



## Town remembers dead of two wars

Acton Citizens' Band led a large parade of veterans and various organizations to the traditional service of remembrance at the cenotaph on Mill St. Saturday morning to mark Remembrance Day.

Skies which had gushed rain for days held back for a few hours

### New business

Robert Holmes, who says Acton can easily support another restaurant, has opened up Robt.'s Canadian Fried Chicken store on Mill St. He will deal in take-out orders only, which he feels appeal most to busy families these days. He handles chicken, chips and salads, and expects to have a pop machine in soon.

Mr. Holmes, an Alliston native, has managed similar stores in Alliston and Bradford. This is his first venture alone. Mr. Holmes, who's unmarried, is living above the new business.

He's expecting an outdoor sign to arrive any day now.

while the town and district remembered the dead of two great wars.

Legion president Bob Angell read the Legion Charge, the names of the "Glorious Dead" were read by John McHugh and benediction pronounced by Padre Rev. A. H. McKenzie. Dr. George Elliott played the Last Post and Reveille. Veteran Bill Middleton raised and lowered the flag.

The band led in singing one verse of Abide with Me.

Wreaths were laid at the cenotaph in solemn ceremony from the Province of Ontario, the town of Acton, Branch 197, Ladies' Auxiliary 197, "C" Co. of the Lorne Scots Regiment, Acton Legion Chorallers, Duke of Devonshire and Lakeside Chapters of the I.O.D.E., Acton Women's Institute, Acton Firefighters, Acton Citizens' Band, Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, Rotary Club, Y's Men's Club, Curling Club, Minor Soccer Association, LCBO, Orange Lodge, Boy Scouts and Girl

Guides, Union Locals 479, 603, 26350, 7515, in loving memory of C. K. Brown and D. McIntosh.

The parade proceeded from the cenotaph to the Robert Little School for the inter-denominational service.

Parade marshal was Bill Nicolak.

The annual service is under the auspices of Acton and district Branch 197 of the Royal Canadian Legion and the mayor and council of Acton.

## Inter-denominational service at school

"Memory makes men human and not to remember is throwing away one of our richest resources," the Rev. Dr. William Onions told an inter-denominational remembrance service at the Robert Little school Saturday morning.

"Remembrance brings courage and hope... and remembering the past saves us from the illusion that peace can come overnight... the way to peace is a long, hard haul with no easy road," he reminded a congregation of Legionnaires, firefighters,

bandsmen, Scouts, Cubs, Guides, Brownies, and men's and women's organizations at the service which followed the traditional ceremonies at the Mill St. cenotaph.

He recalled the past two wars when ordinary men were called to the colors to fight the greatest military machines ever assembled and how they found courage and devotion against tremendous odds.

"Once again the free spirit of man proved it could surmount the largest obstacles. When we fight

a war we summon all our reserves and make decisions on the things that really matter," Dr. Onions said, suggesting we could use these attributes during times of peace to avoid future wars.

Dr. Onions asked the congregation to remember when the British people stood alone facing the Nazi armies and they rose to the occasion as if they were aware of their whole past rising up to bear witness. It was as if Nelson, Drake, Wellington and other giants were looking down to see that they carried on.

"We must keep faith with the past," he urged listeners and appreciate it.

"God help us if we ever forget."

Clergymen participating in the

service included the Rev. A. McKenzie, Rev. John Ball, Rev. Samuel Thorne, Rev. Father J. J. Gillen, Rev. Donald Sinclair of Rockwood, Mr. Jacobus Corvers and Mayor L. Daby who read John McRae's poem, "In Flanders Fields" in memory of the 100th anniversary of his birth which is being celebrated this year.

The Acton Legion Chorallers sang the Navy Hymn and the Battle Hymn of the Republic and led in singing hymns during the service.

Acton Citizens' Band led the parade to the school from the cenotaph and back to the legion hall after the service.

## Employees strike at P.L.R. plant

A strike by 300 production employees at the P.L. Robertson Manufacturing Co. Ltd., Milton, started Sunday night when about 20 workers set up a picket line in front of the plant. Pickets continue to patrol plant entrances on a 24-hour basis.

The strike, first in the company's 68-year history, is not expected to last long. Spokesmen for both Local 4970 United Steelworkers of America, and the company have indicated they are anxious to sit down and work out an agreement.

Contract negotiations bogged down several weeks ago but a last minute attempt to effect a settlement on management's offer — a package worth 60 cents over the next two years — was rejected by a 158-100 vote of union members Sunday.

Union organizers said they plan to keep orderly picket lines. Office employees and supervisors reported to work Monday and encountered no problems crossing the picket line.

Reject offer

The company's offer Friday included a 27½ cents an hour raise in pay the first year, 28½ cents the second year and four cents in fringe benefits. Union spokesman Dunc Patterson said the package is based on an "average" employee of P.L.R. in job class 10, presently earning

\$3.5975 per hour. The union is seeking more money and benefits than the company has offered. (It is rumored the company rejected a request for a dental plan and cost-of-living bonus).

United Steelworkers have represented the employees since 1953. The plant — an affiliate of Procor Limited, Oakville — manufactures fasteners, screws, nuts, bolts, washers and screwdrivers.

Several Acton and district people are employed at the Milton plant.

## Two collisions

Three cars were damaged, two of them slightly, in a collision in the Becker parking lot last Tuesday evening. Drivers involved were Heather Buchanan, R.R.2, with \$100 damage; George Wallis, Young St., and Maurice Gneau of the Dominion Hotel with \$5 damage to each car.

On Wednesday evening on Main S. two cars were in collision. Driver Jacqueline Papillon, Nelson Court, had estimated \$125 damage to her car and David Trafford, Crescent St., had \$350.

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I am appealing to everyone to give me their support but especially the new young voters, they have to look elsewhere for education, recreation, and most important of all "Work", why? why? why? Yes, the "Cry" is always "Why" and that's "Why" I want to see something done about "Everything".

Yours sincerely,  
John Coniglio

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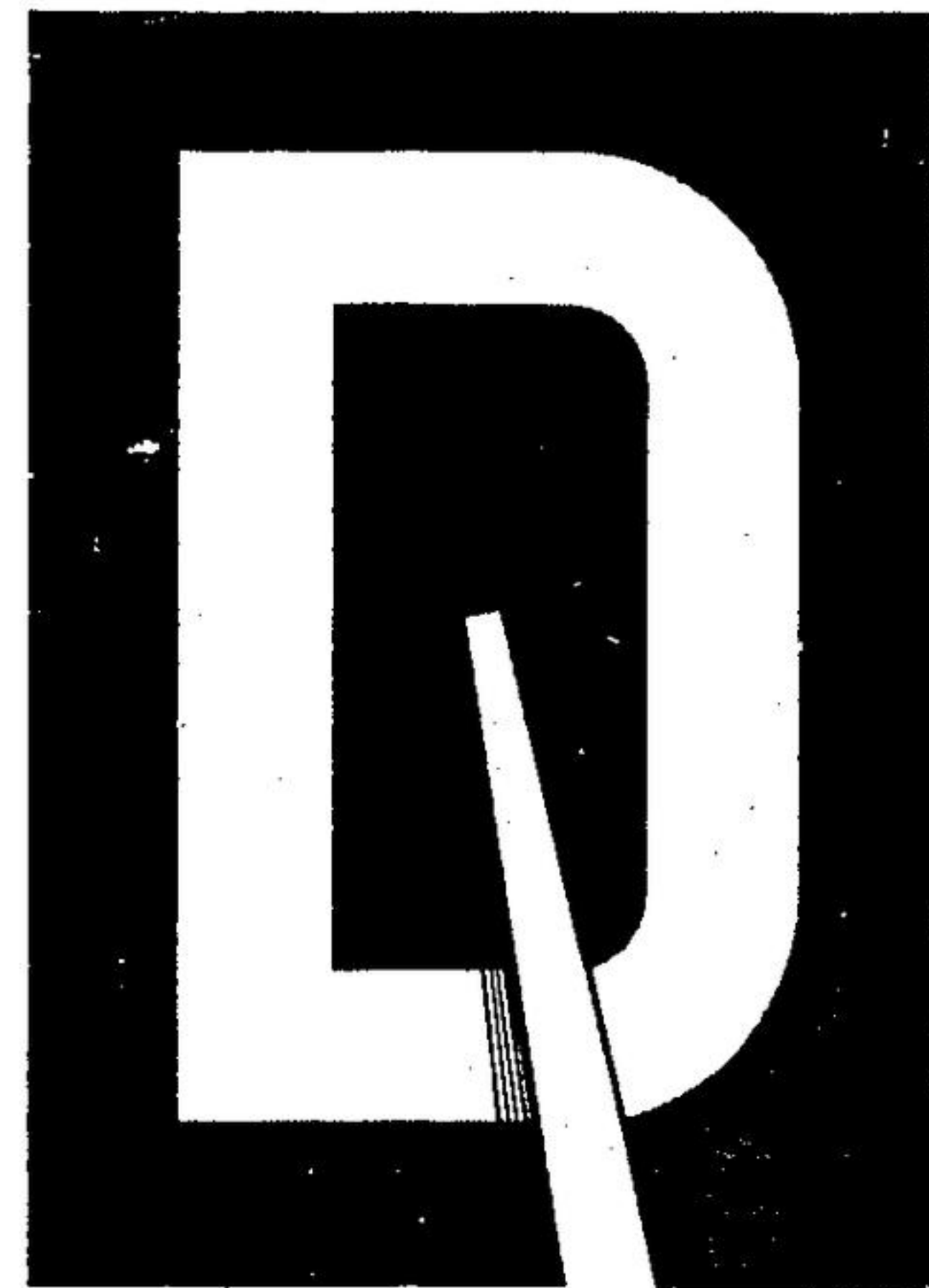
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