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EDITORIAL

Get On With The Job

Acton has voted again in favour of the installation of sewers and a disposal plant and it is sincerely hoped that the engineer in charge will lose no time in getting the work started. There has been enough delay now and from our knowledge the fault has not been that of Council. It will take two years for the installation to be made. We were told this fall was a very favourable time to get tenders and let contracts and that the work would be started. The approval has been given and the public wants action.

Installation of domestic sewers was the issue voted upon. Work on that project should not be delayed for any of the other side issues.

A Real Achievement

The Lorne Scots Band and its leaders and members are certainly to be congratulated on the fine showing they made at the C.N.E. this year. It is not the first time this splendid musical organization has carried off top honors in band competition. It meant hours of study and work to achieve this position. It means constant vigilance to maintain the position achieved. The band competed this year in stiff opposition and the band and soloists made a clean sweep. We join with others throughout the county in sincere congratulations and best wishes for continued excellence.

And So the Story Goes

It must have been amusing (and further confusing) to Actonians who read in the Daily Star last week that Acton's \$350,000 debenture issue was to provide waterworks, sewage disposal and an incinerator. If we had been able to tell that one in the Free Press we'll bet the vote would have been different last week.

Facts of the matter, of course, are that we've had waterworks for thirty years, we hope for an incinerator but the \$350,000 debenture issue is only calculated to instal sewers and a disposal plant. The only wishes not included in the daily article were a swimming pool and artificial ice. No one even knows where the dailies get such wild stories but they seem to get away with it because no one bothers to check them up.

We can imagine how many telephone calls and interviews we would have if we handled the facts so carelessly or painted the stories so rosy. It was similar confusion last week that influenced the vote on the sewage question, but not by the daily press.

Coming in a Few Years

According to a provisional timetable for the conversion plan of Hydro from 25 to 60 cycle this district will have the change-over in 1953-54. The start of this great task will be made on October 4th this year and when completed in 1959 the total cost is estimated at \$200,000,000.

According to a very informative article in the Financial Post a trial portion of 1000 homes and a couple of factories have been arranged in the East York area. Scheduled for this year is a district around Newmarket and next year a small section around Hamilton to be changed to 60 cycle.

The engineering hurdles are staggering. At least 1.8 million electrical motors have to be changed. And to make things more confusing, there are 40 different manufacturers of refrigerators, 147 different models; 53 kinds of washing machines, 244 models, 26 makes of clocks, 140 models.

Then consider the immensity of the task in converting whole factories in the busiest industrial area in Canada with a minimum of disturbance; 340,000 industrial and commercial motors will have to be rewound; 860,000 meters processed. Thousands of machines will have to be adjusted to run at the same speed on 60-cycle as on 25-cycle.

But in addition to this stupendous task, every-

thing has to be timed like a clock. The right motor has to be in the right place at the right time. Hydro is planning on keeping actual power cuts to a maximum of two hours. In the test area, they've been running about 2 1/2 hours once a week. When they really get started, there'll be four cuts weekly. Then timing will be almost as important as it is among a football team's backfield.

Hydro estimates it will cost \$90 to convert a refrigerator—there are about 300,000 to do; and \$20 apiece for 550,000 washing machines. Incidentally, the preliminary survey disclosed some interesting statistics on appliances.

In Scarborough, which is Area A, they found: 48 per cent of the homes have electric refrigerators; 73 per cent have washing machines; 77 per cent electric clocks; 18 per cent oil burners; and 5 per cent blowers or stokers.

Why the Increase?

The announcement by the head of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that radio licenses next year in Canada would likely be five dollars a year instead of the present two dollars and fifty cents, is not going down very well with the public, who think they are paying plenty for what they are getting in programs. Some even point to the United States where most of the good programs come from, and where there is no radio fee at all.

The case of the CBC and the public is a pretty good evidence that private enterprise has won over government ownership. Some, in fact, insist that had there been no CBC, and had the government kept its nose out of radio altogether, Canada would have been further ahead in radio. People who should know claim that if private enterprise had been handling radio we would now have television. Instead the government has been blocking all advancement in radio.

The radio license fee has never been popular and never will be. The type of programs over CBC are no better than those from privately owned stations. We doubt if half of the fees now levied are collected so why should the citizens who meet the levy honestly be doubly penalized until assurance is given that all the fees are collected. The answer is simple, the cost of collection and strict enforcement of the law would be so heavy that it would be foolish to do the work.

If CBC cannot operate without these fees, then it is time for the field to be left to those who can carry on the business on its own merits and the license fee abolished. It's no time for an increase but rather time for abolition of the present tax.

BACK IN 1929

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A large tent is being provided to house the fruit, flowers and vegetables at Acton Fair in addition to the hall space this year.

At the monthly meeting of the Y.W.A. of Knox Church held at the home of Mrs. James Dobbie, Miss Nellie Anderson was presented with a life membership. Miss Anderson leaves shortly to enter missionary training school.

Esquing School Fair was held at Hamockburn School yesterday and drew a splendid crowd.

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HORNBY: At her late residence, 255 Indian Road Crescent, Toronto, on Sunday, September 12th, 1929, Mary Jane Thompson, beloved wife of John William Hornby.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Many editors of weekly newspapers are this week attending the Dominion Convention at Jasper Park. Your editor wasn't able to make the trip this year.

With 20,000 or so counterfeit \$10 bills in circulation there's bound to be some of them turn up locally. One easy test is to rub the red serial number with a damp finger. The counterfeit bills will smudge.

When it's finished that section of No. 25 Highway between Milton and Acton promises to be one of the finest. Just at present it's still in the messy state of building, but of the future we can anticipate pleasantly.

September certainly has many features. It's the month of Fall Fairs, the end of daylight saving, back to school programs and even the dog will have their days again in September when they are allowed their freedom.

It seems that Fergus thinks the ball team from that town won the Halton League Play-offs. We thought Milton captured that title weeks ago. At any rate both Milton and Acton are still in the intermediate play-offs and both in Halton.

Ten years ago, it took 14 prime steers or 55 hogs to buy a car; today, one can be bought for the equivalent in money of 8 steers or 40 hogs. That is a language farmers can understand, although there is a fear that many farmers are sure we are in for a depression every time the price of cattle or hogs drops a cent.—Chesley Enterprise.

It's unwise to pay too much, but it's worse to pay too little. When you pay too much, you lose a little money—that is all. When you pay too little, you sometimes lose everything, because the thing you bought was incapable of doing the thing it was bought to do. The common law of business balance prohibits paying a little and getting a lot—it can't be done. If you deal with the lowest bidder, it is well to add something for the risk you run. And if you do that, you'll have enough to pay for something better—John Ruskin.

Recollections of Acton

BACK IN 1899

Taken from the issue of The Free Press of Thursday, September 11, 1899

Messrs. Beardmore and Co. broke ground on Saturday for another large brick warehouse at the G.T.R. station. It will be of brick with stone foundation, 112x50. Mr. N. Forbes is the contractor for the stone work.

The thunderstorm last Thursday morning came very nearly claiming two victims on the farm of Mr. Joe Lashby, a short distance north of town. Mr. Lashby's son, Robert, was plowing in a field near the barn when a flash of lightning struck him and knocked him down where he lay unconscious for some time. The same flash went through the house and in passing Miss Kate was severely shocked.

Mrs. Jennie H. Cameron returned home on Wednesday after a very pleasant ten day's visit with Toronto friends.

Mr. Roy McIntosh is back at his desk in the office of Acton Tanning Co. after enjoying a couple of weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason arrived home from Johnston, N.Y., last Saturday afternoon. They will remain in the old home.

Mr. James Anderson while looking round the machinery recently installed at Hortop's Mill, Eden Mills, placed his left hand on a pulley, and had his fingers badly lacerated and bruised.

MARRIED

WILCOX-WARNER: In Rockwood, on Wednesday, 13th September, by Rev. J. Cranston, Mr. J. Wilcox to Miss E. Warner, both of Rockwood.

PLUMMER-CANN: In the Methodist Church, Crewson's Corners, on Wednesday, 13th September, Mr. Elias Plummer to Lettie, eldest daughter of George Cann, Esq., Postmaster.

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WIZARD GLASS WAX 16.0Z. TIN 49c

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 6:38 a.m., 8:58 a.m., 11:48 a.m., 2:08 p.m., 4:43 p.m., 8:33 p.m., 8:35 p.m., 10:58 p.m.

Westbound
 10:42 a.m., 12:52 p.m., 2:57 p.m., 5:27 p.m., 7:27 p.m., 9:12 p.m., 11:32 p.m.

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