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Commission Order More Water Meters For New Services

No Decision Made on Engaging Another Helper for the Hydro Department

On Monday evening last, the regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held. Reeve F. J. McCutcheon and J. B. MacArthur were present.

A letter from Beardmore and Co. requested that the poles on Elgin St. 46 Church St. from their plant entrance be removed. Secretary McGeechie was to reply to this letter stating that this pole line was owned by the Bell Telephone Co. and the hydro rented the poles from that company. It was pointed out that a line was needed on this street to service the users of electricity.

The Commission was notified that Mr. E. Maddock of the H.E.P.C. staff would be present to discuss any matters pertaining to Commission business at the next regular meeting in June.

Miss J. Walker requested a leave of absence for one week after the billing period. This request was granted.

Waterworks Superintendent Lambert requested permission to buy a number of tools for his department. This request was granted.

It was decided to place an order for 25 water meters. This will bring the number on order to 50.

The new style water heater is on display in the Utilities office. It was decided to place two more on order and if more were wanted the order was to be increased as needed.

All returns to the consumer of water and light deposits were to be made by cheque, the Commission ruled.

Mr. Mason of Rockwood, who is at present employed by the H.E.P.C. and who has been on their staff for the past four years, applied for a position on the local Commission staff. He had interviewed Superintendent Wilson and was present at this meeting. No action was taken as it was felt a full Commission should be present to make this decision. An early answer to this application was promised.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay the following accounts:

Hydro Department	
Northern Electric Co., Ltd., supplies	\$22.74
Sangamo Ct. Ltd., supplies	105.00
MacDonald Electric Ltd., supplies	73.11
Can. Gen. Electric, supplies	8.97
Packard Electric, supplies	250.00
Ellis & Howard Ltd., supplies	1.37
C. H. Wood & Co., supplies	18.92
McEachern Electric, supplies	1.20
Workmen's Comp. Bd.,	129.35
Mrs. H. Palmer	12.00
Express and transport	7.55
H.E.P.C. of Ont.	120.42
	\$750.33

Acton Softball League Schedule For 1947 Season

Following is the Softball League schedule drawn up last week. Monday and Thursday are Softball game nights in Acton Park. It's a five-team league. We suggest your clip it for future reference throughout the season.

First Half	
Monday, May 26—Baxters vs. Rachlins.	
Thursday, May 29—Canadian Wool vs. Tannery Union.	
Monday, June 2—Rachlins vs. Forces.	
Thursday, June 5—Baxters vs. Canadian Wool.	
Monday, June 9—Forces vs. Tannery Union.	
Thursday, June 12—Canadian Wool vs. Forces.	
Monday, June 16—Tannery Union vs. Rachlins.	
Thursday, June 19—Forces vs. Baxters.	
Monday, June 23—Rachlins vs. Canadian Wool.	
Thursday, June 26—Baxters vs. Tannery Union.	
Second Half	
Monday, June 30—Rachlins vs. Baxters.	
Thursday, July 3—Tannery Union vs. Canadian Wool.	
Monday, July 7—Forces vs. Rachlins.	
Thursday, July 10—Canadian Wool vs. Baxters.	
Monday, July 14—Tannery Union vs. Forces.	
Thursday, July 17—Forces vs. Canadian Wool.	
Monday, July 21—Rachlins vs. Tannery Union.	
Thursday, July 24—Baxters vs. Forces.	
Monday, July 28—Canadian Wool vs. Rachlins.	
Thursday, July 31—Tannery Union vs. Baxters.	

Last named team in each game is the home team.

Big Race Card Promised for Acton Park, Saturday

Saturday will see another big summer event in Acton Park when Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion hold their annual race meet. The racing card for the afternoon calls for three events, the 2:22 and 2:28 Trot or pace and the Free for All with purses of \$750 offered.

Last year Acton Race Meet attracted so many horses that an extra event had to be included and we are informed by the Secretary that the entries are coming in better and indications are for an even better racing card this year than last season.

The track has been graded and is in splendid condition. We're not likely to have the dust that was everywhere on the last event. Given fine weather, Acton Park on Saturday will be the Mecca for a crowd not only of townfolk but racing enthusiasts from all over the district.

Gifts at St. Albans Dedicated Sunday By Archbishop

Mr. and Mrs. S. Bennett Present Pipe Organ and Church Furnishings

Wednesday, May 25th, the third great feast of the Christian year which commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit was observed with special services at St. Albans Church. In the morning there were two celebrations of Holy Communion and in the evening, the Right Reverend—W. B. Broughall, M.A., D.D., Lord Bishop of Niagara was present for the dedication of gifts and for Confirmation.

On behalf of the donors, Stuart and Violet Bennett, the congregations, the church wardens and himself, the Rev. E. A. Pulker presented the gifts, the pipe organ, two choir stalls, the pulpit and the door to the choir vestry which were dedicated by the Bishop. In his sermon Bishop Broughall congratulated the congregation upon receiving such fine gifts and expressed his personal thanks to the donors. His Lordship also spoke on the power of the Holy Spirit which is essential to those who seek to live the Christian life. The Sacrament of Confirmation was administered to the following:

Karl O'Connor, Harold Adby, Montague Root, William Neils, David Neils, Donald Perkins, Edward McHugh, Ronald Anderson, Donald vanGoozen, John Ware, Gordon Lawson, Alfred Eurlinger, John Irwin, Mrs. Elizabeth Reid, Mrs. Isabel vanGoozen, Irene Neile, Shirley Fryer, Yvonne Brunelle, Viola Johnston, Elizabeth Lawson.

The choir sang the anthem "Come Holy Ghost" and the blessing was pronounced by the Bishop. The newly confirmed will make their first communion on Trinity Sunday.

Acton Wins Opening Game by 11-4 Score from Milton

Milton Moundsmen Flattered in the Eighth and Acton Piled Up Big Lead—First Game of Season was Typical Opener—Oakville Took Georgetown by 3-2 Score in Lakeshore Town

Inspired by a five hit hurling performance by Peter Chabun, Acton's diamond nine christened the 1947 baseball season with an 11-4 triumph over the Milton fledglings in a nine inning tilt played in Acton Park on Saturday last. Cropping eight singles off the offerings of Gervais, the Milton portlander, beside sauntering to the first sack on fourteen free trips, the "47" triple A club crammed eleven runs down a hapless "County Town" squad's throat with apparent ease.

Notwithstanding the overbalanced numerical power that Milton weathered, the game was a tight slated affair until the eighth inning when Southpaw Gervais's tempting hooks caught the wrath of hickory in Acton's rendition of "Murderer's Row." Lindsay's long drive that hit two batters, initiated the spree—Masales, Lindsay, Robinson, Evans, Snyder and Chabun were scorers.

Planned Guilty To Theft From Fellow Employer

Rowland Corbell, 38, of Ottawa, who had been working at Beardmore Tannery two days, pleaded guilty to stealing a suitcase and a mantle radio from John Leighton, a fellow employee, was remanded in custody a week for sentence, when he appeared before Magistrate Kenneth M. Langdon in County Magistrate's court at Milton yesterday.

After accused said he could find the place at Sunnyside where he sold the articles, the court ordered accused be placed on suspended sentence if restitution was made along with costs of the court and constable's expenses for bringing him back from Ottawa had been paid. Chief Harrop told the court it cost about \$45 to bring the accused back to Acton.

Council and School Board Confer on New School Room

A joint meeting of Acton Council and School Board was held on Thursday evening with all the members of Council and School Board present. The meeting was held to discuss the problem of securing additional room for public school pupils.

Chief Harrop reported regarding the garbage dump. It was suggested a bulldozer be used to make a roadway and more space for dumping. Instructions were issued to get the machine to make the road.

Chairman Chapman explained the need for more room for the pupils at Acton Public School.

There are 57 now wanting to start in the Kindergarten class when school re-opens and not more than 52 can be taken in the new class. The enrollment now stands at 360 and during last year 22 pupils came to Acton school during the term. There were 23 non-resident pupils in the various grades from which monthly fees of \$2 per pupil were collected.

Plans and specifications were submitted by VanGiles and Jones for a temporary building at the southeast corner of the present school but not attached to the present building. It would be 22 x 32 feet inside with a 16 ft. ceiling and provide for 40 pupils. It would be insulated and set on cement piers and heated by space heaters. It could be built and removed when permanent accommodation can be arranged. If these local contractors were given the construction they would have the building ready for occupancy when school reopened. They also submitted an estimate of the cost.

After hearing of the problem, Council unanimously passed a resolution providing for issuing debentures for \$5000 for building and equipment for 10 years at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. The Department of Education would pay in grants, it was understood, 60 per cent of the cost over a three year period and the Board agreed to pass a resolution covering the return of this capital investment. The plans are to be submitted for approval of the Inspector and Department of Education and tenders called for the work as soon as possible.

Unanimous Approval Given the Plan and Debentures to Be Issued

William K. Hawke of Burlington was given a week's remand at his own request. He is charged with stealing \$17 and also \$65 in milk tickets from Lakeside Dairy in Burlington.

William Neilson, Burlington, was assessed \$50 for being a vagrant and creating a disturbance on Brant St. May 13. Chief Lee J. Smith said accused had gone through \$200 in two weeks, spending most of his money on liquor. He said he was an ill man and proceedings had begun to have him deported back to Scotland. He also asked that he be held in custody until arrangement had been made.

The court concurred in the Chief's request adding that should the necessary papers arrive, the jail sentence would terminate.

Old Fashioned Costumes at Halton W. I. Annual

Splendour of 18th century costumes featured the Halton Women's Institute annual meeting held in Milton recently. The above group of ladies presented a replica of a first W. I. meeting ever held in Halton. On the program were discussion groups, interspersed with humor, recipes, solos and readings. The two ladies in the front row, proudly holding silver trays were adjudged the best dressed women in a fashion parade held during the program. Included in the picture are: Mrs. Frank Brown, Limehouse; Mrs. Walter Ferrer, Campbellville; Mrs. Clebert McDowell, Hornby; Mrs. F. A. Featherston, Nelson; Mrs. George Fox, Palermo; Mrs. A. J. Smethurst, Limehouse; Mrs. Joseph Howard, Toronto; Evelyn Pelletier, Ash; Mrs. Clifford Tasker, Milton; Mrs. C. Freure, Georgetown; Mrs. W. J. Robertson, Milton; Mrs. William Hignett, Palermo; Mrs. Frank Quinlan, Campbellville; Mrs. Delbert Downs, Hornby; Mrs. Guy Bussell, Hornby; Mrs. J. F. Reid, Campbellville; Mrs. H. L. Davidson, Acton; Mrs. Nelson Anderson, Dublin; Mrs. George Black, Campbellville; Mrs. Frank Stark, Milton; Mrs. George Barthey, Drumquin; Mrs. Fred Anderson, Acton; Mrs. J. F. Wilds, Acton; Mrs. J. K. Mahon, Campbellville; Mrs. Max Featherston, Nelson; Mrs. Frank Rinehart, Nassagaweya; Mrs. Walter Cooper, Burlington.

—Spectator Photo by Ross Pearen

Lakeside Chapter Establish Bursary For Acton School

The regular meeting of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.O.F. was held in the Legion Hall on Tuesday, May 27th.

\$25 was voted to the Lucy Morrison Fund and also to the Endowment Fund. A bursary was established for the High School of \$25 to help any needy student of marked ability. \$5 was donated to the Shipping Fund.

Mr. D. McLennan, on behalf of the Y.M.C.A., gave a very enlightening talk on the current drive in connection with the World Youth Fund, the objective of which is \$8,650,000. With the aid of pictures, he graphically illustrated the tragic need for this service in the devastated countries of Europe and the Far East, and explained their three point program, to rehabilitate, to rebuild and to provide for millions of needy youngsters.

Eight new members were welcomed into the Chapter. \$25 was donated to the "Save the Children Fund" of Greece and also \$25 to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

After the meeting a delicious lunch was served and a social time spent.

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Baptist Minister Here Concludes 50 Years Next Sunday

Rev. W. H. Wallace Will Retire from Work—Farewell Services on Sunday

The farewell services of Rev. W. H. Wallace in Acton Baptist Church last Sunday will mark the close of a half century of this fine Christian gentleman in the service of his church. The evening services of the United and Presbyterian Churches will be withdrawn so that friends can attend this service. Mr. Wallace has ministered to the Baptist Church here and in this community for the past three years and has endeavored himself to many in this community. He is 82 years old and Sunday marks the 50th anniversary of his ordination as a Baptist minister.

Ever with the carriage of a man of 50, almost six feet, this white haired, dynamic minister of the gospel, who was officially superannuated four years ago, refuses to sit idle in "the chimney corner" of his Walmer Rd. apartment, Toronto. For the last three years he has made week-end trips regularly to Acton, preaching every Sunday as a pupil supply.

Born and reared in the Presbyterian faith, he became a Baptist through conviction and study. A rugged setting and rich in storied romance was the birthplace of the veteran minister.

"I was born at Arbroath, Scotland," he claims with pride and there is verification in the accent which has never been lost in more than 60 years' residence in Canada. "My home was near the famous Inchcape Rock, where the father of Robert L. Stevenson built the lighthouse. Sir Walter Scott often came to Inchcape Rock to visit with the lighthouse builder and to find material for his books."

Before he came to Canada Mr. Wallace spent some years in Y.M.C.A. training in Dundee. A year after the Northwest rebellion he was appointed a Y.M.C.A. worker in Winnipeg. He attended Manitoba University and later was graduated from McMaster University.

A lot has been crowded into the years since May 13, 1897 when he was ordained a minister in the old Bloor Street Baptist Church. His pastorates have included also St. Thomas, Weston, Belleville, Stouffville, Barrie, Ottawa, Coaticook, Que. He attributes his earnestness and briskeness, which belie his age, to his mastery, when a mere stripling, of deep breathing.

"God gave us a diaphragm and he meant us to use it," commented Mr. Wallace. "When I sang in the McMaster quartet in my student days I could hold a note much longer than the others—because I know the secret of deep breathing."

Nassagaweya Made Fine Contribution to British Flood Relief

The Councils and Committee of Nassagaweya Township wish to thank all those who contributed so generously to the British Flood Relief Campaign.

In all 79 cartons of food and clothing were sent and a total of \$292.00 was subscribed. The spirit of sympathy and understanding was evident everywhere.

Teamwork is a method of production even more productive than machines.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 30c.

MAY MEETING OF UNITED CHURCH W.M.S. AT MRS. L. W. AGAR'S

The regular business meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. L. W. Agar on Tuesday with Mrs. R. L. Johnson presiding in the absence of the president.

The devotional period was taken by Mrs. R. L. Johnson and the study book by Mrs. N. H. Wilson, assisted by Miss Dryden, Mrs. Lambert, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Cleave. Supply committee reported a bale ready packed to be taken to Milton. The ladies were provided with material and are sewing for the Aid to China Relief. The temperance portion was conducted by Mrs. J. Symon. One of the very faithful and efficient members, Mrs. N. H. Wilson is moving to Guelph. Members all wish her every success in her new home and surroundings and in view of this being the last meeting Mrs. Wilson will attend. Mrs. Agar served a very fainty lunch and a social time was enjoyed by all in attendance. Rev. A. W. Fosbury closed the meeting with prayer.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.O.F. will meet at Mrs. R. N. Baird's home, Bowet Ave, Tuesday, June 3rd.

The United Church W. A. are holding a baking sale and tea on May 31st in the Sunday School Room, 3-5, Group 1-3.

Celebrate July 1st in Georgetown Park with Branch 120, Canadian Legion, afternoon and evening. Sports, garden party, servicemen's presentation. Watch for details.

The Halton Male Choir proudly presents Rex Battle celebrated pianist and producer of "Singing Stars of Tomorrow" in a joint concert to be held in St. Paul's United Church, Milton, Monday, June 9 at 8:15 p.m. D.S.T. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by writing to J. H. Ledwith, Secretary-Treasurer of Halton Male Choir. Admission 50c and 75c. Proceeds in aid of Philanthropic projects. 47-2