



HENRY J. STANLEY, former associate agricultural representative in Wellington County, has been named Agricultural Representative for Halton County beginning May 1. He was in Milton for a day this week and is shown here, seated, working with J. Allen Francis, agricultural representative for the past four years, who is retiring.

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## All-Purpose Arena Floor Considered Commission Needs Additional \$5,000

Installation of a floor in the community centre, its cost and ways and means of raising more funds in addition to the \$5,000 budgeted by town council for the project, was fully discussed by Acton Recreation Committee at their regular meeting last night (Wednesday) in the community centre.

A delegation composed of Agricultural Society president, Calvin Aitken and director, Nino Brada, conferred with the committee and furnished information on the steps the Society took last year when they contemplated installing a floor in the community centre as part of anniversary fair celebrations.

Association Interested The Agricultural Society had been in touch with officials of the Light Horse Association, who showed an interest in contributing towards the cost of a floor in the centre in return for the privilege of its use when they hold their annual competitions. Mr. Aitken acknowledged the Society had not been in contact with the light horse officials for some time but it was his opinion they could still be interested in the project.

Recreation committee vice-chairman John Goy informed the delegation there were three types of floor indicated for the building. Minimum cost would be \$5,000 for a floor which would use the plastic piping on top and handle little traffic. A price of \$7,500 had been estimated for a floor with piping embedded, which was suitable for some use. An all-purpose floor which would allow roller skating, dancing and

multiple recreation activities would cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000. Both bodies agreed an all-purpose floor was essential if a year-round recreation program and multi-purpose community use were encouraged, leaving approximately \$5,000 to raise.

The committee agreed to keep the Agricultural Society informed of further developments in the project, which chairman Jack Bullough said would be pursued. John Goy was delegated to see officials of the Light Horse Association to see if they were still interested in the project.

Change in Duties The committee agreed to accept the recommendations of the administration committee on proposed changes in the recreation director's duties.

Mr. Goy outlined problems at the community centre during the past season and the steps taken to remedy them. He said it was financially impossible for the community to employ both a recreation director and arena manager, so the committee had asked Mr. Casburn to set aside his recreation activities during the community centre's season and act as a full time arena manager. The other six months of the year would be devoted fully to the recreational program.

The recreation director agreed to try it for a year although he didn't agree with the proposal in principle. The committee felt three things would have to be changed before the community centre opened next season: 1. Spend up to \$300 for instructions on how to make

curling ice because curling would likely remain in the centre for at least another season. 2. Adjust the program. 3. Cut out the Sunday night program and start to prepare for curling ice at that time.

Outlines Program Recreation director J. Casburn outlined the playground program for this summer. Theme of the program which will be conducted in two locations again will be the space age. The swimming program will be limited to beginners.

A discussion on the proposed storage section in the northeast corner of the community centre was initiated by building chairman Claude Cook. The committee agreed some seating space would probably have to be sacrificed but there was an urgent need for some type of storage building. Recommendations will be made after further study.

The committee also: Received correspondence from council suggesting to accept the year's budget including \$5,000 for a floor in the centre. Authorized the recreation director to attend an Ontario Recreational Association conference in Windsor April 30, May 1 and 2 at a cost of \$50. Granted the curling club extra ice time for bonspiels at a cost of \$40 per day. Authorized Mr. Casburn and secretary J. Hurst to contact the arena commission in Elmira with a view to collecting information on ice making for next season. Passed accounts amounting to \$994.21 after questioning extensive repairs to the ice shaver which cost \$171.22. Discussed arrangements for the July 11 celebrations planned by the Orange Lodge.

### Honor Roll Lists Miss Bennett's Best

Fifty years ago, the publishing of names of pupils who attained the "Honor Roll" following an examination was a regular occurrence in the Free Press. Apropos of the presentation of the Citizen of the Year award last week to Miss M. Z. Bennett, here, from the Free Press of exactly 50 years ago, are the top pupils in her class.

Public school Sr. IV — Harold Reed 248, George Agnew 230, Marguerite Stewart 223, Roy Brown 217, George Anderson 210, Myrtle Claridge and Phyllis Clarke 198, Total 350.

Jr. IV — Harold Kennedy 193, George Soper 192, Stella McLam 178, Alice Johnstone 176, Sandy McKeake 160, Joe Hynds 157, Total 300. Number on roll 32. M. Z. Bennett, teacher.

Two of these, Marguerite Stewart and Roy Brown, later married and were present at the C. of C. dinner for the presentation. Mr. Brown read a telegram from the deputy minister of education, W. H. Stewart, whose name appears in the list under Sr. II — Willie Stewart 449. Between these classes, in Sr. III, is Elsie Stewart, with 296 points, who was also here.

This list appeared in the Free Press on April 16, 1914.

### Halton Guide Leaders Meet In Parish Hall, Hear Beatles

Girl Guide leaders from Halton County held their annual dinner Tuesday evening at St. Alban's Parish Hall, Acton and heard Mrs. James McKinley, White Oaks Area Commissioner, speak.

Georgetown Guide Elizabeth Hay gave an illustrated talk on Mexico, in preparation for her gold cord, which was much enjoyed by the 45 Guiders present.

Acton Land Rangers Nancy Rognvaldson, Kathy McKenzie and Nancy Lauder did a takeoff of the famous "Beatles" under the stage name of "The Herbivores". The girls changed their identity by using assumed names of John Lettuce, Ringo Squash and George Horseradish. Unfortunately Vivian Smith could not be present to take the part of Paul McCartney as she had journeyed to Toronto to get tickets for the real Beatles!

Following a delicious dinner served by St. Alban's Guild every one joined in dancing a few Norwegian dances and singing a few camp songs under the leadership of visiting Guiders.

Receiving guests at the door and checking coats were guides Barbara Nicolak, Cavell Marsh, Anne Watson and Brenda Henry.

Newly appointed Acton Guide captain Mrs. J. Lowrie was present to welcome the visitors.

### Nassagaweya Girls Work on Blouses

The sixth meeting of Nassagaweya Nymphs 4-H Homemaking Club was held at the home of Susan Ward. All the members worked on their blouses with good progress being shown.

Roll Call was answered with plans for Achievement Day Notes were taken on "Titting the blouse". Business was held and it was decided to have a work meeting for those who are having problems making their blouse, at the home of the leader Mrs. Moffat Good progress was achieved by all those who attended. A lunch was served after each meeting.

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### Petition for School...

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To meet this expenditure the Centennial Grant, not a loan, to the Township would amount to approximately \$5,000.00. The remaining \$2,000.00 could be taken from the Township credit balance, leaving \$7,000.00 still on hand. This then costs the Taxpayer nothing in the future other than the normal maintenance and upkeep.

We are all aware, the No. 3 school is very centrally located within the Township, and has adequate land for expansion in the distant future.

This fine historic building, sturdy built by our pioneer ancestors from hand cut Nassagaweya field stone, set amid stately trees, is truly a site worthy of preservation. It has served this community with pride in the past and can do so again, commemorating the enduring work and spirit of the early settlers — fulfilling a purposeful need for the present and giving to the generations to come, a tradition to be proud of in the future.

We would like your support in presenting this to the Council for their consideration and adoption as a Centennial Project.

The Commission believes this to be a worthwhile endeavour for the good of the Township and if you wish to be among those supporting its adoption, and opposed to the erection of a new \$40,000.00 building please sign this petition.

We, the undersigned, petition the Council of Nassagaweya to adopt as the Centennial Project of the Township, the restoration of No. 3 school as the Township Council and Administrative Building.

CHURCHILL Anniversary Wishes From all Community The Churchill community wish to extend their congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Thompson on reaching their golden anniversary on April 18.

Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Near were Mr. and Mrs. Bessey of Hillsburgh. Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Williamson of Galt, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. L. Hammond, Mrs. C. W. McDonald, and Miss Margaret McDonald, all from Streetsville, visited on Friday at a family dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald's wedding anniversary at their home on the fourth line. Little Marnie Lee McNicol of Mono Road, grand niece of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton, received a bronze medal award when singing at the Musical Festival in Brampton on Monday. She celebrates her third birthday April 23.

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### Art Exhibit On Saturday

Saturday in the community centre, canvases painted during the night school art classes will be on display. About 70 paintings are expected, and a draw will be made for a painting by George Bowman of a rural scene near Stewarttown.

Classes in the Free Press plant were instructed by Maj. Hal Newman; attendance ranged as high as 23. Last night was the final session, and the exhibit concludes another very successful year.

### Trucker Injured Loading Freight

Keith Rannev, Trucker for Guy Transport Ltd., was hospitalized in Guelph General Hospital Tuesday afternoon with a fractured jaw and several broken teeth after suffering a painful accident while loading a C.N.R. freight car.

The well-known track star and former high school student was raising a load of freight with a lift jack when the handle suddenly sprung up striking him on the jaw.

X-Rays disclosed a fractured jaw and he underwent surgery Wednesday morning to have pins inserted in the jawbone. It is expected he will also have dental surgery.

### Acton Council...

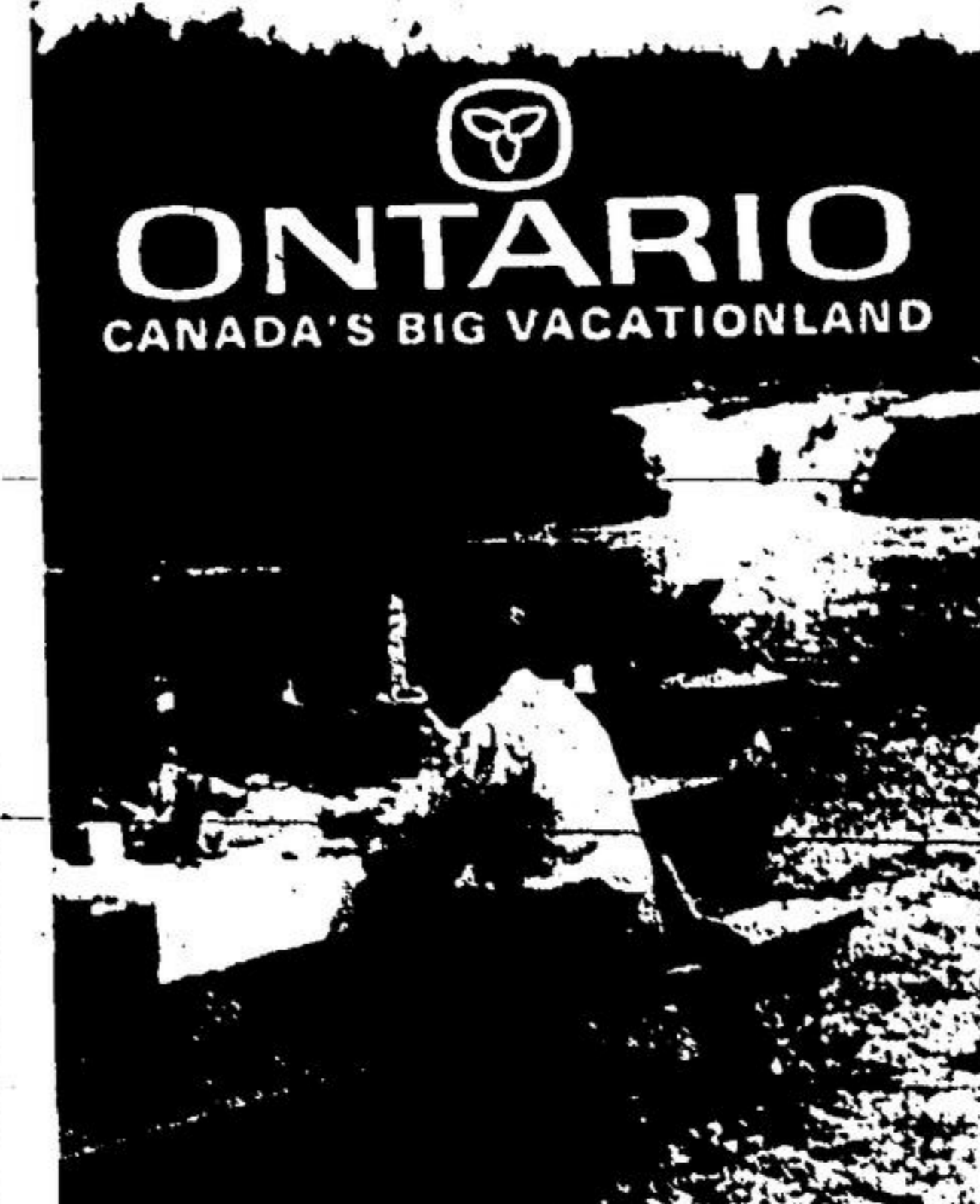
(Continued from Page One) orize the signing of a contract for the construction of bridges on Church St. and Brock Ave. He stated the contractor has signed the contract and is ready to begin but verification of Department of Highways approval has not been received and will not be received until mid-June when the Department considers supplementary bids. The clerk reported the "town could be stuck with the whole cost" (\$25,000) if the Department did not approve the project in June and the town had authorized the contract.

Councillor Arbie suggested it "would be foolish to jump into it" and the project is shelved until approval is received. An attempt is to be made to try to speed up approval.

A letter from Tom DeVries expressed his appreciation for Council's efforts in eliminating the smoke nuisance from the municipal dump.

An invitation from the Mayor of Simcoe to attend the Town and Village Section Conference on May 8 and 9 was read. Delegates to the conference will be chosen at the next Council meeting.

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