— Staff Photo

BEST SPEAKERS of Milton, Acton and Georgetown public schools, grades six, seven and eight, were chosen as Peter Forgraves of Georgetown, left, and Randy Lidkea, of Acton, right.

Practice This Weekend

Re-Form Jr. Hockey Club

For the first time since the late Dr. Sirrs and Ilio Marzo had a smart team in the O.H.A., Acton is to have a junior hockey team.

At a meeting on November 5, the Acton Junior D hockey club was formed and has been registered with the O.H.A. W. J. Coon is president of the club. Other officers are vice-president, F. G. Oakes, and secretary-treasurer Billy Middleton. Ed Footitt is the team manager, Ilio Marzo the coach and Ezio Marzo the assistant coach and trainer.

The first practice is being held this week in Milton, and from then on the line-ups will be arranged. Altogether 14 players attended a recent meeting and more from the district as well as the town are expected to try out.

The club doesn't know yet what teams will comprise the league. They may play a double schedule with Orangeville and Hespeler, or may, as Hespeler did last year, have a bye into the O.H.A. playdowns.

Games will likely be played in Milton until there is ice here.

The last junior team to represent Acton went well on into the O.H.A. playdowns before being eliminated by Milverton in a see-saw struggle that was finally decided at Hespeler in the seventh game of the best of seven series. Graduates from that team have done well for themselves with other district teams, some of them going into professional hockey for a stint.

They include Harold Townsley, now with Milton Co-ops, Fred Kentner, also with Milton, Bill Vaughan, a Milton boy, now with the Co-ops, Terry Brush with Georgetown and several other players who confine their game principally to industrial and rural hockey.

Ilio Marzo, who coached both the last junior team here and the crack club of the year previous which went to the semi-finals before being eliminated by Oromo, will also coach this year's edition, aided and abetted by brother "Itch". Both the Marzo brothers played intermediate hockey here for years, being members of the 1939 champions and also with the 1949 semi-finalists.

Officials hope to drum up a lot of enthusiasm for the team. They can see that with the right kind of coaching it won't be long until Acton is once more prominent in the hockey annals of the O.H.A.

Simultaneously with the junior announcement word comes from Milton that Moffat is entering a team in the O.H.A. Intermediate C in a league comprised of Milton, Aurora and Waterdown. The Moffat team will be a Moffat-Acton combine with several Acton players likely to take part.

Five Chosen To Represent Acton School

Following the public speaking competition held in the public school auditorium Wednesday last week, five were selected to represent Acton in the North Halton competitions Monday. When final placing was announced there, Randy Lidkea of Acton was one of two selected to represent North Halton next week, to determine the county public speaking champion.

The youngsters have been practicing public speaking in their classes and before the competition every student in grade six, seven and eight spoke at least twice.

Those who competed last week there were Andy Williams, Bill Henry, Katherine Garrett, Anne Damteth, Marleen Hunter, Kay Dennis, Shirley Barratt, Danny Holmes, Leslie Ann Duby, Bob Hinton, Katharine Kirkness, Barbara Ware, Harold Bradley, Susan Wilson, Mary Kay Gibons, Laurie Bennett, Norman Elliott and Peter Lawson. They were judged on material, style, language, delivery and voice.

Those chosen to represent Acton in the North Halton eliminations were Randy Lidkea, Shirley Barratt, Katharine Kirkness, Barbara Ware and Bob Hinton.

Acton High School News

By Neil Benton

Miss Sexton, the girls' Physical Education Inspector for this district, visited our school on Tuesday to see how the Physical Education program was progressing at AHS.

Do not forget that the Commencement exercises will be held on Friday evening at the public school auditorium. There will be a dance following the exercises and also a booth. Everyone who wishes to attend is welcome.

Due to the cold weather we have been having lately, there have been no volleyball games for the girls. During PT periods, the girls are having dancing lessons. The boys are playing soccer as the footballs have been returned to moth balls, although there have been some games at noon.

The Alley Clowns are leading the High School bowling league, a five point win from the Hawkeyes last Wednesday doing the trick. The Muckers, although holding down last place, also picked up five points when they won two games from the Crewcuts. League standings as of November 9: Alley Clowns 15, Crewcuts 11, Muckers 9, Hawkeyes 7. George Oakes' 304 single was the highlight of the afternoon. Gayle Hulford, Diane Newton, Brian Thorarinson and Brian Gervais won the Roxy theatre rewards for hidden scores.

There have been many student meetings this week. Monday, the Square Dance club met to draw up an agenda for this year's activities. On Tuesday, the Boys' and Girls' Athletic Societies met. Also, a Student Council meeting was held to discuss current problems.

Allan Wiant, the pastor of Ospringe Presbyterian church, has resigned. Mr. and Mrs. Wiant plan to go to Afghanistan.

Seeks Information On Acton Library

Having seen in a Toronto paper a picture of Acton library, Mrs. J. Purkis of Arvida, Quebec, has written to the library here to seek information on our facilities. She is program convener of the Arvida Home and School Association and plans to present a program on children's libraries. She noted that Acton school children used the library here regularly.

She asked the population of the town, the number of children who attend, the visits under the supervision of teachers, and how the library is financed. Mrs. Purkis felt the information, which will be sent to her, would be of real value to her community.

Mrs. Dunk Hostess To Mission Circle

The Women's Mission Circle of the Baptist church held their November meeting at the home of Mrs. D. Dunk, Guelph St. The meeting opened with a hymn, followed by prayer by the president, Mrs. H. C. Helwig. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. R. H. Costerus gave a most interesting talk on Mission Band activities. Roll call was answered by a verse from the Psalms. Mrs. I. Bulmer and Mrs. I. McCutcheon had charge of the devotional, Mrs. Bulmer reading from Genesis and Mrs. McCutcheon giving a paper on the life and work of a missionary in India.

An enjoyable social hour followed with Mrs. C. Landsborough and Mrs. Morris as tea hostesses. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Dunk for her home for the occasion.

A. P. Green Plant Now Five Years Here

The first crucible made in the Acton plant of the A. P. Green Fire Brick Company is a treasured souvenir of H. B. Plunkett, an official at the parent plant in Mexico, Missouri. He wrote to George Barbeau, manager of the Acton plant last week, offering congratulations on the fifth anniversary Saturday of the first operations here. He mentioned five years' splendid record.

His souvenir crucible bears the words, "This is the first crucible made in our Acton plant" and is dated November 12, 1950.

Ask Appointments To Park Committee

Representatives of various town organizations attended a meeting in the council chambers on Tuesday evening and will be reporting back to their respective groups. When appointments are subsequently made to the committee, the matter of improving the park will be the object of its formation.

Jack Newton presided for the meeting. Represented were the Acton Rotary club, which originated the plan, the fair board, Chamber of Commerce, council, Beardmore and Co., Duke of Devonshire IODE, Lakeside chapter IODE and the Women's Institute.

LEGION NEWS

The regular monthly meeting was held Monday, November 14. Comrade Vic Patrick, in the absence of the president, was in the chair. The minutes of the last regular and executive meetings were read and approved, also the treasurer's report. It was brought to the attention of the meeting by "Dude" that an effort was being made to organize darts and pool tournaments within the branch so that we would be in good shape for future Zone competitions. All those interested in entering these tournaments were requested to put their names on the provided sheets on the bulletin board.

A letter was read reminding the branch that next Zone meeting would be held in Oakville on Sunday, November 20.

The first and second vice-presidents then proceeded to initiate one new member in the person of Bill Crofts Sr. After the initiation was over and the closing ceremony completed, the comrades adjourned downstairs where Mr. Ted O'Riley, representative of O'Keefe's Brewery, and Matt De Florio, popular accordionist from the TV program, Holiday Ranch, were waiting to entertain the boys for the balance of the evening.

The cribbage on Tuesday night was very close and by the Station Hotel defeating Eden Mills 18-14, Legion defeating Union 17-15 and the Tiger Cats winning from Ramblers 19-13, there are now three teams, Eden Mills, Legion and Tiger Cats, all tied for first place with eight points.

Stan Collett and Bob Johnson, who were nosed out of the prize money last week, came out on top of a three way tie this week.

This week's winners at euchre: Fred Hunter, Pete Turkosz and Paul Wilson.

It is good to see Tom Bennett home and around again.

New Players, Coach Herb Woods Regulars Form Juniors' Entry

An unexpectedly good crowd of about 150 watched with excitement the first games of the Halton Junior Farmers' hockey league in Milton arena on Monday. Milton defeated Acton 7-3 and Norval downed Palermo 11-5.

There are four teams in the Junior Farmers' hockey league again this year and each plays every Monday evening in Milton. The Milton team is stronger than last year, with the addition of the Taskers who formerly played for Palermo. Norval has made several changes in its line-up and is also expected to be a more powerful aggregation this winter.

The Acton team has three new players from last year's Juvenile teams, Paul Lawson, Bob Coon and Ted Footitt, as well as Gordon Overland from Hillsburgh. Again with the team are Ralph Deblauw, Leonard Thompson, Mac Sprowl, Calvin Sprowl, Lawrence Hemsley, Charlie Thompson from Acton, and Don McKenzie, George Wheeler and Bert Wheeler from Hillsburgh. Herb Woods, goal keeper on the Acton Intermediate championship winning team of 1939, who coached last year's Juveniles, is the coach.

Members of the hockey teams must attend 50 per cent. of the Junior Farmers' regular meetings in order to be eligible to play hockey.

Hear Homemaking, Nutrition Hints

The C.G.I.T. of Knox church met in the Sunday school room on November 14, opening the meeting with the Purpose and the hymn.

Miss Jean Rowe talked about nutrition and homemaking. The meeting closed with Taps.

LOCAL NEWS

—This is Retarded Children's Week.

—Woodworking classes at the Y on Thursdays and Fridays are very busy. Phil Caddick and Roy Kirkness are the instructors.

—Miss Nancy Lambert and Miss Barbara Joan Baxter, who attend Teachers' College at Toronto, are this week teaching at Lorne school.

—Many from the district are attending the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto. Halton entries are among the winners—another added attraction.

—At their meeting on Monday evening, the Y Ladies' Auxiliary decided to add a large coffee maker to the kitchen equipment of the Y.

—The new appointments at Micro Plastics, with the pictures of Neil Bowles, Jack Reid and Alf Long are announced in last week's issue of Saturday Night.

—Many cars have been stopped for inspection of brakes, lights, etc., and many have been fined for speeding in the district during the current safe driving campaign.

—Report cards were taken home by all the public school pupils this week. Teachers are staying at the school this afternoon and this evening to visit with parents of their students.

—Interesting to note is the fact that Toronto township has banned the shooting of firearms or hunting anywhere in the township.

—Sunday's summer-type thunder storm was a surprise. Anyone who listened to weather reports was expecting snow!

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