

# Local Churches Well Attended For Special Easter Services

Easter Sunday saw Acton's churches filled to overflowing for all services. Special music and sermons brought the Easter message to the large congregations. Beautiful spring sunshine prevailed in the morning but by evening clouds had appeared and April showers were falling intermittently.

**Special Decorations**  
Lovely colored blooms brightened the interiors of all places of worship for the special observances.

Carnations, lilies, snapdragons and chrysanthemums, to name a few, were used to form colorful settings for the celebration of Christ's Resurrection.

**Pentecostal Tabernacle**  
Easter Sunday in Acton Pentecostal Tabernacle began with a Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. In a brief message the pastor, Rev. Kenneth Reid, stated that the Resurrection of Christ was the proof of Christianity and also its most distinguishing feature. A season of prayer followed.

Rev. H. J. Underhill, a former missionary to India, was the guest speaker at the morning and evening services, speaking on the Easter message, Mrs. Underhill, accompanying herself on the piano, sang a beautiful solo, "Sunrise Tomorrow".

**21 Baptized**  
The Ordinance of Baptism was observed in the evening service in which 21 followed their Lord in the waters of baptism in obedience to the Great Commission, Brampton Pentecostal church and the pastor, Rev. Edwin Martin, joined the local congregation in this service with a number from the Brampton church also being baptized.

Those being baptized from the Acton congregation were Mr. and Mrs. R. Albertson, Guelph; Mrs. W. Forrest, Rockwood; James Bailey, Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Binnie, Jack Glendinning, Edward and Arthur Hawes, Gordon Bowen, Danny Kociuk, Betty Lemoy, Marilyn Lemoy, Gail and Dianne Stewart, Sandra Binnie, Yvonne Lorette, Joy Reid, Gary Ritchie, Phyllis Forrest and George Forrest.

**Knox Presbyterian**  
A special anthem was presented by the choir at Knox church Easter Sunday morning, "Day of Resurrection" was under the direction of organist E. A. Hansen. Rev. A. H. McKenzie spoke on "The Easter Parade" in which he stressed the profound influence of the Resurrection down through the centuries from the Disciples to our own time.

The senior choir presented a cantata "The Risen King" at the 7 p.m. service. Taking special parts in the presentation were Mrs. A. Mann, Miss Bella Mave Russell, Mrs. J. Davidson, Norman Elliott and George Musselle.

**Christian Reformed**  
Reminding his listeners that Christ conquered both sin and death to open the way for the home-coming of God's children, Rev. J. Nutina brought the Easter message to large congregations at both morning and afternoon services in the Christian Reformed church.

The morning 10 a.m. service was conducted in the English language and the afternoon 2 p.m. service was in the Dutch tongue.

**United Church**  
Special Easter music was a highlight of the special services held in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium by the United Church congregation.

Rev. R. Brook conducted services at 9 a.m. when the girls' junior choir was in attendance and again at 11 a.m. when the junior and senior choirs sang. In his sermons the speaker stressed the close relationship between our modern-day living and the Resurrection.

Under choir leader G. Elliott a Dutch carol "Joyful Easter Tide" by the junior choir and a German chorale "We All Rejoice in This Glad Day" by the senior choir were presented.

**St. Alban's**  
Large congregations crowded St. Alban's Anglican church for all services Sunday conducted by the Rev. H. B. Stokroff. His Easter message noted the Resurrection broke the power of

death and removed completely any fear of death with its glorious news "He is Not Here but is Risen."

Two anthems were presented under the direction of Mrs. F. G. Oakes "They Have Taken Away My Lord" and "By Early Morning Light".

**St. Joseph's**  
Low Mass at 9 a.m. and High Mass at 10.30 a.m. were celebrated at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church Sunday morning. Father V. J. Morgan celebrated Mass at the early service, High Mass was celebrated by Father R. MacDougall, Ignatius College, Guelph.

Father MacDougall delivered the Easter sermon, emphasizing the Resurrection stands as a promise and pledge of our own resurrection. He urged more faithful practise of faith.

**Baptist Church**  
Special Easter services were held in the Baptist church on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. R. M. Bennett, former missionary in India, addressed large congregations at both services. In the morning, he spoke on "Why Seek You the Living among the Dead?" and in evening on "International Refugee Year."

## To Honor Citizen of the Year During Chamber's Civic Night

Chamber of Commerce Week is being observed throughout Canada from April 24 to April 30 and the local Chamber is marking the occasion on Wednesday, April 27, with a special dinner meeting during Civic Night in the Robert Little school auditorium when an Acton citizen will be honored as "Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year."

Choice for this honor will not be known until the evening of the meeting but a special committee has been busy for the past month making their selection. This honor was first bestowed upon G. A. Dills, editor of the Acton Free Press, and last year Amos Mason received the award. For the past two years Civic Night has been held in the legion auditorium but is being moved to the school auditorium this year.

**Guest Speaker**  
During the dinner, W. H. Evans, president of Canadian Manufacturers Association and president of Honeywell Controls Limited, will be guest speaker.

Mr. Evans was born in Acton, but at about six years of age the family moved to Beaverton where he received his early education, followed by honor matriculation at Jarvis Collegiate, Toronto, and this course at the University of Toronto.

The purpose of Chamber of Commerce week is to acquaint the people of Canada more fully with the role of Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade activities and the great value such a group has to the local community, the province and the nation.

**Chamber's Purpose**  
Recognition of what the Chamber of Commerce movement has done, and what it is capable of doing has frequently come from leaders of Government and the men who direct the business administration of urban communities from industry and commerce.

The Chamber of Commerce is a fact-finding, deliberative organization designed to build better communities. It performs specific functions, primary of which is to unite the citizens in activities for the advancement and welfare of its home community. It works to promote the tourist industry.

It is concerned with local business affairs, shopping hours, the

labelling the refugee problem one of the greatest blots on the contemporary scene, the speaker urged new standards of moral behavior which would prove a liberating force.

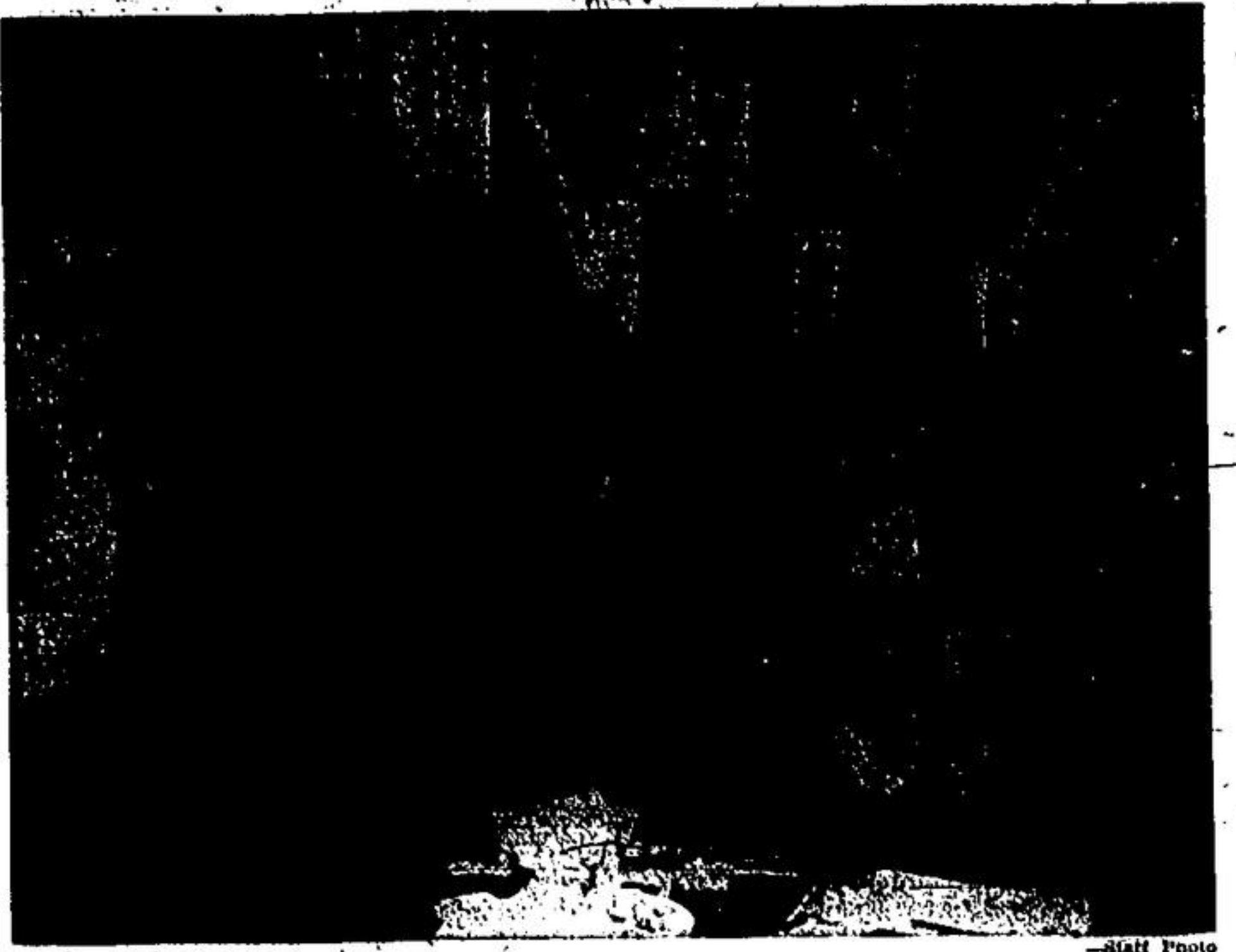
At the morning service, special anthems were presented by the choir under Charles Landsborough. In the evening, Mrs. Gordon Holmes accompanied at the piano for a song service.

**C.G.I.T. Sunrise Service**  
Combined C.G.I.T. groups from Knox church and the United church held a Sunrise Service Easter Sunday morning at 7.30 in the Presbyterian church.

Leaders preparing the service were Mrs. E. Anderson and Mrs. K. Allen of the United church and Miss Inez McLellan and Mrs. J. Greer of Knox church.

Dorothy Lawrence gave the call to worship, invocation and benediction. Mrs. Anderson sang a solo, "I Serve the Risen Saviour", accompanied by pianist Mrs. O. Moran.

Scripture was read by Lynne Masters. Nancy Wallace recited an Easter poem and Gail Russell told a story of Mary Magdalene. Breakfast was served in the Sunday school rooms after the service.



REV. G. HOLMES, pastor of the Baptist church, was honored Monday night by the congregation during a farewell gathering in the church. Mr. Holmes and his wife are moving to Hamilton and will be missed very much by the local congregation. During the service several gifts were presented to the couple. Pictured above in the front row are the pastor and his wife. In the back left to right are deacon W. Fryer, deacon G. Harrop, Sunday school superintendent L. Bulmer, and deacons L. McCutcheon, C. Baillie and G. Ralston.

### This Week's Puzzle

Our puzzle this week is an object we see in town every day. Take a letter from each clue word. You will find that they spell two words.

In three feet is my first yet not in a yard  
My second is soft but never in hard  
My third is always in the news but never in the paper  
My fourth is in prank but never in a caper.

To continue we find the next in camp  
And for the sixth we must use a lamp  
The seventh is always in the ground  
Not far from you so look around.  
My next is in the clothes we wear  
And also in caution so take every care.  
My last is found overhead in the skies  
My whole is something which often tells lies.  
The answer will be published next week.

Answer to last week's puzzle—W.G.C.K.—(Dr. W. G. C. Kenney.)

### P.M.'s African Tour Reviewed for I.O.D.E.

Mrs. H. Holmes was hostess at the Duke of Devonshire Chapter, I.O.D.E., held their April meeting. The regent, Mrs. K. Knox, conducted the meeting which heard reports and made final plans for the coming delicatessen.

It was decided that the Chapter would attend Holy Week services in a body on Sunday evening. Mrs. H. R. Force was elected to present the Chapter's trophy at the Music Festival.

**Rejected Apartheid**  
An article was presented on Prime Minister MacMillan's recent visit to Africa. There he

visited Ghana, the first African free state to join the British family, Nigeria, the largest state in Africa, which is to become independent this year; Central Africa, whose population is 95 per cent African, and finally the Union of South Africa where he frankly declared that his government totally rejected apartheid.

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### Injures Spine In Car Accident

A Brampton man suffered a severe spinal injury in an accident on Highway 7 a mile west of Acton Saturday, when the car in which he was riding crashed into the ditch during a heavy fog.

Police said Miss Maxine Lowin of Market St., Georgetown, was the driver. The injured passenger was Howard Lauder, 26, of Brampton, who is in Guelph General Hospital.

The car received \$500 damage.

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Acton Scottish Dance Club program committee, some of the club members and friends met on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fowers, R.R. 4, to arrange the program for the Ceilidh, the last meeting of the Acton Scottish Dance Club to be held on April 23.

A Ceilidh (pronounced Kay lee) is an evening of entertainment interspersed with dancing, and on Saturday next there are to be items by many favorites of the Acton club, along with the Junior Pipe Band, highland dancing by the young McEwen sisters from Ospringe and cornet solos by Gerald Wick, who recently won honors at the Stratford Music Festival. Several Guelph artists have also promised to contribute.

End with Dance  
After the business meeting, the

group enjoyed some Scottish Country dancing, Dave Izatt and Jack McGeachie skilfully guiding them.

Saturday's Ceilidh is to start at 7.30 p.m. to enable the program to get underway promptly, to allow plenty of time for dancing. The draw for the prize on the membership tickets is to be made during the evening and there will be a shared box lunch, tea and coffee provided.

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