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## Secure Three Bands For Decoration Day

Detailed plans for Decoration Day were made at the second meeting of the committee held May 12 in the Legion hall. Decoration Day is to be held Sunday, June 5 with the parade leaving the C.N.R. tracks at 11.5.

The committee expressed the hope that everyone in Acton and vicinity will turn out and have all the plots in Fairview Cemetery of their loved ones decorated that day.

The Acton Citizens' Band, Guelph Pipe Band and the Guelph Sea Cadet Band will be in attendance.

## More Subdivisions Before Planning Board Wednesday

Two new subdivisions, both comparatively small but developed by Acton citizens, were considered in the proposed plan stage at a regular meeting of the Planning Board last night.

E. Braida reviewed a plan of subdivision with the board members. The plan is on property owned by M.F. Braida west of the Glenlea subdivision. Several questions of projected rezoning arose which prevented the board from passing the plan. However, it was considered there would be little delay in stamping local approval to this plan.

The second plan reviewed proposed development of the old Beardmore home property. The board discovered that the street in this proposed home area was too narrow to meet municipal requirements. Further investigation with the planner and private developers is to be made on this point.

Earlier in the meeting it was reported the Lakeview subdivision builder is prepared to extend the subdivision over land now presently under lease to F. Quee following expiry of the lease.

The board was advised the balance of the Glenlea plan of subdivision and the Lakeview plan had been registered.

## Holy Name Society Hear Eloquent Talk

Being good citizens isn't enough, you must be "heaven" for good among them. This was the theme of the speaker who addressed the Holy Name Society at their annual Communion breakfast of the Holy Name Society of St. Joseph's church Sunday.

In an eloquent and witty address, the speaker expounded some of the modern myths being propagated by press, radio and television and urged his listeners to subscribe to the Catholic press to get a picture of the world in its proper perspective.

He pointed out instances where the aim of the Holy Name Society could be applied to practical undertakings and left several suggestions for members. "We must get that spirit of 'one-ness' in order to accomplish things," the speaker emphasized.

He also urged members to know their religion thoroughly and not to be hesitant about discussing it with others.

Mr. O'Neill was introduced by Father V. J. Morgan, a friend of long standing, and thanked by E. Marks, president of the Acton society.

The Catholic Women's League catered to the event.

## Summer Activities Scheduled by Y

Plans for summer camps are underway at the Y.M.C.A.

A day camp is being planned for many Acton boys and girls and applications for this camp are coming in steadily. A complete program is being planned.

The yard behind the Y.M.C.A. is being prepared for outdoor summer activities such as badminton, deck tennis, volleyball and horse shoes.

## Acton Mecca For District Artists At Five Counties Second Exhibit

Acton played host last week-end to the second annual exhibition of amateur painting sponsored by the Five Counties Art Association. Over the week-end the town became a mecca for artists from a 25 mile radius.

The public school was transformed into an impressive art gallery when close to 300 paintings were on display. The exhibition represented the work of local artists as well as that of painters from a wide surrounding territory within the counties of Halton, Peel, Dufferin, Wellington and Waterloo.

Local amateur painters assisted at the door Saturday and Sunday when a steady stream of interested people circled the attractive display in the public school auditorium. Recorded music and bouquets of flowers added to the pleasant atmosphere.

Since all the work was original, it was interesting for viewers to spot local scenes among the landscapes.



FIELD DAY CHAMPIONS in the district high school meet in Acton yesterday are shown. Boys, rear, W. Arbie, Acton, senior; Francis Hulme, Georgetown, intermediate; Doug Horton, Erin, junior; Ron MacLean, Georgetown, bantam. Girls, left to right, are Sandra Scott, Georgetown, senior; Diane Harrison, Georgetown, intermediate; Carol Tufford, Milton, junior; Donna Weston, Milton, and Linda Nodwell, Erin, tied for bantam.

## Erin - Acton - Georgetown - Milton Win (In That Order) at H.S. Meet

Under blue skies and bright sunshine yesterday, students from Erin, Acton, Milton and Georgetown high schools vied in Acton's picturesque park and green school grounds for track and field honors in the annual district field meet.

Erin, with 164 total points, won the school championship trophy. Following were Acton with 134, Georgetown with 121 and Milton with 72.

Individual champions are as follows: senior boys, W. Arbie, Acton; intermediate boys, Francis Hulme, Georgetown; junior boys, Doug Horton, Erin; bantam boys, Ron MacLean, Georgetown.

In the girls' events champions were: senior, Sandra Scott, Georgetown; intermediate, Diane Harrison, Georgetown; junior, Carol Tufford, Milton; bantam, Donna Weston, Milton, and Linda Nodwell, Erin, tied.

The coveted Watson Trophy for the boys' 800 yard dash went for the first year to Acton as Ted Footitt finished first.

Complete results of field events, held in the morning at the high school grounds, and track events, run in the afternoon at the park, are as follows: First letter from Erin, Acton, Milton and Georgetown is used to denote school of winner in each case.

**Track Events**  
Boys' open 440 yards—W. Arbie, A. F. Cooper, A. E. Sloan, E. G. S. Scott, S. Scott, L. G.

Girls' 50 yards, bantam—L. Nodwell, E. D. Weston, M. H. Synott, A. Girls' 50 yard junior—D. Wright, E. R. Landsborough, A. R. Rigo, M. Girls' 50 yard int.—D. Harrison, G. B. Anderson, M. Verlis, M. Girls' 50 yards senior—L. Dirou, G. J. Smith, S. Scott, L. G.

100 yards boys' bantam—B. MacLean, G. J. Kerr, M. M. Hurst, A. 100 yards boys' junior—B. Gervais, A. D. Horton, E. D. Wilds, A. 100 yards boys' int.—D. Lawr, E. F. Cooper, A. W. Currie, A.

100 yards boys' senior—W. Arbie, A. D. McVey, A. B. Tracy, G. Girls' junior 75 yards—D. Wright, E. R. Landsborough, A. R. Rigo, M. Girls' 75 yards int.—D. Harrison, G. B. Anderson, M. L. Watson, A. Girls' 75 yards senior—L. Darou, G. S. Scott, S. Scott, L. G.

Boys' junior 220 yards—B. Gervais, A. D. Horton, E. D. Wilds, A. Boys' int. 220 yards—F. Hulme, G. F. Cooper, A. W. Currie, A. Boys' senior 220 yards—W. Arbie, A. D. McVey, A. B. Tracy, G. Girls' 220 relay open—Georgetown: D. Harrison, L. Darou, S. Scott, M. Emmerson; Erin: E. Copeland, Harrison, D. Wright, L. Nodwell; Milton: C. Elliott, B. Anderson, P. Patterson, R. Rigo.

Softball throw—S. Scott, G. N. Buckles, E. D. Anderson, M. Running broad—J. Smith, E. B. Harrison, E. S. Scott, G.

**Bantam Boys**  
Shot putt—R. MacLean, G. J. Brown, A. H. Smith, E. Running broad—R. MacLean, G. J. Walker, A. J. Kerr, M.

**Junior Boys**  
Running broad—D. Horton, E. R. Kiehl, G. D. Richardson, G. Shot putt—D. Horton, E. D. Ezard, M. E. Molody, A. Pole vault—D. Richardson, G. R. Kerr, A. L. Thompson, M. High jump—D. Horton, E. D. Richardson, G. D. Wilds, A.

**Intermediate Boys**  
High jump—F. Hulme, G. W. Oost, A. J. Bainbridge, M. Running broad—J. Bainbridge, M. F. Hulme, G. F. Cooper, A. Shot putt—D. Lawr, E. J. Mieczanec, E. B. Benton, A. Pole vault—W. Oost, A. J. Denny, A. D. Prestidge, M.

**Senior Boys**  
Pole vault—W. Skilling, A. P. Messon, G. D. McVey, A. W. Skilling, A. K. Richardson, G. Shot putt—W. Arbie, A. W. Skilling, A. R. Sienko, G. Running broad—R. Coon, A. W. Arbie, A. T. Dobbie, G.

A Burlington man was fined, given a jail sentence and his car impounded when he was convicted of driving a car while his license was suspended, in court in Acton. This was the only case at the session, presided over by Magistrate Langdon.

**Field Events**  
**Bantam Girls**  
Softball throw—M. Kornetz, G. B. Grieg, G. D. Clements, M. Running broad—D. Weston, M. L. Nodwell, E. D. Clements, M.

**Junior Girls**  
Running broad—C. Tufford, M. E. Copland, E. R. Landsborough, A. Softball throw—C. Tufford, M. P. Patterson, M. L. Klingbeil, G. High jump—C. Tufford, M. J. Henderson, G. A. Fiddler, G. Standing broad—V. Walker, G. R. Landsborough, A. T. Arbie, A.

**Intermediate Girls**  
Standing broad jump—N. Nodwell, E. F. Oakes, A. D. Harrison, G. Running broad—B. Anderson, M. D. Harrison, G. S. Bradley, G. Softball throw—F. Oakes, A. L. Chester, M. S. Bradley, G. High jump—B. Anderson, M. D. Harrison, G. M. Verlis, M.

**Senior Girls**  
High jump—C. Brangley, G. D. Anderson, M. S. Scott, G. Standing broad—B. Harrison, E. J. Smith, E. C. Elliot, M.

## Local Engineering Problems Pester Council in Long Meet

### Holiday Monday

This newspaper office will be closed all day Monday, May 23, this year being celebrated as Victoria Day.

Correspondents and others with news items are asked to keep in mind the holiday and send in news as early as possible in the week to assure publication. Advertisers are also requested to supply ad copy as early as possible in the shortened week.

### Norman Marshall Postmaster at Eden For Past 30 Years

Fifteenth in the line of postmasters to occupy that office in the village of Eden Mills is Norman Scott Marshall, who on May 19 will have served the village and surrounding community as postmaster and store keeper for 30 years continuously.

The nearest of his predecessors to approach his years of service was Thomas B. Coulson, who came to Eden Mills in 1908 and stayed for 16 years.

Of Erasmus pioneer stock, Norm Marshall was born in Nassagaweya township. A friendly person who conscientiously tries to do his best, he believes in keeping a pleasant face when meeting the public which he may have something to worry him or not. He just keeps his troubles to himself.

He is proud that his father, John Marshall, worked when a boy in the store he now owns in Eden Mills. Norman Marshall's birth is also the first to be recorded in Nassagaweya township, the year he was born being the first time it was compulsory to register births. Oddly enough, his father was the one to record the birth, he being township clerk at that time.

### Name Pastor, Wife Citizens of Year

Rev. and Mrs. William Graham have been chosen as Powell River, British Columbia, Good Citizens of 1954.

Mrs. George Graham of Acton received a paper with an article and a picture of the couple from Powell River and passed on the news, which is of considerable interest to friends and relatives in the district.

Rev. Graham was a brother of the late George and Joseph Graham, Mrs. A. Currie and Mrs. C. McLean. One sister is now living in Nanton, Alberta. Mr. Graham was born in Ermosa and has spent most of his ministry in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell are the first man-and-wife team to be honored in the contest, which is apparently an annual occurrence in that district. A banquet was held for them. Mr. Graham is the pastor of St. John's United Church, Powell River. He went there 14 years ago. This year marks his 40th in the ministry.

In a long and listless sitting of Acton Council Monday night members ranged over a wide field of business which included some worrying over engineering problems complicated by the recent resignation of the Urban Board's Ross-Simmons.

### Fifty Young Pirates Capture Scout Hall

A colorful "Pirate Night" program replaced the regular club meetings last week when more than 50 kids from both A and B packs dressed up in buccaneer regalia and enjoyed a pirate program.

Meetings opened with a treasure hunt and each pirate was rewarded with some of the "gold" hidden around the Scout hall.

After returning to the hall some of the more mischievous pirates were forced to walk the plank—into a tub of water.

Bagherra (Mr. Ringler) conducted a closing game.

—Akela.

### Wins Engraved Cup For Hamilton Race

Wilson Allonby added another trophy to his collection on Saturday, when he entered the two and a half mile National Steel Car race at Hamilton last Saturday. While 40 started the race, just 36 finished. Placing 14th was the young Acton man.

He received an engraved cup on a stand, which he will keep.

He and Ed McHugh will be racing again on the holiday next Monday at Waterdown.

### Boys To Sponsor New Gra-Y Club

Since there are at least eight applications to join the already overcrowded Royal Star Gra-Y club, another chapter will be formed, Y secretary Bob Brayshaw reports. The first meeting for the new boys will be held next week, under the direction of the original club.

There are 14 members in the Royal Star club and Gra-Y clubs are usually limited to 12.

At the Royal Star meeting on Tuesday, the boys planned a trip to Niagara Falls. Carmen Woodburn showed pictures of the experimental farm at Ottawa.

### Three Awards For Sheila Paul

Sheila Paul has continued to win awards in music festivals in various parts of the province.

On Tuesday, May 10, at the Waterloo Music Festival, she placed first in the open violin class with 47 marks. She was third in the class for those 19 and under.

The next day at the Stratford Music Festival, she captured a second, with 80 marks in the violin class for those 17 and under.

She doesn't expect to enter in any more competitions now until the Canadian National Exhibition.

### Patch No. 7 Stretch Rockwood to No. 10

According to a district highways official, No. 7 highway from Rockwood to No. 10 at Brantford will be macadam-patched extensively this spring and summer.

The Department of Highways program for this stretch calls for some 10,000 tons of new material to smooth out rough and heaved areas. Contractors on the highway in this area are Beamish Construction Co.

### Car Flips Over Lands on Roof

When his car flipped over and came to rest on its roof, Tom Perkins of Acton emerged uninjured on Saturday. He was proceeding east just east of Limehouse about 9 p.m. when his '51 Ford went out of control in gravel. In the ditch, the front of the car nosed into the bank, turning the car completely over.

Although Mr. Perkins was unhurt, damage to the car was estimated at \$500.

### Car Skids, Rolls Driver Uninjured

George Segesmond was uninjured although damage to his '47 Chev amounted to \$300, in an accident on the third line at the fish pond near Acton. Mr. Segesmond applied the brakes to turn in a lane when the brakes grabbed, causing him to lose control in the gravel. The car entered the west ditch, rolled over, coming to rest on its right side facing south.

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## List 33,429 Eligible Halton Voters Increase 28 Per Cent Since '51 Vote

There will be approximately 28 per cent more voters in Halton County for the provincial election on June 9 than there were in the provincial contest in 1951. An estimated total of 33,429 will be eligible to vote this year, Returning Officer for Halton, F. W. B. Fitzgerald said Wednesday night as final tabulations were completed. The total is subject to slight variations.

Nominations are scheduled for May 28 and in view of the likelihood of an election a proclamation and list of 108 polling places throughout the county have been posted showing where the voters may exercise their franchise.

Enumerators have completed the work of collecting names of voters and the lists are now being printed for distribution to probable candidates as they are completed.

Trafalgar township leads with the greatest number of eligible voters of 6,316. Nelson township follows with 5,893; Oakville 5,199; Burlington 4,963; Georgetown 2,887; Esquesing 2,491; Milton 2,015; Acton 1,776; Nassagaweya 1,189; Bronte 895 and Halton-Manor 85.

Milton's electors have increased from 1,562 in the 1951 election to the present 2,015, or an increase of almost 30 per cent.

Burlington has increased from 3,963; Oakville from 3,900; Acton from 1,719; Georgetown from 2,146. This year Advance Polls are to be held in Milton, Oakville and Burlington. At these places, open prior to the actual election day, residents of the county who expect to be absent from the electoral district on the day of the election may take an oath to that effect and cast their ballot.

Candidates have been named by the three parties with Stanley Hall, present member, carrying the Progressive Conservative banner, opposed by William Anderson, Oakville, Liberal candidate, and Stanley Allen, C.C.F.

### Business, Project On Girls' Agenda

The C.G.I.T. of Knox Church met on Monday, May 16 in the Sunday School. After a game of French tag they repeated their purpose and sang the hymn.

It was decided not to hold a meeting next week. The group was invited to a Rally in Galt later in May.

As their project the group painted their salt and flour huts, and closed with taps.

### Friday the 13th Unlucky For M.P.

It was Friday the 13th when Halton's Member of Parliament, Miss Sybil Bennett, had an unlucky car accident. Luckily, however, she was not injured.

Miss Bennett was travelling from her home in Georgetown to the Progressive Conservative nomination meeting in Milton town hall Friday when the steering gear on her year failed, coming along the Peel-Halton town line. The car remained on the road almost until it stopped and then headed across a shallow ditch.

She climbed a fence, walked across a field to the nearest farmhouse and was driven to the meeting with only a slight delay.