

# Personals

Miss Dorothy Clayton is home from Toronto.

Mr. Jack Malaprate is home from Ajax for Christmas.

Mr. J. H. Smith of Galt visited Acton friends last week.

Mr. Ted Hansen is home from Toronto for the holidays.

Mr. Gordon Beatty of Ajax is home for Christmas holidays.

Miss Frances Mills is home from Toronto for the holiday.

Mr. Jack Hollinger is home for Christmas from Toronto.

Mrs. John Mowat is visiting her daughters in Toronto and Mimico.

Don Force is home from Pickering College for the Christmas holidays.

Gordon McCutcheon had the misfortune to fracture his ankle and has been in Christie Street Hospital but is now able to be home again.

## Auditors Appointed At Meeting of the Eramosa Council

Stanley Reid, C.A., was appointed auditor of Eramosa Township at the meeting of Council. Annual fee was set at \$225. On motion of councillors Leslie and Rutherford, resignations of J. H. Fox and A. McNabb as auditors were accepted. The council expressed appreciation at the faithful and efficient service rendered by the two men.

On motion of Councillors Hutchinson and Benham, the council agreed to a proposed distribution of the balance of the Wm. Holes estate, giving the Township \$40.55 as part payment on hospital account and authorizing the Clerk to sign the required release.

George F. Day was appointed acting relief officer. The motion was by Councillors Hutchinson and Benham.

On motion of Councillors Rutherford and Benham, dog taxes amounting to \$16 were struck off the collector's roll.

The Clerk was instructed to invite Rev. John Ward to the first meeting of 1947 for the usual opening remarks. By-law No. 17 was given the required readings, fixing the first meeting in 1947 on Monday, January 6th, at 1 p.m.

Correspondence from the No. 7 Highway Association was ordered filed.

Accounts amounting to \$23,296.27, including the county rate of \$16,028.51, were passed for payment, and council adjourned.

Reeve Dave D. Gray was in the chair. All members of council were in attendance.

## INDUSTRY — CRADLE OR GRAVE OF DEMOCRACY?

By Bernard Hallward, President, St. Raymond Paper Ltd., Montreal

Industry will be either the cradle or the grave of democracy. Democracy can work only as we exercise our personal responsibility. As we neglect our social obligations, we compel the government to assume them. And then we find that we have helped to create the totalitarianism that we later have to fight. We have taken the squalling baby of industry and tossed it irresponsibly into the hands of the government. Then we have damned the government for being such a poor nurse. As our personal relationships become regulated and mechanized, frustration follows and we join the class war.

The only effective answer to the materialistic ideology is a moral one. Management will find its place in a new industrial order in which the needs of men as revolutionary ideologies are to exploit men's wrongs, fears and hates. If the heart had kept a stricter watch on the head in the past hundred years, history would have been different. As we cannot make the home happy merely by cold justice and reason, so in industry we need to have caring for people. You have a sounder home if you care for your wife, and you will have a sounder business and country if you care for your men.

This does not mean philanthropy plus 5 per cent. When husbands give their wives bunches of roses their wives know well enough why they do it. You can give your men a park or hospital or a bonus and they will know very well why you do it. If you do it for appeasement or for higher production it won't get you anywhere. If you have their confidence, the confidence will be confirmed. If there were to be a strike in our mill I know it would be my fault.

When an employer comes near to his men and feels their needs as his own his horizon widens, and he creates the atmosphere of trust in which problems can be solved. Then trust can grow and teamwork can develop in the new atmosphere in which co-operation is given full rein and questions can be tackled as soon as they arise. Then industry becomes more than a purveyor of goods; it will give men a new dignity and a new purpose. It will stimulate their creative faculties and create that new statesmanship which will be industry's highest contribution to the world.

## Church News

**United Church of Canada**  
Acton, Ontario  
"The Friendly Church"  
REV. A. WALTER POMEROY,  
R.A., R.D., Minister  
Personage—Bower Avenue

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23rd, 1946  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
12:15—Church School  
Worship Christ the new-born King  
A Happy Christmas to All  
Everybody Welcome

## Presbyterian Church in Canada

**ELNOX CHURCH, ACTON**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23rd, 1946  
11:00 a.m. Rev. Dr. Duncan  
3:00 p.m.—Sunday School and Junior Bible Class  
7:00 p.m. Rev. Dr. Duncan  
"They that wait upon the Lord  
Shall renew their strength"

## Church of St. Alban the Martyr

Christmas Services  
Christmas Eve, December 24th, 1946  
11:00 p.m. Organ recital, Miss Lynda Stewart, A.T.C.M.  
11:30 p.m. Midnight Choral Eucharist

Christmas Day, December 25th  
10:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
Eve of St. Stephen, December 26  
9:00 a.m. Holy Communion

The Sunday After Christmas, Dec. 29  
11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist and sermon—Beginners' class.  
12:00 p.m. Church School  
7:00 p.m. Carol service "The Christmas Story", a kaleidoscope film-slide will be shown.

## Baptist Church

**ACTON**  
REV. W. H. WALLACE,  
Pastor

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23rd, 1946  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service  
12:15 p.m.—Sunday School  
A Welcome to All

## W. T. PATTERSON R.O.

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## Merry Christmas

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Coal and Coke Dealer

## GREGORY THEATRE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25  
**THE MORE THE MERRIER**  
Jean Arthur Joel McCrea  
Comedy "She Snoops to Conquer"  
Community Sing

Thurs. & Fri., December 26 & 27  
**"JANIE GETS MARRIED"**  
Joan Leslie Robert Hutton  
March of Time "The Atomic Bomb"  
Cartoon "Seaford Mamas"  
Chapter 6—"Secret Agent X"

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28  
Matinee at 2  
**"JOHNNY COMES FLYING HOME"**  
Martha Stewart

**"RIVERBOAT RHYTHM"**  
Leon Errol Glen Vernon  
Fox News

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29  
WITHOUT RESERVATIONS  
Claudette Colbert John Wayne  
Sport—"Tenderfoot Trail"  
Cartoon—"Sunbonnet Blue"

Midnight Show New Year's Eve  
at 12:05  
**"YOU WERE NEVER LOVELIER"**  
Rita Hayworth Fred Astaire  
Comedy—"Pistol Packin' Nit-wits"  
Community Sing.  
Noise makers and fun for all.

## Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for  
The Acton Free Press by  
GWENDOLINE P. CLARKE

Well, I am sure you hardly need television these days to show us what is happening in nearly every corner of the homes to which this paper comes. The imagination does well enough. Surely I am right in thinking there is a lot of wrapping of presents still going on; of checking over the list of cards going out and coming in, of a hurried pushing to one side of this or that when an unexpected step is heard on the back porch. It might be Bobby and it would be awful if he should catch sight of this train, or if Joan should see that doll!

Yes, Mum and Dad, Big Sister and Auntie May certainly have a great time making sure that the kiddies don't find out any of their big, dark secrets beforehand, but their secrecy is as nothing compared with what the children have to hide. My goodness they are fairly bursting with secrecy. It shows in their dancing eyes and excited voices one might almost call them the children of Santa Claus and their number is legion.

What would we do without children at Christmas? It is they who keep our faith alive, they who make us realize the joy of giving you, and of forgetting our differences if we have any with one another. Another reason is that in this season of goodwill we are so busy we haven't time to harbor grudges either real or imaginary.

Personally, I hardly have time to think at all. I just sort of work automatically. In fact I have been so busy lately that I really had quite a notion of giving you people a break this week by not writing my usual Ginger Farm column at all. My argument was that you wouldn't find a minute to read it anyway. But—here we are so now, here I hope, are you.

Do you know what? We are expecting, given for Christmas. And when I say seven, I don't mean just for Christmas dinner, but as house guests. They are descending on us in droves from Quebec, from Ottawa, from Toronto and from Niagara Falls. It is going to be lots of fun. I just love having guests at Christmas. I made my puddings several weeks ago and the one for Christmas Day is in a dish as big as a mixing bowl. It looks as if we shall need it.

Our first arrival should be here Monday evening and for them I am reserving the job of trimming the Christmas tree. As you may know by this time I always keep my visitors busy. Tuesday morning we shall be looking for Partner's brother; in the evening Second Niece and finally Daughter and friend Bert.

We have had rather a hectic time trying to figure out who was going where. There was a big "if" with most of them. But I didn't really worry. I just went ahead on the assumption that all of those invited would be coming.

And again do you know what? After we were through picking chickens I began to give a little more attention to the house and believe me, it needed it. So much so that I took to washing the dining room ceiling. It looks me the best part of three days to do it. But ye gods, when the ceiling was clean the walls looked so dirty I had to go ahead and paper the room! And then I couldn't stand the shabby looking drapes against clean walls so I had to make some new ones. But it's all finished now except the floor, so one room, at any rate, will be clean for Christmas.

Well, I think I had better call it a day and go to bed—besides we have to save the hydro and since everyone else has retired a 60-watt bulb is burning just for me. And that's not right, a'tall, a'tall.

So, once more wishing you one and all, a very Happy Christmas. A good dinner, but not too good. A happy reunion with all who are near and dear to you and the best of memories to carry with you throughout the coming year. Goodnight — and good morning — because that's what it is.

## CHRISTMAS MEETING OF THE NASSAGAWEVA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Christmas meeting of the Nassagaweya W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Norrish. The roll call was answered by naming "My Favorite Christmas Carol." During the business session, county hospitalization was discussed and a meeting was planned to be held at the home of Mrs. C. Elliott for further discussion on this subject. Plans were made for a dance to be held in January. Christmas donations of \$10.00 each were to be sent to the Hospital for Sick Children and to the Lions Club at Cayville, for the prevention of tuberculosis.

A Christmas program was presented. Mrs. Robertson gave a paper entitled "My Christmas Eve." Mrs. Morton gave a paper entitled "Making Christmas Significant." We had an exchange of Christmas gifts.

The meeting closed by singing "It came upon a midnight clear." A social half hour was spent and a dainty lunch was served by the hostess and her helpers.

## Intermediate Hockey Group Six Teams Schedule Now Drawn

The O.H.A. Intermediate hockey grouping from this district has been announced. It is known as No. 5 district and will have entries from Acton, Milton, Georgetown, Fergus, Elora and Orangeville. Mr. H. T. Jolley of Acton is convener of this group and the following is the schedule for the season which was drawn up on Monday night. We suggest that you clip it for future reference.

- Thursday, January 2 Georgetown at Orangeville.
  - Friday, January 3 Fergus at Milton.
  - Monday, January 6 Acton at Elora.
  - Monday, January 6 Orangeville at Georgetown.
  - Thursday, January 9 Elora at Orangeville.
  - Thursday, January 9 Milton at Acton.
  - Friday, January 10 Georgetown at Fergus.
  - Monday, January 13 Fergus at Elora.
  - Tuesday, January 14 Acton at Georgetown.
  - Tuesday, January 14 Orangeville at Milton.
  - Thursday, January 16 Elora at Acton.
  - Friday, January 17 Orangeville at Fergus.
  - Friday, January 17 Georgetown at Milton.
  - Monday, January 20 Georgetown at Elora.
  - Wednesday, January 22 Milton at Fergus.
  - Thursday, January 23 Acton at Orangeville.
  - Friday, January 24 Elora at Georgetown.
  - Monday, January 27 Fergus at Georgetown.
  - Tuesday, January 28 Orangeville at Acton.
  - Thursday, January 30 Fergus at Orangeville.
  - Thursday, January 30 Georgetown at Acton.
  - Friday, January 31 Milton at Elora.
  - Monday, February 3 Orangeville at Elora.
  - Tuesday, February 4 Acton at Milton.
  - Thursday, February 6 Milton at Orangeville.
  - Friday, February 7 Elora at Fergus.
  - Monday, February 10 Acton at Fergus.
  - Tuesday, February 11 Elora at Milton.
  - Thursday, February 13 Fergus at Acton.
  - Friday, February 14 Milton at Georgetown.
- Play-offs between first and third and second and fourth teams. Best two out of three games. If third game necessary the team with the highest goal average of the two play-off games has preference of ice. In case of tie on goal for choice of third game, team with highest goal average throughout the season has preference of ice.

## NEW MACHINE WILL STEP UP BRITAIN'S COAL PRODUCTION

A new peak in Britain's post-war coal production was announced recently by Mr. Shinwell, Minister of Fuel and Power. He stated that the output last week was 3,852,000 tons, highest since 1944. Rise in Britain's coal production—output has been increasing every week despite decline in manpower—it due partly to the increased effort of individual workers and partly to the introduction of one of the most noteworthy coal-mining machines ever invented, the Meco-Moore Combined Cutter and Loader. This machine is now being installed at an ever increasing rate in United Kingdom collieries and is estimated to increase output by 25 per cent. Meco-Moore is strictly Britain's development and is the first machine of its type that has the outstanding merit of eliminating labor hitherto involved in loading coal after it had been cut out by a cutter.

## Presentation Made At the At Home of Acton School

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mond Arber, Aldo Braida, Wilfred Duval, George Elliott, Joyce Lamb, Elizabeth Masters, Eleanor Ross, Armand Braida, Joan Somerville, Helen Holmes.

Principal C. A. Stewart addressed the group and told of school activities and awards. He also announced a new shield for Proficiency in Modern History presented by Dr. F. G. Oakes of Acton School Board.

The students and teachers arranged and served a delightful lunch to the three or four hundred attending the event.

## HOTELMAN IS TAKEN FOR KIDNAP

RICHMOND, Surrey, England (CP)—Pub licensee Victor Jones had a grand time in Switzerland where his credentials to Foreign Minister Hev. in caused him to be kidnaped whenever he went out.

His telephone was disconnected because there was a call every two seconds for Mr. Hevin, and reports hovered about his hotelman while flash-balls popped whenever he appeared in public.

## TAO QUEMÉ PISH

QUEBEC (CP)—The Quebec Ministry of Fisheries, in an effort to find out the migratory habits of fish, has carried out a tagging experiment during last year. Some 2,000 sturgeon, 700 eels, together with other fish were tagged and released between Lotbiniere, above Quebec and Lake Verre, on the south shore of the Lower St. Lawrence River.

## To One and All Merry Xmas

AND  
The Best for 1947

J. K. Gardiner

## Merry Christmas

ALLOW US to extend to you Our Most Hearty Good Wishes for Your Happiness at Christmastide and throughout the Coming New Year.

## Thompson Motors

## Merry Christmas

The store where every employee and the management, joins in wishing you the merriest Christmas ever.

## Huston's 5c-\$1 Store

## Season's Greetings

We're running around in circles trying to find a new and different way to remind you of us this Christmas, but guess we'll just have to say "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year the same old-fashioned way."

## Acton Home Bakery



## Season's Greetings

WE EXTEND A SPECIAL WORD OF THANKS TO THOSE WITH WHOM WE HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF DOING BUSINESS DURING THE PAST YEAR. YOUR CO-OPERATION HAS BEEN GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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