



**Shorts were rooted out on the weekend and ice cream was sold out.**

—First sunburn of the season went to one of the men sweeping the streets last week.

—Many residents were awakened by the loud crashes of thunder early Monday morning.

—Young fishermen are busy catching suckers in the school creek this week. Swarms of the fish have been seen swimming in the water.

—Maybe careful tending of flower gardens doesn't pay! The first tulip we saw in bloom this year was in the long unopened flower beds at the Free Press plant!

—Robert Little Public School children were observed Wednesday morning cleaning up the branches and papers in the school yard under the supervision of principal G. W. McKenzie.

—Saturday's try in a car owned by Charles Gough, R. R. 4, Acton, summoned firemen to Main Street in front of the Dominion Hotel but the trouble was rectified in short order.

—The Daffodil Tea and sale of baking sponsored by the Daughters of Knox attracted many to Knox Church Saturday afternoon. The attractive tea tables were well patronized and the delicious baking sold well.

### Tired, Footsore Scouts Return From Day's Hike

Leg weary and footsore, five young scouts belonging to the newly formed First Acton "B" Scout Troop thoroughly enjoyed their first big time hike, which took them to Blue Springs Scout Camp and back on Saturday.

Equipped with hiking boots, haversacks filled with grub, fresh water and hiking poles, John Davidson, David Ryder, Axel Nieszer and John McGeachie, accompanied by scoutmaster Neil Miller, set out at 9 a.m., arriving home at 6:15 p.m.

**First Outing**

On the first scout hike of the new troop, the youngsters and leader followed the highway route part way before striking out through the dense bushland to reach their objective.

Although the purpose of the trek was to acquaint themselves

#### BALLINAFAD

### W.I. Euchre, Dance Success Joint Thankoffering Sunday

The W.I. euchre and dance held in St. Martin's hall on Tuesday April 19, was quite a success with 27 tables of euchre played. High ladies were Mrs. R. L. Davidson, Miss Lurena Campbell, gent's Mr. Wickson, Mrs. Martha Richardson playing as gent; travelling prizes, ladies, Mrs. F. Thompson, Mrs. Bertha Kentner; gent's Gordon Wingfield, Mrs. R. Cunningham playing as a gent.

Lunch was served and the rest of the evening was spent in dancing to music by Hull's orchestra.

Lucky dance prizes went to Diane Swindlehurst and Mary Lynn Madill, Ruth Strutt and Linda Barclay.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill of Simcoe spent the weekend at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Murray McBride.

Miss Ruth Ann Elliott of Camp Belleville visited with her sister, Mrs. David McInery, Easter week.

### Joint Thankoffering

Easter thankoffering of all the different mission societies was held on Sunday night. Mrs. B. Hills as leader, Mrs. Mike Norton and Mrs. Howard Snow were in charge of the devotional. The Mission Band sang Mr. and Mrs. Ernie McInery sang a duet and the C.G.E.F. took up the offering.

Miss Hills introduced the guest speaker, Rev. Mr. Moore of Rockwood, who showed pictures on Africa. Angola, which was very enlightening. It also was very nice to hear the African people sing in closing. They sang in their language and we sang the same hymn in ours.

Mr. McBride closed with prayer.

**W.I. Euchre**

The W.I. held a euchre at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Law, when eight tables were played. High ladies was Mrs. Robert McInery, high gent, Art Willetts, low lady, Mrs. R. B. Kirkwood, lucky draw Mrs. Edmunds. Proceeds were for Retarded Children.

**Mrs. White Hostess**

The April meeting of Evening Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. Percy White on Thursday, April 14. Mrs. F. J. Shortill presided. The meeting opened with an Easter hymn.

Mrs. Alex Van Hoorn chose Easter for the devotional. Mrs.

### Charles Withers Boer War Vet Interred After Sudden Passing

Charles Withers, a Boer War veteran, veteran of World War I and retired Beardmore employee died suddenly in St. Joseph's hospital Tuesday, April 19, in his 84th year.

He was an earnest worker during his years of employment at Beardmore's and well known and admired by Acton residents. Up to the time of his death his daily chores included visiting the post office to pick up mail and he was greeted by friends on the street during his daily walk.

Born in Whitpool, Scotland, he was the son of William Withers and Annie Dredvale. In 1914 he married the former Jean Johnson and with his wife of two years came to Canada in 1916.

Mr. Withers had resided in Acton for the past 42 years and had gained many friends as a citizen here.

#### OBITUARY

**Robert Bruce Inglis Buried at Fairview**

A retired metal fitter, Robert Bruce Inglis, 31 Young Street, Acton, died in Sunnybrook Hospital, Toronto, Saturday, April 23, after a brief illness.

Born at Shediac, New Brunswick, he was predeceased by his wife, the former Jean Neill Headon, whom he married in 1908 in Edmonton, Alberta.

Mr. Inglis made his home in Toronto until eight years ago when he came to live with his daughter, Mrs. L. Bulmer in Acton. He was the son of James Inglis and the former Eliza Cyp.

He leaves to mourn his loss, two sons, James of South Whittier, California, and Robert, of Waterford and one daughter, Helen (Mrs. Lloyd Bulmer) of Acton. Another son Peter predeceased him.

Two sisters, Mrs. Clarence Purdy and Mrs. William Loggie, both of Amherst, Nova Scotia, also mourn his loss.

Funeral service was held at the Rumley Shoemaker Funeral Home and was conducted by Rev. K. Reid of the Pentecostal church. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Pallbearers were the Rev. Potter, Bill Headon, Albert Headon, Jim Inglis, Clarence Peters and Robert Smith.

#### OBITUARY

**Mrs. W. Ostrander Dies in 94th Year**

On March 19, at 7 Emery St., Georgetown, Mrs. William Ostrander was called home to rest in her 94th year. A kindly and Christian lady, beloved by all who knew her, she was one of Georgetown's oldest residents.

Born at Springbrook, near Brampton, Olive Jane Claridge was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Claridge, Brampton.

She married William Ostrander March 8, 1893, moving to Huttonville and then to Streetsville in 1913. After that the family farmed near Glen Williams, retiring 16 years ago and moving to Georgetown. Mr. Ostrander died April 5, 1950. Three children predeceased them, Elsie in 1914, Victor in 1915 and Stella in 1919.

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She is survived by two sons, William Agar, R. R. 4, Georgetown and H. E. Tim of Georgetown; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Her sister, Mrs. W. Ostrander, Toronto, died May 28, 1956. The family was of United Empire Loyalist descent.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. G. L. Royal, Union Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. Ostrander was a member. He spoke of her Christian faith. The service was from the Harold C. McClure funeral home, Georgetown, Tuesday, March 22 and interment followed in Brampton cemetery.

**Donations to Hospital**

Many lovely flowers from the family and neighbors were received. By request, in lieu of flowers, donations were given to Georgetown Memorial Hospital Fund.

The pallbearers were Alvin Dobbie, Toronto; Bert Boast, Brampton; Clarence Ostrander, Huttonville; Bert Hunter, Norval; Arthur Lundy, Brampton and K. C. Lindsay, Georgetown.

Many friends attended from a distance, Windsor, Toronto, Walkerton and Shelburne.

**Young Recruit**

He enlisted as a boy under the watchful eye of his uncle, a major, and fought in the Malchelle uprising. At the age of 23 he joined the second regiment of the Beabant's Horse Guards and fought in the Boer War. At the outbreak of World War I he joined the 11th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force and went overseas with the first contingent.

Besides his wife he leaves to mourn his loss, a son, Mr. J. Inglis, who is a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

**Hire New Teacher For Public School**

The public school board Saturday rounded out the staff of teachers for next season when Douglas Widdis of Seaford was hired.

Mr. Widdis taught in Seaford for the past four years and at Acton will teach part time industrial arts and part time academic subjects.

Failure to make suitable arrangements for a part time industrial arts teacher from Milton to teach necessitated the hiring of an additional teacher.

### Minister Former Opera Star Entertains at Dinner Meeting

A number from the local congregation attended the Central District Christian Men's Fellowship open meeting in Guelph. Following a special turkey dinner served by the service group of the Guelph Church, a sacred concert was enjoyed.

Ben Stevenson, special field representative of the men's work of the United Christian Missionary Society, was guest soloist.

Mr. Stevenson is a teacher, minister and musician and sang for two seasons with the Metropolitan Opera, New York. His renditions of such great favorites as the Lord's Prayer, How Great Thou Art, I walked today where Jesus walked and Let us break bread together were among others so greatly enjoyed.

A timely message was given by Judge Lloyd Hadwiger of Cherokee, Oklahoma, whose leadership and work in benevolent homes for children and old folks and his concern in world wide missions of the Church, are noted.

### 165 Youngsters Enroll For Jr. Fire Dept.

Following the mass enrollment Saturday April 16 when 118 Acton and district youngsters enrolled in the Junior Fire Department, local firemen staged another enrollment day last Saturday when 47 additional youngsters signed up.

Chief Jack Newton reported this week that although mass enrollment periods have been closed any youngster wishing to sign up may do so by visiting the Fire Hall when firemen are present.

Arrangements are being made for a Missions Banquet later in May for the area groups.

Miss Alice Porter, missionary on Loughborough, and who is returning to the field this summer will be a guest.

A public service will follow the banquet when Miss Porter will show slides of work in India.

### I.O.D.E. Chapter Dance At Legion Friday

The spring dance of the Lakeside chapter I.O.D.E. attracted a good crowd to the Legion auditorium Friday evening. Mrs. Rudolph Spielvogel, the regent, greeted the many guests at the door.

Merv Tolton's orchestra played a variety of music including popular square dances during the evening.

Quite a few from out-of-town were among those signing the guest book.

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### Cheque Presentation Sparks Get-together

A presentation was held at Banockburn school on Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Fred McArthur who had lost their barn when heavy snow caused it to collapse.

**Program**

R. L. Davidson acted as master of ceremonies for a short program comprising of the following: instrumental, Margaret Morrison, violin solo, Robert Denny, instrumental, Mrs. Clarence Cole, accordion solo, Vern Denny.

Mr. and Mrs. McArthur were then called to the front and Mrs. Wes Masales read the address. William McDonald presented them with a cheque. Lunch was then served and brought the evening to a close.

#### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Mahott and family of Ridgeway visited with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Hill and other members of her family over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aldham, and family of Brampton visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Denny.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jackson of Elm, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Fines of Shelburne visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown.

Friends are sorry to hear that Mr. Angus Thompson is in the Guelph General Hospital undergoing treatment. His friends wish him a speedy recovery.

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