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Steps to Increase Water Storage Space Urged Now

Acton's need for more water storage space was again stressed this week when Council, near the close of Monday night's regular session, agreed immediate steps should be taken to acquire land to build greater reservoir capacity.

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The meaning of this remark was underlined last week when it was reported that due to lack of enough reservoir capacity, excess water from the town's main spring was being run into Fairy Lake at night after the reservoir is filled. Peak demand in the daytime, however, draws heavily on the reservoir reserve in addition to the pumped output.

Total capacity of the town's spring reservoir, service reservoir and standpipe tank is only 250,000 gallons. While no projected size was considered at length, members talked in terms of need for a 500,000 or million-gallon reservoir in addition to present storage units.

Takes Builders to Task
Monday night's only delegation was from Thomas and Thomas Construction Ltd., who wished to know if the town would have an objection to them selling a block of lots in the Glenlea development to another builder who would continue construction under the same arrangements as the present builders. They asked if there was any reason why building permits for a new builder might be held up.

The Mayor Tyler took the subdivision to ask for not completing deed arrangements over to the town on the five per cent. dedication of land legally due the municipality. He flatly stated he was in no mood to give much attention to such a request until Thomas and Thomas ascertained the town's repeated efforts to have the land dedication matter cleared up.

Jack Thomas, as spokesman, protested it wasn't their fault the transfer was delayed. He intimated legal difficulties were responsible. Arguments ceased up to here, and ended with Acton's solicitor, F. Leatherland, remarking that the Thomases have a new lawyer. Mr. Leatherland added that he felt the matter would be cleared up in a few days.

Council gave no definite reply to Mr. Thomas' original request, but consented to have a five-man committee meet the prospective new builders and discuss a sub-agreement.

At the request of lawyer Peter McWilliams, representing Thomas and Thomas, the town gave reading to a by-law which releases a dump lease on Lot 27, part of the Glenlea lands, and held by the town with the former owner of the property. It was explained the lease should have applied to Lot 28.

Council passed a motion ordering A. Duby paid \$69.50 for overtime work supervising service installations for the town. A motion was also passed authorizing the clerk to call for tenders of town debentures ready for the 1955 market.

Clerk McGeachie reminded council a meeting was scheduled for this week with counsel J. D. Lucas to deal with the statement of claim by Esqueing township for annexation compensation.

Dispute with Esqueing
Solicitor Leatherland revealed there was some dispute existing over portions on lots in the western section of town as to whether or not they lay in town or township. Riding on the dispute is the question of who gets the assessment. Another complication mentioned was the case of an Acton man who owns a lot in the disputed area. The question of where the building permit will come from, town or township, unsettles this case.

In an effort to settle the differences, a surveyor is to be called in to determine monument lines.

Before Solicitor Leatherland left, he repeated his desire to act as an independent counsel for the town; rather than as the appointed legal advisor. To implement this, council accepted his resignation as appointed town solicitor.

A Toronto firm of lawyers queried council by letter. If there was any restriction on rebuilding from the fronting property line of a commercial property at the corner of Mill and Willow streets, should this property be sold.

Question of Location
It developed there was some question of the exact location of the fronting property line. Councilors agreed to refuse such a request, but to suggest to the law firm that it make a motion in court to have the street line established.

Acton's new engineer, Frank Pallesen, was introduced to councilors.

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Police Chief Warns Owners To Keep Their Dogs Home

It appears that many owners of dogs are either ignorant of the law or just careless. After night the prowling canines upset garbage pails and make regular rounds. Seeking information on the nuisance, it was found the by-law requires all dogs to be kept tied from April 1st until October 31st—every day, every night, for the full 24 hours.

Another provision states that after October 31 the dogs must be kept tied on garbage collection days. Corporal Mason, head of police in Acton, warns that hereafter all owners of dogs who violate the provisions of the by-law will immediately be summoned to court. There will be no more warnings issued. The days of leniency are all over.

The word is passed along: If you love your dog, keep him at home day and night, or your pet may become a very expensive one.

School Centennial

Of keen interest to many of the older residents of Acton and area was the centennial celebration last weekend for Nassagaweya School Section 3.

A full account of the events will be found on this page, in addition to pictures. Other pictures will be found on Pages Three, Five and Seven.

Rockwood P.S. Gets New Wing

Work is progressing this week on a new utility addition to Rockwood's public school, which will have one more classroom after the one-storey enlargement is completed.

The \$14,000 addition, built of cement block, will house teachers' room, storage space and washroom. Space used for this purpose before will be utilized to provide the extra classroom.

While the extra room is badly needed, it was reported that the next five years will see the need for even more classrooms to accommodate Rockwood's growing public school enrolment.

Janice Baker's Marks Excellent In Upper School Exam Results

Outstanding marks were made by Janice Baker, who was successful in passing all the nine examination papers she wrote in upper school this year with excellent marks. Her highest was 92 in history.

Francis Hefferman passed the eight papers he wrote last spring. He has one upper school credit he wrote last year.

Nancy Lambert, who passed seven papers, missed just one. She also has one from last year.

Complete results, as released by principal Ted Hansen, omitting papers failed, follow:
Baker, Janice—Eng. Comp. 70; Eng. Lit. 69; Hist. 92; Alg. 69; Chem. 73; Lat. Auth. 77; Lat. Comp. 67; Fr. Auth. 82; Fr. Comp. 78.
Baxter, Barbara—Alg. 70; Botany 76.
Benton, Neilson—Eng. Comp. 54.
Coxe, Robert—Eng. Comp. 58.
Gordon, Frederick—Alg. 50; Chem. 50.

Holmes, Francis—Eng. Comp. 55; Eng. Lit. 50; Hist. 65; Alg. 67; Geom. 78; Trig. and Statics 61; Phys. 61; Chem. 77.
Jan, Elizabeth—German Auth. 83; German Comp. 65.
Jany, Joseph—Hist. 83; German Auth. 60; German Comp. 67.
Lambert, Nancy—Eng. Comp. 77; Eng. Lit. 55; Chem. 50; Latin Auth. 50; Latin Comp. 50; French Auth. 77; French Comp. 69.
Lindsay, June—Eng. Comp. 53; Eng. Lit. 51; French Auth. 60; French Comp. 52.

Tape Recording Surprises Girls

Hidden from the Y girl day campers, a tape recorder made a recording of their variety show on the last day of the program. There was much laughter as the surprise recording was played back.

All the girls took part in the program, which included recitations, singing and piano solos last Friday morning.

In the afternoon the closing party was held. Games and movies were followed by lunch.

Although the Orchids were ahead until near the end, the team of the Roses won the most points during the two week camp. Boosting the Roses were their marks from a scavenger hunt and games played inside one day when rain cancelled a ball game.

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THE HUNDRETH ANNIVERSARY of S.S. No. 3 Nassagaweya will be remembered by the presence of a plaque, which was dedicated to commemorate the occasion and will be erected in the school room. From left to right are shown: Thomas Amos, chairman of the Centennial Committee; W. J. Fisher, who assisted with the dedication; Mrs. J. Weeden, who dedicated the plaque honoring the early pioneer residents and Mrs. T. Amos, who presented the flowers to Mrs. Weeden.

Centennial in Nassagaweya

Hundreds of Old School Friends Reunite

"Faith of our Fathers! Living Still!" were the words of the ancient hymn that rose from the crowded church service at S.S. No. 3 Nassagaweya when residents of the area, former pupils, and friends joined in the tribute to the pioneers of the area Sunday. Marking 100 years for the school section was the three day event, slightly dampened by a torrential downpour on Saturday afternoon, but continued despite the difficulties.

The celebrations started on Friday night when a crowd of more than 500 turned out for the dance at Brookville Hall. Cars lined the roads for a mile around. The old-time waltz competition was won by Billy Mitchell and Mrs. G. Watson of Clappison's Corners. There was such a large crowd present that the music was relayed outdoors and couples danced in the open air.

Threaten Cancellation
Saturday afternoon, the rains and

Buy Drapes, Extend P.A. System For Acton High School Addition

Contract for the drapes at Acton High School was on Monday night awarded to Duncan McPhee of Guelph at a cost of \$394.50. The materials are to match those on the main section of the building.

Additions to the public address system in the new classrooms and halls at Acton are to cost \$196.00 and work is to be made by the same company which made the original installation.

The Board approved purchase of a new bookcase for Georgetown school and arrangements were made to have desks repaired or replaced. These desks carried a five year guarantee and would be replaced or repaired by the company.

The report of the sanitary inspector regarding the three schools was read and conditions were found satisfactory.

The secretary read correspondence regarding the additions at Milton school. The contractor was most anxious to get ahead with the construction of two rooms there, but all progress was held up until the necessary by-law had received Municipal Board approval.

A letter was read from the Milton Public School Board, giving a copy of the resolution in which it was stated that Board was not interested in purchasing the present High School property. It was pointed out that if work did not start immediately, the new rooms would not be available by the end of the year.

The secretary reported he could

First Time in Canada

Acton Scouts at World Jamboree

This first day at the eighth World Boy Scout Jamboree has begun for the two Acton participants, Queen's Scout Wayne Currie and Scoutmaster David Dills. A continuous stream of news on the radio, television, in magazines and newspapers will keep Actonians posted on day-by-day highlights of the event, and the two scouts will be sending an account of their experiences in the first few days back to the Free Press for next week's issue.

Wayne Currie, after being banqueted in Guelph last night, left by bus this morning with about 40 other Scouts of the third Timberlands Troop, for Niagara-on-the-Lake and a never-to-be-forgotten experience.

The boys prepared for jamboree activities by holding a pre-jamboree overnight camp at the Guelph scout camp last week-end. Despite pouring rain and gusty winds, the boys and their leaders did damp rehearsals of expected Jamboree activities. Included was cooking on the regulation charcoal burners.

Leader of the troop is Norm Gibson of Guelph. Included in it are scouts from Milton, Georgetown, Fergus, Guelph and Rockwood, as well as Acton. There were about 30 crowded into the one tent at the scout camp Saturday afternoon after the long-expected tail of the hurricane brought weather which was certainly not the best for camping.

With his clothes all soaked, Wayne Currie wore his pyjamas for part of the day! He was glad to meet Terry Clifford at the pre-camp, a Guelph scout who used to live in Acton. They braved the rain

to sleep outside in a tent Saturday night.

Issued to the boys were items of a secondary uniform which they will wear around their camp sites at the Jamboree. They are yellow shirts have "Third Timberlands" written across them. They will wear these T-shirts with their shorts, new navy short socks and crested field caps. They were issued special Jamboree neckerchiefs as well. Very smart, they are yellow with a gold maple leaf and the word Canada in red on a black background.

Last night's banquet in Guelph was tendered to the scouts by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the 7th Boy Scout Troop in Guelph. Wayne and other out-of-town scouts took all their gear with them and stayed overnight in Guelph. At nine this morning, they were scheduled to

leave that city in a chartered bus for the Jamboree site at Niagara-on-the-Lake.

This coming week will be packed full of fascinating events and new friendships for the scouts. Acton friends and relatives are planning to attend some of the open days, when scouts, cubs, guides, brownies and their leaders in uniform are admitted free.

Some of the scouts from the troop will be going down one afternoon. Arrangements are being made for the boys who indicated they'd like to go. Only Queen's Scouts were eligible to attend the Jamboree.

The Jamboree is to have a daily newspaper, with a full staff of professional newspapermen headed by Bert Mortlock, a scout himself.

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Bright Spots During Storm

Acton streets and homes were lashed on Saturday by the tail end of Hurricane Connie. While the entire town was greyed by driving rain, bright spots during the afternoon and evening were the Hydro truck and its workmen, who were soaked to the skin as they repaired storm damage. With their vivid red truck, Doug Mason and Kerwin McPhail worked in bright yellow slickers and hats—which couldn't keep out the rain, driven by gusty winds.

Five lines were down on Church St. alone as the men worked hour after hour to restore electric power to homes. In some places, it was off as long as four hours.

Bell Telephone men were also busy in the district as phone wires were crossed during the storm.

The earth drank up the rain at first but as the storm increased and rain fell with force reminiscent of Hurricane Hazel, pools formed in low lying areas. Many branches were blown down.

Issue \$260,000 Building Permits Here During July

Building in Acton continues to forge ahead at a record-setting pace, as echoes of construction ring from both the east and west sides of town.

July was a big month. Figures from town assessor O. Lamb show permits issued in value at slightly under \$260,000, some \$100,000 more than all the months of 1954.

Practically all of this building represented by the July permits is taking place at the Lakeview subdivision where the subdividers, Fraleigh Construction, are working on 27 houses. Foundations have been dug for these homes and, on many of them, walls are going up.

On the other side of town, at the Glenlea development, Thomas and Thomas Ltd. have completed nearly 40 houses. More than half of these are occupied. Construction is continuing on another group of 52 houses. It is reported that many of these are already sold, even before they are erected.

In July a permit was issued to the Sun Oil Company to erect a service station on Queen Street, just west of Glenlea where the company is reported to have purchased property from E. Braida.

Release of the July building figures brings the total for the seven-month period of 1955 to \$917,150. For the same seven months' time in 1954 the comparative total was only \$36,430.

Picnic Rained Out At Galt Saturday

The Christian Reformed church picnic was completely rained out last Saturday. After travelling to Galt by cars, the youngsters played in the park for half an hour before the day-long deluge began.

The picnic will probably be held again, likely in about three weeks.

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WITH 11,000 SCOUTS from all over the world, Dave Dills, on the left, scoutmaster of the First Acton Troop and Patrol Leader, Queen's Scout Wayne Currie are attending the Eighth World Boy Scout Jamboree at Niagara-on-the-Lake which begins today.

Wayne Currie spent last week-end at a pre-jamboree camp preparing for the event, and left Guelph with the 3rd Timberlands troop this morning. Mr. Dills is with the newspaper staff which will publish a special Jamboree Newspaper each day.

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