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School Building Motion Defeated

Georgetown on Sunday and choir concerts were to be given at Glen Williams and Church Hill. Mrs. Stevenson and Mr. E. Whetstone discussed informally with the Board the formation of an orchestra in Milton High School.

It was decided to call for tenders for painting the auditorium, boys' and girls' lavatories, principal's room, library and lady teachers' room at Milton and one class room, the library and hall at Georgetown.

The question of the engagement of teachers was also discussed. Whether the trustees and principal in the town affected were to do this work or whether it would be the duty of the management committee to interview teachers was the point under discussion.

Trustees present at the meeting were Messrs. Coon, Buchanan and Dills of Acton; Martin and Pickett of Milton; Bell, Blehn and Milne of Georgetown; Schenk and Cleave of Esquousing and Chairman Carbert of Nassagaweya, who presided.

Following adjournment of the meeting, the members met with Mr. A. D. Sprout, former secretary of the Board and Mr. Carbert, on their behalf made a presentation of a pair of pipes in a leather case and expressed their appreciation of his services. Mr. Sprout replied appropriately.

The Board and Principals were later entertained at Mr. Sprout's home on Queen Street where coffee and sandwiches were served and a delightful social time enjoyed.

CAMPBELLVILLE

The Grace Mission Band met at the home of Beverly Roberts on Saturday afternoon with the president, Marianna Greenleaf, opening the meeting with a call to worship. Anita Smith offered prayer. In the absence of Donna Mitchell, Joan Black read the scripture lesson. Thirteen girls answered the roll call with 'My favorite Bible story.' The cheer secretary reported sending two cards.

The birthday song was sung for Beverly Roberts and Gloria Purdy. Recitations were given by Joan Early and Joan Cramp. The topic was given by the leader, Mrs. J. Wallace and dealt with the missionary work among the Indians in Canada. The meeting was closed with prayer by Beverly Roberts. There was a short work period followed with a game conducted by Mrs. H. Ramshaw, after which all enjoyed a dainty lunch served by the hostess, Mrs. Wm Roberts, assisted by Lois Greenleaf and Anita Smith.

Acton High School News



The basketball game scheduled for last week was called off but we have had word that Orangeville will play a game of volley ball with us on Friday, April 20 at Acton Y.M.C.A. at 7:30 p.m.

We have back at school with us two of our old pupils. When we say "old", of course it is understood that we do not mean it in the sense of age. They are Donna Papillon, who had been attending school in Toronto and also Joyce Greer.

Coming soon is the track and field meet. Around the first of May we will be having our own high school field meet and on May 16th is the Inter-school Field Meet which will be held this year in the Acton Park. Last year it was held at Erin. Visiting schools for this occasion are Milton, Georgetown and Erin. This year at the inter-school meet, cups will be awarded the winner in each class, junior, intermediate and senior and also a cup to the school obtaining the most points. We hope that Acton will win the cup. "Hopeful thinking."

On May 12th the Waterloos games will be held at the O.A.C. in Guelph. Since Milton and Georgetown are sending some students down Acton will also be represented. We hope that those attending will make a good showing.

The paper committee has informed us that another issue of the Eye Opener will be out by the end of April. I'm sure it is hoped that the paper committee does not have as much trouble as they did last time when the ditty machine broke down. Although they tried hard, things did not go as well as it was expected that time.

Some of the students have been worried about "skunks" around the school. Recently one was noticed running across the ground on one side of the school. On the other side, a dog was chasing squirrels. Quite a menagerie!

Last week we had with us Mr. Hallman, head of the Normal School at Hamilton. He divided the room into ten sections and each section decided upon a question and the chairman of each group presented it to him.

At our assembly last Thursday, Mr. Robb's showed us another one of his films taken in Europe last summer. This particular film had been taken mostly in Switzerland and down to Venice. Several shots were taken of the Swiss Alps and these proved very interesting. At our assembly Thursday, April 19th we will see the film of the Stanley Cup games of 1950. This will probably be very interesting, especially to those who like hockey.

The North Walton High School District Board decided at their last meeting to offer scholarships to the students of A.H.S. These scholarships will be presented annually at the commencement exercises commencing at the end of the present year.

These scholarships will be awarded to the students who complete, in one year the work of the grade in which they are enrolled with the highest academic standing (average per cent. mark) and who have taken at least five subjects in that grade. All subjects in that grade will be counted but no subjects in a higher or lower grade will be considered.

On Tuesday afternoon, Grade 9B put on their literary program. The meeting opened with the King, followed by the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting by the secretary, Carol Tyler. The chairman for the meeting was Bill McHugh, who announced that the first item on the program was a skit with Hugh Sirra as the cowboy coming to the big city looking for some excitement and Evelyn Saunders as the telephone operator. Betty Williamson as a deaf mute who the cowboy tries to date and Bill Price, who escorts Betty. The effect on the students was quite hilarious. This was followed by a piano solo by Betty Sinclair and a monologue by the grade 9B girls.

The next item on the program was a quartette by four boys or we should say "darkies". Their faces and hands were blackened to help the illusion. They were Bill Skilling, Ray Mason, Paul Lawson and Bill Somerville and were accompanied by Peggy Oakes. They sang such songs as "Tennessee Waltz," "Mockin' Bird Hill," etc. Ray Mason played Swanee River on the harmonica and sang a solo "Ghost riders in the sky." After the students stopped rolling in the aisles and wiping their crying eyes, the program continued with a restaurant skit. The actors were Nils Olson as the customer, Mary Braida as the waitress, Pauline Papillon as the manageress and Des



CELEBRATING THEIR 62ND wedding anniversary on Saturday, April 21st, are Mr. and Mrs. Edwin E. Budd of R.R. 1, Campbellville. Married in Ealing, England, the pair came to Canada in 1911. After several years in Hamilton they moved to Nelson Township over 30 years ago. Both are 88 years old.

Acton Switchboard Enlarged By May

To provide improved telephone service in Acton, an extension to the switchboard is being installed at the local exchange.

R. G. Dillane, Bell Telephone manager for this region, informed the Free Press this week that the switchboard is being enlarged by one operator's position, making three positions in all. The work is expected to be completed early in May and will be accomplished without a break in subscriber service.

"The enlarged switchboard will enable three operators to be on duty at a time instead of two as at present," Mr. Dillane said. "In addition, there will be additional equipment available for the operators to use in completing calls."

The manager explained that the delays sometimes experienced in placing calls are usually caused by the shortage of equipment. There are only a certain number of connecting cords available at the switchboard, depending on the number of operator's positions and when all these cords are in use in peak periods the operator cannot complete a call until someone hangs up.

"With the additional facilities now being installed, these delays should be reduced to a minimum," he said.

The switchboard extension, being installed by Northern Electric Company craftsmen, was made necessary by the ever-growing use of telephone service here. There are now some 820 telephones served by the local exchange compared with about 430 in 1945.

On an average day, Acton residents now make some 2,725 local calls compared with 830 a day in 1945 and long distance calls average 170 a day against 85.

Mr. Dillane said the new switchboard equipment will provide exchange facilities to meet the community's telephone needs for some time. However, new service still cannot be supplied in a few cases because the necessary outside telephone lines are not available.

"The construction of new telephone lines will be carried out as rapidly as the availability of labor and materials permits," he added.

OBITUARY John L. MacDonald Dies At Eden Mills

After a funeral service at his late residence at Eden Mills, John Leonard MacDonald was laid to rest at Eden Mills Cemetery on Tuesday, April 10. Mr. MacDonald passed away the preceding Friday.

Born in Dundas, Mr. MacDonald had a grocery business in Hamilton for many years. In 1918 he was seriously injured in a railway accident while employed by the railway. He was a member of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret Hyde, of Dundas; one son, William R. MacDonald, of Eden Mills; a daughter, Mrs. Wilson Bewley (Betty), of Campbellville; a brother, R. H. MacDonald of Hamilton; a sister, Mrs. J. S. Corrie, of Hamilton, and five grandchildren.

O'Rourke as the manager. Then the quartette came out again to sing some more songs, this time without accompaniment. John Mowat dressed as a lady, gave an introduction to the styles of 1951 while the models paraded at the front of the room. At this the whole school was in an uproar and I'm sure the laughter could be heard down at Baxter Lab or even at McIsaac's Garage. As a finale of the fashion show, the models came in again and orders were taken for these magnificent creations. Then the quartette came in again but by this time the novelty had worn off so they soon went out again. To end their program, the students of 9B sang 'So long, it's been good to know you.'

Dominion Head Attends W.A. Day

One of the best attended and most impressive and interesting meetings of the Halton Presbytery Women's Association was held on Wednesday, April 11th in Acton United Church. Special guests, including Mrs. M. R. Fallis, the president of the Dominion Council, attended the morning and afternoon sessions of the third annual W.A. Day, enjoying the luncheon served in the church. The installation of the officers for 1951 was also an important feature of the program.

The president of the Halton Presbytery, Mrs. Hunter Reid of Oakville, who was in charge of the meeting, opened with a welcome to all those attending. Mrs. Wilderspin of Acton replied.

The special speaker of the morning was Mrs. Orpha Houston, the superintendent of the Cedarvale School for Girls at Georgetown, who told of the work done there. The worship was taken by Mrs. J. Hollingsworth, Kitchville and reports given by Mrs. G. M. Howden, 1951 secretary; Mr. C. G. Wilson, treasurer; Mrs. B. Savage, devotions; Mrs. R. McNamee, visiting; Mrs. J. Moore, June Conference and Mrs. Frank Smith, literature.

During luncheon, the special guests were introduced and Mrs. Reid called on several to speak to the large group of W.A. members. These included Rev. Currey of Acton United Church; Rev. Mercer of Appleby, president of the Halton Presbytery; Mrs. V. W. Kinsman, president of the Hamilton Conference W.A.; Mrs. Livingston, president of the Hamilton County Presbytery and Mrs. Beattie of St. Catharines, president of the Norfolk and Haldimand Counties W.A.

Other guests from outside Halton included Mrs. Clayton Searle, Sarnia; Miss Helen Buriton, Toronto, missionary secretary of the Dominion S.C.M.; Mrs. H. F. Olds, Hamilton, Dominion W. A. councillor and Mrs. F. H. Whitelock, St. Catharines, Hamilton Conference W. A. The Dominion Council president, Mrs. Fallis, paid a surprise visit to the conference and was especially welcomed.

The address during the afternoon session was given by Mrs. Clayton Searle who spoke of different aspects of W.A. work. An In Memoriam service was taken by Lowville W.A., the offering by Sheridan W.A. and the dedication of the offering by Mrs. A. A. Wilson of Queensway.

The past president of the Halton Presbytery and the vice-president of the Hamilton Conference Mrs. T. J. Hedley of Burlington, conducted the installation of officers for this year.

Elections resulted as follows: president, Mrs. Hunter Reid, Oakville; 1st vice-president, Mrs. J. Moore, Acton; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Belford Savage, Oakville; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. Frank Freeman, R. R. 2, Acton; 4th vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Drummond, R. R. 1, Waterdown; recording secretary, Mrs. G. G. Grummett, Burlington; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Lee, Oakville; treasurer, Mrs. C. G. Wilson, Milton; press secretary, Mrs. G. M. Howden, Burlington; departments: parsonage, Mrs. Harold Cleave, Georgetown; visiting, Mrs. Robert McNamee, Waterdown.

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