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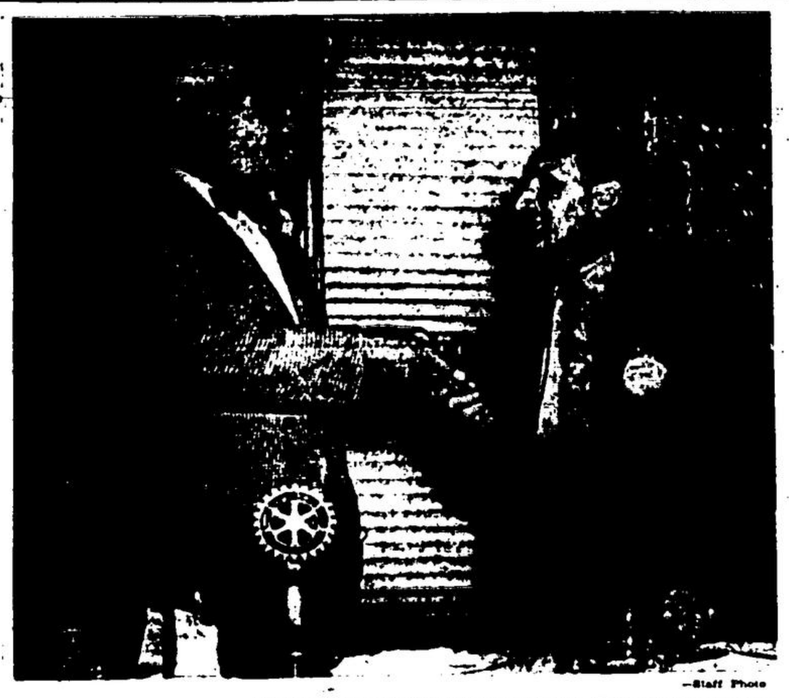

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New President Accepts Gavel

Bill Mattocks was installed the new Rotary Club president at their regular meeting last Tuesday night. Ex-president J. Ledger is pictured as he handed the gavel to the incoming president. The Acton club was commended by the district governor for a 100 per cent turnout during the month of May.

Club Installs New President

The closing dinner meeting of Acton Rotary Club for the year was held at the Dominion Hotel Tuesday evening.

Several out-of-town guests were present to witness president-elect Bill Mattocks accept the gavel from past president Jim Ledger.

In stepping down from the presidency, Mr. Ledger thanked all the members for their willing co-operation and enthusiastic response to suggestions and expressed how their pleasant and cordial reception proved a great source of inspiration to him.

Mr. Ledger read a report from the District Governor praising the Acton Rotarians for being the top district club in record attendance for the month of May, with 100 per cent attendance.

The outgoing president thanked the members for their co-operation in making this honor to the club possible.

The new president outlined the committee chairmen and asked the co-operation of all members for the coming year.

Rotarian Fred Gordon introduced the out-of-town guests from the Woodstock, Sterling, Guelph, Milton and Orangeville Rotary clubs, and Harold Kinread introduced the guests from the Kiwanis club, Milton.

Fred Wright gave a report on coming events and expressed an invitation to the Acton club to be present at the trial runs of Sir Malcolm Campbell's "Miss Bluebird" as he attempts to break his own water speed record.

A lovely turkey dinner topped off with strawberry shortcake was served the Rotarians. The new executive remained afterward for a brief meeting.

Alert Swimmer Recues Local Youth In Near Drowning Incident at Park

A drowning fatality was avoided at Acton Park last Saturday when Donald Thomson, R.R. 1, Acton, was rescued by S. A. Rainford, 215 Wynford Place, Acton.

Like many others Mr. Thomson had entered the waters of Fairy Lake to cool off during the heat wave and not being a strong swimmer he apparently stepped out beyond his depth and soon found himself in difficulty.

Mrs. Rainford sitting on the bank watching the swimmers noticed someone in difficulty and called to her husband who was in the water at the time. Being an average swimmer Mr. Rainford swam to the spot where the young man was going down for the third time and grasping him by the hair, pulled Mr. Thompson to shore.

Several by-standers assisted in hauling the unconscious lad onto the shore and applied artificial respiration immediately.

The firemen were summoned but before their arrival the swimmer had regained consciousness and soon returned to his home.

In an interview with Mrs. Thomson the boy's mother it was stated he slept a large part of Sunday but seemed not to suffer any after effects from his experience.

Mr. Rainford has resided in Acton for the past 15 months and is a worker at Orenda Engines, Malton.

C. of C. Hold Stag Provide Fun for All

A stag outing by the Chamber of Commerce was enjoyed last Thursday evening at Bellwood Lake near Georgetown.

Equipped with boats, water skis, outboard, sandwiches and steaks, the C. of C. arrived at the lake and immediately set launch the boats and make ready for an evening of fun.

Jim Ledger braved the cool waters to display his talents at surf-board riding and proved to be quite adept at manoeuvering the board.

Several other members tried their hand at balancing on the board and water ski. Roy Goodwin proved to the group to be an expert at deep sea diving with the water ski.

ARTHUR RAINFORD

DON THOMSON

H. S. Announces Promotions 143 Students Advance Grade

Principal F. A. Hansen released the following promotions this week for the Acton High School.

Subjects passed are marked in brackets.

Grade 9

Agnew, Robert; Bottom'ey, Stewart; Bradley, Carol; Britton, Jean; Cripps, Brenda; Edwards, Doris; Elliott, Eleanor; Fetterly, Alan; Fryer, Jeff; Gibbons, Doris; Goodwin, Carol; Gordon, Doreen; Gough, Marjorie; Green, Bill; Hayes, Max; Heeney, William; Hill, Betty; Hutch, Robert; Holstede, Harry; Homes, Donna; Hudson, Sandra; Hufman, George; Hunter, Mae; Kennedy, Betty; Kinsman, Nancy; Knapp, Doreen; Lambert, Barbara; Leonard, Bert; Lewis, Peter; Lewis, Donald; Lindsay, Janet; Longhard, Ross; Martin, Terry; McDonald, Sandra; McLachlin, Faye; McLean, Betty; Moffat, Nancy; Morris, Terry; Neals, Lloyd; Nornich, Kathryn; Oost, Gertrude; Pearce, Christine; Reid, Harold; Reynolds, Jane; Riley, Denise; Robinson, Gordon; Robinson, Janet; Rogers, Gordon; Sanford, Bill; Saul, Emily; Scott, Trudy; Smith, David; Speers, Shirley; Spielvogel, Ruth; Swindlehurst, Dianne; Tompson, Bruce; Tompson, Grace; Varey, Irene; Waite, Barbara; Watkins, Ann; Wilson, Susan; Williams, Andy; Withers, Heather; Wood, Art.

Grade 10

Abram, Judy; Allonby, Betty; Andrews, Bruce; Arbic, Teresa; Burns, Anne; Clow, Grace; Coxe, Robert; Coxe, Lorraine; Creighton, Mary Lou; Davidson, Barbara; Duby, Laurence; Emmerson, Don; Gervais, Sharon; Grahame, David; Haggett, Rong; Hulford, Gavie; Jary, Ella; Job, Thomas; Kuhn, Bernadd; Lovell, Lynda; McArthur, Betty; Marsiaak, Frank; Moffat, Jean; Moyse, Patricia; Nightingale, Margaret; Peal, David; Pope, Bob; Robley, Wayne; Shortill, Ross; Sawyer, Norma; Smith, Donna; Smith, Gloria; Santic, Charles; Sawchuck, Janice; Woodworth, Dale.

Grade 11

Allonby, Robert; Anderson, Kathryn; Davidson, Ronald; Fox, Mary Jane; Funk, Robert; Hansen, Carl; Pierce, Francis; Hunter, David; Hurst, Michael; Johnston, William; Kerr, Robert; Kirk, Jackie; Knox, Physics; French; Landsborough, Ruth; McPherson, Blute (Physics); MacPherson, Douglas; Mason, Shirley; Moffat, Donald (Chemistry); Morrison, Margaret; Newton, Dianne; Oakes, George (Physics); Parker, Jean; Ritchie, Laurie; Hognvaldson, Marilyn (French, English); Speers, Ellen (Algebra, Physics); Thertoul, Andrew (Physics, English); Varey, Valerie; Watson, Lenora; Young, Marilyn.

Grade 12

Armstrong, Ross (Chemistry); Brada, Raymond; Brown, Joan; Cooper, Frank (Latin, French); Dobey, Geoff (Geometry, French); Gawne, Brian (Geometry, French); Landsborough, Helen; MacKenzie, Wendy; McEachern, Marianne; McEnery, Beth; Moloney, Jeannine (Geometry); Smith, Beverley; Stewart, Barry (Geometry, Chemistry).

Discuss Parking Problems for Park Board Names J. Bruce Pool Supervisor

The parking problem at the park posed a headache for the Parks Board at their regular meeting last Monday night in the town hall.

How to keep the cars off the grass area at the park was a problem for the board. A discussion took place on the possibility of providing a parking area at one side of the race track excluding the swimming area and to have the parking supervised.

It was agreed to make the race track at the park a one-way road running anti-clockwise and that parking be provided on one side except where the signs state otherwise.

It was suggested to hire Jack Bruce for the next four Sundays to police the park and check on parking, speeding and vandalism.

Mr. Bruce was hired to supervise the swimming pool for the summer months, and to check on parking and speeding at the park.

Approval was granted the Scottish Country Dance Club to hold a Garden Party in the Acton Park on September 7.

Bill Wilson was present on behalf of the Dance Club and explained the purpose of the garden party, which was to provide funds for the retarded children's school in Milton and also in Guelph. The proceeds from the booth were to be used by the IODE for scholarships for the children of Acton.

A delegation from the YMCA was present to request permission to set up accommodation for the lady instructors for the swimming classes to use as a bath house. A tent was suggested but it was agreed too much time would be lost in setting the tent up and taking it down each evening.

A temporary shelter is to be built of plywood and located inside the present wading pool. It is to be of a type that will allow folding against the fence surrounding the pool.

The Y representatives were to submit a complete plan to the chairman and secretary of the board for approval.

Extra keys for the swimming pool lock, to be used by the swimming instructors, were requested by the delegation. It was pointed out no great problem existed as the keys could be made in town.

R. R. Parker reported the boom for the lake was ready to be placed across the water and announcement would be made to advise boaters of the offset opening for the passage of boats.

The Bell Telephone Company submitted a letter requesting permission to move the telephone booth now in the park to a more suitable location.

Consideration would not be given until such time as the dressing rooms at the beach area were erected.

It was stated at the meeting the erection of bath houses would commence this year.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15.

Office Closed

The Free Press office will be closed on Monday to observe the Dominion Day holiday.

Your co-operation is requested in having copy in to the office as early as possible for next week.

St. John's Brigade Hold Practice Session

The St. John's Ambulance Brigade at their regular practice Tuesday night practiced the Holger Nielsen method of artificial respiration.

With eight members present a discussion on water safety and artificial respiration was held.

The next meeting will be held at Cliff Tavares home for drills, records and business.

Two Brownie Packs Hold Annual Picnic

Forty-one Brownies enjoyed a picnic at Bellwood Lake near Georgetown last Saturday at the cottage of Mrs. Les MacSwain.

The group left the Scout Hall at 9:30 a.m. by bus and proceeded to the Lake. Upon arrival, games were played until noon, when a delightful lunch was served.

After lunch, more games, nature walks, swimming and other events were enjoyed and a wiener roast was held before returning home at 5 p.m.

131 Young Swimmers Register for Classes

131 youngsters registered for the YMCA swimming classes to be held at the park this summer. Registrations were held Monday and Tuesday evening.

It is expected that notification of the starting dates will be announced at a later date.

A meeting of the board will be held to-night (Thursday) to finalize the plans for the swimming classes.

Not Just a Practice But the Real McCoy

Firemen were summoned to a fire confined to a tractor at the garage of Jack McCallum on No. 7 Highway, last Monday night.

At approximately 7 p.m. last Monday, as the firemen were preparing to test the alarm at their regular practice night, the alarm rang to report a fire.

A tractor owned by George Stewart burst into flames as it was being filled with gas, Chief Newton said. It is assumed the hot motor ignited some of the gas spilled on it. The fire chief estimates the damage to the tractor at approximately $100.

Pupils Hold Recital In Knox Church Acton

Piano pupils of Mrs. Dorothy Richardson Scull, R.M.T., held a recital in Knox Presbyterian Sunday school room Monday night. Many parents and friends attended.

The recital was opened by the Queen, played by Gloria Jean Hall. Gerry Root, Diane Ironside, Ricky Ironside, Kathy McKenzie, David Ladkea, Jill Hurst, Suzanne Adams, Donna Landsborough, Heather Leyland, Ruth Landsborough, Helen Landsborough, Rosemary Reese of Caledon East, Anne Barber of Caledon and Gloria Jean Hall of Hillsburg.

Two accordion duets were given by Norma Graham of Caledon and Mrs. Scull, Morceau Brilliante and Wedding of the Winds.

Diane and Ricky Ironside played a piano duet, Airy Fairies; Gloria Jean Hall and Mrs. Scull, Nola; Ruth and Helen Landsborough, Invitation to the Waltz; and Suzanne Adams and Mrs. Scull, Silver Bells.

A solo, The Swing, was sung by Janet Adams.

Misses Nancy Reid, Ella Jany and Lynn Raeburn were unable to be present.

Awards were presented to the following: first prize, Ruth Landsborough; second prize, Suzanne Adams; third prize, Heather Leyland, and to Ricky Ironside for the most minutes overtime practice.

Gerry Root and Kathryn McKenzie, presented Mrs. Scull with a gift on behalf of the pupils.

Mrs. Scull presented Mrs. Adams with a gift for the use of her home as a studio. She also congratulated all her students for receiving honors in their recent music exams.

—The new M. Z. Bennett school is being rushed to accommodate the children in the fall.

Town Office Reports 83 Dog Tags Issued

The town clerk's office reports only 83 dog licences issued to date this year.

Last year a total of 256 dog tags were issued. The clerk advises any dogless owner who have not obtained their licence to pick it up at the town office.

Local Auxiliary Picnic Held in Knox Church

The annual picnic supper meeting of the Alert Evening Auxiliary was held in the basement of the church on Wednesday evening.

Tables were bountifully laden with varieties of pot luck lunch which included everything you would wish.

Following the supper a splendid program of games and contests was enjoyed. The following were the winners: mystery parcel, Mrs. McKenzie; ruler and peanut, Mrs. Geo. Lee and Mrs. Fred Anderson; windbreaker relay, Mrs. Geo. Lee's side won; strawberry and thread, Miss E. Cole and Mrs. K. Dodds; balloon, Mrs. J. Vanfleet and Mrs. Geo. Young; advertisements prepared and read by each, no prizes but many laughs.

A note of appreciation was given the convenors of the event, Miss Belle Maye Roszell and Mrs. Wilmer Davidson who carried on the program.

Mrs. Jas. Ingles presided and conducted the business at hand. A special offering for the June supply was taken.

The president gave a few closing thoughts for the holiday season and the evening came to a close with everyone reporting a pleasant time.

David Tolton Named As Liberal Candidate

David Tolton, 29 year old electrical appliance dealer, Tuesday night was nominated as Liberal candidate for the federal riding of Wellington South. The election was deferred because of the death June 3 of Henry Hosking, the Liberal member.

Tolton was opposed by Norman Drummie, reeve of Elora, and Stanley Leitch of Erin, both of whom withdrew in favor of Tolton.

The deferred election will be held July 15 with Mr. Tolton opposed by Alfred Hales, P.C. and Thomas Wither, C.C.F.

Mrs. J. W. Dutton Reaches 90 Mark

A quiet birthday celebration took place at the home of Mrs. W. Middleton, 227 Mill St., last Sunday, when her mother, Mrs. J. W. Dutton, celebrated her 90th birthday.

Mrs. Dutton has five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. She was born in Bowmanville 90 years ago and later, after marrying, moved to Woodstock where she lived until a year ago last Christmas, when she came to live with her daughter in Acton.

Present to celebrate her birthday were her daughter, Mrs. W. Z. Watts, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McCabe, Jennifer and Laurel, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watts, Peggy and John, all of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Schoenheide of Detroit, Mich.

Cub Leaders Exchange Vows In Knox Church

In a double ring ceremony in Knox Presbyterian church, Doris Jean Allan and Murray Jack Scoyne were married last Saturday afternoon. The bride, who is a Cub leader, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Allan of R.R. 2, Acton. The groom is District Cubmaster as well as Cubmaster of one of the Acton packs. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Scoyne of Ridgetown, Ontario.

Rev. Andrew MacKenzie officiated at the wedding in a setting of pink and white peonies and fern.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a waltz length gown of white nylon chiffon over taffeta. A headdress of pearls and sequins held her fingertip length veil. She carried a Bible with a gardenia and streamers of ivy and stephanotis.

Miss Helen Allan was her sister's attendant, wearing a gown of pink embossed crystalette. She carried green tinted carnations and stephanotis.

The groom's brother, Mr. Kenneth Scoyne, was groomsman.

Friends and relatives gathered at the home of the bride following the ceremony for a reception on the lawn. The couple left later on a motor trip to the southern United States, the bride wearing a tree bark taffeta ensemble with white accessories and a yellow rose corsage. They will be making their home in Acton on their return.

—Archie Kerr, R.R. 2, Acton, was fortunate in winning a 1957 Ford Fairlane Hardtop at a draw held at the Galt Horse Show last Saturday.

Miss Hamilton Crowns Queen

Miss City of Hamilton, Margaret Cunningham, crowned Miss Centennial, Cathy Thompson, at Milton Centennial last night when the celebrations began. Miss Centennial was chosen from 14 entrants.

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Crown C. Thompson Miss Centennial

Acton was represented at the opening of the Milton Centennial, by Mayor E. Tyler. During the opening of the six-day Birthday Party, the girls shown above from various parts of Halton competed for the Miss Centennial title. Crowned Miss Centennial was 18-year-old Miss Cathy Thompson shown extreme left front row.