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We Salute the Canadian Farmer

Council Approves Plan for Physical Training in Acton

New Diamond to be Constructed in Park for Midgets and Bantams—Base Track Improvements Subject of Misunderstanding—Council Sits Until 12:30 to Set the Problems Coming from Multitude of Directions

Acton Council held their regular meeting on Monday evening with Councillors Creighton, Benson, Oakes and Cook present. Reeve Charles Kirkness presided.

Prior to the meeting members of the Council had viewed the creek at Main and River Streets regarding damage problems.

Messrs. R. M. Aylesworth, S. Snow and C. Leishman, a delegation representing the Legion, attended the meeting. The Legion desired to have Council pay for the work being done on the race track at the park as they considered this a town improvement and that it should be paid for by the Council. The members of the Council had received the impression from the delegation that had approached them a month ago that the Legion was prepared to go ahead and do the work without assistance but would accept any help the Town could give. Council agreed to consider the matter.

Permission was also requested to clear the drill hall to stable the horses for the coming races. As the Fall Fair Board own the drill shed, Council could not grant permission.

The track is to be closed to traffic from Wednesday, July 10th until after the races.

Mr. R. R. Parker was present to discuss with Council the suggestion of the Dept. of Planning to limit the houses to one on each lot in the new subdivision. In view of the fact there are only five houses in the corporation, and as these are single houses, Council did not feel it was necessary to pass a by-law limiting building to one house per lot. Mr. Parker also discussed with Council the extension of town boundaries to include the new subdivision.

The Y.M.C.A. Board was present and requested that they be appointed to supervise the Physical Fitness program sponsored by the Dept. of Education. The Board had met with the Athletic Association, which had agreed to the outlined proposals. The Athletic Association will continue to look after the organized sport. A program was presented by the Y which looked after the younger people's recreation for the summer. On motion of Councillors Creighton and Benson the Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A. were appointed the committee in charge of physical fitness.

The Athletic Association requested that they be allowed to construct a new baseball diamond for the midgets and bantams at the west end of the park. The screen from the hardball diamond was to be used and a new one constructed for the hardball diamond. Council left this over until estimates were secured on the new screen.

Jack McMullen was present again to discuss with council his grievances regarding the water levels of the pond and the present course of the stream in relation to his property.

At 10:50 coats and vests came off and sleeves were rolled up as council faced the last half of the session. It was decided to install an 8" drain along the south side of Queen St. to Main St. and to grade the street to a depth of 3 feet. Messrs. Mellor and Papillon to pay 25 per cent. of the grading costs.

The Finance Committee recommended the payment of the following accounts:

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| Public Utilities, services | \$202.40 |
| N. McIvor, A. Vangels | 350.00 |
| Municipal World | 50 |
| County Halton grader | 38.50 |
| Bell Telephone, services | 12.40 |

Councillor Oakes and Mr. Harrop were to secure the 8" tile necessary for the new drains.

Council agreed to supply the tile necessary for entrances to lots on Brock Ave.

Council received hospital notice of admittance of an indigent patient but disputed responsibility pending investigation.

The clerk read a letter from the Municipal Ward advising on subjects on which the council desired information. One of these questions dealt with the fences surrounding the park. The ruling was that the parties involved and the corporation should each pay half of the cost of the fence. The clerk reported a letter from

Softball League For Region Zone Four Teams Likely

A meeting of Zone 26, Canadian Legion, was held on Thursday evening last for the purpose of forming a softball league.

Acton, Milton and Brampton were represented at the meeting and it is expected Georgetown Legion will also field a team. The winners of Zone 26 playdowns will play against other Zone winners and it is expected that a provincial playdown will be arranged.

It is understood that Brantford Legion are donating a cup for the winners of Zone 26. Locally the team will be composed of the stars of all the industrial teams who are members of the Canadian Legion.

A silver collection will be taken to defray expenses.

Mr. "Dude" Lindsay was the representative from the Acton Legion at the meeting.

The first game of the league will be held in Acton on Thursday, June 20 when Milton will be the visiting team. Brampton comes to Acton on Monday, June 24th and Acton goes to Milton on Thursday, June 27th. Watch for further announcements regarding the scheduled games.

Welcome Home

Last Tuesday Acton and the families welcomed home again two more men returning from overseas service. Sergt. Wm. Elliott has been overseas for five years and Cpl. W. Buchanan has been overseas for some time. Both were passengers back to Canada on the Aquitania.

Preliminary Plans For Recognition of Active Servicemen

Council Decided on Community Project and Welcome Home Day in August

At a special meeting of Acton Council last Friday evening, consideration was given and plans made for recognition of those who had been on active service in the war of 1939-45. After a review of the question to date and recognizing that the meeting of organizations had promised co-operation on whatever plans decided upon by Council, the following tentative plans were made.

(1) That the expenditure on recognition would be a community project rather than individual gifts to each one who had been on active service from Acton.

(2) It was proposed that when the community project was built it would contain a tablet with the names of those who paid the supreme sacrifice and all from Acton who served in the war.

(3) That a public holiday would be declared in August when a program would be presented and the servicemen and women entertained. At this event each one would be presented with a certificate from the municipality expressing appreciation of the service that had been rendered.

The Clerk was instructed to secure costs and samples of various certificates that were procurable.

The Clerk was also to communicate with Mr. Anderson, engineer, who had agreed to draw plans and specifications for a swimming pool for Acton so that this project might be considered.

Council was divided into committees to head an organization to carry out these plans. One committee will have charge of preparing the list of Acton service men and women. Another committee will have charge of allotting sub-committees for program refreshment booths, parade and other features of the "Welcome Home Day."

The offer of organizations and citizens to help in the plans and of the Free Press to assist in publishing lists of service personnel and revisions were appreciated and accepted by Council. The meeting on Friday night merely outlined the general plan and details will have to be ironed out as committees are formed and take on the task.

SPEAKER IN MILTON TO-MORROW



HON. T. L. KENNEDY

Minister of Agriculture for Ontario who will be the guest speaker at the Halton Federation of Agriculture Field Day in Milton Park to-morrow afternoon and evening.

Summer Program For Park Arranged At Joint Meeting

Y.M.C.A. Board and Acton Athletic Association Plan Outdoor Events for Acton

The following program had its inception at a joint meeting of the Acton Y.M.C.A. Board of Directors and the executive of the A. A. A.

There was unanimous agreement as to the desirability of this undertaking, and a very healthy spirit of co-operation between the two organizations existed.

(1) For the very small children it is intended to provide the following: (a) swings, box type and ordinary type, (b) slides, (c) teeter-totters, (d) sand boxes. It is intended to have the above equipment so installed as to make it possible for one individual to supervise it.

(2) Baseball for minors: It is intended to organize two leagues, one for so-called bantams and one for midgets. Subject to the degree of interest shown, it is hoped that two individual game schedules with play-offs can be drawn up. A similar softball program can be arranged for girls if sufficient interest is manifest.

(3) Track and field: Coaching and training in track and field will be available for all those interested with a view to competition.

(4) Volleyball: Regular arranged volleyball games for young and old are an anticipated feature.

(5) Rubber quilts and horse shoes: Organized competition will be arranged for all desirous of taking part. The rubber quilts are intended for the younger age groups and the horse shoes for the older age groups and adults.

(6) Soccer will be incorporated in the above program in an attempt to promote interest and enthusiasm for this fine sport.

At the conclusion of the "Acton Community Summer Park Program" a field day will be held and prizes for winners of major events will be awarded.

It is anticipated that the services of Mr. John Gray will be available in the supervision of the program.

Churchill Folk Honor Those Who Served in War

On Wednesday evening last, June 12th, a hearty welcome was extended to those who had served in the armed services and their families in the community by the members of the congregation of Churchill United Church and the Red Cross workers of the community, who entertained them to a complimentary supper of roast chicken, salads, pea cakes, etc. A large number were present and the supper tastefully prepared by the ladies was thoroughly enjoyed. Thirty-five invitations were sent out and twenty-five were present who had enlisted. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Molozzi were also present, whose son, Ptl. Sgt. George Molozzi did not return.

After all had been served a splendid program was provided in the church consisting of instrumental music, readings and vocal numbers. The program was as follows: selections by the orchestra of Georgetown United Church Sunday School; the National Anthem and address of welcome by Rev. A. O. W. Foreman; the Last Post was played by Mr. Chas. Land-brough, followed by two minutes of silence, revellie and prayer of thanks and remembrance by Mrs. Caldwell; mixed quartette of Acton, Mr. Geo. Muselle, Miss Margaret Somerville, Miss Blanche McKinnon and Mr. Ted Hansen with Mrs. G. F. Aitken as accompanist; instrumental selection on electric guitar by Mrs. Murray and Miss Smith of Georgetown; readings by Mrs. Bruce of Opeping; violin duets by Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Archie Kerr; cornet solos, Mr. Chas. Land-brough of Acton; vocal solos, Miss Blanche McKinnon, Opeping; selections on electric guitar, Mr. Edmund Watson, Eden Mills, vocal solos, Miss Joyce Fowler, Moorfield; piano solos, Mrs. G. F. Aitken, Opeping.

At the conclusion of the program Mr. Arthur Swackhamer moved a vote of thanks, seconded by Mr. Harold Griffin to those who had provided the excellent program. Pte. Ward Hamilton expressed the thanks of the guests for the enjoyable evening. The ladies were also thanked for the supper. Rev. A. O. W. Foreman acted as chairman and closed the evening's entertainment with the benediction.

OIL STOVE FIRE CONFINED TO ROOM WHERE FIRE STARTED

An explosion in an oil stove at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bennett, Crescent St., gave the Acton Brigade a run on Saturday at noon. Fortunately the blaze was under control on their arrival and damage was confined to the walls immediately near the stove. Both the new and old fire sirens were sounded and a crowd soon gathered.

SEVERAL SHOWERS FOR MISS IRENE JORDAN A BRIDE OF WEEK

On Friday evening, June 7th, the employees of Mason Knit presented Miss Irene Jordan, whose marriage is to take place shortly, with a lovely table lamp.

A surprise shower was held on Monday night, June 10th, at the home of Mrs. Hubert Jordan, when friends gathered to honor Miss Irene Jordan, bride-to-be. Although taken completely by surprise, Irene thanked her friends for the many lovely gifts she received. Lunch was served and a social evening enjoyed by all present.

"Salute to Agriculture" Shows Appreciation Of Farmers' Wartime Job

By H. H. Hannan, President, Canadian Federation of Agriculture

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture has accepted the proposal of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association to join with them in a nationwide "Salute to Agriculture" during the week of June 17th. Many farm organizations across Canada are planning to hold their annual picnics during that week, and it is to be hoped that eventually this week in the year may become established by the method of practice and custom, to be national farmers' day, with possibly one day in the week selected as National Farmers' Day, just as there is a National Labor Day.

The Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association has always shown a keen interest in farmer organizations, and in farming in general, and for a very good reason. The average community weekly newspaper editor is very close to the people who make their living from the soil, and generally speaking has an understanding and appreciation of their problems and their way of life.

The inauguration of the national "Salute to Agriculture" this year is taking the form of an appreciation of the wartime job done by the farmers of Canada. In 1940, with many thousands of young men and women leaving farms to join the armed forces (a total of 450,000 left the farms during the war to enter the services or to go to war industry), the farmers were faced with the stupendous task of producing a large volume of the food required by the allied nations for their armies and navies and air forces. That the farmers of this Dominion accepted the challenge and met it nobly is amply evidenced by the records.

Acton Wins on Saturday Drops Game Last Night

Staffs of Both Schools Now Ready For Fall Term

Board Authorizes Return of \$2000 to Municipality Since Act is Repealed

At a meeting of Acton School Board on Friday evening last, Mr. E. E. Harrop was appointed School Attendance Officer, following the resignation of Mr. J. H. Reid, who has served so faithfully and splendidly in that office for twenty-five years. In view of Mr. Reid's years of service the Supply Committee were empowered to arrange for a token of appreciation.

Mr. Stewart gave information on the cost of teaching music in the Continuation School next term and other information. The Board felt that with the re-introduction of Upper School work and the other changes in the time table and the already increased expenditure for changes, music should not be undertaken this year. Mr. Stewart furnished a list of supplies required and a summary of the text books that would be required of local book stores. He requested that the school typewriter be repaired.

The Property Committee were to arrange assistance for the caretaker in keeping the grass cut in the summer.

Approval was given for the purchase of sanitary supplies from the Wood's Co.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

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| J. H. Goy, express | \$7.21 |
| John Inglis Co., furnace gaskets | 1.94 |
| T. Runley, sharpen scythe | .75 |
| West Disinfecting Co., toilet supplies | 20.72 |
| Bell Telephone Co. | 2.85 |
| Elliott Bros., supplies | 5.98 |
| Carriage | .44 |
| Globe and Mail, adv. | 11.72 |
| Workmen's Compensation | 30.75 |
| C. Anderson Co., books | 277.59 |
| Copeland Chatterton Co., duplicator & supplies | 171.07 |
| Public Utilities | 23.31 |
| W. D. Talbot, supplies | 16.35 |
| Symon Hardware, supplies | 15.58 |
| G. M. Hendry Co., book supplies | 208.20 |
| Clarke Irwin Co., books | 6.86 |
| Pinders Welding, lawn mower repairs | 5.15 |
| H. W. Skilling, painting | 209.50 |
| General Films, supplies for V. S. M. | 8.80 |
| J. B. Mackenzie & Son, building supplies | 30.68 |
| E. S. Cooper, supplies | 1.45 |
| W. R. E. Blair, repairs | 10.00 |
| E. Cripps, carpentry | 17.85 |
| Blue Ribbon Ink, ink powder | 3.00 |
| C. N. Telegraph, telegram | .37 |
| Watson Dairy, K. P. milk | 11.22 |
| Masales Dairy, K. P. milk | 12.83 |
| Guelph Collegiate Institute, Acton pupils attendance | 161.97 |
| Highway Garage, welding | 2.35 |
| Acton Free Press, report cards, etc. | 30.19 |
| Acton Public Utilities Comm. | 22.11 |
| | \$1329.89 |

Mrs. Hazel Orr was engaged as assistant on the Continuation School Staff at a salary of \$1800 with duties to begin in September. This now completes the staff of both the Public and Continuation Schools.

The Secretary gave a report on securing the necessary desks and equipment for the science room at the Continuation School. The Board approved of the plan and the Secretary was to proceed with the order when the sanction of the Inspector was given on equipment.

The attention of the Board was drawn to the condition of the creek through the property and the fact that dirty waste was being put into the creek. The attention of the Sanitary Inspector was to be drawn to the condition with a request that it be discontinued.

The Board authorized the return to the Government of the \$9900 collected in 1945 for a sinking fund for new school buildings since the Act under which this levy had been made had been repealed.

Trustees present at this meeting were J. Chapman, V. B. Runley, L. Lovell and Chairman G. A. Dills.

Lucky Seventh Takes Locals Over Milton When Their Pitching Staff Weakened—Close Game of 4-2 Lost to Aggressive Lakeshore Club—Oakville Took Early Lead and Kept It Right Through

Acton park was the scene of a clash between the two old rivals, Acton and Milton last Saturday and saw the county town go down in defeat by a 9-6 count. The game featured a strong comeback for the Actonians after being held down until the last of the seventh inning.

Milton required the services of three moundmen, McCallum, Roberts and Clements respectively, while Acton used only Ryder. McCallum dealt effectively with the triple A batters until the seventh inning when his "arm" became incapacitated. Roberts next in order seemed to have trouble finding the plate. Clements was called on to finish the hurling duties. Ryder on the rubber for Acton, pitched "ball" throughout the game, allowing only six hits and walking only three. McCallum gave the Acton club four hits with Roberts and Clements allowing three, giving a total of seven hits to the Actonians, while eleven free trips were allowed to first base.

Neither team scored in the first inning and it wasn't until the end of the second that Riddell scored for Acton on Waterhouse's single, pushing the triple A ahead. Milton wreaked vengeance in the first of the third inning, hitting the scoring column four times in the persons of Brush, McCallum, Clements and E. Toletzka. Two more innings had passed when Lindsay brought in another Acton tally on an overthrow to make the score at the end of the fifth inning, Milton 4, Acton 3. In the seventh frame, Milton furthered their lead with 2 runs. Clements and Houston scored as E. Toletzka hit a bagger.

With McCallum replaced by Roberts, Acton took to the bags at the end of the seventh, and pushing the brickmaker's chances lower. Footitt (running for N. Morton), Masales, Lindsay, Footitt and Snyder were responsible for the change in the count, making it 8-6 in the Acton club's favor. Only one more tally was added in the game when Lindsay crossed the plate on Footitt's single. The final count was 9-6 in favor of Acton.

The following is the score by innings:

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| Acton | 011 | 010 | 510 | 9 | 6 |

In a twilight game at Victoria Park. (Continued on Page Seven)

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conventions, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, to cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 50c.

All roads lead to Georgetown Park Saturday, June 29th for the Lions' Horse Show. And don't forget the Sports Day and Variety Show on July 1st holiday. B

Acton Junior Farmers (formerly U.F.Y.P.O.) Old Boys' Reunion at Lorne School, Monday, July 1st. Welcome home and presentation to returned servicemen. Dance in evening. 49-2

Opeping W.I. Garden Party at Alvin Fisher's farm on Thursday, July 4. Entertainment by Wm. T. Davies and Concert Co., Hamilton. Lucky gate prizes. Admission 40c, children under 14, 20c. 50-3

Ballinvald Garden Party, Wednesday evening, June 26th at Peacock school grounds, under auspices of W. A. of United Church. Thos. Simpson Concert Troupe. Admission 35c and 15c.

Don't forget — Waterloo, Ontario, Saturday, June 29th. All day and evening. Music, dancing, fireworks. The biggest and best musical show in Canada. Held in beautiful natural Waterloo Park. Daylight Saving Time.

Garden Party, St. David's Church, Campbellville, Tuesday, June 25th at 8:30 p.m. featuring Russ Creighton and his Variety Entertainers. Refreshment booth on the grounds. Admission, adults 35c, children under 12, 20c. B