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Short Courses Opened in Acton Well Attended

Sixty Are Now Taking Courses and Many Others Have Intimated Intentions to Enroll

Both classes in the courses in Elementary Agriculture and Home Economics were in attendance at the Parish Hall when the Three Months Short Courses in these subjects opened on Tuesday morning. 30 young ladies and 38 young men commenced the courses that morning, while a great number more have intimated their intention of taking the courses but were not present at the opening of the first day.

Mr. J. E. Whitelock, who is Principal of the school, with class rooms in the Parish Hall and in Knox Sunday School Room, addressed the classes and introduced the staff. A welcome to Acton and the wish of success for the courses were expressed when the gathering was addressed briefly by Mrs. J. E. Gamble, President of the Halton Women's Institute; Mrs. J. Wilderspin, President of the Acton Institute; Mr. George Gordon, Reeve of Nassagaweya, and Chairman of the Agricultural Committee of Halton County Council; Mr R. J. Kerr, President of the Ontario Fairs Association; and Mr. G. A. Dills, Editor of The Free Press.

The courses are conducted each week day except Saturday, from nine until four o'clock. Christmas vacation is observed from December 17th to January 2nd inclusive. A wide range of subjects of interest to young men and women are studied, with practical demonstrations in some subjects. Mr. J. A. Berry, of Rutherglen, and Mr. H. V. Binkley, of Hamilton, are the instructors here throughout the boys' course.

Miss M. E. Wallace, of Toronto, and Miss Ina E. Puffer, of Toronto, are in charge of classes in the Home Economics course. Other members of this staff are Miss Grace Hamilton, Toronto, Miss Lillian G. Howell, Canisville; Mr. Lionel Stephenson, O.A.C., Guelph; J. Horace Shaw, Hespeler; E. C. Stillwell, O.A.C., Guelph; P. N. Marcellus, Guelph O. A. C.; John F. Clark, Toronto, I. C. Marritt, Toronto, T. C. Adams, New Toronto; and David Smith, Barrie.

Deer Killed When Hit by Car in Nassagaweya

When Mr Reg. Wilson was driving along the Guelph Road on Sunday evening, a young deer jumped from the side of the road, directly in the path of the car. The animal was struck with such force that it was instantly killed. The headlight, front grille of the car were broken by the impact. Fortunately Mr Wilson was able to keep the machine under control and was not injured. The Game Warden was called and took charge of the carcass of the young buck.

DR. A. J. VINING SPECIAL SPEAKER AT UNION SERVICES

Special evangelistic services, with splendid gospel messages have been conducted during the week each night in the Baptist Church. These are combined services of the United and Baptist congregations. Next week the services will be held in the United Church each evening.

Rev Dr A J Vining, whose messages were so highly regarded at the Baptist Anniversary occasion this year is the special speaker at these week-night meetings. Good congregations have been attending and appreciating these gospel appeals.

New Y.M.C.A. Supervisor Will Have Complete Charge

Arrangements were completed following the meeting of Acton Y M C A Board on Tuesday evening whereby Mr Jones, the new supervisor will have charge of the building as caretaker as well as in charge of activities and occupy the apartment in the building. Mr R P Watson has had charge of this work since the opening of the building and the discharge of his duties has been very satisfactory to the Board and members. It is felt by all interested in the promotion of the Y.M.C.A. which includes both Mr and Mrs. Watson, that greater service can be given the membership by having the supervisor resident in the building. Mr Jones, of London, will accordingly move into the quarters in the building on December 1st, when he assumes charge of Y. activities.

CHURCH OFFICIAL DEAD

Rev. Canon Sydney Gould, B.A., M.D., D.D., D.C.L., General Secretary of the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, died recently at Toronto, in his 70th year.

Canadian Ceramics Purchase Building --- Receive Clay

The plant of Canadian Ceramics, which has been operating in Acton since early this year, in the factory building owned by the Acton Machine Co., now of Toronto, received last week the first carload shipment of clay from the pit recently secured in Saskatchewan, and is now producing and shipping the crucibles which it is proposed to manufacture here.

The building owned by Mr C H Harrison of Acton Machine Co., of Toronto, has been sold to the Canadian Ceramics Co. Some interior alterations that were required for converting the building for its new purposes have been made. After considerable research and experimental work, this company is producing a crucible for use in the mining field, made in Canada, from Canadian material. Formerly all these crucibles were imported. Tests have proven that the product of the plant here is much superior to the article which was formerly imported.

SOYBEANS YIELD 80 BUSHELS TO THE ACRE IN ERIN

A phenomenal yield of soybeans is reported from Smith Griffin a pupil in S. S. No. 7, Township of Erin.

When Smith was making his selection of something to grow for the School Fair, he chose soybeans and in the course of events received a sample of Mandarin soybeans from the office of the Department of Agriculture. Smith sowed his beans on a carefully prepared plot of two square rods from which he harvested a bushel of beans. This works out at the rate of 80 bushels per acre.

He then showed his beans at the Royal Winter Fair taking first prize. Smith is a grandson of S. E. Griffin of Acton, who has long been known in the Canadian seed world.

Badminton Club Elects Officers --- Visitors Coming

At the meeting of Acton Y Badminton Club this week officers were elected as follows:

President Mrs. Chas Kirkness
Vice-President Miss D McPherson
Secretary Colin McNabb
Team Captains — Bert Hinton and Mary Chalmers
Social Committee Misses Helen Mooney, Jessie Coles, Mrs. E. S. Force, Miss Julia Leshewich.

The Badminton Club is now completing arrangements for an evening of instruction in badminton on Tuesday, November 29th. Several leading players from Toronto will be on hand to demonstrate and instruct. It is desired that all club members will be out to welcome them.

HAND MADE TRAY PRESENTED TO ACTON Y.M.C.A.

Mr Richard Harris correspondent of The Free Press for Rockwood has a very interesting hobby of making wood trays during his spare moments. He was an exhibitor at the Hobby Show recently in Toronto with his handiwork. Two of the trays shown there have been presented by Mr Harris to Acton friends. A mahogany sandwich tray was on Tuesday given to Mrs H P Moore. The other tray is of birch plywood, with sycamore inlays of the Y.M.C.A. triangle and the words in gold, "Acton Y.M.C.A." This latter tray was presented by Mr Harris to Acton Y.M.C.A. for use in their various social functions and will be greatly appreciated by all the members. For a day or so the tray will be on view in The Free Press window.

New Subway on Seventh Line Opened Tuesday

Level crossing accidents on Oakville's seventh line and C.N.R. intersection definitely became a thing of the past on Tuesday, when the much discussed $100,000 subway was formally opened by Mayor George B. Jacobs, of Oakville, and F. L. C. Bond, General Manager, Central Region, for the C.N.R.

The subway, which is being paid for by the municipalities of Oakville, Trafalgar Township and Halton County, as well as the C.N.R. and the grade separation fund, has been under construction since spring by the King Paving Company of Oakville. It is built of reinforced concrete throughout and of the most modern design.

F. L. C. Bond cut the ribbons barring the subway from public use, with Mayor Jacobs having the honor of being first to ride through the structure. Other officials present included representatives of Township and County Councils and Provincial Government. Reeve McCutcheon of Acton, was present at the ceremony.

MANY KNEW ENGLAND AND ENGLISH CITIES

The biggest mail and answers in The Free Press letter box to any Puzzle Poem published in some time were received during this week. They came not only from Acton, but from many scattered points, east, west, north and south. It was like the city described in the poem. The answer was "Manchester," and the winner of the weekly award is Mrs Kate Savage, Acton. If you didn't win, better try the one on Page Five again this week. It may not be easy but it will be fun anyway.

STILL NO NEWS IN SEARCH FOR ERWIN WILSON

Mr and Mrs C O McLean, of Matheson, visited Mr Geo. T Wilson during the week-end. Mr McLean was with Mr Erwin Wilson on the camping trip that ended when two of the party were drowned. Although the search for the body of Erwin Wilson has never been let up, there has been no success in locating the body of the young man who has been missing since October 8th.

Just Around The Corner

Everybody knows that Christmas is, of course!

But a shimmer on the pond means work at the arena soon.

And an ice coating at the arena means hockey.

But Saturday the O.H.A. meets in regular session, ice or no ice.

Acton will muster up two entries, Intermediate and Junior and prospects aren't too bright in the Intermediate scramble this year.

Matter of fact retirements make it look as if a Class B team would be the limit. Certainly A class is out of the question.

But the Juniors may go places this year.

All last year's team is still eligible for junior hockey, we believe. And in addition Johnny Gay, of Preston, and Brush, of Milton, are employees at the Force Products and eligible for the line-up, other newcomers are noted.

Of course that's not as many new faces as are seen in some junior line-ups this year. But colleges do attract many.

A bright spot in Intermediate circles is the securing of new uniforms for the team.

The Beardmore Co., who has always given practical backing to the club, are again to the fore and have made the presentation of the outfits. The colors will be blue and gold and a gold star on the front of each sweater. Acton "Tanners" will be the correct name for the team this year all right.

Last year the first hockey practise in the local arena was on December 9th, and the schedule opened on December 17th.

There'll be a lot of water go through the hose and a lot of coal over the grates if that early start is secured this year.

But from now until either team finishes the group we'll be in and out with the hockey gossip.

County Council Urged to Restore Railway Service

Claim Agreement has been Broken by Discontinuance of the Campbellville Station — Council Endorses Resolution Opposing Compulsory Pasteurization of Milk Throughout the Province.

Halton County Council were in session at the Court House, Milton on Tuesday. It was a somewhat hurried meeting as it had been arranged that members of the Council should be present at the official opening of the Seventh Line Subway scheduled for 4 pm on Tuesday.

At the morning session, all members were present and the Warden in the chair when minutes of the last meeting were passed, communications read and reports submitted by the Standing Committees.

At the afternoon session, the Council went into Committee of the Whole with Reeve McCutcheon, from Acton, in the chair.

Mr Gordon, Reeve of Nassagaweya, asked leave to introduce a [illegible] from his township who [illegible] address the Council with reference to the discontinuance of [illegible] which [illegible] Campbellville [illegible] the station at Campbellville [illegible] serving the travelling public [illegible] system [illegible] Guelph Junction as their station.

The speaker [illegible] that the [illegible] the Council [illegible] the original agreement drawn up between the township and the Credit Valley Railway was in 1877. At that time the railway, the speaker stated, was willing to make any concession to have the railway built, and according to a clause in the agreement the Railway Company agreed to build and maintain a station at the village of Campbellville. The speaker drew attention to the hardships students [illegible] Campbellville who were compelled to journey to Guelph Junction to get their train. There were also children who found it impassable to attend school through lack of transportation.

In the opinion of the speaker, the Railway Company had defaulted in its agreement and in his opinion, pressure should be brought to bear to compel the Railway Company to revert to the terms of the agreement and service to the people of Campbellville be restored.

It was moved by Mr Robinson that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter and report to the Council. Finally it was left to the Council's Railways, Legislation, and Agricultural [illegible] into the matter.

The resolution as passed by the Nassagaweya Council and brought before the Council, was worded as follows:

"Whereas the agreement given the County of Halton by the Credit Valley Railway Company, their successors and assignees is not maintained and has been broken in the non-provision of service at Campbellville station, we, the members of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nassagaweya do hereby request that the County Council take the necessary action for the recovery of the guarantee penalty of $150,000 from the C.P.R. [illegible] the companies and fulfilment of their agreement in effect. And whatever necessary be instigated at once. Signed by all members of the Nassagaweya Council."

The following [illegible] were passed [illegible]

Moved by Mr Irving seconded by Mr Breen that the following accounts [illegible]

[illegible]

Moved by Mr [illegible] seconded by Mr Hall that leave be granted to introduce a by-law [illegible] County Road [illegible] of Nassagaweya.

Moved by Mr Irving seconded by Mr Breen that leave be granted to authorize [illegible] current [illegible] and that the same [illegible] first time.

Moved by Mr Hall seconded by Mr McNeil that leave be granted to introduce a by-law for borrowing $9600 [illegible] to meet the expenditures for the construction of County Roads and that the same be now read a first time.

By-laws Nos. 719, 720 and 721 were given the required readings and passed by the Council.

A very satisfactory report was received from the Peel and Halton House of [illegible]

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Halton and Peel Settlers Hold a Reunion in West

Rev. Harvey Campbell the Speaker at Gathering in Regina, Sask.

[Editor's Note: A western subscriber kindly forwarded The Free Press an item from the Regina Leader-Post, describing the reunion of the Halton and Peel settlers held there on Monday, November 7th. We intended using a part of this article but upon perusal found the story so interesting that we reproduce it in full for our readers.]

"In Halton and Peel Counties we have good men, cosmopolites you may call them, or if you prefer, the mill run of Ontario people. Enter any farm home between Milton and Mono Mills if you wish to learn what the average Ontario man and woman are like. Our two counties were never spectacularly settled by marked types of people; there was just a slow infiltration of settlers, a natural coming and going."

Rev. Harvey Campbell in the above words presented the essence of the down east childhood homes of the guests present at a banquet held Monday night at the Kitchener. The function was the tenth held by the Halton Peel Old Timers Association and was presided over by Dr. P. C. Middleton.

With many subtle touches Mr Campbell pictured the two counties which knew first an occasional Indian runner, then a French trader, an English trader, a white settler and finally the men who built mills, churches, schools, the little towns, the county town, the highways, the cloverleaf intersection, the radio stations.

The speaker's grandfather had been a millwright and the speaker told understandingly of the part played by the Humber and the Credit and the lesser waterways in the settling of the two counties. Settlements were from the river in. Many a village history could be traced back to the day when a man had come along who discerned a little rapids where a mill might well be set to work. Reprinted with the names of scores of tiny places in Halton and Peel, Mr. Campbell's speech became an [illegible] [illegible] pioneering homes. [illegible] was named as being the [illegible] claimed by that [illegible]

Dr. and Mrs. Middleton and Mrs. C. M. Henry welcomed the guests in the reception room. Dr. Middleton introduced the speaker and [illegible] [illegible] Henry and Mr. D. R. Lamont [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Miss Moore [illegible] delighted with [illegible] Mrs Marie [illegible] Miss Phyllis Barrow and J. A. MacLean [illegible] [illegible] the gathering.

Dr. Middleton briefly reviewed the history of the [illegible] Halton [illegible] in 1927. [illegible] [illegible] Mayor of Regina.

[illegible] by Dr. Middleton [illegible] William Alexander [illegible] [illegible]

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CO-PILOT KILLED

Co-pilot Jack Herald was killed when a Trans-Canada Airways skyliner crashed shortly after taking off from Regina.

Liberals of Halton Elect Officers for the County

Last Thursday night Liberals from every riding in Halton County gathered in Milton at the Princess Theatre for the annual meeting and election of officers and to hear an address by Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture for Canada. Mr. E. Harrop, who has been the very efficient President of the organization for the past four years, presided. Before elections were started Mr. Harrop made it quite clear that he would not allow his name to be voted on again for the office, but expressed satisfaction that during his term the three elections held had all been victories for the Liberal party in Halton County.

Officers elected were:

President: LeRoy Dale, K.C., Georgetown.

First Vice President: F. Hynes, Burlington.

Second Vice President: W. S. Robinson, K.C., Oakville.

Secretary: J. G. Ramshaw, Milton.

The resignation of Mr. A. Guilbault as Treasurer was regretfully accepted and the appointment left to be made by the Executive.

The new President LeRoy Dale and Mr J. A. Blakelock, M.P.P. briefly addressed the gathering. Mr. Hughes [illegible] introduced the speaker of the evening [illegible] Mr. Gardiner [illegible] Canada. He was first [illegible]

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Y.P.A. OFFICERS INSTALLED AT MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

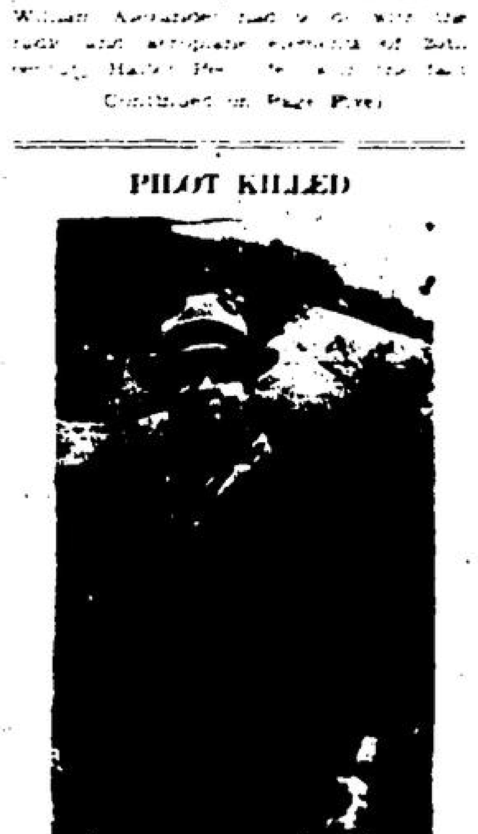
At St. Alban's A.Y.P.A. meeting on Tuesday night the officers of the Executive were installed by Rev. E. A. [illegible] The Executive was in charge of the [illegible]

The President, Douglas Magahay [illegible] A.Y. members to [illegible] speeches which proved to be an amusing feature of the program. "How to Make an Egging" by Robert [illegible] Interesting speeches were [illegible] A.Y.P.A. [illegible]

Timely Topics Are Discussed by United Young People

The meeting of the Young People's Society of the United Church held on Monday evening was in charge of Miss Laura [illegible]. The topic "Cooperation" was taken by Gordon Lowe. Lois Lawson and Mabel Harris rendered an enjoyable vocal duet. Discussions were held on the subjects "Responsibilities of a Wealthy Person," "Should Canada aid the Jews into the Country," and "Should a Christian Nation Go to War." Lorena Lockey gave an interesting reading. It was decided that on account of the meetings to be held in the church next week the Young People's would be withdrawn. The meeting closed with an interesting game conducted by George Bennet.

PILOT KILLED



Capt. David Imrie, Trans-Canada Airways pilot, was killed when the aeroplane he was piloting crashed shortly after leaving the Regina airfield.

Big Increase in Mill Street Hydro Load

Two New Transformers Purchased to Correct Condition — Acton Power Consumption on the Increase

Commissioners C. Hansen and Reeve McCutcheon and Chairman R. J. Kerr were present when Acton Public Utilities Commission met last evening.

Accounts were authorized for payment as follows:

Hydro Department

Bell Telephone Co., services	$ 5.40
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, October power	1,800.50
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, water heater material	30.10
James Gilmour, supplies	4.10
C.N.R. and Transports	44.24
Hoover Co., supplies	3.58
Canadian Line Materials, supplies	11.26
Jas. R. Kearney Corporation, supplies	16.70
Supreme Power Supplies	8.06
J. C. Matthews, postage	10.[illegible]
	$1,943.37

Waterworks Department

Hydro Department, October operations	$153.41

Prices were received for a quantity of scrap copper wire that was on hand and that of John Gilbert accepted.

The Superintendent reported that charts placed on two of the transformers in town showed a big overload. The one carrying the load on the west side of Mill Street was badly overloaded on Saturday nights.

Instructions were issued for the purchase of two new transformers to handle this load. The Superintendent also reported an increase in the power load generally at the Acton plant.

A letter from the Ontario Hydro Commission announced a reduction in the rate for public liability and property damage insurance.

Instructions were issued to the Superintendent following a check up on the list of arrears.

WON WELLINGTON COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP IN JUDGING CATTLE

Competing against the winners of [illegible] Fair Competitions held through [illegible] Wellington County, Arnold Marsh, of [illegible] won the County Championship in dairy cattle judging. It was held at the Ontario Agricultural College on Saturday afternoon. Marsh was awarded [illegible] by the Wellington [illegible] Breeders Association. [illegible] of [illegible] second and [illegible] of [illegible] third [illegible] In the [illegible] of the County Prize Speaking [illegible] of West Garafraxa was first. Arthur [illegible] second and Grace [illegible] third.

Fire Brigade Had a Sunday Morning Call

Fire caused from an overheated stove pipe at the home of Mr Oren Ryder, on Sunday morning gave the Acton Brigade a run. In some way the fire had made headway to the timber between the floors [illegible] Mill Street home although the metal lining through which the pipe passed was apparently in good condition. Damage was chiefly confined to water and smoke but for a time the blaze threatened to spread. Loss is estimated at between $50 and $100. The alarm was [illegible] at about ten o'clock on Sunday morning.

Coming Events

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Keep December 22nd open for Baptist [illegible] Christmas Concert.

St. Alban's Women's Auxiliary Bazaar in Parish Hall, Saturday, December 3rd, from 3 to 6.

Dufferin Institute Bazaar in the Parish Hall on December 10th at 1.30 p.m. [illegible] Home-made Baking and Tea served.

Acton Women's Institute will hold the monthly meeting on Friday, December 2nd, at 2.30 at the home of Mrs. G. W. Mason.

Acton Fire Brigade Dance in the Town Hall, Acton, on Friday, December 9th. Rush's Five-piece Orchestra. Old and new dances. 21-3