or more of bands. There were upwards of fifty members of the local Legion present and the Band had a membership of twenty-five. The parade formed in Trinity Bellwoods grounds, on Queen Street, and proceeded by way of Strachan Avenue to the Exhibition grounds. At the grounds the Acton Legion was joined by quotas from Brampton and Georgetown, who fell in behind the Acton Band.

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The estate and relatives here of Mrs. T. J. Moore, Guelph, were shocked to be notified of her sudden death at her home, 141 Yorkshire Street, on Monday. Mrs. Moore resided alone, and was discovered sitting on the veranda on Tuesday about noon by a neighbor, Mr. Joseph Goetz, who was attracted by the motionless figure in the veranda chair. It is thought she had taken a weak spell the previous evening while attending her flowers and had reached the chair and expired there. Mrs. Moore was the widow of the late City Clerk T. J. Moore, of Guelph. Her sudden death, as a result of a shooting accident while hunting in Northern Ontario, in November, 1920, was a great shock. She was, before her marriage, Mollie Nelson, eldest daughter of the late John Nelson, and was born in Rockwood. She had been a resident of Guelph for many years, and was highly esteemed by the citizens there as well as all who knew her in the old home here, where she resided prior to her marriage. Two daughters survive their mother, Mrs. Melville, of Grove City, Penn., and Mrs. Staniland, of Prater, Ontario. Four sisters also remain of the family of seven, Mrs. J. R. Kennedy and Miss Minnie Nelson, Acton; Mrs. Jas. L. Warren and Mrs. A. P. Scott, Toronto. To all of these the sympathy of the community is extended in their sudden bereavement. Two brothers, John C. Nelson, of Acton, and R. E. Nelson, of Guelph, passed away in 1918 and 1920 respectively. The funeral will be held from the home in Guelph to-morrow afternoon, with service at two o'clock (daylight saving time) interment will be made in Fairview Cemetery, Acton, beside the beloved partner, who had gone on before.

### TOOK PART IN PARADE

Acton Legion and Acton Band Formed Part of Warriors' Day Parade at Exhibition  
Acton Branch, No. 107, of the Canadian Legion, journeyed to Toronto last Saturday, accompanied by Acton Citizens' Band, to participate in the Warriors' Day parade and exhibition activities. Both the Legion and Band were out in good numbers and formed an important part of the estimated parade numbers of 15,000, and a score or more of bands. There were upwards of fifty members of the local Legion present and the Band had a membership of twenty-five. The parade formed in Trinity Bellwoods grounds, on Queen Street, and proceeded by way of Strachan Avenue to the Exhibition grounds. At the grounds the Acton Legion was joined by quotas from Brampton and Georgetown, who fell in behind the Acton Band.

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### THE EVENING MEAL DIGNITARY

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