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Fiftieth Anniversary at Woodside on Monday

An Afternoon and Evening of Re-Union — Sports and Entertainment — Candles on Birthday Cake Lighted in Memory of Family Members Who Have Passed On.

PRESENTATION TO RETIRING TEACHER

Ideal summer weather favored Woodside school on Monday in the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary and a splendid crowd enjoyed the afternoon and evening. Pupils and teachers who had not met in years enjoyed again the pleasure of re-union. Many were present who had attended in the old school before the days when the present splendid brick building was built. Many were the reminiscences and school day stories recalled.

During the afternoon brief speeches in a reminiscent strain were made. Those speaking were Robert Kerr, James Cree, Henry Denny, Roy Hindley, Mr. George Rosell, Mrs. E. Lane, Miss Minnie Z. Bennett, Mrs. Robert Kerr, Mrs. E. E. Marshall and Miss Jean Akitt.

Sports were arranged in which all might participate, and in the evening, after supper, when all were gathered around, the prize winners were given the awards, as follows:

Girls, 8 and under — Annie Latham.

Boys, 8 and under — Jack McIntyre.

Girls, 8 years and under — Sadie McIntyre; Ella May Orlip.

Boys, 12 and under — Ralph McKeown; Leonard Thompson.

Girls, 12 and under — Edna Aikens; Ethel Golden.

Boys, 16 and under — Irving McKeown; Charles Thompson.

Girls, 16 and under — Irma Watson; Annie McDonald.

Young Men's Race — Gordon McKeown; Charles Thompson.

Young Ladies' Race — Irma Watson; Annie McCullough.

Spot Race, married women — Mrs. Chester Allan.

Married Ladies' Race — Mrs. Joan Latham; Mrs. J. Stewart.

Trustees' Race — Alvin Fisher; Frank Freeman; Stanley Swackamer.

Girls' Three-legged Race — Margaret Thompson and Isabel Henderson.

Boys' Three-legged Race — Charles Thompson and Fred Spear.

Pie Plate Race — Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart; Howard and Isabel Switzer.

Coat Race — J. J. Stewart.

The Race — Gordon McKeown.

Shoptest Race — Harold McIntyre; with Annie McCullough.

Women's Spot Race (unmarried) — Dorothy Foster.

Women's Shoe Race — Edna Aikens.

Oldest Teacher Present — Mrs. E. Lane.

Oldest Person Present — Henry Near, 83.

Teacher who has taught longest — Miss Minnie Bennett.

One who Came Greatest Distance — Mrs. C. E. Marshall, Kincardine.

The occasion was also one in which the present teacher, Miss Jean Akitt, was honored. Miss Akitt has resigned since the past was her last term at Woodside.

On behalf of the School Section she was presented with a silver cake plate as a memento of warm friendships and happy associations at Woodside.

Then, at supper time, ample provision had been made for all. Ladies of the Woodside section took second place to none and it was a happy gathering indeed that enjoyed the fellowship and food at the old school grounds.

A feature of interest during the afternoon was the lighting of the fifty candles on the birthday cake. It was a reverent service when members of the families present lighted candles in memory of those dear ones who have passed on. It was a tribute which all appreciated the pleasure in sharing.

Then, as the shadows lengthened and the sun went down behind the hills, the gathering prepared to enjoy the program that had been arranged.

Russ Creighton and his Canadian Mountaineers were in charge. Assisting them were Wec Jackie Perkins, five-year-old boy singer, Little Shirley Smith variety tap dancer, Lorraine Smith, accordionist; Danny Lynch, with his banjo and comic songs, and Johnny Anderson, Scotch comedian and acrobatic dancer. It was a program of merit and was thoroughly enjoyed by the entire audience. It gave plenty of variety and fun and Russ Creighton made sure that it did not lag.

A refreshment booth drew liberal patronage and added to the pleasure of the outing. The whole event was a success from every standpoint and the committee and all those who worked in planning and carrying on the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of Woodside.

ALMOST SARCASMIC

"I insured my voice," announced the great singer, "for \$5,000."
"Oh!" replied his rival. "And what have you done with the money?"

HEADS YOUNG TORIES



Gordon Ford, of Toronto, was elected head of the National Young Conservatives of Canada at the Conservative Convention in Ottawa.

Scout Leaders Convene at Blue Springs

Fine New Building Under Construction — Various Groups from July 18th to August 13th Meet Here

The 19th annual summer Scouters' training season of the Ontario Boy Scouts opens on Monday, July 18th, at Blue Springs Scout Reserve, when the 1938 Scouters' class goes into camp. The class consists of Boy Scout leaders from as far as Windsor, Ottawa and North Bay. Frank C. Irwin, of Provincial Headquarters, Toronto, will be Camp Chief and his assistants include Chas. V. Nunn, Field Commissioner, of London; J. Harry Rigg, Assistant District Commissioner, of Oshawa; Harold Taylor, Assistant District Commissioner, of Delhi; and Edgar T. Jones, Field Secretary of Provincial Headquarters, Toronto.

The Scout Leaders' Camp closes on July 29th, to be followed on July 30th, 31st and August 1st (Civic Holiday) week-ends by the Ontario Rover Moot, at which 250 Rover Scouts from widely scattered parts of the Province and from some adjacent States, are expected.

On August 1st, with the close of the Rover Moot, the Rover Scouts Leaders' training course opens, continuing until August 13th.

The Wolf Cub Leaders' training course starts August 6th and continues until August 13th.

This spring and early summer a fine new building has been under construction at Blue Springs to provide increased accommodation for the training courses. It is 25 feet by 50 feet, contains an open-air, approximately 25 feet by 34 feet, with a large stone fireplace in one end, a fine kitchen, store room and a large basement storeroom.

The Murray Lodge, former summer cottage of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Murray, has been completely renovated and enlarged and this week the "Lester Hut," camp headquarters building, is being transferred from Ebor Park, near Brantford, to its new site at Blue Springs.

During the training season there will be re-unions of several previous classes and on August 10th the summer meeting of the Provincial Executive Committee at the Scout Reserve.

SIXTY-FIVE ATTENDED SUMMER CLASSES AT ST. JOSEPH'S

From July 4th to July 16th, Vacation School is being held in St. Joseph's Hall for the children of the parish of St. Joseph's Church. Sixty-five children have been in attendance. This is the first Vacation School held here and it has been very successful. Attendance has been 100 per cent. An exhibit of the work done by the children attending will be on display in St. Joseph's Hall on Saturday, July 16th, from 2.30 to 4.00 p.m.

Escaped Prisoner From County Jail Is Re-captured

According to word received Saturday night, William Moore, who escaped from Halton County Jail at Milton six weeks ago, had been arrested near Ottawa.

According to Provincial Constables George Cookman and A. J. Oliver, of Milton, Moore was arrested as "William George Munden," by police in Carleton County, on a charge of robbery with violence. The alleged robbery took place near Ottawa, and police state Moore will be held in Carleton indefinitely, pending trial.

Moore, alias, Bruce Marshall, broke jail at Milton two days before his trial on three fraud charges and one of kidnapping. He was recently convicted in a Toronto supreme court on six charges of fraud and one of theft and given three years in Kingston, penitentiary. This sentence was to commence upon completion of his trial in Halton, where he is charged with passing worthless cheques in the County.

ROCKWOOD BOY WON \$200 SCHOLARSHIP

Mr. Roy C. Day, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day, Rockwood, has been awarded a \$200.00 War Memorial Scholarship by the Alumni Federation of the University of Toronto. Roy is in second year Mechanical Engineering.

THE POEM WAS HARDER TO SOLVE LAST WEEK

Answers were not so plentiful to the Puzzle Poem last week. Perhaps the hot weather had something to do with the variety of solutions given. Mrs. J. A. Locker, Acton, wins the award for the week and the answer was "Dime Novel." You'll find another one to struggle with on Page Eight. It's a light recreation even for summer, so try it and drop your answer at THE FREE PRESS Office before Monday evening.

County Orange Orders Celebrate At Georgetown

Acton Wins Prize for Best Appearance in the Parade

Glen Williams' Orangemen proved unlucky in holding a celebration of the Twelfth at Georgetown Tuesday, in competition with the celebration at Orangeville and with the other demonstrations in the more or less immediate vicinity. Only thirteen lodges participated in the march at Georgetown, and lack of organization robbed the proceedings of the snap and precision that had characterized previous Orange gatherings in the town.

Mayor Joseph Gibbons was on hand to bid the marchers welcome to the municipality.

Lloyd Dingle, Burlington, Conservative candidate in the last election for the riding of Halton, was chairman of the gathering, and E. R. Hazzard, K.C. of Toronto, was the invited speaker of the gathering.

Prizes awarded to the various organizations making part were Best Pipe and Drum Band, Stewarttown L.O.L., best appearing lodge on parade, Acton L.O.L., best appearing ladies' Orange Benevolent Association, Guelph, best appearing Loyal True Blues, Georgetown, best juvenile lodge, Glen Williams, best juvenile pipe and drum band, Guelph.

Taking part in the celebration were Joseph Marchmont, Glen Williams, whose proud boast it was that he had missed only one celebration of the Order, 61 years ago; Mr. Marchmont and William Gilman, also of Glen Williams, were two of the oldest Orangemen on hand. Mr. Gilman, now in his 64th year, was easily the senior Orangeman present, his brother member of the Glen Williams Lodge having seen only 77 years.

Taking part in the demonstration at Georgetown were the following lodges: Guelph Juvenile Pipe Band and Guelph L.O.B.A., Acton Maple Leaf L.O.B.A., Acton L.O.L., Glen Williams Pipe and Drum Band, Glen Williams Juvenile Lodge, Georgetown Loyal True Blues, Stewarttown L.O.L. and Band, Milton L.O.L., Bronte L.O.L., Carleton L.O.L., Hornby L.O.L. and papers, Glen Williams L.O.L.

SPLENDID CONCERT PRESENTED BY ACTON BAND

Acton Citizens' Band presented another of their splendid Sunday evening concerts in the Park last week. The program was well varied and included several sacred selections. The Band also played the test piece used in the Waterloo contest, "Champion" overture, which was well rendered. Bandmaster A. H. Perrott was in charge.

Car Crashes In the District On Saturday

One Fatality When Car Failed to Stop at Intersection—Car and Trailer Burned

Saturday saw two serious motor car accidents on the highway just west of Acton. The first one was about 12.30 in the afternoon. Three miles west of Acton, a car and trailer were completely burned and a hydro pole burned off.

The car was coming east, when a blow-out sent it to the ditch and it turned over. Leaking gasoline was ignited and in a few moments the machine was in flames. Nothing about the car or trailer that would burn remained when the pieces were picked up and towed to Acton.

The car was a 1930 DeSoto, driven by Stewart Lockhart, 28 Hatherley Road, Toronto, and his companion was W. Hollings, of the same address. We understand, however, that they were not the owners of the machine. Both escaped without serious injury. Lockhart suffered a deep cut on his left arm that required several stitches. They received medical attention in Acton.

The second accident, in which Robert Currie Wilson, aged 38, of Kitchener, lost his life, occurred about 6.30 on Saturday evening. Four other persons were injured in this collision.

Wilson had been attending the Porvath picnic at Edgewood Park, at Eden Mills, and was returning to Kitchener. It would appear that he did not realize he was so close to the highway at the junction of the gravel road and highway, about three miles west of Rockwood. Indications are that the brake was applied but the car hurtled into the highway, crashing into the side of a car, driven by Ernest Hall, of Guelph.

The impact threw both machines over. The machine driven by Hall somersaulted several times, and the one driven by Wilson turned over at least once. Both machines stopped with the wheels up in the air. There is no ditch where the impact occurred and the cars stopped.

Wilson suffered a badly fractured skull and died shortly after reaching the hospital. Miss Margaret Musselman, of Toronto, and Otto Dannecker, of Waterloo, occupants of the Wilson car, were injured, but not seriously. Miss Musselman was also removed to the hospital and had severe head injuries, but Dannecker was able to leave after treatment.

Ernest Hall and Robert Merriam, of Guelph, in the other car involved, escaped with cuts and a bad shaking up. The machines were both badly wrecked.

Mr. Wilson was a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, and a Master of Mason of Twin City Lodge, 509, Kitchener, as well as President of the North Waterloo Boy Scouts' Association. He was born in Wingham, and was married to Mary Alexander Eaton, Toronto.

He is survived by his widow, his mother Mrs. John Wilson, Wingham, two brothers, Clarence, of Wintipeg, and Arthur, of Wingham, and two sisters, Mrs. A. E. Lenning and Miss Anne Wilson, both of Toronto. The funeral was held on Monday in Kitchener and interment was in Wingham Cemetery.

Traffic officers Howell and Seibert investigated. The inquest date has been set for July 22nd.

A READER OF THE FREE PRESS FOR SIXTY YEARS

Of the sixty-three years that THE FREE PRESS has been published, Mrs. George Hynds, now of Toronto, has been a reader for all but two years. It would seem that Mrs. Hynds is the oldest subscriber in point of years. And Mrs. Hynds unhesitatingly tells us that the regular weekly visit is keenly anticipated each week and news from Acton, where she spent so many years, is of greatest interest to her.

I.O.D.E. Tea at "Hill Hall" on Tuesday

Group 4 of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I.O.D.E. held a successful tea at "Hill Hall," on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Blow, Convener of the Group, and Mrs. Peter Smith, hostess, received the guests. Several contests were entered, and bridge was played.

The winner in the bean contest was Mrs. R. M. McDonald; Mrs. Salt the lucky winner in guessing the weight of the eggs. The gate prize went to Mrs. Alex. Symon.

During the afternoon Mrs. Hall gave several musical numbers. Tea was served on the verandah from little tables, and Mrs. Wm. Cooper presided at the tea table the first hour; then Mrs. R. H. Elliott for the second hour.

The winners of the bridge games were announced as Mrs. A. Mason, Miss Ruby Clarke and Miss Margaret McDonald. The chapter took this occasion to present Mrs. MacLellan, Treasurer, with a silver tray, on her removal to Uxbridge, and to convey to her their best wishes for happiness in the new home, and the pleasure it had been to have her in the Duke of Devonshire Chapter.

SUCCESSFUL ENTRANCE CANDIDATES AT S. S. NO. 10, ERIN

Helen McEachern and Frank Thompson, pupils of Woodside School (S. S. No. 10, Erin), were recommended on their year's work and granted Entrance standing.

MRS. WORDEN'S PUPILS GIVE PIANO RECITAL

Last Thursday evening the pupils of Mrs. L. A. Worden, A.T.C.M., held their recital at York House, the home of Mrs. Alex. Mann. An interesting program of various pleasing numbers was enjoyed by the mothers and friends of the pupils. After the program, refreshments were served.

Chairman Kerr Attended the Convention

Superintendent Asked to Prepare Specifications for Repair of Water Tower

The Public Utilities Commission met on Wednesday evening. Commissioner Hansen and Chairman Kerr were present.

The following accounts were ordered paid:

Hydro Department	
HEPC of Ontario, supplies	\$21.05
R. J. Kerr, convention expenses	34.95
H. Laasy, labor	70.20
Undersawd Elliott Fisher Ltd., repairs	14.40
Canadian Lumber Materials Ltd., supplies	19.25
Pole Line Equipment Ltd., line material	32.90
C.N.R. and Transports express	1.40
	\$192.22

Waterworks Department
Hydro Department, power at spring \$24.85

It was decided to have Superintendent Wilson prepare specifications regarding the painting and repairing of the waterworks tank, and have this ready for the next meeting of the Commission.

The list of arrears was checked and instructions were given Superintendent Wilson regarding this matter.

Chairman R. J. Kerr gave a very interesting report as delegate to the Summer Hydro Convention at Bigwin Inn, Muskoka.

Acton Loses to Milton and Hespeler this Week

NEW CONSERVATIVE LEADER



DR. R. J. MANION

At the National Convention of the Conservative party, recently concluded in Ottawa, a new leader was elected in the person of Hon. Dr. R. J. Manion, above, of Port William, Ontario. Dr. Manion succeeds Hon. R. B. Bennett to the party leadership.

Site for Fire Hall Arranged For Rockwood

Eramosa Council Approves Plan for Administration of Diphtheria Toxoid

The Council for the Township of Eramosa held their regular meeting in the Town Hall, Rockwood, on Monday, July 11th, at 7.30 p.m.

Those present were: Reeve, D. H. Storey in the Chair, and Councillors D. Gray, Albert Lush, Wm. J. Pinkney and Thos. E. Kelly.

Representatives of several branches of the Women's Institute in the Township were present to arrange for the general immunization of children against diphtheria.

It was moved by Messrs. Kelley and Gray and carried that the Township cooperate with the Women's Institute to the extent of 50% of the costs of immunizing the children of the Township having the opportunity of taking advantage of the treatment.

The Institutes to arrange for the clinics and presenting the accounts to Council.

Messrs. F. I. Wright and R. J. Kerr appeared to request the usual grant to Acton Fall Fair. Moved by Messrs. Lush and Kelly and carried that the Acton Fall Fair be granted Twenty Dollars.

Messrs. J. E. Pearson and H. I. Griffin asked for a grant to Erin Fall Fair. Moved by Messrs. Pinkney and Lush and carried that the Erin Fall Fair be granted Ten Dollars.

The Rockwood Police Village Trustees were present to request the Council to partially close a part of Church Street for the erection of a fire hall. It was moved and seconded by Messrs. Lush and Kelly and carried that the Clerk be instructed to take the proper proceedings toward closing part of Church Street on the request of the Village Trustees as a site for the erection of a fire hall and tool house size 22 feet by 40 feet.

It was also decided on motion of Messrs. Lush and Pinkney that the proper proceedings be taken toward closing the unused roads at the fourth line north of Highway No. 7.

Messrs. H. W. Oxford, for the Kilmorris, and J. A. Wilkinson, for the Rotary Club, with several local residents, interviewed the Council regarding the water rights at the river on the fourth line. Moved by Messrs. Gray and Kelly, and carried that the Department of Lands and Forests, or the Grand River Conservation Commission, be asked to determine the rights of the Township in regard to the operation of the dam on the river at the fourth line, in order to maintain the river level for summer, resort purposes and water conservation.

The Clerk reported that the Tax Roll and bills for 1938 were completed before the new regulations regarding the cost of secondary education were received, and that either a new roll and bills, or adjustments between School Sections would be necessary. Moved by Messrs. Gray and Kelly, that the current County Rate be placed on current tax bills in a correct and proper manner as per the Assessment Act and in accord with the regulation of the County Clerk, and that the tax roll be corrected accordingly.

Motion lost. Moved by Messrs. Lush and Pinkney, and carried: That the Tax Bills be prepared by the Clerk previous to 10c.

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Locals Bunch the Scoring and Have Two Innings with Three Apiece—Milton Scored in Nearly Every Frame — And Held Lead Through Entire Game.

A COUPLE OF SAD STORIES

Although Acton didn't win, fans were pretty well agreed that the game on Saturday was a good pastime. It was Milton's last scheduled game here and Acton went out to win if possible, but once again the County Tigers were too much for them. The visitors hit consistently and held well, but were not invincible. Acton was suffering from a sore arm and was touched for six runs before he was forced to quit and replaced by Norm Morton. The strain has been pretty heavy on Gordon and after the Wednesday game he just wasn't in shape to meet Milton.

W. Clement, Tulezka and A. Clement scored in the first innings. A home run by A. Clement came at a mighty nice time, with two on.

Guthrie, Bus Morton and Waterhouse went down, one, two, three.

Merkeley made another one for Milton in the second. But Sprout, Lyle and R. Brush went out and W. Clement was left on second.

It didn't look good for Acton when N. Morton, Williams and Anderson all went out, with none reaching first.

Tulezka went out at second in the third, but A. Clement and J. Brush completed the circuit to make it 6-0 for Milton.

Acton's half of this winning was better, however. Cripps landed a nice one past second. When Mooney hit one to left field fence, Cripps was advanced, and scored on a wild pitch. Tyler, the next man up, plattered a home run, and three runs were in from the first three up.

Guthrie was thrown out by the pitcher, and Bus Morton popped out to first base. Waterhouse hit one that went for two bases, but was left stranded when Norm Morton flied out.

In the fourth, Lyle struck out. W. Clement hit a nice one for three bases, and scored on R. Brush's hit to third. It looked pretty close. Brush stole second and went to third on a wild pitch. Tulezka's nice hit scored him. A. Clement flied out and J. Brush was thrown out by Mooney.

Williams, Anderson and Cripps all flied out in Acton's half. The boys were hitting but raising them too high.

In the fifth, J. Clement, Sprout and Merkeley went down in quick order. And Acton had the second hard hitting spree.

Mooney went out on a nice running one-hand catch by Sprout. Tyler was passed up and went to third on Guthrie's hit to left field. Guthrie stole second. Bus Morton flied out to second base. Once again a homer came when it was needed. Bill Waterhouse leaned heavy and made the circuit, scoring the two ahead of him. Norm Morton was thrown out on his hit to third. At 8-6 it didn't look too bad at half time.

Lyle fanned in the sixth. A bad throw left K. Clement safe. He stole second, and went to third on Brush's hit, but Brush was put out. Tulezka's hit scored Clement. A. Clement was hit by the pitcher, but Bobby Anderson and had an argument. Nobody backed up, but the struggle ended in a struggle hold, without a blow landed. J. Brush fanned.

Williams, Anderson and Cripps all went out on fly balls in Acton's half of the sixth.

In the seventh, J. Clement popped out; Sprout and Merkeley went down swinging and watching the balls go by.

Mooney, in the eighth, hit a nice one over second. Tyler's hit forced him out at second. But there it died when Bus Morton and Waterhouse flied out.

In the eighth, Lyle fanned, and W. Clement flied out. When Bus Morton

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Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Contests or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, with a minimum charge for any amount over 10c.

Special Scout Meeting, Monday night, July 18th, at 7.30 in Y.M.C.A. All Acton Scouts will please be on hand.

Monster Band Tattoo in Acton Park, Saturday, July 23rd. Big street parade. Fireworks, Burlington Firemen's Drill Team. Don't forget the date and be in Acton. Auspices Acton Citizens' Band.

S. Alban's Lawn Social and Amateur Show on Church Grounds on Wednesday evening, July 20th. Good program; door prizes; booths; novelties. A good time for all. Admission 25c; children 10c.



WOODSIDE SCHOOL
Where the Fiftieth Anniversary was Observed on Monday, It is S. S. No. 10, Erin.