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Acton Legion Has Request Complaints to Council

Delegations from Y. M. C. A. Board and Acton Fire Brigade are heard—Joint Meeting to be Arranged Regarding Disposition of the Continuation School Property—Other Items of Last Night's Council Session

Acton Council met in regular session last evening with Councillors W. McLeod, A. McIsaac and F. Davison and Deputy Reeve W. Coon and Reeve F. J. McCutcheon present.

Mr. John Greer was present to discuss with council the heating problem at the Y.M.C.A. The directors had been notified that their supply of oil had been cut in half and they could not heat the building. He asked council's opinion on disposal of the oil burner which had been installed by the municipality. The Board planned to install a stoker but did not ask the municipality to share any of the cost of the new installation. They had been offered a minimum of \$200 on the sale of the burner and would like to apply whatever amount was secured on the stoker equipment.

Council agreed to leave the matter in the care of the directors to dispose of the burner as they saw fit and to apply any amount received from the sale of the oil burner toward installation of new coal heating equipment.

A delegation from Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion interviewed Council. Mr. R. M. Aylsworth asked Council if they would write off the taxes on the Legion Hall since the building was only used for Legion purposes with the exception of school taxes and local improvements. Council were agreed to this arrangement as had been previously agreed upon by former council and provided for in By-law No. 811.

The delegation also asked Council regarding the addition proposed last year to the soldiers' memorial at a cost of \$1200 to include the names of those who paid the supreme sacrifice in the Second World War. The idea was also discussed of making a swimming pool as a memorial but this was not approved by the Legion as a suitable memorial to the fallen.

Mr. A. Kirkness, on behalf of the Legion asked why the municipal positions were not advertised and veterans were not given an equal opportunity to make application for the municipal positions. They questioned the method of handling the position not the appointments. Reeve McCutcheon explained that the move had been made to best meet the town's requirements and care for the records in a municipal building. Mr. F. L. Wright also addressed the Council and Solicitor C. F. Leatherland pointed out that the municipal solicitor had been in his office for forty years and he had not resigned but would do so at any time the council desired.

Mr. M. Storey and Mr. R. M. Aylsworth also presented argument to council regarding the method of making appointments without advertising for the positions. Mr. Aylsworth asked that these objections of the Legion be placed on record. Members of Council felt that the handling of the appointments were the most economical method of dealing with the problem and in the best interests of the municipality and a lengthy argument was held. Reeve McCutcheon (Continued on Page Five)

Guelph Man Was Victim of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

Albert L. Bouck, aged 35, of Guelph, was found dead in his car on Monday evening about 6 o'clock on No. 25 Highway about 6 1/2 miles south of Acton. The machine was at the roadside near the portable saw mill set up in the bush at this location.

Provincial Constable Ray Mason investigated and it was found death was due to carbon monoxide poisoning. The machine had been on the highway in this position, it is believed since two o'clock in the afternoon and was passed by many motorists who thought the machine belonged to some of the workmen at the mill. As a matter of fact the editor passed the vehicle twice that afternoon on the trip to Milton and never realized that the car was occupied. No inquest will be held.

He is survived by his wife, Irene and one son, Robert, who reside at 42 Waterloo Avenue, Guelph. The funeral service was held in Guelph this afternoon.

Boy Scouts Bring In Lad Suffering A Broken Leg

While out on a skiing hike with a group of fellow Scouts on Sunday afternoon, Fred Euringer had the misfortune to fracture his leg. The group was half a mile from the nearest farm home of John Porty on the first line, Esquesing. It was here the Boy Scout training came into use. A temporary splint was made with one of the skis and others fitted up to carry the injured lad to the farm home. Mr. Porty brought him by sleigh into Acton where he was treated by Dr. W. G. C. Kenney and later sent by ambulance to hospital in Guelph. Latest reports are that Fred is making favorable progress but his winter sport activities are concluded for this winter. He has returned home from hospital.

KNOX Y.W.A. ELECTS OFFICERS FOR YEAR FIRST MEETING 1948

The Knox Y. W. A. held their first meeting of the year at the music on Wednesday, January 14. In the absence of the president, Mrs. O'Hara presided. Mrs. R. Turner and Mrs. E. Hansen were in charge of the devotions and Mrs. O'Hara led in prayer. The first chapter of the new Study Book as introduced by Mrs. Somerville proved to be very interesting. The reading from the Girl's Biddings, a report on the Missionary Council meeting at Whitby, was given by Mr. Rossell.

During the business period many plans were made for the coming year. The committee in charge served refreshments and a social hour was enjoyed by all.

The officers for 1948 are as follows: hon. president, Mrs. (Rev.) J. M. Anderson; president, Mrs. E. Anderson; vice president, Mrs. O'Hara; secretary, Mrs. Musselle; treasurer, Mrs. Ingles; assistant treasurer, Mrs. E. Cole; pianist, Mrs. A. K. Mann; Glad Tidings secretary, Miss P. Elliott; honor. helpers secretary, Mrs. S. Sinclair and Mrs. J. F. Wilds; supply convener, Mrs. O'Hara; press reporter, Miss M. Rossell.

Golden Wedding Anniversary at Young St. Home

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson
Receive Congratulations
from Many Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson of Young St., Acton, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on Monday, the 19th of January.

They were at home to their many relatives and friends on Sunday afternoon, January 18th and Monday afternoon and evening, at which time a reception was held. The following sisters-in-law of the departed were at various periods: Mrs. A. E. Carlisle of Edmonton; Mrs. John Carlisle of Beaverton; Mrs. Wm. Carlisle of Guelph and a friend, Mrs. H. Mainprize of Acton. These ladies were assisted by the daughters-in-law and Miss M. Rossell.

Many beautiful and useful gifts were received and many friends sent messages of congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson were married January 19th, 1898 at Lot 12, 1st line west, Caledon Township by the late Rev. J. A. Matheson of Charlton. Mr. Patterson had the pleasure of being married in the same house as he first saw the light of day. He is the youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Patterson and the only survivor of a family of 11. Mrs. Patterson was Mary Carlisle, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carlisle. Two brothers, John and Robert Carlisle, who were at the wedding in 1898 were present to commemorate the occasion.

The pleasant festivities were terminated with a dinner, at which five of the six sons with their wives and families, brothers, sisters-in-law and a few close friends were present. A son Arthur and his wife, who reside in California, were unable to be present. Mrs. A. E. Carlisle of Edmonton held the distinction of coming the greatest distance.

Marked Golden Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson, Young Street, were at home to friends and family when they celebrated on Monday the Fiftieth Anniversary of their wedding. Photo shows them at the home on Monday with the wedding cake that centred the table at the dinner held on Monday evening in Knox Church for the family and friends. Free Press Photo

Geo. E. Cleave of Esquesing Warden of Halton 1948

Three were in running and Mr. Cleave secured a majority on Second Vote — Reeve Mary Pettit, Nelson & Reeve Alex McLaren of Georgetown were Other Candidates — Oakville Did not Receive Extra Vote as Notification not received in Time

(Exclusive for the Milton Champion and the Acton Free Press)

George E. Cleave, Reeve of Esquesing, was elected Warden of Halton County at the meeting held in the Court House in Milton on Tuesday afternoon. Reeve Mary Pettit, Nelson, and Reeve Alex McLaren, Georgetown, were also nominated. Mr. Cleave got a majority on the second vote. He was sworn into office by W. I. Dick and presented with the gown and gavel of office. In his address to the council he said that he had been in Council for eight years and appreciated the honor bestowed on him by his fellow members and the sportsmanship of the other contestants for the position. If the situation had been different, he would have been pleased. New members to the council were welcomed and instructed not to be afraid to ask for help in council work as he would be glad to do what he could. He would do his best for Halton County and hoped for a free and open discussion around the table. He thanked the members for electing him to the position of Warden.

New members in Council this year are Wm. S. Coon, deputy reeve, Acton; Wm. VanSickle, reeve, Nassagaweya; H. S. Litchfield, deputy reeve, Oakville; and H. D. Allen, deputy reeve, Burlington.

Reeve VanSickle started a discussion by asking about the procedure in the election of the Warden. He wanted to know if the municipalities were represented in turn or if the Warden was chosen on his merit. He was informed that until two years ago the municipalities had taken returns but they had gotten away from that. Deputy Reeve Armstrong, Georgetown, told council that the last time Georgetown had a Warden was in 1935 and that all the other municipalities had had it twice. Burlington has had a Warden twice in the last eight years. Esquesing has it this year.

Notification of a sufficient increase in voters to warrant an extra vote for Oakville was not sent in six days before their nomination. Clerk Wm. Deans was sure whether the vote could be allowed so to be safe he ruled it out. The extra vote would have made no difference in the election result.

The Reeves of the nine municipalities were nominated as a committee to select the standing committee for the year. Deputy Reeve Hall, Trafalgar, was also nominated to this committee but withdrew. It seems that the deputy reeves should be represented when several of the municipalities are represented by reeve and deputy reeve.

The standing committees are: Finance: W. S. Hall, Alex McLaren, H. S. Litchfield, J. W. Higgins, E. C. Foster. Education: F. J. McCutcheon, J. T. Armstrong, Geo. Currie, H. D. Allen, W. H. Bigger. Printing: E. W. Smith, Wm. S. (Continued on Page Eight)

HALTON WARDEN FOR 1948 TAKES OFFICE



George Cleave, Reeve of Esquesing, was elected Warden of Halton County for 1948 over two opponents during the inaugural meeting of Halton County Council Tuesday afternoon. Crown Attorney W. I. Dick is seen in the photo administering the oath of office to Warden-elect Cleave while Clerk Wm. Deans looks on. Mrs. Mary Pettit, Reeve of Nelson and Alex McLaren, Reeve of Georgetown, were the defeated candidates. Photo by Ross Pearen

Officers Chosen and Reports Given For St. Alban's

At the annual vestry meeting of St. Alban's Church held on Monday evening in the Parish Hall, the Church Wardens, Messrs. H. T. Jolley and T. G. Jones were re-appointed for 1948. Dr. F. Onkes was elected lay delegate to the Synod for three years.

Auditors, H. Hinton and A. W. Haydon; Vestry Clerk, W. H. Denny; Envelope Secretary, A. Clifford; Parish Council, Rector, wardens, lay delegate, president of the W.A., president of the Ladies Guild, Messrs. W. H. Denny, A. Clifford, J. Chapman Sr., J. Creasy, Mrs. V. Alger, Mrs. L. A. Duby, Miss E. Taylor; Church School Management Committee, E. Footitt, H. Price, C. O. Ranney, Mrs. Claude Cook, Mrs. Gordon Currie, Mrs. Leslie Duby; stewards, Thomas Ware, Claude Cook, Jack Chapman, Charles Leatherland, Herbert Hinton, Melville Schroeder, Edward Footitt and Dr. F. Onkes.

The church warden's financial statement presented by the people's warden, T. G. Jones, showed the church in excellent shape. All accounts were paid and a balance left to begin the year. Mrs. J. Creasy read the W. A. report; Mrs. R. Anderson the Ladies Guild; Mrs. V. Alger the chair and C. O. Ranney the Church School Reports were received of the 75th anniversary of the church, the Girls' Auxiliary and the Chancel Guild.

A fine spirit of co-operation was exhibited throughout the meeting and the business was carried through in a happy and expeditious manner.

NEW BRANCH OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTE FORMED AT GREENOCK

The ladies of Greenock Red Cross group met at the home of Mrs. Jennie McKeown on Wednesday, January 14th to organize a branch of the Women's Institute. Mrs. Edgar Grey as organizer was assisted by Mrs. Earl Moore and Mrs. Wm. Ballentyne of Mimosa Institute.

The following officers were chosen: president, Mrs. J. McKeown; 1st vice president, Mrs. T. Hemsley; 2nd vice president, Mrs. H. Reid; district director, Mrs. T. Hemsley; secretary treasurer, Miss Elva Pearson; assistant secretary treasurer, Mrs. K. Johnston; pianist, Mrs. K. Johnston; assistant pianist, Mrs. H. Reid; auditors, Mrs. C. McKeown and Mrs. J. Neary.

Convenors: citizenship, Mrs. G. Leslie; agriculture and Canadian industries, Mrs. C. Allen; historical research, Mrs. R. Allen; home economics, Mrs. C. McKeown; social welfare, Mrs. E. Pearson; Mrs. T. McCutcheon; flower committee, Mrs. A. Thompson, Mrs. F. West, Mrs. E. Johnson.

It was decided to hold the meetings of the branch on the third Wednesday of each month and the name chosen was Greenock Women's Institute. Twelve members attended the inaugural meeting and at the close lunch was served and a social time spent.

Georgetown Wins 8-4 In Overtime on Tuesday

Radios and Cash Stolen at Office Here on Tuesday

Sometime during Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning the office and showrooms of J. B. Mackenzie and Sons were entered. The thieves made away with five radios, about \$25 in cash and some files. Total value estimated stolen was \$225.

It appears that entry was made through the rear part of the shop where a window was broken and the door opened from the inside and thence into the showrooms. Chief Harrop and the Acton police are investigating.

JUNIOR FARMERS' ASSOCIATION PLANNED FOR ERIN TOWNSHIP

Mr. R. T. Hilliard plans to organize a Junior Farmer's Association for Erin Township. Mr. Hilliard is junior extension fieldman for the Junior Farmers' Association for Ontario. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall of Hillsburg on Friday, January 23rd at 8.30 p.m. Young people from all parts of the township are urged to attend.

Besides the guest speaker who is well known to Junior Farmers' Associations in Ontario, we are having films, sing song and local talent.

Inaugural Meeting of Nassagaweya Council Last Week

Appointments Made for Year—
Urge Prosecution of Those
Dumping Garbage on
Roads

The Council Elect for the Township of Nassagaweya met in the Council Chamber, Hillsburg, on Monday, January 12th, 1948 at 10 o'clock. Present were Reeve W. M. VanSickle, Councillors J. E. Elberton, R. M. Storey, Geo. Stokes, Stanley Norris.

After the members subscribed to the usual declaration of office, they took their seats as the Council for 1948.

A by-law to appoint Township Officers and to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money from the Bank of Nova Scotia, Campbellville, also one to provide for expenditure on Roads and Bridges were given the required reading and passed.

The Reeve and Clerk were authorized to sign and submit to the Minister of Highways, the petition of the Corporation, showing that during the period from December 31st, 1946, to December 31st, 1947 there had been expended on Township roads the sum of \$17,979.93 and request the statutory grant on account as provided by the act.

A resolution was passed accepting the resignation of Mr. G. Kingsbury as Relief Officer and Caretaker of the Hall and that the thanks of this Council be extended to Mr. Kingsbury for the efficient services and co-operation.

Mr. Elberton and Mr. Storey were appointed delegates to the convention of Rural Municipalities. Also Mr. Norris and Mr. Storey be delegates to the Good Road convention.

Mrs. Blanche Elliott was appointed caretaker of the Township Hall for 1948.

A resolution was passed setting the rate of pay for the Township Truck Driver at 75¢ per hour.

L. W. McMillan was appointed Relief Officer.

After a lengthy discussion on the subject of rubbish being dumped on the side roads, a resolution was passed as follows: "That this Council give in regard to prohibit the dumping of refuse on any Highway County or Township roads or Crown Lands, and those guilty of such offence will be prosecuted."

The tax collector, having returned his roll to the treasurer, was authorized to continue the levy and collection of unpaid taxes in a manner and with the powers provided by law for the general levy and collection of taxes as per Sec. 122 of the Assessment Act.

Mr. C. J. Van Gozen was appointed School Attendance Officer.

Accounts were passed amounting to \$7,380.00, including Road Superintendent's voucher.

Council adjourned to meet February 2nd, 1948 at 8.00 p.m.

Georgetown Arena Packed to the rafters and Hundreds are Turned Away as Tanners and Papermakers to down Acton's "B" Tanners by 8-4 on Tuesday night in the Georgetown Memorial Arena. Two Bradbury brothers, Max and Leigh, combined to fill the Acton cage with rubber and ensure a one goal lead Gibson of the homesters had potted early in the overtime period.

Previous to this, it was a toss-up between the two clubs. As regulation time ended, the score stood at 4-4. The major part of play had been carried by the Tanners all through the contest but Georgetown, taking a rigid grip on opportunity, had led the scoring parade until the final bell. Sniping two early markers in the first stanza, the Papermakers were never headed. Acton came within an ace of winning the game in the dying stages as they pelted Rhodes from every conceivable angle but the diminutive cage keeper held the bustling Tanners down until the final bell.

Exhaustion overtook the Tanners in overtime and after Gibson put Georgetown one up, they conceded defeat. The three extra tallies weren't necessary; it was all over then.

An enormous crowd viewed the game through partisan eyes. The arena was jammed. Hundreds fought for position in the bleachers and scores who arrived after 8.00 turned away in disgust. Tickets were still being sold and there wasn't room for a toothpick at game time in the morass of fans assembled. Yet they still poured in with hopes of catching a glimpse of some part of the contest.

Georgetown's Period

The piece set by the Papermakers in the first session was fast enough to merit two goals. Woods was terrific on the majority of shots but fanned easily on the two that budged the twine. Particularly on the second goal. A nangle shot, it had him bent when it left Perry's shillelagh. The pill caught the lower-left corner before his paraphernalia offered a move.

In the latter stages of the initial stanza Leno Marzo banged in the first Acton goal, injecting some much needed power in the Acton offensive. From here in play practically stayed in the Georgetown end.

Tanner Session

A brilliant defensive by Papermaker rearguards sufficed to keep the count down in the last two periods. Rhodes was battling them out right and left. However, Gibson tied the score as Kentner handed him the biscuit to even the count. Bradbury, playing a garbling game, walked in twice before the period ended to push the home club two up again.

The last period saw a sterling hockey chore by the Tanners. They had Georgetown bottled up the 20 minute length. Kentner and Morton again evaded the count. The three goals were the result of a continuous passing pattern and held the crowd pellbound.

The official for the game was neither other than "Pat" Patterson who it seems is a constant source of inconsistency. He patronizingly allowed his old-paly mates to ride the puck with ease. As Grant Gil- (Continued on Page Five)

Remember to keep Friday Night, February 6th open for the Y's Men's Skating Carnival at the Acton Arena.

Valentine Tea, home baking and agron sale will be held under the auspices of Ladies' Auxiliary of the Legion at the Legion Hall, February 14th.

Nature Be sure to attend the Acton Junior Farmers' euchre and dance at 8.30 p.m. in Lorne School on Wednesday, January 28th! Lunch and prizes provided. Admission 35¢.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Events, etc., will be published in this column, with a minimum charge of 10¢ per line, with announcements of 25¢.

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