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## Council Asked for Licence To Open Second Pool Room

### Agreement Reached on Providing Lights at School Buildings — License Deferred Until Council Studies By-Laws Governing — Additional Police Protection Arranged for Halloween — Other Items from Last Night's Session

Councillors J. H. Creighton, J. H. Boulton, W. J. Oakes and F. Dayton were present when Acton Council met in regular session last night and Reeve J. M. McDonald presided. Miss Matheson was acting clerk in the absence of Clerk C. E. Leatherland.

Messrs. Chapman and G. A. Dills were present regarding arranging five or six lights at the school grounds. Location of the lights was given. Reason for the lights was to discourage gaudy parties using the grounds, who left objectionable material which the children found the following day. The matter had been taken up with the Public Utilities Commission and referred to Council for decision to include on the street lighting system. Council felt a fence around certain sections of the property should be provided and a gate on the school lane. The School Board agreed to pay the cost of the lighting each year. Council agreed to cooperate and instruct the Public Utilities Commission to make the installation.

Mr. R. M. Aylsworth was present on behalf of A. C. McGinn of Newmarket who had made application to open a pool room in Acton in the building at the corner of Main and Mill Streets in the building adjoining the present Bell Telephone office.

Council pointed out that they had given the matter no consideration and did not know what by-laws were on file governing pool rooms and the granting of additional licenses. Council agreed to give the matter consideration at the next meeting, when they had all the information available. Mr. McGinn assured Council that if the license was granted he would operate the pool room according to the regulations.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

J. B. Mackenzie & Sons, supplies	\$ 102.02
Symon Hardware, supplies	11.75
W. Fryer, wood	6.00
J. K. Gardiner, painting sign	1.25
Acton Public Utilities Commission, various services	198.98
Bell Telephone Co., services	10.87
J. M. McDonald, selecting jurors	1.00
E. E. Harrop, selecting jurors	1.00
C. E. Leatherland, selecting jurors	1.00
Knowles Construction Co., on contract	8500.00
Armstrong, Anderson & Co., engineering service	500.00
County of Halton, use of the grader	25.00
W. Cutting, labor	5.60
T. Rumley, filing saw	.80
Norton, Motors September account	31.11
Thos. Cutting, sanitary work	4.00
C. Art Scott, repairs to amplifier at arena	71.00
S. E. Harrop, postage	5.46
M. Cutting, oil	1.00
Mias Ross, copies of building by-law	5.00
Beardmore & Co., re building by-law	1.60
	\$9,484.44

Permission was granted Acton Boy Scouts to hold their annual Apple Day on Saturday, October 27th.

Reports were received from the Donalds Inspection, Ltd. on materials that had been rejected in the construction of Waterworks extensions.

Deputy returning officers were appointed for the Municipal elections in December, Matt Tyler, Robert Johnson, W. Cole.

A letter from Armaco Limited, confirmed the arrangements that had been made verbally with Council regarding the closing of a street at the rear of this property and transferring of other lands for street purposes. Mr. Dunn expressed appreciation of the Council's co-operation. The by-law necessary will be passed as soon as the required measurements are secured.

The Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion asked Council's usual co-operation in Poppy Day and Remembrance Day Service. The Council agreed to purchase a wreath, use the Council Chamber and furnish the usual programs for Remembrance Day.

Correspondence was read with St. Peter's Infirmary regarding an indigent patient. Authority was given the Reeve to sign the necessary forms.

A letter from Gus Mauro desired to provide entertainment for welcoming home of soldiers. The letter was filed.

A letter was read from Judge W. N. Munro regarding hearing of appeals against the assessment. One appeal

## Two and Half Tons Clothing Collected In Drive in Acton

It was almost astounding to see the fine collection of clothing assembled from Acton and district last week in answer to the appeal for good used clothing for Europeans. It was assembled last Wednesday at the Town Hall when 10 cars made a thorough pickup from every section of the town.

The Council Chamber, the committee room opposite and the main hall were jammed with boxes of clothing. A group of workers were busy at the hall all day Wednesday and Thursday arranging and packing the shipment.

When it was assembled and delivered to the railway station on Thursday it was found to contain 132 parcels in boxes weighing two and a half tons and the committee felt it was all good wearable clothing. Trucks were loaned on Thursday to take the shipment to the station.

In view of the fact that community sales have been held in Acton for three years and that systematic collection of salvage has been carried on for more than four years, the collection of clothing shipped might be termed marvellous.

## Workman Buried For Hour When Trench Collapsed

Frank Polozko and two other workmen narrowly escaped serious injury on Monday when they were caught in a trench in which water mains were being laid on Main Street and almost buried by a cave-in of earth and stone.

The accident happened shortly after three o'clock on Monday. Frank Polozko, who resides at 48 Markham St., Toronto, was in the trench when a large section caved in burying him above the shoulders. A big stone saved some of the weight of earth about his head. For an hour workmen dug to get him out and while working another section of the bank caved in, burying workmen. Finally,aving of Minilo and Joseph Kozmarak, 41 Queen St. East, Toronto; Dr. W. G. Kenney attended the injured men and Polozko was taken to Guelph Hospital by ambulance, suffering from bruises on his legs and chest. The other two men also sustained body bruises and hospital treatment to their home for a few days.

## REAL SCOUTING NEEDED FOR APPLES IN YEAR OF SCARCITY

Boy Scout Apple Day in Acton this year had to be postponed until the boys scouted some more apples in a year of scarcity. They have now rounded up twenty five bushels of fine Macintosh Reds and are prepared to offer them to the public next Saturday. They will be on the streets as long as the supply lasts and we advise getting yours early.

Apple Day is the only appeal the Scouts make through the year. It is the only tag day in which folks get something more than a tag for their contribution. The work of the Scouts is too well known to require any amplification. Saturday is Apple Day in Acton. A day of Canadian products.

## MIR AND MRS. BEAN ENTERTAIN UNITED CHURCH YOUNG PEOPLE

An enjoyable time was had on Tuesday evening when the Young People of the United Church held their first meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Bean. The games were in charge of the host, after which lunch was served by the hostess and Miss D. Simmons. Following this a presentation was made to Miss Lois Dawkins, whose marriage to Sgt. Bruce Williams takes place on Saturday. The meeting was honored by the presence of the groom to be.

Mr. Roy Wildgust of London, 21-year-old baritone, a former resident of Acton has won a scholarship to study voice at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia. He has already commenced his studies. Roy is a son of Mr. Harold Wildgust for a number of years leader of the Knox Church choir here.

## District President Addressed Meeting Of Acton Institute

The October meeting of the Acton Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. R. Blanche. The President, Mrs. Lappin was in charge. Members answered the roll call by their recollection of the first W. I. meeting ever attended. Some of these went back to the year 1912.

General business included plans to assist with the National Clothing Collection on October 18th. Mrs. W. Marchmont offered her home for an afternoon Euchre during the month. The financial report from the booth at Acton Fair was read and showed a fine cash balance on hand. The motto of the month "Homes finest ornaments are the friends that frequent it" was an open discussion led by Mrs. E. Anderson. Current events were presented by Mrs. R. L. Davidson, covering many items of interest to W. I. members.

The special feature of the meeting was the visit of Mrs. Lloyd Crawford of Campbellville, District president, who gave an interesting address on the privileges and opportunities that we as members of the organization enjoy. The making of money should not hold first place with us, Our Motto, "Home and Country" is the foundation of the Institute in general. The making and keeping of good homes should be our highest endeavor. Good homes provide, good citizens to enrich our country.

A social half hour followed, the group in charge being Mrs. Lovell, Mrs. Marchmont, Mrs. Lappin and Mrs. F. Anderson. Mrs. Earl Lambert expressed appreciation to the guest speaker, the hostesses and all who had assisted in any way.

The Victory Loan thermometer hasn't moved much yet. Your purchase will help warm up the loan.

## Victory Loan Opening Had Loan Touch That Impressed

### TWO SHOWERS HELD BY FRIENDS OF MISS LOIS DAWKINS

On Tuesday evening, October 16th, Mrs. Muriel Ralston and Mrs. Louisa Privately entertained at a Kitchen shower in honor of Miss Lois Dawkins at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bullock, Park Avenue.

The living room and brides chair were tastefully decorated for the occasion and the bride-to-be received a host of lovely, useful gifts. During the evening the guests enjoyed a big song with Miss Betty Gibson at the piano and two contests were won by Mrs. Ralston and Mrs. Ross Swackhamer. A brides wrap book was presented and each guest signed her name. A dainty lunch was served by the hostesses assisted by Miss Shirley Ralston.

Guests included Miss M. Z. Bennett, Mrs. L. O. Johnston, Miss Marjorie Gibson, Miss Beatrice Halley, Miss Mary Papillon, Mrs. Wm. Waterhouse, Miss Wynne Dawkins, Miss Anne Leahy, Miss Madeline Mellor, Miss Thelma Lappin, Mrs. Fred Kentner, Mrs. Ross Swackhamer, Miss Helen Simpson, Miss Millie Rowles, Mrs. Ed. Footitt, Miss Harry Murray, Mrs. R. Johnston and Mrs. Howard Dolphing.

An enjoyable evening was held on Friday, October 19th, at the home of Mrs. L. O. Johnston when Miss Marjorie Gibson and Mrs. L. O. Johnston held a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Lois Dawkins.

After some games were played the lovely gifts were brought forward for the bride-to-be to open.

Lois thanked her friends for the many lovely gifts and then a dainty lunch was served by the hostesses.

## Acton Soldiers Are Getting Back Home Again

### Five Arrivals on the Ile de France On Last Trip—Others Reach Acton

Lt. Stanley Joe, who has been in the Canadian Army for three and a half years, spending nearly three years overseas, returned to Canada on the Ile de France and arrived home in Acton on October 3rd. He served in Sicily, Italy, France, Belgium and Holland. He is a son of Mrs. Alex. Joe, Acton and his wife resides in Milton. Before enlisting he was employed with the Goodyear Rubber Co. in Toronto.

Cpl. Percy Nicholls, who arrived Sunday on the Ile de France, is visiting with his mother and sister, Mrs. R. Bean, Church Street. He served nearly three years overseas with the Sherbrooke Fusilier Regt.

Other men from Acton and district who were scheduled to arrive on the Ile de France this week are Pte. H. R. Lambert, Sergt. Ted Clifford, Pte. C. D. McDonald, R.R. 4, Acton; Pte. W. Crofts and Sgmn. W. H. Barber, both of R.R. 1, Acton. We have not at the time of going to press been assured that they have reached their homes here. We would appreciate receiving more information from these boys or from relatives to include details in our columns next week.

Acton and friends welcome these boys back. It is good to see them safe home again.

## Coming Events

Remember the Lakeside Chapter I.O.E. Bazaar to be held in the Town Hall, Saturday, November 24th. 14-4

Dance Acton Town Hall, Friday, October 26th. Auspices Acton Athletic Association, Rhythmic Orchestra. Admission 50c.

Maskerade Party and Dance at S.S. No. 7, Nazagawya, on October 31st, 1945. Admission 25c and 15c. Ladies Provide. Prizes given.

Dance in Ballinafad Hall on Friday, October 26th. Barden's Orchestra. Admission 35c. Sponsored by Bannockburn Women's Institute. Booth.

Euchre and Maskerade dance in L. O. L. Hall, Creswell's Corners, Thursday, October 25th at 8 p.m. Prizes for best dressed gent and lady. Refreshments. Admission 35c. 15-2

## Acton Audience Met the Boys and Paid Tribute to Those who Fell At a Victory Loan Gathering On Tuesday Evening — Entertainment Features also on Program.

It wasn't a concert or a service or a parade or an entertainment that marked the opening of the Ninth Victory Loan in Acton. Casting about for a term we might just call it a gathering of the town's folk in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening arranged by the Victory Loan Committee. At any rate it made a deep impression of a sense of duty on the good crowd that attended.

The Boys Band under the direction of Mr. C. W. Mason gave a program for half an hour. It continued to reflect the improvement in this organization and was a splendid group of selections, every one well rendered. The school Children's Choir under the direction of Miss L. Stewart, who is in charge of music at Acton Schools, gave two fine numbers, "God Bless Canada" and "Vente". Their accompanist was Miss Walker.

With Sgt. Ted Hansen at the piano, Mr. Charles Kirkness led in a quarter hour of community singing and it had the cooperation of the gathering especially the young folks. Most impressive was the brief "In Memoriam Service". Mrs. Cameron Leishman gave as a solo "The Lord's Prayer". Her accompanist was Miss Ethel Franklin. Then with all the hall lights out and a spotlight on the flag which was lowered to half mast, Reeve J. M. McDonald read the following list of names from those in Acton and district who have paid the supreme sacrifice.

AC E. A. Anderson; F/Sgt. K. H. Burk; P/O C. Easley; F/O W. R. Elwood; Pte. John Gibbons; Pte. Wilson Gordon; P/O J. T. Guthrie; Lieut. Joe Billet; Sgt. S. W. McCron; Sgt. William McCron; Pte. G. K. McLellan; Staff/Sgt. N. L. McNabb; F/Sgt. G. A. Molozzi; Wing Commander D. G. Morris; Cnr. F. Near; L/Cpl. A. E. Perryman; Pte. R. Robertson; L/Cpl. H. L. Simpson; Cnr. G. A. Smithurst; Pte. Jack Sweeney; Pte. G. H. Taylor; Sgt. Pilot L. C. Taylor; Pte. C. H. Webster; Pte. Cecil Wilson.

A moment's silence followed with the audience standing with bowed head and concluding with a brief prayer by Rev. E. A. Pulker.

And then the audience met a group of thirty ex-servicemen, most of them just back from overseas service. They were each introduced by Reeve J. M. McDonald and following the introduction of the whole group the audience gave a hearty applause and broke into the song which seemed most appropriate "For they are Jolly Good Fellows". The welcome was unofficial but it was sincere and spontaneous. Perhaps it was best expressed by Reeve McDonald in his introduction when he said "It is with a feeling of deep humility that I stand here and welcome home the boys who saved our freedom." Here are the servicemen who were introduced to the audience.

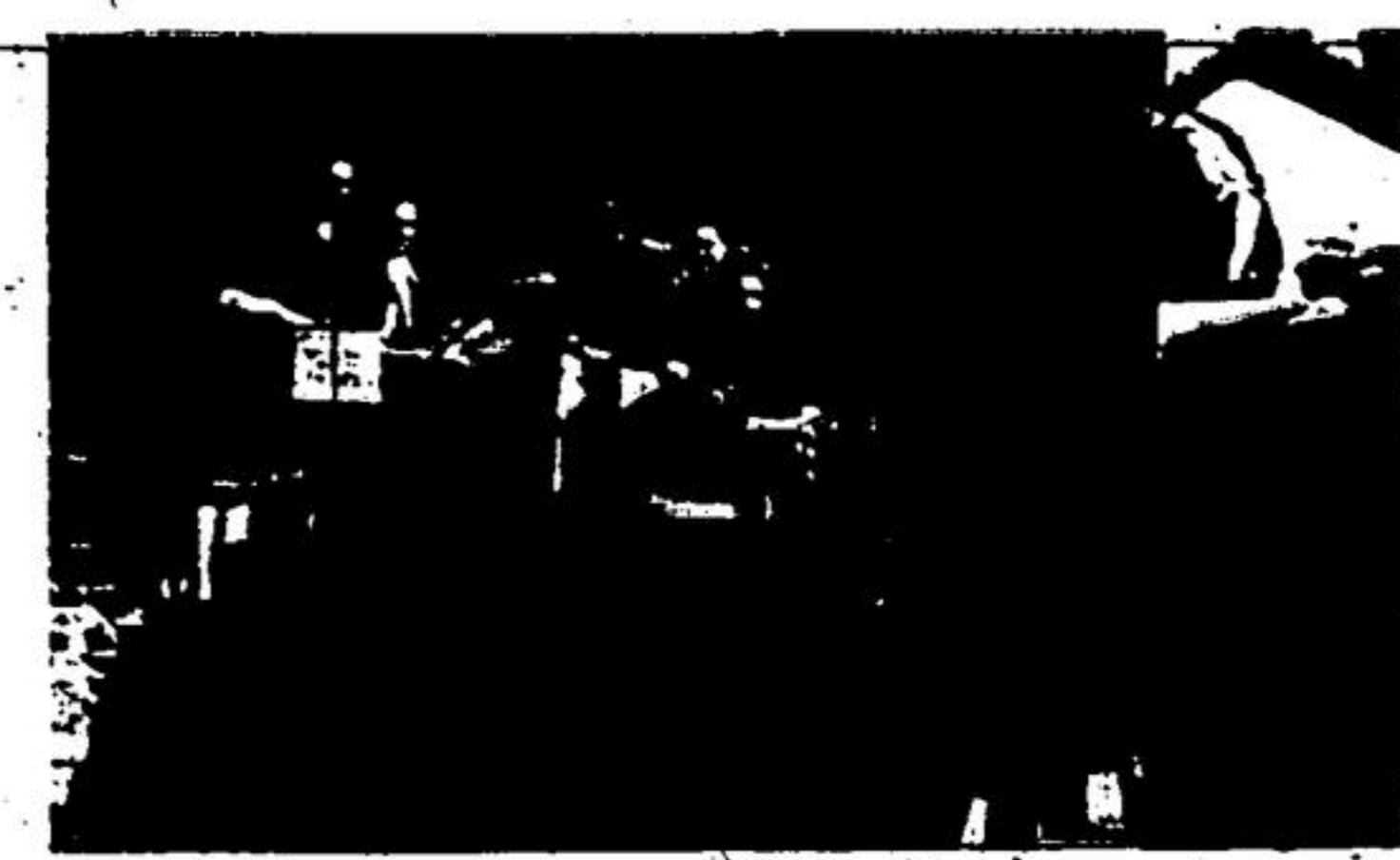
Hector Lambert, R.C.A.F.; Sergt. Matt Tyler; Sergeant Oshorn Pittman; Corp. Jos. Joque; John Nicol, Bat. S. M.; Sergt. Tom Nicol; Sergt. Lyle Cripps; Percy Elliott; Sergt. Bill Carman; P/O Ron Langford; Corp. Bob O'Hara; Corp. Harry Oterbein; Sgt. Kanak; Gunner Ford; Trooper M. McMillan; John McHugh; Bruce Barger; Harold Johnson; Gerry Pruce; Harold DeForest; Chief Petty Officer Verne Wheeler; Hamilton Peck; Cpl. C. Rognvaldson; Major Allan Buchanan; Ralph Aylsworth; Ted Hansen; Bill Finlay.

Sgt. G. G. McGregor of the Queen's Own Rifles, twice wounded and just returned from overseas brought a Victory Loan message. He was introduced by Mr. R. R. Parker. Sgt. McGregor told why the Ninth Victory Loan was needed. The wounded and returned men must be helped back to City Street. There were thousands who are recovering in hospitals and rehabilitation centres. He termed the rehabilitation program as wonderful and every course was available to the returned man. He urged purchase of the loan to help feed Europe and he urged servicemen to put their gratitude and savings into the loan and keep them there until the goods they wanted are available and his final exhortation was "Don't quit because the shooting is over."

Concluding features of the evening were the showing of two movies "Hollywood Cavalcade" and "Valiant Hearts". They also carried a message that brought home the need of putting the Ninth Victory Loan well over the top. Mr. J. H. Boulton, Chairman of the Acton and District Victory Loan Committee presided.

—Have you bought your Victory Bonds yet? Don't delay it until the conclusion of the campaign.

## SHIPPING 21½ TONS OF CLOTHING



Workers at the Town-Hall last Thursday loading part of the shipment of 21½ tons of Used Clothing to be sent overseas to keep Europeans warm during the winter. There were 132 cartons packed.