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15 CHILDREN received their First Communion at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church Sunday morning during the nine o'clock Mass. The church was filled to capacity for the service and the altars were beautifully decorated with cut flowers. Pictured above with their pastor the Rev. V. J. Morgan are the youngsters following the service. Front row left to right are Pauline Waso-

wicz, Joanne Doherty, Diana Thompson, Patricia Dunne, Terry Vale, Mary Frances Marcoux, Kathy Prystasz and Donna Milton; back row, Father Morgan, Danny McGilloway, Stratton Cannon, Sean Aherne, David Braida, Michael Field, Gregory Dowling and Howard Coultrap.

## \$1,685,000 Quarry For Dolly Varden

Last week's publication of the Free Press carried a feature story regarding Acton Quarries Limited being established at the former lime kilns at Dolly Varden. On Friday, the Toronto Globe and Mail carried a brief news item regarding the operation.

In the Globe, it was stated the automated \$1,685,000 limestone treatment plant was expected to be in operation by October. It was also stated that an estimated 40,000,000 tons of limestone were outlined by diamond drilling and Frederick G. Gardiner, former chairman of Metropolitan Toronto, was president of the company.

Many favorable comments were received by the writer of last week's feature story but everyone wished to know if official information regarding the quarry had been received. The only reply available was that Frederick G. Gardiner had been named president and he had promised a news-release, but to date, none has been received.

It was learned this week the company required a 27,000 volt power line for its operation and hydro officials were seeking permission from Acton council to run the line down Churchhill Road south to the quarry. Hydro representatives were to appear at council on Tuesday but failed to put in an appearance.



PETER LAWSON



JOHN GOY



STUART McDONALD

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES who will be competing this Saturday at East York Stadium against representatives from all of Ontario during the Ontario Federation Secondary School Athletic meet. The young men brought honors to their school last week when they set records during the C.W.O.S.S.A. 'A' meet at the Ontario Agricultural College. The athletes have been practising this week at the school and Tuesday evening Pete Lawson injured his ankle during the pole vault. It is hoped he will be able to attend the meet. The story of last week's meet and results are listed below the pictures.



KEITH RANNEY



ALLEN HALL

## First Communion At St. Joseph's

On Sunday, May 20 eight girls and seven boys received their First Communion during the nine o'clock Mass at St. Joseph's. These little children were prepared to receive the Sacrament by their parents and Pastor, and the religious Brothers of Ignatius College, Guelph, who teach Sunday School at St. Joseph's Parish on Sunday afternoons.

According to custom the little girls were attired in white dresses with white veils and the boys wore white ribbon on their arm and a little white flower in the lapel of their coat, and were led in procession from the parish hall into the church where pews were reserved. Then, with their parents and members of the congregation offered Mass with the priest in adoration, reparation, thanksgiving and petition.

**Sacrificial Offering**  
During the offering of the Mass two of the children, Donna Milton and David Braida, placed a Spiritual Sacrificial Offering of thanksgiving on the offertory table in the Sanctuary as an act of thanksgiving for this wonderful gift, the Eucharistic Species, received by them.

Before Communion the children recited special prayers of preparation led by Miss Kathy Kenney and likewise after receiving Holy Communion as an act of thanksgiving. The pastor, Father Morgan, spoke briefly on the reception of their first Holy Communion and congratulated the children and their parents.

The church was filled to capacity for the special event and the altars were beautifully decorated with many seasonable cut flowers. The organist, Miss Irene Mulholland, and the senior choir

rendered special music and hymns for the occasion.  
**Statue Crowned**  
In the afternoon the Crowning Ceremony of the Madonna statue was held at three o'clock. The (Continued on Page Five)

## Five Explorers Join C.G.I.T. At Mother, Daughter Banquet

Five young explorers joined Knox church C.G.I.T. during a coming up service at the Mother and Daughter banquet in the church basement last night (Wednesday). They were Ann Watson,

Marsha McKenzie, Arlene Wensley, Wendy Masters and Debbie Jordan. They were special guests at the annual banquet, sponsored by the Daughters of Knox, with their mothers.

Just under 40 enjoyed the meal in a setting of pretty flowers prepared by the girls.

**Mrs. Parker Speaker**  
Guest speaker was Mrs. R. R. Parker who was introduced by Jack Calder and thanked by Sandra Sinclair. She was given a small gift.

A tribute to mothers was voiced by Lynn Masters and her mother, Mrs. Marjorie Masters, replied. The Daughters of Knox were thanked by Pat Stevenson.

**Wins Most Points**  
Geraldine Calder received a gold pin from leader Mrs. Keith Livermore. She won the most points for church attendance, Sunday School attendance and C.G.I.T. meetings with proper uniform etc. One of these pins is presented each year.

Members of the group made posters on their mission study of British Guiana. Gayle Roszell was judged the best and she was given a sparkling silver maple leaf pin.

**Last Two Stars**  
The young explorers in their uniforms were given their final two stars for their third year and in the absence of their leader, Mrs. Ball, C.G.I.T. leader Miss Shirley Mason made the presentation. The new members were introduced to the C.G.I.T. leaders and the girls accepted into the group.

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## Record-Breaking Athletes Go Saturday to East York

Competing against thirteen "A" schools with a registration of 600 and seven "B" schools with a registration of under 600, Acton and District High School athletes broke two senior records, tied a standing record and established the first record for a new event during the C.W.O.S.S.A. "A" track and field meet Saturday at the O.A.C., Guelph. This is the Central Western Ontario Secondary School Athletics meet.

Keith Ranney, running under the red and white colors of the Acton High School, breezed home in first place in the 880 yard race to set a new CWOSSA record of two minutes and four-tenths seconds. The previous record was set at two minutes and eight seconds.

Pete Lawson, the school's lanky pole vaulter, took top honors in the senior pole vault and his running mate, Stuart McDonald, placed second. Both boys broke

the senior pole vault record when they cleared 10 feet, 11 1/2 inches. The previous record was 10 feet, 9 inches.

Although both athletes cleared the bar at the same height, Pete Lawson won top spot with points.

Tuesday evening, Acton's hopes of setting new records in the senior division this Saturday at Toronto were almost shattered when star athlete Pete Lawson injured his ankle during a practice session at the school.

At first, the ankle was believed broken, but after examination by his family doctor, it was found to be a serious sprain. He is presently undergoing treatment at home, and is hopeful of competing in the meet Saturday.

Allan Hall, long distance runner for the school, led the field of runners in the mile race to establish the first record in this

event as it has never been held at the CWOSSA meet before. His time was clocked at five minutes and 13 seconds, slower than he has completed the mile race previously in the junior class.

**Ties Record**  
Johnny Goy, junior star, tied the standing record in the junior pole vault to place first in the meet when he cleared nine feet, nine inches. He also won second spot in the junior high jump, as well as tying for second spot in the overall standing for junior boys.

With hardly time to catch their breath, the proud winners will compete this Saturday at East York Stadium, Toronto, in the Ontario Federation Secondary School Athletics meet against all high schools throughout Ontario. Wayne Coyle, physical education instructor, is keeping the boys in condition for the Saturday meet.

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## Decoration Day June 3 Parade, Service Planned

Acton and district residents will gather Sunday, June 3, to honor their loved ones buried in Fairview, Dublin and the Pioneer Cemeteries, when they decorate graves during the annual Decoration Day services.

Plans have been finalized for the parade from the C.N.R. station to Fairview Cemetery where an outdoor service will be held after which graves in the three cemeteries will be decorated. Mayor John Goy will give a brief address of welcome to the gathering after which ministers of the Acton Ministerial Society will take part in the service.

Call to worship will be given by Rev. A. H. McKenzie of Knox Presbyterian church and Rev. Dwight Engel of the United church will read the scripture. Prayer will be given by Rev. G. Stanley Gannon of the Acton Baptist church. Guest speaker during the service J. H. Wilson of the Evangel Baptist church will be introduced by Rev. Donald West of St. Alban's Anglican church. Rev. McKenzie will give the benediction to close the service.

The parade will include Acton Citizens' Band, Guelph Pipe Band,

Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies as well as members of council, Legion members and representatives of various organizations.

Members of the Decoration Day committee are: chairman, Cyril Leighton, secretary, Mrs. Alex Orr, treasurer, Mrs. George Hargrave and representatives, Mrs. B. Mowat from the Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E., Mrs. D. Taylor, Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E., Ferguson Quee, L.O.L. 467 and Mrs. George Hargrave, representative of the Women's Institute branches and St. John Ambulance and Mrs. W. Buchanan, Legion Ladies' Auxiliary.

The annual event is held under the auspices of the town council, Acton Legion Branch 197, Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E., Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E., the Women's Institute of Acton, Dublin and Bannockburn, Acton Fire Department, Acton Citizens' Band and the Loyal Orange Lodge No. 467.

On Friday evening, June 1, representatives from the supporting organizations will visit the cemeteries to prepare graves for decorating.

Members of the group made posters on their mission study of British Guiana. Gayle Roszell was judged the best and she was given a sparkling silver maple leaf pin.

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## Water Safe

Bathers in Fairy Lake can be assured the water is perfectly safe for swimming, according to a report of tests taken by the Halton County Health Unit. Wednesday night, Acton Parks Board learned that tests taken May 18 were quite satisfactory.

## Six Applications for Assessor Studied

Acton council Tuesday evening reviewed six applications for the position of town assessor and as a result will conduct personal interviews with two applicants and reply to another by letter.

Applications from J. D. Chokan, Windsor and E. J. Menard, Massey, were favorably received and the two men will be requested to attend an assessment committee meeting. Another application from Richard Holmquist of Fort William will be answered by letter due to the distance; the applicant would have to travel for an interview. Other applications were received from W. Brandt, Burks Falls; Jack Coulter; Comber and R. B. Schneider, Hamilton.

**Decoration Day Set**  
Cyril Leighton, chairman of the Decoration Day committee, was present and was given council's blessing to holding Decoration Day Sunday, June 3. Council agreed to underwrite the cost of a Decoration Day advertisement and the printing of programs. Before leaving, Mr. Leighton invited council members to participate in the service.

**Park Entrance Charge**  
Council accepted the recommendation of the Parks Board to change the gate admittance charge by-law. Under the provisions of the proposed new by-law, patrons will be admitted free of charge from Monday to Saturday inclusive, Sundays and

holidays pedestrians will be admitted free but cars will be assessed at \$1 each. Acton residents may obtain a season sticker for their vehicles at a cost of \$1.

During the week reservations for picnics will be taken at a cost of \$1 per table for out-of-town residents. Citizens desiring to visit the park for a picnic will not be required to pay the \$1 per table but will take their chances on obtaining one. In the event reservations are made for tables the \$1 charge apiece will apply.

**Check Speed Limits**  
Council learned Department of Transport authorities were in

town checking the speed of vehicles approaching the entrances to town where new speed zones have been adopted. The police committee and department officials will hold a meeting to discuss the new speed limits.

Councillor Les Doby requested consideration for blocking off a culvert on Acton Boulevard near the school to prevent children from crawling in. Councillor Hamilton Feal informed his colleagues the culvert was large enough for himself to crawl in and stated children had been doing this. It was agreed to have both ends of the culvert blocked off in order to prevent this happening.

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## Citizens' Break

## Park Admittance Charge Changed

Beginning June 1, Acton residents on foot will be admitted to Acton Park free of charge. Motorists residing in town who procure a sticker for their car windshield will pay a token fee of \$1 for the season for the privilege of parking their car at the park. Out-of-town visitors driving into the park will pay \$1 each Sunday or holiday in order to enjoy the facilities. This action was adopted by the Parks Board Wednesday night when all formed by-laws pertaining to park charges were rescinded and a new by-law approved.

According to the new by-law, no charge will be levied at the gate during the week, but in the event an organization desires to reserve tables, a fee of \$1 per table will be charged. No reservations for tables will be taken on Sundays or holidays. Under the provisions of the new by-law, it is not necessary for anyone to make reservations for tables but in such cases, persons doing so

take their chances on tables being available.  
**Glenea Softball Diamond**  
Doug Copeland, president of the Acton Y's Men's Club, was present to request permission for the club to establish a softball diamond for youngsters in a park strip in Glenea subdivision. Mr. Copeland was advised the area had not been turned over to the Parks Board by council, but as soon as it was, the club would be notified.

Members agreed that park strips should be under the jurisdiction of the board and these areas should be cleaned up and made available to the public. It was agreed, however, that under the present budget, the board would be limited in the extent of development in these parkland areas.

Phil McCristall and Harold Townsley, representing the hardball club, asked the board's consideration for filling in a low area on the diamond at the latter

part of this season. It was agreed to review the situation later on and notify the ball club. The delegates were informed the club would have the use of the shower room for changing into uniforms during a game as soon as renovations were completed.

**Showers Available**  
Cliff Bradley, chairman of the park administration committee, told the representatives the shower room would be available to the ball club only and a key would be given to one member of the team. The responsibility of looking after the room is up to the ball team. They are the only ones who will have use of the showers," Mr. Bradley stated.

Board members approved an agreement to purchase the wooden booth owned by the Acton Women's Institute and guaranteed the W. I. use of the new booth being established in the change station for two days a year during the Fall Fair.

During a discussion on the new booth being built in the change station Mr. Bradley noted it might be necessary in the future to open up the back end of the booth area in order to serve customers during the Fall Fair and to provide ventilation.

**Applications Received**  
William Roszell was hired at the rate of \$1 per hour as gate attendant for the summer season. Three applications for the position were received by the board. Lesley Ann Doby was picked from two applications for the position of pool attendant at a weekly rate of \$21.

When only one application was received for the position of booth attendant, board member Mrs. G. Frer was asked to assist in getting the booth organized and hiring a help. Brian Ruffard of Guelph was rehired as lifeguard at the park at a rate of \$1.25 per hour.  
Accounts totaling \$130 were approved for payment.



"FINISH IT NOW" VOLUNTEERS will make their house-to-house canvass of Acton homes early in June. The fund raising campaign was launched to clear the deficit on the building program and to complete the project with the finishing touches. When the canvasser calls at your home you will be asked to continue your pledge for an additional two months, if you are contributing on

a payroll or bank deduction plan. In the event you made a cash donation, a further contribution will be requested. Still to be cleaned up are the parking facilities, painting of the interior of the building, installation of a concrete floor and the incidentals found necessary after the first season's operation. "Finish it Now" with your continued support.