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SEWERAGE PROVES \$425,000 PROJECT

Approve \$75,000 Loan Covering Sewerage Cost

Two readings were given a by-law authorizing the borrowing of \$75,000 at the regular meeting of council Friday of last week. The by-law will be forwarded to the Municipal Board for approval. This money is for the completion and additions to the sewerage system being installed. It will be added to the \$350,000 expenditure approved at a municipal election and make the sewerage system a \$425,000 project. The money is to be borrowed at four per cent. interest.

Council accepted the annual auditor's report with the proviso that the cemetery account be rechecked. This was done because the land value on property for sale was considered incorrect. The report showed a deficit of \$9,485.34. Printed copies of the report were to be prepared and distributed.

Utilities Adjusts Charges For Water

Mr. Harvey Palmer was present at the regular meeting of the Acton Public Utilities Commission to discuss with Mayor E. Tyler and R. MacArthur the water charges to his house on Scene St.

The pipes had been frozen in the winter time and the tap was left running to prevent a further freeze up. The Commission ruled that Mr. Palmer be charged for the regular amount of water used in a similar period. This was agreeable to Mr. Palmer.

Superintendent Lambert was instructed to purchase a supply of sewer pipe for installing laterals and also to purchase the necessary fittings.

When the meter reader was checking last month it was found that the water meter at Mr. Jas. H. Reed's place had a considerable amount of water registered. This amount was out of proportion to that used over the years and it was felt the meter must have jumped. A new meter was ordered installed.

Superintendent Lambert reported that the fence at the spring lane had been repaired. This fence was broken last winter when the lane was snowplowed.

The scrap steel from the old tank bottom has been sold and was taken away last Saturday.

An order is to be placed for ten new water meters as the supply is getting down.

Superintendent Mason reported that the supplies for the sewage disposal plants have been ordered.

The Commission confirmed an order for half a car load of poles which was placed by Superintendent Mason.

Superintendent Lambert reported that a new service for both sewerage and water had been installed to a new house on Arthur St., and that two water services had been renewed on Main St. North.

Complaints concerning the unprotected bridge on Main St. at the corner of Brock Ave. were received. Council felt it was the duty of the Highway department. Councilor Groer suggested that some immediate protection should be provided and the clerk was instructed to write to the Department of Highways asking the erection of a railing on the bridge to prevent any serious accidents. The railing was never replaced when the new bridge was erected.

Complaints were also received regarding the condition of the Maria St. bridge. Beardmore and Co. were to be asked to make repairs.

A letter was received answering the queries of council regarding the ruling on damaged cars due to street conditions. The letter from A. E. Doyle and Co., insurance adjusters, reported no negligence on the part of the insurance company since people used the streets with full knowledge of the conditions.

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Police Have Word Of Bicycle Supposedly Stolen In Acton Recently

Corporal R. Mason has received a report that a man arrested in Alliston has admitted theft of a bicycle in Acton during the past two weeks. But Corp. Mason has had no one from here reporting a bicycle stolen.

If anyone has lost a bicycle, it's possible that it may be recovered by contacting the Police office. Of course, it will be necessary to provide details of the machine that may have been stolen.

Air Rifle Smashes CNR Train Window

Members of the C.N.R. police in co-operation with the Acton Provincial Police are determined to see an end to shooting at passing trains. They revealed last week that a window on the dining car of a train passing through Acton was shattered by an air rifle shot. Although there was no one injured, the possibility of serious and permanent injury was brought clearly before the eyes of the police.

The police reminded that it is illegal for anyone under 18 years of age to have a rifle under the Game and Fisheries law.

Police reported that it had also been brought to their attention that Acton residents had been out on the railway tracks. Any of these could be charged with trespassing on C.N.R. property, they said. A C.N.R. police officer mentioned the case of a young boy in Guelph who just recently lost a leg as a result of playing on the tracks.

Although the officials do not wish to take action, they will ensure the safety of train passengers as well as those who trespass on the tracks themselves by prosecuting if necessary.



THE FIRST SOD for Acton's new \$235,000 school was turned officially by Dr. F. G. Oakes on Thursday morning of last week. From left to right are J. Hargrave, Tom Jones, C. Heard, Dr. Oakes, W. Wolfe, J. H. Creighton and Tom Watson. Although the bulldozer had been at work at the site, the first digging with the steam shovel began Thursday when the land was scooped up to make room for the cement foundations and boiler room of the school.

So-Eds Hear Points On Public Speech

Learning how to speak in public and like it were the members of the Acton Y So-Ed Club at their meeting on Wednesday evening, May 2nd. The guest speaker was Miss Dorothy Stone of Stewarttown, who teaches art at the high school here.

Miss Stone mentioned different occasions on which anyone might be called to speak in public and listed definite pointers for the interested group.

She was introduced and then thanked on behalf of the group by Al Spanton.

After the talk, the young people enjoyed refreshments and dancing.

Suggest Executives Clip Coming Events

Every week the Coming Event column in the paper, proves how much is going on in town. It is our job here to publicize your events and to do our best to see they are publicized just as the secretaries or other representatives of organizations would wish them to be.

But we can not take responsibility for conflicting dates. After all, whether a date has already been announced for an event, is the same way anyone else has—to look back through the recent editions or simply by memory.

We would suggest that since many organizations publish a single coming event as far as six months before an event so that other organizations will know the date has been spoken for, the secretaries would be well advised to clip the coming event column from their paper each week for reference.

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Turn First Sod Of \$235,000 School

School classes carried on as usual Thursday morning with the steady noise of the two machines drowning out any of the conversation of the small group gathered at 9:30 that grey morning to bring the official "O.K." to the new \$235,000 public school. The first sod was turned by Dr. F. G. Oakes, the chairman of the public school board.

Although a bulldozer had previously been taking the sod off the ground in preparation for the work of the rousing shovel, the first digging to any depth was watched on Thursday morning.

The only basement in the new school will be a boiler room with parallel bases dug out for the cement foundation strips.

Complete Paving On 25 Highway

Work on completing the paving of No. 25 Highway from Glenspey Farms to Milton started on Monday. The Law Construction Co., which has the contract, moved machinery and equipment into the fourth line moving plant on Monday and is getting ready to start the asphalt mixing machines by next week.

In the meantime the roadway is being staked out and graders, rollers and paving machines have been moved onto the highway. The grades and base material are being laid preparatory to paving.

About six miles of No. 25 highway paving was laid last year until winter conditions made it necessary to abandon the work. When the section from Milton to Glenspey Farms has had the first coat of the entire highway will receive a finishing coat. It is understood paving will be done from Milton Post Office corner to the junction of No. 7 in Acton.

N.B. THE DEADLINES MATCH NEWS AND ADS AS SCHEDULE MUST ROLL ON

There's a great deal that advertising and news articles have to go through before they appear in the paper each week. Illustrations for advertisements have to be cast from a pressed cardboard sheet into a heavy block of metal—and that process is always done on Tuesday as it is a long, steady job. Wednesdays the illustrations are placed with the type in the ads—and that's another big job.

So co-operation is very necessary. The selection of illustrations must be done by Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock so the mats can be ready for the casters Tuesday. Advertisers are very welcome to use the books of illustrations of all kinds in the newspaper office.

All display ads are to be in the office on Tuesdays by 4 o'clock and classified advertisements by 2 p.m. Wednesday afternoon.

On the subject of deadlines, correspondence would be much appreciated early in the week—on Tuesdays if possible. Earlier arrival of news would assure each item a place in the paper.

Evening Auxiliary Meets Wednesday

The work of missionaries in India was told to the members of the Knox Evening Auxiliary who attended the last meeting at the home of Mrs. F. Anderson, Brock St., Wednesday evening. The study period was taken by Mrs. H. L. Jennie, who gave a talk on the general aspects of the work there. Mrs. George Musselle and Mrs. O'Hara then told of individual missionaries in India.

The president of the auxiliary, Mrs. McIsaac, was in charge of the meeting and led the devotional period assisted by Mrs. O'Hara. A social-period closed the evening.

RECENTLY WED PAIR HONORED GUESTS AT GATHERING ON THURSDAY

Presentations were made to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole last Thursday evening when they were guests of honor at a gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Morrison. The recently married pair were given a lamp, magazine end-table and a wall mirror after an address was read by Mrs. G. R. Somerville. Mrs. Mathews, William Moffat and Fred Harding presented the gifts.

Mr. M. M. Coles was the master of ceremonies for the evening and entertainment included selections by the Churchhill orchestra; duets by Betty Ann and Marie Kerr, Margaret Morrison and Lillian Phillips; solo by Doris Harding and readings by Mrs. C. Coles and Mrs. A. M. MacPherson.

Lunch was served and then a sing-song with A. McKay playing the violin enjoyed.

Eramosa Township Sets 39 Mill Rate

At a regular meeting of Eramosa council held on May 7th, a consolidated rate of 39 mills was adopted by council while the police village of Rockwood will have a rate of 44 mills and police village of Eden Mills 41 mills. The mill rate is made up as follows: county 11.50; education 18.4; township 8.65. The police village of Rockwood has in addition 5 mills for general and garbage and Eden Mills 2 mills for street lighting.

The treasurer's budget for 1951 was accepted as was also the auditor's report for 1950.

The road superintendent reported that the gravel contractor would be able to start in ten days or two weeks and council agreed with the proposal of Guelph Township council for some construction work at the overhead bridge on the town line just north of No. 7 highway.

Arrangements were made with representatives of the Bell Telephone Company to change the location of certain poles on the Indian Trail to permit some proposed construction.

Accounts amounting to \$1740.81 were passed for payment and council adjourned to meet June 4 at 7:30 p.m.

School Students Attend County Council Session

Water conservation and beaver were thoroughly discussed by members of Halton County Council at the regular meeting held in Milton on Tuesday. It was also a gala day for 54 elementary school students who were visitors of council.

Inaugurated eight years ago under the supervision of Roy F. Smith, pupils again enjoyed the hospitality of council as well as learning first hand just how affairs are carried on in the Halton municipality.

Building Changes Noted Along Mill

There are several building improvements being carried out and others about completed in Acton's business section. Perhaps the most extensive was that at Hinton's Store which started last fall and included an addition of considerable size doubling the former store size, a full sized basement, new oil heating plant and a complete renovation of the interior with new fixtures, lighting, etc. Mr. Hinton now has one of the finest stores on the street and we understand plans in the future include modernization of the store front.

W. D. Talbot has added a new brick and cement warehouse at the rear of his Mill Street store, which has the exterior almost finished. It will increase facilities for his lines and matches up the brick store, connecting with his former warehouse.

On Main Street North, Bilton & Perry's new show rooms and work shops are nearing completion. Last week the cement flooring was poured and the building is nearly ready to move into. It is a fine cement block structure with brick front and large show windows facing the highway. The front section will be used for show rooms for equipment with commodious work shops in the rear.

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Game Warden Puts Pike in Acton Lake

Thirty-five pike were placed in Fairy Lake Sunday by the Halton game warden, Dudley Mitchell of Oakville. A scavenger fish, the pike will clean up the weeds in the pond as well as providing a challenge for fishermen.

Mr. Hitchcock heard that pike were being netted out of the canal at Hamilton along with carp and had the pike saved for the pond here. Brought in tubs last Sunday, the fish were poured out into the lake. The fish were dazed by their ride in close quarters and had to be driven out into the deep water.

Some of the fish weighed as much as seven pounds and were three feet long.

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Pupils of Rural Schools Plant Trees To Try For Prizes, Learn Conservation

During the next two weeks, public school children in the county will compete in a tree-planting contest with the intention of establishing woodlots throughout Halton. County Council inaugurated the scheme three years ago.

The number taking part has increased to 10 rural schools this year. E. M. Cressman of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests announced last week. It is under his supervision that the plan is being carried out.

The pupils of each school obtain a tract of land which is donated by a farmer not far from the school. The pupils must plant one-half acre or 600 trees, complete a leaf collection and answer a quiz on reforestation and conservation during the contest.

The first place winner will take part in further district competition and district honors entitle the winners to enter a provincial contest. Halton County Council announced that the first prize will be \$25, second \$15 and third \$10. All schools entering will receive \$3. Trees are supplied by the Department of Lands and Forests.

The children plant mostly white pine and white spruce with a few ash and maple trees. Schools of Esqueving, Nassagaweya, Trafalgar and Nelson are all entered. The contest lasts until the middle of May.

"The contest is gaining in popularity," Mr. Cressman said. "The children like to take part in it and they become very conversant with tree planting and Halton has advanced very far in this respect."

Following the morning session, the students were divided into smaller groups visiting the various departments where heads explained the operation of their departments in detail. In many cases exhibits were shown to illustrate the work.

The young visitors, very evenly divided as boys and girls, were warmly welcomed by the Warden, Kenneth Y. Dick. He explained the function of council and wished them every luck on the essays. Later each student will write an essay telling of his visit to council. Council has planned to award prizes to the winners. Lloyd D. Dingle, Crown Attorney, addressed the visitors on the function and operation of law enforcement in his department. He urged the students to use caution and always feel a police officer was their best friend.

Council did not take any action in connection with a resolution sponsored by the Conservation of Halton County who were seeking to have beaver left in Nassagaweya Township. They also asked council to purchase land from a Henry McLeod, whose property has been covered by the dammed-up water. Council felt the matter required further study by the reforestation committee and asked them to make a report at next council meeting.

It was explained that two or three years ago a pair of beavers were released on the upper Sixteen Mile Creek. It was hoped they would construct a dam to form a pond, thus creating a water supply at the source. Another animal was released and it didn't take them long to build. Water backed up until it flooded roads and covered a large acreage. Nassagaweya council was forced to raise the roadway which was inundated last summer. Officials also report some flooding on the same road this year. Members of council felt Nassagaweya should receive assistance in the matter as they believed it was a great asset to the county to have this quantity of water stored there.

Council turned a deaf ear to a resolution from Kent County who were seeking to have the provincial government hold a plebiscite at the next provincial election to find out how the people of Ontario felt about daylight saving time.

A committee set up to study council procedure from Wrentham county council is to be invited to attend the next meeting of Halton county council. Grants of \$200 to the Halton Plowmen's Association and \$125 to the Halton Junior Farmers to assist with their Achievement Day were made by council.

Council approved a recommendation of the assessment committee asking an extension of 60 days to complete the equalized assessment program as provided for by the Assessment Act. Reeve William Marshall, chairman of that committee, reported five municipalities.

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