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Appointments Made And Grants Given By Erin Council

Will Receive Tenders for Gravel and Other Township Work—Business of March Meeting

The Erin Township Council met on Monday, March 4th. Present were all members and the reeve presided.

A by-law for the purpose of appointing Fence Viewers, Pound Keepers and Sheep Valuers was introduced, given the necessary readings, passed and numbered 6. Appointments were as follows:

Fence Viewers—Duncan McMillan, Chester Burt, Joel B. Leslie, Norman Davis, Geo. C. Burt, Wm. E. Barbour, Jesse McEnery and Robt. A. Rowan.

Pound-keepers—Robt. A. McEnery, John McDowell, R. E. Smith, R. D. Graham, Morgan Graham, Norman Jackson, Kenneth Reid, M. C. Nowell, David Stewart, Wm. Eagles, Angus Thompson, Norris Sinclair and Stanley Somerville.

Sheep Valuers—North Division, Clarence G. Bryan; West Division, Earl Jessop; South Division, Burns McKinnon; East Division, Gordon Jackson.

The tender of the Erin Advocate re the Township printing for 1946 for \$400.00 was accepted.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay the School Inspector warrant to S. S. No. 15, Erin and East Garafraux and the clerk, authorized to levy \$334.66 on the ratepayers of Erin Township portion of said S. S. No. 15 in 1946 owing to error in requisition for 1945.

The clerk was instructed to place on file all papers and letters of agreement between Union S. S. No. 15 East Garafraux and Erin and S. S. No. 11 Erin re Wilbert McFee's school transfer.

The Auditor's Report was received and adopted and ordered printed in Journal of Proceedings for distribution.

Councillors Scott and Wheeler were granted \$10.00 each to cover expenses as delegates to Good Roads Convention.

Council donated \$15.00 to the Sick Children's Hospital.

The clerk was authorized to counter-sign all Township cheques as provided for in the Municipal Act.

Permission was granted the Canadian National Institute for the Blind to conduct their annual tag day on Saturday, June 1st in the Township.

The Road Superintendent was instructed to obtain snow plowing equipment for the opening of Township roads.

The Council also instructed the Road Superintendent to advertise for tenders for the delivery of 5000 yards gravel more or less. Tenders to be in the hands of the Road Superintendent by Thursday, March 28th, 1946.

Accounts were passed as follows and paid: general accounts, \$63.09; relief accounts, \$20.33; road accounts, \$52.80.

Council adjourned to meet again at Hillsburg on Monday, April 1st.

HALTON GARAGEMEN DISCUSS WORK HOURS AT MARCH MEETING

The March meeting of the Halton Branch of the Garage Operators Association was held in the Odd Fellows Hall in Milton on March 4th. President Red Waumley was in the chair. This meeting was called for the purpose of hearing a proposal from Head Office to bring the Gasoline Trade under the Industrial Standards Act. An invitation had been sent to every gasoline retailer in the County to attend. Past Provincial President Len McKindley gave a brief report on Provincial Council matters. It was decided to hold a Ladies' Night in April, the details to be prepared by the Director.

Mr. Larry Hastings of Head Office gave a thorough and complete discussion on all phases of the Industrial Standards Act and its application to the Garage Trade. He then submitted the Head Office proposal to bring the trade under the Act. The two chief points of this proposal were to limit the working day of employers to 12 hours per day and at the same time to introduce a minimum wage bill for help. It was thought that these two combined would keep hours of operation down to a reasonable profitable basis.

After a question period, the members expressed their ideas. The arguments were hot and heavy and it was quite evident that the boys are still convinced that the only way any order is to be kept is to limit the hours of sale. Therefore it was decided to forget the whole thing until such a time as a clearer and more definite proposal can be submitted for discussion. With the serving of coffee and sandwiches, the meeting came to a close.

Acton Ladies Win From Guelph at Badminton 10-2

In the Acton Y.M.C.A. last Tuesday night the Acton ladies badminton club had a very successful tournament with the Guelph Y.W.C.A., taking 10 out of 12 matches played.

Two of the Acton victories were played to the tune of 15-0, the first one being won by the team of Miriam Ritchie and Dorothy Morris. The Acton team won the serve and the 15 points were piled up without the bird ever changing to the Guelph side. The second of the two 15-0 games was played and won by Florence Salt and Dorothy Morris.

The return match will be played in the Guelph Y.W.C.A. on Tuesday, March 26.

THE PRESS-WIGGINS WEDDING SATURDAY AT HOME IN TORONTO

The home of Miss Annie Fenn, R. N. on Bloor St. W., Toronto was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday afternoon, when Rev. Geo. Evans of College St. Apostolic Church united in marriage Jennie Genevieve Wiggins, daughter of Samuel Wiggins and the late Mrs. Wiggins of Acton and Albert William Dress of Toronto, World War veteran, 3rd Batt., Q. O. R. of Canada.

The bride entered the spacious flower-decked living room on the arm of her brother, Andrew Wiggins, who gave her in marriage. The wedding march was played by Miss Marjory Cummings. The bride wore a floor-length gown of white sheer crepe, with fingertip length veil and halo of net. She carried a white Bible with cascade of red roses and sweet peas.

The bridesmaid, Miss Annie Wiggins of Hamilton wore an embroidered dress of pink sheer crepe with headpiece of pink and blue flowers and veil. She carried a white Bible with shower of pink roses and sweet peas. The groom was supported by Mr. Herbert Carleton.

During the signing of the register, Mrs. David Reid sang "A wedding prayer."

A reception followed for the fifty guests, when a delicious buffet supper was served, the table being flanked with a three-tier wedding cake, flanked with pink candles in silver holders. Those who served included: Mrs. Jas. Robinson, Miss Bircena Ewers, Miss Helen Tofflemire, Miss Ruby Clark and Miss Claire Puttock.

The toast to the bride was proposed by the best man and responded to in a most happy manner by the groom. Among those who made gracious and appropriate speeches were: Miss Fenn, Rev. D. P. Williams, Rev. Geo. Evans and Rev. Robt. Thompson. Miss Lily Mae Tofflemire sang "The Love of God."

Guests were present from Acton, Hamilton, Port Colborne, Pine Grove and St. John's N. B. Among those who entertained for Miss Wiggins were: Miss Fenn and Mrs. Mack of Bathurst Street.

Four Cases Heard In Milton Police Court Yesterday

In Police Court in Milton yesterday, Henry Andrews pleaded guilty to the charge of leaving a scene of an accident, and was remanded in custody for one week for sentence. A charge of careless driving was withdrawn.

Robert Henry, 18, pleaded guilty to cruelty to animals and was remanded in custody for one week for sentence.

James Wetham was dismissed. Charge of wife beating against Walter Kubas was withdrawn, when his wife refused to give evidence. He paid the costs of \$9.00 and refrained from further assault.

THE MARCH MEETING OF ROCKALONG WOMAN'S INSTITUTE

The March meeting of the Rockalong Institute was held at the home of Mrs. C. O. Plank with fifteen members and two visitors present.

The roll call was answered by "My Favorite Character in Literature." A discussion followed concerning the making of quilts for the Salvation Army and sending clothing to refugees in France. Mrs. Dunbar, convenor for the meeting, conducted a sing song. Mrs. Wm. Pasmore took the motto. Mrs. Dunbar gave a talk on books. Mrs. Dunbar also conducted a contest won by Mrs. Robt. Johnston and Miss Doris Watson.

The meeting closed with "God Save The King." Refreshments were served by the hostess and her committee and a social half hour was spent together.

It is indeed a reflection on our civilization that lawmakers must talk about forcing parents to take care of their children. It is not a pleasant thought.—Fort Frances (Ont.) Times

County Names Committee on Secondary School Matters

Halton County Council Endorses Resolution Regarding Hydro Cycle Change, Old Age Pensions and Compulsory Inspection & Redecorating Part of County Buildings is Approved

The Warden presided and all members were present at last Tuesday's meeting of Halton County Council.

The meeting was called for 1:30 p.m. but because it was late in starting, members were called to account for their unpunctuality by the Warden and asked to keep better time at future meetings.

Following the reading of the minutes and communications the Council was addressed by Mr. L. L. Skuce, P.S.I. with regard to the appointment of a more representative committee for the High School districts of the County. It was felt the purpose of this committee had not been fully understood at the last meeting and as a result the committee appointed at that time was not sufficiently representative of the county as a whole.

The former appointments were therefore rescinded and a new committee formed to include: W. B. Shipley, Oakville; M. M. Robinson, Burlington; and J. M. McDonald, Acton. Mr. Skuce, according to the act, automatically becomes secretary of the committee. According to Mr. Skuce the committee will have authority to look into all matters pertaining to secondary education throughout the county.

Mr. C. Merritt, Zone Forester, of the Dept. of Lands and Forests also addressed the meeting with regard to the Reforestation Area already maintained by the council and urging them to further increase their activities in this direction and also that the Council as a body make a point of visiting the county plantation which they might be better acquainted with than they have been.

Since such a visit had already been one of the Warden's objectives for 1946 it was agreed that arrangements should be made at an early date for such a trip to take place.

Reeve Dr. Heslop was chairman in Committee of the Whole when the reports of the Standing Committees were considered and afterwards passed in open council. Accounts arising from the expenditures made by the committees were as follows: Finance, \$999.08; Education and Nursing, \$17.60; Printing, \$45.95; Agriculture and Reforestation, \$13.75; County Buildings, \$251.61; Hospital Accounts, \$1433.31; Good Roads, \$9468.51.

A recommendation by the Printing Committee was approved that the following supplies be purchased for the office of the County Assessor: 26,000 appraisal cards at \$10 per m.; 15,000 field sheets at \$4.75 per m. and 11 assessment manuals, \$63. Also 4 base maps, scale 4 to 1, one of each township, \$29.50, making a total of \$423.75.

The following resolutions forwarded by other counties were endorsed by Halton County to be forwarded to the proper authorities:

From the County of Wentworth: An appeal to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario asking said Commission in the event of a change, being made from 25 to 60 cycles that the Commission will pay to those users who are obliged to make the change the full amount of their loss.

From the County of Ontario: Resolution was endorsed petitioning the Government to revise Old Age Pensions whereby pensions would be granted at the rate of \$1 per diem at the age of 65 and that the present means test be eliminated.

From the County of Hastings: A petition from this county was endorsed which requested the Motor Vehicles Branch of the Department of Highways that legislation be passed, compelling compulsory inspection of all motor vehicles and enforce the carrying of public liability and property damage insurance with a view to eradicating the menace of "old jalopies" and irresponsible owners, causing damage and expense to cars and persons endeavoring to co-operate with, and abide by, traffic regulations.

Some discussion took place regarding the advisability of redecorating part of the County buildings and resulted in the following motion being passed. Moved by Hall and Pettit that instructions be given to the Building Committee to paint and insulate the following: Court Room, Judge's Chambers, Sheriff's Office and the hall and to paint the inside of the Registry Office.

An invitation from the Ontario Education Association resulted in it being agreed that Mrs. Pettit, Mr. Craig and the Warden attend the O. E.A. Convention in Toronto on April 23-4 and that their expenses be paid.

W. O. Jack Alger Wins Award for Overseas Service

In the recent list of army men decorated for gallant and distinguished service overseas with awards of Mention in Despatches, we noted one from Acton, W. O. Jack H. Alger (R. S.M.). He returned from overseas a few months ago and resumed his position as guard at the Ont. Reformatory near Guelph. We join with other friends here in extending congratulations on the award won.

MRS. I. HARRIS HOSTESS FOR MEETING UNITED CHURCH W. A.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. Ivan Harris with Mrs. L. Agar presiding. The devotional period was taken by Mrs. D. Richardson. The ladies have decided not to do any more quilting until fall.

Ways and means were discussed on plans for raising money. After the business was disposed of, Mrs. Harris, assisted by Mrs. Bean, and Mrs. Veldhuis served a very delicious lunch. A very hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Harris for her home and hospitality.

OFFICERS TEA OF L.O.D.E. AT HOME OF MRS. SHROEDER

On Wednesday afternoon, March 6th, the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the L.O.D.E. held their annual Officers' Tea at the home of Mrs. M. Shroeder, Bower Ave. The Regent, Mrs. C. Matthews presided. After reports and other business of the month, she welcomed the guests, members of the executive of the Lakeside Chapter, paying tribute to their outstanding work this past year.

Mrs. Mainprize, on behalf of the Chapter, expressed the appreciation felt for the eight years of efficient service given by the retiring Treasurer, Mrs. McDonald and with most fitting remarks presented her with a crystal rose bowl.

Miss Chant, the local school nurse was the speaker of the day. Her topic was "Health in the Schools" (Acton school in particular) and her talk was most informative. Miss Bennett moved a vote of thanks.

An item of local interest to the members was an article read by Miss Pearl Smith which gave a sketch of the activities of Mr. H. S. Nicklin, city engineer of Guelph. Mr. Nicklin was born and spent his boyhood in Acton and has recently been appointed President of the Canadian Institute of Sanitation Engineers. The sketch appeared in the Financial Post.

Triplet Calves All Doing Well On Local Farm

(By Campbellville Correspondent)

On the farm of Mr. Leonard Watson, 2 miles south of here, a Durham cow gave birth to triplets this week. Each one is strong and healthy weighing around 25-30 lbs. each. The mother was recently purchased from Mr. James Lambert. Mr. Watson reported a rough time trying to feed the three from a pail, so now he ties them, each in a little stall of its own.

Tax Rate Set for Eramosa at Meeting of Council

Plans Discussed for Honoring Those Who Fell in Second World War

Five mills was the 1946 tax rate for Eramosa Township, set at a meeting of council in Rockwood. All members were present and Reeve D. D. Gray presided.

Discussion of plans for honoring of war dead took a major place in the agenda. R. W. Farnworth of Guelph attended the meeting to discuss with council the most suitable manner of inscribing the names of those who died on active service on the present memorial.

On motion of Messrs. Hutchinson and Benham the clerk was instructed to proceed with the closing of the following roads in the township: between lots 4 and 5 and between lots 30 and 31 in the 1st concession; between lots 10 and 11 in the 2nd concession; between lots 15 and 16 in the 4th concession; and between lots 15 and 16 in the 6th and 7th concessions.

Clerk G. F. Day was authorized to sign hydro contracts on behalf of the corporation only in cases where there were no arrears of taxes against the properties concerned.

Mr. Day reported to council that the by-law fixing the pay of the road superintendent had been approved by the department of highways.

The appointment of an assessor for the year 1946 was left over until a special meeting of council. Further applications will be received by the clerk up to 12 noon, March 18th.

On motion of Messrs. Hutchinson and Leslie, accounts amounting to \$3,206.08 were passed for payment and council adjourned to meet April 1st.

Fergus and Georgetown Tie In Second Game

Playing ten minutes overtime in the second of an Intermediate B. O. H.A. play-off game between Georgetown and Fergus in Fergus Monday night failed to break a tied score. The score stood at 3-3 at the end of the regulation time and in the overtime each team failed one to make it 4-4, Fergus registering the visitors' Hilton, assisted by Simons, accounted for Fergus' single.

Georgetown got off to a bad start in the opening period when they coughed a goal for their opponents early in the period. Hilton of Fergus was credited with the goal as he apparently was the last to touch the puck.

Fergus led 2-1 at the end of the first period and each team scored once in the second period. Georgetown made the only score in the third period.

In the overtime, Georgetown got ahead at half time but Fergus got their tying goal by the skin of their teeth with only 30 seconds to go. There was only one penalty in the game featured by close checking and fair team play.

It was a postponed game on account of ice conditions. The ice was fair. There was the record crowd of the season in attendance.

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Accounts passed for payment were as follows:

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Truck Engineering Ltd., truck body	656.09
Highway Garage, gas & oil	6.06
Mrs. J. L. McDonald, insurance	34.00
Line & Cable Accessories, supplies	2.57
Moffatt Ltd., supplies	9.60
Northern Electric, supplies	124.16
Newton Motors, truck	1141.60
Jas. Kearney Corp., supplies	24.75
Receiver General of Can., meter inspection	26.40
Motor Vehicles Branch, license	2.00
Express	1.20
Convention Expenses for delegates	19.00
	\$2119.36
Waterworks Department	
W. H. Cunningham & Hill	6.52
Power & Heating at spring	62.78
	\$69.30

Delivery of New Truck to Public Utilities Commission

Operating Surplus Transferred to Apply on Waterworks Debentures—Other Items At Meeting

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Monday evening. Reeve C. I. Kirkness and Commissioner J. R. MacArthur were present with Chairman C. M. Hansen presiding.

A letter from the H.E.P.C. of Ontario stated that they would carry the Commission's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance for another year. It also stated that the rate would be reduced from 2.75 to 2.25 cents per \$100.

Tenders were received for insurance on the new truck which was delivered on Friday last. The tenders were from W. Bracken and F. L. Wright. It was decided to carry \$25,000, \$50,000 and \$2,000 insurance on Public Liability and Property Damage. The price as submitted by F. L. Wright was accepted.

The secretary was upon motion authorized to transfer \$1,000 from the Waterworks Account to the General Account of the Corporation.

Reeve Kirkness inquired as to the procedure of purchasing a new fire hydrant. The Council purchased the hydrant and the Utilities staff install same. There are a number of fire hydrants in wet places which when used in the winter must have extra attention.

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Saturday and Sunday Night Disturbances Here

Murray Bauer, driving a car owned by Mr. Robert Winton crashed into a car parked on Main Street in Acton on Saturday night. The parked car was owned by Mel Storey. Chief Harrop investigated and the case and circumstances will be heard in police court.

Sunday night three young men from Erin and one from Georgetown created a disturbance at the Royal Cafe. Chief Harrop investigated and got the situation in hand. Two of the men questioned gave false names and addresses. It is said they had caused trouble in a Georgetown restaurant before coming to Acton and been chased from that town. They will face police court charges in Georgetown and charges preferred by Chief Harrop.

In both the Saturday night and Sunday night cases it is said there was evidence of drinking of intoxicating beverages.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conventions, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, on cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 25¢.

Euchre, Legion Hall, Friday, March 15th, 8:30 p.m. Lunch served. Auxiliaries Ladies Auxiliary.

Guelph male choir concert, Wednesday, March 27, United Church, Acton, 8:15 p.m., Admission 25¢.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Church will hold a Baking Sale, Saturday, March 16th, in the Town Hall at 8 p.m.

Limehouse Memorial Hall Euchre, Friday, March 15th. Cards at 8:30. Pot Luck Supper and Concert, Friday, March 22. Supper 6 to 8. Admission 50¢ and 25¢.