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Big Parade, Service Features Magna Carta Observance

Three Bands, Militia Veterans, Lodges, School Children, Officials, Clergy and Organizations Form Inspiring Procession.

W. J. STEWART, O.R.E. DELIVERED SPLENDID ADDRESS

The climax of the observance of Magna Carta Week was on Sunday afternoon in Acton, when one of the largest and finest parades was held and an inspiring service held in the Park. Nearly a thousand took part in the huge parade and were joined by hundreds more at the service in the Park, which was arranged by the local clergy and presided over by Reeve McCutcheon.

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CHURCHILL
Formed in 1838 and where Centenary Celebrations were held on Sunday and Monday, and largely attended

A Hundred Years of Service Is Observed by Churchill

Congregations that Overflowed the Building — Messages that Inspired Marked the Centennial of Churchill — Rev. Dr. T. A. Moore was the Guest Speaker.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PARTOR AND PEOPLE

Unto the hills around do I lift up
My longing eyes:
O whence for me shall my salvation
come,

From whence arise?
From God the Lord doth come my certain aid,
From God, the Lord, who heaven and earth hath made.

The strains of that old familiar hymn seemed particularly appropriate on Sunday morning, when it was the opening hymn at the first of Churchill's Centenary services. Here was this century old congregation worshipping with the church packed to the doors and an overflow audience in the church yard of almost equal size—and all around the hills and the church in the midst. And the second hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers," and the words of Churchill church re-echoed and the faith seems just as real as the hills. A newly decorated church, new lights, evidence of progress all about. Faith was not lacking any place on this centennial observance.

Mrs. Daly, a daughter of Rev. Joseph Unsworth, who had a pastorate of 22 years at Churchill, was present and brought greetings from her family and inspiration to carry on the work of Churchill.

Churchill folks believe not alone in filling the soul with the better things, but are very practical too. Consequently when service was over, tables were set and the friends from far and near were fed. And what a gathering round the tables was there, too. Churchill folk provided plenty and Mrs. Smith Griffin provided.

The securing of Rev. Dr. T. A. Moore, of Toronto, as the speaker on this occasion was indeed fortunate. His boyhood spent in Acton and the district and his intimacy with Churchill and some of the pioneer members of the congregation gave him the background for a message that will long be remembered by the congregation.

His text was in the 48th Psalm, and the last four verses, and he referred to it as the gateway to a field. He paid tribute to the pioneers in his own inimitable way and then drew attention to the chaotic conditions of the present day. We have a splendid heritage from the early settlers and he urged that all hold fast to the church and to God in this troublesome time.

Conditions have changed since the pioneer days but God never changes. The things that do not change are the things that matter and spiritual things live forever. It was a tribute for past effort and a message of inspiration indeed that Dr. Moore conveyed to the largest congregation ever assembled at Churchill, on Sunday morning.

The best from the flower gardens added to the beauty of the service that morning. The choir led splendidly in the service of praise and rendered an anthem. Mr. Dick Jolliffe, son of the pastor, contributed a splendid solo.

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ACTON BAND OFF TO FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY

For the first time Acton Citizens' Band will take part in the Musical Festival at Waterloo on Saturday. Bandmaster Perrot had had the boys in rehearsal steadily for some time and an entry has been made in Class C. It is anticipated that twenty-three will comprise the band in the contest.

Nine bands are entered in this class, Stratford Boys' Band, Fergus, Sarnia Boys' Band, Port Elgin, Walkerton Legion, Exeter Concert Band, Southampton, Oakridge and Acton. The test piece will be the "Champion" overture. It is expected that Acton Band will play about noon.

Citizens wish the Band the best in their first contest and, win or lose, will always have pride in this organization, which has never disbanded since 1872, and has always willingly taken a part in every event held in the community.

ESCAPED PRISONER SHOT IN MAKING THE CAPTURE

Two escaped prisoners were recaptured by Ontario Reformatory guards early Thursday evening and one was shot through the shoulder when he refused to obey the order to halt.

Wounded in the climax to the intensive manhunt was Teddy Gabriel, 16, of Kirkland Lake. An ambulance was sent to Pualinch, eight miles from the Reformatory, and brought Gabriel in to Guelph.

His companion, Eugene LeBlanc, 19, Ottawa district, made no effort to escape when guards cornered the pair at Pualinch. He submitted quietly and was rushed back to the Reformatory, where he and Gabriel escaped shortly before noon. Both were trussed.

Details of the actual shooting are lacking, but it is known that guards came up with the fugitive near heavy brush at Pualinch. An order to atone was shouted and LeBlanc obeyed. Gabriel made a dash for a near-by bush and a guard fired, the bullet striking the man in the shoulder.

PASSED EXAMS AT UNIVERSITY WITH GOOD STANDING

Ted Hansen, son of Commissioner and Mrs. C. Hansen, Acton, has been successful in passing with good standing, in all subjects of his course for the year, at the University of Toronto. Acton friends tender hearty congratulations.

Acton Trims Two Rivals Smother Milton, Georgetown

DROWNING ACCIDENT AT ROCKWOOD—GUELPH MAN VICTIM

William J. Greenaway, prominent resident of Guelph for many years, and a former Alderman of that city, lost his life by drowning when he is believed to have fallen into the waters of the Speed River while fishing near Rockwood.

The body of Mr. Greenaway, a widely known insurance agent was found by two young men who were swimming near the spot, close to the old Harris mill, west of Rockwood.

The men, Bert Craven, 69 Gordon Street, Guelph, and Sidney Hill, of Rockwood, had seen Mr. Greenaway fishing earlier in the day. They noted his absence around noon, but at four o'clock, when they saw his fishing pole lying on the bank, they investigated and found his body, fully clothed, in about six feet of water. The young men brought the body to the surface and removed it from the water.

Mr. Greenaway's car was nearby and in the bank was a bucket containing fish which he had caught. Officials who investigated expressed the belief that he fell from the bank into the water. No inquest will be held, it was decided by Coroner Dr. J. P. McKinnon.

Locals Say It with Bats and Roll Up 33 Runs in Two Games of Week — Milton and Georgetown Pitchers are Pounded.

THREE TEAMS IN SECOND PLACE

What's so sweet as a day in June? And Acton fans say nothing, especially when two days in June see wins for the local nine over the teams from Milton and Georgetown. And such scores—19-12 and 14-3. And the wins put the boys right up among the leaders. Fact is it's a regular huddle, with anything liable to pop out.

But Acton has showed improved form. Coaches are out on the base lines. There is a new confidence in the team. Gordon is going nice on the mound and the Milton brothers are both filling in the relief roles. They're fighting and wifling the wilsons and that's suppin. But here's the way they all stand:

	P	W	L
Milton	6	4	2
Acton	6	3	3
Georgetown	6	3	3
Oakville	5	3	2
Hespeler	5	1	4

ACTON 10 — MILTON 12

Acton showed their superior strength Saturday on the diamond when they whipped Milton 10 to 12. Milton lead 10 to 7 in the seventh, when Acton led on a batting spree to collect 12 runs. Gordon started the pitching for Acton, but was relieved by Bus Morton, who was later relieved by Norm Morton. Blinco started for Milton, with the two Clement boys helping him out.

There were two home runs in the game, Bayliss and Mooney banging them out. The local nine were really hitting and smacked everything and anything the Milton pitchers offered.

ACTON 14 — GEORGETOWN 3

Acton sure rubbed in an awful trimming of their old Georgetown rivals last night when they sent them home beaten by a 14-3 score. The first two batters, Wheeler and Brydon, were no puzzle to the Acton batters, but Casey, who came in to finish the game, was not so easy. The field support of Georgetown was also a bit shaky, while Acton played steadily.

Georgetown, who usually can be counted on for plenty of heavy slugging, were badly baffled by Gordon and the big guns did very little in the way of hitting him. Only in the first innings did Georgetown show anything at the bat. The first two men up had nicely placed hits and two runs were scored.

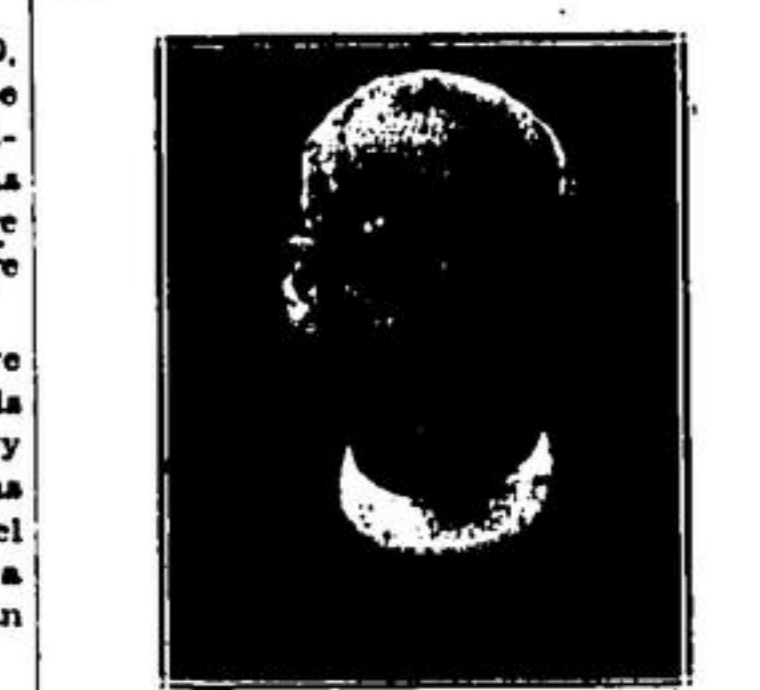
Acton got away with two walks for the first two up, and Norm Morton filled the bases with a lovely hit. A nice clean single from Bob Anderson scored two runs for Acton. Bayliss fanned, with two still on bases.

W. Ritchie went out on a ball hit to Gordon in the second, while his brother, Andy, had a nice bingle for two bases, but was caught cold fooling around at second. Wheeler's effort was felled by Gordon for the third out.

Mooney had a nice hit to left field, but Gordon went out on a pop fly to Wheeler. Mooney stole second, but when he tried to make home on Guthrie's hit, he was called out at the plate. It was a pretty close decision. Bus Morton walked. Waterhouse drove one that looked like a homer, scoring two men, but he was thrown out at the plate. However, the hit went for 2 runs and the score was 4-2 for Acton.

Georgetown's third was just three fly balls, handled by Bayliss, N. Morton and Mooney.

But Acton's third was a bit different (Continued on Page Eight)



REV. C. JOLLIFFE
The present minister at Churchill, and in charge of Centenary services.

THE SOLUTION AND WINNER OF THE PUZZLE POEM

Well, The Free Press didn't win in the Puzzle Poem Contest this week. The correct solution was "Bowling," and the winner of the weekly award is Miss Emma Cole, Acton. It doesn't matter whether you bowl, play tennis or baseball, you can try your hand at the poem by Mr. Cole on Page Five this week. It may not be easy but send in your solution anyway.

New Principal Engaged for High School

Malcolm M. Leitch, of Preston, Will Commence Duties at Opening of Term

At a special meeting on Tuesday the School Board considered applications from about thirty for the position of Principal of Acton Continuation school to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Mr. MacRae.

The application of Mr. Malcolm M. Leitch, of Preston, was the unanimous choice of the Board, at a salary of \$1,600 per annum, with duties to commence at the opening of the fall term.

The Secretary read a copy of a letter forwarded to Mr. MacRae, in accepting his resignation, wishing him every success in his new school and for both he and Mrs. MacRae happiness and advancement in their new home or wherever their work took them.

Another letter from the Deputy Minister of Education intimated that a new scheme of grants was under consideration, but at the present time the amount of the Provincial grant could not be estimated.

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE TO OPEN ACTON FAIR

Secretary Wright has received confirmation this week of the arrangements to have Hon. P. W. Dewar, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, to officially open the Acton Fair of 1938. This is quite an honor to Acton Fair again. The Board met last evening to arrange the prize list and appoint judges. Several new classes have been added and the entire list revised as deemed necessary. Additional prize money in several classes is offered. Indications point to a successful event in every way in 1938.

Coming Events

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

St. Alban's Annual Garden Party on the Rectory grounds on July 20th.

Knox Y.W.A. Lawn Social at York House on Thursday July 14th, at 8:30 p.m.

Bloombury is all ready for the big Re-union on July 1st. A big day and night. Meet your friends there that day.

Russ Creighton and his Canadian Mountaineers, at Eden Mills next Wednesday, June 29th. A splendid program of variety entertainment. Auspices of Eden Mills United Church. It will be the event of the season.

United Church, Limehouse, Anniversary Services, Sunday, June 26th, 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. D.B.T. - Guest speakers, Rev. W. R. Archer and H. S. Lowering. Special music will be given by Glen Williams and Limehouse choir, Mr. Fred Coles and Miss Jessie Coles, of Acton, and Mr. Dick Jolliffe.

SECTIONS OF ACTON'S PARADE ON SUNDAY



These two photographs show just a small part of the half mile parade held in Acton on Sunday in connection with the Magna Carta Week. Top photo shows the Veterans and small section of the Regiment as they marched past the Mill and Main Streets corner. The lower photo gives a section of the school children's part of the parade. —Photos by courtesy of Wm. Cochrane, Kitchener.

Acton Chapters Hostesses to Visiting Orders

Home of Mrs. Peter Smith Scene for Most Enjoyable Event Yesterday

The beautiful home and grounds of "Hill Hall," home of Mrs. Peter Smith and Miss Pearl Smith, were graciously loaned for an afternoon tea, held jointly by the Duke of Devonshire Chapter and the Lakeside Chapter, I.O.D.E., Wednesday afternoon.

Guests attended from Victoria and Captain Frederick Bond Chapters, of Guelph, also John Milton Chapter, Milton and Peel Regiment Chapter, Brampton. June flowers in profusion decorated the rooms. A beautiful silver bowl of roses, delphinium and baby's breath centered the table, which was laid with outdoor cloth, and silver service, from which a dainty lunch* was served. Tea was poured by Mrs. F. Blow, Mrs. P. Hilton, Miss E. Robertson and Mrs. (Dr.) Pearen — Honorary Regents and Vice-Regents of the two hostess chapters.

While guests strolled through the gardens, several musical numbers were enjoyed. Solo by Mrs. W. Beatty, Miss T. Hunt, Mrs. C. Leishman, and Miss R. Stitt; duet, Mrs. W. Beatty and Mrs. J. E. Kennedy; musical numbers by Mrs. Brydon and Miss Ursula McDonald, Miss M. Brown, Mrs. Wm. Hall and Mrs. F. S. Blow.

Receiving guests were Mrs. E. E. Barr, Regent, Mrs. A. B. McLean, Duke of Devonshire Chapter; Mrs. Peter Smith, hostess; Miss M. Ryder, Regent, Mrs. A. J. Buchanan, First Vice-Regent, Lakeside Chapter.

Before leaving each lady signed the guest book, leaving with the Acton Chapters a friendly momentum of happy associations. This was presented to Mrs. Peter Smith.

The lovely-home, beautiful grounds and a perfect June day combined to make this a most enjoyable event.

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