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10,000 Visit Nassagaweya Centennial Three Days Packed With Events

Brookville Transformed to Meet Those Who Returned to Township And Committee Arranged Events That Kept Every Moment Busy—Nassagaweya Institute Fled All—Not an Accident to Mar the Occasion—Historical Books Were in Keen Demand and Nearly All Sold—Col. Kennedy and Captain Smith Were Guest Speakers—Four Bands Participate

The last three days of July were the County to Nassagaweya on the Centennial. Nassagaweya public school classes gave several numbers including the Kesper Hymn and the Melodious Blacksmith. The Ladies Contest was in charge of Andy Frank and in the 45 and under class Mrs. J. O'Rourke was first and John McGregor the second place. In the 45 and over class Tom Saunders won the first place.

The fashion parade of old costumes brought out dresses from the Victorian era and was in charge of Mrs. Lloyd Crawford. Prizes went to Mrs. Robert Anderson and Mrs. Wm. Buck. How the platform looked and how the crowd enjoyed themselves as four sets filled the space to compete in the square dance competition with Gilbert Kingsbury at the floor manager and Mac MacDougall in charge. Some of the contestants were in old time costumes. The winning set coached by Mr. Chas. Meadows were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Richardson, Pauline, Mr. Harvey Wharrior, Mr. L. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Peter C. McLean, Mr. Robt. Hume and Mrs. Wilson, all of Guelph. Second prize winners were Mr. and Mrs. L. Tubman, Mrs. Wm. Early, Mr. Robt. Wright, Mr. Andrew Laing, Mrs. M. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gilbertson.

In the horse-shoe pitching contest James Simpson and Gerald McLeod were first while Martin McLaughlin and Stephen Cox took second place. Following the platform event the Little German Band and the Lorne Scots Band provided musical numbers and during the afternoon both bands assisted. The Women's Institute of Nassagaweya had a busy time. Feeding the throng was no small task but the large tent had ample supplies and willing helpers who handled the problem most efficiently. Another booth of the Nassagaweya Young People sold souvenirs of the Township.

Over 5000 people attended the afternoon program and in the evening it was estimated that the crowd was between six and seven thousand. The Guelph Junior Police Band provided a fine musical program in the early evening. Mrs. W. H. Leachman won the prize for having come the greatest distance to the Centennial—she resides at Inglewood, California. The oldest former resident attending was Mr. Kenneth McLennan, of Guelph, who is in his 90th year. The Bill Reid entertainment agency presented one of the finest programs for the evening and the Royal City Four, Barber Shop Quartette, of Guelph, drew the appreciation of everyone. It was a good program in which Wm. McLean as Master of Ceremonies introduced Tex Rlove, ballad singer, Dorothy Stedman, dancer and acrobat, Clare Rouse, versatile musician, and Margaret Lewis, accordionist. Bill McLean did some imitations that were also a good contribution to the evening.

Gate prizes went to Herb Workman, Stetsville, Harold Pell, Milton, and Betty Wagstaffe, Glen Williams. Drawing for the prizes by the Nassagaweya Young People, Corp. Rex Mason, Acton, won a pressure cooker, David Joe Milton, an electric toaster, V. J. Coulson, Milton, an electric iron, Mrs. Wingrove of Milton, an afghan, Hector Parker, Stamford, an electric lamp, Wayne Easterbrook, Campbellville, a doll which he promptly gave to the little girl drawing the tickets, Mrs. Wm. Near, Kitchener, a wagon, and M. Snyder, Hamilton, a hassock. Councilor Max Storey had charge of the drawing for prizes.

Sunday Afternoon Through the courtesy of Acton Council, Acton Boys and Girls Band and Deputy Reeve Tyler, the Acton organization played a concert prior to the church service and led in the singing of old hymns and also in the singing in the church on Sunday afternoon. Rev. R. W. Pickersgill presided and was assisted by Rev. J. C. MacNeil, Rev. G. F. Simpson and Rev. G. Thompson. Mr. Murray McPhail was in charge of the combined choirs of all the churches of the township. The collection at the

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Established Here Thirty Years Ago Business is Sold

Established in Acton about thirty years ago the business of Acton Machine Co. owned by Mr. A. H. Harrison was sold last week to Harry Borg Warner who will hereafter conduct this wholesale auto parts business from their 24 Catharines plant.

For the past 15 years the business has been established at 34 Duncan St. in Toronto. Mr. Harrison and the late F. S. How first established the auto parts business in Acton on Main Street. When their premises were outgrown the business was moved to the present site of Acton Machine Shop. Further expansion made it necessary to build the adjoining building of Armano and the business partnership was divided with Mr. How operating as Acton Machine Shop and Mr. Harrison as Acton Machine Co.

Thirteen years ago Mr. Harrison moved again to larger quarters in Toronto and the business had become one of the largest wholesale auto parts companies in Canada, distributing to jobbers from coast to coast. Mr. Harrison now returns from the business to enjoy more leisure. He, however, retains the business name of Acton Machine Co. Many friends here of this former Acton citizen who served as School trustee, Councilor, Reeve and real citizen will join in wishing he and Mrs. Harrison many happy years of leisure.

Pictures of the Nassagaweya Centennial are on Page Four

JULY MEETING IS BUSY TIME FOR DUBLIN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Dublin W. I. held their July meeting in Dublin School and many of the section joined with them at this annual meeting. Roll Call was answered with a written question which was discussed later. The final plans were made for the booth at Nassagaweya Centennial. Mrs. Pearl Kennedy was asked to convene Dublin's part in the float and to have a representative for 1924. Mrs. Near, as convener of Home Economics, gave a splendid paper on Health. Mrs. Anderson demonstrated the making of a polonaise. Mrs. George Robertson gave a very concise report on the District Annual held in June. A contest of practical aprons was very well competed with and the prize aprons were bought by Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Watkins. These were all modeled after being judged. Lunch was served and a social time enjoyed. Mrs. Rhinehart, County President, will be guest speaker at the August meeting.

Mill and Main St. Injury to Vehicles and Pedestrian

Miss Shirley Palmer Receives Emergency Treatment Before Removal to Guelph Hospital

An accident at the corner of Mill and Main Streets on the night of August the first involved five vehicles and a pedestrian. A Mercury half-ton truck owned by the Dillo Co. Contractors, Bellevue Avenue, Toronto, was travelling east at about eleven o'clock. The truck was driven by Grathen Bowman. As the driver approached the corner before realizing it she had not reduced her speed. In attempting to make the turn the driver lost control, veered to the left of the road, collided with a Buick parked at the pool room and a car belonging to Mr. Harry Waterhouse also parked there, then back to the right of the road to collide with another parked car owned by E. J. McGalloway of Acton and still another parked car owned by W. S. Enright, Acton. Two persons sustained injuries in the accident. Miss Shirley Palmer, a pedestrian, was given emergency treatment and taken to Guelph General Hospital with a bruised leg and thigh as a result of the accident. A passenger in the Buick was not seriously injured but received a bump on the head. Chief Constable E. E. Harrop investigated the accident.

NEIGHBOURING INSTITUTES ENTERTAINED BY LIMEHOUSE GROUP IN BUSY SESSION

The Ladies of Limehouse Women's Institute entertained a number of members from neighbouring institutes on Wednesday afternoon July 29th in the Limehouse Memorial Hall. Little Mrs. Dale, Brampton, of London, who is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. Roughley, delighted the audience with her recitations and Mrs. Norman Davis of Montreal, at a recitation in the neighbourhood played all with her tap dancing.

Miss W. Connor, a well known singer, contributed several recitations in her own inimitable style. Mrs. Wm. McBurnie of Brampton, who was a delegate to the World Conference at Amsterdam 2 years ago gave an interesting account of her trip.

She told of her visit to friends in Ireland and attending several W. I. meetings in England of visiting in Scotland with Mrs. Mc and Mrs. Anderson. Mr. Anderson was one time minister of Presbyterian Church at Brampton of a visit to Edinburgh, then of the trip through the foreign countries of some of her experiences there and finally the Convention at Amsterdam.

Women from all over the world gathered at this conference. In closing Mrs. McBurnie told the ladies how proud she was to be a W. I. member and how proud all should be of the organization.

The main feature of the afternoon was the showing of the film Let there be Light, which is a picture featuring the Women's Institute. Fifth anniversary celebration at Guelph in June 1947. This was very interesting to all members but especially to those who attended the celebration.

The Limehouse ladies are grateful to Mr. E. Barkin for his part in the showing of the film.

Another interesting item on the program took place when Mrs. M. Callaghan of Brampton, Provincial Secretary, was asked to come to the platform, also Mrs. W. Mitchell and Mrs. A. J. Smithurst. Mrs. M. Callaghan in a few well chosen words presented Mrs. Mitchell with a Life Membership Certificate and Mrs. Smithurst pinned on the Life Membership Pin. Mrs. Mitchell has been a member of the Institute for 25 years.

The Limehouse ladies served afternoon tea at the close of the meeting.

ACTON SCOUTS TELL OF FIRST CANADIAN JAMBOREE AT OTTAWA

Few communities of this size were as well represented at the first Canadian Scout Jamboree at Ottawa as Acton. Mr. George Mason was in charge of the north and central Ontario contingent of Scouts. Scoutmaster Dave Dills took three Acton King Scouts, Jack Davidson, Rae Huff and Don Davidson. Acton Rotary Club heard about many of the interesting things of the Jamboree and were shown some of the souvenirs and swaps the boys brought back. The three Scouts were luncheon guests on Tuesday and George Mason asked questions that brought out many of the features and elaborated on the features that impressed him at the First Canadian Jamboree. It made a most interesting meeting.

The name of "Acton" was originally derived from Oak-town in reference to the extensive forest which originally covered the area in Middlesex, England, where the original Acton is located.

PREPARATIONS FOR MUSICAL EVENT NEAR COMPLETION AS TIME DRAWS NEAR

The Acton Boys' and Girls' Band attended the Nassagaweya Centennial hearing exercises to the Township from the Town of Acton. Mr. E. Tyler provided the transport to the event and the band led in hymn singing before and during the church service on Sunday as part of the celebration. No more out-of-town engagements are being accepted at present as everything is being put in readiness for the mammoth tattoo that is scheduled for Acton Park in August. The members of the band will be kept busy looking after the other four hundred musicians' Fancy Drill numbers are to be put on by the 11th Field Regiment Trumpet Band R.C.A. of Guelph. There are to be massed band formations and of course the skill of the bagpipers will not be omitted. The big parade will start things off on the thirteenth. Starting from the Bowling Green the bands will parade down Mill Street to the park where the program will get under way as soon as the bands are all in the park.

Chinese Family Will Meet Again After 12 Years

The war created many unusual situations that four years after are still being unravelled and George Wong, proprietor of the Royal Cafe here, has been part of one of the more dramatic. George came to Canada twelve years ago from China where his wife and son lived. China was occupied by the Japanese during the war and for four years he heard nothing of his wife and little son born after he left China. In the long silence George assumed that his wife and son were victims of the occupation and in 1946 he married in Canada.

The year he received word that his wife and son are still alive. He received an announcement of his second marriage and at the end of this month he plans to go by plane to the Pacific coast to meet his wife and twelve year old son who are sailing from Hong Kong. Recent changes in the immigration laws George tells us permit the entry of his family to Canada.

Acton Int. Club Division Victim In Halton Play-off

Fergus Considered in Halton County and Acton Voted Out

Acton baseball fans are prepared to consult every available map of Ontario if it means finding out when Fergus moved over to Halton County or in the same vein when Halton's boundaries were enlarged to include Fergus. They can't fathom the recent turn of events which sees Fergus and Milton playing off for the Halton County Championship while Acton and Georgetown sit idly by until the O.B.A. supplies opposition for the Ontario playdowns.

In fact most fans took a very dim view of the result of a league game in Milton that unceremoniously disposed of the Acton club as aspirants for the Halton cup. With no perceptible embarrassment, league officials issued a dictum confirming the final party to the two top teams Fergus and Milton. It is the opinion of many that in as much as the mug is up for open competition next term they might as well give Toronto Maple Leafs a stab at it.

However, and it's a big however, many suspect that the motive behind the rejection is not as superficial as it appears. Since they have added players to the roster the Acton club have won their last six starts by wide margins. Two of these wins were collected at the expense of Milton. Milton, meanwhile, won two from Fergus. Suspensions of an aroma that includes among a variety of other smells an unmistakably fishy one, are confirmed when reports from the meeting indicate Milton voiced an especially strong plea against the inclusion of Acton in the County saw-off.

This was further heightened last night when Milton defeated Fergus 8-2 to take the first game of the series. Milton evidently felt that with Acton out of the way, they could cop the crown without much trouble from Vics.

To be candid it appears that the clubs concerned are just plain wary of meeting Acton since they started their strong stretch drive. In spite of the fact the season isn't over, ten times the other clubs are convinced the Acton club are too powerful. Consequently they voted our boys out of the league.

Observers here are perturbed that such undemocratic procedure should be within the power of a boys' few. They point out that only two years ago Milton and Georgetown both imported players but little or no thought was given to any suggestion to oust them from the play-offs. While Fergus and Milton decide the Halton crown the A's are awaiting word from the O.B.A. as to who will be their first opposition in the Ontario Int. A title hunt. The logical choice would be Oakville, who are in an Int. A category this semester, but rumours are current that a Hamilton team has been selected in the interim it is possible that exhibition games will be played to keep the boys in trim. Acton Juniors are also awaiting word from the O.B.A. when they are to take their first step into the Junior B play-offs.

The payroll of Acton industry totalled \$1,550,100.00 in 1948. Acton received its first Post Office in 1844.

Plan Re-Union When Acton Becomes Town

A ROYAL TREAT PROVIDES A LITTLE NONSENSE FOR LIMEHOUSE W.I. LADIES

The ladies of Knox Presbyterian Church W.A. of Limehouse, believe that "A Little Nonsense Now and Then" is followed by the Winesap and after a busy year in which they had raised over \$400 they decided to have an evening's enjoyment. On July 20th they journeyed to the Royal City of Guelph and invited themselves and from Association funds, to a full course chicken dinner at the Royal Hotel. After enjoying to the utmost this substantial repast the ladies continued to the Royal Theatre and were provided with plenty of amusement for the rest of the evening. The two gentlemen who chauffeured the party and to whom the ladies are very grateful for their kindness return of home safely and in high spirits.

SEVENTEEN YEAR OLD RECEIVES HEAVY SENTENCE ON INTOXICATION CHARGE

In Magistrate's Police Court on July 29th a seventeen year old youth was charged with being intoxicated in a public place.

Louis Hill, of Rockwood, appeared before Magistrate K. M. Langdon on this charge. The Magistrate took a very serious view of this case since the offender was under age. Magistrate Langdon levied a sentence of \$50 and costs on this seventeen year old offender.

ACTON KING SCOUTS REPORT OF TRIP TO FIRST CANADIAN JAMBOREE

We three King Scouts had the real pleasure of attending the Dominion Scout Jamboree at Ottawa. We left Acton with Scoutmaster David Dills in his car at 9:00 a.m. July 15th. We observed that the area to Peterboro appeared to be good general farming country. Peterboro to Carleton Place was very rough country with forests interspersed with beautiful small lakes. Carleton Place to Ottawa appeared to be good farming country and harvesting wheat was in full swing. Just east of Landray we ate our lunch under a nice shady tree. Here unfortunate overtook us but we did not realize it at the time. After lunch and rest we rolled on to Peterboro. Here we found that one of our group had lost his wallet. Scoutmaster Dills had tracked 20 miles to where we had lunched and sure enough we found the missing wallet intact. Greatly cheered we highlighted to Stittsville where we enjoyed hamburgers. Then on to Ottawa, arriving about 8 p.m. in time to see a show at a drive in theatre. We were guests of our Scoutmaster that night at a comfortable cabin. With 2700 Scouts from Cuba, U.S.A. and all provinces we set up camp at Connaught Scout Camp. Excellent toilet and shower accommodations were provided. As pre-arranged we were assigned to No. 20 Ontario Troop of Scouts from Kitchener, Waterloo, Elmira, Fergus, and Guelph.

At Scouts own Sunday we entertained scouts from Cuba, U.S.A. and Canada. Viscount Alexander of Tunis addressed us on Monday after which there was the formal march past.

Twenty buses took Scouts daily on four of Ottawa. Places of interest visited were the Peace Tower, Parliament Buildings, Archives, War Museum, National Museum and a Government Agricultural Farm. During one and a half hours time off we visited the Union Station. The Ottawa squadron of Vampire jets gave a fine display. Scout Craft and Pageantry depicting provinces were very interesting. We broke camp at 5 a.m. Sunday 20th and all was ship-shape at 10 o'clock. We enjoyed wonderful weather all week and had a grand trip home. The huge grain elevators at Prescott, the Thousand Islands, and Trenton airport were points of interest.

We arrived home at 10:30 p.m. tired and happy. We are grateful to our Group Committee for paying our camp fees and to our Scoutmaster Dave Dills for our transportation and lots of extras.

DON DAVIDSON
JACKIE DAVIDSON
RAY HUTT

Council Suggest Suitable Event Be Arranged For Next Year - Warning Signals at Dangerous Intersection Required - Business Men to be Asked to Form An Industrial Commission - Sewage Disposal Costs Are Studied

Councillors McLeod, Reed and Holburn and Deputy Reeve Tyler were present at Acton Council meeting on Monday evening and Deputy Reeve Jones presided.

The Clerk presented to Council the plan of Acton showing all the roads on the streets under the town numbering plan and the sewer which were used in the plan. The Central point at which roads start for four directions is at the corner of Mill and Main Streets. The plan is to be used for extension of sewer lots on any streets without disturbing the present roads.

Messrs. Holburn and Parker on behalf of Acton Fair Board were present to discuss with Council the terms of lease on the Fair building in the Park. The former resolution was rescinded and a donation of \$750 was made for repairs to the shed roof and the terms of the former lease were satisfactory to Board and Council.

The representative of the Municipal Service Co. submitted designs and prices for various types of street signs. It was estimated that 153 signs would be required and a cost of \$275 erected for one type of sign was given. Cast aluminum signs would cost \$482.50 and \$100 for erection of the signs on a single face design. A double face design would cost \$200.25. It was felt that good signs should be erected and Council deferred any action this year on the work.

Accounts were passed for payment as follows:
J. A. Kerr mowing grass \$12.00
A.P.U.C. operations June 204.54
Municipal Water, supplies 10.87
Provincial Treas. msslin 94
Workmen's Comp. Bd 281.06
Municipal Services Co. House Numbering 1000.00
\$1508.11

Chief Harrop discussed with the Council the installation of a warning light at the corner of Mill and Main streets. A serious accident had occurred here and it was felt this would save further accidents.

The Chief also asked for warning signs at the Park designating the speed limit. The present signs were not prominent enough.

The Clerk showed new forms that were required for municipal assessment purposes and the taking of census.

No adjustment was made on two lots in the Leishman survey as it was too late for the year's revision.

Department of Planning and Development asked for a survey of all industrial establishments in Acton. Another letter from the same department asked for information on Acton to have in their files for new firms who were considering location in Ontario. Council decided to call a meeting of all retail business men with the idea of forming an industrial committee to deal with opportunities coming before Council and prepare information about Acton which would be available. An estimate of \$1000 was received for a registered plan of Acton. It was decided not to secure the plan this year. A letter from Dr. Mather, County Health Officer, was read regarding a complaint about the commercial operation of a turkey raising establishment in town. The premises were inspected and regulations under the Public Health Act were fully met. A letter from the Halton Health Unit enclosed a copy of a by-law which it was hoped would be passed by Councils throughout Halton regulating the installation of individual sanitary systems. No decision was made. The Clerk was instructed to advertise for tenders for the collection of garbage as the present contract (Continued on Page Eight)

Coming Events

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

450 musicians will entertain in Gigantic Tattoo, Acton Park on August 13th, 8 p.m. 2-3