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H.S. Board Faces Need for Room In Georgetown

Members of North Halton High School District Board gave serious consideration Monday night to the problem of getting more classroom space at Georgetown before next fall.

The Georgetown members were asked to make a survey of possible sites for the school and report to the next meeting. It was learned that used portable classrooms were not available. Other alternatives to meet the crowded conditions were also discussed.

The board is fully aware of the conditions in Georgetown school and that prompt steps must be taken.

Mr. Goodlet, the new member from Georgetown to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Dr. Milne, was introduced to the meeting. Accounts for the month amounted to \$17,771.64 and were passed for payment.

A copy of a letter sent to the contractor by the architects expressed dissatisfaction with the workmanship at the Acton and Georgetown schools. Matters which demanded correction were drawn to the attention of the contractor.

It was decided that progress reports on the new addition at Milton school would be honored, but the suspension of payments at Acton remains until defects are corrected.

Present at the meeting were Messrs. Cook, Carbert, Hood, Hall, Forgrave, Masterson, Brown, Anderson and Goodlet and chairman W. J. Coon presided. The meeting was held in Acton.

The final meeting of the year will be held December 19 in Acton.

Rev. Albaugh Baptist Speaker At Anniversary

Rev. G. P. Albaugh, professor of church history at McMaster University, was the guest speaker at the 114th anniversary services of Acton Baptist church on Sunday. He spoke both the morning and evening.

Pastor Ray Coster, who is studying at McMaster, introduced Mr. Albaugh to the congregation here. Good congregations attended both services, with friends from other churches in Acton and from Hillsburgh, Belton, Cheltenham, other out-of-town points attending in the evening.

Soloist for the day was Don Stratton, pre-divinity student at McMaster and a brother of the Wayne Stratton of the public school staff here. Miss Evelyn Goodwin trained a special choir which sang both morning and evening. Charles Landsborough presided at the organ and his daughter, Miss Helen Landsborough, played the piano in the evening.

S.G. Bennett Given All Major Trophies

All the major trophies in Short-horn classes, including premier breeder and exhibitor, went to S. G. Bennett at the Royal Winter Fair. The reserve grand champion female was Scotsdale Butterfly Fulleite owned by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Bennett, whose farm is near Ballinacra, is a former president of the Winter Fair.

Acton Chamber Sponsors Local 'Appreciation Day'

Miss Rowe Ends Talks To C.G.I.T.

The C.G.I.T. of Knox church met at the home of their leader, Mrs. Douglas Davidson, on Monday evening, November 21. Betty Lemon read the scripture and Mrs. Davidson led in prayer.

The business part of the meeting was opened with the Purpose. It was decided to have a Christmas party and to exchange gifts. Miss Rowe gave the last in a series of talks. She gave several hints on home nursing and baby sitting with demonstrations. Ann Walker, on behalf of the group, presented Miss Rowe with a gift in appreciation of her interesting talks. The meeting closed with Tea.

Prospects Good For Junior D's

About 20 very enthusiastic players turned out for the first practice of the new Junior D hockey team last week-end. Those interested will be playing again next week-end and prospects for a winning entry are excellent.

So far the team-to-be has received no definite word on its grouping. Others in the same class have already begun their schedule in towns with artificial ice.



HONOR GRADUATION DIPLOMAS were awarded to five Acton high school graduates at the annual Commencement exercises in the public school auditorium Friday night. Left to right are Frank Heffernan, Janice Baker, Nancy Lambert, David McVey. Absent when the photo was taken was Barbara Baxter. Miss Baker was the class valedictorian.

Diplomas, Scholarships and Prizes Awarded at H.S. Commencement

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Feud Over Lakeview Entry Course Still On After Year

Settlement of Council's and Tom Brankiewicz's year-long feud over the course of a new road would take from Main St. past the Brankiewicz property and into Lakeview subdivision—still shies from realization this week despite members working over yet another offer and accepting aid from the newly-formed Acton Ratepayers' Association toward completion of an agreement.

Progress Speed Calls For Balance Rotary Club Told

At a meeting described by club president Harold Kinread as a standout in the 1955-56 season, Acton Rotarians heard a former juvenile and family court judge exhort them as a group and individuals to balance service in human relations against the stunning speed of scientific progress.

Judge Hawley Mott, who with other members of the Toronto Rotary club provided Tuesday night's program, said Rotary is a means of putting "cogs into the needs of the community."

No club, he said, is stronger than its weakest member. He went on to illustrate, drawing frequently from his 33 years' experience on the bench, how the strength that Rotary can supply is needed in man-to-man and father-to-son relationships, as they weigh on social and ethical conditions.

To share, to practice empathy, the ability to put yourself in the other fellow's place, and to have faith are cardinal ingredients in making the world about you a better place for everybody, he stressed.

The speaker was introduced by F. I. Wright and thanked by Ted Hansen. Prior to his address, the group was entertained by several solos from Frank Oldfield, also a member of the Toronto Rotary club.

Inter-school field day champions, when Erin, Georgetown, Milton and Acton schools competed, included Bill Skilling, Frank Cooper and Ruth Landsborough of Acton.

The valedictorian medal, was presented to Janice Baker by the president of the students' council, Wayne Currie.

Music numbers were contributed to the program by Sheila Paul, who played her violin, and Donna McMillan and Frank Bean, who sang a duet.

Intermediate certificates were presented by C. Pichlusch to Ross Armstrong, Emerson Baxter, Sylvia Blatherwick, Raymond Braida, John Brown, Margaret Dennis, Margaret Early, Robert Funk, Brian Gervais, Patricia Given, Helena Hills, Peter Hurst, Marie Kerr, Wendy MacKenzie, Marianne McEachern, Elizabeth McEnery, Allan McIntosh, Jean Manes, William Oost, Ronald Sinclair, Beverley Smith and Barry Stewart.

On behalf of the staff, Miss A. Taylor presented prizes to the best all-round students in grades nine and 10. Betty Altonby and Helen Landsborough won these prizes on the basis of character, good sportsmanship, extra-curricular activities and co-operation.

The Canadian Legion scholarship for general proficiency was presented to Janice Baker by Gordon Baxter, Legion branch president.

Special prizes presented to the girl and boy in middle and upper school having the best all-round record, as judged by both students and staff, was presented by Mrs. W. D. E. Smith to Elizabeth Jany and Wayne Arbic. These rings are given annually by the Lakeside chapter I.O.D.E.

W. J. Coon, chairman of the North Halton High School District Board, presented the proficiency scholarships of \$15 and \$10 to the following: grade nine, Jackie Kerr, Mary Jane Force; grade 10, Allan McIntosh, Wendy MacKenzie; grade 11, Elizabeth Jany, Joy Peal.

Achievement Scholarships The Duke of Devonshire chapter I.O.D.E. scholarship to the student who attains the highest standing on upper school papers was presented by Mrs. J. Whitnam to Janice Baker.

The \$25 scholarship given by the Lakeside chapter I.O.D.E. to the student attaining highest standing in grade 12 was presented by Mrs. H. H. Hinton to Joe Jany.

Miss C. Gray, a former commercial teacher, returned to Acton to present the Melboracis commercial scholarship to Joe Jany.

Mrs. Charles Kirkness presented Amos Maon's scholarship for the student making greatest progress during the year to Ron Davidson.

Awards won at the field day in May, 1955, awarded by the school board, were presented by Mrs. E. C. Reed and O. Drubler. Senior

Tomorrow Night

Tomorrow (Friday) night is nomination night, or Citizen's Night, in Acton.

From 7.30 to 8.30 in the town hall, names may be put forth to fill the civic posts of mayor, reeve, deputy reeve, six council seats, three public school trustees and two Public Utilities Commission seats.

Following the closing time for nominations, those in public office through the year will present their annual reports to the taxpayers.

This newspaper urges every citizen, who can possibly do so, to attend their night.

Acton Youths Unhurt In Crash

Three young men from Acton were uninjured late Sunday night when the car they were riding was involved in an accident just east of Guelph. Damage to the car was estimated at about \$600.

Investigating provincial police from the Guelph detachment gave no reason for the cause of the mishap. Owner and driver of the car was Herb Doids. His passengers were John Creasey and Bob Coon. All are from Acton.

Work All Wasted? The Mayor also asked Mr. Cook if he realized Council and Planning Board had spent many meetings preparing a plan for registration, working out agreement with the subdivider and submitting and waiting for this plan to pass through the slow processes of government departments. All this work, Mayor Tyler pointed out, would be wasted if the road course were changed.

Mr. Cook said he appreciated this, but believed Mr. Brankiewicz was entitled to consideration in any agreement finally made. He asked Council to defeat the by-law which would legally set the course and bring in a new by-law "to make for a more amicable situation."

Mayor Tyler replied that Council knew other agreements had been signed by Mr. Brankiewicz, only to be broken later by a change of mind. Council had no guarantee the same thing wouldn't happen to the agreement the Ratepayers' Association put forth.

Mr. Cook was also told that Tom Brankiewicz had accompanied the surveyor when the original road course was laid out. Those stakes, the Mayor said, were later pulled out by Tom Brankiewicz.

Talk Off The Track Here the discussion veered temporarily. At mention of the subdivider involved, Mr. Cook wished some clarification about why taxpayers here have to pay for services installed in subdivider's developments.

Mayor Tyler quickly answered that the town had to encourage subdivision activity here in order to create a greater residential pool to which potential industry could be interested. Furthermore, the Mayor continued, it actually costs householders more, in the end, if a subdivider initially pays for services than if the town installs the services and relays the cost to the same householders in taxes. He emphasized the subdividers make a percentage of profit on every dollar they spend on a development. If services installation increased their expenses, the Mayor said, so would their ultimate profit rise.

The subdividers didn't put one over on us," Mayor Tyler said, "we know what we were doing."

Still off the track, mention was made of the proposed civic centre.

Plenty of Discussion Councillor A. Irwin jumped in to correct Mr. Cook on his contention at a recent Ratepayers' meeting that there was no council discussion on the civic centre. There had been plenty of discussion at previous meetings which Mr. Cook did not happen to attend, Councillor Irwin said.

"Are we going to talk about what happened at the Ratepayers' meeting or are we going to talk about Tom Brankiewicz's case?" Deputy Reeve Footitt asked, steering the proceedings back on course.

After more talk on the complexities of this problem, council finally agreed to approach the other parties concerned with Mr. Brankiewicz's latest proposal and try again for an acceptable settlement. Included in these efforts will be members of the Ratepayers' Association.

Finally turning to other matters, council learned from Reeve J. Hargrave of County Council's rejection of the consultative committee on the North Halton High School District Board. Council lent satisfied attention to this report.

Four routine appointments, Joe Whitnam and William Maddocks to the Planning Board and W. Coon

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SECONDARY GRADUATION DIPLOMAS were awarded to the above students at Friday night's Commencement, left to right, Peter Scholz, Russell Ardic, Betty May Lambert, Wayne Arbic, Joe Jany.

Canvass Raises Over \$65,000

The latest report on the Acton United Church canvass shows a sum in excess of \$65,000 already pledged. Expectations are that the final amount will be much higher.

This week the canvass committee is concluding the very successful campaign. Stressing the "need of the giver to give" and "equality of sacrifice," the canvass has strengthened immeasurably the work of the church in Acton and has provided a source of inspiration to all.

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