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Guesses Rocky's Homer D. Gibbons Wins Contest

Dennis Gibbons, 14-year-old high school student, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Gibbons, 74 Main Street South, received word this week he had won the Rocky Nelson Home Run Contest.

The contest was sponsored by a Toronto daily newspaper. Entries were asked to guess the day, time and time that Rocky Nelson, Toronto Maple Leaf ball player, would hit his 35th home run of the season.

Dennis won the contest with his guess, "August 10, eighth inning at 3:55 p.m." and was correct with the exception of his time, which was 3:58 p.m.

For his effort, the young Acton sports enthusiast wins a season's pass for two for the balance of this season and all of next. He will also be asked to present a trophy to Rocky Nelson at Maple Leaf Stadium on August 19.

Dennis has been asked by Ruddy Schaffner, general manager of the Maple Leaf ball club, to invite all the boys playing in the Minor Sports ball league to the stadium in Toronto on August 19, for the trophy presentation.

Crowd Visits Eden Mills Attends Annual Fun Fair

A large crowd attended the annual Fun Fair, sponsored by Eden Mills Community Club, on Saturday, August 9, to enjoy games, pony rides, bungee, lucky draws, a softball game and many other activities in the Eden Mills park.

A ball game between Fergus and Badenoch started the evening's activities at 7:30 and after seven innings of play, the game ended in a 6-8 tie.

Play Games

Following the ball game, the crowd dispersed from the bleachers and entered into the many interesting games spread throughout the park, pausing occasionally to enjoy a snack at the booths.

Children were keenly interested in the pony rides and fish pond, and adults rested themselves at the bungee table in an attempt to win one of the prizes awarded.

One of the highlights of the evening was the lucky draw, with first prize of an electric clock radio won by Donna Hills, Rockwood, second prize of a picnic cooler won by Mrs. G. Anderson, Acton. Mrs. Bob Croft, Eden Mills, won the lucky gate prize of an electric clock.

Rolls Lucky Ticket

Roy Nightingale was presented with a five dollar bonus for selling the lucky ticket for the draw.

Community ladies were kept busy during the evening serving hot dogs, sandwiches, pie and ice cream and soft drinks to the large gathering as well as supplying a beautiful lunch for the ball players after their game.

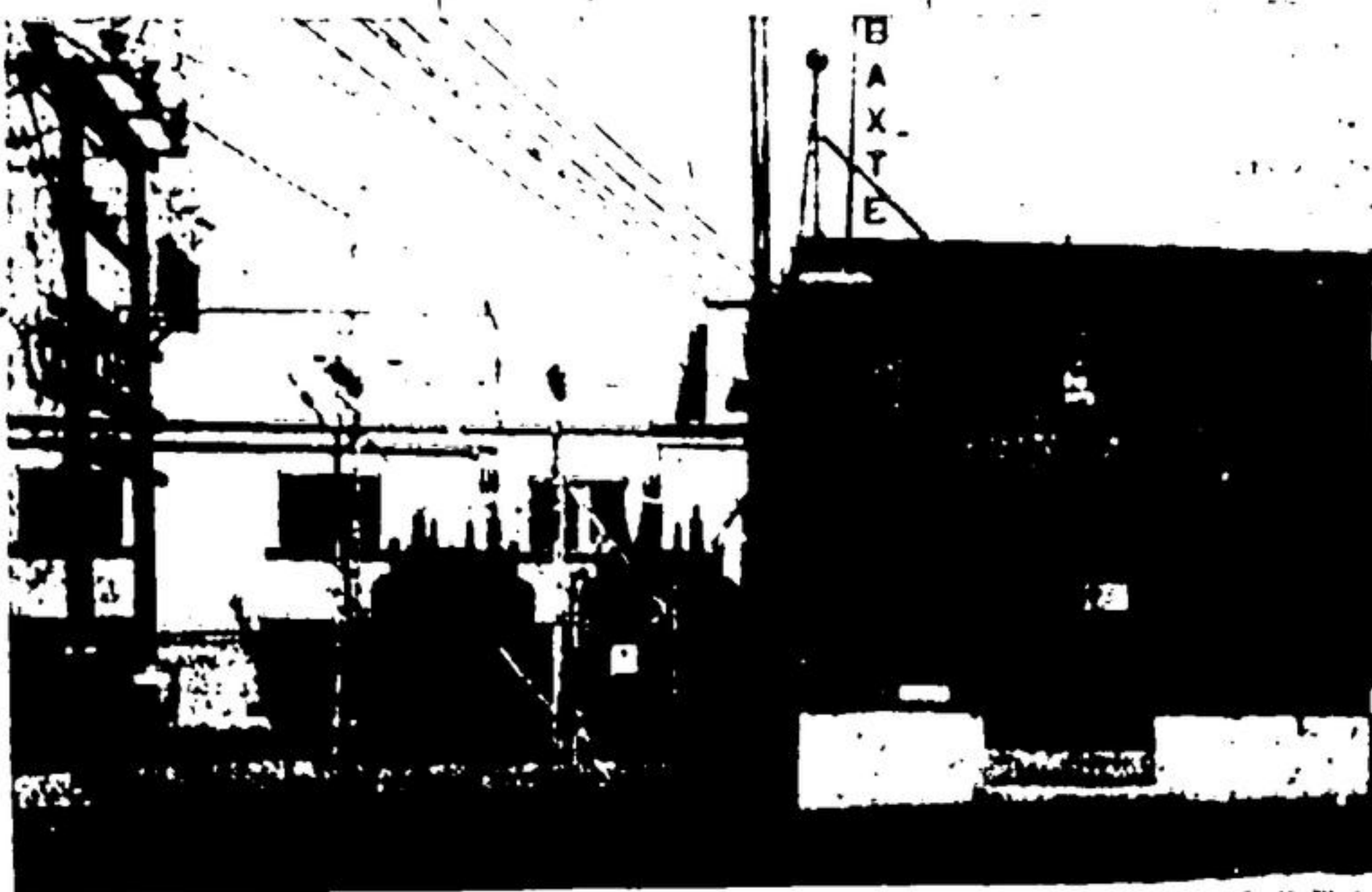
Shortly before midnight, parents with tired children began to thin out, leaving only local members of the Community Club and helpers to talk over the success of the gala evening.

P.U.C. Approves \$17,160 Expenditure To Purchase Willow Street Substation

Approval was granted for the purchase of the Willow Street Substation from the H.E.P.C. at a cost of \$17,160, when the Public Utilities Commission held their regular meeting on Thursday, August 7.

Following the submission earlier in the month of quotations on Substations No. 1 and No. 2, P.U.C. decided to purchase the former. He was instructed to check with the H.E.P.C. to determine the present amount carried.

A letter from the H.E.P.C. informed members of the rate schedule if the new four-block rate system is adopted.



THE WILLOW STREET SUBSTATION servicing homes and businesses north of Mill street and south west of Willow street, has been purchased by the Acton Public Utilities Commission. The purchase of the substation will enable the consumer to enjoy cheaper rates. The chimney in the background was used when the former Baxter plant was used as a steam generating plant for electricity in Acton, before 1912.

Contractors Responsible

During Superintendent J. Lambert's report, the commission was informed that several curb boxes had been broken in the new section of Glenora. The secretary was instructed to notify the contractor of the incident and inform them they would be held responsible.

R. N. Brown was present to notify the commission his source of water supply was becoming dangerously low. He requested a supply of water from the 11-inch main recently constructed on Churchhill Road.

The commission agreed to investigate the situation as soon as possible. Mr. Brown was informed application would have to be made at the office and the regular deposit paid.

The water superintendent was instructed to begin installation of the service as soon as possible.

Recommend Addition

A recommendation from the building committee to construct an addition to the present pump house on the cemetery hill for storage purposes met with approval.

C. Lindsay and W. H. Cook informed members they had reviewed the crowded situation at the pump house and it was their opinion the situation could be remedied with the new addition for storage. Questioned regarding heating the proposed addition, the committee agreed a hook-up with the present system would be quite satisfactory.

The building committee was instructed to obtain a price for the proposed addition and report back to the commission.

Apply for Services

Secretary McGeehan informed members that Thomas and Thomas, contractors at Glenora Subdivision, had made application for installation of 32 services and the superintendent was instructed to install the services.

Hydro Superintendent D. Mason reported that D. Anderson, a hydro employee, was progressing favorably as a groundsman. He pointed out Mr. Anderson had been a groundsman for almost the required time and it was his opinion the worker was in a position to advance to beginner lineman.

The commission agreed the recommendation of the superintendent was final but decided to leave the situation until the following meeting as Mr. Anderson's full time as groundsman had not been served.

Water Supply

Superintendent Lambert enquired if the commission had intention of tapping the open stream at the spring off No. 25 Highway, into the reservoir. He stated tests indicated the water was as pure as the underground supply.

Supporting the superintendent's statement, Secretary McGeehan told members the tests were equal.

The superintendent noted the water was presently going to waste when it could be used, as there had been times recently when he had become a little alarmed at the water level.

The commission instructed the superintendent to make arrangements for the water supply to be tapped into the reservoir.

The following accounts were approved for payment.

Hydro Department

Petty cash	\$25.32
J. B. Mackenzie & Son	18.82
Simon Hardware	1.13
Acton Motors	60.71
Bell Telephone	4.70
J. R. Kearney Corp.	36.00
H. C. Barlow Co.	23.70
Action Free Press	32.01
Force Electric Prod.	2.08
Norm Turner, trenching	60.00
H.E.P.C. Labor	61.60
J. McCallum's Serv. gas	3.73
Ellis & Howard Ltd.	9.16
Wm. Knell & Co. Ltd.	10.30
Powertite Devices Ltd.	215.30
H. K. Porter Co. wire	167.98
Can. Line Materials Ltd.	33.82
Burdyn Can. Ltd.	40.30
Total	788.28

Water Department

Gordon Hardware	5.75
Simon Hardware	2.40
Thompson Motors	21.65
J. R. Ferguson Ltd.	68.00
Can. Brass Ltd.	5.90
Neptune Meters Ltd.	32.57
Beardmore & Co. Ltd.	16.33
Total	151.50

Power Department

R. Thompson Puris	136.11
Acton Auto Body	33.00
Acton Motors	16.85
J. Ridley Cartage	75.03
Simon Hardware	11.38
J. D. Oaks & Son Ltd.	231.60
Concrete Pipe Ltd.	335.08
Boy's Electric Service	3.50
W. Cunningham & Hill	33.20
Honeywell Controls Ltd.	74.70
Total	690.07

THE AMOUNT OF POWER used in certain sections of Acton is registered by the graphic meter shown being checked by Hydro Superintendent D. Mason, during an inspection of the Willow Street Substation. The substation, previously owned and serviced by the H.E.P.C., has been purchased by the Acton P.U.C. and ratepayers can expect lower hydro rates after the first of the year. By owning the substation, the P.U.C. expect a \$1,700 saving per year. The graphic meter also shows when the peak load of power occurs. The hydro superintendent pointed out this was noon hour daily.

Dressing Room Tour Shows Filth, Damage

Three members of Acton's Board of Parks Management toured the change rooms at Acton Park on Tuesday evening and found the place to be in a disgusting condition of filth and destruction.

E. G. Tyler Sr., A. Irwin and Mrs. G. Fryer, accompanied by members of the press, viewed the condition of the dressing stations at the request of Peter Edge, park superintendent.

Board members received reports of children swinging on the copper piping in the shower rooms and littering the change rooms with papers and filth. They had caused some damage to the plumbing.

Ride Bicycles

Children have been riding their bicycles inside the change rooms and tracking mud in reported Mr. Edge. He noted it was almost impossible to keep the place in a sanitary condition under these circumstances.

Board members considered closing the building early for the season in order to prevent any further willful destruction.

The caretaker, reported by Edge, believed the damage had been caused by 12-year-olds and up and not by smaller children.

The Parks Board agreed the damage must be stopped, or the building would become unusable in the same manner as had happened to the public toilets at the YMCA.

Building Disposed

The Parks Board regular meeting was dispensed with because of the absence of several members.

W. Harding Dies After Accident

William Harding, age 61, of Scarborough, died last Friday morning in Guilph General Hospital following an accident at the corner of Young and Queen Streets on Wednesday, August 6.

Mr. Harding and his wife were proceeding west on No. 7 Highway when their small English-made car became involved in an accident with a tank truck owned by Crawford Transport, Guilph.

Hospitalized immediately in an unconscious condition, Mr. Harding died early Friday morning as a result of his injuries.

Mrs. Harding was hospitalized suffering from bruises and shock. She was later released.

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OBITUARY Was Former Retail Merchant Wm. Cooper Buried in Fairview

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William Cooper was born in Erin township and as a young man came to Acton to learn the tailoring trade. His first shop was on Main Street and later he purchased the building at Mill and Main Streets and renovated it. He remained here until the time of his retirement from business in 1937.

He carried on a men's furnishings establishment there. He was a well known and popular business man who took a keen interest in the affairs of his home town. He served on the council for several years and was an elder in Knox church and played an active part in community affairs.

But it was in Masonic circles that he was best known, not only in Acton and district, but throughout the province and beyond. He was a Past Master of Walker Lodge for 50 years and was honored by Grand Lodge as an officer. For 40 years he was Chaplain of his mother's lodge.

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List Grade XIII Exam Results

The following are the Grade XIII High School examination results selected by the Department of Education this week.

Cooper, W. Frank, History 60, Geometry 50, Physics 50.

Dawkins, D. Gary, English Composition 50, English Literature 50, Algebra 41, Geometry 57, Trigonometry and Statistics 73, Physics 85.

Jans, Ella H. German, Authors 83, German Composition 52.

Landsborough, Helen J., English Composition 68, English Literature 75, History 50, Chemistry 50, Latin Authors 60, Latin Composition 64, French Authors 65, French Composition 53.

McEnery, Elizabeth E., English Composition 60, English Literature 50, History 60, Geometry 65, Chemistry 54, French Authors 70, French Composition 50.

Robinson, Peter H., English Composition 52, English Literature 70, Algebra 50, Geometry 55, Trigonometry and Statistics 55, Physics 72, Chemistry 58, French Authors 63, French Composition 50.

Saunders, A. Lorne, English Composition 52, Algebra 51, Geometry 71.

Smith, Beverley C., English Composition 52, English Literature 56, History 54, Chemistry 54, Latin Authors 51, Latin Composition 60, French Authors 67, French Composition 65.

Warn Companies to Discontinue Scare Tactics in Alarm Sales

A. E. County Chairman of the Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau reports that he has received information from the Consumers' Research Inc., Washington, New Jersey, regarding the Bureau's investigation into the methods of selling fire alarm systems in Halton County.

Mr. County reports that the Federal Trade Commission has issued release discussing consent orders which prohibit certain companies from continuing "Scare Tactics" in selling and from making a considerable number of important misrepresentations.

It is the intention of the bureau to continue its investigation with a view towards assisting the general public, reported Mr. County.

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