

Laonard McNeil and Mrs. McNeil when more than 126 teachers and Nassageweys and E. W. Foster of Milton. Yeachers' Institute former board members attended the event in Milton. Bringing good president J. Zehr, second from right, presided. Mr. and Mrs. McNail wishes and thanks from the schools of the former inspectorate, were are shown in the centre. - (Staff Photo)

A YESTIMONIAL DINNER honored former area superintendent Principals G. W. MacKenzie of Acton, Kenneth Trowbridge of friends he had in the area.

# The clergy speak out..

by Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie Knox Presbyterian Church

All of us, I am sure, are deeply interested in science and scientists these days. A visit to Expo '67 was sufficient to convince many of us, if not persuaded before, that the nations are being rapidly borne into a fabulous new age on the swift wings of scientific discovery.

We honor the scientist because his research and patient experimentation has given us the material progress we know first hand, and has made Canadians to be among the best fed, best clothed, best housed and most luxury-conscious people of this world. And there seems to be no limit to what science will do in the not-too-distant future to revolutionize our daily lives still further.

But science was not always revered and respected as it is in our day. The first scientists had a difficult time of it. Their discoveries were not welcome, because they flatly contradicted some religious

ideas of their day. Copernicus, who discovered that the earth revolves around the sun, did not dare to make known his discovery until he was lying on his death

bed. An earlier confession of his findings

would have resulted in his being

condemned as a heretic. Progressively, and with some real struggle, science asserted itself, and was no longer in bondage to religious systems and dogmas. It was free to speak of the truth it had discovered, and what it said shocked millions.

The antagonism between science and religion was sierce and bitter, but fortunately it is nearly gone to-day. Many of our greatest scientists are loyal Christians with a profound faith in the God who created this well-ordered and precisely regulated universe, where they can exercise their reasoning power to the greatest degree and not quickly exhaust its

manifold mysteries. And most Christians, except the timid ones who think that truth contradicts itself, have opened their minds to the findings of science.

> The Church and Christian people have no right to say that science is the enemy of religion even though it is undoubtedly religion's chief competitor. Both science and religion are WAYS OF MEETING HUMAN NEED.

Often it seems that science has the advantage, for it can supply the help for which men have prayed to God for generations, and often in vain! Agricultural science multiplies the food resources; medical science brings healing for diseases incurable a few years ago; engineering science speeds communication and transportation and offers a multiplicity of gadgets and comforts; psychiatric science gives health to disordered personalities.

Some people, understandably, conclude that science will eventually discover all the answers, and that religion is obsolete and faith is unnecessary.

But we feel they are being a little hasty, and they will certainly deprive themselves of much of the genuine "goodness" of life and of living if they surrender faith in God and the unselfishness, courage, love, joy and peace which follow in its train. Man is so much more than an active mind inhabiting a healthy body, sitting behind the wheel of a high-powered car or occupying a lazy-boy in front of a color TV set.

He is a spiritual being, for he was created after the image of God, the Eternal Spirit; he is destined to ask "why" and well as "how"; and he will never he inwardly satisfied or at peace with himself until he has found peace with God and become reconciled to Him.

The Church still offers the Bread of Life to men who ARE hungry spirits, even though they have minds well stocked with knowledge of history and science and art. And the Church that is pragmatic will

continue working harmoniously with science to develop the WHOLE MAN in whom faith and knowledge are constantly being renewed.

clarification

County Board of Education

trustees tangled with the

complex formulae used in

establishing municipal shares of

during the Board meeting

Thursday, but agreed to delay

action until clarification could

be obtained on the Minister's

statement introducing new

A detailed explanation of the

formula used in calculating the

method of sharing the costs

among municipalities was

resolution calling for the

province to amend legislation so

new assessment gained through

re-assessment would be exempt

in calculating a municipality's

explained the major problem is

in the rural area where farms are

being sold for other than farming. The selling price puts

an inflated value on the

remaining properties even

though a neighboring owner

Trustee W. Lawson suggested

the bona fide farmer is being

taxed on his income through

legislation. Trustee G. Pelletterlo

likened it to a capital gains tax, in effect, through property tax

because farm land was being

Chairman F. Armitage noted the implications of the Minister's

statement made that day were

clarified. Members agreed.

not known yet and he wondered if the motion could be withdrawn until this was

inflation, under the current

wants to continue farming.

Director J. Singleton

Trustee E. Bodner submitted a

submitted.

share of costs.

unfairly taxed.

the Board's operating costs

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#### CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH Churchill Road North Minister:

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2nd and 4th Sundays Wednesday, May 7, 8 p.m. - Anglican Church Women Thankoffering Service in the church. Speaker, Miss Mary Rendell, area mission supervisor for Africa, Middle East and Pakiston. Ladies of all denominations invited.

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MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH 81 Maple Ave., Georgetown Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Lohnes

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### Church **Notices**

Founded 1842 Pastor: Rev. Stanley Gammon

ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Res., 144 Tidey Ave., Phone 853-1615. SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1969

9.45 a.m.-Church School and Adult Rible Class. 11.00 a.m.-Morning Worship. "The Church at Philippi."

No evening service. Wednesday - 6.30, Explorers; 8.00 p.m.

Prayer and Bible Study. Friday - 7.00 p.m., B.H.F. "The God of Peace shall be with

All Welcome

Phil. 4: 9.

### EVANGEL PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE

P.A.O.C. 33 Churchill Road Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor, 853-2715.

Thursday, 8 p.m. - Christ's Ambassadors. Friday, 6.45 p.m. - Crusadors. SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1969

10.00 a.m.-Sunday School. 11.00 a.m.-Morning Worship. 7.00 p.m.-Evangelistic Service.

Don't fail to hear the Jubilee Trio, musicians and preacher. Dave Johnson (former Nazarene), David Gingrick and Rev. F. Lowman, who will minister at both morning and evening services on Sunday, May 4, also at the week night services. Tuesday through Friday, May 6, 7, 8, 9 at 8.00

Gal. 6: 7 — "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D. Minister Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.K.

Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, MAY 4th, 1969 9.45 a.m.—Church School for ages 3 to

15 years. ' 9.45 a.m.—Minister's Confirmation Class for Techniques. 11.00 a.m .- Divine Worship.

Sermon theme, "The Happy Balance -between Anxiety and Confidence." 8.00 p.m.-Adult Study Group, 186 Tyler Avenue.

**Everyone Most Welcome** 

## Area teachers, board members give testimonial dinner for W. L. McNeil

More than 125 teachers and former board members honored superintendent for the Acton. Milton and Nassagaweya schools, at a testimonial hanquet in Milton la

Organized by the teachers' institute of the former inspectorate, the banquet heard the former boards of Actou, Milton and Nassayaweya and from the teaching staff of the three areas.

Mr. McNeil was presented with two of the Fenwick Landedown bird books specially inscribed by Thomas Hutchinson, from the Teachers Institute and Mrs. McNeil received a beautiful by Mrs. K. Alger.

Chairman J. Zehr paid tribute to Mr. McNeil and his work and suggested the crowd present for the occasion was an

conveyed on behalf of the three boards by Vie Bristow of Acton, Doug Stinson of Milton and Jack McPhail of Nassagaweya, All spoke of the helpfulness and assistance they had received from Mr. McNeil.

Principal Ken Trowbridge commended Mr. McNeil for his contribution to implementing central schools in Nassagaweya and for the part he had played in the development of education in the township.

Principal G. W. McKenzie saw the subject. the loss of Mr. McNeil from the Mr. McNeil pointed out he had

inspectorate as the end of an era, which he looked back on as the W. L. McNell, former uren Skuce-Bornhold-McNell period. He recalled Mr. McNeil had always been willing to share his time and experience and was looked on as a counsellor and friend. The speaker also paid tribute to his work in music festivals, in the Reading tributes from representatives of . Association, in Yeachers Institute, work, in-service training, federation meetings and with the Interim School Organitation. Committee "as he prepared the county-for the changes: we are now

experiencing." Mr. McNeil expressed his appreciation to those who made the evening possible. "We will bouquet of red roses, presented hold in high esteem, your thoughtfulness on this . occasion", he noted.

In reviewing his years in the while serving the impectorate impectorate, Mr. McNeil pointed out it was through the Teachers' Institute he sought to introduce indication of the number of what was new and what was on the horizon in education. He felt Good wishes and praise were that as the teachers of the north and south were now in one unit those from the area would not be found wanting in knowledge.

> As secretary of the Consultative Committee and as chairman of the ISOC staff committee he felt he had assured the staff in the north section of the county would be able to make a contribution to education.

Reminiscing about the various schools in the area, Mr. McNed touched on highlights which Supervising Principal Edgar included the transition to a Foster expressed appreciation central school system in for the advice received and Nassagaweya, the renovation of congratulated Mr. McNeil in his the Martin St. school in Milton, choice of a position that would additions at the schools in Acton free him from some of the, and the development of the tremendous responsibilities he resource centre at the J. M. had carried over the past several. Denyes School in Milton which had been featured in a film on

chosen to continue in education Halton. with the Department of Education and had appreciated the teachers and principals and education of boys and girls in present for the dinner.

In conclusion Mr. McNeil presented minute books of the the opportunity late last year to former Teachers' Institute dating discuss the position of director from 1882, which he asked be with the new County Board. He kept safely. He observed that suggested that whatever change Miss M. Z. Bennett had been is brought about, it will be by secretary of the Institute from 1909 to 1936 and Miss Margaret he expressed the hope all would Gemmell had served from 1936 be working for the better to 1958. Miss Gemmell, was



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