

Delegation's proposals delight, spur council

A delegation of Cameron St. residents presented a four point petition to Acton Council at their regular meeting last night and before they left, councillors were limp with laughter.

Spokesman Colin MacColl, Bob Anderson and Jim Bradshaw enumerated their points one by one with graphic incidents thrown in for descriptive purposes.

Number three was a request for a drainage system to prevent water from Cobble Hill flooding their properties.

Two was a request council do something about the nude bathing and obscene language emanating from Fairy Lake in the still hours of the night. They suggested the lake at the foot of Cameron St. be flood-

Number three was a request for improved lighting on Cameron St.

Four was a request for installation of sidewalks "promised 30 years ago". Colin MacColl told council "Jack MacGeachie was sitting right there in that chair when the council of that year promised the first cement they got would be used on Cameron."

"Have you got it yet?" asked Mr. MacColl.

Then he sat down.

Questioned by councillors about the nude bathing and obscene language in the pond, Colin MacColl related a recent incident well after midnight when a swimmer, sans bathing suit, on his way back after an exhilarating swim one way over the lake, encounter-

ed a snapping turtle. The language wasn't fit for anyone's ears, said the spokesman grinning, while councillors wiped tears and grins off faces.

"I told them to be quiet one night," injected Bobby Anderson, "and they told me to go back in the house, you bald headed..."

Mayor Les Doby agreed with the delegation. "Something has to be done about this. I've been receiving complaints from other residents about the noise and language there at nights."

Colin MacColl suggested the council install lights at the foot of the street for two purposes: (1) to discourage nude bathing at nights and (2) in case some would be swim-

mers get in trouble. The mayor agreed.

Councillor Ted Tyler Jr. told the delegation this was his department and he would go down after the council meeting to see what could be done.

Drainage from Cobble Hill which flooded Cameron Street yards will soon be diverted into Fairy Lake, councillor Bob Drinkwater told the delegation. No. 2 committee decided to tile Mill St. W. from Cameron St. to the lake and it would be given top priority.

"This area is a problem and I can assure you it will be looked after," he said.

The mayor explained the delay in setting up a drainage system and asked the delegation to be patient. Mr. MacColl said in his opinion the

fault lies with the engineers who tipped the road to Nelles field.

About street lighting, which the delegation said consisted on Cameron St. of only two yellow 40 watt bulbs and on account of which "Bobby Anderson can tell you he's used so many flashlight bulbs, Hinton's ran out of them," the mayor had a ready answer.

"Our most urgent area is downtown. We're gradually getting them there. We've also had a request from Crescent St. Improvements will be made on Cameron and Crescent first."

Reeve Bert Hinton said residents in town see new lights going in new subdivisions before new residents have moved and they wonder if the old-

er residents of town aren't forgotten.

"It's just one of these things," replied the mayor. "The only sensible thing to do is put new lights in the subdivisions."

This problem dates back 30 or 40 years, persisted the reeve — new residents getting all the nice things like sidewalks and lights.

"Not sidewalks," cautioned deputy-reeve Frank Oakes, chiming in. "There are no sidewalks in the subdivisions."

After further discussion, Councillor Tyler agreed to investigate the lighting problems on Cameron St.

Last but not least item dealt with was the installation of sidewalks.

Mayor Doby told the delegation sidewalks all over town have deteriorated badly. Council is endeavoring to replace one and a quarter miles a year. He assured the delegation they would do everything possible to solve their problem.

As a parting shot, Mr. MacColl grinned and said he hoped it "wouldn't be as long a wait as last time."

Then the delegates left.

Summer minister at Reformed Church

Sumner - time minister at Beth-El Christian Reformed church is D. Velthuisen, a student at Calvin College, Michigan. He began his duties last week.



St. Joseph's graduate nurse

Mrs. Laurie Patterson of Guelph, daughter of Mrs. Kay Bennett of Acton, was among the class of 29 nurses graduating from St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Guelph, last week. She intends to continue nursing at St. Joseph's.

A family dinner party was held after the graduation and among the guests were her grandmother, Mrs. Annie Bennett of Guelph, and her husband's grandmother, Mrs. Gray of Hillsbury.

Mrs. Patterson attended Acton high school before entering nurse's training.

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Police report

Three thefts, minors fined

Acton Detachment of the O. P.P. patrolled 621 miles during 1934 duty hours.

There were 15 occurrences reported, comprised of three thefts, one bicycle and two flags, two disturbances, three of lost property, one instance of a party being threatened, one prank phone call, one report of property damaged by a vehicle, three insecure premises and finally one liquor seizure where an adult was charged with having liquor in a place other than his residence, contrary to the Liquor Control Act of Ontario.

There were two property accidents investigated with a total estimate of \$295 damage. One driver was charged with failing to turn out to the right to avoid an accident.

Court activities resulted in two minors being convicted for consuming liquor while under age. Fines totalling \$175 were levied.



THRASHING AND sparkling in the sun, these speckled trout show lots of fight as they are removed from the tank of the Department of Lands and Forests truck at Terra Cotta Conservation Area. Stocking like this, carried out

What Council did

At their regular meeting last night, Acton Council:

- Authorized Acton Loyal Orange Lodge to hold a parade on Saturday morning, July 15, the police department to be advised so no confusion regarding parade route would exist.
- Authorized payment to Nellis Construction of \$2,481 for road grading and construction on Elmore Drive in Lakeview subdivision.
- Instructed the clerk to pay two library accounts: one of \$36.59 for the date stone, and the other \$97.83 remaining unpaid to the architect of his total fee of \$4,224.
- Registered no objection to two variances submitted to the Committee of Adjustment, one by Sesto Construction and the other by E. Bralda.
- Authorized the development commission to list industrial land with all reactors with no one having an exclusive listing.
- Instructed the clerk to pay the mayor and council's honorarium for the first six months of the year.
- Agreed the mayor and clerk - administrator should attend the Ontario Municipal Association Conference in Port Arthur from August 20 to 23 with all expenses paid.

- Accepted the five year projection figures and authorized the clerk to submit them to the Ontario Municipal Board. Reeve Bert Hinton was opposed.
- Heard complaints from councillors about untidiness and street obstruction by trucks in Lakeview subdivision. Contractors are to be advised.
- Turned down a recommendation from Planning Board to proceed with a tentative plan of subdivision on the property owned by T. Seynuck and C. Griese.

Edwin Watson now issuer of licenses

New issuer of motor vehicle licences in Acton is Edwin Watson. His office is combined with his Mill St. music store. Former issuer Jack Hargrave has retired. This well-known formerly very active citizen resigned because of ill health.

Mr. Watson took over his new duties last week and has had quite a lot of business already.



Nancy Miller grad. nurse at St. Joseph's

Nancy Ruth Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Miller, graduated last week with a class of 29 from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Guelph. She is on two weeks holidays now and returns to St. Joseph's until August 24. She is not yet sure where she will be nursing.

Other district girls in the class are Sharron Buck of Osprings and Dorothy Dredge of Moffat.

PASS BOGUS BILL

Police continue to warn of counterfeit bills being passed in Acton and district. Another was brought in to an Acton bank this week. Counterfeit \$20 bills are also reported in this area.

Review enforcement of parking by-law

Complaints about vehicles parking on restricted areas on Mill St. received by council were aired at last night's meeting.

Councillor Bob Drinkwater said there was some problem with commercial vehicles but it was being corrected. He personally noticed an improvement in the last few days.

Reeve Hinton asked why the bus stop signs were not on both sides of the street and the mayor said the problem was confined to the one side

and they were trying the system out.

To Councillor Charlie Perry's question about enforcement of the two hour parking limit, the deputy-reeve in the chair for the Committee of the Whole, said it could work to council's benefit. "It will cut committee meetings in the town office short if we go over two hours."

The reeve commented everything was spelled out for police and they had to make no judgments, just enforce the by-law.

Public School Board

Could fill classroom turned down now

Acton Public School Board consulted with Inspector L. McNeil at their meeting Tuesday of last week regarding the proposed addition to the M. Z. Bennett school which had been turned down by council.

"With the present enrolment there will be 35 to 37 students in each room in the fall," said principal Elmer Smith. "If we had the classroom council said was not needed we could fill it now."

Inspector McNeil felt the board would be justified in submitting plans for additional classrooms at this time. "Additional houses being built show a need," he commented.

Since a schedule of redecorating and cleaning already established, accommodations are not available for a vacation Bible school, the board decided after receiving a request.

The secretary reported recommended changes in a boiler had been made and it was functioning properly now.

A letter of thanks was received from the North Halton Music Festival Association for the

co-operation of the board during this year's festival, especially for the use of the Robert Little auditorium.

Principal Elmer Smith reported on the centennial field day for this Inspectorate which will be held this Saturday at the M. Z. Bennett school. Mr. Smith said high school teacher Bruce Andrews and the boys from his track and field club will be running the whole show.

Trustee Vic Bristow approached the board with a plan for grade eight students to attend Expo on a cost sharing basis but trustees decided they could spare no money for the trip.

Chairman O. Chapman presided at the meeting with trustees V. Bristow, W. Benson, C. Bishop, M. Smith and secretary W. Middleton.

Legion gives \$150 donation to Choraliers

Choraliers' activities are continuing right up until they leave to sing at Expo on Friday, June 30. They will be singing a program in the high school on Sunday evening, June 25.

Their dance last Friday evening in the Legion Hall was very well attended and a pleasant event. Their bingo the night before was not as well patronized.

They will be singing this Thursday night in Georgetown at the request of the Georgetown Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, and on Sunday morning they sing at Hillsburgh Presbyterian church.

They have been given a donation of \$150 from the Acton Legion branch to help cover expenses.

They're Off!

EXPO BOUND on this morning's train are 80 high school students with teachers Mrs. Karen Walker, Mrs. Margit Laszlo, Miss Elizabeth Atkey, Mike Bevan and Ian McGillivray. From the 6.48 a.m. train this morning (Wednesday) they transferred to the Rapido in Toronto for their week-long stay at the world's fair. Roving reporter on assignment for the Free Press is Edie Hopkins, who'll be writing an account of their experiences for the paper. One of the smaller-size teachers nearly missed the train in Acton, jumping on after it had started moving; and one of the students who well-meaningly set his alarm for 3.30 a.m. overslept and missed it altogether. Ticketless, he was rushed by a volunteer unconnected with the group by car to Toronto, just in time to locate the rest of his group already in the train. His had been the only unanswered name in the roll call.



Harold Townsley hired as town arena manager

Harold (Sonny) Townsley has been engaged as arena manager and began his new duties this Monday. Also engaged to fill the complement of employees at the arena is Don Price.

After the resignation of recreation director Howard

Pearce, the recreation and parks board decided to replace him with an arena manager rather than another recreation director.

Applications for the position were opened at a meeting Thursday of last week.

Centennial event

Inspectorate field day in Acton this Saturday

Special centennial ribbons will be awarded to winners of events in the centennial field day next Saturday morning.

The M. Z. Bennett public school in Acton is acting as hosts for the unique event, which will bring together the athletes of all the public schools in this Inspectorate. Participating will be boys and girls from four Milton public schools (three junior schools

and one senior school); two Nassagaweya schools, Brookville and Campbellville, and two Acton schools.

The events will be under the capable direction of Acton high school physical education teacher Bruce Andrews, and will take place on both the M. Z. Bennett and high school playing fields. Mr. Andrews is also arranging for judges.

The program starts at 9 a.m. and will be over before noon. Parents and non-participating youngsters are welcome to come as spectators.

Awarding ribbons to the individual competitors is of more interest to the field day organizers than naming a champion school, since the size of the schools competing varies considerably.

