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General Election Postpones the Meeting of O.M.E.A.

Power and Water Services in New Sections Have Been Completed

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. Chairman C. M. Hanson presided with Reeve F. J. McCutcheon and Commissioner J. R. MacArthur being present.

A letter was read from the Cooksville Utilities stating that a large quantity of wire had been stolen from them and requesting that Acton Commission be on the look-out for this wire.

A letter from the O.M.E.A. stated that a general meeting had been planned but in view of the general election being held, this meeting was postponed indefinitely.

Superintendent Wilson reported that he had completed the job of changing the transformers at Wallace Avenue.

Superintendent Lambert reported that the water service had been installed for Mr. Robt. Tarzwell and Secretary McCutcheon stated an easement had been secured by the Corporation at this property as the main feeding Cameron Street crosses this property.

Complaints had been received of consumers not receiving the regular monthly bills from the post office. This matter was to be taken up with the local authorities.

The list of arrears was checked and instructions issued as to their disposal.

The following accounts were passed for payment:

Hydro Department	
H.E.P.C. of Ont. power	\$5463.10
Canadian General Electric supplies	118.29
Highway Garage, gas, oil	5.85
Grand & Toy Ltd., supplies	13.00
Express & Transport	3.15
F. Terry, postmaster, postage	16.00
Mrs. H. Palmer	12.00
	\$5631.48

Waterworks Department
W. H. Cunningham & Hill \$20.55

REV. KEITH L. DANIELS COMING FOR BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLES' MEETING

The Rev. Keith L. Daniels of Hamilton, will be the guest speaker at the Young Peoples' meeting at the Baptist Church on Monday evening, May 3rd. Mr. Daniels is a very fine speaker and singer and in his talk on Negro Spirituals sings several of the well-known spirituals without accompaniment.

Some of the Acton B.Y.P.U. members have heard Mr. Daniels and feel fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. Daniels to speak to the Young Peoples' Societies of Acton. A social hour will follow.

MRS. H. JOLLEY ELECTED PRESIDENT BANNOCKBURN W. I.

The April meeting of the Bannockburn W. I. was held at the home of Mrs. Norman McEachern. It was the annual meeting and election of officers was as follows: president, Mrs. H. Jolley; vice president, Mrs. W. McDonald; 2nd vice president, Mrs. R. Goodwin; secretary, Mrs. T. Gordon; flower convener, Mrs. E. Evans; program convener, Mrs. A. Brooks.

Mrs. McEachern served a lovely lunch and a social half hour was spent.

MEETING KNOX Y.W.A. HAD INTERESTING PROGRAM THIS MONTH

The April meeting of the Knox Y. W. A. was held at the home of Mrs. K. McKenzie, with the President, Mrs. F. Anderson, in charge. The devotions were taken by Mrs. G. Muselle and Mrs. R. O'Hara. The Study Book was taken by Mrs. E. A. Hansen, Mrs. Muselle and Mrs. A. Melissac and it proved very interesting. Plans were made for the spring thankoffering. Miss B. Rossell conducted a very interesting contest and the committee in charge served a very dainty lunch.

The spring thank offering of the Y. W. A. was held in the school room on Sunday evening, April 18. The devotions were taken by Miss B. Rossell and Mrs. J. M. Anderson. A duet by Misses Edith and Barbara Turner and a solo by Mr. A. Mann were much enjoyed. The guest speaker for the evening was Rev. Mr. Flindall, of Ballinacree. He chose as his subject "Humility" and his address was very interesting and inspiring.

KNOX SO-ED CLUB CONCLUDES ACTIVITIES WITH SOCIAL NIGHT

On Wednesday evening of last week the So-Ed Club of Knox Church terminated for the season in a social when the executive played hosts to the congregation. A large crowd attended and enjoyed an informal entertainment.

Duets were sung by Betty Sinclair and June Lindsay and choruses by Barbara Anderson, Joan Hodge and Betty Sinclair. Mrs. Turner of Churchill and Mrs. Bowen each contributed fine solos and Mrs. Wm. Hall gave much appreciated duets on the piano and harmonica. Lorraine Mullin gave well-rendered piano solos and Betty Sinclair performed very creditably on the guitar. Knox Ladies' Aid Quartette, composed of Mrs. Fred Anderson, Miss Bella Rossell, Mrs. Wm. Hall and Mrs. Bert Davidson, accompanied by Mrs. Hall on the autoharp, competed for favour with the Concert Troupe Male quartette, composed of Mr. George Muselle, Mr. Norman Baird, Mr. William Burton and Mr. Ted Hansen, accompanied by Miss Margaret Brown, and both won hearty applause.

Rev. J. M. Anderson sang several Scottish songs in his usual captivating manner and also led the audience in a sing-song.

A film in technicolor, showing Newfoundland's beauty and resources, was presented after which a tempting lunch was served.

The club, a new venture of the past year, has amply vindicated its right to a position of high value among church activities.

English School Distributes Gifts From Acton Pupils

The following letter was received by Principal G. W. McKenzie of Acton School from England. It tells its own story.

Canterbury Road,
Secondary Modern Boys School,
Canterbury Road,
Leyton, E10
23rd April, 1948

Dear Sir:
To-day has been a great and momentous occasion for the pupils at this school, for the two cases of foodstuffs had arrived overnight and were opened and sorted out this morning.

This afternoon a distribution is being made so that the goods may be shared upon an equitable basis. At assembly this morning the boys were addressed by myself upon this magnificent gift from their fellow pupils far away in Canada. Believe me, there is genuine appreciation of the thoughtful generosity which prompted such a kindly gesture. The boys all agree with me that one result of this gesture has been to instil into them a firm determination to endeavor to act always in such a manner as to exhibit a worthiness of the great kindness they have received.

With every good wish to all Acton Public School.
Yours very sincerely, and on behalf of our Scholars,
Arthur W. Smith
Head Master

ACTON REALTOR NAMED PRESIDENT OF GUELPH DISTRICT

Mr. F. L. Wright, Acton has been elected president of the Guelph and District Real Estate Board. Other officers elected at the annual meeting this week were vice president, Major A. Tysford, Guelph; treasurer, E. N. Williams, Guelph; secretary, B. J. McCabe, Guelph; directors, T. J. Mahon, Edgar Young, Guelph and James Fasken, Elora.

There was practically a 100 per cent attendance of members at the annual meeting held at the Royal Hotel in Guelph at which the retiring president, T. J. Mahon, occupied the chair.

PRIZE WINNERS AT CONCLUDING EUCHRE ACTON JUNIOR FARMERS

On Thursday evening last the Acton Junior Farmers and their friends held their final euchre for the season in Lorne School.

The winners for the evening were Mrs. George Somerville and Mr. Charlie Thompson. For the season, Mrs. Bert Davidson and Mr. Charlie Thompson gained the highest points and Mr. Howard Switzer won the prize for the most lone hands.

Lunch was served by the committee in charge and Mrs. Early Mansell, Nellie and Charles Rocher supplied the music for the remainder of an enjoyable evening.

Dr. F. Murray Deans Chosen Liberal Candidate

Farquhar Oliver Addressed Liberal Convention in Milton On Monday—Two Nominees Withdrew in Favor of Dr. Deans—Town Hall was Packed With Liberals From All Parts of Halton

Dr. F. Murray Deans, Onkville dentist, was chosen Liberal standard bearer, when two others dropped from the field at a Halton Liberal Association convention held at the Town Hall in Milton Monday night. Thomas A. Blakelock, former member for Halton, 14 years and Murray McPhail, Nassagaweyn, secretary of the Ontario Retail Food Dealers' Association were nominated but withdrew in favor of Dr. Deans.

In nominating Dr. Deans, W. N. Robinson, K.C. of Onkville, said that although Dr. Deans was not a native of Halton, he has resided here for 27 years. He was a former mayor of Onkville four terms and was the first mayor to introduce the holiday period for town workmen. He served in the First World War with the Dental Corps shortly after his graduation. He felt that should the Liberal party be elected, Dr. Deans by his qualifications, would be invited to a place in the cabinet. J. M. Wallace, in seconding his nomination, was confident he was a fitting person for the job, both mentally and physically.

Declining the nomination, Thomas A. Blakelock congratulated the delegates for such a good attendance on such short notice. He promised the supporters "I'm going to take off my coat and help do what we did back in 1929 when you elected me as your representative."

Murray McPhail, a young newcomer into the field of Liberal politics, advised the 400 delegates not to go home and sit back and wait for June 7 to roll around. "We can make this one of the best six week pre-election campaigns ever staged in the county," he declared urging them to defeat the "self appointed opposition to the Federal Government at Ottawa. We should be the last province in the Dominion to cover up by criticising and abusing the Federal Government," he concluded.

In accepting the nomination Dr. Deans said he was honored at the last convention, but found business too pressing "but you know it has not changed much since that time. Since then I have

become annoyed and I want to do something about it. There have been a lot of promises emanating from Queen's Park that haven't been fulfilled so I am wondering if I could go down there and see what can be done about it."

He did not think an election should have been called at this time so the government is blaming hydro. "I think they are so confused... they don't know yet who pulled the switch," he humorously injected.

"They say they are taking hydro out of politics but the first thing they do is call an election about it. In seeking approval of the 60 cent change over, they say..."

Speaking of the "Drew" government formulating a new policy, he advised them to haul out the old 22 points as "it hasn't been altered yet."

Believing that it is the duty of every man and woman to be of service to the community, he said "that if elected, I will see to it you get the representation you Halton people are worthy of and not sit in a quiet way on any legislation I don't like. I have the courage of my convictions and will stick by them. I have refereed numerous hockey games and haven't been kicked out of a town yet. I can assure you I will do the same if elected to represent the people of Halton," he concluded.

Farquhar Oliver, leader of the Liberal party and special speaker, said he found liberalism on the upgrade in the province. He spoke highly of Dr. Deans and felt that should he be elected his presence would be felt in the legislature. He paid tribute to Murray McPhail and urged him to continue, adding the Liberal party needs young men and women with new ideas in the party.

"You can find a safe harbor in the confines of the Liberal party and I can promise that if elected will see to it a Department of Youth will be set up," he declared.

Referring to Hydro as being an issue in the campaign, Mr. Oliver said "it will not be an issue the way Drew wants it," strongly blaming the administration for the present shortage. "He waited two years before he began work on developments approved of in 1943. There will be a worse shortage next year and Drew doesn't want to face the people under that situation."

"I have seen a lot of elections in the province but never one called on so flimsy and phoney an excuse."

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More Storage Space Being Built at Acton Flour Mills

Mr. D. H. Lindsay has had excavations made at the west side of Acton Flour Mills, for four storage elevators. A large section of the bank has been cut away, but some difficulty has been encountered with quick sand and securing a solid foundation. This mill has steadily expanded, with a large storage elevator completed last year.

MISS N. ANDERSON TELLS OF CUSTOMS IN BRITISH GUIANA

The closing banquet of Knox Y.P.S. was held on Monday, April 26, with Miss N. Anderson as guest speaker. After a delightful supper, Mr. Anderson led the happy group in a sing-song. Miss Lorraine Mullin favored with a piano solo.

As speaker for the evening, Miss N. Anderson gave a very informal and educational talk on her work for the past three and a half years in British Guiana.

She learned a great deal of the customs of the country and the homes of the people. It was interesting to note that most of the people are Hindus and Mohammedans, and for the most part the country is uninhabited. Mr. Jim Spivey moved a vote of thanks to Miss Anderson for her account of her experiences.

MRS. THOS. HEMSLEY HOSTESS APRIL MEETING GREENOCK W.I.

Greenock Woman's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Thomas Hemsley on Wednesday of last week with eighteen members present and the president, Mrs. A. McKeown in charge of the meeting. Scripture was read by Mrs. Gordon Leslie. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Basil Johnston. Roll call, a household hint, was well responded to. Current events were given by Mrs. E. Penran.

Mrs. A. McKeown and Mrs. McCutcheon were appointed to attend a meeting in Guelph on Saturday. It was planned to have a play and other program in Greenock School in the near future. Then the meeting took the form of a committee to consider the answer to the contest of build better farm homes, the home we all dream we would like to build.

The hostess was thanked by Mrs. Near. Lunch was served by the committee in charge and a social time spent.

NEW TENANTS AT WARTIME HOUSING IN 30 HOMES

New tenants in the Wartime Housing subdivision this week are Thos. Watson, Chas. Biggs, T. J. Lownby, Alfred Watke and G. Gate. Thirty of the fifty houses are now occupied and are very much pleased. Grading and leveling is now in progress and it is anticipated this will be done for gardening time. Electric light and water services are available and telephone lines are expected to be in within two months.

REV. J. M. ANDERSON SPEAKER TUESDAY AT ACTON ROTARY

Rev. J. M. Anderson gave an interesting talk on "Fellowship" at the dinner meeting of Acton Rotary Club on Tuesday noon at the Y.M.C.A. Amos Mason and Joan Bayton gave an interesting report of the Rotary district conference held in Toronto on April 15th and 16th.

300 Sportsmen of Halton County Attend Annual

George E. Elliott, Milton was elected president of the Halton Sportsmen's Association at their second annual meeting held at the Town Hall in Milton, last Thursday. He was presented with a unique badge of office (a huge fish hook, appropriately decorated) by the retiring president Ed. McKim.

Many Valuable Prizes Presented—Minister of Lands and Forests Guest Speaker

The newly elected president introduced Hon. Harold R. Scott, Minister of Lands and Forests, speaker for the occasion. He outlined the aims of the department in promoting the restocking of streams and lakes as well as in instituting laws for the protection of game animals and birds, thus making Ontario a sportsmen's paradise. He assured the members it was organizations such as the Halton Sportsmen's Association that had the hearty endorsement of the Department.

To illustrate the importance of conservation, he said if one male fish was taken from a spawning bed it means the loss of 5,000 fish fry.

Mr. Reg. Hannan, Secretary Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters welcomed the Halton Association in to the Federation with its membership of 150,000.

Other officers elected included vice presidents: Ken Holdsworth, W. T. Randall, George Morley, H. C. Morris, secretary: Will Crozier, treasurer: Directors, T. A. Hutchinson, D. T. Galloway, A. H. Tufford, Jas. W. Robertson, J. J. Kennedy, C. E. Davenport, Gordon Johnson, George Ferguson, John McGibbon, Clare Robertson, Alf Bridgen, George Leslie, Alvin Anderson, Emmerson Robinson, Richard Weller, B. L. Sargeant, Peter Gatan, A. F. Biggs, Ivam Mozam.

Winners of the many valuable prizes were: steel, John Chalmers; shot gun shells, Stan Fay Jr.; T. Eaton \$5 special, S. Hartley; rubber boots, J. Merry; Casting rod, Dan Allan. Casting lines went to Con Toletzka, Robert McKim, Ken Brush, J. J. Kennedy and George Morley; Essex Parkers' Special, Geo. Coulson; Casting rod, George Johnson; Casting reel, Alf Bridgen; T. Eaton \$5 special, Ken Holdsworth; wonder reel, B. Dalley. Door prizes of blank were won by Colin Smille of Milton and a 10 lb. ham by M. Bennett, Acton.

Also included in the program was an interesting and informative showing of moving pictures by the Carling Conservation Club and pictures on wild life from the Dept. of Game and Fisheries. The pictures were entitled "Wild Fowl" and "Speckled Trout Across Canada."

New Foundry Being Built for Acton Industry

Blow Foundry Has Moved from Peterborough — New Building Here with Electric Crane

Another Acton industry is expanding and work is underway on a new foundry building for Acton Machine Shops. Mr. Kenneth Blow has moved the equipment from the Blow Foundry, at Peterborough which he has operated for the past two years to the new site in Acton.

Near the Acton Machine Shops, a new foundry building is being erected 45x75 feet. It will be of pre-informed cement block, with steel sash and is expected to be ready for occupancy within two months.

The new building will be equipped with a five-ton overhead electric crane to facilitate handling of the castings. The crane is being made by Morris Crane Co. of Niagara Falls and the structural steel for the crane will be erected by the Hamilton Bridge Co. of Hamilton. The building contract is in charge of J. B. MacKenzie & Son, Acton.

A new furnace and the equipment from the foundry in Peterborough are now in Acton, ready to be placed in the new building. Excavations for footings and steel for the crane track have been made and it is expected those will be completed this week. The site is an ideal one close to the railway and adjacent to the Machine Shops where the bulk of the castings will be used.

The Blow Foundry will be a very welcome addition to Acton's industrial activity and certainly facilitate the work at Acton Machine Shops.

NASSAGAWEYA CONSERVATIVE CLUB HOLD SOCIAL NIGHT

About 300 attended the social night at Brookville Hall last week under the auspices of the Nassagaweyn Progressive Conservative Club. Euchre and dancing were enjoyed. Prizes winners were first ladies, Mrs. A. Wilson, Georgetown; Mrs. W. J. Beatty, Acton; second ladies prize and Mrs. Jas Crawford, Guelph for lone hands.

First men's prize went to Elmer Bowles, Guelph; second prize to William R. Anderson, Guelph and lone hands prize to Beave Ella, Guelph. The prizes were presented by Mr. Stanley Hall, member of the Legislature for Halton.

The dancing had a pleasant interposition of the old and the new for the young and the old. Ted Britton of Haltonville led the Circassian circle.

Don't miss the Halton Male Choir, Acton United Church, Monday, May 3rd. Auspices Marco Club.

Variety Community Concert, Acton Town Hall, May 10 and 11. All local show to get the "Save the Children Fund." Get tickets early.

Junior Farmer's Hockey Club Euchre in Lorne School, Thursday, May 6th, 8:30 p.m. Program, pie and ice cream, dance. Admission 50c.

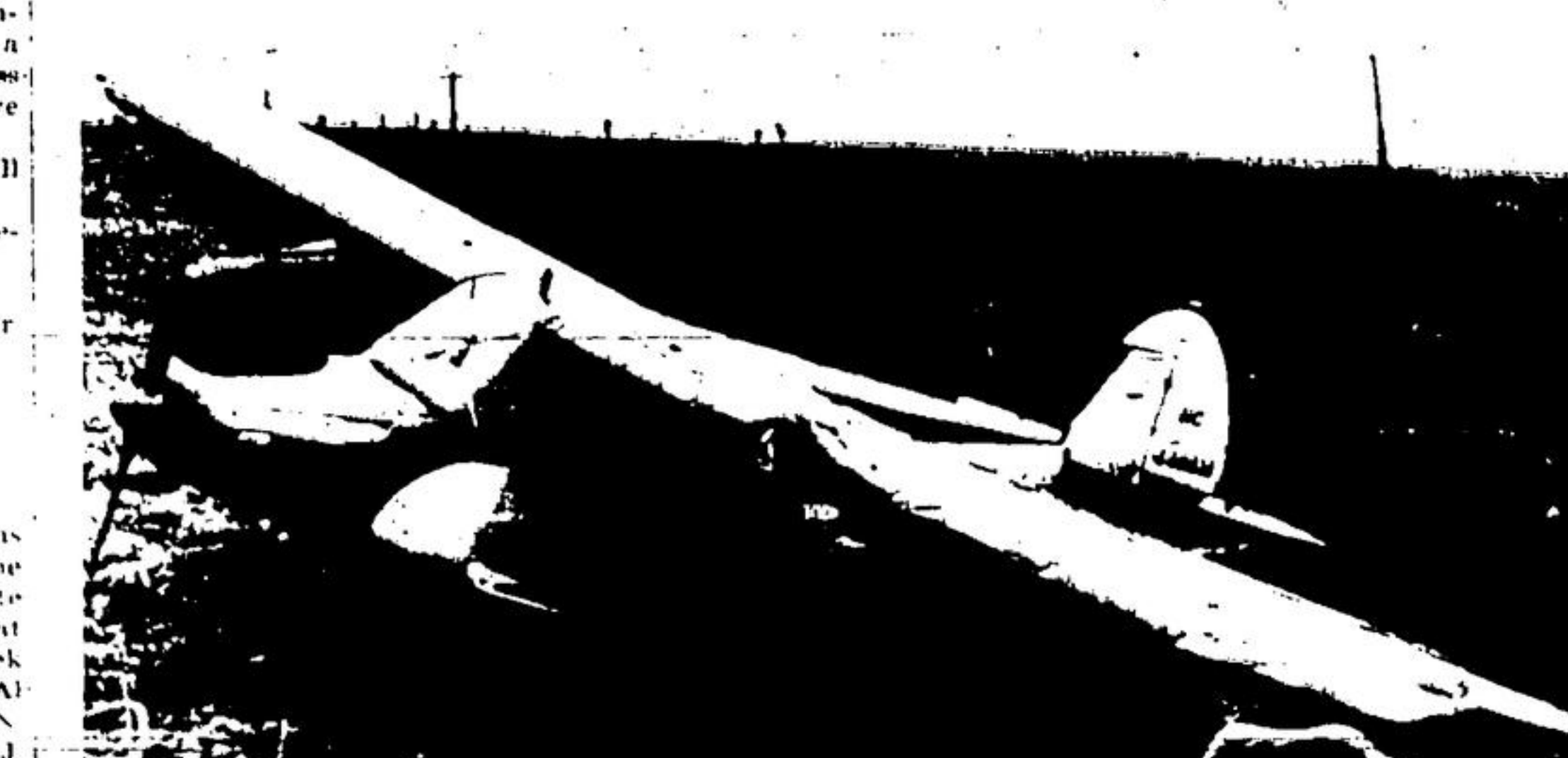
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Acton High School Annual Cadet Dance, May 10 in the Y.M.C.A. Merry-makers Orchestra. Admission 50c. Tickets may be purchased from pupils.

A meeting of the Tennis group of Acton Lawn Bowling and Tennis Club will be held at the Y.M.C.A. Friday April 30th at 7:30 p.m. All tennis enthusiasts are invited to attend.

Women's Institute Concert at Greenock School, Friday, April 30 at 8:30 sharp D.S.T. One-act play by Ballinacree ladies "Hampack Hollar Gossp" film board pictures and other program. Admission 35c and 15c.

PLANE CRASHES NEAR MILTON



Three young men visiting Milton escaped serious injury when their Piper Cub plane crashed near Milton last Sunday afternoon. Frank Clements had flown to Milton to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clements Saturday and were about to take off Sunday when the accident happened. The photo above shows the damaged plane. Bottom photo are the three passengers from the left, John Lentini, Frank Clements, owner and pilot and Jim Blazek.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, in certain cases, with a minimum charge for any announcements of 25c.

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