



BUDDIES FROM OVER HOME met again this week when Andrew Brown of Kendal, Westmorland, England, visited with F. L. Wright, at his home in Acton. Mr. Brown is the electronic and fuel expert with Donald Campbell, record holder for the world's water speed. Mr. Brown, a past president of the Rotary club in Kendal, attended the Rotary club meeting in Acton last Tuesday.

Acton Building Permits Show \$104,550 Increase

Building continued at a rapid pace in Acton this year as building permits in a three month period, July and August, exceeded by \$104,550 in permits issued in the same period last year.

Building Inspector Theron Jones announced this week 25 building permits had been issued in the amount of \$142,850.00 for June, July and August.

Of the 25 permits issued, the major amounts are absorbed by the Rogers Warehouse at \$45,000, the Pentecostal Church at \$35,000, an apartment and commercial building by Albert Van Gijl amounting to \$20,000 and a Shell Oil Station at \$20,000.

A new house being erected accounts for \$10,000, a new addition to the Scott Hall \$2500, and the balance for various alterations and house repairs.

In June, July and August of 1956 permits totalling \$38,300 were issued.

177 Volunteer for Blood Clinic Only 133 Donors Eligible to Give

Out of 177 willing to donate blood at the Legion-sponsored Blood Clinic last Thursday in the Legion Auditorium, 133 were typed positive by the technician with 41 rejected for various reasons such as at one time suffering from jaundice or malaria.

A very small clinic was held in the afternoon out of 40 being typed. Only 29 donors were accepted. The evening clinic saw 137 being typed, with 33 being rejected.

Chairman of the committee in charge of the event, the third held in Acton, was Vic Patrick, Legion president, with Herb Woods, Albert Irwin, Ron Smith, Mrs. R. Finlay, Mrs. L. Masales and Bob Lantieri on the committee.

Volunteer canvassers calling donors by phone were Mrs. Kay James, Mrs. Mary Loulett, Mrs. Phyllis Angell, Mrs. Mary Conroy, Mrs. Jean Smith, Mrs. Joan McKnight, Mrs. Rosemary Cook, Mrs. Ann Wheeler, Mrs. Grace Agnew, Mrs. Mary Iwan, Mrs. Grace Townsley, Mrs. Estie Roseby, Mrs. Marg Phelan, Jim Milne of Rockwood and Rev. A. H. Nelson of Ballinacross.

A staff of 11 Red Cross workers brought 23 beds, blankets and medical equipment and with the help of Ron Smith, Jim McKnight, Bill Nicolak and Mike McCristall, the equipment was set up ready for use.

Under supervision from Captain nurses Rita Robinson, Ed Sobie, My Mottins, Lois Hawthorne, Vera Marne and Jackie Cook, staff handled the chore of taking the blood from the donors as fast as technicians Mar Van Keeler could type their blood. Hanna Tonesk, Denis B. Brought and Muriel Murrigh, Red Cross drivers, stood by to transport the whole blood to the blood bank.

Local volunteer graduate nurses assisting the Red Cross were Mrs. M. Evans, Mrs. J. Lamb, Mrs. G. Brown, Mrs. H. Ritchie, Mrs. J. Rodgers and Mrs. D. Gibbons.

Taking care of the reception were Mrs. F. Finlay, Mrs. D. Angell, Mrs. F. Johnson and Mrs. P. Angell.

Mrs. S. Holmes and Mrs. G. Fryer, Women's Institute members, looked after the cloakroom in the afternoon, while Mrs. B. Mowal and Mrs. D. Foster of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E. held the choice at night.

Mrs. Mae Symon handled registration while Mrs. B. Hevley and Mrs. W. Dunmich acted as typists.

The Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, under the leadership of Mrs. L. Masales, served refreshments to the donors. Members helping were Mrs. L. Woods, Mrs. E. Stuckey, Mrs. B. Young, Mrs. J. Altonby, Mrs. E. Beach and Mrs. W. McKnight.

The following is the list of all persons willing to donate blood:

Robert Brooks, Emerson, Patrick, Ron Smith, George Smeover, Lee, Mrs. Kathleen Milnes, Mrs. Margaret Ballentine, Donald Besson, William Withers, Miss Isabelle Ritchie, Mrs. Arlene Bruce, Fred Gordon, Charles Kingsmill, Alan Nelson, Miss Marjorie Winter, Mrs. Luena Chisholm, Frank Van Wyck, Mrs. G. Cairns, Mrs. Marion Pope, Mrs. Mae Gervais, Miss Dorothy Sammons, David Mames, Adam Frost, Gordon McCutcheon, Mrs. Ethel Stuckey, Bert Platt, Mrs. C. Elliott, Norman Martin, J. B. Jordan, Mrs. Kona Terry, James B. Ladger, Herman Kremer, John Doornbos, Allan Edward

Campbell's Speedboat Engineer Visits Rotary Club from C.N.E.

The Acton Rotary Club meeting last Tuesday was highlighted by the presence of Andrew Brown, 33-year-old electronic technician with Donald Campbell, speedboat record holder.

Mr. Brown, born in Kendal, Westmorland, England, is a past president of the Rotary Club in Kendal and explained to the Acton club the principals of the "Bluebird" Donald Campbell's racing boat.

"The Bluebird is not just a racing boat" said the speaker, but working in conjunction with the navy Donald Campbell is working on a venture to secure information regarding maneuverability of a new type of watercraft, stressed the speaker.

On his first run made at Coniston, in England, Donald Campbell, with the Bluebird reached a speed of approximately 284 miles per hour on an unofficial trial. Later he set a new record of 225.36 miles per hour, related Mr. Brown.

The Bluebird is 28 feet long, 10 feet six inches wide and a total of 54 American gallons of fuel. It also consumes three tons of oil per minute, stated the speaker. The boat is stressed to 27 G's. To the knowledge of Mr. Brown no other boat is stressed at more than 13 G's.

According to the speaker, experiments at Lake Canadaga has cost Donald Campbell \$30,000 and a survey it to be taken at Pictou to see if the water is suitable for test runs there.

Asked why they continue these hazardous tests, Mr. Brown replied they are following an ideal often in lonely places which it is

819 Begin Classes In Two Schools Here

Principal M. Kenzie of the new school Little School in Acton, announced a total enrollment of 460 pupils. Of this total 46 were absorbed by the Kindergarten class and 23 were new pupils to the Acton school.

With these new pupils being absorbed in 13 rooms, three little rooms for additional pupils stated Principal M. Kenzie.

The allocation of the students and enrollment of the Kindergarten class was done in a fast and efficient manner according to the Principal.

In the M. Z. Bennett School, Principal Elmer Smith said a total enrollment of 359 pupils entered the new school last Tuesday with 45 in the Kindergarten and 13 students from the Blue Mountain School, Stewarttown. These 13 students will be attending school here until a new school has been erected in Stewarttown.

There are 11 available rooms at the M. Z. Bennett School to accommodate the 359 pupils.

Canine Movie Stars Owned by Acton Man

Acton has reached fame in the movie field with the representation of the Reverend and his dog owned and trained by Fred Pfeiffer, of this town.

Prince and Nigger as the dogs are named are playing in a Regal Film production "A Boy and His Dog" starring 14-year-old Anthony B. Brown of Willowdale.

For the past two weeks France has been performing in front of the cameras in the role of a canine hero while Nigger plays the part of the canine villain.

Both dogs have received many awards and trophies for their performance at dog shows and a new venture is an added feature to their achievements.

Mr. Pfeiffer who has trained the dogs from puppies gives all commands by hand signals while on set.

When training his dogs, the owner gives commands both in German and English and figures it takes about three weeks to teach a young dog the first obedience lessons.

Youth Escapes Injury When Car Destroyed

A blow-out of a right front tire resulted in the complete destruction of a car as it rolled over in the east ditch while proceeding south on the seventh line Monday.

The 18-year-old driver, Robert Taylor, of RR 2 Acton, escaped from the wreckage unharmed, reported investigating Constable Dave Hardy of the District O.P.P.

Complete Gift List Ask Donors to Call

The special Gifts Committee of the M. Z. Bennett school has completed their list of suitable articles for donation to the school, chairman Joe Hurst announced this week.

The committee was endeavoring to reach the old time pupils of Miss Bennett as well as any organization or individual desirous of donating a gift of cash to equip the new school with plaques, flags, trophies and other articles.

The new school named after Miss M. Z. Bennett, who for many years taught at the Acton public school, has been completed and Tuesday 359 pupils started the full term.

Chairman Joe Hurst, Herman Freuler and George Haggert, members of the committee, offered this week assistance in choosing suitable items for the new school.

Council Registers Protest to Board On Proposed Telephone Rate Increase



ACCORDING TO THE RULE, it measures 31 1/2 inches excluding Ronald Makolin, 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Makolin, 139 Lady Avenue. While fishing in Fairy Lake on Tuesday, Ron hooked this pike on a casting rod using minnows as bait. The fish weighed in at 61 1/2 pounds.

Jean Peterson Is Dairy Queen At Exhibition

Miss Jean Peterson, Hornby's pretty combination of an office secretary and farm miltmaid, has brought the Canadian National Exhibition dairy queen crown to Halton County again this year.

Miss Peterson was crowned Dairy Queen of 1957 at the Exhibition last night (Wednesday), by last year's winner, Mrs. Doreen King of RR 1, Oakville.

Jean, who had easily walked off with the preliminary prize when she first appeared in the milking contest on Saturday evening, August 25, was then seen as a favorite for the finals by the "higher-ups" and especially by her many local friends. And last night she showed them all that Halton could take the coveted trophy two years in a row.

Jean received a silver tea service, a Bulova wrist watch and a Hobbins' calf as her prizes, as well as the Dairy Queen crown. Over 40 Ontario girls were entered in the contest.

Acton Firemen Respond to Call In Early Hour

An overheated space heater at the home of J. Tompkins, Main Street, Acton, at 4:30 a.m. last Sunday was quickly brought under control when firemen responded to a call.

Fire Chief J. Newton reports the damage was caused by the fire

Council at their Tuesday meeting registered objection with the Board of Transport Commissioners against any Bell Telephone increase in rates in this area at this time.

It was further resolved to place the matter on the agenda of the North Halton Urban Board to be discussed at their next meeting.

Council discussed and agreed with solicitor C. F. Leatherland on passing a prepared by-law bringing zoning by laws up to date.

According to the solicitor, the measure was to be used as an immediate stop-gap measure to prevent certain areas in town by amending previous by-laws.

A by-law was prepared and given to two referees and C. F. Leatherland was instructed to act with town clerk J. McFarlane in finalizing the by-law.

A lengthy discussion took place with council members voting in favour of the present building permit rates of \$200.

Councilor W. Cook was in favour of raising the cost of permits to \$300, but met with several arguments from other members in such a drastic increase.

Mayor E. G. Tyler voiced the opinion that if the price was raised to the higher level, the town would pay for the increase in the purchase price of the home.

The majority of home owners cannot pay the price asked for homes now, explained the mayor. This would be a hard blow to the people who have lived in Acton for a number of years and wished to build a home, stated the mayor.

Councilor Cook asked how many individual homes are built in comparison with subdivisions.

These subdivisions probably go back to their head offices and brag about how they put it over on a bunch of hicks, commented Councilor Cook.

Council resolved to form a committee consisting of the town assessor, Councilor Cook, Wilson and Guy, for the purpose of investigating the cost of building permits in other towns and to submit a recommendation of revised fees to Acton.

Council heard a resolution passed by the Board of Parks Management recommending a charge be made on Sundays at the Acton park.

According to G. Barbeau, Parks Board chairman, the Parks Act was amended to allow a charge to be made.

Council approved a motion presenting the Board of Parks management to pass a by-law changing an admission fee of 25c per car for adults and a season ticket for adults in Acton covering car and driver at a cost of \$600 per year. This charge is to be made only on Sundays during the months of June, July, August and September.

In an interview with Parks Board chairman G. Barbeau after the meeting, the chairman revealed the charge was to defray the cost of change stations and toilet facilities to be erected at the Acton Park. Furthermore, he stated, as a survey has proven on a Sunday, in the past, the frequenting of the park are from out of town.

Councillor G. Barbeau asked permission for council to have the approval of the Public Utilities Commission to have the use of the hydro truck at the park on September 24 to assist the Parks Board on a stump pulling job.

A motion was passed to engage H. V. Anderson, engineering consultants, to prepare the necessary plans and specifications for the installation of water, sewer and a road into the property recently purchased by the H. K. Porter Co.

It was resolved to have the town Planning Board submit plans for future automation for areas surrounding present town boundaries.

A letter was read from Force Electric Products noting the town Electrician had laid gravel at the station opposite the factory and the electrician had been instructed to have the transport trucks comply with the town's plans to eliminate blocking the roadway.

Approval was given a motion to prepare a by-law to proceed with development of a well on the third line and laying of water mains on the third line to Peel St.

A letter was received from the County of Halton informing the council Bernard McArthur, RR 2, Milton has been appointed word processor.

Permission was given the Oakville Humane Society to hold a tag day in Acton on Saturday, September 14.

The clerk read a letter from the C.N.R. industrial agent, thinking council for their cooperation in working with his department regarding the proposed railway siding at the former J. J. Stewart property.

Mayor Tyler read a letter from the Hamilton County planning commission regarding their company by the town clerk in obtaining information for an American industrial interested in a similar sized factory as the Smallwood building in Acton.

A letter was received from the Municipal Service Company thanking the council for payment of their account for the recent house numbering and regretted complaints received from the council in putting up the numbers. The company noted that on the next visit to Acton they would endeavor to rectify any unsatisfactory situations.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Roads	\$288.75
Welfare	63.37
Special fire account	20.35
Administration	482.93
	\$855.40

Fall Fair Board Plan Night Show

The focus of the Friday night show in the Acton Arena at the Acton Fair will be the Country Music Production, presenting "Big Caton Varieties" featuring Bob Laing and his "Crownation Squares" Ontario Squares Dancing Champions, Gail Norwood, 10-year-old singer, Danny and Ben, Har-

vey, many boys, Ed Neely, impressionist and star of the Horace Heidt show, and many other outstanding musical and vaudeville acts.

The midway will also be open with reduced fares for children on the Friday night.

The program in the Arena will commence at 8:30 p.m.

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The Free Press registers an error in the date of the commencement of night school classes which appeared last week. Classes begin on October 21 and 22 and not in September as reported.



AN OLD VET at donating, Corporal R. Masgn of the local O.P.P. is caught by the camera as he is about to donate blood at the third blood clinic at the Legion Hall, Acton. One hundred and thirty-three gave blood donations during the clinic last Thursday afternoon and evening.



AMUSING THEMSELVES while waiting for enrolment are a group of children at the new M. Z. Bennett school, who are part of the Blue Mountain school at Stewarttown. There was a total enrolment of 359 at the M. Z. Bennett school on Tuesday, including 13' from Acton while a new school is being built in Stewarttown.