

## Cemeteries Report Received by the Eramosa Council

### Regret Expressed at Resignation of Assessor Who Has Served for Fifteen Years

The council for the Township of Eramosa, met at 4 p.m. in the town hall, Rockwood, on Monday, October 5th.

Present were Reeve D. D. Gray in the chair, Councillors Wm. J. Pinkney, E. H. Benham, Roy I. Leslie and Jos. R. Rutherford.

The reeve and clerk were authorized to sign a document agreeing to the surrender of the charter of the Verner T. Smith Co.

A report from the Board of Health was received as follows: The Board of Health for the Township of Eramosa inspected the 13 cemeteries in the township on October 3rd, 1942.

Among the well kept cemeteries, Rockwood was noted for its excellent setting and condition, and the Stone Church Cemetery for its continued annual improvement. Everton and Johnston's Cemeteries are well cared for in good surroundings. Parkinson's Cemetery is in excellent condition and could be improved by the preservation of the discolored monuments.

Eden Mills and Mimosa Cemeteries, usually well kept, show signs of the prevalent shortage of labor. Oustie Cemetery should be much improved. McCormick's Cemetery is in good condition. The remaining unused cemeteries: St. John's, Osburn's, and at Lots 21 on the 5th and 7th Lines, are seriously neglected and in poor condition, some of them will probably become township charges. The Board therefore respectfully recommends that the council co-operate with the Diocese of Niagara and Rev. E. A. Brooks in the effort that is being made to clear up the situation at Lot 21 on the 5th line, with the possibility that St. John's Cemetery may be improved in connection therewith.

The report was accepted on motion of Messrs. Rutherford and Benham.

Rev. E. A. Brooks interviewed the Council concerning the two cemeteries and was assured of township co-operation in his efforts to improve matters. The Clerk was instructed to consult the provincial authorities concerning the possibility of moving the cemetery from the original site of the Church of the Ascension at Lot 21, Con. 4, to St. John's, Rockwood.

Erin Fall Fair was granted \$10.

The Council and the Road Superintendent attended the fowl supper at Eden Mills and resumed business at 7.30. The auditors' report for the period ending August 31st was accepted on motion of Messrs. Leslie and Pinkney.

Moved by Messrs. Rutherford and Leslie and carried, that this council go on record in expressing our appreciation of the satisfactory and efficient service given by Thos. A. Forsyth, Assessor for the past 15 years, and regret his decision in not continuing his office with the municipality. That this resolution be printed in the minutes and a copy forwarded to Mr. Forsyth.

By-law No. 8 was passed, giving effect to recent legislation which allows a municipality to include chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys as livestock under the Dog Tax and Live Stock Protection Act, if the poultry are destroyed in lots of 50 pounds or more.

By-law No. 9 also extended the provisions of the by-law for paying a bonus of \$5 for the destruction of a dog caught worrying sheep; the bonus may now be paid if the dog is caught worrying livestock, including poultry.

A letter from the Association of Assessing Officers was ordered to be placed on file, also a letter concerning tile drainage.

Mr. Wilbert McCutcheon was present to discuss the sale by him to the township of a piece of land at the east corner of lot 11, con 5.

The following resolution was unanimously passed and the terms accepted by Mr. McCutcheon: That we purchase from Wilbert McCutcheon the property on the corner of his farm as per attached diagram (approximately 1 1/2 acres) and the present fence on the property for \$115. The township to erect the necessary fences and Mr. McCutcheon to have the right to remove the trees on the fence line purchased.

Another unanimous resolution instructed the collector to collect all arrears and current taxes on or before December 31st, 1942, using any legal methods that may be necessary. Arrangements were made for canvassers or salesmen for the forthcoming Victory Loan campaign.

Accounts amounting to \$1,190.14 were passed for payment and council adjourned to November 9th at 1.30 p.m.

## Force Electric Arranges for Group To Get News Letter

Through the courtesy of Force Electric Products two dozen more of the Acton boys who would otherwise not get the home news will receive each week a copy of the home paper, THE ACTON FREE PRESS. This company is sending THE FREE PRESS to all former employees in the Active Service and to an added group.

We have also had several citizens who have agreed to look after individual subscriptions and when November first rolls round there may not need to be many letters from our lists. With individual copies sent in the first two or three issues a little sticker is attached showing the airman, sailor or soldier who is sending the paper to him. Where groups of over twenty are sent by firms, each copy is sent in a different colored individual wrapper, stating that THE FREE PRESS goes each week through the courtesy of that firm.

We are indeed pleased to have this help from Acton industries in making it possible for Acton boys and girls to have the home news every week. May we suggest to those who receive it that you drop a line to those who are sending it to you. It was the letters we received from the boys that encouraged us in keeping up the service as we did.

Copies from THE FREE PRESS go in a brown wrapping as well as those subscribed for by individuals. Those sent by the Force Electric Products in a canopy colored wrapping and those sent by Col. A. O. T. Beardmore and Mr. S. G. Bennett are in white wrappers, specially printed.

THE HALL-INGRAM WEDDING AT LIMEHOUSE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Limehouse Presbyterian Church was the scene of a pretty autumn wedding on Saturday, Sept. 26, at four o'clock when Rev. C. C. Cochrane officiated at the marriage of Marguerite Pearl Ingram, daughter of Mr. W. Ingram and the late Mrs. Ingram and George Scott Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Hall of Limehouse and Toronto. The bride wearing a grey-blue two-piece affair dress with hat to match, carrying rust mums entered the church on the arm of her father to the strain of Lohengrin's Wedding March played by Mrs. Harney Norton. She was attended by Miss Grace De Caire, wearing beige crepe dress with black accessories. She carried yellow mums.

Mr. A. Hall was his brother's best man. Miss Theresa Tatro sang "Ave Maria" previous to the ceremony and during the signing of the register. "Because."

The reception following was held at Fairfield Cottage, Limehouse, where the guests were received by the bride's sister Mrs. G. Underwood, wearing a blue printed dress with black accessories and corsage of gardenias, assisted by the groom's mother wearing a blue crepe dress with black accessories and a corsage of roses. Following a short honeymoon the couple will live in Toronto.

NAVY LEAGUE GROUP TO BE FORMED IN ACTON

A meeting to consider the formation of a local committee of the Navy League will be held in the Convent Chamber at 8.30 p.m. on Thursday, October 15th, 1942. The meeting will be addressed by Mr. J. R. Davidson, who has been devoting his time to Navy League work and is thoroughly familiar with all its phases and especially the needs of our sailor boys. All interested societies and persons are cordially invited.

Sgt. Major Irvine Now Reported a Prisoner of War

Mrs. Irvine Received Word From Red Cross of Internment in German Camp

Another telegram to an Acton home brought the joyful news to Mrs. John Irvine that her husband previously reported missing was now a German prisoner of war. Here is the telegram.

"B31511 Company Sergeant Major John Irvine, reported by International Red Cross Geneva as prisoner of War at Camp Stalag 8 B Germany. Prisoner of war number 28930. This information subject to official confirmation. Further information follows when received."

Following the Deippe rail Mrs. Irvine received word that her husband was missing. The telegram received during the week was the first intimation she has had since then of what had happened him.

## INDUSTRIAL EXHIBIT AT ACTON FAIR



An industrial exhibit that was the subject of much favorable comment at Acton Fair was that of The Wool Combing Corporation of Canada and The Canadian Wool Company, both having established here within the past two years. The exhibit showed the wool in the various processes right from the sheep's back to finished fine Canadian wools and all grown and processed in Canada. The picture shows this exhibit at Acton Fair.

## Fire Brigade Show Equipment in Fire Fighting

In connection with Fire Prevention Week, Acton Fire Brigade gave a demonstration at the school grounds last evening that proved very effective. Streams from two lines of hose were thrown and the firemen also took the hose up a forty-five foot ladder and demonstrated how a hose carrying 150 lbs. pressure could be handled in fighting a fire. A stream was thrown about 125 feet.

The effectiveness of new types of fog nozzles, was shown when a pit was filled with oil and ignited and when blazing at its height was extinguished time and again in a matter of a few seconds.

Reeve McDonald and members of council and many citizens attended the demonstration of efficiency of the equipment. The fire pump gave excellent service and maintained any pressure desired. Fire Chief Gamble and the members of the Brigade were commended for their work.

During the day a test was held at the school and in fifty seconds from the time the alarm was sounded the pupils and teachers were all out of the building.

Overseas Mail

Letters From the Local Boys Serving in the Cause of Freedom.

Somewhere in England

Dear Sir:

I think it is about time I wrote you again expressing my appreciation for THE ACTON FREE PRESS, which I have been receiving regularly.

It is sure nice to get the home news and to know that so many of the folks back there are doing their part by sending comforts and cigarettes to the boys over here.

I have been over here almost a year now and haven't wanted for anything. I get parcels of mail regular and I cannot thank the folks who are remembering me, enough. That goes to the Editor and Staff of THE ACTON FREE PRESS too.

I had one of the happiest days of my life a week last Saturday, August 29, when I was married to Miss Alice Duncombe, a lovely English lassie, who is a real pal to me.

My brother, Dr. J. T. Wilson, lived in England July 28th, and was able to be at the wedding.

Also I hear that (Stim) Gordon Cook from Acton, has landed safely in England too, although I haven't seen him yet.

We are having some lovely weather here at present, although a little cool at night.

The farmers here have nearly all their grain harvested now. Quite a number of the Canadian boys assisted the farmers to get their hay and harvest in and the farmers were certainly pleased to get the help.

Well, Mr. Dills, I am a very poor letter writer, but hope this will show my deep appreciation for all the folks are doing for us over here.

So I say, Cheerio! Best of luck and I'll be looking for your paper in the near future. I remain

Pte. E. G. Wilson.

## Fire Chief's Report Urges Extra Care During Wartime

Only Six Minor Fires Reported in Acton Since First of Year

Fire prevention is more important than ever before. The Fire Chief points out that fires, large and small, must be averted in time of war. The main reason is when danger is caused to home or business places by fire it is difficult to obtain material to repair damage. Keeping this in mind, Fire Prevention Week carries a greater message in 1942. Many Acton factories are engaged in war work and employees of these plants should consider it their duty to prevent fires in their place of employment.

The statement issued by Chief Gamble to-day on Fire Prevention Week is: Fires do not just happen. They start from known causes which may easily be eliminated by a little serious consideration on the part of each one. The home is a very dangerous place from a fire hazard standpoint and in the past year there has been a startling increase in the number of dwelling fires, most of which are caused from careless smoking and use of matches.

Are your heating appliances properly protected and your chimneys kept clean and in good condition so that they will not ignite near by combustible material?

Do not allow rubbish to accumulate in your basement attic or closets.

Do you have metal receptacles for your ashtrays?

Is your electric wiring in safe condition and properly fused?

Do you know how to eliminate these hazards?

If not, ask your Fire Department what to do or ask them to make an inspection of your premises and advise you. Firemen inspect business and industrial property, on given schedule and will inspect dwellings when so requested. This is an important part of their work and they need your help to do it efficiently.

The number of fires in Acton from January 1st, to September 30th, was six. Four of these were chimney fires and one a grass fire. One roof fire was caused by a spark from a chimney.

The Acton Firemen held 9 meetings and 14 lectures to date.

J. E. GAMBLE, Fire Chief

Churchill Church Marked Its 10th Anniversary Sunday

The 10th anniversary of the Churchill United Church was held on Sunday October 4th. Rev. J. T. Rees of Erin preached at both services. In the morning the choir was assisted by the Misses Graham, who sang two duets while their mother as accompanist. In the evening Misses Blanche McKinnon and Dorothy McKinnon sang two duets and Miss McKinnon rendered a solo. Mrs. G. Aitken was their accompanist.

Miss Margaret Brown of Acton was the pianist for both services. There was a splendid attendance at both morning and evening services.

## Truck Smashed Hydro Pole Driver Uninjured

Just before seven o'clock last evening a truck of the Peplow Transport went off the highway, half a mile east of Acton, and smashed one of the Hydro line poles, and smashed it in two and went careening along the ditch until it came in contact with a second pole before stopping and rolling over on its side. The driver stepped from the machine uninjured.

Power in Acton was interrupted for a few minutes. The pole which had the centre section entirely taken out carried a transformer and line which supplied Mr. R. N. Brown with power and the line was across the highway.

The truck was loaded with bales of excelsior and apparently started to leave the highway 100 feet from where the pole was struck. It appeared that the edge of the truck had taken the force of the impact as the front of the machine was undamaged. Traffic officer Ray Mason investigated the accident.

A CAT THAT WILL BE TWENTY IN FEBRUARY

We have listened to many unique stories by Andy Clark over the Neighbourly News broadcasts on Sunday mornings but few have told of the lives of cats in terms of years rather than in the proverbial nine lives. In our recollection few of them lasted more than five or six years and a lot of them never got their eyes opened.

But Mrs. C. J. vanGoozen, near Acton has a cat on her farm that will be twenty years old next February. It's only infirmity is deafness and it is still a good mouse-catcher. If any one has an older cat, we would like to hear about it as this one tops all in our recollection for longevity.

Mile of Money Raised Funds for Continued War Work

The finest and only fine Saturday in a month greeted the Lakeside Chapter's drive for a mile of money and as a result more than pennies were laid on the white lines of the sidewalks on Mill Street, presided over by members of the order and helpers.

Definite returns are not yet available but we understand the treasury of the Acton and Vicinity War Service League will be helped out by well over a hundred dollars as the result of this effort.

Penalty Imposed for Non-Payment of Taxes in Erin

By-Law Passed at Meeting of the Township Council on Monday

The Erin Township Municipal Council met at Hillsburg on October 6th, when the following business was transacted:

The Collector's bond was renewed with the Canadian Surety Co. Premium \$50.00.

By-Law No. 12 was passed, imposing a by-law penalty of 3% on all taxes not paid by Dec. 31st, 1942 and a statutory penalty of one half of one per cent per month or fraction thereof after that date until paid.

The County Treasurer was instructed to withdraw certain property from the Tax Sale.

The following amounts were ordered paid:

Indirect relief \$26.22  
Direct relief 20.00  
Erin Agricultural Society 100.00  
Sheep destroyed 71.50  
Roads 326.12  
Miscellaneous 52.22

Council adjourned to meet at Hillsburg on Monday November 2nd at 10 o'clock a.m.

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Auntie: "When I was a child, I was told that if I made ugly faces, I would stay like it."  
Little Pamela: "Well, you can't say you weren't warned, Auntie."

## Acton Institute Has Many Items At October Meeting

Mrs. J. F. Wilds was hostess for the October meeting of Acton Women's Institute. The motto "Magic beauty of snow and dew," was given by Mrs. G. H. Lantz. Current events were reviewed by Mrs. Collier. Roll call was answered by a current event.

After all reports were given the secretary gave a splendid report of the fair and the Institute had dinner and a very successful afternoon. Mrs. Fred Anderson was appointed delegate to the annual convention in Kitchener October 29th and 30th. Mrs. J. E. Gamble was appointed alternate. The branch also voted \$10. to the War Services League to help buy Christmas cake for the boys overseas.

The Institute had a real good test on the power order the street lighting had been reduced in Acton by 27 1/2 per cent. The regulations regarding window lighting were being observed without exception. The reduction on street lighting had been set at 20 per cent, so that Acton had almost doubled the reduction asked.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

Hydro Dept. 1.93  
Tyler Transport, gasoline \$ 5.76  
Acton Free Press, advertising 2.00  
Superior Electric Supply Co., supplies 1.93  
Federal Wire & Cable Co., supplies 4.55  
Moffats, Limited 20.10  
C. N. R., express 1.98  
Jas. R. Kearney Corporation, supplies 4.70  
MacDonald Electric Ltd., supplies 27.02  
Bell Telephone Co., use of poles 11.00  
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, lamps 108.54  
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, power 3,791.45  
J. C. Matthews, postage 10.00

Waterworks Dept. \$3,989.01  
J. B. Mackenzie & Son, cement 70  
Sequent Meters Ltd., repairs 45.92  
Canadian Brass Co. Ltd., supplies 13.45  
Reeve J. M. McDonald, Commission 60.07  
Hansen and Chairman M. Symon were present at this meeting on Tuesday evening.

Ladies Aid at Ebenezer Mark Fiftieth Anniversary

The Ebenezer Ladies Aid meeting was at the home of Miss Annie Fulton, on Tuesday. After business was concluded, it was moved that Mrs. Marshall be called on to recount the organization of Ebenezer Ladies Aid fifty years ago and give an outline of its history from that day to the present. In those days it was a new institution which appealed to the women and inspired them to faithful and loyal service to the church. They at times had differences of opinion but proved big enough of stature to look beyond and go forward. She asked the members as they started out on a new year to be spiritual, as well as money-minded and uphold a work that would influence the home, the community and the church. A social time was enjoyed over a dainty lunch and cup of tea served by the hostess.

During the fifty years the books show that the society raised over twenty thousand dollars, most of which was spent for the welfare of the church and parsonage. For several years the Guelph Salvation Army Band gave grand service at the garden parties.

The following is the historical sketch given by Mrs. Marshall.

The Ladies Aid Society of Ebenezer church was organized in the month of August 1892. The first meeting was held at the Parsonage. Rev. J. W. Robinson, pastor of the charge, was chairman and conducted the business of the meeting which was opened with a hymn, Scripture lesson and prayer. The election of officers then took place, which resulted in a unanimous vote for Mrs. Abram Easton, as president, a lady well qualified for the position. Mrs. John Marshall (continued on Page Eight)

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings in this issue. Other Events under this heading are charged in rate per line, with a minimum charge for one announcement of 25.

Play in Town Hall Acton, on Oct. 23rd, "Little Lord Fauntleroy," presented by Erin Dramatic Society and sponsored by Dublin and Bannockburn W.L.'s and the Scout Mothers. Proceeds for Acton W.S.L.