



BRANCH 107 Royal Canadian Legion executive was installed at the annual banquet in the Legion hall. Seated front row left to right are first vice-president Hamilton Peal, president James Gunn and second vice-president Robert Angell. Second row left to right are membership committee chairman, Gil Malcolm; sports, Gordon Thompson; public relations, George Ware; entertainment, Jack Pink; secretary, John Hutnagel; minor sports, Gordon James and poppy chairman, Pat Waldie. Back row left to right are treasurer, Gordon McCutcheon; sick committee chairman, Charles Shultz; sergeant-at-arms, Alvey Gordon and property chairman, Doug Guhrrie.

Acton Student Wins Legion Essay Contest

The essay which won first place in district Legion competition, published below, is published below. It was written by Katherine Kappenberg of the Robert Little School.

A DAY TO BE REMEMBERED
"We are the dead. Short days ago we lived, fell down, saw sunset glow, loved, and were loved, and now we lie in Flanders fields."
Ernie voices kept echoing, repeating this verse in my head, over and over, and over again. My eyes beheld the sight of dead men, friend and foe, piled in great mounds. Their faces were stone cold, full of the horror and fright that accompanies death. None were smiling. Suddenly I was blinded by many bright flashes of light.

When the air cleared, I found myself in the centre of a limitless poppy field. It seemed to be full of white crosses, row on row. My ears still rang with the boom of thundering guns, my legs still felt the ground quiver and shake with the force of explosions. Then, as a searing pain that through my left arm, everything became silent and still and the larks began singing. I slumped down into a bed of blood-red poppies, my head coming to rest at the foot of an open grave.

I tried to call for help, but no sound came forth. I looked for a place to hide, but there was only horror and darkness; I asked my legs to carry me away, but they wouldn't respond to my plea. Why must those voices keep haunting me. Stop! Stop!

I woke from the dream shivering and covered with beads of sweat.

When my mother came putting up the stairs to see what had happened, I could not tell her what was wrong. How could I explain to her that on that very morning, instead of being silent for two short minutes and remembering, I had scolded at my son's sorrow, a mother's mourning and a widow's grief? How could I tell her that while the

Ask \$71,000 Profit Retained by County

Haltom County registrar William Matthews appealed to County Council last week, to repeal a former by-law passed in 1957 that would have payment of a surplus of some \$71,000 to the Province, rather than retaining it in county control.

The suggestion was referred to the finance committee for further study and submission of a recommendation to the council.

Cottontails Ready for Achievement Day

Greenock Cottontails 4-H club met on Saturday at the home of Miss Elva Pearen to practice their demonstration and make final plans for Achievement Day, January 30. The president, Nettie Tryssenaar, on behalf of the girls, thanked the leaders, Mrs. McCulloch and Miss Pearen, for their leadership and presented them each with a cup and saucer. The surprised leaders expressed their thanks, also the pleasure they had enjoyed working with the girls.

A delicious lunch was served by Nettie Tryssenaar and Lena DeKens.

BODY BELT

In crashes, almost one-third of driver injury results from contact with some portion of the steering assembly. This is a finding of Cornell University Automotive Crash Injury Research. It emphasizes the need for upper body as well as lap belt-type of restraint.

Start Addition Building Fund At Church's Annual Meeting

(Intended for last week)
Eden Mills United Church held their annual meeting in the Christian Education room with a good attendance.

Rev. W. Leamon opened the meeting with a hymn on the church and gave a prayer.

Secretary Ralph Thompson read the minutes of the previous meeting. John James was appointed secretary for 1965.

Reports from the organizations of the church were given and all are in good standing.

Elders appointed were Ed Parker, Howard James, E. Milson, Matt Parker, Ralph Thompson, W. Wallace; Sunday school superintendent, Mrs. Ed Parker; Organist and choir leader, E. Watson; missionary maintenance secretary, Mrs. Ralph Thompson and auditors E. Milson and John James.

A building fund was set up and committee to finance an addition to the Christian Education room in the near future.

Services during vacation were discussed with several recommendations. The hour of worship was discussed and a 10 o'clock service will be on a trial basis for three months.

Vacation Bible school was suggested for the month of August.

After a very active meeting the Rev. W. Leamon gave the benediction and a social half hour was spent with refreshments.

New Group

A new club has been formed in the village consisting of 12 ladies known as the Twilighters, meeting every Monday afternoon for the next 12 weeks.

The Eden Mills Women's Institute held their January meeting at the home of Mrs. H. Gilchrist on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. R. Roy, the president, opened with a poem entitled, Take Time to Think, then the Ode and Mary Stewart Collect. Letters of thanks and invitations were read and nine members will attend the Lucky Luncheon at John McCrae Memorial Hall on Tuesday.

A vote was taken on how to celebrate our 40th anniversary. Mrs. F. Jennings and Mrs. R. Wright were appointed to see where to have the banquet in the near future. An auction sale will be held shortly to raise funds.

Mrs. E. Cowell, convener of Home Economics and Health took the motto, A Well Fed Person is

Happy One and gave a paper. A reading, The Value of a Smile was given by Mrs. Gladys Marshall and Mrs. H. Buchanan gave a reading on clinical shots.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. H. Gilchrist for the use of her home and a social half hour followed.

Newcomer

Several members of Eden Mills Institute attended the meeting on Wednesday evening of the Eden Crest Institute to welcome a young mother and stranger to Canada, who will be making her home in Eden Mills. Several gifts were presented to help with their new home.

Confined to hospital are Mrs. Dorothy Townsend in St. Joseph's and Mr. William Wilson in the Guelph General hospital.

In Minnesota, a pedestrian was charged with ignoring a "Don't Walk" sign. His excuse was that he thought it was an advertisement for a taxicab company.

In Melbourne, Australia, a woman driver mistook the entrance of a mine for that of a tunnel. She emerged on foot six hours later.

Halton Hogs Improve 47.5% Given Grade A

Halton placed third in Ontario for the percentage of Grade A hogs marketed in 1964. Of the 22,472 hogs marketed, 47.5 per cent were Grade A. This is an improvement in percentage of 2.5 per cent over the previous year, and 54 per cent over 1962.

Renfrew County was first for Grade A with 48.3 per cent, followed by Bruce with 47.6 per cent. The provincial average is 41 per cent, a 2 per cent increase over 1963.

Canadian hogs marketed in 1964 totalled 7,281,444, an increase of 117 per cent over 1963. Only 62 per cent increase occurred in Ontario. Waterloo County with 274,864 hogs marketed leads all counties in volume.

This improvement in hog quality in Halton and across Ontario is a result of greater emphasis on breeding, feeding, and selling of the hogs at the proper weight. Many farmers are using boars approved under the Boar Premium Policy to improve the quality of their hogs. A premium of from \$25 to \$35 is available on such a boar. Lists of available approved boars can be obtained at the Agricultural Office.

Rev. Donald West Heads Association

The Rev. Donald West was elected president of Acton Ministerial Association at a meeting Thursday morning at the home of retiring president the Rev. A. H. McKenzie. The Rev. Stanley Gannon is again secretary-treasurer. Also attending were the Rev. Wiche Van Dijk and the Rev. Dwight Engel. The Rev. Gannon and the Rev. Thomas were unable to attend as they were in Kitchener to hear evangelist Leighton Ford.

Holy Week services were discussed. They will be held in the United church on Palm Sunday, the following Tuesday and Thursday, April 11, 13 and 15.

Auxiliary Studies W.M.S. History

The Alert Evening Auxiliary of Knox Church gathered at the home of Mrs. Earl Marshall for their January meeting. Miss Bella-Maye Roszell was convener for the evening and opened the meeting with the call to worship. Following the hymn "The Church's One Foundation", Mrs. Marshall gave the Scripture lesson and Mrs. W. Davidson led in prayer.

The study for the month was a history of the Organization Department of the Women's Missionary Society, W.M.S., entitled "Through the Years". It was presented in tabular form with Miss Roszell, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. W. Davidson and Mrs. E. Anderson taking part. Dressed in old-fashioned costumes they represented the early leaders of the W.M.S. The hymn "O God of Bethel" closed the worship service.

The new president, Miss Mary-Jo Hall, made a few fitting remarks as she took office for the first time. The secretary, Mrs. G. Muselle, and the treasurer, Mrs. J. Inglis, gave their reports.

Mrs. Anderson was called on to give a report of the Guelph Presbyterian meeting which she had attended. The secretary read several cards and letters of thanks from shut-ins who had been remembered at Christmas.

The roll call was answered by the payment of dues for 1965.

Mrs. E. Masters and Miss Emma Cole were appointed captains for the collecting of copper. A date was discussed for the annual spring visit of the group to Haltom Manor.

Following the offering and offertory prayer, all joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer to close the meeting.

A lovely lunch was served by Miss Roszell and her committee, and Mrs. Thylene Elliott expressed the appreciation of the group to Mrs. Marshall for her hospitality.

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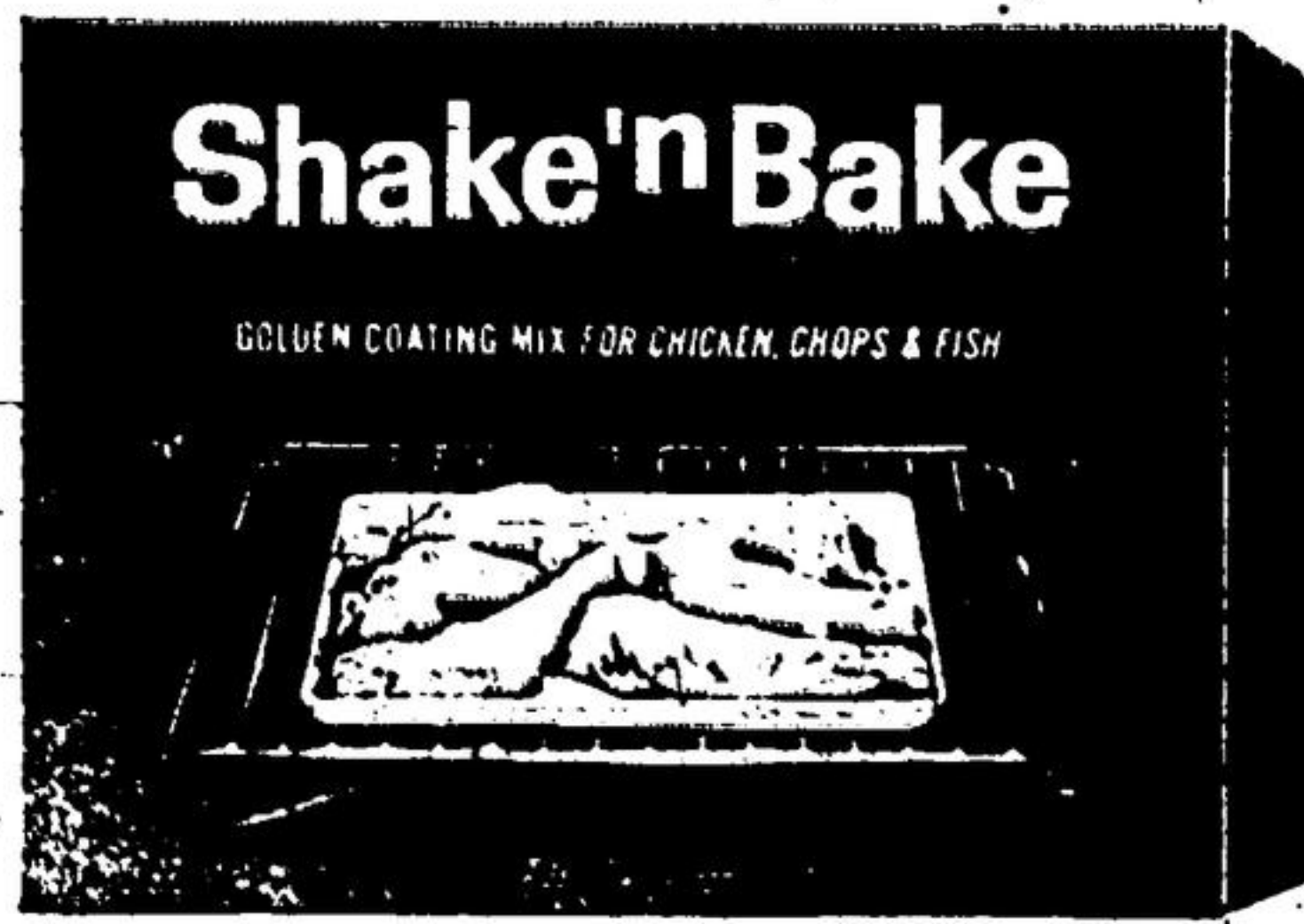
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