

Good Inspector's Report Presented to School Board

Board Arranges for Matter in Connection With Music Festival—Set of Books for Public School Purchased—Arrangements of Pupils Attending Other Schools Brings Considerable Correspondence—Fire Insurance Policies Are Received.

Trustees Dr. F. G. Oakes, W. H. Clayton and G. A. Dilla were present on Tuesday evening when Acton School Board met in regular monthly session and chairman, V. B. Rumley presided.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

J. Nicol, shovelling snow	\$ 1.05
W. Mggill, eavetroughing	38.30
Georgetown Lumber Co., supplies	6.25
Anderson Co., supplies	2.30
Moyer, Toronto, supplies	3.30
E. J. Hassard, supplies	2.00
Blue Ribbon Ink Co., supplies	2.50
Mrs. H. L. McDonald, insurance premium	42.89
J. B. Mackenzie & Son, supplies	3.70
Grollier Society, Books of Knowledge	49.50
	\$152.79

An account for medical attention for an accident to a pupil during physical training was referred to the insurance company for their ruling.

The Board arranged to have a supply teacher on an average of two half days per month to enable Principal McKenzie to give supervision through the class rooms of the school.

The Board decided to purchase a set of 20 volumes of the Book of Knowledge with the 1941 annual at a cost of \$49.50. This also included a case for the books. The purchase was from the Grollier Society and was for use in the Public School. The present set were out of date and in bad repair.

The Secretary read the report of Inspector Skuce on his visit to Acton School. The work of the staff was found very satisfactory and the co-operation given by the teachers was appreciated. The Inspector also made favorable comment on the completion of decoration of the school interior and the interest taken by the Board in school improvement.

A letter was read from the municipal council asking for further information before passing for payment by the county for pupils from Acton attending schools in other municipalities.

Other letters were read from the County Clerk regarding fees of Acton pupils in other schools and charged to the municipality and the Secretary was instructed to reply asking an explanation of the change in arrangements.

The policies of fire insurance on the Public School were received and examined by the Board and correspondence in connection with the fire insurance read from Mrs. McDonald and Mr. E. L. Wright. The coverage on the Public School is now in four policies and only three companies and is for \$34,500 on buildings and contents. The premiums have been arranged so that approximately \$200 is due each year.

Trustees W. H. Clayton and W. G. Mason were appointed a committee to arrange for the transportation of Public School pupils taking part in the Music Festival at Milton on April 23rd and 24th.

The Secretary was to arrange for a supply teacher for Miss Ricketts during the Festival time.

The Secretary was also to secure a supply of floor oil for the school and the Property Committee were to have the fence on the school ground repaired.

Home Paper to Go Overseas to Former Employees

Col. A. O. T. Beardmore and Mr. S. G. Bennett have made arrangements with the Free Press to send all home town paper each week to all those who left the employ of Beardmore & Co., Acton plant to join the active service forces and are now overseas. These first copies under this arrangement will go this week.

We know that the boys overseas do like to get the home news each week and the home paper will keep up the home ties while they are away. To the boys overseas, who receive their Free Press in the white wrapper we point out that your copy reaches you through this arrangement made by Col. Beardmore and Mr. Bennett on your behalf. We will do our best to tell you the home news each week and keep your letter interesting.

Mrs. G. Agnew Speaker at Easter Meeting of W.M.S.

The Easter Thank Offering meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church was held in the Sunday School room of the Church on Monday evening with Mrs. Caldwell presiding.

The devotional period was taken by Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. B. Mowat and "The call of the risen Christ to youth" was the responsive reading.

Mrs. Caldwell and her three daughters, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Agnew and Mrs. Kerr, sang very beautifully that favorite hymn, "The Old Rugged Cross," and Mrs. A. W. Fosbury and Mrs. L. Veldhuis sang as a duet "Christ of the Cross."

The guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. Gordon Agnew who is now on furlough from China. She told of the changes that have taken place in many ways in the Eastern world and urged that each do their part in every way to help establish world peace.

Rev. Gordon Agnew is returning to take up his work once again in stricken China among his beloved people.

A Chinese lunch was quite a novelty and was enjoyed, eating out of a cup with a tea spoon instead of chop sticks.

Ladies of Knox, Anglican, and Baptist congregations were invited guests to the meeting. A number of the W. M. S. ladies attended the Baptist Thank Offering meeting on Wednesday.

A very hearty vote of thanks was given Mrs. Agnew for her very interesting talk. All expressed a hope to hear her again in the near future.

The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. A. W. Fosbury.

MANY FROM ACTON ATTEND TEA FOR MISS MARGARET HARRISON

Mrs. D. C. Russell, Miss Jessie Russell, Mrs. F. S. Blow, Mrs. E. J. Hassard, Mrs. Wm. Johnstone, Mrs. Wm. Matthews, Miss Helen Ostrander, Mrs. Amos Mason and Mrs. G. A. Dilla were among the guests from Acton who attended the tressou tea given by Mrs. C. H. Harrison on Saturday in honor of her daughter Margaret Isabel, whose marriage to Mr. John Windler will take place April 10th.

Over two hundred guests attended this event on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, High Park Boulevard, Toronto.

REPORTS PROGRAM DISPLAY WORK AT ROCKALONG INSTITUTE

The Rockalong Women's Institute held their April meeting at Mrs. G. Wallace's home with twenty-five in attendance. Mrs. C. Plank occupied the chair for the business section of the meeting. The roll was responded to "One way the Federation may help the farmer."

Plans were made for a salvage collection for the middle of this month with Mrs. G. Graham in charge. Two quilts, two crib quilts and one comforter were on display.

Mrs. D. McNabb gave the report of the District Director's meeting. Mrs. Dunbar, convenor, took charge of the following program.

Mrs. McCullough, District President gave a talk on "Home and Women." Current events were given by Mrs. C. Harris, Mrs. B. Ramsden and Doris Watson gave a piano duet. The motto, "Let us all pull together," was given by Mrs. W. Pasmore. Mrs. G. Graham favored the meeting with a vocal solo. Mrs. Dunbar gave a very interesting report of the Federation of Agriculture annual meeting which was held in Fergus in March.

NO MORE CAKE FOR MEETINGS OF ST. ALBAN'S GUILD

The monthly meeting of St. Alban's Guild was held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Currie, Park Avenue, on Monday night. The president, Mrs. C. Nellis was in charge and conducted the opening exercises. The members all agreed to help out in every possible way the local salvage campaign. It was decided that in future owing to the shortage of sugar, the members would do without cake and just have sandwiches for refreshment. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction.

ACTON AIDS BRITISH WAR VICTIMS



In the past month the Acton Vicinity War Service League has added \$417.26 to The Evening Telegram British War Victims' Fund. Latest donation was for \$151.06, proceeds of a draw for an inland table made by Fred Pollard, employed in the Toronto office of Beardmore & Co., Ltd., shown inset. The draw was under auspices of the Beardmore Employees' Association, and shown above, Reeve J. M. McDonald, treasurer of the league, left, accepts the cheque from George Fountain, president of the Beardmore Association, while Alf. Ralph, vice-president, looks on. Photo by Courtesy Toronto Evening Telegram.

Auditor and Game Warden For Esquering

Appointments Made at Meeting on Monday—Half Interest Accepted on Alberta Bond

Esquering Township Council held their regular meeting on Monday afternoon. Members were all present. Reeve C. H. May presided over the meeting.

After the correspondence was read it was moved and seconded by Wilson and Cleave, that road accounts be paid \$3,148.86. Carried.

Moved and seconded by Currie and Murray, that relief accounts be paid \$112.38.—Carried.

Other accounts passed for payment included the following:

Georgetown Hydro Commission, Glenwilliams street lights	\$ 74.75
Acton Public Utilities Commission, Crescent street lights	15.00
Bell Telephone Co., services	6.44
J. Sanford, Board of Health account	5.76
J. Sanford, relief account	10.00
J. Sanford, balance collector's salary	170.00

Moved and seconded by Wilson and Murray, that the following be appointed Deputy Game Wardens for the township of Esquering during 1942: Daniel Allan, R. R. 3, Milton; Alfred Bridger, R. R. 2, Georgetown; William Gowdy, Limehouse; George Leslie, R. R. 4, Acton; Wesley Louth, Norval; Lorne L. Mullin, R. R. 4, Acton; W. J. McDonald, R. R. 2, Acton; Harvey Nurse, R. R. 2, Georgetown; John Presswood, R. R. 1, Georgetown; Meltrum Stark, R. R. 3, Milton; Neilson Strick, R. R. 3, Georgetown; Wilmer Watkins, R. R. 2, Acton; Spencer Wilson, R. R. 1, Norval; George Woods, R. R. 2, Norval. Carried.

Tenders for repairing and decorating the hall were received from Georgetown Lumber Co., and J. B. Mackenzie & Son. No action was taken.

Moved, and seconded, by Cleave and Currie, that the following taxes be written off the rolls, they being uncollectable: Mrs. Annie Tracey, 1938 business tax, \$1.45; C. Mapleston, 1939 business tax, \$1.42; Harvey Clark, 1941 business tax, \$1.58. Carried.

Moved and seconded by Currie and Wilson, that the treasurer be authorized to accept \$112.25 in payment of six months interest coupon due April 1st, 1942, for \$22.50 on bond No. 3777, Province of Alberta, for \$1,000 held on account of the Railway Bonus Fund. Carried.

A by-law was passed appointing H. A. Lever of the firm of Jenkins & Hardy, auditor for the year 1942.

Council adjourned to meet on Monday, May 4th, at 8 o'clock or at the call of the Reeve.

CAVIARE DE L'EXE

GLASGOW (CP). Caviare obtained from the Soviet Embassy in London brought the equivalent of \$6.75 an ounce when auctioned at the Glasgow fish market in aid of the Russian Red Cross.

73 TONS OF WASTE DO DOUBLE DUTY IN LOCAL CAMPAIGN

Those bits of waste material and articles that may appear useless, all have a value and a double one if you give them to the Acton Salvage Committee. This is housecleaning time and a grand time to put those unused articles to work for your country.

During the past year the Acton Salvage Committee has collected over 73 tons of material. This has brought in about \$730. In March the returns were \$75.24. Here's how that salvage did double duty. The materials all went into the war effort and the money secured from their sale went into funds of the Acton and District War Service League. The work was all voluntary and lots of it not very pleasant job, during the cold weather.

Now its spring. You can boost the monthly returns by putting all your salvage out for collection. Start right in this week. The ladies of the Committee will make a house call canvassing urging this help. It's another opportunity for service on the home front.

County Report at April Meeting of Acton Institute

The April meeting of Acton Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. James Dobbie. In the absence of the president Mrs. T. Lapping, the Honorary President had charge.

The motto "Always—Faithful" was given by Mrs. Dobbie and current events were reviewed by Mrs. R. L. Davidson. The correspondence was read and discussed and roll call was answered by naming a hotel compiler. Mrs. Gamble gave a report of the spring District Board meeting of Halton Women's Institute held in Milton.

The activities of Achievement Day in April and Officers' Rally in May, both in Milton and Halton Women's Institute District Annual in Georgetown in June were discussed at this meeting.

The members had made a quilt which was auctioned at our meeting and Mrs. Johnson was the buyer. The members voted to hold a euchre in April in the Y.M.C.A. A salad contest was part of the program which all enjoyed.

CAR IN COLLISION ON GOOD FRIDAY CAUSES MINOR DAMAGE MACHINES

A car collision on Mill Street, on Good Friday was the only mishap in this vicinity over the holiday weekend. Theford Road, Bowser Avenue, in turning from Mill Street onto Egan Street, with his car collected with one proceeding along the highway and driven by Jack Phillips of 193-A St. Clair Avenue, Toronto.

Damage was caused to radiator, head light and left front fender and front axle. Chief Harrop investigated the accident which occurred about five o'clock in the afternoon. None of the occupants of the cars involved were injured.

Serving in Navy Takes Acton Man Around the World

Seaman Herb Dron Writes From Australia—No Port Like the Home Port in Acton

Mr. A. Dilla, Editor and Publisher, "The Acton Free Press"

Dear Sir:

A long time since I have written you, but I am still "top side up." Really I have had nothing to write about, same old routine, but we have had a change of scenery the last couple of months. Had a few days in Colombo, Ceylon, from there to Fremantle, Australia (western) and now on our way to Sydney, on the far coast of Australia, facing Canada, in fact only about five thousand miles from Canada, so near, and yet so far, but I feel that I shall be home on leave by June at least.

When we arrive at Sydney I will have nearly completed a circle of the world by sea. I have been as far west in Canada and U. S. A. as 93 degrees west longitude and as far east of Greenwich England as 153 degrees longitude east, or a total of 246 degrees out of a possible 360 degrees. And a degree of longitude—at the equator is approximately 60 miles, and 15 degrees L. are equal to one hour's time. I have been as far as 17 degrees north latitude to 40 degrees south latitude, or 110 degrees from north to south out of a possible 360 degrees. And I really hope to complete the circle of the world by the time I reach home, but of course I must forget that there is a war on. Our ship has been very, very lucky. Since we left Halifax we have always travelled alone, except in the North Atlantic we were in convoy.

We have been through waters infested by German submarines, and some we have dodged, and one we bluffed into leaving us alone. That was in the South Atlantic.

I think I have told you of some of the customs of the different countries I have been in, except Ceylon and Australia. Ceylon is somewhat similar to India. It is famous for its tea. There you can travel through the city by rickshaw, drawn by coolies, or by taxi.

Australia, what I have seen of it, is somewhat similar to Canada. The people are more free and wages are good, and nearly all houses are bungalow style. There are some beautiful homes both in Fremantle and Perth, and both are very quiet cities, but their railroads, at least in Western Australia, are away behind the times, not looked after, and so many different gauges.

One thing that may surprise you is the prices we had to pay for potatoes in different parts of the world. All prices quoted are English sterling. Ireland, 60 pounds sterling a ton; Arabia 40 pounds sterling, and in Turkey and around the Suez they are 30 pounds sterling per ton, and those are wholesale prices, and our ship buys by the ton. That is from \$8.86 to \$17.72 per hundred weight, and some of them were so small they could hardly peel them, nothing.

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Acton Has Credit \$2,561 in Thirteenth Hydro Bill

Thank-Offering Meeting of Baptist Mission Circle

The Mission Circle of the Baptist Church had a delightful Easter Thank-Offering meeting on Wednesday afternoon, when Mrs. Hambley, President of the Home Missions Board of Western Ontario, was the speaker. The President, Mrs. L. Veldhuis was in the chair and Mrs. Anderson was pianist.

One of the interesting items on the program was when those present were invited to give their reasons for thanksgiving, and two or three responded.

Mrs. Ostrom sang a beautiful solo "Can He Count on You?" and then introduced the speaker, who, although she is an average busy housewife, gives freely of her time to mission work.

She spoke of the "New World Order," that is to come after the war, and said Canada is capable of taking a leading part in it because of her wealth of natural products, her vast spaces that would house millions in search of freedom, and because of her friendly relationship with her neighboring country. She said it was a known fact that the English Baptists and Chinese had worked harder for missions since the war started, than before it. Missions, as a rule, said the speaker, are thought of as foreign, but there is a great work to do at home; and went on to tell of the work missionaries do in various parts of Canada, including Quebec, and Northern Ontario.

She told of a minister in Windsor who had to speak to seventeen nationalities, and chose Serbian as the nearest to them all, in which to address them. We must register for service in our churches in the war against sin, she concluded, as earnestly as we serve our country in the war against Nazism; and that if we are to send emissaries to other lands we must endeavor by our daily lives to make Canada a truly Christian land, worthy of sending out messengers of the gospel.

The ladies of the church served a dainty lunch at the close of the service. Mrs. Ostrom pouring tea, and the visitors from other churches all spoke a word of thanks in appreciation of a pleasant afternoon.

FOURTH BROTHER JOINS ACTIVE SERVICE FORCES

When Herb Price of Acton joined the Scotch Fusiliers at Kitchener last month he was the fourth son of the family of Mr. J. H. H. Price to join the Active Service. Douglas and Norman are overseas; Cam is at home in Acton and Herbert is now stationed at Kitchener. This makes a pretty fine record for one family.

MONTHLY MEETING OF UNITED ASSOCIATION AT MRS. RICHARDSON'S

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. D. Richardson on Tuesday with Mrs. G. Gordon presiding. The devotionary was taken by Mrs. L. Veldhuis and Mrs. F. Cheave.

Ways and means were discussed for raising funds for the year. Three new members joined the society. After the business was disposed of lunch was served by Mrs. Richardson, assisted by Mrs. A. W. Fosbury, Mrs. L. Veldhuis, Mrs. Pell and little Betty May Fosbury, and a social half hour was spent. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Richardson for her home and hospitality, also to those who assisted at lunch. A donation was sent to the Chinese relief fund. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. A. Walter Fosbury.

FARMS AND TOWN PROPERTY CHANGE HANDS RECENTLY

F. L. Wright, real estate broker reports sale of two farm properties during the week. The farm of Peter McIsaac on the third line has been sold and the farm property which is partly in Acton of the estate of the late James Ramshaw has also been sold. Names of buyers are for the present not given.

Mr. Wm. McLeod, Nasagaweya, we understand, has purchased the brick house at the corner of Park and Lakeshore, belonging to the D. Whitley estate and the frame house on Guelph Street belonging to Mrs. M. McElin, now resident of Kamloops, B.C.

Year's Operation Had Splendid Record of Service and Profitable Conduct of Business—Almost \$40,000 a Year Concern—Waterworks Operating Makes Transfer to General Rate for Application on Debentures.

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held Tuesday evening. Commissioner C. M. Hansen and Reeve J. M. McDonald were present, with chairman M. Symon presiding.

The Secretary was upon motion of J. M. McDonald and C. M. Hansen, instructed to transfer \$500 from the Waterworks Department to the General Account of the Corporation.

A letter was read from Mr. A. Mason, of the Victory Loan Committee, thanking the Commission and staff for the hearty co-operation extended to them during the Second Victory Loan.

The Secretary was, upon motion of J. M. McDonald and C. M. Hansen, instructed to pay the following accounts:

Hydro Department	
Bell Telephone, re joint use of poles	\$ 13.20
Sutherland-Schultz Electric Co., repairs	7.42
Canadian General Electric Co., switches and tape	18.51
Line & Cable Accessories Ltd., clamps	39.03
George McDonald & Co., supplies	21.14
Grand & Toy Ltd., supplies	49.00
MacDonald Electric Ltd., supplies	24.84
Corporation Tax Collector, business tax	4.75
J. C. Matthews, postage and box rent	13.00
Transports and C.N.R., express	2.55
	\$103.44
Waterworks Department	
Canadian Brass Co., supplies	26.00
Acton Footwear Store, rubber boots	10.50
Hydro Department, power and heating at spring	47.25
	\$83.75

The burglary and robbery insurance policies were reviewed on the recommendation of the auditors but no change was made.

Superintendent Charles Wilson reported that the broken water service on Park Avenue was renewed and now in working order.

It was moved by J. M. McDonald, seconded by C. M. Hansen and passed, that Superintendent Wilson be instructed to arrange for the purchase of two transformers, One 15 KVA and One 25 KVA for use in case of emergency.

Superintendent Wilson reported (Continued on Page Eight)

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conventions, or other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, with a minimum charge for an announcement of 25c.

Hold Wednesday April 22nd for Acton Women's Institute Euchre in Y.M.C.A.

Pot Luck Supper in United Church on Wed. Feb. 29th. Admission 25c. Supper 6.30 p.m.

Dance in Town Hall, Acton, Saturday, April 11th, sponsored by the Happy Four, Doris Hull's Orchestra. Proceeds for War Work. Admission 25c. 40-2.

The Acton Junior Farmers will hold their regular meeting at Lorne School on Friday April 10th. Mr. J. E. Whitebeck, agricultural representative guest speaker.

Euchre and Dance will be held in Bannockburn School on Wednesday evening, April 15, under the auspices of the Literary Society. Proceeds for Acton War Service League. Fisher's Orchestra, Admission 25c.

A Bingo and Pancake social will be held in Brookville Hall, Tuesday, April 14th, auspices of S. S. No. 7 Busy Bees. 12 Bingo prizes and several specials. Pancakes served with maple syrup. Admission 30c. Proceeds for War Work.

The Carry On Canada Club are having a social and dance at Lorne School April 20th at 8 p.m. Music will be provided by Fisher's Orchestra and drawing of the quilt will take place. Adults 25c. Children 15c. Proceeds for war charities.