First Teacher Received \$300 a Year At Brand New Lorn School Back in 1882

"Lorne" or "Lorn"? That's the question since a letter was published last week in Free Press asking Knox Girls' Meet just why the spelling had changed. Although the Inscription over the school itself reads "Lorn", a booklet was published in 1940 on the occasion of the first Old Boys' and of their school? "Lorne".

The trim schoolhouse, S.S. No. 12, charge, with about 20 present. Esquesing township, was completed in 1882, and was probably named for the Marquis of Lorne-yes, "Lorne" --- who was the governor general of Canada at that time. It was in 1880 that rural residents began to think of a school for themselves a mile of the dogwood tree, as a symbol of north of Acton The Acton village the cross. school was expanding -as it still is +and the tax burden seemed high to the district farming families.

The home of Alex Lasby was the setting for the first meeting on a new school, but whether a name known.

Total Cost of School On December 28, 1881, three trust-

ees were duly elected, Alex Kenauditor

One acre was purchased from (at the May meeting, Charles Davidson for the site The total cost of the school, land, survey, deed, picket fence, finish-ings furniture and well, was \$1.563. Anglican Churches

on December 27, 1882, a meeting was St. Alban's church in the tradit- vice president, C Taylor; secretary, held in the new school to plan for usual manner. The 9 a.m. Commun- Mrs S Eisen; treasurer, C Landsteacher. Miss Anna Easterbrook was munion service for young people selected and awarded an annual sal- and was followed by breakfast in R. Bean, Mrs. C. Leatherland, Mrs. ary of \$300. Among the first pupils the parish hall, in those early years was young Dan; It being the second Sunday n E Husman. School representative, money, at \$300 a year.

ridge and L. Skuce.

We Have Spare "E's" busy caretaker received 10 cents a with something tangible. day for his duties at Lorne school

to the debate -- she's Mrs. Lorne Simpson

Lorn school is presently administered by a school area board. Local board members are R L Davidson and W. Dobie, Secretary is Miss Ruth Evans of Georgetown

Perhaps the ratepayers of school secrtion could hold a pleaescite and give a dreision of whether the school should be known as Lorne or Lorn We have plenty of letter "e's" and will be glad to put on the missing letter which was just recently deleted.

Children Conduct Mission Band Meet

Youngsters conducted the meeting and supplied the program when the United church Mission Band held its Thankoffering meeting on Friday evening in the church. About 50 parents and friends attended with 30 children taking

Leading the Mission Band members in their special evening were Mrs A Mercer, Mrs. M. Symon. Mrs. R Bean and Mrs. W Water-

sus Bids Us Shine." Peter Wolfe gave a recitation and then David Smith, the president, an address of welcome Nine youngsters presented a skit called "Family Gathering representing children other lands The Mission Ban hymn was sung and all repeats the Mission Band purpose

Katherine Garret read the serie ture and Rey and Reg Dunk gas a reading After a hymn, "G-Sees the Little Sparnin Fa' Carmen Woodburn led in prayer The offer og was token by four lads Timmy Mikissan Daniel Lore Boat Smith and Russia Home Ricks Lines des gave mediate and five small gr took part in the Easter stool Gart Bear Sandra Bre Janice Woodfarn, Barbara Sym . Mary Beth El it

A piano sous by Norma Carring him followed Miss M. Z. Bennet, the state of the guest speaker Mass B Hills 15. WMS secretary of the Presbytery After Miss Hilts talk, she was thanked by Norman Elliott

General Meeting of Acton Soccer Club

Soccer club scheduled for the in a position desirous for every no that Actor will likely revert to 1000 or fraction thereof week in the Legion hall has been to attain

entered in the nine-team Scuhern head table guest and briefly ex- original 1597-acre bid had been cut February annexation nearing ord- ation of the town is at present ap-, meetings from town and district to man the Snow brought this fraternal even- ion in the annexation bid had been the town, has been studied by the town, with a population of 3:400

Has Easter Theme

Mrs A Ellerby opened her home on RR 4, Acton, for the regular Old Girls' Reunion. And how did meeting of the Daughters of Knox the former students spell the name | Monday evening, April 12. The first vice-president, Norma Wilds, was in

> "Easter" was the theme of the meeting The devotional service consisted of verses from the Bible on the Easter story, read by Marga-Green. June Watkins read the story Elect G. Candler Green. June Watkins read the story

Prints of famous paintings of Passion Week were shown by Mrs. A. Buchanan as she spoke to the group on the meaning of Easter.

was on the agenda or not isn't loyed Mrs P. Bennie distributed bers present. The minutes of the work to the girls. Baby jackets are previous meeting were read and to be made for a bale for Korean children in Japan

Plans were made for the Daffod.1 nedy, Lachlan McMillan and Joseph tea to be held next week at Miss J. W. Wolfe thanked the retiring Lusby. Donald Cameron was named Ruby Clark's home. Plans were also discussed for a graduation service the past season

28. The building of 32,000 bricks. Mark Palm Sunday

the human element-pupils and a ion Service was a corporate com- borough

Johnston, who apparently liked the month, the II a.m. service was R McKeown school, He married Miss Easters at St. John's church, Rockwood. The evening's program consisted brook! And not likely for her! where there was a good congreg- of two violin selections by Miss ation for Palm Sunday

on, later J. M. Denyes, J. A. Part- ing service in Acton, small Palm | Mrs M Ballentine Crosses were distributed to those In 1893, records show that the Sunday and the events of the day, for the town of Mimico, who gave a lideral Devotional was taken by

services on Monday. Thursday and and thanked by R. Parker The present teacher at "Lorne" Good Friday. Easter Day will also. A social half hour was spent with i Cards are to be sent to sick an services and with special music of the executive.

Speedy Turn-Out

When the school bell rings most youthful inhabitants lese little time getting out, but Wedneeday morning must have seen a new record set for speed for general exedus at Acton's public and high schools.

Fire chief Sam Tennant, with six brigade members, pulled a surprise fire drill and it took only 60 seconds for 525 public school pupils to completely varate the building. Their older colleagues, 125 high school students, required only 51 seconds to empty the building. According to Fire chief Ten-

nant, these times are "very good."

The Acton Home and School Association held its last meeting of the season in the public school auditor-A contest, "20 Questions" was en. Jium Monday, April 12 with 70 memadopted, and the treasurer's report given Following a short business session, during which a report was executive for its fine work during

The Nominating Committee presented its slate of officers for the coming school year and this was accepted by the members present. R. Parker conducted the ceremony of installation of the new officers.

Just a year after the first meeting. Palm Sunday was observed in 1st vice president, J. W Wolfe; 2nd These are president, G Candler; Committee - Mrs G Barbeau, Mrs.

R. Parker, W. Mattocks, H Freuler,

Sheila Paul, accompanied by Ted The first inspector was Mr. Deac- At this service and at the even- Hansen and humorous readings by

Holy Week will be observed in sports and other types of recreation call was answered by the w

school (or "Lorn", as it seems to be be marked with the usual festal lunch served by the male members (shut-ins at Easter, Deepest sym-



OVER 200 MASONS from Acton and the district gathered at Walker Jean MacGregor of Galt Another girls' trio. Helen Landsborough, Lodge Monday night for the annual visit of the District Deputy Galt camper. Barbara Brown also Faye Garner and Mary Reid sang. Grand Master. Shown here, left to right, are: District Secretary E. I spoke. Bob Ridsdale led in sing About 30 children marched in Milner, Fergus; District Deputy Grand Master M. C. Watson, Fergus; i with lighted candles, singing "Je- | Walker Lodge Worshipful Master E. S. Cooper.

Near 200 Masons

Mason c brethren from 10 lode s joined with the members of Walker Lodge Monday ceyning to himor R W Bro M C Watson DD GM of Forgus, on his official visit to the Action lodge In all ab a 200 Masers attended the meeting which was under the direct on at Northern Ontario and showed pic-W Bro Earl Cooper, Master : turns Walker Lodge The lodge that was filled to everflowing and to

barquet service in the gymnis un of the YMCA was at expants The work in the lodge raim was the subject of very favorable comment from the Grand Lodge officers and visiting The toast to Grant Lodge was proposed by Bro A C

In his reply the District Deputy Grand Master spoke of the symbolism of light as it is applied to Free Mas rry and the truths that are taught by the Order. He said that Municipal Act, whereby municipal ed area to be annexed the best way to teach these truths at ten are no longer required to Existing regulation in the Ac change in Acton's proposal rend- wages. was by Misons living them If we limit acreage of proposed annexal- at the time required that a many ered assies evidence prepared by can by our example demonstrate on areas on a proportionate pop- to pality may annex only 500 acres the township

puriposed ustil rext week when. The toast to the visitors was acres. a 'h potential players from town anan and the response was by R hearing here February 23 specials ion on size of area to be annexed next two months

. W Bro Dave Bartleman, Galt Scheduled to play its first game, Bro John Calder, who was the entatives were startled when ation. ing to a close.

Mission Described

Miss Brooks told of her work in

Northern Ontario

from the Rural Life Mission, spoke

Miss Mae Brooks of Hagersville

at the Young People's meeting following the evening service in Acton : Baptist church The Young People's groups of the other churches were operate it to produce custom

Mass Fave Garner presided

Amendment to Act

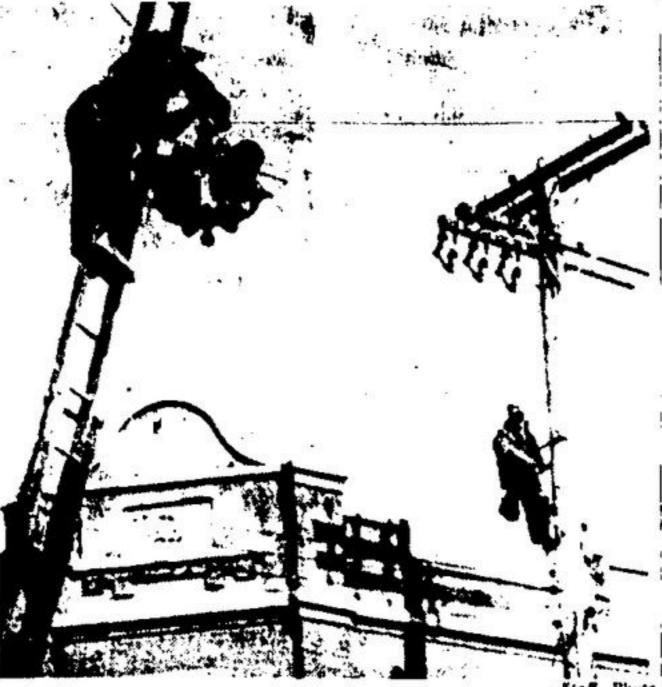
woodwork orders - without the use of your eyes. On Page Three of this issue the Free Press tells cream Easter eggs were given t the story of Nassagaweva's blind carpenter, John Henry,

Town Likely to Revert to Original

Following an am numers to the ation was analyzed against propositived with Esquesing coursel I.

made necessary when local popul- Board The presiding officers ag- has over 900 acres.

County Rate Is Down; Acton Contribution Set at \$13,374



ACTON'S FIRST FLASHER light is installed at the corner of Mill and Main streets. The 50-pound signal, flashing red three ways and amber toward Mill east, is held by a single guy wire and controlled Centennial Manor building account from a motor box on a south-east corner pole. On the ladder is Wayne Kelly while Kerwin McPhail grips the telephone pole.

Quilts on Agenda Of United W.A.

The Woman's Association of the United church met at the home of The speaker of the evening was Mrs. D. Lindsay on Tuesday. Pre-, who wished to remember Palm Ron Standen, Recreational Director siding was Mrs. H. Burns, the presvery interesting talk on his work in Miss M. Z. Bennett and the root 1899 was a low year—the teacher's St. Alban's with daily service. ..! with children and adults Mr. Stan- Life." A dust was sung by Mrs salary was down to \$205 - and she Matins and Evensong and special, den was introduced by G. Candler, W. Sterritt and Mrs. C. P.eker

pathy is extended to Mr. and Mi E. Jennings through the removal by death of both their mothers. Several quilts are being quilted and the ladies are quite busy

Refreshments were served Mrs. Lindsay, assisted by Mrs. Murray, Mrs. W. Maddox, Mrs. E Jennings, Miss M. Z. Bennett and a social time was spent together A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Landsay for her home and to | the lunch committee

Knox Camp Night With Galt Guests

church. Galt, were guests of Knox Other engagements are also planned lining the procedure in the past, ex-Young People's at a Camp Night for the group in the church on Friday even. g Several friends travelled with the

and Bob Ridsdale.

personal experience, was given from the Bible; Charles Landsbor-- -Staff Photo around an imitation camp fire by ough played a cornet solo and the

> Watkins spoke and Jim Greet read the scripture Bella Mar Rose Of Nursery School zell gave a prayer and the meeting closed with Taps Lunch of hot degs and coffwas served to the group of about

('ould you build a workshop,

assemble power machinery, then

Good Friday

The office of this newspaper will be closed tomorrow-Good Friday-and remain closed Saturday in order that the staff may enjoy the long week-end,

Sewing for Bazaar Handed in at Guild

The regular meeting of St. Alam's Guild was held in the Parish Hall, Apr.l 7 after the Wednesday evening Lenten service. 32 members were present and the president. Mrs. C. Cook, was in charge of the meeting. The secretary and treasurer gave their reports.

The spring bazaar was discussed and a considerable amount of sew ing was handed in for this event. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction, after which a delicious lunch was served

Young People's Play is

jist church Young People's entry in tinuation of the annual visit of The Young People's Association treal, was presented at Halton Cen- Warden J. J. Stewart asked Roy Andrew's Presbyterian tennial Manor on Tuesday evening. Smith to comment. Mr Smith, out-

cast to Milton when the play was Champions in the ping pong performed in the dining hall of the tournament were June Walking Manor, Mrs. R Costerus introduced the program to a good audience. A talk on camp councilling, from Mrs L Garner read the Easter story

In the worship service. June Closing Session

Tiny tots presented a program of games, songs and recitations when their mothers attended the closing session of Nursery School

Miss Joan Astle of the Hallon the end of the agreement Health Unit showed a film. Sign-

Acton taxpayers will be asked to contribute a total of \$13,374.20 to Halton county according to the mill rate set for county purposes of 5.3 mills a decrease from last year's rate of 5.75. The rate was set Tuesday at the regular meeting of county council. The general rate was set this year at three mills with the road levy at 23 mills to raise a total of \$346,132,67 over the entire county.

Largest contributor to the county coffers is Trafalgar township paying a total of \$73,591 60; followed by Oakville paying \$62,730.07.

The following is the complete table of equalized assessment in the ant to be paid to the county.

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various munic	ipalities and	the amou
	Equalized	
	Assessment	Total
Acton	\$2,523,434	\$13,374 20
Bronte	1,040,825	5,516 37
Burlington	10,512,404	55,715 74
Georgetown	4,005,180	21,545 45
Million	2,586,840	13,710 25
Oakville	11,035,863	62,730 07
Esquesing	5,035,700	20,869 25
Nassagaweya	2,184,892	11,579 93
Nelson	11,037,082	58,499 72
Trafalgar	13,085,224	73,591.68
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\$65,308,052 \$346,132 67 Grants approved in the finance committee reput, submitted by Reeve Emmerson Ford, were, Canadian National Institute for the Blind building, \$1750, regular \$350; Salvation Army \$700; Music Festival \$100; Lorne Scots regiment \$500, band \$500 for a total in grants of \$3,900

Debentures falling due in 1967 were to be recalled and paid off with the money remaining in the Deputy Reeve Marshall, Trafalgar, suggested the county should undertake some contribution to the Halton Police Association appeal for 'funds to plant trees at Halton Centennial Manor

On clarification of the associa- Bill Wilson, sergeant - at - arms. tion's plans, it was suggested each Clayton Pearce inducted the new municipality might make a small officers. contribution to the fund which

might encourage private donations. Endorses Police Campaign

At the conclusion of the discuscommends that each municipality; for their splendid support. contribute to begin the campaign."

Approval was given the warden and clerk to sign an agreement with Leonard M. Arnott for the construction of a reinforced concrete bridge on the county road seven, at a cost of \$5,940 with the county supplying bidder. Bob Ridsdale some materials.

It was pointed out the bridge was now in the extended boundaries of the town of Milton but since the bridge had gone down last year and had not been repaired until this spring the responsibility was with the county County Engineer suggested it was only fair to Milton that Staged at Halton Manor the county should build the bridge. "Indian Friendship," Acton Bap .: Introducing discussion on the con-

the Guelph Association drama fes- school children to county council plained it was designed to be a lesson in citizenship but that for the last number of years the essays submitted following the visit indicated declining quality and interest. was suggested a wiser plan might be to pick students from first form high school, but council agreed with the recommendation to drop the plan

Seeks Grant Increase Council endorsed a resolution submitted by Wentworth council oppos-

ing the recently introduced ban on cutting of Christmas trees on county lots Under a 30 year agreement on the planting of county lots a zone forester supervises them and Christmas trees are cut to thin the woodlots Deputy Reeve Leather, Nelson argued that if this ban were im-About 30 mothers five teachers posed the money received from tree and the youngsters met in the sale would not be applied against hourge of the Y Wednesday afters the cost of supervision of the lots. Lieaving a large amount to be paid at

Roy M Currie, president of the Halton Agricultural Society, asked As well as 'cook es and .c. councils consideration of a \$500 grant to that group this year as opeach bey and girl There was a posed to the grant of \$300 the previeus year. Reeve Ford, Trafalgar. pointed out a grant of \$200 additional had been given last year in terms of work done by the county grader on the grounds of the Society. The grant of \$300 was approved to the

By resolution C Cargill was appointed to operate the tree planting 1597-Acre Annexation Proposal machine purchased by the county. Reeve Service, Nassagaweya, explained Mr Cargill is a county emplayee and funds received for the operation of the tree planter would Dale's contention that the sudde | be applied against Mr Cargill's

Fire Lomes Hemised

Masonic teaching in our everyday ulation basis, " was learned to for the first 1,000 of pipulation. It is learned that the town antic tee reports, Reeve Shannon, Bur- Johnstone, who has been a resid-General meeting of the Acton life, it will place the Masonic order week from a reliable authority then 200 acres for each add to a spate following completion of leg- lington, asked that the road accounts ent of 54 years on his farm just al negotiations by representatives be broken down in a more under- west of Action, off No. 7 highway its original annexation bid of 1597. This section of the Municipal of a large industrial corporation standable manner than the custom- The Free Press is still anxious Act has now been amended to the cutside the present limits, that the any voucher numbers. Clerk Deans to publish more names of veteran it is expected further contacts proposed by W Bro A J Buch. At the scheduled annexation extent it no longer effects restricts hearing may be called within the pointed out a monthly breakdown is residents from the town and rural forwarded to the Department of area and as sure there must be ors and Esquesing township repress as might be determined by popus. Area of the original annexation, Highways and is available for couns many more than have already been proposal would swell Acton's presecul's information. The monthly heard from in competition in May, the club is candidate of the evening was a counse! J D Lucas revealed the! Municipal Board officers at the ent 517 acres to 2114 acres Popul-, breakdown is to be submitted to the If you, or someone you know

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Says Many Forget C' in Y.M.C.A.

held one of their finest meetings of the season on April 8. Clayton Pearce, Ontario regional director of Y's Men's clubs, was guest speaker. Speaking briefly, Mr. Pearce stressed the point that many people forget about the "C" in Y.M.C.A.

He said you should take time to keep yourself spiritually fit. Physical fitness certainly has its place in the scheme of life but one should be developed spiritually as well as physically to have a wellrounded life. He questioned whether young folk of today were recelving enough Christian training.

Wes Wolfe, chairman of the nominating committee, brought in the slate of officers for the 1984-55 season. The following were unanimously elected to office: Ed Footitt, president; Jack Greer, vicepresident; W. D. Elmer Smith, secretary; Doug Rogers, treasurer;

Bill Benson presented Ed Footitt with a president's pin on behalf

of the club. Jack Creighton, on behalf of the sion a resolution was presented that club, presented Jack Greer with "county council heartily endorses a past president's pin. Jack Greer the campaign of the police associa - thanked the executive of the club tion for beautifying the grounds of who had worked with him during Halton Centennial Manor and re- the year and all the club members

During the early part of the evening a Chinese auction was conducted, with Charles Kirkness acting as auctioneer. A painting donated by Harry Otterbein was sold under the hammer to the highest

Several reports were heard during the evening. Special mention from the club went to Elmer Smith, projects chairman, for the fine work he had done for the club this year. He reported that the budget for money making events as outlined at the first of the year had been met. He thanked all the club members for their good sup-

Wellington Winner

Eric Hilts, 11-year-old Rockwood boy, was declared Wellington county winner in the elementary class at the public speaking contest, sponsored by the Canadian Legion Branch 234 in Guelph last week. Eric chose for

his topic. "Democracy Begins with Me." Tuesday evening, April 6, he competed against the rural district schools and won first place. On Wednesday evening April 7, he

against Guelph city public schools. and was declared winner in the elementary class for Wellington coun-

Eric is the only son of Mr and Mrs Donald Hilts, Main Street, Rockwood He has two sisters, Joan and Donna, and is a grade six pupil at the Rockwood village school A lover of all kinds of sports, he is a favorite with his school class mates and wears a smile that won't come

His many friends wish him continued success when he again competes in the oratorical contest for the zone area, the latter part of April which is being held in Kit-

Area Farmer Joins Veteran Residents

There's only one new member of the Free Press' Veteran Rend-Following submission of commit- ; ents' Club this week He's Orville

Ontario Soccer League, second pressed his appreciation of the to a proposal of only 566 acres ered that the hearing be postport proximately 2900. Milton, with a F Cowan, in presenting the action one house, please drop in write division Club boosters anticipate opportunity to join the order. The Later the town's counsel dis- ed indefinitely until such time as population of 2,400 has now some count for insurance premiums on or phone us. We're interested in a drawing force of 20 to 25 players Junior Warden's toast by Bro S closed that the last-minute reduct- a new application, to be filed by 800 acres of area while George- municipal liability, pointed to an in- knowing if you are a veteran resident and our readers are interested to know.