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Lands 6¼ Pound Rainbow After Tussle at Fergus

Trout season for 1962 will hold a 6¼-pound memory for one district fisherman, Reg French of Ballinacree, and the rainbow trout he landed at the Fergus mill dam will deck the wall of his home for years to come.

The Ballinacree resident, an employee with Shortill Sheet Metal in Acton, decided to try his luck Sunday evening and after casting a few times upstream decided to move closer to the dam where two other fishermen had just left empty-handed. Shortly after moving into his new position the fisherman noticed the trout break water twice and decided it would make good eating.

Game for Escape

His nine-year-old son Wayne was standing on the bank above him when the trout caught the flat fish line. A fishing companion was nearby trying his luck. Still in deep water the trout gave the angler a tussle and battled

the lure 15 minutes before it was landed. Not until it was brought to shallow water did the rainbow give up the battle and even then it was game for an escape. Lacking a net, the fisherman summoned the help of his companion who caught the fish behind the gills to lift it to shore. The helper carefully the size of the fish as he has a red welt where the fish closed its gills on his hand after it had been stunned on the back of the head.

Saturday a three-pound rainbow was hauled from the water near the same location and veteran fisherman familiar with the area claim the 6¼-pound rainbow to be the largest hauled from the water in Fergus in the past 21 years.

Mr. French is having the fish mounted but will still enjoy tasty morsels of fillet before the mounting is done.



REAL WHOPPER of a rainbow trout was caught by Reg French, Ballinacree resident, Sunday evening at the mill pond at Fergus. Mr. French is pictured above with his son Wayne as they admire the 6¼ pound beauty. The angler played the fish for 15 minutes before he was able to land it. He will have it mounted for his trophy room.

Union, Commission Deadlocked Following Two-hour Meeting

Union officials and hydro commission were deadlocked at the end of a two-hour discussion Thursday evening, April 26, when a new union contract was discussed.

During the last hydro meeting, commissioners turned thumbs down on a new proposal and agreed to continue under terms laid out by the present agreement with only a minor adjustment.

J. LeBlanc from the Toronto office and A. Green from Oakville along with local hydro workers were present to discuss the union contract.

Chairman Gordon Beatty of the hydro informed the delegates the commission had rejected the recent submission as completely impracticable since it could be interpreted in such a manner there would be no limit to responsibility and costs to the commission. He suggested the union submit a revised proposal for consideration at a later date.

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Sub-Contractors For P.O. Named

Wheels are beginning to turn at the site for the new federal post office on Bower Avenue and general contractors Wilchar Company have equipment moved in. Sub-contractors, engaged, workshops set up and snow fences installed to keep people out.

Excavation of the foundation are underway and immediate progress is being made.

Job superintendent at the location is John Laur of the Wilchar Company and he stated this week that sub-contractor for various stages are: excavation, Dan Lee Construction Company, Georgetown; electrical work, Bruno Electric, Toronto; form setting and pouring concrete, Aspen Construction Limited, Cooksville and concrete suppliers, Premier Building Supplies, Georgetown.

Mr. Laur also pointed out that as far as possible suitable local help would be engaged during the execution of the post office. While the work is in progress, residents are able to watch the work at a safe distance.

Call Bids On Track

Tenders for the grading and site preparation of the \$3,000,000 Campbellville night harness racing track were called Thursday by Proctor and Redfern Engineering, Toronto.

Invitation bids, said project engineer John Reader, were sent to 10 or 11 companies and the prices are due May 18. Mr. Reader said the grading and site work will go ahead immediately after the best tender is accepted, but the building construction tender will not be called until later, possibly this summer.

Permit Issue

After issuing only \$5,000 in building permits in the first three months of 1962, the Township of Nassagaweya issued permits for three houses and two cottages, with a value of \$32,000 total in April. This brings the year's total to \$41,500.

ous support of his colleagues for a 10 o'clock curfew on future hydro meetings.

Superintendent Doug Mason was authorized to make the necessary arrangements for the Grand Valley Metermen's Association meeting to be held in Acton May 30. Mr. Mason, two employees of his staff and meter reader Newton Hurst received the blessing of the commission to attend a water heating servicing course in the near future. It was agreed, however, they would attend in two shifts in order not to leave the town without workers.

Accounts totalling \$17,921.66 were approved for payment.

Rental of School Auditorium to Church For Regular Services Nixed by Board

Public school board members Tuesday turned thumbs down on a request from pastor J. H. Wilson of the Fellowship Baptist Church to rent the auditorium each Sunday for services until such time as a new church is erected.

Mr. Wilson was present during the meeting and failed to see why the board would not rent the auditorium. When told requests from other churches to use the auditorium for the same purpose had been denied and they would wonder why the policy had been changed, Mr. Wilson stated "You people are prejudiced. I am not disagreeing with the board policy but if the auditorium is empty, why can't we make use of it?"

It was explained that in the event the auditorium was rented the caretakers must be present to supervise and clean up and it was asking too much for them to work every Sunday. They are entitled to their weekends, off, one member remarked.

Asked why he did not wish to continue to hold services in the Y.M.C.A. (the group has been meeting in the basement of the Y up to the present time), Mr. Wilson stated the room was not suitable for divine services.

Trustee Vic Bristow remarked, "If the members are dedicated enough they should be willing to hold services anywhere." Approval was given the church to use the auditorium rent free for the May 6 special services only.

Board members were a bit annoyed to learn that valves recommended last year at the M. Z. Bennett school by the boiler inspector had been installed and

were now obsolete as a newer type must be installed.

On learning this, wry smiles broke out on the members' faces as they recalled how determined the inspector was to have the present valves installed, yet he now has suggested a different type replace the present ones. The board agreed to contact the chief inspector and suggest if the change is imperative the board would be pleased to have the change made if the cost would be underwritten by the Department of Labor.

Members' puzzled expressions changed, however, when they learned that repairs to the roofs at the Robert Little and M. Z. Bennett schools would be made at no cost to the board. Both roofs had caused considerable damage when water seeped into rooms which had to be vacated temporarily.

Prepare Stone School

It was also learned the stone school has been vacated by Acton Citizens' Band and alterations would begin this month in preparation for the high school holding classes there in the fall in order to postpone a building program.

Approval was given to the Christian Reformed Church to hold a Vacation Bible school during the first two weeks in July in five classrooms at the Robert Little school providing conditions laid down by the board were adhered to.

Principal Elmer Smith of the M. Z. Bennett school received a pat on the back from Robert Little school principal G. W. McKen-

zie when the board was told Mr. Smith had done a "terrific job" as president of the North Halton Music Festival Association.

Approval was given principal McKenzie to attend the International Y's Men's Convention at Banff during the second week in June. Mr. McKenzie told the board arrangements had been made for marking examination papers during the time he is away.

Members also learned Miss Sharon Lemon of Anson had been engaged for the M. Z. Bennett school. She will replace Miss Sheila Boehme, who is leaving. Also engaged was Gary Wayne Bateman of Stratford, who replaces Mrs. A. Andrews, who is leaving the Robert Little school.

Board members learned that inspector W. L. McNeil and board member Cliff Bradby had reviewed the Home Economic and Industrial Arts registration for next year and reported that compared to the five grade 7 classes and three grade 8 classes last year there would be five grade 8 and three grade 7 classes next year including the grade 7 pupils from the Nassagaweya area.

It was pointed out that Grade 8 students would receive an extra two-hour period which would result in Nassagaweya having to provide a teacher of their own. The secretary was instructed to notify the Nassagaweya school board of the situation.

Approval was given for use of the two schools on May 24 for Oral Polio Vaccine clinics to be held. Accounts totalling \$4,947.52 were approved for payment.

Gals Join Dads and Lads For 23 Annual Y Banquet

A tradition through the past 22 years was broken in a pleasant and charming manner. Thursday evening, April 26, when Acton Y's Men's Club included daughters at the 23rd annual Father and Son banquet. About 100 attended the event in the Y.

Master of ceremonies for the evening, club president Doug Copeland welcomed the fathers, sons and daughters to the banquet. He introduced Y.M.C.A. board chairman Bob Foyers, who added words of welcome to the guests. Mr. Foyers outlined the Y program and stressed the need for more interest. He invited adults to participate in the program, as well as children, stating "The building and facilities belong to the people and we would like to see the people make use of them."

The toast to the sons and daughters was given by Y's Man Clarence Rognvaldson as he noted the importance of the part played by women in society today. He pointed out the lads had a job to do in exploring space as the world progresses in the space race. Mr. Rognvaldson stated, "Behind each successful man stands a successful woman. The young men and women of today are the cornerstones for building world peace."

Michael Cooper responded to the toast on behalf of the boys, and Janet Rognvaldson answered for the girls. Both stressed the need for continuing the Father, Son and Daughter banquets in order to provide more "togetherness."

Y's Man Elmer Smith was master of ceremonies for the entertainment, which consisted of local talent. He introduced Joe Petric, who played selections on the accordion entitled Glow Worm, Mexican Hat Dance and The Thunderer. Linda Ralston sang two solos, Hiawatha's Melody of Love and Around the World. The triple trio from the Robert Little public school, winners in the Halton County Music Festival, sang their winning number, Oh Where, Tell Me Where. Helen Benton sang Chapel in the Moonlight and Oh What a Beautiful Morning.

Assess \$575 Damage In Two-Vehicle Crash

Damage amounted to an estimated \$575 Thursday night, April 26, when a car driven by a Georgetown youth and one driven by an Acton man were in collision with each other at the corner of Queen Street East and Churchill Road. An eastbound car driven by Glen Wright of Georgetown and a vehicle driven by Don Grein of Acton southbound on Churchill Road were in collision at the intersection.

Damage to the Wright car amounted to \$400 and the Grein vehicle \$175. Constable Bruce Kressler investigated.

Mr. Rognvaldson showed slides of a recent trip to Europe. Slated guest speakers Fred Hunt, manager of the Buffalo Bisons, along with player Chico Maki and former American ladies' figure skating champion Ann Deckop were unable to attend. However, Miss Deckop and Bill

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ENTERTAINERS during the Father, Son and Daughter banquet staged by the Acton Y's Men's Club Thursday evening, April 26, pleased an audience numbering 125. Pictured left to right are Helen Benton, vocalist, Joe Petric, accordionist and Linda Ralston, vocalist. Standing in the back is "Doc" Harkley, manager of the Acton Pee Wee team, who spoke on sports in Acton.

Wool Spinning Industry Comes Here This Summer

Acton Industrial Commission has announced it is expected that J. Lavoie Textiles of Milton and Georgetown will locate in Acton this summer.

Negotiations are under way at the present time to lease approximately 8,000 feet of space in the Canada Packers Building, and it is expected that arrangements will be completed shortly to enable work to start on alterations which will be required.

J. Lavoie Textiles is a well-established company in operation for many years, and will combine their custom wool spinning operation with knitting of men's socks. The company will employ initially in the neighbourhood of 15 to 25 people.

It is interesting that after five years Acton will again have a wool spinning industry located in this same building.

Some difficulty has been encountered in accommodating some pieces of machinery which will measure approximately 140 feet in length, but once these problems have been solved, plans will progress for operations to commence approximately in August.

Located in this building are already a number of diversified industries. Michigan Bulb, Waleigh Furniture Limited, Keates Organ Company Limited, Thermoid Division of H. K. Porter Canada Ltd., United-Carr, Easterner Company of Canada Limited and

Banquet Convener
Omitted last week that the Guide and Browne Mother and Daughter banquet was convoked by Guide Captain Mrs. Tom Watson, Sorry.

Under consideration at the present time are plans for the installation of a main employee's entrance at the front of the building, new independent fire escape stairwells, and also a freight elevator to service the basement and third floor of the main building. This will make available two new areas to future prospective industries.

The building is under the management of Beardmore & Co. Limited personnel.



EXCAVATION STARTED for the new water reservoir being expected to have the excavation completed by next Wednesday, built on Churchill Road North this week and power shovel. When this phase of work is completed, footings will be poured, and bulldozer operators have been kept busy. James Kemp Steel has been arriving at the site this week and engineers are on hand to watch the progress.