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Acton Takes Game from Oakville by 9-5 Last Night

Three Pitchers Used By Lakeshore Team But Failed to Stop Local

Baseball was in the limelight of camp last night when Acton trimmed Oakville 9-5 to usher in the 1946 baseball season in Acton park. The twilight opener attracted a large crowd who went home happy after watching a battling, hoisterous triple A crew trim the lakeshore boys, thus averting the trimming they received previously.

As umpire Somerville called "play ball" Langway, the first Oakville batter stepped to the plate and struck out to Ryder on the mound for Acton. Davidson was walked and Post followed in the same way. Markey then hit a single to fill the bases with Galbraith to bat. The latter struck out and Picard hit a fly to Lindsay with Oakville going out on 1 hit and no runs.

Henderson hurled for Oakville in the first inning, walking Waterhouse and Brush and allowing Masales a nice bunt to fill the bases. N. Morton was hit by a pitched ball thus forcing the first Acton run. Lindsay hit a short run forcing Brush in who was nabbed at the plate to put Acton with three men on and one out. Footitt was walked and Masales reached home to make two runs. The next two batters, Goy and R. Morton both struck out with the score at the end of the first 2-0 in the locals favor. McGowan replaced Henderson in this half on the mound for Oakville.

Oakville hit the score sheet in the first half of the second when Snowball and Green scored. McGowan hit but was tagged out on second. The next two Oakville batters were eliminated on a nice catch by Goy and a strike out. In the second half of the second, Acton scored on Brush's run to make the score 3-2. In this half Waterhouse, on his way to third base, politely pushed Picard of Oakville off the base line, who, taking it as an offence, beligerently pushed back. After much bickering base umpire Pollock put Waterhouse out with a warning.

Oakville pulled out its big guns in the third as they scored three runs to forge ahead 5-3. Acton was scoreless in this inning with Ryder getting the only hit.

In the fourth inning Oakville succumbed to the locals in quick order and Acton followed in their footsteps in their half of the frame.

Oakville went out 1-2-3 in the first half of the 5th inning as the locals played real "ball." The AAA team from Acton then seemed to blast McGowan out of the box with Lindsay, Goy and Morton scoring. Pollock then replaced McGowan who was knocked for three hits and two runs making the score at the end of the fifth 8-5.

The sixth inning was without incident as far as Oakville was concerned but in the Acton half Lindsay scored as Snyder singled to make the count 9-5 and to dampen the Oakvillians' spirits.

In the seventh inning the locals pushed the boys from the lakeshore out of running in alternate order thus deflating the sails from their boat to win the game 9-5.

Batteries for Oakville—Henderson, p.; McGowan, p.; Pollock, p.; Mark-ey, c.

Acton—Ryder, p.; Goy, c.
The score by innings:
Oakville 0 2 3 0 0 0 0
Acton 2 1 0 0 5 1 0

Ryder with eleven strike-outs came out with one of the best hurling performances we've seen in some time.

Perhaps Oakville wearing chest-off Toronto Maple Leaf uniforms was following in the wake of their idol.

It's Georgetown on Saturday.

MR. THOS. JONES ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF Y.M.C.A. BOARD

The regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Board of Directors was held on Monday, June 1st and election of officers was held as follows:

- Honorary Presidents—Mr. Amos Mason, Mr. W. J. Beatty.
- President—Mr. Thos. Jones.
- Vice-president—Mr. J. W. Wolfe.
- Secretary—Mr. E. S. Cooper.
- Treasurer—Mr. Frank Terry.
- Program Chairman—Dr. Douglas Garrett.
- Finance Chairman—Mr. E. S. Force.
- Property Chairman—Mr. G. Rognvaldson.
- Membership Chairman—Mr. J. W. Wolfe.
- Special Events Chairman—Mr. J. Greer.
- Publicity Chairman—Mr. R. E. Bean.

The Empire Day Awards Made By Devonshire I.O.D.E.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I.O.D.E. met for their June meeting on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. N. Baird, with the regent, Mrs. Matthews presiding.

In the business period there was a discussion re bazaar committees for the bazaar in September, for the National Clothing Drive June 19th, volunteer helpers were named, the donation of children's books for the library was discussed, the members to leave same at Cooper's Drug Store for perusal by Library Board Committee. The two I.O.D.E. members of the Children's Aid Society were appointed, namely Mrs. Matthews and Mrs. Schroeder. Final arrangements were made for the 30th anniversary dinner.

The program of the evening was somewhat different in that the members were privileged to hear the winners of Grades Six, Seven and Eight whose essays had been presented on Empire Day by the Acton Public School. The sixth grade winner was Helen Keelan, her topic: "The Growth of the Canadian Mounted Police." The Seventh Grade Winner was Ronnie Cripps, his topic: "The Life Story of Wilfred Laurier." The Eighth Grade winner was Dick Woods, his topic: "Sir Harold the Viscount Alexander." These students showed marked ability, both in the composition of their essays and in their presentation of them, their clear cut enunciation proved them good public speakers.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I.O.D.E. presents two yearly awards to each grade of the Public School in Acton, these awards are usually books suitably chosen by the educational secretary.

It will be of interest to Free Press readers that on Empire Day, the following students won these awards:

- Grade VIII Dick Woods, Shirley Fryer.
 - Grade VII Ronnie Cripps, June Brown.
 - Grade VI Helen Keelan, Adele Chew.
 - Grade V Shirley Wilson, Faye Hawkins.
 - Grade IV Verena Johnson, Bobby Dennis.
 - Grade III Peggy Oakes, Betty Foshury.
 - Grade II Evelyn Massey, Bernice Sargent.
 - Grade I Bobby Landsborough, Joyce McCullough.
 - Kindergarten Raymond Braids, Margaret Dennis.
- At the close of the meeting lunch was served and a pleasant half hour spent over the tea cups. Roll call showed an attendance of 37 members and six visitors.

ACTON JUNIOR FARMERS LEARN OF HOME IMPROVEMENTS

The Acton Junior Farmers held their regular meeting at Lorne School on May 30th. Dirk Van Goozen acted as chairman for the evening. Dorothy Ewers rendered two vocal solos and Donald Van Goozen gave two musical selections.

Mr. Glover, landscape gardener from the Ontario Reformatory, was guest speaker and gave an interesting talk on "Home Improvements" and how to slip all varieties of plants. Mr. Chris. Robinson, Guelph, then followed with colored pictures of the improvements to beautifying homes and gardens in the city of Guelph. Cake and ice cream was enjoyed and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

KNOX W.M.S. AND Y.W.A. GUESTS AT MEETING NASSAGAWEYA W.M.S.

Knox Church, Acton, W.M.S. and the Y. W. Auxiliary received a cordial invitation to attend the 50th anniversary of the Nassagaweya Presbyterian W.M.S., which was held on Wednesday, May 29th.

Quite a number of ladies went from both Societies and enjoyed a very impressive service. The church auditorium was tastefully decorated with flowers for the occasion.

The president, Mrs. Wilfred Kennedy, presided and opened the meeting with a call to worship and prayer and extended a welcome to the visiting W.M.S. ladies. The guest speaker was Rev. Forbes Thomson of Acton, who spoke on the "Life of Paul" and brought a worthwhile and timely message to all. Mrs. Poole and Mrs. Fraser sang a duet entitled "Whispering Hope" which was much enjoyed. Rev. Charles Henderson of Prince Edward Island, a former member of Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church, brought greetings from his charge.

Greetings were extended from St. Andrew's Church, Guelph and a vote of thanks was extended from each of the visiting Societies. A dainty lunch was served by the ladies of the church, with Mrs. McNeil and Mrs. Poole pouring tea.

Drainage and Building Problems Reviewed-Council

Samples of Water in Fairy Lake Reveal Suitable for Bathing Purposes—Engineer Asked to Make Report on Completing of Water Service for Scene Street—Other Items of Monday's Session.

Councillors W. J. Oakes, C. Cook and W. J. Benson were present Monday night when Acton Council met in regular session and Ivese C. L. Kirkness presided.

Mr. Fred Stewart made inquiry regarding the opening of a street from Main Street to his property at the rear of the Dominion Hotel. He desired to erect another house on this lot. Council asked Mr. Stewart to secure further information before any decision could be given.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

F. Gowdie & J. Campbell re Knowles contract	\$126.50
F. C. Olfie, installation chemical toilets at arena	47.00
E. S. Cooper, supplies	4.25
Medical Welfare Board	1.12
Fyr-Fyter Co. duty coat	14.75
H. W. Haxter, Bd. of Health supplies	1.50
Norton Motors, May account	53.15
W. Cutting, labor	51.81
Baxter Laboratories, salt	3.00
The Acton Free Press, advertising	7.72
	\$140.73

Treasurer F. Turner requested from Council a resolution attesting to the permanency of his position which would give exemption of payment of unemployment insurance. Council could not comply with the request as the position was under the control of the Public Utilities Commission.

A letter from the Planning and Development Department was read regarding approval of the Beardmore Co. survey. Council asked that the plan be presented at the next meeting.

A letter from John C. MacKenzie, O.B.E. stated he understood that Acton was planning construction of a new \$75,000 hospital. He asked advice regarding whom he could contact to utilize his services as hospital consultant. Council was not able to give the information as the proposed building was new to them.

Another letter from the Department of Planning asked information regarding the survey of the Cripps subdivision. They asked passing of a by-law regarding restriction of one house on a lot.

A letter from Ellis Rognvaldson asked for rebate on dog license as the dog had died. The Council pointed out that no rebate could be made according to by-law provisions.

Councillor Benson submitted a report regarding the samples of water taken from Fairy Lake and the explanation of the tests made of the water. In view of these tests the water was considered suitable for bathing purposes but the Municipal Officer was to take samples of water from time to time.

The clerk reported that the county grader could come to Acton on Wednesday for repairs to the streets.

Mr. J. McMullen requested Council to divert the creek running through his property down Main Street to the creek passing near the bridge. The present tile was filled with dirt and flooding his property.

Mr. McMullen requested assistance in making a driveway to his property on Brock Ave. Council explained the usual procedure was to supply the tile for such driveways. Most of the hill approach was on the street. However, he proposed to build two houses on this lot. Council agreed to consider the proposal.

Mr. J. V. Savage asked permission to cut down a dead maple tree in front of his residence on Main Street. He could arrange for cutting the tree without damage to lines. Councillor Oakes was to view the location before permission was given.

Mr. Fred Hunter asked a reduction on dog tax on an animal that had become vicious when it was tied up.

The clerk was instructed to secure information from the engineer regarding the completing of the water mains on Scene Street.

A special meeting was to be called by the Mayor for the purpose of considering recognition to those on active service.

Council considered various drainage problems for handling surface water.

LETTER FROM GREECE GIVES THANKS FOR CLOTHING SENT

Following is a letter written to Mrs. E. J. Caldwell, which was in Greek and was translated by her grandson, Bob Agnew. Mrs. Agnew had put a name in a coat sent in the Red Cross drive for clothes last fall. It tells its own story. But may we remind readers that right now there's another need for more clothes. Your contribution will bring joy to a needy one just as the coat did to a teacher in Greece.

Written from Nauoussa (Macedonia Greece), May 15th, 1946

According to my parents, my teachers and also the St. Evangeline, I am taught that it is my necessary duty to give thanks to them that do me good.

It is the same in your case. In one of the pockets of the coat that was sent to me by UNRRA, I by chance found in it a letter which indicated your address. I thank you heartily for your gift, a gift that shows (proves) the kindness of your soul. I am a teacher receiving a salary assigned by the government which is insufficient and financial help is absolutely necessary for me to be content. We have not completely gotten over the effects of the invasion of the Hungarians and the Bulgarians. We are finding ourselves in a really deplorable condition. I thank you again for your generous sentiment. I hope that happiness and health will never leave you and you will always be welcome at my home.

I have the honor to come to know you,
Constantine G. Piliakides,
Teacher,
Nauoussa, Macedonia, Greece

Annual Report of Y.M.C.A. Shows Centre is Busy Spot

Work of Mrs. Gray Commended and Johnny Gray Welcomed Back from Overseas

The annual meeting of the Murray Memorial Y.M.C.A. was held on Friday, May 31st. Before the business session, commenced a scintillating exhibition of table tennis was put on by members of Toronto West End Y.

President Wolfe thanked the members and directors for their co-operation during the year. He paid special tribute to Mrs. Mae Gray for her excellent leadership during the past four years. On behalf of the Board, he presented her with a cheque as a token of appreciation.

At the same time, Mr. Wolfe officially welcomed Johnny Gray back to the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Gray has just returned from overseas and is planning on getting back to his position as Y secretary very shortly.

Mr. Wolfe also mentioned the excellent service rendered by the three retiring directors, Mr. W. J. Beatty, Mr. Thos. Jones and Mr. R. H. Parker. In the election for directors, Dr. Douglas Garrett, Mr. Thos. Jones and Mr. Frank Terry were elected by ballot.

Mr. J. Greer as treasurer presented the following financial report.

RECEIPTS	
Membership Fees	\$ 566.85
Rentals, fixed	78.00
Miscellaneous rentals	124.00
Donations	534.75
Miscellaneous	57.41
Kindergarten	100.00
	\$2133.01
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries	\$ 833.26
Light and water	270.25
Coal	441.88
Audit and printing	75.24
Insurance	112.50
Nat. Council	25.00
Building maintenance	405.68
Program supplies	125.88
Miscellaneous	83.76
	\$2463.32
On Hand, May 31, 1946	\$602.61

Mr. E. S. Force presented a report of program activity. The following figures from the attendance report show that the Y is a busy place, indeed.

Regular classes: junior boys, 1409; intermediate boys, 798; junior girls, 1376; intermediate girls, 1254; nursery class, 2177; senior boys, 389; senior girls, 399; teen agers socials, 569; 152; boys tumbling class (1 month only), 42; badminton, 1295; card (1 month), 1468; display practices, 390; Special features: trips, 119; parties, 631; tournaments, 349; dances, 1007; supper, 307; display, 640; miscellaneous, 124; total, 14,818.

Canadian Wool Trims the Tanners 11-4 in Softball

Only one game in the Softball League was played as a rainy spell made postponements in the baseball schedule the rule last week. Tuesday night Canadian Wool pulled the wool over the Beardmore team to the tune of 11-4. The Canadian Wool had three good innings, in the second, third and fourth frames to run up ten runs.

The Tanners never recovered from the deluge and scored in the third and fourth for a total of four runs. Canadian Wool had 10 hits and 3 errors, while the Tanners were held to four hits and chalked up 7 errors. Monty Hoote made the decisions behind the bat and Sammy Sluder was on field plays.

Friday night Force Electric and Baxter's are scheduled to tangle and Tuesday night the come up against Beardmore's. The rains are well lined with spectators and the softball games are proving popular events twice a week in the Park. Tuesdays and Fridays are softball nights in Acton.

FRIENDS SHOWER GIFTS ON BRIDAL COUPLE OF LAST WEEK

On Wednesday, May 16th, Miss Rita Allison was the recipient of many beautiful gifts when a miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Miss Mary Papillon for the bride-to-be.

The room was decorated with pink and white streamers and the gifts were arranged in two large baskets placed on each side of a large doll dressed as a bride. Olga Dyriv read the address and presented Rita with a lovely Bride's Book. The bride thanked all for the many gifts and for the many kindnesses which had been shown her since her arrival in Acton. A delicious lunch served by the hostesses climaxed a most enjoyable evening.

On Monday, May 27th, friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs. A. Hill to honor Norman Braids and his bride-to-be. The evening was spent in games, after which the bride and groom were asked to take their places in the living room which had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. Miss Georgina Mitchell presented them with an address expressing the good wishes of all present. The many lovely gifts were then opened and Norman expressed his appreciation to the many neighbors, old and new, who had arranged such a pleasant evening for them.

THE BRAIDA-ALLISON WEDDING SATURDAY IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

A very pretty wedding was solemnized on Saturday, June 1st, in St. Joseph's Church, Acton, when Rita Victoria Allison, daughter of Mr. Benson Allison and the late Mrs. Allison of Truro, N. S., became the bride of Norman Joseph Braids, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Braids, Acton.

The altar was beautifully decorated with white gladioli, lily-of-the-valley and red roses, with baskets of white lilac and spirea at the altar rail. The nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. Father V. J. Morgan with Armand and Lino Braids, cousins of the groom as altar boys. During the mass, the choir under the direction of Mr. S. Dideo of Freeport sang "O Sanctissimus," "Veni Jesu Amor Mei" and "Panis Angelicus" accompanied at the organ by Miss Irene Mulholland.

The bride, given in marriage by Mr. A. Sauro of Toronto, was lovely in a floor length gown of white muslin de soie, fashioned with sweetheart neckline, long sleeves and full skirt. She wore a gold cross, the gift of the groom. Her full length embroidered veil was arranged on a Mary Queen of Scots headdress and she carried a bouquet of American Beauty roses and bouvardia from which fell streamers of white satin ribbon and rose buds. Mrs. Geo. Hennigan of Truro, N. S. in a floor length gown of rose net over taffeta was her sister's only attendant. Her headdress was a matching shoulder length veil held by a semi-halo of flowers. She carried a bouquet of Better Times roses. Mr. N. Braids was groomsmen for his brother, Mr. Rino Braids and Mr. Ray Arbie served as ushers. During the signing of the register the choir sang "Ave Marie."

At the reception which followed the groom's mother received in a navy blue dress, trimmed with rose, navy blue accessories and corsage of Bralra-cliffe roses. The house was tastefully decorated for the occasion with red roses, tulips and sweet peas.

For travelling the bride wore a grey shortie coat over a matching dress-maker suit, white accessories and corsage of pink roses. Arnd showers of confetti and good wishes the happy couple left for a motor trip 30 days north.

Lt. Col. S. Lambert Speaker at Legion Church Service

Parade Held Before and After Service Marking Fifteenth Anniversary of Branch

Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion were fortunate indeed to have Lt. Col. Sidney Lambert, O.B.E., address the congregation on the occasion of the fifteenth anniversary church service of the Branch in Knox Church on Sunday afternoon. A veteran of the first World War and judge at the Christie Street Hospital since that war, he is intimate with servicemen and holds a sacred place in their hearts.

On Sunday afternoon he chose as his subject the eleventh chapter of Hebrews "But now they desire a better country." Lt. Col. Lambert doesn't preach a sermon from a text. He told of the men in Christie Street Hospital, some of whom haven't got home yet from the first World War. He gave his pointed bits of humor to the veterans and drove home a truth. He didn't mince words when he said that in war some folks put all they had in it while others sat back and took all they could get out of it. But above all Canada is a great country. We aimed while the boys and girls were away to make it a better country for them on their return. But only by following the banner of righteousness can Canada or any other country be made better.

Assisting in the service on Sunday afternoon were Rev. A. W. Fishery, Squadron Leader Rev. S. W. Forbes of the R.C.A.F., Rev. Forbes Thomson and Rev. W. H. Wallace. The choir was composed of ex-servicemen with Sgt. Ted Hansen at the organ. There was a splendid congregation attending.

Prior to the service a parade was held from the Legion Hall on Main Street past the saluting base at the Y.M.C.A. where Lt. Col. Lambert took the salute. The parade was headed by the Lorne Scots Band, and made up of Legionnaires, servicemen, Legion Auxiliary, Duke of Devonshire and Lakeside Chapters of the I.O.D.E., High School cadets and Boy Scouts.

The parade formed again after the service and were briefly addressed in front of the Legion Hall by Lt. Col. Lambert before dismissal. The parade was marshalled by J. M. McDonald.

THE MAUDE-MCKINNON WEDDING SATURDAY AT ROCKWOOD PARSONAGE

At the United Church Parsonage, Rockwood on June 1st, the wedding of Audrey Lorraine, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth M. McKinnon, Acton and Kenneth Elmer, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Maude of Rockwood was solemnized. The Rev. J. Ward officiated.

The bride was lovely in a street length dress of pale pink sheer with shoulder length veil and wearing a corsage of red roses.

Miss Margaret Ryan of Toronto was bridesmaid. She was dressed in pale blue sheer with corsage of red roses. Mr. Ronald Davies assisted the groom.

The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl necklace, the bridesmaid received a gold bracelet and the groomsmen a leather bill fold.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for the immediate relatives.

For travelling the bride wore a wine wool dress with black accessories. On their return they will reside in Acton.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conventions, or other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, with a minimum charge for an announcement of 50c.

Euchre and dance, Limphouse Memorial Hall, Friday, June 7th, Rhythia Rubes. Cards at 9 D.S.T.

Euchre, Friday, June 7th, Legion Hall, 8.30 p.m. Admission 25c. Lunch, Auspices Legion Auxiliary.

Boys' Band Garden Party in Acton Park, June 27th, featuring Russ Creighton and his Variety Entertainment. 48-3

Dance, Brookville Hall, Tuesday, June 11th, sponsored by Busy Bees with Galbraith Orchestra. Hot dogs and coffee in booth. Admission 50c.

Acton Junior Farmers (formerly U.F.Y.P.O.) Old Boys' Reunion at Lorne School Monday, July 1st. Welcome Home and Presentation to Returned Service Men. Dance in evening.