Lack of funds to renovate signs

The Editor, The Acton Free Press.

Dear sir:

As president of the Acton Chamber of Commerce, I noted your editorial remarks concerning the signs leading into town, and must say that the Chamber is very aware these signs are in a disgraceful state.

These signs are the responsibility of the

Chamber of Commerce. I can only say that there has been a large amount of discussion over the past two years concerning getting either these old signs repainted or the possibility of newly designed signs, either of which cost money.

The real problem is simply a lack of operating funds. The fees that are payable to the Acton Chamber of Commerce by its members are too low, and do not allow much room for big expenditures.

Since the Acton Chamber of Commerce would like to see these signs floodlit, we believe it will be necessary to relocate the sign on 25 Highway South.

We have talked to the other Service clubs

and they have offered to pay for their own insignlas, as they have always done in the

We have had an offer by the Acton Development Commission dated August 27th in which they have offered to take over

Allan Eastwood, on behalf of the Chamber, has been asked to enlist the help of the High School art students to see if we can get a good, practical, new design.

As you can see from the foregoing, there really has been a lot of thought as to the direction these signs should take, but the real problem is the fact that well under 50 per cent of the merchants in this immediate area, who should be supporting the Chamber, are not doing so.

There are two ways that we can increase our revenue - either increase membership dues or get many new members. Action will shortly be taken, and at that

Yours truly,

John Shadbolt

time you will be notified.

Protests costs of sewage, water systems

The Editor, The Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir:

Here, without further comment, is a copy of a letter which I have sent to the clerk of Eramosa Township re the proposed Rockwood Water & Sewer scheme.

Yours very truly, J. S. McKenna, 134 Harris St., Rockwood, Ont.

Mr. L. T. Hindley, Township of Eramosa, R.R. 1, Rockwood.

Dear Sir,

Re proposed water and Sewage Systems for the Village of Rockwood.

Regarding the above subject, there are several comments I would like to make and questions I would like to ask: as follows-(1) As a taxpayer of the village, I wish to

protest the cost in terms of additional taxes of this scheme. In the first place the figures quoted in the

local press and elsewhere are misleading. They give frontage charges etc. for a 66 foot lot. The great majority of lots in the village have much greater frontage than this. While the published figures are high enough, the cost for a lot of 160 foot frontage or more is

These additional taxes will surely cause great hardship to many people in the village and I am of the opinion that the village as a whole cannot afford this scheme as proposed at this time.

(2) Regarding the proposal to carry the effluent to the river below the Conservation Area, this is surely a blatant waste of money.

(a) If the proposed plant is as efficient as the engineers have stated, why is it necessary to do this?

What possible objection can there be to placing the outlet just below the first falls, at

(b) If the plant is not that efficient, why waste money installing it in the first place?

(3) What is the actual estimate of the additional cost of conveying the sewage system below the Conservation Area? Why have we heard at different times figures ranging from \$50,000 all the way to

over \$200,000 for this part of the work? Does anyone know what it will cost? (4) Why has more factual information

not been made available? We have been told that in 1966 a certain number of wells were found to be unsatisfactory or polluted, but no one seems to be able to find out if these were concentrated in certain areas of the village, or what type of contamination they suffered. We would

like to know! We have been told that plans, reports and estimates would be available for inspection at the township offices. A number of people have asked to see these documents, without success. Why is such secrecy necessary?

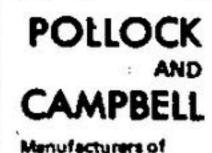
(5) Is there any guarantee that, if and when the systems are installed, the village would not become a developers' paradise for a few years, and expand so rapidly that the systems would be loaded over and beyond their capacity, making further costly expansion of the equipment necessary.

I am sure the people of the village with the possible exception of a few business people, would derive no benefit from such expansion, and the essential character of the village would undoubtedly suffer.

I trust that the comments in this letter will be conveyed to the Ontario Municipal

> Yours very truly, J. S. McKenna

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Bible today

Among those present at a Bible Sunday rally organized by the Bible Society of Ethiopia at Asmara, Eritrea, was the. Governor-General of the province, ills Highness Ros Asrate Kassa.

Called upon to make some closing remarks, he said "The Bible is above all, governs all, and put under it all leaders of all kinds. Therefore, anyone who walks by the lible is happy to attend meetings like this where something about the Bible is said. All who wish peace among families and health for a nation must contribute something to the Scripture distribution so that the Holy Scrptures may reach many

"It is on this basis that we helped the Bible Society to open its branch office here in Asmara.

. Therefore, myself being the Governor-General. . . I would like to be the first member in this region, and hereby submit my membership application form filled out to the Executive Secretary of the Bible Society of



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