

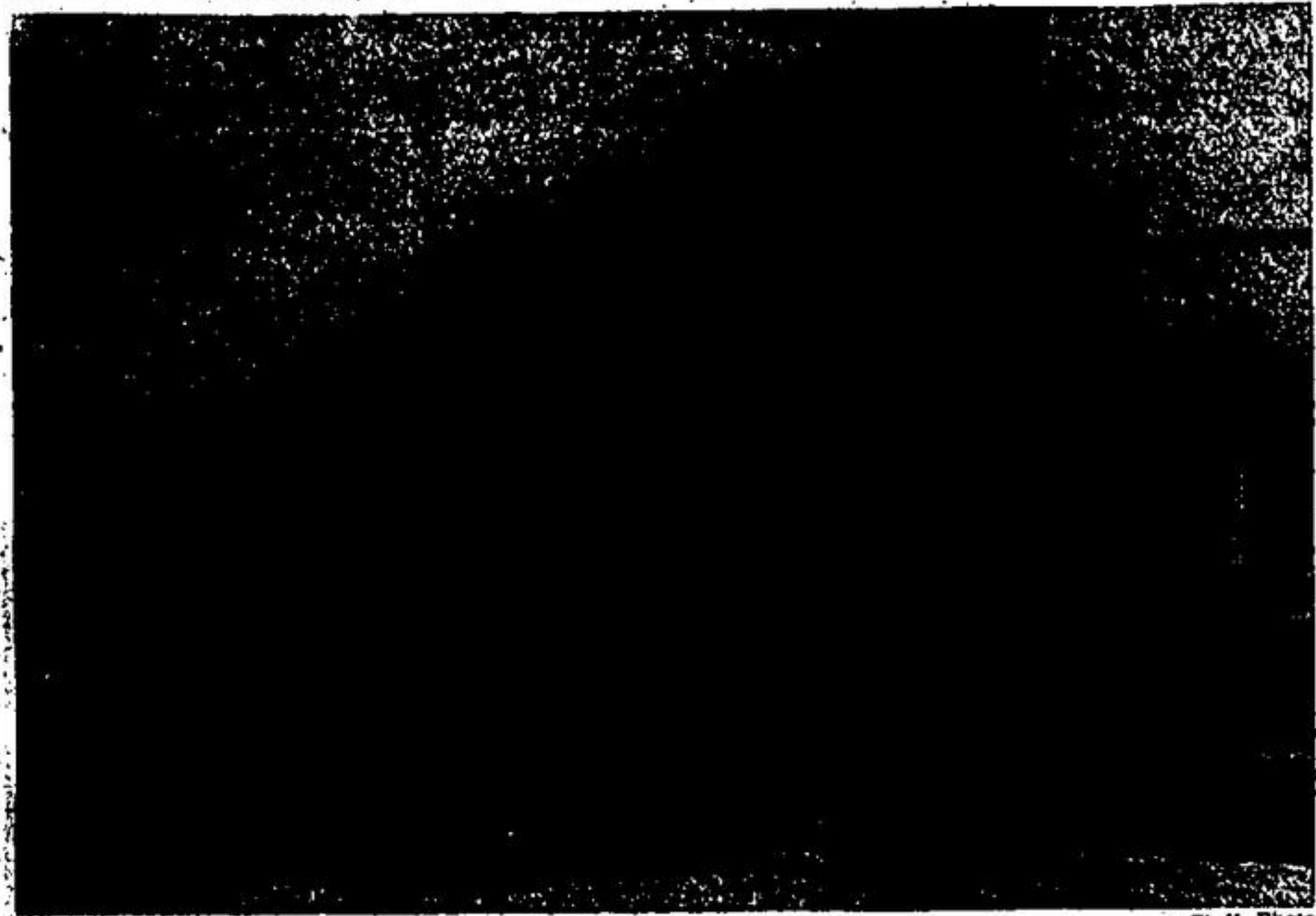
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THE COLLAPSE of the back wall of the Robert Little School on Thursday, June 4, marked a big step in the demolition of the old section to make way for the new 12' room addition. Since this picture was taken a side and front wall have been collapsed and the demolition crew has been busy cleaning up the debris.

Council Okays Board Dissolution Providing Town Does Not Suffer

Acton council at its regular meeting Tuesday evening agreed, with reservations, to a by-law forwarded by County Council for the dissolution of the North Halton High School District.

The resolution, approved by the entire council, stressed that the composition of areas "include sufficient rateable assessment so as to remove any doubt that the Town of Acton will not suffer any adverse financial loss due to the North Halton High School Board being dissolved."

During a discussion on the dissolution, Reeve J. H. Goy explained it was a hard thing to advise what was best for the town. "Due to the way the area is broken up, Acton is not going to gain anything, but on the other hand, we are not going to lose either. We have capable men sitting on the Board now and we can be assured they will look after things," the Reeve remarked.

Loss Assessment

Councillor J. Hargrave, newly appointed to fill the vacancy on council, said in the area in question which would be cut off, it would mean a loss of assessment to Acton, as there were a few stores in this area.

The new councillor told members he was concerned with how they would find the money to pay bills if there was a loss of assessment.

Council agreed finally that the split of the district could be reviewed within five years and the motion to consent was passed unanimously.

Unable to Pay

A letter from Acton Citizens' Band thanked council for the use of the town hall in the past for practicing and notified them the band would be unable to pay the

rental fee requested and therefore have to vacate the premises. Councillor H. Lowe enquired how the new agreement to charge rental on public buildings would affect the band quarters at the arena.

Mr. McLeod informed his colleague it was his understanding this room was provided for the Acton Citizens' Band.

Disagree with Publicity

Councillor McLeod informed members that the rental charge on public buildings was the decision of the public buildings committee and was passed by council. "What I notified in the papers gives adverse publicity to the council... one of the reporters and the band president were both members of council and are used to this procedure," remarked Mr. McLeod.

"We are not controllers of the press, unfortunately. They have taken it upon their own shoulders to print what they like which is derogatory to council. They have to sell newspapers even when they know it is wrong to print it," concluded Mayor Cook.

Councillor E. Pope informed council an article appearing in the paper was not a report of council but a caption under a picture.

"At the time this was discussed, I asked if council had anything in mind for the bands," stated Mr. Pope.

Request Clean-up

Roy Vyse and William Finley were present to request council's consideration for assistance in having a stream running through their property cleaned out.

Clerk J. McGeachie explained to council the men had visited him at the town office and informed him of the condition of the area. They noted the stream ran through several properties. Mr. McGeachie

Freak Three-Car Accident Injures Area School Girl

A young school girl was hospitalized and two other children were injured Tuesday afternoon when they were involved in a three-car accident near Blue Mountain school on the Seventh Line south of Ballinacree. Damage to the three cars amounted to \$2,000.

Investigating O.P.P. officer Ray Andrews said a car driven by Jeffrey Robertson of R.R. 1, Erin, was proceeding north on the hill and when the driver braked the car to miss the children walking on his shoulder of the road, the car went out of control. The rear end of the car struck Dianne Miller, who was hospitalized with an injured knee, and Susan Carrier, who received a twisted back, cuts and bruises to the left leg.

John White, who was walking with the girls, was struck on the leg by a flying hub cap off the car.

The car then travelled across the road, struck parked vehicles driven by Mrs. F. Shortill of R.R. 1, Lumsdowne, and Alex Van Horn, R.R. 1, Georgetown, and rolled over on its roof.

Constable Andrews said damage to the Robertson car was \$1,300, the Shortill car \$600 and the Van Horn vehicle \$100. Mr. Robertson received cuts and bruises.

—The heat was so intense on Wednesday it exploded the back window of a car on Mill Street, even with the windows down.



MISS L. ANDERSON, staff member at the Robert Little school who is retiring after 40 years of teaching in Acton, was honored on Thursday evening June 4, by the School Board, staff teachers and retired teachers at a special night. Pictured above are left to right, C. W. Bradley, school board chairman, Miss Anderson, Miss Wiebe; staff teacher and G. W. McKenzie, school principal. Miss Wiebe is shown holding an oil painting she completed of Miss Anderson which was presented to the school board chairman.

Polls Close at Eight O'clock Results Available Soon After

Up-to-the-minute election results will be available from the Free Press office this evening for Halton county. The two telephone lines will be manned constantly with first results expected by about 8:30 p.m. Arrangements have been completed with Returning Officer Fitzgerald the following will be serving as Deputy Returning Officers at Acton's nine polling places: Mrs. F. Anderson, Miss E. Taylor, R. H. Elliott, T. Watson, Mrs. J. T. Hurst, E. E. Barr, Mrs. R. Spielvogel and Mrs. N. Franklin.

A representative of the Free Press will be stationed in the Returning Officer's headquarters to gather returns as they are phoned from the 17 polling places blanketing Halton. They will be received over the two phone lines specially installed in the Court House.

Each Deputy Returning Officer across the county has received instructions to telephone the returns to the Returning Officer in Milton as soon as they are known and it is expected final returns will be completed by midnight.

Heavy Advance Poll

Voting in the Advance Poll was much heavier this year with 84 casting their vote in the three county locations at Oakville, Burlington and Milton. In the 1955 provincial election seven voters took advantage of the advance poll facilities.

Returning Officer Fitzgerald explained this could not be taken as indicative of a heavy vote however, since this election anyone planning to be absent from the riding on election day could vote

20 Year Employee G. Clifford Feted

Acton council Tuesday evening recognized the 20 years' service of G. Clifford of Acton prior to the given the works department by regular council meeting.

Mr. Clifford, having to retire on account of his health, was presented with a gift by Mayor W. H. Cook on behalf of the town council following the mayor's congratulations on his excellent 20 years of service.

Mr. Clifford thanked council and expressed his pleasure in serving the town of Acton in his capacity with the works department.

Big Job

Exchanged Campaign Posters Puzzle Party Supporters

The case of the switched election posters could pose quite a problem for even Perry Mason, defence lawyer of TV fame, as both Grit and Tory supporters in Acton, this week scratch their heads in wonderment.

On Monday night, unknown vandals swooped into town and equipped with machine guns, masks, TN T and riding in their sleek black high powered limousine, paid a visit to the First National Conservative Committee Rooms.

Working silently, the gangsters removed posters announcing the Tory candidate and transplanted them on vehicles and lawns of Grit supporters throughout town.

Unbiased in their politics, the unknown culprits next pulled a job on the Liberal posters stranded high on trees and posters and

County Seeks Dept. Approval To High School Dist. Dissolution

In a 30 minute special meeting of Halton County Council in Milton on Wednesday evening, members gave two readings to the by-law to dissolve the North Halton high school district, and create three separate districts.

The by-law was to be submitted to the Minister of Education today (Thursday) for his approval, and if this is received the third reading would be considered at the regular meeting of the County Council on Tuesday of next week.

Little Comment

Members, in shirt sleeves, reviewed the by-law to dissolve the five municipality district, clause by clause with little or no comment. Under its terms an Acton district, a Georgetown district, and a Milton district would be formed.

Resolutions approving the dissolution were read from Georgetown, Milton and Nassagaweya.

Loss Assessment

Reeve John Goy of Acton reviewed his council's concern over losing the assessment on the Seventh Line of Esqueing to Georgetown district which would affect approximately 10 pupils. He noted Acton members couldn't understand why the concession should be split.

"We'll lose about 10 pupils right along the Seventh Line at about \$170 per pupil. This could change the future but members of council feel we should have some guarantee regarding the assessment," the Acton Reeve noted.

Members agreed to the second reading noting a change in boundaries would still be possible in the third reading with the Minister's advice.

120 Pupils to Begin In Fall Board Told

In a short business meeting Thursday prior to participating in an evening to honor Miss L. Anderson, trustees of the public school board heard reports from their various committees.

Principal G. McKenzie reported that orientation week had been a success and he hoped the board would continue this policy. He also informed trustees that 62 pupils had enrolled for the fall term in kindergarten in the Robert Little School. The survey indicated 55-60 pupils would be registered.

Principal E. Smith reported 58 had been enrolled for kindergarten in the M. Z. Bennett school. The survey indicated 85 would register.

Approve Expenditure

Secretary W. Middleton, in his report, reported final approval had been received from the Department of Education for the \$170,000 expenditure to erect the new school. He was instructed to arrange for a cornerstone to be laid at the new addition at a cost of between \$125-\$150.

Trustee T. Watson informed members one teacher had resigned and recommended a more stringent policy for next year when re-engagement is discussed. He felt the present system of signing teachers lacked realism and a form that was more binding should be used.

The board appointed Mrs. Ted Franklin to fill the vacancy on the library board caused by one member leaving town.

Members of the board were treated to an informal fashion show by home economics pupils of grades seven and eight from both school at the outset of the meeting. Mrs. Gwizdala, home ec. teacher, commented as several girls showed the board dresses and skirts they had made in classes.

Members were delighted with the fashions shown by the students and chairman C. W. Bradley complimented the pupils and their instructor on the high quality of their work.

Morning Fire Destroys Barn Farm Equipment

Fire of an unknown origin completely destroyed a barn, some stock, farm equipment and grain, on the farm of J. Stenstra, R.R. 5, Rockwood, at 3:30 a.m. this morning while the family was asleep in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stenstra and their three children were asleep in the house when Mrs. Stenstra was awakened to find the entire barn a mass of flames.

Jumping in the family car, she drove to a neighbor's to summon the Rockwood Fire Department, who arrived shortly afterwards. Pumping water from the booster tank firemen were hampered for a short time until they could hook into a nearby stream to replenish the supply of water.

The fire had too big a head start on the hard working brigade but they managed to keep the blaze from spreading to nearby buildings.

The Stenstra farm was formerly owned by Wilbert McKenzie and the barn was built in 1934.

Three-Year-Old Killed Near Erin

On Friday afternoon, three-year-old Eileen Ellen Height was killed as she ran across Highway 24 at the eighth line, approximately one mile south of Erin. She was struck by a car driven by Joseph George Doris of Caledon as she ran onto the highway from the west side.

She was the daughter of Roland and Janet Height. The family moved into the area only recently from the fourth line of Esqueing. Mr. Height works at the tinney here.

Dr. K. B. Waller of Rockwood was called. Constable Bob Machesney and Cpl. Doug Orr of the O.P.P. investigated.

Damage \$600 in Two-Car Crash

A two-car crash at the corner of Mill and Guelph Streets on Saturday afternoon caused approximately \$600 damage to cars driven by Olga Krul and William Somerville, both of Acton.

O.P.P. constable Bob Machesney investigated the accident and reported the Krul vehicle was proceeding east on Mill. Attempting to make a right turn onto Guelph St., it struck the front of the Somerville car, which was approaching the intersection.

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Just Forgotten

Seven-Year-Old Stranded By Parents at Acton Park

Police have a wide variety of chores vested in their protective service but Constable Bud Buckwald of the Acton O.P.P. Detachment last Sunday had perhaps one of the queerest to cope with when a seven-year-old girl was left stranded at Acton park.

According to the police report, a family from Erin, Ontario, accompanied by two carloads of friends, had journeyed to Acton park to enjoy the facilities for the day and in gathering up their passengers and equipment to return home had overlooked their seven-year-old youngster.

About nine o'clock at night the constable was called to the park by an Acton resident, who had found the young lady, crying near the swimming area.

Trip in Cruiser

On checking out the girl's name and home, the Acton constable was told the story of the family's visit. Seizing the young lady comfortably in the police cruiser, a trip was made first around the park to several question being asked parents and then out the gates to cruise around own in attempt to locate the missing parents.

When the youngsters family

Police Warn

This week Corporal R. Mason of the Acton O.P.P. Detachment had received many complaints from residents regarding motor boats driven in a reckless manner in Fairy Lake at Acton Park.

The corporal reported that a close watch will be put on all boat operators at the Acton pond and warned that according to the new act a maximum fine of \$500 can be imposed for any offender, and that charges will be laid from now on.

It was also reported by the corporal that according to the Canada Shipping Act, it is unlawful to operate a motor boat in the vicinity of a swimming area.

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