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## ACTON BAND WINS FIRST AT C.N.E.

### New Health Unit For Halton County To Open in Milton

Health Unit Opening September 1 Has Specially Trained Staff For Whole County

On September 1, Halton County Health Unit begins its work. This union of rural and urban municipalities has as its object the promotion of an efficient community health program on a county-wide basis by full time, specially qualified personnel. Under this plan, local Boards of Health, local Medical Officers of Health, etc. will be replaced by the county-wide organization. The chairman of the county Board of Health is Mrs. M. S. Pettit, reeve of Nelson Township and the other members of the Board are J. W. Higgins, reeve of Milton; K. R. McDonald, Georgetown; R. M. Smith, Oakville and W. T. Dales, Milton. The Secretary-Treasurer is Miss M. Maxted, Treasurer of Halton County.

The Medical Officer of Health is Dr. James M. Mather, who, for the past two years, has been Assistant Medical Officer of Health in the St. Catharines-Lincoln Health Unit. There will be two Sanitary Inspectors, Mr. J. A. Powell, until recently a District Sanitary Inspector for the Saskatchewan Provincial Department of Health will be in charge. A second Sanitary Inspector will be appointed in the near future.

The Health Unit office will be in Milton. The telephone is Milton 3300W.

The Unit is fortunate in having obtained a full staff of experienced Public Health Nurses. Miss R. L. Sutcliffe, who for the past two years has been in charge of the County School Health Service, will be Supervisor for a staff of six nurses. Miss A. Anderson, a graduate of the Women's College Hospital, Toronto, and the School of Public Health Nursing, University of Toronto, will have a district including Nassagoyes Twp. and part of rural Essex Twp. and the village of Norval. Miss M. Higginson, a graduate of Toronto Western Hospital and the School of Public Health Nursing, University of Toronto, will be assigned to Milton and the upper portions of Trafalgar and Nelson Twp. Miss O. Chant, who has been School Nurse for Milton, Georgetown and Acton for over two years, will be in charge at Acton, Georgetown and Glen Williams. Bronte and the lower portions of Trafalgar and Nelson Twp. will be served by Miss S. Cameron, who is a graduate of St. Martha's School of Nursing, Montreal General Hospital and the University of Toronto School of Public Health Nursing. Miss L. Larson, who has been Public Health Nurse in Oakville since November 1946 will continue in that position. Miss E. Sanderson, a graduate of Toronto General Hospital, and University of Toronto School of Public Health Nursing, will be assigned to Burlington.

The ultimate objective of the Health Unit is to provide the county with a public health service that, up until recent years, has been possible only in large cities. This will include communicable disease control, discovery and follow-up of cases and contacts of tuberculosis, discovery and follow-up of cases and contacts of venereal disease, school health supervision, both in primary and secondary schools, maternal, infant and child hygiene, sanitation, water and food control, health education, mental health, and oral hygiene. To develop such a program will obviously take time. Parts of the county have had an excellent Public Health service. It is the aim of the Unit to make those services available to every person in the county.

### Bursary Offered By Lakeside I.O.D.E. For Highest Pupil

The regular monthly meeting of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. was held in the Legion Hall on Tuesday, August 26th, 1947.

A bursary of \$25.00 was established in the High School for the pupil of highest standing going on to higher education from Fourth Form.

It was decided to hold the annual Bazaar the latter part of November. The date of the regular meeting was changed to the second Tuesday of each month.

A presentation of a tri-light floor lamp was made to Miss Lillian Grant, a bride-to-be and a delightful lunch was served to end the evening.



The Acton Boys' and Girls' Band with Bandmaster C. W. Mason, who have in 1947 captured top honors by a wide margin at the Canadian National Exhibition, and earlier in the year won top place at the Waterloo Musical Festival.

Front Row, left to right: Jean Wilds, Elaine Arbie, Joanne Veldhuis, Dena Braida, Lena Lawson, Bandmaster C. W. Mason, Drum Majorette June Dunn, Joan Coles, Muriel Ralston, Muriel Burns, Shirley Ralston, Norma Kentner. Second Row: Charles Kingsmill, Ken Allen, Tom Perkins, Leno Braida, Peter Lawson, John Ware, Billy Greer, Gordon Lawson, Don Lamb. Back Row: Donald vanGoozen, Jim Spielvogel, James Dills, Gerald Perkins, John Agar, Ken Marchmont, Aldo Braida, Armand Braida, Crawford Douglas, Shirley Sutcliffe who also played with the Band today, is not shown in this photo. Free Press Photo.

### Intermediates Lose and Win This Week

Saturday's Game Taken by Papermakers by 11-9—Acton Came Back with a Slaughter off Patterson's Hurling to Win by 12-5. Score—Locals Have One More Game to Win to Continue in Play-downs

Georgetown evened the "C" series last Saturday in a slugging feat in the home park when they clouted fourteen hits off two Acton hurlers to edge the triple A club by 11-9. Both Peter Chabun and Don Ryder succumbed to the potent walloping of the Papermakers in the nine inning affair. Big Bill Bryden delivered for the Georgetown crew until the sixth when "Scottie" Patterson relieved him of his duties which were getting above his head. Patterson held the local team down until the final frame. All told Acton clouted eleven hits off the offerings of both Bryden and Patterson but this was inadequate for a victory.

The Credit Valley crew had two big frames—the third and the eighth—which resulted in 9 of their 11 tallies. Acton coasted along at an easy pace, garnering four runs in the initial frame for their best inning. The Acton bats spoke in a more powerful tone than Georgetown did, but not as frequently. Batting into double plays that the Paperstown infield thrived on, appeared to be the favorite local mode of retiring the side while the Georgetown bingles were just beyond the reach of the triple A infield.

Accordingly the visitors achieved perfection in their base-running. Acton's efforts on the bases were pathetic. Attempts to stretch doubles into triples were foiled several times and possible triples were content to remain as two baggers. In short, a colourless game for the usually airtight home squad.

Gibson was the big gun of the Georgetown attack. He back stopped for both hurlers and caught four singles on his bat for five tries. Morton, Waterhouse, Evans and Kentner hit the heaviest for the triple A batsmen.

R. H. E.  
Acton 400-410-012-9-11-6  
Georgetown 104-100-500-11-12-1

Lineups: Georgetown: Wilson cf; B. Ritchie lf; Chaplin rf; Gross lb; Patterson 3b;p; Storey 2b; A. Ritchie ss; Gibson c; Bryden p; L. Ritchie 3b

Acton: Goy 3b; Masales 3b in 7th; Morton lb; Evans 2b; Lindsay c; Kentner lf; Footitt cf; Waterhouse ss; Robinson rf; Chabun p; Ryder p in 4th.

Lanky, argumentive "Scottie" Patterson, Georgetown's ace hurler and mainstay should have been in any position but on the mound last night. Acton's bats were booming like never before and when eight frames were baseball history the triple A club had banged sixteen hits off his propped shoulders to take a one game lead in the series by 12-5. Another triumph and the round is in the bag.

Patterson was in a dilemma from start to finish. The safeties that rolled off the local bats like a duck sheds water, he couldn't stop. Doubles, triples and singles alike were menacingly disturbing his reputation as a singer in every frame. And to top this, Don Ryder came through with a sterling performance on the mound to prevent the Papermakers any consolation in the way of reprisals at the plate.

Ryder was touched by eight singles. Two of these paid off in handsome dividends during the first inning when Georgetown scored four runs. The first was the only frame the Georgetown crew presided at. These errors made this possible. In fact after the initial canto, we believe the populace (Continued on Page Five)

### Oldest Lady In Erin Township Has Another Birthday

Mrs. Angus McArthur, the oldest lady in Erin Township, celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday on Sunday, August 24th. For the occasion, all the members of her family were present at a gathering at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Griffin.

All who know her call her "grandma" and although she has been in failing health since January and is confined to her bed, she loves to have company come to visit her.

Many beautiful flowers, cards and other presents were received by Mrs. McArthur on her birthday, as well as a number of phone calls of congratulations. In the centre of the birthday table was a birthday cake decorated in pink and white.

Friends who came to offer congratulations were from Miami Beach, Florida; Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Vineland; Beamsville; Stayner; Hillsburg; Acton and Erin.

### MRS. D. B. MCKINNON HOSTESS FOR DAUGHTER'S TROUSSEAU TEA SATURDAY

Mrs. D. B. McKinnon was hostess on Saturday, August 16th of a charmingly arranged Trousseau Tea in honour of her daughter, Blanche, whose marriage to Byron Bruce, took place on Saturday, August 23rd.

Little Miss Joan Aitken opened the door for the large number of guests who called during the afternoon. Baskets of various coloured gladioli adorned the living room, where the bride-to-be, her mother, and grand mother, Mrs. McLaughlin of Hillsburg, received.

Mrs. Redmond (nee Lorena Lockyer) was in charge of the gifts. Mrs. Bert Weeks, Jr. (nee Dorothy McKinnon) the bride's wardrobe. Mrs. Mansel Nettles (nee Edna Cook) the linens; Mrs. W. and Bruce, the shower gifts.

The tea table, covered with a blue cloth and confied with a bowl of pink and white sweet peas, white tapers in crystal holders, was presided over by Mrs. N. E. McKinnon and Miss Ada Currie. The tea assistants were Mrs. J. Hall, Mrs. W. Hadden, and Miss Doris Fines, Marion McKinnon and Anne Aitken. Mrs. Gordon Aitken attended the guests' register.

A stalk of corn measuring 9 1/2 to 10 inches in length has been on view in the Free Press window. We don't know whose field it came from. It was left at the office entrance on Saturday morning without any explanation.

Already waiting trial for a Campbellville, Ont., bank robbery July 8, 39 year old John Krywaczuk of Hamilton also will be charged with the armed robbery of the Carling Breweries, Ltd., retail store in Waterloo last May 29. The suspect was identified in a police line-up by a Carling employee who was held up in the \$700 robbery.

### Bandmaster C. W. Mason Leads Acton to Top Honors

Just before going to press, we have received word from the C.N.E. that Acton Boys' and Girls' Band under the direction of Bandmaster C. W. Mason has won top honors in the Music Day Competitions at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto.

The Acton boys and girls were in Section Four, competing against Dundas Junior Band, Woodstock Boys' and Girls' Band, and Ingersoll Y's Men's Boys' and Girls' Band. The score obtained by each band was, Acton 88 points; Dundas, 83 points; Woodstock 78 points and Ingersoll 74 points. This is the second victory for Mr. Mason and his boys and girls this year. They won first at the Waterloo Musical Festival and now have captured the coveted C.N.E. award. First prize money is \$225 and medals for the bandsmen. Acton band drew third position for the competition.

Acton is certainly proud of this achievement carried off by Mr. Mason and the boys and girls he has trained so faithfully. They deserve the honors and are a credit to the community.

### Results Announced In Field Crop Competition in Oats

Prize winners for the 1947 Field Crop Competition in Oats have been announced. Fourteen contestants entered the competition which was sponsored by the Acton Agricultural Society. Alex. W. Davidson, of Agincourt acted as judge.

The eight entries receiving the top scores were: B. Miller, Georgetown, 80%; G. Wallace, Rockwood, 80%; Gordon Leslie, Acton, 88%; W. Lashy, Campbellville, 88%; Miller, Bress, Georgetown, 87%; F. Donney, Acton, 84%; C. W. Swackhamer, Acton, 84%; A. Swackhamer, Acton, 84%.

### FORMER ACTON PLAYER DIED SUDDENLY WHILE ON VACATION

From the Free Press: We learn of the sudden death of Leslie C. Waddell of Detroit, Mich., on Monday, August 11th. He was in his 40th year. Many present and former baseball fans of Acton will recall Mr. Waddell as an outstanding pitcher on the local baseball nine over thirty years ago and regret to learn of his sudden death. Funeral services were conducted in Forest and interment was in Beechwood Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Waddell were vacationing at Hillsboro and were at the home of her brother, C. E. Gage, when deceased was stricken with a heart attack from which he failed to rally. Surviving are his widow, the former Velma Gage of Forest; a sister, Mrs. William Woods of Mitchell and a brother, William Waddell, of Detroit.

The next war may really be the war to end all wars. It is likely, in fact, to end all humanity.

### George Day Is New Postmaster For Rockwood

George Day, 34 year old Rockwood World War II veteran, has been awarded a permanent appointment as postmaster there, it was announced. Mr. Day also is clerk, treasurer, and tax collector for Eramosa Township, having received that appointment July 1, 1945. He succeeds his father, Frank Day, to all four positions.

Rockwood post office has been in operation for nearly a century. After operating an unofficial post office in his general store for some time, Robert Pasmore was named postmaster of Rockwood in 1853. Frank Day took over the office in 1927 and George has been acting postmaster since January 1946.

Native of Eramosa Township, George Day started as assistant postmaster at Rockwood when only 17, working with his father. He helped with the township books for many years also, and was able to step right into both offices without a hitch. During the recent war, he served four years with the Canadian Postal Corps and was stationed at Quebec, Hagersville, Joplin and Trenton, as well as at Base Post Office, where he gained the rank of sergeant.

Since returning to civilian life, Mr. Day has been very active in affairs of Rockwood Community Club, and is chairman of the publicity committee. He is married and has two children.

### ARTS AND CRAFTS OF GEORGETOWN DISCUSS FALL FAIR EXHIBIT

The Arts and Crafts of Georgetown held their August meeting on the 21st at the home of Mrs. Beer. The president, Mrs. Moyer, was in the chair. New members were welcomed and discussions of the crafts followed.

The pottery group reported progress in the securing of a kiln and a few samples of models made by the class were on display. Plans were made for the Fall Fair, an interesting program of demonstrations on the pottery wheel being promised. While all the handicrafts will be well represented by a display, interest this year is to center around the pottery. The different stages from clay to finished article will prove of great interest to the visitors at the Fair.

Mrs. Moyer called the attention of the members to the Handicraft Special in the Fall Fair prize list and all were urged to enter this competition. A very pleasant tea hour followed, provided by the hostesses, Mrs. Beer and her mother, Mrs. Pap, assisted by Mrs. Denny Charles and Miss Judy Beer of Midland.

The October meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. D. McLaughlin.

Acton Fair is just five weeks from tomorrow and Saturday on October 3rd and 4th.

### Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings: The Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. will hold its first meeting, Tuesday, September 2, at the home of Mrs. Peter Smith.

Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E. will hold its first meeting, Tuesday, September 2, at the home of Mrs. Peter Smith.

See a demonstration of the application of Gyptex, new texture paint at J. B. Mackenzie & Son, during the afternoon, Friday, August 29th.