

PLAN SERVICE TO HONOR LATE KING



IN OPERATION IS this 12 foot high boiler serving the three school buildings, the old public school, the high school and the new public school addition. This is the first part of the new school addition to go into use. Workmen are busily applying rough plaster to the inside walls. All the cement floors except a small section at the main entrance have been poured and the plumbing connections are all buried in the cement floor.

—Staff Photo

Heating System Operates Work Goes on at School

Work is progressing on the inside at the new addition to the Acton public school. Completely closed in and heated the building is receiving the inside construction. Cement floor has been poured throughout the building except for a small section at the main entrance. This cement buries the plumbing connections and protects them from damage. The heating system is in operation and serving the old public school building, the high school and the public school addition. Workmen are applying the rough plaster to walls and the most of it has been completed.

Let's take a quick trip through the building and see just what's there. First there is the auditorium. A stage will go along one end with two doors opening into the corridor. Windows are located high and small in this room for ventilation but not too much light making it suitable for movies. The exact seating capacity is, of course, not known but 500 chairs have been ordered for its equipment. These will be stored on trucks beneath the stage.

A small kitchen is next and then a room planned for the use of teachers. The remainder of that side of the building (the south side) is taken up by a double kindergarten room which is to have a movable partition for division or use as one big room. Almost full length windows allow plenty of outside light in this room.

On the north side of the building from the front is the main entrance and foyer. A room for the school nurse is located here and, leading to the old section are the principal's office and adjoining it a classroom for Grade VIII. Lavatories for boys and girls are located on each side of the boiler room and next to the old section is a storage room containing a vault for school records and documents.

Going towards the back of the building then, are the remainder of the classrooms, which makes a total of six class rooms, auditorium, kitchen, stage, principal's office, nurse's room, lavatories, teacher's room, storage room, vault.

Big windows along outside walls allow plenty of light and all rooms have separate outside entrances in case of fire. Wide corridors connect the rooms and air conditioning insures fresh air. Recessed alcoves serve as cloak rooms in the rooms and there are two covered play porches that protect the children from inclement weather while still keeping them outside. A pas-

BAXTER'S, P.U.C., COUNCIL AGREE TO PROPERTY EXCHANGE FOR P.U.C.

An agreement for a transfer of property was reached by council, Public Utilities and Baxter Laboratories, at a special meeting on Friday evening of last week. Baxter Laboratories proposed an exchange of property.

They asked a piece of land which now holds the tin P.U.C. building and a strip that borders the school creek. In exchange for this piece of property they would give a block of land approximately 66 by 200 which fronts on Alice St. and is much larger than the present location.

It was agreed that cost of the property transfer and survey costs would be divided equally between Baxter's, the town and the P.U.C.

The following resolution was passed by council "that council approve the transfer of property with Baxter Laboratories of Canada Ltd. This transfer to consist of that portion of lot 126 currently held by the town, also to consist of that portion held by the town and vested with the Acton P.U.C. but excluding that portion at present being occupied by the Hydro Electric Power Commission for a control building and transformers, in exchange for a parcel of land fronting Alice St. and further described in appendix A attached hereto.

All costs including survey of this transfer are to be equally divided between Baxter's, P.U.C. and the town.

Acton P.U.C. passed a resolution authorizing the transfer. Commission Chairman J. R. MacArthur pointed out the present tin building could not be moved satisfactorily and a new building would be erected.

Acton Planning Board also met with council on the question of the property line on Mill St. Mayor Rachlin vacated the chair since he had an interest in the matter.

It was pointed out that the width of Mill St. varied on different plans and the decision was to be what width would be accepted in preparing the new town plan. The width of approximately 49 feet would take the street through some store fronts. The Board pointed out that "it's a mistake that started 50 years ago and with the compiling of a new plan it should be corrected."

The thought was expressed that perhaps the street width could be established at about 41 feet and the property owned by the town, on which store fronts are built could be deeded back to the merchants.

If this plan was followed, the group was reminded that the light standard located on the north-east corner of Mill and Main Sts. would be located on the property of B. D. Rachlin. The thought was expressed that a satisfactory arrangement could be worked out if this were the case.

A formal recommendation was to be forwarded by the Planning Board to Acton council for action at their next meeting, so the plan could proceed.

Missions Night For Knox Y.P.S.

It was Missions night at Knox Y.P.S. on Tuesday. Isabel Ritchie, the convenor, was in charge and gave the call to worship. After the opening hymn, Ken Mann read the scripture lesson and Bill Bell led in prayer. Deanna Grier dedicated the offering and all joined in singing another hymn.

Isabel Ritchie introduced the guest speaker, Miss N. E. Anderson, on furlough from British Guiana. Miss Anderson told of her work and the people of British Guiana and of the great joy she finds in her chosen field of service. She closed with a plea for more workers for the Lord's great harvest fields.

Doug Davidson, the president, took charge for the business and began with the minutes and the roll call. His suggestion to write letters of appreciation to the Ladies' Aid and billet hostesses was approved by motion and he voiced his personal gratitude to Kae Hansen, Inez McLellan, Shirley Wilson, Isabel Ritchie and Bill Bell for their untiring help during the week-end while Knox, Toronto were here.

The meeting closed with a song service of favorite hymns, the Mizpah benediction and a social hour of lunch and tea.

Toronto Members Visit Acton Y.P.S.

On Saturday afternoon, 17 members from Knox Y.P.S., Toronto, arrived in Acton to join with Knox, Acton, for a week-end of fellowship. After registration, they were shown to their billets and introduced to their hostesses.

Then they all returned to the church and became acquainted with the Acton members, after which the two societies sat down to a delightful turkey supper prepared by Knox Ladies' Aid. The menu consisted of mashed potatoes, turkey and dressing, vegetables and all the trimmings. After the banquet there was a short program consisting of a few sing songs, solos by Bill Bell and Crawford Douglas.

The two groups then all went down to the bowling alleys where they formed six teams of seven each in a tournament. After three frames, they all went back to the church for a lunch. Then the groups all retired to their homes.

On Sunday morning, some of the Toronto Young People's, assisted in the Sunday School by leading in several action choruses. All of them attended church with their hostesses and stayed for Bible class afterwards.

At 5 p.m., the guests gathered again for a short song service before tea was served. For the evening service at 7 p.m., which began with a hearty song service, Knox, Toronto took complete charge of the service. Several members led in the devotions while the rest formed a choir to lead in praise. One of those in the choir rendered a beautiful solo "His eye is on the sparrow." Another girl gave her Christian testimony and one of the boys preached an evangelical, soul-searching sermon.

After church these young people conducted a fireside to which all young people of the community had been invited. This too, began with a song service of gospel hymns and the crowded room of young people and not so young enjoyed the hearty singing and fellowship. Another solo "Holy is the song the angels sing" was given. A trip through several countries of South America was shown on slides. Fireside closed with a hymn and the expressed hope of the guests that their visit had been a real blessing.

After tea had been served again by the Y.P.S., Rev. R. H. Armstrong pronounced benediction



SYBIL BENNETT was chosen Progressive Conservative candidate for Halton at a convention held in Milton Town Hall on Tuesday evening. Miss Bennett will carry the Progressive Conservative banner in the next federal election.

DAY OF PRAYER OBSERVED THIS MONTH THROUGHOUT CANADA

February is the month in which the World Day of Prayer is observed. It is the Women's Inter-Church Council that sponsors this service in Canada.

Some weeks ago the Council had its annual meeting and again the reports showed splendid work being done by these people, particularly through Christian literature. For the first time, the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada has its own headquarters and office at 97 St. George St., Toronto, and from there all the services are sent out across Canada.

The theme for 1952 is "Christ, our Hope" and the Day will be observed on Friday, February 29, the first Friday of Lent, when women the world around are called to observe a day of prayer for a better world for all people.

Mrs. Ritchie Host Daughters of Knox

The regular monthly meeting of Daughters of Knox was held at the home of Mrs. Ida Ritchie on February 4th. The devotions were led by Olive Musselle and assisted by Dorothy Dawkins, Joan Chisholm and Evelyn Dolmer.

As a prelude to the evening's lesson, a skit entitled "The Flight, Leaving for British Guiana" was well presented by Betty Sinclair, Elizabeth Jany and Marilyn Sigsworth.

On completion of the play, Mrs. Buchanan took the topic "It's Like Walking in a Summer Wonderland" which was a continuation of the study concerning British Guiana.

In preparation for the World Day of Prayer Service to be held at Knox Church, invitations have been sent to other girls' church groups to worship on this occasion. Following the business, unusual Valentine games were played such as Jumbled Words, Heart Hunt and Legend of St. Valentine. Lunch was served.



Owing to the circumstances, the big 'Booster Night of the Acton Minor Sports Club is being held tonight (Thursday) instead of tomorrow as previously announced. The old timers will meet the '39 champs in the evening's highlight.

Civic Service Planned To Honor King George VI

Arrangements are completed in Acton for fitting tribute to be given in the memory of King George VI. A proclamation issued by Mayor Rachlin is in accord with the Dominion proclamation of a day of mourning on Friday, February 15th and observance of such by all citizens. The request is made that places of business be closed from 10 a.m. until 12 o'clock. The town offices will be closed from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. The majority of Acton's industries while not closing are ceasing operations for a brief silence at 11 o'clock. The whistle on the Beardmore plant will be sounded at this time. Schools will be closed all day and a service held on Thursday.

Mark Mourning With Armbands

There will be visible evidence here of the period of mourning for His Majesty King George VI which is being observed in Canada for the same length of time as in Britain.

The headquarters of the I.O.D.E. has advised local groups that a purple ribbon is to be worn beneath the Order's pin for the official mourning period.

Boy scouts, girl guides, cubs and brownies are to wear black bands on their uniforms.

Certain members of the armed services are also wearing the black bands on the arms of their uniforms.

Newly Bought Car Has \$275 Damage

No one was injured Saturday night about 7 p.m. when two cars collided on No. 7 highway half a mile east of Georgetown, although total damage to both cars was estimated at \$575. Donald Smith of Kitchener was the driver of the 1947 Nash sedan which was travelling west. He had just bought the car, and the headlights went out.

Travelling east was a 1939 Oldsmobile driven by Clarence Coles of R. R. 2, Acton.

There were no other passengers in either car. Damage to the Nash was estimated at \$275 and to the Oldsmobile, \$300.

LAND TRANSFER RECEIVES SANCTION SALARIES ADJUSTED FROM JAN. 1ST

Acton Public Utilities Commission meeting in regular session on Tuesday evening, confirmed a motion passed at a joint meeting with council on Friday, whereby the Commission will trade part of a lot on Willow Street, now occupied for a garage and workshop to Baxter Laboratories of Canada Ltd. for a parcel of land owned by the Company and fronting on Alice Street.

A letter from the H.E.P.C. of Ontario notified the local commission that they were entitled to collect 7c per bill under \$15.00 for all accounts collected for the rural division of the H.E.P.C.

Another letter was read and filed from Chairman Robert Saunders, extending congratulations to the local commission on their appointment to office and wishing them success.

An account of \$95.00 was authorized paid to R. O. Stapleton for moving the toilet in the P.U.C. office to the basement, when the work is completed to the satisfaction of the clerk.

Supt. Mason was instructed to have the body of the hydro truck repaired where it has rusted through. The estimated cost of this work was \$40.50. One of the snow tires on the truck had blown out and it was decided to have it vulcanized if possible.

The acquiring of hose to flush the sewers was discussed very fully but no definite action was taken.

It was decided to use 4-pin arms on Queen Street East when changing over to the H.E.P.C. poles. Some of the line has been changed over but the arms are too short to allow the H.E.P.C. workmen to service their high tension wires on the top of the pole, hence the change to longer arms.

The light fixtures taken down on Mill Street last year when the new standards were erected are to be installed from John Street east on Mill.

A letter from the Electrical Employees' Association notified the Commission of a supper meeting to be held in conjunction with the O.M.E.A. convention the end of February. Representatives of the Acton Commission are to attend this convention.

It was decided that the P.U.C. office would not open on Friday until 1 p.m. in order that the staff could attend the Memorial Service for our late King George VI.

The matter of salaries of various officials of the Commission were discussed and by motion the following salaries were authorized to be paid effective January 1, 1952:

Hydro	
Packard Electric, supp.	\$470.24
Addressograph, supp.	54
MacDonald Elec., supp.	85
Jas. R. Kearney, supp.	113.05
Bell Telephone, serv.	29.80
Ellis & Howard, supp.	1.48
Petty cash, express	9.80
Can. Line Materials, supp.	58.24
H.E.P.C. of Ont., supp.	178.85
Highway Garage, gas, oil	10.25
Receiver Gen., inspection	2.50
F. Terry, stamps	51.00
Line & Cable Acc., supp.	40.53
Prod. Wire & Cable, supp.	148.80
Northern Elec., supp.	84.19
	\$1,157.50

Water	
P.U.C. services	\$80.78
Neptune Meters, supp.	39.83
Thompson Motors, supp.	85
P.U.C. hydro operations	464.20
	\$654.86