



MOTHER AND DAUGHTER team were present Saturday evening to enjoy the Night School display and fashion show. Pictured above are Mrs. Gordon Currie and her daughter Mrs. Kenneth Papillon as they admire one of the many fine oil paintings shown. The high school auditorium was bordered by the many displays and spectators filled the centre section to watch the fashion show.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Writer Seeks Public Aid To Boost Sunshine School

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Editor, Acton Free Press.
Dear Sir:

On the evening of Thursday, February 22, I attended a general meeting of the Halton County Retarded Children's Association held in Acton. Present were three people from Acton in comparison to approximately thirty people from Milton and Georgetown.

I was unhappy to learn during Mr. Addison's speech that Acton has really fallen down on their share of the load, both in financial support and auxiliary and representation, while Georgetown has been very active.

Now, the government bears little of the responsibility for the care and training of these children and yet the parents pay the same taxes we do and are denied the right to a public education for their retarded children.

I realize our town is over-organized and service groups are tripping over each other's heels, but surely there are at least a handful of people in town who can spare the time and the heart to take an interest in this cause.

The women of the Georgetown auxiliary were more than enthusiastic about sending representatives to Acton to aid in organizing a local auxiliary. How many mothers and fathers are bright enough to have fine, grateful, alert children to take part in aiding those who are less fortunate but are accepting their responsibilities as best they can? Please contact me!

Except for the diligent work of Mrs. Robert Buckner and the cooperative efforts of the Scottish Dance Club, this community has in no way accepted its responsibilities to the "Sunshine School," even though almost one-third of their enrollment is from this district.

Let us show our partners in the School for Retarded Children that we, too, are with them! If we can pull an arena out of a hat, we can help pull the "Sunshine School" out of the red. In hopes of hearing from some of you readers, I am,

Yours truly,
Mrs. E. Browne

County Radio System First in Ontario

County Coordinator for Emergency Measures, Bruce McGregor told County Council Tuesday of last week the program had made strides during the past year.

He reviewed attendance of county personnel at courses at Arrupion, activities of the communication section in training and planning for the county, the operation of home nursing courses, increasing numbers of volunteers and distribution of several thousand booklets.

"The Mutual Aid Fire Radio systems is presently being installed and should be completed during March of this year. It is interesting to note that when the installation is completed Halton County will be the first in Ontario to have a complete installation with all municipalities participating."

Over 200 See Style Show, Display Films at Night School Open House

For the third year in a row, a bad storm coincided with the annual Display Night of the Acton Night School. Despite the snow drifts banked around the high school, over 200 arrived by car, foot and taxi to enjoy the variety of displays and entertainment during the evening. The parking lot had been plowed and only one driver (a woman) got briefly stuck in the snow.

Inside, the gymnasium was ringed with long, wide tables of varied class displays. There was an entertaining program on the platform, films in a classroom and refreshments in the corridors outside the household economics room.

Eight Years Now
High school principal Ted Hansen, who is night school supervisor, welcomed the crowd at the start of the program on stage. All the chairs were filled, with many standing and sitting in the balconies. "The night school has completed its eighth year," he pointed out. "The committee would like to congratulate the students on the large variety of courses they have taken."

He referred to the "serious falling off" in attendance after Christmas. We have been looking for ways and means of precluding this. He suggested 10 lessons all before Christmas, beginning in September and over well before Christmas. With curving effecting attendance, he mentioned a possible change to Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, rather than the present Monday and Tuesday.

He announced the annual meeting, Thursday, March 22.

Popular Fashion Show
A former chairlady of the night school committee, Mrs. Edward Leyland commented on the fashion show and the students in the always-popular sewing classes displayed the articles of clothing they had made. Applause was enthusiastic for the attractive dresses, sportswear, suits and coats made so reasonably and so well.

First out were those in Mrs. G. Edwards' elementary class — as Mrs. Leyland explained, making their "first start" in sewing.

Mrs. W. Fountain showed a jumper; Mrs. Norman Harris a magenta dress and gingham dress; Mrs. Ali Luoyenga a black linen and blue wool dress; Mrs. Lena Nelles a printed cotton; Mrs. Jack Pink a sheath; Mrs. Bertha Poole a cotton shirt-sleeve dress; Mrs. Myrtina Van Aragon a lined turquoise sheath and a pink flowered dress; Mrs. Robert Adams a jersey dress, wool skirt and blouse; Mrs. Evelyn Austin a jumper, border print skirt and blouse; Mrs. Jean Irvine a two-piece dress and afternoon dress; Mrs. D. Lindsay a frock dress and then lined slacks.

Advanced Class
Those who had taken sewing for a year or more were in Mrs. Sargent's class. Mrs. Raymond Death wore slacks, blouse and a vest and a fully lined silk sheath. Mrs. Margaret McPhedran a print sheath and dark floral silk crepe. Miss Mary Papillon a floral crepe afternoon dress and blue rayon blouse sheath. Mrs. Doris Towstev a plaid skirt and weskit and a mauve sheath.

The tailoring class was taught by Mrs. Clark Armstrong wearing a three-piece wool suit, a blouse matching the jacket lining and next a sleeveless sheath in shantung. Mrs. Cecil Chambers of Erin in a navy suit with all-around pleated skirt (she was wearing it to Bermuda the next day). Mrs. Mary Fearnall of Guelph in an olive green and grey wool suit. Mrs. J. A. Henderson of Guelph in a tweed suit with flared skirt, matching hat and blouse and tailored wool dress. Mrs. Ray Mason in a French broadcloth suit in peacock blue. Mrs. Margaret Milne of Guelph in a wool and mohair suit with hat to match. Mrs. A. Orr in a multicolored tweed

walking suit; Mrs. Jack Dowling in a laden green suit with printed blouse and hat to match. Mrs. Alex Johnson in an apple green suit with lining and blouse to match. Mrs. Allan Lauder in a powder blue suit and hat. Mrs. Betty Brown in a charcoal grey English styled suit and later a grey French wool coat. Mrs. Bob Lorette in a gold winter coat with fur collar. Mrs. Frank Pink in a beige panellled dress and in a brown suit with her grand daughter, Nancy Magee, wearing a crimson three-piece velvet winter outfit with white bunny trim; Mrs. Bill Sprouston in a blue suit and white blouse with matching trim.

Then the commentator, Mrs. Leyland, gave her chair to Mrs. Sprouston while she sprang off stage, to return in a few seconds in a two-piece brown wool suit with three-quarter coat lined with brown Alaska seal fur.

Quilts Arrangement
Flower arranging teacher Mrs. W. G. Hayward of Guelph transferred an armful of mixed flowers into a striking arrangement in a display on the platform, mentioning which flowers could be interchanged. She used mums, snapdragons and iris in oases in a white vase "Bring your flowers into the house," Mrs. Hayward urged. She recommended leaving them in water an hour before arranging them — "and not in circles."

She is a member of the Horticultural Society in Guelph. When a draw was made for the arrangement, it was one of her own students, Mrs. R. H. Elliott, who proudly took it home.

Two films were shown in the geography room — one on leather and one on the Canadian painter Varley. Ted Hansen ran the films for a filled room each time.

Set for Meal
The Hostess course had a novel display: a table set for a St. Patrick's dinner with sausages, spuds and color-schemed salads and desserts with a shamrock centre piece. Then veiled hats were shown as well as an outline of their curriculum.

Oil painting and sketching had displays which reached right up to the gallery railing and were closely admired. There were large landscapes, still lifes and portraits as well as pencil sketches. Variety was wide and progress very evident. More than ever, the students are painting from nature or actual objects or persons.

Teacher Frank Black was at work on a landscape and drew an attentive crowd.

Scent of Fresh Flowers
Flower arranging students had spent the afternoon at the school and made fragrant fresh bouquets to show with some of the non-perishable ones made during the year. Some of them followed the theme of the seasons of the year. Spring was a simple display of red tulips in triangles. Shape Artificial Towers and Christmas centrepieces were among the two dozen most attractive arrangements.

The new draperies and slipcovers course showed chestfield cushions and throw pillows on the table (neatly covered with a tailored bedspread), drapes and curtains. Seven chairs and one lovely old stool from the upholstery course were admired.

Leather Curving Demonstration
George Bowman was demonstrating leather curving beside a table laden with leather articles arranged on hides.

Ron Burcumb had a novel display representing his motor mechanics course (one of the few which did not show a marked drop after Christmas in attendance).

There were displays also from the bookkeeping, typewriting and effective speaking classes. Mrs. Frank Black, a former teacher, had sent a display of gay spring millinery.

Flowers on the stage came from Lakeview Greenhouses; records over the p.a. system came from Manning Electric and J. B. Mackenzie and Son had loaned sheets of plywood for tables. Don Blevins lettered the many signs.

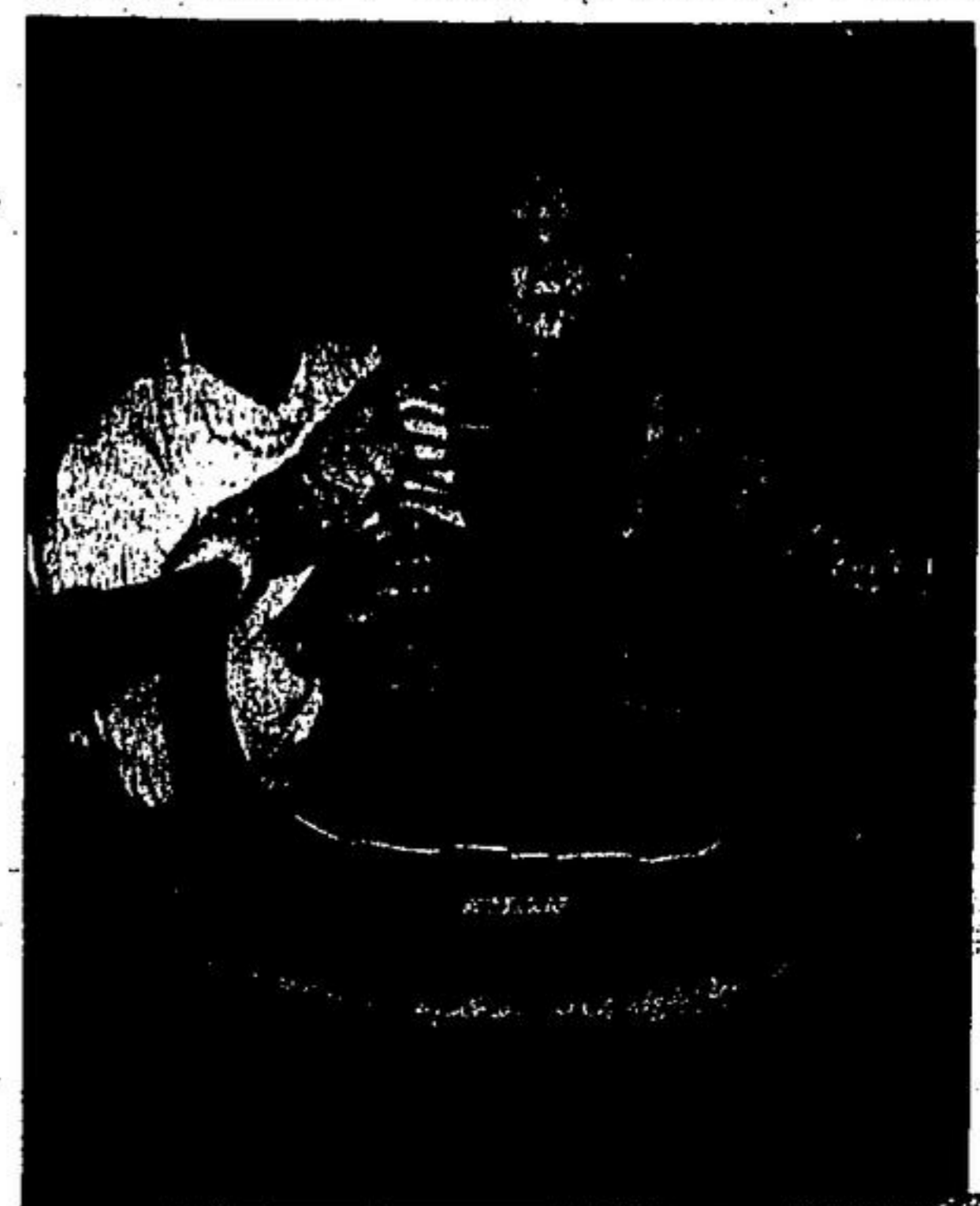
Mrs. H. Heberg was in charge of the fashion show, with Mrs. C. Cook assisting. Bob Frank was in charge of properties, Mrs. H. Bessem, convener of the refreshments with Mrs. Bill Toth and Miss Bella-Mary Roswell and others. Many brought cookies.

Mrs. J. High was in charge of the flower draw, which netted \$40 to help balance the year's budget. Make-up for models was by Beauty Consultants Mrs. W. Sprouston and Mrs. J. Downing. Cosmetics were made by members of the flower arranging class.

On Curriculum
Courses offered this year were advanced dressmaking by Mrs. M. Sargent; elementary dressmaking, Mrs. G. Edwards; tailoring, Mrs. Hartley; flower arranging, Mrs. W. G. Hayward; motor mechanics, Ron Burcumb; dietetics and slipcovers, Mrs. Jessie Merritt; hostess, Mrs. R. Starkey; bookkeeping, Walter Pope; elementary oil painting, Major Newman; leathercraft, George Bowman; advanced oil painting and sketching, Frank Black; typewriting, Mrs. J. Gallopay; upholstery, J. Briggs; effective speaking, M. Bessem; attachment travelogue with a series of lectures, and choral singing, both of which ended at Christmas.

Full Committee

On the night school committee this year with chairman Mrs. J. Croighton were vice-chairman, George Bowman, assistant, Mrs. Peter Dunham; recording secretary, Mrs. Doris Cripps; applications secretary, Mrs. Allan Lauder and Mrs. Claude Cook; treasurer, Mrs. William Toth, publicity convener, Mrs. David Dills, assistant, Mrs. W. Dubois; property committee, Mrs. James Inglis, Bob Frank, Thony De Vries and Allan Lauder; general committee, Mrs. Bella-Mary Roswell, Mrs. H. Bessem, Mrs. H. Heberg, Mrs. J. Whitham, Mrs. William Dunmarsh, Mrs. I. Dubertluff and Miss Waverly Smith.



THREE-YEAR-OLD Diang Buchman admires an antique piece of furniture upholstered during Night School classes when she visits the Night School Display Night Saturday evening. She is pictured with her mother who took the Hostess Course. Her father took the auto mechanics course as well, so the youngster was anxious to see the displays.



MOCK BUFFET DINNER seen by the many visitors during the Night School display Saturday followed the St. Patrick's Theme. Two of the hostesses are shown above in front of the display. Left is Mrs. Owen Masales holding a cake complete with green coconut decoration and right Mrs. John Turkoos holding a pot of Shamrock. Mrs. R. Starkley, Arkell, was instructor for this popular class.



ATTRACTIVE MODELS during the Night School Display showed dresses, sportswear, suits and coats fashioned by themselves during classes this winter. Pictured above are a few of the ladies. Front row left to right are Mrs. G. Hartley, instructor in the elementary sewing class and Mrs. Ray Mason. Back row left to right are Mrs. C. Chamberlain, Erin, Mrs. Clark Armstrong, Acton and Mrs. J. A. Henderson, Guelph. A large crowd filled the high school auditorium for the fashion show.

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YOUNGEST MODEL at the fashion show Saturday evening during the Night School Display was Nancy Magee, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Magee, Acton. The tiny tot is pictured with her grandmother, Mrs. Frank Pink, who made their outfits in tailoring class. Nancy's is of fine crimson velvet trimmed with bunny fur.