

EXPECT 900 IN CORONATION PARADE



BOARD MEMBERS of Township School Area No. 1 Nassagaweya, responsible for the construction of the new public school addition officially opened on Friday are shown here. From the left in the back are Claude Brinklow, Elmer Cox, and Stanley Robinson. In the front are Duncan Moffatt, D. E. Moffatt, chairman, and Mrs. Beatrice Fletcher, secretary-treasurer.

OPEN \$39,000 SCHOOL ADDITION AT CAMPBELLVILLE ON FRIDAY

"As the Queen dedicates herself to the Empire, we also hope this school is entering into a long period of usefulness," Inspector L. L. Skuce said in declaring the \$39,000 addition to Campbellville public school open on Friday evening of last week.

The new school addition features tile floor, plywood panelling, black board and indirect lights, large window areas, ample cupboard space and up-to-date washroom facilities.

D. E. Moffatt acted as chairman and welcomed those gathered in the new addition. Nassagaweya Reeve Stan Norrish reminded the group that, with increased building at the south of the county, more people might move to the Campbellville district. "All the schools in the township are now in good shape," he stated.

Musical numbers were given by the school children, directed by one of the teachers, John Kobzey. Miss June Watkins is the primary teacher.

Rev. Ralph E. Porritt spoke the official words of dedication and

Rev. James Sutherland gave the benediction.

A display of manual training and household science was seen by the visitors to the school.

The members of the Nassagaweya School Area No. 1 Board are D. E. Moffatt, chairman; Claude Brinklow, Elmer Cox, Duncan Moffatt and Stanley Robinson with Mrs. Beatrice Fletcher as secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Skuce, the public school inspector, dug back into the early history of Campbellville and of the county to illustrate the progress of education and school building.

The first school was built on the east half of lot 6. According to historian Joshua Norrish, an ancestor of the present reeve, who wrote a history of Nassagaweya, the pioneer school had been an "old hovel" which had been used as a Scotsman's shanty.

"We try to give the children of today interests to occupy their leisure time so that so many of them won't find their way into institutions like those at Brampton or Guelph."

Inspector Halts Work On Line; Using Compound

A large delegation visited upon council in regular session on Monday evening. It was reported the contractor who is laying water mains, Carroll-Sharp Construction Co., was using a sulphur compound (mineral head) for caulking the joints in the pipe, instead of the lead as called for in the specifications. The town inspector, Alf Barton, had halted the work as he could not get in touch with Roy Smith, engineer, that day. Mr. Smith had given the contractor permission to use the substitute but had failed to inform the inspector.

Roy Smith stated that when drawing up the specifications for the job, he had not been familiar with the sulphur compounds, but since that time, when consulting with other leading engineers, had been convinced that the newer method was just as satisfactory if properly installed. The American Waterworks Association and also the Dominion and U. S. governments had approved of this type of caulking compound.

Mr. Noble of the H. L. Blanchard Co., who sells this mineral lead, presented facts to show that this joint was superior to lead in withstanding pressure.

Alf Barton stated the town was just getting over a mess with the sewer inspector and he did not want to get the same reputation as the sewer inspector. He stated that he had the specifications as drawn and had no alterations, so had insisted on them being lived up to, and when he could not contact the engineer, had stopped the work. He felt he could not continue as inspector under the present arrangements.

Roy Smith stated that Mr. Barton had no authority to stop the work, that he was only the eyes of the engineer and anything wrong should be brought to the attention of the engineer. He admitted not informing the inspector or council of the change in specifications. He stated that the stipulations are not lived up to 100 per cent. in contracts but are there for guidance.

Fireworks Display Coronation Theme

A large crowd gathered on roads and in cars at Campbellville Athletic Grounds Saturday evening, May 23, to admire the seventh annual fireworks display. With Coronation as its theme, the fireworks featured a royal coronation salute and a parachute flag shell.

The Campbellville Tennis club sponsored the sparkling display of fireworks.

A girls' softball game preceded the fireworks display, with Campbellville playing Haltonville.

A street dance was held at the conclusion of the fireworks. A silver collection was taken among the many spectators.

Gifts Presented To Halton Chapter

There was a large attendance at the first monthly meeting of the new Halton Chapter No. 280 I.O.O.F. of the Eastern Star, held in the I.O.O.F. Hall, Milton, on Monday, May 25. All Chapter officers were present, with the exception of Mrs. Gladys Booth, who was unable to attend due to illness.

There was one affiliation and four members took their degree with officers of Dundas Chapter No. 204 conducting the ceremonies. Distinguished visitors present included Mrs. Olive Adams, Assistant Grand Conductress; Mrs. Annie Childerley, Grand Electra; Rev. Joseph Stewart, Past Worthy Grand Patron and many Past Matrons and Past Patrons; also members from Dundas, Hamilton, Oakville and Oshawa.

Dundas chapter presented gifts to Halton chapter and the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Halton chapter. A half hour of fellowship and refreshments followed the meeting.

FLYING UP CEREMONY ADVANCES BROWNIES

The Milton Brownie Pack held its "Flying Up" ceremony on Thursday, May 21. The mothers of the girls were present at the meeting.

Receiving Brownie wings from Division Guide Commissioner Mrs. Sawyer of Port Nelson were Linda Gowland, Bette Marsh and Jean Gilbert. In an impressive ceremony Marina Hall, Marion Clements and Ann Clark flew up to Guides.

All Golden Bar Brownies walked to Guideland where they were greeted by the Guide Captain, Mrs. Smith and introduced to the patrol leaders of the First Milton Guide company.

Proficiency badges were also presented during the evening. Bette Marsh received her toy-maker's and skater's badges. Skater's badges were also won by Marina Hall, Marion Clements, Linda Gowland, Jean Gilbert and Eleanor Hornby.

St. George's W.A. Highlights Tulips

The W. A. of St. George's, Lowville, held their Tulip Tea on Thursday, May 21, in the church basement which was beautifully decorated with tulips.

The program began with a hymn, followed by recitations by Mrs. Black from Campbellville and a piano solo by Donna Harris. Bonnie Powell sang, Mrs. H. King gave a recitation and Patsy Rouse and Mary Downs sang two duets, accompanied by Mrs. E. B. Clements. Stuart and Steven Hayward also sang, accompanied by Mrs. Goldstraw.

All enjoyed a cup of tea and the gathering concluded with the singing of the Queen.

Kilbride County Contest Winner

Kilbride public school was the Halton county winner of the Forestry Conservation Contest closing May 15. The school, as district winner, is now eligible to enter a provincial contest against schools from counties in the Huron district. The winning group will receive \$25.

More than 600 spruce and pine trees were planted on three-quarters of an acre on the farm of Joe Henry at Kilbride. 25 pupils from grade four and up took part, under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Thomas Ramshaw.

A representative of the Forestry department conducted a quiz at the school, asking a team of five 25 questions on trees, planting and conservation. This, together with the planting, won first prize for the Kilbride group.

The provincial competition which closes June 1 calls for a collection of leaves to be submitted as well as for answering another 25 questions by the pupils.

Hold Joint Meeting At Robinson Home

The May meeting of Bethel Woman's Association and Women's Missionary Society was held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Robinson.

Mrs. Leonard Lister presided for the W.A. Thank you notes from Mrs. Pickett, Mrs. W. Ford and Mrs. Fell were read. The treasurer read the report on the lunches served at the festival.

In the W.M.S., Mrs. Merry presided in the absence of Mrs. Pickett. Final plans were made for the Coronation Tea.

It was decided to do some sewing for Korea.

The meeting closed with a prayer by Mrs. Tuck.

Early Copy, Please

The office of the Canadian Champion will be closed on Tuesday, June 2 in honor of the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II that the staff may participate in the historic occasion.

Correspondents and advertisers should have copy in our office by Monday to make possible the delivery of the home town paper on Thursday. Co-operation of all will be appreciated.

Lightning Hits Barn Damage \$10,000

Fire damage estimated at between \$10,000 and \$12,000 resulted when a bolt of lightning struck the barn on the farm of Peter Patterson, R. R. 1, Campbellville, three miles north of the village at 11 p. m. Monday night.

The building was a total loss and was only partly covered by insurance. Several pigs, a calf and the contents of the barn were also destroyed.

Milton fire brigade remained at the scene of the fire until 4 a. m. to prevent its spread to surrounding buildings.



ELIZABETH FITZGERALD, Milton, this week joins the news staff of the Canadian Champion and will be in the office to assist with the gathering of news for the home town paper. Miss Fitzgerald is a graduate of the University of Toronto.

Trafalgar Hydro Expansion O.K.'d

Extensions and improvements to the Trafalgar electrical distribution system and the installation of water heater control equipment, at a cost of \$85,000, have been approved by Ontario hydro, it was announced last week by G. W. Leaver, chairman of the Trafalgar township public utilities commission.

Approval was also given to Trafalgar's request for a debenture issue in the amount of \$85 thousand for these purposes and to negotiate a bank loan in the amount of \$85,000 to provide immediate funds until such time as the debentures have been issued.

Health and Welfare Mr., Mrs. Club Topic

The St. Paul's Mr. and Mrs. Club held their regular meeting at the home of John and Dorothy Hall on Tuesday, May 19.

Following the devotional, a short business meeting was held and the president introduced the guest speaker for the evening. The speaker, Rev. H. Troyer, who is a representative of the National Child Health and Welfare, gave a very interesting talk on that subject.

A delicious lunch was served and Rev. Blair closed the evening with prayer.

Halt Subdivisions In North Trafalgar

Trafalgar township council has instructed the Milton-North Trafalgar Planning Board not to approve any subdivisions until further notice, after hearing ex-reeve Joseph Wickson say at council meeting last week that the rural committee was worried about the unplanned area being "wide open."

Councillor Donald Bath has suggested that Dr. E. G. Faludi, planning expert who has been assisting Oakville, meet with the Milton council and the North Trafalgar Planning Board soon.

Reeve Emmerson Ford stated, "It would be wise not to authorize any more subdivisions up there until some kind of plan is drafted."

"Unless there is industry up there, residential land won't be much use to them," said councillor Ernest Henderson.

Clerk Sheldon Featherstone said that although Milton had previously not been interested in planning, the town "might be now that the town plans to annex more land."

Former reeve Wickson declared that the "back end of the township is wide open and we feel it isn't a happy situation. An official plan should be started on immediately."

The rural committee is chaired by Daniel Pope.

Celebration Highlight Is 21 Gun Salute For Queen

A lengthy parade, expected to include approximately 900 marchers and a number of cars and floats, has been planned by town officials as part of Milton's celebration of Queen Elizabeth's coronation on Tuesday, June 2nd.

Moving off at 7.30 p.m. from the Milton public school, the parade will be made up of more than 600 school children carrying flags, from Milton and district, the Lorne Scots' Regimental and Pipe bands, and the Milton Junior band. Also marching in the parade will be the council, fire brigade, legion and other town organizations.

The parade will halt at Victoria Park where the Milton Brownies will plant a maple tree to commemorate the occasion, and will then proceed to the agricultural park.

After a 21-gun salute at 8.30 in front of the grandstand, a service of dedication will be held as in the actual Coronation ceremony. The brief program to follow will include addresses by Mayor Frank Thompson, Stanley Hall, M.L.A., and Hughes Cleaver, M.P.

A beacon fire will be lighted at 9.30 p.m., approved time for such fires set in England. The Milton boy scouts and cubs will take part in a re-affirmation of their oath around the council fire. During the evening the three bands will play.

A twenty to thirty minute display of fireworks will conclude the program, to be followed by a street dance on Main St.

School Groups To Meet Plan Possible Settlement

The Tuesday session of the inquiry with withdrawal from the Nelson school area was adjourned to allow all interested parties to possibly arrange an agreement to settle their differences. The Board of Arbitration set up by Halton County Council, and headed by county judge W. N. Robinson already has held two sessions, hearing evidence being presented by the petitioners of Bell's and Zimmerman schools who are seeking to withdraw.

By evidence produced by the petitioners, they claim their school if allowed to withdraw from the area could be more efficiently and economically operated under the ungraded school system. Witness said considerable time was spent riding on buses to the graded schools, and felt it much better if their children were allowed to attend school closer to their homes.

"This thing could have been settled two years ago if the officials at the Department of Education had not been passing-the-buck and finally the Minister wanted us to leave the matter up to the people in Nelson alone," so declared Fred Walker, a former deputy-reeve, while giving testimony.

Continuing, he said a by-law was passed in 1950 to split the school area. Another was approved in 1952 to have one area set up as urban and the other a rural area, but no approval of the department was granted. "They told us they had a pile of letters down there and it would have to be the people of Nelson who would decide what they wanted," he stated.

Under cross examination by Hughes Cleaver, counsel for the township and school area board, Mr. Walker assured him, "If this board permits us to withdraw, you will find our schools more efficient, better run and necessary repairs made much faster than is done now."

Witness explained the township was divided into two areas, one of rural belief and the other strictly urban. He said those in the rural area wanted to maintain the rural status, but did not want to deny those in the urban area a graded school system. "The voting power in the south is so much greater that they can overrule us in the northern areas." He also told Mr. Cleaver he thought those in the north would be better off without the south.

Much argument was heard between Mr. Cleaver and George E. Elliott, appearing for the petitioners, regarding the history of the school area program dating back to 1942. Judge Robinson felt the board was not prepared to hear the whole history and should pertain to actions during the last three or four years. Mr. Elliott felt it should be heard as it indicated, these people had been opposed to

the setting up of the present area system.

When all petitions were not available, Mr. Elliott moved to subpoena R. S. Heatherington, who took minutes at meetings held by the objectors.

During argument, the court-room crowded with spectators sympathetic to withdrawing from the two areas, applauded statements made by counsel. At one point Judge Robinson jumped to his feet and demanded order. "This has got to stop. You people will have to stop these demonstrations. This is no theatre and if this sort of thing is heard again, you will be evicted," His Honor declared.

William K. Simms, township clerk, testified the township public school assessment was \$7,344,381; Bell's assessment was \$277,475; and Zimmerman \$210,675. It was also pointed out that A. G. Hunter, one of the Zimmerman petitioners, was not eligible to sign the Zimmerman petition. He was assessed in the Tansley section while he lived in the Zimmerman area and his children attended the Zimmerman school. Mr. Elliott contended it did not matter where a petitioner lived as long as he was a ratepayer in the township school area.

Herbert Alton described the closing of the Nelson school in 1950, which was re-opened in 1952. He said the board informed those in his area, transportation would be provided children attending the Glenwood school but parents would have to provide their own transportation in their own area. Witness said he lived about two miles and a half from the Nelson school and six miles from Glenwood school. "He also felt his children were happier, healthier and better educated in the ungraded school."

B. C. MacNab, father of four children and a strong supporter of Bell's withdrawing from the area, (Continued on Page Ten)

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO DISTRICT REPORTED FOLLOWING HAIL STORM

Extensive damage to Milton and district followed the violent rain and hail storm Thursday of last week. Though the storm did not reach the tornado-force of the Sarnia disaster, local hardware stores reported the sale of \$600 worth of window glass.

Damage to crops and greenhouses estimated at \$5,000 on the farm of Daniel Smith near Kilbride, resulted from the violent hail storm. Wm. Hume, R. R. 6, lost 30 panes of glass. One of the hail stones, some of which measured seven inches in circumference, pierced a window and window blind and went 21 feet across the room. Brock Harris, R. R. 6, also reported exceptionally large stones.

The hardest hit in his district, Harold Reed, R. R. 1, lost a total of 55 windows in his home and farm buildings. Twenty windows were broken in the home of Harold Middlebrook, R. R. 2. Several hundred dollars of damage to crops and home were caused on the property of Wm. Shields, R. R. 6, including 21 lost panes and roofing blown off the house.

There was little damage to crops though hay was flattened.

After striking in Nelson township between Milton and Kilbride, the storm swept out over the lake. Less violent storms were reported over the rest of the county.



LIGHTNING STRUCK the barn of Peter Patterson, three miles north of Campbellville on the Guelph Road at about 11 p.m. Monday night and the blaze levelled the barn. Damage was estimated between \$10,000 and \$12,000, partially covered by insurance. The ruins are shown here Tuesday morning still smoking. Nearby buildings were saved through the efforts of the Milton Fire Brigade.

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