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## School Plans Discussed Council Meet 8 Hours

### New School Plans Drafted for Necessary Public School Ac- commodation, Now Boiler Must Be Installed by Septem- ber Term—Much Business on Busy Agenda in Eight Hour Session

Dr. Oakes and J. Creighton of Acton Public School Board met with council in their regular session to discuss with them the overcrowding of the present school buildings and the necessity of a new boiler installation this year because of the condemning of the old system. School board pointed out that in 1953, 78 pupils would be starting school while only about 30 would be graduating leaving a definite increase in the enrolment. Council expressed their feelings regarding any further major capital expenditures this year and felt that in any case any plans for a new school or a nucleus for a new school would have to be approved by the people in a plebiscite.

Drafted plans for a new school include 4 class rooms, cloak rooms, double kindergarten room, principal's room, nurses' room, boiler room with facilities for a 30 room school, boys' and girls' toilets for a 30 room school, auditorium 50' by 42' with kitchen and stage, supply storage and coal bunker. This would be a nucleus for an eventual 30 room school and could be located between the present public school and the Baxter property. Since no definite price could be arrived at by an architect, council suggested that school board call for tenders and establish a more accurate figure on the cost and then present the expenditure question to the people.

Council in their busy session at no authorized clerk to instruct citizens that they might have laterals installed and inspected by the resident engineer who was to resist defective installations.

Mr. H. Price was present to receive clarification on the right of way into the Pioneer Cemetery. Mr. Price wanted to buy this right of way from the town. Council could not sell this property because the road into the cemetery from Knox Ave. had been purchased on the understanding that it could be repurchased from the town at any time and this might leave the property without an entrance.

Council also decided to continue their improvements to the Pioneer Cemetery by adding trees and flower beds.

A report on damage to town property by Spartan Construction Co. in destroying the hedge on town property in front of F. J. Salt's residence on Crescent St. was received and the council decided to ask Spartan for replacement of this shrub.

A proposed sewerage by-law was presented and council gave it consideration and promised to review it at the sewerage meeting next Monday.

Councillor McLendon reported that the firemen wanted a meeting with them and the Fire Marshal Council felt no need of the Marshal's presence and scheduled the meeting with firemen for next Monday evening.

Mr. J. R. Leishman again appealed to council for refund on his taxes amounting to \$44.24 which is on the eight lots of Arthur St. Council felt that the matter had had due consideration and rather than continue the debate they would make the refund.

A resolution to amend the dog by-law was lost and a later resolution on the subject directed the by-law to be drafted making the dates of restriction April 1 to October 1.

Mayer Mason and Councillors Hargrave and Greer were appointed to attend the meeting called by the High School Board regarding the tax levy for 1951.

Clerk McCoshe was authorized to call for private tenders incurring \$250,000 debentures for 30 years at 3 per cent for sewerage installation.

Councillors reported on a meeting held with railroad officials and explained that the present plan is to install four blinker lights, two on Mill, one on Guelph and one on the railway lane.

Mayer Mason reported on a meeting with Inspector Knight regarding the hiring of a corporal for the Acton Provincial Police detachment. The Commissioner refused to have Ray Mason returned to the local group. Council was not satisfied.

## Officers Elected Games Scheduled In Softball League

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Acton Softball League was held recently. The following teams were represented: Baxter, Force, Electra, Beardmore, Rachlin, Combers and Minor Sports Club.

With the addition of two more teams, a very successful season is in prospect and the fans are assured to be treated by a very high calibre of softball.

The following officers have been elected to direct the activities of the League: President, Cam Leishman, recording secretary, Marc Lafontaine, treasurer, Bob Healy. Three games have already been played: Rachlin, Baxter and M.S.C. defeated Force, Beardmore and Combers respectively.

Remaining games for the month of June are:  
June 8th: Baxter vs. M.S.C.  
June 12: Beardmore vs. Combers  
June 13: Force vs. Baxter  
June 15: M.S.C. vs. Rachlin  
June 19: Baxter vs. Beardmore  
June 20: M.S.C. vs. Force  
June 23: Rachlin vs. Combers  
June 28: Combers vs. M.S.C.  
June 27: Baxter vs. Rachlin  
June 29: Force vs. Beardmore

## Board of Directors Annual Meeting 'Y' Elect '50-'51 Slate

At the first meeting of the Board of Directors of the Acton Y.M.C.A. for the 1950-'51 year, Dick Bean was elected President to succeed Gordon Rogvaldsen. The retiring president thanked the Board for their staunch support during the past term while Dick Bean thanked everyone for the honourary privilege which he pledged to take seriously. Sid Eisen was elected treasurer and Ed Fossett recording secretary, replacing Murray Smith and Harry Arbie respectively.

Committee personnel appointed by the president and adopted by the Board were as follows: program, Gord Beatty, chairman; Murray Smith, Gordon Rogvaldsen; finance, Charles Wood, chairman; Murray Smith, Sid Eisen; membership, Claude Cook, building; Clarence Rogvaldsen.

During the business which followed reports, policies program aims and the early presentation of the budget for the coming year highlighted the discussions.

## "No Trespassing" Fishing Cancelled Dam Area Closed

A long time privilege has been cancelled by the failure of a few to co-operate. Acton's Fairy Lake has been for a long time the fishing centre for those who could not make long trips to other centres and the children have found particular pleasure in taking the odd fish from its waters.

The dam on Mill St. is of course the best point and the most often frequented. From now on "No Trespassing" signs will be posted on this area because some of the children delighted in pulling the stop logs from the dam to increase the flow of water and possibly fish.

This sport might have been alright except that the serious consequences from this would affect those employed in Beardmore and Co. tannery.

Beardmore's depend to a large extent on Fairy Lake for their water supply used in the various processes. If the stop logs are pulled out frequently in this weather the dry seasons that follow will mean little water for these processes and the possible closing down of some sections of the plant.

Provincial police have been notified of the danger of the situation and will be keeping a close eye on the dam for trespassers.

Beardmore and Co. have no objection to people fishing on other sections of the pond but the dam vicinity is taboo.

In income and excess profits taxes only, Canadian corporations paid \$873,000,000 in 1948.

## DR. MATHER, SPEAKER AT JUNE MEETING DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE CHAP.

The June meeting of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter IOOE was held on Tuesday, June 6th at 8 p.m. at Mrs. M. Schroeder's.

The Regent, Mrs. J. W. Wolfe presided. She thanked all the members for their expressions of good will extended to her in various ways during the past two months while she was in hospital.

Miss Blou read the names of the school children who won the awards presented by the Chapter at the Town Hall on May 29th. Miss Garvin reported that \$28.25 was raised at the Tag Day for the Blind.

A letter of congratulation was sent to Mrs. Fairclough on her recent victory in winning the by-election in Hamilton and thus becoming the only woman member of the Dominion Parliament.

\$100 was voted to be sent to the Manitoba Flood Relief through the local community effort.

The members of the Chapter were asked to go in a body on June 29th to the ceremony commemorating the elevation of Acton into a town.

## Fiftieth Reunion Asa Hall Family Draws 150 Relatives

The wet, cold weather did not dampen the ardour of the Hall clan on Saturday, June 3rd. It was the occasion of the fiftieth annual reunion of the descendants of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Hall, who settled in Churchville in 1825, migrating from Quebec. They were of U.E.I. stock and the family of twelve children came with them to Ontario to settle.

The reunion was held at the spacious home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hall Sr., Trafalgar Township.

To celebrate the half-century of yearly gatherings of the family Mrs. Victor Hall cut the three-tier anniversary cake during the supper meal. It was a happy occasion for both young and old to meet again, especially to celebrate the banquets. Many pleasant recollections were recalled as those assembled enjoyed events of the day while others took part in sports and a ball game.

## Week's Baseball One Win and Loss Prospects Bright

Locals Overwhelm Georgetown  
With Long Count Monday  
Night—Loss to Oaks Last  
Night

Applying themselves with more diligence to the task at hand, Acton Intermediates split the two games played this week, winning their first at the expense of Georgetown and losing their fifth to the league leading Oakville Oaks at the Lakeshore last night.

Discarding their anemic hitting of previous contests, the locals blasted Georgetown 13-4 Monday night in the game that was scheduled for Saturday but was postponed due to wet grounds. Then, last night on the Oaks tidy ballclub they were edged 5-3 in a twilight fixture that had four home runs in all and three pitchers.

Ahead 5-0 going into the final frame, Oaks had to yank starting pitcher Frankie May and send in their ace fire quencher Al Yarnell as the Actons came to life. Although collecting only one bingle through six innings, "Apple" Fink-bener dropped a sky-high ball from his bat out of the park over the "right field wall to touch off a rally. "Spike" Scott slammed a wrong field triple into right field and with Waterhouse on base after being hit by the pitcher, Footitt drove a daisy cutter between first and second scoring Scott. Mel Jordan batting for brother Gib clouted a ground ball that started off a potential double play. Footitt was forced at second, but Jordan arrived safe as the throw went wild and Waterhouse romped in with Acton's third run. Harold Toynsley arrived at first safe on an error and with the tying run on first, Snyder came to bat. But Jordan was picked off second and Snyder grounded out to end the game.

Sam Snyder went the distance for Acton, spacing eight hits. Most trouble he got into was "throwing a gopher ball" that was blasted for three bases-empty round trips. Patterson, Langway and Brown did the honors.

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In 1948 the savings of Canadians through life insurance savings was more than \$500 for every man, woman and child.

The Acton Women's Institute held their annual social meeting on Wednesday, May 31st at the home of Mrs. Earl Lambert, Brock Ave.

Mrs. R. L. Davidson presided and conducted the business period. The secretary treasurer read the annual financial report with a fine record of donations going to many worthy appeals. \$25 was voted to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund and \$10 to Mr. and Mrs. N. Douglas who suffered great loss by fire.

The entertainment was provided by Mrs. W. Deany and her group. Progressive euchre was enjoyed with prizes going to the following members or guests: Mrs. R. Allen, Mrs. E. Lambert, Mrs. J. Lovell, Mrs. Kingmill, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Golden, Mrs. W. Hall and Mrs. Geo. Lantz.

Pie with ice cream and tea were served by the committee and an enjoyable time was enjoyed by all.

## Things From Above 37 Year Rest Ends Hammer Uncovered

"Things from above" seemed to be the theme of the congregational meeting of St. Alban's Church regarding their new parish hall. Mr. Clifford of that church was presented with a brand new hammer and the reason why is an interesting story.

Last week while work was being done on the present parish hall, Rev. Luntun supervised work on the ceiling and in surveying the job a 37 year old hammer dropped within two feet of him and there the story starts. Mr. Clifford came to this country 37 years ago and on his first job (erecting the parish hall) he lost his hammer in the ceiling and fellow workmen refused to open the ceiling to recover the tool.

Now, after a rest of 37 years, Rev. Luntun claims the aged hammer and Mr. Clifford is quite happy with the new hammer presented as a replacement.

## CONCLUDE FINE SEASON YOUNG PEOPLE'S PRESIDES BAPTIST Y.P.U. ENTERTAIN

The last in a series of inter-denominational Presides for this season was held in the Baptist Church last Sunday evening.

Ronald Cripps, president of the Baptist Young Peoples was chairman for the evening. Miss Shirley Holston conducted a sing-song with Miss Ethel Franklin at the piano. The scripture was taken by the Acton United Y.P. and read by Olga Locker. The prayer was given by Bill Hill of the Presbyterian Y.P. Miss Shirley Thompson of the Churchill United Y.P. rendered a very delightful solo entitled "The Name of Jesus."

A film entitled "That Boy Joe" was shown. It showed how a boy who was found guilty of stealing could be changed to a fine Christian citizen. The main thought in the film was found in these words: "To thine own self be true."

Following the meeting lunch was served by the Baptist Young Peoples.

## CARELESS DRIVING CHARGE LAID AGAINST W. McBRIDE ACCIDENT AT GEORGETOWN

Sequel to an accident on No. 7 Highway on the eastern outskirts of Georgetown yesterday afternoon, William McBride of Georgetown will face charges of careless driving, Provincial Police at Milton revealed.

McBride, the driver of a heavy dump truck loaded with gravel is alleged to have failed to stop at No. 7 highway, when proceeding along the ninth line near Georgetown.

A 1949 model car driven by Leonard Simmons of Aurora, proceeding east on number 7 highway, was forced off the road into the south ditch when he attempted to miss the truck.

Milton Provincial Police said the Simmons vehicle struck the box of the truck with its left front fender and went off the road into the south ditch, gaining a hydro pole with its right side.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$200. No one was injured.

## District Meeting Halt County Women's Institute

Officers Elected, Reports Received  
at Halton W. I. Convenes  
in Georgetown for Annual

About 130 ladies attended the 49th District Annual Women's Institute Convention of Halton County, which was held in the United Church, Georgetown, on Tuesday afternoon, June 6th, 1950.

The morning session began with registration at 9 a.m. Mrs. Frank Rhinhart, R.R. No. 1, Campbellville, the District President, presided at the meeting.

The Georgetown Branch gave an address of welcome to all who so kindly attended. Miss Audrey Rhinhart replied for the Brookville Institute.

Mrs. Chester Service, R.R. No. 3, Milton read the minutes of the last District Annual and gave the Treasurer's report. The Auditors reported books in excellent condition.

The Busy Bees Branch of Nassaukeva Township, represented by Mrs. E. Davenport and Mrs. J. McLean presented the Georgetown Branch with a framed photo of Adelaide Hoodless, the late founder of the Women's Institute across Canada. Miss Campbell accepted and most graciously thanked the Busy Bees.

The Standing Conventions gave a five minute report each. Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. R. L. Davidson, R.R. 2, Acton; Citizenship and Education, Mrs. E. Manning, R.R. No. 1, Home Economics and Health, Miss C. McCullough, R.R. No. 1, Georgetown; Community, Activities and Public Relations, Mrs. Robert Dredge, R.R. No. 3, Milton; Historical Research and Current Events, Mrs. Velma Norris, R.R. No. 2, Milton; Resolutions, Mrs. J. K. Mahon, Campbellville; Junior Convention, Miss Lorna Lawrence, R.R. 2, Oakville.

Mrs. Frank Rhinhart, president gave an address of welcome. Mrs. Lloyd Crawford and Mrs. George Robertson conducted community singing.

Miss L. Barber, Halton's Home Economist of Newmarket gave a splendid talk on her work. Mrs. M. Webber of Waterloo, the Provincial director, spoke on her work.

## Largest Annual Meeting Marks 15th Anniversary

Cliff Sutton Gives Progressive  
Report - Mr. D. S. Hocking  
Well - Known Public Figure  
Speaker for Evening, Delivers  
Impressive Address

One of the largest gatherings to attend an annual meeting of Acton Murray Memorial Y.M.C.A. assembled last Thursday evening.

The meeting was held in the banquet hall with the Ladies Auxiliary serving a sumptuous repast. The dinner included tomato juice, ham, scalloped potatoes, pickles, salad, pie and coffee. Mr. Wes Healy acted as chairman for the evening.

Mr. E. G. Tyler brought greetings to the Y from the Council. Chairman Healy expressed the thanks of the gathering to the Ladies Auxiliary for providing such a delightful supper. He then called Mr. Gordon Rogvaldsen, the chairman of the Y Board to make his report and to conduct the business part of the meeting. Mr. Henry Arbie secretary, read the report of the last annual meeting.

Mr. Cliff Sutton, the General Secretary, made his report of the past season. Cliff is continuing with the Acton Y as General Secretary for another year. He felt that he had made good progress with the younger children, especially the 8 to 12 year old group. Generally speaking he had had good co-operation from the young people and he felt a great deal could be done for the younger members. He stated there was a need for adult education and more social activities for the adult groups. Cliff also felt it was to the members' advantage to recognize the Y's educational benefits. He had been very pleased with the co-operation of our friends in assisting the Y.M.C.A. in various ways. Enrollment was 214 and attendance over the year was 3,253.

Mr. Murray Smith, treasurer, gave his report. Money collected during the past year amounted to \$4,504.47. It was made up of membership fees, \$638.75; fixed rents, \$1,450.00; miscellaneous and rents, \$749.72; donations \$1,710.00. Disbursements amounted to \$3,078.43. These were compiled as follows: salary, \$1,800.00; caretaker, \$400.00; water and lights, \$292.43; fuel, \$61.75; printing, \$54.90; building maintenance, \$778.15; program and equipment, \$801.69; national council, \$25.00; miscellaneous, \$421.22. The financial report showed a deficit on (Continued on Page Four)

## Halton Presbytery Marks Anniversary 1500 People Gather

A highlight in the history of Halton Presbytery was observed on Sunday, June 4 in Milton Park where some 1500 people gathered from all the United Churches of Halton Presbytery.

The service was in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Church. The chairman, Rev. C. R. Albright of Freelon conducted the service, assisted by Rev. W. T. R. Delve, Presbytery secretary; Rev. De-alph M. Mutch, Past President of Hamilton Conference and Rev. R. F. Mercer, Chairman.

A junior choir of over 300 Sunday School children of the Presbytery marched from St. Paul's United Church to the Park where they led in the Processional Hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers." The music for the day was provided by the newly organized Milton Band under the capable leadership of Mr. Wheatstone of Hamilton. Mr. Ronald Stewart gave several fine messages in song.

A challenging address was given by Dr. E. Crowsley Hunter of Trinity United Church, Toronto, in which, looking backward, he outlined the reasons to be thankful because the union was real and has increased in spirit and affection because 624,000 persons have united on profession of faith in the past 25 years because the gospel is preached in Canada in 13 different languages to-day because of the 200 students who go out to the mission field each summer and of the work accomplished by them and by the mission fleet on both the east and west coasts because the United Church sent out 270 chaplains to serve the men in the armed forces during the last war.

Looking forward people are challenged by this atomic age by a world shrinking through modern methods of travel, by a world in which there is much paganism and materialistic ideology.

## Volleyball Club Dinner Enjoyed Trophies Presented

The winter season of Volleyball was climaxed in Acton Y.M.C.A. last Friday when players enjoyed a banquet and witnessed the presenting of the trophy to the winning team.

President M. Lafontaine welcomed the teams and introduced Cliff Sutton as Master of Ceremonies after players had been satisfied in their hungry way.

A motion was passed during the business session that the President should take the office of vice-president in the second year and insure continuity in the organization. Officers elected were: President, Ron Davies; Vice-President, M. Lafontaine; Secretary, Treasurer, R. Sall.

The financial statement was discussed and the program was continued. S. Eisen and K. Hassard won a selling contest. K. Hassard and R. Anderson won a bag blowing demonstration and J. Calder won an impression contest with his tussling demonstration of Mae West.

John Emerson contributed to the program with his songs and guitar and did some entertaining numbers.

The Master of Ceremonies called on Marc Lafontaine, president of the organization, to present individual trophies to the team members of the winning group. Members on the Business Men's team were: K. Hassard, L. Bulmer, S. Eisen, J. Calder, G. Beatty, R. Sall and S. Brunelle.

Cliff Sutton paid tribute to this team's excellent team play and co-operation during the season that enabled them to capture the trophy.

Sam Brunelle, donor of the trophy to the winning team expressed his pleasure in presenting the trophy to K. Hassard, captain of the Business Men's team.

## PORTLAND STONE FOR U.N.

It has been announced that approval has been given for the use of British Portland Stone as the exterior facing of the second building of the United Nations permanent headquarters, the construction of which is now making rapid progress in Manhattan. The contract calls for the early shipment of some 1,500 cubic feet of facing for the conference hall.

## 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 30.

Keep July 6th evening open for the Mosler Garden Party and other special features at Horby Hall. Park illustrated ad next week.

Euchre, Legion Hall, Friday, June 23rd, 8:30 sharp. Lunch served. Good prizes. Auxilium Ladies Auxiliary.

Acton Dedication Service to commemorate Acton's incorporation as a town will take place in Acton Park, Sunday, June 25 at 3 p.m.

Regular monthly meeting of Lakeside Chapter IOOE in the Legion Rooms on Tuesday, June 13th at 8:15 p.m. Court whist party for members only.

There will be a Garden Party at Acton Park on Monday, June 19 at 8:30 p.m. by John Rockwood and his troupe under the auspices of Knox Church Choir.

Lamhouse Presbyterian Church will hold their Anniversary Services on Sunday, June 18. Dr. Ross of Woodbridge will be guest speaker. Special music. Services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The Hillsburg Band has purchased new uniforms. They will make their first public appearance in uniform on Sunday, June 11th at 3 p.m. in the Park, Hillsburg. The Band will present a band program assisted by the Friendly Four quartette and Mr. Sidney Keet, Guelph, trombonist. You are invited to hear this program. If weather is unfavorable, it will be presented following Sunday, same place, same time. A silver collection will be taken.

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