

No Merger of Two Boards Seen Playground Leaders Selected

Chairman Hugh Patterson told members of the recreation committee it was his view Parks Board members saw no need for amalgamation into a single body with the recreation committee. "They're happy the way they are," he reported on the result of his discussions with the Parks Board chairman Cliff Bradley on the proposal to the regular meeting Thursday.

Mr. Patterson felt, however, that Parks Board misconstrued the motives of the recreation committee, presuming the initiative for the merger came from them and not from council.

Council's initiative

Council has to deal with two boards instead of one now, the chairman remarked. It makes the procedure more involved.

Committee member John Gay stressed Parks Board should be made aware the initiative did not come from the recreation committee. It's a town matter, he stressed.

A discussion on the advantages of such a merger revealed the committee asked only an investigation to see if the idea was good or bad. A decision would rest on the merits of the case.

Leaders named

Recreation director Harris Roe outlined the summer recreation program for the committee.

Four playground leaders had been selected from applicants for six weeks during July and August. Donna Landisborough, Jo Marie Marchment, Lois Kirkwood and Barbara Nicolak were chosen to head the playground and the recreation director reported he was successful in getting Cavell Marshall and Linda Lawson as assistants. Four of the leaders will attend camp for a week to receive instruction.

Swimming will be looked after by Steven Dubois and Mary Lou Perry. Both have had previous experience.

Mr. Roe stressed he hoped to keep the older children in the playground interested this year in the hope they would return next summer as leaders. He envisioned a continuity in the program which would become stronger each season.

Swimming classes for beginners and juniors in Acton would depend on the number registered. Arrangements have been made to send advanced swimmers to Georgetown. If enough register, a bus would be hired to make the trip there.

Mr. Roe indicated he would hold an early registration for both playground and swimming classes.

Area Time

Roller skating will likely be delayed until next season but the recreation director said shuffleboard and lacrosse would take up much of the arena time. Accounts amounting to \$1,321.01 were passed for payment.



RIGHT AT HOME Miss M. Z. Bennett, former Acton public school principal, visited the school named after her Friday with Mrs. C. Poole to inform pupils the Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.F.E. would purchase film strips this year in place of handing out books for the Empire Day awards. The two are shown talking to Delia Winter. Also visiting the school from the I.O.F.E. were Mrs. Ed Tolke and Mrs. Bert Mowat.

Dublin Institute Plans Exhibits at Fall Fairs

Mrs. William McIntyre, Mill Street East, was hostess for the monthly meeting of Dublin Women's Institute last Thursday evening. Opening exercises were presided over by Mrs. C. Britton, the new president, and Mrs. E. Norton took her place for the first time as secretary-treasurer. Minutes were read of the previous meeting and the roll call was answered by suggestions when and where to go on the annual bus trip.

Final plans were made for the Halton District Annual being held in Campbellville Church on May 26. Mrs. James Van Fleet and Mrs. W. McIntyre were named with the president, Mrs. C. Britton and past president, Mrs. D. Moffat to attend as voting delegates.

Decoration Day on June 6 was

discussed and the usual donation will be sent, and other help will be supplied by members of the branch.

Mrs. J. Van Fleet and Mrs. C. Britton attended the T.B. Dinner and annual meeting in Oakville recently and reported on it.

A pleasant feature of the meeting was the distribution of new programs for the coming year which promises a year of much interest.

Further discussion was made regarding the bus trip which will be finalized by the conveners, Mrs. E. Wilson and Mrs. L. Duffield.

Although summer is just beginning, shadows of fall loomed up when tentative plans were made for the exhibits at the three neighboring Fall Fairs.

Mrs. Duncan Moffat reported on the recent Achievement Day held in Milton. The theme was "Ways of Staying Shiny" and compliments had been given to Miss Shirley Sayers as co-ordinator. This is her first year in 4-H Club work and she had done a very creditable job on Achievement Day. There had been eight clubs with 91 members participating.

Thanks was extended by Mrs. C. McIntyre to all members who had helped with the canvas in the interest of the Canadian Cancer Society, and to all who had contributed in the district with such gratifying results.

The motto "No one is rich enough to be without a neighbor" was taken by Mrs. J. C. Donald.

An enjoyable contest conducted by Mrs. M. Nellis was won by Mrs. Alex New.

Annual Rotary Project

Packed Program for "Adventurers" Tom McKeown Reports for Readers

Chosen to represent Acton high school at "Adventure in Citizenship", a Rotary Club-sponsored visit to Ottawa, Tom McKeown writes here of his experiences for the Free Press readers.

By Tom McKeown

On Sunday, May 8, I arrived at 2:30 p.m. at the Toronto International Airport eager to begin my participation in the 1965 Adventure in Citizenship program which is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ottawa with the cooperation of Rotary Clubs all over Canada.

explained our "Discussion Groups" to us. This occupied most of the morning and on its completion we adjourned to the ball room of the Chateau.

As this was the regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club we were asked to sit only with two or three other "Adventurers" at a table so that the Rotarians could sit with us.

Hear P.M.

After eating, the Right Honourable I. B. Pearson, M.P., Prime Minister of Canada, addressed us. On conclusion of the luncheon we went to the Parliament Buildings to see the House of Commons in action. We were there during the question period and during most of our stay the opposition was questioning Mr. Pearson in regard to details of the recent Spv case.

university professor and in these discussion groups we discussed everything and anything. We stayed at the university until noon when we boarded several buses which took us to the Chateau Laurier for our luncheon and an address by the Right Honourable John G. Diefenbaker, P.C., O.C., M.P., Leader of the Opposition.

After this luncheon we boarded the buses again and went to the City Hall where we were received by the mayor in the Council Chamber. From City Hall we proceeded to Rideau Hall, residence of the Governor-General, and from there we went to the R.C.M.P. Training Division at Rockcliffe where we were given a foot drill display, an equestrian display, a band concert, a tour of the stables and supper.

At the airport I met about 15 fellow "Adventurers" from this area and two boys from Akivik and Inuvik respectively in the Northwest territories, who were being sponsored by the Resdale Rotary Club and there were several more "Adventurers" already on the plane from the London-Windsor area.

When we arrived at the Ottawa Airport we were greeted by several Rotarians who were to be our hosts for the next few days. I was met by Mr. Robbie, the assistant superintendent for the Ottawa secondary schools, who took myself and my roommate, Ronald Monteth of Aylmer, Ontario, to the home of Mr. and Mrs. MacLean who were to be our hosts for the duration of our stay in Ottawa.

On leaving the Ladies' Gallery, the senate chamber and the peace tower. After this tour of the Parliament Buildings Ron and I were picked up by Mr. Clark who took us back to the MacLean's to change for the evening program at Fisher Park High School. Ron and I walked from Mr. and Mrs. MacLean's home to the school as it is only three blocks from their home.

School Concert

We had dinner at 6:30 and after the meal we were entertained by Jack Pearce and Wyn Canty, two local entertainers. Following this we were taken on a tour of the building by some of the students which ended in the auditorium of the school where the students put on a concert consisting of their band, two vocal groups, two dramatic productions and a routine by their cheerleaders.

After the concert there was a dance in the gymnasium with music being provided by the Laurentian High School band.

Everything, Anything

On Tuesday morning Ron and I were up even earlier than the previous morning as Mr. Clark was picking us up at 8:30 to take us to Carleton University where we broke up into several discussion groups, each one led by a

Short Tour

Mr. and Mrs. MacLean lived on a quiet, tree-lined street across the road from the Portuguese Embassy. Ron and I shared a lovely room and after we got settled in we had a lovely chicken dinner, during which we became better acquainted with each other. After dinner Mr. and Mrs. MacLean took us on a little tour of the city. They showed us the big Federal government's central experimental farm, 1,300 acres of farmland right in the middle of the city, the yacht club, the Rideau canal among other things.

It was dark when we arrived back at their home and Ron and I decided to go to bed in order to be rested for the rest of the week. Ron and I were up bright and early the next morning and at about eight o'clock we sat down to a lovely breakfast. Unfortunately Mrs. MacLean got a call and had to teach that day and so she left at about twenty to nine.

After this we went to the Ball Room of the Chateau Laurier for the "Farewell Luncheon" at which one Adventurer from each of the Provinces and Territories spoke briefly to the rest of us on "An Adventure of Citizenship".

This ended the fifteenth "Adventure in Citizenship" program which I shall always remember favorably for years to come.

Millstones for Roman flour mills were made from hard Vesuvian lava.

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Dr. Harley Away

At this banquet the M.P.'s from all the constituencies represented in the Adventure (unfortunately, Dr. H. Harley from this constituency was in Geneva at the World Health Organization Convention) following this banquet there was a dance in the ball room of the Chateau Laurier.

The next morning Ron and I were up earlier than any of the previous mornings as Mr. Clarke was to pick us up at 8:15 to take us to the Supreme Court where Mr. K. J. Matheson, O.C., Registrar of the Supreme Court of Canada received us and told us something more of the court's operation. Following this Mr. Matheson took us on a tour of the Supreme Court Building.

Given Certificates

From there we went to the Parliament Buildings where we were presented with our Citizenship Certificates by the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration the Honourable John R. Nicholson. As we had a little extra time after receiving our Citizenship Certificates, Ron and I went to see his M.P., James McHain who was talking to one of the members of the B. and B. Commission and who then took us on a personal tour of the building (the members' reading room, the Senate reading room). From there Ron and I went to the Ball Room of the Chateau Laurier for the "Farewell Luncheon" at which one Adventurer from each of the Provinces and Territories spoke briefly to the rest of us on "An Adventure of Citizenship".

Friday afternoon two Acton girls, Sybille Bessen and Jane McPhedran, graduate from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Guelph. The ceremonies will be held in Memorial Hall of the University of Guelph. Sybille Bessen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bessen, Churchill Rd., will be class valedictorian, and she intends to continue nursing at St. Joseph's. She attended Acton high school.

Jane McPhedran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. McPhedran, R.R. 1 Acton, also went to high school in Acton. She's not certain yet where she'll be nursing after training is completely finished in August.

Family and friends from town and district will be attending the graduation ceremonies on Friday and the dance on Saturday evening.

PUBLIC MEETING

Will ratepayers of the Town of Acton please take note that a PUBLIC MEETING will be held TO HEAR ANY OBJECTIONS OR OTHERWISE TO THE PROPOSED NEW OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE TOWN.

The meeting will be held in the **COMMUNITY CENTRE AUDITORIUM** at 8 P.M. on **THURSDAY, MAY 27th** and will be convened by the **Acton Planning Board.**

All parties interested are invited to attend.

Copies of the proposed plan with the accompanying document can be seen at the Municipal Office, 40 Mill St. East, or at the Acton Hydro Office, 3 Elgin St.

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