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Various Interesting Items of News

Service at Dublin Cemetery Sunday
On Sunday, at 3:00 P. M., at St. Joseph's Dublin Cemetery will take place the blessing and decoration of the graves of the deceased.

News Broken by Ball Bat
While playing at the Public School grounds one day last week, little Edward Arnold, the seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold, had the misfortune to sustain a broken nose when hit with a baseball bat. The injury has been very painful but the little chap has been very plucky.

The U. F. Y. P. O. Meeting
The annual meeting of the Acton U. F. Y. P. O. was held on Friday evening September 15. The meeting opened with singing "The Maple Leaf." George Burt acted as the chairman. The following officers were elected: President, Pearl Foster; Vice-President, George Burt; Secretary, Ada Brown; Treasurer, Velma Murray; Executive, Walter Linham, Walter Couke, Margaret Brown, Margaret Walder; Pianist, Margaret Brown; Assistant Pianist, Dorothy Clarridge; Auditors, Arthur McKeown, Dalsey Foster. After the officers were elected, lunch was served and the remainder of the evening spent in dancing.

St. Joseph's Services Well Attended
The Forty Hours Devotions, which were held at St. Joseph's Church, Acton, during the past week, were of great spiritual benefit to the Parish. The morning and evening devotions were largely attended. Rev. Father McHugh preached a fervent preparatory sermon on Thursday night. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday Rev. Father O'Brien, of Hamilton, preached masterful and very instructive sermons, which were gratefully appreciated by all. On Sunday morning practically every member of the congregation received Holy Communion. The closing devotions on Sunday night were very solemn and impressive. Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, of Guelph, recited the Rosary and Litany of the Sacred Heart. Rev. Dean Cassidy, Dean of Westworth and Acton, said the Litany and was the celebrant of the Grand Closing. He was assisted by Rev. J. J. Traynor, of Arthur, and Rev. C. Sullivan, of Flora, who were deacon and subdeacon respectively. Those assisting were Rev. T. Traynor, Rev. W. Hawkins, of Hamilton, Rev. T. Brennan, of Guelph, and the pastor, Rev. J. L. McBride.

The Hill-Hawes Wedding at Georgetown
St. George's Church of England was the scene of a pretty fall wedding on Monday, when Miss Edna Louisa Hawes, elder daughter of Alexander and the late Mrs. Hawes, of Georgetown, was wedded to William Hill, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hill, Glen Williams, Rev. W. G. O. Thompson officiating. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was clad in an ivory satin gown of simple lines, cut with tight-fitting bodice and flaring skirt. She wore a veil caught by a headpiece of orange blossoms and lily-of-the-valley. Her bouquet was of Johanna Hill roses and lily-of-the-valley. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Florence Hawes, who wore orchid crepe, set off by a white turban, white shoes and gloves, and a bouquet of Briar roses and lily-of-the-valley. Miss Peggy Meers, of London, was flower girl, clad in pink tulle with tiny coronet of gold beads. She carried a basket of carnations. Wilfred Mino was best man, and ushers were William and Richard Hawes, brothers of the bride. At a reception at the home of the bride, Mrs. A. Meers, London, sister of the bride, was in charge. She wore a gown of beige crepe, with corsage of roses. Following a brief motor honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Hill will reside in Georgetown. The bride's travelling ensemble was of brown.

Struck and Killed by C. F. R. at Streets
Maurice Fitzpatrick, aged 44, was instantly killed at 2:10 a. m. Sunday when he was struck by a C. F. R. engine running east through the Streetsville yards. James Lindsey, Toronto, train engineer, said that about 100 yards west of the station platform he saw a man on the track, apparently groping about the rails on his hands and knees. Lindsey attempted to stop the engine, which was running light, but although travelling at a moderate rate of speed, was unable to avoid striking him. Chief Constable P. J. Eldersfield was called and identified the body, which was thrown from the track into a ditch at the side of the right-of-way. Dr. W. H. Hill, after examination, pronounced life extinct. Fitzpatrick was taken to the mortuary, where a preliminary view was held Sunday morning. Under Coroner Arthur Sutton, of Port Credit. Injuries included a broken spine and fracture of the left arm. An inquest has been ordered for Friday. Fitzpatrick was born near Wingham, where his mother and two brothers still live. He came to Streetsville four years ago, surviving as his widow, a son, George, and four daughters, Katherine, Edith, Mildred and Teresa. He was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Glen Williams Road to be Constructed

County Council Approves Expenditure of \$4,300 on This Section to Have Re-tread Surface

Halt County Council met on Monday in the Court House, Milton, with all members present and the Warden in the chair.

Following the reading and adoption of the minutes, Mr. J. W. McGowan, Traffic, asked leave to address the Council in regard to damage which he alleged had been done to his property by workmen employed by the County Council. Mr. McGowan's estimate for cost of the damages was \$375. He asserted the entrance to several fields had been destroyed when the highway was built in 1929. "I spoke to the engineer, Mr. Smith, about it," said Mr. McGowan, "and he said he would have it put right."

Mr. Smith denied having made any such promise because, even if the entrance to fields had been destroyed, he only had authority to allow one entrance to any person's property, irrespective of the number of acres. It was not the policy of the County to provide entrances to fields stretched along the highway.

Mr. McGowan also asserted that his wife had been cut for the purpose of carrying through snow fencing.

This accusation Mr. Smith also denied, stating that his workmen were always given strict instructions to exercise great care where a farmer's fences were concerned, but admitted that it was possible that in the absence of the foreman, the workmen may have rolled snow fencing over the wire fence in such a way as to slacken it and, if that were the case, the damage could be repaired by the roadmen or money be paid to Mr. McGowan to fix it himself.

Mr. McGowan claimed \$50 as the extent of the damage, but afterwards expressed himself as satisfied with the sum of \$15, which the Council agreed to allow him to cover the cost of repairing his fences. Mr. McGowan also claimed \$10 for his gates having been left open, but the claim was not allowed.

Council went into Committee of the Whole, with Reeve Thorndale, Acton, in the chair, and considered the reports of the Standing Committees.

The small piece of road at Glen Williams was again under discussion and it was recommended by the Road Committee that this piece—eight-tenths of a mile—should be of tarred, re-tread construction. The engineer explained that the principle of "re-tread" was crushed stone, 1/2 to 1 1/2 inches in size spread loosely over a levelled off rough surface and then rolled, followed by a mulch treatment with pea size gravel, making a good hard surface, 2 1/2 inches in depth when finished. The construction would be the same as the Ferguson highway.

The name "re-tread" originated from macadam roads, which, instead of being torn up, had been treated with a new surface—hence the name "re-tread." It was also recommended that 2,100 feet of re-tread be constructed at Campbellville, and that necessary repair work be done on the shoulders of the Bronte pavement, which were in a dangerous condition; also the seventh line, Trafalgar, and that a five year debenture be issued to cover the cost of construction.

It was moved by Duncan Campbell, seconded by George Harris, that we authorize the Warden and Treasurer to make application if necessary to the Ontario Municipal Board for additional borrowing powers.—Carried.

Accounts passed were as follows:

County Buildings	\$ 67.33
Hospital and Special Communi-	
cations	807.45
Finance	685.63
Old Age Pensions	598.49
Printing	68.39
Special Committee	15.00
	\$2,242.29

The report of the Road Committee was adopted and it was unanimously agreed that the Glen Williams road be constructed at an estimated cost of \$4,300, half of which will be paid by the Government.

Erin Woman Died Suddenly

Janet Spliers, aged 71 years, was found dead on Monday night by her nephew, Ronnie Spliers, under an apple tree, from which she had been gathering fruit. Dr. H. Gear, of Erin, states that death was due to natural causes and that an inquest will not be necessary. Miss Spliers was well known in that district, having been a school teacher there at one time. She was born on the farm where she died. For many years she taught school in Northern Ontario and returned here about four years ago to keep house for her nephew upon the death of his wife. She was a member of United Church.

THE EVENING MEAL DIGESTER

Gelesman—"And you see, madam, the beauty about this car is that it goes fifty miles on a gallon of gas."

Acton's Twentieth Annual Fair Was Successful from all Standpoints

In Spite of Disagreeable Weather on Both Days a Good Crowd Were Loyal and Attended—About 4,000 Attended Second Afternoon Arena Packed for Tuesday Night Performance—Dance in Arena Proved Attraction—Amplifier System a Great Assist to Fair's Conduct—Officers and Public Well Pleased with 1933 Event.

FAIR OFFICIALLY OPENED BY MR. J. A. CARROLL, SUPERINTENDENT OF FAIRS—INTRODUCED BY PRESIDENT RAMSHAW

In the matter of weather, the sun did not shine upon Acton Fair this year, since it rained on both days, but weather conditions did not deter good crowds from assembling and remaining right through to see the attractions that Acton Fair always provides, and not one of the multitude went away disappointed. And with the weather there can be no complaint. As R. J. Kerr, Superintendent of the Fair, put it, we needed the rain. During the twenty years Acton Fair has been held, it has, on very few occasions, met this handicap, and it was, therefore, to be expected at some time. It tested and proved the loyalty of citizens and those of the district to this institution and everyone measured up and made a gratifying attendance.

Last night, when the final part of the Fair was being given, the dance in the Arena, we conversed with officials of the Fair. President R. J. Ramshaw was happy and planning for improvements for next year. Secretary Wright's smile was a little tired, but his enthusiasm had not waned. The Vice-Presidents were standing on one leg, a little weary, but everyone and every Director and Officer we met was pleased and gratified and ready to plan for the event of 1934, when Acton Fair will be twenty-one years old, and the coming of an age event will be fitting to such an auspicious occasion.

But the story must get some sort of sequence and be told as the events happened. Tuesday brought in the exhibits for the hall, and what an array of the products of the home and the garden and farms came forth. The ladies vied with each other in the baking and Domestic Science classes and the sport of happy and planning for improvements for next year. Secretary Wright's smile was a little tired, but his enthusiasm had not waned. The Vice-Presidents were standing on one leg, a little weary, but everyone and every Director and Officer we met was pleased and gratified and ready to plan for the event of 1934, when Acton Fair will be twenty-one years old, and the coming of an age event will be fitting to such an auspicious occasion.

The official opening was made by Mr. J. A. Carroll, Superintendent of Fairs and Exhibitions in Ontario, and Acton Fair was indeed honored in having such a distinguished guest this year. In a brief address Mr. Carroll paid compliment not only to the Directors and Officers, but to the good-will shown by visitors and all to make a success of the fair.

The display of the Home Garden and Canning Club was an innovation and was a subject of very favorable comment, both for quality and arrangement. There were only two commercial displays, that of Johnston & Rumley, and the Singer Sewing Machine display, and in the usual crowded appearance. Mr. Woodhall and his assistants, an artistically arranged floral display at the hall entrance.

The hall exhibit and Arena performance on Tuesday evening drew the usual crowd, that packed the building and were treated to a programme that amused and delighted all. The programme led off with the parade around the Arena by Acton Citizens' Band, and a galaxy of clowns and funny men and from the start the performance had the approval of all.

The colorful Maypole Dance by the pupils of Acton School, with its contrasting colored lighting effects and graceful steps, was the opening offering and revealed the praise of all. To teachers and pupils, who willingly gave the feature again this year, is due much praise.

The Obstacle Race, with its local entrants, gave a chase over and under and through for the contestants, and was won by Norman Scarrow, with Stuart Lantz second. The Wood Chopping Contest did not have competitors, but Mr. W. Ritchie, last year's winner, was on hand to challenge all comers, and gave an exhibition of how to wield the axe.

The Boys' Race, under sixteen, was won by Norman Anderson, with George Riddell second; and the Race for Men and Boys, over 16, was won by Robert Marshall, with Stuart Lantz second. The prizes for the Maple Leaf Four Race went to Carney Byrne and R. Marshall was second.

The Musical Chairs Competition had a big entry. There were eighteen horses and their riders entered in this event and the success of the contest was a splendid one. The exhibits were the largest ever shown at Acton. The classes were well filled and the exhibits were of good standard. Acton Fair has not lost sight of its primary object—the promotion of agriculture, and the exhibit was splendid.

The Jersey Calf Club of Halton was another new and attractive feature and was under the supervision of Mr. A. G. Kiratine, the Agricultural Representative for the County. The full list of prize winners in this event will be announced next week.

The platform performance was made much more enjoyable this year by the sound amplifier system. And the clown, with his ready wit and song, was again a feature that kept the smiles on faces in spite of the weather conditions prevailing. In the Banana Eating Contest Glen Britton was first, Jim Wallace second, and Willie Ritchie third. Eating Blueberry Pie was won by J. Gardie, H. Harris and Leo Marano.

The Harmonica Contest was won by Lawrence Lahn, Rockwood, and Jack McFadden; and the Step Dance by Wm. McDonald, Paisley, and James Gibson, Orton. The Old-timer Fiddlers' Competition had a good entry and David

HALTON PRESBYTERY

Met at Lowville Last Thursday—Good Reports from Departments—Rev. C. L. Poole Chosen Chairman

The Halton Presbytery of the United Church met in the United Church at Lowville on Thursday, September 14, at ten o'clock, for its first meeting since the Annual Conference. The session was opened by Rev. Geo. H. Kington, Chairman of the Presbytery, and Rev. Geo. P. Kelly, of Lowville, leading the devotional hour. After the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting by the Secretary, Rev. F. L. Bralley, of Millgrove, the matter of the election of officers for the ensuing year, took place and resulted in the election of Rev. C. L. Poole as Chairman, Rev. F. L. Bralley, Secretary, Rev. F. L. Carpenter, Treasurer.

The retiring Chairman then welcomed the new Presiding Officer to his position on behalf of the Presbytery, assuring him of the sympathetic help of the members of the Presbytery. The general routine of business was immediately proceeded with until the lunch hour.

Then the members sat down to a very fine table of good things provided by the ladies of the church. At the close of the luncheon Mr. Savage, the Lay representative from Oakville, gave a very fine historic and geographic traveogue, Jerusalem and adjacent places. After this interesting part of the programme, the various Committees met to report at the regular session of the Presbytery.

The Rev. C. F. Clugston opened the afternoon session with singing and called for two of the Ladies of the Presbytery to lead in prayer.

The Chairman then introduced the Rev. K. J. Beaton, B. A., of the Home Mission Department, to address the Presbytery. He gave a very helpful address, emphasizing the spirit of real sacrifice as necessary to the life of the Christian, and for the meeting of our problems. He stressed the thought that our problems in both church and state are spiritual as well as economic. Mr. A. MacLaren, Chairman of the Missionary and Maintenance Fund for the Presbytery, followed this delightful address with the recommendations of the Missionary and Maintenance Fund. He recommended, on behalf of his committee, that the matter of the Cent-a-meal Boxes be carefully looked after, and as many boxes be placed in our homes as possible; that there be a Presbytery Field Day, in which there shall be a Presbytery pig exchange. A very strong appeal was made for our work in the West. The long draught and the grasshopper plague have left vast areas without any crop whatsoever. This is the third or fourth failure for many and the distress is bound to be very acute. The Presbytery were complimented for their work of two years ago, when 10 cars of provisions went forth from Halton Presbytery. A committee was appointed to divide the Presbytery into groups, that each group needy friends in the West. The following is the group in which we are concerned as a community: Ashgrove, Glen Williams, Georgetown, Ballinfad, Limehouse, Acton Churchhill. Committees will be appointed in these localities.

The Committee on Evangelism and Social Service was represented by Rev. Benjamin Eyre, of Hornby, and the main recommendation of that committee had to do with the present controversy concerning the Penitential life and management, in which was expressed the regret of the Presbytery concerning the alleged conditions obtaining and the hope that steps would be taken to investigate the whole matter and make our institutions for the criminal, not simply punitive, but also reformative. All the recommendations of the various committees to Presbytery were duly considered and received the sympathetic interest of all present.

After almost a full day had been spent, the delegates returned home to endeavor to implement the findings of the Presbytery in connection with the various charges.

A Delightful Service
The Evening service in the United Church on Sunday last was a most interesting and inspiring service. The service was held under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society and was conducted for the most part by the Women themselves, assisted by young ladies, acting as ushers. The Danforth Church Orchestra, of thirty-four instruments was present and discoursed splendid, sacred music. They accompanied the choir, in the singing of the hymns, and gave many numbers that were greatly appreciated by the large audience that gathered to hear them. Prominent among these selections was "The Holy City," and "The Monastery Garden." The Leader of the Orchestra, Mr. Honzberger replied to the words of thanks and appreciation that were expressed. The Pastor's sermon was along missionary lines, taken from the commendation of Dorcas, for her good work in her own community. He emphasized the thought of being a good "home" missionary as most desirable service. The Women's Missionary Society is to be congratulated for the success of the evening, and no small amount of credit to the President, Mrs. J. W. Barberoe.

NEW CONTRACT

To be Arranged by C. N. E. for Their Supply of Water—Public Utilities Commission Meeting on Monday

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Mr. McIntyre, of the C. N. E. was present to discuss with the Commission the changing of the water service at the station. It was considered that a half-inch service would now be sufficient for their requirements. Particulars were submitted for the new contract to the station and yards.

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News of Acton and the District

Rugby League Formed

Four teams will comprise the Inter-School Rugby League for this district. They are: Acton, Ferguson, Georgetown and Milton. A schedule has been arranged and will be published next week. Acton will have a large percentage of games, as Ferguson will play their home games here.

School Field Day

Big plans are being made for the School Field Day of Acton, Milton and Georgetown High Schools here on Wednesday, October 4. It will be held in the morning and afternoon, and will comprise over fifty athletic events. Pupils of Acton School are training diligently to help their school make a good showing.

Duncan Campbell Wins in West

At the British Columbia Provincial Fair, being held this week at Victoria, the only eastern live stock came from the Campbell Farms of Moffat, Ontario. Once again this much travelled herd of Short-horn added to their previous success by taking both male and female grand championships. In the female section Royal Princess, the winning two-year-old, took her ninth championship, while Mayflower 15th was made reserve champion. As at previous shows Mystic Minaret again took championship honors in the male section. The Campbell herd took eleven firsts out of a possible fifteen, besides eight seconds and six thirds. The largest other exhibitor was H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, with a herd from his Alberta ranch. Next week the Campbell herd will go to Seattle, Washington, and from there will begin the ten-day trip across continent, to the home farm. These cattle have been showing since June 20, and this is the first time in the last number of years that an eastern exhibitor has travelled as far west as the Canadian coast and the State of Washington.

Zone Church Parade

Three car loads of Acton's legionnaires attended Zone 13, Church Parade at Georgetown, on Sunday. Three hundred strong, veterans from Acton, Brampton, Georgetown, Long Branch, Fort Credit and Streetsville "fell in" on the grounds of the high school under the command of Sgt.-Major Sheppard. Headed by the band of the Lorne Rifles (Scottish) they proceeded to the cenotaph, where Dr. Adams, the zone commander, deposited a wreath. The parade then went by way of Main Street to the arena for divine service. The Legion headquarters was made the saluting base and Dr. Adams and his zone officers reviewed the men at this point. Rev. Boyd, Chaplain of the Georgetown Post had charge of the service at the Arena, and Col. G. T. Williams, of Hamilton, delivered the address. He said that he was glad he did not have to address the assembly as "Officers, Non Coms. and Men, but as Comrades." The warring spirit was absent and while we had met through a sense of loyalty, he hoped that multi would never have to be changed for kahlil. He told the men that they could overcome all tribulation by being as brave and heroic as they were in the trenches and taking Christ as a leader. "I have overcome the world" said Christ. Oporto—be of good cheer. There is no greater ante without Christ, but there must be a cross to be borne. Christ cannot be separated from the Cross. The parade returned to the High School, and after receiving the thanks of the zone officers, and the Georgetown Post, was dismissed.

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