

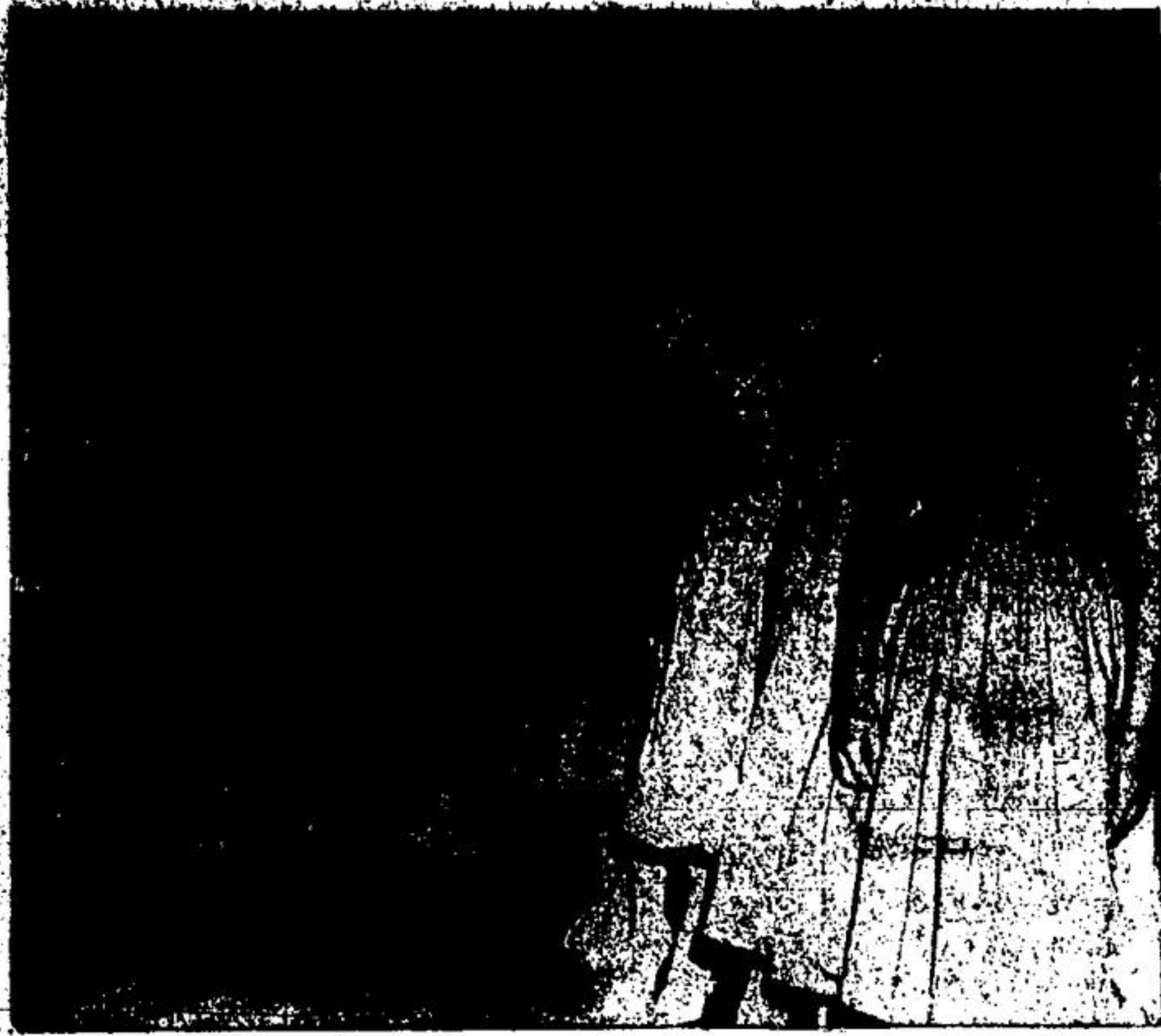
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POPULARITY QUEEN contestants are pictured above with the judges during the finals in the Legion auditorium, Tuesday evening. The five girls vying for the title of Minor Sports Popularity Queen were interviewed by the panel of judges and the winner will be announced and crowned Friday evening at the park. Contestants from front to back are Gloria Lalimer, Gayle Roszell, Jackie Dawe, Lorraine Richardson and Moira McKelvey. Judges at the back are left to right Mrs. G. Fryer, Robert Foyers, Miss Jessie Coles, Mrs. K. Knox and Mrs. R. Angell. Members of the panel are representatives of town organizations.

Crown Queen, Races, Midway Spotlight Three-Day Celebration

Activity is well underway at Acton park for the start of the three-day celebration being staged this weekend by Acton Legion Minor Sports Association.

Rides and games are being erected and areas marked out for races and other events.

Already children are lining up their favorite amusements and are looking forward to this evening (Thursday) when the rides begin to whirl.

Popularity Queen

Five girls competing for the title of "Popularity Queen" were interviewed by judges Tuesday evening and one of the five has been selected to reign as queen for the celebration.

The lucky girl will be crowned officially Friday evening at the park and will receive cash and other prizes from the Minor Sports Association and other donors.

Friday evening, Acton Citizens' Band and Acton Junior Pipe Band will serenade the queen and her four lovely escorts as they ride down the main streets in convertibles to the park.

Time trials will also be run at the park Friday evening by the Go-Kart racers. A dance in the arena will close the Friday evening program.

Soap Boxes, Parade

Early Saturday morning,

youngsters will shove off in their soap box derby racers from the Agnes Street hill with several heats being run.

Saturday at one o'clock, a huge calthumpian parade will be held from the C.N.R. station to the park including floats, decorated bicycles, tricycles, old buggies, old-time cars, pony carts and Cubs and Brownies. The parade will proceed down Mill and Main Street to Knox Ave. in groups headed by four bands.

On arrival at the park, the afternoon program will get underway.

Ball games, running races, Go-Kart races, amusements and hand concerts will keep young and old amused during the day.

Runners, Go-Kart Races

Top-notch runners from all over Ontario will compete in one, two and 10 mile events. Go-Kart racers will buzz around the track, racking up points in inter-club competition.

Prizes and tree draws will be featured during the Saturday program. Minor Sports' ball teams will give exhibitions of their ability as they tussle in short games during the afternoon.

Trophies and awards will be presented to winners in all events at the conclusion of the program.

Fun and enjoyment for everyone is promised by Minor Sports officials as they attempt to raise funds for the support of baseball and hockey in Acton.

Choose Popularity Queen To Announce Name Friday

Friday evening one of five contestants vying for Minor Sports Popularity Queen will be crowned at the park, and until this time her identity will remain the secret of five judges and two officials.

Tuesday evening the contestants were paraded and interviewed before judges at the Legion Auditorium and after a two hour session, the winner was chosen.

Judging such a contest is not an easy chore and Tuesday night the panel of judges found this out as the five high school girls, chosen by the student body, made their bid for Queen.

Beauty and scholastic standing were not taken into consideration and judging was based on appearance, posture, popularity and personality.

Competing in the contest this year were Gloria Lalimer, Gayle Roszell, Jackie Dawe, Lorraine Richardson and Moira McKelvey, in the order they appeared before the judges.

Difficult Chore

Elimination of four was a difficult chore as each girl beamed with personality and gave the judges a heart-warming smile, answering questions with ease.

If nervousness reigned at all it was more prominent with judges than contestants as the girls, dressed in their finery and high heels, completed their tour before the panel.

Judging this year's contest were Robert Foyers, representing the Y Board; Mrs. K. Knox, Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E.; Mrs. G. Fryer, Acton Women's Institute; Miss Jessie Coles, Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. and Mrs. R. Angell, Acton Legion Ladies' Auxiliary.

Ride In Style

This year's Queen will be crowned following a parade from the C.N.R. station to the park, accompanied by Acton Citizens' and Junior Pipe Bands. Contest-

ants will ride in convertibles.

Last year's Queen, Miss Trudy Scott of Limehouse, will officiate at the crowning and do honors to the 1960 Queen, during the ceremony.

The newly crowned Queen will be presented with cash and gifts amounting to over \$100 and each of her competitors will receive prizes as well.

During the Saturday afternoon parade the Queen and four escorts will ride in style on a special float being made this year by the Acton Lions Club.

Disregard Hydro's Recommendation Commissioners Refuse Honorarium

Disregarding a recommendation from Ontario Hydro to provide an annual remuneration to commissioners, Acton Hydro Commission decided to give their services free of charge for the year 1960 at least. This action was taken at their regular meeting Thursday, July 28.

The question of commission salaries had cropped up at a previous meeting after cheques had been issued at the rate of \$6 per meeting under the provisions

of an order-in-council passed in 1956.

Issued Without Consent

Mayor J. H. Goy and commissioner G. Beatty charged the cheques had been issued without the consent of the entire commission, stating the action of council in 1956 referred only to the Public Utilities Commission in existence at that time. The P.U.C. was dissolved by public vote in December, 1959.

Chairman E. G. Tyler Sr. stated the hydro commission was

their and successor to the P.U.C.

The resolution setting out the commission as a non-paid body received the support of Mayor Goy, chairman E. G. Tyler and commissioners G. McCutcheon and G. Beatty. Commissioner F. Oakes voted in the negative.

Termed An Insult

A previous motion providing for an annual salary of \$1 per member was termed an insult by one member as it went down to defeat. This motion received only the approval of Mayor Goy and Mr. Beatty.

In an effort to obtain a neutral opinion regarding salary schedules for the commission, the Ontario Hydro and Municipal World had been contacted.

Thursday evening the secretary-treasurer sent an answer from Ontario Hydro advising that the chairman could be paid at the rate of \$4 per meeting and commissioners \$3.

To Collect Discounts

Certain accounts were authorized for payment prior to regular meeting nights in order to collect discounts.

The commission agreed to modify the fidelity bond for the secretary and meter reader to the amount of \$5,000 and other employees to \$2,500.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

TenPro Distributors	\$ 1.25
J. McCallum Service	8.33
Ellis & Howard Ltd.	40.65
Town of Acton, accident insurance	105.83
Petty cash	3.68
Town of Acton, water	10.07
J. R. Kearney Ltd.	2.83
Confederation Life Ass., pension	430.00
	\$ 602.64



DISTRICT GOVERNOR J. A. "Archie" Turner of Port Credit visited Acton Rotary Club Tuesday evening and spoke to the members. The new district governor is pictured in the centre above as he goes over routine plans with secretary Ron Lewis, left, and president Rev. A. H. McKenzie, right. Mr. Turner is Director of Education for South Peel.

32 on Course

Early to Rise, Keen to Learn Scouters Train Near Acton

To most people summer holidays mean getting away from the usual grind to toll on some sandy beach, sleep in motels and in general take life easy for a couple of weeks. This type of holiday did not apply in the case of 32 Boy Scout leaders and their staff of five at Blue Springs Scout Reserve near Acton last week.

Rise and shine comes early for this group as they shake the sleepy sand out of their eyes around 6 a.m., light camp fires and start their first meal of the day.

After dishes are washed and stashed away, each patrol remains on the alert waiting for the whistle to summon them to flag break. After this, they begin a steady, rigid training period for the balance of the day as they complete 16 patrols for their Part Two Wood Badge Course.

From India for Course

Among the scouters this year is a bearded 29-year-old Indian chap named Amarjit Singh, from Punjab, India, who came to Canada especially to take the training course.

Quite outstanding among the other leaders on the course, Singh, as he is called by his fellow campers, wears a bright blue turban and sand-brown uniform, the traditional uniform of the scouts in India.

Although only 29, Singh has a lengthy record in scouting circles, starting as a youngster when he joined the cubs. Interest and

endeavor carried him through men on course, they are typical scouters, full of enthusiasm, sociable and keenly interested in achieving a higher standard in scouting circles.

Outside of Singh from India and another chap from Alberta, the remaining leaders on the course come from various parts of Ontario.

No Hardship

The thought of people lolling on beaches sunning themselves while they take a snooze doesn't bother these scouters in the least. All is not hard work — recreation periods creep into the strenuous training program and fun and games are enjoyed at various times throughout the day.

On Sunday, the camp is almost deserted as scouters in full uniform visit Acton to worship in the church of their faith.

When camp is cleared and the scouters depart, each will return to his own troop better qualified to offer leadership to others.

Dry Walk

Improvements continue at Knox church. Now a new side walk is being laid from Main St. to the south door. The low-lying walk caught puddles of water, so the level has been raised, with the roof drain underneath. Two new drains are being installed.

The walk leads to the new gut stone steps. Morley Allen is in charge of the work.

Steal Cigarettes At I.G.A. Store

After an unsuccessful attempt to open a rear door, thieves jimmed the front door at Ledger's I.G.A. store early Saturday morning and stole cigarettes valued at \$250, after ransacking the main office.

Store manager Dave Manes discovered the break-in when he arrived at work Saturday morning and told police he believed the premises were entered sometime between 1:30 and 6:15 a.m.

Police believe a bread basket was used by the robbers to carry the loot to a waiting vehicle at the rear of the store. One was found near the back entrance.

Constable Robert Moreau of the local O.P.P. detachment is investigating the robbery.

Plaque for Leader From Scout Troop

Former assistant scoutmaster Laurence Duby was honored at an informal campfire presentation Thursday night of last week on the farm of Richard Brown, R. R. 2, Acton. He received a plaque in appreciation of his work with the First Acton Troop for the past three years.

Patrol leader George Ware made the presentation to his cousin, who is a member of the newly-organized Billy Middleton Rover Crew.

Topple Trees at School Disease Kills Large Elm

Removal of several trees on the Robert Little public school grounds this week may bring back fond memories to many older residents who, recall when one stately elm, planted over 100 years ago, was still young.

Inflicted with Dutch Elm disease, the tree was felled with a mighty crash which sent chips and splinters flying far and wide.

Lorne and Russell Johnson are doing the work and have cut out several other dead trees, also trimming a number of broken branches.

Winter Storm

The tree trimming project resulted from last winter's ice storms when several trees were broken by heavy ice and snow.

Among some of the trees removed were the big elm, spruce, cherry and butternut which provided shade for youngsters playing in the school grounds.

Steal Movie Camera From Parked Vehicle

Thieves broke into a parked car owned by Allen Gordon, 328 Peel Street, Saturday evening and stole a movie camera and projector valued at around \$175.

Mr. Gordon told Corporal Ray Mason of the Acton O.P.P. detachment his car was parked at the side of the Station Hotel when the break-in occurred. Also taken was a sponge rubber seat cushion.

The incident was reported to police on Sunday and they are investigating.

Seek Central School Site To Serve Area's Retarded

The Milton and District Association for Retarded Children is presently planning a new school to serve Georgetown, Acton, Milton and surrounding districts.

Representatives of the Association from all areas have agreed one good school centrally located to serve all three towns and areas, would be an ideal arrangement. The property committee is looking for a building site in the Hornby-Ashgrove area on the Seventh Line, or in the Spevsdale area on Highway 25, to build the new school.

Representing Georgetown Andrew Miller (TR 7-3934) and representing Milton G. G. Addison (TR 8-9556) are anxious to contact property owners in these areas who may be willing to donate or sell a suitable site of one or two acres.

The Sunshine School in Milton opened a class for retarded children in October 1955, in the firemen's room at the Town Hall, Milton. Equipment was begged, borrowed and loaned as were supplies and three pupils started

classes. On November 1, 1956 the school had increased to six pupils and again moved to the basement of the Emmanuel Baptist Church where it remained until June of 1957.

Playground, Workshop

The next move in September 1959, located the present quarters opposite the Milton Arena. At the present time there are 10 pupils, and after the generous support of the public last year, under the auspices of the Georgetown and Milton Kinsmen and area Women's Institutes, it is felt the time has come to pick a site and eventually build a new school with sufficient room for the children

to have a playground; the boys a workshop; a domestic science room for the girls; and enough room for the children to have their music and rhythm classes, without being cramped which is now the case.

"We must not ignore the need of the retarded child. We should reach out a helping hand to these, the least fortunate of all our children," summed up president Addison.

—Sizzling temperatures dropped down to near 50 Monday night—coolest night temperature in six weeks.

Halton Presbytery Buys Campsite

Halton Presbytery of the United Church has purchased 50 acres from Ralph McKeown, R. R. 3, Acton, for a proposed summer camp site.

The land, on No. 5 Sideroad, Erin township, is one lot away from the main farm and there

District Governor Visits Rotary Club

International aspects of Rotary work were stressed during the regular meeting of the Acton club by District Governor J. A. Turner of Port Credit when he paid a visit to Acton Tuesday evening.

In outlining the aims and objects and duties of every club the District Governor noted how important it was for Rotary Clubs in 116 countries to promote understanding, good will and peace, throughout the world.

Mr. Turner, a director of education in South Peel, has held many offices in the Rotary organization and has an enviable record in the field of education and community work.

Outlines Program

The district governor outlined the Rotary Foundation Fellowship program and told the Acton members that Miss Ann Goerk of Milton, would journey this year to Belgium for further education and Douglas Curran, of England, would attend Toronto University, through the foundation.

Following his address, he held a club assembly question and answer period at which time committee work was discussed.

Plans for the Acton club's projects for the coming year were reviewed and a general informative discussion followed.

Mr. Turner will visit 43 clubs in district 707 before the end of the year and expects to have a busy schedule ahead of him.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at Eden Mills this week attracted over 50 children from kindergarten to the senior group. The classes are pictured above with the officiating minister, Jack Birch, and other teachers. Assisting the minister are Mrs. H. James, Mrs. H. Buchen, Mrs. W. Lesby, Mrs. H. Tomlinson and Mrs. E. Parker.