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Speyside Class Migrates To Acton's Stone School

Overcrowding in Esqueving public schools during a building program created a problem which was overcome Tuesday morning by Acton Public School Board One room at the old Stone School has been rented to Esqueving school board and a grade five class from Speyside will begin classes there. Mrs. Elmer Smith, presently teaching at Speyside will teach the class in Acton.

Principal Garry Dawkins of Speyside school had been literally squeezed out of his office due to overcrowding. His office had been turned into a temporary classroom and as a result he was using the boiler room!

At a special meeting Tuesday night with the Esqueving board, the Acton board agreed to provide one classroom in the stone school, complete with desks and janitor service.

The stone school, which remained vacant for a number of years following the last addition to the Robert Little school, was pressed into service during the construction of the last high school addition, when senior grades from that school attended classes there.

This year two classes plus a library room occupy part of the stone school which was renovated this summer for that purpose.

It was also agreed to purchase and install a fire escape at the stone school from the front up stairs. In order to do this the front entrance porch will be removed.

Jack Marshall Heads Fall Fair

The officers and directors of Acton fall fair for 1965 are past president, Calvin Aitken; president, Jack Marshall; first vice-president, Wilmer Fryer; second vice-president, Fred Kentner Jr.; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Swackhamer.

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INDUCTION SERVICE was held Sunday evening at St. Alban's Anglican church for Rev. Ritchie McMurray (left to right) are Rector's Warden Reg Hoare, Rev. McMurray, Right Rev. C. R. H. Wilkinson, assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Niagara, acting Bishop's Chaplain, Don Price, The Venerable Stanley Kirk, Archdeacon of Trafalgar and People's Warden Ted Pratt.

Election Countdown

Diefenbaker's Party Sat. Kicks Off '65 Campaign

Roasting Liberal Party policies could easily be the outstanding sporting event on Saturday when the Conservative Party of Canada will hold its annual convention in Oakville. The Conservative Party will hold its annual convention in Oakville on Saturday, Sept. 18. The party will meet in the afternoon at the Coronation Park to hear Conservative Party leader John Diefenbaker kick-off his November 8 election campaign.

The former Prime Minister and leader of the Opposition during the last session of the House of Commons, is expected to be in top form as he celebrates his 70th birthday and blasts Lester B. Pearson's administration, all in the same outing.

The coming of the Conservative leader to the riding is the highlight of the first full week following the announcement of the next federal election on November 8. The political wheels in the riding are just beginning to churn and announcements were made this week concerning the nomination of the Liberal Party candidate September 24 and also the selection of the New Democratic Party candidate on Sept. 27.

Masson Selected

Mayor Allan M. Masson of Oakville was selected as the Progressive Conservative candidate in the riding at the party nomination convention in February.

Independent Henry Timmins of the Georgetown district is considering contesting the seat again but he hasn't decided definitely. He contested the 1963 election. Irving Wilson, the last Social Credit Party candidate, doesn't know yet if his party intends to have a candidate in the riding.

Haltom's returning officer Richard H. West of Burlington has started preparations for the election and so have the local party organizations in the various communities in the riding.

Harley Seeks Liberal Nod

Although the Liberal candidate for Haltom riding in the forthcoming election will not be officially named until September 24, there seems little doubt that Haltom's most recent representative in the House of Commons, Dr. Harry Harley, will get the nod.

It was announced this week that the Liberal nomination meeting will be held in Burlington on September 24 and there is a strong possibility that a Federal Cabinet minister will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Harley has been elected to the House of Commons as a representative of Haltom on two occasions, edging out Progressive Conservative Sandy Best in 1962 by only 98 votes, and again in 1963 defeating Mr. Best by a large margin.

Dr. Harley was born in Weston in 1926 and attended school there. Upon graduation from a vocational school as a draftsman, he enlisted in the RCAF in 1944. He was discharged at the end of the war, attended rehabilitation schools to obtain his senior matriculation and entered the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine in 1945 to fulfill a wish to become a doctor. He graduated in 1951, then served his internship in St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto.

The next year, he joined the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps with which he served five years, spending a year as Medical Officer with the Canadian Field Ambulance Brigade in Hanover, Germany and several years at Sunnybrook Hospital.

Dr. Harley resigned from the Army with the rank of Major in 1958 and moved to Oakville to set up a medical practice. He was an active staff member of Oakville - Trafalgar Memorial Hospital and served as president of the medical staff.

In 1962 he resigned to pursue a career in politics.

New Democrats Plan Convention

With the election day less than two months away, members of the Haltom County New Democratic Association are in a quandary. The Haltom New Democrats have set September 27 as their nominating convention night, but so far no likely candidates are in sight.

However, members present at a recent meeting felt the chances for the Party in the riding were increasingly good. William Gillies of Oakville is president of the Haltom New Democratic Association.

The Association's candidate in the last federal election was Ellis Fullerton, a resident of Oakville at the time, but he has since moved from the riding.

Masson Starts Saturday

Saturday's Progressive Conservative picnic in Coronation Park promises to be more work than play for both Mr. Diefenbaker and Mr. Masson. Starting a political campaign is old hat for the veteran Conservative leader but this will be the first time Mr. Masson has entered a federal race.

The 50-year-old Mayor of Oakville received his education in Toronto. (Continued on Page Three)

Council to Apply for Change In Zoning to Keep Industry

Acton Council will re-apply to the Ontario Municipal Board to have lots 8, 9 and 10 of plan 670, rezoned from residential to industrial which, if approved, would pave the way for Ajax Engineers to purchase the land for storage purposes.

An O.M.B. hearing held in Acton September 9 on the original application was opposed by four area residents. The application was turned down because of insufficient evidence supporting it.

Tuesday evening, council received a request from vice-president Don Wyle to re-apply for the zoning change. City administrator Jack McGeechie, when asked how many objections had been originally submitted, noted there had been 18, but 11 of these had been withdrawn prior to the hearing.

Want Industry

Councillor Ray Arbc in supporting the reapplication, told his colleagues, "We need this industry and want it. I figure the best method is to re-apply. Our basic idea was to keep industry here and this hasn't changed."

Council's quest to obtain industry bids from bonding houses for the sale of high school debentures amounting to \$95,000 over a 20-year period at the rate of six per cent was met with five replies from 16 bonding houses contacted.

Sell Debentures

Approval was given to sell the debentures to Wood - Gundy and Co. at the rate of \$98.45 per \$100 over a 20-year period. Annual payments of \$8,450 over the 20-year period will be shared by Acton and Esqueving and Navesa gaweya Townships.

Cost of the addition to the Acton District High School was \$250,773 and through a Federal Provincial assistance program, the town can borrow \$115,133, of which \$38,783.25 is "forgiven." This leaves a balance of \$116,349.75, which will be debentured through the Federal Provincial program at the rate of 5 1/2 per cent interest. Approval for this debenture was also given Tuesday night.

Another Blast

Quarry blasting came under fire once again when councillor Ray Arbc noted that one blast last week had opened up a crack in the ceiling at his home. Other councillors also pointed out that damage had been caused to their homes, presumed to be caused by the blasting.

At an earlier meeting, a delegation of ratepayers appeared, objecting to the blasting and council agreed to engage a solicitor to investigate and meet with quarry officials regarding the complaints. Mayor Les Duby noted the meeting had not been arranged as yet due to the heavy agenda council members have.

"We are now meeting every night for the next three weeks," he stressed. The clerk was asked to contact the solicitor to see what action had been taken by him.

Council will apply for an additional \$5,000 for extra costs involved for the construction program planned for Mill Street West. This is due to unforeseen costs in moving poles and engineering fees.

Await Questionnaire

Councillor Mrs. George Fryer enquired how the experiment with plastic garbage bags was working out and said she had talked to some residents who used them and were quite satisfied. Clerk McGeechie said a questionnaire had been given to residents receiving the bags and to date, less than half the forms had been returned. He also noted of the ones returned, nearly half were not in favor of the garbage bags.

Mayor Duby told council he had a request from a member of the public school board regarding obtaining police assistance with the school patrol program. He stated the program was working out quite satisfactorily but the youngsters needed some guidance from police. When the program was first introduced, Constable Ron Rupert, who has since been transferred to London Police O.P.P. detachment, assisted. The police committee was asked to investigate the problem.

Letter of Thanks

The mayor read a letter from a resident of Ridgeway who had come to Acton on a weekend to make funeral arrangements for her mother. The mayor and town office personnel had met the woman at the town office and visited the cemetery to complete arrangements for a plot. The writer noted "I came to Acton as a stranger and found friends" as she thanked everyone for their assistance.

Dump problems arose again Tuesday when the mayor stated he had a 45 minute telephone conversation with a Glenlea resident complaining of burning at the dump. Councillor Bill Williams said he was presently working on a new dump site but nothing had been finalized.

Fair Specials

Read the advertisements with special attention this week! The merchants are featuring "fall fair specials" which are announced in their store windows. Merchants are also backing the baby show, and have donated prizes to Miss Acton Fair. Some award prizes regularly at the fair. Support the merchants who boost Acton!

Australian Teacher Now at R.L. School

Miss Verity K. McIntosh, a native of Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia, began teaching duties at the Robert Little public school Monday morning. She completes the teaching roster and fills the vacancy caused when board members learned of overcrowded conditions in grade one classes and decided an extra class would be necessary.

With five years' teaching experience in Australia, Miss McIntosh is no newcomer to the profession, as she taught two years in kindergarten, two years in grade one and one year in grade two in her homeland.

First Trip Overseas

After living in Australia all her life, she and friend Miss Janice Nixon, decided to "go abroad" and look for work in Canada. September 2, she contacted a friend who had come to Canada a few years ago. On learning of the vacancy in Acton, Miss McIntosh phoned Saturday to apply for the position, and after being interviewed was hired by the board to start work Monday. Her friend is hopeful of obtaining a teaching position in this area as well.

The two girls have not quite adjusted to the Canadian ways of motor travel, and until they become more familiar with Canadian laws of the road, both are a little hesitant about driving a motor vehicle. They are accustomed to waiting on the left side of the road for a bus, and as a result have missed a few.

Miss McIntosh is living with Mr. and Mrs. Reg Hoare, Artium St.

New Curriculum For Anglican S.S.

St. Alban's Sunday School begins this Sunday, when the children will come into the church before the offering, to receive their diplomas and awards.

For the first time in this parish the Sunday School will be using the new curriculum. The curriculum, authorized by the general board of Religious Education of the Anglican church, has been used for the past four years in test parishes.

Ernest Coker is Sunday School superintendent.

Rev. R. McMurray Inducted At St. Alban's on Sunday

The Right Reverend C. R. H. Wilkinson, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Niagara, inducted the new rector of St. Alban's Church in a solemn ceremony Sunday evening at 7 p.m.

The ceremony began with the procession into the church headed by the crucifer, followed by the choir, honored clerical guests, the rector-designate, the clergy of Wellington diocese, the master of ceremonies, theology student Laurence Daby, the Rev. R. Parrish, the rural dean; The Venerable Stanley A. Kirk, the archdeacon of Trafalgar; the bishop's chaplain Don Price and finally the Bishop. The church was filled for the service with Mrs. Frank Oakes playing the organ.

Receives License

The Rev. Ritchie McMurray received a license to function in the parish as a priest and pastor from the Bishop and made an oath of allegiance to the Bishop and to the Queen, and swore to observe the rites and ceremonies of the Book of Common Prayer. The Wardens, Ted Pratt and Reg. Hoare, presented him with the keys of the parish and the Bishop and Archdeacon installed him in the church prayer desk.

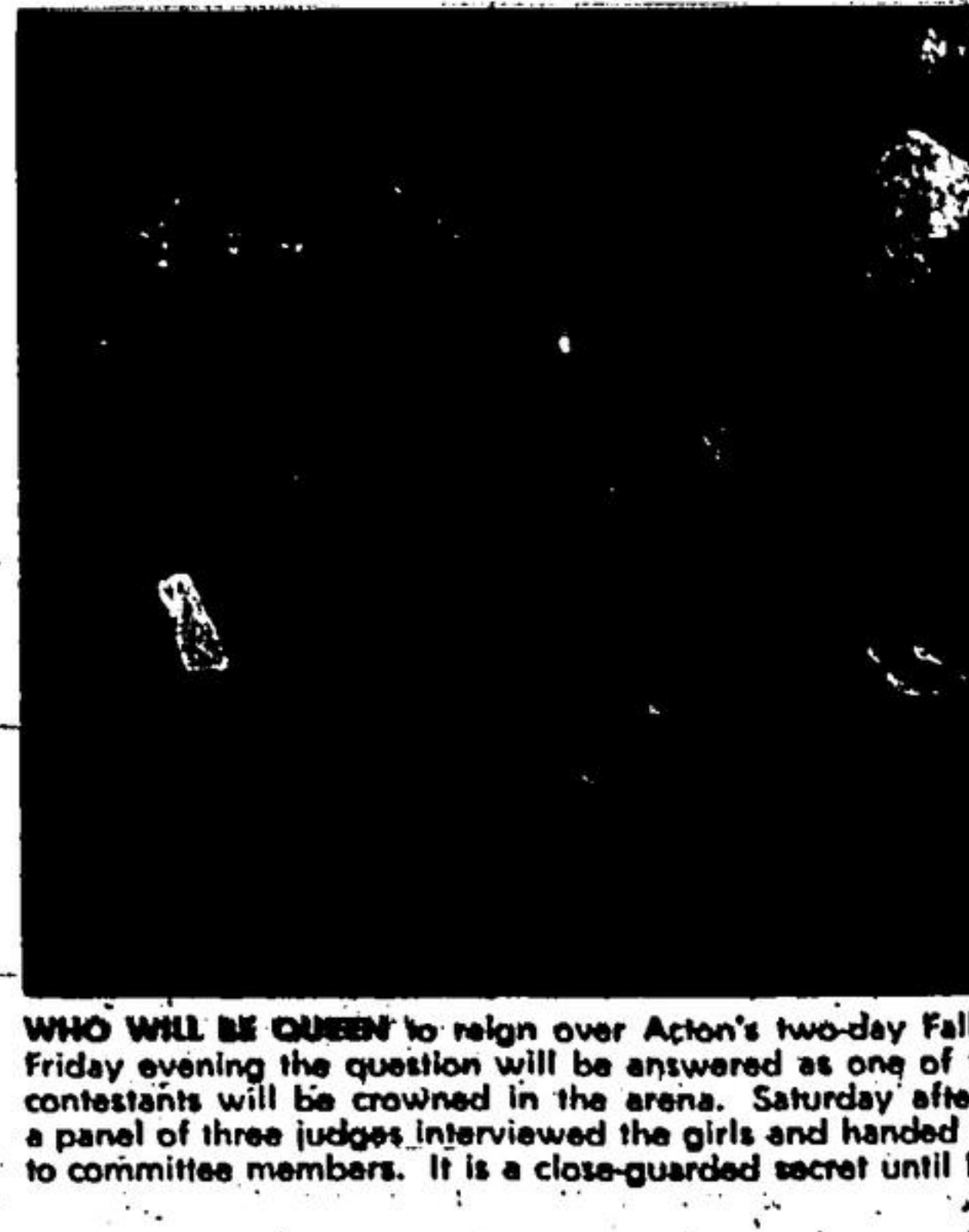
He received the instruments of his office, the Bible and the prayer book, from the Bishop. (At a priest's ordination, he also receives a chalice, which is also one of the instruments of his office.)

Symbolic Procession

The Archbishop, the Archdeacon and the wardens, following the crucifer, led the rector to three places, the font, the chancel steps and the altar, where both the priest and the people of the parish make promises to maintain the Christian faith. At the font, the Christian first enters the church; at the chancel steps, he is confirmed, married, ordained and buried; and at the altar he offers the Holy Eucharist and receives communion.

A favorite hymn of the rector's was sung: "O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be."

A number of the clergy of the (Continued on Page Three)



WHO WILL BE QUEEN? to reign over Acton's two-day Fall Fair? Friday evening the question will be answered as one of the 14 contestants will be crowned in the arena. Saturday afternoon, a panel of three judges interviewed the girls and handed results to committee members. It is a close-guarded secret until Friday.

Reigning Queen, Bands, Parade Baby Show, Sports to Highlight

Entries in hundreds of classes on the spot judging of line live stock, a midway and many special entertainment features will draw crowds to Acton park this weekend.

Special highlights of this year's Fall Fair will be the crowning of Miss Acton Fair, the revival of a baby show after an absence of 13 years, a horseshoe pitching contest, the first appearance at the fair of the Guelph Royalaires Band, and many other interesting attractions.

Space All Sold

Commercial space on the arena floor has all been sold. Some midway attractions moved in Sunday evening.

Another first for the Acton Fair will be the appearance of the ladies' tug-of-war teams, who will pull their weight against each other. One has been recruited from the Beardmore plant and the other is a team from Mallon.

Friday Show

Mayor Les Duby will officially open the fair Friday evening in the arena and patrons are promised some fine entertainment by Cliff McKay and his Variety All Stars. Included on his program will be comedian Jack McLean, exotic dancer Zena Cheevers, ventriloquist Ted Rusk and playing musical instruments will be Jimmy Reynolds, Don Gordon and Reef McGarvey.

For the second year in a row, Jimmy Embro and his accordion pupils will entertain Friday evening and hall exhibits will be open for the public. W.I. displays are expected to be the largest ever.

Crowning of Miss Acton Fair will highlight the Friday show as 14 anxious contestants wait to see who the new Queen is. The midway provided by King shows will be open Friday evening and Acton Hi-Fivers will demonstrate model airplanes on the grounds beginning at 7 p.m.

Saturday Morning

Saturday morning, the Junior Horse Show gets underway at 10 a.m. and will continue on through the afternoon.

Congential master of ceremonies for the Saturday afternoon program is popular Vince Mountford, whose sparkling chatter will keep patrons amused.

Afternoon Plans

The afternoon program will start with a monster parade headed by Guelph Royalaires, who will also entertain the crowd from 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. with a drill program. Floats, decorated doll buggies, bicycles and tricycles and clowns will be featured in the parade.

The baby show will take place in the Community Centre beginning at 2:30 p.m. and meanwhile, horseshoe pitching experts will be outside trying to toss rings in competition. In the Community Centre, homecrafts and baking will be shown upstairs and commercial displays on the arena floor will be open for the public to see.

Livestock Parade

Livestock entries are expected to be large again as well as poultry exhibits.

A number of refreshment concessions will dot the grounds throughout the park. Judging of both heavy and light horses is expected to attract many enthusiasts. The livestock parade scheduled for 4 p.m. will again be one of the main attractions.

Special prizes are offered for the person coming the farthest distance and the couple married the longest in attendance at the fair. Be sure to register at the secretary's office. Special classes for boys and girls include the beef and dairy calf showmanship classes, open to Haltom County and Erin and Esqueving Townships.

School children's work was judged Wednesday evening and winning entries will be posted at the arena display. To wind up the gala event, a monster dance will be held in the arena with dancing to music supplied by David Benham and his Melodians orchestra.

Plan to attend Acton's 52nd annual Fall Fair this weekend!

Blood Donors

Today (Thursday) the annual Blood Donor Clinic is being held in the Legion auditorium. Anyone between the ages of 18 and 65 years is eligible to donate.

Convener for this year's clinic is Mrs. Williams Finlay and she is appealing to all former donors, as well as new ones, to turn out to give blood, which is so urgently needed. Arrangements were not completed early enough for advertising and the usual publicity. Notices have been posted at industries.

Hours for the clinic are from 7 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and in the evening from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Anyone requesting a specific time is asked to contact Mrs. Finlay at 853-1774.

The Hamilton Red Cross Unit will be on hand again with a team of staff of nurses who will be assisted by local nurses and other volunteers.

MISS VERITY MCINTOSH