

Personal Notes . . .

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

Visits to the Royal Winter Fair were enjoyed by some from this district.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson visited with the Robertsons at Toronto on Sunday.

Mrs. R. Scott from Fergus has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. A. McCutcheon this week.

After an operation in Toronto General Hospital this week, Mr. Neil McNabb is recuperating well.

Just back from a holiday weekend in Montreal, Miss Helen Allan was taken ill and is now a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

Mrs. G. A. Dills is recuperating following an operation in Toronto General Hospital Wednesday morning.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Cam Winn, 70 Main St., who celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary Wednesday.

After spending some time in Toronto General Hospital, Miss Nora Kenney is now in St. John's Convalescent hospital in North Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Townsend of Long Island, N.Y., were recent visitors with the latter's sister, Mrs. Elv W. Masters and Mr. Masters.

A miscellaneous shower was held earlier this month at the home of Mrs. Bob Dennis in honor of Miss Wilma Watson of Milton, a bride-to-be.

Mrs. John Chapman will spend Christmas in Winnipeg with her daughter, Mrs. Bob Pfaff, Ft. L. Pfaff and their children. She flew by jet last week.

Friends of Mrs. Henry Sayers, Park Ave., regret that she was removed to Milton District Hospital on Monday evening and all hope for an improvement in health.

A former United Church minister here the Rev. E. A. Curry of London and Mrs. Curry called on friends in town Tuesday and were interested to see the new church.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Masters and their family moved from Toronto this week to Listowel, where Mr. Masters is grocery manager at the IGA store. He will be particularly missed by the minor sports association.

Mrs. J. L. Davidson President Of Alert Evening Auxiliary

Mrs. Clarence Coles convened and presided for the worship and study period of the Alert Evening Auxiliary when it met on Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. J. L. Davidson. Young St. Devotions were led by Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Mel McCullough and Mrs. Coles presented the study on the theme, "Why go into all the world today?" The answer to this question was found in the scripture where commands and calls were given and Mrs. McCullough very ably presented the answers.

A poem was read by Mrs. Coles at the reception of the offering "Power of Prayer". Three hymns in keeping with the theme were used.

Mrs. Geo Young presided for the business and reports. Mrs. E. Masters gave the supply report including baby lavette valued at \$24.00, good used clothing valued at \$21.20 and \$2 for freight. These were sent through the presbytery.

Copper Contest
The copper contest was completed and found Mrs. J. L. Davidson's group the winner by a slight margin, so Miss Marjorie Hall and her group will convene

OBITUARY

R. J. R. Shortill, 77 Many Years in West
R. J. R. Shortill, 77, a life underwriter, died suddenly at his home in Winnipeg.

Born at the Shortill home, near Georgetown, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William H. Shortill. He attended school at Ballinafad and later Georgetown high school and graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College in 1911 with his B.S.A. degree. He was a life member of the Alumni Association of the University of Toronto.

Following his graduation, Mr. Shortill was associated for a number of years with the Ontario School for the Deaf at Belleville.

Went West in 1918
In 1918 he went west and joined the staff of Confederation Life at Winnipeg and in 1925 moved to Brandon where he was district manager for 14 years.

Mrs. Roy J. Brown of Toronto is visiting in town.

Mrs. R. M. MacDonald received flowers from her son Laird and his wife, of Detroit, direct by air from Hawaii. One bouquet was orchids, the other was an unusual red flower with petals and leaves that looked like rubber.

Mrs. Victor Campbell of Ankerion, Alberta, and Mrs. David McLure of Georgetown visited on Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson and family. Mrs. Campbell was a member of a 4-H group who were in attendance at the Royal Winter Fair.

Barry Stewart SK 3 of the United States-Navy, who has been stationed for the past year on U.S.S. Briareus, Portsmouth, Virginia, has been home on 18 days leave. He left by plane on Friday, from Buffalo for his new assignment on U.S.S. Investigator, Davisville, Rhode Island. Visiting with him in Acton were D. J. Eche SN of the U.S.N., Buffalo, New York, and Ken Oldstrom SN of U.S.N., Cleveland, Ohio.

Attending the annual municipal party at the Royal Hotel, Guelph, Thursday evening of last week were the following guests: Mayor and Mrs. John Goy, deputy-mayor and Mrs. J. Hargrave, councillors and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Barbeau, Mr. and Mrs. A. Field, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pope, Mr. and Mrs. W. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dubsy, clerk-administrator J. McGeachie and Mrs. McGeachie, bookkeeper J. T. Hurst and Mrs. Hurst, office personnel Mrs. J. Preston and husband, Mrs. Loren Clarke, town foreman A. Kirkness and Mrs. Kirkness, town assessor J. Ladouceur and Mrs. Ladouceur; sewer and water foreman A. Dubsy and Mrs. Dubsy, Corp. and Mrs. Ray Mason; high school board members J. Creighton and Mrs. Creighton, W. Coon and Mrs. Coon; planning board chairman J. Whitnam and Mrs. Whitnam; committee of adjustment, H. Peal and Mrs. Peal, G. McKenzie and Mrs. McKenzie, P. Camp and Mrs. Camp; hydro commissioners, G. McCutcheon and Mrs. McCutcheon, G. Beatty and Mrs. Beatty; hydro superintendent, D. Mason and Mrs. Mason; parks board members, Mrs. G. Fryer and husband, I. Kilby and Mrs. Kilby, A. Irwin and Mrs. Irwin; fire chief J. Newton and Mrs. Newton; Miss E. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. D. Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Leathers, Mr. and Mrs. W. McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Mansell Nellis and Pete McMullen.

Redwood Forest
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Visit Hawaii

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Christmas in Summer Soon For Nurse in New Zealand

Miss Flora Moffat, a nurse who is holidaying in New Zealand, has written us a very interesting letter which all our readers, as well as her friends, will enjoy. She is a sister of Duncan Moffat, Esq.

16 Upland Rd., Remuera, Auckland, N.Z., November 6, 1960.

The Free Press, Acton, Ont.

Dear Mr. Dills,
Already two months have passed since I sailed from Vancouver for my holiday in New Zealand. To give you a serial account of my adventures since then would be quite an undertaking but I would like to touch upon some of the highlights.

The voyage across the Pacific was a delightful experience, with perfect weather all the way. It wasn't long before I was getting acquainted with the passengers, many of whom were making the round trip from Australia and New Zealand to England via the Orient, and were returning to their homes with a wealth of pleasant memories.

Our ship the "Himalaya" sailed from Vancouver September 1 and made 24-hour stops at the following ports, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Suva and Auckland, N.Z., September 20. This gave us a nice opportunity to do some sight-seeing.

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great profusion in lawns and parks and they were lovely.

Auckland is built on a narrow peninsula and isn't more than five miles wide in any place so it gets the full blast of the wind from both the east and west. Generally speaking, the city is much like any large city. Soon after my arrival, I went to work in a private hospital here in Remuera, which is one of the city's suburbs. Salaries are very small in comparison to British Columbia, where I have been for several years, but the cost of living isn't as great. The people are very friendly and I am enjoying my work.

Lovely Countryside
Last week I had a two day visit to Rotorua, which is 200 miles to the south of here. This was my first drive into the country and I was thrilled with the lovely green pasture fields and the large flocks of sheep grazing there. New Zealand is supposed to have 46,000,000 sheep and I believe I saw at least 1,000,000 on my trip.

Rotorua's greatest claim to fame is its thermal activity. A Maori guide showed us the boiling mud pools and the spouting geysers, and explained that most of the townfolk use thermal heat for cooking and heating in their homes. There are numerous mineral baths in the vicinity which are supposed to have wonderful curative qualities.

In Rotorua there are many Maori people in their natural surroundings and I saw some very fine examples of their arts and crafts. In Government Gardens, there are beautiful flower beds interspersed with thermal attractions.

The soil is especially suited to growing azaleas and I saw several plants covered with bloom that would fill the average living room. Rotorua is surrounded with beautiful lakes and forest lands which makes it one of the most popular tourist attractions of the North Island.

Later I am planning a visit to the South Island, where the scenery is entirely different, and I may tell you about it at a later date, but now I must finish this.

It is hard to believe that Christmas is almost here, a new experience for me to have it in mid-summer. I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and all of my friends back here a very joyous and blessed Christmas and all good things in the coming year.

Most sincerely,
Flora C. Moffat.

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67 Guests Enjoy Municipal Party

Municipal business worries were set aside Thursday evening, Nov. 17, when 67 guests attended the annual municipal party staged at the Royal Hotel, Guelph. Speeches were made by Mayor John Goy when he welcomed everyone present and paid tribute to wives of local officials for their patience and understanding. He pointed out that civic duties often took a great deal of time and disrupted family schedules.

Bookkeeper Joe Hurst relayed a message of greeting from Reeve J. M. Greer who was unable to attend following a recent operation. Mrs. G. Fryer thanked the mayor and council on behalf of the ladies for the pleasant evening and added a special thanks to Mr. Goy for the gift of corsages to the ladies.

Dancing to the music of Glen Street Trio was enjoyed following a delicious dinner and a few of the non-dancers enjoyed a game of cards.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR
Hospitality Impresses Farmers' Tour Party
November 9th, 1960.

Dear Editor:
I have recently returned from a most interesting visit to Scotland and England as a member of the Canadian Pacific Farmers' Tour Party.

The members of the group were greatly impressed with the beauty of the countryside, the efficiency of farming methods and above all by the generous and gracious hospitality of those who entertained us during visits to the farms.

One is struck with the cleanliness and neat appearance of the towns, the highways and the farmsteads.

Yours very truly,
Wm. J. McLeod.

Honor Mr. and Mrs. G. Barnes On 25 Wedding Anniversary

Married 25 years, Mr. and Mrs. G. Barnes, Acton, were honored by family and friends at a surprise party Saturday, November 12.

Hosts for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. James Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. W. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. W. Nellis and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Heatley, R. R. 3.

The party took place at the Nellis home and included about 45 relatives, friends and neighbors, who brought gifts, flowers and congratulations.

A three tiered wedding cake, iced and decorated with pink roses, was made by Mrs. Nellis and Mrs. Morrison and made an attractive centerpiece.

Guests during the evening came from Orton, Glen Williams, Belfountain, Kitchener, Streetsville, Clarkson and Acton.

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I HAVE SERVED YOU AS SCHOOL TRUSTEE FOR 5 YEARS AND HAVE BEEN NOMINATED FOR ANOTHER TERM.

MAY I RESPECTFULLY SOLICIT YOUR VOTE ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28th, 1960.

Wm. A. McLean

Dump Fire

Just after sunset Friday of last week the sky was lit up for a second time by a spectacular fire at the dump. Spectators at the top of the hill on the third line watched the dark figures of firemen silhouetted against the dancing flames.

The outbreak in several separate spots was soon extinguished.

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