Principal McKenzie Enlists Annual Business Meeting of Acton All Others Remain on Staff Baptist Church

Public School Staffs Will be Norm. Gibson Here for Next Term - Board Has an Audition Discusses Kindergarten Classes and Plan of Free Books for At Kneller Hall Public School Pupils

At the meeting of Acton School Board on Tuesday evening the resignation of Principal G. W. McKenzie of the Public School Staff was received. Mr. McKenzie has joined the R.C.A.F. and will report for duty at the end of the school term this m

While the Board regretted that Mr. McKenzie was being lost to the staff for the present, leave of absence was granted to him for the duration of the war and arrangements were made that his superannuation payments would be carried by the Board during his term of active service. The Secretary was instructed to write him expressing appreciation of his service in Acton and the wish that war conditions would permit an early return

In a letter to the Board Mr. Mc-Kenzie expressed appreciation of the splendid co-operation he had receiv ed from the Board. The school property had been greatly improved and was second to none. He hoped that continual improvement would be maintained and outlined some of the things that he hoped would be undertaken in the future.

The Secretary reported that contracts and letters of acceptance had been received from all members of the staffs on both schools. Miss Pridham attended the meeting and the problems of teacher and Board were talked over and ironed out and the staff remains intact. Miss Kelly will teach art in Grades 7 and 8 as well as her own grade on a trial basis until the Christmas holidays. The Board expressed pleasure that the teaching staff which has been so cfficient and so successful will again comprise the staff for next year. An offer of additional salary was made to Miss Pridham if she could undertake the teaching of Agriculture but Miss Pridham preferred to devote her whole time to her grade work.

The Secretary was instructed to insert an advertisement for a male principal for Acton School with personal applications to be received on

The Board informally discussed the forming of a Kindergarten class for the school and will also make inquiry into the cost and advisability of supplying books and supplies to all the pupils without cost to the pupils. These items will have consideration at later periods.

that the fence at the school would Frank McIsaac soon be erected and that the facilities in the room of the Public Health Nurse were being secured as rapidly as possible.

Attention of the Board was drawn to the fact that groups of people were using the school grounds and the porches at the school for drinking and carousing parties and dence of this required the constant attention of the caretaker. The Board Instructed the Secretary to write the Council to 'see what cooperative measures could be taken Alexander McIsauc, son of Mr. and to stop this practise.

following accounts: Acton Public Utilities, services \$ 3.01 Canadian Hayner, supplies Highway Garage, supplies J. M. Dent, supplies W. D. Talbot, supplies Bell Telephone, services

ations that should be made to the two brothers were bathing alone at during the summer vacation was dis- about 8.30 last night. cussed and Mr. F. Blow was requested to bring in a report before the Chief Harrop went from Acton and next meeting.

Trustees V. B. Rumley, W. H. Clay-Blow, W. G. Mason and meeting and Chairman G. A. Dills presided.

MRS. JAS. MOORE HOSTESS FOR MEETING WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly business Mrs. Fosbury.

Mrs. Moore served the ladles with into the water. Both young men were ice cream and cake, which was en- considered capable swimmers and able joyed by all and a social time was to look after themselves in the water.

given to Mrs. Moore for her home and ent season has sections of some

family here that Bandsman Normal Gibson, 28, oversees, has had an audition with the bandmaster of Kneller Hall, London, England. He is th son of Mrs. John Gibson and the late John Gibson of Acton.

He enlisted in London, Ont, three nonths after war was declared, and was attached to the 11th Field Ambulance. In August, 1940, he went overseas and, in January, 1943, was transferred to a Canadian division's band. Since that time he has been louring England, entertaining at army camps. On several occasions he has been guest soloist in English churches. He plays a bass horn.

Born at Bracebridge, Norman came to Acton with his family when a lad of ten years. He attended Acton schools and became a member Acton Citizens' Band then under the leadership of Mr. Amos Mason. was in Acton Band that Norman soon developed into one of the finest

tuba players that the band has ever had. He sang in the United Church Choir and did some quartette work and also played in the orchestra under Mr. Chas. Mason. Later he played with the Lorne Scots Band. He was employed for some time before enlistment with the Storey Glove Co. and later with the Beardmore Co.

Acton friends are delighted with his Officers Elected overseas and wish him continued suc-

LAKESIDE CHAPTER MET AT HOME OF MRS. JAS. INGLES

The regular meeting of the Lakeilde Chapter I.O.D.E. was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. James Ingles with the first Vice-Regent, Miss Alice McCallum in charge. Routine husiness was transacted. Plans were made to hold a picule in the near future. Mrs. George Benton dent, Mrs. C. vantioozen was in the

and were welcomed into the chapter, year finished. Mrs. A. Near was Mrs. Archie Kerr gave a very inter- elected to take the chair for the elecesting rending. The meeting closed tion of officers which resulted as folwith the singing of the National An- lows:

Drowned Last Night in Farm Pond

Two Brothers Were Alone at Time of Accident and James Was Unable to Save Him

While in bathing last night Frank The financial report passed the drowned. The young man was eigh- Black. teen years of uge.

The accident occurred when Frank 20.58 and his older brother James went for 45.00 H swim in the pond on Alex Joe's son, Mrs. G. Robertson, Mrs. Wm. Mc-2.10 farm about four miles south of Acton. W. J. Bell Paper Co., supplies 16.75 Both young men were reported as 1.51 good swimmers. After Frank went 4.42 Into the water he immediately went 2.50 under and falled to come to the surface. His brother attempted to bring \$100.87 him up but without success and when The matter of repairs and alter- he falled had to go for help. . The heating equipment at the school the pond. This drowning occurred

Traffic Officer Ray Mason took the equipment for life \saving that is used at the Park here. A raft was constructed but is wasn't until a Dr. F. G. Oakes were present at this boat was taken down by truck from Acton that Officer Mason was able to locate the body and bring him to the surface. Dr. Stevenson of Milton, Dublin Branch of the Women's Insti- GO THIS MONTH TO Coroner, examined the body after re- tute: The branch raised money by AUXILIARY FORCES covery. It was only through Officer fees, collections, donations, tickets on Mason's efforts that recovery of the a donated gift, mystery box booths at The shipment of supplies from

body was made that evening. The pond where the accident ocmeeting of the Women's Association curred is one that is only frequented of the United Church was held at by the lads of the immediate district the home of Mrs. James Moore on but the McIsaac brothers had been Tuesday. Mrs. I. Harris presided and there just a few days previously. It the devotional period was taken by has not yet been determined whether Frank suffered from some sudden girls' trip, for the county seeds for wash cloth cover, 3 cards of buttons, The pond is one which in the sum-A very hearty vote of thanks was mer has little water but in the pres-

depth.

The annual business meeting of the Acton Baptist Church was held in the church Thursday, May 27th As was the custom, the congregation assembled at seven o'clock for the supper, provided by the ladies of the church.

Following the supper a brief devotional service was held with the pastor in charge. For the business meeting, Rev. J. E. Ostrom was appointed chairman.

have with them Mrs. (Rev.) G. R. Easter, of Brandon, Manitobs, and formerly of Acton. She brought

greetings from the Brandon church. Tribute was paid to the memory of Miss M. E. Masales and Mr. R. D. Warren, both having been very true friends of the Acton Church.

Reports of the various organizations were presented and adopted. It was found that the church had had a very successful year, and the appreciation of the members was expressed to liev. and Mrs. Ostrom for their leadership throughout the year.

Deacons-Messrs, C. O. Plank, Cripps, H. M. Reld, and D. F. West. Trustee Board-Messrs. W. Worden, F. Crewson, and D. F. West.

follows:

Church Clerk - C. W. Landsborough. Treasurer-Wilms West.

S. S. Superintendent-S. Cripps. Auditors-Messrs. W. Coles. Wm. Worden, and L. Atkinson. Mr. S. Cripps closed the meeting

by Dublin Institute too long until I have the privilege of Reports Presented

Financial Statement Shows Year brother soon." of Many Community and War Activities

The Dublin Women's Institute held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. George Somerville. The presispoke briefly on the Blood Donor chair and roll call was answered by Clinic to be opened in Acton in the payment of fees. Reports of convenors of standing committees were Three new members took the oath given and the business of the past

> President-Mrs. C. vanGoozen. 1st Vice-President-Mrs. D. Barber. 2nd Vice-President-Mrs. Wm. Mc-Intyre.

Sec.-Treasurer-Mrs. Wm. Bracken. District Director - Mrs. George Branch directors-Mrs. Steel, Mrs.

Webster, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Storey. Godfrey, N. L. McNabb, F. A. Van Delegates to District Annual-Mrs. vanGoozen, Mrs. G. Somerville, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. Anderson. Auditors - Mrs. Somerville, Mrs.

Wm. McGlaughlin. Scrap Book-Miss Somerville. Pinnist-Mrs. Robertson. Ass't. Planist-Mrs. Anderson.

Program Committee - Mrs. Web Mrs. Allle McIsanc, was accidentally ster, Mrs. Steel, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Social - Mrs. W. Watkins, Mrs.

Visiting Committee - Mrs. Fergu-Glaughlin, Mrs. Britton, Mrs. Steel.

Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Webster. Rep. War Service League-Mrs. G War work that has been completed

donated gift. Arrangements were England are very hospitable. made for the District Annual to be into Gordon McKeown and he isn't held on June 11th at Hornby. Mrs. stationed for from me. Received four Barber tendered a vote of thanks to copies of The Free Parss this week, the hostess for the use of her home, so will be well up on the happenings The meeting closed by singing the at home." National Anthem. Lunch was served

and a social time spent. Following is the financial report of nuction sale tickets sold on two Acton and District Red Cross went quilts, prize at Acton fair and also the past month for the Women's Aux- shoot Bob, the waggish Canadian. we have a copper box to the amount lliary forces. Included in this shipof \$130.57. Expenditures are as fol- ment were the following list of artlows: Printed program cards for shut- | icles: listed in the community, \$16 flowers; packages pins, 5 boxes powder, 1 nounced later. England \$5, mobile kitchen \$5, ma- | 1 card dome fasteners, 6 face cream, terial for quilt and boxes for those 4 hand cream, 4 tooth powder, 15 who have been ill \$15.26, jam for wash cloths, 50 cakes soap, 1 box face League, making a total of \$97.76.

Boys Overseas Write Thanks to Service League

Eighty-Five Messages of Thanks Received During the Past Month

postcards, the boys overseas write B.D., of London, will be the guest each month to tell how they appreciate what the Acton and Vicinity War Service League is doing so regularly. There were eighty-five of these soloist and in the evening the Junior The members were very happy to messages in the last bundle and we Choir, under the direction of Mrs would like to have all our readers Clarence Coles, will sing two anperuse these messages of appreciation thems. An informal service of wor but again we can just give you a ship and fellowship has been arrange

> From India, Pilot Officer Reg. Fin- lowed by a buffet supper at 5 p.m. ney says: "It is indeed a surprise to receive one here. It's amazing how in the year 1843 by Mr. John Burns goods, intended for Britain, stood so and a group of men and women anx much extra travelling and the tropics. lous to see the establishment of a The tooth paste, shaving cream and Presbyterian Church in their new candles have become rather friendly home-land. By their zeal and labor among themselves and with the sox. their vision became a reality, for it But it's still a grand parcel and very less than two years the necleus of a much appreciated and enjoyed."

Officers elected for the year are at that had been given him as the one was erected—one of the first "Free It was intended for was on the Churches" to be organized in thi way back, but Capt. O'Leary dis- area of Ontario. tributed the eigerettes to the boys

who were short. what we all would do if it wasn't for Benson and Mr. Clarence Coles the you good folks back home."

Johnny Moore writes: "We hope it won't be long 'til we are lighting up elgarettes on Mill Street. That will Desert Survivors be a great day."

"Dude" Lindsny snys: "Needless to to Tell Story to say they are appreciated very much because they are so hard to get over here. I do hope the time won't be thanking you folks in person."

accustomed to it, this country is quite niright and we are happy and comfortable. I hope to be joining, my

Service League for me."

different but all sincere expressions: Sgt. Johnny Wood. Gordon McKeown, George Stringer, W. H. Brown, Orville Brown, Trooper Joeque, Cliff Macdonald, Albert Irwin, Clifford, J. D. Graham, W. Cassidy, and address the employees there. W. W. McMullen, J. Moore, B. Rutledge, Geo. Bayliss, Jack vanGoozen, A McDonald, G. R. Cook (Cookle), W. H. Barber, T. F. Bragg, Bill Caldwell, A. Scriven, II. I. McIntyre, T. Tournour, H. C. Elsley, W. R. Elliott, G. F. Ingles, F. J. Johnston, George W. Strogan, R. E. Vance, A. A. Mc-Mullen, J. R. Doble, P. Purdy, W. J. Gibbons, R. M. Storey, Horace W. Wyck, Bob Biggen, M. G. Bauer, G. T. Airdrie, M. Buck, Jim McGeachie, W. C. Blanch, Gordon Lumbert, W. R. Ellott, F. C. French, Hornce Godfrey, A. Gamble, R. Heatley, Dave Dodge, W. C. Jones, R. McVey, Michael McMillan, H. L. McIntyre, D. McDougall, R. S. O'Hara, R. E. Vance,

Wilfred Waldle, G. W. Williams, M. G. Campbell. Two more Items from these letters. Jim McGenchle: "We look forward to the smokes and know we can depend on Acton Service Club to Last week we were on a scheme and Quilt Committee-Mrs. Ferguson, had to sleep in the bush all night with one blanket. Even though it isn't very cold it isn't pleasant sleeping in

the bush in the middle of February.' And "Cookle" writes thus; "Seems by Dublin Women's Institute-knitted as if every time I come off leave articles 123; sewing articles 20; quilts, find smokes from you folks. Thanks a million. While in Bradford I met Mrs. Barber was the winner of the Douglas Price. The people all over

RED CROSS SUPPLIES

paste, 5 combs.

Knox Sunday School To Mark 100th. Anniversary

The 100th Anniversary of founding of the Sunday School of Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton, Ontario, will be marked by special services of worship on June 6th, 1943. On this important occasion a former scholar and superintendent of the By telegram, alrgraph, letters and school, Rev. John R. Waldie, M.A.

> At the morning service, Mrs. Ans Somerville of Toronto, will be the for the afternoon at 4 p.m., to be fol-

The Sabhath School was organized congregation was formed from mem Then comes one from a stranger bers of the Sabbath School. who received a box from the O. C. years later a substantial frame church

The present School has an enrollment of 120 scholars and a teaching Ptc. J. Scriven says: "I don't know staff of 10 members, with Mr. Wm Superintendents.

Acton Citizens

Pte. James Lamb: "Once you get Pair Who Survived 27 Days in Libyan Desert to be Here on Monday

written their appreciation in so many and his Australian gunner, Flight Boulton.

Archie Martin, Gordon Babcock, K. for a six-man Wellington bomber old. Truly the world grows smaller. left cigarette butts about the rooms. Hornsby, near Sydney, in Australia. the means of bringing them together afternoon and evening. It was when Together they constitute a fun-lov- again. ing pair who have behind them 40 operational flights in North Africa. They builed out of their "Wimpy"

14 miles out of Tobruk when the Germans owned it last October. The entire crew hit the silk after ack-ack High Place in whacked their ship, in fact, but the other four are prisoners of war. Johnny and Bob 27 days later, reached the Allied lines, each 35 pounds lighter, bearded, footsore.

of boys they are, it should be known that they were offered leave when they finally got back and, instead they chose to rejoin their squadron, which by this time had moved to Malta, and they made 10 more hops before Middle East Air Force Public through when we are out_of_smokes_ Relations thought their story should in Canada now.

Oddly, in the 27 days they spent. in the Sahara, only two were in the sand the movies reveal. The rest of the trek was spent over rock and volcanic dust, with eight days in the top one in the communities of 3,000 Quatara Depression, a salt swamp as and under in the Province of Ontario white as snow.

"In the daytime," Bob said, "the competition. Depression is hotter 'n hell und at night it's colder than a bank mannger's heart."

were looking for them. Occasionally, to have carried out the most effeccolumns of troops passed but the pair live promotion of the Fourth Victory nlways managed to hide in the bush. They agreed, at one stage, that if one of them couldn't go on, the other wouldn't. They'd shoot them-

selves, they agreed, and after they'd

drawn lots it was decided

Johnny, the smiling Aussle, should tion." These lads have had an experience that few have lived through. 'Their visit to Acton will be anticipated with, favorably received outside the comins, yarn and boxes for boys who en- 5 combs, 5 cards darning yarn, 5 keen interest. Details will be an- munity. It did create and sustain

BELL GOES FARMING

this Surrey village.

Final Returns Halton County in the Fourth Victory Loan

County as a Whole Reached 93% of Objective-Nassagaweya Reached 106% and Acton Had 104% of Quota-Figures of Other Districts

	No. of	Amount		
District	Apple.	Raised	Queta	%
Burlington 'A'	1,035	\$247,550	\$275,000	90
Township of Nelson Burlington District "A-1"	669	243,300	250,000	97
Oakville "B"	1,127	394,900	510,000	77
Township of Trafalgar Oakville District "B-1"	563	291,900	260,000	112
Million "C"	422	170,900	175,000	92
Township of Nelson	* ****	. 50.050	70.000	44.5
Milton District "C-1"	174	70,950	70,000	101
Milton District "C-2"	269	82,850	85,000	97
Township of Esquesing Milton District "C-3"	109	38,000	40,000	95
Township of Nassagaweya "D"	376	106,050	100,000	106
Georgetown "E"	832	226,550	250,000	90
Township of Esquesing Georgetown District "E-1"	311	140,350	160,000	87
Acton "F"	945	198,650	190,060	N.S.
Township of Esquesing		1000 A 1000 A 1000	1	
Acton District "F-1"	260	35,200	35,000	100
•	7,158	\$2,247,150	\$2,400,000	93

THANKS FROM COUNTY CHAIRMAN

To the citizens of Halton County and particularly the members of the various committees who gave of their time and money, in assisting to make this, the Fourth Victory Loan, a success, I congratulate you and express my lineers appreclation of the fine co-operation extended to me. It is my hope that steady improvement in our organization may be made, so that when we are ugain called upon, we will go forward with greater zeal.

> A. MASON. Chairman of Halton County

ARMY BRINGS TWO MEN TOGETHER AFTER MANY YEARS

That Yorkshire accent was the means of bringing two lads together in the army by a strange co-incidence last week. Sergt. Geoff. Boulton is o'clock this morning burglars broke Acton is to have two distinguished stationed at No. 6 LT.S. in the Dental into the home of Mrs. Jas. Symon on Pte. V. Drysdale: "You don't really visitors on Monday. They have won Corp. in Toronto. While Sergt. Gor- Willow Street and took all the valuknow how hard it is to get good Can- the silver "Order of the Boot," by don Clifford of the R.A.F. was going able jewellery in the home and some adian smokes over here. Thank the making a 300 mile trek in twenty- through Toronto, enroute to the west- small sums of money. The articles seven days across the Libyan Desert, ern coast he had some trouble with belonged to Mrs. Symon, Mrs. D. But we must hurry on and give One of these is Pilot Officer Robert his teeth. He went to No. 6 Depot Taylor and Mr. Muc Symon. you the names of the boys who have Spence, D.F.M., of Highgate, Ont., and was taken to the chair of Sergt.

The Yorkshire accent made Sergt cluding several articles valued as These young men will motor to Boulton enquire what part the R.A.F. keepsakes was carefully picked over Acton and be officially welcomed man was from. It was Bradford. The and only the better articles taken. next Monday. Later they will make conversation that followed showed Some small coin purses and odd coins Norman Gibson, Lyle Cripps, "Ted a tour of the Beardmore Co. plant they had both attended Buttershaw were also taken including three aliver School there, had both been in the dollars. While the home was not Bob is a 24-year-old native of High- same class and hadn't heard or seen greatly disturbed the job was caregate, near Chatham. He was pllot each other since they were nine years fully timed. The thieves smoked and crew operating out of Suez. Johnny Now both of them are serving in the is 22, a wireless air-gunner bord at war for a common cause which was Mac Symon had been in Toronto that

Acton Plan Gets Community Contest Greenhouse properties

And, perhaps to Illustrate the kind Has Been Awarded Top Honors in Province and Now Enters **Dominion Contest**

In connection with the Fourth Victory Loan a "Community Contest." was conducted by the National War Finance Committee. The method or be told in Canada. That's why they're plan taken by communities across the Dominion to create interest in loan are now being judged. Word has been received in Acton that the "Blitz Bomb Contest" which was originated in Acton has been chosen as and is now entered in the Dominion

Perhaps one of the contest rules best explains the event. "There will be six awards in all. A major na-All the time they were making their tional award will be made in public way across this vastness, Axis planes recognition of the community judged Loan irrespective of the size of the community and judged with due regard to available resources. In addition to this Major National award, other awards will be given to communities in five groups of popula-

> Naturally the Acton committee feel gratified that their plan has been so modern. tine interest by everyone in Acton and the district.

still have another bomb in stock and League. REIGATE, England, (CP)-A ship's if Acton wins a Dominion award in another win for Acton.

Acton Home is Robbed of Jewellery Last Night

Sometime last night or before one

The thieves apparently worked gulte thoroughly. The Jewellery, in-

Mrs. Symon, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. they returned about one o'clock this morning that the theft was discovered. The loss is considerable. Chief Harrop was called in on the

window. HAVE BEEN SOLD BY A. H. BISHOP

case and is investigating. It appears

entrance was gained through a cellar

The Fairview Greenhouses operated for the past twenty-five years by Mr. A. H Bishop were sold the past week to Mr. G. Cunningham of Crewsons' Corners. For some weeks Mr. Bishop has been in poor health and he left this week with his son George to make his home at Red Lodge on Manitoulin Island. Many friends will wish him a prompt return to good

Coming Events

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

Dance at Brookville Hall, Wednesday, June 9th, Doris Hull's Orchestra. Admission 35c.

Euchre and Dance in St. Joseph's Hall, Thursday, June 10th, 1943. Old Tyme and Modern dances.

Dance Wednesday at Edgewood Pary. Al Watson in old and modern. Saturday nights, Gibson-Boyd.

The Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. will hold a "Mile of Pennies" on Saturday, June 12th, from 12 noon to 10 We understand the local committee p.m. Proceeds for War Service

England \$18.40. War Service League powder, 15 spools thread, 4 packages bell that once rang aboard Admiral this Community Contest it's quite Euchre and Dance at Woodside \$20, Acton Fair Board \$2 and donat- gum, 4 pot holders, 3 boxes Kleenex, Sir Noel Laurence's private yacht, probable that there'll be another re- School on Friday evening June 11th. ed 14 Christmas cakes for the boys' 5 cards safety pins, 5 tooth brushes, Eaglet, now summons farm workers port to be heard for miles around. If Proceeds for Red Cross work. Euchre boxes for the A. and V. War Service 4 packages needles, 8 cans' tooth to meals at a new workers' camp in you hear it you'll know there's been starting at 9 p.m. Lunch. Admis-