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Officials, Resolution Meeting County Council

Members Named to High School Board for Three Areas—Resolutions from other Municipalities are Endorsed by Halton—Warden Cleave Praised by Members for Year's Work

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Halton County Council held its last meeting for the year at the Court House last Tuesday. Greater part of the meeting was spent in discussing resolutions, appointments and reports. W. E. Hill was appointed to the Oakville-Trafalgar High School Board, John Blair to the Burlington-Nelson High School Area Board and N. L. Pickett to the North Halton High School Area Board.

Charles Leatherland was also mentioned for the North Halton Board to even up representatives in the section. Three of the Board members come from Milton. In giving his reason for naming Mr. Pickett, Reeve Higgins said that he could see no reason to change when Mr. Pickett was doing his job and there had been no complaints. "The Board is working on a new job and so far had done well. Mr. Higgins was of the opinion that the present Board should be left intact to complete the plans begun this year.

A motion was passed that the Council assume full responsibility for the Treleven Hospital account amounting to \$2,130.06, and no part of the account be charged back to Nassagaweya, Equeusing or Acton, Ont.

Five hundred dollars was allotted for the repairs and painting of the Judge's Chambers under the supervision of Roy Smith. The ceiling needs a paint job where the roof leaked in the Court room. Members left that particular item for next year's Council's consideration.

Wm. Deans was granted \$200 for his services as secretary of the Old Age Pensions and Mother's Allowance Board during 1948. Council ratified the salary of Bernice Simm, secretary for Ford Rogers, County Assessor.

Members of Council concurred with several resolutions received from other Counties. From Simcoe County: "That the cost of hospitalization of indigent patients be taken care of, as a whole by the Province."

Grey County: "That the Council petition the Minister and Department of Public Welfare of Ontario to increase the percentage of government grant to municipalities on the expenditures for the erection of a new building, or an addition of a home for the aged, from a maximum of 25 per cent as provided in the Act to a maximum of 50 per cent."

County of York: "A resolution asking for the repeal of amending legislation to the Criminal code which allows an accused person charged with what to date has been called 'petty offences' (common betting houses, common gambling houses, bawdy houses, theft under \$25, false pretences involving less than \$25, wounding, common assault and others) in which a Magistrate has complete jurisdiction, being able to elect trial by County Judge and Jury or by a County Judge. It was agreed that if the Magistrate's decision were considered unfair they could appeal to the Court of Appeal. The added expense of a Judge and Jury trial would be a burden on the County, and Magistrates were quite capable of handling these lesser charges."

County of York: "That they petition the Minister of Municipal Affairs to have the necessary amending legislation enacted to provide that election of Warden of a County and other appointments within the County jurisdiction may be by secret ballot."

Huron County: "That the Ontario Legislature be petitioned to amend the Public Service Act so that when road improvements render necessary the relocation of poles, payment of any part of the cost of the removal shall be optional with the road authority."

The Agriculture and Reformation Committee recommended that a leaflet be printed giving the by-laws regarding cutting of trees and woodlot fencing and an introduction outlining the importance of tree conservation. The pamphlets to be printed in sufficient numbers so that they may be distributed to every farmer in the County.

Accounts authorized to be paid were: Finance, \$2,529.37; County Buildings, \$229.12; Hospital; Accounts, \$1,766.00; Printing, \$270.41; (Continued on Page Five)

UNITED W.A. ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

The regular monthly business meeting of the Woman's Association of the United Church was held at the parsonage on Tuesday with the president, Mrs. J. Moore presiding.

Mrs. J. Moore and Mrs. F. Cleave had charge of the devotional period. Solos were sung by Mrs. B. Veldhuis and Rev. L. Pickering. Rev. Pickering spoke to the new officers and wished them every success in the coming year.

The following are the officers for 1949: President, Mrs. J. Moore; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. H. Burns; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Wilderspin; Secretary and Press, Miss E. Hawthorne; Treasurer, Mrs. Cleave.

Standing committees, Parsonage, Mrs. B. Veldhuis, Mrs. N. Lambert; Church Kitchen, Mrs. E. T. Thetford, Mrs. J. Ralston; Visiting, to be appointed at meetings; Quilt Mrs. N. Lambert, Mrs. R. L. Johnson, Mrs. F. Cleave, Mrs. J. Moore; Pianist, Mrs. G. McDonald; Assistant Pianist, Mrs. A. Fryer; Official Board, Mrs. J. Moore.

Cards are to be sent to the sick and shut-ins during the Christmas season. The sale of baking aprons and tea on Saturday, December 11 proved to be very successful. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction.

Mrs. Pickering, assisted by Mrs. T. Gordon, Mrs. J. Ralston and Mrs. D. Lindsay, served a very dainty lunch with Mrs. J. Symon and Mrs. S. Reid pouring tea. A vote of thanks was given to Rev. and Mrs. Pickering for their homely and hospitality.

U.K.'S TRIPLE CROWN

England also has a "Triple Crown" It consists of the Epsom Derby, St. Leger Stakes and the Two Thousand Guineas.

Eramosa Council Finishes Business of 99th Year

The Eramosa Township Council met in the Town Hall, Rockwood, Monday at 1:30 with all the members present and the Reeve in the chair.

Payment of \$50.00 to each of the trustees of the Eramosa Township School Board was ordered for the year 1948.

The Reeve and Clerk were instructed to make the best possible settlement in connection with township claims against estates of persons who had been in receipt of unemployment relief.

Letters were filed concerning the Osborne Cemetery, the Canadian Mothercraft Society and the M. E. Mullian Co. concerning assessment.

The action of the Reeve and Clerk in leasing 300 acres of the Farmers' Road to the Poorless Construction Co. at \$15.00 per acre per annum in advance, for one year, was confirmed.

Dog taxes amounting to \$20.00 were ordered to be struck off the 1948 Tax Roll.

The Council re-affirmed its offer of Nov. 1st, 1944: "That a reward of \$35.00 be offered for the killing of a wolf within the township or \$25.00 for the destruction of a lynx; and \$10.00 to anyone killing a dog caught worrying livestock."

The treasurer was authorized to pay County and School rates as they became due. It was reported that \$53,900.00 of current taxes had been collected leaving \$14,373.00 uncollected to date.

The Clerk was instructed to invite Rev. John W. Oliver to conduct a short devotional period as the council opens its 100th inaugural meeting at 1:30 on January 3rd, 1949.

Acton on a request from Edon M. for a grant for athletic purposes was deferred until the trustees meet for that Police Village at their meeting in January.

Plans for snow-plowing and general road work, and other items of municipal affairs were discussed; payments amounting to \$4896.25 were authorized and council adjourned to January 3rd, 1949.

There are valuable minerals on the moon.

Just Two Steps Nearer the Goal On Swimming Pool

Due to the freeze-up we suppose the Acton swimming pool funds move slowly but surely. The funds reported to date are those of the general canvass of the public. The share of the retail business men and manufacturers has not had any report made. Here is the standing.

Previously acknowledged	\$7,698.50
Anonymous	5.00
Duke of Devonshire, Chapter I.O.D.E.	100.00
	\$7,803.50

PICTURES AND MUSIC FEATURE PROGRAM GREENOCK W.I.

Greenock W.I. held a very successful evening on Tuesday, December 7th when Schneider's of Kitchener presented their films in the school.

A variety program followed with Mr. C. McKewen as chairman. Vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Turner, Miss Inbc, Roszell, Miss Turner and Master Billy Thompson; duet by Misses. Bernies and Shirley Thompson; piano solos by Crawford Douglas; Elocutionist numbers by Mrs. Ward Bruce of Oapring. The lucky number for the quilt was won by James Millar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Miller, Rockwood.

Schneider's supplied the meats for the bounteous luncheon, which terminated a very enjoyable evening.

Christmas Party For Children Here December 24

Plans are rapidly forming for the Christmas Party for the children of Acton and district at the Roxy Theatre here. Mr. Robinson, manager of the Roxy tells us that the theatre will be open from 10 a.m. on Friday, December 24th and that Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive there at 2 p.m.

The picture entertainment will be "Adventures of Robin Hood" with other cartoons and comedies. Merchants of Acton are providing treats for the children and indications are for a fine Christmas party. There is no admission charge. It's Christmas time and it's a party provided co-operatively by merchants and theatre management.

Mr. Robinson advises us that the children will be well cared for and parents can leave them at the theatre, knowing they will have a good time.

Hydro Engineers Make Survey For New Station

Quotas Were Allocated on Basis of Consumption of September of Last Year

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. The chairman C. M. Hansen, presided and R. MacArthur was present.

A letter was read from a meter company stating the price of meters and parts had been increased.

A lengthy letter from the A.M. E.U. went into the details of how the present power quotas for southern Ontario were decided. The basic period from which all quotas were figured was September 1947.

A motion was passed requesting the town auditors to include the list of those in arrears on water and light accounts in the auditors' report for 1948.

Superintendent Lambert was instructed to purchase a supply of gasoline for the pump house.

An account was to be forwarded to J. B. Mackenzie and Son for repairs to a fire hydrant on Church Street.

Superintendent Wilson reported that five engineers had been present on Tuesday from the HEPC. They were going over the system with a view to installing a 2,000 KVA transformer station in the eastern section of the town. It is expected that the station will be in operation in July, 1949.

The following accounts were passed for payment.

Hydro Department	
Bell Telephone	\$ 13.60
Acton Fire Press	19.48
Highway Garage	8.10
Personal Stationery Sales	6.25
W. H. Cunningham & Hill	17.24
HEPC of Ontario	41.57
F. L. Wright	8.00
Receiver General	21.90
Roxy Theatre	8.00
Can. General Electric	48.85
Lin & Cable Accessories	110.67
MacDonald Electric, Ltd.	2.10
Federal Wire & Cable	309.47
Express and Transport	5.09
	\$619.72
Waterworks Department	
Power and heat at spring	\$ 46.88
E. Hufnagel	22.00
Highway Garage	1.50
Art Vine	40.00
Acton Garage	121.79
Wm. Thompson	4.00
Canadian Brass Co.	31.79
W. H. Cunningham & Hill	4.04
Neptune Meters Ltd.	104.36
Dalglish Chemical Ltd.	23.15
	\$399.42

Farm Forums Discuss Programs On The Radio

Seventeen Forum groups met on December 6th to discuss the topic, "I hear by the radio." To the query, "What types of radio programs do you like best?" S. S. No. 4, Equeusing, voiced the opinion of the majority when it stated, "We like those that promote education and better citizenship." Other programs liked by this forum and other forums were: News, markets, farm broadcasts, weather, sports, good plays and good music.

Almost all groups were emphatic in their denunciation of murder, crime and horror stories, also of singing commercials, cheap music, soap operas, and presentations that depict the farmer as a hill-billy. Darbyville said they would like "Less inferring that hill-billy music is typical of farm life."

Out of the 17 forums, nine said they would like to see more religious services on Sunday, particularly on Sunday evening. To quote Postville: "We would recommend that some church services be broadcast on Sunday evening, also some good musical programs, instead of Charlie McCarthy, Jack Benny, etc." S.S. No. 7 Nassagaweya wants "More sacred music and less advertising on Sunday. That our old and lovely songs be sung as they were intended to be and not put to jazz."

Mr. Nemo had this to say, "The group disagreed with the principle of giving away valuable prizes as 'jack-pots' on quiz shows and other programs, as they thought it was detrimental to the children to think they could get so much for so meagrely nothing."

"Omigh thinks, 'There is too much commercial crowding out better programs and church services.'" This group also thinks that radio should "give our young talent more opportunity to get a start in their career," and also that there should be "programs to advertise Canada." Other suggestions were that we should have more programs using Canadian talent. Why "import" so many programs.

Forums realized that CBC and local stations have a big job on their hands, and are doing it very well. But they were quite honest in pointing out the ways in which they consider stations may do better. Perhaps radio stations will be glad to make these changes if they know public opinion is in favor of them.

Wardens' Dinner Held in Hall at Georgetown

Warden George Cleave Presented with Chair—150 Attend Annual Event

Warden George Cleave, was host on Tuesday evening at the Annual Warden's Dinner, held this year in the Legion Hall, Georgetown. The menu had roast turkey with all the trimmings and was served by the ladies' auxiliary of the Legion.

Miss S. Bennett of Georgetown, was Toastmistress and Mayor Jos. Gibbons extended a welcome to the 150 guests on behalf of the Town of Georgetown. Guest speaker on this occasion was Gordon Graydon, M.P. for Peel County. He was introduced by George Currie and the thanks of the group was extended to the speaker by W. H. Biggar.

The toast to the Warden was proposed by John T. Armstrong and Warden Geo. Cleave responded. On behalf of the County Council, M.P. for Peel County. He was introduced by George Currie and the thanks of the group was extended to the speaker by W. H. Biggar.

The toast to the visitors was proposed by E. W. Smith and Warden J. M. Fraser of Peel County responded. W. J. L. Hampshire proposed the toast to the Past Wardens and Amos Mason and L. E. Fleck responded.

Musical numbers were supplied during the evening by members of the Lorne Scots Band.

Y'S MEN'S CLUB HOLD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Last Thursday the Acton Y's Men's Club enjoyed one of the anticipated events of the year—the annual Christmas dinner. Turkey was served by the ladies auxiliary with all the trimmings from nuts to plum pudding. Several visitors and new guests were introduced. Plans were completed for the annual turkey draw. The program feature was several motion picture films of life in other countries.

Tanners in Semi-Finals Top Place in Series

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY FOR ACTON NOW BEING MAILED

The new December, 1948, telephone directory is now coming through the mail to subscribers in Acton. J. I. Sanderson, Bell Telephone manager for this region announced recently. The green-covered directory which contains more than 11,000 new and changed listings, replaces the buff-covered edition issued last January.

"Discard the old edition as soon as the new one arrives," is the advice of Mr. Sanderson, who points out that keeping the outdated directory may lead to getting a wrong number by consulting it in error.

The manager also cautioned subscribers to look through the pages before throwing the book away; directories have often been used as repositories for papers, money and even love letters, and discarded directories have been found to contain bonds, and the deed to a house.

"Bring your private list of numbers up to date by checking it with the new directory," is another piece of advice to subscribers. Lists of frequently-called numbers, kept on office desk pads, in pocket notebooks, and on cards pinned to the wall by the home telephone, may contain numbers that have been changed in the new directory.

The December, 1948 edition is fatter than its predecessor, containing 156 pages in the alphabetical section, as compared with 148 in the previous edition, and contains listings for Galt, Guelph, Kitchener - Waterloo, Acton, Arthur, Hespeler, Preston, Elmira, Fergus, Elora and many other points.

Issuing directories is a large-scale publishing operation, the manager said. Last year the Bell Telephone Company of Canada published one or more editions of 38 directories, containing 1,611,175-000 pages. If the 2,500 tons of paper used could be turned back into trees, they would cover more than 500 acres of timberland.

LOCAL GROWER WINS PRIZES AT CHICAGO SHOW

S. E. Griffin and Son, R.R. 2, Acton, sent two entries to the International Grain and Hay Show, Chicago, and won 10th prize on winter wheat and 13th prize on oats in competition with entries from Western Canada, U.S.A. as well as from Ontario.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Society, of Other Events, more than 100, are checked, in cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcements of 5c.

Christmas Concert and Dance, Woodside School, 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 21st. Admission 25c and 10c.

Remember the Fawn Social, St. Joseph's Hall, Tuesday evening, December 21st. Door prizes, foxglove specials.

Euchre and dance, Lorne School Wednesday, December 29. Prizes Ladies provide. Gents 35c. Auspices Junior Farmers.

Christmas Concert at S. S. No. 8 School, Nassagaweya, December 21 at 8:30. Admission 25c. Dancing afterwards Ladies provide.

New Year's Eve Dance, Acton Town Hall, Douglas and Hume Orchestra Horns, hats, novelties, door prizes. Dancing 9-1:30 Admission \$1.00.

Euchre and Dance, Limehouse Memorial Hall, December 21st. Cards 8:30 sharp. May's Orchestra. Admission 40c. Lunch included. Draw on 40c.

Come to the Christmas Carol Service on Sunday, December 26th at 7 p.m. in St. Alban's Church. Special choir numbers. Carols, old and new by the congregation and choir.

"The Secret of Christmas Happiness" rendered in the United Church, Acton, Friday, December 17th - Colorful pageant by the Church School with many speaking parts and songs. One act play, "Mimi Lights the Candle," by the Canadian Girls in Training. Program at 7:45 p.m.

Lost One Game in Group to Weston last Thursday—Won From Oakville on Tuesday—Tanners Have Several On the Injured List—Semi-Finals Start on Thursday Against Weston

A neat exhibition of pattern passing was a prime factor in Acton's fifth win to wind up the six game pre-season schedule, as a prelude to a stab at the "Tom Memorial Trophy." The Tanners convincingly downed Oakville Legion 6-2 on Tuesday night to remain in sole possession of first place with only one defeat chalked against them.

Weston was the one club Tanners failed to smother twice. They hammered out a 7-3 decision over the locals last Thursday at the expense of a depleted, fatigued Acton crew.

Semi-Finals for the mug commence tonight with third place Weston opposing the Tanners in a two-game total goal series. Georgetown, in second place by virtue of four wins and two losses—both to Acton—dispute Oakville's entry into the finals.

Producing three last period goals Tanners were full value for the win they exacted against Oakville. Only outstanding blocking by Leger in the Legionnaire's nets restricted the count to six. Converging on Leger with repeated attacks, they pelted the linky netminder with rubber from every conceivable angle. At times the brilliant saves he pulled out of a hat bordered on the miraculous.

The six pucks that eluded him were for the most part, labelled. Virtually defending the bastion by himself, with little support from the defense, Leger watched wholesale goal mouth passes bewilder his mates and in turn be directed against him. Poor marksmanship was detrimental to the Tanners' precision drill to ease a mite, the heavy burden Leger carried. On more than one occasion, a wing or pivot slipped in with Leger alone to beat only to shoot wide.

Substituting for "Dooney" Evans Jimmie (Maher) capably tended twine for Tanners. The agile little netminder promised to give Evans a run for the marbles in the fight to secure the regular goal tending assignment. His aptitude at smothering a loose puck with headlong diving tactics erased the nemesis around the goal that so often haunts the Tanners against clubs with a style of play similar to Oakville and Weston. He recklessly dove into scrambles with little or no thought to personal safety to each time emerge clutching that elusive disc. Both pucks he fanned on were the result of deflected shots.

O'Donoghue, Hilson and Durant formed the most potent threesome for Acton with their check-board passing. Although they didn't dent the twine any too often, Old Lady Luck robbed them with regularity of practically "sure" shots at the open corners. Kentner, Leno Marzo and Goy combined two goals with their effective back checking. Goy, in particular excelled at that.

The defense hit aggressively to do an about face on the Weston schlemazel. Sprout was Johnny on the Spot for two markers.

Patterson and Galbraith sparked Oakville on the offensive with McNally in his usual crude form venturing on defence. From their previous performances the Legion club are a vastly improved squad.

Spotted Legionnaires a Goal. Oakville won the first draw and sank first goal at 33 seconds when Brown hit for No. 1. Acton noticed the equalizer at 10:20 as Leno Marzo, retrieved the biscuit, flipped a pass to Kentner, who cashed in on the opportunity. Play was dominated by Acton practically the entire chapter.

Sprout put Acton ahead early in the second stanza but at 12:43 Thomas scored to again even accounts. A lengthy screened shot, off Sprout's shillelagh put Acton in a lead which they never relinquished.

O'Donoghue, Leno Marzo and Hilson sank the three remaining goals.

SCORING SUMMARY	
FIRST PERIOD	
O. Brown	0:33
A. Kentner & Marzo	10:23
Pens. Hayliss, McNally	
SECOND PERIOD	
A: Sprout (Goy)	5:39
O: Thomas	12:43
A: Sprout	13:38
THIRD PERIOD	
A: O'Donoghue	5:10
A: L. Marzo (Goy)	12:28
A: T. Hilson (Durant)	13:35
Pens.—Thomas	