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No Appeals on Assessment Figures at Revision Court

Permission is Granted to the Legion to Hold Tag Day—Council Discusses Building at Cemetery—Nomination and Election Day Set by By-Law—Other Town Business Items

Acton Council met in regular session last evening. Councillors A. McLean and W. J. McLeod and Deputy-Roove W. J. Coon were present with Reece F. J. McCutcheon presiding.

Mr. Albert Mills of the Canadian Legion was present to request permission to use the arena for a rodeo. Permission was granted.

Council met as a Court of Revision to consider the appeal of Mrs. Bertha M. Poole. She requested the name of the owner be changed from Mrs. Dryden to Mrs. Poole. This change was made on the roll.

Upon motion of Deputy-Roove Coon and Councillor W. J. McLeod the Assessment Roll for 1949 as submitted by the Assessor was confirmed and the assessment for the Village of Acton for 1949 was \$1,001,849.39.

Council gave permission to Town Foreman Kirkness to cut new holes in the chimneys at the Town Hall auditorium to eliminate the long strings of stove pipes.

The Finance Committee presented their eighteenth report as follows:

R. F. Smith, County engineer	\$ 15.00
Free Press, printing, adv.	44.00
Bell Telephone, services	14.34
Thompson Motors	22.50
J. B. MacKenzie & Son	41.62
Public Utilities	473.12
Fall Fair Grant	200.00
J. Sanford & Son	3.00
F. G. Mellor, grading	33.00
S. Elliott, gravel	537.80
Total	\$1,383.92

Council authorized the charge for street lights on the new section at Beardmore Crescent.

A letter was received from the C.N.R. stating that when the fill on Main Street is completed the account will be paid.

A request for a donation from the St. John's Ambulance Association for the furtherance of their work was read. This letter was ordered filed.

A request from the Canadian Legion to hold a tag day in November was granted. It was decided to order a wreath for the Cenotaph for Remembrance Day.

A cheque was received from the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the taxes owing to the Corporation for 1948.

A letter from the Department of Highways gave their approval of a subsidy grant on highways. The amount was \$1,812.00.

The Council discussed the erection of a crypt at the Cemetery for winter interment. Council was in favor of the erection of this building. It was decided to call a joint meeting of the Cemetery Board and Council shortly to discuss this project.

A by-law was introduced and read the required number of times to call for nominations for the position of Reeve, Deputy-Reeve, Councillors, Public School Trustees and Public Utilities Commissioner. If an election is necessary, the polling will take place on December 6. The Deputy Returning Officers appointed for election day were G. McKeown, Esther Taylor and Vera Ingles.

HANNOCKBURN W.I. BOOTH AT SALE WAS SUCCESSFUL

The October meeting of the Haddockburn Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. H. Jolley with the President presiding.

Mrs. Gordon, the secretary read the financial returns from the booth at Denny's sale. All the members were well pleased with the report.

Guest speaker for the meeting was Mr. G. A. Dilla, who gave a very interesting talk on our home town.

All the arrangements were made for the euchre and dance. Lunch was served by the hostess and her assistants and a social half hour was enjoyed by everyone.

RAY EVERDELL IS MADE PRESIDENT OF ACTON JUNIOR FARMERS

On Tuesday evening, October 14, the Acton Junior Farmers met in Lorne School for their annual meeting.

The meeting was opened with all singing O Canada, and Kerwin McPhail acted as chairman for the election of officers which resulted as follows:

Leader, Mr. R. L. Davidson; President, Ray Everdell; Vice-President, Eyle Somerville; Secretary, Betty Britton; Treasurer, Joan Harris; Executive committee, Sports, Edna Britton Kenneth Allan; Music, Charles Roeder; Education and Citizenship, Gordon Leslie; Recreation, Ralph Thompson and Molly Carter; Pianist, Shirley Thompson and Barbara Turner.

The treasurer's report was read and adopted and the meeting adjourned.

Kenneth Allan favored with a reading "Those Toes". Lunch was served by the lunch committee for the evening.

"Fun For You" and Part Of Its Big Local-Cast



Free Press Pictures of the "Fun For You" Show last week which played three nights to capacity crowds. Top photo shows the program presented at the close of the program with Mr. Parker at the microphone. Lower photo is the square dance from the Barn Dance scene. A local cast of 80 took part in this event.

North Halton Board Purchases New Equipment

At the meeting of North Halton District High School Board in Milton on Monday evening, the Board met all the members of the staff of the Milton School and discussed informally some of the school problems.

The Board also gave approval to purchase commercial equipment for the Acton School which included 18 typewriters, desks, etc. A new refrigerator was purchased for the domestic science course at Milton.

Several applications for transfer of pupils to other districts were dealt with. It was decided to engage another teacher for the Milton staff. A teacher for the Acton staff did not have the approval of the Inspector and action on this was deferred.

Transportation problems were referred to the committee and accounts for salaries, supplies, etc. were passed.

MARCHMENT-KENTNER WEDDING SATURDAY IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

On Saturday October 16, Norma Jacqueline Kentner, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kentner, Acton, was united in marriage with Kenneth Wesley Marchment, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Marchment, also of Acton, in St. Joseph's Church. The nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. V. J. Morgan in a setting of autumn flowers. Miss I. Mulholland was organist and Mr. Hartley Coles sang during the ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a powder blue ballet length dress with lace yoke and peplum, matching cap and gloves. The gift of the groom was a gold choker set with pearls and she carried a nosegay of red roses and "white" baby mums. Miss Irma Kentner, sister of the bride, was her only attendant, dressed in melon pink and carried a nosegay of tallman roses. Mr. Ly'e Marchment, brother of the groom, was best man and Messrs. Harry Lawson and Martin McCristall were ushers.

A wedding breakfast and reception was held at the bride's home following the ceremony. The bride's mother received wearing a dress of grey crepe with grey accessories and a corsage of tallman roses. She was assisted by the mother of the groom who wore a grey suit, black hat and a corsage of pink roses.

For a wedding trip to Windsor and points west the bride chose a kelly green suit with brown accessories and corsage of red roses.

"Fun For You" Packed Hall For Three Nights

Y's Men's Concert in Aid of Swimming Pool Proved Fine Entertainment

Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, saw Acton Town Hall crowded with enthusiastic audiences when Acton Y's Men's Club presented the radio impersonation show, "Fun for You" with an all local cast of over eighty.

Mr. Bob Parker as Harry Van Zell, acted as master of ceremonies, introducing the many and varied acts of the program.

Miss Josephine McPhail, the "Tell a Story Lady" read a story, accompanied by music to a group of twenty-four sleepy-eyed little people all ready for bed.

Foreman Lawrence impersonating Joe Kelly conducted the Quiz Kids, program, asking such questions as "What is the longest river in the world?" (Amazon) and "Why is a cow like a can of tomatoes?" (Neither can ride a bicycle).

Such notables as Deanna Durbin, Dinah Shore and Judy Garland entertained. The program was interspersed with singing commercials by Vic Bristow.

The famous Barn Dance Jamboree was held complete with square dancers all dolled up in plaid shirts and straw hats; the Rhythm Ramblers, Hank the Singing Ranger; Minnie Pearl from Grindler Switch; Uncle Ezra and the Duke of Paducah, along with all the hoatin' and howlin' of a good of barn dance.

A chorus line of local girls introduced as the Rockettes danced to the melody "Did you ever get that feeling in the moonlight".

Mr. Duke Hall as Dr. I.Q. gave the audience a chance to earn some silver dollars while his audience assistants passed out the checks.

The Esquising Esquisses, a group of girls, sang several numbers, as solos and as a group.

Charlie Kirkness as Tom Brennenman introduced a group of famous Hollywood glamour girls: Betty Grable (Bill Ruddle); Lana Turner (Irene Bradley); Mae West (Bonie Ruddle); Marlene Dietrich (Tom Atkinson); Gipsy Rose Lee (George O'Donnahue), each explaining their reason for being there, their likes and dislikes to a very enthused audience.

Tom Brennenman, known as the Charles Boyer of the sewing circle tried on hats, giving prizes for the best; picked a wishing lady; presented a corsage to the oldest lady present and recognized citizens who had worked in the interest of the community.

M.C. Bob Parker thanked the people behind the scenes, the ones

Y's Men Plan 1948 Halloween Party in Arena

With colder weather now prevailing we are reminded that the famous Eve of Spooks and witches is again close at hand. The board of Directors of the Y's Men's Club at a meeting on Monday evening, drafted plans for the annual party at the arena. Last year some 300 children attended, most of them in costume; prizes were awarded for the best costumes, the most freckles, the fastest plecter and such like, finished off with rosy apples and grab bags.

Prizes again will be awarded, also cats. A clown band will lead a parade about town and a short snappy program of stunts and motion pictures will follow at the arena. President Wes Wolfe expressed the hope that the citizens of Acton will extend the same generous support to this community venture as in former years.

The Board agreed to recommend to the general membership of the Y's Men's Club that \$500.00 be pledged to the support of the Swimming Pool project. This will be possible as a result of the successful "Fun For You" Concert recently concluded in the Town Hall.

The Directors felt grateful that the citizens of Acton had so loyally supported this project.

George O'Donnahue, newly appointed Y Secretary reported the organization of several Rugby teams among the High School boys. He plans to hold an exhibition game of tackle Rugby with a Toronto team on Saturday afternoon, October 30, the same day as the Halloween party.

who are indispensable but never seen.

On Friday evening the Tiny Tot Contest winners were crowned as the Royal Family: Gary McEachern King; Penny Perkins, Queen; Murray Smith, Earl; Mary Wilds, Princess; John Kentner, Duke; and Beverly Ann Bradley, Duchess.

The grand finale of the program was a representation of the History of the Dominion. The provincials, represented by nine ladies marched on to the stirring strains of the Maple Leaf Forever. The people, the whets of progress paraded on. As Britannia was played the flags were carried forward and a salute to our southern neighbour in the singing of God Bless America was followed by the National Anthem; then as the distant call of "Fare" echoed through the hall the final curtain fell on "Fun for You". It was a fine presentation directed by Miss B. Engstrom. The proceeds are for the Acton Swimming Pool.

Glass has been made for over 5,000 years.

County Assessor Reports To Halton Council Tuesday

MRS. FLANNERY SPEAKER AT MEETING ROCKWOOD W.C.T.U.

The October meeting of the Rockwood W.C.T.U. was held at the home of Mrs. Anne Harris on Friday with a good attendance. Mrs. C. Joffe led in prayer, Mrs. George Poole read the Scripture lesson. Mrs. J. Flannery and Mrs. Beatty of Fergus Ont., were guests for the afternoon.

Mrs. Flannery gave a vivid account of the Provincial Convention held at London Ont. last month. The theme of the convention was "Holders for the Kingdom". We must be women of prayer, and "Prayer be our Daily Bread". Mrs. Ostrander thanked the speaker for her account of the convention. Everyone could take something good from it. Prayer by Mrs. J. Flannery closed the meeting. A social half hour was spent over the tea cups.

Suggestions Made to Improve Crowded Condition of Old People's Home—Council Approves of Subsidizing the Fencing of Lots for Reforestation

Suggestions made to improve Writton exclusively for the Acton Free Press and Canadian Champion.

Emphasizing the importance of farm woodlots, Halton County Council at their regular monthly meeting in Milton Tuesday gave their approval of a plan to subsidizing the fencing of such lots.

The recommendation was sponsored by the county's reforestation committee headed by George Alex McLaren, who explained the County owned nine lots containing some 750 acres of woodlots. While some of these woodlots become productive in the next year or two, the committee felt farmers should become interested in conserving woodlots on their farms.

While some members thought the plan should be endorsed by the tree conference being held at Milton on October 26th, the chairman felt council should take leadership and suggestions arising from the meeting should be incorporated in the by-law.

Council also approved of the Reforestation committee recommendation that the different woodlots be named. Names decided upon were: lot 1, St. Helena tract; lot 2, the Phineas tract; lot 3, the Frank tract; lot 4, to be named later; lot 5, Campbellville tract; lot 6, Moffat tract. Name signs will be placed on these properties next spring it was decided.

Ford Rogers, County assessor, was present to outline the progress of the new assessment in the county. He said progress was favorable and all assessors were striving to have the work completed by 1950. He explained that these men were working faster now since they had gained experience as they continue their work.

Taking the number of properties as given him in 1946, by the different municipalities, he outlined the progress. He stated that four wards had been completed in Trafalgar. In Nelson of 2200 properties, 110 had been completed; Easington 1500 properties, 175 finished. In this case illness prevented advancement in the project, he stated. In Nasagaweya 600 properties, 175 completed; Oakville 2000 properties, 600 completed; Burlington, 1700 properties, 400 completed; Milton 1200 properties, all are measured but 400 completed; Georgetown, 1100 properties with 300 completed; Acton 1,000 properties with 125 completed.

Mr. Rogers further explained the number of properties as named were that of a couple of years ago, and these would have increased noticeably since then, owing to the opening of new properties chiefly in Nelson and Trafalgar.

Adding there was a definite growth regarding assessment in the county, he explained that while some municipalities under the old system were over assessed, in the equalized assessment, others were under assessed, he said.

Warden George Cleave read an invitation to members requesting their attendance at the annual open day at the Halton Peel Home, at (Continued on Page Five)

Coming Events

Association of Old Men's Society, of other towns, under the leadership of Mr. J. J. Joffe, will give a concert at the Town Hall, on Thursday, October 27th, 8:30 p.m. Admission 25c.

Dance, Brookville Hall, October 22nd. Admission 40c.

Euchre, Legion Hall, October 10, at 8:30 p.m. Auspices Legion Auxiliary.

Friendly Circle Bazaar and Baking Sale, October 30th, 2-5 p.m. United Church S.S. room.

Hungo, St. Joseph's Church Hall, Tuesday, October 26th, 8:30 p.m. Lucky door prize. Admission 25c.

The euchre and dance auspices Acton L.O.L. 467, at Crewson's Corner, scheduled for tonight has been cancelled.

Halloween Dance, Saturday, October 30th, Town Hall, Acton. Auspices Ladies' Auxiliary of the Legion. Prizes, Admission 50c. 16-2

The Ladies of St. Joseph's Church are holding a tea and sale of baking and fancy articles on December 4th at St. Joseph's Hall.

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Come to the Dance in the newly decorated and on the new floor of Limehouse Memorial Hall Friday, October 29th. Barden's Orchestra. Admission 50c. Refreshment Booth.

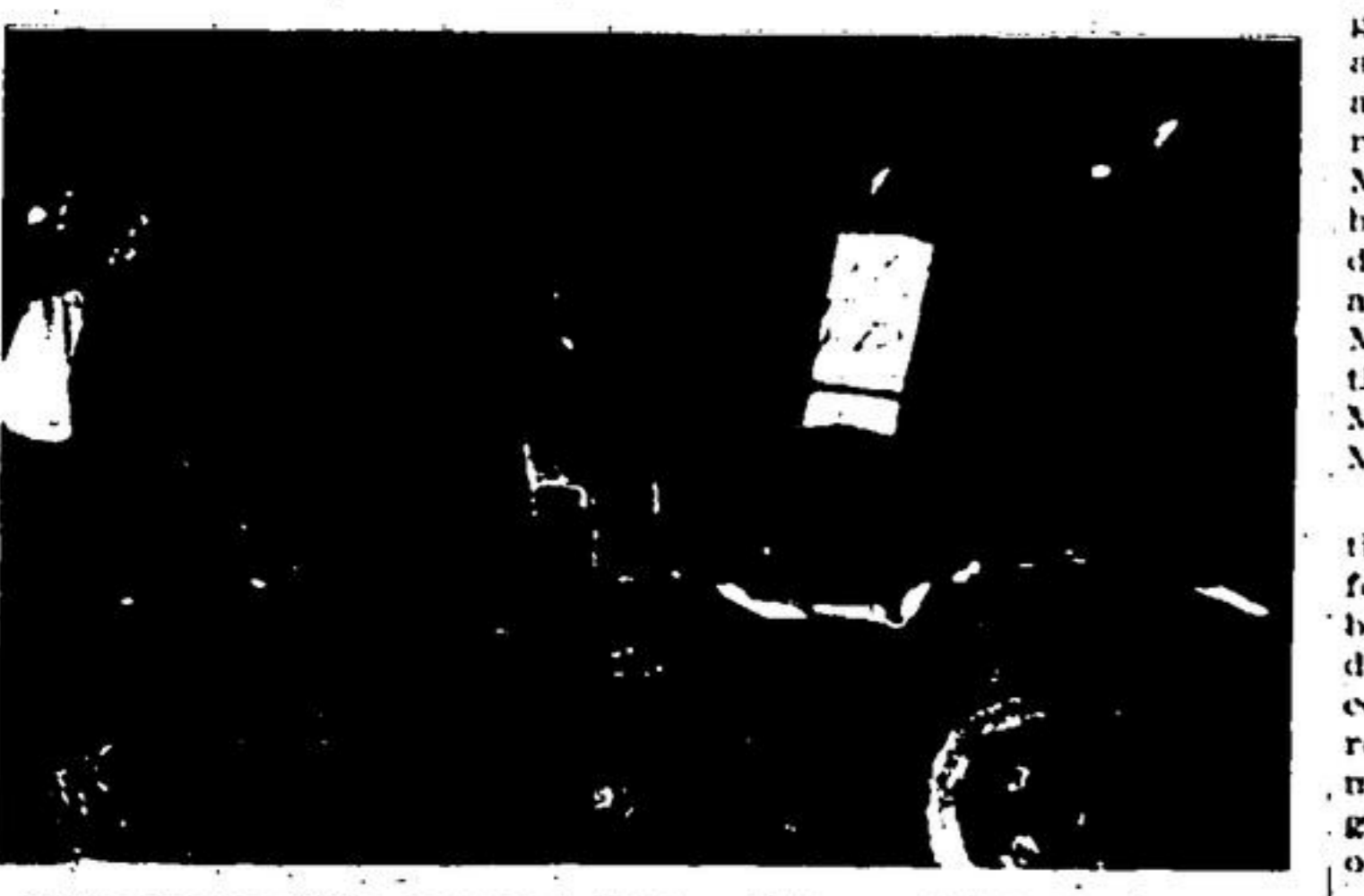
MARK GOLDEN WEDDING



Residents of the district a great number of years, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Carton, R.R. 3, Milton, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at their Cedar Cove Farm. The photo above shows both Mr. and Mrs. Carton in a happy mood as they cut the beautiful Anniversary Cake previous to serving a dainty luncheon to the many guests. Over 150 guests attended the celebration held during the afternoon and evening of Thanksgiving Day.

Beulah taking an active part in Municipal Affairs, Mr. Carton was presented in 1943 with the Agricultural Service Diploma for meritorious service as a member of the Halton Agricultural Society. Photo by Ross Pearson.

TEEN TOWN ELECTS A MAYOR



Above is one of the campaign floats which paraded Acton Streets on Friday evening as teen-towners paraded and chose a Mayor to direct the activities for the year. This is the float of the Mayor Elect Gordon Lawson who won in a close contest with Ken Allen.