

What council did

At their first regular meeting of 1969, Acton Council:

- Approved payment of membership fees for 1969 in the amount of \$30 to the Association of Mayors and Reeves.

- Authorized the mayor to attend the Mayors' and Reeves' convention in Etobicoke during the month of June with all expenses paid.

- Authorized the mayor and clerk to sign cheques for the new Halton County Board of Education.

- Registered no objection to the application of W. Fried to the Committee of Adjustment for a separation of Lot 303 for a second apartment building on Churchill Rd. South. The first apartment is being built on the property and it is anticipated a third will also be constructed.

- Passed a resolution authorizing the Tyler Ave. storm sewer project to be paid for out of revenue collected in 1969. Cost of the project is not going to be as expensive as the \$50,000 anticipated. It's expected it will not go over \$40,000 part of which is recoverable in subsidies.

- Approved renewal of licenses for Reliable Taxi's three car fleet for 1969.

- Engaged Fred Helton as the solicitor to represent the town in negotiation with Frank Heller on an offer to purchase industrial land in the industrial park.

- Approved membership in the Clerks and Finance and Assessment Officers' Association.

- Approved the appointment of J. H. Goy to the Halton County Industrial Committee on the recommendation of the Development Commissioner.

- Authorized the clerk to arrange a meeting requested by the Department of Planning and Development with No. 1 committee, Planning Board, the town engineer and solicitor. Object is to iron out details of the new subdividers' agreement and set a course for the town to follow.

- Discouraged Councillor Ted Tyler Jr.'s proposal to send tax money to Guelph hospitals rather than to hospitals in the county seldom used by Acton citizens. Councillors agreed in sentiment with Mr. Tyler's proposal but said they had tried many times to do this and failed. A binding agreement makes Acton pay approximately \$150 for each bed in a new addition to hospitals at Burlington, Oakville, Milton and Georgetown.

- Heard a request from the mayor that No. 2 committee consider plowing the entrance to Glenlea park for off-street parking for residents of Mowbray Place. "People are criticized for parking on the street," said the mayor, "but there's nowhere else to park."

All members of council attended the meeting. Councillor G. McKenzie chaired the Committee of the Whole session.

Appoint four committees

Four Ad Hoc committees were set up by the halton County Board of Education at last Thursday's meeting. Following are the committees and members.

Communications and community relations - G. W. Johnson, Chairman, J. C. Blacklock, L. D. Palmer, G. C. Pelletier, W. J. Priestner, T. E. Watson. Officials: W. K. M. Armstrong, O. A. Gilmore, R. K. Self.

Board policies - J. C. Ronson, chairman, H. D. Clohery, G. W. Johnson, Liberty Pease, J. J. Price, T. E. Watson. Officials: J. W. Singleton, D. S. Lawless, B. T. Lindley.

Board organization and by-laws - J. F. Noble, chairman, R. E. Goodin, L. D. Palmer, W. J. Priestner, J. C. Ronson, G. H. Thorpe. Officials: D. S. Lawless, B. T. Lindley, H. R. Lishman.

Personnel relations - K. H. Price, chairman, F. A. Bidwell, J. C. Blacklock, H. D. Clohery, J. F. Noble, G. H. Thorpe. Officials: F. A. Dana, H. R. Lishman, a personnel officer when appointed.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Parker celebrate golden wedding



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY "Open House" was held for Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Parker, Mowbray Place, Sunday afternoon and evening. They came recently from England to enjoy retirement in Acton with their son and his family. (Staff Photo)

Defer approval new high school in Burlington

Old jealousies between North and South and Burlington and Oakville have not been entirely erased from the new Halton County Board of Education.

Although there were strong pleas from various members of the Board for trustees to think along the lines of the entire county rather than the sectionalism prevalent under the old system, there were indications trustees will be alert their own section of the county would not be short-changed.

Postponement of approval for a new high school in Burlington was deferred two weeks when trustees voted to wait until a study of accommodation needs for the county was ready.

The school, to be called Lord Elgin, was scheduled to be opened in 1970. The children to fill the school are already in the system according to trustee W. B. Edwards. Students in the area are presently being bussed to the M. M. Robinson school.

Board members, alarmed at the \$4,250,000 price tag put on the school, asked deferral until they were sure the project deserved priority over other projects in the county.

Georgetown trustee Ernie Bodnar asked how it would affect other projects in the county especially two pending in Georgetown for a fair amount of money.

Oakville trustee Doug Wood, picking up the ball, said although half the total cost of the Lord Elgin school would be redeemed by provincial grants, it could restrict other capital projects by the board this year. He said he wanted the whole picture in front of him before he would vote on it.

Esquing's representative W. A. (Bill) Lawson agreed. "We're putting ourselves in the position where other projects might suffer."

Chairman Fred Amitage said he sensed the board was not in a position to make a motion on approval of the project, agreeing it should be deferred for the next meeting in two weeks when the five-year projection of needs would be ready.

The board did, however, pass a motion signifying to the Ontario Municipal Board that they intend to proceed with projects

Although they've only lived in Acton for a year and a half, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Parker were surrounded by relatives and new friends when they celebrated their golden anniversary on Sunday afternoon and evening. Mr. and Mrs. Parker came from England to live with their son Ernest, his wife, two daughters and two sons on Mowbray Place.

Guests extending congratulations came from Burlington, Ancaster, Dundas, Stoney Creek and Acton. As well as their family in Acton, the Parkers have a daughter, Mrs. Doreen Garrett, in South Australia; a daughter in England, Mrs. Joyce Marsh; and a son Dennis in London, Ontario. Mrs. Garrett returned home to Australia on December 7 after visiting here since October. The Dennis Parkers were unable to come to the celebration because of illness.

There are 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The family had a lovely ring for an anniversary gift for Mrs. Parker and a sweater for Mr. Parker. Mayor Les Duby and clerk-administrator Joe Horst came to present the town's usual gift, a gold tea pot and sugar and cream set.

Prime Minister Trudeau sent a telegram, and Ontario Premier Roberts a framed scroll. There were other telegrams, cards and gifts on the special occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker were married in England on January 12, 1919. Mr. Parker was a plumber by trade before retiring. They had paid three visits to their family in Canada before deciding to come here to live. They are hoping to make more friends in the community by joining the Golden Age Club.

Some people would rather be wrong than quiet for a moment.

Suspended animation for two school boards

Acton's school boards are in a stage of suspended animation for a couple of weeks at least.

Officially, the county school board took over administration on January 1.

However, on January 16 at 8 p.m. members of both former Acton boards will attend a special meeting in Milton's court room to be officially established as "continuing committees" of the Halton county board of education.

As they had been advised before, they will act in an advisory capacity until the new program is completely established in June.

The public school board, met on December 31 to pass the last of their 1968 accounts, but has decided not to meet again until after the special briefing meeting in Milton.

At the Legion hall

Activities at Branch 197

By Charlie Thomson.

Results of last Thursday night's cribbage put Reliable Taxi and 230 Club tied for top spots with 92 points each. Civero had 80, Legion C 80, Beavers 80, Legion B 78, Firemen 75, Legion A 67, Dominion 64, and Goy Cartage 61.

In Shuffleboard, Dominion Hotel took the Brampton Legion A team 10-2 in a game played in

Acton. Next week, Dominion will play the Charles at Milton. In euchre, Sid Rankin came first with 65, Bud Fitzgerald 63, Phil McCristall 62, and Cliff Wedge 42 took home the bologna.

Sick bay: Jim McKnight at home. Norm Cunningham at Guelph General hospital. Jack Drydale at Guelph General hospital.

Crime a community problem not just concern for police

It would appear the New Year had started off with a bang!

Three traffic accidents were investigated during the 48-P.P. reporting week of Jan. 5 to Jan. 11, 1969. Nobody was injured but property damage was estimated at \$750. Nobody received a traffic summons, however, eight people were warned about bad driving habits.

The town cruiser was patrolled 493 miles and the six man detachment worked 214 duty hours.

General occurrences were lower than usual, seven in all. One theft from a motor vehicle parked at a hotel was reported. The other six occurrences consisted of liquor infractions, lost property and vehicles removed from the streets for snow removal.

No Acton cases were heard in court at Milton on January 6.

How often have you sat back and watched an infraction of the law and then promptly forgot about it? Here in a condensed state is part of an item which should be of interest to you.

"Criminality, like poverty, unemployment and slums is a

community problem not a problem for the police alone.

The police have a responsibility for preventing and suppressing crime and for solving crime once it has occurred, but the police cannot prevent every crime from happening nor solve every crime that occurs. The police require the active co-operation, assistance, and moral support of the community which they serve. The public must recognize its responsibility for conditions which breed crime.

"For a crime to occur, two factors must be present, opportunity and desire. It is the function of the police to minimize the opportunities by open, conspicuous and aggressive patrol.

Trustee resigns named secretary

A tied vote in the election for three village trustees for Campbellville was broken last week when one of the trustees whose election was guaranteed, decided to resign.

Incumbent Jack McPhail with 68 votes and Robert Elliot with 58 were handily elected in the village vote, but Jim Baynton and Doug Brown tied at 42 votes apiece in the race for the third seat. When the tie could not be broken, Mr. Elliot resigned allowing McPhail, Baynton and Brown to take the seats.

Mr. Elliot was subsequently appointed secretary to the board of trustees a position he has held as an elected member

Happy family reunion includes Acton sponsors

After a long separation, the Chen family is all together again. On the Saturday before Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Kinley Chen flew from India to join their daughters and son in Canada. The family was at first sponsored by the Rev. and Mrs. Andrew McKenzie, and two daughters were the first to arrive. Another daughter and son came later, but many months of red tape followed before the parents were permitted to leave India.

While their children were born in India, Mr. and Mrs. Chen were born in China and Burma.

The happy family has a house in Guelph, and special guests at a family celebration included the McKenzies and other newfound friends. Lawyer David Smith and Mrs. Smith (he's the son of Rev. Crawford Smith), Mr. and Mrs. All Hales of Guelph.

Daughter Susie is in Vancouver now. Rosa has an

office position in Guelph. Suzanne has just begun training at Guelph General Hospital. Victor has just left his position at Simpsons to begin graduate studies at the University of Guelph.

Kinley and Juliette Chen had a difficult trip from Calcutta with stopovers in Paris and London. They hope to find work as translators or interpreters.

Battery hazard

This is the time of year when car or tractor batteries give trouble. As the temperature goes down, so does the efficiency of the battery. Many farmers now have their own plug-in battery chargers and these are very handy pieces of equipment.

Don't forget, though, that when a battery is being charged, hydrogen gas is generated and a match or a spark close by could result in a dangerous explosion.

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