

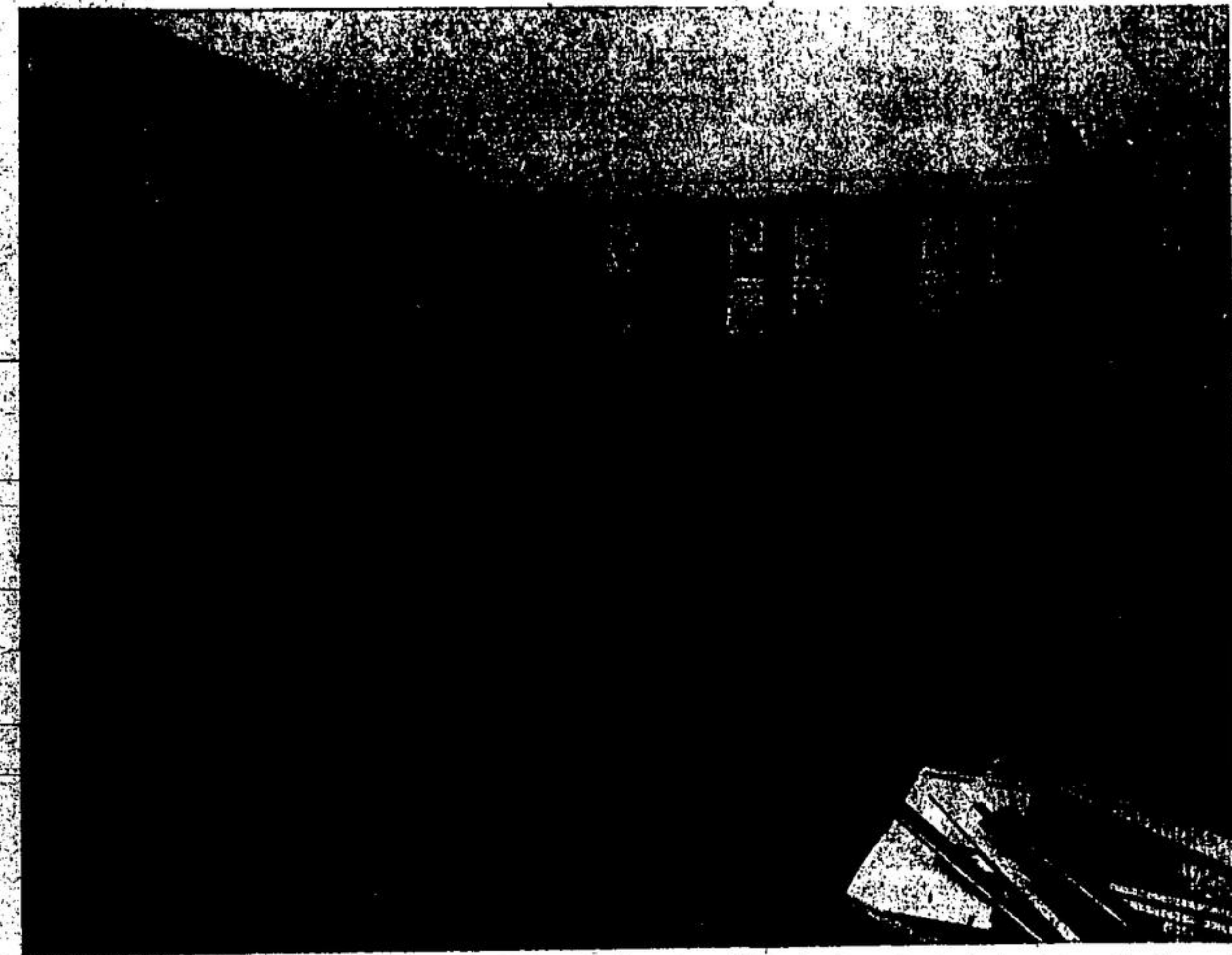
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THURSDAY THIS WAS the picture at the Storey Glove factory. But by Friday at 8 p.m. the lot at the corner of Bower and Alice Sts., was flat. Walls had all toppled, debris was levelled in the centre and stacks of lumber were neatly lined up beside. Wood and bricks were dumped at the side of the hydro shop nearby to fill in the depression in the land there. The foreman of Kopic Wrecking crew said everything saleable was sold to individuals and contractors. The house next door went down too. To come here: the new post office.

Engineers Under Fire During Council Debate

Faced with the problem of rectifying trouble at the digester section of the sewage disposal plant, sewer and water chairman J. Bert Wood told council Tuesday evening that results of his enquiries revealed the town had been operating for the past 12 years with a poorly designed sewage treatment plant.

Explaining his findings of investigation into the trouble at the digester plants since the floating roof capzied and his committee learned it was necessary to clean the tank out by the bucketful, councillor Wood stated, "I think it is high time we had a meeting with engineers involved and have things settled once and for all."

Mr. Wood related sadly, "The dad-burned lid has been down there for two weeks and they still don't know what to do with it."

The councillor told his colleagues he had been informed by the manufacturer of the tank cover it would be cheaper to replace the cover rather than make repairs. He pointed out that during his enquiries it was learned the plant is being pushed to the limit of its capacity and in its present condition the plant could not handle any additional sewage.

New Engineers?

The sewer and water chairman continued with his tale of woe as he stated that the hydro inspector had refused to allow the plant to be rewired under the specifications laid down by the consulting engineer. Instead he had recommended a different type of installation.

Mayor John Goy asked if the hydro inspector had definitely refused to accept the re-wiring project as laid down by the engineers and when told "yes", stated, "Send the plans back to R. V. Anderson and tell them we want a set that will comply and that is what we will pay for." Councillor Frank Prouse supported the mayor when he stated, "Perhaps it's time we started looking for new engineers."

Clerk-administrator Jack McGeachie supported the engineers as he reviewed the original installation of the plant and told council it had been designed for U.S. gallons instead of Imperial gallons and this was clearly marked out. He also stated the original plans had been approved by a branch of the Department of Health which is now named the Ontario Water Resources Commission. He noted that several of the members of the original department are now heading the O.W.R.C.

As council discussed the additional flow of sewage at the disposal plant during wet weather, caused by seepage, Mayor Goy remarked, "perhaps the best bet we missed was the proposal to survey the sewer mains with the TV system. This was proposed to council last year by a firm prepared to install a TV camera in the lines and by means of a monitor it would have been able to reveal any breaks in the sewerage lines where possible seepage might occur."

Continuing his stand on this subject, Mr. Goy stated, "Although it appeared at the time it would be costly and might have cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000 plus maintenance it could conceivably save the town a possible \$150,000 in the event an addition to the plant is necessary."

"The engineers are not fully to blame regarding the trouble at the disposal plant," remarked Mr. McGeachie.

"I am not saying they are but they planned the plant, roads and manholes and we have had trouble," stated the mayor.

Next Engineers

Mr. Wood told council he was not satisfied, after discussions, with the engineer's decision to replace the floating roof with a similar type and was of the opinion a permanent type roof could be installed. He also recommended the heat exchanger should be moved to a different location in order to provide more efficiency. The sewer and water chairman was instructed to arrange a meeting with the engineers to discuss the problems.

Rewire Town Hall Upstairs for Bands Seek Details on New Tannery Waste

Acton's two bands, left homeless when the stone school was taken over by the high school board in order to postpone a building program this year, will once again spread their musical notes over the downtown section of town when they take up residence in the upper floor of the town hall.

This decision was made Tuesday evening when council agreed to rewire the upper floor in order to provide adequate light for the bandsmen. The town hall will be wired by both Acton Citizens' and Acton Junior Pipe bands.

The upper floor of the town hall was closed by council some time ago when the wiring and heating were unsatisfactory. Since that time the Acton Citizens' band practised in the arena until the front section was removed to make way for the new Community Centre building and then moved to the Stone school. The junior pipe band practised in the Y.M.C.A. and in the public and high school yards.

Effluent Problem

Julian Zajac and Frank Geng, co-owners of the Superior Glove Works, were present to request council's consideration in handling effluent from their proposed tannery and glove shop. Following a former request to erect a glove shop in the Stone Street area, a building permit was issued last fall but construction was withheld until spring.

The men told council the land intended for the glove shop was zoned M-1 which conformed with the by-law. Council was told the company also has an option on an adjoining piece of property zoned M-2 and if assured the town would carry effluent from the industry, would proceed to purchase this for their tannery section.

The two businessmen were informed that the O.W.R.C. would have the final say regarding handling the sewage and were asked to submit a chemical analysis and statement of quantity of effluent to be discharged into the sewage system.

Church Building

A delegation from Knox Presbyterian church was present to request council's consideration in allowing the use of a portion of the right of way to the Pioneer cemetery in order to proceed with a building program at the church.

At the time the Pioneer Cemetery was decided to the town, a 36-foot right-of-way from Knox Avenue was also given to the town from the church. It is a portion of this church right-of-way for the program. A joint meeting with the church and council building committees is planned for next Tuesday evening.

Urges Repairs

During the enquiries by members, councillor Les Duby pointed out the need for repairs to the Church Street west bridge. He stressed the need for limiting the loads of vehicles using the bridge and suggested the road approach to the bridge be repaired. He told council the road budget would not permit any major repairs this year but emphasized the need for this to be done next year.

Property chairman Ham Peal was instructed to proceed with the purchase of signs for the council chamber door and police office. He also requested council to consider sharing the cost with the Legion for refurbishing the Cenotaph. Council agreed to obtain a price on the job.

More Chance for Trees

Mr. Peal informed his colleagues little response had been received from residents on Mill St. for the tree planting program undertaken this year. The invitation to participate in the program has been extended to residents living on Maria, Mill, Young, Willow, John, Elgin, Frederick, Wilbur and Fellows Streets.

Under the recently adopted program, residents on these streets may obtain a red maple tree approximately 6 to 8 feet tall at a cost of \$2.50. This amount is half the cost of the tree and council pays the balance.

Reeve Jack Hargrave, acting chairman for the meeting, enquired who would be responsible for payment of fees in the event a dog was injured by a car and police called the veterinarian. He was told that the dog catcher be called to dispose of the injured animal. Mr. Hargrave noted that on two occasions dogs had been injured to the point they had to be done away with by the veterinarian. The police committee was instructed to notify the police regarding this.

Charges Propaganda, Enumerating Start Two-Month Election Battle

Here in Halton where Conservative, Liberal and New Democratic candidates will wage a two-month battle for the County's lone seat at Ottawa, political activity has swung into high gear.

In one corner a tireless Liberal supporter is already waging a press battle against the N.D.P. in the opposite corner the N.D.P. and the Oakville Labor Council are retaliating with counter-charges; over in another corner M.P. Sandy Best has started a literature campaign to get out the Conservative votes; and in the final but perhaps busiest corner, Burlington's Dick West, Halton's election returning officer, is busily scurrying around the County setting up the election machinery for June 18.

Opening Guns

Oakville Lawyer Fred M. Fenton, a town councillor, member of Halton County Law Association and long-time Liberal advocate, fired the opening guns in the all-out campaign last week when he wrote N.D.P. candidate Carl Rouleau and the county press asking Rouleau to withdraw as a candidate and get the N.D.P. supporting the Liberal standard-bearer, Dr. Harry Harley of Oakville.

Fenton suggested that as the former C.C.F. party only polled 10 per cent of the votes in the 1958 election, Rouleau and his C.C.F.-cum-N.D.P. followers had no chance of catching the Halton seat at Ottawa. He said N.D.P. money spent on Rouleau's campaign would be "to assist a candidate who just can't win."

Rouleau Answers

Rouleau, naturally, refused with a fiery call for a Liberal idea of a "cheap Liberal attempt to try to regain popularity. The New Democratic Party nominating convention, the largest ever held or seen in this county, has been an eye sore to Mr. Fenton and other Liberals or so-called Liberals, (we perhaps should also include the Conservatives) ever since it took place."

The N.D.P. standard bearer summed up his reply with an invitation to join in a public debate with the Conservative and Liberal candidates.

The Labor Council got into the act with a letter to County electors dunning Fenton's earlier statement that the N.D.P. does not have the support of all the unions in this county. "The Labor movement in Halton had indeed rallied behind the N.D.P. and only a minority has rejected the N.D.P. affiliation, and this is their democratic right," said Labor Council president G. C. Hevm. But Mr. Fenton's party "is no friend of labor as he claims."

Replies to Reply

Not finished yet, lawyer Fenton whipped off a letter to the county press once more, replying to candidate Rouleau's reply. "My request was not made on behalf of Harry Harley for the purpose of establishing a meagre

hope of winning for the Liberals," said his note. "In Harley for Halton the Liberals have a winner, but only by a plurality. If the N.D.P. candidate would withdraw, this plurality would obviously become a really substantial majority for Harley for Halton."

Disappointed by Rouleau's and the Labor Council's statements that Liberals weren't friendly towards the labor movement, Mr. Fenton pointed out the Liberals have done more for labor than any other party. Conservatives included, and outlined the party's planned labor benefits for the coming sessions of Parliament.

Over in his corner, sitting Conservative M.P. Sandy Best was gearing his election campaign and sent off a letter to all Halton constituents, outlining the progress and accomplishments of the Conservative government in the past four years.

West Is Working

Returning officer Dick West, working from his Burlington home, is lining up the big June 18 election. This week he's contacting the horde of enumerators who will make the rounds beginning April 30, counting and tabulating the number of eligible voters. Then the printing of voters' lists begins, then final revision, the official nomination day when the parties officially sign up their candidates, then the advance poll, and finally the election itself.

This is Mr. West's first election as a returning officer. Last election there were 120 polling subdivisions, while this year it is split into 220, with a corresponding increase in voters.

They'll Call on You

Here are the names of local enumerators:

Esquising: Roy Currie, Tom Joyce, Wm. Brain, Harold Moyer, Roy Smith, G. C. Patterson, William Traver, Mac Spruill, Fyfe Somerville, H. Marchington, Mrs. G. Sargent and Mrs. M. Reid.

Acton: Mrs. D. Kraneck, Mrs. V. Patrick, Mrs. M. Speitvogel, Mrs. L. Williams, J. Hurst, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. R. Algie, Mrs. Ed Lidka, and Mrs. C. Holmes.

Milton: Mrs. B. Ervin, Mrs. G. Cross, Mrs. D. L. Wood and Mrs. Mary Clarice.

Nassagaweya enumerators are set to be named, Mr. West reported on Wednesday.

Advance Poll

The advance poll is set for two days—Saturday June 9 and Monday June 11, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. This year your occupation does not determine whether or not you can vote at the advance poll—anyone who has reason to believe he or she cannot be there on voting day can vote at the advance poll, regardless of occupation, Mr. West said. He is advising scrutineers, deputy returning officers and poll clerks to vote at the advance poll as well.

Grab Cash, Tools In Village Theft

North Halton O.P.P. are still investigating a break-in and theft at Campbellville Sunday night, in which a small amount of money and some car tools were stolen.

The thieves entered George Goldstraw's real estate office, apparently through a window, and pried open a safe in a filing cabinet. A large safe in the office, which was left open, contained no valuables, the owner reported.

A car owned by Jack McPhail, a neighbor three homes away, was taken and later found abandoned on the Guelph Line north of the village. The tools in the car were missing. Mr. Goldstraw said several papers missing from his office were found in a garage down the street.

Clocks Ahead

Sunday's the day to tamper with time. Daylight Saving Time starts this Sunday, April 29 at 12:01 a.m. and all clocks will have to be resynchronized. Do it before midnight, do it in the morning, but remember—set them AHEAD an hour.

New Speed Limits Intermediate Zone

New speed limit signs are up at all the highway approaches to town. The Department of Highways ordered them after surveys.

Now from about 1,000 feet outside the town limit there is an intermediate speed limit zone of 45 miles per hour. This avoids the abrupt transition from 30 miles per hour in the country to 50 in town.

Tuesday evening Council authorized the police to strictly enforce these new speed limits.

Curlers Receive Trophies W. Beatty New President

The first social evening of the thriving Acton Curling Club in the Legion Hall on Monday brought the congenial group together again for smorgasbord supper, presentation of new trophies, election of new officers and dancing. The club's membership is 135, 124 attended.

The Legion Ladies' Auxiliaries filled the tables arranged in horseshoe shape with delicious salads, relishes and meats, followed by cake and ice cream.

W. Beatty President

The brisk program was directed by Charles Kirkness the new slate of officers, adopted unanimously is: president, Wesley Beatty, vice-president, Chester Anderson, secretary, Jim Inglis, treasurer, John Cutting, by-laws committee, William MacKay, draw committee, Alex Zschockoff, ladies draw committee, Mrs. William MacKay, Mrs. Harry Holmes, social committee, Ted Tyler, membership, Frank Van Wye and properties, Bill Coon. Committee chairman will select others to fill out their committees.

The trophies in the men's league and mixed league were donated by Adams Distilleries and presented by Murray Ezeard, who played hockey with Acton for three years and, is well remembered in sports circles by former hockey and baseball players. He is now a company representative.

Large trophies went to the

skips and individual trophies to each team member.

Mixed league winners were Chester Anderson skip, Charlotte Holmes, Madeline Bonnette and Don Ryder.

Men's league winners were Rev. A. H. McKenzie skip, John McHugh, John Hulnagel and Jack Blow.

President's Trophy

The Jack Ridley trophy for the winning team in the bonspiel went to Alex Zschockoff's team, with Donna Kirack, Corinne De Jong and John Cutting. Mr. Ridley, the past president, presented his trophy while Vic Patrick and Ethel Holmes presented the ladies with pins and the men with tie bar and cuff link sets.

The Heron Walker trophy for the second round of playoffs in the bonspiel went to Clarence Rogstad's team with Ken Elsiey, Nellie Beatty and Ella Nielsen. The men received wallets and the ladies pins.

Glasses for Runners-Up

Runners-up in the bonspiel received sets of glasses with curling designs. They were skip Mrs. Eva Cooper, John Hulnagel, Alan Elderby and Fyfe Somerville, skip Mrs. Dorothy Van Wack, John Lowell, Bert Hinton and Mrs. Mary McPhail.

A specially-made businessmen's challenge trophy was won by the butchers. The flower-bedeked chamber pot was edged in frills

and firmly mounted on a large wooden base, flanked with gleaming figurines. Miniature cups went to everyone on the winning team, skip Cliff Bradley, Vic Patrick, Len Lovell and Jack Lovell. Mr. Bradley said they'd welcome any challengers.

New Trophy

Mr. Kirkness announced Don Beaton will be donating a trophy for the ladies' afternoon league next year.

The door prize, a set of glasses and bowl with curling design, went to treasurer John Cutting.

New president Wesley Beatty spoke briefly, looking forward to a most successful year. Realizing that members are thinking of a curling club of their own, he pointed out how fortunate they were to have artificial ice and such an active club for the first year.

Membership chairman Frank Van Wack already has applications in for next year. He said he would assume all present members would be members again next year unless he was informed otherwise.

Balance on Books

John Cutting gave a brief treasurer's report, showing a balance of over \$200.

Dancing was to the Debonairs, and included squares, polkas, snowball dance and, of course, the Twist. Spot dance winners were Lorne Youngblut and Mrs. Mac Symon.

Seven Fires Keep Firemen Busy Bunch

Acton Fire fighters have had their share of fighting Spring fires the past week and since Friday have battled one chimney and six grass fires.

Good Friday, a grass fire blazing out of control at the Flynn farm was brought under control shortly after firemen arrived. Saturday morning overheated stove pipes at the home of Dan Campbell caused firemen to make an early run. Saturday afternoon the siren sounded three more times and firemen fought grass fires at Crewson's Corners, the third line near the town jump and the farm home of Duncan Moffat.

Well-Earned Rest

Firefighters received a well-earned rest on Sunday when a steady rain dampened the grass and the siren was silent. Monday started another series of fires when at five o'clock in the evening a grass fire broke out at the farm home of R. McEachern near Crewson's Corners. Tuesday morning blazing grass burning among a reforestation section in the Crescent had firemen out in full force with reinforcements from the Beardmore Brigade battling the stubborn flames before they were brought under control. Tuesday evening firemen made a fast run to the farm home of O. Moffat. Six line, when grass burning out of control caught on a pile of used telephone poles near the barn.

Council's Spring Cleaning Street Sweeping, Garbage

Like most tidy housekeepers, Acton councillors are anxious to have spring cleaning wound up early. Tuesday night they learned the street sweeper purchased for \$1,000 from the City of Toronto would be delivered Thursday afternoon (today).

The motor will hardly have time to cool when the new-washed piece of machinery will be pressed into service to sweep the dust and debris off the streets. Thursday night town workmen will climb aboard and operate the machine throughout the night, continue all day Friday and throughout Friday night in order to make Acton a cleaner place to live.

Although council was not actively down in the dumps during their meeting they did agree to include extra garbage pickup throughout the summer months. Beginning Monday, May 14, until Thursday, October 25, all areas south of Mill Street from Victoria Street including Cameron Avenue and sections East of the C.N.R. tracks to the M. Z. Bennett school, will have two-day collecting.

Other areas in town will have a two-day garbage collection on Tuesdays and Fridays beginning May 15, until Friday October 26. From this date collection will return to a one-day pickup with the first district on Mondays and the latter on Tuesdays.



MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS enjoyed a buffet supper Tuesday evening at the Legion auditorium when 200 Guides and Brownies and mothers attended. Guest speaker for the evening was William Kinrade, principal of the Howard Wrigglesworth school in Georgetown. Pictured above, Cheryl Lee and Gail McHugh help the guest speaker make a choice of food.