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## Tanners Put Another Hide on Fence - Milton's Tues.

Win in the County Hown on Tuesday by Score of 11 to 5—Put Five Goals Past Brush in Last Half of the Last Period—Postponed Game in Georgetown To-night and Tanners After More District Hides—Elova Comes Here Next Week.

Coasting through the Milton Legionnaires with an 11-5 triumph, Acton advanced a step further in the Group 5 Intermediate "B" set-up and stopped into second place while awaiting future games to give them a chance on the first spot. With the game on the home ice of the County town, fans anticipated a duel of equality—a large number braved the elements and cast off for Milton to view a last period blitzkrieg which netted the Tanners seven goals and lent authenticity to the throwers of the bones who insist on "seven come eleven."

By scoring seven counters in the final frame, the Acton Tanners rubbed it in in no uncertain terms. Up to the half-way mark of this canto, it was anybody's game, with Milton having as much of the play as did the other family's kids. At 11:17 came the holocaust, when Mike was serving a penalty for giving Gillespie a healthy body slam. From then on at 12:54, 16:45, 17:35, 18:55, and 19:50, the net bulged, with Dave doing the splits. He didn't have a chance on them at all.

When the landslide began, Milton were in the red, and being of a fighting nature, the whole team advanced to the Acton blue line and prepared Woods from all angles. In clearing Acton always seemed to have a man near centre, where he could pick up a stray pass. Gillespie was through on such a play and Dave came out of his own blue line to check the player. He not only poked the disc away from Grant, but made him sail through the air with the greatest of ease. Several Acton players, who had Dave Brush at their mercy, shot, only to hit the post.

In the first session, Lindsay grabbed a loose puck at the Milton Blue line to sail in and net Acton's first at 8:15. Morton who was gliding into the corners, eased a beauty to Lindsay to bat it home at 9:05. Westlake and Cox, carried the play to hand it to Wilson who beat Woods at 13:45; then Ilo Marzo and Goy broke away to make it three one at 16:29. A minute later Grant took a pass from McMunn to grab another. Only two penalties were handed to Chambers and Riddall for slashing at each other.

In the second, which was Milton's best period, only two goals were counted, one for each. Cox grabbed a loose gum-drop from Woods, to slash it in at 8:38, to even the score, two seconds before Riddall stepped into the play pen, after serving a term for hooking Scarrow. Now it was all "even Stefen." Goy, Riddall and Gillespie combined to place Acton one up at thirteen minutes. Two minutes later Westlake and Lindsay tangled with high sticks to be sent to north section for a brief spell.

At 6:50 of the last mile, Riddall went off again for a third time for tripping and holding Scarrow, as he broke through. A minute later Mike Cox and I. Marzo tangled in front of Woods and both were sent off for a rest. Riddall went off again for a trip, and while he was serving the Ref. with grille cakes. Westlake scored on a pass from Grant at 14:19. And again during that penalty, Scarrow, wormed his way from the corner to tally a half minute later. Then came the flood, which we already told you about.

Both Brush and Woods kept their teams from having higher scores registered, and both clubs were unlucky around the twine many times.

The teams:  
Acton—Goal, Woods, defense, Brush and Riddall; centre, Gillespie; wings, E. Marzo and Goy; alternates, I. Marzo, Bayliss, Morton, Townsley, Lindsay, L. Marzo, and Evans.  
Milton—Goal, Brush; defense, Banks and Konec; centre, McMunn; wings, Grant and Scarrow; alternates, Wilson, Westlake, Cox, Basio, Chambers, Selissizzi, McDuffe.  
Referee—Rex, Milhard, Toronto.

P. S.—Enjoying a delicious meal served and prepared by the Women's Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion at the Acton post the Tanners added to the night's victory in a big way as they staked it in. Oh! almost forgot—Ray Mason claims an assist on "Poridge" Riddall's goal. Timekeeper Mason assisted the brawny defenseman to the slip-bin exit while enjoying one of his penalties and showed him out just as a loose puck winged past. Riddall picked up the pill and bulged the twine behind Dago to initiate a scoring spree.

## Goods Recovered And Cheque Forger Is in Reformatory

Norman Fish, alias Bill French, alias Bill Anderson, was given 12 to 18 months at the Ontario Reformatory on each of 16 charges with the sentences to run concurrently. This is the twenty-one year old youth who secured a watch from B. D. Riehl, Acton and issued a forged check in payment. He was located near Rockwood through an advertisement he inserted in the Free Press.

Fourteen of the offences were committed in Guelph where the case was heard last week. A clothing store, jewelry store and service stations were among the Guelph victims of Fish. The young man is a resident of Guelph but has been residing near Rockwood. He faced a total of eight charges of forgery and eight charges of attempting to utter forgeries. Merchants recovered most of the goods that Fish had secured on the bogus cheques.

## School Board Makes Estimates for Year Gives Requisition

Lower Legislative Grants and the Higher Costs Make Municipal Requisition of \$17,695.

At the February meeting of Acton School Board on Tuesday evening Trustees L. Lovell, G. A. Dills, Thos. J. J. Stewart, A. Kirkness and Dr. F. G. Cakes were present and Chairman J. A. Chapman presided.

Principal C. A. Stewart, of the Continuation School expressed appreciation of the staff in the salary adjustment made effective the first of the year. The Board agreed to have the piano at the school tuned.

Principal MacKenzie expressed appreciation of the action of the Board on the salary adjustment.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. J. J. Stewart regarding an accident to their son Barrie when he fell on the ice at the school grounds and severely cut his head. Notice was given that at least a claim would be made for medical attention. The Secretary was instructed to forward the correspondence to the Insurance Company covering the Board's liability in such cases.

A complaint was made on the fees for a non-resident pupil attending Kindergarten. Mr. C. Lindsay felt he should only pay half fees in view of the fact that pupils only attended a half a day. The Principal was instructed to collect the same fees in this case as all other non-resident pupils.

A letter from Mr. Ted Hansen made application if there was a vacancy on the staff at the High School at mid-summer. The Board agreed to engage Mr. Hansen in September in accordance with the letter received.

A letter was read from the staff of the Public School expressing appreciation of the Board's action in salary adjustments.

The Secretary read a letter from the John Inglis Co., giving a credit note for the balance due as claimed by the Board.

A letter from A. C. Gray of the Acton Hobby Club asked if the Board would make inquiry from the Department regarding the installation of electrical equipment in their quarters in the basement of Knox Church. The Board agreed to present the matter to Inspector Skuce.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:  
Book Society, books \$ 2.36  
F. Cripps, shovelling snow 7.65  
W. R. E. Blair, repairs 152.05  
J. H. Goy, express 3.75  
R. O. Stapleton, repairs 7.85  
Public Utilities Commission  
light and water 49.13  
Miss Roszell, supplies 2.50  
Johnstone & Rumley, supplies 2.45  
Copeland Co., supplies 15.00  
Beardmore & Co., supplies 235.00  
Free Press, envelopes .85  
H. W. Baxter, supplies 4.75  
Queen's University, book .60  
Elliott Bros., supplies 13.23  
Bell Telephone, phone 4.20  
G. Hendry, supplies 104.91  
\$ 601.42  
A list of supplies for the Public School was approved by the Supply Committee.

## Thirtieth Annual Meeting—Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E. met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. A. Young, Church Street, with the Regent, Mrs. Matthews presiding. After opening ceremonies and regular monthly business as Regent called on the recording secretary and the treasurer for their annual reports for the year. These were most gratifying and showed the splendid co-operation of the members of the chapter have given their officers all year. The annual reports of the secretaries of the various departments followed.

Mrs. H. Mainprize reported for the nominating committee and the following officers were elected for the year 1947: Honorary Regent, Mrs. J. C. Matthews; Regent, Mrs. N. Balad; 1st Vice-Regent, Mrs. F. S. Blow; 2nd Vice-Regent, Mrs. W. Wolfe; Treasurer, Mrs. E. Cooper; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. Cook; Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. E. Barr; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Graham; Press Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Stewart; Educational Secretary, Mrs. G. MacDonald; Standard-Bearer, Mrs. J. Whitham; Assistant Standard Bearer, Mrs. L. W. Agar; Pianist, Mrs. P. J. Salt; Assistant Pianist, Mrs. J. K. Gardiner.

Honorary Councillors—Mrs. Peter Smith, Mrs. Wm. Gould. Councillors—Miss M. Z. Bennett, Mrs. H. Mainprize, Mrs. W. Beatty, Mrs. R. M. McDonald, Mrs. Amos Mason, Miss Pearl Smith, Miss M. Garvin, Mrs. E. J. Hasard, Mrs. M. Schroeder, Mrs. Silra.

The educational feature of the evening was a very descriptive talk given by Miss Isabel Anderson of the Acton Public School staff, on Prince Edward Island, "The Island" as most easterners call it. Miss Anderson had visited there seven weeks in July and August and has a talent for making her listeners almost see the beauty she describes so vividly. She told of her visit to "Green Gables," also the home of our beloved Canadian author, L. M. Montgomery (Mrs. V. McDonald). Then too Charlottetown Prince Edward Island should be remembered by Canadians as the cradle of Confederation.

Mrs. W. Beatty, Honorary Regent addressed the retiring Regent Mrs. Matthews and graciously expressed the appreciation the members felt for her untiring effort and the ability and dignity she brought to the office of Regent for the past three years. On behalf of the chapter Mrs. H. Mainprize presented Mrs. Matthews with a beautiful basket of spring flowers.

Mrs. F. S. Blow, convener of the European post war service work, distributed the articles of sewing previously prepared by her committee and we anticipate the co-operation of all the members in preparing this splendid bife.

## NATIVE OF HALTON MARKED 90th BIRTHDAY AT HOME IN GALT

Miss Jessie McGregor, now residing at 15 Spruce Street in Galt, on January 25th celebrated her Ninetieth Birthday. She was born in Halton County in that district known as the Scotch Block. Her grandfather, coming from Perthshire, took up crown deeds on this farm in the county and her childhood was spent among similar pioneer families bearing the names of McGregor, Laidlaw, Alexander, Chisholm, Duff and Murray.

Three members of her family spent her birthday with her at her Galt home, her two nieces, Miss Jessie Quarrie of Galt and Mrs. Carson of Toronto, and her cousin, Mrs. M. E. Nixon of Milton. She has been the recipient of numerous congratulations and floral tributes from her many friends.

## POSTHUMOUS AWARD



Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Guthrie, R. R. No. 1 Acton, have received the "Operational Wings," posthumously awarded to their son F. O. Jerry T. Guthrie, from the R. C. A. E., in recognition of gallant service in action against the enemy. F. O. Guthrie was missing in air operations and a year later officially presumed to have died.

## ST. ALBAN'S W. A. ELECTS OFFICERS AT FEBRUARY MEETING

St. Alban's W. A. held their first meeting of the year on Monday, February 3rd. Election of officers took place and a vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Pargeter, the retiring president for her splendid support during the years that she has held office. A social time was spent over the tea-cups. The executive for 1947 is as follows: President, Mrs. C. A. Stewart; Vice-President, Mrs. E. A. Pulker; Secretary, Mrs. Vic Alger; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Creasy; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. Bayliss; Little Helpers Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Stewart; Living Message Secretary, Mrs. E. A. Pulker.

## Only One Injured As Bus Overturns West of Acton

Confusion at Road Junction Blamed for Sunday Night Accident

When a packed bus crashed through the highway guard rail on Sunday, ploughed across a three foot ditch and turned over across a paralleling roadway, only one of the passengers was injured. Mrs. Edith Harrington, Morris Street, Guelph suffered facial abrasions and possible chest injuries and was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph after the accident.

The bus was one of the Gray Coach Lines vehicles on the last run of the night due in Acton at 11:28 p.m. On Sundays and holidays there is usually more than one bus of the schedule to carry the traffic and this was one of four out from Toronto.

It is said the driver was confused by a car which took the fork in the road going to Eden Mills and failed to see the highway direction signs. The machine crashed through the guard railing on the curve east of Rockwood at the intersection of the highway with the road from Eden Mills. Eight or ten posts were clipped off and the checkerboard sign wrecked. Telephone poles were narrowly missed as the bus took across the three foot ditch and came onto the Eden Mills road and lurched over on its side.

Passengers were taken out through the emergency exit at the rear of the bus quite shaken but only one of them injured. The road way was in good condition and the weather was cold and clear that morning. The scene of the accident is about five miles west of Acton.

## When Sunday Night Bus Overturned



The above picture was taken early Monday morning of the overturned bus from which all but one of the passengers came out without injury. The position of the vehicle left the front exit open where one of the workmen can be seen coming out after searching the bus for baggage and other articles belonging to passengers.

## No Deputy-Reeve for Acton Until Elections This Year

### SUFFERED FRACTURED LEG AS VEHICLES SLID ON ROADWAY

Mr. Victor Alger had the misfortune last Friday to fracture both bones in his left leg in an unusual accident. Mr. Alger was on his route delivering the products of Hotchen's Bakery on Brock Ave. While passing the delivery truck of Canada Bread Co., the sleigh skidded on the ice road and he was pinned between the fender of the truck and his own vehicle. He was taken to the office of Dr. Kenny by Mr. Jos. Woods, driver of the truck, where examination revealed the fracture. His progress at St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph is reported as favorable and he hopes soon to be able to return home.

Like any other law or device, traffic regulations, signals and signs are useless unless obeyed.

## Road Machinery Contract Cancelled by Esqueusing Council

Decide to Purchase Other Equipment — No Appeals at Court of Revision

A court of revision for the Township of Esqueusing was held Monday morning, February 3rd. G. E. Cleave, George Currie, George Leslie, H. C. Reid and Wilfred Bird were present. Having taken the required oath, a motion was moved by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. Leslie that Mr. Cleave be chairman of this court of revision. Carried.

There were no appeals against the assessments for the year 1947. Moved by Mr. Bird, seconded by Mr. Currie, that the clerk of this court of revision be, and is hereby authorized and required to initial all corrections, alterations and additions in the Assessment Rolls for the year 1947 and that he be authorized to certify to said Rolls.

Esqueusing Township Council held their regular monthly meeting Monday afternoon. Members all present. Reeve G. E. Cleave presided.

Accounts passed for payment included: Ontario Hospital, Woodstock, charity acct. \$45, less probatist credit \$7.50, \$37.50; Municipal World Ltd. supplies, \$19.85; Bell Telephone Co. services, \$5.76; Salvation Army, grant, \$10; I. M. Bennett, registration of births, marriages and deaths, \$12.75; Province of Sask., charity for Feb. \$20; Assoc. of Assessing Officers, membership fee 1947, \$10; A. W. Benton, stamps, \$41.82; Cecil Chisholm, bal. re dog licenses, \$2.10; Whillier and Co., supplies, \$33.54; Can. Legion, Georgetown, Poppy Day Fund for 1946, \$15; Georgetown Herald, account, \$35.67. Carried.

Motion by Bird and Currie that relief accounts be paid, \$32.70. Carried.

Motion by Reid and Leslie that road accounts of \$5,283.96 be paid. Carried.

Moved by Currie, seconded by Bird, that the following persons be appointed deputy game wardens in Esqueusing during 1947: Daniel Allan, Alfred Bridgen, Ray Crecholson, L. L. Mullin, Harvey Nurse, Fred Ruddell, Spencer Wilson, John Lawson, Wesley Louth, W. J. McDonald, Meldrum Stark, Wm. Shelbourne, Wilmer Watkins and George Woods. Carried.

Moved by Currie and Reid that the Treasurer be authorized to pay Canadian Oil Co. Ltd. \$30 from the account of Ken Brown, for the month of Dec. 1946. Also \$162.64 from the account of Ken Brown for the month of Jan. 1947. Carried.

Moved by Currie and Bird that the treasurer pay Imperial Bank, King and Shelbourne Sts., Toronto, re Geo. Brankley, \$1,049.75, balance in full on gravel contract with the Township. Carried.

By-law No. 6 to provide for road expenditure for 1947 received the required number of readings and was passed.

Motion by Bird and Currie that the reeve and treasurer be instructed to reinvest \$7,000 R.C. debentures which mature Feb. 15, 1947 for the Clergy Reserve Fund. Carried.

Motion by Leslie and Bird that this Council go on record to cancel Road Machinery Contract to purchase caterpillar tractor and equipment and purchase International Machinery as per tender of Nov. 1945. Carried.

Motion by Bird and Reid that the Council adjourn to meet March 3rd at 1:30 p.m. or at the call of the reeve. Carried.

## Council Decides to Hold No Extra Election — Request Made for Earlier Closing of Beverage Rooms — Council Gets Delivery on Most of Servicemen's Rings — Wartime Housing Discussed — Representative To Be at Next Meeting

Acton Council met in regular session with Councillors C. L. Cook, W. J. Coon, J. H. Creighton and R. M. Aylworth present and Reeve F. J. McCutcheon presiding.

Reeve McCutcheon stated that Hinton would have the Public Health Unit established about July 1st, and gave Council some of the details of the new plan.

Mr. H. H. Hinton made delivery of the service men's rings and presented his account. Any ring in the group found faulty would be corrected. His check of the rings had shown four that were incorrect and the account was altered to allow for this correction. The rings had all been weighed and were well over the specifications of the contract. The account was for \$3300 and Council agreed to pay \$3000, holding back \$300 until all corrections were adjusted.

Mr. J. McMullen was present regarding a building permit. Fire Chief Dawkins was also present and Chief Harrop explained the situation. Mr. McMullen desired to convert the property formerly owned by Mrs. Goldham on Bower Avenue into four apartments. Mr. Harrop felt he should put the matter before the Fire Committee in view of the fact that the building was in the fire limits. Mr. McMullen said he was prepared to comply with the building by-law. The Fire Committee agreed to inspect the building before giving authority to issue a permit. Inspection was to be made the day following, Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:  
H. H. Hinton, payment on service rings \$3600.00  
Fyr-Flyer Co., supplies 6.00  
Fred Stewart, truck 4.00  
Rev. A. E. Pulker, Quebec heater 8.00  
Symon Hardware, supplies 39.00  
Association of Assessing Officers, fees 10.00  
\$3607.00

Council discussed the installation of the amplifiers in the arena and it was felt the present arrangements were not satisfactory and payment of the account was withheld until the present units worked satisfactory or four speakers installed. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Manning requesting installation of the four P.M. speakers.

The Council discussed the appointment of a Deputy Reeve. This application was acted upon this evening another election would be required to elect a Deputy-Reeve. It was decided to carry on as at present until the next election, when the Deputy-Reeve would be elected for 1948.

Mr. J. F. Royston was present to discuss with Council the hours of closing of beverage rooms. He felt that the 11:30 hour on Saturday night was too late. In Acton, where the industries were closed all day Saturday, the hour was not necessary. He suggested 10 o'clock on Saturday as late enough and 11 o'clock on any other night instead of midnight. Council suggested that both owners of hotels in town send a letter outlining the hours desired before passing a resolution.

A resolution was passed and the by-law sanctioned for approval of the terms of the Liquor Control Board. (Continued on Page Five)

## Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged at cents per line, with a minimum charge for an announcement of 25 cents.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Church are holding a bingo February 6th in St. Joseph's Hall.

Ice Carnival in Acton Arena February 21st. For news of event see announcement on page 7 of this issue.

Valentine Tea, sale of baking and apron booth, Saturday, February 15, Parish Hall at 3 o'clock. 29-31-32

Dance, Brookville Hall, Friday, February 14th, under the auspices W.I. Good orchestra. Prizes. Admission 35c. 35-2B

Olde Tyme and Modern Dance, at Town Hall, Acton, Friday, February 14th, Dancing 9 to 1. Gih Jordan and his orchestra. Door and Spot Dance Prizes. Admission 50c.