

### Fish, Pheasants Find Halton Homes

Halton county has had a pretty large population increase this summer—most of it underwater! During the past two months, 8,000 bass and 15,000 speckled and brown trout have been placed in county waterways, and 1,300 pheasants in local woods.

New additions to the county's wild life were made by the Halton game warden, Dudley Hitchcock and the members of the Oakville and District Rod and Gun club.

While he's on the subject of wild life, the game warden mentions that some of it really is. "There are still a few wolves wandering around Nassagaweya township," he declared. No damage has been reported lately, though.

Back to the more tame wild life—the fish. Bass fry have been dropped in Bronte and Oakville creeks, while speckled trout were imported for streams north of Milton and in the Georgetown area—the Black creek, Credit river, and tributaries of these streams. Brown trout have made a new home in the Twelve Mile creek north of Lowville. The trout were put out in May and the bass in July.

"I hope to see the Acton pond stocked with pike or brown trout next year," the game warden said. From a broodery operated by the Oakville Rod and Gun club on the Morden Road came 850 of the 1,300 pheasants put out on their own this summer. The same number was released last year, and wintered well. "We've had good reports from farmers in the area," the game warden said.

So far no date has been set for a pheasant shoot.

### Tipson Touring

By Carol Lane

**Women's Travel Authority**  
Besides the proverbial "3 R's," today's school children will have to contend with a fourth "R" is reckless driving. And it might be a fatal lesson.

Well-organized groups already direct safety-education programs at the car driver. But safety, like clarity, should begin at home. Both parents and teachers should assume some of the responsibility for preventing traffic accidents by training children in "safe-pedestrianism."

Even before kindergarten age, every child can be trained to cross with lights, look on both sides of the road, and peer in front of a parked car before crossing a street. To-day, we all accept the fact that the lessons of our childhood leave a brand on the brain throughout adulthood. Safety lessons taught in childhood could help make to-morrow's safe drivers.

I think this will help eliminate that tragic, and sometimes fatal, fourth "R."

The Canadian National Exhibition celebrates the 75th anniversary of its founding this year, Aug. 28th to Sept. 12th. A record attendance is expected as plans are being made for many special attractions to mark the event.

#### GOOD AM

The small boy had been pulled out of the stream. "How did you come to fall in?" asked his saviour. "I didn't. I came to fish."

### TALES ON TINTYPES



This winter scene and the stone residence of the late Sidney Smith, Sr., date back about 50 years. The building is now part of Acton's present High School. It was built by Mr. Smith nearly 100 years ago and was known as Fairview Place. At the time of this picture, Mrs. C. S. Smith, a daughter-in-law of the first owner, was residing here. Her husband passed away in 1885.

Mrs. Smith and her son Allan resided here until 1925 when a fire broke out in the residence on a cold March morning. Damage resulted which made the fine old home uninhabitable and it was never rebuilt. A few years later the whole property was acquired by Acton School Board and the present school building was made from the original stone house.

This is the last year that Acton High School will remain in this location. A new property has been secured and in the fall term of 1954 Acton High School will be at the east end of Mill Street. But the substantial old building will not be abandoned. It will become a part of the ever expanding Acton Public School and provide accommodation for the education of Acton young citizens.

Fairview Place had the first system of waterworks installed in town. The supply of water came from Corporation Pond and water was put into the house by a hydraulic ram. It gave 40 years of very inexpensive water service to the home. (Copyrighted) SFAT

A young man and his wife who had just had a quarrel were driving along a country road. Neither spoke until they passed a donkey. "One of your relatives?" the man asked. "Yes," snapped his wife, "by marriage."

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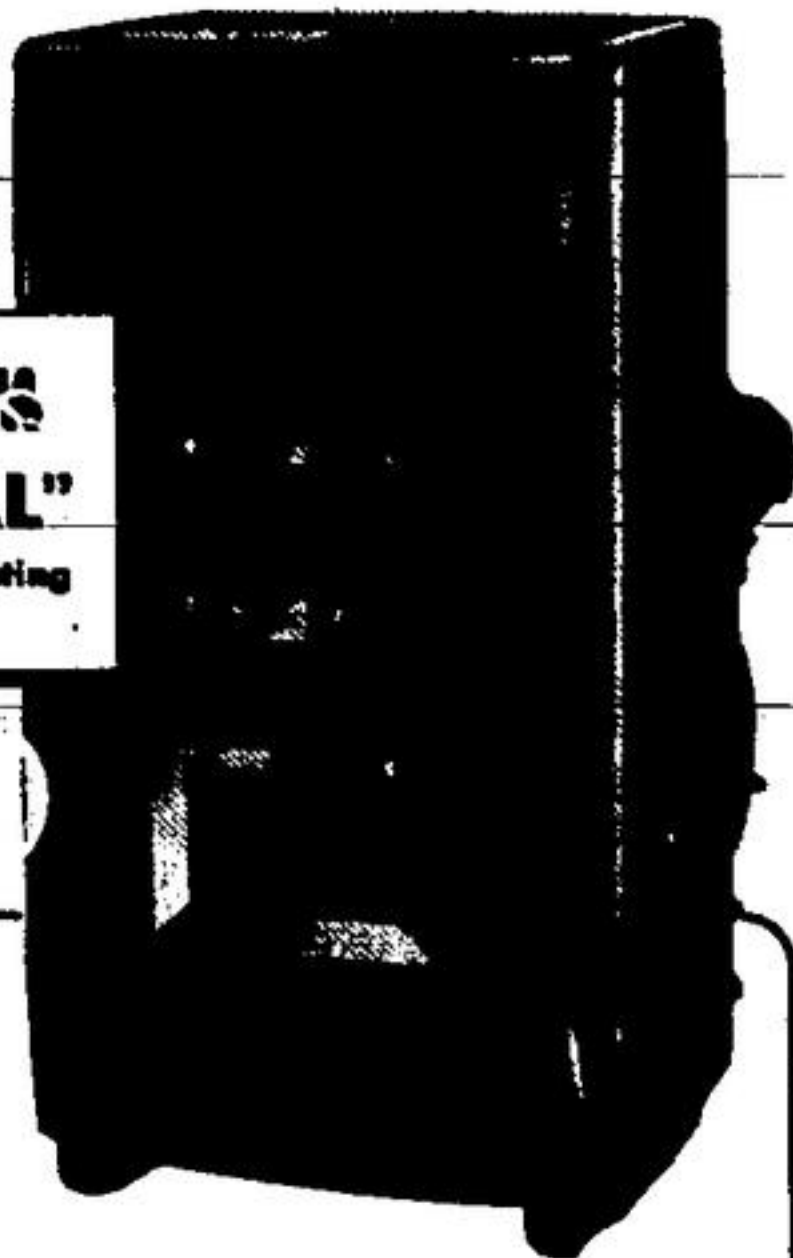
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### Books in Review

With summertime chosen by so many for trips both to neighboring cities and far-away countries, I chose to read this week a book of travel, "As We Came By" by Judith Robinson.

Miss Robinson and her sister travelled by car through Britain and the continent; they went to the usual places we shall be hearing about before long from friends who have been travelling abroad. I know several who have either returned or who are still in Europe and I was especially interested to read another's account of the places where my friends are visiting. Perhaps you will find the book especially attractive for the same reason.

Actually, it is not Miss Robinson's facts of places she goes, or the odd things that happen to her that create the interest in the book. Quite a few books or articles on travel do rely rather too exclusively on the country itself and its details, or crazy encounters with crazy foreigners, to carry the interest.

To one who likes good writing, Miss Robinson's own style is the prime attraction of "As We Came By." Delightfully bitter and biased in spots, it creates unique images.

The sophisticated, very self-assured manner of the author—as well as the fact she has the same name—made me think she must be the Toronto Telegram columnist who reports on the Ottawa scene. Perhaps you have read her there.

Miss Robinson is herself in this book. Having no idea of what she is like outside its pages, I am, I suppose, a little hasty in making that statement! What I mean is that she doesn't appear to be imitating. Thank goodness the imitation of American and British styles is passing. There are many splendid books currently on the Canadian best seller lists and I hope most of the readers are getting over assuming they are amateurish because they are so native.

Bruce Hutchison's "The Incredible Canadian" comes at once to mind. Louella Creighton's "High Bright Buggy Wheels" has been widely read.

In poetry we have E. J. Pratt, Dorothy Livesay and Earle Birney. Humour? John D. Robbins, Robertson Davies and of course Stephen Leacock.

I have been going over lists of popular Canadian books recently since a friend in the States wrote asking me to recommend one she could review at her Literary Club. It was difficult to think of suggestions for a few minutes—but then they came. We have indeed many literary works to be proud of from Lady Smoock's diary down to the "Last of the Mohicans."

Unfortunately, I'm afraid none of the books will be exactly what she wanted. I'm sure she had in mind a novel of great snow drifts with good-hearted Canadians plunging through them singing Frère Jacques to keep their spirits up.

Water-skiing, table tennis, aerobics, softball, fencing, swimming and diving are but a few of the many attractions at the 1953 C.N.E. From Aug. 28 to Sept. 12 visitors to Canada's "Show Window of the Nation" will have an opportunity to see some of the world's finest athletes in action.

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