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## Various Items of Local Interest

### Dance Well Patronized

A splendid crowd attended the dance in the Town Hall last Friday evening, under the auspices of the 19th Platoon, Lorne (Scottish) Rifles. The music was supplied by Hall's Booster Orchestra, and many were present from points outside of town.

### A Popular Event

The U. F. Y. P. O. annual dance in the Town Hall last evening was another largely patronized and enjoyable event. The music was supplied by the New Harmony Orchestra, of Brampton, and E. Packer was the floor manager. The prize waltz dance was won by Mr. and Mrs. M. Locker. A delightful lunch was served and a splendid social evening enjoyed.

### Auditors' Report Ready

The Auditors' Report for 1933 of Acton are printed and now in the hands of Clerk H. N. Farmer. Any ratepayer is entitled, upon request, to a copy of this very interesting booklet, giving a report of all branches of the municipality's finances. A careful study of the facts and figures given therein will give ratepayers a good and accurate understanding of municipal affairs. A few copies have also been left at The Free Press Office and may be secured there if requested.

### Quietly Married Saturday

A quiet wedding was solemnized on Saturday morning when Elva Gertrude, daughter of Mrs. and the late Peter Murray, became the bride of Mr. George D. McEain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester McEain, Acton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. L. Beattie, M. A., at St. John's Church. The bride was charmingly attired in a gown of tulle silk crepe, with blue coat and hat, and grey shoes, stockings and gloves. Mr. and Mrs. McEain are residing on John Street, Acton.

### Canadian Tannery Output

The large number of cattle raised and slaughtered in Canada provide a ready supply of hides for Canadian tanneries, and of course, consequently, the leather industries have long been established on a considerable scale. The number of tanneries in operation in Canada in 1933 was 82, and the value of the capital invested in the industry is placed at \$21,609,503. Employment was provided for 3,096 persons, and the total salary and wage bill for the year is given as \$3,180,663. Despite the lower prevailing prices for leather goods the value of production amounted to \$14,188,118. The most important single item was 17,069,945 pounds of oak-tanned sole leather, valued at \$4,198,169. Harness leather, the production of which has suffered a marked decline since the automobile came into general use, weighing 1,760,000 pounds, and worth \$493,280, was produced during the year. The total number of raw hides and skins used by Canadian tanneries was 4,770,984, with a total weight of 74,424,192 pounds, and a total cost value of \$5,821,518. The number of cattle hides used was 1,241,954, of which 358,768 were imported and 882,836 were of Canadian origin. In 1932 Canada's imports of products of the leather industry for consumption had a value of \$2,210,489. Exports of the industry for the same year amounted to \$2,324,465, 71 per cent. of which went to the United Kingdom, 16 per cent. to the United States, and the balance to other countries.

## Neighborhood News

### NASSAGAWEYA

Rev. M. C. Gandler, of Eden Mills, preached in Brantford last Sunday. Mr. Halliday, of Moffat, preached in the Ebenezer United Church last Sunday morning. Mr. Hurlburt, of Owen Sound, will preach for a call, in Ebenezer United Church in the morning, and Arkell in the afternoon and Eden Mills in the evening. Mr. A. G. Kirsling and Inspector Dewey, of Milton, held a meeting in the Township Hall, Brookville, on Monday evening, 23rd inst., when discussions on Rural School Fair work were taken up and also a Public School Field Day, to be held in June. The weather was not very favorable for a good turnout. The fall wheat crop does not look very promising as yet.

### TIME-IN ACTON

On and after Monday next, the entire plants of Beardmore Leathers in Acton will operate on the Daylight Saving schedule. This is in accordance with the adoption of the same time in Toronto. Naturally a firm in which a large proportion of the citizens are employed has a considerable influence on the activities of the community. The Free Press has made inquiry from other manufacturers in Acton, at the request of numbers of interested parties, with the following results: The Mason Knitting Co. will not, on Monday, adopt the advanced schedule, but will at a later date. The Storey Co. have not reached a definite decision concerning operations of the plant. Hewatson Shoe Co. had not definitely decided but desire to regulate the hours to save any confusion in the employees' homes. Acton Machine Co. No decision reached, but will be guided by the shipping schedules. Henderson's Milk Crate Co. No decision as yet, but will also be guided by shipping schedules. The Free Press Office will adopt the Daylight Saving Time at the same time as the other factories reach a decision.

## General Interest News

### 1935 Auto Markers

Ontario license plates for 1935—perhaps not pleasant to think of so early in 1934—will be colored orange and black, it was announced at Guelph yesterday, at the Ontario Reformatory, where the plates are manufactured. The markers will carry black letters on an orange background.

### Two Arrested

Following an escapade in which they drove a truck into a swampy ditch on Highway, north of Brampton, on Saturday night, two men were arrested by Provincial Officer Thomas H. Owens, on a charge of B. L. C. A., and lodged in Brampton jail. They gave their names as James McDevitt, Caledon, driver and H. Walker, St. Catharines.

### Power Interruption

The breaking of a transformer at the Hydro station, in Guelph, on Monday evening plunged Acton and other municipalities fed from this point into darkness. The power interruption was only for a few minutes, however, but the whole town was plunged into darkness. Power interruptions in the evening are very rare here and the town-in-darkness with no lights in the homes or on the street was quite an unusual experience.

### Crokinole and Whist Party

Yes, there is something new under the sun. A combination crokinole and court whist party, was held by the Lakeside Chapter I. O. O. E., at the home of the Regent, Miss Vida Ramshaw, on Wednesday evening. Some friends were entertained as well, and Mrs. Grindell, being the officiating lady to pass through a certain door, was presented with a lucky prize. The crokinole prize was won by Mrs. Lucy Edwards, and court whist by Mrs. Earl Vincent. An excellent lunch was served by the group hostesses as a fitting climax to a very jolly evening.

### Guelph Employees Protest New Tax

Claiming that taxes imposed by the last two Federal budgets have been prohibitive and alleging "unfair discrimination" against workers in the milk extract trade, employees of Standard Brands Limited and Canada Cream of Milk Company, Limited, have forwarded a petition to Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Minister of Justice, urging him to use his influence to have the burden lessened. In their petition to the member for South Wellington, the workers at the two Guelph plants claim that the 1933 budget imposed taxation that resulted in loss of from 50 to 100 days' work for each of the petitioners and point out that provisions of the latest budget insofar as the additional tax on milk is concerned will work an extra hardship on the industries.

### Neighborhood News

### STEWARTTOWN

Miss Dorothy Wilson spent the weekend with her friend, Miss Jean Tennant. Mrs. Walter Lawson, Sr., visited with her son, Mr. Wm. Lawson, in Gt. Harlow, over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamlyn and daughter, Grace, Mr. A. E. Uren and son, Jack, of Toronto, and Miss Sadie Uren, of Ingersoll, spent Saturday with Mrs. Tracy. A number of swains have been on the pond here for over a week now. They are very pretty and worth-while seeing. A play, entitled "The Daughter of the Duke of Balthoo," was presented under the auspices of St. John's A. Y. P. A., in the Town Hall on Friday evening, April 20th. A large crowd attended and the evening was a splendid success. Those who took part in the play were: Misses Betty Smetburn, Frances Jenkinson, Bernice Thompson, Elizabeth Bonathan, Mrs. E. Jenkinson, Messrs. Jack Brown, Sam Tennant, Frank Jenkinson, Ralph Thompson and Bill Bonathan. Following the play the Limehouse Orchestra supplied music for a dance, which was very much enjoyed. Captain Casey, of the Church Army, took part in the services of St. John's Anglican Church on Sunday. He delivered a very interesting talk on the Church Army and its work.

## News of Acton and the District

### Accidentally Shot

Jack Horton, of Erin, 23, suffered a severe fracture of the left arm when he stumbled and accidentally discharged a .22 rifle into his arm while attempting to shoot a ground hog on his father's farm, south of Erin village. Dr. H. Gear removed the injured man to Guelph General Hospital for an X-ray examination.

### Successful Auction Sale

One of the most successful auction sales of household effects held in Acton for some time was that of Mr. J. P. Scarow last Saturday afternoon. There was a good crowd and the bidding was brisk. Good prices were realized for most of the offerings. Mr. Scarow had considerable furniture and it took Auctioneer R. J. Kerr over four hours to conduct the sale.

### Change in Bank of Montreal Staff

Mr. Lloyd Miller, who has been teller at the Acton branch of the Bank of Montreal for the past two or three years, has been promoted to the branch at West Toronto. During his residence in Acton Mr. Miller has made many friends who regret his removal but the best wishes of all go with him in his new field. He will be succeeded in Acton by Mr. G. F. P. Beer, of Lambton Mills.

### Hydro to Shorten Contract Term

The Ontario Hydro Commission "now finds itself in a position to relieve the farmer of the twenty-year contract period." Attorney-General W. H. Price last night told the convention which nominated Marshall Vaughan, M. P. P., Provincial election. In making the important statement concerning rural Hydro, the Attorney-General said: "Hereafter all contracts will be for five years, with the privilege of one-year notice of cancellation. All farmers who have been on twenty-year contracts will be relieved of the obligation after five years. In future, a man who has been using Hydro on the farm for five years will, in effect, be on a year-to-year basis. To make this change legal, the Townships will be asked to pass amending by-laws."

### A Visit to Georgetown

The Young People's Society of the United Church journeyed to Georgetown on Monday evening and visited the Young People's Society there. These yearly visits have been exchanged for a good many years and are looked forward to by both societies. The President, Miss McDermid, opened the meeting, and after welcoming the visitors, called on Miss Kathleen Savage to take charge of the program. Two selections were given by the male quartet, Messrs. B. Mason, G. Simpson, T. Clifford and G. Masales, and a musical selection was given by Messrs. A. McKeown, J. J. Stewart, W. Couke and G. Switzer, and Mr. Melvin Locker gave a mouth organ and guitar selection. Piano numbers were a duet by Misses Ruth Gibson and Jessie Young, and a solo by Miss Jean Barbour. Miss Velma Blair gave a reading, entitled "At Hall Maat." Miss K. Savage took the topic of the evening which was entitled "The Literary Heritage of England." Rev. Mr. Rumley took charge of a sing-song and games which was followed by lunch. Before closing with "God Save the King," a vote of thanks was tendered the Georgetown Society by Mr. G. Masales and seconded by Mr. Albert Mills.

### The Funeral of Late Dr. T. D. J. Farmer

The funeral of the late Dr. T. D. J. Farmer was held last Thursday afternoon at the old home at Ancaster, with service in St. John's Anglican Church there. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Brown, Rector of the church. Archdeacon Scott, of Guelph, and Rev. Mr. Brooks, of St. John's Church, Hamilton, also were present. Interment took place in the family plot in the cemetery adjoining the church. The pallbearers were old friends of Dr. Farmer: Dr. T. H. Orton and Mr. F. L. Maddock, of Guelph; and Messrs. R. L. Martin, F. Pottinger, Ernest P. Lester and Edgar T. Ambrose, of Hamilton. Among the many friends who gathered to pay tribute at the funeral were the following: Messrs. Geo. Rossell, R. W. Lowrie, Wm. Fryer, Duncan Waldie, C. A. Conway and B. Ramsden, all of Acton; Mr. Fred Smith, Hamilton; Mr. John Hunt, Hamilton; Dr. E. Wells, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wells, Toronto; Mr. Allan Dymont, Toronto; Dr. Thos. Bell, Toronto; Mrs. Wilfred Lewis, Toronto; Miss Edith Bell, Toronto; Mrs. Trench, Niagara Falls; Miss Jennie Bull, Hamilton; Mr. Arthur Farmer, Ancaster; Dr. Richard Farmer, Hamilton; Mr. Thos. W. D. Farmer, Ancaster; Capt. and Mrs. Thos. W. Farmer, Hamilton; Miss Fanny Postans, Ancaster; Miss Nellie Clifford, Ancaster; Miss Mary Jernyn, Ancaster; Miss Annie Bradford, Ancaster; Mr. Chas. Bull, Hamilton; Dr. and Mrs. Orton and Miss Betty Orton, of Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Farmer, Toronto; Mr. George Jackson and Miss Jackson, Hamilton.

## Students Visit the Council Meeting

### Daylight Saving Cannot be Considered Unless Petition is Presented — New Light at Busy Corner to be Installed

At the regular session of the Council on Monday evening, Councillors W. A. Lasby, E. Jones, J. E. McMillan and S. M. Lasby were present, and Reeve E. Theoford presided. Principal Herbert and a group of scholars from the Acton High School were present to view the proceedings of the Council. The Reeve addressed the pupils and welcomed the group to the meeting. Mr. Herbert thanked the Council for the privilege of looking-in on the Council proceedings. The reason for the visit was explained and the questions that bothered the students were asked by the Principal. These were answered and explained by the Reeve and also by Clerk Farmer, who has had very wide municipal experience. The ninth report of the Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts: R. M. McDonald, funds received for direct relief from Provincial Treasurer..... \$137.93 Municipal World, subscriptions..... 2.00 W. D. C. Talbot, supplies..... 1.77 Bell Telephone Co., services..... 12.57 H. N. Farmer, salary, etc., ending at Acton Free Press, printing Auditors' Report, advertising, etc..... 89.45 \$387.78 The report was adopted. The matter of collecting taxes and penalties was discussed by the Council. The Baseball Club and Acton Citizens' Band requested the use of the Town Hall for local events. The matter of rebates would, of course, not be considered until after the events. A letter from Mr. J. A. Ellis, Commissioner for Municipal Affairs, was received in reply to a letter from the Clerk. The letter reads: "I presume your municipality would have to issue debentures to provide for the cost of the proposed building to be erected by the Public Utilities Commission. I know of no way in which the Council can be forced to issue the debentures unless it sees fit to do so." The matter of daylight saving being adopted in Acton was discussed informally by the Council. In view of the fact that all the plants of the Beardmore Leathers were operating on the advanced time it was felt that in order to avoid confusion some arrangement must be made. Under the present circumstances the Council could do nothing unless a petition was presented to the Council, in view of the adverse vote taken some time ago. The tax arrears list was checked by the Council and the officers were given authority to deal with the various cases and enforce collection of the amounts owing. The Reeve, on behalf of the members of the Council, expressed the regret of the body to Clerk H. N. Farmer on the bereavement he had recently suffered in the loss of his esteemed father, Dr. T. D. J. Farmer. He asked Mr. Farmer to convey to his mother and sister also the sorrow of the Council in the loss they had sustained. Material for the repairs of the streets and pavements were discussed and supplies were to be secured and the repair work undertaken at once. The question of supplying better lighting at the corner of Mill and Main Streets was discussed and also the painting of the fire hydrants about the streets. The Council sanctioned the installation of an additional light at this corner, to come over the centre of the pavement. The Municipal Officer was requested to co-operate with the Highways Department regarding highway signs at the Mill and Young Streets corner and also the changing of the direction sign at the Mill and Main Streets corner. Council adjourned in complete darkness when the electrical system plunged the whole town in a similar state.

### A Selection of News Items

### Mission Circle Meeting

At the meeting of the Mission Circle in the United Church last evening, current events were given by Missie Nicol, Tena Nicol, Kathleen Gibbins and Helen Lamb. A paper was given by Margaret Harrison, and the speaker for this meeting, Miss Bernice Reid. A month organ solo was contributed by Jean Lambert.

### Two New Homes to be Erected

Messrs. W. Duval and A. Papillon have purchased from Mr. George Scarow five acres of land on his farm, just at the south-easterly boundary of Acton. It is understood that Messrs. Duval and Papillon will erect two houses on this property and also modern and up-to-date poultry houses. Work on this erection will be commenced at once.

### Dedication Service for Pioneers' Cemetery

Arrangements are being made for the dedication services in connection with Acton Pioneers' Cemetery, which are announced for Sunday, June 3rd, at 3:00 p. m. Several speakers will take part in this memorable service and a program is in course of preparation. The Trustees in charge of the work are just as active in making this service one long to be remembered as they have been in the splendid work carried out in this sacred spot. Friends from a distance should keep the date in mind and plan to attend the service.

### Parkview A. C.

Umh! There's good! This slogan was adopted by the Parkview members after they had taken part in the surprise on Tuesday night. The main part of the meeting was given to physical training. This period proved very beneficial to the Club and is being well conducted by the Club trainer. Discipline and form are two of the outstanding points which are now being practiced in the physical period, and will later be developed in the running classes as well. As for the surprise—it was a bean supper—imagine the expression on the Club members' faces after taking part in the physical "jerks." A pile of "steaming" beans were placed before them. And were they delicious! Well, ask any member how many they had to spare. This social event was well prepared by T. Nicol, social convener. On Saturday, all Club members are asked to report at the club house at 1:30 p. m., prepared to take part in the shining "bee." Bring any equipment that you might need for this event.

### Canada's Bill for Education

Public expenditure on education in Canada amounts to \$63.63 a year for every student attending school. A recent report issued by the Canadian Government shows that education involves a public expenditure of about \$16,000,000 yearly. Education in Canada is under the control of the provinces, except for the task of instructing the Indians, who are wards of the Dominion Government. The provincial governments have made ample provision for primary, secondary, and higher education. In each province there is a complete system of public and high schools, aided by the Government with liberal grants, while in each province there is also one or more universities where, in addition to the courses in arts and science, there are faculties of medicine, law, and dentistry. Technical schools and agricultural colleges, where those who desire to specialize along these lines may have an opportunity to fit themselves for their life work, are found in every province. In 1932 there were 32,901 educational institutions in Canada employing 86,216 teachers and attended by 2,993,116 pupils, almost 25 per cent. of the whole population.

### Dublin Institute Annual Meeting

The Dublin branch of the Women's Institute held their annual meeting on Thursday last, at the home of Mrs. D. Barber. The President, Mrs. Storey, was in the chair, and the meeting opened by singing "Old Folks at Home," followed by the Lord's Prayer, repeated in unison. Roll call was answered by a housecleaning hint. Arrangements were made for the summer meeting, which is to be held in the Legion Hall, Acton, on May 11th, and Miss Grayden, from Streetsville, is to be the speaker. The election of the following officers then took place: President, Mrs. McDougall; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. A. E. Crossman; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Bracken; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. G. Somerville; District Director, Mrs. McDougall; Directors, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Storey, Mrs. Akins, Mrs. Black, Mrs. J. F. Robertson, Miss Committee, Mrs. G. Nelles, Mrs. Wm. McLoughlin, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. P. McEasay; Program Committee, Mrs. VanGoosen, Mrs. Britton, Mrs. A. Near, Mrs. Akins; Lunch Committee, Miss Somerville, Mrs. Crossman; Pianist, Mrs. G. Robertson; Assistant Pianist, Mrs. VanGoosen; Delegates to Ashgrove, Mrs. Storey, Mrs. McDougall, Mrs. Bracken, Mrs. J. F. Robertson; Auditors, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. G. Robertson.

## BAPTIST ANNUAL MEETING

### Men of Congregation Served a Hot Supper—Officers Elected for Year—Good Reports From All Departments

The annual business meeting of Acton Baptist Church was held on Monday evening and was well attended. An appetizing and satisfying supper was cooked and served by the men of the congregation at 7:30, which was a surprise, especially to the ladies of the congregation. In the absence of the pastor, Mr. Easter, the business session was presided over by Mr. C. O. Plank. Splendid reports from the various departments were received and showed all branches to be in good condition. Attention was called to the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McIntosh were the only surviving members of the present church at the meeting. Mr. McIntosh has been the Treasurer for forty-four years. Officers were elected as follows: Church Clerk—Chas. W. Landsborough, Assistant Church Clerk—C. O. Plank, Treasurer—Jas. McIntosh, Deacons—H. Reid, E. Coles, S. Cripps, C. O. Plank, Trustees—F. McCutcheon, F. Crewson, W. L. Worden, Sunday School Superintendent—E. Coles, Assistant Sunday School Superintendent—S. Cripps, Choir Leader—Miss Barbara Plank, Assistant Choir Leader—Miss M. Masales, Organist—Chas. W. Landsborough, Usher—L. McCutcheon, S. Cripps, J. Reid, W. Worden, Tellers—C. W. Landsborough, J. Reid, W. Worden, W. Coles, Auditors—W. Worden, W. Coles, Pulpit Committee—The Deacons, Board of Management—The Finance Committee, Deacons, Trustees, Church Clerk, Sunday School Superintendent and B. Y. P. U. President.

### Observed Eightieth Birthday

On Saturday evening a number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Ingles, Willow Street, to spend the evening with Mr. John Burnside on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. The gathering comprised about 25 guests and a most enjoyable birthday event was observed. Despite his four-score years, Mr. Burnside enjoys good health and quite often walks from his home at Crewson's Corners to Acton. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Graham McDonald and Ruth, Mrs. Prudence Cook and Kay, Mrs. Blanche Brookes and Miss Maud Thompson, all of Toronto; Mr. Charles Burnside, of Georgetown.

### Consoling

While Ontario was still experiencing cold and backward spring weather, and furnace fires are still very much a necessity, the following clipping from a Victoria, B. C., paper was received from Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harrison, who are on a trip to the coast: "Possibility of a new all-time heat record for the month of April appeared likely with word from F. Hepler Demson, director of the Comales Observatory, that Thursday's temperature of 74 degrees was a new record for such an early date in April. The highest temperature recorded during April since 1875 was 75.03 degrees on April 29th, 1900. On April 28, 1931, the thermometer rose to 75 degrees to set a mark for more recent years. Summer, long before its time and perhaps equally fleeting, touched Vancouver on Thursday and again today when a combination of strong sunshine and a lazy south breeze sent back-door thermometers to dizzy heights and the official recording instrument to a new high of 76 degrees at noon today. The high on Thursday was 74. Overnight the city turned from enjoyment of an exceptionally balmy spring to the delight, for at least a day or two, of genuine summer. On the great strands of bathing beaches which stretch from Stanley Park to Point Grey, the last vestige of forlorn winter vanished before a horde of bathers and teachers."

## Neighborhood News

### LIMEHOUSE

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## Various Interesting Items of News

### In the County Dramatic League

A change has been made in the local dates in connection with the Halton County Dramatic League with the announcement of last week. The contest will be held in Acton on Tuesday, May 22nd, instead of the date previously announced. The young people of this district have as their play "Courageous Men," and are being coached in its presentation by Mr. Joe Hurst.

### Acton Young Man Receives Important Appointment

Mr. James C. Matthews, Jr., son of Postmaster Matthews, Acton, has recently been promoted to the position of Credit Manager of the United Fuel and Equipment Co., at Denver, Colorado. Mr. Matthews has been with the firm for some time. Friends in the old home join in extending congratulations on James' advancement, and will be glad to hear of his appointment to this important position.

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## Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, to cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 50c.

Churchill Ladies Aid will hold a sale of baking in the office formerly occupied by H. N. Farmer, on Saturday, April 26th.

Regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. W. Hall on Thursday, May 3rd, at 2:30 p. m. Election of officers.

The Sunday School teachers of St. Alban's Church will hold a sale of home-made baking and afternoon tea in the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 28th, from 3 to 6 p. m. Home-made Bread a specialty.

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## Various Interesting Items of News

### In the County Dramatic League

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### Acton Young Man Receives Important Appointment

Mr. James C. Matthews, Jr., son of Postmaster Matthews, Acton, has recently been promoted to the position of Credit Manager of the United Fuel and Equipment Co., at Denver, Colorado. Mr. Matthews has been with the firm for some time. Friends in the old home join in extending congratulations on James' advancement, and will be glad to hear of his appointment to this important position.

### Observed Eightieth Birthday

On Saturday evening a number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Ingles, Willow Street, to spend the evening with Mr. John Burnside on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. The gathering comprised about 25 guests and a most enjoyable birthday event was observed. Despite his four-score years, Mr. Burnside enjoys good health and quite often walks from his home at Crewson's Corners to Acton. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Graham McDonald and Ruth, Mrs. Prudence Cook and Kay, Mrs. Blanche Brookes and Miss Maud Thompson, all of Toronto; Mr. Charles Burnside, of Georgetown.

### Consoling

While Ontario was still experiencing cold and backward spring weather, and furnace fires are still very much a necessity, the following clipping from a Victoria, B. C., paper was received from Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harrison, who are on a trip to the coast: "Possibility of a new all-time heat record for the month of April appeared likely with word from F. Hepler Demson, director of the Comales Observatory, that Thursday's temperature of 74 degrees was a new record for such an early date in April. The highest temperature recorded during April since 1875 was 75.03 degrees on April 29th, 1900. On April 28, 1931, the thermometer rose to 75 degrees to set a mark for more recent years. Summer, long before its time and perhaps equally fleeting, touched Vancouver on Thursday and again today when a combination of strong sunshine and a lazy south breeze sent back-door thermometers to dizzy heights and the official recording instrument to a new high of 76 degrees at noon today. The high on Thursday was 74. Overnight the city turned from enjoyment of an exceptionally balmy spring to the delight, for at least a day or two, of genuine summer. On the great strands of bathing beaches which stretch from Stanley Park to Point Grey, the last vestige of forlorn winter vanished before a horde of bathers and teachers."

## Neighborhood News

### LIMEHOUSE

Monday, the 23rd, seemed to be moving day. Mr. and Mrs. Bruyns returned to the farm from Georgetown, where they have lived during the winter. Mr. and Mrs. H. Forte moved their belongings to Mrs. Jos. Brook's, where they will live for the time being. Mr. C. Lucas has employment with the Storey Glove Co., and moved to Acton, and will live in part of Mrs. Worden's home. Mr. and Mrs. W. Gibbs and family, of Glenwilliams, moved to one of Mr. Gowdy's houses. Mr. Gibbs has employment with the Norrie McHarg enquiries. Mr. Harry Knight moved from Jas. Grant's, to Mrs. Millere's. The Young People's group held their last regular meeting at Mrs. Albert Meredith's home. The topic was "Citizenship," and was taken by Fred Packer. Practice for the musical contests is occupying the attention of a large group these days. The last round of the Halton County Young People's Society is to be held in Milton on Monday next, and it is expected competition will be keen. The Festival for School children is also to be held in Milton the first and second Saturdays in May, and by all accounts competition will be keen there. The weather is not just as nice as might be desired, but farmers are getting busy on the land, plowing and cultivating some of the high ground. Wheat is not a very promising crop, but some still have hope when the warm weather comes. Some of the visitors noticed over the week-end were: Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gowdy and family, of Toronto, at Mr. Gowdy's. Mr. and Mrs. F. Higgins, of Erin, at Mrs. Marshall's. Mr. and Mrs. J. Elliot, of Guelph, at Mr. Doughty's. Mr. and Mrs. D. Robertson, of Toronto, at their cottage. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lane and family, late of Sulphide, now in Toronto, at his mother's home. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Labe visited with friends in Guelph on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. G. Meredith and Helen spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Noble. Mr. S. Kirkpatrick, with help from some of those interested, dug up and repaired some of the water pipes, and has a supply of water for two of the homes, which have been without most of the winter. There is still a lot of frost in the ground and the pipes are burst wherever they have been uncovered. Those who are still without the convenience will have to continue with the Armstrong method.

## Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, to cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 50c.

Churchill Ladies Aid will hold a sale of baking in the office formerly occupied by H. N. Farmer, on Saturday, April 26th.

Regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. W. Hall on Thursday, May 3rd, at 2:30 p. m. Election of officers.

The Sunday School teachers of St. Alban's Church will hold a sale of home-made baking and afternoon tea in the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 28th, from 3 to 6 p. m. Home-made Bread a specialty.

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