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Street Location Changed To Allow Factory Expansion

Council Co-Operates with Group to Re-Organize Athletic Association to Promote Sports for Children—Returned Soldier Engaged as Municipal Employee—Amendments to By-Law Made

Councillors J H Creighton, J H Bolton W J O Oakes and F Davison were present and Reeve J M McDonald presided at the meeting of Acton Council last evening

Messrs Fred Dawkins and Ray Mason were present to discuss with Council the reviving of the Acton Athletic Association It was hoped to raise funds through the winter to support baseball hockey and sports for the young people and have plenty of games for the children Council assured every cooperation possible during their term of office The committee asked use of the hall for dances one night a week to raise funds

It was planned to organize a citizen's committee and promote a playground and sports particularly for the benefit of the children Use of the hall was granted without charge, provided the premises be kept neat

W D Talbot, supplies	$ 38 18
J H Mackenzie & Son, sup	98 30
Moss Garage repairs	1 55
Wm Cooper police uniform	17 00
W Coles re clerk and bailiff	8 00
Acton Public Utilities Commission, various municipal services	199 01
Symon Hardware supplies	1 60
Delegates expenses to Firemen's Convention	13 60
Donald Inspection Co service	18 00
Bell Telephone Co services	11 81
Stewart Elliott re V-J Day Celebrations	5 00
Harry Oakley cutting wood	28 05
Norton Motors Ltd account	15 23
Acton Milton Georgetown Public Health Nurse Committee	142 60
	$518 31

A letter from Arica Limited asked that Maple Avenue be moved back to allow for extension of their plant The Company now owned the land back of Maple Avenue and were prepared to give land for the new street in lieu of the present street The owners of property in this section were agreeable to the change and the place for the new street was more suitable A plan showing the location of the properties was presented to Council Mr Dunn of the Armaco Co was present to discuss the matter with Council The plan was approved and the Company agreed to make the legal transfers of the properties

The sidewalk on Mill Street east was considered and a 5 foot 4 inch sidewalk would avoid cutting the trees This width was considered satisfactory

A copy of a motion passed by the Public Utilities Commission was forwarded Council in order that a by-law could be prepared to assess for waterworks frontage on property being served even if such properties had no street frontage

The by-law was read by the Council and will receive final reading at next meeting This by-law also provided for the frontage assessment on farm lands

Arrangements had been made to provide a debenture book for the municipality

Correspondence in connection with the release of Thomas Harris was read He had now left the employ of the municipality

A letter from M E Cutting a returned soldier, made application for the position of town employee and truck driver He was now working as a temporary employee It was decided to make the necessary application and engage Mr Cutting for the position

The Clerk was instructed to check all the deeds for Waterworks frontage on the section in which new mains are being laid

The Clerk was instructed to alter the by-law regulating stop traffic to make the intersections at Church and Frederick and Church and Elgin Streets "Slow" instead of "Stop" Streets This will require the approval of the Department

It was decided to hold a meeting of Council on October 3rd, when all owners of properties who will be affected by the sewer lines crossing their properties would be requested to attend These parties were to be notified of this meeting by letter, when the matter could be discussed thoroughly

A by-law was passed to authorize the signing of an agreement with the Canadian National Railway to construct a water main under the railway on Main Street.

In view of the receipt of the indemnity bond from the Knowles Construction Company, the Clerk was instructed to return the marked check held by the Corporation.

Sergt. J. Boyes Japanese Prisoner Reported Well

Mr and Mrs H O Boyes received the joyful news this morning that their son, Sergt Jack Boyes, who has been a Japanese prisoner since the fall of Hong Kong is safe and well

The cablegram from his wife in England read "Received letters from Jack Fit and well Flying to Calcutta Will be home soon Cheer up"

Meagre reports have been received from him at long intervals in this period A host of friends rejoice with Mr and Mrs Boyce in this great news

SOCIETIES IN ACTON ARRANGE FOR COLLECTION OF CLOTHING

The United Clothing Collection for relief of bombed victims is sponsored in Acton by The Duke of Devonshire I O D E, Lakeside Chapter I O D E and the Women's Institute Collection will be made from October 1st to 20th and clothing will be forwarded to the National Clothing Collection for the U N R R A

President of Storey Glove Co. Died Suddenly Saturday

Wm. Arnold, Prominent and Beloved Citizen of Acton for Thirty Years

Acton community was indeed shocked to learn of the sudden passing on Saturday evening of William Arnold, President of the Storey Glove Co. Limited and one of the best known and highly esteemed citizens of Acton Mr Arnold had been about as usual that day which was Fair day in Acton We saw him as he watched the parade of school children to the park the boys and girls in which he was deeply interested and never tired of and one their enjoyment That evening at his home he suffered a severe stroke and passed away immediately He was in his sixty-fourth year.

A son of the late H T Arnold he was born at Glenwilliams and came to Acton with the family when his father established a glove factory here For several years later he resided in Georgetown, returning to Acton thirty years ago when the Storey Glove Company was purchased by Mr Arnold, Sr For several years William Arnold has been President of this old established company and production manager of the plant here and his work has had marked success and achievement in industry

Besides his wife, who was before marriage Miss Eleanor A Langan, he is survived by three brothers and two sisters, Roy R of Acton; George and F. L. Clarke and Mrs Gilbert McNichol of Georgetown and Mrs Geo C Brown of Norval To all of these sympathy of many friends goes in their sudden bereavement

Acton and its citizens of all ages have lost a great friend in the passing of Wm Arnold We knew him intimately, as did hundreds of other citizens, because he was a friend of all and was never too busy to exchange help in a friendly way For several years he served as a member of the Acton Council and during that time when Acton waterworks was installed He gave freely of his time and ability and few will ever know the great service he rendered at that time.

But Wm Arnold was a man who found not sectional but all parts and all citizens of the community interesting He derived real pleasure and aided the children to enjoy life He gave his support to maintaining and bettering the community fully. We will all miss him but were indeed privileged in knowing him and his broad philosophy of life Acton was enriched by his having passed this way.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon with service at the home, conducted by Rev. Forbes Thomson Here many friends gathered in final tribute to this outstanding citizen. A wealth of floral tributes also bore testimony of esteem and sympathy for the bereaved. Interment was made in Fairview Cemetery, Acton. The pallbearers were Messrs. Frank McIntosh, Neil McNabb, Herbert Ritchie, R. Spellvogel, E. Marzo and Gordon Currie.

Stuart Lowrie Released from Jap Interment

Friends will rejoice with Mr. Robt. Lowrie in the news received this week from the Colonial Office that his son Mr. Stuart Lowrie has been released from a Japanese internment camp A wire to this effect was received during the week-end This is the first word that has been received regarding him in two years

Stuart Lowrie was representative of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Co at Singapore and was taken a prisonor when that base fell on February 15th, 1942 Since that time only a few brief messages have been received concerning him Acton friends rejoice with the father and family that news of his release has come

UNITED CHURCH W. M. S. MAKES PLANS FOR THANKOFFERING MEETING

The regular monthly business meeting of the Woman's Missionary meeting of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs R L Johnson on Wednesday evening with Mrs E J Caldwell presiding

The devotional period was taken by Mrs F J Caldwell, Mrs E T Thetford and Mrs R L Johnson

Arrangements are being made to have Mrs Self president of the Dominion Board as guest speaker for the October meeting Invitations have been extended to the local societies An invitation was extended to the ladies to attend the Georgetown societies Thank Offering meeting on October 2nd Mrs J Moore gave a very splendid report on the bale which was packed here A donation was sent to the Hospital for Sick Children building fund

Mrs B Mowat introduced the Study Book Africa assisted by Mrs A W Foxbury Mrs F T Thetford Mrs C McDonald Mrs E Arnold Mrs J Lambert Mrs S Reid, Mrs J Gardiner, Mrs F Cleave Mrs R L Johnson, Mrs J Reid Mrs J Bell and Miss E Hawthorne

The Old Home Church Centennial Next Two Sundays

Preparations are completed for the Centennial of Acton United Church which will be observed next Sunday and the following Sunday with special services and an opportunity and invitation for old friends of the Old Home Church to visit again and enjoy the fellowship of the occasion An announcement in another column gives details of the services and the musical arrangements which will be a feature Rev Geo W Barker of Toronto, will be the preacher for Sunday

Plans have also been made for a Lunch to be served the visitors and this will give an opportunity for meeting those from out of town and re-union again,

A very complete historical booklet is being prepared and a limited number will be made available on each Sunday Not only is the history of the Church through the century reviewed, but the story of the church and its organizations as at present is given in picture and word form. The booklet also contains pictures of nearly all the ministers who have served and a number of the prominent laymen in the past century. It is a record that will be prized by all who called this church the Old Home Church in other years or at the present time

Air in Water Cause by Break in Spring Reservoir

Housewives and citizens have been complaining recently that Acton water was being chlorinated or treated in some way since occasionally it has a whitish appearance, which disappears in a few moments The water has not been treated in any way and is the same fine spring water we have always enjoyed.

That whitish color is caused by air which got into the mains a week ago and the wonder is that there was not an interruption in the supply While excavating for the new reservoir at the spring last week the earth was removed from the outside of the foundation around the pumphouse and a piece of earth and rock came away from the foundation of the building showing two holes which had been left there when the original building was being built, allowing the water to flow away in the excavation Prompt attention by Superintendent Wilson and his staff and the workmen at the spring got the hole plugged and there was no interruption of service Air however, got in the mains while the pumps were being thrown into operation

The work at the spring is making good progress The excavation for the reservoir there is nearly done and the forms are ready to go in for the cement walls and bottom of the tank When completed and the other spring is piped into the reservoir, it will allow the storage of water which is now running away in off peak hours and is needed during the day. The capacity of the new reservoir is 500000 gallons

Variety of Charges Heard in Police Court in Milton

Convicted of stealing a tire and wheel rim in Burlington Police Court last Friday, Jack Lavalle 17 Lucien Coupal 21 and Roger Valaquette, 18 all of Hamilton and Quebec were sentenced to 90 days in the Milton jail when they appeared before Magistrate Kenneth M Langdon here Wednesday afternoon

The three had been held by Roy Cooper Beach Blvd after a burglar alarm had sounded He found his car had been tacked up and all indications showed the process of the removal of tires Tools were lying on the ground Sergt J R Dunham, Burlington police made the arrests

David Berg, 13 Manning Avenue, Toronto, was sent to gaol for 10 days on a drunk driving charge "I have no sympathy for drunk driving," Magistrate Langdon said in passing sentence According to Provincial Officer Thomas E Logan the accused was involved in a traffic accident a half mile east of Tansley on Highway No 5, September 6 The accused said he was returning from a picnic and lights of the oncoming car blinded him. A careless driving charge was withdrawn by Crown Attorney W. J. Dick.

Pte. W. D. Little, Palermo was assessed $15 and costs or 15 days when he entered a plea of guilty to a charge of careless driving According to the evidence heard a week ago, he crashed into cars owned by Norman Lawrence and Austin Buck, parked in front of Bowes Church Highway No. 25 Provincial Constable E R Lemon was complainant.

Leonard Knabb, Acton, was remanded a week, when he appeared charged with stealing two bicycles. According to information laid by Provincial Constable Ray Mason, a lady's bicycle belonging to June Watkins and a bicycle owned by Ernest West were taken.

Another Success For 1945 At Acton Fair Last Week

Fine Showing of Stock and Program of Events were enjoyed by Crowd—Crowd of 5000 Attened Second Afternoon as the Skies Cleared — Concert and Two Dances on Two-Day Program—Improved Facilities for Showing Cattle Appreciated

Threatening skies had their effect on the 1945 Acton Fair, both in point of exhibits and attendance but a bright fall afternoon on Saturday saw a crowd and show that was up to average An estimated crowd of 5000 attended and in some departments the show established new records. Most notable of the increases was the exhibit of poultry which set a new high record for Acton Fair

Acton Fair and the grounds overlooked by the arena and the added facilities it provides Last year it was still being used for storage purposes and not released and the Board of Directors had no alternative but the concert in the Town Hall There was a good crowd and the hall was well filled The concert by the Jessie MacGregor Concert Party proved a good entertainment feature The artists were Miss Violet Murray, Scottish Soprano, Maurice Grunstead, Magician, Doreen Carlton a cordionist and the Kirk Twins dancing team with Miss MacGregor as accompanist Dr F G. Oakes president was chairman and briefly addressed the gathering.

A dance followed the concert and drew a capacity crowd The music was supplied by Dan Hill's orchestra

Saturday weather was appearing, but the opening with the occasional shower until noon It had an adverse effect on the exhibit of horses and cattle Work at was creditable showing in both these departments, Lower not up to that of some other year There was a fair exhibit of Heavy Horse and a good showing of Hog and Beef Dairy however the poultry exhibit was a real feature The building was arranged in the old fair and provided good accommodation for the exhibit

The hall exhibit this year was shown in the old drill hall It was crafted to flowers, fruits and vegetables and grain This spot proved the best Yet since the arena has been unavailable It was the best such exhibits held in the past three years, with a very fine showing of flowers

Saturday Afternoon

The Saturday afternoon show got under way as the school children from Acton and the district fell in behind Acton Boys Band for the colorful parade that starts the proceedings that day It was an all youth event and a real credit

There were decorated doll buggies and bicycles and quaint and colorful costumes For the best dressed child with doll carriage prizes were won by Jean McCrea, Theresa Arbic and Mary Hunter The best decorated bicycles were those of Johanna Veldhuis, Joan Somerville and Jean Wilds

Mr and Mrs Wm McGaughin, R. R. 4, Guelph, were the oldest married couple attending the fair this year.

The fair this year was officially opened by Mr J E Whitelock, agriculture representative for Halton County who congratulated the Board on their continuing success and maintaining a good show Dr F G. Oakes president of the 1945 fair, welcomed the crowd to the fair, drew attention to some of the attractions and hoped that all would have a good time

On the platform before the grandstand such well-known artists as the Rapleys in balancing, Will Davies, ventriloquist Jean Harris dancer and

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More Acton Men Get Home After Years Overseas

The Boys are Coming Back Home and Acton had a Fair Quota During the Week

Each week sees its homecoming to Acton of the servicemen returned from overseas and during the past week there have been many arrivals

Bdr J H Taylor arrived in Canada September 11th coming back to Canada from overseas on the Nieuw Amsterdam then visited his father in Acton the following day He was four years overseas out of the five years spent in the army His wife Mr. Miriam Taylor of Guelph and his father welcomed him back home His many friends are glad of his safe return

Pte Cecil Lambert came back to Acton on September 9th making the crossing on the Nieuw Amsterdam He has been overseas for four and a half years and spent only two months in the army in Canada before going overseas He served in the Italian campaign Before enlisting he was employed with Beardmore & Co His wife and family and parents both live and Acton welcomed him home again

L Cpl Dave Hodge returned to Canada on the Canadian destroyer H M C S St Laurent and arrived home last Thursday In the Canadian army for five years and three months he has spent four years overseas Before enlisting L Cpl Hodge was employed with Beardmore & Co He is a son of Mr and Mrs Walter Hodge Georgetown His wife (formerly Miss Agnes Chisholm) and friends welcomed him home to Acton

Another arrival for Acton via the New Amsterdam was Lieut Austin Buck who has been serving in India for two years and has been overseas for three years He joined the forces in 1939 and took part in the Leipan invasion in Burma and received the Burma Star

Lieut Buck arrived in Acton last Wednesday and was welcomed home by his sister, Mrs Alex Mann

Bombardier Norman A Price was another Acton soldier who came back to Canada on the New Amsterdam and arrived in Acton on Tuesday, September 11th He has seen over five years in the Canadian Army and four years overseas, serving in France Holland and Germany. He married while in England and hopes to soon be joined in Canada by his wife His brothers and sisters and Acton friends are glad of his safe return

PICTURES FROM THE 1945 ACTON FAIR

No. 1 shows the Best Baby Girl under one year, Leslie Ann Dubey and the proud mother, Mrs. Leslie Dubey, Acton. (2) Mrs. J. A. Massey, Acton, with Jonas Albert, the best baby boy under 1 year. (3) Dr. Frank G. Oakes, President Acton Fair as he welcomed the crowd to the 1945 event and told them of the many features. (4) Mrs. Dan McDonald, Limehouse with Keith Allan McDonald, the best boy under six months old. The Robinson Baby Show was again one of the attractions of Acton Fair.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings Concerts and other Events of a like nature are charged for at the rate of 1c per word Minimum charge 25c per announcement if by

Euchre at Fifrish Hall, Sept 20th, by St Albans Guild Lunch will be served 9-3

Busy Bee Dance, Brookville Hall, Tuesday, September 25. Galbraith's Orchestra 50c B

Euchre, Acton Ladies Orange Benevolent Association No 410 will hold a euchre in the I O L Hall, Crewson Corners Thursday evening, Sept. 20 at 8.30 sharp. Refreshments. Admission 25c. Everyone welcome.

Just think, winter is coming and before you know it you'll be digging that winter coat out of the closet. Is it clean? If not, don't leave it to the last minute. Just phone Mrs. Near, 42w and Kingsway Cleaners will give you pick-up and delivery service.