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ACTON INTERMEDIATE 'C' CHAMPS

Defeat Delhi Two Straight and Win Ontario Title

Over 1500 Fans Saw Acton Defeat Delhi 9-7 in the Second Game of the O.B.A. Intermediate "C" Playdowns Yesterday Afternoon in Delhi—Huge Crowd and Traditional Bonfire Welcomes the Players Home in the Evening—Clown Band Accompanied Team to the Game

In a natural baseball amphitheatre which housed over 1500 tumultuous fans, Acton Intermediates yesterday were crowned Ontario Baseball champions with all the regal splendour due a team of their calibre. Culminating the best in three series with their second straight win over the Delhi Tobaccos, they swept to the provincial honor in championship style by defeating Delhi 9-7 in a game that wasn't won until the last player had been put out.

Never before in Acton's baseball history has a team carried off the O.B.A. crown. In 1908 and again in 1918 the Halton County Championship was conceded but not an Ontario honor has graced the local club since the Adams Bros. first hewed timber on the present site of the village.

It was a great team that capped the Int. "C" finals. A team that reared up Oakville's pride and joy—who incidentally cashed in on the pay dirt themselves yesterday—in the Halton County finals. A club of home brews who coasted into the Ontario playdowns with a resounding defeat over Georgetown. Eliminating Walkerton in the first round, they pushed the highly touted Clinton Colts into obscurity with two successive wins. A stellar series with Watford paved the way to the semi-finals with Sunderland which the locals won in a tight-fisted round bout that boasted the best baseball viewed hereabouts in the annals of the game.

Then the final series with the best tobacco district can produce. Matt Tyler can be justifiably proud of the club he piloted to the Ontario championship. They were undoubtedly champs in every sense of the word.

And Did They Celebrate
Hundreds of fans who made the long trip to Delhi yesterday saw the triple A club run up seven runs in the first innings—a margin that was never headed. Fittingly, Don Ryder, southpaw hurler who has carried the brunt of the mound duties over the playdown period was on the mound as the game died and excitement mounted over the prospect of a championship, the very hills surrounding the park reverberated to the name Ryder which was chorused by the Acton supporters.

When the last Delhi batsmen had grounded out to shortstop the roaring

breaced the players with gusto that would have put Boyer to shame. From nowhere, Cooke, resplendent in bare legs, led a clown band on the field to the approving roar of mobbing hundreds. The crowd hoisted the players to their shoulders and marched in circles, enthusiasm mounting with the music. As darkness began to settle, the band made tracks for the Delhi main drag followed by as many who cared to come. Traffic jammed for miles when the singing, swaying crowd came into the town square. Citizens of Delhi who took the defeat in good grace added their plaudits to the chest swelling cheers that rent the air with a hullabaloo of praise for the Acton team.

Another Welcome in Acton
Local citizenry who didn't enjoy the privilege of seeing the championship won, jammed the streets of Acton to await the victors' arrival in the early hours of the evening. The team was heralded in from the Main Street tracks and given a tremendous ovation as they paraded perched on top of automobiles behind the Boys and Girls and Clown Bands to the corner of Main and Mill. A huge bonfire lit the scene and merriment continued into the early hours of the morning.

Tight Game
The final game was close. Although Acton chalked up seven runs in the first innings off as many hits, the Delhi team would not concede defeat in their half of the first frame. (Continued on Page Five)

UNITED WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION AT HOME OF MRS. WM. EVANS

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. W. Evans on Tuesday with Mrs. L. Agar presiding. The devotional period was taken by Miss E. Hawthorne. Several letters were sent out to shut-ins and the sick. Plans were made for decorating the church for Thanksgiving Sunday with fruit and vegetables. The ladies are being asked for tea towels and dish cloths. Lunch was served by Mrs. Evans assisted by Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Cleave and Mrs. Fryer, and a social time was spent. A very hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Evans for her home and hospitality and also to the lunch assistants.

Halton Farmers Urge Policy Stated On Feed Grains

Representatives from All Parts of County Unanimously Pass Resolution

Over 150 farmers from all parts of the county, Tuesday night approved a resolution, asking the federal government to immediately state their policy in connection with feed grains in the country. The meeting called by the Halton Federation of Agriculture was enthusiastic in its support of the resolution, feeling that something should be done to relieve the farmer during the period of scarcity of feed grain.

The resolution, moved by Harland Merry of Oakville and seconded by Lloyd Chisholm, Milton, read: "That it is of paramount importance the feed grain policy for Canada should be immediately announced to be operative to at least the end of the present crop year, July 1948.

We recommend that the policy should in so far as possible keep price of feed grains at their present relationship to the present selling price of the finished product.

We further recommend that present prices of concentrates be carefully scrutinized with a view to the re-imposition of price control on concentrates in order to prevent profiteering.

We also recommend the transportation of feed grain in Canada be given number one priority.

Considerable time was taken up during discussion, with many being unable to immediately solve the problem of having feed grain released from the western provinces. Both farmers and feed dealers agreed there was a scarcity of grain in Eastern Canada, feeling that possibly an increased subsidy on coarse grains, might attract the prairie farmer to release his grain.

Others urged the price of concentrates be adjusted since their skyrocket price is almost making it impossible to raise cattle and hogs to sell at the present level.

Frank Wilson, of the Cream Producers, said he thought the rumor of lifting of ceilings was chief cause for grain not being shipped from the west, while Murray McPhail, representing the feed dealers informed the meeting that grain was moving and that the Dominion Government's prohibitive measure regarding export of grain would be of great assistance to the farmers who were short of feed grain.

Dr. Carl Martin, urged farmers to seek assistance in transportation of this western grain. He said it was difficult to receive prompt shipment from the bay ports. William Breckon, Bronte, thought that if the subsidy on coarse grain was increased and the price of meat increased would be a solution to the problem. He later reiterated his statement regarding the price of wheat as it would only be keeping the ceiling on the front end of the animal and removing on the other end, as suggested by Art Padbury.

J. E. Whitlock strongly urged farmers to take a long term view of farming with a purpose of keeping the British market, as Eastern Canada is chiefly the hog producing area in Canada.

NEW EQUIPMENT ADDED TO IMPROVE THE FREE PRESS

During this week we have added new casting equipment of the latest design to our modern printing plant which will greatly facilitate the making of stereotypes for use in illustrating advertising and other newspaper illustrations.

The old equipment had a capacity of casting plates from matrices up to 3 columns by 9 inches while the new equipment will handle anything up to a full page cast of this newspaper, about four times as large. It operates much more quickly and efficiently and the large electric heaters soon bring the molten metal up to the required heat of well over 600 degrees.

Teachers' Convention Held in Toronto Officers Elected

The annual convention of the Halton County Teachers' Institute was held in Toronto on Friday, October 10th. Over 150 teachers from all parts of the county attended and among those present were Mr. J. M. Denyes, B.A., a former county public school inspector and Mrs. Denyes.

In the morning the teachers were divided into groups of two for a visit to Toronto public schools which was arranged through the courtesy of Mr. Z. S. Phimister, B.A., superintendent of elementary education, Toronto. The visit to Toronto schools was both educative and interesting. Dinner was served at the Vanity Fair, King Edward Hotel at 12.30.

Many important addresses were heard at the afternoon business session. Z. S. Phimister spoke on different methods of teaching, general studies, science and health.

Dr. J. M. Mather, M.O.H., of the Halton County Health Unit, gave a general outline of the set-up of the public health unit in Halton County and urged co-operation in carrying on the work.

Mrs. M. Stephenson, Milton, gave a fine report on the primary methods summer course held at Hamilton during the summer holidays. This was followed by an address by Miss Edith Donkin on the principals' ten day refresher course also held during the summer.

Miss I. Kean gave her impressions of a trip to Western Canada and the United States which was quite interesting.

Miss F. V. Brown presented the treasurer's report which was quite satisfactory. The reports of the various committees were then given, followed by the inspector's report.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: hon. president, J. M. Denyes, B.A., Toronto; L. L. Skuce, B.A. Paed., Milton; president, Miss F. Meares, Freeman; vice-president, Miss Kathleen Donkin, Burlington; secretary, Miss M. S. Gemmill, Milton; treasurer, Miss F. V. Brown, Oakville. Executive, Miss Myrtle Scharfe, Nelson Twp.; Mrs. N. Wilkinson, Nassagaweya Twp.; Miss Jean Riddell, Esquesing Twp., and Mrs. E. Wetlaufer, Trafalgar Twp.

Halton County Has Three Baseball Champs In 1947

Acton, Milton and Oakville Each Win a Championship in Their Respective Class in 1947

Halton County has the unique honor of three baseball champions. Yesterday when Oakville and Acton won the Intermediate "B" and Intermediate "C" championships respectively, the county could boast of three teams who brought provincial honors to Halton.

Milton Juveniles were the first to clinch an Ontario Championship in 1947 when they defeated Shallow Lake in the finals. It was the first crown for Milton since 1929 when the Intermediates from the county town capped the cup.

Oakville's Intermediate "B" entry yesterday whipped Meaford by 10-0 and walked off with the Ontario title in this class to add a second champ. It was Oakville's first championship in 23 years.

EARLY COPY HELPS GET YOUR PAPER OUT ON SCHEDULE

To get your paper out on time every week means that we must maintain a strict schedule and have all copy reach us early in the week. Every week we are forced to omit news and advertising from our columns, to maintain faith with readers and have their paper on schedule. We don't like doing this but there is no other choice.

That's why we keep urging early copy. Display advertising must be in the office by Tuesday noon of each week to insure being included that week. We cannot furnish illustrations for ads any later and it helps if these are selected before Monday evening.

News copy should be sent in immediately after the item occurs. We like to include news each week up to the last minute but we cannot put in type all the news of the week in the last few hours before publication. Please co-operate. Don't hold the items until Wednesday before sending them in.

102nd Anniversary Of Knox Church Marked Last Sunday

Rev. Mr. Walker, of Galt, Was the Special Speaker—Large Attendance Sunday and Monday Evening

Splendid congregations attended the 102nd Anniversary services of Knox Presbyterian Church last Sunday when Rev. W. J. Walker, B.A., B.D., of Knox Church, Galt, was the guest speaker and Mr. Cecil Lyness of Guelph, the guest soloist. On Monday evening the anniversary observance continued when a turkey supper was served by the Ladies Aid and a musical program presented by the choir. Again at this event there was a large attendance for the bounty of these suppers is well established.

Rev. Mr. Walker took his morning text from Romans 3, verses 23 and 24: "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God; being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." "We are all sinners and the answer comes through the redemptive power of the cross of Jesus Christ," the speaker said. "The challenge of Christ is before us. Our only salvation will come when we surrender our lives to Him."

Mr. Lyness' solos at this service were "To-day on the Highway I met Him" and "Building for Eternity." The choir anthem was "Just for Today."

Another part of the morning service of interest to the church members and friends was the baptismal service for Barbara Helen, the infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John Anderson, the daughter at Knox Mansie.

In the evening the congregations of the Baptist and United Churches joined in the Anniversary and Rev. Mr. Pickering assisted in the service. Mr. Walker gave another thoughtful and powerful discourse based on the text found in the ninth verse of the ninth chapter of Zechariah "Rejoice greatly O daughter of Zion."

Mr. Lyness' solos at this evening service were "There were ninety and nine" and that fine old gospel hymn not often heard these days "Into a tent where a gypsy boy lay."

The solos and duet parts of the choir anthem were taken by Mr. Guss Musselle and Mrs. Byron Bruce. Mr. Ted Hansen presided at the console and led the choir and service of praise.

It was a delight to the congregation to be able to have the Minister, Rev. John Anderson present to conduct both anniversary services.

On Monday evening over 400 partook of the bountiful and well served turkey dinner arranged by the Ladies Aid of the Church. The program was arranged by the choir and had pleasing variety and good quality. There were vocal solos by Messrs. Alex Burton and George Musselle, vocal solos by Mrs. George Brownlee, Toronto; reading by Miss Joanne Stout, of Rockwood; cornet solos by Mr. Charles Landsborough; quartette numbers by Messrs. A. Mann, N. Baird, A. Burton and G. Musselle; octette numbers by Messrs. Mann, Kirkness, Baird, Hansen, Burton, Robinson, Musselle and Benson. Accompanists were Mrs. W. Gowdy and Mr. Ted Hansen. Rev. John Anderson, minister, was chairman for the program.

Request Lease on Curling Rink for Storing Wool

Band Tax By-Law Prepared for Vote of Ratepayers at Municipal Elections—No More Services to be Extended Beyond Municipal Boundaries—Offer for Sale of Arena Land Accepted by the Council

Acton Council met in fortnightly session on Monday evening with Councillors J. H. Creighton, Wm. Coon, C. Cook and R. M. Aylsworth present and Reeve F. J. McCutcheon presiding.

The Clerk reported that War Assets Corporation was willing to accept \$25 for the land upon which part of the Arena was built and pay all conveying charges. The Council agreed to accept this offer and purchase the land and clear up this matter.

Mr. Ward Graff who had purchased a lot adjoining the War-time Housing property wanted to know if he could secure water service. The property was in the Township and the Council pointed out that if service was given a precedent would be established. Council considered annexing the property and adjoining lot if the owners were agreeable. Mr. Graff was willing to have his property annexed.

Mr. J. H. Boulton asked if Council would consider renting the Curling Rink for the storage of wool. The Canadian Wool Company desired more storage room. A floor would be required and the side next the arena would need to be enclosed. Council agreed to give the matter consideration and advise Mr. Boulton.

Mr. J. Morrison asked that Council do something to keep others from using the Municipal dump as lands were dumped right on the roadway. He asked that the gate be locked. The Municipal Officers was to advise those using the dump where garbage must be placed.

The Canadian Legion requested that Remembrance Day be proclaimed a public holiday. Council made no decision on this question but agreed to supply a wreath and the usual printing and advertising.

The Reeve was requested to be the first at the Chest Clinic on Friday and agreed.

Council agreed to make a donation of \$10 to assist in the Children's Halloween Party being sponsored by the Y's Men's Club in the arena.

A by-law suggested by the Ontario Department of Planning and Development was considered by Council.

This by-law makes it necessary to register a plan for any land being subdivided into building lots. The Clerk was instructed to prepare the by-law.

The Clerk reported on the result of a visit to Toronto in connection with water-works extensions and other improvements.

A letter was read from the Acton Agricultural Society enclosing a letter from the Public Utilities Commission outlining the cost of providing cable for lighting at the Park. The Society felt they could not meet this expenditure. The Society also pointed out that this year's cost of electrical service was \$150 whereas former years this had cost the Board about \$50. An itemized account of the cost was shown and Mr. Wilson gave an explanation. Council felt this was a matter for the Utilities Commission and the Fair Board.

The by-law, arranging for the Municipal Nominations and Elections was read as required and passed. Nominations will be held on Friday, November 21st, at 7.30 p.m. Elections will be held on Monday, December 1st.

Letters were received from half a dozen government boards, asking a variety of information and suggestions.

The Halton Male Choir solicited a donation to assist with their work. The letter outlined the work and aims of the choir.

The list of tax arrears was checked and instructions issued for collection of amounts owing.

The Band Tax by-law, which will be voted upon by the property owners at the Municipal Elections this year was read as required. This by-law, if passed, would provide for an annual grant of half a mill for the support of a band in Acton.

A letter made enquiry regarding the sale of the night watchman's clock which was not being used. Chief Harrop was asked to see what was offered.

The account of Weston Construction Co. for \$3,989.88 authorized for payment by the Reeve and Treasurer.

Teen Towners Hold Parade in Connection Mayoralty Elections

Last Friday the Teen Towners were holding their elections. That's what the parade and band were for. The parade left the Town Hall at 7.45 led by a teenage clown band. Each candidate for mayor was responsible for his own mode of transportation in the parade and each tried to outdo the other in originality.

The clown band led the parade and then came the candidates in their various contraptions which are well worth description.

First came candidate Kirkness with a well decorated truck pulling a democrat on which the candidate was sedately seated surrounded by vote-encouraging signs.

Candidate West came next on a small wagon pulled by two loyal supporters bearing signs "Down with the rest, we'll pull for West."

The third float was that of candidate Chew which consisted of an old four wheel fiver gaudily painted and surrounded by her supporters.

A horse drawn float carried candidate Cole in the parade and she was also surrounded by supporters and signs urging support in the elections.

Candidate Duval, dressed in tuxedo, top hat and carrying a cane, came next in his limousine driven by his colored chauffeur. The car carried signs of "Duval for Mayor."

The parade left the Town Hall, went to Main St., up Mill to Thompson's Garage, turned around and went back to the Y.M.C.A.

The candidates gracefully descended from their floats and entered the "Y" in their own way.

Candidate Duval had a novel way. His limousine pulled up, the colored chauffeur held the door open while the candidate emerged. Supporters rolled out the mat, a roll of toilet paper, from the door of the limousine to the "Y".

The election dance got under way about nine o'clock. Voting took place during the course of the evening. However, since the crowd was not large enough and not considered representative of all teenagers, it was decided to continue the vote at school.

New Iron Fence

Enhances Beauty Of Bowling Greens

A fine new iron fence is being erected around the grounds of the bowling greens and tennis courts on Mill Street. The fence is of neat design, painted green and greatly enhances the appearance of these beautiful grounds. It will be a permanent structure with the iron posts set in cement.

This fine improvement is obtained through the generosity of Beardmore and Co., who own the property and make possible this recreation centre for residents of Acton and vicinity. Last year new lighting was installed and no town has finer or better equipped bowling and tennis facilities than Acton or better located. The new fence frames admirably a picturesque spot.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, 10 cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 50c.

St. Alban's Guild are holding a bazaar, sale of baking and afternoon tea, Parish Hall, November 1 at 3 p.m.

The Friendly Circle is holding a Bazaar in the United Church, Saturday, October 25th. Baking sale, aprons, limited goods, afternoon tea.

Hallowe'en Masquerade, L. O. L. Hall, Crewson's Corners, Thursday, October 30th. Prizes for best dressed and funniest dressed gent and lady. Spot dance. Admission 35c.

The Junior Farmers are holding a Hallowe'en party in Lorne School on October 30th. Prizes for costumes, games, dancing and lunch provided. Admission 35c and 25c for those in costume.

SORRY—NO PICTURES THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

We regret that we are unable to publish the Baseball and Teen-Town pictures scheduled for this week's issue. The engravings were unavoidably delayed at the engraving plant in Hamilton but they will appear in next week's edition.