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CEMENT IS TO BE POURED at the site of the Junior swimming pool next week with work progressing on the forms. It is expected the pool will be ready for the use of children by late June. Location of the pool is to the east of the grandstand and it will be surrounded by a cement sidewalk and supplied from the town water system.

SEVEN CLUB ENTRIES ALL FINISH RACE; ED. McHUGH WINS CUP

A gleaming silver cup was won by Ed McHugh of Acton last Saturday when, out of 64 racers, he placed 12th in the two and a half mile junior road race. Seven runners from Acton Whippet club were entered in the race, and all finished, although 11 other contestants dropped out during the grueling competition in extreme heat. The race was run from the Steel Car War Veterans' Legion Hall, Hamilton.

After reaching the finishing line in one of the winning positions, the 19-year-old Acton entry collapsed from heat and exhaustion and was taken to Hamilton General Hospital. His cup, donated by the Electrical Maintenance and Millwrights of the National Steel Car War Veterans' Association, was accepted on Ed's behalf by the Acton runner who placed second highest, Dave Cook. It was taken to him in the hospital.

It was considered that all of the Acton racers placed extremely well considering their inexperience and the competition.

The other six from Acton will receive medals, as do all the runners who cross the finish line. They were Peter Hurst, Bill McHugh, Bill Skilling, Bob Heatley, Wayne Arbie and David Cook.

Acton's top placer, Ed McHugh, had run in a three mile race at

Hamilton previously but did not place. For some of the local lads, it was the first long distance race. All of them have been entered in sprinting events before, however.

Wayne Arbie was also affected by the extreme heat and taken to hospital for a short time.

Several from Acton attended and witnessed the outstanding record made by McHugh. Highlights of the race were shown on television on Monday evening.

Acton Whippet Club uniforms proved very smart at the race, Acton entrants pitted racing ability with some who have been race entrants for years. Their uniforms are black and gold. Coach Tom Nicol was well pleased with the results.

No doctor was available in the mid-summer heat. Ed McHugh was taken for medical treatment in a police cruiser and Arbie followed in an ambulance.

Racers and friends enjoyed a meal served by the Hamilton Steel Car War Veterans' Ladies' Auxiliary.

Whippet Club members are entered in a race at Grimsby next Monday.

The trophy won by Ed McHugh will be on display in the Free Press office window until next Thursday.

Long Week-end

The office of the Acton Free Press will be closed on Monday, May 16, Empire Day. Advertisers should select mats by Saturday noon with the deadline of display advertising Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Have a happy week-end but if you're driving, drive carefully.

Bishop of Diocese Administers Rite

At 11 o'clock in the morning on Sunday, May 3, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Niagara, the Rt. Rev. W. E. Bagnall, D.D., administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation in St. Alban's Church to 10 candidates. These 10 persons, young people and adults, had completed the preparation for admittance into full membership in the Church of God, and by receiving the Laying on of Hands of the Bishop, following the practice of New Testament times, they were given the gift of the Holy Spirit, and admitted to the Holy Communion.

Many friends and relatives were present to see and witness the Confirmation, a good number of them God-parents of the candidates. After the formal ceremony, His Lordship the Bishop informally presented the candidates with their Confirmation Certificates.

The following Sunday, May 10, the newly confirmed received their first Communion at the 9 a.m. service. Once again the families of those receiving their first Communion were present, joining with them in receiving the Sacrament.

The visit of the Bishop to the parish is an event which is looked forward to from year to year. It helps the people of St. Alban's to remember that their parish is not by itself but a member of a great and growing branch of the Holy Church spread throughout the whole world. If there are enough people desirous of being confirmed next year, another class will be formed and another visit from the Bishop arranged.

UMEHOUSE

Children Take Part In Sunday Service

Muriel Appleyard sang a solo and a group of little Sunday school girls sang a hymn at Mother's Day services at the Presbyterian church on Sunday.

Little Noreen Noble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noble, was baptized in the United church, Acton on Sunday.

The Cyril Clarke's visited the Barry Clarke's, Osprey on Sunday.

The A. W. Benton's visited the Greenlees', Campbellville on Sunday.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Crook, newly-weds from Bowmanville to the village. They have taken an apartment at Miss Ivens'.

Recent visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Ted Morrow and Elaine of Toronto and the Bob Lane's of Georgetown with Mrs. Lane.

Mr. A. C. Bourne home from Trinity College for a holiday before going north for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smethurst and family of Barrie and the C. A. Grant's of Stewarttown with Mrs. Smethurst.

Miss Doris Mitchell home from Toronto for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Webster and Keith of Toronto with Mrs. Elterby.

Mrs. Newton and Miss Collinson back with Miss Ivens after a winter in Georgetown.

Cater for Supper

A group of W. I. ladies catered for a turkey supper for a bowling club from Georgetown in the Hall on Tuesday evening.

OBITUARY

Merchant 21 Years A. Brown Dies

Well-known business man of Acton, Abraham Brown passed away on Friday, May 8 at St. Joseph's hospital in Guelph. Mr. Brown was ill only a short time and word of his death was a shock to many friends who knew him so well. He was in his 62nd year.

Born in Russia, Mr. Brown had been in the grocery and fruit business in Acton for 21 years. He had resided in Canada for 45 years, and came to Acton from Montreal. Besides his wife, the former Sarah Nicols, Mr. Brown leaves a sister, Mrs. Matlov of Kitchener and a brother, Harry Brown of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown were married in Toronto 39 years ago.

Mr. Brown was a member of the B'nai B'rith in Guelph and attended West Toronto Synagogue. Funeral services were held in a Toronto funeral home on Sunday, May 10, and in the synagogue. Pallbearers were: J. Adler, Guelph; B. Nicols, Toronto; J. Brown, Guelph; S. Cohen, Hespeler; J. Matlov, Kitchener and Morris Yniskavki, Guelph.

Interment was in West Toronto cemetery.

Among the floral tributes was a wreath from a group of Acton merchants.

Road Oiling

Ray Thompson chairman of the Road Committee of Acton council said this week the oiling of town streets would probably take place on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week if the weather did not turn cool and wet.

Citizens could co-operate in making the road oiling more effective by leaving their cars at home or getting them to a main road rather than driving over freshly oiled areas.

Estimate \$300 To Move Workshop

A price of moving the old hydro workshop from Willow St. to the new site on Alice St. was received at the regular Public Utilities Commission meeting. The estimate is \$300 and the Commission accepted this price as it was felt that storage space of this size could not be erected for the cost of installing the present building at the rear of the new workshop. Arrangements had been made to have a foundation installed and enough fill placed to make the lot more suitable for trucks.

A price of \$1,025 was received from J. B. Mackenzie and Son for erecting a toilet, washroom and storage space at the pump house on Main St. The size of the building is to be 10 ft. by 12 ft. and it is to be built at the rear of the present brick building on top of the storage tank. The exterior is to be brick siding and provision is made so that the building may be brick veneered at a future time. This building will provide storage for waterworks and sewage supplies which have been kept in the yard. It will also provide sanitary facilities for the building which have been lacking up to the present time.

A contract with Imperial Oil was presented for fuel for the heat exchanger at the sewage plant. This contract was not signed by the Commission.

Notice was received from the H.E. P.C. that a charge would be made for all poles of theirs which are being used by the local Commission for feeder lines. As the rural hydro use a number of poles of the local commission, it was felt that no charge should be made either way, but continue as at present. This matter will be taken up with H.E. P.C. officials when they visit town shortly.

A request from the Bell Telephone Co. for joint use of poles on Cameron St. was received. The hydro now has four poles on this street and the Bell Co. will pay for their removal and install their own poles so that both services can use the one set of poles. The present poles are not high enough for both services. This agreement proved satisfactory to the Commission.

The Commission was informed that seven windows in the lift station at Main and Agnes Sts. had been broken one day recently. One of the panes broken was wire reinforced glass. These panes had been broken by stones thrown through the window from the creek.

Some of the stones were as large as a fist and they hit the hydro meters would have caused considerable loss of equipment. Secretary J. McGeachie was instructed to obtain prices from manufacturers for 1/2-inch wire screens for these windows. The matter of apprehending the culprits is in the hands of the police.

Superintendent Lambert reported that in flushing trunk sewers two sections in different parts of the town had been found to be blocked. Rods had been borrowed from Georgetown and the stoppages removed.

Rulings were made by the Commission on the locating of short laterals for the guidance of officials. Shortages of pipe were to be made up but no allowance was to be made for digging.

Superintendent Lambert reported that work was proceeding on the stoning of ditches at the sewage treatment plant. This is to prevent the sand from washing into culverts.

Approximately 1,000 jack pine trees had been received from the Department of Lands and Forests. These had been planted at the sewage treatment plant. Twenty-eight lbs. of grass seed has also been planted at this site.

The matter of repairing the valve extensions was to be brought to the attention of Engineer Anderson.

Superintendent Lambert reported that Lorne Neilson, of the Chicago Pump Co. had been in town last Thursday and was well pleased with the way the men were operating the sewage disposal plant.

Applications had been received for two sewer and water services. It was rumored there would be more shortly. The Commission authorized the hiring of a power shoveler to make these connections to the main.

Superintendent Mason reported that one of J. Goy's trucks had hit a power pole on Guelph St. recently causing a short in the lines. This interrupted the power service in the east end of town until repaired.

Commission authorized the renting of a standard service book for the balance of the year as a trial. If the service proves satisfactory, the book will be continued.

Those present at this meeting last Thursday evening were Mayor F. G. Oakes, Ed. Hufnagel and Bob MacArthur presided.

Mrs. N. Lambert Hostess to W.A.

The Women's Association of the United Church met at the home of Mrs. N. Lambert on Tuesday, with the president, Mrs. H. Burns, presiding. The meeting opened with the singing of the Ode and prayer. Devotional period was taken by Mrs. J. Wilderspin and Mrs. Theford. Roll call was answered by "Mother". Best wishes for a speedy recovery were expressed to those members who are patients in hospitals.

Plans were made for an event in the near future.

The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction. Mrs. Lambert, assisted by Mrs. Walker, Mrs. E. Lambert, Mrs. McKeown and Mrs. Huges, served lunch and a social time was spent together. A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Lambert for her home and to the lunch committee.

C.G.I.T. Conducts Program of W.M.S.

The May meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of Acton United church was held in the Sunday School room on Tuesday evening. The president, Miss Bennett, opened the meeting and after the regular business, the C.G.I.T. gave the program with Nancy Lambert presiding.

The scripture lesson was read by Darlene Lambert and readings were given by Faye Andrews and Claire Lambert with prayer by Marie Lambert.

Dolores Lambert gave a report of the past year's activities of the group. A skit about Africa entitled "The Call" was presented by a number of the girls. After a chorus, Mrs. West, the leader, spoke of the work in Africa of missionaries. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sweet and Betty Mae Lambert and Nancy Lambert read letters from their telling of their experiences.

Miss Bennett conducted the re-affiliation service and presented certificates to the girls. At the close of the program, refreshments were served.

Dew or moisture condensing on a car at night is especially harmful to the exterior finish.



EDWARD MCHUGH placed 12th in the two and a half mile junior road race in Hamilton for runners of 12 to 19 years of age. Competing with more than 60 other contestants, Ed. was awarded the Electrical Maintenance and Millwrights trophy. Six others from Acton competed and all finished.

County Council Is Host To 52 Halton Students

Students from 52 public schools were guests of Halton County Council at its regular monthly meeting in Milton Tuesday. Welcoming the students, Warden George Leslie said, "I hope you will learn something by your visit here today, and that you will be able to take back to your schools the manner in which your county representatives conduct the county business."

Council were hosts at a dinner held at St. Paul's United church during the noon recess. R. F. Bornhold, assistant Inspector of public schools gave an interesting address while David Lockie and Billy Brush, both of Milton, and gold medalists at the Music Festival were guest soloists. Following the luncheon, the students were taken in groups to inspect the various offices and departments in the county buildings.

Urging the students to guard their good name and shun the temptations of getting into trouble was the theme of an interesting address by Crown Attorney Lloyd D. Dingle. He gave a brief outline of the functions of his office describing the administration of justice in the county. Paying tribute to the police officers in Halton, he asked the guests, "to make friends with them. They are your protectors and try to co-operate with them at all times."

Beaver brought into the county are at it again, according to officials when they advised council the little animals had migrated into Esquewaugh township and constructed another dam, flooding the town line.

County Firemen See Instructive Film

An instructive movie on the life of a city fireman from the time he joins the department to the time he completes training, was shown to members of Halton fire departments on Sunday in Georgetown Oddfellows Hall.

Jack Wilson of the Hamilton Fire Department disaster crew, explained that the movie had been made on the grounds of McMaster University, using Hamilton firemen as actors in their off-duty hours. Such things as use of aerial ladders, chemicals, Scott airpack, resuscitator and the fireman's life were included in the film.

Firemen from Acton, Burlington, Milton, Hamilton Beach and Trafalgar attended the meeting at which Chief Clements of Milton presided. Mr. Clements is president of Halton Mutual Aid Fire Services.

Queen's Favorite Dance Presented

A demonstration of an eightsome reel, Queen Elizabeth's favorite dance, was a highlight of the regular meeting of Lakeside Chapter, I.O.D.E. in the Legion Hall Tuesday evening. The dance was directed by Mrs. E. Hards and Mrs. J. Calder, who later demonstrated another Scottish dance.

An informative talk on the Royal coat of arms was given by Mrs. A. Buchanan and Mrs. J. Somerville read an article on a Mohawk Indian girl who is to attend the Coronation. Other items referring to the Royal Family were read by Mrs. E. Landsborough.

Regent Mrs. G. McKenzie presided for the meeting, which was attended by over 60 members of the Chapter. Regular business was considered and the flags and holders which have been purchased for the school displayed.

Refreshments concluded the meeting.

The first practical electric self-starter was introduced in 1911.

FIRST CAR PRODUCED MONDAY IN 32 1/2 ACRE PLANT IN TRAFALGAR

When any new industry moves into a community it's big news, especially when that type of manufacturing has never been done in that locality. When the biggest manufacturing building in Canada under one roof starts into production and the first products roll off its lines, not only the whole county is interested but representatives of the press, radio and news reels cover the story.

On Monday at 3:45 p.m. the first Ford car to be produced in the 32 1/2 acre plant in Trafalgar Township was driven off the assembly line by J. M. "Mike" Cochrane. It was vehicle No. 2,794,325 produced by Ford of Canada. Number 21 which was produced in 1904 drove up to meet the latest production. It was known as the model "S". The old car is still in good condition.

The new car was a grey four-door Sedan. It will be retained as a historical show piece in the rotunda of the new plant and will tour the showrooms of dealers from coast to coast.

Township and town officials, Ford employees and press and radio folks saw the ceremony on Monday and had a tour of the plant.

Ford of Oakville has a greater area of production space than any one floor and under one roof on any other industrial building in Canada (1,270,000 square feet, about 32 1/2 acres). The Assembly building is

1,760 by 800 feet in size. Other buildings are the boiler house, storage reservoir, power sub-station, sewage treatment plant, and water pumping station.

The Ford Motor Co. announced plans for erection of Ford Oakville on Oct. 31, 1951; first ground was broken Nov. 28, 1951; first steel was erected May 2, 1952; first production operations were started April 27, 1953.

Used in construction were 8,000 tons of steel, 50,000 cubic yards of concrete, 250,000 square feet of aluminum siding, 1,000,000 bricks, 2,000,000 man-hours of labor, 7,000 fluorescent lighting fixtures.

Employment when the plant is in full operation, will be about 4,000. The Company expects to have 2,500 on the job by the end of 1953, plus about 400 salaried employees.

Passenger car assembly will be carried on at Oakville and Windsor for some months, and truck assembly at Oakville will not start until 1954, officials said.

There are four miles of road, nine miles of railway line, and acres of automobile parking area on the Trafalgar site.

Electrical power is purchased from Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission; drinking water is supplied from Trafalgar Township system; millions of gallons of service water are pumped daily from Lake Ontario 14 miles away.

north of the Speyside sideroad. J. E. Whitlock, Halton Agricultural Representative, introduced Game Warden Dudley Hitchcock, who recommended township and county officials establish a 50 or 75c conservation to the township hunting licenses.

"If this were agreed upon, it would mean the sportsmen who reap the benefit of good hunting and fishing would be paying into a fund which could be used for emergencies such as repairing roads. It would relieve the taxpayer somewhat. If something is not done, we may have to remove the beaver and I don't think we're ready to recommend doing that, just yet," he declared.

Mr. Whitlock reviewed the situation, stating beaver had been placed in Nassagaweya township for the water conservation program, about four years ago. They have increased their families, and now some of them have migrated to another stream further away. He explained the bulk of the flooding was in Esquewaugh township, but felt the owners of the flooded land were not too concerned about it. "However, there is a road situation there which will have to be decided upon in the near future." The matter of licensing was left to the reeves of the four townships and county officials to decide upon.

In general session council decided to sponsor an essay contest among the students who attended the session. They will write 300 words on "My Visit to County Council" and will receive prizes ranging from ten dollars for first to one dollar for tenth prize.

It was pointed out the accounts for hospitals had decreased noticeably during the month, but members still felt the drive should continue. It was agreed the Hospital committee should set up and arrange a certain form for municipalities to follow, when a person is admitted to a hospital. They felt this type of centralization would assist the committee as well as municipalities, when indigents required hospital care.

The Trafalgar representatives favored a by-law to establish a 30 mile-an-hour speed limit on the 8th line between the Queen Elizabeth and Highway 2. The by-law is to include the Old Middle Road between the Ninth Line and Town Line, as well as the Guelph Road south of the Queen Elizabeth Highway in Nelson township. Residents on the Old Middle Road had petitioned Trafalgar to have this area designated as a built-up area, owing to the fact it was heavily travelled by Ford workers.

Roy Currie and Allen Dixon interviewed council seeking to have the county make a supplementary grant of \$200 to the Halton Agricultural Society. They claimed they had heavy expenses reconstructing the race-track and desired assistance to pay for the use of county road machinery. The delegation asked the supplementary grant be made for this year only.

Some members felt the county may be setting a precedent, which would leave the way open for other fall fair organizations to ask for similar requests. Others considered the Milton fair was a county organization and should receive all assistance and co-operation possible.

Council approved a resolution sponsored by Reeve Emmerson Ford, Trafalgar, and Deputy Reeve B. C. McKerr, Milton, to grant the Agricultural Society \$200 for leveling purposes.

Following the recommendations of council at the April meeting members approved a by-law to raise \$380,619.16 for current expenses for the year. The assessment of the county is now \$55,596,550.00. It will mean 3.5 mills for the general rate and 2.25 mills for the county road levy.

Council reviewed an application of Neil Charette for the establishment of a wrecking and salvage yard in Esquewaugh Township. The police and Deputy Reeve Wilfred Bird, Esquewaugh, are to inspect the premises, and if they find it meets with all requirements of the by-law they will authorize the issuing of such a permit.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Douglas Wigglesworth, Chapel St. school, Georgetown, thanked the council for inviting the students to attend the council meeting. "I am sure we will benefit very much by this visit," he said.

Accounts approved and authorized to be paid include: assessment, \$211.16; county buildings \$137.86; agriculture and reforestation \$195.00; printing \$61.05; county roads \$12,212.34; finance \$3,840.07; hospitals \$2,486.10; Halton Centennial Manor building committee \$62.00.