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Reeve Charges Warden Pressured Govt.

Acton Reeve H. H. Hinton charged Halton County Warden C. A. Martin with "pressuring" the Ontario Department of Education to reject a boundary change in the three north Halton High School districts, at a special meeting of Halton County Council on Thursday evening of last week.

The boundary change was proposed by the three district high school boards and the enabling by-law given two readings by the county council. Milton Council objected to the change and a group of Ballinfad residents also opposed the move that would see their children attend the Acton school rather than the Georgetown school.

Approve Resolution
The county council approved a resolution, at the suggestion of the Acton Reeve "that Reeve Hinton, and Reeve G. Leslie be appointed by Halton County Council to interview the appropriate persons in the provincial government with or without other delegations in order to present the implementation of the by-law amendment which has received the approval of County Council for changes in the school area boundaries."

In subsequent amendments to the resolution the county delegation was enlarged to include Reeve Hinton, Reeve G. Leslie, Deputy Reeve W. Coulter, Deputy Reeve J. Bell, Deputy Reeve W. Hunter and Warden Martin.

Reeve Hinton, in supporting the resolution, suggested the law to Milton had been estimated at \$1,200 yearly in taxes. Reduced by transportation costs this would be closer to \$900, he suggested. "We were aware of the Ballinfad residents' opposition but we feel the action taken by the Department was overwhelmingly influenced by the warden," the Reeve charged.

Warden Martin denied "that I made a representation to the provincial government, on this mat-

ter. I would be happy to take the delegation to the Department to prove this. This was dealt with by Milton Council fairly and squarely."

The warden pointed out the original boundaries were prepared by Col. G. O. Brown who admits an error in that original preparation. "There is no proof that another error is not being drafted," the Reeve charged.

Nassagawewa Deputy Reeve Coulter recalled that all three high school boards were in ac-

cord with the revision of the boundaries and only Milton Council had disagreed.

Requesting Reeve G. Leslie insisted the boundary change was a matter for the school boards.

Pressing for approval of the resolution Reeve Hinton observed that if nothing could be done the matter was settled. "Surely it can be straightened out with one of the flaxco the Department suggests for a future settlement."

Members approved the motion to visit the Department.

Children Register Tuesday Summer Program Underway

In spite of the intense heat, children flocked to the Community Centre Tuesday morning to register for the summer playground program. Recreation Director Jim Cashburn and playground assistants Donna Landsborough, Jill Hurst, Hermina Bessem and Don Price handed out name tags for each child.

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Lists M. Z. Bennett School Results

Doors at the M. Z. Bennett public school closed for the final time Friday afternoon as pupils from kindergarten to Grade eight joyfully left the school for summer holidays.

The following are the promotion lists for the pupils.

- Kindergarten to Grade 1**
Eleanor Aldwell, Peter Arbie, Lea Ann Bard, Cindy Barr, Paul Bethel, Jonathan Binnie, Dennis Blake, Stevie Brunelle, Karen Burcombe, Susan Churchill, Ian Coats, Eric Couturo, Merida Cunningham, Betty De Vries, Lillian DeVries, Suzanne Dowling, Janice Drinkwater, Russell Elliott, Kevin, Evans, Randy Fetterly, Nancy Gardner, Sharon Gillespie, Cathy Griese, John Hansen, Jim Jobb, Wendy Knapton, Kim Kressler, Cindy Lott, Michael Lutz, Pauline Lynch, Steven Magee, Bradley Martin, Gary Martin, Robert Mason, Gordie McConnell, Peter Miller, Steve Papillon, Maria Pataky, Cathy Quinn, Karen Reidt, Bryan Robinson, David Salt, Jill Scott, Allen Simton, Donnae Spellvogel, Suzanne Stevenson, Peter Swim, Frankie Szabo, Janice Thompson, Janet Vos, Cathy Weldon, Kenny Wilson.

- Grade 1 to Grade 2**
Linda Barlow, Debra Barr, Larry Bousskill, Nancy Bulmer, Blaine Cleland, Russell Coultrup, Jocelyn Daigle, Paul Daley, Nancy Downing, John Dunham, Mary Elliott, Peter Hargrave, Melody Hatt, David Holmes, Cathy Hunter, Irene Laing, Patty Laing, Gregory Lawler, Patsy Lazenby, Cynthia Lee, Glenn Lee, James Lowe, Jimmy Lynch, Billy McCabe, Blair McCallum, Bradley McCausland, Susan Mills, Lynn Neilson, Susanne Porter, Mark Rowe, Jim Smith, Susan South, Kadi Tar, Chris Tennant, Johnny Timmings, Brian Wilson, Robert Wisniz.

- Grade 2 to Grade 3**
Sudney Austin, Lynda Bannan, Wayne Bannan, Mario Barlow, Anita Braida, Brenda Browne, Donald Cunningham, Gregory Daigle, Guy Daly, Debbie Drinkwater, Susan Drysdale, Patti Dunn, Carolyn Duval, Russell Dwyer, Jean Elliott, Kenneth Elliott, Claudette Gagnon, Susan Gardner, Bonnie Gillespie, Dominic Gitto, Joanne Hatch, Darlene Holmes, Judy Holmes, Wendy Howard, Kenneth Hurren, Wendy Kowall, David Lee, Ronnie Loutette, Rosemary Lowe, Ann-Marie Lutz, Patricia Lynch, Sharon MacDonald, Patti Anne Marchmont, Lynn Martinson, Brian McBeth, Joseph McConnell, Gary McLennan, Derek Oakley, Debra Papillon, Dorothy Pargeter, Kevin Perkins, Michael Pope, Douglas Porter, John Rochester, Stephen Salt, Lynne Simoni, Colleen Vuik, Jane Withers.

Residents Object to Rezoning Question Town's Right to Sell

Alarmed over the rezoning and sale of designated parkland on Mill St. E., 53 residents in the area have circulated a petition which has been sent to the Department of Planning and Development at Queen's Park, Toronto.

Requests from residents desiring to purchase the land as a residential subdivision, and the rezoning of the area after Parks Board members stated the land was of no use for development of a park.

June 20, 1963, we understand that council at its last meeting, accepted a bid for the land, and are prepared to pay for the expense of draining the land, removing hydro poles and installing services to the lot on the basis of the additional assessment value it would bring.

Because of its small size, etc., council apparently felt that it could not be used as parkland and therefore should be sold as residential land so that it would yield yearly taxes, and were satisfied that the amount of \$700,000 for offered for it was the best that could be realized. But there would be no way of knowing this without first formally offering it for public sale.

Also, we understand, that at the same meeting they amended the zoning restrictions. If so this was done without consulting with or advising those residents in the immediate vicinity of its intentions so that any complaints or contrary viewpoints could be heard.



BIBLE CLUB SESSIONS are being held this week at various homes throughout town. The classes are under the supervision of Acton Baptist Church and Evangelical Baptist church. Shown above are one of the groups with teacher Miss Madeline Conley of London. Left to right are Janice Unger, Cathy Cole, Susan Cole, Jackie Dunk, Bobbie Binski, Paul Dunk, Brian Binnie, Jonathan Binnie, Archie Binnie and Debbie Unger.

Lists Robert Little School Results

Pupils at the Robert Little public school finished classes for the summer holidays Friday afternoon. Before they left school final report cards were handed out by teachers.

- The following are the promotion lists from kindergarten to grade 8:
- Kindergarten to Grade 1**
Susan Ancker, Florence Andrews, John Ashlev, Ricky Bagin, Valere Bateman, Charles Bennett, Patricia Bittort, Carol Ann Buchanan, Gina Cannon, Cathy Chapman, Karen Cole, Sharon Creasey, Keith Croken, Donna Darby, Lynn Dawe, Kathleen Dills, Linda De Forest, Mary Dalker, Marlene Edge, Florence Evans, Michael Flatt, Cindy Fry, Marcel Fryxers, Wilma Gils, Gloria Gordon, Tina Harvey, Jo-Ann Higgins, Emily Hodgson, Heather Hickey, Evelyn Johnson, Colleen Jordan, Kevin Jordan, Patricia Kelley, Kent Kemner, Cathy Lawson, Joie Leader.

- Grade 1 to Grade 2**
Janet Allan, Henry Barrens, James Beatty, Jeffrey Beatty, Robert Beerman, Debra Boussfield, Bonnie Brastow, Nancy Brown, John Cameron, Leslie Coles, Catherine Cole, Sandra Denny, Mary Ann Dehan, Donna Drew, Judith Engel, Anne Evans, Bradley Finley, Barbara Fowler, Donna Gorjup, Bruce Hagan, Laurel Hansen, Louise Hargama, Muriel Holmes, Terry Holmes, Dawn Henry, Dan Unger, Russell Van Fleet, Lisa Van der Kooij, Geert Van Opstal, Glen Widawski, Heather Wilkinson, Ronald Woodlief, Gayle Zboznoff.

Starts 89th Year

This week marks the beginning of the 89th year for publication of the Acton Free Press founded in 1875.

J. H. Hacking was founder and first editor of the newspaper from 1875 until 1877. He was followed by S. W. Galbraith who was editor from 1877 to 1878. Dr. T. Albert Moore was third editor of the paper from 1878 to 1879 after which H. P. Moore took over the reins until 1927.

Present editor and publisher G. A. Dills has been in charge since 1927. Two years after Acton was incorporated as a village, the Free Press was established with the first copies circulated throughout town on Dominion Day of that year.

Honor Grade Eight Pupils At Limehouse Graduation

Congratulations were in order for 20 grade eight pupils from Limehouse school during their graduation banquet Friday evening at Limehouse community hall.

Graduates donned their high school party dresses and with their hair styled and faces fresh and smiling, they were ready to receive their diplomas.

Name Ron Lewis Rotary President

Newly elected president Ron Lewis took over the reins of Acton Rotary Club Tuesday evening when he was handed the gavel by past president Tom Shields.

"I'll Choose the High Road" Slogan Stressed at Graduation Banquet

Recommending five main steps to success, Edgar W. Foster, supervising principal of Milton public schools, spoke to grade eight graduates from the Robert Little and M. Z. Bennett public schools during their graduation banquet Thursday evening.

The speaker noted life is a journey uphill and downhill, but students should adopt the slogan, "I'll choose the high road."

Mr. Foster, backed by 32 years' experience in the teaching profession, was well equipped to advise the graduates, who are about to enter the important phase of secondary education.

Stepping Stones
In enlarging on his theme, he outlined the five stepping stones to success in completing their education and future.

Intelligence, work, opportunity, health and character were taken step by step as the guest speaker mixed humor and wisdom in his address.

Mr. Foster told the class of 93 graduates, "Like the ancient Egyptian God Janus, you can look forward and backward, but I suggest you look backward only on the happy associations with teachers and fellow students. I want you all to look forward to your future in grade nine and the many years which lie ahead of you."

Outlines Theme
In stressing his first stone on the way to success, "Intelligence," Mr. Foster told the pupils, "You have been endowed with a brain. It is a wonderful mechanism which can be developed or trained. Be sure to put your intelligence to good use."

The second stone, "Work," brought this comment from the guest speaker, "Not many people die from overwork, but quite a number die from worry because of lack of work." He urged the graduates to give their best at all times and pitch in and work hard.

"Opportunity" was stressed by Mr. Foster as he urged the young men and women take advantage of every opportunity they encounter. "You will have every chance in the world at grade nine level, but it is entirely up to you to take advantage of your education," he said.

Rules By Which We Live
"Health" is the fourth stepping stone, stated Mr. Foster, describing this as the common rules by which we live. He stressed the importance of knowing all the facts regarding the use of tobacco and alcohol. Students should judge carefully before deciding to use them or not.

"Good health is one of your finest possessions," he stressed. In his explanation of the final step to success, "Character," the supervising principal stated, "Character begins at home. A good home builds better character. The school can help build character, but not if the home has failed. Take pride in everything you do and build a strong character."

In conclusion, Mr. Foster urged the graduates to take each of the five stepping stones in order to reach the summit, where the high road would lead them to success. He wished the graduating class every success in the future.

Awards Presented
The Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.O.F. award to the student making the most progress during the year was presented by regent Miss Manie Mainprize to Howard Russell of the M. Z. Bennett school. The award for the student in the Robert Little school was given to the school to present to the person chosen at a later date.

Mrs. Charles Shultz, president of the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, presented trophies on behalf of the auxiliary and Branch 197 Canadian Legion to Carol Beatty of the Robert Little school and Raymond Sultz of the M. Z. Bennett school, for the student with the highest standing in grade eight.

Gifts from Graduates
School board chairman Tom Watson was present and accepted gifts from each graduating class. (Continued on Page Eight)



GRADUATES from Limehouse Central school were honored at their banquet Thursday evening at Limehouse community hall. The 20 pupils were the first to graduate from the school since it was first opened last September. Included in the class are Bert Arnold, Marlene Heister, Corrie Cole, Jackie McDonald, Robert Roughley, Lillian Brown, Janet Klooster, Rosy Gathof, Lynn Roy, David Walde, Margaret Arnold, Jane Gils, Linda Gilmore, Murray Jameson, Bob Black, Anne Shurtall, Lynn Walde, Margaret Sullivan, Roy Foster and Jim Ruckdell.

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