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Celebrities Here For Dinner

In addition to the hockey program highlighted by the visit of Action of Hockey (Hockey) Richard, Action Lions announced another big sports event for the evening of February 1st.

\$176,000 Reservoir in Use Increases Mains Pressure

In spite of a 90 pound water pressure flowing through pipes in services on Churchill Road North above Peel Street and Main Street North above the C.N.R. tracks, no breaks have occurred.

Ken Hyde, engineer for R. V. Anderson and Associates, and resident engineer Lubac Rutke of the same firm were on hand Wednesday to assist town superintendent Alf Doby and Jack Lambert with the necessary adjustments.

Large valves at the reservoir control station were set, a valve on the roadway opposite the lane to the Churchill North spring was opened, valves near Peel Street closed in order to adjust the pressure relief valves.

WATER BEGAN FLOWING through mains in town from the new reservoir on Churchill Road North Wednesday afternoon. Pressure throughout the older section of town has been set at 42 pounds and homes and industry north of the C.N.R. tracks on Main Street and Churchill Road North above Peel Street at 70 pounds.

\$150,000 Federal Building Ready for February Opening

The new \$150,000 post office is to be completed in every detail by January 23 — next Wednesday.

That's the order received at the new building this week from the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

It is nine months since demolition of two old buildings paved the way for the post office.

On April 9, 1962, Kopic Construction Company, Brantford, moved in heavy equipment and demolished the former Storey-Grove building as well as the adjoining home formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Knox.

Fire Doors Holdup The one-storey building will house a post office and customs office and allow ample room for rural mail carriers.

touches, the building is at the final stage. Delivery of fire doors is the main reason for not meeting the January 23 completion date, according to officials.

When the doors of the new post office open to the public, patrons will see vast change from the present federal building erected in 1913.

Contained in the 7,440 square feet of space on the two floors are furnace room, utility room, customs record office, postal records office, postal storage space and staff room in the basement.

Name Chairman, Discuss V.O.N., Retarded, At Urban Board Meet

Jim Emmerson, Georgetown councillor, was chosen 1963 chairman of the North Halton Urban Board, during its inaugural meeting in Georgetown Wednesday.

Members received a letter from Miss Meneford of the Victorian Order of Nurses in answer to earlier inquiries regarding a branch in the North Halton area.

During a discussion, it was learned that elementary schools in a population area of 5,000 with 880 pupils attending had a cost per pupil ratio of \$290 per year.

borne by fees charged and it suggested some of the balance might be raised by a community appeal.

Councillor Les Doby of Acton stated the basis for the cost was much more presentable for each council to consider than any received before.

Members were advised to discuss these matters at their own municipal level and bring back suggestions at a later meeting.

President Stresses Need For Societies During Fair Board Directors' Dinner

"Agricultural Societies are more necessary today than they were 50 years ago, providing they are always alert to the changes which are taking place in agriculture and tailor their program to the needs of the times," stressed retiring president Nino Bralida as he addressed directors and guests at the annual Fair Board directors' dinner Tuesday in Kbox church basement.

Mr. Bralida countered opinions expressed from time to time that Agricultural Societies had outlived their usefulness, and fall fairs no longer justify the expense to the taxpayers.

The retiring president said "Expect all is never before in history. There have so many people been fed by so few farmers... It is these few whom we must help and encourage to do a better job of farming."

clubs and encouraged agriculture societies to lend their support to these worthwhile organizations.

Guest speaker for the evening, Harold Dodds of the CBC and well-known host on "Country Calendar," supported Mr. Bralida's statements by saying there would always be a place for small fairs.

Mr. Dodds explained the operation and work entailed in presenting radio and TV programs and gave his audience a clear and concise picture of how news and pictures are gathered.

or people to follow in their footsteps. He said that only 12 per cent of the population are farmers and this must be changed by creating more interest.

Seven long-time members of the Fair Board were honored during the evening when they received life membership pins.

Following the tasty dinner, enjoyed by over 100, Reeve Mel Bar-

Council Endorses Medical Plan To Include All Halton County

Council Tuesday evening agreed to support in principle, community involvement in a prepaid medical plan.—This same endorsement was passed last year when P.S.I. enrolled citizens in Acton in a community plan.

A letter from Crown Assets Corporation was read noting council's interest in the old post office building. The corporation expected the building would be turned over to Crown Assets early in February.

Authorized for payment was the account of Godson Contracting for the rebuilding and repaving on Main and Mill Streets in 1962. Total cost of the project was \$30,141.37. A 5% hold back reduced the amount payable to \$22,995.59.

All members of council were present.

Council also:

and appointed J. Goy, F. G. Coles and J. Bullough to the committee.

Decided to hold the third meeting in January on the 29th, to leave the 22nd open for committee meetings.

Recreation Committee

Charter Members Start First Term With Purchase of \$500 Ice Shaver

Charter members of the newly formed recreation committee held their inaugural meeting on Thursday evening, January 10, when two of them, John Goy and Len Lovell, along with recreation director Jim Casburn were authorized to purchase a second-hand ice shaver at an approximate cost of \$500.

The ice shaver, owned by the Guelph Curling Club, has been loaned to the committee and after two demonstrations, officials were convinced the machine will do a good job at the Acton arena reducing the thickness of the ice.

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Former mayor Goy suggested the committee consider appointment of a full-time secretary for both recreation committee and parks board on a 60-90 basis. He stated the work at the town of

Park Area in Glenlea Forecast for Summer

Acton Board of Parks Management set their sights on the summer schedule during their inaugural meeting Thursday evening, January 10, and planned that baseball field repairs and development of the park area in the Glenlea subdivision.

Although temperatures hovered near zero, members agreed to have repairs to the baseball screen made following its collapse under heavy snow.

It was also agreed to develop the designated park area in the Glenlea subdivision by grading

and adding park benches. This is the first step in extension of park and picnic facilities.

Acton's second park will be made of about an acre and a half of rolling land behind houses on Longfield Road and Mowbray Place. This section of land was set aside for park development when the subdivision was laid out.

Grading will permit baseball and other games.

The Y's Men's club last year requested parks board consider developing this section as a sports area and suggested they could assist with supervision.

Re-appointed as chairman of the board, G. W. McKennie will head the following slate of members: vice-chairman Cliff Bradley, temporary secretary Joe T.



CHARTER MEMBERS of the recreation committee held their inaugural meeting Thursday evening, January 10, and made plans to purchase a second-hand ice shaver. Pictured above left to right are Doug Widdis, Albert Irwin, Claude Cook, J. Bert Wood,

St. Alban's Guild Follows New System

On Wednesday evening of last week, the ladies of the St. Alban's Guild held their annual turkey and pot luck supper in the parish hall.

A group leader was elected for each month. Each leader will be responsible for the organization and carrying out of the program for that month.

Following refreshment from Mrs. Cecil Nellis, arrangements were made to cater for the Women's Institute dinner on January 29.

The ladies decided to use their Lent money for this year.

Coffee and candies were served. New members are shown and gift Mrs. George (Bertha) Hatched, Mrs. Nellis and Mrs. M. Bowen's press supplies. Mrs. Thomas Lynch, Susan, Miss M.