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Careers shaping up for high school graduates

Almost all of Acton's 17 graduates now know where they will be studying or working this fall.

A few were unable to determine their future course until yesterday. Letters of acceptance from Trent University, the University of Toronto and the University of Guelph were being anxiously awaited by certain students. Guelph and Erin graduates are having the same problems.

In the most difficult position is top student Tom McKeown, who had hoped to take pre-meds. Still on Wednesday he had not heard if he had been accepted in the course at the University of Toronto, and phone calls brought absolutely no satisfaction. While the university said they were still mailing out information, they would give no assistance. Tom learned he, along with hundreds of others, had not been included in the pre-meds course at Queens.

However, he has been accepted with a scholarship—in science at the University of Guelph. He could take this course and then transfer to medicine. But with the deadline for deposits at Guelph Thursday, he still did not know if he would be going to Toronto.

He has an average of 78 per cent, and has a total of 13 subjects to his credit in grade 13. Steven Coles, Acton's second student, will study for his honours Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Guelph.

Linda Braida will be attending Victoria College at the University of Toronto.

Vicky Newton is headed for the University of Waterloo and Marilyn Kirkwood for the University of Guelph.

Nancy Rognvaldson will study science at the University of Guelph.

Gay White, who had been accepted at the University of Guelph, finally heard she had been accepted at Trent University, Peterborough, Wednesday morning. This had been her choice, so she was happy to receive the letter at last. She will study arts and may be a public school teacher.

Ron Henry said he was "undecided". He had university acceptance but is considering be-

ginning in the winter semester. Gwen Lauder had her mind made up quite a while ago. She is going to take journalism at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto.

Carol Swackhamer and Gary Murr both hope to be teachers. They will attend Lakeshore Teachers' College. Susan Radford also applied to Lakeshore Teachers' College but could not be contacted this week.

Graduate Axel Nieszczeri is, already working at the Bank of Montreal.

Jill Bagby and Vivian Smith will be taking an in-training course in lab technology at the Provincial Health Laboratories, Toronto.

Although Mrs. Ted Pratt, the only adult graduate, had considered going to university, she found her young family of three children still needed her at home. She very much enjoyed her year back at school and thinks she has learned to understand the young people and what they are thinking much better. She may continue her studies later.

Russell Masales is working at present.

As well as the grade 13 graduates listed above, other Actonians have finalized plans.

Don Long, who attended high school in Guelph, will be going to York University.

Paul Murr, who attended Acton high school, will be going to Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, taking chemical engineering.

Dave Ryder, who attended grade 13 in Guelph, will be attending Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, taking an architectural course.

Grade 12 student Gary Buttenham has been accepted at the Ontario College of Art in Toronto.

Allan Hall, who has worked the past year, is going to the University of Guelph.

Peter Lawson has been accepted in the recreation course at the University of Guelph. He is married and is presently working at Beardmore's. Of the 500 who applied for this course, only 35 have been accepted.

Pete took grade 13 subjects this past year to improve his standing.



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STEADY PROGRESS is being made on Acton's Centennial Library as materials arrive on time for construction workers. Al Duck, inspector with the architectural firm of Donald Skinner stated, this week he was pleased to see a building project go ahead without a holdup of materials. To date Riemer Construction is roughing in the plumbing installations, Acton

Electric is roughing in wiring and transite pipe for heating ducts in the basement being installed. Bricklayers are expected back this week to continue with brickwork for the second storey as the first floor joists and rough floor has been completed. Kerr Construction, Toronto, is the general contractor for the building.

Keep same arena ice rental rates for sixth season, committee decides

Ice rentals at the community centre will remain the same as last year, members of the Recreation Committee decided at their regular meeting Monday which ranged over a variety of subjects from amalgamating with parks board to reviewing complaints about noise at teen dances and a plea for a swimming pool by the recreation director.

Chairman Len Lovell enquired if the committee felt ice rentals should be increased since this was the sixth season of operation without a change in rates.

If a hike was necessary it should be decided now, he declared.

Members generally were against any increase although need for additional revenue was felt.

"We realized a slight profit on our operations last year," secretary-treasurer Art Cooper replied to a query from member Helen Otterbein.

"Hockey clubs can't afford to pay any more for ice time," said Mrs. Otterbein. "One can't even pay last year's rental. I'd like to move we leave the rates the same as last year."

The committee reviewed the agreement with the curling club where they are paying for banquet license privileges with a credit of \$25 every time they use the facilities.

"In view of the fact we are not increasing rates this year let's stick to the \$25 rental," chairman Lovell advised the committee.

Curlers pay \$140 for ice time Monday and Tuesday of each week of the season the chairman told member Charlie Perry who enquired if curling rates and hockey rates compare favorably.

"Townpeople are complaining to me continually that the two rates don't compare," said Mr. Perry.

The chairman doubted there was much difference in rates between hockey and curling. Hockey rental is \$15 an hour and a special lower rate is given minor hockey teams.

Rental of the booth concession at the community centre was discussed with present lessee Roy Goodwin who appeared before the committee with the information that the present agreement, over a five month period, would soon expire. Mr. Goodwin said he was interested in running the concession for the winter season. "I've invested money in equipment and if I'm not going to have the booth I want to get rid of it. However I don't intend to reequip it next spring again for roller skating," he declared.

Members felt Mr. Goodwin had done an excellent job of running the booth for roller skating but felt the committee must advertise for tenders for the winter season. A motion was

passed instructing the secretary to advertise for tenders in the Free Press and assured Mr. Goodwin his tender would be handled sympathetically.

The committee also advised Mr. Goodwin, who has the skate concession, roller skating would continue until October 1st after discussing plans for the season with recreation director Howard Pearce.

"Looking at it from a teenager's and recreation standpoint," said Mr. Pearce, "we figure there would be roller skating until October 1st, a week's layoff and the ice in the arena around October 15, weather permitting."

"It isn't going to hurt the teenagers to be off skates for two weeks to give us a chance to get some things done around here," said Mrs. Otterbein as members discussed the proposed ice installation.

The committee gave permission to the newly formed roller skating club, represented by president Steve Dubois and Andy Conway to use the floor Monday evenings for two hours for a rental of \$200. An additional request for use of the upstairs auditorium through the winter was turned down.

The committee passed a motion approving amalgamation with Parks Board and directed secretary Art Cooper to send a letter to council asking a joint board be set up at the earliest possible date.

Property chairman Harold Townsley gave a report on improvements in the arena section of the community centre pointing out the new paint job on the seats in blue and gold. The sprinkler system will be installed in the new storage room as soon as Bern Van Fleet knows what to do.

The sound system will be inspected to see if some improvement can be made and the property chairman again raised the question of installing a reservoir to use water again instead of the present method. "The taxpayers don't realize why the cost is so high," said Mr. Townsley.

In his report recreation director Howard Pearce asked the committee to consider budgeting for a swimming pool on debentures over a 5 year period. Mr.

Nation-wide railway strike will affect seven local men

Unless a last-minute pitch by the government is successful, railroad transportation across the nation will be paralyzed by noon Friday. Over 110,000 railway workers have already voted to go out on strike.

In Acton a total of seven railway workers are expected to walk off the job Friday when the strike reaches its peak. Affected are the station agent, an operator, clerk and four sectionmen.

Officials of Canada's major railroads and their unions have converged on Ottawa and the Federal government has begun its massive assault on the nation's transportation problems.

It was reported Tuesday the government is working on a plan to postpone a rail-labor showdown until parliament has passed new transportation legislation. This is not expected to prevent the nationwide strike from starting Friday, however.

It is expected this could be on the basis of a government law to end the walk-out—after a railway tieup for at least three days and probably longer. Labor Minister John R. Nicholson is expected to keep the plan up his sleeve during his early mediation meetings with railway and union negotiators, then advance it as

an 11th-hour proposal in hopes of averting the strike.

Train whistles and flashing wigwag signals will be silent and lights dimmed in stations across the country and commuters will have to find other means of transportation when the walk-out occurs. Already some have walked off the job in Montreal, Toronto and London.

Members of the Canadian Trucking Association have been preparing for a "gigantic emergency transportation effort" and are expected to work around the clock to assure that essential shipments go through.

In a nationwide radio and TV broadcast Tuesday night Prime Minister Lester Pearson made it clear the government is not prepared to pay a huge wage increase to railway workers. He did state the government was

quite aware there must be some wage increases.

Postmaster Gordon McKeown reported Wednesday a general embargo on all second, third and fourth class mail for delivery in other provinces is expected but the date the embargo goes on is not known at present.

No embargo is expected for all first class mail, airmail or air parcel post for any destination. As most of the mail in and out of the Acton Post Office is by truck, this is expected to continue as well.

However, this picture could change if the strike continues any length of time and Mr. McKeown expects to be notified at a later date. This week the Free Press will go out in the mail but what happens in future is not known.

To discuss land separation for cement block business

Passing the buck in Esqueping Township is a hard proposition. At least, Edwin Harrop, chairman of the Township Planning Board found it difficult to burden council with two land separation problems last week.

When Mr. Harrop attended council meeting to seek advice on two land separation problems, he ended up with the problems back on his shoulders.

One application made to Planning Board by James Rutledge, asked for separation of three-quarters of an acre of land behind Halton Truck Sales on Highway 25 to erect a cement block business. Mr. Harrop wondered if the land separation was granted for industrial purposes, if the township might lose control and houses would be erected.

After Clerk K. C. Lindsay read a bylaw stating the Committee of Adjustment had the right to vary the requirements in industrial lots, or in family situations where a father is transferring land to his children, it was agreed to turn the problem back to the Committee of Adjustment.

The second application under question related to a request from Charles Greig who wished to divide some of his land to someone in his family. It too was referred back to the Committee of Adjustment. It was finally decided Mr. Greig should attend the next Planning Board meeting to discuss details.

'66 fair prize lists out 92 pages full of interest

The 1966 fall fair prize lists were issued last week, and are now available for anyone who wishes them. The yellow entry form will be a focal point for the many exhibitors. It's in the very centre of the attractive 92-page book.

All the classes of competition are listed, aside from the advertisements of local merchants and firms who are interested in the town and know fair-goers are people who "shop at home".

The Friday program includes a parade and concert by the town band, Cliff McKay's show, crowning of Miss Acton Fair, the Pairs and Squares, and Acton Chorales.

Saturday's features are the Junior Horse Show, parade with floats, official opening by Dep-

uty Minister of Highways Cam McNabb, formerly of Acton, Royalaires Drum and Bugle Corps drill, and master of ceremonies Vince Mountford, concluding with the fair night dance.

There will be more details of these highlights published later. One of the new features is the Acton Free Press "Homemaker Special" with top prize of \$10. This replaces the jam and jelly contest of previous years.

The purpose of the contest is to encourage in exhibitors an interest in all classes of ladies' work, and an exhibit is to include one article from each of six categories, flower arrangement, sewn articles, cookies or dessert, muffs, or bread; jar of preserves or pickles, and article of hobby or craft.

Bandsmen work to complete hall hope to play at Expo in 1967

Members of Acton Citizens' Band are about the busiest group in town and the newly constructed band hall on Wallace Avenue the liveliest spot.

Every night, the lights are on at the band hall and either practice sessions are in progress or bandsmen are completing work on the band hall. Many nights, the sound of music and the ring of hammers were both heard.

Work on the band hall has been on a voluntary basis but there is no problem getting workers. Bandsmen are keen to have the building completed and every night, work bees are in progress.

The main auditorium is completed but for the fibre glass ceiling. Panelling has been completed and the room is in use practically every night. Some work has to be finished in the downstairs kitchen and painting of one washroom before the entire main floor is finished.

Upstairs in the general meeting room, bandsmen are busy

installing acoustic tile, fitting wall paneling and tiling the floor. Bandsmen, doubling as carpenters, are not distracted by the sound of music as beginners practice below. They welcome the sound as it means future members will soon join their ranks.

Band president Ted Tyler Jr.,

band leader George Elliott and the rest of the senior members have worked diligently to have the building completed and ever since the roof was covered in, practice sessions have been held at the site.

Members of the band hope to be accepted to play next year at Expo 67 in Montreal.



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BAND LEADER GEORGE ELLIOTT is a busy person every day of the week. During the day he is a professor at the University of Guelph and nights he either instructs beginners, the entire Acton Citizens' Band or is helping with final details on the new band hall. He is shown with beginner Henry Wissenz as he slides his trombone to sound the notes.

Swimming tests conclude lessons at wading pool

The second series of swimming tests at the wading pool, concluded with tests.

Instructor Trudy Morris announced the following results: Jellyfish — Norma Bateman, Terry Bateman, Joanne Hearn, Peter Zions, Danny Webster, Ricky Gibson, Susan Shafi, Rodney Allan, Desmond Hepburn,

Margaret-Anne Slingerland, Diane Buckman?

Guppy — Susan Shafi, Peter Zions, Margerate-Anne Slingerland, Ceililian McMurray, Danny Webster, Terry Bateman, Norma Bateman, Joanne Hearn, Stephen Banks, Ricky Gibson, Mimosa — Wendy Knapton, (Continued on Page Five)



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KEEPING IN TOUCH with each other is no problem for these boys. They are equipped with walkie-talkies and carry on a conversation while riding their bikes around the Glenlea subdivision. Left to right are Kevin Norman, Henry Van Stralen, Randy Weldon and Larry Quinn.

The boys report they have picked up police calls and calls from the Acton Limestone Quarries walkie-talkie system on occasions. The range of the transistors is approximately three-quarters of a mile.

Court docket this Monday

Fines and court costs totalled \$452 Monday when 13 persons charged by Acton O.P.P. Detachment appeared in court in Milton before magistrates Kenneth Langdon.

An Acton man charged with assaulting a policeman was charged \$200 including court costs and another received a suspended sentence for six months including \$50 court costs for assaulting a local restaurant owner.

Ten speeding offenders paid a total of \$135 in fines plus \$22 court costs and another offender charged with failing to stop paid a total of \$45 including court costs.