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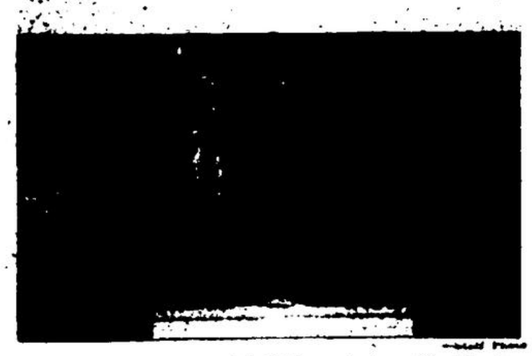

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THE NEW PENTECOSTAL CHURCH was dedicated last Sunday, June 8, during a special service attended by over 300 people. Pictured above standing at the pulpit in the recently completed church are left, Reverend J. C. Shrier, of Ottawa and Reverend K. J. Reid, Pastor of the Pentecostal Church in Acton.

Over 300 Attend Dedication Of Acton Pentecostal Church

Many people from Acton and the surrounding districts gathered on Sunday afternoon, June 8th for the dedication service of the new Pentecostal church on Churchill Rd.

The church, beautifully decorated with flowers for the occasion was filled to capacity with over 300 visitors and members of the congregation.

Work on the new church began a year ago under the direction of the minister Rev. Kenneth Reid who, assisted by the members of the congregation completed most of the building of the church. The estimated value of the church is approximately $20,000 and it was erected for $17,000. The lower auditorium, 36 x 70, is divided into Sunday school rooms and Evangelist's room on either side of the assembly hall.

The walls of the main auditorium constructed of cement block, are finished in shell pink. Just off the main auditorium are nursery, cloak room and pastor's study. Directly over the baptistry is a beautiful hand-painted outdoor mural on the wall.

The minister, Rev. Kenneth Reid, welcomed the people among whom were: the mayor of Acton, W. H. Cook and a representative of the town council. Rev. A. McKenzie, minister of Knox Presbyterian church represented the ministerial association.

Both Mr. Cook and Rev. McKenzie spoke briefly expressing their good wishes for the congregation in their new church.

Twelve year-old David Spafford of Toronto, sang a solo entitled "Follow Me". Rev. J. H. Blair, superintendent of the Western district of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada led in the dedication prayer after which Mrs. G. Bowen rendered a beautiful dedication solo entitled "Bless this Church".

The organist was Miss Dolly Vincent of Brampton, with Mrs. H. Norton at the piano. Rev. Blair brought the dedication message speaking from Nehemiah on the building of the walls.

Rev. Reid introduced Rev. and Mrs. J. Shrier, who will be conducting evangelistic meetings each night except Saturday for the next two weeks.

Acton Wolf Cubs Bid for Honors 57 Boys Attend Annual Cubaree

Acton Wolf Cubs made a determined bid to bring cubbing honors back to Acton again this year, but the best they could do was to finish fourth among the 14 District Cub Packs competing in the third North Halton District Cubaree last Saturday afternoon in Georgetown park.

Acton's "B" Pack fought alongside the winners but faltered at the end of the day and settled for the last recognized position of fourth place behind 2nd Georgetown "B" Pack, first; 2nd Georgetown "A" Pack, second and 1st Milton "Mohawk" Pack, third.

Actons three packs, "A", "B" and "C", sent 57 cubs to the annual cub gathering to compete among the 335 boys from other district centres.

2nd Georgetown "B" and 2nd Georgetown "A" packs took the top honors of the afternoon, finishing first and second respectively. The 1st Acton "B" Pack finished fourth behind Milton "Mohawks".

Cubaree 1958 registration figures were at an all-time high with 335 cubs registered, over 100 boys more than any previous cubaree, an indication of the growing numbers participating in cubbing in the North Halton District. Leaders attending with these boys numbered 47.

Packs were present from Acton, Milton, Georgetown, Glen Williams and Norval.

Paraded to Park

A parade which started from the Chapel Street Public School grounds proceeded through downtown Georgetown to the town park where a flag breaking ceremony and prayer opened the 1958 Cubaree.

At this point, each pack was assigned a "lair", which was in an area circling the event area from which the packs prepared teams for each event.

The events, which were in charge of the District Cubmaster, Murray Scoyne of Acton, comprised various tests involved in the Wolf Cub program and including skipping, dressing (neatness), balancing and somersaulting, hopping, relaying a message, knotting, tug-of-war and running races.

Jungle Plays

Between events, two jungle plays were present. The first was put on by the 1st Acton "A" Pack under Akela Ron Smith, and the second by the 3rd Georgetown Pack under Akela June Gunn.

Both were well presented and well received by both cubs and visitors.

Following the running off of the events, District Commissioner David Dills of Acton made individual presentations of winning pennants to cub representatives of the first four winning cub packs as well as pennants to every cub pack that participated in the afternoon's events.

A senior cub from the winning Georgetown Pack then led the 335 cubs in a closing "grand howl" which was taken by the District Commissioner. A closing prayer ended the Cubaree.

During the afternoon, refreshments were provided by the Georgetown Cub and Scout Ladies' Auxiliaries.

List Four Winners

The following is the summary list of each event in order of finishing.

Skipping — Milton Mohawks, 2nd Georgetown A, 2nd Georgetown B, Milton Hurons.

Dressing (speed) — Acton B, 1st Georgetown B, Milton Hurons, Acton A.

Dressing (neatness) — 2nd Georgetown A and B tied, Acton C, 3rd Georgetown, Glen Williams and Milton Iroquois tied, 1st Georgetown B and Milton Mohawks tied, 1st Georgetown A, 1st Georgetown C, Milton Hurons.

Balancing - somersault — Acton B, 2nd Georgetown B, 2nd Georgetown A, Milton Hurons and Milton Mohawks tied.

Hopping — 2nd Georgetown B, Acton B, 2nd Georgetown A, Milton Hurons.

Message — 1st Georgetown B, C, 2nd Georgetown A, B, Milton Mohawks tied, Acton A, Glen Williams, Milton Iroquois, tied; Milton Hurons, Acton C, Norval, tied.

Knotting — 2nd Georgetown B, Glen Williams, Acton B, Acton A and 2nd Georgetown A tied.

Running races — 2nd Georgetown B (3 firsts), 2nd Georgetown A (2 seconds, 2 thirds, 1 fourth); 1st Georgetown C (1 first), 1st Georgetown B (1 fourth); 3rd Georgetown (1 third, 1 fourth), Milton Hurons (1 fourth); Milton Mohawks (2 seconds, 1 third).

Tug - of - war — Acton B, 2nd Georgetown A, 2nd Georgetown B and Milton Hurons tied, Acton A and 1st Georgetown B and Milton Iroquois tied.

Andrews Makes British Empire Trials Competes With Top Canadian Runners

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BRUCE ANDREWS, prominent Acton runner, leaves on Monday of next week to attend the British Empire Games Trials at Saskatoon. The 16-year old athlete who runs for the Guelph Legion Track Club will be trying out for a place on the Canadian team in the one mile event. The Games this year will be held at Cardiff, Wales. The Acton runner will be competing against top athletes across Canada at the trials.

Bruce Andrews, 16 - year - old track and field star from Acton, leaves on Monday, June 16, for the British Empire Games Trials in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, where he will compete in the one mile event.

Bruce, who started running in 1955 in Acton with the Y.M.C.A. entered his first long race in 1956 when he ran in the three mile road race in Hamilton and placed 33rd out of approximately 47.

Since his first big race, the young athlete has come a long way in track circles and has won the Canadian Cross Country Championship both for Midget and Juvenile.

Many Awards

A trophy chest cherished by the Andrews family contains 22 trophies and 13 medals as mementos of Bruce's accomplishments.

Accompanying Bruce on the trip out west will be 15 other athletes from the district, including Toronto. The whole trip including their travelling time will take nine days.

The young Acton runner will be billeted at the University of Saskatchewan and will be wearing the colors of the Guelph Legion Track Club, for which he runs.

He was invited by officials of the Guelph Club to attend the trials if financial arrangements could be made. Through the generosity of organizations, individuals and friends, more than sufficient has been raised to take care of expenses during the trip.

Brother Interested

The son of Mrs. Gwen Andrews and the late Hank Andrews, Bruce has two brothers, Keith, 11 years old and Bob, six. Bruce says his younger brother is interested in following in the running line, but Keith is interested only in bowling.

In an interview this week, Bruce stated he didn't expect to win a place on the Canadian team that will compete at Cardiff, Wales, as he will be competing in Saskatoon against top notch runners from all over Canada.

He hopes his friends and supporters won't be too disappointed if he fails to make the team but he will be trying his best and will gain a world of experience at the trials. Asked about training regulations, Bruce stated rest and lots of it really counts in being in top physical condition.

His mother follows the health rules when preparing his meals and cooks her son a huge steak before he enters a race. She also makes sure he is properly rested at all times.

Also when he is in training, young Andrews times himself at all times with a stop watch whether running at the Guelph track which he attends three times a week or running the circle at Warren Grove where he lives.

University Offers

Commenting on his future, Bruce stated he intends to continue running but also wants to attend University, although presently he has not made up his mind what academic training he will follow. He also mentioned he had offers from the University of Michigan and Notre Dame to attend and run for their clubs.

Asked if he intended to follow up on these invitations, he stated school in Acton came first as he is only in Grade 11.

A quiet and modest individual, Bruce has a pleasing personality. Recently at the Acton High School Field Day when he won Intermediate championship honors, proof of his popularity was shown by the loud cheers that echoed through the classrooms.

Birthday Present

Looking forward to July 4, Bruce hopes to win the Juvenile Mile event of the Canadian Championship Relays in Toronto so he can celebrate the following day on his 17th birthday.

The Acton runner gives praise to his coaches, Jack McGibbon and Russell Dennis of the Guelph Club, for the time and effort they have spent on training him for races.

Approve Preliminary Plans For High School Gym, Classes

Architect's plans for the additions to Acton and Georgetown High Schools were reviewed Monday evening by members of the North Halton District High School Board when they met in Milton.

The Board approved both sets of preliminary plans in principle. The Acton addition calls for three classrooms, a laboratory, gymnasium-auditorium and a recommended proposal for a home economics area.

The extension is proposed for the north end of the building, the connecting corridor space being in the area of the present girls' washroom. The architect's report suggested the addition in this location would block off a minimum amount of existing classroom light.

The plan is in two floors. The first floor would contain two classroom and class rooms. The boys' washroom would remain unchanged the foyer and front entrance would be enlarged and improved because of increased traffic to the auditorium. The auditorium could be closed off from the balance of the school for after hours use.

The gymnasium - auditorium Boys' shower room and dressing room would be adjacent to the gym and similar facilities would be provided for the girls.

The second floor would contain one laboratory, a classroom and bleachers over the dressing rooms. The report suggests additional classrooms required in the future could be built on the second floor of the existing building.

The architect's report noted the construction of the gym in the proposed location precludes a future double gymnasium.

Reverting on the Georgetown High School, the architects recommended construction of the addition mostly at the north of the existing buildings providing the most pleasing appearance from Guelph St. The gymnasium wing would be to the south of both additions that have been made to the original school. An open court would connect Guelph St. to the gym. Other parts of the addition would be over the first addition and on the site of the present old school.

Both sets of plans were approved in principle.

Chairman John Hall reported the surveyor had been instructed to obtain the survey and necessary levels for the use of the architect in planning the new Milton High School.

Law Captures Snapping Turtle Shoots 30 Pounder in Lakeview

On Wednesday morning of this week Corporal Ray Mason of the OPP Detachment in Acton had a call from an alarmed citizen in the Lakeview subdivision who reported a large snapping turtle at her back door.

Fearing for the safety of the children in the area the disturbed housewife asked the OPP officer to investigate and remove the animal.

Upon investigating the corporal found a huge snapping turtle and using the officer's words, "with a neck the size of a quart milk bottle", sitting quite determined with its head staring at the resident's rear door.

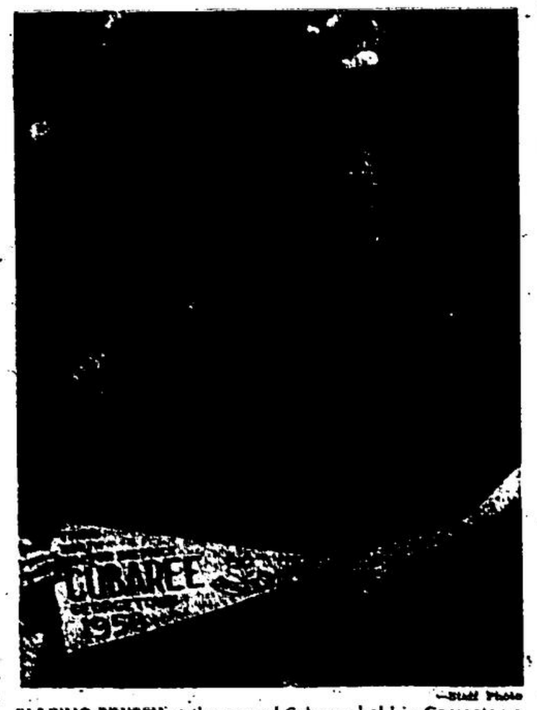
The turtle had been reported in the vicinity before stated Mr. Mason.

Approaching the fierce looking turtle with caution, the corporal grasped the animal by the tail held it up and shot it with his revolver.

The officer reported the turtle weighed at least 30 pounds and in his estimation appeared to be old.

Corporal Mason stated he had removed a shovel from his cruiser and taunted the animal who made a grasp at the blade and held on until he could almost raise it off the ground.

In reporting the incident the OPP officer said if any children had been close to the animal they would have easily lost one or two fingers.



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PLACING FOURTH at the annual Cubaree held in Georgetown on Saturday last was "B" Pack of the Acton Cubs. Pictured above are Murray Scoyne, "Akela" of the Pack, and sixer John Goy who received the pennant during the presentation. 335 Cubs attended the event including Cubs from Norval, Georgetown, Glen Williams and Milton.

Action Plus

Last Friday, two advertisers in the Acton Free Press called to thank the newspaper for the prompt action received by them as a result of ads placed in the paper the day before.

The two ads appeared in last week's issue and one reported a windbreaker lost. The article of clothing was returned to its rightful owner shortly after the paper reached the street.

Another advertised a bicycle for sale and by six o'clock Thursday evening an inquiry had been received with the result the bike was sold that same evening.

These are only two of many satisfied advertisers in the local paper who use the classified page to rent, buy, sell or seek lost articles.

Bandsmen Fete Former Member With Concert

A past bandsman and a great supporter of Acton Citizens' Band, Amos Mason and Mrs. Mason were honored by the Acton band when they paraded to their home on Bower Avenue on Wednesday evening of this week and played a few selections in honor of the couple's 50th wedding anniversary.

Following the private concert, the band paraded to Acton park, where they played their first concert of the year.

Lorne Week, band president, this week announced additional uniforms have arrived for the bandsmen recently added to the group of musicians and each member is now completely outfitted.

Name K. Hulford To Bowling Exec.

Ken Hulford, proprietor of the Acton Bowling Lanes, attended the annual convention of the Bowling Proprietors of Ontario held in Hamilton recently. During the three-day business session, the future growth and support of junior bowling in Ontario was discussed.

Newly elected officers for the coming season are: Don Graham of Sarnia, president; Ken Hulford, vice-president; Mel Edwards, North Bay, vice-president; Joe Worrall, London, vice-president; Jim Grant, Toronto, executive director; Wilf Simpson, Renfrew, director; Guido Widmeyer, Fergus, director.

In attendance were owners and managers from 292 bowling alleys in Ontario.

Following the business meeting, delegates and their wives attended a dinner dance in the Royal Connaught Hotel.

Approve Four-Block Rate System P.U.C. to Order Billing Machine

Authorization was granted by Acton Public Utilities Commission to adopt the new four-block rate structure for the town of Acton at their regular meeting on Thursday, June 5, in the Utilities office.

The new rate system, recommended by the H.E.P.C., has been checked by the commission and found to be a standard system. It will allow cheaper electricity to the consumer.

Chairman J. J. Stewart informed members it was his opinion the new system should be in effect the first of the coming year.

Asked what the commission intended to do about purchasing the new billing machine discussed earlier to handle the rate system, Chairman Stewart suggested the new equipment be ordered and the commission could decide before the time of delivery if they intended to keep the old machine or not.

Clarifying the situation, it was pointed out the old machine presently in use could not handle the various phases of billing necessary under the proposed new system. Therefore the work would have to be done manually, perhaps involving one employee full time.

Not in Business for Profit

Commissioner C. Lindsay reminded members the commission was not in operation to show a big profit and if it was possible to turn something back to the consumers the new system should be put into operation as soon as possible.

He also informed the commission it was quite likely the new four-block rate system would have to be adopted in a couple of years, therefore it might as well be put into force immediately.

Secretary-treasurer J. McGeachie informed members the Guelph rural area had adopted the system, and stated this system would have to be adopted in the near future.

The commission agreed to order the new billing machine and adopt the new system the beginning of January, 1959.

Sign Agreement

A final revised Union agreement was approved by the commission following a review of the revised edition. M. J. LeBlanc was present, representing the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

This action followed various meetings between commission members and Union officials. An alteration allowing for a salary increase on April 4, 1959, was inserted in the agreement.

Edwin Evans of the Acton Hydro Department was present to represent the employees.

Wish Statement Clarified

A discussion developed regarding a recent report in the local paper of the council meeting held on Monday, June 2, at which time it was noted Mayor W. H. Cook had remarked on the duties of the town clerk, saying he was at the call of the P.U.C.\

Chairman Stewart pointed out the statement was misleading to the public and wished it clarified that Mr. McGeachie was an employee of the Utilities Commission, who paid part of his salary.

Deputy Reeve J. Greer remarked it was his opinion the Mayor was calling council down, not anyone else. He added, "There is no need to take offence."

Mr. McGeachie informed members he was an employee of both parties and there should be an agreement between both as to what meetings he would attend.

The commission agreed the situation should be investigated.

Approve Payment

Upon notification of a bill from Shortill Sheet Metal for cleaning out a blocked sewer in the lateral to C. Ashley's property in Warren Grove, it was noted the account had been endorsed by A. Duby, sewer superintendent.

Speaking for Superintendent Duby, who was absent, J. J. Stewart informed the commission the superintendent had agreed the cause of the trouble was on town property and therefore was the responsibility of the P.U.C.

Request Pipe

A letter from the secretary of the Board of Parks Management requested plastic pipe in possession of the commission for use at the park to service the new change stations.

After discussing the request at length, it was decided to ask a representative of the Board to attend the next commission meeting to review the situation.

The commission agreed to send representatives to the South Central Ontario Waterworks Convention in Galt on June 18.

Much Discussed At Urban Board

Members of Milton, Georgetown and Acton councils gathered in Georgetown last night (Wednesday) for an informal meeting of the North Halton Urban Board.

Many topics came under discussion during the meeting, including bills received from the Crown Attorney in all three towns and the size of the district police force.

Other matters discussed for general information were the times for starting and ending council meetings and the number of meetings in a year; methods of approving accounts, unions, holidays and working hours for town employees; council salaries, fees for the magistrate, charges, insurance and collection for ambulance services; street sweepers and washers; school costs and government grants, and town insurance.

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TUG-OF-WAR WINNERS line up for instructions from their strongest rooter, Cub Ron McKnight, seated in wheelchair. The youngsters, all members of first Acton "B" pack, pulled many times their weight during the afternoon before they emerged champs in the event, at the Cubaree in Georgetown last Saturday. Team members are shown left to right: Steve Goy, Neil Johnson, Ron Henry, Doug Ford rear standing, John Goy, David Ryder and John Chisholm.