

Notes on Nature

By WES FOUNTAIN

FIELDS AND FORESTS

Fields can be found almost everywhere and are able to develop a crop, if left untended for 10 years or so, of wild plants and a host of small animals. In areas which were forested before settlement, an abandoned field will usually revert to forest after a couple of centuries unless grazing or burning or other disturbance prolongs the field stage.

An acre of field is populated with a large number of small animals as well as plants. Observations in a grassy field will reveal the intensity of life—insects, mammals, reptiles and birds.

Plants Change
A grassland or field is affected by surrounding regions. It could be bordered by forest, water or bare rock or soil. This area of transition can be called the "edge" and perhaps the most interesting type of "edge" is that zone between field and forest. Plants can be seen to change gradually in size and variety and different animals take advantage of the ready accessibility that this area offers. The forest margin supports a population of birds quite distinct from those of an open field or enclosed forest.

The field environment is populated with nonwoody plants and grasses and with small animals. Mice, spiders and certain birds may be common but insects abound, particularly during the summer.

Above Field
Above the field on a summer day, the butterflies are seen skipping from flower to flower. Many of these will be the yellow or white cabbage butterflies whose larvae can destroy as much as 20 per cent of cultivated cabbage and cauliflower plants. The flies attract one of the largest butterflies, the yellow and black tiger swallowtail. This insect is found throughout Canada. Its flight is strong and although unlike many of the smaller butterflies, this particular species often glides without wingbeats.

Insects that parasitize other insects may help to control some of those that are destructive to certain plants. The tachinid fly glues its eggs to the caterpillar. When they hatch, they burrow down into the muscles and fat. There they feed and grow while the caterpillar becomes weaker. The larger insect usually dies at this point.



KNOX C.G.I.T. entertained their mothers at a Mother and Daughter Banquet Monday evening in the church basement. Members of the Daughters of Knox, sponsors for the C.G.I.T. group, catered for the dinner. Pictured above left to right are Cheryl Price, her mother Mrs. Herb Price, who is one of the C.G.I.T. leaders, and Mrs. William Spielvogel, member of the Daughters of Knox. The dinner consisted of ham, peas, scalloped potatoes and dessert.

OBITUARY

Mrs. William E. Kentner Buried at Boissevain, Man.

Mrs. William E. Kentner passed quietly away at Killarney hospital on Tuesday, May 2, after a month's illness. She had not been well for the past few months.

The funeral service was held in the United Church at Boissevain, Manitoba, on Friday, May 7, where she was a member. Many friends and neighbors gathered there to pay their last respects to one who was known by her kindly deeds.

Interment was in Boissevain cemetery. Her sister, Miss Beatrice Hills, arrived from Ontario the night before.

Survivors
Beside her husband, she leaves to mourn her loss five of a family, Mrs. Earl Kilmory (Viola), Mrs. Gordon Chambers (Reta), Rodger and Archie, all of Boissevain and Archie of Killarney, 15 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Also in Ontario are three sisters and one brother, Miss Beatrice Hills, Mrs. Joseph H. Allan (Sarah), Erin and Mrs. Robert Warne (Phebe), Acton. Two brothers, George and Will, predeceased her.

Mrs. Kentner's maiden name was Margaretta Hills. She was born on July 8, 1879, on the Hills farm near Ballinacree, Ontario. She was the daughter of the late Ira Hills and Martha Beswick.

Etta Hills received her education at Blue Mountain school and worked two miles there and back each day except when the roads were bad in winter.

On January 20, 1909, she and William E. Kentner were married.

ried at her home by Rev. George Watts, a Methodist minister of which church she was a member. Her bridesmaid was her sister, Sarah Hills, and the groomsmen Joseph H. Allan, a cousin of the groom. Two pretty little flower girls were Phebe Hills and Viola Kentner, youngest sisters of the bride and groom. All four are still living. Close relatives and friends were present to witness the event and extend best wishes.

A few weeks later, they left by train for Boissevain, Manitoba, where they took up farming. Will had been out for a year previous to that. They were successful farmers.

In September, 1955, they retired to the town of Boissevain. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at their former home on the farm where relatives and friends had gathered to congratulate them and present them with useful gifts. Her sister, Miss Beatrice Hills, went west for that happy occasion.

Latter-Day Saints Missionaries Here

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has two missionaries in this area, Elder Maril Abercrombie from Aberdeen, Idaho, and Elder Robert Saunders from Tremonton, Utah, who are living in town temporarily.

They are two of more than 9,000 young men and women who do this work full time for two years. There is a branch of the church at Georgetown.

Recreation for Retarded Need Association Director Reveals

Those people who attended the North Halton Association for Retarded Children meeting held on May 11 at Georgetown were very fortunate to hear Mrs. June Braaten, recreation director, Ontario Association for Retarded Children, who was guest speaker. Mrs. R. Ellington, president of the North Halton Association, opened the meeting and asked Mrs. Max English to introduce Mrs. Braaten.

Mrs. Braaten commenced by showing a film and concluded with an informative talk on recreational facilities in Ontario. The film, "Into the Sunlight", deals with a summer camp especially designed to cater to retarded children at Lake Belwood, Guelph. This camp was originally established by Rev. W. McClary five years ago and was run privately with the aid of service clubs etc.

Then, because of lack of funds and staff, the Ontario Association for Retarded Children took over the camp and Rev. McClary joined the recreation committee. Since that time, five more camps have been established in Ontario and there are six more in other parts of Canada.

Many Activities
—Camp Belwood is typical of any summer camp and has a capacity for 50 boys and 50 girls who attend for a three week period. Activities include basketball, which is excellent for muscular coordination, swimming the highlight and visits to a nearby farm.

Applicants must be between the ages of eight and 18 and enrolled at an O.A.R.C. school.

Mrs. Braaten stressed the need for more recreational training within the community. There are approximately 20 playgrounds in Ontario with planned recreational programs in operation. In many communities, Girl Guide and Boy Scout groups are established, a bowling-alley arena will donate time, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A. and square dance groups will assist.

Offers Assistance
Mrs. Braaten offered her assistance to any group wishing to form a recreation committee for retarded children in this community.

Plant 54,000 Trees In Authority Program

Tree planting is in full swing in the Spencer, 12 Mile Creek and 16 Mile Creek Conservation Authorities areas.

An estimated 54,000 trees will be planted this year with most of the planting being done in the 12 Mile Creek Authority and under the reforestation assistance program.

About 40,000 trees have been planted under this assistance program, with the balance on Authority owned land. Plantings in the 12 Mile Authority are 27,000 with 20,000 in the Spencer area and 7,000 in the 16 Mile Creek area.

A portion of the funds raised during CFTO TV's telethon will be used for the purchase of equipment for camps in Ontario. There are a number of vacancies for retarded young adults, 17 to 18, and Mrs. Braaten would be pleased to hear of any parent wishing to send their child.

Mrs. W. Treahy, president of the Georgetown Auxiliary for Retarded Children, gave a vote of thanks to Mrs. Braaten.

Acton Public School Kindergarten Enrolment

Acton public schools will be able to accommodate all pupils of Kindergarten age this year. To enrol they must be five years old by December 31, 1961 (Birth certificate required). To avoid confusion please complete the form below before May 20 and send or mail it to your district school in care of GARNET W. MCKENZIE, Principal, Robert Little School, Box 302 or W. D. ELMER SMITH, Principal, M. Z. Bennett School.

Child's Name: Christian Name _____ Surname _____
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THIS SUNDAY'S Church Calendar

THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR ANGLICAN
Rector: The Rev. H. B. Stokreef, L.Th. 57-B
185 Jeffrey St., phone 285

WHIT SUNDAY
Ember Week
SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 1961
8:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
9:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist, Church School.
11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist.

MID-WEEK SERVICES
Whit Monday, 22 May, 1961 — 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist.
Wednesday, Ember Day, 24 May, 1961—10 a.m., Holy Eucharist.
All Are Welcome!

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. F. A. Hanson, B.A. Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 1961
9:45 a.m.—Church School.
10:00 a.m.—Minister's Bible Class.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Theme: "Just Drifting Along"
Junior Congregation (ages 3-7) meets during sermon.

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Rev. J. Nims, B.A., B.D., Minister
301 Queen St., Box 46, Phone 608

SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 1961
10:00 a.m.—English.
2:30 p.m.—Dutch.
The Church of the Back to God Hour

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Acton, Ontario
Rev. Dwight Engel, B.A., Minister
Mr. George Elliott Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 1961
9:30 a.m.—Church School, Senior Dept., grade 4 and up, and up to grade 3.
11:00 a.m.—Junior School, infants to grade 3.
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship.
11:00 a.m.—Divine Service, Ordinance of Confirmation and Reception of new Members.

BAPTIST CHURCH ACTON
Pastor: James M. Rudd
39 Nelson Court, phone 206

SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 1961
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship.
Monday — 7:30, Baptist High Fellowship.
Wednesday—7:30, Prayer, Praise and Bible Study.
Friday—6:30, Explorers: 8:00, Junior Choir.
All Are Welcome

ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
33 Churchhill Road P.A.O.C.
Rev. Kenneth J. Reid, Pastor
75 Cook St., phone 840-W

SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 1961
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evangelists.
Special Services with Rev. B. H. Hartwell of Banbury, England, will begin on Tuesday, May 23, and will continue nightly at 8 p.m. except Monday and Saturday until Sunday, June 4. Sunday Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
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The BIBLE Today

Approximately 60 delegates met in Leopoldville recently when the Congo Protestant Council held its annual meeting. The conference was marked by an optimistic faith that the work of the church would continue. The delegates emphasized the unity of the work. The increased distribution of the scriptures was seen as a means of transmitting the truths of the Word of God to the people who are living in a very confused state.

It was also learned Bible Sunday had been observed. One Congolese pastor brought the gifts of three BMS churches to Canadian Bible Society headquarters in a large bundle. The total was 2,400 francs or about \$48, mostly in one franc pieces.

The churches in the lower Congo are trying to distribute a larger number of gospels and the proceeds from their sales are used to establish a Colportage Fund by which still more gospels may be offered to the people. This procedure will develop self-reliance among the African churches in the Congo.

Halton Holstein Breeders Set Date For Twilight Meet

President T. H. McGee and the directors of the Halton Holstein Breeders' Club have selected Friday, May 26, as the date for their annual Holstein Twilight Meeting. This year's meeting will be held at the Hays Sales Arena at Trafalgar.

In lining up the program, the committee has stressed type demonstrations, judging and a travelogue. There will also be reports of activities by directors of the association.

New Innovation
A new innovation will be used in the judging program. Official placing of classes will be carried out by a panel of Halton Holstein breeders. They will be J. H. Taylor, Albert Hunter, Jim Carney, George Pelletterio, Wm. Towell and Chairman Ross Segsworth.

This event is looked upon as the highlight of the Halton Holstein Breeders' Club.

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