Federal Elections March 26 J. E. Houck **Events Prior to Dissolution**

Hughes Cleaver, M.P., Writes 500 Frozen Bass Free Press on Briefest Session on Record - Extracts from in One Catch Speeches of the Leaders in at Fairy Lake Debate Before Putting Question Up to the Electors.

day we would find Parliament dissolved.

session of the House of Commons in September, and the head offices of both certainly was a great catch. of the major political parties were closed, yet it soon became quite apparent that we had a political truce in name only. While many of us refrained from political activities, there were many others who did not respect the truce. Many attacks upon the government apport to the pres and on the public platform. The climax of these attacks was reached fust a few days ago when the Provincial Legislature for Ontario passed a resolution condemning our war effort, with a very bitter personal attack upon the Prime Minister thrown in for good measure. The major part of this attack came after Parliament had been summoned to meet at Ottawa. Part of these attacks were doubtless made honestly and for patriotic reasons; but a large part of them would appear to have been made for selfish political purposes.

ed that it would be futile to attempt any constructive legislation in such an atmosphere, and have decided upon an immediate appeal to the people to let them choose a government to prosecute the war. When the election contest is over the government which is chosen by the people will then not be hampered by political intrigue, and will be able to devote its entire effort to the prosecution of the war. So far as I am personally concerned, politics have little interest to me when the Empire is faced with a life and death struggle and when the stakes are so high. While I am quite free to admit that we are all liable. to make mistakes and some minor mistakes have been made, yet in the light of all the circumstances I do not believe that more could have been accomplished in so short a time. In the coming campaign much will be made, at first in any event of the fact that Parliament was so quickly dissolved, but to me the only real issues are the unity of Canada and the prosecution of the war. We cannot lose sight of the fact unity. In the recent elections in Quebec, ment took their bolitical lives in their

the risk. 'In order that the people of this County may for their own opinion of the facts leading up to dissolution, verbatim extracts from the speeches of both leaders | m evidence. appear below.

Yours since rely.

(Prime Minister): May I say, Mr. Speak- first of the game. Taylor was the lone. er, that I had hoped that circumstances marksman for Burlington. This period might be such as would permit of an- was the same as the preceding two in other session of this Parliament being the respect that no penalties were handheld before a general election. But as ed out by Referee Terry. Ken Blow and I have said, no one can foresee what is Illy Buchanan, of the locals, are roundlikely to take place in a time of war, and ing up fine and will help bolster the local none can foretell the degree to which a lads. "Buckie" collected two assists and government may continue to enjoy the stopped many a Burlington thrust. The confidence of the people in carrying on locals are playing better hockey, and bethe affairs of the nation at so critical a fore long we should find them a welltime. I was careful therefore to say that balanced team. it would be desirable when Parliament next assembled to have had a careful! review in the interval of all circumstances which would bear on the question of whether it would be advisable to proceed in a period of war with a preelection session, or to have on the hustings such discussion as must necessarily. take place-in other words, to avoid two political battles, one in parliament and one on the hustings as well.

I have felt, I must say, up until a very short time ago that it was going to be possible, at a session called in the month: 8 Acton, Hillier (Goy) of January, to present to the parliament the measures which the government felt 10 Acton. Goy (Tyler) it would be necessary, before an appeal to the people, to carry through for the effective prosecution of the war. I had always been very much concerned as I think the house is well aware, about the long period of time required by our Cornish, defence; Williams, centre: Tay-Elections Act for a general election, for and J. Hall, wings; Bartlett, Bris-Under the Act and its administration I bane. Banks, Carr. alternates. think something like eight weeks is Acton-Holmes, goal; Hillier, Buchrequired to elapse between the date of anah, defence; Nichols, centre; Marso, tions in the churches will assist in the dissolution and the day of election. I Brush, wings; Goy, Footitt, Blow, Tyler. had felt that rossibly we might get over | Savage, alternates. the difficulty of having such a long interval while war was on and parliament (Concluded on Page Three)

flow of water was back to normal.

MISS M. Z. BENNETT ADDRESSES ACTON JUNIORS MEETING

last. After the regular business meeting, Harold MacIntyre took the chair for the program, which consisted of Solo by-Davidson: and musical numbers by Walter Couke. The gathering enjoyed a few ninutes of community singing and then Miss M. Z. Bennett gave a very interesting talk on her trip through the New England States, illustrating it with pictures and post cards which she brought back with her. Lorena Locker gave delightful piano solos. The Pre-Mr. King and his Cabinet have decidsident then thanked those who had helped with the program and the meeting closed with the National Anthem.

> Mr. Davidson then acted as auctioneer for the sale of the boxes. After hinch the club enjoyed an hour of dancing.

Juniors Clinch Play-off Berth by Two Wins

Burlington Good Margins in Two Games of Week - Milton Here on Monday By "COOKIE"

Acton Juniors retained the right to Mrs. Neil MoNabb.

In the first game here, last Thursday Acton arotted Burlington the first goal, and came back to score three before Quebec ministers in the King govern- Burlington notched their second counter. The score in the first period ended 4 to hands to further the unity of Canada in | 2 for the locals. Goal-getters in the our war effort. The result well justified first period were, Burlington, Carr and Williams: Acton, Nichols, 3, and Goy.

There were no penalties in that frame. The second period provided lots of excitement but no goals or penalties were

Acton fattened their goal average in was spent. the third and final frame, collecting four HUGHES CLEAVER. goals to the visitors one. Ernie Nichols LITERARY SOCIETY notched two, to bring his total up to AT BANNOCKBURN Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING five: Goy his second; and Hillier his

BUMMARY First Period

1		1 1100 1 01100	
1	1	Burlington, Carr	2.4
1	2	Acton. Goy (Buchanan, Blow)	- 8.3
i	3	Acton, Nichols (Brush, Marso)	10.3
	4	Acton, Nichols (Buchanan)	14.3
-	5	Burlington. Williams (Hall,	
٠.,	PT-1	Taylor)	17.b
1	6	Acton, Nichols (Hillier)	
•		Second Period	
i		No scoring-No penalties	
		Third Period	

7 Acton, Nichols (Marzo, Brush) 9 Burlington, Taylor 11 Acton, Nichols

No penalties. Referee F. Terry, Acton. The line-up was: Burlington-A. Lee, goal; Shepherd.

Acton returned from Burlington Monday night with another notch

Addresses Short Course Banquer

The closing banquet of the Nelson Short Courses in Agriculture and Home Economics was held in the Nelson Township Hall on Friday evening last, when the students and guests numbering 150 sat down to the delicious pariquet served by the ladies of the Nelson Presbyterian Church. The toast list included the fol-

The Class in Home Economics, proposed by Wm. Lucas and responded to Beardmore & Co., workmen investigated by Mary Angus; the Class in Agriculand examined the screen on the flume ture, proposed by Eva Vansickle, and at Fairy Lake. They found the intake responded to by Philip Bell; Our Guests, clogged with fish. The ice was cut away proposed by Mary Breckon and respondand frozen fish were cleared from the ed to by T. A. Blakelock, M.P.P.; Mrs. screen and it is estimated 500 fish, most Arthur Cowan, District President of the While a party truce was unanimously of them bass, were thrown on the bank Halton Women's Institutes, and Warden

> The guest speaker, Mr. J. E. Houck, of Brampton, was introduced by Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock, who acted as toastmaster for the even ing. Mr. Houck, in an inspiring address, took as his subject "Mind the Reference was made to the abyss facing the world at the present time and while the speaker was optin istic regarding the outcome of the war. he stressed the attention of his audience on the possible situation at the close of the war which in his opinion necessitates Miss Bessie Rawlings; readings by Chas, each and every one keeping in mind the thought conveyed in the three words. "Mind the Light," in order that their to-morrow might be the kind of tomorrow that they would be proud of as individuals, as Canadians and as mem-

The awards to the Short Course students were as follows: Clothing, Florence Economics Notebook, Eva Vansickle; vesterday afternoon, E. Thetford was in Agriculture, Public Speaking, Wm. chosen Secretary of Acton Full Fair and Lucus: Agricultural Notebook, George Hamilton; Stock Judging, Fred Bell. of the evening was devoted to dancing. Fair, owing to poor health. Mr. Wright

Congregation of United Church Held Annual Meeting

Bennett Orchestra.

A splendid gathering of the congregation of the United Church heard encouraging reports at the annual meeting. held last Thursday evening. Every department gave evidence of worth-while activity and progress. An item of interest was the presentation of a picture for the Sunday School from Mr. and

The congregation approved of a motion by counting four points at the expense to reduce the number on the Board of Stewards from fifteen to twelve. Those elected this year were Mansell Nelles. maximum this can only be attained by night, Acton defeated Burlington 8 to 3. Dr. E. J. Nelson, G. A. Dills and Garnet Beswick, A. T. Mann and W. J. Akins.

> meeting, the ladies served a delightful pany plant lunch and a most pleasant social time

ELECTS OFFICERS

The first meeting of the Bannockburn in Toronto. Literary Society was held in the school? on Friday last. Stanley Morrison, the Vice-President acted as chairman.

The following officers were elected: President-Stanley Morrison. Vice-President-Clarence Coles. Secretary-Treasurer-Irms Watson. Pianist-Dorothy Hutchinson. Assistant Planist-Ada Finlay. Executive-Louise Coles, Ada Pinlay,

Lloyd James, William MacDonald. all: Choruses by the school children: readings, Mrs. Stanley Morrison, Mrs. Fred Anthony; piano instrumentals, by Louise Coles and Mac Sprowl; recitation by Evelyn MacDonald. Lamch was served and a social time spent.

World's Day of Prayer Services. Held in Acton

At a meeting, held at the Manse, last week of the representatives of the variour churches in town, it was decided to hold the Day of Prayer this year in St. Alban's Anglican Church, on Friday, February 9th, at 3.00 p.m. The address will be delivered by Miss M. Masales and members of the women's organizaorder; of serivce. You are reminded of this date and of your duty in these days, to attend and join with Christian women of every country on this day in their prayers for courage, hope and peace.

MRS. GORDON HAYWARD

Native and resident of Acton for many rears, who passed away on Friday last in Toronto and whose burial took place n Tuesday in Pairview Cemetery, Acton.

J. E. Pearen is . President Halton Insurance Company

J. E. Pearen, R. R. No. I. Acton, head the Halton Union Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. for a second term.

Full confidence was shown in the mer managing the business when the complete slate of officers, with one exception, was returned, at the fiftieth annual Troops in England meeting held here on Monday, . George Finney, R. R. No. 1, Acton, takes the place of Duncan Campbell, Moffat, who retires owing to ill health, on the Board

ent: Victor Hall, R. R. 2. Hornby; Vice- Parss, and we are pleased doubly to have Lashy, Acton, E. F. Ford, R. R. I, Horn- part of It. Daniel Gray, Hillsburg, Leslie Kerns, Dear Jack: Freeman, George Finney: A. T. Moore, Campbellville, Secretary-Treasurer,

Milk Pasteurization Law Halton Council not let us off the boat, but I dropped a

Acton Fall Fair

will assume the duties immediately. Secretary F. I. Wright retires after eight years of splendid service to the the music for which was provided by the was honored by appointment to the Board, and it is hoped his services be retained in an advisory capacity. will attend the Fairs Convention Toronto in February with President Other matters of interest to the Fair made for the 1940 event. -

Commission May Purchase Machine

in Acton - Other Items of Business

Following the business part of the power meters at the Beardmore Com- Committee

A letter was presented from Ramshaw Insurance Agencies, enclosing a remittance for replacing of a bygrant, damaged by Mr. John D. Black, last fall. A letter from the Ontario Municipal-Electric Association notified the Commission of the meeting to elect officers to know. before the Winter Convention, to be held

A letter from the Electrical Employers Association notified the Commission of supper meeting, to be held in Teronto shortly. The letter was filed.

It was decided that Reeve J. B. Chalmers and Superintendent Wilson would attend the Ontario Municipal Electric Association Winter Convention in Toronto, on February 6th and 7th.

It was moved by J. B. Chalmers, and seconded by M. Symon, that the Secre-The following program was enjoyed by tary be instructed to pay the following accounts:

Hydro Department

ACTON PREE PRESS, printing for Cooking Forum Miss Dorothy Pootitt, assistant at Cooking Forum Bell Telephone Co., services H.E.P.C. of Ontario, power C.N.R. and Transports, express. J. C. Matthews, postage ACTON FREE PRESS, envelopes

Geo. MacDonald & Co., station-

Powerlite Devices, Ltd., globes

Canadian General Electric sup-

Waterworks Department Hydro Department, December operations Drummond & McColl Co. hydrant repairs

ater, disputed his last bill and the (Concluded on Page Fiet

County Council Work - Delegates to Road Convention not to Boards are Made.

lalton County Council was held Millon last Tuesday, with all members Minutes of the last meeting were read

and adopted. Correspondence was also

The new Warden, Reeve Finney, of Nassagaweya, addressed the Council briefly thanking the nominees who had withdrawn in his favor at the last meeting, then making his election unanimous. He also arged members of the Council to use every economy in their administration of County affair. time," said the Warden, "when economy has been more necessary than at the

Mr Gilbert As Chairman of the Good Rouds Committee, T would like to say that I shall endeavor, to the best of my ability, to co-operate with the Warden in every way possible. I would also like to Thaw Ground to urge that the various Deputy-Reeves shall feel free to express their opinion in any matter that comes up for discus-No Plans Yet for Range Campaign | ston. The Deputy-Reeves are sent here. just as much as the Reeves, to represent the electors of their municipalities Personally, I feel that my Deputy has just ! as much right to say what he thinks as . I have. As far as the Road Committee the following were chosen: Dr. W. G. Utilities Commission was held on Mon- is concerned, I can assure you that Cullen, A. T. Brown, E. Thetford and day evening. Commission M. Symon everything will be absolutely square and G. H. Brown, F. H. MacDonald and E. and Reeve J. B. Chalmers were present, above board, and a report of this Com-H. Vincent. Former Elders, who have with Chairman C. M. Hansen presiding, mittee will always be brought to the night when they went down to Paris, given praiseworthy service were made A letter was read from the Ontario Council so that it may be discussed and 2-1, in a heck, of a game. We know Honorary Elders. These were Messrs. E. Hydro Meter Department, reporting that in that way the Council may be kept there was an element of luck and a structed to secure a new uniform The

> shall be very glad to know just what the pened. Your diagnosis is as good as Road Committee is doing. It is embar- ours. rassing, to say the feast, to be asked. Marzo scored early in the first from

words. Mr. Gilbert, I know, had no inthe old Committee.

Mr. Gilbert nodded his agreement as Mr. Byers was talking.

Council adjourned. At 2.30 -p.m., Council resumed: Reports of the Standing Committees were read and then considered in Committee of the Whole, with Reeve Gilbert in the chair.

A resolution from Wentworth County which provoked a good deal of discussion, ran as follows: The following resolution was passe 10:00 at the January session of Wentworth

21.33 County Council: 'That this Council is 10.50 opposed to the drastic move taken by the Provincial Health Department 19 67 connection with pasteurizing of milk in rural districts and that a cony of this resolution be sent to all the Counties a rest, but Paris ragged the puck pretty in the Province, for their approval, and \$2,671.46 also to the Minister of the Departm at take it away from them. Paris con-

Mr. Kerns, referring to a Convention One consumer, who, uses a lot of in Toronta where Premier Mitchell Hepburn addressed the delegates, said that

PumperPurchase Discussed Auditors to Report Soon

First Letter from Acton Boy with

Last week Jack McGeachte received letter from his brother. Jim, who went verseas with the first contingent and is a soldier with the 4th Highlanders Jim is a graduate printer of THE PREE Milton, Second Vice-President; W. A. Acton boy and be permitted to publish

Well, we finally got here and are nearly frozen. It is really cold and we have one fire place to heat a room with 15 beds. Outside of that they are real comfortable barracks, and we get first class meals. I have a real cold and have We had quite a rough crossing. . The

note over to a cop to notify Aunt Jean and Jim Montgomery got down to the of the Arena for the Carnival. train just before we nulled out, so I saw

Aldershot is quite a big place, but after about 4.30 you can't see a thing; Exceed \$75 - Appointments to you practically have to use a flashlight and you can't buy them here. I sent some money to Mom>to send me one, R. J. McPherson, salary with some spare batteries, so if you see her, don't let her forget as it is quite necessary to have one ... You have no E Harron sainty idea what a black-out is like until you have been in one. It really is pitch black and the stores are open, that is, if you can find the door to get in.

> We are not far from London so I'l have to take a trip up. We are all out till midnight every night, if we don't go more than 20 miles away from barracks. You can tell Dills my change of address to Base P.O., Canada We haven't received any mail yet.

Tell everybody I was asking for them "There is no: I have to hurry and get dressed for parade, so I will close for now

Intermediates, Lose Two, Win One Play-off Fight, at the next meeting.

Fergus Here. To-morrow Night in Important Came -Paris and Elora-Win-but Galt Loses to Tannels

they had checked and corrected the informed of the work being done by this goal lost that should have counted, but on the play of the night Paris was the Mr. Hume-As one of the Deputy- best team. After giving the Black Reeves referred to I appreciate Mr Hawks a 10-4 trimming here the reverse Gilbert's remarks and I might add I has Jans wanting to know what hap-

what this Committee is doing, and not Lindsay. It was a good clean goal, with the rubber bouncing out of the net Mr. Byers-It rather sounds as if Mr. again. The goal judge said it wasn't very successful Carnival in the arena at Gilbert was casting some reflection upon and the argument only gave a change Milton on Tuesday evening. This is the the old Committee, or that they had of goal judge. Hayward drew a penalty first carnival to be held by this group. teen in the habit of keeping back infor- for holding Pipher. Acton finally bulged and plans are now under way for more. mation. I never knew that to be the the twine behind England and the puck The Action Club brought back all but case, and I am sure that that inference stayed in. The score was by Marzo at one of the primes that were competed ir not what Mr. Gilbert meant by his 1910, and was a shot from just inside for. The list of prize winners were as the blue line. The period didn't develop follows tention of casting any reflection upon much hockey, as it was just check,

Paris was content to bop, them at long Marks, Milton. range in the second period, but Woods handled them nicely. Norm Morton Murray; Acton. got in but England made a lovely save. Kempthorne tied up the count when Church and Walter Couke, Acton. Paris put on a power play, at 10.20. Woods had no chance on the Para Acton rush. Molozzie had what appeared a be a goal, but the shot was an offet c Mooney went off for trioping and Me-Cutcheon also did a rest period

Those who hoped to see Acton really out on the steam in the third period were disappointed. They just didn't 20 in for zoals, but England did a mighty nice job of handling what was peppered at him and was lucky too.

McCutcheon tripped Terry and went for well and the Tanners lacked the push to Thursday, Petruary 8th- 800 pm. tinued to check close. B. England and The Ladies of St. Alban's W. A will At the outset of the discussion, Reeve Pipher mixed it up and both went to \$71.99 Gilbert said there were cases in Trafal, the penalty box. As the persod closed, made Baking on Saturday. Pebruary gar where people were going to farmers Paris ganged the Acton end and with 17th in the Parish Hall 20.10 and buying milk that was not pasteur- ten seconds to go, flipped one past Woods for the winning goal . The score

Molozzie, defence; N. Morton, centre; B. People's Union.

Fire Insurance and Bonds are Reviewed by Council - Signs to Regulate Parking-By-laws are Passed Confirming Appointments - New Uniform Ordered for Chief E. Harrop.

Councillors W. J. O. Oakes, J. H Creighton, F. Davison and B. M. Sin clair were present on Tuesday evening when Acton Council mgt and Reeve J B. Chalmers presided.

Representatives of the Chapters of the LO.D.E. and the Canadian Legion were present and gave an outline of the work these Societies are doing. They were really service organizations, doing a community work and assisting the town in many ways. In view of this, they asked the co-operation of the Council in the Carnival that was being but on They requested that Council reconsider the resolution passed at the last meeting and that free use of the Arena be given for this event and also use of the hall when requested at a later date.

The previous motion was rescinded and the Societies were granted free use The fourth report of the Finance Warden Urges Economy in All him for a few minutes. I expect to go on Gommittee recommended payment of the following accounts

W. R. Lashbrook, supplies for January 15th James Mills, salary

A by-law was introduced, read and passed, appointing a Municipal Officer, Chief of Police, and Assessor and Tax Collector for 1940. Mr. E. E. Harrop was named as the officer in this by-law. Salary was \$100 per month

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Another by-law was read and passed, aimointing a Medical Officer of Health for 1940. Dr. E. J. Nelson was named in this by-law. Salary was \$75.00 an

The Board of Health for 1940 was named as follows: Reeve Chalmers, Dr. E. J. Nelson and C. W. Mason.

E. E. Harrop was appointed West and Sanitary and Milk Inspector for the year. The Clerk reported that the Auditors had been at work on the books of the Municipality and hoped to have their report ready for presentation to Council

The Municipal Officer's report on those who should be paying licenses was presented and read by Council. A report on the collections was also given. Instructions were issued for immediate collection of the amounts owing.

A letter from the Guelph General Hospital gave notice of admittance of The Tanners slipped badly last Friday an indigent patient. Investigation was

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Acton Club Won Many Prizes at County Carnival

The Halton Junior Parmers held a

Best Costume-Ted Anderson Acton Best Gentleman's Costume -- Harold Best Lady's Costume - Miss Velma

Best Costumed Couple-Miss Deroth Club with Most Skaters in Costurne

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conerte or Other Evente, under this beading, are charged, so cents per line, with a minimum charge for any

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Wrestling Bouts at the YMCA

hold a Valentine Tea and Sale of Home-

A local play, "The Old-fashioner Mother," in Acton Town Hall, Tuesday, Petrtary 13th. Tickets now on sale Acton - Woods, goal; Bayline and Adults 25c. Auspices United Young