

Christening Party. At Courtney Home

Maureen Ruth, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Courtney of 175 Macleod St. was baptized on Sunday, April 27, in St. Alban's church by Rev. Evan Jones. A christening party, followed at the parents' home with guests from Toronto, Kentworth, Belwood and Acton.

Three wavy three generations at the gathering, including the baby's two grandfathers, Mr. Sam Hubbell of Acton and Mr. W. Courtney of Belwood.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Edward Ryder Ill Several Years

Resident of Acton for 54 years, Mrs. Edward Ryder passed away on Wednesday last week at the General Hospital. She had been in ill health for the past two or three years but through all this time illness bore her suffering with patience and uncomplaining.

Mrs. Ryder was before marriage Isabella M. Miller, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, and was born in Dundee, Scotland, coming from the old land about 64 years ago. The family resided in Port Hope and Woodstock before coming to Acton 54 years ago.

Fifty-one years ago she married Edward Ryder, who with a family of three remain to mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother. The marriage was solemnized in Toronto with Rev. Logan Giegie officiating. The family remaining are Miss Margaret and Donald of Acton and Glenn at Milton. Six grandchildren also survive her. Two children, Dorothy and Roderick, predeceased her and two brothers, John and Joseph, also passed away earlier.

Mrs. Ryder was a woman whose home was her castle but whose thoughtfulness extended to other homes where she was a kindly neighbor, helpful in trouble and delighting in her spreading of neighborliness. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church and in earlier years of good health, found time for service and joy in this fellowship. Many old friends in Acton will miss her and join with husband and family in sympathetic understanding.

The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon with service conducted by her minister, Rev. R. H. Armstrong of Knox church at the Rumley Funeral Home. Here many friends joined in tribute and a wealth of floral tributes also bore testimony of sympathy and esteem.

Burial was in Fairview cemetery with sons Glenn and Donald, grandsons Ronald and Robert, S. E. Anderson of Islington and Rudolph Spielvogel of Acton acting as pallbearers.

Bannockburn W.I. Holds Final Euchre

The final euchre of the season held by Bannockburn Women's Institute in the school was very successful. There were 17 tables playing.

Prizes awarded were: ladies first, Mrs. Cam McEnery; ladies second, Mrs. Stan Matthews, with consolation going to Mrs. Wm. Balentine. Men's first went to Fred McCutcheon; men's second, Cam Leishman and consolation to Cam McEnery. The lucky score of 65 was won by Mr. S. Robin on a cut. A lucky cup prize was won by Mrs. Fred Kemner.

Lunch was served and a social time was enjoyed by all.

Personal Notes...

Of Actonians Visiting Out-of-Town Points and of Visitors in Acton Homes

Mrs. R. M. McDonald spent the week-end in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coy, Willowdale, visited friends here and in Galt on Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Landsborough is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Crosby of Kent St., Guelph.

Miss Sandra Coy, Willowdale, spent Saturday with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dirk Van Goozen, John and Mary of Hamilton, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Swackhamer and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer on Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Buckner and their son Robbie are taking a motor trip to the Maritimes. They will be visiting their daughter, Miss Jean Buckner, in Montreal during the holiday.

A former Acton resident, Mrs. W. H. Stewart of Toronto, observed her 80th birthday with a family gathering on Sunday. Among those extending congratulations were Mr. and Mrs. David Dills.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Veldhuis, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Johnson and Mrs. E.

80 Attend Reception On 25th Anniversary

Dave and Bob Richardson entertained at a reception Saturday, April 22, at the Guild Inn, Scarborough, in honor of their parents' silver wedding anniversary. 80 guests attended including friends from Detroit, Montreal, Ottawa, St. Catharines and Acton.

Miss Peggy Brooks of radio and television entertained during the evening.



FIRST AID COURSE conducted by the St. John's Ambulance Corps began at Milton Armouries on Thursday evening of last week for 45 graduates of the recent civil defense training course. Shown in the above picture is instructor J. Rogers of the St. John's, pointing to "Oscar" the chart skeleton as he outlines the bones in the body.

Unfair Education Costs Debated Government Petition is Requested

Concern about the high cost of education in the rural areas was the reason for the Eramosa school board calling a meeting of neighboring school boards and township officials to discuss the question. Henry Worton, M.L.A., John Root, M.L.A. and Henry Hosking, M.P., were present.

David Gray was appointed chairman of the meeting with George Day, Eramosa school secretary, acting as secretary for the meeting. A suggestion from the floor declared that assessments should be more equitable—taxes in proportion to value. Duncan MacPhedran, chairman of the Eramosa board, thanked the townships for turning out so well and presented the Eramosa problem. He said that enrollment was outstripping accommodation and in Eramosa a decision must be made immediately whether to modernize the old schools, which in many cases are dilapidated and would not accommodate the enrollment, or to build central schools.

Following discussion, Mr. Hosking congratulated the men on their grasp of the problem. He said, "You are the same type of men who met to form Confederation. There is the same good sense in evidence. You have come to face facts and seek a solution." He briefly sketched the laws pertaining to education in the B.N.A. and said that these laws could not be changed for one province.

He encouraged the farmers not to be downcast, conditions change and in farming in the past it had been "bust and boom" about every 10 years.

John Root, M.L.A., informed the meeting that municipalities now get 40 per cent of the provincial budget and of this, 20 per cent is for education. He made the comparison that in 1946 eight million was paid in grants and in 1956, \$4 million was paid. The total budget is 117 million. As possible solutions he mentioned provincial grants and changing the assessment act but he felt that assessment of houses alone would be a burden to the urban dweller.

Mr. Worton said that this was not a meeting to offer criticism of either government but to recognize a problem and seek a solution. In his opinion the municipal government—front porch—government—and they should govern. "You can't be taking all the time," he declared. "Now is the time to solve your own problems

without asking for more. There is a time to say no and that time is now." Discussion from the floor approved finding out about lower building cost. The question was asked, "If grants are raised after a school has been built, would any benefit come to that school?" Mr. Hosking said that legislation was rarely retroactive but the opinion of some others in the meeting did not agree with this.

Mr. Gray again called for a resolution and after discussion, Ed Pearen made a motion that the school boards and the township councils prepare a resolution to take to the county council.

The resolution, proposed by Erin Benham and seconded by Joe Oakes, was formulated as follows: A resolution passed by the school boards and township officials of Eramosa, Erin, Puslinch and Guelph request that the Wellington county council petition the provincial government to take proper steps to relieve unfair education cost on farm lands and further, if Wellington county council approve the resolution, that they urge neighboring county councils to take similar action.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hurne and children of Parry Sound and Mrs. Gordon Dennis and daughter Lynne spent the week-end with Mrs. Hurne and Mrs. Dennis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Rolston on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Buck and Ed, Mr. and Mrs. L. Burger and Brenda of Waterloo; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Buck, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buck and Janet, home on leave from Burma, where Mr. Buck is employed with U.N.F.A.O., visited at the home of Mrs. A. K. Mann and family over the week-end.

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Spring Bride-to-be Feted at Showers

Miss Joan Chisholm was the guest of honor at showers and a presentation prior to her marriage last week. Mrs. Keith Dowling was hostess at a miscellaneous shower. Miss Kitty McCrall also held a shower of miscellaneous gifts. Many lovely articles were presented to the bride-to-be.

Friends at the Bell Telephone office presented Miss Chisholm with an electric tea kettle and a pair of blankets.

Ladies' Aid to Buy Furniture, Flooring

Mrs. A. J. McPherson was hostess to the Ladies' Aid of Knox church on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. A. J. Murray, convenor, presiding. The worship service included the hymn, "The Lord is My Shepherd," scripture lesson by Mrs. Murray Smith and prayer by Mrs. H. Mainprize.

Mrs. F. McCutcheon led the business which included a motion to give a donation for the Junior Choir gowns.

The minister's vestry had been newly decorated so arrangements were made to purchase some furniture and have a suitable floor covering laid there. A good used electric stove has been purchased and installed in the basement kitchen.

A delegation was appointed to meet with the managers to discuss business of the church. A hymn and the Lord's Prayer in unison closed this part of the meeting.

Mrs. Murray gave a reading, "The Ladies' Aid of the Old Church." An interesting contest was enjoyed with Mrs. Mainprize being the winner. Refreshments were served and the usual friendly social period was enjoyed. Mrs. W. McLeod expressed the appreciation to Mrs. McPherson and the working committee for a pleasant afternoon. An invitation was extended to meet at Mrs. F. McCutcheon's for the next meeting.

RECORD TREMORS

SPRINGHILL, N.S. (CP) — The federal department of mines and technical surveys has installed a seismograph in the post office here to record tremors originating from mining activities in the area. Similar tests are under way in Western Canada.

BASEBALL, VOLLEYBALL AND TRACK AND FIELD PRACTICES ARE BEING HELD IN THE PHYSICAL TRAINING PERIODS.

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C.G.I.T. News

The United church C.G.I.T. met in the Sunday school room Tuesday.

The meeting opened with the Purpose. A new member, Verma Churchill, was introduced to the group. Miss Hayes led in the games. Aileen Hill, Karen Damm and Rosmary Skilling conducted the worship. Mrs. Brayshaw showed the group how to make napkin rings.

The C.G.I.T. of Knox church met on Monday evening in the Sunday school room. The group reported their purpose and sang their hymn. During the business they made further plans for the Mother and Daughter banquet and Mrs. D. Davidson gave out camp folders to the girls.

Ann Watkins gave the history of the different tribes of Indians in the early days. Ruth Spielvogel, noted as a moving reporter visiting the Six Nations reserve at Brantford. Rhona McClellan gave information on the work of the churches with the Canadian Indians.

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Action High School News

By Neil Benton On Tuesday afternoon the annual cross country run was held. Bruce Andrews of Acton was the winner with Delmar Watson second. The two and a half mile course was laid out on the farms of Mr. R. N. Brown and Mr. George Somerville. The record time was 12 minutes, 17.9 seconds.

A volleyball schedule has been drawn up for the boys' teams this spring. Not too much playing has been done as yet but now that the cross country is over, there will be more.

Baseball, volleyball and track and field practices are being held in the physical training periods. The boys and girls will be in the O.A.C. Playdays which this year is held on May 17. Quite a number are going up from Acton to compete. Hope they can carry off some of the honors.

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