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## County Council Endorses Construction of New Tunnel

**Supplies for Juvenile Court are Sanctioned and Purchase of a Lot in Nassagaweya-\$65,269.86 Expended on County Highways from January to August 31st this Year**

After a lapse of two months Halton County Council met in the Court House, Milton last Tuesday.

Following the reading of the minutes and communications, Council went into Committee of the Whole with Reeve Bigrar in the chair.

Business arising from the reports was mostly that of passing accounts for payments and was as follows:

Finance	\$ 2,463.97
Hospitals	1,986.81
County Building	854.81
Printing	385.15
School Health and Educational	38.20
Agriculture and Referrals	126.00
County Roads	26,849.47
	<b>\$41,794.50</b>

Following the recommendation of Mr. E. C. Murray, Zone Forester, it was moved by Crawford and Murray that the County purchase a 100 acre wood lot from Alfred Turner being the west half of Lot 10, concession 5, Nassagaweya for the sum of \$1500. Carried.

A letter from the Port Kinston Civic Association stated that a letter had been received from the Board of Transport Commission re application for construction of a tunnel under the Guelph Line of the CNR just south of the Queen Elizabeth Way at Port Nelson. Council was agreed that a subway was necessary for the safety of the public particularly children, and endorsed the application.

A letter from the Ontario Association of Managers of Homes for the Aged and Infirm requested the endorsement by Halton County of the following resolutions:

1. Resolved that because of over crowded conditions in most Houses of Refuge caused by the inclusion of incurable cases, be it resolved that these persons be cared for in Incurable Hospitals and that the same be attached to all general hospitals throughout the Province.

2. Resolved that the name House of Refuge be changed to "County Homes for the Aged", also that the word "Incurable" be changed to "resident" or "member". Council endorsed the letter.

Mr. Kenneth Langdon, the newly appointed magistrate for the Juvenile Court recently set up in the County, addressed the Council briefly. He brought to their attention that, according to the act, the County is required to provide an office, properly equipped for the magistrate's office. However, since there was no office available and since it would be more convenient to him to carry on the work from his own office in Georgetown, the only thing he wished the Council to purchase was a specialty built typewriter which was essential for the filing in of the magistrate's forms.

It was moved by Heslop and Whitaker that this council purchase the necessary typewriter for Mr. Kenneth Langdon Juvenile Court Judge. Carried.

Moved by Heslop and Crawford, that the Warden and Clerk be authorized to submit to the Minister of Highways, the petition of the County of Halton that during the period from January 1st, 1946 to August 31st, 1946, there was expended on the County Road system the sum of \$65,269.86 of which the sum of \$60,633.72 is subsumable. Carried. Council adjourned.

### LOCAL TRUCK DAMAGED BY FIRE MONDAY AFTERNOON

Fire damaged the cab and part of the truck of May McLellan on Monday afternoon. The truck was on No. 7 Highway about two miles east of Acton when fire in the cab broke out. A call to Acton Fire Brigade took the fire equipment to the blaze but lack of water supply handicapped the Brigade. The blaze was however brought under control and the fire confined to the front of the machine.

### FINE RESULTED FROM COLLISION IN ACTON ON LABOR DAY

James Higgins of Acton, appeared in Magistrate's Court on Tuesday the 10th on a charge of careless driving resulting in property damage. The charge laid by Chief E. E. Harrop was reduced to one of failing to stop at a stop sign and a fine and costs amounting to \$9.00 was imposed. The offence was committed on the afternoon of Labor Day when the car driven by Higgins was driven into another car at the corner of Knox Avenue.

### Hundredth Fair Esquering Society Highly Successful

Quite a number from here attended Georgetown Fair on Saturday afternoon and report one of the best Agricultural exhibitions of the Esquering Society ever presented. The fair this year was marking its hundredth anniversary and the fine pavilion in the Park was officially dedicated and unveiled. There was a large crowd attending and a good program was presented.

The showing in road horses was an exhibit the like of which has not been presented for some time with eight teams showing. Showing in other departments were pigs and lambs, canary birds, money and band numbers were presented by the Esquering Society Band and the Georgetown girls' Band.

### Erin Requests Open Season for Deer Hunting

#### May Form Game Reserve in the Township—All Public Halls To Be Licensed

From Township Municipal Council met at Hillsburg on September 10th. Reeve presiding.

Resolutions were passed as follows:

That application be made to the Department of Highways for funds on \$85,391.9 being expenditure on Township roads from Jan 1st, 1946 to August 31st, 1946.

That the Council instruct the Clerk to request the Department of Game and Fisheries to grant permission to declare an open season for the shooting of deer within the Township for the year 1946 and also to make inquiries as to the formation of the Township of Erin into a game reserve and the rules and regulations governing the same.

That all persons responsible for the operation of Public Halls in the municipality be notified that it is necessary to procure licenses to operate same as per instructions from the Fire Marshal of Ontario.

That the petition of the ratepayers regarding the closing of William Street, Hillsburg, be referred to the Village Trustees.

The Collector's Bond for \$5,000 and Hold-up Insurance of \$2,000 was renewed with the Canadian Surety Co., Toronto, and premiums of \$37.50 and \$12.50 paid to Frank Gray, agent, Hillsburg.

Accounts as follows were passed and ordered paid: General Accounts, \$560.18; Sheep Accounts, \$1,100; Horse Accounts, \$108.05; Road Accounts, \$327.58; Total \$1,209.81.

Council adjourned to meet again on Monday, October 7th.

### Plans Indicate A Big Day Here When Services Honored

Plans for the Recognition Day in Acton on September 21st are taking form. From the committee we have learned that there will be no admission charge to any of the events and since September 21st has been proclaimed a civic holiday for Acton everyone can take part. There are prizes of \$10 and \$5 for the best decorated home and best decorated bus in places along the route of the parade.

The parade offers prizes for those in vehicles, pet animals, horse drawn delivery wagon, delivery trucks, farm entries, both horse and tractor drawn and riding horses. All the organizations—schools, T.O.D.E., Women's Institute etc. are invited and encouraged to take part in the parade.

A letter was received from Georgetown indicating that the present low voltage at certain times of the day interfered with the efficient operation of the plant. A copy of the letter is enclosed. A copy of the letter of complaint was forwarded to the Ministry of Power and Light.

In spite of events there are to be held races in the stadium and a ball game between the Georgetowners and the Park Acton Branch of the Legion's Hop Inn on Hwy. 10 in the afternoon and evening. Also on the evening grand dance will be given in honour of those who served. It will be held in the Park Pavilion. About 1000 people the Band Esquering, Georgetown, and Dept. of Forestry.

There are more details needed but the date is September 21st in Acton.

### WESTON SILVER BAND GAVE FINE CONCERT IN PARK PAVILION

Music lovers of Acton had a treat on Sunday evening when Weston Silver Band under conductor Sam Barbour presented a concert in the Park Pavilion. The band is just beginning again after the war. For four years Weston was without a band. The program included concert solo, a solo by the conductor, the conductor's solo, tenor or twelve piece band selection, overture and march number were a splendidly received and provided a program that was delightful.

The band came to Acton under the sponsorship of Weston Boys' Band who played in Weston this season and Bandmaster Chas. Mason was chairman. That all persons responsible for the operation of Public Halls in the municipality be notified that it is necessary to procure licenses to operate same as per instructions from the Fire Marshal of Ontario.

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The devotional period was taken by Mrs. R. L. Johnson and Mrs. E. J. Caldwell. After the business was disposed of a short program was presented, prizes going to Mrs. E. T. Thottford and Mrs. A. W. Fosbury.

Mrs. Richardson assisted by Mrs. Voldhusen, served a talent tea luncheon which was enjoyed and a social time was spent together. A very hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Richardson for her home and hospitality.

### MRS. D. RICHARDSON HOSTESS FOR MEETING UNITED CHURCH W.A.

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### Salary Increases Granted Officers Public Utilities

#### Opinion Expressed Filtration Plant Will Not Contaminate Water Supply

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Monday evening. Reeve C. L. Kirkness and Commissioner T. B. Mowat were present and Chairman C. M. Hansen presided.

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A motion was carried regarding the days of the year to be declared a School vacation and that of three days \$2.50 per annum was granted and accepted the motion and the view of the majority of the Board.

Another motion was passed concerning the setting off of all contracts that had not paid their bills with in 90 days of the account date which is the 30th of the month. The reason for this is to encourage payment when the bill is paid before the service is discontinued. The motion carried from December 1st, 1945. The following second year will be paid.

#### Hydro Department

For 1946	of Outlays
Water	\$1,094
Electric Power	3,041
Gas	1,986
Office	6,610
Equipment	4,670
Depot	10,741
Other	32,955

#### Waterworks Department

Living and Vine	\$ 95,550

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#### SAFETY UNDERGROUND

HALIFAX (C.P.R.) Mines Minister L. D. Currie has stated a new safety device for mining cages will shortly be introduced in Nova Scotia collieries. The equipment is the latest step in reducing the number of accidents in underground mining operations.

### Plans for Recognition Day Are Discussed by Council

#### First Judging of Acton Gardens in New Feature of Fair

It is anticipated that between 10,000 to 12,000 visitors on Tuesday evening will be the greatest crowd. Action Day is September 21st. Tuesday was the date chosen by O.V.C. to select the best gardens in Acton in the main street area.

There were numerous other activities to be held in the park and the whole town will be filled with the activities of the fair.

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