

Personals

Mr. Don Ross of Toronto University was home for the week-end.

Miss Emma Robinson of Guelph was in Acton on Sunday visiting friends.

Miss Law of Toronto spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Wm. Arnold.

Mrs. Jim Ford, Teddy and Judy of Guelph visited with Acton friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Small and Barbara of Niagara Falls visited with Mrs. R. M. McDonald.

Mrs. Kerry and Mrs. Watson of Woodbridge visited at the home of Mrs. James Symon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Symon of Toronto visited at the home of his mother during the week.

Mrs. E. Donaldson of Wingham is visiting with Mrs. Robert Turner and other Acton friends.

Dr. John Carrol of Montreal visited over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. O. Oakes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hutcheon of Galt spent a few days with Mrs. Sayers and Miss M. Gibbons.

Mrs. G. W. Matthews of Toronto spent last Tuesday visiting at the home of Mrs. B. Sapor.

Mr. A. H. MacDonald, of Efesherton, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ian MacDonald over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McGeachie and son of Toronto spent the week-end with Acton friends and relatives.

Mr. Bill McMillan, who is recuperating from a tonsil operation, spent a few days in Hamilton with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Clayton and family of Buffalo visited over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clayton and family.

Mr. Jack Mainprize left Monday with the Sea Cadets of the University of Toronto for a trip by train to Halifax and by ship to Bermuda.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett McEwain, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart McEwain and Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Muir visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart and family.

Mrs. James Symon and her daughter, Mrs. D. Taylor, returned last week from a trip to the western provinces and the coast and visited Mrs. Alex. Symon at Vancouver, B. C.

Mrs. Geo. Agnew of Toronto was in town for the Women's Institute Anniversary and also the induction at Knox Church. She was the guest of Mrs. Fred Anderson during her stay here.

Mrs. Joseph Hurst and family, who have been living in Acton while Mr. Hurst served with the R.C.A.F. and since his discharge from the service have joined him in Brampton where they have secured a home.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Alfani of Crewson's Corners wish to announce the engagement of their only daughter Joan to Kenneth Alexander, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. McDonald, also of Crewson's Corners. Marriage to take place at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Cripps announce the engagement of their third oldest daughter, Ivy Florence, to John Frederick Winter, youngest son of Mr. John Winter and the late Mrs. Winter of Birmingham, England. Marriage to take place quietly on May 10th.

The engagement is announced of Mary Elizabeth Watts, Reg. N., of Guelph, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Watts of Toronto to Ralph Johan Hansen, B. Sc., son of Mrs. Isabel Parker and the late Johan Hansen, of Georgetown. The wedding will take place quietly early in May at St. Hart House chapel.

The engagement is announced of Mary Dennis of Acton, Ont., daughter of Mr. William Dennis and the late Mrs. Dennis to John Patrick Hooshley, son of Mr. Hector Hooshley and Mrs. Anne Hooshley of Guelph. The wedding will take place May 3rd at St. Joseph's Church, Acton, Ont., and will be performed by the Rev. V. J. Morgan.

OVER THE BACK FENCE

People may not make as many social calls on their neighbors as they used to in former days, but a lot of talk goes on across the backyard fence or as people work on their home grounds. In the winter there is considerable talk as the men shovel snow.

Such contacts make people feel friendly, and many suggestions and offers of help on household and home grounds problems are exchanged. When spring opens and the men are raking up their grounds and burning leaves and cleaning out the old refuse, they are likely to talk with their neighbors who are doing the same thing. Thus people become better acquainted with their neighbors, and exchange ideas as to how their home places can be developed.

Church News

United Church of Canada
Acton, Ontario
"The Friendly Church"
REV. A. WALTER FOSBURY,
P.A., M.D., Minister
Parsonage—Bower Avenue

SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1947
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Sermon Subject "The Concentration of the Christian Church."
12:15 p.m.—Church School.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Sermon Subject "The Concealing God."
"God moves in a Mysterious Way His Wonders to Perform, He Plants His Footstaple in the Sea, And Rides Upon the Storm."
EVERYBODY WELCOME

Presbyterian Church in Canada

KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. J. M. Anderson, P.A., M.C. & Bar

SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1947
11:00 a.m.—Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
3:00 p.m.—Sunday School and Junior Bible Class.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.
Friday, May 2nd 8 p.m.—Preparatory Service.
"They that wait upon the Lord Shall renew their strength."

Church of St. Alban the Martyr

The Fourth Sunday After Easter
SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1947
11:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist and Sermon. Beginners' Class.
12:05 p.m.—Church School and Confirmation Class.
7:00 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

Baptist Church

ACTON
REV. W. H. WALLACE,
Pastor

SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1947
Daylight Saving Time
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service.
12:00 a.m.—Communion.
Annual business meeting and election of officers Monday evening, May 12th.
A Welcome to All

OVERHEATED HOUSES

One of the features of the winter season is the large number of people who suffer from colds and grip, which in many cases keeps them away from work and sends many to bed. The production of industry and business is affected if many people have to stay out because of illness.

It would seem that one important cause of such infections is the fact that many houses are heated to an excessive degree during a good part of the winter. It would appear that a good many people dry out the delicate membranes of their nose and throat by too great heat in their homes, or a lack of sufficient moisture, so that these organs do not resist infection as well as they should. If people can keep their homes nearer to a normal heat, it would seem a good health measure for the majority.

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Cartoon "The Uninvited Pest"
Chapter 11—King of the Forest Rangers

SATURDAY, MAY 3rd
Matinee at 3
"HOME SWEET HOMICIDE"
Peggy Ann Garner
"GALLOPING THUNDER"
Charles Starrett
Fox News

MONDAY, MAY 5th
"CORNERED"
Dick Powell, Walter Slezak
Lion Errol Comedy—Hold that Blonde
Cartoon Dog, Cat and Canary

Irresponsibility of Parents Criticized At Children's Aid

Mrs. M. E. Nixon Again President of Halton Society—Annual Meeting Held Tuesday

Mrs. M. E. Nixon, Milton, was again chosen to head the Halton Children's Aid Society, at the annual meeting held in Knox Presbyterian Church Sunday School room, Tuesday evening. A good sized crowd representing all parts of the county was present to hear the annual reports and special speaker, Mrs. J. S. Driscoll, director of York County Children's Aid Society.

"In comparing the two counties she said that Halton was to be commended on the work of G. Frank Thompson, superintendent. She suggested he have an assistant with auxiliary help, as work was steadily increasing since the war years.

"Very rarely is there a case of actual cruelty referred to the Society, but on the other hand, we have parents who simply will not accept their responsibility, totally indifferent to their supervision and are little interested in the academic and religious training of their children, being more interested in their own selfish recreation and pleasures," said Mr. Thompson in his report.

Continuing, he said, "The separation of parents is still one of the great problems. Of the 89 cases during the past year, almost one-quarter came under this heading. Many factors appear in these separations—early marriage, transferring of affection to a second party, lack of financial ability and also inadequate housing. From necessity married couples are forced to live apart and form new friendships and finally drift apart."

"Mental deficiency, immorality, excessive drinking, desertion are other leading factors of child neglect. Increased attention is being given to the physical fitness of young couples considering marriage, which is important, but should we not go farther and require them to show proof of their ability to operate a home and take their places as respected citizens in the community?" he asked.

Mr. Thompson said there were 108 children under the supervision of the Society in boarding, 35 were placed in the care of the Society during the year, 7 permanently, and 28 temporarily. Twenty-five legal adoptions were completed through the County Court, with 29 children presently in adoption probation homes awaiting expiration of the two-year probation period.

In the treasurer's report, Miss Edna Anderson said disbursements amounted to \$16,318.75 during the year with an overdraft in the bank of \$335.73.

Officers elected for 1947 were: Mrs. M. E. Nixon, president; William Deans, Georgetown, vice-president; F. E. Thompson, secretary and superintendent; Miss Edna Anderson, treasurer and office secretary; Directors, Acton, Amos Mason and Charles Kirkness; Burlington, Mrs. W. A. Weaver and Mrs. L. Lee; Georgetown, Dr. C. G. Reid and Wm. Deans; Milton, Mrs. M. E. Nixon and Rev. G. W. Porter; Oakville, Mrs. Cameron Hillmer and Dr. D. S. Kober; Esquesing, Edwin Harrop; Nassagaweya, E. D. Mahon; Nelson, Mrs. Harris Bell; Trafalgar, W. Norman Gilbert; County Council representatives, Mrs. Mary Pettit and A. E. Whitaker.

TEEN TOWN

Teen Town held another session in the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday last. The special interest groups of teen topics such as music appreciation, stamping, camera and drama clubs were scheduled to meet at 7:30. Unfortunately only the music appreciation group assembled and under Grant Kalfish listened to the classics.

Johnny Gray has asked that the fellows with a quick wit, odd thoughts and boisterous laughs assemble in the drama club. The idea being that the club will put on skits to change the routine of the dance program.

Sammy Kay, Guy Lombardo, Tex Beneke and other name bands, via Arbie's records provided the harmonic sounds for the dances on the gym floor.

Of course the little white hall was kept busy on the green top table in the basement under the name of ping pong while the sharks exerted their utmost skill for a victory.

Lunch of doughnuts and coffee was served downstairs at 11 o'clock and another evening's fun ended at 12.

A MATTER OF FORM

The spring packet from England brings the news that they are still laughing over there about Brigadier Harry Mackenshaw's tale of the parson who hired a hall. The parson needed the hall for his Friday socials. As the hall was requisitioned, government regulations required that a form be filled in each week when the lease was renewed. One item in this form dealt with the size of the hall. The parson carefully filled in this item, but from week to week took to altering the stated size of the hall. One week it would be as big as Albert Hall, another week the given dimensions would be those of a postage stamp.

Nobody noticed.

Acton Institute Marks Anniversary Mrs. Skuce Speaker

The 50th anniversary of the first Women's Institute organized at Stoney Creek was the special event celebrated by the Acton Women's Institute on their 4th anniversary on Thursday, April 24th, at the United Church.

A beautiful day greeted the large group of ladies who attended. The president, Mrs. R. L. Davidson, presided and welcomed the guests. A brief history of the practical work accomplished during these 44 years was given by the secretary, Mrs. Fred Anderson. The names on the honor roll of departed members were read and two minutes' silence observed in memory of their faithful service.

Mrs. Dorothy Simmons rendered a solo "A basket of old fashioned roses" with an encore and an organ number "Hallelujah Largo" by Mrs. Grant McDonald were much enjoyed.

Mrs. Daisy Folster of the Public School teaching staff was called upon to introduce the guest speaker, Mrs. L. I. Skuce of Milton, whose inspiring address was a challenge to our women to refrain from self pity, and give of their best to their homes and children and to whatever organizations they belong, thus making this a happier world wherein to live. Her address was brought to a close by the word of a poem "What I live for" a copy of which was provided for each one present.

Mrs. Blanche McKinnon rendered the solo "The Lord's Prayer."

An open period followed when guests availed themselves of the privilege to bring greetings. Among those responding were: Mrs. Lloyd Crawford, Halton District President, of Campbellville; Mrs. Geo. Agnew of Toronto, former president of Acton and Halton district; Mrs. Brill of Guelph, former president of Acton and a life member; Mrs. George Havill of Acton, only charter member present, who served as local president and district secretary for many years; Mrs. H. L. Bentele of Duran; Mrs. Wm. Sinclair, president of Georgetown; Mrs. Elmerly, president of Elmhouse; Mrs. McKenzie of Cambridge; Mrs. Pauline Moffat; Mrs. A. T. Brown of Acton, a president of the early years and Mrs. Caldwell of Acton, an honored guest, also Mrs. Beaton of Tara who is a visitor in town and often at our meetings. Other guests present were former members Mrs. G. Honey, Mrs. J. McGeachie and Mrs. Marie Barbrander of Toronto. Fellow workers from other branches were from Scotch Block, Georgetown, Dublin, Lambhouse, Campbellville, Ospringe, Bannockburn and Moffat, Toronto and Stamford and many local friends. Mrs. Jas. Dobble, a member on our roll for over thirty-five years, the longest record of our local members, was able to be present for this memorable occasion.

Mrs. Geo. Lantz, courtesy convener expressed the appreciation to the Rev. Mr. Fosbury and church for the use of their lovely church, to Mrs. Skuce, the soloists and organist for their splendid part in the meeting. Following the singing of "Blest be the tie that binds", the gathering adjourned to the school room where a delightful social time was enjoyed, renewing old friendships. Two old photos of gatherings and two autograph quilts were on display.

Ten was poured from a table decorated with the branch colors, purple and gold by Mrs. Geo. Agnew of Toronto and Mrs. Jas. Wilds of Acton. A lovely birthday cake centered the table and was cut by the most aged member, Mrs. E. F. Collier.

The social hour was continued by Mrs. W. Evans, Mrs. W. Denny, Mrs. Earl Lambert and Mrs. W. Maddox and assisted by all the members in serving. Flowers in memory of the departed were sent to the sick following the meeting.

Regret from those out of town unable to attend were received from Mrs. J. B. Kennedy, Mrs. W. D. Smith, Mrs. Switzer, Mrs. Geo. Elliott, Miss Alice Cook, Mrs. Frank Kennedy and Mrs. Easterbrook.

The Classified Section will be found on Page Twelve this week.

FAMILY TREASURES

Many people who have lived on in the same house for many years, collect many things that remind them of the past. They may have the old family Bible that was given Grandpa by his Sunday School class. Or there is the nice old chair in which Grandma used to sit in her latter days. There may be photograph albums in which are kept the pictures of many relatives and friends of years gone by.

Perhaps there are pictures treasured for many years as a wedding gift. Or there may be silver or china that dates back many years. Many of these things have value as antiques and people cling to them and perhaps decline considerable sums offered to them by dealers.

Old books are among these treasures. They often seem quaint compared with modern style, and the books are interesting as a reflection

of the ideas and principles of former days, which differ widely from those now prevailing.

So many old houses become a sort of treasure place, in which these cherished mementos of a former day are kept, and viewed with interest by the young people of to-day. The attics of some of these old homes are full of these relics, sometimes with decadent furniture which people think they will have refinished some day, but perhaps they will never get around to it.

Many people move from town to town with some frequency, and if they do it may be a difficult thing to retain these relics of the past. The dwelling to which they are moving may not have room to store these old belongings. If one can live on in the same house for many years, the presence of these souvenirs of former years is a very pleasant possession. This home is enriched by these reminders of former days.

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Commencing at 9 a.m.
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