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Council to Apply for Government Grant To Install New Floodlights at Park

Prospect Park will have floodlights for softball games. Tuesday evening, Acton council approved installation of the mercury vapor lighting system and agreed to apply for a government grant amounting to a maximum of \$1,100 to help defray expenses. Total cost of the project is expected to be \$1,890.

Mayor Les Duby commended the committee responsible for initiating the lighting project and said they would be an asset to both the park and the town.

School By-law
Council also approved a by-law for the construction of a 10-room addition at Acton District High School. A previous by-law, which also incorporated a debenture issue for the cost of the building, had received two readings. Bank officials had requested a separate by-law for a debenture issue and as a result, the second by-law was approved for construction only. Cost of the new building, which includes six classrooms, one laboratory, a library, a guidance room and a storage room for the present gymnasium is expected to be \$251,538.

Question Procedure
A resolution sponsored by Reeve H. Hinton and seconded by councillor Hamilton Peal asking council to support the Red Ensign, was shelved by Mayor Duby before it came to a vote. Mr. Duby referred to the procedural by-law governing council and told the sponsors he was asking withdrawal of the proposed motion on the basis that council had previously voted against a similar resolution and at that time, no notice of renewing the motion had been made.

The mayor stated council should support whichever flag is chosen, as no one but federal representatives were empowered to make the decision. The reeve, who was absent at the time of the original motion was present, said he was aware the

first resolution had been presented to council suddenly without notice. He was of the opinion council was to take the lead for public opinion and several organizations and many individuals were in support of the Red Ensign. Councillor Ray Arbie said he was sympathetic to the views expressed to date but wondered if these views represented the entire council or people of town.

In turning down the proposed motion, Mr. Duby informed the movers they could serve notice of motion and bring the subject up again at the next meeting.

Auxiliary Police
Reeve Hinton told council the Emergency Measures Organization of Halton County is initiating an auxiliary police force but to date, no one from Acton has volunteered his services. Mr. Hinton claimed Acton should

be concerned when the population reaches 5,000, as the O.P.P. would no longer police the town as a detachment. He said members of the auxiliary police force would make possible candidates for a town police force by gaining experience now.

Council was made aware of a former Civil Defense Auxiliary Police Force existed about five years ago in the county and several from this district were members. Reeve Hinton was told it might be possible to contact some of these men to see if they were interested in joining the new organization.

Endorse Resolutions
During the meeting, council endorsed two resolutions submitted by New Toronto council. The first will request the provincial government to consider the abolition of the present form of levying public and sec-

ondary schools' education tax against real property. Instead, it asks the government to levy all education taxes against earned income, both personal and corporate.

Council endorsed a second resolution sponsored by New Toronto council to have the Ontario Hospital Service Plan protect persons whose benefits have stopped. It was noted in the motion that people hospitalized whose benefits had been cut off were forced to vacate to a nursing home. Expenses were proving a hardship for the family of the patient.

According to the resolution, both governments and Department of Health will be asked to have the hospitalization plan either cover payment to the nursing home or continue payment so the patient can remain in hospital for treatment.

Receive First Holy Communion At St. Joseph's Church Sunday

Another beautiful ceremony took place at St. Joseph's Church last Sunday at the nine o'clock Mass, where 22 boys and girls received their first Holy Communion.

Special preparations had been made during the previous month or weeks by the children who were given extra special instructions after school hours and at Sunday school, given by their pastor and the Jesuit Brothers of Ignatius College, Guelph.

The girls received the Sacrament attired in white, wearing a wreath and veil and the boys wore white ribbons on their arm and a white boutonniere.

Great Gifts
The pastor in his announcements and brief sermon, congratulated the children and their

parents and spoke of the great gifts these children received in the reception of the Sacrament. He also mentioned the obligations now incurred by these first Communicants to keep themselves in a state of grace and for their parents to watch over and continue to direct them in the spiritual welfare of their immortal souls.

Crown Statue
In the afternoon at three o'clock, the first Communicant returned to the church for special devotions and the crowning of Our Lady's Statue. Little Miss Susan South carried the crown on a white cushion and placed the crown on the head of Our Lady's Statue, assisted by Barbara Fowler and Donna Goupp.

Little John Timmings carried a blue cushion on which was placed a bouquet, which he placed at the feet of Our Lady's Statue, assisted by Kenneth Krom and Kevin Marcoux.

Inspiring Sermon
After the crowning ceremony, Father Clifford Day, chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, who is a native of this parish, having been born in the mission of Oustie, when attached as a mission of Acton, delivered an inspiring sermon on Our Blessed

Lady and the part she played as Mother of God and the Mediator of Men.

The pastor then enrolled the first Communicants in the Brown Scapular, placing them under the protection of the Mother of God and presented each child with a certificate of first Holy Communion. The special afternoon devotions closed with the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Special Music
Special music was provided by the organist Miss Irene Mulholland on the Junior Choir for the crowning ceremony. Our Lady's Shrine and the altars were beautifully decorated with carnations and mums. The young ladies assisting the children were Misses Kathy Kenny, Bernice Wasowicz, and Helen Moroz.

Acton Man Killed At Oakville Job

Robert Earl Holmes died without regaining consciousness Wednesday morning when he accidentally touched high tension wires while working as a linesman with Oakville Public Utilities.

When the 2,400 volts nosed through him he was prevented from falling off the pole by a safety belt. Four other workers brought Mr. Holmes down off the pole.

The 28-year-old man, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Holmes, Acton received first aid from Oakville Fire Department and was rushed to Oakville District Memorial

Hospital, where a doctor applied heart massage in an attempt to revive him.

At the time of his death, Mr. Holmes was living with friends in Oakville. Prior to moving to Oakville to work, he was employed for three years by Acton Hydro. Fellow workers from town include Kerwin McPhail and Wayne Kelly. Mr. McPhail was nearby at the time of the accident.

Several motorists reported having to stop their cars Sunday and Tuesday evening during the heavy rainstorms.



MISS ACTON FALL FAIR was among the honored guests Wednesday evening when the Acton Chamber of Commerce held its Rural-Urban night at the Station Hotel. A large number of rural residents joined with local club members to enjoy the dinner meeting. Left to right are president Paul Nielsen, Miss Linda Ferguson and Mayor Les Duby.

Conservation Stressed At Rural-Urban Meeting

"Although we were a little late in realizing that our natural areas were being carelessly devastated, we can look back on work done by the Conservation Authority over the past 11 years with pride and satisfaction at the wonderful results in arresting the devastation and rebuilding of our natural areas for the use and enjoyment of our residents," said A. M. Greenway, public relations chairman of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority.

Mr. Greenway was the guest speaker at the fourth annual Rural and Urban night dinner at the Station Hotel, Wednesday evening, sponsored by the Acton Chamber of Commerce and organized by Miss Brada, chairman of the Agricultural committee.

Accompanying the guest speaker were Roy McMillan, Streetsville, chairman of the conservation authority, George Bentley, Terra Cotta, in charge of office facilities and Stanley White, field officer.

Safety Check Lane Active Next Week

Don't be sorry — BE SAFE. Take your vehicle to the safety check lane on Yellow Street, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. Acton Safety Council is conducting a free safety check for all vehicles as its first project for 1964.

Included will be a free examination of all vehicles within 10 minutes time. If your vehicle passes the tests each motorist will receive an approved sticker. Times for the safety check are from 1 p.m. to four p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. each day. The check is not compulsory but entirely at the discretion of every motorist.

Constable Ron Rupert of the Safety Council urges everyone to take advantage of the safety check and plan to attend.

Will Seek Prices on Arena Floor "Build Now, Pay Later" Possible

Vice-chairman John Gov's report that information the committee received at the last meeting of the Recreation Committee concerning financial assistance from the Light Horse Association for a floor in the community centre was incorrect triggered another discussion of the topic at the regular meeting of the Recreation Committee, Thursday.

Mr. Gov attended a Fair Board meeting at which an official of the Light Horse Association informed the board the only assistance available from the horsemen would be in the way of a program. Receipts go toward a worthy cause after prizes and expenses are taken off the top.

"Just the opposite to the way we heard it," committee member Claude Cook commented. "The net result is that it's just another promotion we could put on in the arena," said the vice-chairman.

"It's going to be up to us to furnish a floor ourselves," predicted member Len Lovell.

Ticket Levy?
Mr. Gov's suggestion that the committee ask council to pass a by-law which would permit a levy of 5c on every ticket sold into the community centre until

the debt was paid off for a new floor, received a favorable response. "We could put the floor in now and pay for it later," he said.

"If we leave it another three years, it could cost \$15,000," said L. Lovell. Cost of the present project is estimated at \$10,000, half of which has been budgeted for by council.

Get Prices
It was agreed to ask representatives from companies who specialize in arena floor installations to submit quotations before the subject was pursued further. The secretary was instructed to write the various companies for quotations.

The committee approved rental of the community centre to the Orange Lodge for their July 11 celebration at a nominal fee of \$25 and an additional \$10 if the public address system was required.

Secretary Joe Hurst informed the committee, he and recreational director Jim Casburn were trying to contact the ice maker at Elmira with a view to bringing him to Acton for his assessment of available equipment and ice making problems.

Storage Room
Building committee chairman C. Cook's plans for a cement

block addition at the rear of the arena for storage purposes were discussed and members acquainted with details. A quotation on the building, which would square off the present building and move the doors to one side, was being awaited from Western Construction.

Recreational director Jim Casburn informed the committee he would like the referee's room for exclusive use of officials during the next hockey season. He suggested portable cabinets could be installed for storage of hockey equipment, which takes up much of the space now. The committee agreed to ask the different leagues to conform to these plans.

Outlining his summer playground program, Mr. Casburn told the committee it would run from the second week in July until the last week in August. Glenlea park is not available this summer but Mr. Casburn intends to ask for use of the M. Z. Bennett school grounds as a substitute in addition to the program in the park.

The senior citizens' club is well underway with 65 members under the presidency of Jim Rolston planning activities. Mr. Casburn said. He praised the co-

ordinator and forester. All were introduced by Mr. R. R. Parker, also a representative of the conservation authority and active since its formation, 11 years ago.

The evening program "Importance of Conservation" was introduced by Nino Brada following a brief welcome to the guests by president Paul Nielsen and a short address by Mayor Duby.

Mr. Nino Brada also introduced Miss Sandra Peart of Wellington County who was last year's Queen's Games winner for Ontario. Miss Peart gave a brief account of her experience in this important annual competition for all Ontario 4-H club members.

Also present was Miss Linda Ferguson who was crowned Miss Acton Fair for 1963. Mac Sprout introduced Miss Ferguson, who also addressed the meeting briefly.

Eleven farmers, guests of the Acton Chamber of Commerce included Jim Hill, R.R. 2, Rockwood, Fred Brooks, R.R. 2, Limestone, Jesse McEnery, R.R. 2, Acton, Howard Marsden, R.R. 2, Rockwood, Ross Gordon, R.R. 2, Rockwood, Duncan Moffat, R.R. 2, Rockwood, Malcolm Moffat, R.R. 1, Campbellville, Charlie Latt, R.R. 1, Campbellville, Frank Esseman, R.R. 2, Acton, Jack Ferguson, Elm Township.

At the conclusion of the meeting representatives from the authority showed a film entitled "World in a Marsh".

Three Compete Ontario Finals

Acton High School will be represented at the provincial track and field competitions this Saturday at Seagram stadium in Waterloo.

During the CWOSSA "A" meet Thursday of last week in Guelph, John Gov Jr. captured the intermediate pole vault, Allan Hall won the intermediate mile and half mile by setting new track records, and Dave Ryder won the junior shot put. All three will compete this Saturday at Waterloo.

Car Wrecked Charges Pending

Charges are pending following an accident early Saturday morning which totally wrecked a car and injured its occupants slightly.

Police Constables Ron Rupert and Bruce MacArthur attempted to stop a car for a routine check outside the police office on Willow Street around 12:30 a.m. Saturday morning when the driver took off at high speed.

Both O.P.P. officers gave chase in the police cruiser, going west on Mill Street. When the police finally caught up with the other car it was wrapped around a tree on the lawn at the home of Mrs. June Croukin, Cameron Avenue.

Slight Injuries
The driver, George Williamson, received a bruised right thigh and lacerated left arm. A passenger, Alan Smith, R. R. 3, Acton, received a bruised nose and another occupant, Keith Mainprize, received a laceration over his left eye and a sprained toe.

Police recovered an open bottle of whiskey and two part cases of beer in the wrecked vehicle in which the three were still sitting when the constables arrived at the scene.



GONE . . . GONE is the garage and storage building at the R.R. 2 home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stewart. The fire on Highway 7 east of Acton was first noticed by a neighbor, Edgar Griesse, and the alarm was turned in to the Acton Fire Brigade about 11 a.m. last Friday morning. Lost in the blaze were the buildings which contained garden tools and a tractor as well as three chickens. In the picture on the left the blaze was at its height as firemen poured

on water to protect the nearby residence. In the picture on the right Mr. and Mrs. Stewart and Randy look over the dying embers with their neighbor Stan Morrison. Mr. Stewart, who is employed by Lane Transport in Georgetown, was preparing to leave Georgetown for Toronto when notified of the fire and rushed home. Water to control the fire was taken from Mann's creek to replenish the supply carried by the truck.