

Under Glen Banks' direction, open-air practices are being held regularly. Costume planning is underway and lines are being studied seriously.

An ingenious system for getting wood into condition for molding oak for table edge veneer has been rigged up by Phil Caddick for his night school woodworking class in Milton. After several trials and errors, he knocked off the end of a neat light tube, filled it with water, placed in the oak strip, then boiled the water for 15 minutes.

Town workmen are busy trimming and removing trees on Young St. this week.

Grade two pupils from the Robert Little school with their teachers toured the Free Press plant Tuesday afternoon to see what makes the presses run. They were all satisfied with what they learned about the business except one young lad who asked why they hadn't been shown the safe. He wanted to see the money, he said. Had to inform him we DON'T print it.

ROCKWOOD

Mrs. McNeill Interred Here - Frosty Frolic, Rink in News

Following her brief illness, Mrs. Elizabeth McNeill passed away in Guelph General Hospital early last week. Mrs. McNeill was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramshaw who lived on Harris St. in the 80s and early 90s. Mr. Ramshaw often worked for John R. Harris who owned the farm now occupied by Charles H. Harris, a brother. Some preparations for the funeral were completed last week with Rev. G. A. B. Moore officiating at the Rumley-Shoemaker Funeral Home, Acton, interment taking place in Rockwood Cemetery. Burial services were held at 11 a.m. at the home of Mrs. McNeill, Douglas McNeill, Ross Gordon, Cameron Kitching, Wm. Black and Edgar Johnston. Two large wreaths bore silent tribute to memory of the deceased.

The Rockwood Teen Towners held a Frolic Hop in the town hall Saturday evening which was pretty well attended.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ramshaw, Detroit.

Some preparation has been made to have an open air rink in Riverside Park adjoining highway and adjacent to the river for securing water for flooding purposes. So far this winter, skating has been of no avail due to some snow and Hortop's Mill using a lot of water for mill work.

EBNEZER

Silver Trowel Returned Used For Cornerstone

The annual meeting of Ebenezer United Church was held on January 16 with a good attendance. K. Griffiths was in charge and Mrs. M. Thomson, church secretary, was present to perform the secretarial duties. All organs were represented and presented full reports, portraying a very fruitful year. It is gratifying to know that M. and M. givings are up considerably from last year again.

An item of interest that was brought before the congregation was that a silver trowel that was used in the laying of the cornerstone of the present church was now in the possession of the church. Mrs. Trousdale proposed

framing it and hanging it in the church and if the session and the stewards so desired that the W.A. would see that it was done. S. Norrish moved that a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. M. Carter, a former minister's wife, for the presentation of the trowel.

A vote of thanks was moved to Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths for their hard work during the year, and to all the officers of the church, also Mr. J. F. Hitching, chair leader.

After the benediction the W.A. served refreshments. The Young Peoples' Union met Sunday evening with a good attendance. Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas were invited guests for this meeting.

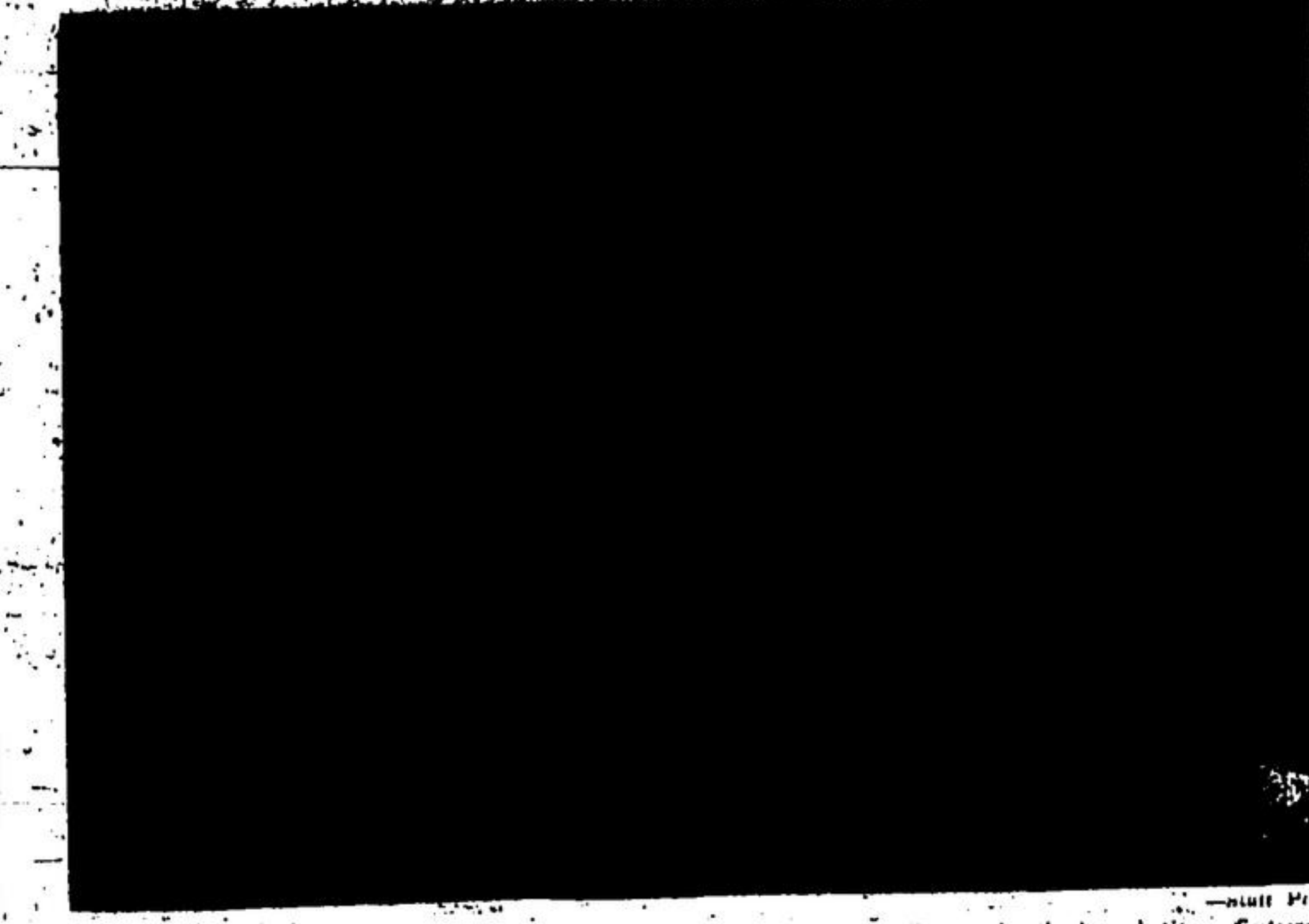
All But One Back in Office In St. Alban's W.A. Elections

The annual election of officers was held by St. Alban's W.A. in Laxton Memorial Hall, January 12, when all but one were returned to office. President is Mrs. George Fountain; vice-president, Mrs. F. Kingsmill; recording secretary, Mrs. John Rot; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John Creasey Sr.; treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Denny; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. B. Bayless and Mrs. F. Kingsmill.

Little Helpers secretary, Mrs. C. Nellis; Christian society secretary, Mrs. S. Snow; Living Message secretary, Mrs. B. Bayless; educational secretary, Mrs. W. Kerr.

The president thanked her on behalf of all the members for her faithful, conscientious service. Mrs. G. Fountain, opened and closed the meeting with prayers. The members decided to unite with the Guild for their February meeting in order to hear a talk by a couple who have recently returned from missionary work in the Belgian Congo.

Snow removal hasn't been much of a problem so far this year. Last year at this time, crews were working around the clock with all available equipment to battle the severe ice storms.



INSTALLATION TEAM for the Acton Legion Branch 197, performed their duties Saturday evening during the Legion's 30th Anniversary banquet. Newly elected officers and executive were installed following the dinner. The installation team are pictured above, left to right, Gordon Beatty, acting sergeant at arms, W. Middleton, chairman G. Musselle and E. E. Barr, who performed the ceremony. About 170 members and guests attended the dinner.

County to Study Interest Rate Cut Through Borrowing From Bond House

With an eye to the dollar, members of Hamilton County council at Tuesday's inaugural were surprised to learn they can save county funds by borrowing current expenses from bonding houses, rather than banks.

The information came forth when council passed the annual bylaw authorizing the borrowing of enough money from Bank of Nova Scotia, to carry the county's expenditures until the taxes begin coming in within the next few months. Burlington Reeve F. L. Ryckman pointed out Burlington had learned money could be borrowed from a bond house at 4 1/2% instead of the 5 1/2% rate prevailing at the bank, thus saving 1% per cent on money borrowed to start off the year.

It was decided to leave the name of the lending agency out of the by-law, and the clerk was authorized to get more information on bond house loans.

Consider Museum
Members of the agricultural committee reported on a meeting with Sixteen Mile Creek conservation authority representatives, to discuss the possibility of using the Duff Alexander house at the Kelso Dam, as a museum site. Discussions were general, however, when it was learned that none of the meeting's delegates was too sure of what could be done by either the county or the authority. It was agreed to hold another meeting with the author-

Object to Change
Milton representatives objected, and Reeve Mary S. Pettit claimed the system now in use was "quite efficient." Deputy Reeve John Charlton added that the people appointed to boards by council are usually former councillors and well qualified for the positions. Oakville's Reeve Fred Tilley countered that the trustees never have to give an account of their spendings to the public.

Outlines Dam For Esquing
An outline for the new Kelso Dam project near Milton was given members of Esquing Township council Monday, along with a request for the council's 1961 grant to the Conservation Authority.

Councillors also heard a report on the activities of the North Elton Association for Retarded Children, and approved a grant of \$100.

A drive was ordered on dog tags and trailer licences which are overdue, and bounties were paid for five foxes killed within the township.

In a letter to the road committee, Trafalgar Police Chief E. W. Oliver requested that crossing signs erected on the Seventh Line between Highway 5 and the Queen Elizabeth Highway.

Seek Deputy Clerk
The personnel committee is to advertise for a deputy clerk for the county. A new gown and cowl and Warden's chain of office are to be purchased for the Warden.

The treasurer was authorized to forward an instalment of \$99,000 to the Georgetown Memorial Hospital as soon as 50 per cent Provincial and Federal grants have been approved. A \$24,485 budget for the Emergency Measures Organization was approved.

Balance Owning
The treasurer was instructed to contact the five municipalities which comprised the former North Halton High School Board, setting out the levies owing due to a deficiency of funds given Milton District High School following the board break-up last year. It was noted the funds may be spread over five years.

Salary of assistant assessor Harvey Tasker, was increased to \$3,500 per annum and the salary of Mrs. Anne Watkins, assistant to the county clerk, was increased to \$2,800. The remuneration of gaul surgeon Dr. C. K. Stevenson was increased to \$1,200.

Rockwood Family Homeless As House Burns Saturday

A 109 year-old farmhouse at R.R. 2, Rockwood, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Anderson and their two children, was completely destroyed by fire Saturday evening after it was brought under control once by the Rockwood and Acton firefighters. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were at

ending a dance at Clappison's Corners with their parents baby-sitting with the youngsters at the time the fire broke out near the chimney.

Water Shortage
Rockwood Fire Department received the call at 11 p.m. and rushed to the scene. They were hampered due to a shortage of water and after about 25 trips to a nearby stream to fill the 300 gallon booster tank, Fire chief Herb Bolton, put in a call to Acton Department for assistance. The fire seemed to gain headway after Rockwood firemen left to fill the booster tank.

Combining forces the two departments fought the blaze until after 4 a.m. Sunday morning and when it was thought everything was under control they left.

Second Call
Rockwood firemen were called again around 6 a.m. but the fire had gained too much headway and the structure was completely destroyed, in spite of efforts to extinguish the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and family were offered shelter by next door neighbors and it is hoped to rebuild the home again in the near future.

EVERTON

Visitors, Illnesses Meeting of Interest

Mrs. Harvey Jestin was hostess for the Christian Women's Fellowship meeting Wednesday of last week. Ten ladies were present. Mrs. Harry Hartip was leader and had a splendid program. Mrs. Alex Kingsbury read the worship which was prepared by Mrs. Duncan Kingsbury.

It was decided to buy a dozen new chairs for the Sunday school room. Plans were made for World Day of Prayer to be held at the home of Mrs. D. G. Robertson, Ospringe, February 17.

A social half hour closed the meeting with Mrs. Ted Jestin assisting the hostess.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patten, Dion and Kenny Guelph, were Sunday visitors with Mrs. Alton and Miss Jennie Towell.

Little Jimmy and Terry Stewart are staying with their grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart and Mrs. Harvey Stewart are confined to bed with an infected knee.

Friends are sorry to hear Mrs. Roy Lindley and Mr. Alfred Talbot are in the Guelph General Hospital. All wish them a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lillie and family, Acton, were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lillie and Cliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jestin, Patsy and Nancy, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Winter and Clark of Oustie last Wednesday evening.

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Y.M.C.A. Week Here January 22 to 29

Beginning Sunday and continuing until January 29, every town and city across Canada will observe Y.M.C.A. Week. Special church services will be held and the importance of the Young Men's Christian Association will be stressed.

In Acton, secretary Sid Saitz and his workers will welcome anyone to the Y and classes will be conducted in the usual manner. Facilities at the Y enable young men and women to build not only their physical but their Christian personality.

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