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Dills Heads District High School Board

Esqueping Share Too High Says Col. Brown — Board Will Consider Problem at Further Meeting

Arioff Dills, publisher of the Acton Free Press and the Champion, Milton, was elected chairman of North Halton High School District Board at the first meeting of the board last Thursday, in Milton Town Hall. Mr. Dills succeeded Arthur Beaumont of Glen Williams, last year's chairman.

The district has been in existence for 150 years, administering schools in Acton and Milton and with Georgetown's entry falls the district this year will now assume control of the local school top. The district comprises the three towns as well as two townships, Esqueping and Nassagaweya. Members of the eleven-man board are: John Bell, Walter Biehn, Dr. J. B. Milne from Georgetown; Arthur Beaumont, William Schenk from Esqueping; W. J. Coon, Acton; F. W. B. Fitzgerald, Milton; Ross Carbert, Nassagaweya and three county appointments, Lt. Col. Gordon Brown of Esqueping, N. L. Pickett of Milton and Mr. Dills of Acton.

Meeting nights were set as the fourth Monday each month and it is planned to alternate meetings from town to town. The next meeting on January 23rd will be held in Georgetown High School. Appointments of attendance officers for the three schools were M. H. Moyer, Georgetown, C. Mason, Acton and Police Chief Hugh Warming, Milton. They will receive a yearly fee of \$50 each.

Committees, the first named being chairman, were appointed as follows:

- Finance — Fitzgerald, Milne, Beaumont.
- Management — Pickett, Biehn, Coon.
- Transportation — Brown, Bell, Fitzgerald.
- Building — Coon, Schenk, Carbert.

Col. Brown declared that Esqueping was unhappy with the present rate of shipping education costs on a per cent basis and thought that the township was paying out all proportion to the services being received. Last year Esqueping paid 51 per cent of high school costs and this year with Georgetown's district her share will be about 45 per cent. He estimated that the Esqueping representatives on county council were going to try to remedy this and was asking the Department of Education for advice to procedure in having the bus chartered. Personally, said Col. Brown, he felt that some relief should be made by Esqueping and he intended to withdraw from the district. The

secretary Adam Spigel of Milton, was asked to prepare figures for the next meeting showing the percentage of costs on the amount of school buildings from the various municipalities in order that further attention could be placed on this matter.

A film strip projector was purchased for the Acton school and an allowance of \$1200 made for the purchase of books for the Georgetown school library. The board is also considering installing a program clock in Milton school at an estimated \$300 cost.

ASHGROVE

What changeable weather we do have. It doesn't seem to know whether to snow or rain. There hasn't been much use for the snow shovel yet.

The W.M.S. meeting was held Tuesday, January 10th at the home of Mrs. Hector Bird with the 2nd vice president Mrs. Frank Wilson presiding and opening with the hymn "Father of Mercies." Roll Call was answered with a Bible verse containing the word "Joy." Mrs. Thos. Brownridge had charge of the Devotional, the theme being "The Bible." In the absence of Rev. Ed. Answorth Mrs. Walter Brownridge installed the new officers for 1950. Mrs. Arthur Ruddehl offered the prayer for three months' missionaries. A pretty card and little note was read from Mrs. Frank Ruddehl thanking the W.M.S. for its Life Membership and pin she had received at Christmas time. Mrs. Ruddehl has had several officers in the Society and was present for two years and always gave so willingly of her time and money, a splendid worker at all times. Following this Mrs. Frank Wilson read a little booklet called "The Church's Claim on You" making our realize how important our churches are to us.

We are so glad to be able to report that Mr. C. E. Dick came home on Saturday, after being six weeks in Guelph Hospital. With good recovery, he will now be able to go home and rest.

Deacons of the Ashgrove congregation met on Tuesday, January 11th in the basement of 2 1/2 St. All reports are very good and needed in this time.

STEWARTTOWN

The W.A. met at Mrs. C. Smith's home Thursday afternoon for the first meeting of 1950.

The Junior W.A. met at Mrs. Gail's home a week ago Monday. Happy Birthday to Kenneth. He turned four years old on Saturday the 13th.

The January Women's Institute meeting was held in the Hall Tuesday evening. Roll Call was answered with the name of a Canadian author or poet, and the collection was a half-yard of flannel for quilts. Citizenship was the subject of the program, which started with singing "The Maple Leaf." Mrs. J. Harris read the Scripture lesson. Mrs. J. McLenan convener for citizenship, introduced the speaker, Mrs. J. Ellerby of Limehouse, who spoke with illustrations on "Our Flag" and how it came into being, and passed on to citizenship in the home, the country and the world. The contest following was cities and towns in Ontario beginning with the letter B. Mrs. Jack Roughley of Limehouse demonstrated the home hobby of making gloves. Mrs. Roughley showed the patterns and how to make them, the material for making gloves. Some partly made gloves and some beautifully needle-pointed gloves which were very much admired. Mrs. L. DeVries moved a vote of thanks to all those making the meeting a success. Mrs. Sanford and Mrs. Grant were hostesses for refreshments served. Mrs. DeVries was pianist for the evening. At 8:15 the chairman next meeting will be at Mrs. Grant's. The luncheon in the branch to supply the program. Miss Dorothy Stewart will be the convener.

Happy Birthday to Kenneth Grant, who will be four years old on Saturday, the 21st.

We all wish Mrs. Johnston of Georgetown a happy birthday this coming Wednesday, the 18th.

The windstorm last Saturday blew down a large poplar tree beside the road in the village. It fell across the sidewalk just above Mr. Greenwood's and snapped a telephone wire, knocking off Mr. Hull's mail box.

BALLNAFAD

The annual meeting of the congregation was held Wednesday evening with our minister Mr. W. G. as chairman. The finances were reported in good standing

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with a considerable balance to start the year. Mr. A. McKay, treasurer of the manse committee reported that a complete bathroom and pressure system had been installed during the past year and plans to install a better heating system were also discussed. Mr. J. Kirkwood was re-elected treasurer with Mr. H. Hills and Mr. J. Allan as auditors. Mr. F. J. Shortill was appointed Chairman of the board of stewards. Rev. John Smith of Georgetown was present and spoke a few words of encouragement both to the minister and the congregation calling for full cooperation in all departments.

The evening auxiliary met for their January meeting at the home of Mrs. Ernest McEnery, Friday evening. Mrs. Ken Cotton, the newly elected president, was in charge of the meeting.

Owing to the mild weather the weekly hockey match had to be postponed.

Wherever birth statistics have been collected in Canada, they show an excess of male! Lucky girls!

Basic reason for census-taking is to determine parliamentary representation for the various areas.