



KINDERGARTEN CLASS attending the Churchill and Ballinard Summer Vacation Bible School last week at Churchill church made a multitude of displays for the windup ceremony Friday night. Left to right are Barry Wright, Pat Chambers, Penny Shorill, Danny Wright and Myrna Jane Snow. Student minister George Bates was in charge assisted by ladies from each church.

New Counselling Service Another First for Halton

Another first for Halton County — the first county-sponsored Family Court Counselling Service in the Province — was launched at a special meeting of the Halton County Council August 16. The council has appointed R. J. Vivian of Burlington as director and he will begin in October to set up an office and begin the family counselling service.

Mr. Vivian has spent the past six years as a probation officer in Halton plus half a year working with the Attorney-General's Office in Toronto. He has been a Halton resident for 16 years and is quite familiar with the county.

He has a BA degree, majoring in theology, and has social and law administration courses, as well as Mr. Vivian will work from the Brown St. Family Court building in Milton. He was one of three applicants interviewed for the new position.

Also a Monday's special meeting, council amended a by-law covering quarry roads in Esqueving and Nassagaweya townships, to clear up a typographical error.

The warden's dinner was tentatively set for Nov. 17 at the Club Galaxy in Oakville, and reports indicate the Halton display for the International Plowing Match was progressing.

Whether health or wealth is the greatest blessing depends on which one you don't have.

Band Camp Finishes With Friday Concert

Beginners and intermediate members of Acton Citizens' Band who spent last week practicing at Rockwood Conservation Park wound up their sessions Friday playing to a crowd of park visitors.

Many of the visitors were from town but a number were strangers who dropped in for a picnic. Band secretary George Elliott instructed the young bandmen who enjoyed playing band instruments as well as swimming, games and being in the open.

The Good Old Days...

20 YEARS AGO
 Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, August 16, 1945.
 Peace at last — with Victory! Japan Surrenders Tuesday, Local Celebrations are held.
 August 14th, 1945, ranks with May 7th, 1945, as a date that blazed on the historic calendar of the world. Official word came at 7 o'clock Tuesday night that Japan, the last enemy in the Second World War, had accepted the Allied surrender terms and the Great War has ended.

Orders have gone out to silence the guns that have blazed for six years. The use of the atomic bomb and the entry of Russia against Japan were the final blows that brought the Japs to submission.

Just after the announcement of the whiffle of Beardsmore and Co plant shrieked out the joyful news. It was joined by church and town bells in spreading the peace news. It didn't take long for Acton Boys' Band to assemble and headed by Reeve J. M. McDonald, a parade formed the town.

Then the crowd joined in to make its own parade. They sang, held up flags, it was necessary but were all orderly and did no damage. A dance on the street was rained out but assembled in the town hall.

Wednesday was by proclamation a public holiday. Stores and factories were closed. Reeve McDonald, councillors, members of the Duke of Devonshire chapter and the Lakeside chapter of the I.O.G.E., Women's Institute, Acton Legion, servicemen and women and citizens assembled at Knox church for a service of thanksgiving and praise. It was in charge of Rev. Fosbury and Rev. Pulker.

In the afternoon the softball teams played a tournament in the park and again in the evening, there was dancing in the town hall. By royal proclamation, Sunday is a day of thanksgiving.

The war of destruction is finished and now we must win the war of construction of a better world.

70th Anniversary of W.M.S. To Be Observed in September

The August meeting of the W.M.S. and Ladies' Aid of Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church was held on Thursday in the home of Mrs. I. Beck.

In the absence of the president Mrs. Beck, the vice president was in charge of the Ladies' Aid and opened the meeting by singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" and the Lord's Prayer and Scripture reading from Luke, the seventh chapter.

There was a discussion on carrying for a wedding in the fall and a committee appointed to make final arrangements. The church has been freshly painted on the inside and is to be cleaned up and made ready for fall activities.

Mrs. M. F. Mullen was in charge of the W.M.S. meeting and read a poem "All on a Summer Day". After singing hymn 53 and the Scripture lesson by Mrs. H. Dredge from John Chapter 12 Mrs. E. Cox led in prayer.

The meeting was opened for business. It will be 70 years this fall since the W.M.S. was organized by Mrs. A. Blair, wife of Rev. A. Blair, minister at that time of Nassagaweya church. The plans of the committee made were approved and the service is to be held on September 13.

The guest speaker is to be Miss Shirley Dredge, a returning missionary from Nigeria.

Mrs. Grant Campbell was in charge of the program. She read a short article on Foreign Missions in Nigeria. Mrs. James Zehr gave a report of her week spent in Belleville at the Ladies' Training Centre. There were women from different parts of Canada as well as some from other countries.

Mrs. Mullen closed the meeting with prayer, followed by a cup of tea which all enjoyed.

Don McMillan's new printing office is progressing very nicely. Everyone wishes him success in his undertaking.

Raspberries pickers have been kept busy this past two weeks. Berries have been a good crop this year.

Plans have been made for anniversary services of Nassagaweya Presbyterian church, which will be held the middle of September.

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Married — Hlckensdeler, Bingham. At the home of E. S. McDonnell, El Paso, Texas, on Saturday August 27th, 1945, by the Rev. W. C. Baker, Frank C. Hlckensdeler of Maricopa, Arizona to Harrie B. daughter of William Bingham, Alma, Ontario.

Died — Cutting. At Exeter on Saturday August 14th, 1945, the wife of Henry Cutting, aged 80 years.

MOFFAT
 The gang erecting electric poles on the new electric railroad has reached a point between Holly Vanden and Acton.

Next Saturday fishermen in Halton attract "Week Are You ready to do 'your bit' to make it a success?"

Mr. J. A. Tracy appeared on behalf of the residents of Esqueving who had made application to the Hydro at the last meeting of Georgetown council. The engineer for the Hydro will have to go over the line and see what the cost of construction would be.

The first British transport was sunk in the Aegean Sea by a German submarine, with 1,000 troops on board.

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