

Lions enjoy convention, conviviality at Quebec

One of the features of Monday night's regular dinner meeting of Acton Lions Club was a report on the convention at Quebec City. Lion Chief Vic Bristow told Lions of the convention's highlights which he attended along with secretary Bob Hall, John Griesemer and Neil Miller, and their wives.

One of the first feature events was the big parade Sunday when Acton Lions marched with the Georgetown club. Unlike here, the weather was a beautiful, sun-drenched 70 or 80 degrees, for the entire convention.

Hospitality of the Quebec Lions and people in the old Quebec city was a big factor in the Acton club's enjoyment of the convention. Conviviality was spontaneous and delegates bridged the language barrier with gestures when words failed.

Lion Chief Vic attended all the business sessions and cast ballots on voting issues such as the choice of a convention site for 1971, Kingston was chosen. Neighboring clubs who won awards was Bramalea for the best marching club (20 Men) and

Georgetown won a first for the top pipe band.

Kitchener Lions won the travelling Lion with 27 members present for a total distance of 14,000 miles travelled. This club ferried 40,000 children to Expo under their auspices.

The Lions and their wives arrived home Thursday, tired but richer for the experience.

Oral French, K.P. birth date changes in schools next fall

After regular business, public school board Tuesday evening met with architect Donald Skinner and area superintendent W. McNeill to go over detailed sketch plans for the M. Z. Bennett school addition.

Principal Elmer Smith outlined some of the decisions that must be made before his fall classes can be arranged - pupil

transfers, shared teacher time, etc. He must set all timetables as they will be after the addition is finished, and then decide how to best accommodate the same classes with staggered timetable in September. There will be as little change as possible when classes move into the new addition.

Board members learned that the new grade teacher, hired to replace Miss Donna Rieborough who resigned, is also a qualified Oral French teacher and will teach Oral French to grades seven and eight on the rotary system in both schools. Mrs. Reynolds of Lachute, Quebec, is moving to a farm near Acton.

Chairman Cyril Bishop announced the salary schedule for the teachers has been finalized and staffs are complete. "There seemed to be experienced and local teachers available this year," he said. "We didn't have to go to Teachers' College."

A letter of resignation from Mrs. M. Mellor was read citing her three "rewarding and happy" years with the board.

When principal McKenzie explained Burlington, Oakville and Milton schools enroll students in kindergarten if they are five years old by Feb. 28, rather than Dec. 31 as Acton requires, the board agreed to unify the policy by extending the date to Feb. 28 here, if the accommodation for the extra number of children is available.

Mr. McKenzie also explained there could be a full class of grade eight transferees next fall, who require a two year terminal

course. (This includes pupils from township schools.) Only a four year stream is available at Acton high school. A letter will be written to the high school board to see if this class could be accommodated in Acton. They could go to Guelph at board expense.

Mrs. McGillivray is ill, and Lakeshore Teachers' College student Miss Mary Lou Brown, who is to be an M. Z. Bennett teacher in the fall, started teaching in Mrs. McGillivray's class May 20.

Forms required by the provincial committee on education were filed in by secretary-treasurer Bill Middleton with the assistance of Jack McGeachie, and were the first received by the committee. "They wanted to know everything, and they got it," Mr. Middleton declared.

The fair board was allowed use of school chairs for the fair weekend Sept. 20 - 22; Palms and Squares were allowed use of the Robert Little gym two Thursdays a month next term.

Soccer goals are being installed at the M. Z. Bennett school.

More breaks in the heating system are occurring at the R. L. school. A price is to be obtained on overhead installation of steam heat.

A letter will be sent to council inquiring about the proposed landscaping for the school creek.

Since two caretakers are leaving this month, Mrs. Leckie and Mrs. MacColl Jr., a student will be hired to help with the work during the summer.

The board learned council is

Acton's mayor chairs CORDC annual meeting

CORDC chairman Les Doby had the support of 17 from his home municipality of Acton at the annual meeting last Thursday evening at the Honey Pot ski resort, Maple. About 75 representatives from the four counties of York, Peel, Ontario and Halton heard the Central Ontario Regional Development Council annual reports and guest speaker and enjoyed a buffet dinner afterward.

The first report of the Niagara Escarpment Study committee is expected late this summer, he said. The goal is preservation of as much of the escarpment as possible.

This is a year of major opportunity, he declared, "you and the government will mold a master plan of significant development."

Councillor Lois Hancey of Richmond Hill presented the annual report explaining projects now underway and outlining the goals of future years: establishment of urban growth points, identification of future dormitory communities, establishment of a regional data centre, setting standards of urban and rural development control.

Both Mayor Doby of Acton and Mrs. Anne MacArthur of Nassagaweya have been renamed to the CORDC board of directors for 1968 from Halton.

Present from Acton were Mrs. Doby, Deputy-Reeve Frank Oakes and Mrs. Oakes; councillors and wives Mr. and Mrs. Bob Drinkwater, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Tyler Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Earl Masales, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perry; clerk-administrator Jack McGeachie and Mrs. McGeachie, Mr. and Mrs. David Dillie. (Dillie Printing and Publishing is a corporate member of CORDC.)

"One of the most difficult jobs government has ever tackled is urban development," declared guest speaker Robert Welch, Q.C., provincial secretary, minister of citizenship and registrar-general of Ontario. All countries are presently trying to integrate programs of development, and Ontario's program is one of the most comprehensive in the world.

He announced the unveiling of the Metro Toronto and Region Transportation Study (MTARTS) by the Prime Minister on June 13, 1968.

The study of major proportions deals in detail with the transportation projections for the four-county region of Halton, Peel, York and Ontario.

We can't afford the luxury of urban sprawl. We need model apartments with playgrounds and recreation. The apartment house must be an attractive place to live.



FRANK SPIELVOGEL, left and Bill Taylor were among the Legionnaires who assisted in decorating graves at Sunday's Decoration Day ceremonies. (Staff Photo)



ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION veterans decorate graves of comrades sleeping in Fairview cemetery following Decoration Day services Sunday afternoon. (Staff Photo)

OSPRINGE

Grade eight students enjoy bus trip to Niagara Falls

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson

Grade eight students from the local school and their teacher Bruce MacPherson and some of the mothers, enjoyed a bus trip to Niagara Falls, and in spite of inclement weather, a good time was had by all.

Mrs. T. Fines and Doris were guests on Saturday at the wedding of Brian Bessey and Donna Ridler at Dublin St. United Church, Guelph, and also the reception at the College Motor Inn.

Rev. and Mrs. T. Maxwell, Waterloo, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruce and family.

Recent visitors with Mrs. Martha Jackson were Mr. and Mrs. Neil Lambert and family, Hamilton; Mrs. Etta Barden, Eden Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Meadows, Rockwood; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Allan and David, Rockwood; Mr. and Mrs. Murray Millson and family; Mrs.

Borha Matthews; Mr. Charles Porke, Guelph; Mr. George Porke, Staynor; Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Watson, Hillsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Russell, Detroit, spent the weekend with the former's sister Mrs. T. Fines and Doris.

Miss Linda Ferguson, nurse-in-training at Kitchener hospital was home for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stewart and family spent Sunday at their cottage at Lake Belwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Snyder are on a month's vacation in California. During their absence their son Robert and Mrs. Snyder are staying at the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mann, and family, Toronto, were Sunday visitors with their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. B. Coyle at their farm home on the 2nd Line.

Captain Sherlock and Mrs. Altkon of Bagotville spent a few days with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Altkon.

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