



Questions Are Highlight Chamber's Civic Night

An excellent attendance and a satisfying dinner set the stage for a successful Chamber of Commerce Civic Night at Luxton Memorial Hall on Wednesday evening. The night was sponsored by the Chamber in an effort to foster good relationships between the C. of C., local industries, the municipal officials and the rural community. Because of the illness of president Ted Tyler Sr., the meeting was conducted by first vice-president Norm Braida.

Orville Chapman, chairman of the membership committee, proposed two new firms for membership, Harvey Shortill Sheet Metal and Blow Press Limited.

For the program, W. J. Beatty, Aldo Braida and C. F. Leatherland were selected panellists to whom written questions were then directed to the proper municipal official for reply.

Questions, Answers

● When will council do anything to improve the approaches to Lakeshore Subdivision?
Councillor Lowe: Anticipate some work will be done this year.

● What steps are being taken currently to attract new industry? Are there any results imminent?
C. of C. Industrial chairman Norm Braida: Chamber working for more co-operation between town, C. of C. and existing industry. Industrial commission being formed. Will have interest and support of all citizens. Great many people asking about Acton. Most want to build on serviced land. Attempting to rent Canada Packers building. Committee must survey facilities available and be selective to the degree that we can afford to service new industries.

● With this many present tonight, why are more not interested in seeking elected municipal posts?
W. McKay, B. of M.: Our businesses have been fully occupied. No time left for civic posts.

W. Woodburn, B. of N.S.: All town posts and organizations filled by few highly interested people. Perhaps too short duration of office.

● Do we have an adequate water supply and storage? What is planned for future and when?
Mayor Goy: \$12,000 spent since 1956 to locate water. Now have sufficient supply. Storage facilities of 60,000 gallons built outgrown. Sewer and water committee working on (a) elevated storage, (b) ground level storage at elevated level. Ground level storage most economical Council working with O.W. R.C. on problem. Definitely need water storage. Question is if we can afford it.

● Should a Safe-Driving Campaign be organized in Acton?
Corp. Ray Mason: Should be considered. Would want to take it up with police committee before discussion.

● Something should be done about sidewalks.
Councillor Lowe: Has been investigated. Asphalt used last year as experiment. If satisfactory after winter's snow and ice, hope program can be expanded this year and in the future. Asphalt most economical method.

● Explain what the incorporation of the Chamber means and what its status at the moment?
Bert Wood, C. of C. secretary: As incorporated organization, C. of C. can hold property, buy and sell. Will protect area boundaries. Each member will not be responsible for liabilities of Chamber.

● What can be done about removing stumps in lake at park?
R. R. Parker, Parks Board: Has no money in budget or available for this work. Only way is for volunteers to set date and time and go down and work at it. Suggests spring be for as soon as ice goes off the lake.

● Report on town assessment, condition of tax roll, any new assessment factors?
J. McGeachie, clerk: Complete reassessment under Department of Municipal Affairs Assessment Manual in 1961. On spot check between present system and D.M.A. system, present assessment

found to average 98% of D.M.A. system. Tax arrears for 1959 approximately \$13,000; previous to 1959, \$6-7,000.

● Is any effort being made to have the costs of education apportioned to any field of taxation other than real estate?
Mayor Goy: Various organizations have submitted briefs. Council supporting Mayors and Reeves Association, who are presenting briefs on subject. Suggests all organizations lend weight to institute changes. Is not criticizing school boards in any way. Fault lies at provincial level. In 1957 35% of tax dollar to education. Based on pre-budget figure for 1960, approximately 60% to education, 25% for fixed debt charges (water sewer etc.), 3% to county, 12% to council (snow removal, garbage, streets, other operating costs).

J. McGeachie: Provincial government turning more dollars over to education but cost of education is such that present grants equal a smaller percentage than received a few years ago.

● W. J. Beatty, panel chairman: What other methods are possible?
J. Goy: Some type of personal provincial income tax is being studied.

● What steps are being taken for better snow removal and widening of Main St. at Jack Creighton's gate (Queen St.)?
Councillor Lowe: Snow removal very expensive. Have to rent heavy equipment when this much snow. Clear business section first, battle necks second, have to leave some of snow because of cost. Widening of Main at Queen under consideration. Sidewalk would possibly come at same time.

● What is being done about the stop light at Main and Mill Sts?
Reeve Green: Several surveys have been taken over last few years. Think Department will give serious consideration this year.

W. Deeny, Water Department—Transport—Reply said light had been approved and will be forwarded to town.

Need to Work At It
A. Seynuck emphasized that to clear the stumps from the lake at the park, we would all have to get out and work at it and not sit around and talk.

D. O'Brien of Refrigeration Services, R. Lee of the Thermoid Division of H. K. Porter Co. and Wm. Pendleton of H. K. Porter



A NEW SET of Encyclopaedia Britannica was presented to the High School recently and was put on display during assembly Tuesday afternoon. The books were one set of many donated to 1700 English speaking schools across Canada. Shown above admiring the books are Jan Lindsay and Kate Kirkness, students while principal E. A. Hansen explains details of the presentation.

"Gentlemen's Day" at Acton High Transforms Boys to Young Men

Normal appearance and manners underwent a transformation at Acton High School Tuesday when male students donned their best bib and tucker, adopted their most charming manner and waited on the female students at every opportunity. The change was due to "Gentlemen's Day," sponsored by the student council, as the different grades competed for a shield.

All day long students were judged on their general appearance, conduct and gentlemanlike actions. Spies hovered in corridors, eagerly looking for an opponent to knock points off when boys failed to assist the girls, tie a shoelace or rise in class when answering a question.

Each class began the day with 100 points and as an offence occurred, one or two points were knocked off the total. Members of the student council were kept busy calculating figures, attempting to reach a decision as the contest neared an end.

As time drew near to end the day-long strain undergone by many of the lads, it was learned rooms 9C and 9D were tied.

Closer watch was put on the students from these two rooms in an attempt to wear them down but hours of steady practice had taught them a good lesson and everyone was on his best behavior.

When the final announcement was made during the student assembly in the auditorium, 9C and 9D had ended in a tie with 90 points each.

Tie for Plaque
Bill Stuckey, representative of grade 9D and Brian Cargill, representative of 9C, were jointly presented with a plaque by president Jean Moffat of the student council.

Principal E. A. Hansen congratulated the students on their excellent conduct during the day and announced that as a reward the staff had agreed the balance of the afternoon could be spent dancing to records in the auditorium.

After being held in check all day, boys made a hurried exit to unfasten ties, loosen shoe laces and make ready for a rock and roll session.

Oh yes, the girl students played a large part in the day's program when they too attended school in their best clothes and the shine taken off their noses with Mom's best powder.

Cater to Girls
Some of the girls had trouble believing their eyes as boys opened doors, carried books, spoke continuously and generally catered to them.

By mid afternoon they were becoming accustomed to the treatment and began to look forward to the end of a class when once again they could trek to the next class with a young gentleman carrying their heavy books.

Perhaps their eagerness overwhelmed them for after the contest had been completed, a great majority were seen making their way home from school, loaded down with books and no boys in sight.

Make Presentations
Two other presentations took place during the assembly.

M. M. Gales and G. Harrap, members of the Gideon Society, presented Bibles to each class for use by the students. Mr. Gales, in making the presentation to Mr. Hansen, informed the students that religious training should be considered part of growing up to become young men and women. Mr. Harrap led the students in a short prayer.

Principal E. Hansen noted that a complete set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica had been presented to the school and told the students the books were available for their use at any time.

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THIS SUNDAY'S Church Calendar

<p>PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA KNOX CHURCH, ACTON Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, P.A.C. B.A., B.D.</p> <p>SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960 9:45 a.m.—Church School 10:00 a.m.—Bible Class (15-25 years) 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Theme: "The Perfect Dedication of Jesus" Joint Congregation (12-25 guests during sermon. Pre-nuptial children cared for at the manse during the service. 6:00 p.m.—Young Peoples Society</p> <p>ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE 35 Churchhill Road P.A.C.C.</p> <p>Rev. Kenneth J. Read, Pastor 75 Cook St., phone 649-W</p> <p>SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960 10:00 a.m.—Sunday School 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship 7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Christian Workers' Training Course. Text: "The Church Begins". Course to be conducted each Tuesday night until March 15. Thursday, 8 p.m.—Christ Ambassador. Saturday, 7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting. You Are Always Welcome</p> <p>CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH Rev. J. Nutma, P.A., B.D., Minister 301 Queen St., Box 46, Phone 698</p> <p>SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960 10:00 a.m.—Eglish. 2:30 p.m.—Dutch. The Church of the Back to God Hour</p>	<p>UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA Acton, Ontario Rev. Reginald Brook, Minister Mr. George Elliott, Organist and Choir Master</p> <p>SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960 Services in the Y.M.C.A. 9:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m.—Sunday school for all ages. 11:15 a.m.—Morning Worship Children under 5 years cared for in the nursery at the 11:15 a.m. service only.</p> <p>THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR ANGLICAN Rector: The Rev. H. B. Stokreef, L.Th., S.T.B. 183 Jeffrey St., phone 265</p> <p>THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960 8:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist. 9:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist and Church School. 11:00 a.m.—Mattins. MID-WEEK SERVICE Wednesday, 16 March, 1960, 8 p.m.—Lenten Evening. The Parish Guild will attend as a body. All Are Welcome!</p> <p>BAPTIST CHURCH ACTON Pastor: Rev. Gordon M. Holmes, B.A., B.Th. 115 Bower Avenue</p> <p>SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960 9:45 a.m.—Church School 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship 7:00 p.m.—Evening Gospel Service. Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.—Service for Prayer, Bible Study and Witness. All Are Welcome</p>
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