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WHEN ONTARIO'S LIEUT.-GOVERNOR VISITED ACTON



Above are various scenes from the 1949 Remembrance Day services in Acton when the new soldiers' memorial was unveiled by Lieutenant-Governor Ray Lawson. Upper right shows Reeve Theron Jones extending a welcome to the Lieutenant-Governor as Major John Stratton, A.D.C., looks on. Upper right shows some of the head table guests at the civic dinner in the Y.M.C.A. Mrs. Stanley Hall, Deputy Reeve Tyler, Mrs. Theron Jones, Lieutenant-Governor Ray Lawson, Reeve Jones and Mrs. Lawson.

Lower left photo shows the formation of the standard bearers at the entrance to the United Church as the assemblage enters for the Remembrance Day service. Centre photo is the Lieutenant-Governor who as the representative of the King officially unveiled the Acton War Memorial. Mr. W. Coles, a veteran of the Boer War and the War of 1914-18 stands at attention beside the flag pole and Major Stratton assisted the Lieutenant-Governor. Right corner of this picture. The photo at the lower right shows the ranks of the Acton veterans as the Lieutenant-Governor makes an inspection and chats with the veterans. Free Press Photos

104th Anniversary Of Knox Church Observed on Sunday

The 104th Anniversary of the founding of Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton, was observed by special services on Sunday. Guest speaker for the day was Rev. John Ross, M.A., Ph.D. of Woodbridge. Mrs. Byron Bruce, Acton, who was to have been guest soloist was ill and unable to attend.

At the morning service the choir presented two anthems "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem" and "The Lord is thy Keeper". Dr. Ross spoke on the subject "You Bet Your Life". His address was centered around the story of Jeremiah buying a field occupied by the Chaldean army. Jeremiah then showed his faith in God's promise that some day His people would inherit the land. His point of his address was that faith involves risking your all in God's service because of your confidence in Him.

In the evening the congregations of the United and Baptist Churches joined in the service. The Scripture was read by Rev. A. O. Foreman, assistant minister of the United Church. The choir under the direction of organist E. A. Hansen sang "Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus" and "Thy Saviour Waiting There".

Dr. Ross spoke on the subject "Don't Put God to Bed" based on the story of how David's wife Michal put a wooden god in his bed to mislead Saul's soldiers. The speaker said though Michal had no children of her own she was the mother of all those who use religion for their own ends. Dr. Ross said that we in Canada were putting God to bed when we didn't want Him and only use Him during our crises. For example, the National Day of Prayer had been abandoned when the war was won. God had been left out of education and replaced by nature, gravity, the atom and other scientific theories. These are only labels on our ignorance, Dr. Ross said.

Referring to Communism the speaker asked what the difference was between confessed theoretical atheism and practical atheism. In our so-called Christian civilization we try to separate God from our business and this amounts to atheism in a practical way.

Dr. Ross also struck out at church members who put God aside at times. He referred to "All Christians, ones who attended church only at anniversary Christmas and Easter." Then too, there are sanctimonious church members who are not interested in slums and missions. These people say "keep God away from my pocket book," Dr. Ross said.

In conclusion Dr. Ross said that putting God to bed meant destroying the spirit of true worship and sapping the foundation of morality. We don't put God to bed but our life, community and our very civilization often do, he said.

Favorable Bids Received For Sewers for Acton

Hockey Club Prepare for the Season in Acton

Grooming for the first opportunity to use arena ice, the Acton Minor Sports Club are holding a meeting in the Y.M.C.A. basement on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:30. All boys, 12-18, from Acton and district interested in playing hockey this winter are requested to be on hand for organization.

The Patterson cup, a handsome trophy of pre-war vintage, emblematic of town league champions, has been donated for competition in the proposed town league. Inscribed on the cup is the name of the last club to win it "way back in '33". The trophy along with a new variation of the hockey stick are on view in the Free Press window.

The sticks are manufactured of plastic and are as near to being unbreakable as a shillelagh can get. Perforated with holes to make the construction lighter they are designed to curb the wholesale destruction of sticks in the brand of hockey in vogue today.

Rumors to the effect that an intermediate hockey team would be formed in Acton appear to have some basis after all. A meeting is being held in the Town Hall on Sunday at 2:30 to review the possibility of a club to represent Acton this semester according to reliable sources.

The addition of an intermediate team to the extensive program already contemplated for minor hockey should cover every branch of the sport this winter.

Amounts Asked Indicate Costs Can Be Kept Close To Estimate
—Spartan Construction Co. Have Best Sewer Bid and the Toronto Construction Co. Have Best Price For Plant Work—Prices Given On Two Different Disposal Plans—Work Can Start Soon on Sewers Here

Different conditions were reflected in the tenders and interests in the sewage disposal plans for Acton on Monday night when about 12 representatives of contracting firms attended Council meeting to hear the results of tenders from the various firms.

Nine firms bid on the job of laying sewers and five bids were made for the treatment plant. Lowest tenders for laying sewers on contracts A and B was the Spartan Contracting Co. of Toronto and the lowest bid for treatment plants was Toronto Construction Co. also of Toronto. Although no contracts were awarded Monday until the tenders carefully checked the tenders it would seem likely that these are the successful bidders.

Contracts A and B called for the laying of approximately 8 miles of sewer pipes from 8 to 15 inches in size, 137 manholes and 600 service connections from the main to the lot line and 1000 feet of 6-inch cast iron force main. The town was divided into two sections for this purpose. Following were the prices quoted for this work starting with the lowest bid.

Spartan Contracting Co. — Contract using vitrified clay pipe \$111,622.69, using concrete pipe, \$100,116.03. Contract B, vitrified clay, \$109,509.02, concrete, \$108,780.12.

Swansea Construction Co. — A contract clay pipe \$125,180.75; concrete \$124,900.15. B Contract, clay pipe, \$125,351.20, concrete, \$124,802.30.

Russica Bros., Toronto — A Contract, clay pipe \$130,004.00, concrete, \$128,665.00. B Contract, clay pipe, \$132,272.80, concrete, \$129,695.80.

Dundas Construction Co., Toronto — A Contract, clay pipe, \$133,407.70, concrete, \$131,292.74. B Contract, clay pipe, \$150,534.25, concrete \$148,213.76.

Keystone Contractors, Windsor — A Contract, clay pipe, \$161,418.30, concrete \$159,143.26. B Contract, clay pipe, \$141,114.78, concrete \$138,487.17.

Dick Construction Co., Welland — A Contract, clay pipe, \$166,951.00, concrete \$164,502.00. B Contract, clay pipe, \$125,106.00, concrete \$122,079.00.

Curran Briggs Ltd., Toronto — A Contract, clay pipe, \$204,229.40, concrete, \$202,243.38. B contract \$210,702.81, concrete \$208,732.21.

G. M. Gent Ltd., Toronto — A Contract, clay pipe, \$208,728.25, concrete, \$206,600.84. B Contract, clay pipe \$209,747.07, concrete \$207,518.78.

Kilmack Construction Co., Swastika — A Contract, clay pipe, \$130,578.29, concrete \$128,208.30.

Lieut.-Governor Unveiled New Acton Memorial

Remembrance Day Service of 1949 Had Many Features—Service at the Memorial and in United Church Largely Attended—Civic Dinner at the Y.M.C.A. Which Reeve Theron Jones Presides At

One of the most impressive and finest Remembrance Day services ever held in Acton was last Friday when Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Ray Lawson visited Acton and in addition to unveiling the new memorial tablets, met the next of kin of those Acton soldiers who paid the supreme sacrifice, took part in two services and attended a Civic Dinner at the Y.M.C.A. It was a crowded three hours for the distinguished visitors but all arrangements went off very effectively.

The new wing stones on the Acton memorial with the names of the Acton soldiers who died in the 1939-45 conflict blend well with the 1914-18 memorial. Each has the service badge.

Headed by Acton Boys' and Girls' Band the parade formed in the park with a splendid turnout of veterans, ladies organizations and Boy Scouts. The standards of the groups were colorful. Prior to the memorial service the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Lawson were welcomed at the Y.M.C.A. by Reeve Theron Jones and members of Council and here the next of kin met with the representatives of the King in Ontario.

Following inspection of the veterans with a word and greeting here and there the Lieut.-Governor unveiled the memorial and spoke briefly. He urged that we never forget the sacrifice of men and women and the service they gave. They shall live in our memory and we shall honor them. He complimented Acton citizens on the memorial erected and all those who helped. All who pass here will ever be reminded of the sacrifice made. "Every noble deed doth if suppressed in silence." As representative of His Majesty, the King, he unveiled Acton's memorial.

Lieut. R. M. Storey gave the Legion Charge and Legionnaire A. E. Mills read the names from the memorial Last Post and Reveille were sounded by Mr. Amos Mason and the silence observed. The band led in a couple of hymns and the wreaths were placed at the base of the monument by organizations and friends. The benediction by Rev. C. R. Gower closed this part of the service.

At the service in the United Church a choir of Legion members with E. A. Hansen at the organ led in the singing. Rev. A. O. Foreman, Rev. W. G. Luxton, Rev. R. H.

Armstrong and Rev. Gower took parts of the service and the Lieut.-Governor read the Scripture Lesson.

The memorial address was by H. Major J. W. Forth of Oakville and was based on the passage of Scripture "Now Praise We Famous Men".

These men we honor today, said Major Forth, are all who offered themselves, as well as those who gave themselves, those with broken bodies who are in hospitals and institutions and the wives, mothers and fathers. A service and memorial are only good as long as they remind us of this sacrifice. They died to perpetuate the ideals for which we live. It is well to recall the war suffering of 1914-18 and 1939-45 but if we do nothing to prevent it these things can happen again.

Major Forth said that the silence observed in the remembrance service is the crux of the whole service. In the silence of 1945 when guns ceased firing soldiers knew the joy of it. It is in the silence that we think. When strong men believe there is action. The things that are worth fighting for are worth living for. We must bring into being the things for which they fought and died. We will remember them.

Following the service a civic dinner was tendered the distinguished visitors at the Y.M.C.A. at which Reeve Theron Jones presided. Deputy Reeve, Councilors, School Board, representatives of the Legion and various organizations, about fifty, attended the dinner. Lieut. Governor Lawson and Mrs. Lawson were presented to the gathering and June Dunn, drum majorette of the Band presented flowers to Mrs. Lawson. The Lieut. Governor spoke informally and told of the joy they found in visiting in many parts of the province. He complimented the community and the organizations for the part they had played in erecting a memorial and in the service of remembrance.

Grace was given by H. Major J. W. Forth, the toast to the King was proposed by Deputy Reeve E. G. Tyler and to the fallen by Lieut. R. M. Storey.

Grazing animals require food to maintain body processes and normal muscular activity without loss of weight. To meet these demands it is necessary to have protein for repairing and rebuilding body tissue; fats and carbohydrates for producing heat and energy; mineral materials for building bone and continuing body functions. Growth and fattening take place only after the requirements for maintenance are met.

Committee to Ask Council to Select Site for Pool

A meeting of the Acton Swimming Pool Committee was held last evening. Report was made on the canvass of the business men. All the names had been contacted on the list and it was decided to complete the canvass of industry and meet again on November 30th. Mr. Creighton announced that one industry, the Mason Knitting Co., had already sent in a cheque for \$1000 for the fund that had indeed been encouraging.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman were delegated to attend next Council meeting and express regret of the Committee in not meeting them to settle upon a site and to inform Council that the Committee was prepared to accept any site in the park designated by Council. It was to be requested that the site be measured and staked out so that plans could be formulated for next spring.

BENEFIT FUND IS NOW OVER THE \$1000 MARK

Contributions to the Baseball Benefit Fund for the family of the late Rod Ryder have now gone over the \$1000 mark. Following is the statement up to date.

Previously acknowledged	\$973.47
Gray Coach Bus Drivers	75.10
Anonymous	5.00
Total	\$1053.57

Hallowe'en Party by Y's Men's Club Had Small Deficit

Cash receipts and donations almost met all the expenses in connection with the Hallowe'en party arranged by the Y's Men's Club for the children. Along with the work done by the club a small deficit of \$1.00 was made up from their funds.

RECEIPTS	
Cash Donations	\$40.18
Cash collected in boxes	29.32
EXPENDITURES	
Movies	8.95
Prizes	26.30
Apples	8.75
Candy	28.50
Total	\$72.50
Deficit	3.00
Total	\$69.50

In addition business places contributed candy and treats for the event and the club appreciates the fine co-operation of the community for all the helpers, funds, goods and the good old band which put Hallowe'en fun for all in Acton on October 31st.

Erin Council Hears Appeals on 1950 Assessment

Contract for Snow Plowing Awarded at Same Price As Last Year

Erin Council met at 10 o'clock on November 7th with the Reeve presiding and members all present. By-laws were passed covering the imposing of an additional charge of one-half of one per cent per month on all taxes not paid on or before December 31, 1949.

One for the purpose of allowing the Erin Township Municipal Telephone system to issue debentures for \$10,000 for reconstruction, replacements, improvements and extensions to the system. By-law subject to the approval of the Municipal Board.

Resolutions passed were: The County Treasurer was requested to return all monies owing to the Township.

That the Road Supt. notify the patrolmen to have all snow fence erected by December 1st.

The Assessor was instructed to take the necessary steps to collect all unpaid dog tax.

The Cox Construction Co. was engaged to do the snow plowing for the season 1949-50 at the same price and terms as last year.

The Court of Revision was held on Monday, November 7 and postponed to the 9th. The Court made the following changes:
 Jas. H. Boys, Lot 19W, Con. 8, barn destroyed, reduced \$800.00.
 Albert Gatehouse, Lot 16E, Con. 4, reduced \$250.00.
 Mrs. Betsy Reid, Lot 11, Con. 3, reduced \$200.00.
 Norman Wheeler, Lot 28W, Con. 7, reduced \$200.00.
 Harold Sargent, Lot 24E, Con. 10, reduced \$200.00.

Change of ownership was made for two properties. Three other appeals were confirmed.

The Court of Revision having completed its work the assessment roll as revised was adopted for the year 1950.

Accounts were paid as follows: General, \$48.00; Sheep, \$41.00; Relief (Toronto pays), \$146.31; Indirect Relief, \$23.78; Roads, \$6317.45. Council adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, December 15, 1949, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. or at the call of the Reeve.

MISERY
 "Thank goodness that misery's over."
 "What misery, pal?"
 "Dancing with the hostess. Have you been through it yet?"
 "I don't have to—I'm the host."

Italy's big estates may be split up among the poverty-stricken tenants.

Garage Building Allows Expansion For Acton Industries

Another of Acton's industries has found larger quarters for the expanding business. Plastomex Ltd. which has operated in the same building with Micro Plastics since establishing in Acton has taken over the garage floor premises of Mr. E. Jennings. Mr. Roy Lambert who has operated the Acton garage for the past year has gone to Drayton where he has secured a garage business.

The building was built by the late Dr. H. A. Cox and was the first Ford agency in Acton.

New machinery and equipment at Micro Plastics made it essential to use the whole of their building for their extruded plastic products and the move also for the expansion of both industries.

THE THANK OFFERING UNITED CHURCH W.M.S. HEARS ABOUT JAPAN

The annual Thankoffering meeting of the W.M.S. of the United Church was held in the church on Tuesday. In the absence of the president, Mrs. E. J. Caldwell, who was ill, Mrs. B. Mowat presided.

The devotional was in charge of Mrs. A. T. Brown and Mrs. R. L. Johnston. Miss D. Simmons and Mrs. B. Veldhuis sang a duet. Mrs. F. Cleaver, Mrs. J. Lambert and Miss M. Mainprize were appointed on the nominating committee.

Greetings were extended from Knox Church by Mrs. B. Blow, from St. Alban's by Mrs. R. Anderson and Churchill by Mrs. F. McArthur. The Society has lost one of its most faithful workers in the death of the oldest member, Mrs. A. E. Nicklin.

On behalf of the Friendly Circle, Mrs. L. Lovell presented a membership certificate and Mrs. F. Kentner a life membership pin to Mrs. R. MacArthur. Guest speaker for the day, Miss Courtice, retired missionary from Japan, was introduced by Miss M. Mainprize. She gave a very splendid talk on the progress and building in Japan following the ravages of war and described the prisoners in internment camps. The meeting closed with prayer and all enjoyed a social cup of tea and lunch.

BANNOCKBURN FARM FORUM MET ON MONDAY EVENING
 The Bannockburn Farm Forum met in the school on Monday evening November 14th with about 20 members present. In the absence of the Chairman, the secretary carried on the meeting. The discussion period, the secretary, Wm. Moffat, conducted the discussion period. The radio broadcast was followed by the answers decided on by each group. Lunch was served and a short time spent playing euchre and crokinole.

500 Enjoy Turkey Supper at Knox Church

Over 500 enjoyed the anniversary turkey supper and concert on Monday evening in Knox Church, Acton. The event was in connection with the 105th anniversary of the church and has always been an attraction for many in the town and district who enjoy the fine and bounteous food and good entertainment.

Turkey supper was served from 5:30 and by 8:30 the ladies had accomplished the task of serving. The variety program included numbers by John Rockwood, baritone, of Rockwood, Mrs. Ward Bruce, elocutionist; Donna McMillan, vocalist; Sheila Paul, violinist and Martin Davenport, vocalist. It was a well rounded program that was enjoyed by all.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, at cost per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 5c.

St. Alban's W. A. Bazaar in the Parish Hall, Sat. Nov. 20th, 3 to 6 p.m. Aprons, Baking, Candy and Afternoon Tea.

DANCE, Cedar Valley Cowboys, Modern and old time dancing, Aberfoyle Hall, Friday, Nov. 18, 9 p.m. Admission 50c.

Kidd Baker Radio Cowboy Show Town Hall, Milton, Friday, Nov. 18th, 8:30 p.m. Adults 50c. Children 25c. Dance after show.

Lakeside, Chapter I.O.E.E. Annual Bazaar, Sat. Nov. 19, Tea, homemade baking, fancy articles, special draws. 18-3

Ballinash W.A. Turkey Supper and Concert, Wednesday, November 30th, 6 to 8 p.m. Adults \$1.00. Children under 12 years, 50c. (6-2 tickets at Church).

A Toronto Star Free Concert, featuring the Commodores, well-known male quartette, will be held in Knox Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday, November 29th at 8:00 p.m.