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Road Repairs Chief Topic At County Council Session

The manner of repairing County roads and the road close to the beaver dam came in for long discussion at the regular meeting of Halton County Council held at Milton, Tuesday afternoon. The meeting followed a tour of the King Paving Company plant at Mount Nemo earlier in the day.

A letter received from the Town of Burlington fired the debate when Reeve R. H. Shannon reviewed Burlington's objections in the manner which Brant Street was repaired. The communication stated the town of Burlington was extremely disappointed with the patching on Brant Street.

Reeve Shannon explained Burlington had contributed \$42,000 to the county road system since 1946. It is understood the present work on this street cost about \$4,000, he said. "That seems to be unfair, feel the people should get more for their money."

No Report Tabled
He further stated the county completed work on roads in Nelson township a year ago at a cost of some \$6,500 per mile. "It is money down the drain, as this work had to be done over again this year. I have asked for a program of the work to be done on county roads to be tabled, but this has not been done as yet," he concluded.

Defending the actions of the road committee, Reeve A. R. Service, Nassagaweya, emphasized the budget would not permit a full scale repair job on Brant Street this year. He thought the committee did well to repair this road as it is and has put it in fairly good shape. "It may not be the best but it is a very good road to drive on now and I don't feel we have to make any apologies to the town of Burlington," he said.

Trafalgar representatives felt their township had paid considerable amounts over the years into the road fund but thought that in spite of the great amount of work to be done the committee was doing an excellent job this year. "Look at the seventh line," deputy-reeve Robert Marshall injected. "The repairs there are not standing up as they should but the road is reasonably good to travel on."

Best on Money Available
With the prospects of lower grants, the committee had to do the best job it could with the money available. Reeve William Anderson, Oakville, declared. "The committee just could not afford to spend an estimated \$25,000 on this road this year," he added.

Reeve Shannon said the town's engineer could not recommend the patching job as it was applied too thinly. Had a heavier application of material been used, it would stand up much better and not be a waste of the taxpayers' money. Council agreed to refer Burlington's communication back to the road committee for further consideration.

Reeve George Brenholtz, Nelson, told council considerable work had been done jointly by the county reforestation committee and the county conservation committee, to consider the proper solution of the flooding condition on the county road between Nassagaweya and Equeusing townships caused by a nearby beaver dam.

Halt Postal Delivery
It was stated a letter had been received from the District Director of Postal Services indicating postal delivery would be discontinued in this area if the road was not repaired. Reeve Brenholtz said that following investigation, it was found the road was flooded each year but since the beaver had located there the flooding was much greater. "Possibly the townships should have raised this road before and possibly the beaver are to blame, but looking at it from the point of conservation, since it has been established farmer's wells below the mountain have more water in them now than ever before," Reeve Brenholtz explained.

Council approved the committee's recommendation that the county would pay 25 per cent, or up to \$750 toward the raising of this road, with the township paying the balance. Deputy-reeve Linham, Equeusing, said his council was prepared to call for tenders immediately as it was Equeusing's share of the road to maintain.

Manoe Overcrowded
Council approved a resolution calling for a consultation with the architects in an attempt to find an

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Preference Given Firm, Not Warning

Following a recent meeting of the Public Utilities Commission it was reported in this newspaper that agents for the HEPC's liability policies held in various municipalities warned the town to place no business with Morden & Helwig Ltd. a Kitchener firm of adjusters. It has been brought to the attention of this office since that Morden & Helwig were the adjusters for agents, Marsh & McLelland Ltd. preferred used in this area and did not warn against the employment of Morden and Helwig's services.

The Free Press regrets any dissemination which may have been caused Morden and Helwig or Marsh and McLelland as a result of this misinterpretation of information.

Guelph Presbytery Charges Separated

The Presbytery of Guelph of the Presbyterian church met in St. David's church, Campbellville, on Tuesday afternoon and evening, September 14, for their regular September meeting and to conduct the service of designation for Rev. J. E. Sutherland who leaves shortly to take up his duties as a missionary in Formosa.

Rev. C. D. Farris of St. Andrew's church, Galt, was elected moderator to succeed Rev. P. G. MacInnes of Elora. Two young men, Leslie Barclay and Malcolm Summers, were certified to Knox College and a third, Albert Cook, was received as a candidate for the Christian ministry.

M. M. Coles reported for the budget committee that \$2,385 more had been received for the missionary budget than at this date last year. Rev. P. G. MacInnes, reporting for the committee on Christian Education, outlined the activities in his department this fall. There is to be a leadership training conference for teen-age workers in Knox church, Guelph, next week. The Young People's Council are also arranging a leadership training conference for their officers. The church school worker's rally will be later in September in Kitchener.

It was decided to separate St. Paul's church, Guelph from Rockwood and Eden Mills after October 1 so St. Paul's can have both morning and evening services. Rev. F. Williamson will continue to minister to the St. Paul's congregation.

The same evening, a large congregation assembled for the designation service. Rev. J. E. Sutherland was presented for designation by Rev. E. H. Johnson, the Overseas Secretary of the General Board of Missions. Mr. Johnson, himself, served in Manchuria.

Discussion Topic Of Kindness, Help

A discussion on "how best to help those around us" was a feature of the September meeting of the Daughters of Knox Young Women's Affiliated group, held Monday, September 13 at the home of Georgina Van Fleet. The hostess was also the study convener for the evening and divided the group into three, under the guidance of Jean McPhail, Dolores Jordan and Kay Hansen. Helping others by being kind and assisting where help is needed was the decision reached.

Mrs. A. Buchanan welcomed the new members to the group and announced the October meeting will be held at the home of Gladys Jones. The secretary's report was read by Kay Hansen and Betty Holmes, in the absence of Lorraine Kiffmull, read the treasurer's report. The president, Betty Ashley, was in the chair for the meeting.

Business centered upon the budget for the coming year, by-laws and ways of adding to the expense fund, church and missionary projects. The Mizpah benediction brought the meeting to a close and, after games, lunch was served.

Roof Repaired

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This afternoon (Thursday) the first of the exhibits are being placed in the hall and judging begins tomorrow. Every inch of advertising space in the hall is allotted and last minute plans are being made today.

Actonians on Donkeys
Highlight of the Friday evening show in the arena will be the ever-popular 11th Field Regiment band of Guelph. Also listed on the evening's list of entertainment are the Starlighters, roller skaters; a juggler, Jeff Holland and an acrobat, June Dawn.

Donkey baseball, with local men on the unpredictable mounts, will draw the attention and laughs of the fair crowd on Saturday night in the arena. The firemen are matched against the fair directors.

Rotarians will be in charge of the gates and the firemen in charge of parking cars.

New sheep pens were completed in time for the entries which will arrive on Saturday.

Saturday evening sees the staging of the annual fair dance in the town hall, when the Rhythm Ramblers will play the tunes for both round and square dancing.

Midway Preview at Fall Fair Friday for All School Children

Distribute 1800 Free Tickets to Town and District School Pupils

Two afternoons and two evenings of fun on the midway are promised for the 43rd edition of Acton fall fair this Friday and Saturday, September 17 and 18. The youngsters will this year enjoy the games and candy apples and rides on Friday afternoon, when they're invited to come to the fair grounds for special children's rates right after school. Altogether 1800 free children's tickets have been given out at Acton and district schools.

A phone call assured the fair board that the midway, contracted for months ago, will set up their booths and rides on Thursday and be ready for the two day fair, Friday and Saturday.

Thousands are expected to fill Acton park for the sessions of judging, continuous entertainment, attractive displays and music.

Prize money, classes, amusements, displays and special attractions are the best ever this year. The fair board, under its youngest president ever, Ray Everdell, only hopes that a fine, sunny day will frame their months of planning.

To Open Fair
F. A. Lashley, secretary of the Ontario Fair Association and secretary-manager of the International Plowing Match, will officially open the fair Saturday afternoon on the platform in front of the grandstand.

Continual entertainment will be provided during the afternoon in front of the grandstand. One of the novel attractions this year will be Mrs. J. Lightle of R.R. 2, Acton, and her pony which she trained herself. The animal, which does tracks, and its trainer were the subject of an article in one of the week-end magazines lately.

Against a background of music played by the Acton band, the light horse show, stock parade and road races will also take place.

There will be no baby show this year since the firm which sponsored the event has changed hands.

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Inside This Issue

Autumn in the wind brings in a suite features back to the Free Press and this week, on page nine, curiosity takes the writer to Ontario's second largest apary, only a few miles from here, where he pokes his nose around bee hives and, falling to get a sting, gives a story.

Memorials' Dedication, Service Of Farewell at St. Alban's Sun.

Sunday evening in St. Alban's church, Acton, two memorials were dedicated. One of them, a marble tablet on the south wall of the nave, is a memorial to the late Rev. W. G. Luxton, Rector of the parish from 1948 to 1952, who died suddenly while Rector in January of the latter year. This memorial matches one on the north wall to the memory of the Rev. Cooke, also a former Rector, who died while incumbent in 1865.

The other memorial is a brass tablet in memory of those who fell in the Second Great War and it too, matches a similar memorial to the dead of the First Great War.

About 150 persons were present for the dedication ceremony conducted by the Rev. Ralph E. Price, Rector. Mrs. W. G. Luxton, the widow of the late Rev. W. G. Luxton and her children were present as was Mrs. Luxton, the mother of the late Rector. Many friends of St. Alban's and of the Luxton family were also present, as the United, Presbyterian and Baptist churches withdrew their evening service so that their congregations could attend.

In his last sermon to the congregation, Rev. Price preached from the text, "Then answered Jesus and said unto them, 'Verily, verily I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do, for what things so ever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.'" (John 5: 19).

He emphasized the continuity of the church, the "divine society," centered about God, to whom the church belongs. "We will see ourselves, not just as members of St. Alban's or our own particular congregation, but members of a Church and Family that is in all places, for all men, everywhere. A Church that is militant here in earth, expectant in Paradise and triumphant in heaven; the Church of the Saints and Martyrs, the Apostles and the Evangelists. This is our own family, God's family. Those of the past began with such a vision, we of the present hold it, and those of the future will continue it, until the day when all things are God's even the Father's."

Manual Training Room Scheduled

The public school board, meeting Tuesday evening, decided to convert a unit in the old high school for a manual training room. Chairman Tom Watson presided at the meeting when all members were present.

Miss Monica Barnard was engaged to teach music two days a week in Acton.

Principal G. W. McKenzie reported a total enrolment of 579 at the opening of school, with 87 in the kindergarten-primary. He recalled that last year 59 pupils enrolled after the opening of school, causing overcrowding. Since conditions are better this year, an additional rise in enrolment could be satisfactorily absorbed.

He reported eight new staff members, whom he considered very good. The school nurse, Miss Lanzetta, is making her headquarters in Acton.

Requisitions for supplies were approved, as well as additional supplies and equipment for the home economics and manual training.

The secretary reported receipt of May and June Dublin area fees, \$45; \$131.16 non-resident fees for June and \$34.75 for space logs.

The financial statement of \$7,490.68 was approved; this included the new walks, painting and public address system extended to the old high school.

Board members inspected the public school and expressed satisfaction with the floor finishing and painting done during the holidays. They commended the caretakers on their work and the splendid condition of the school.

The overcrowded grade 10 will now be divided into two classes. Grade 13 will meet in the outer office as the additional class results in a classroom shortage.

When Mr. Pastyr joins the staff, there will be five men teachers and two women teachers at the Acton high school. Mr. Pastyr's home is in Toronto. He is a veteran of the R.C.A.F.

Ask Townships Favor Extended Area Phone Service Proposals

Representatives of the Equeusing and Nassagaweya townships met with members of the North Halton Urban Board in Milton on Wednesday evening of this week to consider the suggested extension of telephone service by an amalgamation of the Milton, Acton and Georgetown exchanges.

Chairman J. Armstrong explained to W. Linham for Equeusing and A. Sorens for Nassagaweya that the urban municipalities had already favored the taking of a poll vote among subscribers to determine their reaction.

It was further explained that before the new plan of extended service could be put into effect an 85 per cent. majority of the subscribers must favor the move.

The extended service would increase the rates approximately 20 cents per month on private lines, according to official Bell estimates. Back of the thinking of members of the Board in promoting the idea was the greater ease of ringing through fire alarms, police calls and other emergency services.

Extension of the service would eliminate toll charges between any of these three centres, it was explained. Township representatives agreed to present the matter to their councils and receive resolutions favoring the vote if the councils were agreeable.

The Board secretary J. McGeachie, was instructed to investigate and determine whether the 85 per cent. majority was of votes cast or of total subscribers.

Information on the possibility of a booth at the Trade Fair to promote North Halton industrially was presented. A minimum size area would be 10 feet by 12 feet at \$2.50 a square foot. The preparation of the booth would be considered additional expense. This matter was to be considered further when more information was available and the financial situation of the board was reviewed.

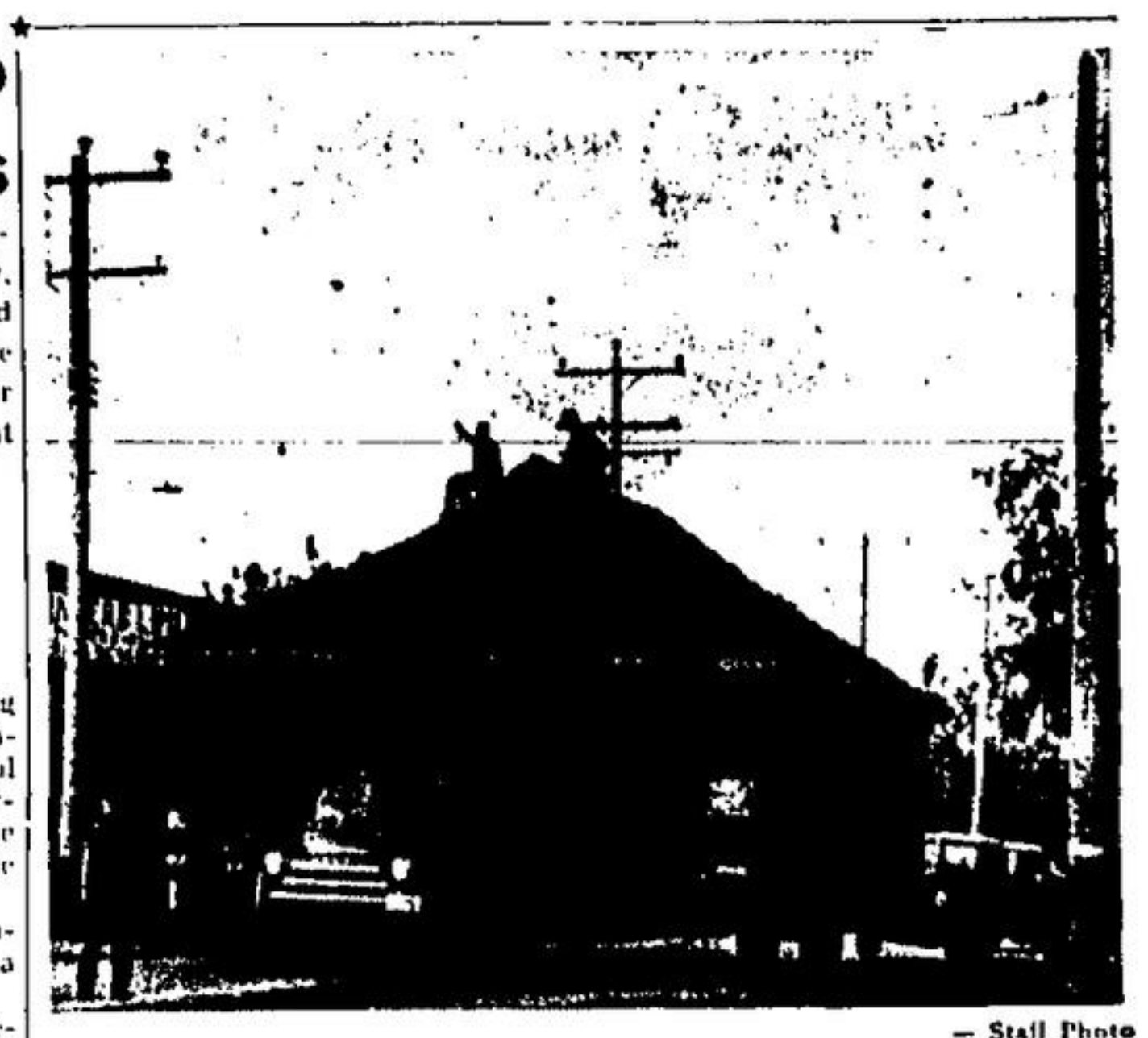
J. Dills, representing the Dills Printing and Publishing Co., submitted suggestions and prices on the preparation of a promotional brochure embodying a detailed map of the North Halton area and other necessary information, as requested by the Board. A committee was to meet at the next meeting to consider the information that should be included in the folder.

Councillor Sargent Georgetown, suggested members should consider an interchange of information on industrial sites available so that if one town was unable to satisfy an investigating industrialist, the facilities of one of the other North Halton towns could be offered. This plan was endorsed as members pointed out the value to the area as a whole to have the effects of the industry in North Halton.

Acton's Pee Wees Enter Tournament

Early Saturday morning a crew of enthusiastic local lads armed with lacrosse sticks, hustled off to Burlington to do battle with other 8 to 12 year-olds in the Ontario Pee Wee Lacrosse tournament sponsored by the O.L.A.

The Acton boys coached all summer by Marc Lafontaine in weekly games among themselves, are the pick of teams sponsored by two local businessmen, Harold Dedels and Sid Eizen. Saturday Acton faces off at 8:30 a.m. against Long Branch.



MOBILE SCHOOLROOM, on its way to an Arthur Street location where it will assume a residential role, is caught by The Free Press camera at the corner of Young and Queen Streets where riders on top lift wires to allow the former classroom to pass underneath. Before being sold it was used for several years as an extra public school classroom.

Seventh Teacher For High School

M. M. Pastyr, formerly of Sudbury, has been engaged as the seventh teacher on the Acton high school staff this week. Unexpectedly high enrolment necessitated the hiring of an additional teacher after the term began. A committee accepted the application of Mr. Pastyr on Monday evening. Finalization is of course subject to board approval at the meeting on Monday night. There were 11 applications for the position.

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