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Friends Fete the Melvin Stories In Eramosa Before Leaving Area

Friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Storie gathered at No. 1, Eramosa schoolhouse recently to honor the family before they leave the district after 16 years of residence.

A well planned program began with cards, followed by a variety performance of many talented persons. Miss Doreen Tolton danced an Irish jig. Mrs. Bertha Sobyte sang two numbers. David Benham played his accordion. Mrs. Freeman and her daughter, Gertie, played a piano duet and Mrs. Norman Boles recited two humorous pieces. Louis Mampsey and Lyle Plummer as a team played accordion and drums.

Bud Kerr acted as master of ceremonies and told several funny jokes to the delight of the audience. Mr. Kerr later gave a brief address expressing the regret of all that the Stories were leaving. He mentioned that Melvin Storie had taught at No. 5 school, Massawewa township, when first coming to the neighborhood, living in the park section of Eden Mills village. He then took over No. 1 school in Eramosa for a time. Mrs. Storie followed him and taught there for a number of years before going to Rockwood school.

Mr. and Mrs. Storie were presented with handsome twin coffee tables of a modern design. There was also a gift for their daughter, Verla, and small son, Johnnie.

For He's A Jolly Good Fellow was sung with enthusiasm. Coffee and food followed with dancing later.

The Stories will make their home in Scarborough township, east of Toronto.

OBITUARY

Last of Agnew Family Interred in Fairview

Last surviving member of the family of the late Robert Agnew, George R. Agnew was interred in the family plot in Fairview cemetery, Acton on Friday, July 27. He passed away on Monday, July 23 at home at 284 Westmoreland Avenue in Toronto.

George Agnew was well known here, where he spent his boyhood and early years of his life. He was a glove cutter by trade but was also for several years station agent here on the Toronto to Guelph electric railway. For many years he was a member of Acton Citizens' Band and served on the Acton Public School Board. He was keenly interested in community affairs while he resided here and took his place in their conduct.

Surviving are his widow, the former Jessie Besoby, one daughter, Hazel and two sons, George and Vernon.

The memorial service was held in Toronto on Thursday evening conducted by Rev. L. I. Hunter, who also officiated at the graveside service in Acton on the following morning.



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ON THE SITE OF A STONE STABLE where Marguerite Bourgeois first taught the ABC's to children of settlers of New France three centuries ago, history of a different sort is still being made today. In a Montreal building adorned by the bas-relief seen at upper left, young men bound for duty along the Mid-Canada Line are taking a course covering the entire range of modern communications. Instructors selected from amongst engineers and technicians of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada guide the students through a six-month course in the world of up-to-date-minute communication systems. Picture at upper right shows Instructor Gerrie Brent preparing a radar demonstration unit. Seen at lower left are Gil Noall and Bob Herber discussing a special Bell teletype feature. At lower right, technicians John Radcliffe and Instructor Dick Atkinson put the multiplex training unit through a series of tests.

Men Train Intensively for Work On Mid-Canada Detection Line

While students throughout Canada are enjoying their summer holidays travelling, fishing or just lounging in the sun, 250 men whose age averages about 25 are attending classes daily in an old building located in the heart of downtown Montreal.

The building houses a defence communications school — the only one of its kind in Canada — operated by The Bell Telephone Company of Canada.

The 250 men are being trained for service on the Mid-Canada Line. Young technicians recruited within the seven companies which form the Trans-Canada Telephone System are taking a course which covers the entire range of modern communications.

An Acton man, James Spellvogel, is part of the group of Bell Telephone trainees attending the school described in this story.

communications. After six months of study — three months basic and three months advanced training — the young telephone men emerge with a good knowledge of microwave transmission, radar, radio, telephone, radio-telephone, teletype, power distribution and many other components of up-to-the-minute communications.

An Electronic Maze

In his six months of journeying through the electronic maze a student acquires 5,000 sheets of paper with various kinds of notes. He sees 400 slides, numerous diagrams and circuit layouts, several films including one on fire-fighting. He learns to become safety conscious, he improves his knowledge of first aid and he also acquires a good appreciation of problems connected with survival in the arctic.

Then after six months of lectures, many hours of home work each week and several exams, the new electronics specialist is ready to go to one of the detection stations on the northern frontier. Along with other graduates from the Bell school, he will coordinate equipment installation, operate the electronic apparatus and keep it in working condition.

Training these technicians for the Mid-Canada Line is part of the giant task undertaken by the Bell company in acting as the Trans-Canada Telephone System's project agent for the construction of the radar fence for the Canadian Government. Working in close cooperation with the Bell Company are six other Canadian telephone organizations — the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, the New Brunswick Telephone Company, the Manitoba Telephone System, the Saskatchewan Government Telephones, the Alberta Government Telephones and the British Columbia Telephone Company.

Over 3,000 Miles Long

The Mid-Canada Line, which will be over 3,000 miles long, is being built, and eventually will be maintained, by the Trans-Canada Telephone System.

One of the early steps in carrying out this project was the establishment of the electronics school in the old St. Lawrence street building, long the home of a famous tea company.

Instructors were selected amongst experienced plant men, for the basic training period, and telephone engineers for the advanced course. When the engineering of the equipment has been completed and the plant men have become fully conversant with its maintenance and operation, they will take over teaching in both parts of the course.

In addition to the telephone men, one class of R.C.A.F. men in uniform attended the advanced course.

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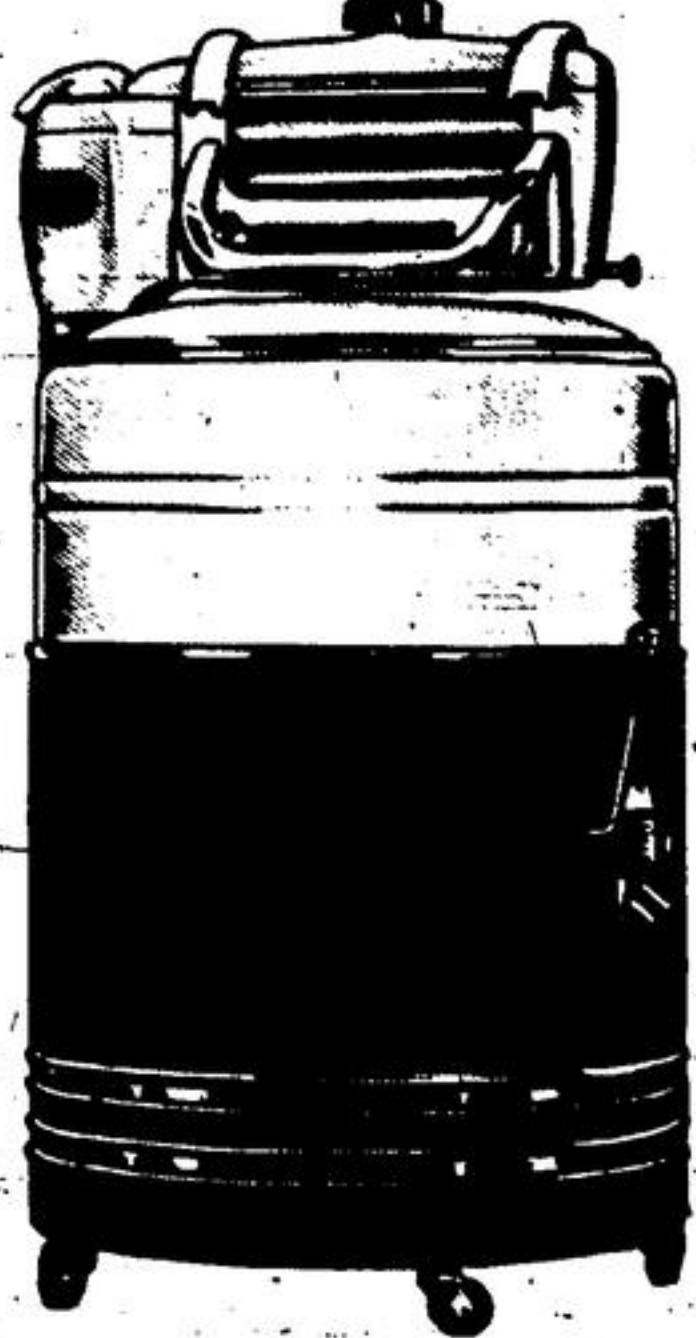
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