

## OBITUARY

### R. A. Johnson Enlisted Early

Funeral services were held on Friday afternoon, September 30, for Robert Anson Johnson, a lifetime resident of Acton who died suddenly Tuesday, September 27 at Guelph General Hospital. He was in his 59th year.

Rev. A. H. McKenzie of Knox Presbyterian church conducted the service from Runley-Shoemaker funeral home, with interment in Fairview cemetery.

Pallbearers were neighbors Joe Massey, Mike Bennett, Morris Courtney, Fred Cunningham, Stan Colette and Jack McKellar from Hamilton, a buddy all through the war.

Born in Milton, the deceased was the oldest son of the late Mary Ann Armstrong and Jacob Johnson. An employee nearly 38 years with Beardmore and Co., he spent his life since 1921 in Acton. He served overseas six years and was a prisoner of war. He was one of the first two men from Acton to enlist when Canada declared war September 3, 1939.

Besides his wife, the former Elsie Lappin, he leaves two sons and one daughter, George Anson of Erin, Frederick Earle of Georgetown and Mrs. Helen Yatsman of Acton. Also surviving are five brothers, Fred, Frank, Charlie and Jim of Milton, Albert of Oakville and one sister, Mrs. Waters. Also surviving are five grandchildren. He was fond of gardening, fishing, hunting and boating.

### Historical Program For Greenoch W.I.

Historical research, convened by Miss E. Pearen and Mrs. R. Allan, was the special feature of the October meeting of Greenoch Women's Institute held at the home of Mrs. L. Trysenaar. The president, Mrs. C. Allan, presided for the business.

Scripture was read by Mrs. S. Hill. The roll call was answered with "a place of historical interest within 100 miles". Miss E. Pearen and Mrs. C. Allan presented the reports of the area convention at Guelph.

The entire program featured items of historical interest and was as follows: motto, "the future is built on the foundation stones of the past"; Mrs. E. Patterson; poem, "Yesterday and Today"; Mrs. R. Allan; history of Greenoch school, read from the book, Miss E. Pearen; reading, "Pioneering in Erin township over 135 years ago"; Mrs. C. Aitken; talk by Mrs. E. Patterson on the Huron county museum at Goderich; reading, "Lizzie was No Lady"; Mrs. J. McKeown. A contest on the counties of Ontario was won by Mrs. A. Christensen.

Lunch was served by the hosts and lunch committee. Mrs. T. Hensley acted as courtesy convener.

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## Education and Pleasure Well Accepted When U.S. Students Visit Acton for Week

Education and pleasure are both on the curriculum for four grade 12 students and their teacher from Emporium, Pennsylvania, following their arrival Sunday afternoon to spend a week attending school here and touring places of interest.

The student exchange program, sponsored by the Acton Rotary Club, will allow four students and a teacher from Acton

to return with the group from the United States to spend a week at the Emporium school. Different methods of education will be observed by each group during the visits and an opportunity given the students to see industry in action.

Bright skies and warm sunshine greeted the U.S. visitors after driving through a heavy thunderstorm across the border.

Also present to greet the newcomers were four Acton high school students who will return to Emporium High on Sunday and their parents, with whom the United States visitors will be billeted for the week. Acton students chosen for the exchange are James Ironside and Brian Barbeau from grade 12 and Dorcen Gordon and Susan Wilson from grade 13.

Parent hosts for the week are W. Wilson hosting Carol Kornish, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Barbeau, who will entertain Allan Poorman, Mr. and Mrs. Russ Gordon hosting Judith Binghamman, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Ironside billeting Les Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson hosting Carol Kornish.

Tired and excited from the long journey, the young students listened attentively as Mr. McKenzie made them welcome and expressed his club's wish for them to learn quite a lot about the Canadian educational system.

"I believe this exchange has an educational value beyond academic value," stated the president. He also jokingly added, "I hope you do not find Canada is just a few thousand square miles of ice and snow. We live much the same in Canada as you do with some little but significant changes."

Back to School Fully rested Monday, the visitors from across the border took their places behind school desks along with Acton students and spent a fascinating and interesting day listening and learning Canadian ways and means.

Tuesday their curriculum changed somewhat. Emporium students and teacher toured H. K. Porter's Disston Saw plant in Acton. On their arrival at the plant they were surprised to greet once again Tom Shields, general manager, who conducted them on a personal tour accompanied by William Pendleton.

Seeing saws and other pieces of equipment turned out from raw material was a thrilling experience for the youngsters as they gazed at the huge blast furnaces and towering pieces of machinery turning out everything from a hand saw to a monstrous circular saw.

Tuesday afternoon the group saw the manufacture of underwear at Mason Knit plant and watched with interest as workers and machines turned out the finished product.

Speak at Rotary Before their day finished Tuesday, they dined with the Rotary club at their regular weekly meeting and each spoke to the members, expressing their gratitude for being able to visit Acton.

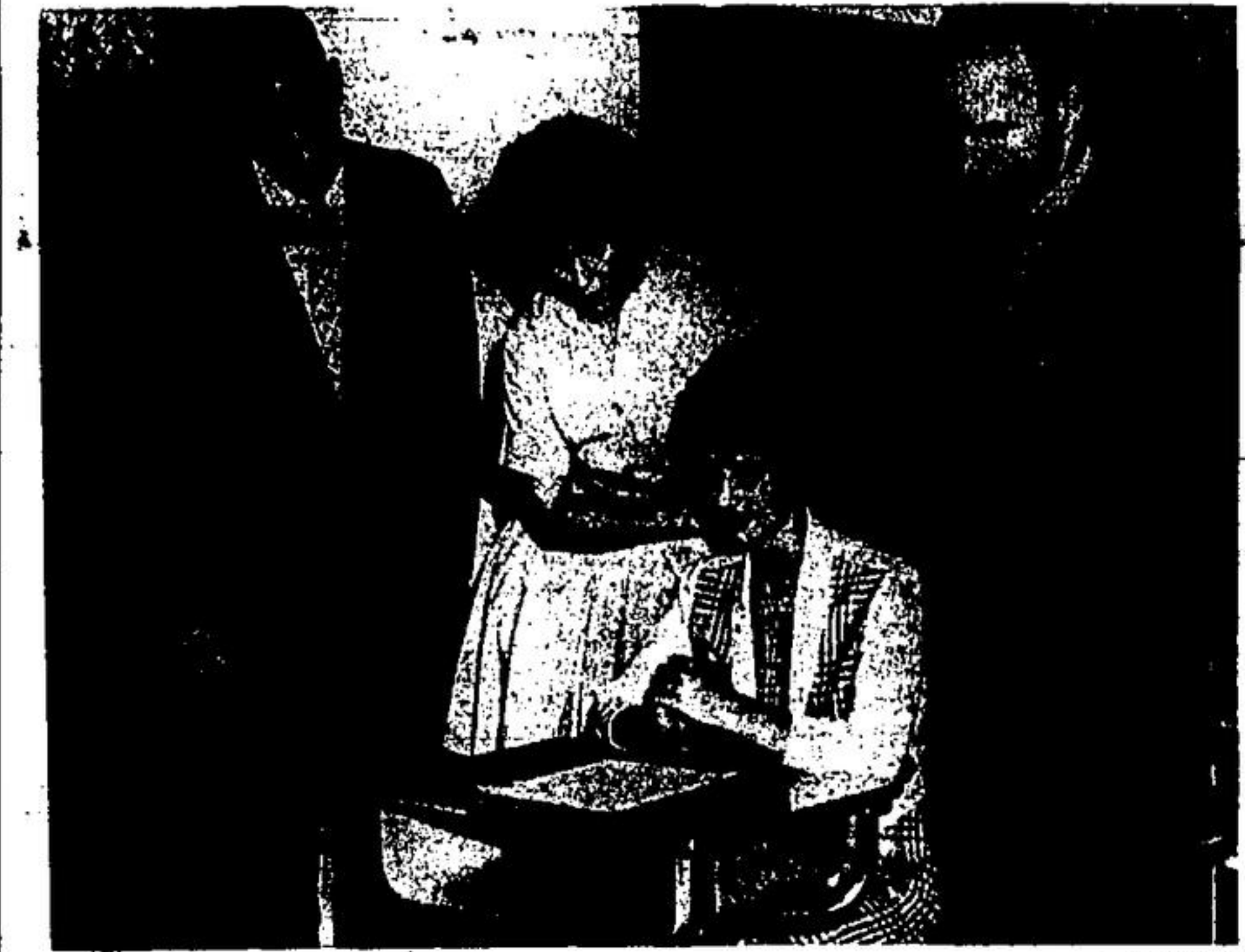
Wednesday they attended classes all day long but today (Thursday) they toured the Beardmore and Co. plant and are away this afternoon on a visit to Toronto. They will dine at the Granite club and watch curling following a tour of the city.

Friday evening a dance has been planned in their honor and Saturday they expect to see a Canadian football game.

When they leave on Sunday the Acton students, accompanied by principal E. A. Hansen, will travel with them to Emporium for a week.



FOOD FIRST, chatter afterwards, seemed to be the order of the day Sunday when four students from Emporium High School arrived at Acton. The U.S. students are visiting for a week and are staying at the homes of four students who will return with them. Pictured above reaching for another sandwich is Allan Poorman sitting beside his host student, Brian Barbeau. Mr. and Mrs. George Barbeau were present to greet Allan when he arrived at the school. Lunch was served in the home economics room.



TESTING A SEAT for size, Carol Kornish from Emporium High soon found herself starting a lesson when she arrived at Acton for a week's visit at the high school here. Carol is shown seated; her hostess student Susan Wilson peers over her shoulder while Edward J. Richmond, grade nine teacher from Emporium and Acton principal E. A. Hansen watch. Visiting students spoke at the Rotary Club meeting Tuesday. They leave Sunday.

### C.G.I.T. NEWS

The meeting was called to order and we welcomed Mrs. Engel into our group as a leader. The minutes of the last meeting were read and declared correct. Then committees for the Hal-lowe'en party were chosen.

Lorraine Lasby demonstrated the correct C.G.I.T. uniform. We practised living the Friendship knot and closed the meeting with taps.

### Driver Didn't See Stop Sign Three Hospitalized on Sunday

Three people were hospitalized in Guelph with injuries sustained in a two-car intersection accident near Acton Sunday, October 9, when a car proceeded through a stop street without halting.

John W. Rymes of Oakville was driving his Volkswagen north on the Sixth Line, Nassagaweya and did not see a stop sign at the 25 Sidcot intersection. His car collided with one driven east on the sidewalk by Alfred W. Bowden of R.R. 1, Guelph, and both cars were turned near weeks by investigating officer Walter Jordan of North Hutton O.P.P. He noted the sign was about six years old, was in quite a dilapidated condition, and was partially hidden by brush and trees.

Rymes received a lacerated scalp requiring 12 stitches, and had two fractured ribs. A passenger in his car, Miss Greta Berntsen of Bronte, had a broken arm, concussion and a possible fractured skull. Mr. Bowden received fractured ribs and scalp lacerations.

O.P.P. report several accidents in the district over the past few months, where faulty and hidden signs were blamed by motorists.

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INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS were ignored on Sunday, October 16, as four students and a teacher from Emporium High School arrived at Acton District High School for a week's visit. The students exchange program is sponsored by the Acton Rotary Club. During the U.S. students' stay in Canada they will not only continue lessons but will also tour industry, see Toronto, take in a dance and root at a college football game. Pictured above, front row left to right, are Doreen Gordon and Susan Wilson, Acton students; Carol Kornish and Judith Binghamman, Emporium students; back row, Allan Poorman, Emporium, James Ironside, Acton, Edward J. Richmond, Emporium teacher, Acton principal, E. A. Hansen, Les Johnson, Emporium and Brian Barbeau, Acton.

Girls, the best way I know to keep your family on the road to success, is through a good healthy savings account. When you've got money in the bank you can pay cash for the things you want, and take advantage of opportunity. Know where my husband and I saved the money to buy this new car?

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### Protection

Immunization against contagious diseases can protect children not only from the disease itself but it also prevents the after effects that can be even more tragic. Adults, too, may contract some of these illnesses, such as polio, which was once considered to be a menace to children only. Today, adults up to forty years of age are advised to take vaccination against it.

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