Four Home-Print Pages-Five Cents

Knox Church Anniversary Marked by Many Features

Visiting Speakers Were From Milton and Brampton - Miss Daw son, of Milton, was Guest Soloist - Splendid Music by Choir and Quartette - Ladies' Aid Provided Anniversary Supper

Many features marked the ninety-sixth anniversary, last Sunday, of Knox Presbyterian Church. Good congregations attended both the services on Sunday. Splendid sermons were delivered by the bers of definite club projects organized Helen. visiting ministers and the special music at Guelph was a meeting of champions. provided by the choir, visiting soloist and juartette made this anniversary occasion a notable event.

At the morning service Rev. John Riddell, B.A., of Milton, was the minister. He chose his text from the seventh verse of the fourth chapter of Second Timothy: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept or, as the speaker put it, a letter-by an

may try everything else but there is only one way and Paul had discovered that

This charge was a challenge to us as well as to Timothy. Power of the spirit; of two boys each from 21 of the 35 clubs gave Paul victory in life and death and organized this year. Here the Halton it was just that power and faith that we team, which placed fourth, was repreneed in this present day.

vice was "The Lord Is My Shepherd," both of the Acton Boys' Foal Chib with solo part taken by Mr. Wm. Bur-

tion of the United Church withdrew their I cams previously mentioned and of Halservice and attended the anniversary ton Junior Farmer and Junior Home-The speaker was Rev. A. Neil Mil'er, maker work in general. The big day's

B.D., of Brampton. tament and was based on the twenty- east of the Ontario Agricultural College. first chapter of Genesis, which is the and at which Hon, P. M. Dewan, Minstory of Abraham casting Hagar and ister of Agriculture for Ontario, was the her son out of his household and their guest speaker. wandering into the desert. The text was part of the nineteenth verse, "And God FREE PRESS FINDS opened her eyes and she saw."

The present day is a time of seeing WIDE AREA and reality of the world in which we live. Whether the story told in this part of the Bible is history is not of importance. a sfory of personal affairs, and it contains the seed of the truth of God's

There is the reluciance of Abraham to send Hagar away, and the reluctance of Hagar to go. But it was God's purpose and both had to obey His will. God has a purpose in all things, although we may not see it at all times. We often complain of these bad situations, forgetting that God's purpose is always for good. We need to learn to believe that in His ruling these trials are the thing that are necessary. That is the only spirit in which we can meet the seeming harshness of to-day.

These apparently harsh dealings are not harsh at all. The plight of Hagar was not accidental, but of God's design. But we do need the faith that will stand up to the realities of the world. Only in the hard realities can we come to the knowledge of our destiny.

· Hagar's experience in the wilderness brought her to her knees before God She prayed as never before. To-day cause. Hitler only has power as God wills it and when He wills this man will

never before. If we knew- God's word since, police report. Since all his clothes nothing to bring in our peace. The way out of the stupid security of the Chris-

into the Christian realm of to-morrow. The anthem by the choir at the even- MASQUERADE DANCE ing service was "Son of My Soul." The male quartetie gave a very appropriate number and a male quintette of the buted another fine section: Mr. F. Salt. choirmuster, presided at the organ, asaccompaniment for the quartette.

During the day an anniversary offering was received.

On Monday evening the Ladies' Aid of the church provided the bounteous McLaughlin. (Concluded on Page Three)

Halton Swine Team Emerge Provincial Champions

The annual Provincial Inter-Club and Concert on Monday Even- contests were held at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, on Friday of ast week. From Renfrew, in the east, to Lambton in the west, and Cochrane in the north, came 360 club members to vie for Provincial Honors. Junior Farmers represented 5,311 memin Ontario in 1940. In short, the event

Halton was well and worthily represented by teams of two young men in JUNIOR FARMERS each of the following projects, namely: HELD HALLOWE'EN Swine, Foal, Dairy Cattle and Grain. While a'l four of the Halton rnade a magnificent showing, the outstanding achievement from a Halton viewpoint was the win by Angus Mcthe faith." The lesson from which this Nabb and Bruce Reid, representing the text is chosen is Paul's charge to Timothy Georgetown Boys' Club in the Swine Club event. Of the 28 Swine Clubs older man to a young man. Paul, at this organized in Ontario in 1940, 19 were retime, was nearing the end in a Roman presented in the competition. As Provincial champions the Halton team were the winners of the "Farmer Trophy."

With faith we have power to make a ... In Dairy Cattle Halton was represented by a team composed of Donald We Peer and George Pelletterio, both of the Milton Holstein Calf Club. These young men, in a competition which brought out 36 club teams, placed third.

The Foal Club contest brought trams sented by George Heatherington, Free-The anthem by the choir at this ser- man, and Lloyd Stokes, Campbellville,

The Grain Club project found 40 of ton. Miss Dawson, of Milton, contri- the 62 clubs organized with representabuted a splendid solo, "How Lovely Are tives on hand. Halton was represented Thy Dwellings," and the male quartette by George Hamilton and Wm. Lucas, of Messrs. W. Burton, Alex. Mann, F. both of Freemen, representing the Nel-Salt and George Musselle, sang "I Sing son Boys Grin Club. In placing fifth in this strong competition they main-At the evening service the congrega- tained the high standard of the club program culminated in a banquet, pre-'His text was taken from the Old Tes- sided over by Dr. G I. Christie, Presid-

MARKET OVER A

medium grade wool. Newfoundland is improving her flocks by importing good breeding ewes of the Oxford Down breed from Ontario. This breed is the heaviest producer of this grade of wool, the kind used in uniforms, blankets, sweat-

ers and socks. A carload of sheep was shipped to Newfoundland from Guelph recently, which included four ewe lambs from the Rockwood Sheep Club,

The Rockwood Sheep Club has also succeeded in selling ten rams to the Dominion Government, to be used on Northern Ontario · flocks.

Many of these ewes and rams are from locks advertised in THE FREE PRESS. A good product, well advertised, is

FEAR FARM HAND LOST LIFE WHEN BARN BURNED

The ashes of a large barn on the farm of J. J. Thompson, Stewarttown, were searched by Provincial police for the remains of Carl Scott Rosendale. The farmer's hired man was believed burned to death in the spectacular blaze, which destroyed the barn on Sunday night. Provincial Officers George Cookman and

A O'iver were in charge of the search Ro endale, a native of Lisle, had been He had finished his work shortly before and belongings are still at the Thompson home, it is believed he was trapped.

tian world of the past may be the way BLOOMSBURY LITERARY SOCIETY HOLDS A

same voices and Mr. F. Coles, contain evening, October 25th. Came's were Then, when the growth of Hydro requirsisted by Mr. Ted Hansen, playing the costumes went to Mrs. McLaughlin and present fine quarters in the Murray

Mr. Ted Anderson Lorena Locker and Mr. C. vanGoozen.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S HELD A HALLOWE'EN PARTY

The Young People's Society of th Baptist Church held a Hallowe'en party on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr.

all unmasked, tongues were loosened. and a number of well known choruses and rounds were sung, with Mr. Chas.

Mr. L. Veldhuis was the leader of the group in charge, and had several games arranged, including a questionnaire contest, conducted by Miss Jessie Coles.

everyone was given a small 'Hallowe'er autograph book to keep as a souvening the occasion, and a delicious lunch nas served by Mrs. West, Wilma and

party, in spite of the bad weather.

The regular meeting of the During the evening prizes were awarded the coastline is as varied, as long, and ACTON MAN

Best Lady's Costume -Lorena Locker. Best Gent's Costume- - Jack Locker Best Lady's Hallowe'en Costume

Best Couple's Costume Ada Findlay

Best Comic Costume Wilmer David-Most' Ridiculous Costume

Best Disguise Bob Marshall, was served and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing

O. A. C. SPEAKER ADDRESSED MEETING

ment of the Ontario Agricultural College in Guelph was the guest speaker at the regular bi-monthly supper meetirg of the Acton Y's Men's Club, last

Thursday evening Prof. Be'l illustrated his talk lantern slides, which clearly dericted the extensive work being carried on among the junior farmers in the rural com-

Nova Scotia Bank Will Occupy New

Due to the increased demand for Old Post Office Building Removed to Make Way for Fine New Structure

completed and ready for occupation in!

February. cavation for the basement was com- day on the French-Spanish border. menced. This is now under way and erection of the building will start im- October 24th, when the French Chief of

mediately. The old building that was removed had Hitler at Tours, in German-occupied quite a history. It was creeted in 1877 France. Petain returned to Vichy on by the late James Matthews to house THE FREE PRESS, which had, under the ownership of the late Joseph Hacking. thews building. It was occupied for about two vears by THE PREE PRESS until the business was removed to its present

Then the building became Action's Post Office and as such was occupied working for Thompson hearly two years - erected, in 1913. But it did not always eccupy its present site. It was moved the fire broke out, but has not been seen, there to make room for the new Post Office and some of the older folks tell us assurance was given at that time that it would only be temporarily on Mill Street. For twenty-seven years it has been there and served a variety of pur-

he ping of ice cream.

Weekly War Commentary

Specially Written for The Acton Free Press by

LEON EDEL Canadian Press Staff Writer

Leaders of Britain and the Empire speak increasingly of the great offensive war to come. Prime Minister Churchill has predicted that air mastery will be gained in 1941; and he speaks of 1942 as the year Britain will go to the attack. "The day we can take the offensive" approaches steadily," said Colonial Secretary Lord Lloyd recently. "We have to carry this fight into the enemy's fields." A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, declared in turn.

In this 61st week of war, when a winter's deadlock looms, it is perhaps difficult to envisage offensive action on sard land. The Royal Air Force's hard-hitting bombers are blasting the channel ports into uselessness. And Germany controls, in principle, a long strip of coast, stretching from Arctic Norway to

But "controls" is a 'relative word when in some spots as tortuous, 'Fortifying HAD NARROW ESCAPE that coastline and manning it would be WHEN CAR DITCHED an undertaking even too great for the ambitious Axis powers, who usually stop at nothing. It would spread their manpower thin and consequently would be far from attack-proof.

It is questionable, further, Laura and Belgium and turn those countries 250 feet on the shoulder of the road feel the tread of an invader, and many from the slight damaged vehicle without believe that this tread should be that mjury. Provincial Traffic Officer E. A. of the marching men of the Empire

The Netherlands coast probably would Mercury. serve the purpose of offensive best. bridgeheads could be established, a O. A. C. STUDENTS straight piercing drive, with the blessrigs of Netherlanders, both outside and within Ho'land, could be directed at the Reich. The distance across Holland to the German frontier is the shortest from any Channel points, although the Channel crossing is longer by some hours than from Dover, Calais or Folkestone. Prerequisite for such an exploit, biviously

would be mastery of the air. One way of looking at such a stroke is to think of it as Dunkerque in reverse. If thousands of men were withdrawn from the continent against such terrible odds and by improvised means how much easier will it be to land men when the odds are diminished and every step has been calculated-and when the Mill St. Building men are the trained troops of Britain and the Dominions who have been itchand the Dominions who have been itch- Receive Attentions the Halton Presbyterial of the W.M.S. of ing for a chance to get at the Nazis

In Front Line Canada's so'diers may be expected to play a conspicuous part when the Empire's great land offensive starts. An-The building on Mill Street, which nouncement was made October 26th that overseas had-moved into the front line of the United Kingdom's defences in the Battle of Britain, It marked the first an important sector of the coast.

The world was left guessing while nightly session: Adolf Hitler, in a series of conferences. Workmen started last Thursday morn- met representatives of Spain and France ing demolishing the old frame structure, last week. Following up a talk with which is one of the old landmarks on Pierre Laval, French_Vice-Premier, Octhe street. By Monday the structure tober 22nd, the German Fuerhrer and was entirely removed and work of ex- General Franco, of Spain, met the next

The manoeuvres were further extended Department of National Revenue. . State, Marshal Petain, conferred with J. C. Matthews, postage (Concluded on Page Four)

MAKES-WAY-FOR BANK BULLDING



For the Best Representative Costumes Some of us who are not so old can recall Mill Street for nearly seventy years and tend to plant work first, as this cound on October 10th: -Mrs. Ross Gordon and Mr. Charles when the land where the new tank was, from 1879 to 1913, Acton's Post not be neglected to do repairs on applibuilding will now stand was an "ice cream Office, was torn down this week to make ances. hot supper, which has always been a Lunch was served and the remain- lawn," and on Saturday nights the odd a site for the new Bank of Nova Scotta Chairman C. M. Hansen and Commis- coats; 6 abdominal bandages; 12 bed- Thursday, November 7th, from 7 to 9 feature of the anniversary occasion. This der of the evening was spent in danc- nickel was exchanged for a generous building, that will be erected here for sloner M. Symon were present at the pan covers; 36 face masks; 82 hand- p.m. Parents and friends are invited to

MASQUERADE AND SOCIAL BY COMBINED YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUPS

Union of the United Church held a very enjoyable Hallowe'en party, having as their guests the Young People of Knox Presbyterian Church and St. Alban's Anglican Church.

The President, Mr. John Pell, welcomed the visiting groups. Rev. E. A. Brooks Short in Annual was in charge of a period of devotional prayer... Rev. G. C. Gifford led in a rousing sing-song. Miss Esther Taylor gave a reading on "Hallowe'en."

tumes, the prize winners were as fol-

Lady's Fancy Costume- Doris Wilson A number of group games were enjoy

A very delicious lunch was served Miss Laura Johnston and her commit-

Blinded by g'aring headlights, 70-yearold George H Ridley, of Acton, escaped serious injury miraculously Saturday night when the car he was driving collided with a telephone pole and turned over Britain wants to attack through France! Ridley, police stated, travelled close to

ground. The Third Reich has yet to side in the dilch. The driver crawled Webb, of Guelph, investigated.--Guelph

Two bus loads, about seventy-five the fouth year students of the O.A.C. Guelph, visited on Monday at the poultry farm of Mr. J. B. Watkins, a mile west of Acton. The group were brought to this modern and well-equipped farm for practical information, observing the flock and inspecting the equipment. They spent about two hours there and were delighted with the fine flock of Barred and White Rocks.

Several Matters

Repairs on Appliances Must Not Interfere with Work on Plant Maintenance

payment on Tuesday night when Acton Public Uti itles Commission met in fort-

Hydro Account H.E.P.C. of Ontario, lamps Canadian General Electric Co., McDonald Electric, Ltd. supplies Inspection Department, fees C.N.R. and Transports

Waterworks Account

notice of an adjustment that had been was not satisfactory to the Commission as the account had been paid, and dealt with the Fall Fair power account. Another letter from the Commission' said the metre equipment at the Beard- in charge, and the meeting closed with niore plant had been inspected and found prayer and the singing of the National

L. Wright, to be attached to insurance McKay. Convener, held a short meeting policies in force. It was deemed advis- after the Executive closed. able to have such endorsations on other! The hostess, assisted by Mrs. policies --

very satisfactory.

general account of the Corporation. The list of arrears was checked by the Commission and instructions issued for their disposal. The Secretary was instructed to write

ing of water services. The matter of service on appliances

After a parade of the masquerade cos-

Best Hallowe'en Costume — Kerwin

McPhail (Clown). Best Hallowe'en Couple-Gordon Leslie and Mrs. John Pell (cats). Gent's Fancy Costume-Ted Ander-

Representative Costume -- Martin Has-

HALTON PLOWMEN HOLD ANNUAL MATCH ON NOVEMBER 1st

Hume farm, in Nelson Township, will

The recent achievement of John Lis ter and Harry Picket at the International has demonstrated unmistakably that Halton plowmen can compete with the best and therefore the Open Jointe Class will result, it is anticipated, in real array of champions in competition. The dinner in the evening will be held in the Milton Town Hall, where, in addition to the presentation of prizes the program will include numbers by the Lowville Quartette and the Campbellville

Fall Meeting of United Church W.M.S.

The fall meeting of the Executive of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mission Band dismissed. Utilities Comm. of Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mission Band after- Mr. G. W. Murray appealed the assess Twenty-seven women were present, including ten Auxiliary Presidents The deed did not call for the amount and two members of the Hamilton Con- of land for which he was assessed. In ference Branch Executive, Mrs. R. M.

The President, Mrs. Earl Wilson, wa Anthem.

Endorsements were received from F. The Nominating Committee. Miss E

Brownridge, served tea after the after-The Secretary was instructed to trans-noon session. At noon, members of the fer \$500 from the operating account to Ashgrove Auxiliary served dinner in the Sunday school room to members of both the Presbytery and Presbyterial

OCTOBER SHIPMENT the Council, drawing their attention to ACTON AND DISTRICT filling of ditches, necessary to avoid freez- RED CROSS SOCIETY

20 dozen pillowcases; 6 sheets:

Assessment Appeals Heard On Tuesday evening the Young People's and 1941 Roll Confirmed

Acton Nearly \$700 **Red Cross Drive?**

Reports to the Treasurer of Acton and District Red Cross, Mr. W. K Graham, indicate that this community is still quite a distance from its objective. To date the collectors have turn-

rd in \$1,343. This amount represents collections Acton only. The canvass in the rural sections has not yet been comp'eted. Last year Acton raised \$2,000 and the on the property at the corner of Fairdistrict \$1,000 of the total of \$3,000. Hi view Avenue and Main Streets. Present Acton is to measure up nearly \$700 more a sessment on the building was \$200 and is required. What wi'l the answer be? \$200 on the land. Mr. Bennett thought until the war is won. Two bits from high, but was satisfied with the land

On Friday of this week the W. R. Counties. The annual match of the Halton County Plowmen is now recognized throughout the Province as one of the best county matches in Ontario. We understand from Secretary J. E. Whitelock that entries and applications for teams are already rolling in. The prize list is up to its usual high standard, in fact, there are several new features sponsored by Halton firms and individuals which add interest and edu-

cational value.

Held at Ashgrove

Clements and Mrs. A. Speight

The worship periods were conducted Accounts, as follows, were passed for by Miss L. Sheridan and Mrs. J. W. received from the Secretaries. The Mountain, value \$310.00. The Temper- was undertaken. ance Secretary asked that individual members of the W.M.S. again write to changes of ownership in property listed the Federal and Provincial members for since assessment was made in order that Halton, urging the lessening of the sale notices would go to the proper owners.

of liquor during war time. on furlough from India, is being ar- of Revision amounted to \$580 and the ranged for the Presoyterial for Novem- assessment will be \$789.906.16, a slight ber 27th, 28th and 29th. Letters were increase over last year. sent to our missionaries, Mrs. Gordon Agnew, recently returned from Chengtu. 1941 Assessment Roll at the above figure. Canadian Brass Co., supplies \$138.31 China, and Miss Ruth Nelson, Acton, on furlough from Kitamatt, BC. The A letter from the Ontario Hydro gave thanks of the Executive were extended FORCE BOWLERS to the ministers of the Presbytery, who LOSE IN TUESDAY made to cover an error. This, however, were meeting at the same time in Ashgrove Church, for making it possible, by the use of their cars, for some of the ladies to attend the Executive.

Following is the list of supplies that was discussed and it was considered es- were made by Acton and District Red The o'd frame building that stood on sential to have the Superintendent at- Cross and forwarded to headquarters

surgeon's gowns, and caps; 12 hospital

Figure is \$790,006.16, Which is a Slight Increase Over 1940 Amount - Some Appeals are Allowed but Only Few Complaints Made-Council Requests Esquesing Keep Road to Dump

Acton Council met on Monday evening as a Court of Revision to hear appeals on the 1941 Assessment. The oath was taken by the Reeve and all the Council-

Open During Winter.

John H. Bennett asked a reduction Surely Acton will not s'acken the effort the assessment on the building, was too assessment. Council favored a reduction

of \$50 on the building. H. H. Hinton asked for relief because the stone house on Main Street was vacant, under Section 125 of Assessment. Act. It was considered, in its present state, unfit for habitation, although there had been opportunity to rent the property. The land was assessed for \$200 and the house for \$300. decided to reduce the assessment on the house \$100 as long as the property re-

gave his explanation of the assessment on land and buildings. Council decided the assessment, as made, should remain

Four lots on Queen Street, now assessed to Canadian National Railways, should be assessed to Beardmore & Co., and this change was made.

Mrs. Nellie Storey complained the assessment on the property, at John and Church Streets, was too high. The building was assessed at \$1,100 and land at \$200. It was decided to make the building assessment \$900 and land remained unchanged

increase on his property on Mill Street rom \$25 to \$50. There were four lots in the parcel. Council decided no lower assessment could be granted. Thos, Morton claimed his business

assessment at \$150 was too high. This

Mr. J. F. Davison complained of the

compared with similar assessment and no change was made. Mr. N. F. Moore complained of the assessment on his property on Main Street, because there had been no attention paid to the drainage of the creeks on adjoining property and in addition to high water in lower pond, the upper pond has been drained completely.

adding silt and water. The appeal was ment of a lot on Mill Street, at \$200. view of this shortage of land the assess-

ment was made to \$170. Reeve Chalmers asked Mr. Murray. to request Esquesing Council to keep the Chapman . Encouraging reports were Third Line open during the winter, so that there could be access to the town Supply Secretary reported thirty-two dump at all times. This would be necesbales sent to Gibson Reserve and Moore sary if a new system of garbage collection

The Clerk was instructed to make

The total assessment this year was An itinerary for Miss E. M. McLeod, \$790,486.16. The changes at the Court

A motion was passed confirming the

NIGHT GAME, 5-2

The Force Bowling Team were defeated 5-2 on Tuesday night by the Colonial Dresses Team The local team had an off night, only getting a good score in the second game, which they won.

The score: M. Roote H. Otterbein 181 171 120 477 121 172 149 442 W. Corry 210 292 - 137 639 169 131 72 372 Porce Electric 807 1040 663 2510

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conrerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, to cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of ac.

Parenta Night at Acton Public School

and Mrs. Fred West. The first half hour was spent in trying to identify each other, after which Landsborough at the organ.

After a few games of table tennis

Best Gent's Hallowe'en Costume

After the prizes were presented, lunch

YS MEN'S CLUB Prof. Bell, of the Chemistry Depart-

munities of Ontario.

was noted last week, will be occupied a considerable number of Canadian forces by the Acton branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia and will be built to meet stone and modern treat and be of solid time that Canadian troops had guarded brick construction. It is expected to be

In 1915-16 it was the recruiting station for the army for the Wor'd War. The The Bloomsbury Literary Society held Acton Checker Club whiled away many masquerade and dance on Friday an hour here, studying the next move. played and the costumes' were judged, ed an office and building, this was its The prizes for the best Hallowe'en home until the office was moved to the Memorial Y M.C.A. building. It's 'ast .For the Best Comic Costumes-Miss occupant was Mr. Wm. Evans, who conducted a meat shop here for some years.



the Acton branch.