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FIFTY-ACRE SUBDIVISION to be developed in Acton is outlined on this map reproduction of the town. The property was sold yesterday by E. Braida to Wm. Thomas, senior member of the Cooksville subdividers, Thomas and Thomas Construction Co. The area, to hold a proposed 200 houses, is bounded by No. 7 Highway on the north, the Third Line on the east, town dump property on the South and Mr. Braida's property boundaries on the west. Arrow points to post office

Estimate \$15,092 for 'Cobble Hill' Subdivision Services Development

An estimated \$15,092 is considered necessary to develop roads, sewers, water and hydro in the Cobble Hill subdivision, members of Council and the P.U.C. agreed Monday, with a debenture issue of approximately \$11,000 included in that figure to underwrite all municipal costs for services extensions to the 14 houses planned in the area.

The special joint meeting was called purposely to plan services and reckon costs for Acton's latest housing subdivision which is being developed by a Milton real estate broker.

In a breakdown of cost estimates, figures were supplied by hydro superintendent D. Mason and waterworks superintendent J. Lambert.

Superintendent Mason approximated \$3,300 as required to put power into the 14 houses, 10 of which are to be constructed by a Milton builder.

Sewers will cost about \$4,200, superintendent Lambert estimated, and waterworks will cost around \$6,592 for the subdivision. It was determined later that road reconstruction will cost about \$1,000.

Clerk J. McGeachie suggested it was likely the \$4,200 sewer money needed could be garnered from the \$30,000 Warren Grove sewer extension debenture issue funds. Contract cost on this job is \$14,827, some \$9,500 below the engineer's cost estimate.

Discussion on the various phases of the work was held. It was noted the first job would be construction of the road.

A by-law for the debenture issue is to be prepared for next week's council meeting.

Reach Agreement To Resume Sewers

Resumption of work on the Warren Grove sewer extension after digging operations ceased over two weeks ago, is scheduled this week following a meeting Monday of members of council, contractor George Shultz and R. V. Anderson of the engineering firm of R. V. Anderson Associates.

Payment of \$300 to contractor Shultz was agreed upon at the meeting after it was determined the work stoppage and resultant loss of work time was caused through an engineering error in level calculations.

It was pointed out that payment of the compensation by the town is contingent upon work resuming this Wednesday.

Pumping at the excavations on MacDonald Blvd has continued at intervals during the past two weeks, in order to clear as much water out in anticipation of renewed tile laying operations.

Acton Man Retires After More Than 42 Years With Railways

Just about every growing boy, at some time or another in his imaginative youth dreams of driving a locomotive. And while few ever become railway engineers there is a man in Acton who this week looks back on 42 years as fireman and engineer in the case of locomotives.

To John Lovell, Frederick Street the occupation may or may not have been a youthful ambition, but today he regards it in terms of satisfactory completion after stepping down from the high cab for the last time.

Over 42 years ago—on March 12 1912—John Lovell joined the old Grand Trunk line as an apprentice fireman Wednesday at 11:10 a.m. in Toronto, he retired from the Canadian National Railways as a

Transports, Station Wait Strike News

Acton's senior transport company, Tyler Transport, received instructions for emergency action Wednesday, the day 140,000 non-operating rail employees indicated by vote their decision to strike.

The threatened action recalls a railway strike in August of 1950, when all the local truckers co-operated to insure continued services. The truckers are to be prepared to maintain a 24 hour, seven day a week service for the transportation of supplies required for the "maintenance of public health and safety." Instructions were given for emergency messages and priority calls.

Final outcome of the strike vote will be known completely sometime today (Thursday). It is understood that immediately a strike takes place, an emergency session of parliament will be called. At Acton station, a strike would mean that all rail employees would be automatically laid off and crew jobs cancelled.

Secretary J. McGeachie related the new hydro truck would be ready for delivery August 12, and also told the Commission he had asked a town employee to build a table for the new billing machine. Members approved payment of a total bill of \$472.99, due on a building contract with Jones and Van Gils. Contractors, following reported completion of repairs to the hydro shop facing.

The Commission also noted a letter from Marsh and McLelland Ltd., agents for the H.E.P.C.'s liability policies held in various municipalities, warning the town to place no business with Morden and Helwig, a Kitchener firm of adjusters.

Hydro superintendent D. Mason was urged to make certain of all frequency-sensitive equipment, since the H.E.P.C. had designated him responsible for itemization of all such equipment owned by the Commission.

Hydro Accounts
Petty Cash 14.38
Bell Telephone 31.35
Acton P.U.C. Waterworks 3.24
McEachern Garage 1.50

Voltagage Fluctuations
In his report, the hydro superintendent said voltage fluctuations in the North Main St. area were caused by an inadequate transformer and too light cable. Upon



VETERAN ENGINEER John Lovell, Frederick Street, this week stepped down from the locomotive cab after 42 years of service with the railways. Shown here with Mrs. Lovell are their two sons, Len, left and Gordon, right, both of Acton.

Complete Sale for 200 Lot Subdivision Here

E. Braida Sells 50 Acres to Cooksville Subdivider on Wed.

Sale was confirmed yesterday of approximately 50 acres of land, belonging to E. Braida, to William Thomas, Cooksville, senior member of the Thomas and Thomas Construction Co. which last week reached an agreement with Town Council for development of a proposed 200-unit housing subdivision on the eastern edge of town.

The Free Press was informed of the sale by G. W. Goldstraw, Milton real estate broker and R. H. Elliott, local representative, agents in the transaction.

It was pointed out that approval of the plan of subdivision from municipal and provincial planning bodies will be sought "as soon as possible," with work to start immediately following receipt of the necessary approvals.

The houses to be built—10 are scheduled for erection under the first phase of development worked out with town council—will be of solid brick with five different plans of construction.

At last week's meeting with the council the subdivider obtained an agreement whereby the town will install services into the area.

Services will be extended for an initial building program of 10 houses. Following completion of this program, a further agreement is to be framed whereby the municipality will extend services to the next phase of development contingent upon the builder meeting a construction time limit. If units are not erected within the time limit stipulated, the remaining lots may be sold individually by the real estate agent.

Issue Prize List For 42nd Fall Fair

Acton Fall Fair prize list for the 1954 presentation of the annual show was issued this week. A 76-page booklet, the new prize list contains complete entry information on all regular classes, special competitions and group or individual exhibit classes.

Dates of the 42nd Acton Fall Fair are September 17 and 18. President this year is Ray Evered, while vice-presidents are Smith Griffen and Wm. Thompson.

New 'Y' Secretary

Robert Brayshaw of Kingston has accepted the position of general secretary of Acton Y.M.C.A. Learning of the resignation of the present secretary, Dick Schmul, the Y board contacted Mr. Brayshaw with the assistance of the National Council.

The new secretary, due here in September, expects to be married shortly and will live in the apartment above the Y. He was in Acton last week making arrangements for his new position. He is presently an assistant in the Kingston Y.M.C.A.

August 15th Finish Unlikely for School

Painters, electricians and floor finishing crews are putting in long hours in an effort to finish the new High School in Acton before the end of the week and indications at mid-week are that the building can be ready to move into next week. However tradesmen were taken from the Acton school on Thursday to work on the school in Georgetown and the week-end finishing date vanished.

This will leave a few days before school opening to place drapes, put in new furnishings and place equipment before September 6. Outside painting and landscaping can be carried on in these later weeks after the interior is completed. Some of this work is now underway.

The sidewalk was laid last week. The flooring will be completed this week. Many plumbing fixtures cannot be installed until the enamel wall finish has been finished but this work will not interfere with getting the classrooms settled.

During the week-end the machines for the shop were assembled and are ready to put into place when the hardwood floor is finished. The communication system is ready for installation just as soon as the rooms are finished. Delivery of furniture is scheduled to start next week.

The school has all 60 cycle equipment and fluorescent lighting and a converter is to be installed which will operate until Acton has been converted to the new cycle. The date now set for conversion here is in November.

Rail Service Delayed After Two Freights Crash at Georgetown

Railway passenger, mail and freight service resumed through Acton late Tuesday night following day-long disruption of C.N.R. Guelph-Toronto schedules caused when an 18-car east bound freight plowed into the rear of a second standing freight in Georgetown station yard early that morning, damaged box cars and caboose remains, the first freight continued eastward.

The first freight, which passes through Acton at 4:15 a.m. E.S.T., pulled into Georgetown with a hot box. While crews were working in the early morning dark and fog to disengage the troublesome car, the second freight, running 15 minutes behind, steamed around a bend and into the yard.

According to reports, it was moving slowly.

Four Acton Girls Attend Guide Camp

Four Acton Girl Guides are attending camp north of Huntsville this week. They are Peggy Bradshaw, Betty Bean, Sheila Paul and Diane Newton.

Two camps, each accommodating 32 Guides, have been arranged for the Halton Division, to run concurrently from August 9 to August 19. The camps are at the Provincial Training Camp, comprising some 300 acres of wooded land, with several cleared sites, on the south shore of Dee Lake, about 25 miles north of Huntsville.

Mrs. R. A. Haey, Aldershot, Halton division commander, is the commandant.

The Guides left early Monday morning by bus from Burlington.

Local Honey Crop Small This Year

Early prospects for a good white honey crop were never better in Ontario. However, almost every area reports a good flow commenced and abruptly shut off due to a combination of cool and then prolonged dry weather. The honey crop for this district is very small.

Anderson Welding	3.00
Mr. Harvey Palmer	20.00
Toth's Garage	8.00
Highway Garage	22.30
H. G. Barlow and Co.	2.50
MacDonald Electric	9.45
Moloney Electric	504.00
Town of Acton, Truck	
Insurance	40.68
Line and Cable	32.05
Tremco Manufacturing	6.15
The Acton Free Press	165.00
Canadian General Electric	52.44
Ellis and Howard	4.74
Masco Electric	37.18
Northern Electric	43.60
H.E.P.C. of Ont. Power	
Consumption, Lamps	
and Heaters	9,273.39
	\$10,275.31
Waterworks Accounts	
Simplex Valve and Meter ..	25.46
Company, Charts	14.57
Canadian Brass	11.65
Bilton and Perry	
Acton P.U.C. Hydro	898.06
Operations for June	10.36
Baxter Laboratories	8.00
D. Schroeder	5.25
McEachern Garage	6.50
J. B. Mackenzie	
Acton P.U.C. Hydro	
Meter Reading	40.50
Bell Telephone Co.	13.55
Town of Acton, Truck In-	
Insurance	
Acton P.U.C. Hydro Accts ..	213.13
Williams Supply Co	8.85
	\$1,296.55

Follow Close Loss By Overwhelming 16-2 Play-Off Win

Acton Juveniles evened off the second round of the play-offs with one win and one loss the past week. Warmed up after a close defeat to Milton on Thursday, August 5, the Acton aggregation overcame the same opposition 16-2 on Tuesday evening.

The third and deciding game will be played in Acton park on Saturday afternoon. The town nine trounced Georgetown in two matches straight to proceed to face Milton.

In Thursday's encounter, tabulators saw Milton with four runs, five hits and two errors compared to Acton's two runs, six hits and six errors. Seldom in a position to make home plate, the young Actonians' play was highlighted by a home run by Skilling in the seventh inning. Morton was credited with the second count in the eighth.

Milton added two runs in the eighth to two in the fifth to take the match.

Tuesday, a determined line-up started play with a burst of activity when Skilling, Lawson, Spielvogel and Cunningham all crossed home plate in succession in the first inning. The enthusiasm for pay-off play continued throughout seven frames and tallying at the end of the game showed Lawson was scoring star with four runs, followed by Spielvogel with three. Arbie, Coon, Morton and Skilling with two and Cunningham with one.

The 16 runs were off 16 hits, with only one error committed. On the other side of the contest, Milton made a feeble attempt to match the locals with one run in the sixth and a second in the seventh. There were five hits and five errors.

Pool Attendance Slumps Week-Ends

The trend of summer living for Acton families is reflected clearly in the attendance at the junior pool in the park during these warm days. While the pool is thronged with dozens of youngsters on the afternoons during the week, the water in the pool is calm on Saturdays and Sundays, when only a few tots take a dip.

Apparently week-end trips out of town account for the sharp difference in attendance totals.

One week-day afternoon recently there were 100 children in the junior pool during the hours it was open, under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Schmul. Yet last Sunday there were only 20 playing in the new pool—and most of those from out-of-town!

Announce Upper School Exam Results for Acton H.S. Students

Following is a list of the standing of the students of Acton High School who wrote the Grade XIII examinations last June:

E. Janice Baker—Eng Comp. 58; Trig. and Statics 85.
Donald B. Dawkins—Geometry 88; Trig. and Statics 89; Physics 88; Chem. 87; Sp. Authors 53; Sp. Comp. 51.
Frederick G. Gordon—Eng. Comp. 57; Eng. Lit. 89; Geom. 60; Trig. and Statics 67; Physics 64.
Francis B. Hoffman—Eng. Comp. 53; Trig. and Statics 66.
Ena M. Jennings—Eng. Comp. 67; Eng. Lit. 81; Hist. 84; Geom. 74.

Fr. Authors 60; Fr. Comp. 50.
Nancy G. Lambert—Eng. Comp. 58; Trig. and Statics 68.
David A. McVey—Eng. Comp. 58; Eng. Lit. 64; Hist. 54; Geom. 71; Trig. and Statics 54; Physics 64.
Isabelle D. Ritchie—Eng. Comp. 58; Eng. Lit. 77; Hist. 63; Geom. 77; Trig. and Statics 84; Chem. 70; Fr. Authors 64; Fr. Comp. 63.
Ronald G. H. Rolston—Eng. Comp. 50; Eng. Lit. 52; Hist. 84; Geom. 64; Trig. and Statics 74; Physics 55.
Barbara A. Turner—Eng. Comp. 52; Eng. Lit. 76; Hist. 82; Geom. 84; Trig. and Statics 81; Fr. Authors 72; Fr. Comp. 60.