

## Department Shelves By-Law To Change H.S. Boundaries

Department of Education officials have shelved a proposed by-law to provide for boundary changes affecting students attending Georgetown, Milton and Acton high schools, Tuesday evening, Acton council was notified of the decision in a letter from deputy minister C. W. Booth.

The first part of the year, action was initiated by Acton district high school board to have the boundary changes adopted. At this time, the proposed changes were sanctioned by Acton, Milton and Georgetown school boards as well as Acton, Milton, Georgetown, Esqueaux and Nassagaweya councils before two readings of a by-law were given by county council for submission to the department.

**Miltons Objection**  
A petition submitted to the Department of Education by 36 parents living in the Ballinacree area objected to the boundary changes, which would necessitate transferring their children from Georgetown to Acton high school. Following receipt of the petition the deputy minister requested individual sanction of the changes from each of the councils and school boards affected. This was done last week by Milton council which stated an objection since the town would lose taxes.

Tuesday evening, Acton council was informed by the deputy minister that approval by the department was being withheld on the basis of the petition and objection by Milton council. It was stated the residents affected had not been properly consulted before action by the school boards and councils had taken place.

**Public Discussions**  
Mr. Booth suggested that public discussions, open to everyone, be held during the balance of the year to explain details of why the boundary changes are necessary. If the changes are still sought, submission of a request will be made to the department of education by January, 1964. In the event department approval is granted, the changes will not become effective until 1965.

Reeve H. H. Hinton informed council that county council had received a copy of the same letter from the Department of Education and stated there was nothing individual councils could do as it was up to school boards affected to pursue the boundary changes further.

Mayor Les Doby remarked, "It's a dead issue at present. This is a case where the majority doesn't rule."

**Assessment Commissioner?**  
Mr. Hinton informed members county council is exploring possibilities of engaging an assessment commissioner for the county. This would mean the assessment commissioner would have full jurisdiction over individual town assessors. He explained there would be government grants available to offset costs for the commissioner's salary and office expenses.

Copies of the Human Rights Code will be prominently displayed in the council chambers, town office and community centre. Mayor Les Doby presented the three scrolls to council and approval was given to have them framed and displayed in the three areas.

Mayor Doby informed council the Urban Board meeting was being held in Georgetown Wednesday night, when council members and their wives were invited to join in a bus tour of the town of Georgetown and enjoy a social time afterwards.

**More on Trees**  
Councillor Eric Johnston, who was absent from the last meeting, when the mayor explained the reason for cutting down trees in front of the new post office, made his personal enquiry why the trees had been cut.

"I'm not only getting enquiries from residents, now it's starting right here at the council table!" joked the mayor. Mr. Doby explained the trees were considered dead and had been trimmed so often to clear hydro and telephone wires it was necessary to remove them.

Mr. Doby also stated he had requested the hydro to obtain prices for removal of the hydro poles in this area, and install underground cable. He explained the underground cable would allow paving the road to the new sidewalk which will be installed.

**Camp Anniversary**  
The mayor informed council he had been invited to attend a guest of honor the 21st anniversary of the Ukrainian camp, east of Acton, June 21, and stated his intentions of attending.

Members agreed to withdraw council meetings the first part of July for the holiday period with meeting dates July 23 and 30. Plans were finalized for a steak barbecue for council members July 26.

Accounts totalling \$10,833.99 were finalized for payment.

**Accountants**  
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**Long-Range View**  
Commissioner Beatty said, "No one has demonstrated to me we need the \$15,000 version to get up in the air." Commissioner Arbic said, "If the commission can justify spending \$7,000, surely it can justify spending the additional \$8,000, as he visualized the long-range use of the bucket in view of future town growth."

Mr. Beatty said he was thoroughly convinced the bucket equipment would not even work off the \$500 interest between the difference in cost. Superintendent Mason claimed the bucket would be used more often than the ladder and provide better safety for the workers.

Commissioner McCutcheon, thinking in silence up to this point, was of the opinion the bucket had merits over the ladder, but not for an additional cost of \$8,000. He wondered if an aerial ladder might not be adequate for the type of work involved.



WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA? wonder Tiger patrol scouts as they scan the list for Sunday's activities during the district Scout Camporee on the weekend. Left to right are Bill Fabian, Wayne Deforest, patrol leader Tom Genger, Clive Stewart and Les Carnochan. Three patrols from Acton joined scouts and cubs from Ballinacree, Georgetown, Norval and Glen Williams for the campout on a farm near Georgetown.

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## Beardmore, Employees Sign Labor Agreement

Tuesday evening Beardmore and Company Ltd., officials and local 479 United Puckingham, Food and Allied Workers concluded negotiations for a one-year labor contract.

Negotiations have been underway since last December and the new contract will be retroactive to this time and extend until December 1963, Union president Charles Kingsmill reported.

Under the terms of the new agreement, workers receive an across the board three-cent an hour increase. The contract also provides for a job posting system and a change in the seniority clause which will permit workers with seniority to being given an opportunity to apply for other plant jobs in the event of a layoff.

**Agreement Acceptable**  
The union president said the short-term agreement was acceptable to the majority of workers as indicated by the vote to ratify the contract. He also stated negotiations on the new contract are expected to begin sometime in November.

A statement issued by the company noted, "The union and Beardmore's have a long history of amicable labor relations."

## Dust Off Filtration Plant Hope for Installation Soon

Filtration plant parts were dusted off Wednesday night and assembly plans unfolded as Parks Board members visualized installation of a five-year-old piece of equipment at the wading pool.

During the meeting Cliff Bradley told the members that town superintendent Alf Doby had received plans for installation of the plant, checked the various parts and hoped to begin installation of the filtration system this week.

**Five Years Old**  
The plant was purchased five years ago and since then has been in storage in spite of the various board's intentions to have the equipment installed. Wednesday night, Mr. Bradley told board members the plant would just have to be installed this year.

He also recommended installation of the chain of barrels extending from the swimming beach area to the opposite side. This is done to prevent boats from speeding past the swimmers. Members agreed to have the barrels installed.

When it was learned there had been three breaks in the water pipe in the park within two weeks, members agreed to have a pressure relief valve installed in order to reduce the pressure of the water.

**Consider New Park**  
William Rzesut was engaged as park gale attendant for the summer season following a review of applications. Secretary Joe T. Hurst informed members that Ken Hyde of R. V. Anderson Associates, consulting engineers had agreed to look over the proposed Glenora park area in order to determine if a park could be established in the area.

## Officials, Inspectors, Teachers Honor Mrs. Paul on Retirement

Pages of the Book of the Past were turned at Brookville Public School in Nassagaweya Township on Tuesday evening when Mrs. Annie Paul of Acton was guest of honor at a retirement party.

Mrs. Beatrice Fletcher greeted Mrs. Paul at the door as she entered and played an old child on her left shoulder which blended with her blue flowered silk dress.

The local school board, staff from Brookville and Campbellville schools and past inspectors were guests on hand to honor Mrs. Paul and her family Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Paul of Milton and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Paul of R.R. 1, Campbellville, who were present.

Arthur Gibson was in charge of the court whilst game period when prizes were awarded to Clara Black, Billie Watson, Lois Teeple, Merwin Thompson, Tom Maines and O. G. McDowell. Mrs. Fletcher tastefully decorated the auditorium with pink and white peonies, roots of which came from Mrs. Paul's mother, the late Mrs. Cartridge.

**Presentation**  
John McPhail, chairman of the present school board, escorted Mrs. Paul to the chair of honor and read the presentation. In September 1923, 40 years ago this coming September, Mrs. Paul took a teaching position in S.S. number two Nassagaweya. In 1945 she returned to Nassagaweya, spending eight years at S.S. number 7, five years at S.S. number 8 and one year in S.S. number 3 prior to the opening of the consolidated school in Brookville in 1960. She spent over 21 years teaching in the township.

Mrs. Paul taught the second generation of many families and recently she has even encountered the third generation in her classroom. Mrs. Paul is one of the few persons to teach under the three development stages of the public school system, local school boards in each section.

**Silver Tea Service**  
Mrs. Tom Manes a former pupil at S.S. seven and music supervisor at Brookville presented Mrs. Paul with a five piece silver tea service.

Mrs. Paul, in her usually kind manner, thanked inspectors, fellow teachers and residents for all their cooperation.

Former inspector L. L. Skuce of Oakville who attended normal school with Mrs. Paul, reviewed her life and his associations with her as inspector in this township. Inspector W. L. McNeil of Acton also brought greetings. A letter was read by Arthur Gibson from R. S. Bornhold, an assistant superintendent of elementary schools in the Department of Education in Toronto, a former inspector, extending best wishes.

Mrs. Fletcher, secretary treasurer for the local school board, presented Mrs. Paul with a cheque for accumulated sick leave.

**Prison Example**  
Kenneth Trowbridge, principal of the school was master of ceremonies and reviewed his experiences with Mrs. Paul in this township, which were all very pleasant, as she has set a fine example for those who are to follow in her footsteps.

A smorgasbord supper supplied by the wives of the school board members was enjoyed by all bringing an evening of community fellowship nurtured by Mrs. Paul, who has returned it a 100 fold, to a happy ending.

**Picnic at Elora**  
About a dozen Young Adults of the United Church enjoyed a picnic at Elora, Sunday afternoon. Afterwards, they went to the home of the Rev. Dwight Engle to see pictures of the group's weekend last summer at the Engel cottage at the French River. They are planning to go together again this year.

## Crowd Lines Shoreline to Watch Regatta As Hydroplanes Skim Through Fairy Lake

Over 500 interested spectators lined the shores of Fairy Lake Saturday to watch hydroplanes skim over the surface of the water during Acton's first hydroplane regatta, sponsored by the Y's Men's Club.

Project chairman Elmer Smith and members of his committee are pleased with the results of the event and although to date it is not known whether the club will show a profit or loss, members are anticipating a similar project for next year.

Hydroplane driver John Webster of Toronto was the big winner when he crossed the finish line twice ahead of the field, to cop two trophies.

The Toronto racer was one of 56 top-notch drivers maneuvering their light but speedy craft around the narrow course. Speeds ranged from 30 miles per hour to 80 miles per hour during the regular heats. One demonstration craft with an imported German motor was capable of cutting through the water at a cruising speed of over 80 miles per hour.

**Four Hours of Activity**  
Even shortly after 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. the roar of the starting cannon and the constant buzz of high-pitched motors filled the air throughout town as a crowd lined the shores to watch the hydroplanes race the three-lap 6-mile course.

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POWER-PACKED HYDROPLANES dot the shoreline at Fairy Lake as drivers and mechanics prepare the craft for the Y's Men's sponsored regatta Saturday. Racing enthusiasts and interested spectators lined the shore along the course to watch the thrills and spills as hydroplanes reached speeds up to 80 miles per hour, according to the classes entered. John Webster, Toronto, copped two trophies during the afternoon events. Club project chairman Elmer Smith and his committee were pleased with the results of the event and already are making plans for another regatta next year.