

# Personal Notes.

Of Actonians Visiting Out-of-Town Points and of Visitors in Acton Homes

Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Leyland and family were holidaying in Montreal.

Friends are sorry to learn that Mr. Ollie Stapleton is in hospital in St. Joseph's, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Coles are holidaying with relatives in Port Huron, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kirkness and Kim are back after holidaying for two weeks near Bracebridge.

Vacation spot for Mr. and Mrs. Doug Manning and Bobby was their cottage at Sauble Beach.

Miss Marie Lambert is spending her holidays with her sister, Mrs. Rpn Gillespie at Fruitland.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boulton of Scarborough called on old friends and neighbors one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGeachie and family have returned from holidays in the Lake of Bays district.

John Ladouceur and Terry Masales are spending this week with the former's grandmother in Owen Sound.

Mrs. James McGladrey left recently to spend a two month vacation with relatives in Winnipeg and Vancouver.

Little Miss Sharon and Sheila Archibald of Ajax spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hgrris.

Merl Harris visited with his aunt and uncle in Ajax. Ralph Archibald returned home with him and will spend this week here.

Mrs. W. J. Smith of Everton Corner is a patient in Guelph General Hospital. Her many friends in the district wish her a speedy recovery.

Acton Women's Institute members are entertaining residents of Halton Centennial Manor at Milton in the Acton park this Sunday afternoon.

Lieut. D. Casey R.C.N. and Dennis Burke, both from Victoria, B.C., are presently visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Burke at their home, 1 Elgin St., Acton.

Friends of Mr. Alex McGregor will regret to hear that he is a patient in a hospital in Alaska. His daughter Mrs. W. D. Talbot left last week via plane to be with him.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mason and son, George Switzer and family of Toronto have returned from a pleasant three weeks motor trip through the Pennsylvania and Virginia Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Arbie, Wayne, and Dan, Mrs. M. Arbie and Miss Jane Wilkins returned home Sunday from a trip through the Alleghany Mountains to Atlantic City, Washington and other points of interest.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. F. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. J. Krapek the past weekend included Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Robertson of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cox, Sandra and Larry of the Erin district.

On their way to a principals' conference in London, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Prosser of Bracebridge stopped off here to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Dills and her aunt, Mrs. A. B. Lyon of Ulster, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson, Susan and Sally have returned from a motor trip through Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Maryland, spending five days at Cape Hatteras Beach and sight-seeing in Jamestown and Washington on the way home.

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**\$500 IN TOBACCO** and cigarettes were stolen from Ledger's I.G.A. store when thieves jimmied the front door and entered the premises. Cigarettes and tobacco were scooped up from shelves at the front of the store and carried away in egg cartons. Store manager Dave Manes locked the doors at 9 p.m. Thursday night and discovered the break-in when he arrived at the store Friday morning. He points to the broken front door, where the thieves entered. They escaped with the loot by breaking open a rear door.

## Farm News

### Halton Juniors Win Bus Trips

Ernest Alexander of Norval, Ontario, has been awarded the Soils and Land Use tour, organized by the Extension Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Soil Department of the Ontario Agricultural College.

The trip being held on September 12 to 15 includes a tour of Elgin, Kent and Essex counties as well as lectures at the Soil Department at Guelph.

Jointly Organized Eastern Ontario and United Nations bus trips are organized by the Junior Farmers' Association of Ontario and the Extension Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

The trips are awarded each year to outstanding Junior Farmer and Junior Institute members presently active in Halton County Junior Farmers.

The winner of the Eastern Ontario bus trip is Tom Hunter of R. 2, Georgetown, a member of the Norval Junior Farmers.

Miss Evelyn McKay of R. 3, Georgetown, is the winner of the United Nations trip to New York.

### New Summer Resort Opens at Emma Lake

A new summer resort has been opened up on Emma Lake, 35 miles north-west of Prince Albert, Sask. The area, to be known as Murray Point summer resort, is located on the west shore of the lake.

The summer resort has been laid out in accordance with modern town planning ideas. The design embraces crescent and curved streets in contrast with the old gridiron system.

The result is a more pleasant townscape design, better suited to a sylvan setting. Soil in the area is fertile and tree growth has been rapid.

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## Eyringer Play Acclaimed At Premiere in Stratford

The Avon theatre in Stratford was almost completely sold out for the premiere of Alfred Eyringer's prize-winning first play, *Blind Man's Bluff*, Tuesday. A half-drawn curtain call concluded the production, although the author stayed seated, inconspicuously, at the back of the theatre.

Acton friends joined in enthusiastically swelling the applause. *Blind Man's Bluff* was directed by George McCowan and designed by Brian Jackson. Cast included Leo Ciceri as the blind author, whose murder is plotted by Pat Galloway as his wife and Robin Gammell as his nephew. Jake Dengel plays his valet. Two minor parts went to detective Mervyn Blake and Tony Van Bridge.

The action was set in Toronto's Rosedale, with darkened set and mounting suspense adding to the interest. The play is staged again Saturday evening.

## Red Monster

A monster was discovered in the small town's wading pool at the park. A snake, reported about 15 feet long, was watched slithering through the water—luckily after all the youngsters had departed for home.

Nervous informants discovered, to their relief, that the snake had been deliberately put into the pool by caretaker Herb Frer, and was helping change the water for the next day's swimming sessions. In fact, it wasn't a snake at all. It was a hose.

## Increased Research Best's House Topic

Halton's M.P. Sandy Best made some significant remarks when he spoke to the House of Commons on the importance of increased research in Canada, on Wednesday last week.

The points arose from his estimates of the National Research Council. Four of these points were stressed and are: (1) Research expenditure by the federal government through the council has approximately doubled in the last three or four years.

Grants increased (2) Grants to universities for scholarships and research projects have been greatly increased and will continue to be increased rapidly. (3) Dr. Farquharson's report is a most important contribution to the problem of medical research in Canada. Main recommendations which should be rapidly implemented include the establishment of a medical research council and interdepartmental medical research co-ordinating committee; an initial budget of \$4,000,000 for the proposed Medical Research Council and \$37,000,000 for medical research building construction and research facilities.

(4) The House of Commons Research Committee should be reconstituted as soon as possible to continue its work.

## Idle Farms Breed Weeds

It is a natural habit, characteristic of all weeds, to multiply and spread rapidly. A constant battle must be fought by every one who is in charge of property of any kind if gardens, lawns or fields are to be kept relatively weed free.

The farmer, of course, is concerned about weed control because of the losses they may cause. A very conservative estimate places the annual weed cost to Canada at about 200 million dollars. The urban dweller is concerned about the spread of weeds because they are unsightly and lower property values. Several varieties cause hay fever and any neglected field or lot becomes a definite fire hazard.

"Idle Farm" Perhaps there is no better example of nature's way of spreading these unwanted plants than an "idle farm". To clarify this expression, I mean a farm that has been farmed reasonably well and has supported its occupants for the last 50 or perhaps 100 years.

The owner sells the property, moves away and the fields simply lie idle. Because of our location in the so-called "Golden Horseshoe" of Ontario, speculators are naturally interested in purchasing property. In fact there are several thousand acres within the county in this category and unfortunately many properties are lying idle.

Naturally A Problem I have no fault to find with farmers who sell their property but since all kinds of noxious weeds soon begin to grow and spread on such properties, we naturally have a problem of weed control with which to cope.

Endoubtedly the new owners are aware of this responsibility of controlling weeds, according to the Weed Control Act of Ontario. However, there seems to be comparatively few who will take the initiative to do this without being reminded by the local authorities. I will say that the

## Avoid Grain Loss—Treat Granaries

Stored grain insects cause considerable loss to grain growers in this area each year by eating the kernels and contaminating the grain, causing it to heat and become almost a complete loss. The granary weevil, saw toothed grain beetle, flat grain beetle and confused flour beetle are among the most reported species.

Now is the time to clean up your granary, before your new crop is put in storage. These insects are not brought in from the field with the grain, but remain in the granary and then attack the new crop.

If there are any insects in grain already in storage, this grain should be removed from your granary and then the whole area should be treated. If one bin of your granary has been infested, treating of the empty bins will not likely control the insects.

To treat empty bins, clean all grain and dust from the area and spray the walls and floors with insecticide that will kill any insect that remains in or that comes to the empty bin. Insecticides can be obtained at your local dealers, and if further information is required, you may obtain Bulletin 229 from the Extension Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture in Milton.

**Mrs. J. McKnight Gets Bingo \$100 As 200 Attend**

Mrs. Joan McKnight won the \$100 Special Game Friday night at Acton Lions Club Bingo in the Legion Auditorium. The Snowball Jackpot of \$150 again was not won and is increased to \$175 for the next regular bingo.

Officials estimated an attendance of over 200 with Lion Ray Arbie calling numbers. Bingo chairman, Lion Secretary Syd Lamb stated that arrangements are being made to increase the seating as the season continued.

Lions Jack Blundell, Tony Ironside, Jerry Jayome, Tom Mullen and Gil Malcolm assisted during the night.

Shipments of asbestos from Canadian mines rose 13.5 per cent. in 1959 to 1,050,703 tons.

**HEALTHY LIVING**

17 Mill St. Acton, Ont.

BY W. ROY RIDDELL D.C.

**LOW BACK PAIN**

Did you know that acute low back pain is extremely rare? Whether it be a contracted muscle, lumbosacral strain, sacro-liliac slip, or even a herniated intervertebral disc. There is one basic underlying cause and that cause didn't occur over night.

You'll remember that most of these problems although they came on suddenly, occurred during what seemed to be only routine movements. Every one doesn't get a sore back from pushing a lawn mower or shovelling snow. There must have been a growing weakness, and the cause of this weakness is nerve pressure.

A slight bony misalignment anywhere in the spine can cause pressure on nerve fibres and upset their controlling function of the muscles of the back resulting in structural distortion and weakness of an area. This gradually gets worse without you knowing it until it finally gives out. The original nerve pressure may not be at the site of the pain, just as a short circuit on an electrical system isn't always at the spot where the light goes out. So, don't be like the fellow who came into the office with his finger on one spot in his back. "There it is, Doctor, I just bent over, it hurts right there, fix it up." Give your Chiropractor a chance. Let him decide what you need after he locates the underlying cause.

Better still, why not get checked today so that any spinal defects may be located and corrected before they cause trouble.

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## ROCKWOOD

### John Richardson 95 Sunday Guests Take Church Services

Congratulations to John R. Richardson on the occasion of his 95th birthday Sunday.

Those who were present for the day were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Eckles of Stoney Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson, Guelph. Mr. Richardson was the recipient of numerous cards. He is still able to be about his home along with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Henderson.

Mrs. J. A. Little went to Toronto last week on receiving word of the death of Mrs. Robert H. Robinson who passed away suddenly at her home in Minden.

Besides her husband, three daughters survive her, Mary Joan, Nora Jean, and Mrs. J. H. Wilson (Suzanne). She was predeceased by her father, Rev. John Little, big brother John A. and sister Janet.

Funeral took place last Friday with service at York Chapel of Turner and Porter, Bloor St. and interment in Park Lawn Cemetery.

**80 Years Old** Congratulations to Mrs. Wm. Pasmore on the occasion of her 80th birthday, recent. Besides members of her family, Misses Jean and Marjorie McKenzie of Acton were present, also Mrs. Angus Carter, Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Carter of Guelph, Mrs. Wilbert J. Guild and son Torrance, Rockwood.

**Guest Speakers** In the absence of John Birch of the Presbyterian church, who is on vacation with Mrs. Birch and family to Huntsville, Robert W.

**W.I. Euchre Party Raises Party Fund** The attractive lawn of Mrs. H. L. Brown, Bower Ave., was once again the setting for an afternoon euchre party sponsored by the Acton W.I. on Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Eleven tables were played and prizes were awarded as follows: first, Mrs. George Fountain; second, Mrs. A. Milton; consolation, Mrs. George Hargrave. For most lone hands, the prize went to Mrs. Nelson Lambert and Mrs. George Somerville won the lucky draw for admission card.

Lunch was served and a very happy time reported by all. Co-winners of the event were Misses Betty Young, Marjorie Hall, Mrs. George Fryer and Mrs. Brown.

The proceeds of this event will go to help defray expenses for entertaining the residents of Halton Manor this coming Sunday at the local park.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**Protests Placement Of "Splendid" Band**

Georgetown, Ont., 31 Byron St., August 10, 1960.

To the Editor, Acton Free Press, Acton, Ont.

Dear Sir, I had occasion, a few weeks ago, to attend an advertised band concert to be played in Fairy Park on the Sunday afternoon.

If this had been a mediocre band such as obtain in some towns, I would still have written to you. But a band of the calibre of Acton with the quality of leadership it has, surely demanded that I write this complaint. I found this splendid band with their backs to the wall of a public toilet, attempting to play a program under such conditions.

Not even a temporary platform on which to play! Is this the best Acton can do for a band of this quality? Shame!

Yours truly, Ed. A. Peters.

In 1959, wheat accounted for half of Canada's exports of \$139,900,000 to Japan.