# Acton Sixty Voice Choir Wins the Festival Trophy

Milton Last Week-Winners of All Classes and Marks Obtained in Festival.

The Tenth Annual Music Pestival for Halton County was held in Milton, at St. Paul's United Church last Thursday, Priday and Saturday.

There were, in all, fifty classes, with Gloria Bennett, 80; Jean Drake, 78; Joy entries from rural and urban Public Schools and High Schools from all parts of the County. Acton and the rural schools from this district were well rein the various classes. Miss T. P. Hunt was in charge of the Acton pupils and Mrs. W. Gowdy was the ac- Elleen Pickup, 80; Helen Mockeridge, 78. companist.

Mr. G. Roy Penwick, Director of Music for Ontario Provincial Public Schools. expressed his gratification at the amaxing improvement of the contestants and the splendid standard which had been achieved and maintained. He was more than pleased with the work done by the rural pupils and enthusiastic in his praise for High School choirs and soloists.

Mr. Eldon Bretheour, Toronto, also adjudicating, drew attention to remarks made by Mr. R. P. Sanderson, Principal of Oakville Public School, after school had been awarded first place in 40-Voice Choir. Mr. Sanderson stated that music instruction to Oakville pupils had all been given out of school hours and by a staff teacher. "That," said Mr. Bretheour, "is a great mistake. Why should music be taught only out of school hours? One would think that geography and arithmetic were God's chosen subjects! Actually you don't know where you are with these subjects. Geography may change overnight. But not music. You always know where you are with music. Don't you - don't you?" he asked his audience. The children were enthusiastic in their applause.

"Another thing," continued Mr. Brethcour, "we are, I think, inclined to attach to much importance to what the child is doing to music. It is of far greater importance to consider what music is doing to the child. After hearing these; M. Heaty, 71; Joan Nicholson, 69. children king as they have sung to-day. you can't tell me that music isn't a good influence in their lives."

Mr. Camplon Smith, Toronto, the third adjudicator, also made encouraging comments on the work done by the schools. Mr. J. M. Denyes, Inspector of Public Schools, Milton, Honorary President, was in charge of trophy presentations and on Priday night Mr. Denyes brought much pleasure to a capacity audience when he announced that Robert Ooxe, Milton, and Doris Bessey, Georgetown, had competed in open solos at Peel County Pestival, then in session, and each brought

home a sliver medal. Other contestants showing exceptional talent were Helen McGowan, Georgetown High School; Roth Sergeant, Mil- Shirley Brown, 70; Georgina Bridle, 78; ton High School; Murray Hall, Burling- | Marguret Kemp, 75. ton High School; George Bolus, Burlington High School; the Stephenson twins, Georgetown High School: Joan Moreland, Strathcone; and Joseph Wilcox, a Craig, 74. young Georgetown Public School pupil. who played a cornet solo with exceptional ability.

Worthy of special mention was the performance given by the Burlington High School Orchestra, led by Miss Kathleen Dick, with Murray Hall as accompanist. Even Mr. Penwick found it difficult to find words to express his appreciation of the boys' fine piece of orchestral work and the credit due to Miss Dick for her leadership. Burlington being the only entrant in this class. had not thought it necessary to bring back the cup which had been awarded to them last year!

Tribute was also paid to the music instructors in the various schools throughout the County for the very fine training given the children.

Particularly pleasing were the numbers featuring dramatization of songs by kindergarten rooms, and also by Grades

Trophies, and donations were given by the following School Boards, organizations and individuals:

High School Boards-Georgetown, Mil- of 1937. ton and Burlington. Public School Boards-Acton, George- structed to notify all patrolmen that town. Burlington. Milton Strathrona, 'after June 1st, all patrol work must have Fisher's Corners, Bell, Pine Grove, his approval.

Palermo, Limehouse, Tursley, Zimmerman and S. S. No. 7, Nassigaweya. Women's Institutes-Halton County, gency,

Block. I. O. D. E .- John Milton Chapter. That the Council inspect the roads and Thayendanegea Chapter. Burlington, bridges in the Township, to meet at the Oakville Senior Chapter and Oakville call of the Reeve.

Junior Chapter. Dr. P. R. Watson, Georgetown; Rev. cepted; also their indings of deficits in Finlay Matheson, Burlington; and the the rolls of 1934, 1935 and 1936. T. Eaton Comany, Toronto.

#### Results were us follows: THURSDAY MORNING

Adjudicator .- Mr. Penwick · Class 3-Rural Choir, 15 voices, unison Roll, and for municipal business.

Tenth Annual Event Held in | - "Cornish May Song"-Cup. S. S. No. 9. Trafalgar, 80; Shield, S. S. No. 4, Tra-

· Class I.—Rural Choir, 1-2 room, 20 voices - "The Swiss Toy Girl"-Oup. Palermo, 78; Shield, Dublin, 76.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON Adjudicator-Mr. Penwick Class 4-Hural Solos, Girls, under 10-Where Pairles Dance and Sing -

Class 3-Rural Choir-Combination of Motion and Song-Cup, Linbrook, 78 Shield, Limehouse, 77.

Class 6-Rural Solos, Girls under 12-"Song of the Pairies"-Olive Rankin, 83; Class 23-Urban Solos, Boys under 1 -"The Legend"-Robert Arnold, 86; Paul Campbell, 85; James Bentley, 82. Class 24—Gold Medalist Solo—"On Married Fifty Wings of Song"-Joan Moreland, 85:

Joan Hale, 84. THURSDAY EVENING Class 25-Urban Duetts, Girls-"Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star - Joan Moreland and Shirley Brown, 74; Joan Hale and Valerie Herbert, 73; Flora Higgins and Maxine Wilson, 72.

Class 26-Urban Ductis, Boys-"Sec Now the Moon Shines"-Gordon Gibbons and John McHugh, Acton: 78: Paul Campbell and Austin Stainer, Burlington Central, 77; Albert Tost and Wm. Long, Georgetown, 65.

Class 36-Three-part Choir-Soprano. alto and bass-"The Witching Hour"-Cup. Milton, 75; Shield, Strathcong, 77, Class 31-25-Voice Mixed Choir, 3-4 rooms-"The Lass of Richmond Hill"-Cup. East Burlington, 72; Shield Bronte. Class 37-High School Solos, Girls under 16-"Spring Comes Laughing" -Helen McGowan, 80; Norma Marcellus,

78: Betty Speight, 75. Jongleuse"-Murray Hall 76; Helen Mc-

### FRIDAY MORNING

Adjudicator-Mr. Campion Smith Class 13-Plano Solo, under 14-"Donnybrook Fair"-Muriel Stephenson, 73; Class 17 - Piano Solo, under 13 - brate this important occasion. "Minuet"-Shirley Sergeant, 76;

Hansen, 75; Margaret Somerville, 74. Class 18-Urban Solos, Girls under 10 "The Linnet's Secret" - Carmel

-"I Have a Clock"-Douglas Williams, 78; Teddy White, 76; Kendall Tuncock,

Class II.-Piano Solos, under 10-"A Music Box"-Marjorle Jebb, 76; Putricia Tilley, 75; Jean Drake, 74.

PRIDAY AFTERNOON Adjudicator-Mr. Campion Smith Class 20-Urban Solos-Cirls under 12

- "Sing, Sing, Birds on the Wing" -Class 22-Urban Solos-Girls under 16

"April Goes A'Walking"-Valerie Herbert, 76; Rose Elphick, 75; Margaret Class 30-Junior Choir, 25 voices, unison - "The Woodpecker" - Cup. Milton,

78; Shield, Burlington Central, 76. Class 28-Kindergarten Singing Game. (Continued on Page Pive)

# Relief in Erin Township Stops

Auditors' Report Accepted by the Township Council - Grant to Horse Show

The Erin Township Council met at Hillsburg on April 19th. Members were

all present. The following resolutions were passed; Mr. R. J. Robertson was appointed

Telephone Commissioner for the balance The Road Superintendent was in-

That after May 1st, no more relief will be given except in cases of emer-

Acton. Mountain Union and Scotch The Council granted \$20 00 to Hillaburg Spring Horse Show

. "The Auditors' Report for 1936 was ac-

The following accounts were paid: . Miscellaneous ...... \$ 47.18 Rellef ...... 190 87



MR. AND MRS. JOHN KENNEY Who Yesterday Observed Their Golden Wedding Anniversary

# Years ago in Esquesing

Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney Have Been Life-long Residents · of Acton

Just fifty years ugo, on April 27th John Kenney and Miss Barbara Nickle were joined in the bonds of holy matrimony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Nickle, at lot 23, concession 4. Esquesing Township. The Rev. Jos. Alexander, Presbyterian minister of Norval, performed the ceremony A half century has passed since that day. Heads have allvered a bit, but on Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Kenney happy indeed in marking their golden

wedding anniversary. Miss Punnie

parsed away several years ago. other friends called to extend congratu- lows"

lations during the day. Mr. and Mrs. Kenney have spent their entire life in Acton. Mr. Thomas, 77: Barbara Donald, 76: Betty birthplace was Acton, and Mrs. Kenney's joined in providing a weiner roast as a the Township of Exquesing. For sixty-Class 19-Urban Soles, Boys, under 10 one years the name of Kenney Bros., boot the remainder of the evening. and shoe merchants, was known in every household in Acton and for miles about Their business was successful and a year ago the brothers retired and have been greatly enjoying the time of leisure, right in the home community and among life-

> time friends. And Actonians at home and abroad ioin in their congratulations on this occasion and the wish for this esteemed couple of many more happy years together and that the glitter of the golden wedding day may but be the mark for shining years of the future.

#### ADDRESSED ACTON WOMEN'S CONSERVATIVE CLUB

Club had their regular meeting on Thursafter which Mrs. A. E. Ritchie, Chairman of Ward 3, introduced the guest speaker, Miss Sybil Bennett, who spoke on "Women's Place in the Conservative Party." "Our need is for real states- Provincial Power Commission. men, who live for Empire tradition and on May 1st not personal appeal," was among Miss

a plane duett was rendered by Mrs. Salt the cost municipalities until July 31st, and Plorence, and a solo was contributed 1938. It supplements the \$2.50 per h.p. by Mrs. W. Chisholm. After the program a social hour was enjoyed by all.

## CARRIES QUEEN'S TRAIN



493.79 at the Coronation next month. Lady consumers of the Ningara system, and Class 5-Rural Solos, boys under 10- The Council adjourned, to neet at Elizabeth Per.y. daughter of the Duchess that the local Commissions will make arher lutest portruit.

### BLOOMSBURY LITERARY SOCIETY

Literary Society was held in the school Inst Tuesday evening, with about ninety

in attendance. The President, Mr. Mansell Nellis, was in charge for the entire program. The roll call was answered by a Question pleted the following numbers were given: thanking all for the expressions of good

special treat. Dancing was enjoyed for

# Another Cut in the Cost of Electric Power

Effective August 1st, and to be Passed on to the

interim rate for power supplied to cost chairman and welcomed the visitors and in all systems, the Niagara, Georgian the crowd attending has been larger than Ward 3 Acton Women's Conservative Ray, Thunder Ray, and Eastern Ontario, ever. with summer collage consumers particuday last. The business was transacted larly benefitted, and a general early reby the President, Mrs. D. H. Lindsay, distribution of the various rural system; so as to provide consumers with better service than at present obtains, was announced by Hon. T. B. McQuesten, Hydro Commissioner, on behalf of the

The \$2 per h.p. rate reduction in the Ningara system will come into force on August S.t. this year, and will apply, it Mrs. Dessureault gave a recitation, and its announced, to all power purchased by rate cut effected by Hydro in November, 1936. Together these reductions "not only represent a money saving of over \$10,000 daily to the people of the cost municipalities of the Niagara system, but carry assurance that they will not be taxed to provide power below cost to the large industries of the Province," which have

contracts with Hydro. This material saving to the consumers of the Niagara system, Hon, Mr., Mc-Questen explains in a formal statement to the press, has been made possible by the great saving in the cost of Quebec antract power tesulting from cancellation and redrufting in the case of the riginal Gathicau, Maclaren-Quebec and Ottawa Valley (Chats Fulls) agreements, During the present year, Mr. McQuesten states, the Commission will pay to these three Quebee contractors, from whom power is being taken, a sum of approximately \$3,650,000, instead of \$10,965,000. which it was obligated to pay under the original contracts "whether or not the power could be utilized."

Hydro, Mr. McQuesten states, expect the savings in the wholesale cost of power One of the Queen's four trumbearers, to be passed on at once to the ultimate live jurisdictions.

#### community singing. The event was arranged by the Special Features Committee of the Y., and Mr. Charles Kirkness was the chairman.

unharmed.

The regular meeting of Bloomsbury

Debarred, Foreign Efficiency Experts Should Also Pride in the leadership given Draw, When regular business was com- Premier Henburn and whole-hearted support of his attitude in dealing with Harmonica selection by Mr. Cecil Wil- the invasion of the CIO into Ontario son: duett by Misses Elsie and Audrey were expressed by T. A. Blakelock, M. Watson; spelling match, conducted by P.P., and Hughes Cleaver, M.P., when Miss McPhedran, the winners being Mrs. they addressed the fourth unnual Lib-Kitching and Wallace Lasby; solo, by eral-Progressive gathering in the Town My Ross Gordon. A unique feature of Hall last Friday evening. But both the evening was the presentation of two speakers also expressed a sympathy with chairs and a smoking stand to Mr. and labor and were anxious in a peaceable Mrs. Thos. McLaughlin, a recent bride way to make the lot of the working man and groom, after which Tom replied, better. will and the beautiful gifts. Speeches the record of the Liberal administration foot. It was also pointed out that since Secretary, received a sample of the were made by the following: Messrs. Alex. of the past few years, and the promises the death of the late Norman McLeod,

Norrie, of Guelph, was the bridesmald, Near, George Gordon, Nelson McLaugh- that he had seen fulfilled. He sald the the Brigade had no one to make repairs. The background color is royal blue with Class 15—Plano Solo, under 18—"La and still resides in the Royal City. The lin, Cameron Ramshaw, C. VanGoozen minimum wage legislation would be in to the hose. groomsman, Mr. Duncan Edmondson, and Miss Mayme Near. At this-time the effect very soon and would have been oldest member of the Literary Society, in effect at the present time except for Yesterday was a happy occasion. The Mrs. Near, was presented with a plant, the Oshawa strike affair. Mr. Blakethree sons, J. Linton, of Toronto; Lloyd Although greatly surprised. Mrs. Near lock also announced that grading and II. of Montreal; and Lieut, Telford V., expressed her appreciation of the gift widening of the second line would be of Hamilton, and one grandchild, Bar- and also of the associations and friend- undertaken this year and about \$25,000 bara, of Toronto, were all home to cele- ships of the Society. All joined in spent in preparing it for a Provincial Many singing "For They are Jolly Good Fel- highway.

HAD THEM GUESSING

It was a night of mystery at the Y. M.

C. A. on Tuesday, when Herbert L. King,

of Toronto, showed the audience how to do tricks of all kinds and provided a very entertaining and amusing program

Various articles went from one place to

another and a jug on the table seemed

to have an endless supply of water in it.

Perhaps the biggest thrill came when

to all appearance, Scoutmaster George

Mason was beheaded, yet lived to enjoy

the rest of the program and go\_away

A trio of Messrs, Parkinson, Clifford

and Gibson gave several good selections

and the concert orchestra, under the

Equal to those

direction of Mr. C. W. Mason, gave

Labor Rights

the legislation passed at Ottawa this Kenney's were so close it was called a tie, and all grar and which would be effective in in the annual repairs of the roads in the ion. He agreed with the suppression of lawless strike methods and agitators from Council regarding the municipality's other countries but also felt that foreign liability insurance. The rates were, preefficiency experts should likewise stopped from making unbearable working Toronto. He asked the Council's per-

. The hall was packed to capacity with for this insurance. He pointed out that the crowd attending this event. Prizes savings had been made in other munfor euchre were won by Mrs. J. A. icipalities in the County. The policies Locker and Mrs. R. L. Davidson and covered the entire legal liability of the gent's prizes by Mr. Fred Kentner and town and the coverage was the same a Ontario Hydro Announces Cut, Mr. P. H. Allen. A lunch was served to any other policy. The Company was all and a five-place orchestra supplied Lloyds of London, but another group. music for the dancing. Messrs. E. Pack- Council pointed out that the policy er and R. L. Davidson were floor man- had already been given and they felt that agers. The event was arranged and car- | they could not rescind this motion. They ried out by the Acton Liberal-Progres-A \$2 per horsepower reduction in the rive Association and Mr. G. A. Dills was municipalities of the Niagara system; a introduced the speakers. It is the fourth Mr. A. Mason

## · LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

The answer to last week's Puzzle Poem was "Daylight Saving," and the first correct answer opened on Saturday was from Mrs. J. A. Locker, who wins the box of chocolutes offered as a prize. A subscriber has suggested that we offer some groceries as a prize. So this week we offer the amount of the other awards in grecetles at Carroll's Grocery Store, The poem is suggested by a FREE PRESS by Mr. Coles. It will be found on Page Pive of this issue.

## SUCCEEDS ROEBUCK



# Nuisance By-Law Consolidated Liability Insurance Increased

Council Also Decided to Purchase UNITED YOUNG New Fire Hose-May Also Buy Smaller Road Grader-Will Not Tamper with Closing Hours of Beverage Rooms

At the fortnightly session of Actor Council, on Monday evening, Councillors Mason, E. Jones, Thos. Gibbons and P. J. McCutcheon presided. generous program. Bob Parkinson led in

Co., was present to discuss with the Council the liability insurance. pointed out that Acton enjoyed a very favorable standing and the losses paid which included stories of Florence Nighthad not been large. The past year Acton ingule and William Wilberforce. An in had enjoyed liability limits of \$5,000 for one person and \$10,000 for more than one person. This year the firm was prepared to offer at the same figure of Employees limits of \$10,000 and \$20,000. The municipal buildings, Town Hall and Parks were covered by this policy. Acton was If Foreign Agitators are to be now enjoying the minimum premium Mr. Wilson was not sure whether the

> McDonald. Upon motion, the liability insurance cas renewed with Lloyds of England, My. Wilson also explained insurance

in his Company Fire Chief R. M. McDonald requested that the Council purchase 200 feet of fire hose. He pointed out that the price would go up on May 1st, and he deemed it advisable to purchase now. There had been no new hose purchased since 1932. Mr. Blakelock pointed with pride to The price was from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per

> Councillor Gibbons, who was experi- divides the figure 1938, set above the enced at this work agreed to do this license number. They are being manu-

passed unanimously by the Council. Mr. R. J. Ramshaw requested that the Queen Street roadway be repaired. It was badly washed out. He agreed to fur-Briefly Mr. Hughes Cleaver outlined nish the gravel necessary for the work. This matter would be given attention

Mr. T. J. Ramshaw addressed th he sented by M. M. Clancy & Sons, of

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# President of Children's Aid

Speaking at a meeting of the Children's Aid Society for Peel and Halton, venterday. Stewart Sutton, a member of the staff of the York County organization, stressed the important protecsubscriber in London, and re-arranged tion work among the societies in different counties.

> Dealing with the protection work, he stressed the necessity and importance of investigating homes where neglect of children was reported. By dealing with minor vituations, in time, more serious situations could be avoided, he said. M. Denyes, President of the organization almost since its inception, over

Other officers elected at the meeting returned missionary from Bolivia, Rev.

President-Amos Mason, Acton. Vice-Presidents - J. W. Thompson, ton; Halton, Dr. F. R. Watson, Georgetown; Mrs. C. Atkinson, Bronte; and Miss! I. Blair, Trafalgar.

Following the meeting, a banquet was Everyone is welcome and the admission neld at the Royal Hotel, and among the is 25c. Auspices of Duke of Devoushire quests were: R. E. Mills, Director of the Chapter of LO.D.E. An event on the Toronto Children's Ald Society; Bert month, Beaumont, Director of the Hamilton Hon. Paul Ledus (above) Minister of Society; Dr. V. Price, Inspector for Duf-Mines for Ontario, who took over tem- ferin County; Hugh - Crooks, of the Sale of Homemade Candy, under auspices "Grasshopper Green"-Jim Prentice, 78. Hillsburg on Thesday, May 25th, us a of Northumberland and elder daughter rangements before August 1st to effect a porurily, the duties of Attorney-General, Guelph and Wellington County Society; of St. Alban's Sunday School Officers Raymond Service, 77; Clarence Pord, 76. Court of Revision on the Assessment of the present Duke, is shown above in general rate reduction in their respect formerly handled by Hon, Arthur Ros- and Mr. J. S. McKeown, of the Hamilton and Teachers, in Parish Hall, Saturday,

E. McMillan were present and Reeve Mr. Glen Wilson, of the A. E. Wilson

Arena was covered by the policy, bu promised to advise the Council concerning this coverage. The local representative of the Company was Mrs. II. I

for municipal employees and gave rates

Annual Meeting Held in Brampton pered. "That's something in your Yesterday - Banquet in favor, anyway." Evening

under the auspices of the U.P.Y.P.O., in At the meeting, the resignation of J. [ Lirky Draw for quilt.

twenty years ago, wa reluctantly accepted, and he was named Honorary

Brampton; and Austin Buck, Trafalgar, Institute will be held at the home of Directors-Peel, Mrs. R. B. Colloton, Mrs. J. E. Gamble, Thursday, May 6th Mrs. W. J. Hood and Mrs. W. Danning- at 2.30 p.m.

PEOPLE'S MEETING

On Tuesday night the United Young People's Union held their regular weekly meeting. The first part of the evening was spent in a business discussion. The main topic was planning for the closing meeting. It was decided that this would take the form of a banquet. A menu program and crokinole party were plan-

The program was in charge of Miss Jean Barbour. The scripture was read by Miss Laura Johnston. Mr. Mansell Nellis took the topic, "His Treasure," teresting reading was well given by H.

### FILLING IN OLD YARD

A steam shovel and a crew with dump trucks have been filling in an old section of unused vats at the tannery for the past week. When the building covering this yard was torn down, the vals were left without filling und now this fill is being made and the ground levelled. A bank of earth near the old radial rightof-way has been used in supplying the material for the fill. The roads about the Beardmore plant have also been improved and a Fordson tractor is used for hauling the wagons, formerly employing several teams of horses.

#### 1938 MARKERS

Ontario's 1938 license plates will reach a new high in brilliance, it was learned when Hon, Harry Nixon, Provincial markers from the Ontario Reformatory. starlet letters. A royal crown in sourlet fuctured as usual at the Ontario Re-A motion to purchase this hose was formatory in Guelph.

### ROCKWOOD MINISTER TO MOVE

Rev. W. J. Tuylor, who has served the Rockwood and Eramosa Stone Church congregations for the past eight years, has accepted a called to the United Church at Dorchester, in the London Presbytery. The vacancy at Rockwood will be filled by Rev. G. Harold Lawson.

#### of Thedford. FIRE AT POULTRY FARM

Pire at the poultry farm of Duval & Papillon last Thursday evening destroyed several birds, but was soon under control. The Pire Brigude were on hand promptly but it was not necessary to turn on the hose and damage was slight. The fire was caused by some live coals falling

IN HIS FAVOR The Scots minister had paid a long call on an invulid parishloner. At last he rose.

be getting on my way. "The daily round, you know." A gleam of interest flickered in the cick man's eye.

"I'm glad you're a golfer," he whit-

"Well, John," he remarked. "I must

# Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Conheading, are charged, to cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of acc.

Town Hall to-night. The True Blues will hold a Euchre and Dance in the Parish Hall on May 20th.

Don't forget "East Lynne," the play

Moving Pictures at the Baptist Church on Tuesday May 4th, at 8.30 p.m., by a H. E. Wintemute.

The monthly meeting of the Women's

Saturday, May lat-The Coronation Tea in the Y.M.C.A., from 3 to 6 p.m.

Coronation Tea, Baking Sale and May 8th, at 3.00 p. m.