



MODEL PARLIAMENT representatives from Acton District high school will visit Georgetown to take part in sessions there. Seated left to right are Sandra Blyth and Marg McKenzie. Back row left to right are Gay White, Adele Dupuis, David Lidka, Jean Bulmer, Tom McKeown, Carol Swackhamer and Gary Dobie.

**Department Shuffle**

Major reorganization in the Ontario Department of Education announced by the Hon. William Davis included changes in the chief administrative posts.

The assistant deputy minister for Provincial Schools and Further Education will be William R. Stewart, who was born in Acton while his father was principal of the secondary school. Miss M. Z. Bennett, the town's last Citizen of the Year, was among his teachers. When his father became superintendent of the Halton Children's Aid Society, the family moved to Milton. I

After graduation from Milton High School, he attended the Toronto Normal School. For the next three years he served as Master in Upper Canada College Preparatory School. After graduation from the University of Toronto he attended the Ontario College of Education, and obtained his Specialist's Certificate in French and German at the University of Toronto.

In 1942 he was appointed High School Inspector and, in addition to his regular duties in this capacity, he gained considerable experience in the establishment of larger High School Districts. In September, 1956, he became Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education. On August 1, 1963, Mr. Stewart was appointed Deputy Minister of Education.

Said Mr. Davis in announcing the changes, "Mr. Stewart is a highly respected educator who brings to this position a wealth of knowledge and experience. His appointment is especially significant in that for the first time an official at this level will be able to devote his full time to the development of new kinds of education appropriate to our people and our time."

**Personal Notes**

Of Actonians Visiting Out-of-Town Points and of Visitors in Acton Homes

Miss Helen Holmes came home from hospital in Milton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch of Winford Place are leaving for a vacation south on Friday.

Mrs. E. Perryman and Mrs. B. McLean spent the weekend in Hamilton with their sister, Mrs. C. Bewick.

Miss Christina Morrison of Toronto, taken ill while visiting relatives here, is a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

A dozen members of Knox Heather Club enjoyed dinner together at the Amber Cupola, Guelph, Wednesday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Park and baby Cathy of Petrolia spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landsborough.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Deavy of Ottawa were weekend guests with Mr. and Mrs. Harris Roe and family. The couple joined with the Roes at the inaugural session of the Square Dancing Club held in the Robert Little school auditorium, Saturday evening, and were in the audience of the TV show "Country Hoedown" Friday.

The Ontario Municipal Association annual convention was held on the weekend in Delhi, Ontario, and Acton was well represented. Able to leave town and attend sessions Friday as well as Saturday were Mayor Les Duh, clerk Jack McGeachue, Mrs. G. Fryer and deputyreeve Roy Goodwin. Attending Saturday were Bob Drinkwater, Ab Irwin and Ray Arbie.

St. Alban's rector, the Rev. Donald West, early this week attended a training session for deanery clergy on the new Curriculum for church schools. The New Curriculum will be introduced into the parish next September.

Mrs. Harold Baxter and her two boys have moved from their apartment above the late Mr. Baxter's Mill St. drug store to an apartment in Mimico. Daughter Barbara Joan Baxter teaches school nearby. Friends regret losing the family from Acton, following Mr. Baxter's sudden death.

**Georgetown Chief Heads Mutual Aid**

Fire Chief Ernie Lewis of Georgetown was named chairman of the Halton Mutual Aid Firefighting Service at the group's annual meeting in Burlington.

All Waddle of Milton was named vice-chairman, with G. Reid of Oakville returned as secretary-treasurer. Auditors are Harold Coulson of Milton and Bern Van Fleet of Acton.

The Mutual Aid members include firefighters from all five Halton fire departments. They meet monthly in various towns to program their co-ordinated fire fighting services, and to keep in touch with new developments in the firefighting business.

Many friends are happy to see former Citizen of the Year Miss Madeleine Gibbons back at work in Cooper - Morris drug store.

**Knox Church Holds Business Meeting**

The annual business meeting of Knox Presbyterian Church was held Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruce with a fair attendance. Mrs. Ward Bruce was chairman and Mr. Gordon Atkinson was named secretary. The various reports were received showing a successful year. All officers were re-elected.

Following the business portion the ladies served a dainty lunch and a fellowship hour concluded the meeting.

Rev. T. Maxwell, Toronto, was guest speaker at the local Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning. Later, he and Mrs. Maxwell and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruce and family.

Miss Sharon Buck, student nurse at St. Joseph's hospital, Guelph, was home for the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Buck.

Ward Bruce and Norman McKenzie spent Thursday in Toronto where they attended the Soil and Crop Improvement Day and Equipment display at the Coliseum.

Byron Bruce and Pete Hayden

**Y's Men See Minor Hockey**

Thursday, January 28, Acton Y's Men met in the Y.M.C.A., the meeting called to order by president Guy Ross who introduced the newmaster Ernest Ed. Frotit. The minutes of the last meeting were read by secretary Elmer Smith.

All business was deferred to the next meeting so the Y's Men could go to the arena to watch their sponsored hockey team, the boys won 6-1 in the Minor Hockey Week match.

accompanied by friends from Guelph spent Saturday ice fishing on Lake Simcoe. This report a fair catch. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stewart on the arrival of a daughter, January 30 at Guelph Hospital. Judy Teley is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, where she underwent a tonsillectomy on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Robertson and daughter of Oakville visited on Sunday with the towners' parents, D. G. and Mrs. Robertson.

**Investigate Further**

**Propose Renovations to Basement At Annual Meeting of Knox Church**

Warmth and fellowship pervaded the congregational meeting of Knox Presbyterian Church, attended by about 50, in the Sunday school room on Wednesday evening of last week. Charles Kirkness acted as chairman with Murray Scovine secretary.

For the board of managers, Calvin McIntyre reported on an investigation of possibilities of renovating the basement of the church. Estimates had been received. There was a great deal of interest expressed and the congregation approved the board of managers continuing their investigation and calling a special congregational meeting to present their proposals.

Considered were deepening the floor, laying new flooring, installing paneling and tile, and the possibility of replacing the thick brick columns with steel posts. The proposal would enlarge the amount of usable space in the basement.

Elected to the board of managers for a three-year term were Mel McCullough, Bill Carnaghan, George Wallace, Bert Rennick, Bruce Macpherson and Bill Mann prize.

Auditors elected were W. K. Graham, Keith Livermore and Jim Innes.

A \$24,297 budget, objective for 1965 was accepted, the weekly ob-

jectives are \$467.25. Organization expenses are not included. Miscellaneous reports included that of the Kirk Session prepared by the clerk of session, Alex K. Mann, and moderator, Mr. McKenzie, budget report prepared by Mrs. Sprudel, treasurer and Clarence Coles, assistant treasurer. Church School report by secretary, Sons McPhedran, senior choir by Miss Bella Maye Ross, junior choir by Miss Ross, 201.

Ladies Aid by Mrs. Fred Atkinson, secretary, and Mrs. G. S. Matthews, treasurer. Heather Club by secretary, Mrs. Charles Kirkness and Mrs. Roy Butler, treasurer. Afternoon Auxiliary of the W.M.S. by Mrs. G. Sprudel, secretary, Albert Evening Auxiliary by Mrs. George Musselle, secretary and Mrs. J. Inglis, treasurer. Daughters of Knox by Mrs. Herb Price, secretary and Mrs. Jack Pink, treasurer.

C.G.I.T. by secretary Wendy Masters, Girl Explorers by Keeper of the Log, Carol Patterson and Keeper of the Treasury, Ely Loebes, Children of the Church by Mrs. Mabel Blow and Mrs. L. Doherty, Knox Presbyterian Youth Fellowship by secretary, Treasurer, Sons McPhedran, Board of Managers by Keith Livermore and Bob Algie, secretary.

Murray Coles expressed the thanks of the congregation to Mr. McKenzie and his wife for their leadership and ministry.

The contributions to the budget funds of the Presbyterian Church in Canada were the largest in the last five years, and marked up.

Mr. McKenzie, in his report, spoke with gratification at the growth of youth work, but expressed some concern that so many parents did not see to it that their children attended Sunday school regularly.

In 1964, the minister officiated at 15 weddings and conducted 17 funerals. Thirty children and one adult were baptized. Thirty-eight members were received into membership, 28 by profession of faith and 10 by transfer. At December 31, the communicant membership stood at 589, with 477 active members. There are 48 home resident members.

The board of managers served a delicious lunch.

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