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School Board Gets More Information For New Buildings

Other Items Relative to Educational Matters in Acton Deal with at March Meeting

At the March meeting of Acton School Board on Friday evening, Trustees V. B. Rumley, J. A. Chapman, I. Lovell, R. N. Baird and Dr. F. G. Oakes were present and Chairman G. A. Dills presided. Principal Stewart reported that films for the visual sound machine were being received regularly. He also reported that a rifle range was being arranged for the cadets through Military District No. 2. Mr. Stewart expressed appreciation that the Board had made provision for having Upper School subjects added to the school course here after September.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

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| W. R. E. Blair, repairs | \$ 82.10 |
| Messias Dairy, milk | 11.50 |
| Watson Dairy, milk | 10.20 |
| Snow shovelling, Hutt, Palmer and Crisp | 17.70 |
| W. J. Gage, books | 22.65 |
| Wood Distilling, supplies | 22.96 |
| Copp Clark, books | 46.60 |
| T. Nelson, books | 34.40 |
| MacMillan, books | 32.24 |
| John C. Winston, books | 40.19 |
| Hell Telephone Co. | 4.49 |
| Geo. M. Hendry, kindergarten supplies | 7.50 |
| Public Utilities Comm. | 28.97 |
| Free Press, advertising | 35 |
| R. McEachern, repairs | 115.69 |
| J. B. McKenzie, supplies | 37.97 |
| Total | \$517.51 |

Only one application was received for the position of trustee and the Board decided to defer appointment until midsummer. The secretary read a letter of authorization from the Inspector for teaching of music in the school. A letter from the Department of Education gave the information that the war measures regulations which permitted pupils to receive their year's credit by working at farm employment had been rescinded and would not be applicable this year. A letter from Mr. Geo. Mann expressed appreciation of re-engagement and assurance of his willingness to perform his duties efficiently. Principal McKenzie reported receipt of all books recommended by Inspector Skuce and the satisfactory work possible with their assistance. The Property Committee was to arrange making shelves in the room in the Public School to store the supplies that were to be supplied the pupils.

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Beating Wife and Intoxication Cases Heard in Court

Two cases were heard in Police Court in Milton yesterday. Charged with beating his wife on or about February 28th, Walter Kubas Milton, was remanded a week on his own request. The accused was not represented by counsel and he asked the court for an adjournment so he could obtain a lawyer. Through Crown Attorney W. I. Dick, the accused's wife asked for maintenance while he was in jail. The magistrate ruled \$25 should be handed over to her. Through an interpreter, Kubas told the court he had given his wife \$400 about two months ago and it was still in her possession before he was arrested. The court thought the plaintiff should be able to get along another week. Bail was set at \$500.

For being intoxicated in a public place, Douglas Slaver, was fined \$15 and costs or 10 days. According to Chief Constable Frank McNiven, the accused was seen in an intoxicated condition on the afternoon of March 2nd. Later the chief received a call that there was trouble on Main Street. He found the accused creating a disturbance at a restaurant. There was quite a crowd around, the chief stated. He paid the fine.

Good Enrolment in Red Cross Nursing Classes

Tuesday night the local Red Cross branch enrolled 23 members for the course starting here. This group will have lectures on health and practice in the skill of home nursing. After completion of their course they will continue as a community health interested group supporting the various agencies interested in public welfare. The lectures and demonstrations will be given by the local nurses and doctors and dentist. Miss W. G. Benton is local officer in charge and the unit leaders are Mrs. Cullen and Miss D. Gibbons. The rooms at the Post Office are splendidly suited for these classes and with the new furnishings, make ideal quarters.

THE BRADLEY-YOUNG WEDDING IN KNOX CHURCH IN ACTON

Rev. R. Forbes Thomson officiated at a wedding in Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton on Wednesday evening, February 27th when Mary Alberta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Albert Young was married to John Clayton Bradley, son of Miss Mabel M. Bradley, Georgetown and the late Mr. Bradley. Mr. F. J. Salt presided at the organ and Miss Blanche McKimmon sang "The Lord's Prayer". Through the years during the signing of the register. The background was standards of multi-colored stocks and napragons. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a portrait gown of ivory brocaded tulle, with bouffant skirt and long sleeves pointed over the hands. Her long veil of ivory tulle was caught with a tiny lace Dutch cap and she carried a cascade of pink camellias and white sweet peas. Mrs. J. Wesley Wolfe was matron of honor and wore dusky rose velvet with a bouffant skirt and fitted bodice and a small Dutch cap to match, accented with sequins. She carried a cascade bouquet of pastel sweet peas and daisy roses. Miss Margaret Bradley, niece of the groom wore an identical frock of turquoise velvet with matching cap and bouquet of sweet peas and roses. Little Marilyn Young as flower girl was adorable in turquoise velvet, fashioned on the same lines as the attendants with matching mittens and Dutch cap. She carried a nosegay of pastel sweet peas and roses. Mr. Wilbert Bradley was his brother's groomsman and the usher was Mr. Fred Young and Mr. Roy Bradley. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home on Church Street where Mrs. Young received the guests. She chose a navy blue gown with white trim and a corsage of pink roses. Mrs. Edwin Hoare, sister of the groom, also received wearing a blue and white gown with red roses. For traveling the bride donned a coral suit with Elizabeth blue topcoat and a corsage of orchids and the happy couple left on a honeymoon trip to Ottawa.

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WELCOME TO NEW HOMES

Wives of two Acton servicemen are scheduled to arrive at their new homes in Acton this week. Mrs. Dorothy Appleyard, wife of Sgt. Don Appleyard, Church Street was a passenger on the S. S. Aquitania. Mrs. Beryl P. Crofts and daughter Valerie were passengers on the S. S. Letitia. They are the wife and child of Pte. W. Crofts, R.R. No. 1, Acton.

Material Quotations for Sewage Disposal Received

Special Committee Appointed to Review Engineer's Report — Taxi and Pool Room By-laws Are Passed — Tax Exemption Granted on the Legion Hall — Rental Set for Summer Use of Arena

Councillors I. H. Creighton, W. J. Oakes, C. L. Cook and W. J. Benson were present on Monday evening when Reeve Chas. L. Kirkness presided at a meeting of Acton Council. Mr. R. M. Ajlworth, on behalf of Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion, requested that the Legion Hall be exempted from taxes on their property on Main Street. This was permissible by the passing of a by-law according to the Municipal Act. Exemption could be made for a ten year period except for local improvement and school purposes. Council favored the request in view of the splendid work the Legion had done in the past and was continuing to do. The Clerk was instructed to secure the necessary approval from the Dept. of Municipal Affairs and prepare a by-law exempting that portion of the Legion Hall used as a club house from taxes for five years except for school purposes and local improvements.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

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| F. G. Turner, transportation | \$ 1.50 |
| F. J. McCutcheon, express | 2.50 |
| Simon Hardware, supplies | 12.37 |
| E. L. Wright, premium on bond | 6.55 |
| Dept. of Health | 2.21 |
| Earl Lambert, heater for town hall | 10.00 |
| North Cutting (rent) | 5.00 |
| Thornton Motors, February account | 87.64 |
| Georgetown Lumber Co., supplies | 5.87 |
| Acton Free Press, printing & advertising | 21.56 |
| Total | \$161.36 |

A motion was passed setting the rental of the arena for summer dances at \$15 per night for three months from May to Labor Day inclusive. The party referring to be responsible for supervision and erecting. Water and light rates were to be included in this rental. Regarding the appointment of a board for physical fitness program, Council proposed that the Y.M.C.A. Board and the Athletic Association get together before the appointment was made. A letter from Armstrong, Anderson and Co. regarding water main extensions and reservoir construction was read by Council. A letter from the Kowles Construction Co. asked for payment on account which was in accord with the engineer's recommendations. A letter from a bond house made inquiry regarding sale of any debenture issue that Acton might have for sale. A letter from Dr. Barry of the Department of Health gave information regarding the installation of the sewage disposal system. A letter from Jenkins and Hardy, auditors, was received regarding arrears of taxes sent in reply to their verification notices. Permission was granted the Bell Telephone Co. to make changes in their lines under the supervision of the municipal officer. A letter from Armstrong, Anderson and Co. was received regarding the sewage disposal system. In accordance with instructions of Council, the engineers had secured quotations for material required and enclosed these quotations along with other information necessary for the Council to present to the Municipal Board. Total estimated cost with proposed new extensions was placed at \$234,000. The engineers also gave the information that it would require six weeks to prepare the tenders for the work and it could be started this year if action was taken at once. Councillor Oakes brought forward the point that he felt that the disposal system should not be made available to residents outside the town limits unless they made application and shared in taxations required to instal the system. It was pointed out it was not the intention of the present Council or of present plans to service any portions outside the municipality but that lines must be constructed to the disposal plant outside the town boundaries. It was decided the Reeve, Councillor Creighton and the Clerk be a committee to go over this information and put it in form for presentation to the Board and the Council. This Committee would also take the matter before the Municipal Board along with the municipal auditor. The by-law licensing taxi cabs in Acton was given the second and third readings. Under this by-law

CONDUCTED EXPRESS AND CARTAGE BUSINESS FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS

After conducting the express and cartage business in Acton for eighteen years, Mr. F. J. McCutcheon has sold his trucks, equipment and business to Johnny Goy, who recently returned to Acton after several years' service overseas. In recognition of his long and courteous service the staff of the C. N. S. R. station here presented him with a fountain pen. Mr. McCutcheon made many friends during the years who appreciated the courteous and prompt service he was so willing to render. He found time during those long years to do his citizenship duty and served as a member of Council and Reeve of Acton and representative on the County Council. His services have been appreciated by many in getting from this town all are pleased to see that he has found a local young man such as Johnny Goy to carry on this business.

Esqueving Council Gives Reason For Official's Dismissal

Reeve Murray called a meeting of Esqueving Council on Thursday evening, February 7th when all members of council were present. The meeting was called for the passing of a by-law to terminate the employment of the Road Superintendent. A by-law to remove By-law No. 286 was read as required and passed.

Other Items dealt With at Sessions of Township Body During the Month

Esqueving Council regular meeting was held on Monday afternoon, March 10th. Deputy Reeve G. E. Cleary, Councillors George Currie, C. H. May and R. N. Brown were present. Reeve G. W. Murray presided. Accounts passed for payment were: R. J. Lovell Co., assessor's supplies, \$45.87; Bell Telephone Co., \$39.00; Acton Free Press, advertising, 59c; A. W. Benton, stamps \$10.00; Harold McClure, ambulance, two trips, \$20.00. Relief accounts amounting to \$14.10 and those presented by the Road Superintendent to \$1,229.27 for January and \$2,889.68 for February were passed for payment. The Treasurer's Bond for \$10,000 at a premium of \$40 was placed with the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation through G. C. Brown, agent. Membership fee of \$20.00 to the Association of Assessing Officers was passed. Fire insurance on the township hall was increased by \$2000 in the Federal Fire Insurance Co. In reply to a letter from the Department of Highways, asking for a full explanation of the dismissal of the Road Superintendent, the following resolution was passed: Moved by Currie, seconded by Brown, that this Council ask for the approval of By-law No. 7-46, from the Department of Highways on the following ground: Mr. Cunningham had a snowplowing equipment brought in from the King Paving Company, Oakville with the knowledge of the majority of the council, at approximately \$10,000 per hour, while in operation. Such expenditures should be decided by the council as a whole. Lack of co-operation with the majority of the council members on different work throughout the township. The above along with the fact that too much time during business hours is spent in the bearing room, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Highway Department, Carrioid, Yeas, Currie, Brown, Murray, Nays, Cleary, May.

MR. J. ROYSTON SPEAKER AT MEETING OF Y'S MEN'S CLUB

Final arrangements were made at the regular supper meeting of the Y's Men's Club on Thursday evening for the ice carnival. The guest speaker of the evening was Mr. Jack Royston, who addressed the club on "The problems of hotel keeping in a small town." He explained that the three main functions of a hotel in order of importance are the supplying to the public at large with lodging, food and beverages. Merchants, industries and the public generally suffer when commercial travellers and other business men do not visit a community because they could not secure accommodation. Likewise, he estimated that 80 per cent of the meals served in his hotel were served to travellers, and as a result the whole community benefitted. The sale of beverage was of lesser importance as a hotel function but unfortunately it had created a lot of trouble in some districts. It was impossible for one hotelman to dictate to others how they should run their businesses and the responsibility now rests with the Liquor Control Board. The speaker was introduced by Mr. V. B. Rumley and thanked by Mr. Grant Kalbfleisch. There's no edge to what you say if there's any in your voice.

Car and Truck in Collision Near Milton Yesterday

A car and a truck were in collision yesterday afternoon on No. 25 Highway about two miles north of Milton. The car of Douglas Irwin was proceeding north and making a right hand turn off the highway into the farm lane. A truck of the Ontario New Company, proceeding in the same direction, collided with the right side of the car, driving it past the lane and turning into the lane. Damage to the truck, running board and fenders of the car and to the left front of the truck resulted. No one was injured beyond a bad shaking up.

GEORGETOWN TAKES FIRST OF PLAY-OFF GAMES BY 4-2

In the first of the group play-off hockey games between Georgetown and Fergus, the Georgetown team won by a score of 4-2. The game was played in Georgetown Arena last Friday night before a record-breaking crowd. The mild weather has interfered with the second game and it appears that it will have to be played on artificial ice and likely in Galt. Winners are supposed to be declared by Friday. The game should be to night or tomorrow but at time of going to press we have not heard anything definite.

BRITISH BUYERS SEEKING ONTARIO CATTLE AT SHOWS

Numerous inquiries have been sought by British dairymen, regarding Canadian cattle. G. M. Clemons, Secretary of the Ontario Holstein Friesian, told a directors meeting held at the Royal York Hotel on Saturday. The British government have made arrangements to simplify currency rates to assist breeders desiring to import Canadian dairy cattle. Plans were made to hold black and white cattle shows in each county, beginning next October. Winners of the county shows will compete at regional shows to be held at London, Guelph, Peterboro, Kemptville or Ottawa. All winners at regional competitions will vie for Dominion honors at the Royal Winter Fair, officials announced. Judges chosen for the regional shows were: C. D. Graham at London, C. L. Goodhue at Guelph, J. M. Fraser at Peterboro and J. J. McAgue at Kemptville or Ottawa.

VEGETABLES AND FRUIT TRIPPED WHEN SPILLED UPSET

One of the delivery trucks of National Grocers Ltd. upset when it went in the ditch off the highway just east of the Acton boundary this morning. The truck was loaded with fruit and vegetables and after going in the ditch, which is three or four feet deep at this point, turned over on its side and the load was upset. Main damage was to the load and the racks on the right side of the truck. The driver was not injured. It is said the truck was crowded to the edge of the pavement by another motorist and was unable to get back on the roadway. The load was transferred to another truck. Here is the line-up: Girl's Team—Ruth Masters, Joan Somerville, Betty Masters, Joan Harris, Shirley Elliott and Joan Coles. Y's Men's Team—Earl Cooper, Jack Greer, Wes Wolfe, Ben Rachlin, Vic Rumley, W. Hall and Gord Roghvaldsen. The Boys' Band was on hand and provided music and for the skaters music was provided by J. Arble with the recording amplifier. R. Dean made the announcements.

HALTON MILK PRODUCERS DISCUSS MARKETING AGREEMENT

A meeting of the Halton Milk Producers was held in the Court House, Milton on Monday, March 4th. The primary question under consideration was the proposed Milk Marketing Agreement. On resolution it was decided that no action should be taken by the producers in regard to contracts until another meeting of the Producers is called, notice of which will be mailed to every milk shipper.

Skating Carnival Went on in Spite of Mild Weather

Visiting Skaters, Costumes, Races and Hockey Provided A Night of Fun

Despite wind and weather, and a water logged ice surface, the show went on and in this case, it was the Y's Men's Club Carnival in Acton Arena last night. Certainly the conditions affected the crowd and the performance, but the performers and crowd had a good night of fun and the worst mishap was drenched clothing and a shower bath for many. There was fancy skating, music, costumes, races and culminating in age versus beauty in broom hockey in which brute force won. Featured in the figure skating were artists from the Toronto Skating Club, Miss Sally Blog, Miss Betty Birch and Master Peter Firstbrook with the genial comedian and master of ceremonies, Robert Lowe of Toronto. They put on a fine performance and will be welcomed by an Acton audience at any time and we hope favored another time with better ice conditions. Costume events were won for the girls by Cherie Morton and Lillian Mitchell and for the boys by Billy Somerville and Roddy Force. Following are the results of the races and every one had its share of spills and a spill meant a good soaking but every event was a race. Boys' eight and under—Wayne Arble, Billy Skilling. Girls, 8 and under—Flaine Huffnagle, Helen Somerville. Boys, 9 to 12 years (both 20 entries)—Leo McMillan, Doug Aitchison, Gary, 12 to 16 years—Betty Masters, Patsy Coles. Boys, 12 to 16 years—Eddie Kenton, Harold DeForest. Ladies open race—Betty Masters, Elaine Arble. Boys open over 16 years—Lorne Arble, Harold Foxrosley.

Grand Finale was the Broom Hockey game by the Y's Men's Club vs. The Y girls' team. The only score was by Wes Wolfe scored on the sixth rebound. Referee was R. R. Parker, the only participant on skates. There were fights and much dissatisfaction with his decisions. Just to show he played no favorites, he handed three penalties to the Y's Men and one to the girls. Vic Rumley and Wes Wolfe drew penalties for tripping and Ben Rachlin for carrying the ball and Jean Harris for boarding a husky Y's Man. The medal for gallantry went to Ben Rachlin for taking the ball toward his own net when the girls were having difficulty in holding back the attackers. In spite of the fact that much clothing was water damaged, it proved good fun. Here is the line-up: Girl's Team—Ruth Masters, Joan Somerville, Betty Masters, Joan Harris, Shirley Elliott and Joan Coles. Y's Men's Team—Earl Cooper, Jack Greer, Wes Wolfe, Ben Rachlin, Vic Rumley, W. Hall and Gord Roghvaldsen. The Boys' Band was on hand and provided music and for the skaters music was provided by J. Arble with the recording amplifier. R. Dean made the announcements.

Coming Events

Guelph male choir concert, Wednesday, March 27, United Church, Acton, 8:15 p.m. Admission 35c.

Ebenezer United Church St. Patrick's Supper, Friday evening, March 15th followed by a program. Supper served 7:30 to 8. Admission 50c and 20c.

A special service in connection with the Presbyterian Church Advance will be held in Knox Church on Tuesday, March 12th at 8 p.m. Speakers—Rev. Finlay Stewart of Kitchener and Rev. C. L. Cowan of Hamilton.

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