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65 PER CENT. CAST BALLOTS MONDAY



A HONEYMOON COUPLE escaped uninjured when their vehicle flipped completely over as Mr. and Mrs. Edwards (formerly Jean Longstreet) drove along the third line south of No. 7 highway east of Acton. The driver reports a deer on the road and in swerving to miss it the car climbed a bank and rolled over on its top. Damage was estimated at \$400. —Staff Photo

Minor Sports Club Grant Free Ice For 120 Boys

Acton council at their regular meeting on Friday night granted the Acton Minor Sports Club the use of arena ice facilities for two nights a week and arranged a 60-40 per cent. split of any gate receipts which might come from possible O.M.H.A. play-off games. A free night was also granted to hold a Booster Night to provide the club with funds. J. Goy and Dr. Sirrs made the request of council on behalf of the Acton Minor Sports Club. They pointed out that a very extensive program had been lined up which would include about 120 boys from the town and surrounding vicinity. Mr. Goy said they were not going into highly competitive groups. Equipment had been secured by the club for eight teams from eight to 18 years old.

Legion President M. Storey was present to discuss the request of a veteran for relief. Mr. Storey reviewed assistance already granted. Council accepted the patient for post sanatorium care. The Halton Health Unit was to be contacted regarding the case.

Mr. Storey also informed council that the Legion was a non-political organization and was not supporting T. Salmon in the mayoralty contest. He said the Legion had nothing to do with supporting any candidates. The President also extended thanks for the council's co-operation at the Remembrance Day service.

Council acknowledged a letter from G. E. Elliott, solicitor for B. D. Rachlin, regarding the location of the lamp standard at the northeast corner of Mill and Main St. The letter reviewed the situation and asked that the matter be kept in mind. Council asked that the Planning Board, Town Solicitor and Surveyor meet and present recommendations.

The recommendation of the Planning Board was accepted for an exchange of property from one side of Mill St. to the other on the north-west corner to the southern side. This would allow an expansion of the home of R. R. Parker and a rounding of the corner from Park Ave. to Mill St. removing part of the obstructing stone wall 18 feet from the corner. Beardmore and Co. were to pay all expenses.

A letter from C. F. Leatherland reviewed the settlement on the county levy. Reeve Hargrave reported that the increase accepted by Acton for the equalization of assessment was approximately \$100. The solicitor was authorized to sign the minutes effecting the settlement.

The Planning Board, in a recommendation to council, approved amendment on the building by-law which lifts the restrictions on the two part lots in town. They felt, though, that the amendment should be incorporated in several general amendments being prepared.

The Board informed council that they felt it would not be practical to sell property adjoining War-time Housing subdivision to Mr. Vyse as it would affect the future development of the town. Council accepted this recommendation.

The road committee reported that stone was being applied to roads in the War-time Housing subdivision as fast as it was available, during the muddy season.

Road problems were discussed with Town Foreman Kirkness. The cost of cinders for a temporary path in War-time Housing was discussed and it to be investigated. Council received a letter from H. V. Dron returning his service

Car Flips As Couple Go on Honeymoon

Just leaving on their honeymoon after their Saturday wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edwards (formerly Jean Longstreet) were uninjured when their car flipped over and landed on its roof about half a mile south on the third line east of Acton.

Damage to the 1947 Plymouth was estimated at \$400. Police report Mr. Edwards says he saw a deer on the road and swung to miss it. The car rode along the ditch, then up a bank and rolled over, landing on its roof across the road.

The accident occurred just at the top of the big hill on the third line that leads to Dolly Varden on Saturday evening about 6 p.m.

KEITH ROBERTSON MEETS KOREAN BUDDY WHO HELPED ON BATTLEFIELD

A former Moffat resident, J. Keith Robertson was on hand at the CPR station in Sudbury when the friend who carried him, wounded, from the Korean battlefield returned home on rotation leave, with two other buddies.

Keith Robertson was wounded last February 24 during the bloody battle of Massacre Hill, in which 62 of the 135 men in the company did not return. He returned to Canada in March.

Losing little time in spotting three members of his 11th Platoon, "Dog" Company of the 2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, cries of "Hill 410" and "Dog Company" rang out. A special welcome greeted Pte. L. D. Kilmarin. He was the buddy who loaded Robertson onto a stretcher, amid Chinese and North Korean fire, and drove him two or three miles to a doctor when he was wounded in the left eye.

The two other members of the group also united with Robertson were Cpl. L. E. Rintoul of Kenilville and Pte. G. W. Robertson of Ottawa.

Church Groups Greet Missionary

In honor of Miss Mary Ellen (Nellie) Anderson, who has returned to her home on furlough from British Guiana, the Senior Auxiliary W.M.S. of Knox Church, Acton, held a missionary family party which all missionary groups and their friends attended.

The Daughters of Knox opened the meeting with their own opening call to worship service, which included a flag ceremony. Of the Children's Department, the Explorers conducted the Worship Service and the Mission Band a Christmas pantomime.

The Alert Evening Auxiliary had a period of carol singing, after which Miss Anderson thanked the assembled friends for their welcome into the missionary family and told them of her missionary family in British Guiana.

Greetings from each organization of the church followed. Then all present enjoyed a social hour when they had an opportunity to extend their personal greetings.



WARDEN K. Y. DICK was honored at the annual Warden's Dinner held in the Milton Inn on Tuesday evening after he had presided at the year's final county council meeting in the afternoon. Mr. Dick was Reeve of Milton in 1951. —Staff Photo

Warden K. Y. Dick Honored At Dinner

Municipal and public officials from all parts of Halton County attended the Annual Warden's Dinner in Milton on Tuesday and honored Warden K. Y. Dick, the Reeve of Milton and Warden of Halton for 1951. It was a delightful event, over which the Warden presided at the Milton Inn and had many reunions of public men from Halton.

REFUGEES, IMMIGRANTS IN CANADA, GERMANY HELPED BY P.Y.P.S., SPEAKER

A very interesting lecture was enjoyed by members and friends of Knox P.Y.P.S. on Tuesday, December 11. Dr. Francis Schofield, a professor teaching in Guelph told something of his work among the refugees and displaced persons in Canada, Germany and surrounding countries. Dr. Schofield has made several trips to Germany and has first hand knowledge of the conditions there. He had some very interesting pictures and showed some slides through his projector.

Dr. Schofield devotes most of his time to relief of displaced people who live here in Canada and sends clothing and food to many refugees in Europe. Dr. Schofield delivered a most inspiring message which was much appreciated by all.

The meeting was opened by the call to worship by Kae Hanson, the convener for evangelism and stewardship. Several carols were sung and scripture was read by Babe Roszell. Jim Greer led in prayer and Sheila Paul played a violin solo which was greatly enjoyed.

Rev. Armstrong closed the meeting and a most enjoyable lunch was served.

GROUP COMMITTEE RECEIVES DONATIONS FOR FURNACE INSTALLED AT HALL

The Group Committee that administers the Boy Scouts, Wolf Cubs and Brownie organizations in Acton, has recently installed a Gar Wood oil burner in the Scout Hall, Hodenosawnee, in the school grounds.

Several donations have been received, one from Mr. Wm. Braeken for \$21.68, one from Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E. of \$50 and another from the Scout and Guide Mothers for \$50. The Scouts and Cubs will be continuing their paper collection program to raise sufficient funds for the final payments of the oil burner and upkeep costs of Hodenosawnee.

OBITUARY

Taken Suddenly Ill Thos. Burrows Dies

The sudden passing of George Thomas Burrows cast a gloom over the Ospringe community. Taken suddenly ill Monday morning while working in the barn, he was rushed to the hospital in Guelph, where in spite of loving care, he passed away early Tuesday morning, December 4, 1951.

Youngest son of the late William Burrows and Lovie Smith, he was born near Harrison. When three years of age, the family moved to lot 18, concession 4, Erin Township, where he resided all his life.

Left to mourn his loss is his wife, Jessie Robertson, whom he married in 1929 and a brother, Richard, of Guelph. He was predeceased by a sister, Annie, who passed away several years ago and a brother, Herman, who died in childhood.

Mr. Burrows was a member of the Board of Stewards of Erin United Church and a member of Erin Masonic Lodge. The funeral, held from his late home, was largely attended by neighbors and friends and was conducted by Rev. A. O. W. Foreman, a former pastor, followed by a Masonic service.

Numerous floral tributes bore silent testimony of the esteem in which the deceased was held. Interment was made at Coningsby Cemetery with the following pallbearers, Messrs. Keith Burrows, William Stewart, Albert Roberts, Garland Bramhill, Edwin Parkinson and Lorne Burrows.

Christmas Theme Of W.A. Meeting

The United Church parsonage was decorated for Christmas when the Women's Association met there on Tuesday, December 11th. Mrs. J. Wilderspin, the president, was in the chair and Mrs. W. Evans took the devotional period. Roll call was answered by the word "Gladness". Several Christmas carols were sung.

It was reported that several quilts have been sold and the ladies are still quilting. Cards are being sent out to the sick and shut-ins during the Christmas season.

Mrs. Wilderspin, the president for the past two years, resigned because of ill health. The newly-elected president, Mrs. H. Burns, closed the meeting with prayer. Mrs. E. A. Currey, assisted by Mrs. Drysdale, Mrs. Pickett, Mrs. Poole and Mrs. J. Moore, served a Christmas lunch. Greetings were exchanged and a social time was enjoyed together.

A vote of thanks was given to Rev. and Mrs. Currey for their home and to the lunch committee.

Lakeside I.O.D.E. Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. was held on Tuesday evening in the Legion Hall.

The business part of the meeting was presided over by the Regent, Mrs. J. H. Crighton. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and outstanding bills were ordered paid.

Mr. E. J. Salt had inscribed the certificates presented to winning pupils at the High School Commencement and the members voted that a token of appreciation be sent him.

\$20.00 was donated to the Sick Children's Hospital and \$25.00 was received to help with the welfare work at Christmas time.

Games were enjoyed and everyone joined in a square dance. Carols were sung and gifts were distributed by Santa Claus, who was Mrs. S. Norton. A delicious lunch was served by the group in charge.

Mrs. Taylor Marks Her 90th Birthday

Mrs. W. Robertson and Miss Phoebe Taylor held open house recently at their home in Guelph in honor of their mother, Mrs. E. J. Taylor, who is 90 years old.

A brother, William Patterson, 88, of Princeton, Ontario, and a sister, Mrs. George Howard of Toronto, were on hand at the party to help her sister celebrate. Also present were five children, Mrs. W. Robertson (Annie); Miss Phoebe Taylor; Mrs. Thomas Marsh (Mary) of Liverpool St.; Mrs. Wilfred Thomas (Sadie) of Eden Mills; John Taylor, Huskisson St.; her ten grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren and a host of friends and neighbors.

Born in Nassagaweya, Mrs. Taylor is the former Eliza Jane Patterson. She was married in 1859 and with her husband, farmed near Moffat until his death 20 years ago. About 15 years ago she went to Guelph to live with her daughters. Although she has been blind for the last two years, Mrs. Taylor remains exceptionally active for her advanced age. She is the oldest member of Calvary Baptist Church.

TORONTO ROTARY CLUBS VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, SPEAKERS SUBJECT

Vocational guidance and its effects on Rotary Clubs in Toronto was the topic of Mr. Grey of Toronto, who addressed the Acton Rotary Club at their regular supper meeting Tuesday evening. Introduced by Dr. Sirrs, Mr. Grey was thanked by V. Rumley.

The men teachers of both the high school and public school were special guests.

Christmas boxes, a project shared with the Lakeside Chapter of the I.O.D.E. were discussed.

History shows that the press has been uniformly on the side of the common people.

Keen Municipal Election For Mayor, Council, PUC

The municipal elections on Monday in Acton proved one of the keenest in many years with over 65 per cent. of the electors casting their ballots for mayor, council and public utilities commission. It provided some changes in all the bodies upon which voting was conducted. Thomas Salmon, who last year made an unsuccessful bid for a seat on council, won by a majority of 220 over E. Tyler who has been councillor, reeve and mayor of Acton over a period of years.



MAYOR ELECT, Thomas Salmon, was elected Mayor of Acton for 1952 in the municipal election held last Monday. He defeated the present incumbent, E. Tyler. —Staff Photo

Acton Band Holds Annual Banquet

The annual banquet of Acton Citizens' Band last Friday evening was a fine social event for bandmen and friends. It was held in Acton Legion Hall and the turkey dinner served by the Ladies' Auxiliary was both satisfying and temptingly arranged and served.

Among the guests were Mayor Tyler, Reeve Hargrave and Councillor Weick, Bandmaster Perrott and Messrs. Bert Mason, James Chalmers and G. A. Dills. Brief messages of encouragement, praise and recollection were given by various speakers following the dinner. President Kingsmill was in charge of the event. A lively sing song with Ray Agnew at the piano was rousing given.

In the election of officers that was part of the meeting, Charles Kingsmill was elected President, with Tom Nicol as Vice-president; Ted Tyler, Jr., Secretary and Tom Ware, treasurer. Representative from the band committee is Bing Ramsden and Honorary Presidents are G. A. Dills, E. Tyler, Sr., J. Chalmers and Bert Mason.

NOT ALL PUBLISHED THAT IS RECEIVED AT EDITOR'S DESK

Every week the editor receives a great deal of material intended for publication. It comes from many sources, local and Dominion wide. Every week the editor must make selection of that which can be placed in the columns of the Free Press. Our choices are not always popular and are not always easy to make.

We acknowledge this week a five-page letter from a correspondent who has written often and many times very interestingly and we have been pleased to publish the contributions of H. V. Dron. The present five-page letter, however, contains nothing new on a subject that has been much publicized and therefore will not occupy the column and a half which would be necessary to present it in full.

We might also point out that letters to the Editor containing statements which might be considered libellous will not be published until adequate proof of the statements is submitted. You can't call John Blank a liar or a fraud over the telephone or in a newspaper unless you are prepared to back it up and as editor of the Free Press, we will not be a party to such name calling for any correspondent.

Manuscripts submitted for publication cannot be returned.

For the council, Miss Esther Taylor, the first woman elected to Acton council, again headed the polls with three of last year's council in the top positions following her. Two new members were elected with A. Irwin in fifth position and C. Rogvaldson in sixth place. J. Greer, a member of last year's council was just 10 votes behind the sixth place and N. Cunningham, a new candidate, polled 242 votes.

The race for Public Utilities Commissioner was indeed a close one with C. Wood, a member of the 1951 council, nosing out T. Ware, present commissioner by four votes. A third candidate, E. Bilton, polled 151 votes.

The voting was heavy, and with three ballots to be tallied and 13 candidates for the various offices, it was nine o'clock before results were finally tabulated on the day's voting. All voting was conducted in four booths at the Town Hall.

For Mayor				
No.	No.	No.	No.	Total
Salmon	179	132	129	137
Tyler	142	57	80	72
Majority for Salmon—220				

For Council				
No.	No.	No.	No.	Total
Taylor	186	113	151	149
Fryer	190	124	134	139
Thompson	117	103	129	124
Weick	164	98	117	113
Irwin	152	132	85	110
For Council				
Taylor	149	80	130	116
Greer	170	85	104	101
Cunningham	87	45	48	63
For Public Utilities Commission				
Wood	130	72	77	101
Ware	136	74	92	74
Bilton	42	44	38	27

Local Constables Recover Stolen Car

Acton police recovered a stolen car on Monday night when they arrested William Duffy, James Walsh, Donald Micholsky and Brad Waddell in a car reported stolen from Toronto.

The green Monarch sedan was spotted by Constables Wylie and Todd about an hour after it had been reported missing in Toronto. Noticing the police following them, the thieves started out highway no. 7 toward Guelph but missed the corner at Toth's Service Station and went up over the tracks. They were arrested on Scene St.

The thieves told police they were heading for the border. They had six cents between the four of them.

Please Help

Subscribers like to receive their copy of the home paper on time. They look for it and it is in the post office every Thursday afternoon. To do this we must maintain a rigid schedule. And we would ask the assistance of all advertisers and contributors to remember the deadlines.

Advertising illustrations for the issue of December 27 must be in by the preceding Saturday noon. Latest display ads will be accepted until Monday at 4 p.m. without illustrations. Classified ads deadline is Wednesday at noon.

It would be a wise policy for advertisers to leave their ads for December 27 when they visit our office next week because of the Boxing Day holiday.

Please co-operate in this schedule so all our staff may enjoy the Christmas holiday.

Coal sometimes ignites spontaneously in a shaft, the phenomenon being called a "gob fire".