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Inaugural Meeting Acton Council Held on Monday

Appointments Made for the Year and Committees Named—Meetings to be Held Monday Evenings — Insurance Settlement Made for Town Hall Damage—Sewage Disposal Program Under Discussion — Estimates at Next Meeting

The inaugural meeting of Acton Council was held on Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. Councillors C. L. Cook, W. J. O. Oakes, J. W. Benson and J. H. Creighton were present, with Reeve C. L. Kirkness presiding.

The Reeve and Councillors signed the declaration of office and were sworn in by Clerk C. F. Leatherland. The whole council upon motion was made a striking committee to appoint committees for 1946.

The council resumed with the following committees being appointed: Finance Committee: J. H. Creighton, W. J. O. Oakes, Reeve C. L. Kirkness.

Fire, Light and Property Committee: C. L. Cook, W. J. O. Oakes, Reeve C. L. Kirkness.

Streets and Walks Committee: W. J. O. Oakes, J. H. Creighton, Reeve C. L. Kirkness.

Park and Link Committee: W. J. O. Oakes, C. L. Cook, Reeve C. L. Kirkness.

A motion was passed authorizing the Reeve and Clerk to pay debentures as they fall due and also to pay to the School Board as necessary according to their estimates to carry on the business of the School Board.

A by-law was introduced and read the required number of times authorizing the Reeve and Treasurer to borrow up to \$4000 to carry on the business of the Corporation until the current year's taxes are collected.

Mr. R. A. Johnson was present to discuss with council the operation of the arena. There is to be skating every evening except when there is a hockey match scheduled. Arrangements are to be made to insulate the ticket office and to procure a heater for this office.

The first report of the Finance Committee was accepted and the following accounts were ordered paid: Perkins Electric Co. Ltd. tickets \$ 15.35

Highway Garage, Des. acct 12.10

Acton Free Press, advertising and printing 70.30

Simon Hardware, supplies 13.68

J. B. Mackenzie and Son, supplies 67.78

Welfare Board 15.50

C. F. Leatherland, clerk's account 170.50

C. W. Kelley and Son, records 7.75

Salvation Army 15.00

\$387.96

A motion was passed making a grant of \$1500 to the Salvation Army.

The vital statistics report for the year 1945 was presented. The following is the report: births, 35, marriages, 14, deaths, 14.

Mr. Cutting requested an additional \$6 per hour wage. He is now getting \$6 per hour. The request was granted and Mr. Clifford was raised from 40 to 46 per hour.

Mr. Earl Johnson was hired to work at the arena at the rate of 40¢ per hour.

A motion was passed engaging Mr. E. E. Harrop as Municipal Officer at a salary of \$1500 per month.

Attention of council was drawn to the fact that the fill on the water mains on Main Street had settled and to meet the emergency the Corporation had made the fill and notified the engineer, who advised proceeding with this work so that no accidents occurred.

It was decided to hold the regular meetings of council on the first and third Mondays of each month excepting during July and August during which months the meeting will be called by the Reeve.

The Clerk reported that insurance on the outside tank had been cancelled. The adjuster for the insurance company had examined the damage to the Town Hall and former Reeve McDonald and Councillor Boulton had agreed to a damage settlement of \$335. The work was to be proceeded with by J. B. MacCawene and Son and Wm. McLeod who had prepared the estimates of the damage. The matter was left in charge of Councillor George, chairman of the town hall committee.

E. E. Harrop was appointed weed inspector for the year.

A letter from Mr. F. L. Wright enclosed forms for the fire tax. He pointed out that the coverage on the Town Hall was small in comparison with present day values. It was decided to refer this letter to the property committee to get from builders replacement value for the property.

A letter from Allied Industries Ltd. asked council to endorse the North

X-RAY ALL

CHARLOTTETOWN (CP) — Plans to x-ray all citizens of Summerside and Charlottetown this winter were announced by President Herbert Pletch of the Prince Edward Island Tuberculosis League. A mobile x-ray unit began operating in the province last summer and it was estimated two years will be required to x-ray all the residents of the island.

Inaugural and Extra Meeting of Eramosa Council Last Week

Street Lights to be Erected in Eden Mills — Request for Road to be Opened

The council-elect for the Township of Eramosa met in the Town Hall, Rockwood on Monday, January 7th, at 1 p.m.

Present were Reeve D. D. Gray, deputy-reeve Roy I. Leslie and Councillors Jos. K. Rutherford, Ernest H. Benham and Thos. G. Hutchinson.

All members subscribed to the Declaration of Office and took their seats as the council for the year 1946.

Reeve J. Ward of Rockwood United Church opened the proceedings with a short address and prayers for His Majesty the King, for the Dominion and for the municipality.

Four by-laws were given the required readings and passed. By-law No. 1 appointing officials for the year 1946 and fixing their salaries. By-law No. 2 requiring requisitions for schools and police villages to be in the hands of the council on or before March 31, 1946. By-law No. 3 authorizing borrowing from the Royal Bank up to \$15,000.00. By-law No. 4 fixing a maximum expenditure of \$22,000.00 on roads, machinery, and bridges for 1946, this amount including police villages.

The Reeve and Clerk were instructed to apply for the road subsidy on 1945 road expenditure.

The bond of the Treasurer was accepted as satisfactory on motion of Messrs. Leslie and Rutherford.

Messrs. Arch. McNabb and John H. Fox presented an interim auditors' report for the year 1945 which was accepted on motion of Messrs. Leslie and Hutchinson.

Messenger and Robbery Insurance on cash and securities was renewed on motion of Messrs. Benham and Rutherford.

On motion of Messrs. Hutchinson and Leslie the outstanding loan of \$10,000.00 from the Royal Bank was confirmed.

Messrs. H. Wharton and Geo. Richards presented a petition to council requesting the opening of a road along the town line between Eramosa and Nassagaweya Townships, connecting Line No. 1, Eramosa with Line No. 2, Eramosa. The clerk was instructed to write to the clerk of Nassagaweya Township requesting a meeting of the two councils to consider the petition.

Mr. Wilfred Curtis was present to inform council that he had a gander killed by dogs. No action was taken as the live stock Protection Act does not apply to poultry under 50 lbs.

Accounts amounting to \$402.79 were passed for payment and council adjourned to meet on February 4th at 1:30 p.m.

The council for the Township of Eramosa held a special meeting at Eden Mills Hall on Monday, January 7th at 8 p.m.

All members were present with the exception of Councillor T. G. Hutchinson. Also present were the trustees of Eden Mills and a good representation of the ratepayers of the village.

This meeting was called to review a petition of the ratepayers of Eden Mills for street lighting.

Correspondence was read from the Hydro Electric Power Commission outlining the cost of the proposed street lighting which would include six lights, the cost being \$140 per 15-watt lamp per annum.

On motion of Messrs. Chas. Young and L. W. Froad the present plans and estimates were approved by the ratepayers of Eden Mills.

Mr. Froad expressed the appreciation of the ratepayers to the Reeve and Council and to the members of the Hydro Commission for their presence and co-operation.

By-law No. 5 was given the required readings authorizing the township to enter into an agreement with the Hydro Commission for street lighting in Eden Mills and authorizing the Reeve and Clerk to execute the required agreement.

The meeting was adjourned by the Reeve.

WOUNDED NOW HOME



Mr. Frank Toth, who sustained shrapnel wounds in his right arm while serving overseas, arrived back home during the week.

LAKE-SIDE CHAPTER HELD REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.G.E. was held on Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Frank G. Oakes. The regent, Mrs. George Musselle was in the chair and after the opening ceremony, the business of the evening was discussed. A letter was read from the Legion offering their hall for the monthly meeting. This was accepted and it was decided to hold the meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The chapter also decided to support the I.O.G.E. memorial.

At the close of the meeting a nominating committee of Mrs. Garnet McKenzie, Mrs. Howard Switzer and Miss Julia Lesneswich were appointed. After the nominations a dainty lunch and a cup of coffee was served by the hostess and members of the group. A vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. Oakes by Mrs. C. I. Nelles and Mrs. Victor Alger.

JANUARY MEETING WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION OF UNITED CHURCH

The January meeting of the Woman's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. F. Cleave on Tuesday with Mrs. L. Agar presiding. The devotional period was also taken by Mrs. Agar.

Plans were made for the work for the coming year. The ladies are serving a hot lunch supper for the congregational meeting. Reports of the activities for the year were presented and showed a very successful year.

Rev. A. W. Fosbury closed the meeting. Mrs. Cleave, assisted by Mrs. A. W. Fosbury and Mrs. G. McDonald served lunch and a social time was spent by all in attendance. A very hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Cleave for her home and hospitality and also to the lunch assistants.

Acton Soldiers Who Came Home From Overseas Recently

Mauretania and Seythia Brought Quota of Actonians with Other Canadians

Sigmn Frank Jones returned to Canada on the Mauretania, arriving home last Friday. He has been in the army four years and served three and a half years overseas from France through to Germany. He was attached to headquarters C.A.G. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Jones, Acton and before enlisting was employed with the Storey Glove Co.

Mr. Frank Toth was another Acton soldier returning on the Mauretania. He was with the 18th Field Artillery for three and a half years and served two and a half years overseas. He was wounded at Caen last year with shrapnel in the right forearm. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Toth, Acton and before enlisting was employed at Norton's Garage.

Cpl. C. H. Duder Lindsay, R.U.A.C. arrived in Halifax on Saturday and back in Acton on Monday. He was a passenger on the 'Seythia' joining the army in Toronto, he spent three years overseas serving with the Canadians on the continent. Before enlisting, Cpl. Lindsay was one of the stars on the hockey and baseball teams and he tells us he has been doing a bit of it over there too. Hockey fans will therefore be particularly pleased on his return. His wife (formerly Miss Louise Leatham) and two children reside in Acton. All are glad to welcome these men back home again.

A. Padbury is Elected President Acton Branch Legion

At the annual meeting of Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion, the following officers were elected for the year:

President—A. Padbury
1st Vice-president—H. M. Aylsworth
2nd Vice-president—John Nicol
Hon. Sec.—J. Chapman
Cor. Sec.—F. G. Turner
Treasurer—Geo. Musselle
Sgt. at Arms—Ben Hayles
Asst. Sgt. at Arms—Earl Waller
Executive Committee—C. Leishman, L. Kirkness, Earl Davidson, E. L. Wright, Sam Snow, W. Burton

PASSENGERS AND CAR INTO WATER AFTER SUNDAY COLLISION

On Sunday afternoon two cars were involved in a collision on the Seventh Line east of Acton and one car landed in a water hole by the highway and the occupants had to stay in the vehicle until the tow truck could pull it back on the highway.

The accident occurred when a car driven by Ken T. Triller of 151 Suffolk St., Guelph pulled out to pass, a car driven by Alex McCormack of 201 Hamilton St., Toronto at the time the latter was making a left hand turn to enter a lane. Both cars were travelling south. None of the occupants of either car were injured but the cars were damaged. Provincial Constable Ray Mason of Acton investigated the mishap.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MARKED BY ROBERT WARNE'S

A very enjoyable time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warne R.R. No. 2 Acton on Saturday evening, January 5th, when they celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. The rooms and table were tastefully decorated in white and silver. After a bounteous buffet supper at 6:30 at which Mrs. Robt Kerr and Mrs. Jos. Allan poured tea, there was an old fashioned sing song, followed by musical and vocal selections by Mrs. Robt Kerr and Mr. Archie Kerr, Muriel and Helena Hills and Mr. Peter Bonnie. The latter just recently returned from overseas. Humorous readings were given by Mrs. Alvin White.

Rev. A. O. W. Foreman called on the bride and groom of 25 years ago to take chairs by a table where they read the many cards of congratulations and opened their gift boxes which contained many beautiful silver presents. The bride and groom thanked all for their lovely gifts.

Their groomsmen and many others made speeches extending best wishes and telling of the esteem in which this couple were held in the community and of their faithfulness at church and taking their family with them. Lively games were played for a short time.

Guests were present from Hespeler, Guelph, Acton, Limehouse and Toronto besides relatives and friends around Ballinfad and Churchill.

During the evening a telegram with congratulations was received from her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kenner of Boissevain, Manitoba. Their many friends wish them and their family many more happy years.

JUNIOR FARMERS HELD EUCHRE AND CROKINOLE

The Acton Junior Farmers held their regular meeting in Lorne School on December 27 in the form of a euchre and crokinole party.

Mrs. Bert Davidson and Bob Marshall were the two with the highest scores in euchre. The two highest in crokinole were Grace Armstrong and Mr. Brownridge. Lunch was served after the games and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

PRESENTATION MADE TO BRIDE AND GROOM AT GREENOCK SCHOOL

On Thursday, January 3rd, a very pleasant evening was spent at Greenock School, when neighbors and friends met to honor a former pupil, Erwin McKeehan and his bride.

Mr. Gordon Leslie acted as chairman for a short program which consisted of a duet by Misses Wilms and Helen West and a solo by Miss Merle McCutcheon and several impromptu speeches.

Mr. and Mrs. McKeehan were then called forward and Miss Elva Pearson read an address. Messrs. Angus Thompson and Edwood Johnston made the presentation of a silver desk Erwin, in a few well-chosen words made a suitable reply of appreciation. After singing the National Anthem the remainder of the evening was spent in games and refreshments were served.

Acton Lost to Georgetown Meet Orangeville To-night

ACTON AT ORANGEVILLE TONIGHT

Just as we went to press, we learned that the Acton team will play in Orangeville to-night, according to schedule. Orangeville in their first game won by 5-3 from Fergus in overtime.

First Meeting of 1946 School Board Held Monday Night

G. A. Dills Elected Chairman and Committees Named — Discuss Upper School Work

At the first meeting of the year for Acton School Board, Trustees H. F. G. Oakes, J. A. Chapman, V. B. Rumley and G. A. Dills were present on Monday evening.

Principal Stewart discussed with the Board, school grants and securing a title range. He also told the Board he had discussed with the Inspector on his visit here the teaching of Upper School or Fifth Form in Acton. By purchasing equipment and desks for the science room, this could be used for about 15 pupils. Cost of equipment would not exceed \$1500 and it would be necessary to engage another male teacher. The Board requested Mr. Stewart inquire how many pupils would take Fifth Form if it were available in Acton and submit a report at the next meeting.

Principal Mackenzie expressed appreciation of the work that had been done during the term and at the holidays to improve the school surroundings and equipment. The staff certainly appreciated this co-operation.

Mr. Mackenzie submitted a list of supplies that would be needed if the Board undertook to supply these to all pupils. If this were done it would bring more uniformity and be a saving over-all to the pupils. Many rural schools and school areas already supplied these items to pupils. Approximate costs were submitted.

Supplementary reading books for grades 1, 2 and 3 were sanctioned. Inquiry was to be made regarding purchase of a piano for the kindergarten, four teachers' desks and chairs, filing cabinet and a couch.

Secretary William Middleton as acting chairman until the Board's appointment asked the Board to observe a minute's silence in tribute to the late Trustee F. S. Blow. Following observance of this, he called on the Board to choose a chairman for 1946.

G. A. Dills was elected chairman for the year and on assuming the chair thanked the members for the honor conferred and asked their continued co-operation in conducting the business of the Board.

Upon motion, Mr. Leonard Lovell was chosen to fill the unexpired term of office made vacant by the death of Trustee F. S. Blow.

The Secretary was by motion instructed to transfer \$200 to a sinking fund for new buildings to be deposited with the Provincial Treasurer through the department, this amount to start a fund to acquire new school buildings when the opportune time is presented.

The Secretary was instructed to endorse and forward the cheque for \$20 from the Strathcona Trust Fund to Principal Stewart for the use of the cadet corps.

Accounts passed for payment included: Bell Telephone Co. services \$ 3.20
Weaver Coal Co. re coal 12.44
Direct Transport, cartage .25
Elliott Bros. supplies 8.37

A letter from Mr. J. H. Reid tendered his resignation as trustee after twenty-five years of service to the school. Mr. Reid thanked the Board for their co-operation in his work and agreed to carry on until a successor could be appointed. This matter was left until there was a complete Board present.

Committees were appointed as follows: Finance—N. Baird and G. A. Dills
Property—Dr. F. C. Oakes and L. Lovell
Supplies—V. B. Rumley and J. A. Chapman

It was decided to hold the next meeting as soon as the Secretary received the forms relative to the grants and the estimates for the year.

Don't entertain doubt—he is a bad guest.

No Games in Group on Monday and Tuesday as Mild Weather Interrupted Schedule—Georgetown Line-up Proved too Much for Tanners When They Visited Neighbors last Thursday—Four Goals in First Period Proved too Big a Handicap

The mild weather that followed last Thursday finished the hockey games in the group. Fergus was due here on Tuesday but there was no ice for the game. Tonight Acton is due to go to Orangeville and a wave of colder weather has made it possible to keep the schedule.

The long awaited game between the two old rivals (need we say more) was held in Georgetown Arena last Thursday p.m. Many an old face looked with expectation towards this meeting and were well satisfied.

In the opening moments of the game, Acton seemed to hold the play but at 1:15 Georgetown found a break in the Acton defence when Beaumont scored on an assist from Kempshoff. From the face-off, Georgetown cornered the puck and Ward banged it in to make the count 2-0 for Georgetown after one minute and 45 seconds of play.

Acton fans suffered another drop in their morale as Kempshoff scored for Georgetown at 6:35 while Acton was playing every man up in an effort to even up the score.

The score did not indicate the play for Acton was literally swarming around the Georgetown net but couldn't seem to click.

Again at 10:00, Georgetown scored when M. Ferris banged the pill home on a lone rush. In the last 10 minutes of the period, both goal tenders did some good net tending and no more counts were added. Hiddall and Ward started to mix it up in the last few minutes but no penalties were meted out by Referee Richardson. Shots on the Acton net were 22 and on the Georgetown net were 18.

In the second period Acton was off to a fast start and held the play throughout the period except for one break-away by Georgetown.

Township was hurt when checked on a rush to the Georgetown end and play was interrupted while first aid was administered. He was able to play the rest of the game.

Acton failed to register any count on several opportunities at the Georgetown end.

Marzo was sent to the cooler at 18:50 for high sticking when he clipped Beaumont on the back of the head. Acton out played the Georgetown team and had 31 shots on goal to Georgetown's 18.

To start off the third period Morton scored for Acton but as usual Acton was short-changed when the Georgetown goal judge failed to see it although everyone else in the rink saw it, including the Referee who stopped the play.

This seemed to rile Acton up and play was centered around the Georgetown net. Marzo took the nod from the ref. at 6:00 as he mopped up the ice with Beaumont. Acton finally counted on a nice shot by Morton at 6:30.

The Acton team, after this encouragement went all-out and were all around the Georgetown net when

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Coming Events

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

Dance, Friday, January 11th, Orton Community Hall, Stewart Elliott's Orchestra

Valentine Baking Sale, February 9th in St. Alban's Parish Hall at 3 o'clock 27, 30, 31

Euchre, Wednesday, January 30th, St. Alban's Parish Hall, Lucky door prize, chicken. 27, 29

Euchre at Legon Hall, Wednesday, January 16th, Auspices Legion Auxiliary. Good prizes. Admission 25¢.

The Scout Mother's Auxiliary will hold a Euchre in the Parish Hall on Jan. 29th at 8 p.m. Admission 25¢. Lunch served. 27-2

Euchre and Dance, every Thursday night, L. O. L. Hall, Crown's Cafeteria at 8:30 sharp. Refreshments Adm. 25¢. Everyone welcome. 27