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## Construction Work 107th Anniversary In Industrial and Municipal Affairs

### New Factories and Expansion for Old Ones Rushing Before Winter Sets In

Construction of various types about town by the municipality, by industrial plants and some residential building forms quite a bit of news these days. At a time when most communities are contemplating what to do with construction put up in wartime, Acton is experiencing more industrial expansion than at any time in the past six years.

Bearmores and Co. are constructing a large filter bed east of town a mile or so, to work in conjunction with, and supplement their present disposal system. Shovels and trucks have been weeks at the construction already.

Armaco Limited have completed the exterior of the extension to their plant on east Bower Avenue. It is a cement and steel structure with built up roof and will double the floor space previously occupied by the company. A new storage shed for raw materials has also been built on their property. In the same section of the town the new plant of Macro Plastics is nearing completion of the exterior. The walls are finished and most of the roof on. Steel for the windows has arrived and is being put in. Fill ons made in preparation for laying the floor in the building and heating equipment is on the premises. Good progress has been made the past week.

Baxter Laboratories have purchased the property at the rear of their plant from Mr. Amos Mason. This includes the whole pond property that was drained a few years ago. At present a new building is being erected here to be used largely for storage purposes. This company has also arranged with the Mason Knitting Company for storage space at their plant on Guelph Street. Here a cement floor is being constructed in one of the sections and arrangements being made to provide heated storage space.

Residential construction is largely confined to two sections with here and there an individual house going up where lots are available.

In the section east of Guelph Street and the Crescent, Bearmores and Co. are erecting five houses. The cellars are excavated and foundations in and frame work of the houses well advanced. These are storey and a half homes of about five room size. Some have garages attached and all have basements. Foundation is in for another house on the north end of Crescent Street.

In the John R. Leishman survey excavations for two houses have been made, one for E. Tyler and one for Chas. Waterhouse. Material for the foundations is on the ground.

The reservoir at the spring property is completed and the pump placed in its new location. The fence has been erected around the buildings. It will be a great satisfaction to all to learn that present flow from the spring is keeping the reservoir full and the pump does not lower the level when in operation.

The watermain extensions are spotty. Queen Street, both east and west is completed, as well as Alice Street. On Main Street north the line is yet to be put under the C.N.R. tracks and the rock cut is not finished on Main Street. The Seine Street extension is not started through the rock. The main at Baxter Laboratories is still open with a pile of earth on the roadside. The extension into Wallace Avenue and East Bower Avenue has not been started. The pipes are on the ground but no excavating has commenced. More progress will need to be made if this work is to be done before the winter weather sets in.

### ACTON JUNIOR FARMERS' CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Acton Junior Farmers' Club was held at Lorne School on November 8th.

The following officers were then elected by ballot:

President Elwood Johnston,  
Vice-President Jack Van Giesen,  
Secretary Betty Wintle,  
Treasurer Edna Aitken.

Executive Committee: Gladys Leslie, Anna Aitken and Mansell Nells.

Pianist Donald Switzer,  
Assistant Pianist Mrs. Early.

The next part of the meeting was in the form of a social. The girls were auctioned off to the highest bidder and enjoyed with coffee. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

The answer to unemployment work. We can solve this problem for work for all if we all work at it.

Anniversary Services, commemorating the one hundred and seventh year of the congregation were held Sunday at Churchill. Rev. Fred Ainsworth, M.A., B.D., of Hornby was the guest preacher and delivered exceptionally thoughtful, interesting and inspiring sermons.

The choir provided an anthem at each service and in the morning Miss Blanche McMillan sang two solos accompanied by Mrs. Gordon F. Allen.

In the evening the Hillsburg Male Quartette gave two numbers and were accompanied by Miss Helen Akitt. Miss Joyce Fowler also rendered a solo in the evening. All these selections were well rendered and much appreciated by the congregations which filled the church to capacity.

Mr. Gardner of Acton assisted the choir and Miss Margaret Brown, wife of Acton very ably presided at the piano.

The thank-offering was generously supported by all present and the officials of the church are very grateful for all who assisted in making the anniversary so great a success.

### Important Night In Acton's Affairs To-morrow Night

To-morrow (Friday) night is Municipal Nomination night in Acton. It is always an important night in municipal affairs and particularly so this year. The Council and Boards chosen to conduct municipal affairs the next year will have more to do in shaping the future of Acton than has been the case for many years.

A backlog of municipal improvements has accumulated during the war years. There will be several to install, roads to fix, possibly new school buildings, renovation and improvements to present structures etc. that have been temporarily suspended during the past six years.

It will need men of some experience to carry out the program that faces the municipality. Be sure that there is a good list nominated to-morrow night because after all some of those nominated may decline to accept the positions offered to them. To-morrow night is important so set aside to devote to your community. Forget personalities and remember only that as citizens we want to see this community progress and continue to lead among the communities of this province.

### NEWSPAPERMEN MEET

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—More than 50 publishers and editors were present at a reorganization meeting of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island division of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association. C. R. Allan of the Hartland Observer was named president.

### Another Boatload of Reunion Comes to Acton This Week

#### Prisoner of War and Servicemen Get Home from Overseas

The Queen Elizabeth, which docked at Halifax this week with over 12,000 returning servicemen brought its boat load of joy to Acton homes. We met Mr. Robert Lowrie on the street yesterday morning with his travelling bag. He was bound for Toronto to meet his son, Mr. Stewart Lowrie, who was a Japanese prisoner from the fall of Hong Kong in 1941 and was due to arrive in Toronto last night.

Sgt. Peter Bunnell, who was overseas for two years, was an arrival in Acton last night. He served with the 2nd Field Company, Royal Canadian Engineers in Holland and Belgium. He was one of the group who came back to Canada on the Queen Elizabeth. His wife resides on the farm, R. R. No. 2, Acton and before enlisting he was employed with the Wool Combing Corporation.

We understand other men from Acton and district due to arrive in Toronto last night were Sgts. Geo. W. Williams, R.C.E.S., son of Mrs. and the late Lawrence Williams, Knox Avenue; Capt. A. D. Talbot, whose parents reside on east Mill Street; Pte. J. W. Swindlehurst, Pte. Ray Swindlehurst, Pte. N. E. Acton and Pte. T. F. Bragg, R. R. No. 2, Acton.

We hope to meet these boys before next week and would indeed be glad to have them or any other returning lads drop into the office. Facilities dig water services that should be fine and friends are indeed glad to have them home again.

### Council Grants Pool Room License as Application

Delegations and Individual Heard  
at Session that Lasted Until  
This Morning—Committee To  
View Arena and See if Repairs  
are Satisfactory—Approval of  
Location of Trunk Sewer is Given

REV. J. LAVELLE SMITH  
SPEAKER AT THE  
W.M.S. SERVICE HERE

The morning service, last Sunday at Acton United Church, was in charge of the Women's Missionary Society. The president, Mrs. Caldwell took part of the service and the society attended in a body.

Special speaker was Rev. J. Lavelle Smith, B.A., B.D., of Toronto. Mr. Smith gave a very interesting and informative talk on the work being done in All Nations Church in Toronto. This church situated in a district where people of many nations reside and in homes overshadowed by factory and industrial life presents a problem in Canadianization that is being met to some extent by this church. It proved a real missionary challenge to work very close at home.

Rev. Mr. Smith is a son of the late Rev. Mr. Smith who forty years ago served the old home church here and friends who recall him in his boyhood days here were very happy to meet him again and see him in the pulpit formerly occupied by his father.

Past President, Mrs. B. Mowat, President, Mrs. E. J. Caldwell, 1st Vice President, Mrs. S. J. Reid, 2nd Vice President, Mrs. N. H. Wilson, 3rd Vice President, Mrs. R. L. Johnson, Recording Secretary, Miss E. Hawthorne, Treasurer, Mrs. A. Tills, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. T. Brown, President, Mission Band, Miss M. Z. Bennett, Secretary, Christian Stewardship, Mrs. A. W. Forbes, Secretary, Temperance, Mrs. J. Symon, Secretary, Community Friendship, Mrs. E. Cleave, C.G.I.T., Mrs. G. Rossignoldson, Missionary Monthly, Mrs. E. Agar, Assistant, Mrs. B. Mowat, Miss E. Hawthorne, Baby Band, Mrs. R. McArthur, Supply Mrs. J. Moore, Associate Helper, Mrs. J. Gardner, Pianist, Mrs. R. Arnold, Assistant Pianist, Mrs. G. McDonald, Press, Miss E. Hawthorne.

The regular monthly meeting of Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. was held on Tuesday, November 6th at the home of Mrs. Alfred Fries, Bower Avenue.

The regent, Mrs. Geo. Musselle, was in charge and after the opening ceremony, business was discussed.

Plans were completed for the annual bazaar to be held in the town hall. Miss Jessie Russell was appointed to look after Christmas gifts for the northern school.

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