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ROAD RE-CONDITIONING INAUGURATED

\$100,000 Contract Let To Pave No. 25 Highway

J. D. Miller, Deputy Minister of Highways, brightened up a long standing and much talked of situation when he issued a call on June 14 for tenders on applying a hot mix pavement to that stretch of road that lies between Acton and Milton and referred to as the Second Line, or Highway No. 25. The highway title was always a little contrary to the condition of the road until recently when a widening program was inaugurated.

Tenders for the paving of the road were to be opened on June 24 and now we find that the contract for the long awaited task has been awarded to the Law Construction Co. of Toronto.

In an interview with Mr. Law early this week, he revealed that work on the \$100,000 road would probably commence within a month and end of the road. This was not, however, definitely decided and tests on the road would be made to confirm the possibility.

The job of applying the hot mix asphalt will be completed, it is expected early in the fall so that the pavement will be in use for the winter. The traffic on this road is not to be blocked during the paving. Mr. Law said in charge of the job will be Mr. Taylor, who will be located on the job continually.

It is with a great deal of relief and satisfaction that we see some very definite progress being made on Highway 25 and link established between No. 7 highway and the Queen Elizabeth

Midland Motorist In Fatal Crash

As a result of injuries sustained in a car-truck collision yesterday morning Mr. Francis Beer, of Midland, died in Milton Private Hospital this morning.

The accident occurred on the 5th line at the intersection of No. 3 sideroad in Esquering about 7:20 yesterday morning. Mr. Beer was going south and the truck driven by Elwood Carney, of Norval, was travelling west. The left side of the car was in collision with the right corner of the truck, according to police investigation.

Mr. Beer was a brother of Dr. Beer of Esquering and was visiting his brother and had just left his home before the accident.

For a number of years Mr. Francis Beer was a resident of Acton and with the Beardmore Co. sympathy for his wife and family and brother goes from many here who learned of the accident with deep regret.

SMOOTH ROLLING SAUCER

No more huffing and puffing as you rearrange furniture for the wife, says The Financial Post. A new type caster is said to make heavy pieces roll smoothly even over rough floors. The caster is saucer-shaped and is turned at an angle to the floor instead of standing vertically.

Goin' Fishin' on Our Annual Vacation No More Issues of Paper Until August 10

Goin' fishin'. Yes, this week is the last issue of the home town paper until August 10 when, it again makes its appearance, produced by a holiday refreshed staff. The one week holiday that the staff is to enjoy is from July 29th to August 7th inclusive and our office and plant will be completely shut down for the annual vacation.

When we announced our intended vacation and suggested that job printing requirements be met before the holiday, our plant was swamped with phone calls and orders from cautious firms and industries that did not want to be left without an abundant supply of printing ahead of them. It may not be possible to meet all these demands but every effort possible is being made to complete the work schedule before Friday evening.

Since our office will be closed during the vacation, correspondents are asked to save their copy and not mail it until either the end of the week or the first of the following week. The double budget of news will be presented in the issue on August 10. This office will also observe Civic Holiday on August 7th and advertisers are asked to have their copy for advertisements in as early Tuesday morning as possible. Advertising with mats will be accepted up until 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 8th and advertising copy without mats will be accepted until the usual deadline on Tuesday. It will assist us greatly if advertisers and correspondents will co-operate in acknowledging these deadlines.

Holidays are a pleasant thing to look forward to and the staff has made varying plans for their observance of the vacation.

Until August 10 then, when we return with another edition of your home town paper, we bid farewell.

New Sub-Station For Aug. Operation

A regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening Mayor A. Mason and Commissioners J. T. Ware and J. H. MacArthur were present.

A letter was read from Chairman Robert Saunders of the H.E. P.C. of Ontario in which he confirmed a telephonic conversation with Superintendent Wilson. The letter was ever better than the promise by telephone. It stated that just as soon as the new lines could be arranged and the station built power would be supplied to Acton from No. 22 sub-station. It was expected, according to Mr. Saunders' letter, the station would be ready by August 15th.

An account was passed to pay the Bell Telephone Co. rental for the joint use of Bell poles on Mill Street. There are 40 poles involved and the account was for \$44. These poles are to be purchased by the Commission when the telephone company remove their cable.

A letter was read from the Horton Steel Co. which quoted a price of \$3750.00 for replacing the present bottom in the water tank and also installing a cat-walk to the expansion joint. The secretary J. McGeachie, was to confirm the offer and also to state that the Commission preferred this work to be done in October when the daily consumption is not as heavy as in the warmer weather.

The matter of apportioning the salary of Mr. Frank Crump was discussed by the commissions as Mr. Crump is doing work for both the town and the commission. Secretary J. McGeachie was instructed to make a division of the costs as he is more familiar with the time consumed in each of the jobs.

Superintendent Lambert was in.

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OBITUARY

W.M.S. Enthusiast Laurie Moore Dies

Widow of Very Rev. T. Albert Moore, former moderator of the United Church of Canada, Annie Laurie Forster Moore died Sunday at her summer home, Stephen's Bay, Muskoka.

Mrs. Moore was born at Erin and educated at Hamilton Ladies' College. After her marriage she accompanied Dr. Moore to various pastorates in the Hamilton conference of the Methodist Church moving to Toronto when her husband was appointed secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance. Dr. Moore was general secretary of the Methodist Church at the time of church union and continued as general secretary of the United Church.

Member of Howard Park United Church and active in the work of the Women's Missionary Society. Mrs. Moore is survived by three daughters, Norma, Dorothy and Mrs. P. T. Robinson of Toronto.

The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon with burial in Fairview Cemetery, Acton. The service was conducted by Rev. E. Lautenslager, minister of Howard Park United Church, Toronto.

SODALITY OF ST. JOSEPH'S HONOR MRS. ROBT. LINDSAY SHOWER AND SOCIAL NIGHT

On Tuesday evening of this week the Sodality of St. Joseph's Church held a shower at the home of Mrs. Rena Braida in honour of Mrs. Robert Lindsay (nee Helen McLaughlin). A very pleasant social evening was enjoyed and the recent bride received many lovely gifts. A bounteous lunch brought the pleasant gathering to a close.

Agriculture vocational schools from many of the north-central states will send excursions to the Canadian National Exhibition again this year. The visiting student farmers will be placed in charge of guides, most of whom are graduates of the Ontario Agriculture College at Guelph.



FORMER PRIME MINISTER Mackenzie King died at his residence after a serious attack of pneumonia. He guided the nation as prime minister for the longest term in history.

Hughes Cleaver Pays King Tribute

The following is the tribute to the late Mackenzie King by the Halton member of parliament, Hughes Cleaver.

Some men attract you by their comradeship and personal friendship. Some statesmen, by their flare for publicity, achieve even more public acclaim than they rightly deserve. In the death of Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King, Canada has lost a statesman who, in my opinion, did not get full credit during his lifetime for his devotion to duty and for his unparalleled contribution to our national life. I am equally sure that history will give him full credit.

This man was content to sacrifice most of the usual amenities of life and devoted his entire life to public service. Some men have a depth and strength of character which you recognize but find it difficult to define. The impact of his life of the persecutions suffered by his grandfather was often apparent to those who knew him intimately and in my opinion was one of the dominant sources of his strength of character and his ever apparent determination to keep Canada a united nation.

Assessment Unfair Arbitrators Decide

A session of the Board of Arbitration to make a more equitable distribution of costs for the North Halton High School district was held in Milton last Thursday from 2 until 8:30 p.m. The Board is comprised of the assessors of the five municipalities and the County Assessor.

The Board decided that the present basis of the county equalized assessment was unfair to Esquering and Nassagaweya Townships.

Acton, Milton and Nassagaweya agreed to accept a proposed new basis of assessment which was practically the basis of the tentative assessment of county council's first proposal. Georgetown was the only objector to these figures. Esquering, which will benefit most by the new figures agreed to submit the proposal to Council and Georgetown also agreed to submit the proposal to Council of each sharing half of the amount in dispute.

If these figures are accepted the matter will be settled without further argument. Following are the proposed assessments for High School levy in the district.

Municipality	Ass'tmt	of levy
Acton	2,000,000	14.57
Milton	2,000,000	14.57
Georgetown	3,074,000	20.63
Nassagaweya	1,900,000	13.79
Esquering	4,750,000	36.39

It appears that a mutual arrangement will be made between Georgetown and Esquering on the temporary allotment of assessment. The meeting of the arbitration Board scheduled for today was cancelled in view of this development.

Acton Contribution Nearly \$2 Per Head Iron Horse Stalled

This week the local banks report that the Mason Knitting Company and their employees have added \$400 to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund which brings the total reported, from Acton to \$5,235.25, certainly a very fine total for a town of less than 3000 population. It makes an average of nearly \$2 per capita.

Beardmore Co. employees' contribution was \$3,484 and other amounts previously published were \$4,635.35. Acton and district citizens have certainly made a splendid contribution to this worthy fund.

British football clubs say the reason so many fans faint at games is because they go without lunch to get to the games.

Start Road Conditioning Council Discuss Program

In an open discussion of sewerage installation problems and difficulties at the special session of Council Monday night, Councillor Greer requested a report on the back work programme which by resolution was to have been inaugurated. No report was available and Council completed a list of streets on which installations had been completed and on which road conditioning could be started. Council asked that repairs be made to the following streets on which laterals and main lines have been completed: Queen E., Arthur, Peel, Mill, Scene, Main N., Willow, South of Mill, Frederick, John, Elgin, Wilbur, Guelph, Hillcrest, Maria and Mill from the tracks to John.

ST. JOSEPH'S SUNDAY SCHOOL ENJOY PROGRAMME, SUPPER AT ANNUAL PICNIC IN PARK

St. Joseph's Church Sunday School picnic was held at the park on Wednesday July 19. A full program of races climaxed with a bounteous picnic supper made the event an enjoyable one for all present.

Winners of the various races were: girls 3-4 years, Madeline Drew; boys 3-4 years, Phillip Marzot; girls 5-6 years, Mary Kay Gibbons; boys 5-6 years, Peter Marks; girls 7-9 years, Denise Riedley; girls 10-12 years, Pierrette Riedley; boys 10-12 years, Martin Marks; girls 12 and over, Denise Coles; boys 12 and over, Dennis Papillon; girls kicking the shoe, Betty Ann Barr; boys 3 legged race, Paul Coles and Martin Marks; girls 3 legged race, Betty Ann Barr; Margaret Pat Cororan; wheelbarrow race, Peter Barr and Terry Elliott; girls' shoe scramble, Pat Coles; Margaret Pat Cororan; boys' kick the shoe, Jerry White.

Japanese goldfish are being flown from that country to the United States in special sealed glass balls so they won't get air sick.

The resident engineer suggested that an additional 133 feet of transite pipe be laid to continue the line in the creek bed between Brook and Church to the pumping station. Council agreed to do this following the original agreement with the Spartan Contracting Co. who agreed to pay half the increase in cost.

The resident engineer reported that progress was being made on.

Tomorrow Night Annual Rotary Fair

In Acton Park tomorrow night, Acton Rotary Club presents its third annual fair. This year the activity is all packed into a night show with parade, ton the streets (paradeable), bands, all the big midway of games, pony rides, outdoor movies, etc.

Featured on the platform in this big free outdoor fair will be Harold Doag of Toronto, dancer, organ band and versatile entertainer and Gen. Fountain and his boys in western and mountain ballads. The draw for eight prizes will take place during the evening and there will be booths and a big night.

Proceeds go to assist the Rotary in its help for local crippled children and community service work. The Fair is the main fund-raising event of the year for the Rotary work and deserves the patronage of town and countryside.

In Quito, Ecuador, a young teacher substituted for a friend who was taking a week's honeymoon. A month later at a party someone started to introduce the groom to her.

"Oh," he answered brightly, "I know Miss R. very well indeed. She substituted for my wife on our honeymoon."

Three people were admitted to Guelph General Hospital Sunday night and four others were injured when their car met in a head-on collision with another on the second concession, three miles north of Acton about 8:30 Sunday evening.

Second Accident Hospitalizes Three Four Others Injured in Head-On Crash

Taken to hospital were Bruce Fletcher, 43, of R. R. 5, Guelph, suffering from several fractured ribs, severe bruises and shock; his wife, Evelyn Fletcher, 40, with lacerations to the head and left knee, bruises and shock; and their 14 year old daughter, Margaret, who was later released when it was found she had received only minor injuries.

Injured were Douglas Fletcher, 18, minor leg injuries; Roy Fletcher, 15, minor leg injuries; Joyce Fletcher, 17, minor arm injuries; and Roy Place, 23, of R. R. 5, Guelph with minor injuries. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, most seriously injured of the group of seven occupants in the Fletcher car, were reported by the hospital to be in "fair condition" early in the week.

According to Provincial Police, the two cars, one driven by Bruce Fletcher, headed north on the second concession and the other driven by William Anderson, Main St., Acton, headed south, met head on, on the brow of a hill.

Damage to the Fletcher car, a 1950 model, was estimated to be approximately \$500, mainly to the front end. The other car, a 1953 model, received about \$150 damage. William Anderson of Main Street Acton, has been charged with failing to give half the road to another vehicle following the Sunday night accident. Provincial Police revealed Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, most seriously injured of the seven passengers in the Fletcher car were released from the General Hospital it is learned.



THREE WERE HOSPITALIZED and four others injured when these two cars were in head-on collision on Sunday evening at about 8:45 p.m. on the Second Concession, three miles north of Acton. The 1950 model car was driven by Bruce Fletcher of R.R. 5 Guelph and the older model car was driven by William Anderson, Main St., Acton. Photo Courtesy M. Nellis