



M. Z. BENNETT SCHOOL senior choir copped first place honors during the North Halton Urban Music Festival Wednesday and received the Milton Kinsmen's trophy. Pictured above during the presentation are left to right Kinsman and vice principal of Milton school John Bell making the presentation to Donna Andrews. Principal W. D. E. Smith and music supervisor Glenn Banks smile in approval.

Home and School to Use H.S. Gym Board Learns of Staff Resignations

Acton High School Board on a split vote agreed to allow the Home and School Association the use of the school facilities for their April meeting. The board, at their Wednesday evening meeting, sanctioned the gymnasium use over the objections of trustee E. S. Force.

The chairman, J. Creighton, pointed out that the organization included parents of both public and high school students. He also noted "these people are taxpayers and parents. What right have we to deny them these facilities?"

The secretary reported on an agreement, negotiated with Milton High School Board, whereby shop teacher P. Caddick will teach shop in Milton three days a week and in Acton two days each week during the 1960-61 school term.

Word has been received that the equipping of the home economics room will be subject to government grants.

Trustees also decided against sending a delegate to the Associated High School Boards of Ontario convention in Niagara Falls in May.

The finance committee report was accepted and the accounts were ordered paid. General accounts totalled \$2,450.31 and the payroll account amounted to \$6,199.12.

Principal Hansen, in his report, advised members that three teachers had tendered their resignations. Two teachers are retiring and the third teacher is returning to university. He reported two positions had been tentatively filled and the third position is to be advertised again this week. Enrolment for 1960-61 is estimated at 300.

The transportation committee reported they had received numerous complaints regarding the bus pick-up times. The committee has made surveys and is studying the problem and will report to the board on their recommendations.

District inspector Johnson attended the meeting and reported on and discussed with the board the operation of the school.

POET'S CORNER

FRIENDS
Ah, well do I remember two laughing little girls,
When all of life was golden, glad and free;
And one had braids of auburn and one had yellow curls,
And both a guileless secret hid from me.

Too swift the years' rolled on, ward, their pathways seldom met;
Their dreams were changed to life's reality;
For, as one woke at dawning, the other's sun did set,
And 'twixt them rolled the billows of the sea.

Life has a rapturbation — ours not to question why —
They met today upon a golden strand;
And still they share a secret concealed from human eye,
Until, the valley past, we understand.

—Isabel Anderson.

About 44,000 new cases of cancer will be diagnosed in Canada this year. This is based on an incidence rate of approximately 250 new cases a year for every 100,000 population.

Esqueusing, Nassagaweya In Festival Competition

About 600 rural school students from 20 Esqueusing and Nassagaweya township public schools gathered at Stewarttown and Brookville halls all day Tuesday to compete in the preliminary competitions for the 29th annual North Halton rural music festival.

The final will be held tomorrow (Friday) at the Robert Little Public School in Acton when the first, second and third prize winners from each township will compete for top awards in the 12 classes—three choirs, a trio, a duet and seven solo classes.

At Esqueusing on Tuesday, G. A. Smale was the adjudicator. He is a music teacher in the school for the blind at Brantford, and was called upon to give marks for close to 400 students entered in the competitions.

Learnmont, Hornby; Brian Phillips, Bannockburn.

Vocal duet, Carol Lawson and John McGee, Pinegrove; Donna Kingdon and Linda Wilson, Hornby; Donna Rennie and Annie Kamminga, Dufferin.

Girls 12 and over, Donna Rennie, Dufferin; Linda Brown, Pinegrove; Linda Wilson, Hornby.

Choir two part, 35 and over, Milton Heights, Hornby.

Boys 12 and over, Peter French, Quatre Bras; John McGee, Pine Grove; John McDonald, Limehouse.

Double trio, Milton Heights, Hornby, Pine Grove.

Presents Study

Trustee Force presented a study he had completed on the student load, the accomplishments and costs of the school. Chairman Creighton termed the report "unflattering but not encouraging".

Trustee Force emphasized that, in his opinion, there was "too much interest and activity outside the curriculum... too much activity that is not secured at the three R's." Copies of the study are to be prepared and distributed to the teaching staff.

The board discussed the activities of the Acton High School badminton group quite fully. It was agreed to include the subject on the agenda of the next regular meeting for discussion.

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The BIBLE Today

There are eight Colporteurs at work in Iran of whom five are Armenians, one an Assyrian, and two are converts from Islam. At a small village one of the Colporteurs met a young man who said "I am a Christian." He was previously a Muslim, who while he was in hospital, was given a Gospel which he read with interest. Then he bought a Bible and now he says "I am happy to have this book, it has been the means of my getting well and also the means of my salvation."

"Christ our God"

On meeting an old man in another village, who claimed to be the oldest man in the district, the Colporteur told him of Christ and His claims as told in the Scripture. The old man replied, "Christ is not only our Saviour, He is our God." This was a great testimony in a Muslim village.

Sunday, Colossians 4: 2-18; Monday, John 16: 16-33; Tuesday, John 17: 1-12; Wednesday, John 17: 13-26; Thursday, John 18: 1-4; Friday, Mark 4: 1-34; Saturday, Matthew 4: 23, 5: 20.

Tell Easter Story At Knox Meeting

Taking Easter as the theme for the April meeting, the Daughters of Knox met in the church choir room on Monday, April 4, with the president presiding.

Miss Ann Watkins, accompanied by Mrs. Moran, sang the beautiful hymn, Christ Arose.

Mrs. C. Ashley, assisted by Mrs. W. Toth, Miss H. Coles, Mrs. B. Van Fleet and Mrs. A. Patcai, told the Easter story with suitable scripture readings, prayers and hymns.

Business included final plans for the Daffodil Tea and baking sale to be held April 23. The group also plans to attend the first Holy Week Service next Sunday evening.

Lunch was served by the group in charge at the close of the meeting.

Peel Construction Wins District Job

Peel Construction Co. Ltd. will continue to work in the Campbellville district this summer, it was announced this week.

The Braintown firm has been awarded the contract for granular base and reinforced concrete paving for Highway 401 for the Campbellville interchange to Highway 6. The section of highway is to be completed this year.

CARRIED NO TORCH

Seated side by side in a tavern, the men were partaking of intoxicating brew.

"Hank," said one, "I notice you drink a lot. Does your tongue burn after you've had quite a bit?"

Hank pondered, "I don't rightly know, Joe. I've never been drunk enough to try to light it."

TYPICAL FOREST

Selecting the Geraldton area as typical of the boreal forest of Northern Canada which they wished to study, two overseas delegates to the Botany Conference in Montreal visited the Geraldton forest district on their tour of Canada and the United States. They were Dr. Michael Morrison of Belfast, Ireland, and Dr. Anna Medwecka-Kornas, of Krakow, Poland.

ESQUEUSING

Following is a list of the Esqueusing "swimmers":

Girls 8 and under, Debbie Rogers, Stone; Karen O'Rourke, Blue Mountain; Linda Howden, Ligny.

Boys 8 and under, Barrie Breen, Dublin; Robert McGee, Pine Grove; Teddy Brown, Limehouse.

Choir, 24 and under, Pine Grove, Bannockburn.

Boys changed voices, Lorne Ella, Hornby; Lloyd Davis, Ligny; Erwin Owenlycke, Quatre Bras.

Girls 11 and under, Helen Hume, Waterloo; Doreen Harrup, Pine Grove; Jacqueline Kingdon, Hornby.

Choir, two part, 34 and under, Quatre Bras, Ligny.

Boys, 11 and under, David Swindhurst, Blue Mountain; Tommy

NASSAGAWEYA

At Nassagaweya, Guelph area music teacher Dr. Charles Wilson was the adjudicator. Over 200 voices from the nine smaller township schools competed in the all-day semi-final competitions.

Winners for Nassagaweya:

Girls 8 and under, Nellie Vandervind, S.S. 1; Carol Thomson, S.S. 3; Nancy Mahon, S.S. 6.

Boys 8 and under, Allan Patterson, S.S. 3; Brian Wheeler, S.S. 4; Keith Elliot, S.S. 7.

Choir, 24 and under, S.S. 9, S.S. 1.

Boys changed voices, Jim Croft, S.S. 4; Raymond Berlinguette, S.S. 3.

Girls 11 and under, Beth Currie, S.S. 2; Susan Bonus, S.S. 7; Dawn Van Buskirk, S.S. 1.

Part two choirs, 34 and under, S.S. 6; Brookville.

Boys 11 and under, John Croft, S.S. 4; David Woodhouse, S.S. 8; Rickie Jarvis, S.S. 3.

Duet, Diane Bonus and Karen Dredge, S.S. 3; Barry Mahon and Marilyn Hilson, S.S. 6; Heather Baker and Betty Baker, S.S. 4.

Girls 12 and over, Karen Dredge, S.S. 3; Sandra Blythe, Brookville; Betty Baker, S.S. 4.

Choir, 35 and over, S.S. 3.

Boys 12 and over, John Sanderson, S.S. 3; Billy Robertson, S.S. 6; Malcolm Johnson, Brookville.

Double trio, S.S. 3; S.S. 4; S.S. 6.

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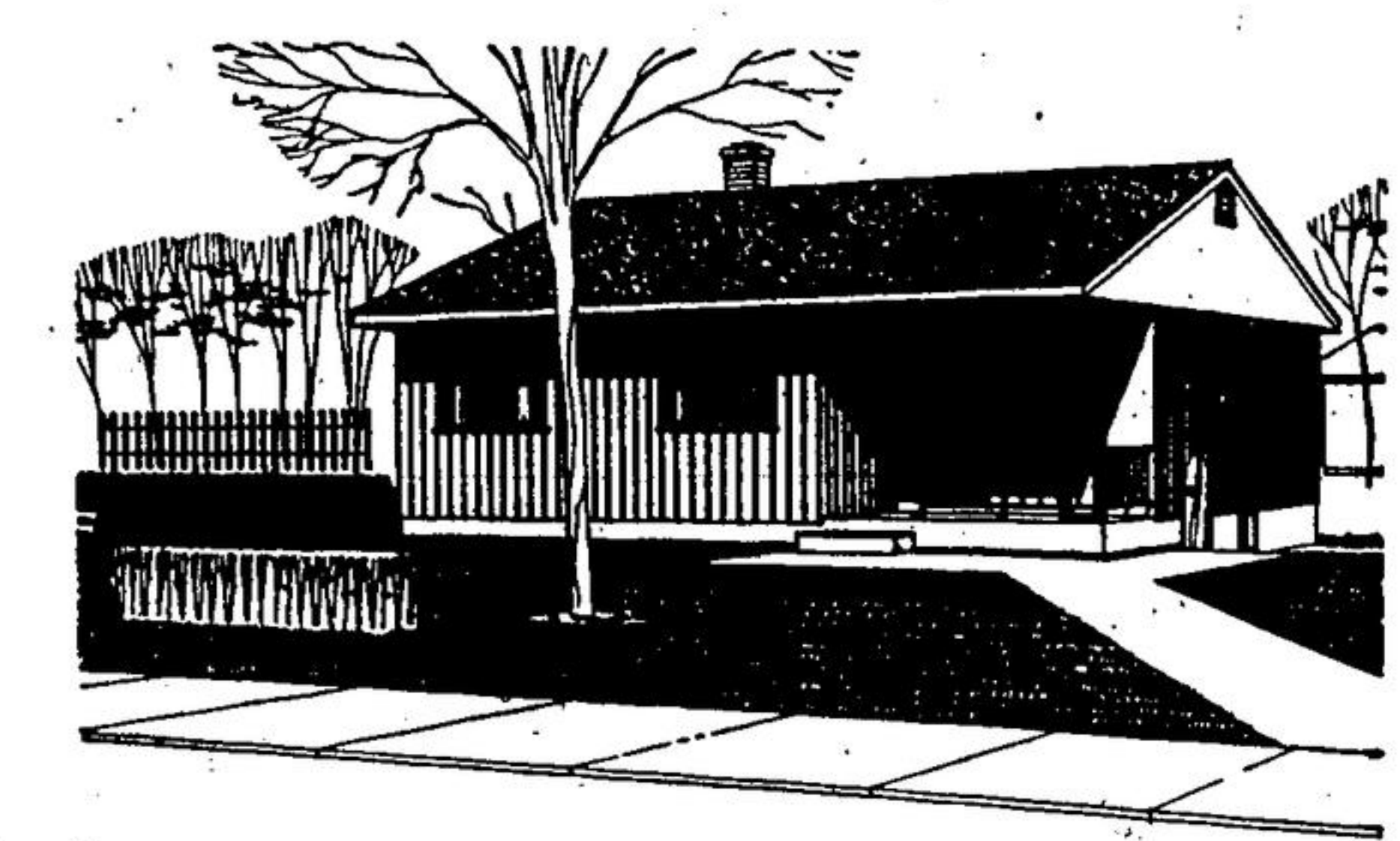
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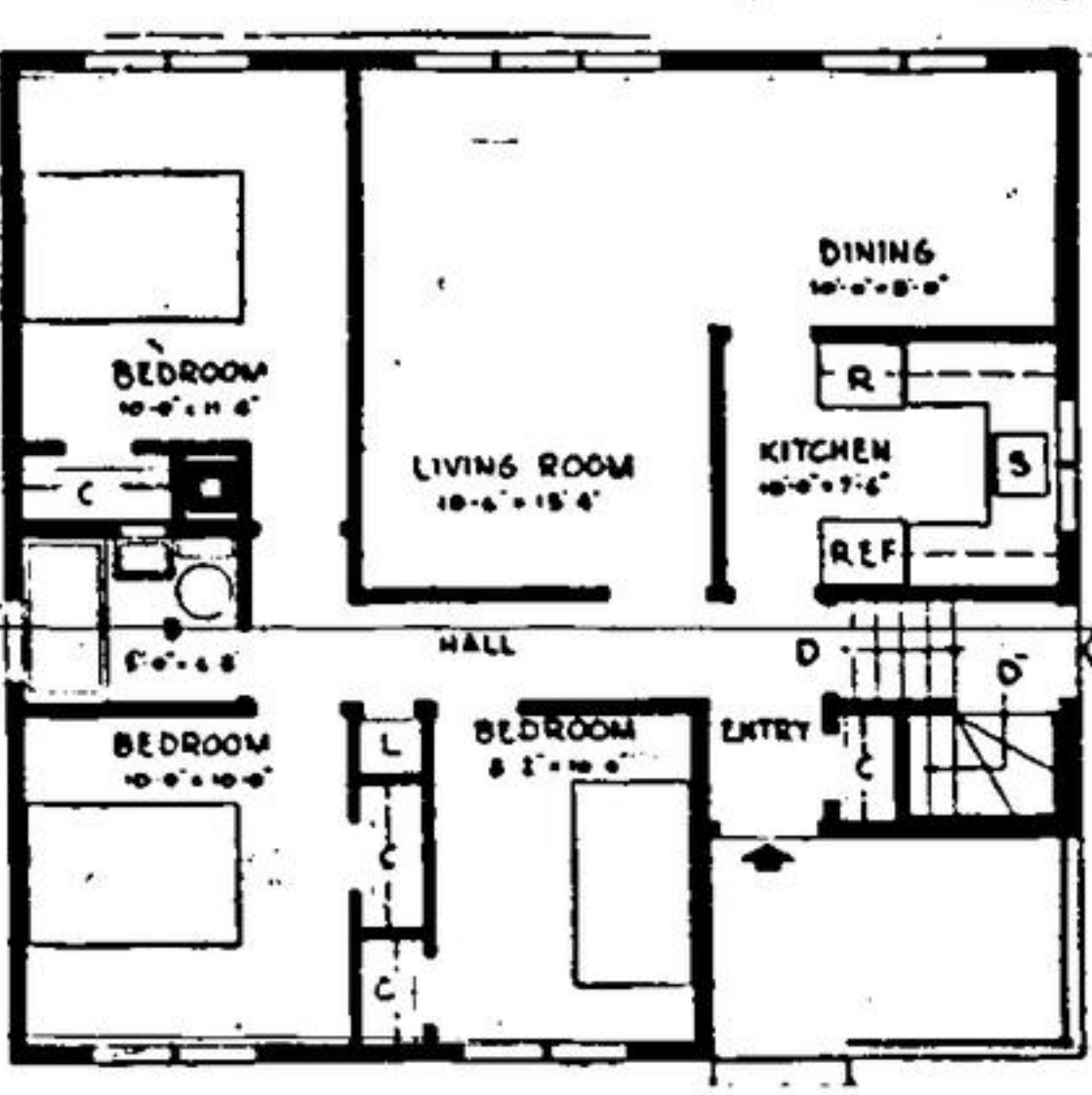
Small Three-Bedroom Bungalow Provides Maximum Living Area



Although under 900 square feet in area this three-bedroom frame bungalow designed by architect D. G. Ritchie of Newmarket, Ontario, ensures comfortable living. Both main and side entrances are convenient to the kitchen which is planned in the step-saving U-shape.

The house provides excellent circulation since all parts can be reached without passing through the living room. The largest bedroom, the living room and the dining area all look out onto the rear garden. A further interesting feature is the front verandah under the over-hanging roof. Ample closet space is provided in the bedrooms.

The total floor area is 892 square feet and the exterior dimensions are 30 feet, two inches, by 32 feet. Working drawings for the house known as Design 293, may be obtained from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation at minimum cost.



Snowy Claws

Robins made neat foot prints in the new snow Wednesday morning. Don't know how they enjoyed that, but we certainly enjoy knowing they're here, cold claws and all.

Reports of first robins arrived at the Free Press about a month ago from the country, and now robins a plenty have been greeted in town.

They're sights for sore, snow-blinded eyes after the past winter.

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Tips on Touring

By Carol Lane
Women's Travel Authority

A drive in the rain, like a walk in the rain, can be sheer enjoyment if you are prepared for it and follow a few basic, common sense rules:

- (1) Treat any surface, hard top, gravel, pavement, or oil with respect while you "get the feel of the road".
- (2) Slow down to a sensible speed, double or triple the usual space between you and the car ahead—and enjoy the ride.
- (3) Keep a sharp eye for oil slicks, slippery leaves and washed up earth — they can throw you into a sudden spin.
- (4) The little animals that come out in the rain—frogs, woodchucks, skunks, etc.—can be a source of danger if you drive too fast, or real enjoyment if you take it easy.
- (5) Street car and railroad tracks glisten beautifully in the rain—but cross them cautiously and at wide angles.

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- (6) A clean-sweeping windshield wiper and smoothly working brakes are an absolute must to wet weather.

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