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\$600 Donation by Y's Men Boosts Finances of Board

A cheque for \$600 boosted the coffers of the Y.M.C.A. when retiring president Earl Masales of the Y's Men's Club presented the cheque to Y Board chairman Bob Foyers during the regular Y's Men's meeting Thursday, March 23.

On receiving the cheque, Mr. Foyers thanked the club for their keen interest and hard work in making the operation of the Y a possibility. He stated the money would certainly be put to good use in providing equipment for the Y.M.C.A.

Another highlight of the meeting was the presentation of a \$25 cheque from the club to District Governor Cal Riddolls to be used by the International Organization for the Paul Alexander Scholarship Fund. This fund assists any young person desiring to make Y.M.C.A. work his career but is financially unable to continue to a college education, which is a basic requirement.

The election and installation

of officers for the coming term took up the biggest part of the evening. Heading the club as president this year is Y's Man Bill Wilson.

Other officers include: past president, Earl Masales; secretary, Fyfe Somerville; treasurer, Doug Copeland; sergeant-at-arms, Paul Lawson and directors, Lorne Doberthien and Bob Young.

Plans were made to make a donation to the newly formed Y's Men's Club being chartered in Scarborough. Several members indicated their intentions of attending the Good Friday morning breakfast at the Guelph Y.

Project chairman Lorne Doberthien urged an all-out effort on the sale of chocolates during their fund raising campaign.

A former Guelph Y's Man, Sam Synn, a teacher at Brookville Central School, was welcomed by the Acton members as he joined the club.



TWO CHEQUES totalling \$625 were presented by the Y's Men's Club during their meeting last week. A cheque for \$600 was given to the Y.M.C.A. Board and another amounting to \$25 was given to the Paul Alexander Scholarship Fund. Pictured above, left to right, are Bob Foyers, Y Board chairman, Carl Riddolls, District Governor and Earl Masales, past president of the Y's Men's Club.

Hold Tax Rate at 74-78 Education Budget Down

Mayor Praises Committees, Boards For Close Watch on Budget Figures

The following is the text of Mayor John Goy's address to council during the introduction of the 1961 budget.

Gentlemen:

In presenting the budget for the operation of the Town of Acton for 1961 I am most happy and I am sure you as councillors are, to be able to maintain a Residential mill rate of 74 mills and a Commercial-Industrial mill rate of 78 mills. These mill rates represent no increase over 1960 rates, a situation not many Ontario municipalities will be able to accomplish.

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Police Department costs are increased to 4.2 mills as a result of council's determination to have complete police protection during the vacation periods.

General Administration costs have been held to the same level in spite of increased costs and the introduction of an employees' pension plan. The Town will operate with less staff.

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quests cannot be granted if we are to remain within our budget. We, as council, are definitely proposing an austerity budget. We trust and hope that the citizens of Acton will in the coming year, as demands for greater services are made to council, remember the action we have taken to-night and that they will keep their requests on a realistic level—a level which this budget can stand.

We also expect and hope that all Boards, Commissions and related bodies, that requisition money from the municipality, will attack their problems in a most cost conscious manner.

Acton's 1961 mill rate was set at 74 mills residential and 78 mills industrial-commercial at Wednesday's council meeting. This is the same rate as for 1960. A surplus on the budgeted 1961 operation of \$14.28 is anticipated.

With the total assessment of \$5,540,237.69 in the town this mill rate will raise, through taxation, \$430,357.29. The breakdown of the mill rate for the years 1960 and the year 1961 is as follows:

	1960	1961
Public Schools	24.22	21.44
High School	12.80	12.19
County Rate	5.67	5.60
Town Operations	8.52	8.00
Debtenture Debt	8.87	8.55
Library	.63	.64
General Admin.	10.86	14.58
Welfare		.55
Police	3.80	4.50
Fire	1.50	1.26
Band	.5	.5
Parks	.3	.49

78-mills
Expend. for 1961 \$535,473.93
Surplus for 1961 14.28

Total \$535,488.21
Anticipated Receipts for 1961
Residential taxation \$259,377.49
Industrial, Commercial 157,410.84
Grants, fees, etc. 105,130.92
Per Capita grant 12,909.90
Sundry Receipts 659.15

20 Per Cent

Sale of colored telephones in Acton is running at about 20 per cent. — "about average," according to Roy Murray, change-over foreman. Bell men have so far made about 948 of their 1600 calls, and in 178 cases have replaced black phones with colored ones. The men will be here two more weeks converting phones for dial systems.

Car-Truck Crash In Heavy Snowfall

A heavy snowfall was blamed for a car-truck crash Thursday evening, March 23, when a tow truck sideswiped a car causing both vehicles to end up in opposite ditches.

A Guelph tow truck operated by Jack Boonstra passed one motor vehicle just east of Acton when it began to skid and the rear right end struck the right front of a car driven by William McDonald of Georgetown.

The truck ended up in the left ditch with an estimated \$25 damage and the car in the opposite ditch with an estimated \$175 damage.

Constable Merv Harness of the Acton O.P.P. investigated and blamed a heavy snowfall for the accident.

Radio Stolen

Constable Ron Dunlap, on temporary duty with the Acton O.P.P., investigated theft of a radio at the laundromat Sunday afternoon.

John Chapman, Rockwood, reported his portable radio had been taken from the laundromat sometime between 2.30 p.m. and 3 p.m. when he was out for a brief spell.

In Holy Week

Participating Ministers Preach Following Dr. A. Nimmo's Death

Acton United Church is filled each night this week for the Holy Week services sponsored by the Baptist, Christian Reformed, Presbyterian and United Church congregations, with the Anglican parish starting in Sunday evening's service. Each evening different choirs lead the singing.

The Very Rev. Alexander Nimmo, who has been the guest preacher from Monday to Thursday, died very suddenly on his way to Acton Tuesday afternoon. He had been in good health and had preached his first sermon of the series Monday evening. Shock and sorrow were felt by the many who had heard him speak and those who had intended to.

First Service
Sunday evening about 200 attentively participated in the first service when the junior and senior choirs of the Church of St. Alban, the United Church choir, the choir of the Rev. A. H. McKenzie, and Ted Hansen played the organ and the Anglican rector, the Rev. H. B. Stokreef, conducted the service. Mr. Stokreef led in prayers and he and the Rev. James Rudd of the Baptist church read the Scripture.

The Lord's My Shepherd was the anthem.

Attending together were the Presbyterian Board of Managers with the Rev. A. H. McKenzie, Knox Explorers, the St. John Ambulance brigade, Daughters of the United Church W.A. and W.M.S.

The Rev. Dwight Engel of the United Church preached, giving a prayer for illumination before his address and a prayer for grace following it. "The Servant Must Suffer" looked forward to the week of special services and the challenge of Easter. Recalling the Scripture, he said the prophet Isaiah foresaw Calvary and the fact that the servant of God must suffer. He called on the Jews to accept suffering, and was himself rejected. "How often this happens!" Mr. Engel exclaimed. "We say people are not practical or are cranks."

Suffer in God's Name
"In Holy Week we will suffer too," God Himself has been rejected. From that time onward a new nation was born and Christ became the head of the church. We agree to be His servants and suffer if need be. This

will be in our minds all this week as we approach Friday the day of total rejection.

"If we accept it we shall dedicate ourselves to be first servants remembering that God suffered first in our service. We are asked to suffer second in the service of God."

"Take up Thy Cross" was the recessional hymn.

Dr. Nimmo's Address
The Very Rev. Alex Nimmo began what was to have been a series of sermons Monday evening when he chose as his topic "The Agony of Betrayal." He drew illustrations from the Biblical story of Judas. The three lessons to be learned are that the heart is deceitful about all things; that we cannot serve both God and Mammon, and finally that the betrayal hurt Juras more than Christ.

The service was conducted by the minister of Knox Presbyterian Church, the Rev. A. H. McKenzie, and Ted Hansen played the organ and led the choir of the Baptist Church in their anthem "God Forbid that I Should Glory."

Mr. Nutma declared a funeral should, for a Christian be a happy occasion as "a child of God has gone to his eternal home." He considered Jesus' exclamation at Calvary: "How can Jesus, ask such a question? This was the way God had ordained."

We cannot understand the problems of Calvary unless we see ourselves as part of that great warfare between the Prince of Darkness and the King of Heaven. Death cast its cruel form and peace was established. "We are a part of the warfare." None of God's children will ever fall out of God's hands. "Never be discouraged or dismayed."

Attending together were the Heatherdale Friendly Circle, United Church C.G.E.T., Knox Senior Auxiliary, Knox Ladies' Auxiliary and the United Church Young People.

Thursday Evening
This evening (Thursday) the service will be conducted by Mr. Rudd of the Baptist church assisted by Mr. Nutma. The preacher will be Mr. McKenzie and the choir of the United Church will lead in praise.

Part of the offerings from the Holy Week services will be presented to the Presbyterian general fund as a tribute to Dr. Nimmo.

Preacher Dies Enroute to Acton

Dr. Alexander Nimmo, a former moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, died about 5 p.m. Tuesday afternoon of a heart attack while driving to conduct Holy-Week service in Acton. He was planning to have dinner with the Rotary Club here.

His wife, sitting beside him, managed to bring the car safely to a stop.

News of his sudden death came as a shock to Actonians who had heard him speak Monday evening in the first of a series of pre-Easter sermons.

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Good Friday

Businesses, plants and stores will be closed tomorrow (Good Friday) with stores open again Saturday. Most of the churches have special Easter services.

Council Passes Zoning Changes Reviews Daylight Saving By-Law

The annual Daylight Saving Time by-law came up at the Acton council meeting Wednesday evening. Given two readings, the by-law, when read a third time, will bring Daylight Saving Time in Acton into effect Sunday, April 30, at 12:01 a.m. Acton will return to standard time on Sunday, October 29 at 2:00 a.m.

The third reading will be given the by-law at the next meeting when other municipalities will have established the dates of their change to Daylight Saving Time.

Two other by-laws which were approved at the meeting were changes in the Zoning By-Law and amendments. The first by-law provides for the erection of a dwelling on lot 38, plan 599. This was an order from the Municipal Board as the result of a public hearing some months ago.

Change Zoning
The second by-law changed the zoning of the A. P. Green property from M1 to M2 classification; changed one word "attached" to "detached" in the section of the planning by-law referring to private garages, and classified the public storage yard on Main St. S. to M2 with use restricted to a municipal storage yard.

The fourth by-law dealt with established the residential mill rate at 74 mills and the industrial mill rate at 78 mills. The mill rate breakdown is set in another story, as well as the remarks by Mayor John Goy after the passing of the by-law.

Other councillors commented on the budget:

benefit of the town, I will be the first to say go ahead and have a deficit."

Mr. Newton suggested to council a revision of the fire by-laws should be made. He pointed out that the protection of municipal assessment was a very important point to consider. The fire by-law was revised in 1944.

Other Business
Resolutions passed were:
• Approval of membership in the Ontario Municipal Association at a fee of \$15.
• Payment of the financial statement amounting to \$16,401.67.
• Granting permission to the Royal Orange Lodge to hold a church parade on Sunday, May 14, to the United Church at 3:00 p.m.; the twelfth of July parade on Saturday, July 8 at 10:30 a.m.; and a church parade on Sunday, September 17 to the Presbyterian Church at 3:00 p.m.

• Refusal to endorse a Town of Whitby resolution regarding representation by population on County Councils.
• Agreement with the Department of Highways to undertake pavement patching and zone painting on connecting links within the town. The highways Department will still be responsible for snow plowing, salting and sanding on these roads.
• A decision not to oppose zoning amendments at Bower Avenue and Alice Street for the new post office building and adjustment of zoning regulations for property at Queen St. E. and Meadville Road for a shopping center.
• Approval of a Cancer Society

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C.A.S. Annual Tuesday

To Stress Prevention of Family Trouble

"In the years ahead, we must put a priority on prevention and work toward earlier service to troubled families if we are not to pay an enormous social cost in family breakdown," J. Paul Jolliffe, executive director of the Children's Aid Society of Halton, told the annual meeting Tuesday in St. Paul's United Church, Milton.

The director suggested the three main problems of social welfare administration today — insufficient skilled staff, lack of services to families, and poor organization of services — should be turned into positive challenges for family and child welfare in the 1960s. They are, "only possible through intelligent and courageous citizen leadership," the director concluded.

Mr. Jolliffe reviewed that over the past six months there were slightly more than 150 requests for protective service. 21 per cent

were regarding inadequate care of children, 24 per cent were for children born out of wedlock, poor marital relationship accounted for 36 per cent, 12 per cent for economic or housing problems and six per cent from cases where one parent was not functioning in the home through incooperation or hospitalization.

"Day by day in our work we see unhappy marriages, divorces, teenage unmarried mothers, parents unable to be parents, personalities twisted by malnutrition of love and children helplessly caught up in these circumstances. Your Children's Aid Society often helps, often fails, to prevent further erosion of human resources in these situations."

All Must Share
"The concern for human resources must be shared by all of us whether citizens, volunteer municipal councillors, board members or staff members, and

our concern must be translated into intelligent action together," Mr. Jolliffe stressed.

Society president S. G. Childs pointed to the tremendous growth in the country. "In 1958 we had only one social worker for each 24,000 population, whereas the provincial mean average for all societies was one social worker for 8,451 population. We have made aggressive efforts to enlarge our staff... with the result that we have doubled the social work staff since March 1, 1960."

Mr. Childs outlined several changes introduced and expressed the hope—a child-welfare service second to none, sanely and soundly administered could be developed in Halton.

Biggar Is Pres.
Harold C. Biggar was named president of the society during the annual meeting, succeeding Sydney Childs. Mrs. Jean Willis was named vice-president and

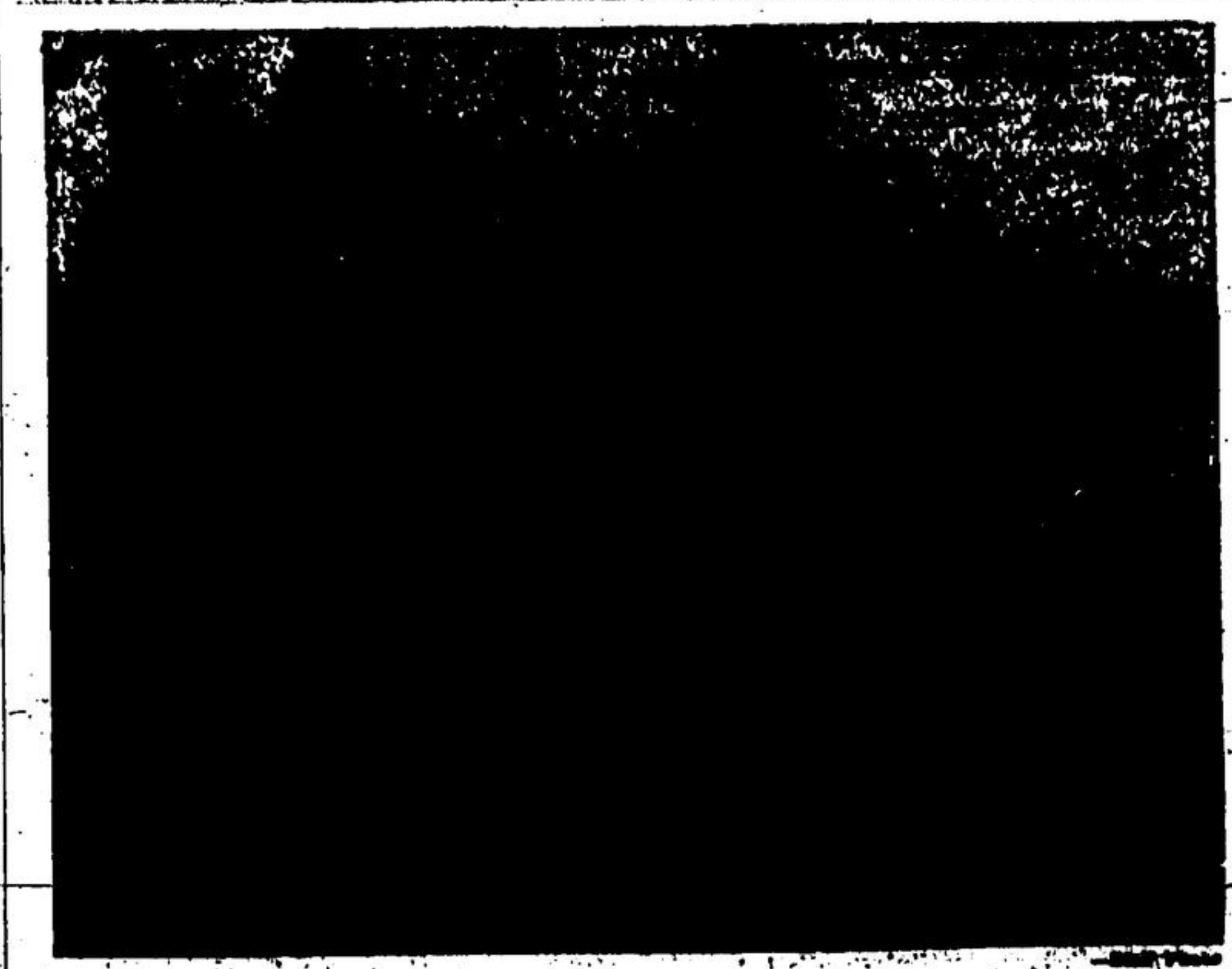
Albert Watson, secretary. Omer K. Van Sickle was returned as treasurer.

The meeting approved a change in by-laws, allowing one representative rather than two from each municipality with the balance of the 18-member board appointed at large.

Board Members
Named to the board were Mrs. D. Faylor, Acton; Mrs. M. A. Leishman, Burlington; Douglas Latimer, Georgetown; Sydney Childs, Milton; Mrs. J. Pullen, Oakville; Harold C. Biggar, Trafalgar; Mrs. Wilfrid Bird, Esquewaug; Omer K. Van Sickle, Nassagaweya.

Nominations at large were Mrs. J. W. Wolfe, Acton; E. W. Fowler, Milton; Albert Watson, Trafalgar; John Kobay, Oakville; Mrs. Jean Willis, Esquewaug; Rev. C. M. Mitchell, Burlington; M. J. Hastings, Burlington.

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DRIVE-IN SERVICE for helicopters — what next? Tuesday noon, two Toronto businessmen landed their helicopter at the Cedar Springs Motel on No. 7 Highway east of Acton and ate their lunch. Pictured above in the plane are Ed White and Andy Hudson of the Federal Equipment of Canada Ltd. as Giselle Bertrand offers them coffee and doughnuts before they leave.