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SHOVELS ARE REQUIRED to assist in the building of houses residential building boom starts to swing into full production. on the upper part of Elmore Drive in Lakeview as Acton's

Acton driver hurt

in head-on crash

p.m., Thursday.

good condition.

Mr. Fields and Ian Dudley,

Guelph, driver of the other

car in the head-on crash, were

both taken by ambulance to

St. Joseph's Hospital. Both

Mr. Fields was admitted

with facial lacerations and

leg fractures and the hospital

described his condition as

fair. The other driver was in

cars were total wrecks.

Town bell proves solid brass firefighters will build cairn

Chairman of the fire committee, councillor Williams reported Tuesday the town bell from the cupola on the roof of the town hall had been removed by the firefighters and sent away to be sandblasted and cleaned up. He said the bell was of solid brass and had the date 1882 on it. The firefighters are to build a cairn on the north side of the town hall on Bower Ave. for this bell as their centennial

project. . An offer of \$500 for the bell had been made: however there

is no intention of selling it. transformers". He suggested Deputy - reeve Oakes inquired of No. 2 committee whether the road committee would be doing further repair work and patching of sidewalks this vear. He was assured that the patching and repair program was not finished and the work would be proceeding

Reeve Hinton "facetiously" suggested that council might be able to work out a deal with the hydro commission to "install sidewalk between the the particularly dangerous arens of Acton Blvd, and Wallace St. would be good areas to install sidewalk. (Reeve Hinton was appar-

ently making reference to the sidewalk it should ge rebated tially financed by the hydro to their new office on Alice throughout the balance of the St. It has been his contention that sidewalks are not within the area of responsibility of the hydro commission and if there is money available for sidewalk it should be rebated to hydro consumers through

> The mayor, countering the reeve's dig, expressed appreciation to the hydro commissionfor their co-operation in installing the lighting of the grounds in front of the centennial library.

a lower rate structure.)

Clerk McGeachle reported that the renovations on the police office had been started on Tuesday; carpenters were working and plumbers and electricians will be required in a short time.

Whether to specify a male or female required in an advertisment for a replacement for the office staff generated much discussion. The thought was advanced that the hiring of a male clerk, who could do the present clerical duties and also understudy the clerk and deputy-clerk might be ad-

visable.

It was pointed out the deputy-clerk and clerk would be retiring. It was also pointed out neither would be retiring for at least five years under the town pension scheme.

Upshot of the whole discussion was the decision that the ad could ask for applications from either male or female (Continued on Page Three)

Builders erect 50 houses in Acton Lakeview subdivision bears brunt

(Staff. Photo)

Sidney Rields of R.R. 4, Acton, is in St. Joseph's Hospi-Repeat hymn tal, Guelph, following an accident on Highway 7 a mile west on TV program of the Eramosa line at 5.30

Demands for a repeat of Herman Freuler's, Hymn to Canada have been so brisk that producers of the OBC televiscided to sing it again for their June 18.

Time of the program has not been established. Viewers are-asked to consult their TV programs to find the correct

Construction in Acton is going all out to meet the tremendous demand for houses.

Lakeview subdivision is experiencing a boom which will produce half a hundred new residences. It's a hive of activity with shovels, bulldozers, ion show Hymn Sing have de chain saws, block layers, cement trucks, carpenters and nation-wide audience Sunday, bricklayers all contributing to the din.

Three construction companies are busy building in the subdivision with Rubin Construction starting on an initial 30 houses. A and Z Construction,

there all winter, are in the pro- of Cobble Hill Road. His comcess of constructing another pany, Jem Construction, has 10. most of which are sold.

subdivision is on Tyler Avenue but the emphasis will probably Two are being built on speculaswing to Elmore Drive when tion. the street is extended from the upper northern part to the will keep his builders going unshores of Fairy Lake.

Services are just being installed in this section of Elmore a demand. after workmen razed poplar brush and logs away. Next item will be a road for the hind Tidey Ave.

Local contractor Jack Mc-Mullen has initiated a housing-

by County Council Tuesday,

resentatives.

Reeve claims misconduct

which has been raising houses development on the south side started on five houses and Mr. Sesto Construction is build. McMullen anticipates there suit their needs. ing three and will likely start will be a demand for more.

Three of his houses, which The big development in the he describes as being "cottage splits", have already been sold.

Mr. McMullen figures this til late summer. Additional units will be started if there's

and birch trees and cleared presently under construction faced with stringent land sepwill look after immediate needs in the district but predict there tions. street. It runs parallel and be- will be an ever increasing need of housing in this area as Toronto prices skyrocket.

Some individual building is ponents of expanded housing.

tions. The area around Acton is humming with building activity as people buy country lots and construct houses to This is getting a mixed reac-

tion at township council level. Some councillors would prefer farm land remain rural and being used to grow things. Others welcome the influx of new families and large houses with their taxes. In most cases the former out-

number the latter and in some townships those contemplating Developers expect houses building houses will likely be aration and building regula-

Demands on taxpayers for new and expanded facilities is the main reason given by op-

tions improved as some sug-

gested in the fall, the deben-

tures could be sold at that

not going to improve on muni-

terest rates could reach eight

per cent by next year.

Council

Council at their regular session on Tuesday evening:

 Authorized payment of accounts totalling \$14,227.18.

 Authorized payment to Caroline Nurseries for trees planted in the new section of the cemetery in the amount of \$156.25.

 Paid the expenses of Mayor Duby at the Mayors and Reeves convention in Niagara Falls amounting to \$98.89.

 Authorized the attendance of clerk J. McGeachie at the clerks' and treasurers' conference at Honey Harbor in June

with all expenses paid. Concurred with the recreation commission in their proposal to replace the recreation director with an arena manag-

 Instructed the clerk to proceed to carry out the renovations at the police office as outlined in the original plan with no deviations from the plan unless authorized by the building committee.

 Rescinded a motion opposing the front yard variance granted H. G. Stewart, granted by the committee of adjustment which was to be appealed to the Municipal Board. The appeal was dropped because Mr. Stewart changed his plans and the location of the garage is now behind the front elevation of his house.

 Authorized payment of \$9,730.01 from the special library account to A. S. Kerr Construction on the architect's certificate No. 6. The clerk was instructed to issue the cheque when assured by the solicitor there were no liens registered against the building at the registry office in Milton.

 Passed a resolution approving and supporting the recommendations of the consultative committee on educa-

 Approved and appointed No. 1 committee to co-relate the centennial program of the town at the time of the fall

· Authorized the clerk to award the tender for the centre line and line markings on the streets to the lowest bid-

• Confirmed George Stull as acting town superintendent in the absence of superintendent Alf Duby who is ill.

 Accepted the advice of R. Protest lost, county sells \$589,000 bonds V. Anderson, consulting engineers of the town, and agreed to have soil tests taken at the site of the proposed new sewage treatment plant at an estiinterest rates for municipal mated cost of \$2,500. purposes are soing all over the

 Accepted an invitation to attend the opening of the centennial library, June 3.

 Agreed to convene a court of revision hearing on Monday,

 Credited consumers' deposits to their water and sewer accounts.



A 30 day option to sell Coun- on the issue and if an accept-

ty of Halton debentures to- able bid was received, it could

talling \$589,000 at 634 per cent be accepted at the next county

to yield \$98. was granted the council meeting, but the a-

over the protests of Acton rep- the option, Reeve Hinton sug-

the resolution to call tenders the bank and if market condi-

Reeve H. Hinton countered ly borrowed at six per cent at

bond firm of Bell, Gouinlock mendment was lost.

ning meeting of council when George Harrap, left, and M. M. Coles assisted. Mr. Coles led in a prayer of dedication. Mr.

> Councillor Garnet McKenzie lice department. (Staff Photo) expressed his concern about with the traffic proceeding. south on Main St. He suggested "we have the by-law and

Parking was again introduc- we have the men to enforce it. ed at the regular Tuesday eve- Why are the cars still there?" Councillor Williams report-

Supporting his opposition to

gested the money was current-

Grey Coach Lines, by letter, ed the white lines which were requested a further 15 feet of used prior to the installation "No Parking" area on the of stop lights had created south side of Mill St. in front some confusion at where the of the bus terminal so the parking areas are at the interdriver could look in the store section. He pointed out these to see if there were any pas- white lines had been painted over at the request of the po-

To Reeve Hinton's inquiry parking in "No Parking" areas on what action had been takwhich prevents the buses from en on the request for parking pulling off the traffic portion on the west side of Main St., of the highway and interferes south of Mill St., it was report-

ed no action had been taken. Councillor Williams pointed out that when parking was allowed in this area previous to the installation of the stop signals, commuting Ford workers had parked there all day long and the area was lost for

short-term parking. The reeve also wondered what steps had been taken to provide off-street parking. Councillor Masales reported a meeting was being set up with the United Church to see if some of their parking lot could be utilized.

lot," Reeve Hinton declared. Deputy Reeve C. Menefy pre-Treasurer Miss M. Maxted dicted the bond market was pointed out that the interest being paid at the bank did not cipal issues and suggested inreduce the 20 year period of in-

"I completely disagree that

terest paying that would begin only when the debentures are issued, but was in addition to that amount. Miss Maxted reviewed information on the market she had received from various sources.

"It may cost more or less if you wait," she suggested, noting it was essentially a gamble. With banners Reeve Hinton argued the county had the duty to go into the open market and call bids. When his resolution was defeated, supported only by him-

self, Deputy Reeve F. Oakes and Deputy Reeve W. Hoey, he observed the county was closing out all other firms. "It is in grave conflict with good financial conduct," he conclud-

"We've been advised this is the best offer and to wait could be much worse," Deputy each week. Reeve F. Rogers noted.

Town bright

There were flags a-plenty in town on the holiday weekend - a new high for banners and

The regular big flags were flying on Mill and Main Sts., put up by town workmen for the Victoria Day holiday.

Delivery of Canadian flags and centennial decorations ordered through the Lions Club continues and there are more and more decorated homes, stores and public buildings

Two A.D.H.S. speedsters make All-Ontario finals

Acton district high school athletes turned in another outstanding performance at the C.W.O.S.S.A. "A" meet at the University of Waterloo last Thereday. The Acton team placed in the top 10 among 57

achools competing.

THE BOOK OF BOOKS, a well bound copy of

the Holy Bible, was presented to library board

chairman George Lee, right, by Acton mem-

bers of the Gideons Friday night. Doctor

Craig Hutchinson made the presentation while

Two of the Acton track team, Jim Slaven and Allan McKenzie, racked up first in two events and will represent the school at the All-Ontario finals in Hamilton this Saturday. Track teacher Bruce Andrews was pleased with his team's performance and lauded the school spirit. He said times recorded were good considering adverse weather condi-

Most Valuable award for the track and field team took a first in the open two-mile race with a time of 9.48.8, ostablishing a new high echool record. He was also first in the interin the 440 intermediate race mediate 880.

The Acton relay team finished second in the open mile re-

lay with a time of 3.37.7, a scant four-tenths of a second out of first and the honor of competign in the All-Ontario finals. Other athletes who did well at the meet were:

Dan Arbic, who placed fourth in the senior 100 vard dash in 10.6 and fourth in the triple

Laurie Chisholm who clocked at 29.6 in the intermediate girls' ?20 dash, finishing fifth. Bob Andrews who was third in the midget pole vault event, jumping nine feet even and placed sixth in the midget mile

with a time of 5.09.9.

Acton 2.22% county assessment

Lee and Mayor Duby made replies.

Halton County Council approved an equalization by-law Tuesday reflecting a total assessment for the 1967 equalization of \$334,930,085.

The county assessor's report also showed Oakville and Burtington almost equal in the percentage of county costs they boar. Burlington led slightly at 42.73 per cent and Onkville was close with 42.03 per cent. Georgetown followmediate mile, clocked at 4.32.9. ed with 5.05 per cent followed cent, Milton with 3.03 per cent, and also a first in the inter- Acton with 2.22 per cent and Nassassweya with 1.45 per

A comparison of the 1966 and

1967 percentages showed Burlington taking 2.45 per cent more of the county costs this year, with all other municipalities reduced accordingly.

A further table in the assessor's report compared each municipality's type of assessment for the year 1967. Esquesing had the highest percentage of residential and farm assessment at 80.44 per cent, followed by Burlington at 75.45, Georgetown at 68.66, Nassagaeva at 66.86. Milton at 64.06. Oakville at 57.56 and Acton at

A move during the meeting (Continued on Page Three)

Two Actonians hurt in crash

A three-car collision at Dublin and Suffolk Sts. in Guelph Thursday morning involved two Actonians, Terry Slaven, R.R. 4 and his passenger, Mrs. Robert Anderson, Cameron St. The two returned home following treatment in St. Joseph's hospital.

Mr. Slaven was treated for concussion and head injuries and Mrs. Anderson had facial and leg lacerations. The impact of the collision drove her from the back seat into the windshield.

Mr. Slaven, Mrs. Anderson and one other passenger who got out before the accident were on their way to work in Guelph. Damage to the three vehicles

Kurt Jensen, Julia Drive, uelph, and his passenger Anne Jensen of the same address, were treated for bruises and abrasions. Driver of the third car, Earl Campbell, Green St., Guelph, was unhurt.

was estimated at \$2,000 by po-



HIGHLIGHT OF ACTON DISTRICT High School's first Athletic anne Landsborough, most valuable girl volleyballer; Ron Mo-Awards banquet was the presentation of trophies to the year's Callum, athletic department head; Dan Arbic, outstanding male outstanding athletes. From left, Jim Slaven, most valuable athlete. Seated are the most valuable girl basketball player, member of the track and field team; track coach and teacher Bruce Andrews; Sandi Slingerland, outstanding female athlete; Rob Roughley, most valuable player on the soccer team; Bill Landsborough, most valuable junior basketball player; Allan McNabb, most valuable player of the senior cage team; Jo-

Therese Marzo, centre, and Elizabeth Atkey, girls P.T. teacher. Not able to be present was the most valuable volleyball player, Steve Johnston. Full results of the awards will be in The Free Press next week.

(Staff Photo)