

Meet-the-candidates in Nassagaweya twp.

About 60 township ratepayers attended a Nassagaweya "Meet-the-Candidates" night in Ligny Hall Thursday evening — but they only met the challengers and one of the incumbents.

Township Reeve William Coulter, who was challenged for the township's top post for the second year in a row by Allan Ackman, was not invited to the meeting. Neither were present councillors William Mahon or Ross Gordon, or Deputy Reeve William Hoey who won the township's only acclamation.

Councillor Mrs. Anne MacArthur was the only incumbent councillor invited. Others who spoke were council nominees Mrs. Elva Newton and A. L. "Gus" Goutowski.

None of the four incumbent school board trustees running for seats in Monday's election received invitations to the meeting, but all five of the challengers were present.

Officials in charge gave vague answers when asked where the remainder of the candidates were that evening. Ed Woodhouse, who has been active in the Nassagaweya Ratepayers Association, chaired the meeting. Queries about the other candidates, he said "apparently they chose not to come."

Allan Ackman, who was running for the reeve's seat was also asked where the other candidates were. "That's what I'm wondering," he replied.

Who organized the meeting? a reporter inquired. Mr. Ackman said "the ratepayers arranged it."

Were the other candidates invited? the reporter asked. "I imagine they were, I was invited to come by the ratepayers, it all stemmed from a coffee party at my house five or six days ago," he replied.

This newspaper contacted each of the candidates who

Presentation held for Jack Marshall

A presentation was held at the Opreng public school auditorium on Saturday evening, December 10, when the communities of Acton, Erin and Esquesing, also friends and neighbors, honored Jack and Lorna Marshall (nee Lorna Bessey).

The popular couple are well known. Mr. Marshall was president of Acton Fair in 1965 and 1966, and Mrs. Marshall, who comes from Erin township, is employed with the Kearns, McKinnon, Clare and Kearns law firm in Guelph.

Dancing was enjoyed in the school auditorium to Rowan's orchestra from Orton.

Mac Sprowl of Acton acted as master of ceremonies for the evening. Miss Donna Rids read an address which contained a list of 312 donors all typed on three white ribbons.

Douglas Delaney and Clarence Denny presented the couple with a china cabinet. James Letch of Erin township and Fyfe Somerville of Acton spoke briefly extending congratulations to the bride and groom.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Marshall thanked all for everything. All joined in singing "For They are Jolly Good Fellows". Lunch was served.

The presentation committee was comprised of R. L. Davidson, Lloyd McLean, Don Matthews, Burt Watson, Mervin Harness, Calvin Sprowl, Ron Britton, Calvin Aitken, Lawrence Hemaley, Mac Sprowl, Bert Rennieck, Mrs. Kevin Green, Clarence Denny, Fyfe Somerville, Keith Letch and Wilmer Fryer.

In first place

A new leaflet has been issued listing all the Art Associations of Ontario, and first on the list is the Acton Art Club — president George Bowman; secretary Mrs. Laura Dittich.

The directory was compiled by the Community Programs Division of the Ontario Department of Education.

Provincial grant to purchase land

Approval has been given for a provincial grant of \$4,000 to the Grand River Conservation Authority for land acquisition and bridge structures for the Rockwood Conservation Area.

The grant was made by the Ontario Department of Energy and Resources.

were absent. All replied they were not invited, and most didn't even hear about the meeting until the following morning.

Speeches through the evening blasted the present council and school board over the two-year term, and Plunkett Report, the quarry issue, zoning, the new school addition, high taxes, the debt position, and stop sign problems.

Toronto Controller Margaret Campbell, a personal friend of Mr. Ackman, dropped in on the meeting to urge voters to support him in his bid for the reeveship. "This man is a great fighter and a very knowledgeable man, I assure you", she said.

Another guest who spoke for Mr. Ackman was Guelph Lawyer William Voris, who urged voters to support Mr. Ackman and the slate of candidates proposed.

Another speaker was Township planning board member Maurice Newton, who reviewed the board's actions over the past year and dealt briefly with the Plunkett Report.

Man, woman injured in week's accidents

Several serious accidents in the North Halton area were investigated by Milton O.P.P. during the past week. An Acton man and a Campbellville area woman were injured.

Late Monday afternoon on Highway 401 at the Milton bypass, the most serious crash of the week saw a 36-year-old Acton man, Alan John Cox of R.R. 1, Acton, hospitalized with severe head injuries. His east-bound car left the highway near the overpass, hit a Department of Highways sign, travelled a considerable distance, flew over 90 feet in the air and rolled over.

Mr. Cox was rushed to Milton District Hospital. The 1963 Volkswagen received \$1,000 damage to the roof and all four fenders. Const. L. Kneale reported. Mr. Cox was later transferred to the Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital in Burlington.

An R.R. 2, Rockwood, man's car collided with a deer on the Guelph Line a mile south of 30 Sideroad early Friday morning, causing \$250 damage and killing the deer. The driver was Ross Gordon. Game warden Jim Millford was called to dispose of the deer's carcass.

Fire broke out in the car of Charles E. Wright, 188 Church-ill Rd. S., Acton, on Highway 7

Extra help at post office for Yule rush

Acton postal employees are literally up to their ears in mail.

Incoming and outgoing Christmas mail is heavy and extra staff has been added to cope with the rush. Sale of three cent stamps has also been heavy.

But the mail is going through on time.

Postmaster Gordon McKeown reported three regular staff members are working steady night shift in order to clear the mail and four part-time assistants have been engaged during the day to help six regular staff members.

Thursday of last week the Christmas rush began and since then mail has been heavier each day. The postmaster commended patrons for mailing early and bundling Christmas cards up and handing them in at the wicket. "This expedites the mail in record time", he emphasized.

Working steady night shift are regular staff members Mrs. Charles Perry, Mrs. Harvey Kirkwood. Regular staff members during the day include postmaster Gord McKeown, assistant Mrs. Chris Britton, Mrs. John Chapman, Vic Bristow, Alec Frank and Miss Alice Pilkington. Part time help includes Mrs. Jean Marcoux, Mrs. Joe Whitman, Mrs. John McHugh and Mrs. A. Combe.

Puppy in show

A German Shepherd puppy, Dusty, owned by Mrs. Alec Johnson, was in competition at a sanctions show for puppies in Oakville last Saturday and won a first for best of breed and third in the group.

W.M.S. names now officers

The W.I. met at the home of Mrs. A. W. Benton on Wednesday evening last week.

We extend sympathy to Mr. Patrick Heisler and family in the very sudden passing of Mrs. Heisler on Thursday evening. The funeral was conducted by Rev. F. N. Young at the McClure Funeral Home on Monday with interment in Limehouse Cemetery.

The W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. A. W. Benton on Thursday evening with 10 attending. Scripture was read by Mrs. Jas. Noble and Mrs. Bert Benton led in prayer. Text word "Year" was answered by a verse of Scripture. The treasurer reported an increase of a few dollars over last year, with a membership of 11. The ladies read appropriate Christmas verses or article.

It was moved and seconded that the 1966 officers be re-installed for 1967:

President, Mrs. W. Mitchell; vice-president, Mrs. Roughley; secretary, Mrs. A. W. Benton; treasurer, Mrs. A. C. Patterson; literature secretary, Mrs. Gisby; supply, Mrs. Patterson; home helpers, Mrs. Mitchell; Glad Tidings, Mrs. Bert Benton; welcome and welfare, Mrs. Patterson (convener).

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Christmas meeting for I.O.D.E. chapter

The Duke of Devonshire chapter of the I.O.D.E. held their Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. W. J. Beatty, following a buffet dinner assembled under a committee headed by Mrs. R. H. Elliott, Mrs. A. E. Newton and Mrs. Beatty.

There was a short business meeting at which year-end donations were approved. A new member was welcomed into the chapter.

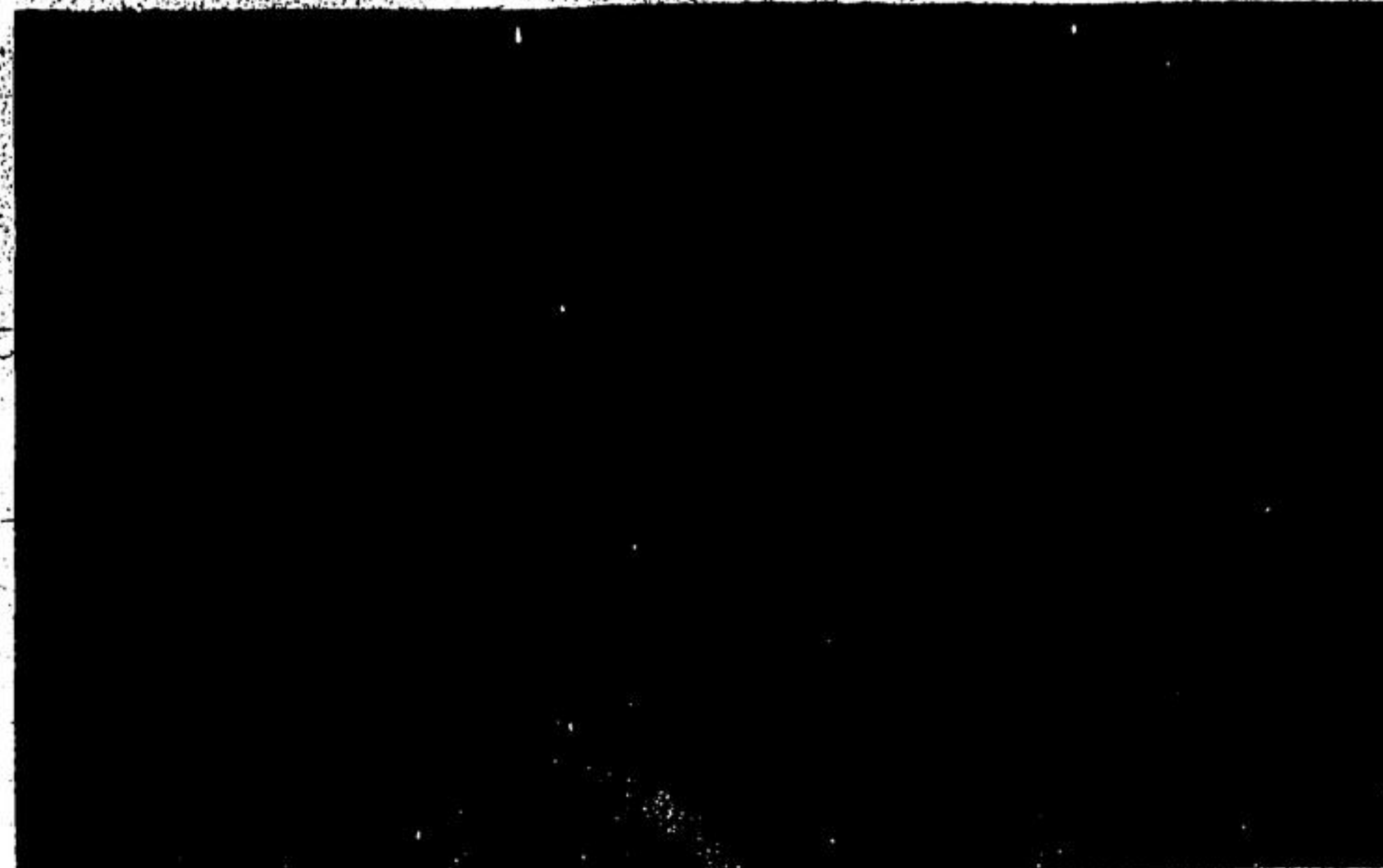
The remainder of the evening was spent by the members demonstrating their handicraft skills for each other.

A pleasant Christmas party and exchange was enjoyed by all those present.

Pot luck dinner for I.O.D.E. chapter

A pleasant Christmas meeting of Lakeside Chapter of the I.O.D.E. was held at the Legion Hall Tuesday of last week, beginning with a pot luck supper.

Mrs. J. Inglis read a Christmas story and Mrs. A. Orr conducted a contest. Mrs. C. Leishman led in carol singing with Mrs. M. McCullough at the piano. There was an exchange of gifts, and a short business meeting.



LAMINATED BEAMS for the new bridge being erected across the school creek from the Centennial Library to River Street were placed Monday. Footings were completed two weeks ago and construction of the footbridge awaited arrival of the beams.

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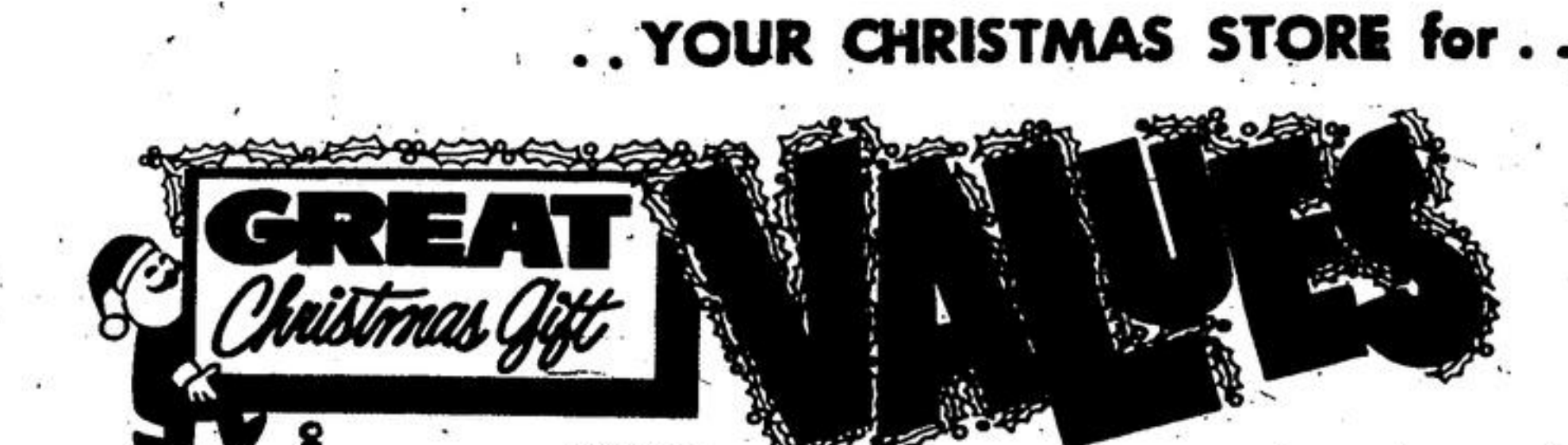
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