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Elections in Nassagaweya and Esquesing Townships

Content for Reeve, Council and School Trustees in Nassagaweya — Reeve and Council Contents in Esquesing — Howard May is Deputy- Reeve by Acclamation — Reeve George Gordon Retires from Municipal Affairs in Nassagaweya.

Friday last was Nomination Day in the adjoining Townships of Nassagaweya and Esquesing. There was a keen interest at both meetings and plenty of candidates were nominated for all the posts. Following were the nominations in Nassagaweya.

For Reeve—George Finney, George Gordon and Wm. M. Vanakle.
For Councilors—J. P. Allison, John C. Blacklock, John Carleton, William W. Dredge, George Finney, D. McDougall, Alex. Neer, John Robertson, Mrs. C. Rinehart, George Stokes, John Simpson, Archie Service, William M. Vanakle.

For Trustees for School Area No. 1—Ross Carbert, John A. Early, Joseph Frank, Charles Leiby, Duncan Moffat, Mrs. Catharine Rinehart, T. H. Snyder, C. J. vanGoosen, Elwood Wilson and Dr. B. D. Young.

The candidates had until nine o'clock on the following day to qualify and the following are the names on which the electors of Nassagaweya will vote on Monday:

FOR REEVE
George Finney, Wm. M. Vanakle.

FOR COUNCILLORS
Four to be elected, from the following: J. P. Allison, W. W. Dredge, D. McDougall, Alex. Neer, John Robertson, Archie Service, John Simpson, George Stokes.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES
Five to be elected for School Area No. 1, from the following: G. R. Carbert, Joseph Frank, Mrs. Catharine Rinehart, T. H. Snyder, C. J. vanGoosen and Dr. B. D. Young.
With so many candidates in the field and a lively interest being taken in the affairs of Nassagaweya, the ratepayers will undoubtedly record a big vote on Monday. Polls are in three subdivisions, at Campbellville, at Brookville, and at Knobelville.

ESQUESING TOWNSHIP.
Following were the nominations made on Friday at the Nomination Meeting in Esquesing Township:
Reeve—George Currie, N. A. Robinson, W. A. Wilson.
Deputy-Reeve — C. H. May, W. A. Wilson.

Councillors—George Currie, George Cleave, Hume Currie, Wm. Cromar, Wm. Gowdy, Edwin Harrop, C. H. May, G. W. Murray.
The following have qualified and the elections on Monday will choose from among these for the Reeve and Councilors:

In Esquesing Township, Howard May was elected Deputy-Reeve by acclamation. There will, however, be a contest for the Reeve and Council.

For Reeve—N. A. Robinson and W. A. Wilson.
For Council—Three to be elected from the following—George Currie, George Currie, Hume Currie, E. Harrop and G. W. Murray.

PROSPECTS PROMISING FOR THE NELSON SHORT COURSES

The annual one month Short Courses in Agriculture and Home Economics will open at Nelson on Tuesday, January 2nd. We understand that prospects are promising for an excellent attendance in both classes. Announcement has just been made by Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitehead that Miss Lulu Row, of Curries, will be in charge of the Course in Home Economics, which will be held in the home of Harris Bell, Miss Row, who will teach Cooking, has had a lengthy experience in Short Courses in Home Economics and in Girls' Project Work. She will be assisted by Miss Blanche Miesner, of Burlington, who will teach Nutrition. Alex. Muir, prominent dairy farmer, from near Woodstock, will assist with the class in Agriculture, which is being held in the Township Hall, Mr. Muir, we understand, has also made quite a reputation for himself with field crops, swine and poultry and incidentally was one of the Provincial winners in the Home Improvement Campaign, sponsored by the Farmer's Magazine.

We also understand that plans are laid to take the members of both classes for a trip to the Ontario Agricultural College and Macdonald Institute on January 18th, and a further trip to one of the packing plants may also be included for the class in Agriculture.

This would appear to be a wonderful opportunity for the young people of Nelson district to further prepare themselves for their life work.

The Pictures in The Free Press Family Album

To make room for the year-end review this week of local pictures, the Family Album pictures have been omitted. They will be back in the usual place on Page Seven, again next week. The pictures published last week were Mrs. Thomas Statham, a resident of Acton for over 50 years, and Pte. W. Willis, a young man from Acton who paid the supreme sacrifice in the Great War of 1914-18.

The picture of the school group, published a few weeks ago, was quite a puzzle to many. Rev. Dr. T. Albert Moore, in renewing his Fans Prizes subscription, writes: "Your pictures of the people of older times are most interesting. I think I have located all of them except the group of Mr. Little and the scholars of 1847. In that group I located H. P. Moore, A. E. Nicklin, A. E. Matthews, George Hynde, Alonzo Worden and myself. The girls bothered me most, but I was sure of Jennie Cameron, Lizzie Kennedy, Allice Speight, Maggie Laidlaw and I, think, a few others."

We have had several who identified a few in this picture, but Dr. Moore certainly names more of this group than any others.

FORCE BOWLERS MAKE DECISION WIN TUESDAY

The Force Bowling Team defeated the Aberfoyle team 7-0 on Tuesday night in a Quebec Commercial Bowling League fixture.

The win advanced the Force team from seventh to sixth place in the standing of the League. Although in sixth place, the Force team are only four points out of first place as only four points separate the first six teams. With only two weeks of play remaining in the second series, anything may happen.

Jim Adamson led the Force bowlers with 633 triple, and a 259 single game.

Christmas Mail Set New Record at Acton Post Office

During the Christmas week, 31,000 Christmas cards and letters were mailed at Acton Post Office. This was an increase of 3,000 over the same period last year. It can conservatively be estimated that during that same period a similar number were received and distributed from the in-coming mails. Add the stacks of parcels to this and you may grasp something of the magnitude of the task that confronted the Post Office staff during this week. The mails were heavy right up until Christmas morning, but on Tuesday they had dropped away to almost nothing.

In spite of this deluge of mail matter, Postmaster Matthews and the staff came through smiling. It was again a big job well done.

Final Meeting Esquesing Council By-Laws Passed

Year-End Business Concluded — Relief Accounts are \$172.95 — Thanks to Reeve Robinson from Council

The December meeting of Esquesing Township Council was held on Friday 15th inst. Deputy-Reeve W. A. Wilson, Councilors C. H. May, G. W. Murray and Edwin Harrop were present. Reeve N. A. Robinson presided at the meeting. Communications were read from A. K. Wilson & Co., Mrs. Duncan Campbell, Department of Highways, Canadian Legion, Jenkins & Harney, W. R. Belyea and Hydro Electric Power Commission Ouelph.

Moved by Murray and May, that the Treasurer pay the relief accounts as presented by the Relief Officer, \$172.95. —Carried.

A by-law to grant permission to the Reeve and Treasurer to borrow money to meet the current expenditure of the Township was read and passed and the blanks filled in with the sum of eight thousand dollars.—Carried.

By-law No. 918 to provide for holding Municipal Elections for the year 1940, was also read as required and passed.

Council adjourned to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. C. Murray.
On Council resuming, the Treasurer was by motions instructed to pay the (Concluded on Page Eight)



Thanks for the Past
Best Wishes for the Future
Happy New Year to All

Big Attendance at Acton High School At Home

Presentation of Proficiency Shields and Athletic Shields and Medals to Pupils

The annual High School "At Home" last Thursday evening had an attendance of pupils, ex-pupils, teaching staff and friends, that filled the Town Hall to capacity. It indeed provided a most enjoyable social evening.

The presentation of awards to pupils was a big feature of the evening. The presentations were made by Mr. J. M. McDonald, Chairman of the School Board, and were as follows:

PROFICIENCY SHIELDS
The A. T. Brown Shield, for General Proficiency in Grade IX—Don Wood.
The Wm. Cooper Shield, for General Proficiency in Grade X—Margaret McPhail.

The H. H. Hinton Shield, for General Proficiency in Middle School — Marie Brunelle.

The Dr. Oullen Shield for Proficiency in Middle School Science—Rino Braida.

The Dr. Buchanan Shield, for Proficiency in Middle School Language—Helen Watson.

The Dr. McEwen Shield for Proficiency in Middle School English — Beverley Arnold.

The F. S. Blow Shield, for Proficiency in Middle School Mathematics—Marie Brunelle.

ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELDS
Intermediate Girl Champion, by the Acton Beauty Parlor—Marie Clayton.
Intermediate Boy Champion, by Reid's Electric—Erwin McKewen.
Junior Boy Champion, by Tyler's Transport—Clifford Young.
School Championship — Room Two (Grade Ten).

CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS
Junior Girl—Rena Braida.
Junior Boy—Clifford Young.
Intermediate Girl—Marie Clayton.
Intermediate Boy—Erwin McKewen.
Senior Girl—Mary Oulda.
Senior Boy—Ken Blow.

Doris Hull's Orchestra supplied delightful music for the dancing and Ernie Packer was the floor manager. During the evening refreshments were served. Principal and Mrs. M. M. Leitch, Miss H. Bell and Miss M. Jackson were on the Reception Committee. The whole evening proved a most enjoyable social event.

Contest in Nelson Township for Municipal Honors

Municipal nominations for the Township of Nelson, were held in the Township Hall on Friday last, with one of the largest crowds of ratepayers in attendance for several years, including a number of ladies. The meeting was quite lively at times, many ratepayers taking part in the discussions. The School Area question was the principal bone of contention, while on the other hand the Township assessment and increase in the tax rate this year was discussed.

Clerk J. A. Pettit presided for the nomination meeting, and the following candidates were nominated:

Reeve—John McEwen, Leslie Kerns, George Thorpe, Paul Fisher and Chas. Readhead. The last three withdrew, leaving the contest to McEwen and Kerns.

Deputy Reeve—Wm. J. Robertson and Charles Readhead.

Councillors (three to be elected)—G. J. Bell, Elmer Foster, Mrs. Mary S. Pettit, Leslie Peer, Colin Smith, John Allen, Martha Lindley, and David Hartley. David Hartley withdrew, and Martin Lindley and Lawrence Bell did not qualify.

And the Freeze-up Came

And How!

The ice makers had ice ready for the first hockey practice on Tuesday night—December 28th.

There was a preliminary center for both Intermediates and Juniors.

And what a bunch of starters! Over twenty out for the Intermediates and then some absentees.

And for the Juniors — more than enough for two teams.

We missed the Intermediate work-out, but they tell us Jack Kentner was first man on the ice and showed condition that had some of the other boys with their heels dragging.

Coach and Manager Vic Rumley was on hand. Practices will be likely quite regular now, as there is a good sheet of ice.

Bunk Holmes has a real sorting job and a task consisting those who don't get the first try-out on the line-up.

He says he could dress three teams. But the problem right now is to get enough uniforms to dress one team.

Secretary Jack Creighton tells us he has had word from Galt that the entry of the Air Force Team won't be able to play the first game in Acton next Wednesday. Holiday leaves have disrupted the squad and it was impossible to get a team here. The game will be played at a later date.

The Juniors are booked for Georgetown-to-night, and the game is on.

Bolton is due to play the Juniors here on January 4th.

Acton Intermediates are scheduled to go to Ferguson on January 5th.

Next week ought to see some real hockey stories.

WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICES IN THE ACTON CHURCHES

Monday — Service in the Anglican Church, conducted by Joint Young People's Societies.

Tuesday—In the Presbyterian Church. Speaker, the Rev. G. C. Gifford.

Wednesday—In the Baptist Church. Speaker, Rev. H. L. Bennie.

Thursday — In the United Church. Speaker, Rev. E. G. Baxter.

Rural Hockey Schedule for the Acton League

Six Teams in the Group — First Games Are on January 5th Medals to Pupils

FIRST ROUND
January 5th—8:00: Hornby vs. Huttonville; 9:00: Milton Bruins vs. Norval Monarchs; 10:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Lorne Scots.

January 6th—4:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Norval Monarchs; 9:00: Hornby vs. Milton Bruins; 10:00: Lorne Scots vs. Huttonville.

January 12th—8:00: Lorne Scots vs. Norval Monarchs; 9:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Hornby; 10:00: Milton Bruins vs. Huttonville.

January 15th—8:00: Huttonville vs. Georgetown Pirates; 9:00: Lorne Scots vs. Milton Bruins; 10:00: Norval Monarchs vs. Hornby.

January 22nd—8:00: Lorne Scots vs. Hornby; 9:00: Norval Monarchs vs. Huttonville; 10:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Milton Bruins.

SECOND ROUND
January 28th—8:00: Hornby vs. Huttonville; 9:00: Milton Bruins vs. Norval Monarchs; 10:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Lorne Scots.

January 30th—8:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Norval Monarchs; 9:00: Hornby vs. Milton Bruins; 10:00: Lorne Scots vs. Huttonville.

February 1st—8:00: Lorne Scots vs. Norval Monarchs; 9:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Hornby; 10:00: Milton Bruins vs. Huttonville.

February 6th — 8:00: Huttonville vs. Georgetown Pirates; 9:00: Lorne Scots vs. Milton Bruins; 10:00: Norval Monarchs vs. Hornby.

February 8th—8:00: Lorne Scots vs. Hornby; 9:00: Norval Monarchs vs. Huttonville; 10:00: Georgetown Pirates vs. Milton Bruins.

Semi-Finals First and Third Teams, best two out of three games; Second and Fourth Teams, best two out of three games.

Finals for Rumley Cup—Winners of above series, best three out of five games. In case of ties in points, the team with the most goals scored will be declared the winner.

PULP AND PAPER TOPS THE LIST

Topping the list of Canadian manufacturing industries with the largest net in the Industrial Department of the Canadian National Railways, is pulp and paper, according to a report of the National Railways. It has occupied first place in this respect since 1920 and also heads the list in the case of wages and salary distribution since 1922.

Model Airplane Building at Acton Y.M.C.A.



Photo this week shows part of the group of twenty-five boys who are participating in the Model Airplane Building Group at Murray Memorial Y.M.C.A. Instructor Neil McEwen, Jr., is caught by the camera explaining to some of the boys a few intricate details. President George Mason caught this camera study.

Dairy House and Equipment Cloverdale Farm Destroyed

Bro. F. J. Salt the Master of Walker Lodge

Installation of officers was a big feature last night at Walker Lodge, A.P. & A.M., when the following brethren were duly installed in the various offices for the year:
I.P.M.—W. Bro. R. A. Winton.
W.M.—W. Bro. P. J. Salt.
S. W.—Bro. R. P. Watson.
Secretary—Ver. W. Bro. R. M. McDonald.
Treasurer—Bro. W. K. Graham.
Chaplain—Ver. W. Bro. W. M. Cooper.
D. of C.—W. Bro. C. W. Wilson.
S.D.—Bro. W. G. Middleton.
J.D.—Bro. W. M. Neer.
I.O.—Bro. P. W. Pearen.
S.B.—Bro. M. J. Steele.
J.S.—Bro. H. Helwig.
Organist—Bro. T. Aitken.
O.G.—Bro. J. Jennings.

The impressive installation ceremony was in charge of the Past Masters. Following the installation, refreshments were served and a fraternal time spent.

Large Congregation at Christmas Mass at St. Joseph's

Midnight Mass was celebrated with a High Mass Christmas at St. Joseph's Church, Acton. The church was crowded to the doors, it being the largest congregation ever at any devotions in the history of the parish. At 11:45 the children's choir sang Christmas hymns, and at 11:48 the pastor, Rev. Father McBride, with the altar boys proceeded to the altar for the unvailing at midnight. The altar was beautifully decorated with red and gold flowers and lighted by many candles. The choir, which would do credit to any city parish, sang a special mass The Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei was from the mass of St. Basil and the Credo from the Mass of St. Aloysius. The Recessional Hymn was very sweetly rendered.

The pastor, after expressing his Christmas greetings, spoke on the text from St. Luke, "Peace on Earth to Men of Good Will." He showed how the Pope's first letter to the world gave the reasons which led to the present modern evils and to war—namely, denial of God, lack of the Divinity of Christ, which led to the lack of the universal law of morality. This led to lack of human solidarity and charity, which is grounded on the natural and our redemption. The other evil was the divorce of state authority from God's authority, which led to the denial of the rights of the family. These led to unrest, breach of the pledged truth and to war—the preference for force and armaments. The Holy Father pleaded with the world to return Christ the King to His right place in the world by prayer by all, young and old, and the return to the true Christian way of living.

Mass on Christmas Day was also celebrated at 8:00 a.m.

Nominations and Elections in the Nearby Centres

Milton, Trafalgar, Hillsburg and Other Nomination Results

HILLSBURG
Police Village Trustees (3) — Arthur Hart, Frank Gray, A. N. Barden, Tom Keenan, H. C. Bowes and Fred McMillin.

STREETSVILLE
Reeve — C. H. Falcomer, gentleman acclamation.

Councillors (4)—C. E. Canteon, coal merchant; S. S. Rice, well driller; H. E. Godard, salesman; W. Post, superintendent, all by acclamation.
Public Utilities Commission (1)—W. C. Andrews, merchant; G. H. Battle, sales engineer.

TRAFALGAR
Reeve—W. N. Gilbert, farmer, acclamation.
Deputy-Reeve—W. S. Hall, poultryman, acclamation.

Councillors (3)—W. S. Beatty, farmer; W. H. Morison, gentleman; A. H. Cross, engineer; Bismarck Post Farmer; Kenneth Oiler, farmer; F. D. Baker, seed dealer; Alex. Phillips, poultryman; J. E. Walker, traveller.

Water Commissioner, Area No. 1—R. F. Smith, farmer, acclamation; Area No. 2, Russell Lawrence, gentleman, acclamation.

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Early Morning Fire Burns New Plant, in Operation Less Than a Year — Neighbors Did Splendid Job in Saving Adjoining Buildings — Loss Between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

Fire, which was first discovered shortly after seven o'clock this morning, completely destroyed the dairy plant and equipment of Cloverdale Farm, owned by Mr. A. J. Murray, about a mile north of Acton. It is about an hour the whole building and plant was a mass of smouldering ruins.

It is thought the fire originated near the boiler of the pasteurizing equipment, as it was in this section when first discovered. As was usual, the fire had been put on the boiler and Mr. Murray and his son had gone to the barn to do the milking. This had not been quite completed when the fire was discovered. The building is situated between the main road and the farm.

Fortunately, there was little wind and, with the help of neighbors, the efforts were rewarded by confining the damage to the dairy building. A tractor and the truck stored in one end of the building were taken out and not damaged, but none of the dairy equipment could be salvaged.

The loss to Mr. Murray is a heavy one. The pasteurizing and dairy equipment was a fine new one that had just been in operation since January of this year. A new refrigerator had since been built and other equipment added to make the plant modern in every respect. Part of the building had only recently been constructed. Loss will run between \$3,000 and \$4,000, beside the inconvenience. Building and equipment are partially covered by insurance.

BURGLARS ATTEMPT BREAK-IN AT NORTON GARAGE

Last Friday morning, about five o'clock, burglars, attempted to break into Norton Motors garage. The intruders smashed in the glass in the front door. Mr. Norton and his sons were immediately aroused and the burglars made a hasty get-away, without entering the building. The car driven was a 1937 Dodge and an attempt was made to catch the machine but too big a start had been secured. It went west.

A new glass was put in the door the following day and this new one was shattered by a caller at the garage, who had over-indulged in intoxicating liquor. The proprietor is just wondering when it will be safe to put in another new glass in the door.

435 MILES OF DIAMOND DRILLING

If all the footage drilled in Canada by diamond drill operators on mineral deposits during 1929 under contract, were joined together, it would represent a depth of 435 miles, according to the Natural Resources Department of the Canadian National Railways. Canada is rich in mineral resources and the railways play an important part in their development.

The Christmas Services at the United Church

Christmas Sunday, December 24th, was fraught with exceptional interest at the United Church. Decorations of evergreen and poinsettia, in addition to a brilliant Christmas tree, provided an attractive setting, well suited to the occasion.

The Choir, in fine voice, rendered reverent selections bearing the Christmas message. The anthem for morning worship was "Arie! Shina" by F. C. Martham; while a chorus of women's voices sang "The Angel's Song" in three parts.

"The Candle Light Processional" constituted an impressive introduction to the carol service in the evening. The evening anthem was "Christmas Awake," by J. H. Mauser, while Mrs. W. J. Beatty rendered the solo "Silent Night" and Mrs. Wm. Maxwell (Ruth Gibson) sang "Bethlehem Town." The Junior Choir added to the happy service by leading their youthful voices to the "Ducant" in "The First Noel" sung by the choir and congregation.

In the Sunday School also there was introduced an attractive program of Christmas carols by a number of beautiful colored slides. The singing was led by Mr. E. J. Moore, and the orchestra.

The minister, the Rev. G. Gibson Gifford, brought fitting and helpful messages. The vocal sermon in the evening, rehearsed by Grieving Sunday Dr. Henry Van Dyke's "Wisdom: Story of the Other Wise Man."