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In the Estate of **THOMAS HARDING PRICE**, late of the Township of Esqueving, in the County of Halton, Retired Farmer, deceased.
All persons having claims against the aforementioned Estate of Thomas Harding Price, who died on or about the 9th day of March, 1970, are required to file proof thereof with the undersigned solicitor for the Executors on or before April 20th, 1970, after which date the estate will be distributed, having regard only to the claims then filed.
Dated at Acton, Ontario, this 30th day of March, 1970.
C. F. LEATHERLAND, O.C.
Acton, Ontario,
Solicitor for the Executors.
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20 AUCTION SALES
AUCTION SALE
FOR
The Administrator of the Estate of the
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Friday Evening, April 10, 1970
At 7 p.m.
In Brookville Hall, situated on the Guelph Line, 4 miles north of Mohawk Raceway.
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1970 education bill \$333,067

Councillors unhappy

"You didn't help us but you sure told us why", Councillor Art Gibson observed after Board of Education trustee Tom Watson and Business Superintendent Bruce Lindley reviewed the township's apportionment of the 1970 Board of Education budget to Nassagaweya Council Monday.
The township will see its mill rate rise for education by 6.21 while all other municipalities will decrease.
After a detailed review of how the apportionment of the \$36,000,000 budget is established, Councillor Alan Ackman summed up the discussion explaining "we're not attacking the board but the

system under which you have to operate". The municipal division of the budget is by statute.
Superintendent Bruce Lindley went through three pages of calculations to explain how the complicated apportionment is established. He also pointed out the township was benefitting this year from a mill rate subsidy amounting to \$51,643. The only other municipality to receive such a subsidy was Esqueving which would receive \$15,885. Without the subsidy the township mill rate would have been increased a further seven mills.

The use of a provincial equalization factor in calculating the share the township contributes to education was challenged by Councillor Ackman. The factor is established by the Department of Municipal Affairs and is based on spot checks and land sales to determine the percentage the assessment is to the market value. In Nassagaweya the percentage had been expected to rise after reassessment. Instead it fell. The result was that an underlevy on township ratepayers had to be picked up this year.
Nassagaweya ratepayers will be asked to pay \$333,067 for education this year compared with \$278,131 last year.
Asked what could be done about the increased township levy, Mr. Lindley outlined the procedure for appealing the apportionment which involved a meeting of municipal treasurers for arbitration. Reeve A. MacArthur wondered why such a meeting could not be scheduled when it became obvious one municipality was to be hit, prior to confirmation of the budget. She suggested she would discuss this with the Minister of Education.

The Superintendent noted the apportionment had been calculated in accordance with the statutes and any appeal was up to the township.
The reeve suggested an appeal now would make other municipalities think the township was asking them to bail them out. "We're paying for the number of students we have at a real good price", she observed.
"Rural municipalities are going to be destroyed over a period of time if this system is not changed. It is unfair if rural municipalities are going to have to pay more to educate their children than urban areas".
References were made to the cost of public school education in Milton at \$328,161 where "there are twice" the students compared with Nassagaweya's cost at \$232,517.

The Superintendent pointed out the determining factor was assessment, not population.
Deputy Reeve Gordon Agnew concentrated his attack on "education as a sacred cow" and wondered how such "excessive" spending was justified. "The public can only stand so much", he complained a lot of students can't even read or write properly now and with computers being introduced they may not even be able to figure. He questioned the justification of increases every year.
Trustee Tom Watson noted the taxpayers complain about cost generally once a year and the remaining 11 months ask for increased services.
The deputy reeve complained the board could spend 99 per cent of its money in the south. He was interrupted by the trustee who noted introduction of opportunity classes and savings in construction costs by use of neighboring urban schools which were benefitting Nassagaweya.
The deputy reeve later came back to the cost of issues of Education News. Mr. Lindley reported an issue cost about \$1,500 and three special issues had been produced on the budget this year to acquaint the public with the financing in view of last year's criticism. Four regular issues are planned. He noted a neighboring board had spent \$15,000 on one issue of a publication.
The deputy reeve complained about a recent move to spend \$100,000 to send nine teacher back to school. Mr. Lindley reviewed the Board had inherited several kinds of sabbatical leave plans from previous boards which it had to honor. "The policy of the board does not endorse the type of plans that were in effect", he pointed out.

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Free Press Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Patterson and family are home after a holiday in Florida.
Neighbors and friends are sorry to learn Mr. and Mrs. Martin Roeser, Ann and Carolyn, R. R. 4, Acton, are moving to Orangeville.

Betty Cook, who teaches at Brampton; Sandra Sinclair of Acton and Barbara Symon who's at Cooksville enjoyed a holiday in Florida.

Friends will be pleased to hear Mr. Percy Woods, 92 Main St., has returned home from Guelph General Hospital and is recovering nicely from his operation.

Some from here enjoyed the concert by the Burlington teen tour band and a group of Milton singers, the Chansonettes, at the School for the Deaf in Milton Sunday afternoon. The program was arranged by the University Women's club of the district, to raise money for the annual scholarship. (Two Acton girls have won the scholarship for academic standing.)

Acton friends were interested to see Bill McKeown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McKeown, taking part in the Young Miss Canada pageant on television Monday night. Bill is having quite a successful career in entertaining, and is engaged to Debbie Lorrie Kay, the singer on the Tommy Hunter show. Mr. and Mrs. McKeown live in Glen Williams, and he is now principal of Limehouse school.

Service clubs had two well-attended dances in town Saturday evening. The Lions and their guests filled the Legion Hall and danced to Johnny Tocher's orchestra. The Y's Men filled the music centre and music was by The Shaynes. Y's Man G. W. McKenzie had sold tickets at a principals' meeting and there was a bigger-than-usual crowd of educators and their wives there, including E. S. Lavender, area superintendent of education for the north education centre.

Well over 120 called Sunday on Charles Matthews in Toronto to extend congratulations on his 80th birthday, including some friends from Acton. Mr. Matthews was raised here and learned the printer's trade at the Free Press before going to Toronto where he became one of the partners in Sampson-Matthews printing company. This company specialized in printing silk screen

Board meets Bill Davis

A delegation from the Halton County Board of Education met with Minister of Education William Davis Friday to re-affirm their position concerning regional government as it influences education, said committee chairman Bill Lawson.
The Halton Board has opposed any move that would take Burlington out of Halton County. The B and is asking Mr. Davis to support their wishes to remain intact with Burlington. While it is fair to assume Davis would support the Halton Board as an individual, the final decision will be made by the cabinet, Mr. Lawson said.

Three homes

Building permits for construction estimated at \$63,700 were issued in Nassagaweya during March according to building inspector Campbell Thompson.
The projects included three new houses ranging from \$15,700 to \$18,000, in addition to a house and a horse barn.
Permits issued to the end of March this year in the township now total \$109,900.

reproductions of famous Canadian paintings; they hang in the schools and library. His grandfather was a pioneer settler here in 1845. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Matthews (the former Dorothy Fulcher Moore) and his two sisters, Mrs. Ern Black and Mrs. J. McMurchy of Toronto, came to Acton to visit friends and refresh memories of years ago.
A fabulous two-month long tour of South America and the Orient ended Wednesday for Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Buchanan when they arrived home through a typical Canadian snowstorm. They had been with a group of 20 on a Masonic tour, taking a route that, apparently, no other tour had ever arranged before. They went first to Mexico, where they were delighted to see the ruins of the civilization of the famed Mayan Indians. They spent a "peaceful" week in Guatemala (the situation has changed since) and went down the west coast of South America, where highlights were Valparaiso and Lima. They flew to fascinating Easter Island, where they stayed in tents; then on to Tahiti and Fiji. They drove all through New Zealand and then went along the west coast of Australia over the Barrier Reef where they especially recall seeing the fish and coral from a glass-bottomed boat. They phoned a former Acton girl, Ella Amy Beer, at her home at Armadale. Prof. and Mrs. Beer reported a newborn baby boy.
Next Indonesia, Bali, Bangkok and Hong Kong. Then five days in Japan where of course they toured Expo. It was really wonderful, they say, and very much like our Expo '67 in plan. They flew to Vancouver, where they gained the day they had lost in Tahiti—and then home.

Opening lead — 10 of spades.
North - South were using strong overcalls so when North bid 2 clubs he is showing at least an opening bid. South has a good hand with hearts well stopped so he tries 2 no trump which North is glad to carry to three.
West felt that a heart lead was rather futile so he tried a spade. Before he plays a card, declarer should take stock, between his hand and dummy declarer can count 26 high card points. East should have at least 13 points for his opening bid, therefore West can have at the most one jack. Declarer knows that every Finesse except hearts will fail.
He can count on two spade tricks, two hearts, two diamonds and at least three clubs — if he can get them before the defense gets five tricks.
If declarer plays a low spade, East will win and return a diamond. After the club finesse loses, East will lead another diamond and ultimately East will take two black kings, two diamonds and the heart ace.
Declarer should win the first spade in dummy with the ace and Tuesday.

Lost bike
Police would like to hear from the owner of a small child's bicycle, which they have in their office. It was found in the neighborhood of the Robert Little school

Tripped

A young Acton man explained to police Saturday that he had tripped on Mill St., and he had broken the window at A-B supermarket. The window was boarded up and then replaced Tuesday.

Let's Play Bridge
by bill coats

If you ever want to become a good bridge player you must learn to make a plan before you play any hand. You should make your plan before even one card is played from dummy. Your plan will depend on the contract that you are in, the cards that you hold and also what the opponents have told you.
Now your opposition isn't willingly going to give you information. So you must be tuned in when they make bids for each other's information. Here is a most interesting hand that occurred at the Georgetown Duplicate Bridge Club. On this hand declarer must make his plan before he plays one card from dummy and he must listen to what the opponents have told him.
East dealt with neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S-A J 9
H-9 6 3
D-A 7
C-A Q 6 4 2

WEST
S-10 8 6
H-7 2
D-8 7 5 3
C-10 9 5 3


EAST
S-K 7 3
H-A J 10 8
D-K 9 4 2
C-K 7

SOUTH
S-Q 5 4 2
H-K Q 5 4
D-J 10 6
C-J 8

The bidding:
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH
1H PASS PASS 2C
PASS 2N.T. PASS 3N.T.
ALL PASS

immediately lead a low club. Why take a finesse when East must have the king? If East wins he can make no good return. Declarer must win four club tricks and he can easily develop five tricks in the rest of the hand.
Let's say that East returns a heart. Declarer wins and cashes his club Jack. Now a spade can be led to let East make his king. Another heart will give declarer two heart tricks. Perhaps East will lead a spade. Now declarer can lead a heart from dummy himself.
If declarer makes his plan when he first sees dummy and has also listened to the bidding he should not go wrong on this hand.
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