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A Selection of News Items

Newspaper Men to Meet

The annual meeting of the Wentworth-Halton-Free Press Association is being held to-morrow afternoon in Stratford. Mr. John C. Kirkwood, of Toronto, will be the guest speaker. A business session will be held, followed by a drive about Stratford and a picnic supper for the editors, their wives and families in the Gage Memorial Park.

Caledon Youth Struck by Train

Alfred Harrington, 16, of Caledon, who was injured at Severn Bridge when he and his chum, Harry Hayman, were struck by a train while crossing a railroad bridge, was removed by the railway officials to West Toronto, and placed on the train for Inglewood, where he was met by Dr. T. Thomas, with Clark's ambulance, and removed to his home at Caledon. Dr. Thomas reports that the lad has severe lacerations to the hip and is badly bruised about the body.

Dump Fire Sunday

On Sunday the dumping ground at the west side of the park in some manner got on fire. The fire reached such proportions that after an investigation by Chief McPherson and Fire Chief McDonald it was decided best to set fire to the whole dump. The grass near the grandstand was first burned, to avoid any danger of the fire spreading, and then the whole dump was fired and carefully watched until it was well burned out. It is still smouldering, after several days' burning.

Freemason Acton Named Appointed to Judge at National Show

The many friends of J. F. Robertson, and live stock breeders throughout the province who annually exhibit at the Canadian National Exhibition, will be pleased at the recent announcement that he has been appointed to place awards on competitive classes of sheep at the 1933 Exhibition. This worthy citizen of Acton must be regarded as an outstanding judge when the "National Exhibition" confers this signal honor upon him. The appointment is very opportune and deserved.

Arranging for Acton Fair

A meeting of two of the Fall Fair committees was held on Saturday evening. The Dance Committee are planning this year to place a floor in the Arena and hold the dance on the second evening of the Fair in this building. A well-known popular orchestra will be engaged for a dance band for this event. The Amusement Committee drafted out a proposed programme. The popular features of other years will be repeated and enlarged upon. The high jump for horses will be encouraged with greater prizes and other feature races and contests for horses will make up the programme. The committee to arrange the special prizes will meet this evening. All indications point to the Fair this year being the best yet.

Work on New Office Building

Excavations have been made for Mr. H. N. Farmer's new office building and apartment on Mill Street. A view of the plans was had by The Free Press this week. This fine building will certainly be an asset to Acton's business section. The outside construction will be of stone with the upper story in stucco. Halls for office and apartments and three rooms, a public office in the front and a private room immediately behind and then another office for Mr. Farmer's private office at the rear. The apartment will contain a living room and kitchen with built-in conveniences, two bedrooms and a sun-room. A built-in garage is also included in the plan. Modern built-in fittings and fixtures will be included in the plans. The building will have oil-burning furnace, with hot water heating.

Canada Wheat Wins

The supreme superiority of the quality of Canadian wheat was again demonstrated when Fredland Wilford, a farmer at Storey, Alberta, was awarded the championship prize for wheat at the World's Grain Exhibition and Conference, which opened at Regina on July 24 and will continue until August 6. Wilford was awarded the highest award for a sample of 50 pounds of hard red spring wheat against exhibits from several countries. The championship carries with it a cash award of \$2,000, the largest amount ever paid at an exhibition as a first prize for wheat. Wilford's victory makes the eighth time an Alberta farmer has won the world's wheat championship. Farmers from that province have won seven times at the International Grain and Hay Show held annually at Chicago. In the past 22 years Canada has won the wheat championship at Chicago 18 times, Saskatchewan ten times, Alberta seven and Manitoba once. More than \$100,000 is being paid as prize money in the grain, seed, grasses and seed exhibits at the World's Grain Exhibition and Conference.

Acton Won by 18 to 4 from Oakville

Ball Game on Saturday was Just as Poor an Exhibition as Previous One Was Good

The Oakville baseball boys came to Acton on Saturday afternoon for their game here, and the exhibition provided was as poor as the first performance the Lakeside boys put up in their first game here. There was little brilliant playing and it was far from a pitchers' battle. For the first four innings the Acton boys matched the visitors fairly well in dishing up a poor brand of ball. However, in the fourth innings they came out of the slump, and with Chalmers in the box, held Oakville scoreless for the remainder of the game, while they added fourteen runs to their count.

The Oakville boys are plainly lacking in practise and experience, but if Acton goes down to the Lakeside on Saturday over-coming of another win, these same beginners may turn the tables on them and register a win. But even without this game the league play-offs have been settled and Acton will not be in them this year. Georgetown clinched a place when they defeated Milton on Saturday by 14-11. Of course there is some talk of a re-playing of the game with Georgetown when the ball hit the home-plate and "Tuba" Storming called the side out. But if it ends the way protests usually do, the league leaders have been decided.

With Matthews issuing several free passes to Oakville in the early part of the game, and the Acton boys falling to get their batting eye for the initial innings, it looked as if both teams were turning in the same kind of loose ball. It was in the fourth innings, when Matthews gave way to Chalmers, that the locals came out of their slump, and from then on it was just a matter of how many the grand total would be, and Oakville never once choked up a run from the time Bob took the mound.

Oakville tried a couple of pitchers and Hopkins went in to relieve Carter after Acton had a couple of runs lead. He failed to stop the onslaught and in fact, after his first innings or so, was not as effective as Carter had been. There were a few bright spots in the feature which took two and a half hours to play. Tyler and Morton made nice circuit clouts, and Morton showed some nice speed on the bases to make his hit for the circuit. In striking contrast was the drive of Bill Matthews, which looked good for a homer, but Bill's weight is against base speed and he only got as far as third. The drive almost landed over the fence.

Then there was the ball that "Dougie" dropped just as he went to tag a man out between first and second, who was caught stealing. It was the cause of a couple of groans of disgust. It was a game, anyway, and the Oakville boys plugged through. Neither of these teams have any chance in the league now, but both have plenty of time for some exhibition games, to good advantage. Here is the box score:

LEAGUE STANDING

Team	Played	Won	Lost	P.C.
Milton	11	8	3	.727
Georgetown	11	7	4	.639
Acton	11	5	6	.455
Oakville	11	2	9	.182

OAKVILLE

AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Ridley, cf	3	1	2	0	0
Wilson, cf	4	1	2	2	0
Hopkins, p	5	0	1	6	0
Galbraith, 3b	5	0	1	1	0
Fleming, 2b	3	0	1	0	1
Patterson, lf	5	0	2	1	0
Williams, rf	2	0	2	2	0
Fletcher, 1b	5	0	2	1	0
Ramsay, c	4	1	1	2	1
Carter, p	3	0	0	4	1
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ACTON

AB	R	H	PO	A	E	
Walters, ss	5	3	2	1	4	0
Waterhouse, cf	5	3	2	1	0	0
Holloway, lb	4	1	3	8	0	0
Harmichael, 2b	5	3	2	3	0	1
Morton, 3b	6	3	3	0	0	0
Tyler, rf	5	1	2	0	0	0
Terrill, lf	4	3	2	1	0	0
Mathews, p	2	1	1	0	0	0
Chalmers, c	4	1	2	0	1	0
Anderson, c	6	0	1	1	1	1
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SUMMARY

Home runs, Tyler, Morton; 3 base hits, Matthews, Waterhouse; 2 base hits, Waterhouse; stolen bases, Walters, Morton, Ridley, Galbraith 2; 7 hits and 4 runs off Matthews, in 3½ innings; 4 hits and 0 runs off Chalmers, in 5½ innings; 4 hits and 4 runs off Hopkins, in 2½ innings; 17 hits and 14 runs off Carter in 5½ innings; struck out, by Matthews, 7; by Chalmers 8; by Hopkins 1; by Carter 8; walked, by Matthews 5; by Chalmers 0; by Hopkins 3; by Carter 5; hit by pitcher, by Hopkins, Holloway; losing pitcher, Hopkins; winning pitcher, Chalmers.

Umpire—Joe Nicholson, Hamilton.

SATURDAY'S SCORES

Acton 18, Oakville 4.
Georgetown 14, Milton 11.

GAMES ON SATURDAY

Acton at Oakville; Georgetown at Milton.

Various Interesting Items of News

Brewer Truck Driver Stole from Brewery

Silvis Orzini, driver for the Jockey Club Brewery, Guelph, was sentenced to six months determinate and six months indeterminate in the Ontario Reformatory, when he appeared in Guelph police court yesterday and pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing a quantity of beer from the brewery. Orzini, Crown Attorney J. M. Kearns, K. C., and Clifford Case, K. C. M. L. A., stated, had been stealing beer over a period of time, in small quantities. He had stored it in a small shed, and took the opportunity of moving it when he was given instructions to take one of the brewery trucks to Toronto to be traded in. On his way to Toronto, the truck went into the ditch, and Orzini was arrested. Appearing in Brampton court he was fined \$500 and cost, or three months in jail, and was also fined a lesser amount on another charge.

Comet Solo Featured Band Concert

Acton Citizens' Band gave another splendid concert in the Park on Sunday evening, which was well attended. Featuring this programme was a comet solo by Bandsman C. Landsborough, with band accompaniment. The selection was "Commodore Polka," and it was splendidly rendered. Mr. Landsborough has recently purchased a fine new Comet cornet of the best design and this was used on Sunday evening. The programme included "Morn' Am!" march selection, "Elgin"; serenade, "Land of Dreams"; march, "Repas Band"; selection, "Billy Sunday's Favorite Numbers"; overture, "In the Stockade"; waltz, "Après Vous"; march, "Fox Trail"; a group of six favorite hymns; march, "Globe Dwellers"; concluding, the band played "The Maple Leaf," and the National Anthem. The band was under the direction of Bandsman C. W. Mason.

The Statham-Elder Wedding at Toronto

Miss Margaret Jean Elder, Phm. B., of Toronto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Elder, of Hensall, was married to Mr. Henry Lytle Statham, Phm. B., St. Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Statham, of London, in St. Andrew's Memorial House, on Monday, Dr. J. E. Munro officiated. The bride wore a French suit of navy blue crepe trimmed with blue fox, blue felt hat, blue shoes and gray beige gloves. Her corsage was of Tailsman roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Elsie Webb, was in an ensemble of printed chiffon, in autumn tints, beige felt hat, shoes and gloves to match. She also wore a corsage bouquet of Buttery's roses. Mr. Harold Skinner was groomsmen. After the ceremony the wedding party motored to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Elder, of Oshawa, where a wedding luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Statham left later on a motor trip to the Gaspé Peninsula. On their return they will reside in St. Thomas.

Acton and District

Won Prize for Fifth Year in Succession

Nelson & Co. have received word that they have again been successful in winning a prize in the Lux Window Dressing Competition. This is the fifth year in succession that this store has carried off one of the awards for window dressing in the competition provided by this firm.

Confagration Narrowly Averted in Rockwood

What might easily have proved to be a really serious fire occurred at Rockwood on Tuesday morning about seven o'clock, when a shed at the rear of the property of A. Laing and Co., general merchants, caught fire. The outbreak occurred in the centre of the village, and had the flames not been noted in time, the entire business section of the town might have suffered. The blaze was noticed by Mrs. Nichols, daughter of Mr. Laing, and she had the alarm raised, with the result that the town's volunteer fire brigade responded and soon had the outbreak under control. At the same time, a neighbor, Mrs. R. Young, did as much as she could with pails of water to keep the flames in check until the firemen arrived. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Setball League

On Monday evening a town Softball League was organized, with teams representing Beardmore Cut Sole, Beardmore Turnery, Hewletton's Shoe Factory and a Town team. It is planned to play twilight games on Tuesday and Thursday evenings of each week. The first game was played between the Town and Beardmore Cut Sole, and resulted in a win for the Town by a 10-6 score. There was plenty of action right through and the crowds that are attending these games are getting a real kick out of them. Norm Morton and Timmy Massey were the umpires, and were properly razzed by the fans. The next game is scheduled for to-night. The following was the line-up: Cut Sole—B. Morton, 1b. and p.; F. Ketterer, c; F. Terry, p. and 1b.; M. Tyler, 2b; J. Morton, 3b; E. Hodgins, lf. E. Masters, ss; J. Adamson, cf; D. Lapp, rf.

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COMBINED PICNIC

of Limehouse and Churchhill United Churches held in Acton Park Yesterday Afternoon was Well Attended

Yesterday afternoon upwards of 200 assembled in Acton Park for the combined picnic of Limehouse and Churchhill United Churches, and a splendid time was had. There were races and games for all sizes and ages and all were entered into with a spirit that brought enjoyment to everyone. The following are the results of the various events:

Girls, 1 to 6 years—Anna Graf, Alice Johnson.

Boys, 1 to 6 years—Jack Gordon, Fred Hill, Donnie McIntyre.

Girls, 7, 8, 9 years—Kathleen Parnell, Hollyer, Marie Anderson.

Boys, 7, 8, 9 years—Jim Kirkpatrick, Clarence Denny, Ronnie Davies.

Girls, 10, 11, 12—Amy Anderson, Dorothy Johnson, Isabel Stephenson.

Boys, 10, 11, 12—Billie Ritchie, Billie Crofts, Billie Milliere.

Girls, 13, 14, 15—Beatrice Graf, Myrtle Parnell.

Boys, 13, 14, 15—Ross Swackhamer, Willie Thompson and Grant Allan, Elmer Denny.

Girls, 16—Etta Swackhamer, Norma Stephenson, Thelma Graf.

Boys, 16—Chris. Swackhamer, Leslie Swackhamer, Harold McIntyre.

Married Ladies' Race—Mrs. C. Lucas, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Gordon.

Maxie's Men's Race—Mr. Allan, Mr. Stephenson, Mr. Denny, Mr. Anderson.

Peasant Race, girls—Thelma Graf, Norma Stephenson, Isabel Stephenson.

Peasant Race, boys—Ted Anderson, Howard Graf, Leslie Swackhamer.

Hop, Step and Jump, girls—Amy Anderson, Isabel Stephenson, Myrtle Parnell.

Hop, Step and Jump, boys—Ross Anderson, Wallace Swackhamer.

Wheeler Race—Lorne Norton and Marjorie Stephenson; Billie Milliere and Isabel Stephenson; Billie Ritchie and Billie Crofts.

Mixed Shoes Race—Myrtle Parnell, Isabel Stephenson, Jack McIntyre.

And after all the exertion and fun of the afternoon how that picnic supper tasted! But there was ample provision for the appetites of all. The picnickers were much pleased with the ground and facilities in Acton Park for the holding of this event. Rev. and Mrs. G. I. Stephenson were active in assisting to make the event such a fine success.

Acton True Blue Picnic

On Tuesday the annual picnic of Acton Royal True Blue Lodge, No. 390, was held in Acton Park, and a very enjoyable time had by the members and the families. The picnic lunch was a feature that was won by all, but the results of the races was centred with the following individuals: Girls, 5 years, Mary Bliton, Helen Johnson; boys, 6 to 7 years, George Johnson, George Hollinger; girls, 10 to 11 years, Mae Roney, Dorothy Footitt, boys, 8 to 9 years, Lorne Roney, Carl Johnson; boys, 10 to 12, Gordon Bliton, Robert Footitt; single girls, Laura Hall, Nellie Hall, married ladies, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Roney; time race, Mrs. Wilderapl.

Canada Courteous to Tourists

Every possible courtesy and facility to tourists entering Canada is extended by the Canadian Government. A tourist from the United States, if a citizen of that country, does not require a passport; can obtain at once a 60-day touring permit for his motor car free from any Canadian customs officer at the international boundary point of crossing. A 30-day extension of this permit may be obtained on making application to any customs office in Canada. It is not necessary for tourists to pay for assistance in preparing their application forms and permits for their cars; Canadian customs officials will cheerfully assist in this without obligation. No duty is charged on guns, rifles for hunting, fishing tackle, golf clubs, cameras, and certain other holiday paraphernalia if previously used by the tourist, owned by him and carried for his own personal use.

Pioneers' Cemetery

The Pioneers' Cemetery Committee are still receiving funds from friends at other centres, but the drive for funds locally will now be necessary to have the work proceed. The cleaning up of the place has been going on in preparation for the next community bee. The Secretary has received other funds during the past week that almost bring the total to a point where a start can be made on the proposed cairn. If you have a contribution now is the time that it should be sent in, so that the work can be well under way before the winter. The community bee will be held as soon as the harvesting season is over. It is also suggested that any persons who desire photographs of monuments in their present position should attend to this matter immediately, before the stones are removed to form the cairn. Out-of-town parties desiring photographs should communicate with the Secretary immediately.

Champions in 1899

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News of Acton and the District

Visited the Chicago Fair

Mr. D. H. Young and daughter, Miss Margaret, who have been visiting for the past ten days in Illinois, returned home on Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Meyers and daughters, Elaine and Audrey, of Marengo, Illinois. Mr. Young and Miss Margaret attended the Century of Progress, Chicago, and visited other points of interest during their visit at Marengo. They report a very enjoyable vacation.

Milton Brick Plants to Re-open

Between 75 and 100 men go back to work at the beginning of next week, when two plants of the Milton Brick Company resume operations. George M. Keely, Toronto, manager, announced this week. The plants, both located at Milton, will work on full time, and will likely continue in operation until late next fall. Preliminary work of repairing machinery and kilns is already under way. Mr. Keely stated that the company's stock of bricks has become depleted to the point where a new supply is necessary.

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Building Plans and Other Matters

Discussed by the Council Monday Evening—Legion Not Responsible for Personal Views

At the regular meeting of the Council, on Monday evening, Councillors E. Jones, W. A. Lasby and J. E. McMillan were present.

In the absence of Reeve Theford, Councillor E. Jones was moved to the chair.

The Clerk reported that he had received a settlement from the H. M. Leathers Co. for the sidewalk checked by one of their trucks. A check for \$18 had been received from this firm.

The sixteenth report of the Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:

Georgetown Lumber Co., fire escape and supplies \$ 28.50
Beardmore Leathers Ltd., supplies T. B. Weadge, labor, etc. 27.52
Imperial Oil Ltd., supplies for streets 10.01
J. Bell, repairing and constructing sidewalks 175.32
E. Elliott, labor 3.38
Donald Mann, labor and trucking 2.00

\$256.33

Rain and Relief?

The terrific heat wave of the past week was broken on Tuesday evening, when a rain storm came. While considerable damage was reported in many sections throughout the province, this district received only the benefits of the good heavy rain that was so badly needed. With temperatures that maintained in the 90's for several days, and got up toward the hundred mark on occasions, the break and cooler weather were indeed a relief. Sunday and Monday were the worst days for heat in this locality that have been experienced in some time. The continued rains of last night and to-day are giving the vegetation the much needed moisture and the cool weather accompanying is very much appreciated by both man and beast.

Dublin Women's Institute Meeting

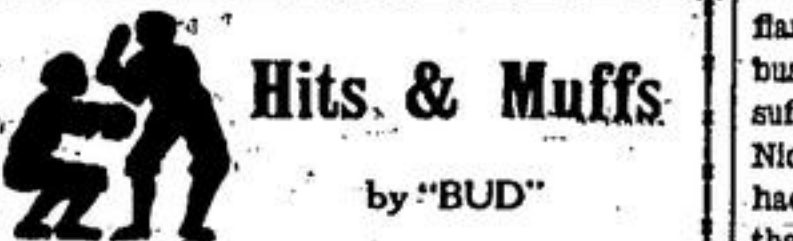
The regular monthly meeting of Dublin Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Alex. Near, with the President, Mrs. Storey, in the chair. The meeting opened with "The Maple Leaf," followed by prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The roll call was answered by a "Cooking Suggestion for Busy Days." A gift of a quilt and a pair of flannellette blankets was made to the Gordon family, who lost their home through fire. Mrs. Carleton, of Guelph, was the guest speaker, her topic being "Marketing Our Poetry," and Caponizing the Cockerels." Mrs. Fletcher, also of Guelph, read some of her own poems. It was decided to donate \$2 to the Acton Fair Board. Mrs. McGregor gave a reading from Nina Moore Jameson's book, entitled "The Country Fair." A contest on a cent was held, Miss Margaret Waldie winning first prize, and Miss Marjorie Crossman second. A vote of thanks was tendered to the guests and hostess for the use of her home. A mystic tea was served and a social time spent.

Lex Schrag, Brampton, Injured

When attempting to make a left turn on to the old Dundas road from the Dundas highway at the high level bridge Sunday afternoon, Raymond Walker, 39 Runnymere Road, failed to notice the approach of a motorcycle, driven by Lex Schrag of Brampton, who was proceeding to pass him, causing the motorcyclist to crash into the side of his car. Schrag was thrown from his motorcycle to the pavement, but was able to get up and turn off the ignition of his machine. The driver of the car continued down the highway but was brought back to the scene by Leonard Rumble, a truck driver of Brampton, who had pursued him. When questioned later as to why he had left the scene of the accident, Walker stated that he merely went further down the highway to turn his car around. The motorist removed Schrag to St. Joseph's Hospital, where an X-ray disclosed a dislocated shoulder and severe abrasions about the head. The case was investigated by P. C. Williams, of the York Township police. No charge was laid against the driver.

Swimmer in Credit River Suffers Fatal Injuries

Striking a submerged anchor when he dove from the west bank of the Credit River, a few feet from the life guard station, Alexander George Harrison, aged 28, prominent golf professional of Port Credit, received a broken neck and back Saturday evening, and died in St. Joseph's Hospital early Sunday morning. A strong swimmer, Harrison, in company with his brother James, had gone to the same spot where they had been in the habit of swimming for many weeks. The elder Harrison made a running dive from the beach at the accustomed spot, and when it was noticed that he was making ineffectual efforts to reach the surface, his brother, with Arthur Warner and Bert Smith, Jr., went to his aid and carried him ashore. Dr. L. G. Brayley and Dr. A. B. Sutton, Port Credit, were summoned, who had the injured man rushed to St. Joseph's Hospital, where he died several hours later. X-ray examinations showed that the neck and back had been broken in four places. The anchor, which was taken from the river bed by life guards on Sunday morning, is a massive one, weighing 500 pounds, and is thought to have been brought up from the river bed by recent dredging operations, as no trace of it had been found by the hundreds of bathers who have used the beach this season. Dr. G. H. Watson, coroner, who investigated the accident, decided no inquest will be necessary.



Hits & Muffs by "BUD"

The last hope has gone!

Oh well, better luck next year!

One more game before the suits go into mothballs. It ought to be a victory, but you never can tell.

The summer's young yet. How about arranging a few exhibition games to give some of the bench warmers a chance to play and possibly some likely looking recruits, who weren't signed for the league this year?

Milton's loss to Georgetown was the first one in three years, it is said. Acton was the only other team to subdue the County League leaders this year, and they have done it twice this season.

Nicholson handing out the decision on Saturday was at least a change of umpire scenery, anyway.

What about a Civic Holiday game? The league season will be over and surely an exhibition event might be worked in.

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THE EVENING MEAL DIGEST

"What doest your wife say to you when you shay out (hic) ash late ash thish?"
"Nothing. I'm not married."
"Then why do you shay out ash late ash thish?"