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## Army Wins Bush League Final Monday

### Defeat Millionaires in Second Game—Win Round by 1 Goal Margin

Having settled all disputes, protests, etc., Millionaires and Army were conceded the right to play off for first place and the Rumley Cup, and Thursday night, March 7th, were the dates agreed upon for the championship series. The teams were to play home and home games, goals to count on the round. Everything was carried on in best bush league style, with ten minute rests in between periods and with two referees officiating—"Minute" Walters and Norm Morton.

The boys were sadly disappointed in the handful of fans which braved the elements to witness the contests. However, few in numbers as they were, they certainly kicked up a lot of noise and enjoyed themselves generally. Millionaires had to pull it fast one to keep their front line intact. Jim McGeachie has been working in Toronto, and Manager Jim Waterhouse surprised everyone by having Jim up for the game.

The first period opened in a drab manner, with both teams unwilling to open up. Just at the close of the period McGeachie passed one out from the corner and "Coom" Varey banged it home to put Millionaires one up. Play was very slow, due to the start retreating and calling of off-sides. There were no penalties although Matt Tyler was using his shoulder freely.

Army came out for the second period, ready to tear the Millionaires into ribbons and they had just started play when Matt Tyler got a penalty. Millionaires ganged up on the Army net, but just couldn't lift it into the goal. Army had their chance to turn it on when Varey got a penalty for hooking, but Tommy Robson managed to kick them all out. Millionaires got their second goal early in the third period, when Doug Dawkins stick-handled his way through the defence and beat the goalie.

The game ended 2-0 for Millionaires, and Army had a handicap of two goals to overcome on Monday night, if they wanted to win the cup.

Before the game started Manager Jim Waterhouse, of the Millionaires, presented Chamie Cooney with a regulation Millionaire sweater with a white star above the "M", in appreciation of Camie's work and service for the team. Cooney replied in a few words, stating that never before in his career had he been connected with a fine bunch of sportsmen than those who wear the Green and White.

Carrying a two-goal advantage, Millionaires may be pardoned if they were a little over-confident on Monday night. Army came out to get those two goals back in a hurry, so that both teams would be on even footing for the night's play. A Buchanan got the first goal, followed by two from the stick of George Tyler. This put Army one goal up on the round, and Millionaires had to settle down and play hockey if they wanted to win. Army kept plugging right along, and brought their grand total up to five, while Millionaires could only score two on the night's play, which brought their total up to four.

Army were as surprised as the Millionaires at the close of the game. York Road refuses to give up the cup, because they won't recognize the Army team. However, there is the big cup, donated by the Army, and won by the Army.

Monday night brought to a close the regular schedule, but there still may be some games between Norval, Erin, Everton, etc.

The League has had some good games this year, and outside of a few disagreements, everything went along very smoothly.

It is to be hoped that York Road patch up their difficulties and enter the League again next year.

Well, I guess that's all the dope I can give you for this year, and I hope all bush league players will forgive me if I rubbed their fur the wrong way at any time.

By calling the old roll.

After business discussion, Alex Waldie presided for the following program: A reading, "Troubles of a Schoolboy" by James Robertson; a mandolin selection, and by Mr. A. McEwan; reading by Frances Mullin, on "Debates"; piano solo, by Margaret Somerville; reading of the "Rocky Roadster," by the editor, Sheila Breen.

The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem, after which lunch was served and a social time spent.

## HEADS TRADE DELEGATION



A. E. Overton, head of the nine man delegation from the British Board of Trade, which will negotiate a trade pact between Great Britain and the United States, shown above, as he arrived at New York on the Queen Mary. The delegation left immediately for Washington.

## COUNTY GARAGEMEN SEE DEMONSTRATION OF ELECTRIC PROBLEMS

At the regular monthly meeting of the Garage Operators of Halton held at the Milton Inn, on Thursday evening, March 3rd over sixty members and visitors met to discuss business problems. A practical demonstration by representatives of the Beattie Auto Electric, of Toronto, was given, portraying the electrical problems in the modern motor car. At the close a social time was spent; lunch and music being provided.

## Another New Industry to Operate Here

### Canadian Ceramics Will Occupy Building of Acton Machine Co.

Arrangements were completed during the past week between Mr. C. H. Harrison, owner of the Acton Machine Co. building in Acton, and Canadian Ceramics, for occupancy of the building in Acton, and the conduct of their business here. Mr. C. Arman is the manager of the new business, and with other workmen is now assembling the machinery and getting the building ready for occupancy.

For the present only a few men will be employed as the product is one which at present is not made in Canada and will require some experimental work. The firm will manufacture pottery and a product that is used largely in Ontario smelters and requires being capable of withstanding high temperatures.

At present a small kiln for testing will be used in making the samples and it is expected that later an outside oven will be built. The clay used is imported. The whole of the present building will be used and as the business grows, arrangements have been made for expansion.

While the business at present is small Acton is pleased to welcome a second new industry this year. The available vacant factory buildings are getting filled up quite favorably and will add appreciably to Acton's industrial activity.

## PIONEERS AND EARLY DAYS FEATURE AT ROCKALONG INSTITUTE

The Rockalong Institute held their March meeting at the home of Mrs. W. McNabb with a fair attendance of members and several visitors present.

The meeting which was presided over by Mrs. Dumbear was opened with the singing of the Institute Ode. Roll call was answered by a pioneer story. The Secretary gave the report of a baking sale that had been held since the February meeting. It was decided to hold a banquet, the arrangements for which were left in the hands of a committee.

Mrs. W. Patterson, a delegate to the great Cookery Project, gave a splendid report. The meeting was then taken charge of by Mrs. Graham, and the following program given: Current events, by Mrs. W. McNabb; a talk on the motto, "Pioneer Days," prepared by Miss Masales, and given by Mrs. McNabb; Mrs. Graham read a paper on "The Lives of the Pioneers." A contest was conducted by Mrs. Graham, Helen Baylie winning the prize.

The meeting was closed by singing the National Anthem, refreshments and a social half hour followed.

## Two Killed - Three Injured in Highway Smash Last Night

### Group of Five Were En Route from Oshawa to Hockey Match --- Crashed Three Miles West of Acton --- Partly Filled Bottle of Liquor Found

The worst highway smash in the history of this district occurred last night, about three miles west of Acton, George Fredrick, 25, of Oshawa; and Hilson R. Lemminan, of 206 Prince Street, Oshawa, were instantly killed. Peter O. Pychany, aged 20, of 180 Anne Street, Oshawa, and Joe Dwyer, Oshawa taxi driver, were taken to Guelph General Hospital, unconscious. Miss Ethel West, also of Oshawa, the other occupant of the car, escaped serious injury. The group were en route to Galt from Oshawa, to attend the hockey match, between Marlborough and Oshawa.

The accident occurred about eight o'clock last night, where the fifth line of Naabagweya crosses the highway. Walter Brownridge, of Ashgrove, was driving toward Acton from Rockwood, with a trailer attached to his car, with a couple of pigs in it. He had purchased the pigs at Rockwood that day. Nelson Stark was with him in the car. The Oshawa car was travelling west, and plowed into the side of the Brownridge car and trailer, smashing in the left side and breaking the front axle and wheel.

The Oshawa machine lost a wheel from the impact, and went completely out of control. It swerved across to the left hand ditch, struck a big boulder, smashed a Hydro pole off at the base, and lay, a crumpled wreckage, about 700 feet from the point where the impact occurred, in the ditch, and facing eastward.

Frederick and Lemminan were both dead when Brownridge and Stark reached their car. How anyone came out of the wrecked machine alive is miraculous. Parts of the car were strewn along the roadway from the point of impact to where it stopped in the ditch. The victims were under the car and in the ditch. Only Mrs. West was not seriously injured. Both Pychany and Dwyer have skull fractures and other serious injuries.

Dr. E. J. Nelson was going to Rockwood and the Oshawa machine passed him on Main Street in Acton. He continued on and was among the first to arrive after the crash, and get the bodies out of the wreckage, and give first aid to the survivors. It would appear that the machine somersaulted two or three times before stopping.

The Oshawa car was a 1936 grey Ford coupe, license No. 636H3. It is said Pychany and Miss West picked up the other three in Oshawa to go to the game. Police investigating secured a partly filled bottle of liquor among the wreckage. Chief R. J. McPherson, of Acton, investigated the accident. The bodies were brought to Johnstone & Rumley funeral home here, and later transferred to Oshawa.

Coroner Dr. A. J. McVinn's date has not been set but it is expected to be held in two weeks. Following a post mortem examination the bodies were released for burial.

## HALTON JUNIORS COMPETE FOR W. I. DICK TROPHY

The finals of the Halton Juniors Drama Festival will be held in the High School on Tuesday, March 15th. Three groups will be competing for the W. I. Dick Trophy, namely Acton Juniors, who will present "Courage," Mr. Green, with "The Vaillant," and Milton, presenting "The Window." Those who attended the Junior Drama Festival a year ago were most enthusiastic of the general character of the plays and the ability of the players, and therefore Halton Juniors are anticipated a crowded auditorium at the High School on Tuesday evening next. Mr. Arthur Burrows will be the adjudicator.

## FRIENDLY CIRCLE CONDUCTS UNITED EVENING SERVICE

The group known as the Young Ladies' Friendly Circle had charge of the evening service at the United Church on Sunday. It was unique and impressive. Ushers and a choir of the group were in charge. Miss Ruth Gibson contributed a soprano solo, and Misses Hazel and Doris Wilson, a duet.

The President, Miss Sylvia Morrow, was in charge of the service. Miss M. Z. Bennett, Leader, read the scripture, and Mrs. J. B. Adamson led in prayer. Two splendid addresses were given, Miss Laura Johnston's subject was the life and work of Sir Walter Scott; and Miss Helen Lamb told of the work and example of William Wilberforce.

## CAR BADLY SMASHED AT STREET INTERSECTION

Early Wednesday morning a car, driven by Herbert Saunders of Rockwood, was rather badly damaged when struck by a truck driven by Orville Brown, at the intersection of Church and Willow Streets. The truck struck the rear end of the car crossing Church Street, and threw it against a Hydro pole on the corner. The right rear wheel housing, fender and side and top of the car were damaged. It is estimated the damage will amount to about \$100. The occupants of neither machine were injured beyond a bad shaking up.

The truck was proceeding east along Church Street, and the Saunders car was going north on Willow Street. The view at this corner is not the best, and at the time of the accident the roads were quite icy.

## UNOFFICIAL DIPLOMAT?



Rumors in diplomatic circles at Rome have it that Lady Chamberlain, above, widow of Sir Austen Chamberlain and sister-in-law of the British Premier, did no small part in preparing the ground for an Anglo-Italian agreement. Italian Foreign Minister Ciano is reported to have told one diplomat that England and Italy would reach an understanding "when her brother-in-law" (indicating Lady Chamberlain) gives the signal. Lady Chamberlain has spent several months in Rome and has reportedly had interviews with Premier Mussolini.

## GUELPH PRESBYTERY ELECTS COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Six Commissioners to the General Assembly were elected by Guelph Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, in session in Knox Church in Guelph on Tuesday.

The Commissioners are Rev. W. Patterson, Preston; Rev. Dr. Smart, Galt; and Rev. E. A. Thomson, Elora; and J. P. Carmichael, Kitchener; J. Kennedy, Cambridgeville; and Thomas Ballantyne, Preston.

Two calls were presented to Rev. James Fleming of Waterloo, one from Geneva Church, Chesley, and one from Knox Church, Milton. They are to be dealt with at special meeting of Presbytery on Friday, March 18th when a decision will be reached.

Rev. Dr. M. W. Kinnaird, General Secretary of Sunday Schools and Young Peoples Societies was nominated as Moderator of the General Assembly and Rev. E. A. Thomson of Elora as Moderator of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston.

The May meeting of Presbytery, it was decided, will be held in Eden Mills. Those present included—Rev. E. B. Binnie, Acton; G. D. Little, Elmira; E. A. Thomson, Elora; A. O. Macdonald, Ferguson; M. B. Davidson, Galt; J. D. Smart, Galt; J. J. Lowe, Galt; F. O. Stewart, Kitchener; P. Lawson, Campbellville; W. Patterson, Preston; S. Johnson, Guelph; J. Fleming, Waterloo. R. Patterson, Acton; W. A. Burnett, Elora; O. Hardy, Ferguson; R. S. Hamilton, A. Hall, Galt; J. R. Bette, Guelph; C. L. Westcott, Hespeler; R. Pollock, Kitchener; J. Kennedy, Campbellville; T. Ballantyne, Preston; H. Cockburn, Tustinch; J. E. Pearson, Rockwood.

## OFFICERS OF GUELPH PRESBYTERIAL W.M.S. NAMED

Mrs. H. E. Walker, of Arthur, was re-elected President of the Guelph Presbyterial W.M.S. of the United Church at the annual meeting, held in Norfolk Street United Church, Guelph, on Monday. Mrs. G. E. Forbes, of Ottawa, Dominion President and Miss Winnifred Thomas, of Toronto, Secretary of the Dominion Board, spoke in the all-day sessions. Other officers for 1938 are: Past President, Mrs. W. R. Graham, Guelph; Vice-President, Mrs. James Tucker, Arthur; Mrs. G. R. Rudd, Guelph; Mrs. J. U. Stewart, Moorefield; Miss E. M. Stevenson, Holstein; Mrs. J. R. Williamson, Rockwood; Miss Blanche Vanevery, Waterloo; Recording Secretary, Miss M. B. Kilgour, Mount Forest; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Park, Elora; Treasurer, Miss Nettie Gowdy, Guelph; Secretary of Christian Stewardship and Finance, Mrs. R. Henderson, Drayton; Secretary of Mission Circles, Miss Ruth Caldwell, Perth; Secretary of Affiliated C.O.G.I.T. Groups, Mrs. G. Evans, Elmira; Secretary of Mission Bands, Mrs. E. G. Altham, Harrison; Secretary of Baby Bands, Mrs. Walter Beattie, Guelph; Secretary Associated Helpers, Mrs. John Gallagher, Mount Forest; Supply Secretary, Mrs. H. R. Connop, Guelph; Community Secretary, Mrs. A. P. Bell, Guelph; Literature Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Woods, Perth; Missionary Monthly Secretary, Mrs. P. Edwards, Palmerston; World Friendship Secretary, Mrs. Charles Palmer, Guelph; Temperance Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Perkins, Harrison; Press Secretary, Mrs. John Haskin, Guelph.

## WITNESSES FAIL TO IDENTIFY LIQUOR VENDOR

A charge of selling liquor against Geo. Mitchell, Erin Township resident, was dismissed by Magistrate W. P. Woodliffe, of Toronto, on Monday, when Brooklyn Rowe and William Elliott, Brampton witnesses for the crown claimed that they could not identify Mitchell as the man who sold them liquor at a house in Caledon Township, on the night of January 29th.

If R. Lawrence, counsel for Mitchell, was not called upon to put in a defense after the two crown witnesses had stated that, although they had signed statements for Provincial Police Officers to the effect that they had obtained liquor at the house in question, they were not sure that he was the man who had sold them and a girl companion two small "shots" of liquor.

## TWENTY-ONE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR IN ONE MAIL.

No, it was not a protest but rather thank-you letters. We at The Free Press Office had visited the pupils of Grade 2 of Acton Public School. They saw the type-setting machine and process in operation and were shown the various other machines and equipment of a printing office. The children each received a Linotype slug with their name on it. Apparently the visit was enjoyed and hence the twenty-one letters, were written by the pupils of that grade telling of the pleasure of their visit.

It's not often an editor receives twenty-one complimentary letters in one mail. It's so unusual that it news. We read every one of them and while we enjoyed the visit of the children at the time it was another pleasure to know how they appreciated getting acquainted with local institutions.

## SPELLING MATCH FEATURES THE GREENOCK LITERARY

On Friday evening March 4th the regular meeting of the Greenock Literary Society was held in the school, with the President, Gordon Leslie presiding. Concluding opening ceremonies and business discussions, Mr. Ed Mann occupied the chair while the following program was presented by senior members of the Society: Speech by Ed Mann, current events; Fred West, speech; Joel Leslie, reading Mrs. Charles McKown speech; John Allan, recitation; Mrs. Robert Allan, speech; Charles McKown, readings; Mrs. Fred West. The special feature of the program was a spelling match, with Juniors and Seniors competing, and J. McIntyre acting as supervisor, and Mrs. Fred West, Jean Allen and Helen McCoig were declared winners.

Following the match, the singing of the National Anthem concluded the program, and lunch was served and a social time spent.

## SMASHED DRUG RING



Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Friedman, (above), American government cryptanalyst, who was lent to Canada to help break up a Vancouver dope ring operating on the Pacific Coast and gave key evidence at a trial which resulted in destruction of the ring. Mrs. Friedman deciphered 27 Chinese code cablegrams and took seven minutes to present the evidence which helped convict five Chinese who were accused of trading guns and ammunition for dope. She has returned to Washington, D.C. where the (above) picture was taken.

## PUZZLE POEM WELL ANSWERED LAST WEEK

The solution to the Puzzle Poem last week was "To-morrow," and the winner of the award is Mrs. Purgier, Acton. Answers were again quite plentiful last week, but we predict that the poem this week will cut down the replies. Mr. Coles has concealed a word in the poem on Page Five that will prove a stumbling block to many.

## Harris Cup Provides Feature In Hockey News

### First Game in Acton Goes Over- time and Finishes in a Tie

A couple of handfuls of hockey fans were on hand to see the post-season tilt between Acton and Georgetown for the Harris Cup, in Acton Arena on Tuesday night. It was also a test between "A" and "B" teams and it came out "tied."

The first period lacked much enthusiasm and was certainly far from the type of hockey that the first of the season showed. There was one goal scored by Ward, from the corner, at 19:07, and penalties went to K. Richardson, B. Morton and Walters. It wasn't Class A hockey.

The second period was better. That put Georgetown two up in the first 36 seconds, and Acton seemed to realize they would have to start playing soon or be out of the picture. Bayliss got Acton's first counter at one minute. That drew a penalty. Gibbons and Terry gave Malone a couple of pulse rammers. At 8:45 Bus Morton evened the score. K. Richardson put the visitors in the lead again at 12:49. K. Richardson advanced Georgetown another notch at 14:30, on a shot from well out. At 15:03 Arbie took an assist from Terry to bring Acton back in the running. Then, at 15:38 Bus Morton tied up the score again, and the period ended deadlocked.

At 14:00 of the third period Ward scored a soft one from inside the blue line. Acton was making a good target of Malone. Ritchie put Georgetown two up again at 7:10. Then Ritchie drew a penalty. Kentner laid down a perfect pass to Terry, who scored at 9:40. At 17:29 Terry opened the count again, when Acton was short-handed. Bus Morton serving the penalty. Norm Morton caught the puck and scored, but the score wasn't allowed. We've seen the time when such a ruling would have started a fight between these two teams. And so to the overtime. Malone did some nice work when Acton buzzed around. That got the score from the corner at 7:48 to put Georgetown in the lead. With a minute and one second of the period left, Terry tied the game on a pass from Norm Morton. Bus Morton missed the open net and there were other misses. (to) Final score 7-7 and the next game in Georgetown.

The line-up was—Georgetown—Malone, goal; Hall and Dewhurst, defence; Toat, centre; Ward, right wing; W. Richardson, left wing; Sanderson, K. Richardson, McMurchy, Ritchie and Riddall, alternates.

Acton—Woods, goal; Walters and Kentner, defence; N. Morton, centre; I. Mann, right wing; Mooney, left wing; Terry, B. Morton, Arbie, E. Mann, Gibbons and Bayliss, alternates.

Referee—Joe Kentner, Acton.

## Another Visit of the Editor To Ottawa

### Men Cannot All Be Measured by their Stature — Folks and Places

Some of THE FREE PRESS readers have been so indiscreet as to tell the editor that they enjoy reading articles that are written of his trips here and there. Hence, when a dearth of local news occurs—as it will in most any community—we use these trips or stories as fillers. We told you the inside, now, if you don't like it, don't go any further.

Canada's capital, Ottawa, seems to have many features that make it a subject of more than one article, and provide something new on each visit. Of course you are not interested in hearing of the problems that were the main subject of our visit for two days in Ottawa. Newspaper men have their own peculiar troubles, and twenty-one items, with a multiple of subdivisions, pretty fully occupied morning and afternoon meetings. Added to this was the attitude to which those from each part of the Dominion viewed the subject. You know the Western viewpoint is different from the Eastern slant. Ontario and Quebec are different from both, but President George James, who, in his spare moments edits the Bowmanville Statesman, is very adept at bringing all these viewpoints together and getting through with business speedily and so leave a little beside meal time for visiting in Ottawa.

As noted in the editorial comment, Hon. J. G. Gardiner addressed the dinner gathering at the Chateau Laurier. He's not just the type of man you would expect to have introduced as a cabinet minister. But after one has listened to him for only a short time his brevity of stature is forgotten and his largeness of vision more than compensates. He's a real westerner. Some one in testifying before a Commission had been foolish enough to make the statement that to him the West had reached the saturation point in its ability to care for more population.

That's a statement that every westerner will refute. After Mr. Gardiner had told of the coal, mineral, oil and timber wealth of that section west of Winnipeg and had shown how even that great condition had been overcome by a Japanese or Chinese on farms of thirty acres we had the western viewpoint too. Mr. Gardiner has a convincing way of bringing one to his viewpoint. We would like to sometime have the folks in this section hear him. Matter of fact he was invited to open Acton Fair last year but was in the West at the time and just couldn't arrange it.

We went direct to the House of Commons following the dinner or at home we'd term the meal at that time of day supper—but we had the quantity that made it necessary to call it dinner. Items of expenditure were being passed by the House with of course the usual criticism and answering of queries from the Minister in whose department the expenditure is listed.

Sometimes one wishes he could get similar amounts to spend on projects considered by him as quite as necessary. That evening in a three-hour session, \$3,493,000 passed for the air service of the Department of Transport, \$128,500 went to the Meteorological Division, and \$725,000 to the Radio Division. Don't get the impression, however that Hon. Mr. Howe got these items through without answering all the questions that every member of the Opposition could think of to ask him.

Hon. W. D. Esler started getting through \$14,624,470 for the Post Office. (Concluded on Page Eight)

## Coming Events

Ladies Aid Society of United Church will hold a St. Patrick's Supper in the church March 17th. Supper served 6-8. Admission 25c. 35-2

Old Uncle Alec Thinks says I reckon you-all will be coming to see Here Comes Charlie, in the Town Hall, Acton, April 6th and 7th.

The Mission Circle of the Baptist Church will hold 10-cent Tea and Sale of Home-made Baking, on Saturday afternoon, March 12th, at 3 p.m., in the class room of the church. There will also be a display of antiques and articles of unusual interest.

Don't miss the most sensational play of the season, "Eyes of Love," a comedy drama, in three acts, being presented by Greenock Literary Society (Leslie's School) in Town Hall, Acton, Wednesday, March 23rd, at 8:30 sharp. Watch for further announcements.