

Sandy McLean respected citizen

A well-known and liked sports enthusiast and barber, Alexander Binnie McLean (Sandy), died in Guelph General Hospital on January 29. He was 94 years old.

Mr. McLean was born in Erin twp. on November 17, 1880, the son of Donald McLean and Mary Binnie. His schooling was at Peacock public school and a barber school in Toronto.

In 1904 he began barbering in Acton, an occupation he was involved in for many years. He was also a life member of the Acton Agricultural Society and belonged to the Oddfellows Lodge many years ago.

He was member of the Knox Presbyterian church.

Mr. McLean loved fishing, horses and all sports. He was known for his pre-game gifts of chewing gum to hockey players years ago.

Mr. McLean was predeceased by his wife, the late Alice Maude Thompson, who died in 1960, his brother,

Donald and his parents.

His funeral took place on February 1 at the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home with the Rev. A.H. McKenzie officiating. Interment was at the Fairview Cemetery.

Palbearers were Ross McLean, Ron McLean, R.R. 2 Georgetown, Henri Gagne, R.R. 2, Erin, Bruce Coles, R.R. 2 Acton, and Stanley McEnery, R.R. 1, Limehouse.

Amnesty Week

Amnesty Week at the library was a big disappointment. Librarian Mrs. Watson said that so few books were brought back, they didn't even bother to count them. She estimated the returned books at about 15.

The library staff noted that past Amnesty Weeks had also had poor turn-outs. They suggested that a personal note to each offender might bring about better results than a public announcement.



BROKEN DOOR led into the scout hall for thieves who took money, saws and axes some time during Saturday night or Sunday morning. Cops and scout on the scene are Andrew Lambden, Robert Lambden, James Lambden and Jim Saxon, ready to leave for the church parade Sunday.

Famine speech wins public speaking contest

Deborah Ruppert won the Robert Little public speaking contest on Monday morning with her speech on Famine. Her win this week sends her on to the North Halton division on February 19.

Sharon Cook was first runner-up with her biographical speech on Karen Magnusson. Sharon will also speak at the finals. Both Deborah and Sharon are Grade eight pupils.

Speeches varied from the winning topic of Famine to flowers and trees. Eight students from grades five, six, seven and eight each spoke from three to five minutes and were judged on their voice audibility, quality and range, vocabulary and composition, audience contact and relationship, imagination, sincerity and spontaneity and their topic.

Jim Saxon, from grade seven, spoke on communications. His talk in-

cluded a pantomime of the various ways of communications without speaking.

Kevin Houser, also from grade seven, spoke on the background of stamp collecting.

Connie McCristall, a grade six student, chose the Acton Volunteer Firefighters as her topic. She described a fire in a house, in story form, and how the family got out. She then told of the duties of local firefighters.

Patricia Henry, from grade five, chose policemen as her topic. She told the audience of peers how everyone has heroes, such as Superman, etc., but the real heroes of today are the more realistic group of men who protect the community.

Patti Tufford, grade six, brought women's lib into her speech concerning the question, why can't girls take Industrial Arts and boys take Home Economics.

Flowers and trees were the topic of a speech by Heather Thatcher. Heather, a grade five student said "I do not just like them, but I love them." She told of the different kinds of flowers and trees.

Judges

The three judges, Rev. Nelson, Pat McKenzie and Ian Downey, admitted they had a hard time deciding the winner. Before announcing the winner, Mr. Downey gave constructive criticism to the speakers, helping them for future speaking competitions.

The North Halton championships to be held on February 19 will feature students from schools in this area, whose teachers and principal felt public speaking was worthwhile to the students. Robert Little will be the hosting school. The Halton Region contest was cancelled this year, leaving the decision of future contests to the individual areas.

New snowmobile rules unveiled soon

Halton Hills will soon have a snowmobile by-law.

Works committee decided Monday night to take the good aspects of the old Georgetown, Acton and Esquewong by-laws and put them all together into one law for the town.

They plan to use the ruling from Acton that snowmobiles must have at least a four foot fluorescent antenna.

While in town, snowmobiles will be allowed to operate at

either half throttle or else a maximum of 15 miles per hour.

Snowmobiles will not be allowed any special areas of congregation as one town snowmobile club requested. Snowmobiles will not be allowed to operate between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. except Sunday when they aren't allowed to run until 9 a.m.

The completed by-law should be unveiled in about two weeks time.

Service concept

A new concept of Rotary service was explained to the local club last week by Rotarian Dave Kennedy of Guelph. This district has been matched with a new district of 41 Rotary clubs in the Caribbean. For every dollar raised for assistance, the federal government will be given another dollar. In this way they will provide school texts, notebooks, sanitary and

hospital supplies.

The club agreed to donate \$50 for purchase of special equipment for use by handicapped at the pool. The firefighters are also donating \$50.

There were four liquor seizures and one charge of impaired driving reported by the police this week.

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