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Erin Council Makes Revision Of Assessments

School Area Plan Strongly Opposed by Several Ratepayers

The municipal council of the Township of Erin met in Hillsburg on June 30th. All members present; Reeve Huxley presiding.

The Council went into Committee as a Court of Revision as per adjournment of June 6th, when the following appeals were dealt with: Nick Semanyk, Lot 7 west, Concession 1, assessment \$3500, reduced \$1000; H. A. Harris, Lot 12 west, Concession 2, assessment \$2700, reduced \$200; Wm Overland, Lot 19, Concession 2, assessment \$4400, sustained.

The Court of Revision having completed its work, arose and reported the assessment roll as revised now stands for the year 1945.

The following tax arrears were struck from the Collector's Roll for the years 1940 to 1944 inclusive same to be deemed as uncollectible. Arrears of Dog Tax \$400. Business Tax \$8.24.

The following accounts were paid: General accounts \$ 139.00 Relief accounts 96.43 Road accounts 515.11

The question of a Township School Area was shelved for the present because of strong opposition on the part of several ratepayers.

Council adjourned to meet in Hillsburg on August 6th, at 1 o'clock p.m. or at the call of the Reeve.

MEMORIAL TABLET IN EBENEZER CHURCH FOR LATE JOHN MARSHALL

A memorial tablet in memory of the late John Marshall was unveiled in Ebenezer Church by his son N. S. Marshall. Rev. R. W. Pickersill who was in charge of the service read the following tribute:

"Just over a year ago there passed from our midst Bro. John Marshall. He was a good man and a great Christian. He loved his home and his children rise up and call him blessed. He was truly a pillar of this church and he labored more abundantly than most for its welfare. He was a trusted and honored public servant. Diligent in business, loyal to his church, a faithful friend and a wise counsellor, a valued teacher, he revealed most in preaching the gospel. His interests were many but his deepest devotion was to his Master. He was most respected by those who knew him best and after a long and useful life he passed to higher service in undimmed Christian faith. He was an example to all and his memory is an inspiration. To the Glory of God in gratitude for his life and labors we unveil this memorial to John Marshall."

The sermon was addressed primarily to the young people from the text, "Teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Appropriate music was provided by the choir.

Four children, eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren were present at the service. One grandson was absent on military duty.

ERAMOSIA COUPLE HONORED BY FRIENDS AND OLD NEIGHBORS

A very happy social gathering took place, one evening last week when Mr. and Mrs. William Gamble were honored by neighbors, friends and associates of the Stone Church, Eramosa at the farm which has been their home for many years. The pleasure of the evening was tinged a little with regret as Mr. and Mrs. Gamble are leaving the neighborhood for their home on Park Avenue, in Acton and will be greatly missed.

After a short but very fine program of duets, solos, readings and instrumental ending with a hearty song sung by the chairman Mr. Fred Oakes asked Mr. and Mrs. Gamble to come forward. Mrs. Fred Scott read an address expressing most fittingly the feelings of the community toward Mr. and Mrs. Gamble and Mr. Harry Love presented them with a very fine floor lamp.

After Mr. Gamble had made a suitable reply and expressed his keen appreciation of the honor paid, Mrs. Gamble and himself at being made the recipients of such a beautiful and timely gift, and also the pleasure they had enjoyed in this friendly neighborhood and their regret at leaving it, short speeches were made by Mr. James Oakes, Mr. Henry Benham, Mr. Ernest Croft and Mr. Roy Leslie. Delicious refreshments were then served and brought the pleasant evening to a close.

When supplies of kapok for life rafts were cut off, a chemist at Canada's National Research Council devised a very satisfactory substitute cast-iron float.

ORANGE LODGE HERE TOOK PART IN PARADE AT WOODSTOCK

Members of the Orange Order in this district took part in the celebration at Woodstock last week. The hall at Crossons Corners is now the centre for the Order here and last Thursday there were sixteen members of the Ladies' Orange Association and six members of the Loyal Orange Lodge who went from here to Woodstock.

The Ladies' Association is the youngest branch in the province and they were highly complimented on their appearance in the parade at Woodstock on the twelfth.

BACK TO CIVILIAN LIFE



Flying Officer R. M. Aylsworth, of Trenton, who has opened a law practice in Acton following his discharge from the R.C.A.F.

Legion Purchases Property for Hall On Main Street

The property on Main Street, owned by Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lantz for the past twenty-five years and which has also been the local exchange of the Bell Telephone Co. has been sold to Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion and will be used as their new quarters in Acton. It is central, has plenty of land for expansion as required and would seem well suited for this purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. Lantz have purchased the cottage on Bower Avenue recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and will reside there.

The Bell Telephone exchange is having quarters in the William Block at the corner of Mill and Main Streets renovated and put into condition suitable for the Acton exchange. The office will be larger and is the section formerly occupied by the Bank of Nova Scotia before the erection of their new building.

DATES FOR FAIRS IN ONTARIO FOR 1945 ARE ANNOUNCED

The list of Fall Fair dates has been issued this week for the Province of Ontario. It includes 231 fairs being held this year, a slight increase over the number held in the province last year. The following are dates of the fairs in this district in which our readers will be interested:

Brampton	September 1-3
Fergus	September 7-9
Georgetown	September 7-8
ACTON	September 14-15
Cooksville	September 14-15
Orangeville	September 11-12
Galt	September 20-22
Grand Valley	September 20-21
Shelburne	September 18-19
Bolton	September 25-26
Caledon	September 28-29
MILTON	September 28-29
Aberfoyle	October 1-2
Erin	October 6-8
Markham	October 4-6
Streetsville	October 3
Teeswater	October 2-3
Woodbridge	October 2-3

NEW WHALING SHIPS

LONDON — Wireless installations, hospital, dispensary and fresh water plants are part of the equipment of the first of the new British whaling factory ships. The ship, the "Southern Venture," is constructed according to the latest ideas, including a plant for oil and the dehydration of whale meat. The wireless installation enables constant communication with the whale catchers, and there is also apparatus for direct communication with Britain. The equipment is so complete—even to the extent of a hospital and dispensary—that the vessel is able to remain at sea for very long periods. A constant supply of fresh water is provided by a plant with a capacity of 750 tons a day.

Plans for Reservoir and Water Mains Now Approved

Concession Made Where Farm Lands are on Extension—May Take in New Subdivisions if Survey is Made in Time—Tenders for Work to be Called for at Once—Joint Meeting Council and Utilities Commission

Acton Council and Public Utilities Commission met last night. Councillors W. J. O. Oakes, J. F. Davison, J. H. Boulton were present with Commissioners C. M. Jansen and H. MacArthur and Reeve J. M. McDonald presiding.

The plans and specifications of the proposed reservoir at the spring property were gone into and accepted by the meeting as submitted by the engineer, Mr. Anderson.

The proposed extension to the water mains was also gone into very fully.

The engineer was authorized to advertise the plans of the Council of installing water mains and reservoir for the Corporation.

The Council felt it was only fair that the owners of farm property should not pay frontage tax on farm lands, but if said lands were divided into building lots a frontage tax would be charged. The following motion was then passed by the Council:

That the Reeve be instructed to approach the owners of farm property affected by the proposed water-works extension informing them that they will be assessed for a frontage of 66 feet as long as property is used for farm purposes and when property is sold or used for residential or other purposes, the regular charge pertaining to the village will come into effect.

Mr. Anderson suggested that a commercial testing laboratory be named to check pipe materials and concrete mixture to be used on the jobs. Council will take this matter up at the regular meeting.

Engineer Anderson is to have a number of copies of the maps of the proposed extension made and forwarded to the Clerk.

A number of proposed subdivisions are projected in the Corporation and if plans of these subdivisions are submitted in time, it was suggested that the water mains should be laid when the equipment was here and so save the cost of moving the equipment.

A motion was passed authorizing the Reeve to issue a Proclamation as in other years, proclaiming August 6th as a Civic Holiday.

Another joint meeting is to be held when tenders are to be received and opened, with the Council and Commission.

Rockwood Girl Injured When Milk Truck Wrecked

Struck by the C.P.R. gas-electric passenger train at the Victoria Road crossing in Guelph just before eight o'clock last Thursday morning, a milk truck was badly damaged, with cab and engine practically demolished.

Vera Thatcher, 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thatcher, Rockwood, was a passenger in the truck, and received injuries necessitating her removal to the General Hospital. William Graham, driver of the truck, was uninjured. He resides at 150 Queen Street, Brampton.

Miss Thatcher, recent graduate at the Guelph Collegiate-Vocational Institute, had been employed as clerk in the office of the Federal Wire Co. in Guelph since April. She had obtained a ride from Rockwood to Guelph on the truck.

Graham told police that he stopped for the crossing, then was proceeding over the intersection at a speed of about five miles an hour, when he saw the approaching train. Throwing the truck into reverse he tried to back from the track, but the truck moved too slowly. His truck had contained 27 eight-gallon milk cans, three of which were full. The vehicle belonged to M. G. Altman, Brampton.

CRYSTAL AND CHINA SHOWER BY FRIENDS FOR MISS M. TOOGOOD

Miss Annetta Evans and Mrs. W. Stuthers entertained at a crystal and china shower at the latter's home on Monday evening in honor of Miss Margaret Toogood, a bride-to-be of this month.

After games and contests the gifts were brought in to the bride-elect. After opening the gifts, Margaret thanked her friends for the lovely things.

Afterwards a dainty lunch was served by the hostesses assisted by Miss Georgina Mitchell, Mrs. Fred McCutcheon and Mrs. Albert McCutcheon.

Acton Contributions To Hospital Fund Still Short of Mark

The Acton Y.M.C.A. Club Committee in charge of the Acton campaign for \$1200 to contribute to the building fund of the Sick Children's Hospital report the following contributions this week:

Acknowledged last week	\$290.50
Storey Glove Co.	50.00
James McCullough	50.00
Bazaar held by Joyce Greer, Helen Keelan, Billie McHugh and Jim Greer	12.70
Rev. E. A. Pulker	2.00
Acton Creamery, Ltd.	25.00
Mason Knitting Co.	25.00
Mrs. M. D. Nicklin	5.00
Ben Robertson	5.00
Mrs. W. F. Jiggins	2.00
Miss M. Macdonald	5.00
James H. Reid	2.00
E. E. Barr	5.00
John Lambert	2.00
Employees Acton Machine Shops	5.00
Fred Blow	10.00
Wm. A. Mainprize	1.00
A. Brown	1.00
Mrs. Kingshott	1.00
G. Ragnvaldson	2.00
Miss K. Rozell	1.00
Frank Toth	1.00
E. Jennings	2.00
E. Braida	2.00
J. K. Gardiner	2.00
E. J. Haasard	5.00
Herb Law	10.00
H. H. Hinton	5.00
Anonymous	10.00
H. Wiles	10.00
L. Agar	5.00
W. D. Talbot	5.00
Jack Hargrave	5.00
Joe Whitham	10.00
Frank MacIntosh	5.00
Rev. F. Thomson	10.00
Rae West	1.00
Thumbs Up Euchre Club	5.00
W. J. O. Oakes	5.00
A. B. McLean	2.00
K. A.	1.00
Lorne School Pupils and Teacher	10.00
James S. Bitts	1.00
B. D. Ruchlin	25.00
Acton Branch No. 197, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L.	36.00
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Musselle	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Elliott	6.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wright	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. Leishman	1.00
Mr. Bowman Nunn	1.00
Mrs. Robert Wallace	1.00
Miss Annie Black	1.00
Miss Mabel Early	1.00
Miss Margaret Thompson	1.00

FORMER AIRFORCE OFFICER TO OPEN LAW PRACTICE IN ACTON

Another serviceman from out of town has selected Acton as his community for post war service. Flying Officer R. M. Aylsworth, B.A. has opened a law office here under the firm name of Langdon and Aylsworth and in partnership with Mr. K. M. Langdon of Georgetown. His office is in the Cooper Block on the corner of Mill Street and Main Street and he and Mrs. Aylsworth will reside on Bower Avenue.

Flying Officer Aylsworth is a 1931 graduate of the University of Toronto, receiving his B.A. degree at that time. He graduated from Osgoode Law School in 1938. He practised in Owen Sound and Meaford until 1943 when he joined the R.C.A.F. He was a navigator in the Bomber Command, was shot down over Germany in March of this year and was a German prisoner until he made his escape back to England. He has just received his discharge from the Airforce and is getting established in Acton.

Flying Officer Aylsworth is a son of Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Aylsworth of Trenton. His wife was before marriage Miss Patricia J. McFayden, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McFayden of Fort Frances.

TUBING SPECIALISTS

LONDON — One British firm of specialists in metal alloys has during the war produced 172 million feet of aircraft tubing—enough to stretch 14 times round the world. The Government requested two firms, just before the outbreak of war to concentrate on the manufacture of these tubes for the expansion of the R.A.F.

In addition to tubing supplied for aircraft 7 million tubes of special "Yorvalbr" brand of aluminium brass for the Navy and Merchant Service has been produced. In all more than 100 first class warships and numerous smaller ships were supplied with this vital equipment. Frequently, ships suddenly requisitioned to take cargoes to Russia had to be hurriedly fitted with tubes for accommodation, heating and de-icing.

KNOX CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS HOLD ANNUAL PICNICS

Knox Y.W.A. held their annual picnic at Mrs. George Musselle's last Wednesday. It was in the form of a quilting in the afternoon, then in the evening everyone enjoyed a pot luck picnic supper which was followed by games, several solos and a sing song.

A joint picnic of the Knox Choir and Young People's was held Saturday afternoon in spite of the bad weather. An afternoon's entertainment was enjoyed by everyone in Guelph and supper was held in the club room of Y.W.C.A. at Guelph.

PRISONER OF WAR HOME



CSM J. Irvine, who has been a German Prisoner of War since the Dieppe raid was among the soldiers who were welcomed home to Acton during the week.

Eramosa Council Makes Presentation To Frank Day

Frank Day, recently retired clerk treasurer-collector of Eramosa Township, was guest of honor at this week's township council meeting.

Reeve D. D. Gray, in the presence of Township officials, took the opportunity to express appreciation of the township for Mr. Day's faithful and efficient service to the municipality as clerk, treasurer, and collector for many years. On behalf of the township council and officials, Mr. Day was presented with an easy chair.

Mr. Day thanked council and officials for this gift and expressed his appreciation of the co-operation he had received during his term of office.

He went on to say that Eramosa township has a tradition of honest and efficient government, which every member of council and officials should maintain. Each member of council and officials spoke of the fine co-operation in their township associations with Mr. Day.

Arch. McNabb presented the auditor's report for the period of January 1st, 1945 to June 30th, 1945, which was accepted on motion of Councillors Benham and Rutherford.

Correspondence from the County of Wellington in regard to the disbandment of the civil guard was ordered filed.

Routine matters in regard to roads, weed control, and tax arrears were discussed.

The clerk was instructed to secure information as to the procedure in adopting the 1945 assessment for 1946, and changing the period of assessing in the township to the summer months.

Accounts amounting to \$962.70 were passed for payment and council adjourned to meet at the call of the Reeve.

VARIED PROGRAM AT JULY MEETING OF KNOX W. M. S.

Knox Church W. M. S. held their meeting at the Manse on Thursday last. Mrs. Thomson was in charge of the meeting. The devotional period was taken by Miss D. Folster reading the Scripture lesson and Miss Ruby Clark leading in prayer.

The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were then given. Miss Bella Rozzell favored the society with a solo entitled "Teach me to pray" which was enjoyed by all.

At the June meeting, it was decided to issue Mite Boxes to the ladies of the congregation, for the purpose of raising the Peace Thanksgiving Fund Mrs. Mainprize took the opportunity of explaining to the Society for what purpose the Fund was being raised.

Another item of business was a request for clothing and quilts for the hale to be sent to needy ones in the West.

Miss Isabel Anderson then gave a very interesting talk on the Life and Labors of Dr. David Livingstone. Mrs. Robt. Patterson offered the closing prayer, after which refreshments were served and a social half hour was enjoyed.

More Acton Soldiers from Overseas are Welcomed Home

This past week has brought more happy reunions in homes in Acton and district as another group returned from overseas.

Company Sergeant Major J. Irvine has been a Prisoner of War since the Dieppe Raid. It was back in August 1942 he was first reported missing. The month previous he had been awarded the Canadian Efficiency medal. In May this year he was reported released and back in England and last week he was greeted home by Mrs. Irvine and their two sons Keith and Teddy.

Overseas for four and a half years, Cpl. Geo. Ingles arrived back in Canada last week and was greeted by wife, family and friends. He is with the Lorne Scots and having 30 days leave before proceeding for duty in the Pacific.

Pte. Percy Elliott is another Acton soldier to return. His wife and babe had preceded him to Canada and with parents and family were on hand to welcome him back after several years overseas.

Cfm. W. Hall, a brother of Mrs. H. Fryer, Acton, was another local man to return during the week and he was welcomed home again.

Cpl. Frank A. Vanwyck was also a returning soldier aboard the Ile de France. Frank's family have renounced to London since he enlisted and he of course went direct to the new home and has not yet come to Acton.

UNITED W. M. S. MET AT THE HOME OF MISS M. Z. BENNETT

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church was held at the home of Miss M. Z. Bennett on Tuesday evening with Mrs. E. J. Caldwell presiding. The devotional period was in charge of Mrs. A. Orr, and Mrs. A. W. Fosbury contributed a fine solo.

There will be no August meeting. Mrs. W. McDonald was appointed secretary of the Life Membership department. A paper on "Tithing" was given by Mrs. H. McArthur and a talk on that subject by the president. A committee was appointed on new membership for the Society.

Miss Bennett assisted by Miss D. Simons served light lunch. A vote of appreciation was given Miss Bennett for her home.

UNITED SUNDAY SCHOOL HOLDS ANNUAL PICNIC AT RIVERSIDE PARK

The Acton United Sunday School held their annual picnic in the Riverside Park, Guelph, last Wednesday, July 11th. It was rather chilly, but everyone enjoyed themselves. In the afternoon the children played on the swings and discovered the different sights in the Park. After supper the following races were won as follows:

Under 4 — Claire Lambert, Betty Bean, Marie Lambert.

Under 6 — Claire Lambert, Jimmy Cullen, Sheila Fosbury.

Girls, 6, 7 and 8 — Betty Mae Lambert, Marie Chandler, Nancy Lambert.

Boys, 6, 7 and 8 — Gerald Hunt, Emerson Baxter, Johnny Huffnagle.

Girls, 9 and 10 — Chris Lamb, Joyce Lambert, Joan Chandler.

Boys, 9 and 10 — Army Thorarinson, Ronald Rolston, Jimmy Hunt.

Girls, 11 and 12 — Lorraine Roabell, Ina Harding, Barbara Mooney.

Boys 11 and 12 — Dave Richardson, Girls 12-16 — Shirley Rolston, Helen Fluelling, Johanna Veldhuis.

Wheelbarrow race — Ronald Rolston and Dave Richardson.

Shoe race — Barbara Mooney. Whispering relay — Mrs. Earl Lambert's side.

Kicking the shoe — Mrs. Richardson. Then for awhile some of the people played ball and when everyone was tired, they started for the care after a very successful picnic.

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Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, at cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 5c.

Bingo every Tuesday night in St. Joseph's Hall. \$2.50 in vouchers. Admission 25c. 3-12

Knox Church daily vacation Bible school, Tuesday, July 24 to Saturday, July 28. 9.30 to 12 a.m. Children 3 to 15 years.

Bingo in Acton Town Hall, Monday July 30, at 8 p.m. Anonymous Victory Club. Proceeds for Sick Children's Hospital and War Service League. Good prizes. Quits draw. 3-3