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Dave Hunter installed Monday as new president of Lions club

Installed by governor-elect Jim Snow at the last meeting of the new Lions Club after reviewing the many activities of the past year and handing out 100 per cent attendance pins to Lions Ray Evelan, Al Lauder, Murray Harrison, John Griefender, George Lockerbie, Neil Miller, Art Gordon, Vic Bristow and Peter Papillon. Lion Al Lauder presented the retiring chief with his and a past-president's pin.

Zone chairman Al accosted the Lions as they entered the meeting with a miniature limbo stick and an artistic lettered sign done by a daughter which proclaimed a fine of one buck for anyone who couldn't go under the stick. Most handed over the fine without an attempt but one Lion paid his fine and then fell over it.

Round Up chairman Vic Bristow read the financial report of the Lions netted about four hundred dollars after all expenses were paid although all receipts and bills were not in.

Gary McFadden and Tom Manes attended the meeting as guests. New member Armando Gomez, back from a business trip to his native "Mexico City" was also present loaded with pesos and bronzed by the sun.

New officers for the coming year are: president, Dave Hunter; 1st vice, Vic Bristow; 2nd vice, Murray Harrison; 3rd vice, John Griefender; tail twister, Neil Miller; secretary, Bob Hall; treasurer, George Lockerbie; lion tamer, Jim McLennan; directors, Ray Evelan, Art Gordon.

Lion Gerry Lamarche won the attendance draw conducted by new secretary Bob Hall.

Lion Al Lauder led the club in singing Jingle Bells and other cooling songs.



—Staff Photo

FALL FAIR BOARD ladies perhaps appreciated the workmanship in the re-created historical gowns even more than the large audience which attended. Left to right are Miss Lorna Bessey as the settler, Mrs. Lawrence Hemsley as the rural belle, Mrs. R. L. Davidson as Mrs.

John Graves Simcoe, Mrs. Lloyd Robinson as Laura Secord, Mrs. H. H. Hinton as the belle of the ball, Mrs. Clark Armstrong as Sarah Ashbridge and Mrs. Wilfred Waldie as Catherine Tekowitha. (Story on Page 3.)

Two horses sold by dairy will just use trucks here

Known as a "twohorse town" until recently, Acton has lost one dairy horse and will soon lose the second.

Don Timmings of Acton Jersey Dairy told the Free-Press this week that Nellie Gray, the favorite milk horse, has been sold to a Stratford dairy and "Tony", the brown horse, is slated to be sold to a Kitchener dairy.

Mr. Timmings is going back to truck delivery noting the horses are unable to haul a large load. He reported the loads are getting heavier each day due to the large sale of three-quart bottles of milk. New trucks are equipped with extra

racks on the back which can haul a large load.

Recently Kitchener and Stratford dairies decided to go back to delivery by horse and wagon. Acton continued this practice after most dairies had got rid of horses.

Tractor-train crash

Town workman Al Kirkness had a close call Wednesday when the grass-cutting tractor he was driving was involved in an accident crossing at the entrance to the municipal dump.

The tractor and train received some damage by Mr. Kirkness escaped uninjured.

Pupils urged to seek higher education by speaker at graduation banquet

"You can lead a good, happy, interesting life short of a University education. You are not a second rater if you haven't got one, but the minimum you

should strive for is high school." These words of advice came from E. M. Hutchison from the National Employment Service in Guelph as he spoke to grade eight graduation classes from the Robert Little and M. Z. Bennett public schools Tuesday night.

Mr. Hutchison was guest speaker at the graduation banquet held in the Robert Little School auditorium and stressed the growing need for a higher education if young people expect to receive a good job.

"The day is gone when you can expect to go out into the world with a grade eight education and expect to pick up a good job," the speaker stated.

He told his young audience it was more difficult to obtain a job today than it was 25-30 years ago as competition is keener and employers are seeking people with a higher education. "You have to prepare for your own future now," he emphasized.

The graduating classes learned that 75 per cent of people losing jobs in industry can only

blame themselves if they can't get along.

They were told to take a self-analysis of themselves now and check any faults. The speaker told them to consult their parents stating "They are more help to things than children give them credit for!"

Mr. Hutchison told the pupils they were on the eve of their last day in school which brings them to the transition from elementary to secondary education. "You have to make many adjustments in your study plans and do more thinking for yourselves."

He told the audience for every year they stayed in school it was possible to add an additional \$200 to their earning power per year. His definition of a dropout was a person who leaves school before he reaches the maximum level of education of which he is capable. "We meet a lot of them in our line of work," he stated. Before concluding he reminded the pupils of a motto of the late Abraham Lincoln — "Prepare yourself to be ready for the opportunities of tomorrow."

Grade eight pupil Miss Elaine Johnson was mistress of ceremonies and led in a toast to the Queen and introduced the head table guests: Deborah Slingerland, W. D. Elmer Smith, Oliver Marshall, Fiona Gidman, Mrs. B. Mowat from the Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E., Nancy Lee, Ona Marshall, Mr. Hutchison, Christine Branelle, Vic Bristow, chairman of the school board; Lucienne Pratt, Mrs. Alvy Gordon representing the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, Ken Marshall, G. W. McKenzie and Gary Price.

Kenny Marshall gave grace before the hot turkey dinner (Continued on Page Five)

Library tender accepted "Folly of delay" cited

Acton will have its centennial library.

At a special meeting on Wednesday evening, council decided to accept the tender of E. S. Kerr Construction Company of Toronto, subject to the approval of the Ontario Municipal Board. The Kerr tender, lowest of the three considered amounts to \$72,396.67. Approval from the Municipal Board is required on an additional debenture issue of \$32,500; \$43,000 was previously approved for the library project.

The project is subject to centennial grants from the provincial and federal governments amounting to \$8,200 in total.

The three tenders submitted were all within \$1,000. The cost of the building had been estimated by the architect, Donald Skinner, in the \$52,000 to \$55,000 range.

Architect Skinner who attended the tender opening said, "They are all good contractors. I'd be happy to work with any one of them." However, councillors felt they had no alternative but to deal with the lowest tender.

A small gallery of library board members and keen supporters of the project heard the discussions and were delighted at the decision to go ahead. Councillor Earl Masales remarked a taxpayer had phoned him, saying she would like to see the project go ahead regardless of the cost.

Mayor Duby declared "We all have a profound feeling of the library. We must use common sense regarding the rising cost. We are not going to find any decrease in prices in years to come." He warned of the folly of delay.

Library board members Fred New and Ted Pratt advised

council there would be no difficulty in providing the reference books for the library building. They said the regional library co-operative, recently established, has money available and can assist in many ways.

A dramatic change from the present library, the new building will have the highly-recommended nylon carpeting for both the first floor and the basement assembly room and thermopane windows in the four floor-to-ceiling corner windows. Siding adjacent to the building is included in the contract.

However, the additional cost of installing air conditioning throughout the building was considered a feature that was not essential. It would have added an estimated \$6,000 to the capital cost. Air conditioning equipment can be added at a later date if found desirable.

Estimated total cost of the building is \$76,192.67. The building tender price is \$72,392.67, plus an estimated \$6,000 for the architect's fees and incidentals, less the anticipated government grants of \$8,200, plus an estimated \$6,000 for shelving, side-walks and a bridge over the school creek from River Street.

No Supervision

Acton Parks Board and Recreation committee this week noted that swimming in Fairy Lake is NOT supervised and that persons swimming there do so at their own risk.

A near-drowning incident was reported to members but a check with parents of the child involved revealed this was not the case. As a result of the report, board and committee members released the notice that swimming in Fairy Lake is not under supervision.

At the meeting were the full council, library board members Mr. New, Mr. Pratt George, Lee and Rev. Ritchie McMurray; public school board chairman Vic Bristow and several citizens.

Resolutions passed by council accepting the tender and authorizing the Municipal Board request were supported by all members with the exception of Reeve H. H. Hinton.

The unsuccessful tenderers were Len Ariss Construction of Guelph and A. J. McCarthy Construction of Georgetown.

Morning fire

A poultry shed housing several prize chickens and pigeons was completely demolished at 5:20 a.m. Thursday morning and the nearby home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Archibald R. R. 2, Acton, was threatened.

A passing Shell Oil truck driver spotted the flames from the road and awakened Mr. Archibald who called the Acton fire department. By the time the firefighters arrived the building was beyond recall. Lost in the fire were six Japanese bantams, six hens, 22 pigeons and one duck. Cause of the fire is unknown.

Five employees retire today

Five Beardmore employees including the company vice-president R. R. Parker, who are completing a total of 135 years of service retire from the company today (Thursday).

R. R. Parker, vice-president of Beardmore's, completes 24 years of service, Percy Evans completes 37, Jim McDonald 19, W. Lewandowski 31 and G. Pozig 24 years of service with the company.

The men will be joined by company directors, plant superintendents, department foremen and as many other workers who retired previously as possible, at a get-together at the plant following work.

Two-car accident at corner Monday

Constable Nick Farion of the Acton O.P.P. Detachment investigated a two-car crash Monday near the C.N.R. crossing and entrance to Wallace Avenue.

A car driven by Mrs. Helen Dawkins, Agnes Street, proceeding east on Mill and about to make a left hand turn onto Wallace Ave, and a car driven by Frank Harding, Erin Township, proceeding east on Mill were involved.

A passenger in the Dawkins car, Mrs. Helen Waterhouse received slight injuries when her head struck the windshield. Damage to the rear and windshield of the Dawkins car were estimated around \$250 and estimated damage to the Harding vehicle around \$150. Constable Farion laid a careless driving charge against Mr. Harding.

Tour Museum

The Daughters of Knox enjoyed a tour of Halton County museum and talk by director Major H. J. Newman before their last meeting at the home of Mrs. Tom Watson.

Announce high school promotion list

Following is the promotion list for students at Acton and District High School, Grade 13 results are not available until August.

PROMOTED TO GRADE 10 — 4 YEAR PROGRAM

Arts and Science
Pass Standing

Robert Andrews, Archie Binnie, Robert Blyth, Anna Buschmeyer, Paul Cooper, Ted Curtis, Linda Gordon, Bill Hagan, Roger Haggitt, Don Harkley, Johanna Jansen, Peter Masales, Rodney McEachern, Beverley McKnight, Terry McMullen, Bill Pendleton, Colleen Perkins, Brenda Ramsay, Gail Reed, Irene Severinski, Allan Snow, Clive Stewart, Donna Taylor.

PROMOTED TO GRADE 10 — 4 YEAR PROGRAM

Business and Commerce
Pass Standing

Hans Anderson, Sam Baillie, Judy Dwyer, Susan Fricker, Nancy Gordon, Janice Jordan, Carol Kelley, Betty Phillips, Robert Turkos, Yvonne Yateman, Debbie Rogers.

PROMOTED TO GRADE 11 — 5 YEAR PROGRAM

Honor Standing (75% or over)
Joseph Jancar, Beth Karn, Thelma Kirkwood, Mark Kowall, Robert Lasby, Robert Lindsay, Kathryn Lynch, Michael Marcoux, Vaughan Matthews, Roberta Nessel, Patricia Nicolak, William Nicolak, Crispin Norman, Palle Nyby, Jackie Palmer, James Pevcha, Connie Phillips, Jim Reid, Gail Ross, Lorraine Servos, James Slaven, Lloyd Smallwood, Margaret Turnbull, Annie Vuk, Anne Watson, Debra Winter.

PROMOTED TO GRADE 11 — 4 YEAR PROGRAM

Arts and Science
Pass Standing

Ann Gordon, Colin Gould, Rae Hibbard, Rakeen Hotchen, Michael Joe, Britta Larsen, Bill Lasby, James Lee, Barbara McEachern, Heather McGeachie, Gail McHugh, Alan McKenzie, Brenda McKeown, Josephine Murray, Mary Jane New, Barbara Nicolak, Ker Owsen, Robert Price, Gordon Reed, Lynda Reinert, Patricia Svanott, Susan Taillefer.

PROMOTED TO GRADE 11 — 4 YEAR PROGRAM

Arts and Science
Pass Standing

Heather Baker, June Benson, Earl Butler, Jim Cooney, Marilyn Cripps, Gail Dunne, Sean Dwyer, Marie Franks, Jeff Harkley, Frances Higgins, Gary Kelly, Dean MacDougal, Paul Mokrycki, Dorothy O'Rourke, Craig Perkins, Linda Ralston, Randy Ridley, Antonia Rocchi, Don Rogers, David Smallwood, Ian Stone, Margaret Sullivan, Anne Symon, Brian Wilkinson, Donna Williams, Linda Wood.

PROMOTED TO GRADE 11 — 4 YEAR PROGRAM

Business and Commerce
Honor Standing (75% or over)

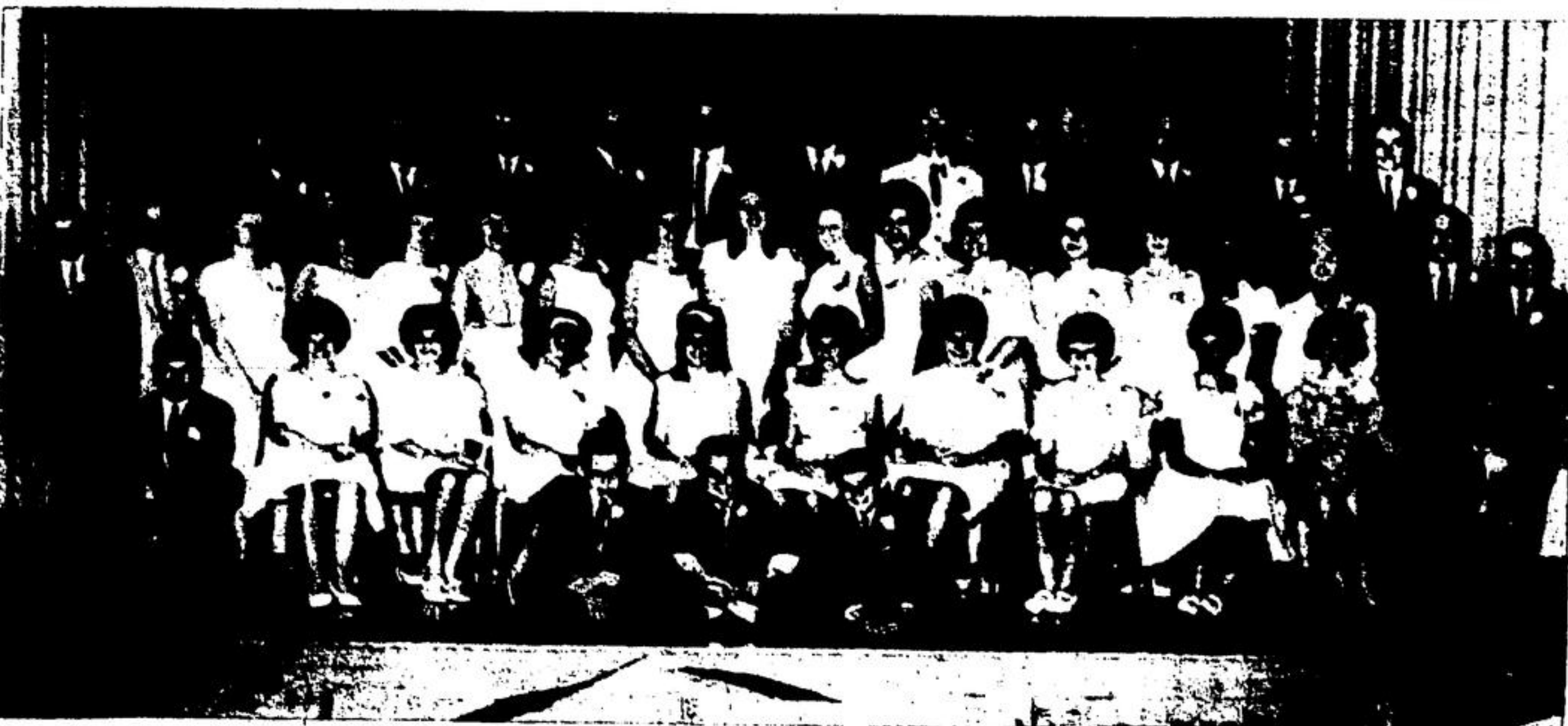
Marilyn McIntyre.
Pass Standing
Irene Anderson, Pat Chisholm, Judy Cormier, Jenny Doornbos, Cathy Gervais, Joan Gordon, Charlene Gough, Shirley Greenwood, Bill Hansen, Bob Hart, Debbie Jordan, Judy Jordan.

Two cars stolen on Friday evening

Two cars stolen Friday night were recovered by Acton and Milton O.P.P. detachments.

The first one reported stolen belonged to Phil McCristall and was taken from the park. Constable Bruce McArthur of the Acton O.P.P. recovered the car later that night on Main Street North.

The second vehicle owned by William Williams was taken from the parking lot at the Station Hotel and recovered next day by the Milton O.P.P. in Esqueving Township.



Robert Little School Grade 8 Graduating Class



M. Z. Bennett School Grade 8 Graduating Class