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## Various Interesting Items of News

**Eschare and Dance**  
The Women's Institute will hold a supper and dance in the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 14. Entire proceeds for welfare work. Lunch served. Admission 25c. Everybody come.

**Cemetery Caretaker Injured**  
While at work in Acton Cemetery, Mr. A. Bishop had the misfortune to fall on the ice on Tuesday and sustained a fractured collarbone. It was a little time before assistance reached Mr. Bishop, as he was alone when he fell and he was found unconscious by Mrs. Bishop. He is now progressing favorably but will be incapacitated for some time.

**Evangelistic Services**  
Acton Baptist Church will hold special evangelistic services on Sunday, March 12. Professor M. L. Orchard, of McMaster University, will occupy the pulpit at 11.00 a.m. Mr. Elmer Young, leader of McMaster Evangelistic Band, will speak at 7.00 p.m., and others will assist with the services. Special musical selections will be provided by the speakers. Spiritual treatise in store for those who attend. Come and bring your friends.

**World's Day of Prayer**  
The World Day of Prayer was observed in the Presbyterian Church on Friday afternoon, by a large number of women from the various churches of the town. The beautiful prepared programme "Follow Me" by Mrs. C. C. Chen, of China, was carried out. Mrs. (Rev.) H. L. Bennie led the service with great spirituality. Miss Orr sang a beautiful solo "In the Garden of Prayer." Prayers on the different subjects centered around the theme, "Follow Me."

**The Women's Prayer Service in Nasagaweya**  
The Women's Day of Prayer was observed by the United and Nasagaweya Presbyterian Women's Missionary Societies joining at the home of Mrs. Fraser, Moffat. About fifty ladies attended. Mrs. Thos. Amos, presided at the opening exercises and Mrs. (Rev.) C. G. Jones led in the service of prayer and praise. Miss T. Wilson sang a very appropriate solo, "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer."

**United Young People's Visit Baptist Y. P. U.**  
On Monday evening the Young People's Society of the United Church visited with the young people of the Baptist Church. The President, Mr. E. Coles, opened the meeting after a hymn and prayer by the pastor, Mr. Clifford. Miss V. Williams gave the talk on the programme. The scripture lesson was read by Miss S. Nelson, and Miss Stephenson gave a paper on "Christian Fellowship." Mrs. Harold Mowat rendered a solo, and Messrs. Young and Locker an instrumental number. Miss K. Savage gave a reading and after a few remarks by Mr. Clifford the meeting closed with a hymn and prayer by Rev. C. L. Poole. A short time was then spent in contests, conducted by Miss Gladys Agar. The Baptist Society will make a visit to the United Young People's in a few weeks.

**Acton and District Branch Canadian Legion**  
The annual meeting of the Acton and District Branch was held Wednesday evening. Reports of all departments were given and a strong membership and good financial condition. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:  
Past President—W. J. Gould.  
President—J. M. McDonald, J. P.  
1st Vice-President—B. G. Arnold.  
2nd Vice-President—F. Day, J. P.  
Secretary—Treasurer—F. L. Wright.  
Executive Committee—F. J. Sall, F. J. Roney, E. Harrop, B. Bayles.  
Sergeant-at-Arms—J. J. Cooney, D. C. M. Chapman—J. P. Scarrow.  
Plantist—W. Coles, F. J. Sall.  
A lunch was served following the business and a splendid social time spent.

**"Deacon Dubbs" Well Presented.**  
The three-act rural comedy, presented by the Acton A. U. P. Y. P. O. in the Town Hall last night, drew a good attendance and provided a splendid evening's entertainment. "Deacon Dubbs" was the title of this presentation and the entanglements and complications introduced in the story provided plenty of amusement and good clean wit. The parts were all well taken and the cast included the following characters: Miss Phillipa Popover, Kathleen Beckler, Yennie Yetson, Pearl Foster, Deuteronomy Jones, William Finlay, Emily Dale, Ada Spiggle, Rawdon Crawley, Roy McKewen, Rose Raleigh, Flora Sayers, Amos Coleman, Chris Swackhamer, Trixie Coleman, Margaret Leslie, Deacon Dubbs, Harold Swackhamer, Major McNutt, Walter Lingham. Prior to the programme and between the acts an orchestra provided musical numbers. Other numbers introduced during the play made the presentation a well rounded programme. It is being presented again to-night in the Town Hall.

## Georgetown Juniors Win from Acton

The Local Intermediates Turned in an Indifferent Game and Lost by a 2-1 Score—Bracebridge Here To-night

There was a fair crowd at the Arena on Tuesday night to witness the Acton Intermediates take a well-deserved trouncing from a Georgetown Junior Team, the same team that the local Juniors held to a scoreless tie in the Peter Smith Trophy game here and were beaten by 4-1 in Georgetown. It was a bunch of local fans who were thoroughly disgusted with their local favorites who saw the finish of the 2-1 victory for Georgetown. The visitors outplayed the locals in two of the three periods and it was almost tragic to see the frantic efforts to tie the score in the final frame. Alcott for Georgetown turned in a good game in goal, but Acton was weak in placing the shots straight at his pads. It is to be hoped the locals have all the bad hockey out of their system before the game to-night with Bracebridge. There was a splendid sheet of ice on Tuesday night.

The first period opened easy. Arbie was robbed of a goal by Alcott. The Georgetown boys put in some nice hockey and back-checked well. Ward started slashing but the referee did not see the act. He slashed with his stick at Woods later and a fight ensued. Both went to the penalty box to cool off. Alcott put four men down but failed to tally. Alcott got his pads nicely sprinkled with shots but it's the ones that miss the goalkeeper that count. Terry missed scoring by inches and Ward, for Georgetown, placed one at Holloway right after that was saved nicely. In the last minute of play Arbie scored for Acton. It was a disputed goal but the goal referee decided it was in and he was really the only man in a position to judge the play. Ward, Chapman and Woods drew penalties. Byrne started in goal in the second period for Acton, instead of Holloway, and play was faster. Carney saved a nice shot, and Spooner beat everybody but the goalkeeper. Ainslie did the same thing on a nice burst of speed, and Byrne was called on to make a double save from a threat by Ward. There was a rick score in this period. It was a fair game and the Georgetown boys certainly gave the locals plenty to keep them busy. Many fans who witnessed the Intermediate O. H. A. games claimed that the Georgetown Junior Team played better hockey than the Intermediate representatives of that town.

In the third period, Chaplin lifted a long shot from centre ice that beat Byrne to tie the score. It looked like an easy shot. Shortly after, Richardson took a nice back-hand shot, from close in to put Georgetown one up. From then on Acton tried to even the score. They tried again Acton passed the defence to get in on the goal and then shot directly into Alcott's pads. Arbie almost beat him for a second time but Alcott threw up his foot and got his skate on the puck. The fans kidded the locals plenty about letting a junior team defeat them but Acton didn't score. There were plenty of attempts but the game ended 2-1 for Georgetown, and on the night's play the visitors certainly deserved to win.

The line-up was:  
Georgetown—Alcott, goal; Dewhurst and Hall, defence; Chaplin, centre; Ward and A. Ritchie, wings; W. Ritchie, Richardson and Hoare, alternates.  
Acton—Holloway, and C. Byrne, goal; Green and Gibbons, defence; Terry, Spooner, Woods and Walters, wings; Spooner, Arbie, Huffman and Ainslie, alternates.  
Referee—D. Brush, Milton.

**HOCKEY NOTES**  
Acton played in Bracebridge on Saturday night and lost to the tune of 5-2. Bracebridge plays in Acton to-night. It's going to be too bad if the locals can't win from the Northerners.

All the casualties were not confined to the hockey players in Bracebridge on the week-end visit. We have noticed spectators who are nursing injured arms since that visit.

We're anxious to hear what the Bracebridge Gazette has to say regarding the Saturday game.

Maybe Russ Salmon or some of the Bracebridge boys will be able to give us a true version of the story Thursday night.

**THE EVENING MEAL DIGESTER**  
Visitor—"Who is the responsible man in this firm?"  
Office Boy—"I don't know who the responsible party is, but I'm the one who always gets the blame."

**DONATIONS TO WELFARE BOARD**  
The Acton Welfare Board acknowledged with thanks the following donations to their funds:  
Previously acknowledged ..... \$225.36  
Lakeside Chapter I. O. D. E. .... 25.00  
\$250.36

## Acton's Carnival Was Splendid Success in Arena Last Thursday

Decorations and Colored Lighting Add to Beauty of the Event—Burlesque Boxing Match Proved Amusing Feature—Hockey Proved a Scoreless Wonder—Races and Costume Events Had Keen Competition—Band Added to Enjoyment of Occasion.

The Acton Arena was indeed a colorful and gay spot last Thursday evening when the Carnival was put on by the Arena Committee with the co-operation of a committee from Acton Business Men's Association. Gay and colorful decorations brightened this spot and Superintendent C. S. Wilson, of the Public Utilities Commission, had made a real job of the lighting effects with rows of colored lights and colored floodlights.

There was a good attendance of spectators and between one and two hundred appeared in costume. There seemed to be every variety of costume imaginable but the comers predominated. The Band, with most of the members in costume, dispensed the music from a platform in the mid-ice, and added a great deal to the success of the event.

The portly ringmaster of ceremonies was Mr. E. E. Barr, and he kept things moving along well. The costume judging was the first of the events, and resulted as follows:

Best Advertising Costume—Carnie Byrne, Dr. E. J. Nelson.  
Best Hobo Costume—Wm. Hall, Jr., Tolford McDowell.  
Best Home-made Costume—Phyllis Muckle, Helen Mooney.  
Best National Costume—Audrey Chalmers, Jean Fraser.  
Best Comic Boy, under 18—Gordon Bilton, Bobbie Loutitt.  
Best Comic Girl, under 18—Jean Beattie, Marjory Nelson.  
Best Dressed Boy, under 18—Jack Graham, Vernon Agnew.  
Best Dressed Girl, under 18—Mona Ward, Charlin and Woods drew penalties.  
Best Comic Lady—Oral Chalmers, Dorothy Babcock.  
Best Dressed Lady—Gladys Agar, Nain Hale.  
Best Dressed Gent—R. Parkinson, C. Landsborough.  
Best Comic Gent—H. Arbie, Bert Patrick.  
Best Costumed Girl, under 10—Dorothy Footitt.  
Best Costumed Boy, under 10—Lorne Masales.

The burlesque boxing bout proved one of the most amusing features of the evening. The participants were Gordon Cook, who stands well over six feet in height, and John Dennis, who would not reach the five foot mark. For six rounds these two performers sparred and clinched and gave body blows and terrific swings that missed and amused. The climax came when the smaller of the two climbed up on a chair and delivered his knock-out blow to his opponent, who stayed down while the referee delivered the final count of ten. The seconds were Bill Eccleshall and Jack McGeechie, who attended their boxers in true ring style. B. D. Rachlin was timekeeper and official scorer.

The races provided plenty of excitement and were won as follows:  
Couple Race—Art Spooner and Margaret Chalmers; James Cowie and Kathleen London.  
Girls, 8 and under—Dorothy Footitt, Marjory Nelson.  
Boys, 8 and under—R. Blow, Lorne Masales.  
Girls, 10 and under—Doris Bilton, Kathleen Sweeney.  
Boys, 10 and under—Ivan Vickers, Lorne Masales.  
Girls, 12 and under—Jean Beattie, Marjory Smith.  
Boys, 12 and under—Frank Holmes, Vernon Agnew and Francis Pappillon.  
Girls, 16 and under—Charlotte Marshall, Helen Mooney.  
Boys, 15 and under—Duby, H. Woods, Girls, 18 and under—Kathleen London, Iris Armstrong.  
Boys, 18 and under—Harold Mooney, Will Hodgins.  
Ladies' Open Race—Dot Raffley, Kathleen London.  
Men's Open Race—Art Spooner, Joe Woods.  
Potato Race—E. White, Joe Woods.

Then two teams of business men faced off in a burlesque hockey match. The participants were all in costume and even Santa Claus was represented. The game was played with hockey sticks and a soft ball, and R. M. McDonald handled the ball and refereed the game. He handed out plenty of penalties but failed to keep the game clean. After two overtime periods the game still remained a tie, with neither side scoring, and nearly all the players properly winded and thoroughly perspiring.

The lucky admission number draw was won by Lorne (Minute) Walters and George Williams, who each received a generous basket of groceries.

The moccasin dance culminated this event, and kept the fun going until midnight. It was adjudged the most successful carnival staged in Acton Arena, and it is to be hoped that each year a similar event will form a part of the winter's activities. The refreshment booth was operated by the Carnival Committee and the reasonable prices and wholesome eats gave this centre a sell-out record.

All the prizes in connection with the carnival were donated by the following:  
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## A Selection of News Items

**New Officers Take First Meeting**  
The first meeting of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E., under the newly-elected officers, was held at Hill Hall, the home of Mrs. Peter Smith, on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Wm. Cooper, the newly-elected Regent, had charge of the meeting, and the other officers assumed their duties. Features on the programme included solos by Mrs. (Rev.) C. L. Poole and Mrs. A. H. Bishop and the reading of poems by Miss M. Z. Bennett. The officers of the Lakeshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E. were guests on this occasion and following the programme a delightful lunch was served.

**Irish Play at Town Hall March 17**  
On Friday, March 17, the Guelph Tennis Club, with a cast of 20, will present a musical comedy play, in 3 acts, at the Town Hall, Acton. James Galaher, Irish tenor, will play the lead, and sing through the play. Marie Rouke, who was outstanding in "My Irish Colleen," last year, is again the leading lady. There will be Irish singing and dancing. It is a play of the Shamrock, the lace and collect the Irish heart and Erin go bragh. It is being presented under the auspices of St. Joseph's players who have sponsored excellent and enjoyable entertainments. If you want a real enjoyable evening, don't fail to take this in.

**Knox Young People's**  
The meeting of the Knox Young People's Guild was held on Monday night, under the charge of the Educational Committee. The meeting opened with a hymn, followed by the scripture reading by Edna Hinton. After the business had been attended to, the Guild was favored with a piano selection by Harvey Hassard. The main part of the programme consisted of a series of very interesting talks on famous artists and some of their well known pictures by Mrs. J. Anderson, Mrs. A. J. Buchanan and Miss D. Foster. Mrs. Bennie favored the audience with a reading, and a solo was rendered by Miss Lillian Woodhall. A good response was shown to the collection of Christmas cards for Miss N. Anderson in Japan.

**A ROUSING CONVENTION**  
Held by the Temperance Forces of the Province in Toronto Last Week—Acton Sent Delegation

The Annual Convention of the Ontario Prohibition Union, held in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, on March 2 and 3, was a magnificent gathering. Delegates from all over the Province were present and crowded the large Convention Hall of the hotel. Everyone agreed that it was the largest and most enthusiastic meeting of the temperance forces of Ontario held for many years.

The afternoon session on Thursday was opened by Rev. D. N. McLaughlin, D. D., General Secretary of the United Church of Canada, leading the devotions. Two very interesting addresses were delivered. The first of these was presented by Mr. J. M. Denyes, Inspector of Public Schools for the County of Halton. Mr. Denyes impressed his audience with the fact that temperance-responsibility is soon to pass into the hands of the young people and children of the Province, and therefore "Temperance Education" was an important topic for the consideration of the convention. He believed that teachers should have the Christian point of view, and should possess a very high estimate of human values. He believed in the finest type of teachers, for the good of the community, and greatly deprecated the campaign to reduce the salaries of our teachers and to cheapen our educational facilities. The teacher should be seized with the importance of temperance information and should acquaint himself or herself with the facts concerning alcohol, as it affects the mind and body of those whom they are trying to enlighten.

Mr. Ernest Thomas, who has the important task of visiting the High Schools and Collegiate of the Province in the interests of Temperance Education, contributed greatly to the discussion of this subject as presented.

On Thursday evening, at 8.30, the delegates and friends of the convention enjoyed a luncheon on the fourteenth floor of the hotel.

## The Honor Roll for Acton School Entered Into Rest

Pupils Who Won Highest Standing at the Examinations During Month of February.

**Senior Fourth Class**  
Marion Nicol, 393; Charlotte Marshall, 379; Hazel Wilson, 376; Tena Nicol, 354; Margaret Arnold, 352; Bella Roszell, 351. Total 500.  
M. Z. Bennett, Principal.

**Junior Fourth**  
Beatrice Taylor, 346; Jack Hollinger, 338; Helen McGoney, 315; LaVerne Smith, 313; Cyril Jocke, 310; Frank VanWyck, 309. Total 500.  
D. Foster, Teacher.

**Senior Third**  
Reno Braido, 380; Mae Roney, 370; Annie Anderson, 362; Jenn Evans, 359; Urana McDonald, 357; Francis Pappillon, 353. Total 500.  
M. Orr, Teacher.

**Junior Third**  
Irene Fryer, 393; Beverly Arnold, 393; Annie Molozole, 388; Dorothy King, 378; Lino Marzo, 366; Margaret Scriven, 357; Bertha Bristow, 364. Total 500.  
I. Anderson, Teacher.

**Junior Second**  
Arthur Ford, 404; Jimmie Scott, 393; Billie Fields, 389; Eleanor Jocke, 387; Kenneth Blow, 383; Jack Chapman, 379. Total 500.  
A. W. MacMillan, Teacher.

**Second Class**  
Lois Dawkins, 476; Polly Porty, 472; Leonard Lambert, 418; Jean Fraser, 394; Margaret Hodgins, 391; Kenneth Hassard, 384. Total 500.

**First Class**  
Mary Marzo, 265; Charles Arnold, 247; Mickey MacMillan, 246; Ethel Franklin, 229; Joe Taylor, 216; Bobby Pearen, 193. Total 500.  
F. Ball, Teacher.

**First Class**  
Dora Wood, 273; Olga Dyriv, 272; Rena Braido, 262; Fern Fryer, 255; Margaret Somerville, 250; Margaret Smith, 245. Total 315.

**Primer Class**  
Betty Sawyer, 101; Evelyn Braido, 108; Enoch Marcak, 104; Donald Evans, 101; Wanda Stachnik, 101. Total 115.  
M. A. Odbert, Teacher.

**Junior Primary Room**  
Shirley Duval, Victor Masters, Rein Veldhuis, Edward Arnold, Gerald Carstairs, Aileen Fryer.  
M. R. Moore, Teacher.

## Entered Into Rest

**JOHN CAMERON**  
One of Acton's oldest citizens and a man who has been identified with this community for the past seventy years, passed to his reward on Monday when John Cameron died at his home on John Street. It is just six months since his beloved partner passed on and those who met Mr. Cameron regularly could see him declining rapidly under the weight of years. Yet he kept his interest in the affairs of Acton to the last, and but a couple of weeks or so before his death attended the annual meeting of the Acton Free Library Board, of which he was the oldest member. He was confined to his bed only a few days and passed peacefully away on Monday.

John Cameron was a son of the late Angus Cameron, and was born in Blackford Perthshire, Scotland, eighty-six years ago. As a young lad of ten years he came with his parents to Canada and settled at Keene, near Coburg. He resided there until seventeen years of age and then came to Acton, where he has since made himself a citizen in the truest sense of the word. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Elizabeth MacMackon, who died in 1891. A little daughter came to bless the home, but died in infancy. In 1893 he was married to Jennie Campbell, who died only last September. A brother, Mr. Hugh Cameron, of Sarnia, and a sister, Mrs. Edward Ryde, of St. Catharines, still remain.

John Cameron was a man whose impress for good and the upbuilding of this community will long be remembered. As an expert builder and architect, scores of homes and residences of Acton remain as a monument to his skill. In his church life at Knox Presbyterian Church he was most faithful and capable. He was the pastor of his church, the Senior Elder of the Board. For thirty years he was Clerk of the Session and for twenty-five years he taught in the Sunday School and was its Superintendent. Rarely indeed did he miss any of the services and faithful to the last he attended the Annual Meeting in January, and took an active interest in the church matters at that meeting.

As a citizen in the community he also willingly assumed his place and stood out without fear or favor on the side of right and that which he considered to be for the common good of all. He took an active interest in municipal affairs and at the time of his death was a member of the Free Library Board, a position he had held since the inception of the Free Library in Acton.

In his younger days he was identified with Acton Band, and at the time of the Fenian Raid, in 1866, volunteered his services and started for the scene of action. Loyal to his country, his community, his church and his friends, his life and works will long be remembered in Acton and the district. Indeed, there is scarcely a phase of the community in which Mr. Cameron was not interested and practically helpful.

The funeral is being held this afternoon, with service in Knox Presbyterian Church, and will be conducted by his pastor, Rev. H. L. Bennie. Interment will be made in Fairview Cemetery.

**RALPH MATTHIAS LAMBERT**  
Death came on Monday to a native of this district and removed a man who was well-known throughout the entire district. In the person of Ralph Matthias Lambert, in his eighty-fifth year, Mr. Lambert passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robert Dron, where he has made his home since the death of his beloved partner, eleven years ago. For the past few years he has been gradually declining and when his eyes failed and the burden of years rested heavily, he has received the dutiful and constant care in the home of his daughter, by Mrs. Dron and the members of the family. A son of the late James Lambert, he was born at the farm, at lot four, on the third line in Erin Township. Coming to young manhood, and being the only child, he farmed on the homestead until 1916, when he came to Acton to retire. A family of six sons and three daughters remain to his friends, his memory of a faithful and dutiful father. They are: James, of Rockwood; Thomas, Howard and Herbert, Guelph; Andrew and Lorne, of Toronto; Mrs. Jas. Forbes, of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. James Forbes, of London; and Mrs. Robert Dron, Acton. Two children, Bertha and Eva, predeceased him. Eighteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren also remain. Mr. Lambert was respected by all who knew him, a good neighbor and a man always willing to lend a helping hand. He interested himself in affairs of state and community. He was one of the few remaining members in this district of the Sons of Scotland Order. He was a member of the United Church, and the funeral on Wednesday was conducted by Rev. C. L. Poole, and Rev. H. L. Bennie. The remains were tenderly borne to their last resting place by his six sons, who acted as pallbearers. And thus another pioneer who has taken a worthy share in the upbuilding of the country passes on to higher reward. Interment was made in Fairview Cemetery, Acton. Friends and relatives from a wide circle attended the funeral and paid their last respects, including those from Toronto, Galt, Guelph, Erin, Rockwood, London, Everton and Georgetown.  
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