

# Personal Notes

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

Be sure to phone or send in your items for this column.

Mrs. Edith Hamilton is visiting a sister in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Deveney spent the weekend at Midland.

Miss Margaret Hodgins, of Barrie, visited friends in Acton on Wednesday.

David Ryder is spending two weeks at Sherwood Forest Camp, Carnarvon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Timmins and boys are back after a holiday at Inverhuron.

Mr. and Mrs. Bern Van Fleet and children are holidaying this week at Wasaga Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blunn and family are back from their vacation at Sauble Beach.

Mrs. H. L. Bennie and Douglas have returned from a holiday spent at Len Dave Lodge, Balaw.

Paul and Garry Murr have returned from a three week holiday with relatives at Huntsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hanson and family and Ruth Coles are back after holidaying at Bruce Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Cam Winn spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorter, Kilbride.

Mrs. Mary Graham was holidaying last week at Wasaga Beach with her sister, Mrs. Sackett of Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. John Krapek and children are on holidays, spending this week at Wasaga Beach and next week with John's parents in Huntsville.

Mrs. Fred Lawson returned Monday by plane from a five-week holiday visiting friends and relatives in Ireland.

Mrs. J. T. Hurst daughter Jill and Mark are enjoying a vacation at the family cottage at Glenwood Beach, Lake Simcoe.

Miss Phyllis Mackie flew from Malton Saturday when she left on a visit to a cousin in Evansville, Illinois. She is on holidays from Cooper's Drug Store.

Miss Ruth Spielvogel and Miss Bernice Wasson are on the staff at Cedar Grove Inn near Huntsville for the summer.

Three Acton Girl Guides, Vivian Smith, Christine Foyers and Anne Fryer, are attending the Girl Guides Camp for the Hamilton area at Dunville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kingsmill, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kingsmill, John and Brenda are back from a motor trip to Moose Jaw where they visited relatives.

The Rev. H. B. Stokreef, Mrs. Stokreef and family left Acton Tuesday morning for their new home in Hamilton where Mr. Stokreef has charge of a church.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Woodward and family of Ft. William visited with their aunt, Mrs. Anna Smith and cousin Wanetta on Lake Ave. last Sunday.

## Celebrating Canada's Centenary

Last week, the Free Press carried the beginning of an editorial which deals with Canada's coming Centenary. The portion which appeared last week outlined the reasons for the celebration and posed the question: "How does this affect our life today? What lessons have we learned for the future?" The editorial continues:

It would be fatal to our happiness in coming years if we were to allow this special occasion to call up ancient grudges and give the occasion for lighting over again the old battles of war and politics and regions and sections.

We have inherited the fruits of the labor of forefathers who are proud to recall upon this occasion.

The three centuries that elapsed between Cartier's first voyage to Canada and the confederation of the provinces were marked by the hardship of pioneering in a country for which life in French and English villages had been a poor reward.

Quarrels occasionally rose in demand for the conventional symbols of nationhood, but we can see all around us the more mature symbols of a people working together in unity but not uniformly.

**Confederation**

All of the good that is Canada today cannot be credited to pass the Act of 1867. But who can express the impact of that event upon what followed. Canada was an imposing ideal in the year of Confederation, but a very unimpressive reality. The provinces had no association with one another, and every province operated under a separate government with its own political structure. Today, separated by miles of mountain, forest, lakes and wide rivers, every region is making its special and necessary contribution to the Confederation.

What brought this about? Chief among the political aims to establish a new nation to meet the changed conditions of British policy to unite the scattered provinces against possible aggression from the south. Economically, Confederation was designed to spread dependence over many industries instead of only a few, and thus lessen exposure to the effects of economic policies then being pursued by both Great Britain and the United States. It was hoped to preserve cultural and local loyalties and reconcile them with political strength and solidarity.

Of course, enactment of the British North America Act establishing Confederation did not of itself assure solution of political or economic difficulties. It did, however, provide a framework within which we are still working to bring about the balance of loyalties and interests, needs and supplies, which effective federal system requires.

Through the efforts of daring explorers, missionaries and traders, this land, bigger in area than all Europe, was opened up. Today, we are part of a changing world pattern of innovation and obsolescence. We are firmly based amid new states which have inadequate economic resources, erratic frontiers, dissident minorities and delusions of grandeur. Many political and intellectual things have shifted from their old moorings.

**Our Task Today**

The task facing Canada is to develop a set of values and a series of habits suited to seeing us through the new situations. Besides all the material things that will be expected to mark the Centenary, we need some spiritual things, like a re-education to the principles of the democratic way of life. By espousing democracy, we have adopted a life long assignment in human relationships.

Anyone can copy out a constitution and translate the democratic ideal into the machinery of self-government. It takes great insight by statesmen and sympathetic understanding by every citizen, to devise a practical system of democratic government which will most surely suit the needs and character of the people.

But Canada does not stand alone in the world. To be a patriotic Canadian does not mean that we hate every country but our own. If a man wishes his country to prosper, but never at the expense of other countries, he is at the same time an intelligent patriot and a citizen of the world.

## Is Your Jam Recipe Famous? Try for Trophy at Acton Fair

Do you make a strawberry jam that is famous in the neighborhood and a favorite of your family? Maybe a peach jam or orange marmalade?

Cash in on your talent and increase your fame at the Acton Fair this September. The Women's division competition includes a special contest sponsored by The Free Press and General Foods, for the best entry in the jams and jellies competition. It is the third annual competition. Winner receives a yearly challenge trophy, a miniature replica and \$10 in cash, while second place takes home engraved silver jam spoon and \$5. There are \$3 and \$2 prizes available for third and fourth prizes.

The competition will be in strawberries, raspberry and plum jam; apple, red currant and grape jelly; and peach, rhubarb, lemon, orange and grapefruit marmalade. A full entry would be nine pints and the winner will be determined on total points. Mrs. N. Robertson won last year.

Plan now to enter — you could win!

Our ideas of geography have changed. Our neighbors are no longer the people in the next county or province, but people in corners at the other side of the earth. Every day sees thousands of transactions pass through this bank's International Division, evidence of business being done by Canadians in Australia, Africa, Asia, Europe and the Americas.

We accept our responsibilities as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations and of the United Nations. In Pakistan, a party of 150 Canadians helped other members of the Commonwealth to construct a dam, a power station and an irrigation system; we sent a contingent with the United Nations force striving to keep peace in the Congo.

We do not, on the occasion of our Centenary, seek to impose our ideas or our way of life on others, but we do believe that in the course of our history we have discovered some great truths which can help all mankind.

**Our Future**

Canadianism, which started before Confederation but was given definite direction by that event, has meant an instrument with which to face new conditions. J. B. Brecher said in his presidential address to the Canadian Historical Society 20 years ago: "Canadianism... is made up of over three centuries of successful struggle with a relentless environment, of over a century's original and successful political adaptation and inventiveness, and of a kind of conservatism which history has shown can be converted by adversity into stubborn, indomitable will."

Every one of us, from east to west and north to south, whatever his ethnic background, his creed, his color, his economic status—everyone has a vital interest in seeing Canada endure. Only by a union of its people can a country be prepared for the ambushes set by chance and change. The little states of Greece destroyed themselves by their egotism, their jealousies, and their struggle for rights one against the other.

How shall we contribute, during this Centenary year, to the unity we need? Well, we now have Citizenship Week, designed primarily for the benefit of New Canadians. Why not make 1967 Citizenship Year for all Canadians?

Citizenship needs a re-education periodically if it isn't to lose its significance. We have not inherited citizenship as some-

## Tips on Touring

**Women's Travel Authority**

A motorist who has the best driving record is usually the one who's prepared for the worst. If an emergency does arise he knows just what to do to prevent an accident.

Here are three tips to help you meet driving emergencies.

1. Your car is forced off the road onto a soft shoulder. Your first reaction might be to accelerate, swing back sharply to get up on the road again. Don't! You might zoom right across the highway onto oncoming traffic. Or you might be hit by a car coming from behind. Instead, slow down, check your rear and side view mirrors, and ease gently back onto the highway.

If you start to skid, turn the wheel in the direction you're skidding.

2. Your gas pedal jams. Turn off your ignition. Apply the hand and foot brakes simultaneously, gently but with steady pressure.

3. Your brakes get wet in a sudden summer downpour and won't hold. Easy. Dry them by keeping your left foot gently on the brake pedal while you're driving. In a very short time, friction will dry the brakes. Test them easily before going back to regular driving.

Be prepared for any emergency. Remember — your car has built-in safety: YOU.

## Visitors Prominent During Holiday Time

Mr. and Mrs. Beaton and children are holidaying at Sauble Beach. The service next Sunday will be taken by the "Young People's Union."

Miss Bonnie Cotton of Orton spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Robert McEnery.

Mrs. Kay McEnery and her cousin, Mrs. Ed Adair of "Helenheim," spent a few days with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Evans at their cottage at Wasaga Beach.

Haying has been a long job this year but is almost done and the wheat harvest will begin any day.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McEnery, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Shortill and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Shortill and families attended the Robson reunion at Mrs. Tills' at "Grand Valley on Saturday."

The Alpine willow, which does not exceed six inches in height, is the smallest tree in the United States.

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## THIS SUNDAY'S Church Calendar

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The Transfiguration of Our Lord  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 6th, 1961  
8:30 a.m.—Matins, Prof. W. Carpenter.  
10:00 a.m.—Matins, Prof. W. Carpenter.

All Are Welcome!

**ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE**  
33 Churchhill Road  
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Rev. Kenneth J. Reid, Pastor  
75 Cook St., phone 649W

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6th, 1961  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
2:00 p.m.—Evangelistic.  
Tuesday, 8 p.m. — Prayer and Bible Study.  
Thursday, 8 p.m.—Christ Ambassadors.  
You Are Always Welcome

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6th, 1961  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship.  
Wednesday, 7:30—Prayer, Praise and Bible Study.  
All Are Welcome

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6th, 1961  
10:00 a.m.—Service.  
11:15 a.m.—Sunday School for Senior Section.

**CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
Rev. J. Nutma, B.A., B.D. Minister  
301 Queen St., Box 46, Phone 698

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6th, 1961  
8:30 a.m.—Tune in to the Back-to-God-Hour program. Dial CKKW-1320.  
10:00 a.m.—English Service. Text: Genesis 29: 33, "Simone... the Lord has heard."  
2:30 p.m.—Dutch Service. Text: Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 34, "The Relationship Between Gospel and Law."  
3:45 p.m.—Sunday School. "You Are Always Welcome"

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6th, 1961  
10:00 a.m.—Divine Worship.  
Guest minister: Rev. Wm. J. Morrison, B.A., B.D., Melville Church, Brussels, Ont.  
Theme: "An Incomplete Forgiveness."  
Junior Congregation (ages 3 - 7) meets during sermon.

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**MIRACLE WHIP** 39c

SMARTS 15 oz. tin  
**BARTLET PEARS** 19c