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The Thirteenth Anniversary of United Church

Splendid Music by Choir and Soloists and Addresses by Rev. Finlay Matheson

A beautiful autumn day prevailed and good congregations were in attendance at the thirteenth anniversary of the United Church last Sunday. It was the ninety-second anniversary of the original church in Acton.

Mr. Matheson, baritone soloist, of Toronto, assisted the choir at the morning service. His rendering of two very appropriate solos added greatly to the spirit and enjoyment of the service. The choir's anthems were well-rendered, "Thou Crownest the Years," and "Sing to the Lord."

The special speaker was Rev. Finlay Matheson, B.A., of Burlington, Chairman of Halton Presbytery of the United Church. His subject at the morning service was "The Message of Jeremiah." It was based on the third verse of the thirty-first chapter of Jeremiah. "Yes, I have loved thee with an everlasting love; therefore, with loving kindness have I drawn thee."

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BLOCKS ABERHART



Halt the legislative program passed by the Government of Premier William Aberhart in special session, Lieut.-Governor J. C. Bowen (above) announced that assent to three of the Social Credit administration's most drastic measures would be withheld until further signification thereon be received from His Excellency, the Governor-General of Canada. The bills were designed to give the Government control over banks and newspapers.

Two trucks ditched. Last Thursday afternoon a couple of gravel trucks went in the ditch off the highway, between the sixth and seventh lines, just east of Acton. The one machine was being towed. Just why they should leave the road on this level stretch is not known. Provincial Officers Oliver and Cookman, who investigated, preferred a charge of reckless driving against the operator, which was scheduled for police court in Acton this afternoon. The ground is rather swampy where the trucks went off and it took some time to get them out of the ditch.

Trucks crash on middle road. A loaded transport, in charge of Clifford A. Black, of Guelph, collided with two empty trucks, parked on the Middle Highway, near the Oakville intersection, Sunday, and caused extensive damage. The consequent traffic tie-up took Provincial Officer Ray Mason some little time to straighten out. The trucks, property of E. V. Brecken, of Aldershot, were in charge of Fred Lemon, of Aldershot, and Walter C. Rusk, of Nelson. No one was injured.

Carload from Acton to West. A splendid carload of vegetables, canned goods and provisions was shipped from Acton and the district on Monday for Stoney Beach, Sask. To help relieve this area that has been hit by drought. It was almost full and left the C.N.R. depot for its destination on Monday afternoon. The town and district were most generous in providing these needed articles.

Championships Awarded to the Plowmen. At the Banquet Concluding the International Event in Fergus. Championships awarded at the 24th International Plowing Match, which concluded in Fergus on Friday night last, were awarded at the banquet in the Arena there that evening, as follows: Best Plowed Land, in sod, walking plow—John Hargreaves, Fergus; Best Work Done in Tractor Classes—Fred Timbers, Stouffville; Best Plowed Land, in stubble, Massey-Harris Trophy—John Capton, Okawake; Best Plowed Land, in stubble, boys under 20 years of age, Hon. John S. Martin Trophy—Perry Eby, Breslau; Best Work with Single Plow, boys under 16 years of age, in stubble, Kiwanis Trophy—Ronald Marquis, Sunderland; Kelly Millen Nixon Trophy, for Boy standing highest in three-day competition—Ronald Marquis, Sunderland; Best Plow Land, in stubble, walking plow, Royal Bank of Canada Shield and Trophy—E. D. Gray, Rockwood; Best Finish in sod by an Indian boy—Leslie Capton, Okawake; J. J. Durbin, M.P., Trophy, boys over 12 years and under 15—William Jeffrey, Teswater; G. Pawcett, Tara; Max Armstrong, St. Mary's; Best Plowed Land in Jointer Class (sod) by resident of Durham, Northumberland, Ontario or Victoria Counties—D. J. Tran, Claremont.

Special Award by V. Massey to Miss Maude Nicklin, of Arisa, as only plowwoman entered.

County Buildings Improved Halton Council Visits Peel

Council Approves Big Levy for Heavy Transports — By-laws Passed at Tuesday's Session — Agreement with Georgetown for Maintenance of Connecting Links — Resolution of Peterborough County Council is Turned Down — Hospital Accounts of Nearly \$1,500 Passed.

Halton County Council, in session last Tuesday, met in Milton, and then drove to Brampton, where they made a tour of inspection of the House of Refuge, in company with a number of members from Peel County Council. Considerable improvements and alterations had been done just recently in and around the buildings at the House of Refuge, particularly in bringing the plumbing up to date and the visit of Halton Council was to see just what improvements had been made. Council expressed themselves as well satisfied with the work done.

Improvements were also very much in evidence in the County Buildings at Milton. The Court Room, in which the Council's meetings are held, had been treated to a much needed coat of paint. Also the Judge's Chambers, where painting had not been done, it had been cleaned and the whole appearance of the County Buildings was a greater credit to the County than had been possible for a number of years. It was approximately twenty years ago that the Court Room and Judge's Chambers were last painted.

Council met in Milton again at 3:00 p.m. to resume their regular business, with the Warden in the chair and the new Clerk, Mr. Deans, of Georgetown, officiating as County Clerk.

Two gentlemen, representing the Affiliated Railway Workers' Association, addressed the Council, asking the support of the Council in seeing that justice is done towards railway employees as compared with truck drivers. Mr. W. J. Meagher contended that trucks should be made to pay adequate charges towards the damage done by heavy transports on the roads.

Mr. Robinson—Do you feel that truck licenses should not be decreased in price? Mr. Meagher—I think they should be increased.

Mr. Robinson—It is my opinion that the men who are using the roads are paying for them.

Mr. Shepherd, the second speaker, contended that it was in the interests of the taxpayers that heavy transport trucks should be more heavily taxed. There is only one way to reach a decision and that is place all figures on the table and have some economic expert decide whether truck or railway transportation is in the interests of the taxpayer.

Mr. Currie was quite emphatic in his assertion that a good many roads in the County had been rutted through heavy truck traffic.

Mr. Hall thought the time had come when it would be expedient for the Council to interview the Minister of Highways with a request that some action be taken to protect our roads and highways.

It was later moved by Mr. Currie, seconded by Mr. Blair, that this Council endorse the petition of the Affiliated Railwaymen's Organization of Ontario—Carried.

Reports of the Standing Committees were read and later considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Gordon in the chair, but there was very little business arising from any of them.

Moved by Mr. Currie, seconded by Mr. McCutcheon, that the reports, as considered and amended in Committee of the Whole be hereby adopted—Carried.

Four by-laws were passed—Nos. 702, 703, 704 and 705.

703—a by-law to designate certain County Roads of the County of Halton as through highways.

704—a by-law to provide for the rate of interest to be charged on overdue County Rates and also to provide for payment of a discount on prepayment of any moneys—i.e., December 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st. That a discount of 4% be allowed if moneys be paid prior to December 20th.

705—a by-law to repeal By-law 701 in regard to taking over County Roads.—(Concluded on Page Eight)

The Y.M.C.A. Schedule is now Announced. Membership Now Organized into Groups and Hours Arranged in Gym and Special Room.

Judging from results to date, the Y. M. C. A. will be the community centre this season for Acton and the district. Indications are for an increased membership, but with the new social room and the facilities almost double those of last year, there is ample accommodation.

The following is the schedule that has been arranged by Secretary George G. Emery. The new Recreation and Club Room is open each day, 4 to 6, and 7 to 10. The Junior and Senior Boys and Girls have the use of it on the following schedule: Junior "A" Boys—Thursday, 4 to 5.30; Junior "B" Boys—Monday, 4 to 5.30; Junior Girls—Tuesday and Friday afternoons, before and after gym class; Junior Night—Friday, 7:00 to 8:30 for all Junior Boys and Girls.

Senior Boys—Tuesday and Friday evenings, following gym class. Senior Boys—Monday and Thursday, after gym class.

The room is open each evening for Senior members. It is planned to hold a Senior Shuffleboard Tournament each Thursday, from 8 to 10.

A Men's Bridge Club is also being formed. All men interested in such a club are invited to a meeting at the "Y" to-night at 8:30.

GYM SCHEDULE. Monday—4:30 to 5:30, Junior "A" Boys; 7:00 to 8:00, Boy Scouts; 8:00 to 9:30, Older Boys and Young Men. Tuesday—4:30 to 5:30, Junior Girls; 7:30 to 8:30, Senior Girls and Ladies; 8:30 to 10:00, Badminton Club. Wednesday—2:00 to 5:30, Open for Badminton; 7:00 to 8:00, Older Boys and Young Men; 8:00 to 9:30, Men's Night. Thursday—4:30 to 5:30, Junior "B" Boys; 7:00 to 8:00, Senior Boys; 8:00 to 10:00, Badminton Club. Friday—4:30 to 5:30, Junior Girls; 7:30 to 8:30, Senior Girls and Ladies; 8:30 to 10:00, Badminton Club. Saturday—1:30 to 2:30, Junior "A" and "B" Boys; 3:00 to 5:00, Open for Badminton; 7:00 to 9:30, Badminton.

United Church W. M. S. The meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church was held on Thursday afternoon, in the school room of the church. The President, Mrs. Mowat, was in charge, and after the opening hymn, and prayer, she welcomed the Georgetown Auxiliary. Business of interest was dealt with, and reports from the various Secretaries were given. A very special feature was the beautiful Tribute, in memory of two beloved members, who recently passed away, by Mrs. G. H. Brown, for Mrs. Jas. Moore, who was a charter member, and for Mrs. H. Matreel, by Miss Hawthorne. Mrs. A. T. Brown offered prayer for the bereaved families.

Members of the Georgetown Society, Mrs. Overend, Mrs. Hutton and Mrs. Freure, conducted the devotional exercises and program. Mrs. McDermid, Secretary of the Halton Presbytery for the "Missionary Monthly" and "World's Friend," spoke, urging all to subscribe or renew their subscriptions to these magazines. Mrs. Vannatter and Mrs. Burns rendered a beautiful duet and Mrs. Wright a piano solo.

Mrs. Mowat introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Jolliffe, of Limehouse, who, with Rev. Mr. Jolliffe, had spent thirty years in the Province of Szechwan, in China. An interesting address on conditions in pioneer days and to-day among the people there was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. Moore, in her kindly way, on behalf of the Acton Auxiliary, thanked Mrs. Jolliffe and the Georgetown Society. A very tasty lunch was served, and a social half hour was enjoyed.

CLOTHING FOR THE WEST. The ladies of the United Church met at the home of Mrs. S. J. Reid on Wednesday afternoon and packed five bales of warm clothing and bedding to be shipped to Saskatchewan. Four quilts were included in these bales and the value of the bales was estimated at \$200.

NO ANSWERS. For the first time since the contest was started some months ago, there were no solutions last week to the "Puzzle" poem. Mr. Coles points out that this is probably accounted for by the fact that the printed poem contained two errors. The one was a mistake by the author, and the other a printer's error. The correct answer was "Hitler." There is, therefore, no prize award for last week's puzzle. This week's puzzle is on Page Five. It's quite lengthy, but not so difficult if you know your history.

EUCHE PARTY BY SCOUT MOTHERS. On Tuesday evening the Scout Mothers Auxiliary held an enjoyable euche party in the Parish Hall. Prizes were won by Mrs. H. S. Wilson, Mrs. R. L. Davidson, and Mrs. Collier. The quilt, which had been made by a group of the Scout Mothers, was drawn for, and was won by Mrs. Robert Wallace, Cameron Street.

BRANDED "TRAITOR"



Marlene Dietrich. Glimorous Hollywood motion picture star, who has been branded a "traitor" by Julius Streicher's anti-Jewish weekly, Der Stuermer, because she has taken out her first American citizenship papers, Miss Dietrich snubbed Adolf Hitler last year when, after he had invited German artists to return to Germany and make pictures, she announced that on her next trip to Europe she would not visit Nazi land.

STOLEN DRILL RETURNED WITHIN WEEK. On Tuesday of last week a new electric drill, valued at \$90.00, was stolen from the Acton Machine Shop. The machine had only been used a couple of times and was stolen between 6:30 and 8:30 in the evening. Entrance to the premises was gained by breaking a window and loosening a catch on the inside.

Chief McPherson and Provincial Constables Oliver and Cookman were called in to investigate. On Sunday the police went to Cookville, where section men had found a drill in a ditch beside the railway tracks. The machine proved to be the one stolen from Acton. Serial numbers were identified and it has been returned to the owner. Parts of it were broken, indicating that it had been used. No arrests have yet been made, but it would appear that transients on the train passing through here were guilty, as the shop is next the railway tracks.

CARLOAD WENT FROM CAMPBELLVILLE. A full carload of fruit and vegetables was loaded at Campbellville station on Tuesday of this week. A splendid response was made by the farmers and merchants of the community. The carload is now on its way to Kanda-har, Saskatchewan. Favorable comment was made upon the excellent quality of the produce, a conservative estimate valued the carload at four hundred dollars. The local forces, both Protestant and Catholic, showed a fine spirit of co-operation.

Five Injured in Accident Here Sunday. Toronto Car Does Double Somersault on Highway — Driver Seriously Injured. Five passengers were injured when a car, driven by Stanley Cade, of Toronto, somersaulted on the highway two miles east of Acton on Sunday afternoon and landed in a five-foot ditch, upside down.

Cade the driver of the car, suffered from concussion and back injuries. His son Kenneth, 15, was cut about the face and hand by flying glass. Mrs. Cade and Mr. and Mrs. Butler, relatives, also of Toronto, suffered minor cuts and bruises. Nearly all the glass in the car was broken and the top badly crushed in.

Fortunately a doctor happened to be on the highway, and was soon giving first aid. Cade was taken to Guelph General Hospital, and later removed, by ambulance, to the Private Patients' Pavilion of the General Hospital in Toronto, where his condition was later reported as satisfactory.

The accident occurred at the curve on the highway at Crewsons Corners, about 3:30 on Sunday afternoon. The car was travelling west and was apparently so far out on the edge of the highway that there was danger of striking a guard rail projecting another road over the railway crossing. It would appear the driver swung sharply to avoid this and the machine went out of control. According to witnesses, it somersaulted twice on the highway and landed in the ditch on the opposite side of the road, with the wheels in the air. Fortunately cars coming in the opposite direction had sufficient distance to stop and only the one machine was involved. Traffic Officer Howell investigated.

FARM WOMEN'S CLUB. The monthly meeting of the Farm Women's Club was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Sayers. The roll call was answered by "A Canadian Bird or Flower." A splendid report was given for the meeting of the year.

After the business part, the following program was enjoyed: Piano duet, by Misses Jessie and Mabel McGregor, reading, Mrs. J. J. Stewart. Then followed an impromptu program, which demonstrated that all could take part if the necessity arose. The contest was won by Miss Velma Murray, the consolation going to Mrs. Brownlow. A social half hour was spent in concluding, when the ladies enjoyed Mrs. Sayers' wonderful pumpkin pies.

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

Pot Luck Supper, Monday, October 25th, in United Church, Acton, 5 o'clock. Ladies' Aid. Admission 25c. Supper 6 to 8.

Travelogue "Beautiful England," to be presented Thursday, October 28th, in the Parish Hall, by Lorne V. Johnson, representative of Horne Bros., Hamilton. Admission 15c.

Grand Military Ball in Acton Town Hall, Friday, October 29th, under auspices of "C" Company, The Lorne Scouts. Club Canadian Orchestra of Toronto. Novelty dances. Admission 35c.

WESTERN PROMOTION FOR ACTONTAN. Announcement was made last week by General Motors in Ontario of the re-opening of the Regina plant of the company there, which has been closed for some years. At the same time Mr. J. B. Higham, General Plant Manager, made announcement of appointments to the Regina plant. Mr. Harold M. Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reed, Acton, has been appointed Chief Inspector in the Regina plant, and he and Mrs. Reed and Wallace left on Tuesday for the new home in the West.

The announcement of appointments in the Ontario Times gives the information for ten years. Acton friends are pleased to learn of his promotion and wish Mr. and Mrs. Reed continued success in the new home and work in the West.

A NICE POINT. Son: What were you in the army, dad? Dad: Battery Sergeant-Major son. Son: High or low tension, dad?

SCOUTS — 20 YEARS AGO

There passed through town last Thursday a young man of about 34 years of age. He had lived here up to 20 years ago. He spent a half hour here last Thursday, after noticing the Y.M.C.A. building on Mill Street, to see who he could meet and ask a few questions about his boyhood home.

We met him on Mill Street, and he accented us with: "How long has this Y.M.C.A. been built?"

"Three or four years," we answered.

"Does H. P. Moore still run this Place Press?"

"No, Arlo Dills."

There were many other questions concerning many people and things and then we asked: "Well, who are you?"

"I am O'Shea," said he.

"Was your father Harry O'Shea?"

"Yes."

"Then you must be Tommy O'Shea."

"Yes, I am, and who are you?"

We answered by asking: "Were you a Boy Scout in those days, 20 years ago?"

"At the mention of Scouts we were recognized and Tommy's history from then to now was recounted.

"I joined the army 17 years ago," he said. "Artillery."

He was not in uniform, so we asked his rank.

"I am a Master Gunner, and my station at present is Kingston."

"Will you retire on pension at the end of 20 years?"

"I can if I wish, but I am hoping to complete 35 years, at which time I shall be in the early fifties—a good time to step out and sit down when, if I attain the rank I hope to, I can retire with a pension of about \$180 a month."

At the time of our meeting, Master Gunner O'Shea was on a tour of inspection of all the artillery centres between Kingston and Sarnia; had just completed an inspection at Guelph, and was on his way to Toronto and Hamilton.

In his youth, Tommy was a clean, orderly, well-behaved Scout and we were glad to meet him and learn of his success as a soldier. Previously we have been equally pleased to meet such boys as Hoy Holman, "Tooney" Williams, Max Bell, "Henk" Kennedy.

Boys they were then. Now they are men.

Good, upstanding men.

[Editor's Note.—The above article is contributed by a resident of Acton, who met the young man and is deeply interested in the progress of Acton's young folks.]

SUDDEN DEATH OF MELVIN HALL. Melvin Hall, who removed with his parents to Wingham a couple of months ago, died very suddenly on Monday. The fifteen-year-old lad was assisting Carl Bondi to deliver fruit from a truck. He had helped take some boxes off at a store in Goderich and remained in the truck under the tarpaulin.

When Bondi called at Petrie's store, Salford, to deliver the next order, he found Melvin lying on the platform of the vehicle. There was only an interval of about ten minutes between deliveries.

En route to Salford, a suburb, the lad was apparently seized with a fatal heart attack. It was raining heavily at the time, the tarpaulin hiding the youth from the view of the driver and passerby as the truck drove through the streets of the town.

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