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School Levy Unsettled Prefer Equalized Basis

Col. Brown Appointed Chairman At Meeting of Area Municipalities and High School Bd. to Consider Esqueasing Proposal of Tax Levy on Equalized Basis

Col. Brown, Esqueasing representative on the North Halton High School District Board, was appointed chairman for the meeting called by Milton High School last Thursday by the board to discuss the tax levy on the five municipalities in the area. All municipalities were represented.

School Board at their last meeting proposed to base the tax levy for 1950 on the, as yet, uncompleted equalized assessment. An estimate was to be made by those municipalities who have not completed the assessment and a high or low estimate would be adjusted in the 1951 tax levy by rebate or increase.

This method had been proposed to the board by the Esqueasing representatives because they felt their percentage of the cost was too high, and Esqueasing were complainants in the issue.

Reeve Currie of Esqueasing presented the case of his township. He claimed he had felt from the start that the cost had been unequal and could see no reason for basing the tax levy on a 1938 equalized assessment as was being done now. Esqueasing supplies 28 per cent of the pupils and pays 51 per cent of the cost, he concluded.

Wm. Coon, Acton representative on the Board pointed out to Reeve Currie that the equalized assessment was to be completed in 1950 throughout the county. "Acton had their completed what is the matter with Esqueasing?", the representative asked.

The assessor of Esqueasing pointed out to Mr. Coon that it took a great deal longer to assess farm property because of the increased number of buildings as compared with town property.

In checking up with the various municipalities, Chairman Brown found that all but Georgetown would be able to give an estimate on the completed assessment figures for purposes of the levy.

Representatives of the various municipalities were called on to explain their position and feeling toward the proposal. Mayor Mason of Acton felt that since the equalized assessment was so nearly completed he could see no reason for not waiting and receiving completely accurate figures. He also questioned the authority of the board to change the method of levy since its authority was set out in the act.

Chairman Brown pointed out that this method could not go into effect without the unanimous consent of the municipalities concerned but felt the equalized assessment throughout the county would not be ready for operation before 1951.

Councillor McGillivray explained that Georgetown Council was not in favour of the arrangement this year because they had no idea what the assessment would be. He pointed out that his council had given him no stand in the matter and he was not allowed to commit himself either for or against the proposal.

Nassagaweya representative was quite in favour of the proposal because they felt they were being overcharged as was Esqueasing and they would both benefit from the equalized assessment.

Reeve K. Y. Dink of Milton, proposed that an agreement be drawn up by Esqueasing covering the arrangement for this year and placing a covenant on the Municipalities that had not completed their assessment stating they would have it completed by 1951 and rebates and increases would be made then. This agreement was to be signed by the five Municipalities.

Esqueasing's representatives pointed out that they were prepared to take the levy to a board of arbitration if some definite agreement was not reached shortly.

The tax levy based on the new equalized assessment would allot the municipalities approximately the following percentages: Acton, 15 per cent; Nassagaweya, 14 per cent; Milton, 12 per cent; Esqueasing, 36 per cent; and Georgetown, 23 per cent. These percentages would result in an increase for Acton of \$1400, Milton \$300, Georgetown \$1000. Esqueasing would save \$2000 and Nassagaweya, \$1400. The figures are rough estimates.

The meeting concluded with Mr. Bell of Georgetown being appointed to represent the School Board and present the situation to the Georgetown Council.

25th Anniversary Church Union Marked at W.A. Tea

The Women's Association of the Acton United Church held their Silver Anniversary Tea commemorating church union last Sunday afternoon.

Rev. H. W. Avison was chairman for the event and introduced the program. Solos by Mrs. Handall and Master Sherlock Atkin and organ selection by Miss Lampart, an organ-piano duet by Miss Lampart and Mr. G. Elliott and selections by the choir made up the program.

Lunch was served in the Sunday School room from a table beautifully decorated with silver and purple. Mrs. E. Thetford and Mrs. L. Agar poured tea and the anniversary cake was cut by Mrs. J. Moore. These three ladies were past presidents of the Women's Association.

Mr. H. Elliott thanked the ladies and the president of the Association Mrs. J. Wilderstein replied. Mrs. C. L. Poole prepared the program and Mrs. J. Lambert provided the anniversary cake.

K. TIMBERS HIT BY SHOVEL WHILE INSTALLING SEWERS RECOVERING IN HOSPITAL

Kenneth Timbers, 10, Milton, was admitted to Quelp General Hospital Tuesday afternoon suffering from a cut tendon and lacerated left forearm when he was accidentally struck with a scoop shovel. The youth was employed with the Spartan Contracting Co. which is installing sewers in Acton. He was given first aid for his injuries and sent to Quelp General Hospital. He is reported to be up walking around Wednesday and his condition is said to be satisfactory.

ANDREW MOLOZZI, 17 RECEIVES HONOR STANDING YEAR ENGINEERING PHYSICS

Andrew Molozzi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Molozzi of Acton, received honours in Engineering Physics during his first year at the University of Toronto.

Andy is one of the youngest members of his class at university, having marked his 17th birthday last January and his achievement in getting honour standing in his year marks him as one of the most brilliant students from this district in recent years.

Canada has eight Indian Boy Scout Troops and two Indian Wolf Cub Packs. The Scout Troops are located at Ekasson, N.S.; Beauval Indian School, Marieval Indian School and Guy Indian School at Sturgeon Landing, in Sask., at Akylak in the Northwest Territories; and at Lytton, Whitehorse and Carcross in British Columbia. The Cub Packs are at Akylak and at Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

Highway No. 25 To Be Surfaced Tenders Called

Department of Highways Asks For Tenders on Whole Ten Miles

Looks as if there were bright prospects at last to complete No. 25 Highway from Milton to Acton. This week the Department of Highways has called for tenders for Hot Mix Pavement for 10.7 miles on this road. It certainly is welcome news for us and all who travel south from Acton to Milton and Hamilton. Tenders are to be in on Monday, June 26th.

When the road is surfaced it will be the culmination of many years of promises of all political shades. Three years ago the first definite start was made when the road was widened and graded from Milton to No. 10 Sideroad. Last year culverts were constructed and the remainder of the road graded from No. 10 to Acton. Hills were cut down and the road made wider—four feet wider than the first section. The heavy fill and construction has consolidated splendidly and it is apparently the intention of the Department to proceed this year with a proper hard top surface of Hot Mix pavement. It is certainly good news for all of us.

ADDRESS AND REPORT, MRS. J. JANY HOSTESS AT JUNE MEETING KNOX WAS

The June meeting of the W. M. S. was held at the home of Mrs. J. Jany, Mrs. H. Mainprize presiding. The scripture was led by Mrs. McPherson and Mrs. McLellan and read respectively by members of the Society. Mrs. Jany spoke on "Summer vacation camps" and Mrs. Mainprize reported on the Council meeting in Calgary 1949. Mrs. Bowen sang two delightful solos. Lunch was served by the Home Helpers. Mrs. H. L. Davidson offered her home for the July meeting.

BANTAMS MEET BRAMPTON SATURDAY GAME IN ACTON TEAM LOOKS PROMISING

Acton's Bantam entry in the Halton County Baseball Association played a nine inning stretch with Milton last Saturday and took an 11-10 defeat. Leading going into the ninth, the Acton kids lost their battle by making a couple of bobbles in the wrong places.

This Saturday the local team meet Brampton, here and hope to rack up their first win. Officials of the team are enthused about the way the kids are playing and say they'll have a smart club before the season is over. No admission fee will be charged and just to make expenses meet there will be a silver collection.

Estimate Called On New School At Board Meeting

Teacher Replaced and Supplies Purchased in Regular Public School Board Meeting

Chairman Oakes presided at full Board of School Trustees at the regular meeting of the Board held in the School at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Mackenzie reported that Mrs. Bell was under the doctor's care and would not teach any more this school term. Her class was being taught by Miss Shirley Williams who has been engaged to teach Grade 3 during the next school year.

Mr. McKenzie presented a requisition for K. P. Books which was approved.

The Secretary was directed to endeavour to have the Department of Highways erect suitable School Area signs on the highway approach to the school.

Chairman Oakes advised that accompanied by Trustee Creighton he had visited Council at their last regular meeting, relative to proposed extension to the school. The Council commended the Board on the preliminary measures taken and voted their approval thereon but requested that an estimate of cost be secured before presenting a plebiscite to the ratepayers.

The Secretary was directed to obtain this estimate from architects and Mr. Skuce.

Accounts were passed as follows:
Imperial Oil \$34.73
Bell Telephone Co. 23.48
E. Tyler 10.00
Mrs. Paury 2.85
A. Leishman 24.00
Masales Dairy 24.00
West Disinfecting 24.00
J. B. Mackenzie 19.79
C. Anderson Co. 73.80
Public Utilities Commission 35.79
Globe and Mail 4.49
W. Anderson 3.00
Lang's Dairy 42.12
\$418.50

The Board directed the Secretary to assess N.H.H.S.D. Board \$220.48 for their share of May plant operation.

When no dew follows a hot day, rain may be expected.

FORMER MINISTER DIES

Moderator and Former Minister Died Suddenly

Very Rev. A. C. Stewart, Moderator of Presbyterian Church Died Suddenly Sunday



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Besides his wife, the former Margaret Campbell McDonald he leaves two daughters Mrs. E. M. Moles (Katharine) of Toronto, Grace at home and one son William MacDonald Stewart, Pembroke. Two of his heartiest sympathies of many friends here goes in their bereavement.

Funeral services were held in Knox Church, Midland, on Wednesday where the body laid in state from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Interment was made in Fairview Cemetery. Services were present last evening to pay tribute to Rev. Dr. Stewart. Members of Church, friends in this community and the district were joined by many from other centres at the graveside service. Taking the service were Rev. R. H. Armstrong now minister of Knox Church here and Rev. James Jack, of Stayner, and Rev. C. J. Bentley of Thornbury, both of the Barrie Presbytery.

Pallbearers were officials of Knox Church, Acton, Messrs. Alex. Mann, John Moore, A. M. McPherson, R. N. Brown, H. L. Ritchie and H. Mainprize.

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING LAKESIDE CHAPTER I.O.D.E. MAKE PLANS FOR BAZAAR

The regular monthly meeting of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. was held in the Legion Rooms on Tuesday, June 13 with the Regent, Mrs. Hazel Orr, in the chair.

A letter was received from the Commemorative Service Committee asking the Chapter to attend the special service on June 25th in a body and join the parade to the Park from the Town Hall.

Correspondence was read by Mrs. Mary Bradley and the treasurer's report was given by Miss Julie Lesnewich. Outstanding accounts were ordered paid.

A donation of \$25 was voted to the Legion Ladies Auxiliary. The meeting was favored with two delightful piano solos by Denise Coles.

Aid was to be given a needy family through the Welfare Committee. Plans were made for the picnic to be held at the end of June in the Park.

Members were reminded of the article for the annual bazaar to be handed in at the picnic. Another tea and sale of baking is to be held in the fall and plans for the bazaar were started. Lunch was served by the group in charge and a social time enjoyed.

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Fire Truck Restricted Brigade Meets Council

1950 Mill Rate Jumps to 32.7 For Eramosa Twp.

The Council of the Township of Eramosa met in Rockwood Town Hall on June 5th. All the members were present and Reeve D. D. Gray presided.

The Mill rate for 1950 was set at 32.7 Mills as in former years. This makes a consolidated mill rate of 32.7 an increase of 44 due largely to the increase in Educational costs.

The tender of Henry Holman at 72¢ per cubic yard for supplying crushing and delivering approximately 10,000 yards of gravel on the Township road was accepted subject to the approval of the Dept. of Highways. Approval also was asked to engage a bulldozer and loader for construction work at \$7.00 per hour.

The Eramosa Junior Farmers Association was given a grant of \$25 providing they organize and hold a plowing match in the township in 1950.

The same organization was promised half the cost of supplying the signs to mark the concession lines of the township on main highways, the association agreeing to erect the signs at their expense.

The following accounts were passed for payment: Township road accounts, \$500.79; Rockwood road accounts, \$13.00; Eden Mills road accounts, \$70.00; General Accounts, \$211.87.

TRAVELLING CASE, CORSAGE PRESENTED TO MEMBER W.A. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Women's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. J. Wilderstein. The president, Mrs. J. Wilderstein presided. Arrangements were made for the Silver Anniversary Tea which was to be held in the church. Reports from the committees were very satisfactory.

Work in the parsonage is progressing and will be in readiness for Rev. Currie on his arrival as the new pastor.

Mrs. L. Pickering was called on and an address was read by Miss E. Hawthorne while Mrs. E. Jennings presented her with a very lovely travelling case. A corsage was pinned on by Mrs. F. Cleave as a small remembrance from the Association of her time with them as a member. The Association was very sorry to hear of her leaving the church but all wished her much happiness in her new home and surroundings.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Veldhuis, assisted by Mrs. J. Bell, Mrs. M. Walker and Mrs. J. Halston.

Rachlin Awarded Damages, Costs For False Arrest

County Court Awarded Ben Rachlin \$1 Damages and \$80 Costs in Suit

A County Court jury last Thursday awarded \$1, \$75 lawyer's fees and \$5 for telephone calls which were the result of a trial in magistrate's court, to Benjamin D. Rachlin, Acton clothing merchant who sued Provincial Constable Raymond Schisler of Georgetown for false arrest.

Mr. Rachlin had asked for \$500 damages for the policeman's action in holding him in jail overnight last October 25. Mr. Rachlin was charged with speeding and obstructing the police but the charges were dismissed at that time in magistrate's court with Magistrate Langdon's apology for any inconvenience.

Several witnesses were called by Mr. Rachlin's counsel to prove the attitude of the defendant, Schisler. During the hearing Constable Schisler said that Mr. Rachlin refused to produce his driver's license when he was stopped on the highway outside of Georgetown.

The officer denied that he had made any threatening move toward Rachlin at any time. He said he placed the plaintiff in the cells because he had refused to produce his driver's license. Evidence showed that Mr. Rachlin gave the officer his license after they had reached the station.

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. Adults 50c, school children 25c.

Fire Dept. and Council Discuss Truck Condition and Fire Difficulties in Maintaining 1926 Truck

Fire Chief F. Dawkins and ten firemen met with Acton Council Monday evening to discuss several items. The Chief explained that the present condition of the 1926 truck was poor and when the department leaves town the municipality is without protection. At the last two fires attended the major item was to get the truck going and keep it in operation. The chief pointed out.

The switch on the alarm in the Town Hall had been left down several times and the oil has been drained once and the gas twice from the fire truck. It was reported that the pump was in good condition but the engine was unreliable.

Council passed a resolution restricting the fire truck to the range of the town water supply. This resolution was passed because of the danger of an unprotected town in the absence of the truck possible damage to it and the lack of co-operation from surrounding townships.

Engineer Anderson at this special session, pointed out to council that the previously suggested remedy for water storage would not be satisfactory because of the increased water consumption which uses all the water the springs can supply. The consumption is greater than the supply during a four day peak in the week. As a remedy for the situation the engineer suggested that council allot a \$1000 expenditure on testing for a well which could be added to the town supply.

The necessary land was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. E. Branda to make a road into the disposal plant at a price of \$2200 and the necessary survey was to be made.

The Sewerage By-law was discussed at length and left in the hands of the engineer for amendment. In installing laterals on Mill St. it was decided to drill underground where possible in order to save the pavement and its replacement.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION WORK NOW ON THE MAIN THOROUGHFARES

Sewer construction work has hit the business section of the town with all the machines working along the Highway, through the centre of town. Sewers are being laid on both sides of Young Street so that the pavement on this strip will not be broken. Machines are now laying these sewers.

Queen Street from Wellington to the Third Line and Peel Street from Young Street to Acton Boulevard are also on the immediate program.

Construction for the week will also include Mill Street from the Railway crossing to Young Street and from Frederick Street to Fellows Street. Mill Street from Main Street to Elgin Street will also be under construction.

Construction on Mill Street from Elgin to Frederick Street and from Fellows Street to the Railway crossing is now completed. It is planned to lay sewers on Main Street from Church to Mill Street within the next week.

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.

Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. Picnic in Acton Park on Wednesday June 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Garden party at Calvin Evans' farm, Orspring, June 21st. Jessie McGregor Concert Company.

Keep July 6th evening open for the Monster Garden Party and other special features at Hornby Park. Illustrated ad next week.

Limehouse 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.

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FLOOD RELIEF DONATIONS

Personal Donations Bk. of Nova Scotia	\$156.00
Personal Donations at Bk. of Montreal	142.25
Rotary Ladies Tag Day	257.15
Rotary Club	100.00
Friendly Circle (2 Donations)	59.00
Beardmore Co. Ltd. Employees	3484.00
Baxter Laboratories Employees	120.00
Acton Women's Institute	25.00
Roy's Taxi	15.10
B. D. Rachlin	25.00
Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E.	100.00
Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E.	35.75
	\$4,519.25