

What council did

Acton Council at the regular meeting last night;

* Accepted the recommendation of No. 1 committee and passed a resolution approving the recommendations of the Halton County Planning Association dealing with 10 acre lots. Present legislation dealing with lots under 10 acres deems the separation must go before the Committee of Adjustment. Ten acres or over requires no approval. The new resolution would make lots of all sizes subject to approval from the Committee.

* Passed a resolution recommending proceeding with amending by-law to the zoning by-law and to incorporate further changes necessary to conform to the Ontario Municipal Board's directives. Three properties (Dills, Seynick, Brantville) were deferred for further consideration at a future date so as not to hold up the work. The clerk said the planning consultant was preparing an amendment to the official plan to conform to the Ontario Municipal Board's conclusions and the solicitor preparing an amending by-law.

* Passed a resolution instructing the assessor to start a re-assessment program in the Town of Acton following a recommendation from the county assessor advising it. The county assessor advised No. 1 committee all other municipalities in the county were reassessing. A spot check of 5,000 properties in the county showed land assessment was on the low side in most instances, due to the large increase in residential property values. Reassessment means revision of land assessments and also review of building assessment. There are approximately 2,200 properties in Acton but the feeling is commercial and industrial properties will not increase. Intentions are to recommend county council introduce the equalization factor this year. If the county concurs then Acton's assessment will be increased by a factor to be determined by the county assessor.

* Accepted the recommendation of No. 1 committee that the clerk proceed to engage solicitor Wm. Sharpe to take necessary steps to institute proceedings to waive the existing plan of subdivision on lots in Fairview cemetery. It was felt reasonable development of the cemetery could be accomplished with little or no cost to the town if the terms of a bequest could be set.

* Was informed the engineers would likely be calling tenders by the end of February for the addition to the water pollution control plant (sewage plant). Inspection of land where lagoons are to go revealed no problems of a major nature. Payment of \$14,374.35 was authorized to be paid R.V. Anderson Associates for their work on the plant addition. Preparation of preliminary report amounted to \$2,374.35 and design which is 75% completed cost \$12,000. In answer to Councillor Ted Tyler's question the clerk said no competitive bids are received from other firms on these projects. "I wouldn't mind collecting some of the fees they get," mused Mr. Tyler. Councillor Earl Masales reminded council, however, they couldn't buy experience and a change could be hazardous.

* Passed a resolution to petition the Department of Highways for the road subsidy amounting to \$30,837.35. The subsidy exceeds 50% of the cost.

* Gave permission to the Acton chapter of the Bible Society to run a canvass for funds in the spring. They asked for date of the canvass, however, so they would not conflict with other campaigns.

* Authorized an O.M.S.L.P. Mobile Information Centre to park on Willow St. by the town hall on Tuesday, February 20 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The vehicle will dispense information to citizens on O.M.S.L.P. plan.

* Authorized progress payment of \$6,112 to Zorge Construction and \$1,373.10 to the architect for town office renovations.

* Authorized payment of \$12,692.40 for the new John Deere crawler loader.

* Authorized five delegates from the school safety patrols to attend the School Safety Parade and Jamboree in Ottawa in May at a cost of \$145.

* Instructed the clerk-administrator to make an application to the Board of Transport for inspection of the Main St. North railway crossing with a view to having an underpass for traffic.

* Filed an application with the Committee of Adjustment for approval of lot transfer with Boardmore and Co. Approval is necessary since the land is under 10 acres.

* Heard a reminder from Councillor Charlie Perry not to overlook modifications in the council chambers when considering the budget.

* Received a recommendation from the Mayor all councillors visit the centennial library to see the mural painted and designed by Mrs. Joe Bray. The mayor praised the work and the Acton Lions Club for financial assistance and asked a letter of thanks be sent to the artist and the Lions.



50 YEARS' CONTINUOUS membership in Walker Lodge for Bro. D. D. Waldie and Wor. Bro. L. O. Moffat was rewarded Monday with presentation of 50 year veteran jubilee pins. Pinning Bro. Waldie on the left is Wor. Bro. R. A. Winton and V. Wor. Bro. H. L. Ritchie pins Wor. Bro. L. O. Moffat, right. (Staff Photo)

CHURCHILL

U.C.W. meeting, illnesses, nurses' meeting reported

By Mrs. R. McArthur
The Churchill U. C. W. met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Denny on Wednesday afternoon.

New appointment for Geo. Durnford

George Durnford, manager of the Guelph operations of the United Co-Operatives of Ontario for the past 10 years, has been appointed hardware and petroleum sales representative by the company for the Mid-Western Ontario region.

During Mr. Durnford's years as manager in Guelph the sales volume has increased 10 times to over \$2,000,000 annual retail sales. The services offered to Co-Op patrons have also multiplied greatly. Grain drying facilities, bulk fertilizer distribution, feed mixing, expanded lawn and garden facilities and a greater assortment of consumer goods have all been added during the past 10 years. Mr. Durnford will continue to reside in Guelph, where he has taken a very active role in many organizations and activities and will serve the counties of Wellington, Waterloo, Halton, Peel and parts of Dufferin and Wentworth.

Mr. Durnford said that he accepted the position with a great deal of pleasure and looks forward to serving as the sales representative for this area.

February 7, with a fair attendance. The president Mrs. Denny opened the meeting with prayer. Devotions were given by Mrs. F. Freeman, topic being "Somebody is watching you."

She chose scripture verses from 139 psalm verses 1 to 4, also 2nd Corinthians, Chapter 3 verses 1 to 4. Hymn "Rise up oh Men of God" was sung. The minutes were read and adopted.

It was decided the March meeting is to be a work meeting. A demonstration of fancy sandwiches given by Mrs. Freeman proved very interesting and tasty. The president closed the meeting with prayer and being hostess she served lunch.

Courtesy convener Mrs. W. Swackhamer thanked Mrs. Denny for the use of her home and hospitality.

Mr. Eccles McMillan of Guelph and Mrs. George Elgie of Fergus visited at the Griffin home, also Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur visited on Wednesday afternoon, with her uncle Mr. Smith Griffin also at the same home.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg Greeno, Barbara and John of Port Credit were guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner, David and Julian.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Saunders, Normie and Stephen and Beverley Leitch were in Toronto on Saturday and attended the Ice Polles, also visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pierce of Toronto.

Friends and neighbors will be

pleased to hear Mr. Jack Harris, 5th Line Erin Township, who has been in Guelph Hospital and underwent surgery was able to return home the first of the week.

Mrs. Wilfred Waldie and Mrs. W. J. McDonald attended the meeting of the Trained Practical Nurses in Toronto. The speaker was from Metro Toronto Emergency Measures Organization and he spoke and demonstrated on external cardiac massage and showed a film on mouth to mouth resuscitation.

Mrs. C. H. Best of Peterborough spent a couple of days with her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blinco. Relatives and friends of this locality will be pleased to hear Mrs. Arthur Griffin was able to return home from the Guelph General Hospital after being hospitalized with a broken hip. She is now on crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Allen of Willowdale were Saturday visitors with the Hamiltons.

Mrs. Bob Kerr attended the Jr. Farmer's Zone Conference in Ridgeway on Saturday, February 10.

Visitors on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr were Mr. and Mrs. Dave McDonald of Glencoe. Neighbors and friends are sorry to hear Mr. Fred Spear is still a patient in Guelph Hospital. Everyone hopes he can soon be able to return home.

Mr. Ray and Miss Carol Swackhamer were among the group of Acton Junior Farmers who spent

the weekend as guests of Grey County Junior Farmers. They report meeting new friends and how they live, also having a very enjoyable time.

Churchill congregation were again pleased to have Mr. Laudor for their guest speaker on Sunday last. Rev. Gordon B. Turner hopes to be able after his accident to be with his people on Sunday next.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Williamson and Mrs. Annie Burns attended a shower last Saturday night for Mrs. Ronald Gray of St. Charles at Mr. Earl Oldwell's home.

Mrs. Alfred Saunders spent the weekend with her daughter Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hall and Kimmy in Guelph.

Free Press Local News Items

--Next blood donor clinic is March 1.

--Money: Something that brushes by you on its way to Ottawa.

--Acton W. I. penny sale prizes are on display in Harris's variety store window.

--Country roads are dangerously slippery, when drifting snow hides the ditches and patches of ice.

--The things that most people want to know about are usually none of their business.

--Next year, all Guelph schools will be teaching oral French in grade seven, the board decided this week. It's likely all schools in the Wellington county will teach it by next year. Milton and Georgetown public schools already teach it -- but not Acton or the neighboring townships.

--A column from the library is expected to become a new feature of the Free Press. Mrs. Isabel Watson, the chief librarian, has written a column about some of the newest books for this week, and hopes to find time to continue.

--Over 70 Georgetown children have had fluoride applied to their teeth at the Halton Health Unit clinic. Appointments are booked solid for months. Some children have had the application annually since the clinic opened three years ago.

Emergency plan okay

A new plan of emergency action covering local disasters has been approved by Halton County Council and is in the process of being accepted by the municipal councils of the county.

The Emergency Measures Act requires each county to form a plan for continued functioning of municipal government and the necessary services to municipalities in the event of a serious emergency. Under the plan, the municipal clerk will become "disaster co-ordinator" and the local police department will implement the disaster plan.

Each clerk in company with an elected representative is to set up a disaster control centre and establish communications with Halton's EMO headquarters. Administration of welfare, transportation, radio communications and rescue operations are covered in the by-law.

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LIMEHOUSE

W.A. officers elected W.M.S. meeting held

By Mrs. A. Benton

The W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Kirkpatrick on Thursday evening with vice-president Mrs. Roughley in the chair. Mrs. Patterson read Scripture and Mrs. A. W. Benton followed with prayer. Mrs. Sanford read an interesting chapter from "A Cleric's Tales" by W.M. Lloyd.

Plans were discussed for the spring thank offering meeting. The hostess served refreshments afterwards.

We hope for a good recovery for Mrs. Stuart Smith of Weston, who recently underwent a major operation. A sister of Mrs. A. C.

Patterson, who is well known in our community.

Congratulations to Carol Turner, who placed well in public speaking recently.

The W. A. held their annual meeting with a pot luck dinner in the church on Tuesday evening of last week.

Officers were re-elected as follows: president Mrs. Dick Applayard; vice-president Mrs. J. Crichton; treasurer, Mrs. Bruce Lindsay; flower and fruit convener, Mrs. A. C. Patterson.

The Young People's Society enjoyed an evening of bowling at Georgetown on Saturday and a social time at the home of Robble Roughley after.

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