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## Baptist Church Marks the 10th Anniversary

Oldest established church in Acton, the Baptist congregation marked the 10th anniversary on Sunday with special services morning and evening and Rev. E. M. Quirk as guest speaker. Good congregations attended both services and enjoyed the speaker, special music and other features which marked this anniversary.

For his text Mr. Quirk chose Acts 17: "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." The speaker referred to floods in India which had claimed the lives of ten people, but assured his listeners that the power of Christ was much greater.

He stated that in our dealings with non-Christians, compromise is fatal. British governments who did the things that the Muslims did were distrusted. Men like Vincent, Weyell and Lord Halifax who lived for Christ were the only ones who could make progress.

Mr. Quirk told of a large fan stopping because there was a little rust in the connections. So it is with Christians.

In order to keep active in our community, the speaker recommended a Brotherhood for every church before returning to Canada. Mr. Quirk with his family had visited the great Taj Mahal. There he had seen a boat being consumed by the huge turtles of the river. He compared this to sinners who were being torn at by sin and had not yet found Christ's saving power.

At the evening service the congregations of Knox and the United Churches withdrew their service in order that members might join. The male quartette of Knox Church assisted the choir and contributed two numbers.

Mr. Quirk based his evening discourse on 1st Kings 18th chapter and 21st verse "How long halt ye between two opinions?"

Just as Israel paid for its sins and idol worship in other days, so we paid for our selfish and sinful ways of 1918-19 when our lives fell in battle. He urged a decision to turn from idol worship to worship of God. The present is no time for halting between two opinions.

On Monday evening Mr. Quirk gave a splendid address on "The International Political and Religious Situation in Relation to World Manners." Many attended and enjoyed this evening at the Baptist Church too.

## FINE DEER KILLED BY CAR JUST EAST OF ACTON

A fine five point buck was struck on the highway Friday evening by Mr. L. MacSwain as he was commuting toward Acton. The animal came on to the road at the pit at the base of Silver Creek about five miles east of Acton and was killed by the impact. The game warden took charge of the carcass. Fortunately none of the occupants of the car were injured.

## New Wage Contract For Employees of Wool Combing Corp.

The second wage increase this year for employees of Wool Combing Corporation of Canada Limited, Acton, Ont., was announced last week in a joint statement issued by Robert L. Kirkton, company executive assistant, and Jack Robinson, district director of the Textile Workers Union of America (C.I.O.).

The new increase of from three to 13 cents an hour, which is subject to approval by the War Labor Board, was negotiated under a renewal of a union-company agreement and follows four-cent advances instituted last January by mutual consent. Should the official cost-of-living index advance six points or more during the lifetime of the new contract, the wage question will be re-opened. Minimum wages will now stand at 50 cents an hour for experienced women operators and 60¢ for men. "These rates are far above those of our major competitors, the British mills," Mr. Markon observed. "In Britain, textile workers are now negotiating for minimum rate of \$18 a week for men and \$12 a week for women. Our new minimums work out to \$28.80 a week for men and \$24 for women. These rates are 60 per cent, and 100 per cent, higher, respectively, than the minimums sought by the British workers."

## Nearly 300 Honored by Citizens of Acton at the Town's Recognition Day Ceremony Last Saturday

### THE ACTON LEGION AUXILIARY AT ZONE RALLY AT GUELPH

On Thursday evening, September 19th, the Ladies Auxiliary of Acton Branch of the Legion attended the Zone Rally in the Legion Hall in Guelph. Some 400 members were present from Acton, Brampton, Elgin, Perth, Ingersoll, Hazelton, Millburg, Oakville, Preston, Galt and Cumbytown. Mrs. J. J. Galt, president of the group, presided at the meeting. The reports from each Auxiliary were read and proved very interesting, showing much work had been accomplished in the last year.

On behalf of all the auxiliaries, the English president, Mrs. Higgins, presented Mrs. Peggy Ingold, provincial president, and Mrs. Macintosh, St. Thomas 1st vice president, of the provincial conference, and Com. Mrs. Carver, zone representative with a commemorative gift. Following the business period, lunch was served and a social half hour enjoyed.

### MILTON FAIR THIS WEEK WILL ATTRACT MANY FROM HERE

Milton Fair on Friday and Saturday will draw many from Acton and district and indications are that the exhibit will be one of the finest ever presented. Entries have been received in all classes and with the attractive prizes for horses it is anticipated one of the finest shows ever seen will be enjoyed.

A race card with good purses, Hubb Show, Lorne Scots Band, Big Midway and a number of other attractions is offered. Given good weather, all roads will lead to Milton on Saturday.

### FINE PRIZE LIST ASSURES BIG SHOW IN ACTON THIS YEAR

Prize Lists are now available for Acton Fall Fair and competitors are being assured a grand showing this year. The first time for four years, the Acton and Hall will be available.

Prizes in two sections have been increased from amount shown in the list. In the Pony class the first prize this year is \$12, \$8 and \$4 and \$2. In the Saddle class prizes are offered for the attraction.

In the home-baking department the prizes in section 40 consist of six varieties of home-baking the prizes are \$3, \$2 and \$1 instead of those listed. Prize lists are available from the Secretary, C. B. Swackhom, at 518 Smith's or Talbot's Hardware Store or at the Free Press Office.

### Rain Interfered but Did Not Stop the Big Parade and Program—Finest Parade Ever Seen in Acton as Bands, Floats, School Children and Organizations Enter into Event with Enthusiasm—Rings and Silver Compart are Presented to Men and Women—Capt. Andrews Special Speaker and Assisted Revere Kirkness in Presentation—Band Concerts, Hall Games, Legion Bingo and Games, Fireworks, and Dance all part of Acton's Recognition Day

Saturday was a day that will be remembered in the annals of Acton's history. Nearly three hundred men and women who had served in the armed forces from this village were honored. Tribute was paid to those who fell when most of us were remembered. For those who came back Acton folks took the opportunity to express gratitude in a job well done and to give them a holiday for their service. Acton was proud to honor them.

Rain interfered with the program but did not stop the main features of parade and presentation. The program of races and ball games were cancelled. Before eleven o'clock the rain stopped and the sky cleared. When the parade assembled in the park the sun broke through and it proved a delightful afternoon.

The parade saw the finest ever presented in Acton in our recollection. It was entered into with enthusiasm. Business places along the route presented some splendid displays and many homes were artistically decorated.

But to get back to the parade again: Jim Wallace and Chief Harrop were the marshalls. There were standard bearers of the various groups and a pipe band from Macdunn-Molloy school, Revere Kirkness and Capt. Andrews, band of educational training at Christie Street Hospital. The Legion Boys Band was followed by the members of the women's division of the service and then the Acton service men and members of the Acton Branch of the Legion. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Legion, Ladies' League, the Galt, Ingold, Chapter of D.O.E., the Wall, the Park, the O.E.U. Contemplation School, Breadthome of Head Acton Boys and Galt. Then with a wisp and drum marched the decorated floats. Public School children decorated bicycles, Acton's continuation school float, Mercedes, Dairy Industries pet show, Timothy, steps, Acton Fire Truck, Acton Fall Fair float, W. O. Ranscombe farm float, Brownies float, Masonic Enticing float, Baxter Laboratories float decorated with McSwain Motors, Acton Machine to decorated truck and the Ending School entry. It was a parade of five blocks in length and very colorful.

The Presentation  
At the park the crowd assembled before the stand where seating was

### THE TENNANT-HILTON WEDDING SATURDAY IN UNITED CHURCH HERE

Acton United Church was the setting for the marriage of Marjory Helen Hilton daughter of Mrs. Hilton and the late Robert Hilton to Albert Victor Tennant son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tennant, July 1, 1941.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother Gordon Hilton, wore a gown of white lace over satin, fashioned on princess lines. Her veil was long and light and she carried a bouquet of red roses. Mrs. Alfred Daily, mother of the groom, was given in pure and good. Mrs. Belle Tennant, father, made some fine speech. Both attendants wore matching shoulder length veils and carried pink bouquets.

Thomas Harbour of Cambridge was the officiant. The signing of the register, Mr. Lewis, was read and sung "O Perfect Love" accompanied by Mrs. Ethel Franklin on the organ.

The bride, mother received wearing turquoise blue crepe with black and a red rose corsage. The groom's mother assisted in blue wool with black and a red rose corsage.

For travelling the bride chose a blue wool suit with black accessories.

### PREPARATIONS MADE FOR SCHOOL FIELD DAY NEXT WEEK IN PARK

The public is invited to attend the annual Acton Continuation School Field and Sports Day at the Park on Wednesday afternoon, October 23rd. The boys and girls have been practicing hard for the event and keen competition is expected.

The program will begin at 1 p.m. and will include pole vaulting, relay races, cross-country jumps and a sack race. The school has been divided into three teams: Red, White and Blue, and each team will strive for the highest total points.

A group of pupils have made an arrangement to operate a refreshment stand.

The parent of the pupils are especially invited to attend. The pupils should also take in many others present, especially those who feel that athletics are an important part of school life. To be on hand for the start of the starting pistol at 1 p.m. next Wednesday, October 23rd.

The captains of the school teams are: Girls, Betty Shirley, Ethel, Ethel, Joan, Cones, (White) Paty, Clark.

Boys, (Red) Lawrence, Athol, Walter, Jim, Spedvoegel, (Blue) Ken Adamson.

## Prize Winners in Garden Competition of Acton Fall Fair

Results are announced this week in the garden improvement competition of Acton Fall Fair and prizes will be presented at the Acton show, the first night of the Fair.

First prize goes to Wm. Waller and second to E. J. Hall. Both in crown-out-street. Third prize was won by the McGill on Cameron street. These honorable mention prizes were also awarded by Mrs. Marion H. D. Joyce and Wm. Lamberton. The prize award are shown in the Fall Fair Prize List.

The judges were Dr. J. J. Macpherson and E. J. Taylor of the "O.A.C." judge and their comments on the garden may prove helpful.

The first prize garden is a crown-out-street plot. With a red and blue pots will be used.

Second prize. Garden with well arranged back yard. Good planting well cared for. Just a little work in front.

Third prize. The mother property. This was where there was most evidence of horticultural work. The shrubby corner has a desire to improve its property.

## St. Alban's Folk Honor Couple On Sixtieth Anniversary

Many friends called on Mr. and Mrs. Chapman last Friday on their sixtieth wedding anniversary and extended congratulations and best wishes to the couple. They were also the recipients of many letters, telegrams and mementoes of congratulations and a number of gifts to mark the event.

On Thursday evening after the Harvest Home Festival in St. Alban's Church, they were honored guests at a reception in the Parish Hall arranged by the congregation. Rev. E. Brillon, a former pastor of St. Alban's, was in attendance with Mrs. E. A. Parker. A wedding cake entered the table from which a delightful lunch was served and the congregation sang a special prayer. The social time proceeded with Mr. and Mrs. Chapman who have been for so many years deeply interested and helpful in the church life of St. Alban's.

## THE MATTHEWS HEWETSON WEDDING IS TORONTO CHURCH LAST WEEK

In a portrait gown of palest blue ivory and tall, ruffled, ruffled with white pearls and half-pearl beads and a black tulle veil, she caught the gaze of many. Her daughter, Beth, Evelyn Hewetson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Clark became the bride of Lewis Russell, Hall Matthews son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Matthews, September 14th in Westminster Central United Church, Rev. Bruce Hunter officiated. Given in marriage by Spencer Clark, the bride carried a cascade of white roses and gladiolus and delphinium. Rosemary Hewetson, maid of honor, was in a princess gown of willow gray crepe styled after the bride. The bridesmaids, Mrs. W. Leonard, June McCune, Doris Black and Betty O'Reilly were similarly gowned in princess blue. Gay Matthews was best man. Receiving a draped gown of garden rose crepe, the bride's mother was assisted by the groom's mother who chose a soft moss green ensemble.

## ANOTHER ROOM AND ADDITIONAL TEACHER AT CONTINUATION SCHOOL

The large enrollment at Acton Continuation School this year has necessitated the engaging of a 17th teacher for the school and creating an additional classroom.

The closing of Rockwood Continuation School has assisted the Board in meeting the emergency. Twenty seats and desks not in use there have been brought to the Acton School and a small class room made in the teacher's room of the school. Mrs. Deans of the Rockwood staff has been engaged as the extra teacher for the school.

## Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings (in case of other events, no charge, in case per line, with a minimum charge for an announcement of any).

Acton L.O.L. 467 will hold a euchre in the Hall at Crewson's Corners on Thursday, September 26th. Cars will leave Elliott's Store at 8 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter 1. O.E.U. are holding a bazaar and basking sale in Acton Town Hall on September 28th. There will be aprons, knitting, fancy work, used clothing, balloons for children and novelties.

WHEN ACTON MADE RECOGNITION OF THOSE WHO SERVED



Top Photo is a section of the crowd before the Presentation Stand in the Park. Lower Right shows the Service Men and Women as they swing around the M.I. and Main Street corner in the Biggs' Parade ever seen in Acton. Lower left is on the Presentation Platform as Revere Charles Kirkness made the Presentation to former Wren Helen Lamb and Capt. Andrews looks on.