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## School Children Guests at Meeting of County Council

### Grants to Fair Give Million \$200 and Acton and Georgetown \$100—Amendment for Equal Grants to Defeated—Equalized Assessment Remains Unchanged for This Year—Tax Rate is Reduced Tenth of Mill.

Forty-five school sections in Halton County were represented by forty-five girls and boys at the regular meeting of Halton County Council held in Milton last Friday. The children were the guests of the County Council and every effort was put forward by the County personnel to make the day one of interest and enjoyment to the children.

The meeting opened by the Lord's Prayer in union followed by the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. The Warden then welcomed the visitors. "We feel," said the Warden, "that you, the youth of today who are now growing up, will eventually be called upon in some instances to take the places we now occupy at the council table and so you have been invited here to-day in order that you may obtain first hand knowledge of County Council procedure. We hope you will all make notes to take home with you so that you, in turn, may give information to your fellow pupils who are unable to be here with you to-day."

The Warden and members of the council were then introduced to the children by the County Clerk, after which, Mr. Roy Smith, County Engineer, introduced the children to the council, each pupil responding to the roll call by giving the name of the school or school section which he or she represented.

As council proceeded with its regular business, the Warden took time to explain the purpose of its various committees to the children. Unfortunately all members of the Council were not present, the Reeves of Georgetown, Nasagaweya and the Deputy Reeve of Oakville being absent.

Lunch was arranged for council members at 12 o'clock and for the children at 1 o'clock at the Milton Inn. While council was adjourned, county officials addressed the young people briefly explaining the nature and purpose of their work. Those speaking were, Mr. A. E. Whitlock, County Agricultural Representative; Mr. W. I. Dick, County Attorney; Miss M. Maxted, County Treasurer; Mr. Roy Smith, Road Superintendent and Mr. W. J. L. Hampshire, Registrar of Surrogate Court.

Council resumed at 2 p.m. Reports of the Standing Committees were considered in Committee of the Whole with Reeve May in the chair. Only two communications were received, both of which were filed. One was from the Navy League but since a generous grant had already been given this organization earlier in the year council was agreed that no more assistance could be given at present. The other communication was from Wentworth County asking endorsement of an appeal to the Federal Government to rescind a recent order requiring farmers to obtain a permit before selling meat on an open market. This was considered as a hardship to farmers by Wentworth County but Halton Council was of the opinion that the permit system was inaugurated to prevent operations on a black market and was in the interest of all concerned.

A report of the last meeting of the Children's Aid Society was given by the County Council representatives, Reeves Gilbert and Campbell. Reeve Blair reported on plans being formulated for the addition of a new men's wing to the House of Refuge in Brampton, the construction of which Council agreed, was absolutely necessary for the health and well-being of the inmates. Mr. Gilbert, chairman of the Good Roads Committee outlined the roads program for the current year but which, he said, was contingent upon the labor supply. Representatives were present from the three Fall Fair Boards in the county appealing for their customary grants. Mr. Swackhamer, Acton, asked that all fair boards be given equal consideration. Later, it was moved by Messrs. Smith and Robertson, that a grant of \$200 be given Halton. (Continued on Page Eight)

## ACTON BOYS ENLISTED

This Week's Register

E. Hufnagel has enlisted in the R. C. A. F. and is stationed at Manning Pool, Toronto.  
L. Yungblutt has joined the R.C. A.F. and is stationed in Toronto.

## Fair Program Adjusted to Meet Wartime Conditions

Acton Fair which has carried on almost through two wars with increasing success finds new conditions must be met in the program this year. The use of the arena and curving rink for wartime warehousing of wool had made it necessary to alter conditions. These were met by the directors in a meeting on Tuesday evening.

There can be no hall exhibit this year. The tables and equipment are packed in tons of wood and unobtainable. The old exhibition hall would require major repairs to put it in condition and while permission has been secured it was felt these repairs were not in keeping with the curtailment of war time expenditures.

The first night performance will of necessity be an out-of-door function, in front of the grandstand. This will make possible and necessary a new type of program. But the directors are determined this event will not suffer in any way and will make it again one of the big features of the fair. Weather conditions will of course have to be faced in this arrangement.

Plans are also under way to improve the stock exhibit and the features of the Second day. The lack of the hall will be made up in added events for Saturday afternoon. Plans are now being made for a Wartime Fair that will meet the conditions and contribute to the success of the event. The fair dates for Acton this year are Friday and Saturday, September 17th and 18th.

## Pupils, Teachers Honor Principal Entering Airforce

### Gathering at Acton School Makes Presentation on Behalf of Teachers and Pupils

Last Thursday afternoon at three o'clock the pupils and teachers of the public school assembled at the entrance to bid farewell to Principal McKenzie who has joined the air crew of the Royal Canadian Air Force. A program which camouflaged the purpose of the occasion, consisted of selections by the Junior choir and primary class, readings by Fred Euringer, Monte Ranney and Ethel Hunter; a song by three girls of Grade Eight, Aileen McLean, Joan Coles and Shirley Elliott, and a sing-song led by Bill Clayton.

Mr. McKenzie was then asked to address the assembly, which he did in this usual able and pleasing manner. As he descended the steps, he was (Continued on Page Five)

## CUB PACK IS HAVING DIFFICULTY GETTING EQUIPMENT

Any former members of the First Acton Wolf Cub Pack having in their possession equipment belonging to the Pack—namely sweaters and scarves—are asked to turn them in at once to the Cubmaster, the Rev. E. A. Brooks at the Rectory. These are now hard to get and are needed to outfit the boys at present in the Pack.

## I.O.D.E. Presents Prizes to Pupils Acton Public School

The annual awards to the pupils of Acton Public School were made yesterday by the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I.O.D.E. The winners were chosen for the effort on a selected piece of patriotic work in the various grades. These subjects used took the form of art, posters, booklets, essays, etc. Excellent prizes of books were awarded and teachers and pupils appreciate this interest shown in Acton Public School. The presentations on behalf of the Chapter were made by Mrs. W. J. Beatty, Mrs. J. C. Matthews, Mrs. J. M. McDonald and Miss M. Z. Bennett.

Following are the winners of the prizes:  
Grade 1.—Ena Jennings, age 7 years; Maureen Kinread, 7 years.  
Grade 2.—Buddy Kentner, age 9 years; Russell Arbic, 8 years.  
Grade 3.—Ronald Anderson, age 10 years; Annie Luty, age 11 years.  
Grade 4.—Joy Romph, age 10 years; David Richardson, age 10 years.  
Grade 5.—Bobby Rowles, age 11 years; Patsy Duval, age 11 years.  
Grade 6.—Patsy Chew, age 11 years; Jim Dennis, age 13 years.  
Grade 7.—Lorraine Pallant, age 11 years; Mauretta Rowles, age 13 years.  
Grade 8.—Martha Turkoz, age 12 years; Irma Kehtner, age 13 years.

## Mrs. A. Near is President of the Halton Institute

### Annual Meeting Held at Horsey on Friday—Good Reports From Branches

Halton County Women's Institute held their district annual in Horsey on Friday with a large attendance. Mrs. Merry was in charge and gave the president's address. She urged the branches to use the central fund as a clearing place for our patriotic donations. Mrs. May of Horsey welcomed the delegates and Mrs. Lush of Campbellville, replied.

Encouraging reports were presented from 16 branches. Mrs. T. D. Cowan of Galt, the provincial director, gave many interesting items on her impression of W. L. work as a member of the Provincial Board.

Miss Charlotte McCullough of Georgetown, outlined the girls' project work and gave a thrilling account of her trip to Chicago to attend the 4-H convention in that city. This was her award presented by Halton W. L. to the high girl in Achievement Work.

Miss Lulu Rowe, from the department discussed the co-operative program, and the district decided to take up the clothing project. Mrs. Cowdy of Limehouse and Mrs. Crawford of Campbellville, led in community singing.

The Horsey school children delighted the audience with a rhythm band and several choruses by their choir.

Mr. T. D. Cowan conducted the election of officers which resulted as follows: President, Mrs. A. Near, Dublin; first vice-president, Mrs. Crawford, Campbellville; second vice-president, Mrs. Milligan, Burlington; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. H. Boulton, Palermo; representative to Federation, Mrs. Merry and Mrs. Cowan; delegates to convention, Guelph, Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. A. Near; Jam convener, Mrs. Milligan, Burlington; agriculture and Canadian industries, Mrs. Gzley, Milton; citizenship, Mrs. Webster, Dublin; historical research, Mrs. Wm. Gowdy, Limehouse; home economics, Mrs. A. Cowan, Palermo; social welfare, Mrs. A. Boston, Limehouse; publicity, Miss Nora Gilbert, Burlington; work, scrap book editor, Mrs. J. E. Gamble, Acton; Wartime Prices and Trade Board, Mrs. J. Whitlock, Milton.

Mrs. Milligan was again appointed as jam convener. She reported that 8,936 pounds of jam had been sent by the county last year.

Those attending from Acton and district were Mrs. Lushenby, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Gamble of Acton branch; Miss E. Russell and Mrs. McEachern of Bannockburn; Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. vanGoozen, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. Somerville, Mrs. Steele, Mrs. Brickett, Mrs. Webster, Miss Vera Webster of Dublin.

## Holstein and Jersey Men Hold Field Day at Guelph

Jersey and Holstein breeders from the counties of Halton and Peel to the number of 700 attended the field day at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, on Saturday last.

Following tours to the experimental plots, dairy barn, and the College greenhouse, the group was entertained to lunch by the College. Short addresses were given by Dr. G. I. Christie, President of the Ontario Agricultural College, and Prof. R. G. Knox, head of the Animal Husbandry Department.

Under the direction of Prof. Geo. E. Rathby, Jas. Bremner, secretary of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club, and A. M. Barr, Holstein Fieldman, judging competitions were held, the winners being as follows:

**Jersey Club**  
Ladies—Mrs. Lorne Ella, Rockwood; Mrs. Glenn Grice, Cookville; Junior Farmers—Glenn Grice, Cookville; Eccles McClure, Georgetown; John McClure, Georgetown; Hunter Arnott, Streetsville; T. J. M. Dolson, Brampton and J. W. Wiggins, Caledon.

**Holstein Club**  
Ladies—Miss M. Alexander, Georgetown and Mrs. J. M. Fraser, Streetsville.

**Junior Farmers**—Tied for first—John Lyons, Georgetown; Garnet Laidlaw, Norval; John McClure, Brampton; Gordon Reid, Norval.

**Men**—W. M. Reid, Norval, T. O. Dolson, Brampton and Andrew McDonald, Cheltenham.  
A sports program under the direction of President A. T. Woodley, of the Halton Holstein Club completed a most successful annual outing.

## Careless Driving and Liquor Charges Bring Fines Total to \$55

In Police Court in Acton yesterday morning Thomas Mitchell of Port Credit was fined \$5 and costs on a charge of careless driving, a total assessment of \$6.25.

James Andrews of Georgetown answered to charges of careless driving and having liquor in a motor car. His fine was \$30 and costs, a total of \$35.

On another charge of having liquor in a motor car Erwin Hillis of Georgetown paid a fine of \$20 and costs, a total of \$23.75.

Police Magistrate W. Robinson of Oakville presided at the Acton Court and Chief Harrop laid the charges.

On Wednesday evening Chief Harrop picked up Douglas Hurrens of R. R. 2, Breslau who was intoxicated and in a motor car on Bower Avenue. He spent the night in the cells and will answer charges in police court.

## MASONS HONOR PAST MASTER WITH JEWEL PRESENTATION

Mr. J. Robert MacArthur was honored at the meeting of Walkers Lodge on Monday evening when he was presented with the Past Masters' Jewel. The presentation was made on behalf of the lodge by Wor. Bro. F. J. Salt, Mr. MacArthur is the Immediate Past Master of the Lodge.

It was recalled at the meeting that Mr. W. M. Cooper has been a member of Walkers Lodge for forty-four years and is one of the oldest members in point of lodge years. He has maintained an active interest all through the years and has been honored by Grand Lodge and his Mother Lodge.

## Will Analyze the Power Factor in Local Industries

### Other Items at Meeting Monday of Acton Public Utilities Commission

A meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Monday evening. Reeve J. M. McDonald, Commissioner J. R. MacArthur were present with Chairman C. M. Hansen presiding.

The insurance on the Utility Truck was up for renewal and it was decided to ask for prices on this insurance as the amount seemed unduly high.

Mr. C. E. Smith of Stewarttown submitted a price on fencing the pumping station on Main Street. Secretary B. H. Speight was instructed to write to various firms for prices on this item.

Superintendent C. Wilson reported that during the time the truck was undergoing repairs, John Lambert had supplied his car for their use. A grant of \$200 was made for its use.

A quantity of new pipe was offered to the Commission by a local resident at the same price as is procurable from the wholesalers. It was ordered to be purchased.

Superintendent Wilson reported that a power analyzer would be here this week to check the power factor in some of the local factories, as some of the transformers are carrying their listed load at the present time. After the check is made recommendations will be given to help out the situation.

Secretary B. H. Speight was instructed to pay the following accounts:

Hydro Dept.	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, power, etc.	\$3,633.71
Force Electric Products, units	2.66
J. B. Mackenzie & Son, coal and lumber	13.23
Remington Rand Ltd., typewriter service 1 year	8.00
Sutherland-Schultz Electric Co., repairs	10.60
Acros Fax Passa, printing	37.37
Canadian General Electric Co., fuses	5.67
Canadian Line Materials Ltd., street light repairs	9.21
C.N.R. and Transports, exp.	2.11
E. J. Hassard, supplies	.40
Dept. of National Revenue, sales tax	106.00
London Public Utilities, repairs	1.65
Ellis and Howard, Limited, supplies	.77
J. Lambert, use of car	2.00
	\$3,833.38
Waterworks Dept.	
Hydro Dept., power and heating	43.53
Hydro Dept., May operations	197.77
	\$241.30

## "Acton" Bomber Will be Christened at Malton

### CANADIAN NAVY NEEDS THE BACKING OF EVERY CITIZEN

With the placing of our disposal by the Royal Navy of four coast destroyers to be used in our convoy or coast service in the North Atlantic the Royal Canadian Navy now has seventeen destroyers.

As the Hon. Angus L. Macdonald says—"We have increased the stature of the Royal Canadian Navy thirty-four times since the outbreak of war."

Canada's fifteen ships have grown to five hundred and fifty ships. Navy personnel has grown from 1,174 to 60,000.

In 1942 the tonnage of warships and merchant ships built for our navies aggregated 1,000,000.

"Canada," says Mr. Macdonald, "is becoming a naval and maritime power."

"Canada," he says, "hopes to add some seventy more fighting ships to her navy."

One thought strikes us about these statements of the Minister for Naval Services, apart from the sense of pride we all have in this remarkable growth of the Royal Canadian Navy, and the growth in size of ships and personnel in Canada's Merchant Navy too, and that is this, how can we practically express this pride?

We can express it in this way, readers, by seeing that we are able to be proud of the way the men of the Royal Canadian Navy, and Merchant Navy are "served."

Citizens generally will have a chance to back up this splendid Navy of Canada and particularly the men who man the ships, in the Tag Day being held here on Saturday for the Navy League. They are doing their part and the Navy League appeals to all on the home front to back them up.

Donations acknowledged by the Acton Branch of the Navy League are \$15 from the Busy Bees of Njagaweya S. S. No. 7, \$25 from the Lakeside Chapter of the I.O.D.E. and \$50 from the Acton and Vicinity War Service League.

## KNOX W.M.S. MET AT THE HOME OF MRS. R. M. McDONALD

The June meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church was held at the home of Mrs. R. M. McDonald on Thursday the 10th, with Mrs. Fred Blow presiding.

The devotional period was conducted by Mrs. W. Lashy, Mrs. Fred Wright, Mrs. Geo. Lantz and Mrs. Harry Mainprize. Mrs. Cordner read a few verses of Scripture, "God's Precious Promise." The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Forbes Thomson. Mrs. McDonald assisted by Miss Stalker, Mrs. W. Gould and Mrs. Blow, served a dainty lunch and a social time was spent.

## NOBODY WANTS JAPS

LONDON, (CP)—"Toughest job of the war," say Ministry of Labor officials, is finding work for 15 Japanese released from internment as "friendly aliens." "Nobody wants to hire them."

## Creamery Burglars Sentenced in Court for Acton Theft

### Third Man Had Reached Saskatchewan Before Being Apprehended

Arthur Castle and Leroy Warren both of Toronto, were sentenced to a year in the reformatory in Police Court in Milton yesterday. They were charged with breaking, entering and theft at Acton Creamery a few weeks ago. Both lads are just eighteen years of age.

It was revealed that Castle had three previous convictions for breaking, entering and theft and Warren four previous convictions on the same charges.

A third man, Edward Raines has been apprehended at Moosejaw, Sask. He has confessed to the burglary in Acton Creamery and to similar burglaries at Weyburn, Estevan and Moose Jaw, Sask. He is wanted in Toronto for the theft of a motor car and in Acton for the Creamery burglary.

The fourth man implicated has not yet been identified but police are holding a suspect for investigation. Chief Harrop and Traffic Officer Ray Mason had the co-operation of police across Canada in bringing the thieves to trial.

## Six Municipalities Across Dominion Will Send Representatives to Unique Ceremony Being Arranged—New Glasgow's Entry Won the Double Award for Its Class and Dominion Top Prize.

At the time of going to press last week complete details of the community contest in connection with the Fourth Victory Loan were not available. The telephone message from Mr. Langford, the district organizer, gave only the information regarding the class for towns under 3,000 population in which Acton won first place.

New Glasgow, N. S., won the award for the class of 3,000 to 10,000 and also the award for the best community event in all classes. New Glasgow will have the name inscribed on one of the first Canadian-made Lancaster bombers. Winning communities in all other classes will have Canadian-made Mosquito bombers named after them.

Winning communities in individual classes, segregated by population, were: Class A, communities under 3,000 population, Acton, Ont.; Class B, 3,000 to 10,000, New Glasgow, N.S.; Class C, 10,000 to 30,000, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Class D, 30,000 to 100,000, Saskatoon, Sask.; Class E, more than 100,000, Vancouver, B. C.

The christening of the bombers will take place at the Milton airport at a date to be announced later. Representatives of the municipalities named will be guests on this occasion and take part in the ceremony.

There is little need to explain to our readers the "Blitz-Bomb" contest which won the award for Acton. Through our columns in previous issues the residents of the town and district and all our readers were made conversant with the plan and its winners.

The winners of the awards were Mr. Geo. Stewart and Mr. Percy Evans. The first estimate was made by Miss Heta Stuckey, an invalid, and Mr. Stewart gave the prize to her.

Members of the Public Relations Committee in Acton who arranged the plan were, Messrs. W. J. Oakes, R. H. Arnold, E. S. Force, G. W. McKenzie and G. A. Dilla.

The Acton Executive of the National War Finance Committee were: Honorary Chairman, Reeve J. M. McDonald and Deputy Reeve G. W. Murray; Chairman, Mr. A. Mason; Vice-Chairman, Mr. G. A. Dilla; General Sales Chairman, Mr. H. R. Force; Joint Chairmen Payroll Savings Section, Mr. E. S. Force and Mr. W. G. Mason.

## VARIETY PROGRAM PRESENTED AT MEETING OF THE B. Y. P. U.

The B. Y. P. U. met in the church Tuesday evening with the president in charge. Following the business discussion Mr. W. Anderson led a sing-song. Mr. W. Anderson read the Scripture lesson and Mr. W. Coles sang "Sweet Will of God." Mr. Len Atkinson led in prayer. Mr. Stan. Cripps gave the topic "Elijah's Prayer." Miss J. Graham sang, "I'd Rather Have Jesus," and Mr. Anderson gave a reading. A hymn and prayer by Mrs. Reta Lincoln closed the service.

## BREAD DRIVER WITHOUT PAY

BUDLEIGH, England, (CP)—Mrs. Beatrice Mitford, 63-year-old wife of a retired army officer, has become a bread driver without pay. She volunteered for the job when the bakery where she was buying her bread lost their driver to the army.

## Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events made in this heading, are charged, on cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of age.

Dance, Brookville Hall, Doris Hull's Orchestra, June 23rd, 35c.

Afternoon Tea and Sale of Baking, Parish Hall, June 19th, from 3.30. 50-2.

Dance Wednesday at Edgewood Park, Al Watson in old and modern. Saturday nights, Gibson-Boyd, modern. 68-2.

The Annual Meeting of the Acton Branch Bible Society will be held in the Parish Hall Sunday evening at 8.15. Rev. W. McClary, B.A., B.D., will give an illustrated talk. Everyone invited.