

All Acclamations in Acton Reeve and Council Returned

School Board Members also Returned Without Vote—J. R. MacArthur New Member of the Public Utilities Commission—Quiet Nominating Meeting on Friday—Nominations Sufficient for All Posts and All Apparently Satisfied with Work of Council, Boards and Commission.

Nominations on Friday evening last in Acton had the usual attendance of about 25 citizens. Clear and concise explanations of town business were given by Reeve MacDonald and three members of the Council, members of the Public Utilities Commission and members of the School Board. An attentive audience listened, but asked no questions and apparently were well pleased with Acton's municipal affairs.

Nominations received by Clerk Leithman, were sufficient but not in the usual numbers. Following are the nominations:

- For Reeve
James B. Chalmers—Nominated by E. E. Barr and W. K. Graham.
J. M. McDonald—Nominated by A. Mason and W. J. O. Oakes.
- For Council
Ian MacDonald—Nominated by R. P. Watson and J. B. Chalmers.
Fred Davison—Nominated by J. B. Chalmers and R. P. Watson.
Douglas Dawkins—Nominated by J. F. Davison and J. B. Chalmers.
El. Masters—Nominated by J. F. Davison and J. B. Chalmers.
Charles Kirkness—Nominated by W. J. O. Oakes and G. A. Dills.
W. J. O. Oakes—Nominated by C. L. Kirkness and C. M. Hansen.
Amos Mason—Nominated by W. J. O. Oakes and C. L. Kirkness.
- Public Utilities Commission
J. R. MacArthur—Nominated by C. L. Kirkness and W. G. Mason.
M. Symon—Nominated by C. M. Hansen and W. J. O. Oakes.
- For School Board
W. Geo. Mason—Nominated by G. A. Dills and W. J. O. Oakes.
F. S. Blow—Nominated by A. Mason and C. L. Kirkness.
V. B. Rumley—Nominated by M. Symon and W. M. Cooper.

At the close of nominations, the meeting was turned over to the rate-payers and Principal M. Letch of the Continuation School—was chosen chairman and very capably conducted the meeting.

Reeve J. M. McDonald said he had the finest co-operation he had had in Council work. Difficulties had been ironed out and everything had been conducted in a businesslike way. He compared the financial position of the Municipality with that of the year previous and drew attention to the general improvement. The Municipality had purchased Victory Bonds of \$3,000, paid for services up to date and met past commitments and carried on with a mill rate reduction of 5 1/2 mills this year and showed an improved surplus. Streets and walks and drainage, which were in poor condition had been improved. Reeve MacDonald said that he would gladly answer any questions regarding Council's affairs.

Then Reeve MacDonald reviewed the developments in connection with the Maria Street bridge, which he said had been used for years as a municipal football. Following the breaking through by a truck, the bridge had been examined and found in bad condition. Council had ratified its action in closing the structure for repairs. This year's Council had set about to find out the responsibility for maintenance of the bridge.

They had found that the minutes covering that period had been removed from the minute book. Responsibility for bridge maintenance rested with the C.N.R. Council had notified the Board of Transport Commissioners, who had in turn notified the railway and Beardmore & Co. Reeve MacDonald said the railway was the responsible party. He told of correspondence and the point the negotiations had now reached. Council had all taken the attitude that the matter should be cleared up.

Mr. McDonald also pointed to the improved revenue from the Waterworks Department which meant \$1,200 more this year on debt service. (Continued on Page Five)

MUSICAL EVENING WITH DR. AUSTIN SOLOIST IN THE UNITED CHURCH

A specially arranged service of song was enjoyed by a large congregation at the United Church last Sunday evening when Dr. Hugh S. Austin was the guest soloist and Mrs. A. W. Fosbury joined with him in a very fine duet number. Dr. Austin has a very fine baritone voice with splendid range and his numbers were greatly enjoyed.

Dr. Austin's solos were "How lovely is the Hand of God," "The Pentecost," "Just for Today," and "Guard while I Sleep" while the duet number with Mrs. Fosbury was "God's Way."

The Scripture passages and other readings by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Fosbury, gave the background for the musical numbers. Favorite hymns were of course on the program for the entire congregation, led by the choir and Mrs. R. R. Arnold at the piano.

The School Board Favors Securing School Nurse

Vacancy On Staff Difficult to Fill—Only One Applicant to First Advertisement

Trustees F. S. Blow, W. H. Clayton, G. A. Dills, W. G. Mason and Dr. F. C. Oakes were present on Tuesday evening for the December meeting of Acton School Board and Chairman V. B. Rumley presided.

Another inquiry regarding non-resident pupils and fees due was dealt with by the Board instructing the Secretary and the Principal to enforce the original motion.

The report of the boiler inspector was received and filed.

The liability insurance was renewed with Mr. F. L. Wright and the enrollment of the schools given at 419.

The vacancy caused on the Public School staff by the resignation of Mrs. C. Heard was further discussed at this meeting.

The Darby-Reid Wedding Saturday In the United Church

Tall white standards of chrysanthemums decorated the United Church, Acton, on Saturday afternoon, November twenty-eighth, for the setting of an interesting ceremony when Miss Evelyn, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Darby, Acton, became the bride of Dr. Darby, Toronto, and the late Mr. George Reid, the bride, given in marriage by her father, was very lovely in a floor-length gown of forget-me-not blue net over taffeta with fitted bodice and bouffant skirt with tulle applique. The matching head dress was a halo of blue net, trimmed with pink rose buds and lily-of-the-valley. Her finger-tip veil was of blue tulle and she carried a bouquet of pale pink carnations.

Mrs. Thomas Rotz, the bride's only attendant was most attractive wearing a floor-length dress of twilight blue net over taffeta with fitted bodice and bouffant skirt. The neckline was edged with blue daisies and her head dress was a halo of blue daisies fastened with a large bow and streamers in matching shade. Her bouquet was of deep pink carnations.

The groomsmen were Mr. Thomas Rotz, 1944 W. Walter Eastbury, attendant and Miss Fern Brown, who attended the bride. The ushers were Mr. William Darby and Mr. Orval Darby, brothers of the bride.

Later a reception for sixty guests was held at the home of the bride's parents on John Street. The bride's mother received in a dress of aviation blue crepe and a black hat. The groom's mother assisted wearing a black wool crepe dress with hat to match.

After travelling the bride wore a black dress trimmed with turquoise and black hat, coat and accessories. They will return to their home in Acton. The groom is stationed at Camp Gordon.

The Darby-Reid Wedding Saturday In the United Church

The marriage of Miss Dorothy E. Reilly, a former resident of Acton, to Mr. Gerald G. Reilly, took place in Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Baltimore, Maryland, on Saturday, November 28th. The bride wore a charming gown of sea-blue satin, with a very full bouffant skirt, falling into a fan-shaped train. A long flowing veil fell from a wreath of forget-me-nots. She carried a white satin prayer book decorated with a white orchid and streamers of white satin with tiny bunches of forget-me-nots.

The bride was attended by Miss E. Harrison, of Toronto, and Miss Isabel Shipley of Baltimore, who wore a gown of old rose tulle taffeta trimmed with deep purple. Her head dress was a halo of purple astrich plumes with a small veil of old rose tulle.

The groomsmen were Mr. David Abbott, and the ushers, Mr. Frank Goss, Mr. Dale Sigurd and Messrs. Charles and Donald, Reilly, brothers of the bride.

The reception after the ceremony was held in the home of the bride's parents in Lambicum Heights. Mrs. C. W. Reilly received in a gown of mustard green with blue and white. For travelling the bride wore a grey Enzlei, wool dress under a purple coat and black accessories. On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Reilly will reside in Baltimore.

SAFE 'HELLFIRE CORNER'

LONDON, (CP)—Mrs. E. Ford went through all the bombing and shelling of Britain's 'hellfire corner' during the past two years then went for a holiday on the coast and was killed by a bomb from a hit-and-run daylight raider.

Nassagaweya Council Writes Re Train Service

Nassagaweya Township Council met on November 30th as per adjournment with the members all present and Reeve A. Near presiding. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted, after which the correspondence was read.

The following accounts were ordered paid by the treasurer:

Relief Accounts \$ 6.80
Road Suppl's. Voucher 368.08
Miscellaneous Accounts 51.85

Council then instructed the Clerk to write the Secretary of the Guelph Junction Railway Board re train service between Guelph and Guelph Junction.

Council then adjourned to meet December 15th at 1:30 p.m.

WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED CHURCH ELECTS OFFICERS 1943

The December meeting of the Woman's Association was held at the Parsonage on Tuesday when the President, Mrs. W. Evans was in charge. The devotional period was taken by Mrs. F. Cleave with the Scripture reading the old Christmas story, "The Birth of Christ."

The shut-ins are to be remembered at the Christmas season. After the business was disposed of the meeting closed with prayer and a social time spent.

Mrs. Fosbury served lunch. She was assisted by Mrs. I. Harris, Mrs. D. Richardson, Mrs. B. Veldhuis and little Betty Mae Fosbury.

A very hearty vote of thanks was given Mrs. Fosbury for use of her home, also to the lunch assistants.

The following are the officers for 1943:

President—Mrs. I. Harris.
Asst. President—Mrs. W. Evans.
1st. Vice-President—Mrs. L. Agar.
2nd Vice-President—Mrs. R. L. Johnson.
Secretary—Miss E. Hawthorne.
Treasurer—Mrs. F. Cleave.
Church Kitchen Committee—Mrs. S. Reid, Mrs. M. Walker, Mrs. N. Lambert.
Parsonage Committee—Mrs. L. Agar, Mrs. D. Richardson, Mrs. Q. Parker.
Visiting Committee—Appointed at meetings.
Pianist—Mrs. A. Fryer.
Asst. Pianist—Mrs. R. L. Johnson.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING NUMBER NEXT WEEK

Next week the Free Press will issue a Special Shopping Number printed on tinted news. In it Acton merchants are invited to feature the gift suggestions they have prepared to make the Christmas shopping both easy and profitable for shoppers of Acton and district.

May we request that merchants arrange to give us their copy at the latter part of this week, or not later than Monday so that publication time will not be delayed.

Utilities Offices To be Redecorated Contract Awarded

The regular meeting of the Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. Commissioner C. M. Hansen and Reeve J. M. McDonald were present with Chairman M. Symon presiding.

Tenders were received for painting the Utilities Office from W. Evans and W. J. McLeod. The contract was awarded to W. Evans.

It was decided to obtain prices and samples of floor coverings for the Utilities Office.

It was moved by C. M. Hansen and seconded by J. M. McDonald, that the Secretary be instructed to pay the following accounts:

Hydro Department	Board of Light and Heat, Guelph
1st. E. P. C. of Ont., power	\$ 22.88
H. B. Mackenzie & Son, lumber	1.00
C. N. R., express	1.26
E. J. Hassard, nitric acid	.75
Transports, express	.40
Mrs. Smith, cleaning office	1.00
Canadian General Electric Co., repairs	2.25
Dept. of National Revenue, sales tax	91.24
Symon Hardware, supplies	36.00
	\$3,963.72

BALTIMORE WEDDING ON SATURDAY OF MISS D. E. REILLY

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Helpers Needed at Red Cross to Give Soldiers Comforts

Women who knit articles for the Red Cross may often wonder how the busy necessity these articles—blankets, scarves, mittens, and socks, of Wales, who is well known by some residents in Acton, writes this note to his parents.

"I wrote for a long scarf and a turtle-neck sweater to the Red Cross. They are wonderful. About two days later I received a parcel containing pyjamas, socks and sweater. These comforts are sent by the mothers and people of Canada and do not cost a cent."

And now the Acton and District Red Cross has assigned to it an extra large request for more sweaters and comforts. They need more women to sew and knit. When those who knit have finished their comforts, they can help the boys holding the front line.

There is an urgent appeal for those who can sew or knit, to report to the Red Cross rooms in the Post Office Building on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday afternoons, between three and five o'clock. Every one is asked to help if that quota is to be reached.

War Service League Assists Navy League Salvation Army

At the meeting of Acton and Vicinity War Service League last Thursday evening, approval was given of a donation of \$50 to the newly formed branch of the Navy League in Acton. The treasurer's report of the League, given by Reeve J. M. McDonald, showed receipts from salvage of \$104.07, additional returns from the Auction Sale of \$3.50, and a donation of \$2.00 from Woodside School. Expenditures amounted to \$78.00, which included a \$25 donation to the Salvation Army; \$50 to the Navy League and \$3.80 for expenses in Salvage Collection.

The next meeting will be held on December 10th.

BLOOMSBURY LITERARY RE-ORGANIZES AND HOLDS OPENING MEETING

The residents of S. S. No. 9, Nassagaweya met at the schoolhouse on Wednesday evening to reorganize their Literary Society for the coming season. Several games of bingo were played and the winners were Mrs. N. Armstrong, Mrs. R. Patterson, Mrs. R. Gordon, Mrs. T. Berberick, Doreen Ferguson, Donald vanGozen, Alex. Near, Harold Ferguson and Clarence Wilson. The business part of the program included the election of officers which resulted as follows:

President—Ross Gordon.
Vice-President—C. J. vanGozen.
Secretary—Mrs. J. Dennis.
Assist. Secretary—Wallace Lasby.
Treasurer—Mrs. Alex. Near.
Planist—Mrs. Ross Gordon.
Asst. Pianist—Mrs. Chas. Lasby.
Executive—Mrs. N. Armstrong, Mrs. P. Kennedy, Messrs. A. M. McPherson, L. Ferguson and Wm. A. Dodds.

A happy feature at the close of the business session, was a congratulatory address read by Miss Mildred Wilson to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. vanGozen, offering felicitations and good wishes on their twenty-third wedding anniversary, and the presentation of small remembrances. Lunch was served and the singing of God Save the King closed the meeting.

School Children Get 1,600 Magazines For the I.O.D.E.

The monthly meeting of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E. was held at the home of Mrs. R. H. Elliott on Tuesday evening, Mrs. W. J. Beatty, the regent, presided. The usual business was attended to and new business discussed.

Donations from the Chapter's general fund were made to "The Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund," "Mothercraft Society," and "The Endowment Fund." A letter of thanks was to be sent to Mr. McKenzie, Principal of the Public School, for the conveyance to the students for their splendid collection of 1,600 magazines for the Navy League. A letter of appreciation was read from the Institute for the Blind for the proceeds of the tag day for the blind.

The Chapter is purchasing I. O. D. E. calendars to be placed in each room of the Acton and rural schools. Miss Bennett and Mrs. Mainprize held a contest "Who's Who," which tested the members' knowledge of leading men of present times. In concluding the meeting a social half hour was enjoyed.

Reports are Received on County Salvage Collection

LOCAL BOWLERS LOSE FIRST GAME IN SECOND SERIES

The McCutcheon bowlers opened the second series of the Guelph City Major League by dropping a close decision 4-3 to Central Ontario, Transports.

The Score:

N. Morton	220	223	239	682
C. Leishman	210	156		366
O. Krull	203		175	378
A. Sheffield	219	161	204	656
W. Corry	247	220	263	730
J. Masles		167	167	334

McCutcheons 1171 927 1084 3146
Cent. Ontario 890 1076 1154 3120
Central Ontario, 4: McCutcheon's, 3.

Nominations and Elections in the Nearby Centres

Georgetown Has Contest — Erin Township and Erin Village Have Acclamations

This week was municipal election week in many of the municipalities in this district. All the towns in Halton except Milton use the early date and Erin Township and Erin Village also have nominations in late November. Here are some of the centres in which Free Press readers will be interested.

Georgetown
For Mayor Harold Cleave, (present Reeve), and Joseph Gibbons, (present Mayor).

For Reeve Norman H. Brown and James Costigan (present Councilors).
For Council—Holley Shaw and William Thompson for Ward No. 1 by acclamation; Clifford Bradley and Joseph Hart for Ward 2, by acclamation; Kenneth R. McDonald, Leonard Bell, James Goodlet, Thos. L. Lyon for Ward 3 with two to be elected.
Public School Board (acclamation for two-year term) Mrs. Kathleen Cleave, Davis P. Crichton and Hodge Barnes.

Hydro Commissioner (for two-year term) Graham Farnell.

Burlington
(Re-elected by acclamation)
Mayor—J. Gordon Blair.
Deputy Mayor—Norman R. Craig, machinist.
Council Dr. W. G. Fraser, dentist; E. Russell, leather merchant; Chas. Palmer, salesman; J. Gibson Reburn, clerk; E. W. Smith, express agent, and John Wilkinson, salesman.

School Board, (two-year term) — Harry J. Blair, manager; Newton C. Ghent, gardener; and Dr. J. G. Walker, dentist.

Water Commissioner, (two-year term) Fred E. Ross, contractor.

Oakville
(Council returned by acclamation)
Mayor—Dr. F. Murray Deans, dentist.

Reeve—John M. Campbell, merchant.
Deputy Reeve—Charles V. Hillmer, coal merchant.
Councillors—Dr. Maurice Lunan, physician; Alfred Whitaker, garage operator; John R. Dunn, druggist; Philip W. Chambers, contractor; Ross R. Gibson, retired; and Howard Litchfield, manager.

Board of Education Ward 2, R. Kennedy (one-year term); Ward 2, George Molesworth (two-year term); Ward 3, Alfred Hillmer (two-year term), all acclamations.

Water and Light Commissioner—Loquist, electrician (acclamation for two-year term)

Erin Township
Council returned by acclamation.
Reeve—Neil E. McKinnon, Hillsburg.
Deputy Reeve—Edgar Husley, Hillsburg.
Council—Tom McLean, Minosa; Arthur Swackhammer, Acton; and Robert Larkwood, Erin.

Erin Village
Council Elected by acclamation.
Reeve—D. Stanley Leitch, garage operator.
Council—Ernest Foster, electrician, Joseph Green, barber; John Robb, waterworks; and Roy Ferguson, garage operator.

Union School Board—R. W. Hull, Fred Arseel and Norman Nixon (acclamation for two-year term).
In Orangeville, Mayor T. S. Parkinson is being opposed by R. McCullough, a member of this year's council. In Shelburne the Reeve and Council were all returned by acclamation.

ACTON BOYS ENLISTED

This Week's Register
Gen. Alex. Sinclair has joined the Artillery and is stationed at Fredericton, N. B.

Coming Events

Loonie School Christmas Concert will be held on December 16th at 8 p.m.
At the Christmas Concert at Bannockburn School on Mon. evening Dec 19 at 9 p.m. Pupils program and Dance. Adults 20¢ Children 10¢.