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Credit Shown in Thirteenth Power Bill

\$34,345.67 Was Total Earnings of Hydro in Acton Last Year

The thirteenth power bill received from the Ontario Commission showed a net profit of \$477.41 after providing for depreciation on the tangible plant to the amount of \$1,482.00.

The actual cost of power on the books of the Ontario Commission was \$433,274 less than the amount of the interim bills and the Acton Commission has been given a credit for this amount.

The report also gave other interesting figures of the Acton system. Total assets are \$138,211.39 and total liabilities are \$975.61. Total reserves are \$16,502.33 and total surplus \$60,734.05.

Turning to the power used in Acton commercial power is the top source of revenue at \$15,556.34. Domestic services are next with \$10,990.19 and commercial light services third with \$4,871.41. Municipalities are next with \$1,963.06. There are 510 domestic services in Acton, 89 commercial light services and 16 power services, a total of 615 services.

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. Commissioner M. Symon and Reeve J. B. Chalmers were present, with Chairman G. M. Hansen presiding.

It was moved by M. Symon, and seconded by J. B. Chalmers, that the Commission render the bill of \$100.00 to the Waterworks Department for the use of the truck for the year.—Carried.

The Secretary was, upon motion of J. B. Chalmers and M. Symon, instructed to pay the following accounts:

Hydro Department	
Bell Telephone Co. rent of poles on Mill Street	\$44.00
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, ledger sheets	1.30
Sutherland-Schultz, motor repairs	1.57
A.M.U., membership for 1940	5.00
MacDonald Electric Ltd., supplies Corporation of Acton, business tax	18.13
R. M. McDonald, insurance	4.65
R. M. McDonald, fidelity bond on Secretary-Treasurer	29.51
Department of National Revenue, license for 1940-41	8.00
	2.00
	\$131.15
Waterworks Department	
Power at spring	\$44.10

A letter was read from the auditors, pointing out some of the recommendations that had been included in their report, pertaining to the Commission. The letter was filed.

A letter was presented from the Dominion Securities, offering to change the Dominion of Canada bonds, now held by the Acton Commission, for Province of Ontario bonds. The Commission were satisfied with the bonds now held, and decided to make no change.

A letter from the Estate of the late E. Bewick notified the Commission that they would not be responsible for further power or water used.

The question of running the water to keep pipes from freezing was discussed at some length. It was decided by the Commission that any pipes that were frozen on the street, only the ordinary charge would be made for the water. Where the pipes are frozen on the consumer's property, the consumer must pay for all water used.

The Superintendent was instructed to secure the prices on pipe pushers for next meeting.

U. S. PORK IMPORTS WILL BE CURBED

The farmers of this County still be pleased to learn that on Thursday last the Department of National Revenue ruled that the drawback with reference to imported bacon from the United States will not be granted. The result is that the large packers will not make the profit they anticipated from importing bacon from the United States, where hogs are selling from 3c to 4c per pound below Canadian prices. Mr. Taggart, the former Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan, who heads the Bacon Board, has shown he is a man of action.

CONDITIONS IN INDIA SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION BY UNITED GROUP

Mr. G. McKenzie presiding at the United Church Young People's Union at their regular meeting on Tuesday evening, the meeting being under the Christian Citizenship group.

Mr. John Pell led in prayer and Mr. Garnet McKenzie read the scripture. The President, Mr. John Pell, had charge of the business period when reports of the week were transacted.

The topic of the evening took the form of a Round Table Conference by Mr. G. McKenzie. The subject was "Conditions As They Are in India To-day."

Rural Play-offs, at Acton Arena Are Keen Contests

The Acton Rural Hockey League semi-final games are proving no walk-away for any club. In the second round of the best two out of three series on Friday night, Georgetown Pirates edged a 4-2 win from the Lorne Scots. These teams broke even at 2-1 in their first clash. Friday night's fixture was another close affair until late in the game when the Pirates put on a power drive to forge ahead. The Acton representatives in the League opened the scoring midway through the contest. Then, just after the third period got under way, the Georgetown sextet bagged two counters in quick succession, to take the lead for a short stretch before the Millsie team tied the score once more. A flying rubber deflected off one of the Scots into his own net, and the winners put on the pressure to increase the advantage.

In the other game, Norval tallied each period, to beat Hombly, 3-0, and tie their series at one game each.

Norval, group leaders, were forced to hold the lower district boys in check or go out.

Monday night, were postponed owing to the condition of the ice surface at the Arena and are being played to-night.

Agreement on Townline Maintenance Made

Nassagways Township Council met on March 4th. Members all present, the Reeve presiding.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and discussed.

The following accounts were ordered paid by the Treasurer:

Relief Accounts	\$ 95.95
Road Superintendent's Vouchers	275.13
Miscellaneous Accounts	22.80
By-law, authorizing an agreement with the Township of East Flamboro, to divide the townline between the two Municipalities, for the purpose of maintenance and repair, was given the usual number of readings and passed.	

The Clerk was also instructed to endeavor to have a Hydro contract cancelled where the party was not using Hydro.

Council then adjourned, to meet March 14th, at seven o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. R. P. Watson Reviews Book of the Year

The March meeting of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. was held in the Y.M.C.A. Social Room last evening. The officers for 1940 were inducted and took charge of the meeting, Regent Mrs. (Dr.) A. J. Buchanan presiding. Various items of Red Cross war work and home duties were dealt with and assigned to the proper committees. A shower of magazines, games, cards, writing material, etc., for Canadian soldiers in barracks, is to be held at the April meeting.

Mrs. V. B. Rumley was appointed Assistant Secretary, and Mrs. J. Creighton, Assistant Treasurer. Two new members were accepted into the Chapter, Mrs. S. Matthews and Miss M. Murphy. Plans for a St. Patrick's tea and baking sale were made.

One of the outstanding books of the year, "Reaching For the Stars," was excellently reviewed by Mrs. R. P. Watson. Chapter members greatly enjoyed being shown through the Storey Glove Company recently. It is indeed most instructive and enjoyable. Group Number One served lunch and a social time was enjoyed.

The following are the Lakeside Chapter officers for 1940:

Honorary Regent—Miss Marguerite Ryder.

Regent—Mrs. Allan J. Buchanan.

1st Vice-Regent—Miss Emma Robinson.

2nd Vice-Regent—Miss Hazel Bell.

Recording Secretary—Miss Julie Lesniwicz.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. Ingles.

Treasurer—Mrs. Alf. Fryer.

Educational Secretary—Miss Mary Jackson.

Assistants—Mrs. M. Letch, Miss Alice McCallum.

Echo Secretary—Mrs. G. Leishman.

Plantist—Miss Margaret Brown.

Assistant Pianist—Mrs. (Dr.) P. G. Oakes.

Standard Bearer—Miss Bessie Rawlings.

Assistant—Mrs. Fred Hilton.

Councilors—Mrs. (Dr.) Oullen, Mrs. H. L. Ritchie, Mrs. George Somerville, Mrs. H. Helwig, Mrs. W. D. Tabbot.

Flower Committee—Mrs. D. Taylor, Mrs. George Muscile, Miss Lucy Edwards.

Reporter—Miss Jessie Russell.

Assistant Reporter—Miss Bessie Rawlings.

Auditors—Miss Julie Lesniwicz, Mrs. J. Creighton.

Tanners Headed to Second Championship in 2 Years?

Decisively Beat Waterloo Tigers in First Game of Group Finals—Both Teams Put Up a Brilliant Game of Wide Open Hockey but Crowd Was Disappointing for a Game of This Calibre—If Tanners Win Group Prospects Good for Ontario Honors Again.

The first of the three game series for the Championship of Group 7, Intermediate B, was held here on Tuesday night and Acton Tanners put the Waterloo Tigers through the works for a 7-2 trimming. Both teams played the wide open style of game that was nice to watch and the pace was fast throughout. For a group final game in what is considered the fastest group in Intermediate B this year, the crowd was disappointing.

Winning the championship last year has certainly not made any more ardent fans. Acton has been playing open hockey this year. The team has put themselves into every game, but they certainly have not drawn the usual Acton crowds. We don't know why there isn't an ambition for a new record of two championships in a row, for Acton, when such a thing is a possibility with the present team.

Acton certainly gave every indication of going out for goals from the start on Tuesday night. Right in the first period the Tanners put five men up to get counters, and the Tigers did the same thing, when they got the puck in Acton territory. Laing drew the first penalty for tripping Norm Morton, but even then Waterloo played well up.

Dunbrook stopped Mooney and Brush on some nice efforts, but Norm Morton got the first score at 8:25 with Pipher's assist. Just thirty-five seconds later Norm Morton registered another. Mooney drew a penalty. Then at 9:38 Terry broke alone, went right in on Dunbrook and drew him out and flipped in a lovely goal. In less than two minutes play the Tanners really gave the Tigers tall a real twist.

Lindsay put in another knot of the string when he scored at 12:48 from a face-off. Acton had plenty more efforts that failed and Cotey for Waterloo got in close on Woods several times. Brush drew a penalty and Gildner got a counter at 17:50, when he was absent. Acton was still applying the pressure when the period ended 4-1 for Acton.

Norm Morton who had gone off the ice in the first period did appear at the first of the second period. He had a bad smash on the head. Woods got a smearing of rubber as the period opened. Smaltz tripped Mooney on a nice break and got a penalty. Woods made a nice stop of Koppesser's effort and Dunbrook was good on six shots, any one of which might have been a goal.

Bayliss scored at 7:50 from Lindsay. Brush and Terry were close and Bus Morton tallied at 10:57 on a pass from Terry. Woods made nice stops on three Waterloo shots. The pace was still hot at the close of the period, when Goy drew a penalty. The score 6-1 for Acton and they deserved the lead.

Goy just got back on the ice in the third period when Norm Morton was waved to the cooler. Brinkert missed the net when Woods was down. The Tigers tired early in the period and the Tanners carried the play. The game roughened up a bit. Lindsay drew a penalty, but Acton carried the play. Gildner scored again at 8:33. Koppesser took a trip to the penalty box.

Lindsay scored at 13:20. Brinkert was penalized and Waterloo was two men short. Marzo was in but Dunbrook made a swell stop. Acton missed five lovely chances right in a row and the period closed with Acton attempting to add to their already good score. The last thirty seconds saw Marzo and Schmalz in a final score was 7-2 for Acton and the first game of the group finals was tucked away in the bag.

The line-up was:

Waterloo—Dunbrook, goal; Ernst and Malechteskie, defence; Gildner, centre; Laing, right wing; Brinkert, left wing; Willis, Koppesser, Cotey, Schmalz, Kropp and Bill alternates.

Acton—Woods, goal; Bayliss and Molozzie, defence; N. Morton, centre; Pipher, right wing; Lindsay, left wing; Terry, B. Morton, Brish, Goy, Marzo, Mooney, alternates; Holmes, sub goal.

Referee—Evan Brill, Gueph.

Second Game, in Waterloo on Tuesday Night

The second game in the Group 7 finals has been arranged for Tuesday, March 12th, in Waterloo. It is claimed the ice was not available in Kitchener for any night this week and that it was necessary to carry the game until next week. It seems too bad that play-offs have to be so delayed, which practically excludes the natural ice surfaces from getting in on these bigger gate receipts but it happens this way every year. The game will be in Waterloo on Tuesday.

An effort was made to have the game played in Acton Arena, where the ice could have been secured for any night this week, but this was turned down by the Waterloo Club.

Ladies and Gents Night at the Greenock Literary

On Friday evening last, the annual Ladies and Gents' Night of Greenock Literary Society was held, with the President, Evelyn Pearen, in charge. At the conclusion of the opening exercises and business, an interesting program was presented.

Jean Aitken occupied the chair while the Ladies' program was given. Current events, Irene Aitken; solo, Wilma West; reading, Jean Mann; chorus by the ladies; reading, Elva Pearen. Several impromptu speeches and a lively singing were enjoyed in closing this portion of the program.

Arthur McKeown then acted as chairman for the Gents' program. Music by Arthur McKeown, Jim McIntyre and Ross McKeown; a quiz contest was conducted by Charles McKeown and music by the boys; Jim McIntyre gave a most interesting talk on his trip to New York.

The National Anthem brought the meeting to a close and games were then enjoyed by all.

DISTRICT PRESIDENT ADDRESSED DUBLIN INSTITUTE MEETING

The Dublin Women's Institute held their February meeting at the home of Mrs. George Somerville, the President, with Mrs. Somerville in the chair. The roll call was answered by a music selection and composer. A donation of 10c a member was given to the Central War Charities Fund for the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario. Mrs. Near was the delegate appointed to meet with the Acton Fair Board at their next meeting.

The topic was "Music," with Mrs. G. Robertson as Convener. She told a Faust love story in music and Mrs. van Goosen assisted her. It was quite interesting. Mrs. Cowan, guest speaker, President of the District, spoke on "Home and Country." Her topic was quite appropriate at this time.

A contest on music was won by Mrs. Grant.

Mrs. Aldins moved a vote of thanks to those who took part and also to the hostess for the use of her home. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem. Lunch was served and a social time spent.

The Georgetown Herald Sold to Mr. W. C. Biehn

Announcement is made in this week's issue of The Georgetown Herald of the sale of that paper by the executors of the estate of the late J. M. Moore, to Mr. Walter Charles Biehn, B.A., recently of Toronto. Mr. Biehn is a graduate of Western University, of Chesley and Windsor. He assumes management of The Herald after Saturday, March 9th. It is also announced that the present staff of The Herald will be retained.

We welcome Mr. Biehn to the newspaper field in Halton County, and being our closest neighbor, we welcome him to this district. Over the period of years we have had a very intimate acquaintanceship, with the late J. M. Moore, who guided The Herald's destiny so well for so many years. He greeted us with "Hello, Arlof," and we returned with "How are you, Joe?" There has been a very happy friendship, which we hope will continue unbroken under the new management, and we wish our neighbor every success in his new undertaking.

What is the difference between a policeman and the watch in his pocket? The watch is on the policeman and the policeman is on the watch.

ANOTHER STEP UP

That makes the third defeat Acton has given Waterloo. Just one more and it will be quite for this year.

The Waterloo and Acton teams always play a nice game to watch. It is that wide open variety.

According to reports from Waterloo, it seems that the Eora Rocks tried all (Continued on Page Five)

LAKESIDE CHAPTER I.O.D.E. ANNUAL REPORT, 1939

The Lakeside Chapter Daughters of the Empire held ten business meetings during 1939.

Each group was responsible for making money and in addition the Chapter held a dance sponsored a booth at the Fall Fair; a British movie; sold Christmas cards; and started a self-denial fund.

Donations were given to the Upper Canada Tract Society; Minnie R. Moore Memorial Endowment Fund; to the Council for Park supervision. Bought rings for the two High School students of highest standing during the year. Bought a flag for the Park, also wool and knitted sweaters, hats and socks to pack Christmas boxes for twenty of Acton's boys who had enlisted.

Bought wreaths for the Cenotaph and flags for the soldiers' graves in Fairview and Dublin Cemeteries. Assisted the Legion with sale of poppies for Remembrance Day. An appeal from the Red Cross for clothing, blankets and money was answered by the Chapter. Held a shower of magazines, cards, games, writing material, etc., for soldiers in barracks.

Lakeside Chapter entertained the Duke of Devonshire Chapter, Acton; the Countess of Strathmore Chapter, Georgetown; and the Acton Legion. Also were entertained by the Duke of Devonshire Chapter, Acton; and the Peel Memorial Chapter, Brampton.

The Mason Knitting Company, Acton, and the Dale Estate, Brampton, were visited.

The Chapter assisted during the registration of women; and later when the Red Cross Society was formed, members assisting in the drive.

At each of the meetings an instructive talk was given, several of these by guest speakers; also a paper on current events. Christmas cards were sent to out of town members. Flowers were sent to members in case of sickness or bereavement in the family.

Six new members were accepted into the Chapter, which now has 64 paid members.

WINNERS AT THE EUCHE OF THE SCOUT MOTHERS

The Scout Mothers' Auxiliary held a well-attended and enjoyable euchre in the Council Chamber on Friday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. Wm. Coon, Mrs. George Mino, Mr. Thos. Watson and Mr. Charles Holmes, Jr. A delightful lunch was served and the evening provided a splendid social event.

Surplus Reported in the Esqueing Auditor's Report

Relief to be discontinued after April 1st—Auditors are Re-Engaged for 1940

Esqueing Township Council held their regular meeting on Monday afternoon. Deputy Reeve C. H. May, Councilors G. W. Murray, Edwin Harrop and G. E. Cleave were present. Reeve Wm. A. Wilson presided at the meeting.

Communications were read from the Department of Municipal Affairs; W. Flavell; Department of Highways; and Jenkins and Hardy. The Auditors' Report as of December 31st, 1939, was presented, showing a surplus on the year's work.

Moved by Messrs. May and Cleave, that the Treasurer pay the road sheets, as presented by the Road Superintendent, \$746.20.—Carried.

Other accounts passed for payment were:

Bell Telephone Co. services	\$ 4.68
Water-Lawson, 500 lbs. corn and broom	9.45
I. M. Bennett, stamps	2.88
Jenkins & Hardy, audit fee to date December 31st, 1939	110.15
J. Sanford, relief account to date Alfred Brigidon, on account for services rendered	30.00
Georgetown Hydro-Electric Commission, re Logan house	12.57
Stamps for Treasurer	6.00

Moved by Messrs. Cleave and May, that the Treasurer pay relief accounts, as presented by the Relief Officer, \$289.75.—Carried.

Moved by Messrs. Harrop and Murray that the Treasurer pay Board of Health account, J. Sanford, account to date, \$7.10.—Carried.

Moved by Messrs. May and Cleave, that Township relief be discontinued on and after April 1st, 1940.—Carried.

Moved by Messrs. Harrop and Murray, that Jenkins & Hardy be re-engaged as Auditors for 1940. That by-law No. 920 be rescinded and that the Clerk prepare a by-law.—Carried.

Moved by Messrs. Cleave and May, that this Council do now adjourn, to meet on Monday, April 1st, at 1:30 p.m., or at the call of the Reeve.—Carried.

Officers' Tea by Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, held the first meeting of the year, on Wednesday, at the home of Mrs. Jas. Symon, with a full attendance. This meeting took the form of an Officers' Tea, with Mrs. Barr, Regent, presiding, and officers of the "Lakeside Chapter" as guests.

After the regular business was conducted, a program was greatly enjoyed by all present. Mrs. C. Leishman rendered a solo, and Miss M. Ricketts a piano selection.

The special feature of the afternoon was the address by Mrs. H. F. McKendrick, Galt, Provincial Educational Secretary of the Order. She spoke on the goal and basic principle of the various activities of the Order to which we belong, under four headings, as follows: 1. A United Canada and Empire. 2. An Intelligent and Happy People. 3. Opportunity for All to Share in the Good Things Our Country Supplies—freedom to think our own thoughts and dream our own dreams. 4. Realization of the duties of citizenship that all these things require us to enjoy.

"I believe," said Mrs. McKendrick, "that the I.O.D.E., keeping in mind the underlying principles from which they draw inspiration, undenominational, non-partisan in politics, and non-racial, is a power that with careful, thoughtful endeavor, could, if we realized our strength in time transform Canada into a country of a great and united people, knowing the right and strong to defend it, a common danger from without unites us in time of war; in the same way, a common sense of justice and respect for individual liberty should unite us in time of peace." She urged all members, with a federal election facing us, to study carefully the problem of "What is Safest for Canada."

A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. McKendrick, moved by Miss M. Z. Bennett, and seconded by Mrs. R. M. McDonald, for her very educational address.

After the closing ceremony a pleasant and social hour was enjoyed with the newly-elected officers as hostesses.

Motor Cars in Collision Sunday on Highway Here

The bad driving conditions on Sunday resulted in one collision in this district. While both cars were damaged, fortunately none of the occupants were injured. The accident occurred on the highway, just east of Acton, with cars driven by H. M. Stewart, of Lefroy, and John Bennett, of Guelph. Investigation showed that driving conditions were bad that night and drivers apparently misjudged their clearance. Damage of about \$50 was done to each car involved and included left front fender, axle and wheel damage. Chief E. Harrop, of Acton, investigated the accident and reported to Provincial police.

All Classes Endorse Salvation Army War Work

The endorsements of the Army War Efforts in 1914-1918 have come from the humble buck private right through to the King's representative. Rarely do we find such unanimity of opinion about a public institution.

Everyone will want to give of their money and many will give of their time also. The plan to reduce the number of appeals by the Salvation Army to one big effort is dependent for its success upon you giving what is your quota by the allocation. Acton's \$300.00 means at least 60c for every call on the canvasser's list. Not much, is it, when you consider the work it will do. Many will far exceed their quota and we believe all will attempt to reach it.

These public spirited citizens, have rendered the assistance of many of their friends and are preparing to call upon you shortly. We commend them to you. Let's all join the Salvation Army from the 11th to the 20th of March.

Coming Events

The ladies of St. Alban's W. A. will hold a Euchre Party in the Parish Hall, Friday, April 5th.

On March 5th, at Bickensbury School, will be held a Baked Bean Social, Euchre and Dance. Admission 25c.

St. Alban's Womans Auxiliary will hold a rummage sale in the Parish Hall on Saturday, March 16th, from 3 to 6.

National Government Mass Meeting in Acton Town Hall, Monday, March 11th, at 8:00 p.m. Prominent speakers. See advertisement on Page Five.

United Church W.M.E.S. Easter Thank Offering Meeting, on March 12th, at 8 p.m. Miss S. Bennett, Georgetown, guest speaker. Pageant, "Keepers of the Cross." Everyone invited.

Another meeting of ratepayers and all other parties concerned in the Old Boys' Re-union of Lorne School, to be held at Lorne School, Monday, March 11th, 8:00 p.m. Come and help the cause along.

Routine Matters Tuesday Meeting of School Board

Preparations for Music Festival—Miss Hollinger to Teach Agriculture

Trusted J. H. Boyd, G. A. Dills and Dr. F. G. Oakes were present on Tuesday evening when Acton School Board met and Chairman Dr. A. J. Buchanan presided.

Principal Letch presented a requisition for supplies, which was accepted, and ordered to be secured.

Principal McKendrick asked permission to secure the services of Mrs. Gowdy as accompanist for the Music Festival. He also reported that the bulletin board had been erected and the school was greatly improved by this addition to facilities, which was much appreciated by teachers and pupils.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Music Festival, outlining the program for the year. The usual donation was given to help in this work.

Another letter was read from the Association of Ontario Public School Trustees and Ratepayers.

A letter was also read from the Public School Inspector, suggesting some changes in bookkeeping, and supplies that should be secured.

Miss M. Hollinger was appointed to teach Agriculture in the school.

A motion was passed, stipulating the rate to be paid for supply teachers in the Continuation School.

It was decided not to purchase a duplicating machine for the school at the present time, as other expenditures were more necessary.

The second report of the Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:

Symon Hardware, supplies	\$11.26
Bell Telephone Co. services	2.50
Acton Public Utilities Commission, services	8.05
R. M. McDonald, insurance premium and bond	72.20
Heintzman & Co., music	2.87
Woodhall & Muselle	1.00
Evan Jones, teaming trail	26.37
	\$124.25

Secretary Tells of Fairs Tribute Given to Late R. J. Kerr

Miss Velma Murray and Secretary E. Thetford gave splendid reports of the Ontario Agricultural Societies Convention to a meeting yesterday afternoon of the Directors of Acton Agricultural Society.

In his report Mr. Thetford said that the whole convention had taken place in silence in tribute to Lord Tweedmuir and the memory of its Past President, Mr. R. J. Kerr.

Committees for the various branches of the Fair were appointed for the year, and plans made for the event in 1940. President I. O. Johnston was in charge.