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Assistant Hired For Waterworks Department

Request for 400 More Horsepower Held Up Until Substation is Built

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. The Commission attended the showing of a film on Plumbing at the invitation of the Rotary Club. Those present at the meeting were Mayor A. Mason, Reeve E. Tyler and Commissioners J. T. Ware and J. R. MacArthur.

Secretary McGeachie had procured the information requested by the Commission re a stamp machine. The post office does not supply these machines. They are rented from a firm with a minimum rental of \$5.00 per month. It is necessary to purchase part of the machine at a cost of \$105. The Commission decided that the saving in time did not warrant the purchase price and rental of the machine.

Superintendent Wilson reported that a number of water heater controls had been installed. Work had been suspended on this job for lack of material. Transformers are being installed for the Micro Plastics at the present time. 43,200 watts are being controlled at the present time with a saving of \$135 per month.

A letter was received from Beardmore and Co. asking when they could expect delivery of an additional 1350 kilowatts, approximately 400 h.p. The present station is unable to handle this extra load except at night. As soon as the new sub-station is installed this load can be handled satisfactorily. A letter has been sent to the H.E.P.C. of Ontario asking when Acton can expect the new station to be operating. It was originally scheduled for operation last July. As soon as a reply is received from the H.E.P.C. the Beardmore and Co. are to be informed of the result. The salary of Mr. K. McPhail was discussed and the salary increased.

Superintendent Wilson reported that the wire had been ordered for the tie-in of the two sub-stations. The price of wire has increased since the wire was ordered. It was reported that the Odds 'N' Ends Shop was being operated by Ros Ann Shops of Galt, the same as formerly, and therefore not subject to the new deposit for service but operating on the old schedule.

The Council turned back the painting of the water tank to the Commission. A letter was to be sent to the Trans Canada Steeplejacks Co. requesting clarification of their bid on painting the tank.

Superintendent Lambert reported that the water main break on Vimy Street had been repaired. During the past week the Commission had inspected a billing machine and an addressograph in the Public Utilities office at Waterloo. All voted their approval of these machines. An offer was to be made to the Waterloo Utilities. The addressograph is ready for immediate delivery but the billing machine cannot be obtained until one on order by Waterloo is delivered.

Applications were opened for the position of assistant to Superintendent Lambert of the Waterworks Department. There were nine applications. They were from Messrs. Gordon Allan, Howard Mooney, R. J. Loutitt, Colin McColl, Fyfe Somerville, M. J. McMillan, Harry Robinson, W. W. Coles and M. J. Triff. The salaries ranged from \$1800 to \$2500. After discussion it was decided to hire Fyfe Somerville, at a salary of \$1800 per year.

The list of arrears was checked and instructions issued as to their disposal.

Hydro Department	
Bell Telephone Co. of Can. services	\$ 17.05
H.E.P.C. of Ont. power	6007.50
Grand and Toy Ltd., serv.	7.08
Masco Elec. Co. Ltd., supp.	1.00
F. L. Wright, renewal	8.00
R. H. Nichols Ltd., supp.	16.80
Line and Cable Accessories Ltd., supp.	113.33
Williams Supply Co., supp.	20.31
Can. Gen. Elec. Co., supp.	98.28
Express and Transport	5.71
Mrs. H. Palmer	12.00
Burroughs Adding Machine of Can. service	13.50
	\$8412.05

Waterworks Department	
Art Vine	\$102.45
Thompson Motors	68.98
Acton Machine Shops	8.10

TORONTO CARTOONIST FEATURED PROGRAM KNOX SO-ED CLUB

The final meeting of the year of Knox So-Ed Club was held on Wednesday evening of last week with a good attendance. The main feature of the program was the visit of Mr. Leo Callan, cartoonist of the Toronto Daily Star, who entertained the audience with comic sketches and humorous stories.

Instead of the customary reading of scripture, the 33rd chapter of Isaiah was recited in unison by several girls and boys—Lynda Mann, Margaret Kirkness, Beverley Smith, Phyllis Barnes, Laurie Ritchie, John Musella, Billy Dolmer and Brian Corvato and Rev. H. H. Armstrong led in prayer.

Vocal solos by Inez McLellan and William Burton and piano solos by Lorraine Mullin were very much enjoyed.

A delicious lunch brought the activities of the club to a very successful close, until the reopening in the autumn.

KNOX LADIES AID HOLD APRIL MEETING AT MRS. C. LEISHMAN'S

Knox Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Cameron Leishman on Tuesday afternoon with a large attendance of ladies Mrs. Fred McCutcheon, the president, presided.

Mrs. D. G. McLellan read the Scripture lesson and Mrs. A. M. McPherson offered prayer. An invitation has been received from the Friendly Circle of the United Church to join with them on Monday evening May 10th. Final plans were made for the drama, "For the Health Great Possessions" to be given by the Mimosa Young People in the Acton Town Hall.

A splendid program of the following numbers were given readings by Mrs. R. L. Davidson and Mrs. Fred Anderson, vocal solos by Mrs. Bowen and a violin selection by Mrs. R. H. Armstrong.

Miss Minnie Somerville conducted a contest and the winners were Mrs. F. Anderson and Mrs. A. J. Murray.

A lovely lunch was served by Mrs. Leishman and her committee composed of Miss Somerville, Mrs. Wm. McLeod, Mrs. Jas. Wilds and Mrs. R. L. Davidson and a social time was enjoyed over the tea cups.

Plans for New School in Eramosa Ready May 1st

Teachers Are Engaged - Budget For 1950 Reconsidered As Requested

The School Board met in Rockwood School at 1.30 with all the members present except Mr. Adsett. Mr. G. F. Swanson presided.

The following correspondence was received: Approval of the Dept. of Education and of the Eramosa Township Council for the issuance of debentures not exceeding \$20,000. for a new school at No. 2, Inspector's report on No. 10 school and on the proposed new library arrangements. A resolution of the Council, requesting revision of the requisition for 1950. Letters from the teacher at No. 4 and from a former teacher at No. 10.

Plans were made to have contractors submit prices for a new school about May 1st.

The tender of Mr. John Sprout was accepted for drilling a new well for No. 2 at \$350 per foot. The new fire escape was examined and the balance due of \$125 was ordered to be paid.

Approval was given for the engagement of the following teachers at Federation rates: Mrs. Charlotte E. Murison, Mrs. E. M. Cuming, Miss Joyce L. Cummins, Miss Ileen D. Edwards, Mr. Wm. Kobzy and Miss Margaret Henderson. Re-engagement of Mrs. W. R. Black, music supervisor was also approved.

The budget for 1950 was reconsidered and the Board considered that in order to maintain reasonable financial stability, no reduction of the requisition could be made.

Water and Sewers on Agenda Council Meeting

Appointment of Inspector Deferred - Tenders for Disposal Plant to be in May 15th - Location of Railway Signals to be Decided Friday - Grader Now in Use on Streets

A special meeting of Acton Council was held Monday evening. Councillors J. Hargrave, T. Nicol, W. Roszell, L. Hutchen, R. Thompson, J. Greer, Deputy Reeve W. J. McLeod, Reeve E. G. Tyler were present and Mayor A. Mason presided. Mr. John R. Leishman was present to discuss with Council the building on a lot on Acton Boulevard. This lot is 48.3 feet wide and the by-law calls for 50 feet. The minimum of 6000 square feet in this lot Council decided to take this matter up with the Municipal Board.

Mr. J. Kirk of the International Water Supply Ltd. of London, Ont. was present. He gave a very detailed account of the search for water in various municipalities. He stated there were two sources of water, in gravel or in rock. He agreed that it was possible to have two sources of water being pumped into the system at one time. The major portion of water obtained for municipalities is above the rock. For a well not in rock the minimum depth of a well should be at least 35 feet. For a well of this type it should be 20 inches wide and the casing 10 inches in diameter. A well of this type would cost approximately \$10,000 with equipment installed. The cost of a well in rock is about \$400 per foot for a 6 inch bore or \$1000 per foot in a 10 inch bore.

Mr. Kirk agreed to submit prices for prospecting for water in Acton on various types of wells to supply additional water for Acton.

The purchase of a right-of-way for a road to the disposal plant was discussed. This matter is to be taken up at the next meeting.

The Council discussed insurance on the installation of sewers and building of the treatment plant. The Beardmore Co. wanted the town to sign an agreement for damages as may be caused to the Company by damaging the pipe running from Fairy Lake to the plant. It was decided that the representatives of the town and the company should visit the Municipal Board and make an agreement.

Mr. V. Bristow was present and took another photograph of the members of Council.

The specifications are ready for the tenders for the disposal plant. The tenders close on May 15th. They have been advertised in the Daily Commercial News and are to be advertised in the Free Press.

Moved by E. Tyler, seconded by J. Hargrave: "And resolved that we authorize our engineer to place an additional insurance policy through Messrs. Tomenson, Saunders, Smith and Garfat, to cover construction operations of Spartan Construction Co. Ltd. for \$0.40/100 for a period of twelve months from this date."

And that previous resolution regarding insurance be amended in that it is not necessary to place this policy through Norwich Union Insurance Co. and that local agents not be entitled to any commission thereon. And that the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to pay premium of \$37.40—Carried.

Moved by W. J. McLeod, seconded by E. Tyler: "And resolved that the Mayor and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to issue cheques to our solicitor in payment of balance of the purchase price of lands from H. Dyck and the Peter H. Smith Estate. The said cheque re H. Dyck to be returned if purchase is not closed on May 1, 1950—Carried."

The tenders for the position of inspector of the sewer installation were opened. Those applying were H. F. Holmes, M. A. Tyler, E. J. Hassard, W. R. Norton, A. E. Cripps. Council discussed the matter of having a supervisor on the job.

The C.N.R. requested a joint meeting of Council to pick the location for the flasher signals. A meeting was to be arranged on Friday morning at 10 o'clock. All possible members of Council are to attend this meeting.

Four Wolf Cubs Captured On Farm Near Acton

Four wolf cubs were taken from a den on the farm of John McEachern about two miles west of Acton, and were kept in a sack until examined by Overseer Hitchcock of Halton County Game and Fishery Department. If destroyed, the men who captured them are eligible for a \$60 bounty.

John McEachern and David Mannen came upon the den while out walking on Sunday afternoon. They sealed up all the exits to the den but one and then brought out the four young wolves believed to be about two weeks old. The mother wolf was absent.

Both men believe there are more to the litter than the ones which they captured and intend to try and find the new den which the she-wolf has made. They returned to the spot Monday where they found the four, but the den had been dug out and remaining whelps removed.

Mr. McEachern said that all winter long they had both heard and seen wolves around the barn and lane, which is surrounded by typical wolf country of rolling hills, woods and cedar swamps. In fact he said, he wounded one with a shot gun blast but it got away.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR BAPTIST CHURCH WOMEN'S MISSION CIRCLE

The Women's Mission Circle of the Baptist Church held their April meeting, which was in the form of a birthday party, at the home of Mrs. Herb Helwig on Tuesday evening, April 18th. The evening began with a birthday supper at 6.30 deliciously prepared by the hostess.

Following the supper a brief devotional period was held in which Mrs. Stanley Cripps, President of the Circle, was in charge. The Sec-Treas report was given by Bernice Connor. The topic based on missionary work in Bolivia, was read by Mrs. Chas. Landsborough.

After the devotional, the group was led in a series of games and contests and the enjoyable evening came to a close.

Thank Offering Meeting of Knox Evening Auxiliary

The regular monthly meeting of Knox Evening Auxiliary was held on April 12th at the home of Mrs. Emma Cole. The president, Mrs. F. Anderson opened the meeting and the devotions were taken by Mrs. S. Matthews.

The study book "Toward a new dawn in Japan" was given by Mrs. G. Somerville. Mrs. George Musella read a very interesting letter from a lady of the church who visits hospitals in Toronto.

Plans were discussed for the spring thank offering meeting at the close of the meeting a delightful social time was spent.

On Sunday evening, April 23rd, the Evening Auxiliary of Knox Church held their thank offering meeting. This was in the form of a fireside hour and was held following the evening service.

Mrs. Fred Anderson presided at the meeting and opened with the call to worship. The devotions were taken by Miss Babe Roszell, Mrs. Ted Hansen, Mrs. S. Matthews and Mrs. S. Sinclair.

Miss Sheila Paul rendered a selection on the violin and a vocal solo was given by Crawford Douglas. Mr. Ted Hansen was accompanied for these numbers. A reading was given by Miss Margarette Roszell.

ROTARIANS HAVE SPECIAL FILM SHOWING ON PUBLIC HEALTH

A special film entitled "The Importance of Plumbing to Public Health" was the feature at the weekly dinner of Acton Rotary Club on Tuesday. Guests of the club at the film showing were the members of Acton Public Utilities Commission, Council and town officers. Edgar Hilton arranged for the showing of the film through the National Plumbing Association.

THE TYERS-WHITE WEDDING IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH HERE

St. Joseph's Church, Acton was the scene of the wedding on Saturday morning, April 15th, of Joan Edith White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie White of Acton and John Joseph Tyers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Tyers of Georgetown. Rev. F. J. Morgan celebrated the nuptial mass.

Given in marriage by her father the bride chose a white satin wedding gown, fashioned with a lace ruffle outlining the nylon net yoke, and a full skirt with insets of lace gathered to a fitted bodice and falling into a slight train. She wore a necklace of pearls, the gift of the groom. Her finger-tip veil was held by a cap effect of lily-of-the-valley and she carried a cascade of American Beauty roses and sweet peas.

Her only attendant was her cousin, Miss Fay Clark of Hamilton, who chose a gown of turquoise blue tulle, fashioned with nylon yoke bordered by a bertha collar of brocade flowers, fitted bodice and full skirt. She wore a floral headband and carried a cascade of Tallahassee roses.

Mr. Kenneth Hulme of Georgetown was groomsmen and ushers were two cousins of the bride, Wilfred Duval and Kenneth, Padillon. Miss Joan Layton of Georgetown was soloist and sang "Pans Angelus" and "Ave Maria." Miss Irene Mulholland was at the organ.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served in the church hall and a reception was held in the afternoon at the home of the bride's parents. Her mother received wearing navy blue with matching accessories and a corsage of pink roses. The groom's mother wore raspberry crepe with navy accessories and corsage of Tallahassee roses.

Guests attended the wedding from Guelph, Kitchener, Milton, Dixie, Toronto, Georgetown, Brampton, Milton and Hamilton.

For a wedding trip to Niagara Falls, the bride donned a beige suit with navy accessories and corsage of pink carnations. Upon their return they will reside in Acton.

OFFICERS NAMED AT ANNUAL MEETING GREENOCK INSTITUTE

The annual meeting of the Greenock Branch of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Charles McKeown with fifteen members and one visitor present. The meeting was in charge of the President, Mrs. A. McKeown who gave the Scripture reading.

Roll call was answered with a suggestion for next year's program and the paying of fees.

Splendid reports were received from the Secretary Treasurer and the convenors of standing committees, recalling the activities of the branch during the past year.

The motto, "What we do not understand we have no right to judge," was ably taken by Mrs. T. Hemley.

Most of the members contributed entries for a baking contest which were judged by Mrs. Gerald Graham and Mr. C. McKeown. Winners in this contest were Butter Tarts, Elva Pearen, Mrs. Elwood Johnston; Date Loaf, Mrs. Hemley, Mrs. H. Reid.

Following the program the election of officers for 1950 was held and are as follows: President, Mrs. T. Hemley; 1st Vice President, Mrs. A. McKeown; 2nd Vice President, Miss Elva Pearen; Secretary, Mrs. Elliott Patterson; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Allan; Treas., Mrs. Ralph McKeown; Pianist, Mrs. B. Johnston; District Director, Mrs. H. Reid; Home Economics and Health, Mrs. W. Hill and Mrs. F. Johnston; Citizenship and Education, Mrs. T. McCutcheon and Mrs. H. Reid; Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. Turner and Mrs. C. McKeown; Community Activities and Public Relations, Mrs. J. L. Allan and Mrs. A. McKeown; Historical Research and Current Events, Mrs. Robert Allen and Mrs. Chester Allan; Auditors, Mrs. J. E. Pearen and Mrs. C. Allan; Flower, Fruit and Card Committee, Mrs. Gordon Leslie, Mrs. W. Hill and Mrs. A. Thompson; Lunch Committee, Mrs. A. Aitken and Mrs. Fred Johnston; Press Reporter Miss Elva Pearen.

Dishes Given Scout Kitchen Now Being Built

Acton Scouts got a real surprise and a great lift on Monday evening when Mayor and Mrs. Anna Mason came to their meeting. Mrs. Mason presented them with a set of eight pieces of chinaware for their kitchen which is now being finished. The dishes were delivered and Mrs. Mason assured the troop that when the kitchen was ready she would help unpack and place them in the cupboards.

The Scouts with many willing helpers are finishing the walls and building the cupboards in the kitchen. Next week the Scout Mothers will make a canvas of homes and business places to solicit funds to purchase the material to complete the kitchen and the basement workshop which have been built.

In the paper collection on Saturday the Scouts gathered 4 1/2 tons of paper which was sold to raise funds for their hall.

House Looted And in Turmoil At Speyside

When the family were away for the evening, thieves ransacked the cottage at Speyside of Mrs. E. L. Smith and stole articles of value and turned the interior of the house into a shambles. It would appear that a truck was used to remove the loot.

A cedar chest, jewelry, \$20 in cash, china, linen, bedding, a hearing aid and a shot gun were among the articles stolen but nothing of any value was overlooked and everything was in turmoil. The Provincial Police are investigating the burglary.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION ON ACTON STREETS FOR THIS WEEK

The schedule for sewer construction in Acton is as follows: The Scene Street operations are nearly complete. When this is done the machine will move to Main St. and work north from the CNR tracks.

Another machine will be working on Brock St. from Main to Victoria Avenue.

The third machine is working on Willow St. from Agnes to Mill St. It is pointed out that Agnes St. is blocked from Main St. to John St.

Various Contests On Program At Acton Y.M.C.A.

Interest is keen in the current Hit and Miss Gymn Competition at the "Y". Functioning in boys and girls classes the competition will wind up some time next month with events to be awarded to the high scorers for team athletics and games. The unique feature of this competition is that it offers an almost equal opportunity for the less gifted performers to be among the high scorers.

Leading point scorers to date are as follows: Midgets—Boys, Emmerson Baxter, 15; Joe Jany and Ron Sheppard, 14; Girls, Helen Luxton, 13; Cheryl Morton and Lorraine Tyler, 12; Juniors, boys, John Cunningham and Grant Withers, 8; Ross Morton, 6; Girls, Diane Dawkins, Maureen Kinread, Peggy Oakes, Kathleen McCristall, 8 points each.

In the Basketball House League, the Reds drubbed the Golds 34-10 and the Blacks edged out Blues 42-33. In the opener, the Reds regained their stride after a poor showing the week previous and ran rampant over the Golds with Bob Bruce and Fred Euringer racking up 14 points apiece. John Cunningham starred for the losers with 8 points. In the second game the Blacks trailed by 8 points at half time but came back strong in the dying minutes of the game to finally out the Blue squad by a nine point margin. Phillip McCristall was the hero of the game, amassing a total of 29 points for the winners while Don Davidson starred with 9 points for the losers.

A successful program was held by the Junior Teen Agers last Saturday and attended by 38 persons. Planning has already begun for another party, which is hoped to be very soon.

Swimming trips to Guelph for local "Y" members are over for another year. During the 4 months period of operation, the "Y" Men's Club with the assistance of local citizens provided approximately 40 carloads of grateful youngsters totalling well over 200, for pleasurable water fun and instruction at the Guelph "Y" pool.

Salary Schedule Adopted by Halton School District

Objection to Change in Distribution of Levy - Reports on Central School Still Incomplete

A salary schedule for members of the teaching staff of North Halton High School District was adopted at the Board meeting on Monday night and the salaries of Principal Margulies was set at \$4100, Principal Robbins and Lambert at \$3800 for the year. The schedule adopted was that which had been approved by members of the teachers of the three schools.

The services of Miss Rudolf of the Acton school were terminated by the Board and arrangements made for a teacher to finish the term.

Approval of purchase of additional garden land at the Milton school for \$350 from Miss Norris was given following a letter from Inspector Davies outlining the department's rules.

A motion to rescind the motion passed at a previous meeting changing the percentage of distribution of school costs was lost. Milton Council disagreed with the change and the Board was informed that Acton felt that if equalization of costs was desired, the municipal pallies should complete their revised assessments and base the costs on the revised figures. The Secretary was instructed to secure a clarification from the Department of whether the Board or the Municipalities were empowered to deviate from the present sharing of costs based on the equalized assessment.

A report from Inspector Hillmer on his visit to the Commercial courses at Acton and Georgetown was received. It was decided that the Board should give some publicity to the courses offered in the three schools and a committee was named to arrange this information.

Accounts passed for the month amounted to \$12,275.22.

The Principals informed the Board of school events to which members were invited. Open night at Milton on April 28th. The Georgetown High School Formal in Stewarttown Hall on May 12th.

The transportation committee was the only committee of three which filed a report on findings in connection with operation of a central school. The building and management committees agreed to have their reports ready for the May meeting when the Finance Committee could then prepare their report.

Milton members informed the Board that Milton would not participate in a central school and the town was definitely opposed to any move to close the High School in Milton.

The Board adjourned at 11.30.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcements of \$2.

Euchre, Legion Hall, Friday, April 28th, auspices Legion Auxiliary. a

St. Alban's W.A. Sale of work, Home Baking and Tea, Saturday, May 27th, Parish Hall. a

Tea and Baking Sale, Saturday, May 13th, St. Joseph's Church Hall, auspices Sodality of St. Joseph's Church. a

Three-Act Comedy, "Mrs. Temple's Telegram", Ballinfad Hall, April 28th, 8.30 p.m. Admission 50c. Children under twelve, free. a

St. Alban's Guild are holding their annual Spring Tea and Sale of Work, Saturday, April 29, Parish Hall, 3 p.m. a

Duke of Devonshire Chapter, I.O.D.E. regular meeting, Tuesday, May 2nd at the home of Mrs. R. R. Parker at 8 p.m. a

The Mission Band of Knox Church Golden Anniversary Tea will be held in the School Room, Saturday, May 13. a

Young Married Women of St. Joseph's Church are holding a Euchre, Friday, April 28th at 8.15 p.m. sharp. Admission 35c. Lunch served. a

Duke of Devonshire Chapter, I.O. D.E. annual Daffodil Tea, Saturday, May 6, 3-5.30 p.m., Y.M.C.A. Home Baking, Candy, Afternoon Tea, Lamp and cake draws. a-40-3