

Acton Auditorium Filled With Spectators For North Halton Rural Music Finals

Acton public school auditorium was crowded with interested spectators for the North Halton rural finals of the county music festival Tuesday. Some were even standing at the back of the hall during the day-long event, which began with girls' solos at 9 a.m. and concluded with duets about 3:30 p.m.

All those who competed had previously been winners in preliminary contests. There were six competitors allowed in solos and

duet classes with four choirs in competition in each choir class.

Impressed by Crowd

The adjudicator, E. J. Ferguson, music supervisor from Baden, said he was particularly impressed to see so many parents and adults in the auditorium. While there were several hundred there, he had anticipated when there were as few spectators as three.

He enjoyed hearing the young people sing and said he thought they all did very well indeed.

Cups and shields were presented to the winners from all sections of the north Halton district. No one school swept the boards and awards were scattered through the area.

Several Make Presentations

Inspector Robert Bornhold called on different people from the audience to make the presentations, representing the festival executive, principals, W.I. music supervisors, school boards and school area

Named In Order

Winners are named in order of judging, first, second and third.

Solo, grade eight and under, Sharon Hume, Dufferin; Nancy Mahon, S.S. 6, Nassagaweya; Robin Simpson, Quatre Bras.

Solo, boys eight and under, John Austin, S.S. 6, John Van Arigan, Dublin; Robert McGee, Pinegrove Choir, enrolment 24 and under, grades one to six, Pinegrove in Esqueving; Bell's in Nelson.

Solo, girls 11 and under, Betty Barker, S.S. 4, Nassagaweya; Darren Harrep, Pinegrove; Pave Graham, Dufferin.

Solo, boys 11 and under, Barry Mahon, S.S. 6, Laurie Death, Hornby; Sidney Wiestra, Dublin.

Choir, school enrolment 34 and under, S.S. 6, Nassagaweya; S.S. 4, Nassagaweya.

Solo, girls 12 and over, Doris Robinson, S.S. 7, Donna Kingdon, Hornby; Karen Dredge, S.S. 3, Nassagaweya.

Boys' changed voices, Terry Hamilton, S.S. 3, Nassagaweya; Brian Cargill, S.S. 4, Nassagaweya; Keith Ella, Hornby.

Solo, boys 12 and over, David Griffiths, S.S. 4, Nassagaweya; Billy Robertson, S.S. 6, Nassagaweya; John McGee, Pinegrove.

Choir, enrolment 35 and over, Hornby; S.S. 3, Nassagaweya.

Double trio, S.S. 3, Nassagaweya; S.S. 7, Nassagaweya.

Duet, Betty Baker and Heather Baker, S.S. 4, Nassagaweya; Carol Lawson and John McGee, Pinegrove; Donna Kingdon and Peggy Ann Robertson, Hornby.



JUNIOR SOLOISTS WINNERS during the North Halton Rural Finals in the Music Festival in the Robert Little School Auditorium in Acton, last Tuesday are pictured above. Shown in the front row are the girl winners eight years and under from left to right: Sharon Hume, Dufferin, first; Nancy Mahon, Nassagaweya, third and Robin Simpson from Quatre Bras school. The boys in the same age class are shown at the rear, John Austin, Nassagaweya, first; John Van Arigan, Dublin, second and Robert McGee, Pine Grove school, third.



PINEGROVE SCHOOL CHOIR won the trophy in class one during the North Halton Rural Finals in the Halton County Music Festival held in the Robert Little Public School Auditorium in Acton, on Tuesday of this week. Pictured above are: left to right: S. Green, R. McGee, D. Facklman, B. Brown and D. Kendall. Second row: K. Swan, S. Kendall, L. Brown, C. Lawson and B. Alexander. Back row: G. Lauppe, J. McGee, H. Barnes and S. May. The class teacher is Mrs. Kathleen Lawson and the music teacher is Mrs. Mary Kidney. Missing when picture was taken were pupils Doreen Harop and Gwynneth Swan.

Frances Oakes, Russell Gaulton Wed in Double Ring Ceremony

Baskets of spring flowers decorated the rectory of the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton when Frances Ida Oakes became the bride of Russell Eugene Gaulton. The Rev. H. Hays officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Oakes of Acton and the groom is the son of Mr. R. Gaulton and the late Mrs. Gaulton of Hamilton.

The wedding took place at 3 p.m. on April 3.

White Gown

The bride wore a short gown of white embroidered satin, made by her mother, with a pearl necklace of her grandmother's. Her shoulder-length veil was trimmed with seed pearls. She carried a cascade bouquet of red roses and stephanotis.

Mrs. Paul Lawson, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a short gown of polished, embossed cotton in orange, accented with matching accessories. She carried a cascade bouquet of yellow mums and from her pearl necklace and earrings wore a set of the bride.

Dr. Oakes gave his daughter in marriage.

Groomsmen were Mr. Chuck O'Connor of Hamilton, a cousin of the groom.



Ancient catapults got their power from a twisted skein of hair and a snail which wound down the arm. When released, the arm swung forward, shooting the missile from a sling at the end. When the Romans besieged Carthage in 146 B.C., all the Carthaginian women cut off their hair to supply the catapults. How this skein and arm were made is not now known. A skein of rope and an arm of timber will not fire a stone weighing more than eight pounds.

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Trafalgar Township Sets 4.03 Mill Rate

A 1959 tax rate of 4.03 mills was struck by the Trafalgar Township Council this week.

The new rate shows an increase of 1.0 mills over the 1958 base rate of 3.03 mills.

Rising school costs were reported directly responsible for this year's increase. The high school's budget showed an increase of 4 mills, from six to 10 mills. The public school budget showed an increase of 1.5 mills, from 13 to 14.5.

The general purpose budget of 14.5 mills and the county rate of 4.9 were unchanged from last year.

Business establishments will pay an additional 2.2 mills.

The garbage area charge increased 5 mills, from 1.1 to 1.6 mills.

The water area charge also increased 3 mills, from 1.5 to 4.8.

The only budget showing a decrease in 1959 was the sewer area charges, which decreased 8 mills, from 5.4 to 4.6.

A new levy this year was a one mill public utilities commission charge.

The maximum residential rate was struck at 43.7 mills and the maximum business rate 99.9 mills.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Dills visited in Toronto on the weekend.

Mrs. Ada Bell and Mr. Maxwell Bell of Toronto called on Acton friends Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Anderson visited with relatives at Bond Head one day the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lambert and family of Drayton visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lambert Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rawn of Hamilton visited Mrs. Fred McMillan and Mr. Bill McMillan this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Cox and family started out Tuesday by car for their new home at Elcajon, California.

Mrs. Bob Frank returned home Sunday from Guelph General Hospital. Friends hope she will soon be feeling fine again.

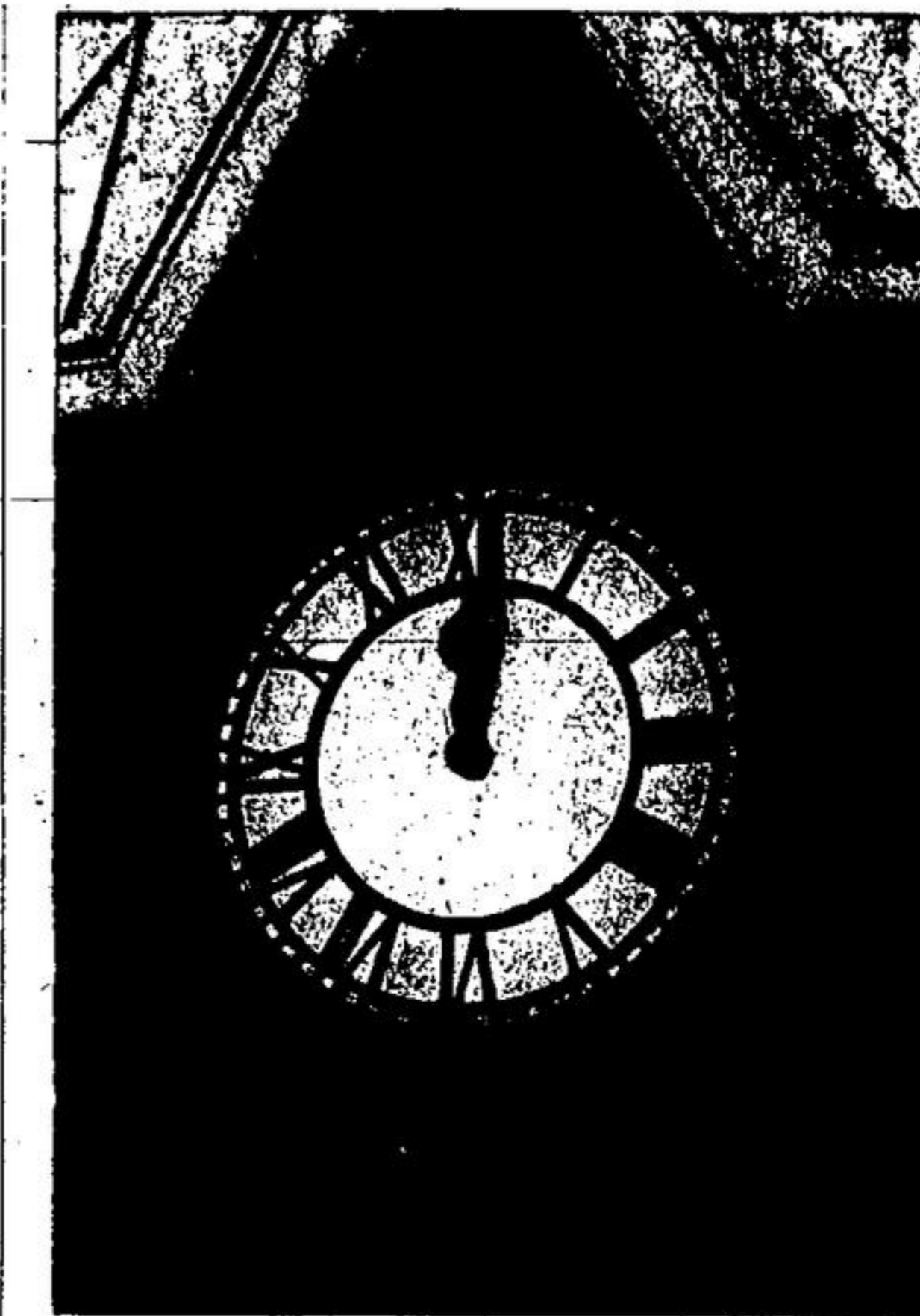
Miss Marilyn Lemon returned home from Guelph General Hospital where she had been a patient for two months with rheumatic fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Armand Braida and family of Kingston visited on the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Braida, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Burton arrived on Monday from England to stay at the home of Mrs. Burton's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hurst.

There'll be no training for a month for distance runner Bruce Andrews. He had his appendix out in Guelph General Hospital and is making a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Pringle have just returned home after spending the winter in Tucson, Arizona. They visited their son Donald at Britannia Beach, B.C., on the way home.



IF EVERYBODY seems to be ahead of you on Sunday perhaps it's because you forgot to join the rest of the community on Daylight Saving Time. Sunday at 12:01 a.m. Acton and district join the area that loses an hour's sleep to gain some longer evenings.

Fete Bride, Groom Prior to Marriage

A Toronto wedding of local interest was that of Lois Brimblecombe of Toronto to William Foote of R.R. 1, Rockwood. Both were guests at various gatherings before their marriage on April 11.

Many lovely gifts were received by the bride at miscellaneous showers. On February 23 Mrs. Alice McCuaig was hostess. On March 8, the bridesmaids, Miss Barbara Shandu and Miss Shirley Rumbolt, were hostesses. On March 16, Mrs. May MacCaud and Mrs. Sade Windsor entertained. On March 27 Miss Margaret O'Donnell was hostess. Prudential Life associates gathered on April 9.

Prudential Life associates made the presentation to the groom of a car cover and combination magazine rack and ash tray stand. His fuzzer team presented him with a clock, and a group of other friends with a sweater.

Fishing Contest Begins May 1st

Friday, May 1, the trout will be lurking in the shadow of a rock or overhanging branch of a tree, patiently waiting for fishermen to drop their baited lines, ready to make that swift pass at the hooks.

Yes, the trout season opens the first of May and with it begins a three day fishing contest sponsored by the following Acton merchants: Gordon's Hardware, Canadian Tire Corporation, Symon Hardware, Hinton's 5c to \$1 store, and the Acton Free Press.

The contest begins as soon as any ardent fisherman cares to drop a line in any stream within a 25 mile radius of Acton on opening day and closes at 4 p.m. on Sunday afternoon.

About 90 Attend L.O.L. Euchre, Dance

Approximately 90 people attended the weekly euchre and dance sponsored by the Acton Loyal Orange Lodge local 467, held in the meeting hall at Crewsons Corners on Friday, April 10.

At the conclusion of the euchre play prizes were awarded to Mrs. G. Fountain for high lady, Julian Zajac for high man, Mrs. A. Gordon, low lady and W. A. Leishman, low man.

A special door prize was won by S. Sinclair and during the dancing Sharlene Gough and Carolynne Williamson received the spot dance prize.

Many Prizes

Sponsors of the contest have donated prizes which are on display in the Free Press window and will be presented to the winners in the following classes: adults: first, two prizes; second, one prize; children: first, two prizes; second, one prize; special prize for the first trout registered over 12 inches.

Prepare your fishing tackle now and be on hand to land a big one during the opening weekend of trout fishing.

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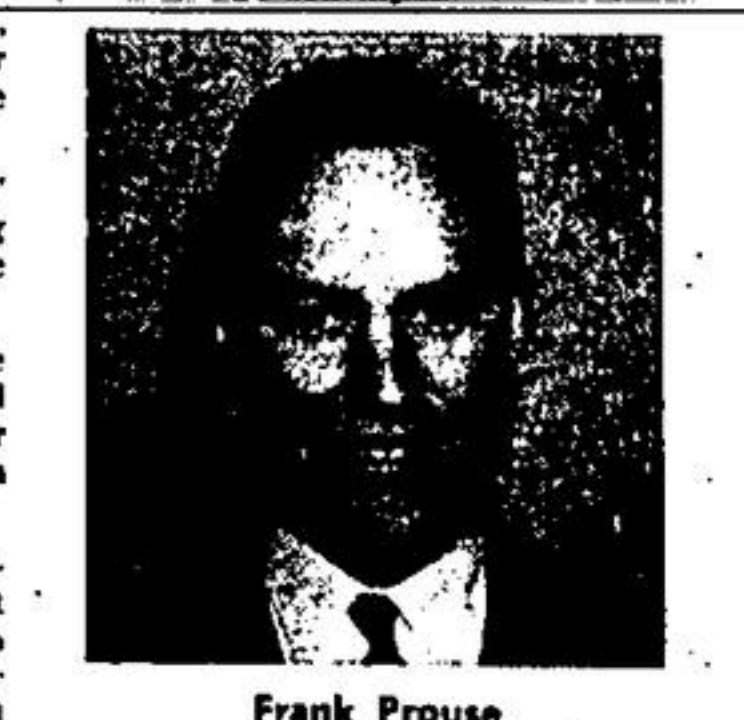
Here's one for the road

The little old lady driving a small European car stopped to help a second little old lady, when she spotted a similar model stalled at the roadside with the front hood up.

"My stars, I've lost my engine," said the stranded one, looking into the empty space where the engine usually is.

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- (2) All trout registered must be caught within a 25 mile radius of Acton.
- (3) Entrants must register fish at the Free Press Office for weighing and measuring, or call Don Ryder at 439.
- (4) Winning trout will be determined by weight and in the event of a tie, the winner will be chosen by length.
- (5) All entrants must be residents of Acton and district.
- (6) Prizes will be awarded in the Adult class, (2 prizes will be awarded the winner and 1 prize to the runner up). Children's class, (2 prizes will be awarded the winner and 1 prize to the runner up), and for the first trout turned in over 12 inches, (1 prize).

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