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Nassagaweya 100th Anniversary Marked

Former Reeves and Councillors Attend Monday to Mark Occasion — Plan Centennial Re-Union and Compiling of History for Summer Event — Tribute paid to Those who had served through century

Commencing its 100th year as a municipality Nassagaweya Twp. on Monday marked the occasion with honoring many of the living officials of former years and paying tribute to the man who down through the century of incorporation had laid well the foundations and had guided the affairs of the township so efficiently.

The proceedings of the 1949 Council were brief on Monday and Reeves W. M. Vanickie presiding called the present Council and officials to vacate their seats at the Council Table and the chairs were filled by the oldest surviving former Reeves who had served the Township. Reeve Vanickie explained the desire was to establish a spirit of friendly atmosphere for the occasion Mr. M. J. Carton, the oldest Reeve was in the chair and filling the Council seats were former Reeves, Jas. W. Moffat, L. W. Chisholm, Frank McNeven and Donald Campbell. The honor of acting clerk for the occasion was given G. A. Dilla, editor of the Acton Free Press and the Canadian Champion, Milton. The minutes of the last meeting were duly read by the clerk and their acceptance moved by Messrs. Moffat and Chisholm and confirmed by the acting Reeve, M. J. Carton.

From that on the meeting was one of recollections, incidents and a resolution that a reunion would be arranged for the township in the summer and that the history of the municipality would be recorded.

Mr. Carton gave some brief facts regarding the early days of the township and the events leading up to incorporation. It was he who had suggested a reunion marking this historic occasion and which found ready favor with the speakers who followed.

Mr. J. W. Moffat, who first served on Council in 1914 and has been treasurer for twenty-five years recalled the first recorded minutes. Nassagaweya in all the century had never had a poor council and the municipal affairs had always been conducted in a businesslike way with never a hint of mismanagement. It was pointed out as proof of this good management outstanding taxes of 1947 were only \$34.29 and the Township had no debenture indebtedness.

A letter from D. R. Hutchison from Vancouver, B.C. regretted his inability to be present. Recollections, words of praise for their predecessors and those who had followed and loyalty for their township was ably expressed in a brief message from former Reeves L. W. Chisholm, Frank McNeven, Donald Campbell, Lloyd Crawford and Alex. Near. A letter from Mr. George Finney of Durham expressed regret at his inability to be present.

Former councillors giving brief remarks were: Thos. Richardson, W. W. Dreder, Allan Mahon, R. J. Anderson, Albert Anderson, John Robertson, L. W. McMillan, (now Clerk and Assessor). Mr. McMillan gave many interesting extracts from the old records which are completed from 1850 until the present time. The list of appointments made in 1850 was also read and it was noted that the present township hall was built for \$200 complete with benches and furnishings and the Township had voted \$350 towards its erection. The total expenditures that first year were \$70 and 10 shillings.

Mr. McMillan recalled that in 1908 there had been a tie vote for the Reeveship and the Clerk had cast the deciding vote for Mr. Mahon. Nassagaweya until 1908 had a Deputy Reeve and Mr. McGibson was the last one to occupy this position. Other speakers were Messrs. A. Padbury, Norman Marshall (son of John Marshall), a clerk for twenty-five years, John Irving, Charles Darby, Ernest Dredge and the present Council, Geo. Spikes, Stanley Ellenton, Max Storey and Stanley Norrish. Mr. Irving recalled that the present year was the hundredth anniversary (too) of the construction of what is known as the Guelph Road in the Township. Mr. Ted Britton one of the first Road Superintendents and Stanley Fulton, present Road Superintendent were also present. Reeves Gray of Eramosa Township which this year also enters the century class sent greetings.

Reeve Vanickie in thanking Mr. Carton for presiding at this meeting also requested that a moment's silence be observed to honor those who had served this municipality so well during the century. Mr. G. A. Dilla spoke briefly of his enjoyable association with Nassagaweya folks down through the years and his appreciation of the honor in sitting at the Council Table on this occasion.

In concluding the meeting Reeve Vanickie told of the brotherhood and friendship he had found in Nassagaweya since coming here in 1914. He asked the assistance of all in arranging a re-union and suitable mid-summer event to mark this 100th anniversary.

Photographs of the group were taken and before the gathering broke up that hospitable spirit always to be found in Nassagaweya provided coffee, sandwiches and doughnuts and the recollections continued around the Council Chamber as this sociability was enjoyed.

Tanners Take 12-2 Defeat in First Game

Weston Dominated Play As the Locals Show Result of No Practice Together

With little or no restraint from Acton in a goal-packed third period, Weston "steam rolled" to an overwhelming 12-2 victory last Thursday night, completely spoiling the first home appearance of Tanners as the 1949 schedule opened. Close to 800 fans saw the Tanners give out with their worst performance of the current season while being smothered under a deluge of goals by the fleet Weston Club.

The visitors fired eight goals in the final chapter, two in the second and two in the first as they dominated play from start to finish. Only seven shots were restricted to twelve goals. They rapped on Evans' door from every angle compelling the rotund tender to depend largely upon his own agility to thwart their attack.

Hampers by lack of conditioning, forwards and defence could do little else than gaze awkwardly at the scene unfolding around the Acton net. They expended all their energy in the second period when they made a furious bid to sink goals. Brilliant work by goalie Ashbee, who appeared invulnerable, stymied the Tanners attack until it had run its course with only one goal counted against him. Leno Marzo potted the sole Acton goal in the period with a sparkling rush up the right boards drawing Ashbee out of position and slipping home the disc.

It was virtually a run-away for Weston in the final stanza with very little opposition from burned out Tanners. Really, it was a question of who would twang the twine. The smooth-working blondies, Jones and Neilson paced the attack each snaring a pair of goals. The Tanners sniped their second and final tally at 12:00 of the last period. Guy tipping in Leno Marzo's rebound.

Hilman, O'Donoghue and Basso found it difficult to unwind at any stage of the game. O'Donoghue was presented with an opportunity to count but missed it by shooting wide as he bore down on Ashbee. Mike Cove suffered a similar fate at Ashbee's hands, twice within a minute, failing to count which right in on solo.

Tanners' defense looked woefully weak under the attack. The Canaries, displaying precise passing play, continually caught them persimbling inside the Weston blue-line while they ganged up on Evans. Acton management felt certain that the Tanners would shed their lethargy in time for the next game and generally agreed it was due to lack of practice and conditioning. Penalties weren't frequent but stings in the sin bin were doled off handsily by two officials. As a rule, both players involved in an incident, guilty or innocent, got the gate. Acton resume the schedule again to-night when they meet Bridgeport in Acton Arena. The Bridgeport club split their first two games with Georgetown, winning on home ice and losing at the Papertown.

MARRIED 65 YEARS ON TUESDAY



Mr. and Mrs. William Mainprize, who, on Tuesday, quietly marked their 65th Wedding Anniversary. They have been esteemed residents of Acton for thirty-six years and all members of their family now reside in this community. During the day many friends called to congratulate this elderly couple on this anniversary that few couples are privileged to observe. We join with other friends in congratulations and best wishes for more anniversaries together.

FORMER RESIDENT TELLS OF PRICES IN NEW ZEALAND

A letter to the editor from J. E. Montgomerie, New Zealand, gives some interesting news from that country as well as making inquiry about friends he knew when a resident here forty years or more ago. Some readers will recall that Mr. Montgomerie was a tailor employed by Wm. Cooper and that his wife was Miss Gertrude Walters. Of their family of nine children, five were in the services in the last war in all branches. Among the friends he recalls here are Mrs. Martha Armstrong, Wm. Cooper, Frank Holmes, Gunner Gould, Frank and Roy McIntosh. Speaking of conditions in New Zealand, Mr. Montgomerie says that most of the weekly papers have been forced to close and where there were six in their district only one county paper remains. A 10 h.p. automobile costs \$4200, a 7 ft electric refrigerator costs \$780 and electric washing machine \$300; bacon 56c lb.; 2 lb. loaf 7c; tea, a dollar a pound and a suit of clothes \$150.00.

SCOUT HALL GETS ROOFED IN MILD WEEK-END WEATHER

The mild weather of the week-end spurred on the workers on the Acton Scout Hall and Secretary Wm. Middleton had sufficient helpers on hand to get the roof coating over the entire building. That job done means that the willing workers can now concentrate on the inside work of window and door frames are ready to go in. The floor insulation and floor can now be put in place and work continued inside the building. The week-end weather gave the necessary break for finishing the roof. The Scout group committee gratefully acknowledge the following: \$300 from Mr. D. R. McLean, \$200 from Superior Glove Works, and \$200 from Local 26 Shoe and Leather Workers' Union, Mr. T. Cooke.

Varied Program January Meeting Devonshire Chapter

The first meeting of the year of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter, LODE was held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Symon, with Mrs. F. S. Blow as acting guest, presiding. Letters of thanks for donations received were read from the Canadian Mothercraft Society, the Upper Canada Book and Tract Society, from the Acton Scout Committee, Mr. J. Goy, and from the teacher and pupils of the Chapter's adopted northern school for a Christmas gift parcel. Nomination of officers for the New Year took place with Mrs. Schroeder, Mrs. Sims and Mrs. Salt appointed as nominating committee. Miss Bennett read a very interesting and enlightening article on the recovery work being done in Germany by the United States under the L. P. M. and showing how very necessary this work is. Mrs. Gowdy gave a delightful piano solo, after which Miss Isabel Anderson gave a humorous reading, "The Ashbee to Man" a satire on evolution, by Stephen Leacock and which was much enjoyed by the members. Miss Garvin expressed the thanks of the meeting to Miss Bennett, Mrs. Gowdy and Miss Anderson for their entertainment. Hostesses serving refreshments were Miss Garvin, Miss Wallace, Miss M. Mainprize, and Mrs. Hall.

Swimming Pool Fund Lives In Frigid Winter

In spite of the fact that winter temperatures are prevailing, the thoughts of last summer and the hope of a community swimming pool in Acton have not entirely faded. The fund grows slowly and still seems a long way from the needed \$25,000. Of course with the amount now pledged no plans can be started as anticipated this winter. But here's the latest standing: Previously acknowledged \$7,438.55; Anonymous 10.00; C. F. Leatherland 25.00; G. A. Dilla 100.00. Total to date \$7,573.55.

REPORTS GIVEN AT MEETING UNITED WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly business meeting of the Women's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. F. Cleave on Tuesday with a very good attendance. President, Mrs. J. Moore, was in charge of the meeting and Mrs. Widderspin took the devotional. Arrangements were made for holding meetings at various homes in the coming year, the hostess to provide tea, cream and sugar and three ladies were named to supply the lunch at each meeting. The annual meeting will take the form of a pot-luck supper. The past year had been a most successful one. 139 calls were made on sick and shut-ins and 87 cards sent out to those ill, in hospital or bereaved. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction. Mrs. Cleave assisted by Mrs. G. Macdonald, Mrs. Evans and Mrs. A. Gamble served a lovely lunch. Tea was poured by Mrs. C. L. Poole.

The Intermediate Hockey Schedule For This Season

Following is the Intermediate O.T.A. Hockey Schedule for this season. The group has four "B" teams and two "A" teams. Weston plays home games on opposing team's ice until their arena is ready. Bridgeport plays in Waterloo. Georgetown, Acton, Fergus and Bridgeport are Intermediate "B" teams. Oakville and Weston are Intermediate "A" teams. Playoffs: Intermediate "B", 1st and 2nd teams—play a best 3-of-5 series. First team has choice of ice, or if tied, best goal average counts. Thursday, Jan. 6 — Bridgeport at Georgetown. Thursday, Jan. 6 — Weston at Acton. Friday, Jan. 7—Fergus at Oakville. Monday, Jan. 10—Acton at Oakville. Monday, Jan. 10 — Georgetown at Bridgeport. Wednesday, Jan. 12 Fergus at Weston. Thursday, Jan. 13—Bridgeport at Acton. Friday, Jan. 14 — Oakville at Georgetown. Friday, Jan. 14—Weston at Fergus. Monday, Jan. 17—Georgetown at Oakville. Monday, Jan. 17—Acton at Fergus. Monday, Jan. 17 — Weston at Bridgeport. Wednesday, Jan. 19—Weston at Georgetown. Thursday, Jan. 20 — Fergus at Acton. Monday, Jan. 24 — Oakville at Fergus. Tuesday, Jan. 25 — Acton at Georgetown. Wednesday, Jan. 26—Oakville at Bridgeport. Thursday, Jan. 27 — Georgetown at Acton. Friday, Jan. 28 — Bridgeport at Fergus. Friday, Jan. 28—Weston at Oakville. Tuesday, Feb. 1—Acton at Weston. Tuesday, Feb. 1st — Fergus at Georgetown. Thursday, Feb. 3 — Fergus at Bridgeport. Thursday, Feb. 3rd—Oakville at Acton. Friday, Feb. 4—Georgetown at Fergus. Friday, Feb. 4 — Bridgeport at Weston. Monday, Feb. 7—Bridgeport at Oakville. Tuesday, Feb. 8—Georgetown at Weston. Thursday, Feb. 10 — Acton at Bridgeport. Tuesday, Feb. 15 — Oakville at Weston.

Annexation Proceedings Before Municipal Board

Top Prices for Cattle at Auction Sale on Tuesday

What may be a record in Ontario in prices for grade cattle was made at the auction sale of Art Brydon in Eramosa Township on Tuesday. Eleven grade Shorthorn Cows and Calves averaged over \$330 each when put under the hammer by the auctioneers Roy Hindley and J. A. Elliott. The two top cows and calves brought \$725. It should be added that the quality and breeding of these cattle warranted top prices but there seems little probability that beef prices are likely to be lower.

ST. ALBAN'S GUILD HAVE JANUARY MEETING THIS WEEK

The January meeting of the St. Alban's Guild was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Coon, Arthur Street. The minutes were read and the treasurer's report given. Rev. Luston then took charge of the installation of officers. The evening's business was completed with Rev. Luston closing the meeting, after which a delightful lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. H. Healy and Mrs. C. Cook.

Seven New Members on 1949 County Council

Nassagaweya Reeve mentioned for Wardenship to Honor Township Centennial. Seven new members will be welcomed to the seventeen-man County Council at the inaugural meeting to be held in Milton next Tuesday. For the first time in the history of Halton, all municipalities, with the exception of Nassagaweya, will be represented by two members. Only this year Milton sends its second representative in K. Y. Dick, honored with the office of Deputy-Reeve. In the past two or three years Acton and Georgetown sent two representatives to the County seat a first time. While several members of last year's council retired from municipal politics, others were defeated in their respective elections, the new members are: George Lealie, J. M. Wickson, R. J. Hunter, K. Y. Dick, James Goodlett, and Acton's two new representatives, Theron Jones and E. G. Tyler.

TEA AND SHOWER FOR ACTON BRIDE OF THIS WEEK

Mrs. M. Schroeder gave a tea and shower for Miss M. Clayton, bride-to-be, on Monday afternoon. Mrs. W. Gowdy poured tea and was ably assisted by Mrs. B. Hinton and Mrs. C. Leatherland. On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. M. Gowdy entertained with a tea and shower for Miss M. Clayton. Tea was poured by Mrs. Peter Smith assisted by Mrs. M. Taylor and Mrs. M. Schroeder. Hamilton hostesses were Mrs. J. Coughlin and St. Joseph's, Bridge Club.

Hearing in Town Hall Yesterday when 15 were Examined — Acton Seeks to Annex Three Parcels of Land—Chief Objection is from Group on Old Crescent Section — Board to Give Ruling Soon

The hearing before members of the Municipal Board on the application of the Corporation of Acton for the annexation of three parcels of land was heard yesterday in the Town Hall by Messrs. C. L. Yates and R. Howland. The hearing started about 11:15 a.m. and adjourned from 1 until 2 p.m. and was concluded about 4:30 p.m. Appearing on behalf of Acton were Solicitor C. F. Leatherland and Mr. J. D. Lucas of Toronto and on behalf of the Township of Eramosa Miss B. Bennett was counsel.

The first parcel dealt with a section of land 14 acres in size, owned by Mr. J. J. Stewart. It is assessed for \$30 and the taxes on this land are about \$4. Mr. Stewart desired that it be annexed so that he would have access to it from Wallace St. Parcel No. 2 was a ten acre subdivision of Messrs. Beardmore & Co. east of and adjoining what is commonly referred to as the Crescent. There were 12 houses in the area, 5 of which were in the township. The Beardmore and Co. desired annexation under an agreement made in 1945. Included in this lot was another part of the farm of Mr. Eugene Hradka, who was willing to have the land annexed if it was desirable by the town. Mr. Hradka said if it was felt to be in the best interests of Acton to have the land annexed he was agreeable. It was on Parcel three that the chief objection was taken. This land and houses is that part of the Crescent which adjoins Acton and which is outside the municipal boundary. There are 18 houses with land in this section in the Township.

There were 15 witnesses examined by Council in connection with this section. They included W. I. Dick, K. C. Lube, who had been counsel for Acton 13 1/2 years previously in annexation proceedings, Municipal Clerk McGowan, Messrs. Orville Brown and H. L. Ritchie of the Acton Fire Brigade, Principal G. McKenzie and Secretary W. Middleton of Acton Public School, Superintendent Lambert of the Waterworks Department and Superintendent Wilson of the Hydro department; Town Foreman A. Kirkness; former Councillor W. J. O. Oakes; Mr. W. Footitt; Thos. Ware, H. Arbie, and E. Footitt, residents of the section under discussion; Assessor E. Harrop; Esquering Assessor A. Benton; Road Superintendent W. E. Townsend; Treasurer K. C. Lindsay; Reeve G. Currie.

After the case was summarized by Mr. Lucas and Miss Bennett, the members of the Municipal Board stated that a decision would be forwarded in a short time.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Births, Deaths, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, with a minimum charge of 10 cents for any announcement of 10 lines or more.

Kidd Baker, Brookville Hall, January 18th. Admission 50c and 25c.

National Shoe and Leather Workers' Union, Local 26, meeting at Legion Hall—2:30 p.m., Monday, January 17th.

Euchre and Dance L.O.L. 467, Crewton's Corners every Friday. Refreshments, good prices. Admission 25c.