# County Pay Rate Increased Insurance is Accepted

Policy Sold Did Not Measure Up Duke of Devonshire to Coverage at the Rate Quoted -Land Purchased for Refores- Chapter I.O.D.E. tation Purposes-Council Divided on Accepting Insurance Policy Offered.

At a meeting of Halton County Council, held in Milton last Tuesday, minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted and correspondence read by

Before assembling for the afternoon esion, members of the Council were photographed in a group picture, which will later be hung in the entry to the Court House, an annual custom which has been observed at the end of each year since 1917.

. Professor E. J. Zavitz, from the Forestry Department, addressed the Council relating to work of reforestation as planned by the Agriculture Committee. Mr. Gordon Chairman of the Committee,

was a string hundred and the Committee was favorably impressed with the possibilities of this property for reforestation purposes. "I would like to ask inc the Professor," said Mr. Gordon, "what would be the best way to care for property of this size."

Professor Zavitz stated that there was much work to do, a foreman was necessary, but in this case the acreage was hardly big enough to provide enough work for a full time job. The Professor gave instances of what had been done in other counties. Simcoe | Elects Officers had 5,000 acres planted, while Norfoll had 1,500 acres scattered through the for the Year county, and the work was managed through the County Council-Committee and with the help of the Agricultural Representative. He recommended purchase of this property for Halton County and advised that planting material would be provided free of cost by the Department and supervisors would be sent out from time to time. It was possible a representative could meet with the Agricultural Committee some time next week to look over the property that had been recommended. Council left the matter in the hands of the Agricultural Com-

Committee reports were read and discussed with Mr. Robinson in the chair. and were later passed in open Council. Mr. Robinson asked Mr. Roy Smith County Engineer, to address the Counci

with regard to labor troubles that had arisen among the road workers. Mr. Smith-Unfortunately, we found ourselves with a sort of sit-down strike on our hands for part of one day. The men on the road, that is the laborers. are dissatisfied with their present rate of pay, which is 28 cents per hour. W have 8 or 9 men on steady work. During the winter we keep them working 2 or 3 days a week to keep them off relief.

On an average they probably earn approximately \$650-\$700 per year. They are all married men and live in rented houses and I supose living costs have increased at least 10 per cent. Personally my sympathy is with these men and although I told them I could not give them more myself, but I did promise to bring the matter before the Council. I would

very much opposed to fact that the men had thought tit to strike, but still they were of the opinion that these men were entitled to 30 cents per hour under present conditions.

say these men are entitled to 30 cents

Mr. Hewson, although in favor of the increase, said he thought a strike among County workmen was defestable when all they need have done was to lay their case before the Engineer

Liability Insurance was the next busings to be discussed. The Insurance, which had been awarded to A. E. Wilson, had not given satisfaction to the Council in so far as the policy had not come through from Llord's as expected. A E Wilson and T G Ramshaw were both present. Mr. Wilson, having leave to address the Council, opened fire by asking. "Are there any criticisms from Mr. Ramshaw, as well as from the If so, I should like to hear

Mr. Ramshaw-I am not here to offer criticism that is not good business. I think Mr. Wilson should be the first

to be heard. Mr. Wilson-The time has come when the Insurance Company has decided that the rate should be set by the Company, and not by the agent, years ago you gave your Insurance to truck. amother agent who only secured it by underbidding. This year I did the same thing, but it didn't work. On April 21 I gave you a coverage note for your full liability and that stands good even supthe you never receive a policy. Up to the present date you are covered by burning material and debris for a half \$10,000, \$20,000 and \$2,000. However the mile. The load of hides, being brought

# Autumn Bazaar

The annual Autumn Bazaar of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E. was held at the Y.M.C.A. on Friday. The Recreation Room was decorated with red, white and blue penfiants and Union Jacks, which gave a very patriotic setting. Mrs. Barr, the Regent, and Mrs. R. H. Elliott, Vice-Regent, received the

The fancy work table attracted many customers and was presided over by Mrs. Peter Smith and Mrs. Wm. Johnstone. The -home-made baking and candy booth proved very popular, with Mrs. R. M. McDonald and Mrs. Clayton in

The tea room, with Mrs. Schroeder charge, looked lovely, with its baskets of collow doisy 'mums and tea table cover-Avaien that the property under consider of with Manetra and point de Venice Chief R. M. McDanaid offered castr eration was that; being the west half. cloth, with a silver bowl filled with yel- prizes to pupils at Acton Schools for the Lot 12, Concession 7, Nassagaweya. This low daisy 'mums and yellow candles in best essays on fire prevention. 'The silver holders, giving out a soft light. The judging of the essays has been completed hostesses pouring tea were Mrs. Bennie and the following are the winners: and Mrs. Blow, with tea committee serv-

> of the I.O.D.E. chenille tufted spread. which went to Mrs. C. H. Harrison, Toronto. This second bazaar was a huge success, judged from every angle.

# Acton Band

The annual business meeting and election of officers of the Acton Citizens' Band was held last night, in the band hall at the Arena, with President George Simpson in the chair. In reviewing the year, the finances have been the problem, the committee having a deficit of approximately \$70.00 to start However, after handling only \$317.00, as compared to \$750.00 the preyear, the committee completed their term of office with a deficit of approximately \$50.00, after wiping out the previous deficit and operating through

The following officers were elected for the coming year Honorary Presidents - Messrs, N. I

Moore and G. H. Brown. President-Mr. S Simpson. 1st. Vice-President-Mr. E. Wheelan. 2nd Vice-President-Mr. H. Taylor. Secretary-Mr. Norman. Braida. Treasurer-Mr. F. Turner, Jr. Librarian-Mr. B. Patrick. Assistant Librarian-Mr. Nino Braids Caretaker--Mr. E. Wheelan.

IN A BAD WAY

Property Custodian-Mr. G. M. Smith

wife is very sick. Is she dangerous? George-Na. sah-she am too sick

be -dangerous.

## ransport Burned Highway Near Here Yesterday

Was Loaded with Green Hides -Machine was a Total Wreck - Burned Five Hours

big transport truck, loaded with ereen hides, took hie on the highway in the Silver Creek hill, east of Acton, vesteycay morning, and was completely destroyed. The driver had barely time o get out of the cab before flames enselepted the machine and the gasoline tanks burst, spreading the fire rapidly.

A trailer-aise loaded with given hides, was disconnected and not damaged. The machine was a total wreek, with everything that was inflammable burned off it. Mo-f of the hides were removed, but many of them were burned.

The truck was one of the fleet of the Boyce Cartage Co., of Toronto. The accident happened between eight and nine o'clock yesterday morning. The driver heard a peculiar noise and it appeared that the gas tank, beneath the cab, burst and the gasoline took fire and spread in a sheet of flame over the

some time. It was not until after one remove part of the load of hides and tow the burned frame from the high-The roadway was strewn with to Acton, was returned to Toronto.

#### BARN AND OTHER BUILDINGS DESTROYED NEAR EDEN MILLS

Fire, which started in an unnkown manner, completely destroyed the barn, pigpen, garage and chickenhouses on an unoccupied farm at R. R. No. 2, Guelph near Eden Mills.

Capt. H. K. Walker, 29th Battery, re-

the blaze in the sky and turned in the alarm to neighbors. However, the fire had gained a firm hold and fanned by a strong breeze, it completely destroyed every building except the dwelling house. It is not known if three cows, usually kept in the barn, were removed to safety. No other livestock was kept at the place, The farm was formerly occupied by the late George Leslie, who died last summer, and since his death, it has been in the hands of an executive. The

is believed to be covered by insurance.

## Pupils Win Cash for Essays on **Fire Prevention**

The house was untenanted.

For Grade VIII-Lois Fryer. For Grade IX-Eveleen Braida, Kath-

### For Grade X-Margaret Somerville. Upper School-Betty Burkholder. Red Cross Fully

Organized in the

County of Halton Branches at Acton, Burlington, Milton, Georgetown and Oakville Take in Wards

in Townships Red Cross Branches have now bee. organized in Acton, Burlington, George- Neptune Metre Ltd., repairs .... \$ 9.79 town, Milton and Oakville. In order to Hydro Dept., September operamake certain that the entire County is fully organized for the coming national J. Harris, guard duty ..... campaign for funds, at a meeting of the H. Oakley, guard duty .... Presidents of Red Cross Branches in H. Fursier, guard duty the County it was suggested that the following Township wards should be

grouped with the existing branches: gaweya.

of Ward 5. Esquesing.

Trafalgar, Ward 5, Nelson. Oakville-Wards 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 9 of Trafalgar.

Township wards should contact the Branch making the collection for the stalled purpose of purchasing all necessary supplies for war work to meet the requirements of all existing Societies, both Township and urban, in the different municipalities. The surplus after ail local needs are satisfied, is forwarded by the respective branches to Toronto It is hoped that sufficient money will be raised to permit 25 , of the total Halton County contributions to be for warded to headquarters for national in the maintenance of Red Cross Hospitals. Ambalances. Parcels for prisoners of war and other headquarters' re-

quirements. Following are the presidents of the various branches in the County Amos Mason, President Acton Branch

Kenneth Slater, President Oakville

Paul Fisher, President Burlington Mrs. F. D. Dewar, President Milton

#### FORCE ELECTRIC BOWLING TEAM CONTINUE TO WIN

The Force Electric Bowling Team continued their winning streak Tuesday night, in the Guelph Commercial Bowling League, defeating Spiars Bros. Team, Mrs. Jas. Loutett, Mrs. M. Pilch, Mr.

Norm Morton had high three games for the second week in a row, with 671. ments were served and an enjoyable Monday, December 4th. Polling "Monty" Roote was second, with 665 social time was spent. and also had high single with 262. This win gives the Force team a five point lead over their nearest rival

## The Commission **Expresses Regret** Chairman's Death

Transfer of Funds from Operating to General Account of the turning to Guelph from Toronto, noticed Corporation—Maintaining **Guards Discussd** 

> Comimssioner C. M. Hansen and Reeve McCutcheon were present when Acton Pullic Utilities Commission met last evening. Commissioner Hansen, on notion of the Reeve, assumed the chair-A motion was passed, authorizing the

ank to accept the signatures for coun-

tersigning checks of either Commissioner Hansen or Reeve McCutcheon. was made necessary by the death of R. J. Kerr and was for the remainder of Another motion was passed, that C. M. Hansen be Chairman of the Com-

mission until the end of the year. The Treasurer was authorized by motion to pay the following accounts: Hydro Account

HEPC of Ontario. material and insurance Superior Electric Supply Co., Northern Electric Co., supplies

H.E.P.C. of Ontario, September

Packard Electric Co., supplies . C.N.R. and Transports Mrs. Harris, cleaning Jas. R. Kearney Corporation, Bell Telephone Co., services .

50.31

Canadian General Electric Co., Canadian Line Materials Ltd.

R. J. Lovell Co., supplies .

Dominion Carbon Brush Co., Moffats, Ltd., supplies Tremco Manufacturing Co.. W. Coles, guard duty Leonard Atkinson, guard duty ..

\$2,709.24 - Waterworks Department

The Treasurer was also authorized to Acton-Wards 4. 8 and part of Ward transfer \$500 from the Waterworks 5, Esquesing: Wards 2 and 3 of Nassa - operating account to the General Account of the Corporation.

Burlington-Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 Mr. George Somerville discussed with the Commission the amount of a water Georgetown-Wards 2, 3, 6 and part account, that was occasioned by a leak in the pipe on his premises. The Comand 7. Esquesing; Wards 1 and 2, sideration, but pointed out that no precedent could be established and this case must receive the same treatment as

Another motion was passed that the they have Treasurer refund to Dr. J. A. McNiven to which it has been. They purchased their own heaters after tinued by the local Commission. These ing which still exists, we would like to heaters would now become the property Red Cross may be retained by the flat rate water heaters which are in-

Instructions were issued on the list of

The Secretary was instructed to send to make arrangements to have a statement to the Council regarding the cost of guards on the various utilities. It was felt that it was no longer premises and Conneil was asked to take the matter into consideration Moved by F. McCutcheon seconded

. by C. M. Hansen, that the Acton Public Utilities Commission desire to extend their sincere sympathy to the family of the late Mr. R. J. Kerr, and to express their appreciation of his valued services while a member of this Commission, Mr. Kerr was on the Commission for many years and presided as Chairman very efficiently for the greater portion of his term of office -- Carried.

## Scout Mothers' Auxiliary Held Splendid Social

Last evening the Scout Mothers' Auxiliary held a very successful euchre in the Parish Hall. An excellent evening of cards was enjoyed by the good crowd . The by-law, arranging for the annual

Jas. Scott, and Mr-L. W. Agar.

The Scout Mothers quilt was also and Deputy Returning Officers holder of the lucky ticket.

#### FATAL-ACCIDENT MARS PHEASANT SHOOT IN HALTON COUNTY

shoot on Friday and Saturday, marred by the fatal shooting of Jack Beadsworth, 19, popular young Oakville boy. The accidental shooting occcurred on Saturday, about 3.45, on the H. C. Cox property, about two miles east Oakville, on the north side of the Lakeshore Road.

Beadsworth was in a party of three, the other two being Rooker, a chauffeur, aged about 45, and Bert Halsey, aged 35, an employee of the Appleby School, west

of the town. relled shotgun struck young Beadsworth in the chest and face, from about 25 private service was held at the home time of war, it was answered in no ungully where the hunters had scared up a

## Greenock Literary Officers Elected

ization meeting of Greenock Literary Public Utilities; Acton Agricultral So-Society was held at the school with the cieties: Acton Post Office Staff! Erin Duplessis argued for no co-operation President, Jim McIntyre, in charge. The Agricultural Society: Officers and Di- with the Dominion following officers were elected for the rectors Ontario Asociation Agricultural Canada's participation in the war. Cab-

24.01 | year President-Evelyn Pearen. 1st Vice-President-Gordon Leslie. Secretary-Jim McIntyre. Treasurer-Wilma West, Pianist--Isabel Swackhamer. Assistant Pianist-Mrs. B. Ramsden.

Reporter-Jean Mann. Keown, Jean Aitken, Chas. McKeown.

## Nominations for Acton to be on November 24th

with Several Matters at the Regular Meeting Monday Councillors A. Mason, E. Jones and

83.86 W. J. Beatty were present on Monday evening when Acton Council met in 45.00 regular fortnightly session. Reeve F. 45.00 McCutcheon presided. The Clerk and Municipal Officer re-

> ported regarding the collection of dog tax and poll tax. A motion was passed authorizing the payment of the amount of commission owing Mr. W. C. Jones, as his services as Assistant Tax Collector had been dis- Most Expensive

Mr. F. L. Wright was present regarding the electric account that had been forwarded the Acton Agricultural Society. The Board was willing to pay for the electric power used and for which they had collected, and the wiring costs, but asked consideration of the Council on an amount of about \$15. Council had in other years paid the amount of the power bill and the minutes seemed verify this. Council agreed to pay this amount, provided it was approximately the same as that paid by Council last

year in the Arena account. ing the organization meeting for a branch of the Red Cross Society. The charter had been received that day. He asked if Council had any suggestions to make to the newly-organized Branch

Council asked the Municipal Officer County grader go over the streets again

Picnic tables, benches, and equipment Routine Business at the bathing beach were to be stored iciral Officer.

The nineteenth report of the Pinance following :accounts: W. Fryer, wood Jas. Robertson, delivering County of Halton, use of grader

Acton Free Library, balance of Bell Telephone Co., services Fred Cooper, rent of ground Bank of Montreal, fees re dog John Williamson, wood

C. W. Jones, balance of fees Another motion was passed, authoriz-

Acton Public Utilities Commis-

ing payment of debenture interest. amounting to a total of \$481.14. nominations and election, if necessary, was read as required. The day set for nominations was Priday, November 24th,

from 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. If an elec-Pollowing the cards, delightful refresh-, tion is necessary, it will be held on will be at the Town Hall and Y.M.C.A.

# Duplessis Gets his Answer In Quebec Vote Yesterday

## The Funeral on Friday of the Late R. J. Kerr

Friends and relatives from the immediate district and a wide circle beyond, gathered in Acton last Friday afternoon A shot from a 12-gauge double-bar- to pay tribute to the late R. J. Kerr, Church was filled by those who gathered | Province yesterday. Duplessis went into to honor the life of Mr. Kerr. Funeral the election with 71 seats, and Godbout, services were in charge of his pastor. Liberal had a following of 11 Rev. G. Clifton Gifford and Rev. I. M. testimony to the general high regard in which Mr. Kerr was held and included On Priday evening last the re-organ- offerings from: Town of Acton; Acton

Society: Canadian National Exhibition: The United Church: The United Church Choir; Ladies of the United Church; 2nd Vice-President-Arthur McKeown, Young Ladies Friendly Circle; Mr. and Mrs. W. Sankey: Miss M. McLeod; Mr. and Mrs. J. Eagle and family: Mr. and Mrs. J. Rae: Mr. and Mrs. J. Welsh: Mr. and Mrs. R. Lowry and family: Mr. and Mrs. Amos Mason; Mr. and Mrs. Arlof Assisting Committee-Mrs. Bert. Mc- Dills: Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Harrison; Mrs. J. H. Boyd: Mr. Frank Petch; Mr. John Kenney and family: Mr. and Mrs. J. Chapman

The active pallbearers were Reeve I McCutcheon; Messrs, Thos. Watson, N. McTavish, C. H. Harrison, F. L. Wright and G. A. Dills. Honorary pallbearers were Messrs, J. A. Carroll, Superintendent of Agricultural Societies. Toronto: John Kenney: J. M. McDonald; Shortest Session of the Year Deals: A. Mason; C. W. Mason; C. McEnery; J. H. Denny; E. Harrop; F. McIntosh W. K. Graham: C. W. Wilson: R. W. Lowrie: J. E. Whitelock, Milton; Mayor Taylor and City Engineer H. S. Nicklin, of Guelph.

Interment was in Fairview Cemetery beside the beloved partner, who had preceded him only a little while before.

## Debate Proves that Man's Upkeep is

A rousing sing-song led by Grenville Masales opened the regular meeting of ciety. Arrangements were made to go ing Mr. Godbout's defeat in 1936; L to the Hallowe'en Party in Rockwood Athanase David, Provincial Secretary in

A sketch, showing Jesus in a modern came out of retirement to win Terrescene was presented by Ethel Franklin, bonne; Occar Drouin, once a Cabinet Mrs. John Pell, Mabel Harris, Frances Minister in the Duplessis Government Dills and Mrs. J. B. Adamson. The main but running as a Liberal in his home feature of the evening was a debate constituency of Quebec East; F. J. Leduc, "Resolved that it Costs More to Keep a also a former Duplessis Minister, who Young Lady than it does to Keep a broke with his leader; and F. L. Con-Councillor A. Mason reported regard- Young Man." The affirmative side was nors, once a Liberal Minister. upheld by Me-srs. G. MacKenzie and J. Pell. The negative side was upheld by Mr. G. Switzer and Miss Dorothy Kitching. The judges gave their decision in fayor of the negative side. Audrey Long Distance to MacArthur sang a delightful solo. Ti evening closed with group games.

# **Erin Council**

By-law Passed Fixing Penalties on Unpaid Taxes - Accounts. Sanctioned for Payment

6.00 bers all present.

By-law No. 11 was passed, fixing by- sults that were satisfactory. law penalty at 3'; on all taxes not paid 75.00 prior to December 31st, 1939, a statutory penalty\_of one-half of one per cent per calendar month will also be imposed after December 31st, 1939.

The Treasurer was authorised to pay County and Township School money to the local Public School Boards, when so authorized by School Inspector.

The following amounts were ordered Council will meet at Hillsburg on 30th, at \$.15. Admission 15c. Program Wednesday, November 15th, at 10.00 a.m. Lunch, Dancing.

Unity of Canada and Loyalty of Province to Dominion Gets an Emphatic Reply in Election -Liberals Get 68 Seats to Union Nationale 15 — The Quebec Folks Have Given Their Answer in the Landslide.

If there was any doubt about Quebec the auditorium of the United certain terms in the election in that

When the smoke was cleared away, Moyer, a pastor of earlier years, now and the ballots counted, the Union of Grimsby, also spoke feeling tribute Nationale party now has 15 seats, and Re-organizes for Year and appreciation of the life of Mr. Kerr. the Liberals 68. It must also be re-A wealth of floral tributes also bore membered that the seats in the Legislature have been reduced by four since the last election.

The part that Quebec would play in the war became an issue in the election inet Ministers of the Dominion Parliament went into the fray, urging unity for the whole Dominion in its war participation. The issue was clear cu The answer is just as clear, and the whole of Canada feels more closely drawn together as a result of the deci-

It was a landslide that few, even the most hidebound Liberals, had dared to forecast. In 1936, when the Duplessis Government turned the Godbout regime out of office after two months of power. the Union Nationale Party won seventysix of the ninety seats. Redistribution cut the number of seats in the Province to eighty-six, and, because of its remoteness, voting was deferred a week in

one-Charlevoix-Saguenay. Premier Duplessis was elected in

Three Rivers; Godbout in L'Islet. At least six of Premier Duplessis' Cabinet Ministers met defeat. These were Hon. William Tremblay, Minister of Labor; Hon. Henry Auger, Minister of Colonization; Hon. Bona Dussault, Minister of Agriculture: Hon, Joseph Bilodeau, Minister of Municipal Affairs: Hon. Anatole Carignan, Minister of Roads: and Hon. Thomas J. Coonan, Minister

Without Portfolio Only three were elected: Hon Antonio Elle, Minister Without Portfolio: Hon. J. S. Bourque, Minister of Public Works and Mines; and Hon. J. H. A. Paquette. Minister of Health. Mr. Bourque's fight in Sherbrooke with Maurice Gingues was so close that at first his defeat had been announced and Gingues' followers had

started victory parades. Among prominent Liberals elected were T. D. Bouchard, Party House Leader for the last three years, follow-Liberal Cabinets from 1919 to 1936, who

## **Buvers Come** Purchase Here

An advertiser wood last week advertised sheep for male, kindly called up this week to say that among the buyers at Meeting of who called was one from Monteith, dred miles from Acton. The buyer purchased six of the advertised sheep and before returning north, eight more from

other farmers in the neighborhood. We have been rather proud of the field THE PRES PRESS offers its advertisers, but its usefuiness goes even further than claims we have made for it. FREE Press advertising certainly brings folks Erin Township Council met at Hills- together from a wide area and at small 50 00 burg on Monday. October 23rd. Mem- cost too . That particular advertisement cost just 25c and it certainly brought re-

#### **Coming Events**

certs or Other Events, under this beading, are charged, to ents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of mc.

Baraar and Tea, Mission Band 50.90 Knox Church, Town Hall, Saturday, Oc-30.90 tober 28th 3 to 5.36

23.10 The Anglican Young People's Associa 12.00 tion are holding a Hallowe'en Maquer-\$3.78 | ade in the Parish Hall, Monday, October