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County Council Endorses and Supports Victory Loan

Support of Farmers and All Urged by Speakers at Meeting on Tuesday — Resolution from Perth County Regarding Farmers and Military Service is Endorsed.

At a meeting of Halton County Council held in Milton last Tuesday the following gentlemen addressed the council in connection with the present Victory Loan Campaign. Mr. Paul Fisher, Chairman of County Committee; Mr. L. C. Amy, County Organizer; and Mr. A. S. Auld, Secretary to Mr. Fisher, Ottawa, who is coming to Mr. Fisher, Ottawa, to help him in his work. Mr. Fisher, Ottawa, thinks that a greater effort should be made by them in this Victory Loan campaign than has been done in the past. "Ottawa also asks," said Mr. Fisher, "that rural committees be set up to help canvassers in their work. As to the financial standing of the farmer, I was asking a bank official the other day if farmers, as a whole, had more money in the bank than formerly. His answer was, 'No, they haven't more money but their credit is better.' So it just comes to this—farmers will have to buy bonds, and if they haven't the cash then they must buy to the full limit of their credit."

Mr. Amy: "As Mr. Fisher has told you a request has come from Ottawa for local committees to back Victory Loan canvassers in every way possible. Ottawa is asking that a special drive be made in rural areas and the reason they give is this:

1. That there have been good crops nearly everywhere in Ontario.
2. That farm prices have improved considerably.
3. That in recognition of the fact that the farmer does not pay income tax, nor does he come under the compulsory savings plan, therefore he should be able to give greater support than formerly and where ready cash is not available he should be ready to buy to the full limit of his credit."

Mr. Auld was the next speaker and suggested that the County Council consider the purchase of Victory Bonds amounting to \$50,000, this amount to be shared by the municipalities according to their assessment.

The matter was threshed out pretty thoroughly in open council and while members were unanimous in their decision to help rural canvassers they also felt they had neither the right nor the available funds to purchase bonds for the county which eventually would have to be paid for by direct taxation.

Said Mr. MacDonald: "The government has the power to impose direct taxation—why pass the buck along to us?"

Mr. Kerns: "Farmers have had a (Continued on Page Eight)"

Norval Speaker Addresses Knox W.M.S. Meeting

Mrs. Leggett of Norval was the guest speaker for the autumn Thanksgiving meeting of the W.M.S. of Knox Presbyterian Church on October 15th.

Ladies of the congregations of the Baptist, Anglican, and United Churches of Acton and of Nassagaweya and St. David's Church, Campbellville, were guests.

Mrs. E. E. Barr presided and the devotional period was led by Mrs. H. Mainprize and Mrs. Forbes. Thank son, Mrs. Cameron Leishman, rendered a very appropriate solo "Watch and Pray."

Mrs. Leggett's address was based on the 116th Psalm and was a very inspiring message. At the close a period of social fellowship was enjoyed.

DUBLIN LITERARY RE-ELECTS OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

The annual meeting of the Dublin Literary Society was held on Oct. 16th, and the following officers were re-elected for the coming year:

Honorary President—Mr. Walter Linham.
President—Mrs. H. E. Frankel.
Vice-President—Miss Molly Cogg.
Secretary—Mrs. Walter Linham.
Treasurer—Mr. Dunlop.
Executive Committee—Mr. A. Ross, Mrs. J. Black, Mrs. C. Somerville.
Pianist—Miss Margaret Somerville.
Assistant Pianist—Miss Dorothy Frank.

The literary decided to hold its first regular meeting on Nov. 6th, in the form of a Halton County social. The business part of the meeting closed with the National Anthem. Lunch was served and a social time spent.

Championships Are Decided in School Athletic Events

Championships were decided with the running of the final events at Acton Public School. Bill Knight is senior champion with 19 points and Bill Clayton a close second with 18 points.

Joan Coles is senior girl champion with Shirley Kentner and Margaret Anderson runners-up.

Junior boys' championship was won by Fred Kentner with 24 points and Melbourne Blow another close second with 23 points.

Elnaie Arbie won the Junior Girls' Championship with 18 points and Kathleen Corry and Eileen Moore were tied for second place.

Following are the events, results of which were not determined in time for publication last week.

Senior boys' hop, step and jump—Bill Clayton, Lorne Arbie and Bill Knight.

Senior girls' hop, step and jump—Joan Coles, Marion Fryer and Aileen McIsaac.

Senior boys' softball throw—Bill Knight, Reggie Spiers, Jack Kentner.

Junior boys' softball throw—Melbourne Blow, Fred Kentner, Ray Everdale.

Senior girls' softball throw—Shirley Kentner, Dena Braida, Dena Franciscato.

Junior girls' softball throw—Aileen Moore, Kathleen Finley, Elnaie Arbie.

Seaman H. Dron Addressed I.O.D.E. At October Meeting

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, held their October meeting at the home of Mrs. Jas. Symon, on Tuesday evening, Mrs. W. J. Beatty, Regent, presiding. The usual routine business was disposed of.

One hundred and thirty dollars was donated to the Acton War Service and Vicinity League. The receipts of the tag day for the blind amounted to ninety dollars. A letter of appreciation was sent to Principal M. Letch to be conveyed to the girls of the High School for their help in this project.

Mrs. H. Mainprize and Mrs. R. H. Elliott were appointed to take charge of the collection of magazines and books for the soldiers. A notice of tribute in memory of the late Mrs. Bishop, a charter member of the Chapter was to be sent to the "Echoes."

Able Seaman H. Dron, gave a very interesting talk of his experiences on his trips up to the present with the Navy, after which a social half hour was spent and the members appreciated his discussion with Mr. Dron after his talk when he answered their questions.

FIRST LOCAL BULLETIN

The first summary on the progress of the Victory Loan Campaign shows that early start counted. Acton is standing second in the County in the number of subscriptions and in per cent. of its quota raised. Ottawa is leading the County. That's the start and a fine one. But we can't look back. Let's get it over and the job done first.

Parents Receive Letter Direct From Pte. Bill Turner

First reported as killed in the Dieppe raid and then reported as a prisoner of war in a German camp, Pte. Bill Turner has gotten his first letter through to his parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turner, Acton, this week.

Pte. Turner is in a British hospital in Germany and in the same hospital with him is Major McLaren who was in command of the regiment he was with. He says he is not too bad and able to hobble around.

Address is given for sending mail and parcels through the Red Cross and instructions on how many letters they may write each month. Naturally Mr. and Mrs. Turner and Betty are overjoyed at this word of news from the son and brother that is the first real assurance following conflicting reports received.

BOY SCOUTS SELL OUT APPLES BEFORE EVENING RUSH

Bright and early Acton Troop Boy Scouts were on the job last Saturday for their annual Apple Day. Again a generous public met an appeal and as a result the stock of apples was sold out before evening. Most everyone wore a tag and many consumed more than one apple.

The net proceeds of the day are \$65, which is just a little bit over the high of last year.

NICHOL-PLUMMER WEDDING IN SIMCOE CHURCH

St. James United Church was the setting for a quiet wedding at 2.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, October 3rd, when the principals were Mrs. Lottie May Plummer, 333 College Avenue, Simcoe, and Mr. William Edwin Nicol, of Acton. Rev. E. W. Beareley, M.A., minister of St. James, was the officiating clergyman. The attendants were the bride's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Plummer, Simcoe. The bride chose for her wedding outfit a grey frock, maroon hat, and a corsage of roses furnished her flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Nichol will live in Simcoe.

Navy League Branch is Formed in Acton Thursday

Last Thursday evening a branch of the Navy League was formed in Acton and officers chosen. Engineer Vern Wheeler, one of the survivors of H.M.C.S. "Ottawa," was present and told of his first hand knowledge of the splendid work the Navy League is doing. Following are the officials of the Acton branch.

Honorary President—Reeve J. M. McDonald.
President—J. H. Boulton.
Vice-President—M. M. Letch.
Secretary—F. J. Salt.
Treasurer—J. H. Creighton.
Convener for Ditty Bags—Miss Alice McCallum.
Convener for Reading and Games—Dr. F. G. Onkes.
Convener for Publicity and Education—W. Coles.

The first meeting of the new branch was held on Tuesday evening.

The following committees were appointed to carry on the work of the branch: Ditty Bags—Miss McCallum as convener with all the ladies present to assist her; Finances—Mr. Creighton, Mr. Salt, Mr. Batty; Publicity and Education—W. Coles, Mr. Lorne, Rev. A. W. Fosbury, Mr. Letch, Mr. J. Creighton was appointed to the chairmanship of the Books and Games Committee. The immediate work of the Acton committee is to prepare Ditty Bags for Christmas distribution among the men of the Royal Navy and the Merchant Marine. One hundred bags are needed from Acton and, in order to accomplish this all citizens are asked to assist by donating articles of cash wherever they purchase them.

Here are suggested articles for ditty bags: Sweets, socks, Long Sox, Soap, Stockings, Scarf, or Tuck-in, Helmet, Mitts, (2 or 3 knitted articles only), Small Towel and Wash-Cloth, Handkerchiefs, Tooth Brush and Cream, Shaving Soap or Cream, Cigarettes, Pipe and Tobacco, Writing Paper and Envelopes, Fountain Pen or Pencil, Small Book or Digest, Flashlight and Refill, Game, Puzzle, Playing Cards, Hard Candy or Cake (in sealed container), not glass, Raisins and Nuts, Dates and Figs, Condensed Coffee or Cocoa, Condensed Milk, Tins of Fruit, Fruit, Juices, Soup or Fish, First Aid Kit, "Housewife" containing: Shoe Laces and Shoe Polish, Buttons, Needles, Thread (black and white), Mending Wool (navy and grey), Plain Pins, Safety Pins, Comb, Razor Blades, Scissors.

This is the first appeal to our citizens along these lines in connection with work among the men of the sea services. It is an important work and has to be done very quickly in order to have the bags ready for Christmas. Anyone wishing to assist will be welcomed by the committee and those who are anxious to donate any articles can leave them at Mr. Agar's Coal Office and they will be picked up and packed ready for shipment. Ditty Bags will be delivered to any person who would care to undertake to have it filled either by themselves or among their friends. The committee will affiliate with the Acton War Service League and Mr. H. Boulton, Mr. Lorne and Mr. Salt were appointed representatives for the Navy League.

ACTON BOWLERS WIN THE GAME THIS WEEK BY 7-0

The McCutcheon bowling team defeated City Club 7-0 last Thursday night in the Guelph City Major Bowling League.

The scores:
N. Morton 261 239 188 688
C. Leishman 273 167 192 632
T. Muscles 192 176 184 552
L. McCord 136 212 249 597
W. Cory 216 276 281 673
McCutcheons 1078 1070 994 3142
City Club 841 831 929 2601

The High School Diplomas Are Received This Week

This week Secretary Wm. Middleton received from the Department of Education the diplomas for High School pupils.

Intermediate Certificates were awarded to: Patricia Airdrie, Eleanor Allen, Margaret Blow, Douglas Davidson, Betty Gibson, June Talbot, Jack Mainprize, Howard Killick. Graduation Diplomas from Secondary School were awarded to: Rena Braida, Jean Frank, Kenneth Hasard, Dora Hanssen, Inez McLellan, Helen McEachern, Dora M. Wood, Helen Taylor, Margaret P. Somerville.

The 97th Anniversary Knox Church Last Sunday

C.S.M. Irvine Writes Home From Camp in France

This morning Mrs. Irvine received her first letter from C.S.M. Irvine who was reported missing and thought dead. He has been wounded and is in a hospital at Rouen, France, but expects to be transferred soon to a German prison camp. The letter also says he was wounded in the right leg, about 8 a.m. the morning of the raid. He is being well treated and the visit of the Red Cross with grapes, candy and cigarettes was certainly a welcome one. Instructions regarding writing and regulations are given. That letter in C.S.M. Irvine's own handwriting has certainly brought joy to this little home in Acton.

Utilities Commission Purchases \$2,000 in Victory Bonds

All Available Funds—Go To Help War Effort—Transfer Made from Waterworks Account

At the meeting Tuesday evening of Acton Public Utilities Commission, transfer was authorized of \$500 from the operating account of the Waterworks Department to the General Account of the Corporation.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

Account	Amount
Hydro Dept.	
Bell Telephone Co., services	6.25
Symon Hardware, supplies	7.54
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, water heater	6.20
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, power	3,849.40
C.N.R. and Transports, express	2.50
Sutherland-Schultz Co., repairs	15.35
Alex. McIsaac, truck supplies	48.08
Canadian General Electric Co., supplies	5.92
Dept. of National Revenue, sales tax	122.65
	\$4,063.89

Canadian Brass Co., supplies 10.61
Hydro Dept., power at spring 43.64
Hydro Dept., Sept. operations 209.88
Mrs. Matilda Wallace, Scraper 5.00

\$269.16

A letter from the Hydro Commission gave a report of testing of metres at the Beardmore Co. plant. The Hydro Commission requested the local Commission co-operate in the campaign to conserve electricity by paying half the cost of a billboard in Acton and purchasing blotters and stickers and other material. The bill board cost was \$14.50. It was decided to purchase 2,000 stickers.

The Commission by motion decided to purchase \$2,000 in the Third Victory Loan.

It was decided to dispose of old poles at 75¢ to \$1.00 each. Commissioners J. M. McDonald, C. M. Hansen and Chairman M. Symon were present at the meeting.

MISS McLEOD OF HESPELER ADDRESSED KNOX Y. W. A.

The October meeting of Knox Y. W. A. was held on Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Emma Cole. The President, Mrs. O'Hara, was in the chair and the devotional period was taken by Mrs. F. Anderson and Mrs. H. Price. During the business period plans were made for the Fall Thanksgiving to be held in November. A very gratifying report was received from the recent rummage sale Miss McLeod of Hesperler, Young Women's Secretary of the Guelph Presbyterian, was present and spoke to the members regarding their work and responsibility as young women during this present world crisis. Miss Grace Lantz expressed the appreciation of the members to Miss McLeod for her attendance and inspiring address.

The committee in charge provided a short social period at the close of the meeting.

THAT'S LONG AGO
Whales are the largest animals known to have lived on earth, exceeding in size the prehistoric dinosaurs.

Rev. F. D. Douglas of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Toronto, Was Guest Minister for the Day and Mrs. Gilbert McClelland of Toronto, Was Guest Soloist—Splendid Congregations Enjoy Both Services.

A delightful Autumn day, a speaker with stirring messages and a splendid musical service made the ninety-seventh anniversary services of Knox Presbyterian Church last Sunday an occasion that was enjoyed and cherished by the splendid congregations attending both the morning and evening services.

Rev. Fred D. Douglas, B.A., M.Th., of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Toronto, was the anniversary speaker for this year and in his opening remarks he brought greetings from his Toronto congregation and was glad to be associated with the congregation ministered to by Rev. M. Thomson of whom he spoke very highly.

His morning text was the 41st and 42nd verses of the twenty-second chapter of Matthew, "while the Pharisees were gathered together Jesus asked them saying, What think ye of Christ? Whose son is he? They say unto him the Son of David."

For over 1900 years we have all heard and thought of Christ. We all have opinions of men in the public life today, but these men are only of the present day. What do we think of Christ who lives on for all time? When one wants to know a person it is well to ask enemies as well as friends. Some had no use for Christ because he was like all mankind and a friend of sinners. We love Him because he saved us, even though himself he could not save.

Some day each individual must say what he or she thinks of Christ. Pilot let the rabble abuse him although he found no fault in him. Judas betrayed and sold Him. Mr. Douglas urged that everyone be ready to answer when they were asked for their opinion of Christ.

The musical service included the anthem by the choir "Father Keep us in Thy Care," with the solo parts taken by Messrs. Wm. Burton and Geo. Muselle. Guest soloist was Mrs. Gilbert McClelland of Toronto and at the morning service she sang very sweetly the solo "Babylon."

Mr. Douglas' evening sermon was based on the text found in the thirty-third verse of the twenty-third Chapter of Luke, "And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left."

Sometimes we are apt to forget that there were three crosses on Calvary and in so doing we miss a great deal of the meaning of Calvary. Mr. Douglas interpreted the three crosses as the crosses of redemption, reception and rejection. One died for sin, one to sin and one in sin.

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Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, as cents per line, with a minimum charge for announcement of 25¢.

Navy League Dinner in Town Hall, Acton, on November 7th.

Fowl supper at Ospringe Church Wednesday, October 28th, 1942. Supper from 6 to 8. Admission, Adults 50¢, children 25¢.

Don't forget the Acton and District War Service League Community Auction Sale in the Town Hall, Acton, on Wednesday, November 4. Watch for the canvassers in your district.

Enquire in Town Hall, Acton, on Thursday, October 29th, pupils of Acton Women's Institute. Proceeds in aid of Acton War Service League. Good prizes, door prizes. Admission 25¢.

Remember the play, Town Hall, Acton, October 23rd, "Little Lord Fauntleroy," presented by Erin Dramatic Society and sponsored by Dublin and Barmockburn W. I. and the Scout Mothers. Proceeds for A. W. S. I.

The Young Ladies' Friendly Circle of the United Church are holding an evening entertainment in the basement of the church on October 28th at 8 o'clock. There will be a fashion show, musical numbers and refreshments. Admission 25¢. Everybody welcome.