

## Personal Notes

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

Mr. C. G. E. Elliott is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Beatty enjoyed a short holiday in Florida, flying back Saturday.

Mrs. John Van Arragon left last Thursday for a three week visit in her homeland, Holland.

Mr. Wally Kwiatkowski is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Powers, Don and Bruce, of Brampton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Ryder and Dave on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Park of Petrolia visited over the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landsborough, Lake Ave.

Mrs. George Robertson is leaving this afternoon from Milton on a three week holiday trip to Scotland and while there will attend the wedding of her nephew.

Members of Acton Bridge Club will be playing in the Canadian National competitions at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto this holiday weekend. A team of four is entered for Sunday.

Mrs. W. T. A. Bell and Miss Katherine Bell of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Small of Niagara Falls visited on Sunday with their mother, Mrs. R. M. MacDonald.

Seven members of the Young Adults group of the United Church attended a meeting of the Senior Lutheran League at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Kitchener, on Sunday evening. The church has the biggest Lutheran congregation in Canada.

The Ranger rally in Acton, when 150 to 200 will be here from Oakville, Georgetown, Brampton and Milton, was further planned at a council meeting in St. Paul's United Church, Brampton, on Sunday. Miss Janet Rognvaldson represented the Acton group.

Mr. Jon Hurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hurst, Arthur St., recently completed a 10 week course in electrical construction at Provincial Institute of Trades, Toronto, obtaining first class honors. He is an electrician apprentice at Harlock - Schultz Electric Ltd., Guelph.

—United Church elders are distributing printed booklets containing the annual reports and congregational directory.

—Unsigned items — like one received this week — cannot be published. Writer's name and address must accompany any letter to the editor or similar submissions.

—The art class which was scheduled to stop when spring came has decided to carry on for a while longer. It has been a very successful project.

—Tuesday was the first mild day of the season. Crocus and snowdrops burst open in sheltered spots.

—Work began this week on an addition to the Rumley - Shoemaker funeral home.

—Council's budget meeting next Wednesday.

—The cost of maintaining the county jail will take an estimated \$67,132 from the public purse of Halton as the number of prisoners increases in line with the population.

—The healthy state of the county's finances is shown by the ability to pay off \$135,000 this year on the construction of the new administration building. Cost of the building, roughly \$1,000,000, was met by debenture half of it and paying the balance from several years' current revenue.

—Fox and wolf bounties are one of those things that will probably remain in the county budgets despite the rapid urbanization of some areas. The county estimates \$600 for this in the current budget.

—The first grass fire of the season was at Caroline Nurseries and is reported in the Rockwood news.

—There were plenty of out-of-town visitors here Tuesday. They had driven carloads of children to the music festival.

—At least one golfer has been out practicing — and it was a woman, too!

Friends are sorry to learn Mrs. Fred Lawson is in hospital in Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Braida attended a Testimonial Dinner last Saturday evening in Fort Erie, given in honor of Bill Neale on his return from Olympic and World Figure Skating Competitions. Mr. Braida is an executive of the Canadian Figure Skating Association and was guest speaker at the dinner. Mrs. Braida was presented with flowers from the town of Fort Erie.

The Law Society of Upper Canada each year conducts lectures aimed at the continuing education of lawyers. In this way, the Bar keeps up-to-date with recent changes in the law in particular fields and with the latest techniques which have been developed. This year the subject is Taxation and interest among the profession is at an all-time high. Lawyers came from all parts of the province for two weekends and among them was Aldo Braida.

"Jehovah's Witnesses Around the World" was the slogan emphasized at all sessions of the three day convention held by the Witnesses in the Guelph Collegiate Institute, March 20-22. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lowen, who recently moved to Acton, were present along with them were the Schneider family, Nelson Stanley and wife of Crewson's Corners and the families of the district. Saturday afternoon, 13 individuals underwent total water baptism. Sunday afternoon, a capacity audience of 1,382 filled the main auditorium.

A nuclear physicist from New Zealand, Dr. Graham Coot spent the weekend in Acton with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McKenzie, coming here from Chalk River. He has been in Canada for two years on a scholarship and in two weeks goes back to New Zealand, where he will work for the government. He has been a delegate from New Zealand to Y's Men's conferences while he's here, and had met international president McKenzie at international gatherings at Banff and Buffalo. The McKenzies showed him Acton and Milton airport and he went to church with them Sunday morning. Saturday evening, he watched "Canada's national sport" on television, but he feels the roughness and fights are "unsportsmanlike". He'll see England and Scotland before returning home.

—A car driven by Ivan W. Dodds, R. 2, Rockwood, received \$200 damage Sunday in a single-car accident on the Guelph Line north of 15 Sideroad.

—O.P.P. report \$300 damage in a two-car accident involving Cornelia A. Bryce, R. R. 1, Moffat and a Hamilton man Monday. It happened on the Second Line, Nassagaweya, at 10 Sideroad.

—Weather prophets say we're to have a cool spring, based on the fact that the north-east wind, blowing at the time of the equinox, will be the prevailing wind.

—This morning's rain and snow looked like the return of winter.

—Skipping ropes, marbles, bikes and a few knessocks — the very weekend spring arrived.

—Special services at all the churches this weekend.

—The gleaming curling club trophies are on display in Paul's store window. They are just about of record size.

—Following their dinner Tuesday evening, members of Acton Rotary Club attended the Holy Week service at Knox Presbyterian church.

—Just as soon as the roads were clear, the street sweeper was out. It began Monday. It has recently been overhauled.

—Advance fair prize lists are being prepared by regular exhibitors already.

—The Cancer Society has had a couple of meetings in the past week to make dressings.



FIGURE SKATERS from Acton Skating Club delighted the large audience at the arena Friday night as they gave solo numbers on the ice between the first and second periods of the N.H.L. Oldtimers and Acton Tanners game. Left to right are Linda Braida, Sally Wilson and Sharon Bradley.

### CHURCHILL

## Wild Geese Seen Flying Over; U.C.W. Planning Paper Drive

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Swackhamer, Acton, and family in the death of Saturday, March 21 of his brother, Frank of Ridgeway. The funeral was held Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lloyd of Barrie, Master Gregory Denny of Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Griffin and Mrs. Treva Keeler of Erin visited on Tuesday, March 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson, Acton, on Mr. Griffin's birthday.

Churchill U.C.W. are having a paper drive on April 8. Anyone having any donations can leave them at Wallace Swackhamer's by the 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binnie were in Brampton Saturday visiting their niece, Miss Maisie Sharpe.

Mr. and Mrs. Bev Rowe of Dan Mills visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner and David.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton, Debbie, Betty and Andy held a birthday celebration in Georgetown with Mike Hamilton and his wife and family in honor of their mother Mrs. Hamilton's birthday.

### LIMEHOUSE

## Rev. F. N. Young Conducts Communion

Communion services were conducted by Rev. F. N. Young at Limehouse Presbyterian Church last Sunday with good attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patterson visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sinclair, Hamilton on Sunday. We are pleased that Susanne Ruddle and Peggy McDonald are both home from hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Benton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Quinton, Meaford, on Sunday.

## Fred A. Hoffman Optometrist

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**  
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### OSPRIDGE

## Two Special Birthday Parties Ladies Reach 86 and 80 Years

Neighbors of Mrs. Archie Sinclair attended a surprise birthday party on Wednesday afternoon, March 18 at the home of her son and daughter-in-law Arnold and Mrs. Sinclair, James St., Guelph, to celebrate her 86th birthday.

Mrs. Sinclair, (nee Jemima Kerr) was born at Ospridge on the 2nd line just below the highway in a house long since demolished.

On November 26, 1902, she was united in marriage with Archibald Sinclair who passed away in 1937. For a number of years they lived in the village in the house now owned by Wilfred McMillan. Here Mr. Sinclair followed his trade as a blacksmith.

In 1914 they purchased the farm on the 1st line where the family has since resided.

To this union were born sons Archie, on the home farm, Elgin, deceased, Kerrwood who also resides on the 1st line and Arnold of Guelph.

Each winter Mrs. Sinclair and her sister stay in Guelph with her son Arnold.

Mrs. Sinclair enjoys only fair health, but is quite alert and has a ready sense of humor. She is a member of Ospridge Presbyterian Church, where in her younger days, she was an active member of the choir.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent reminiscing, followed by dainty refreshments, complete with a birthday cake inscribed with "Happy Birthday Grandma" as she is lovingly called by many friends.

She was the recipient of many lovely flowers, gifts and cards. The guests included her sister Ella Kerr, a daughter-in-law Mrs. Archie Sinclair Jr. and from Ospridge Mrs. E. Archibald, Mrs. Ken Stubbington, Mrs. George Jackson, Mrs. G. Sunter, Mrs. Byron Bruce and Mrs. D. G. Robertson.

Misses Donna Weeks and Linda McKenzie spent the weekend with the former's sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Ken Smith of Belwood.

**Birthday Party**  
Bradley, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Len Buck entertained his school chums on Saturday afternoon on the occasion of his birthday. After an afternoon of skating at Erin all returned to his home for refreshments.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McEwan will be pleased to learn his condition shows improvement at the Guelph hospital where he is receiving treatment.

**Wrist in Cast**  
Mrs. Wes Leitch had the misfortune to trip and fall in the barn recently, and fractured her right wrist; the injured member is now in a cast.

Little Katharine Leitch, who spent the past month at the Crippled Children's Hospital in Toronto, has returned home and is back at school again.

**Truckers' Banquet**  
Several local residents attended the Truckers' Banquet and Party at Kitchener on Saturday evening.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Sinclair in the passing of their four month old son on Saturday at the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto. A private service was held on Monday with interment at Everton Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Davolovsky and family who have resided on the 1st line, below the highway on the Jack Kreyger farm moved on Tuesday, closer to his work.

Miss Dianne Sunter and Mr. Jim Beckhos of Niagara Falls, visited during the weekend with the former's grandmother Mrs. G. Sunter.

**Irish Theme**  
Mrs. S. Fuller was hostess for the Ladies' Aid meeting on Wednesday evening.

The president, Mrs. B. Bruce, opened the meeting and Mrs. R. Ellis gave the Devotional portion. The roll call was answered with "a self composed Irish Verse". An invitation was accepted from the Ladies' Aid of Acton Church to their Thankoffering meeting in April.

Plans were made for the Annual Spring Tea on April 15th when Mrs. Dresser of Toronto will be guest speaker.

The Scripture questionnaire prepared by Mrs. N. McKenzie was given by Mrs. G. Sunter.

Gail Fuller played an accordion solo, and a humorous recitation was given by Mrs. Ward Bruce.

A contest on "Irish Songs" was won by Mrs. G. Aitken.

Prayer by Mrs. Fuller closed the meeting.

A lovely luncheon was served by Mrs. G. Jackson and Mrs. B. Bruce assisted the hostess.

More than 50 friends from the local Presbyterian Church and the village, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Fuller on Friday evening for a surprise birthday party in honor of Mrs. G. Sunter's 80th birthday.

Cards and crumole were enjoyed.

Mrs. Ward Bruce congratulated the guest of honor, and paid tribute to her devotion to the church and community. Mrs. Byron Bruce pinned a corsage of carnations and lily-of-the-valley on her dress.

A beautifully decorated birthday cake was placed on the table in front of her by Mrs. Clifford Story, who had made and iced it.

Gail Fuller, Brenda Bruce and Peggy McCrae made the presentation of a Bible, sweater, scarf, jewellery and a plant.

Although taken completely by surprise, Mrs. Sunter, thanked all for their kindness.

Mrs. Sunter is an active member of the local church and Sunday school, where she faithfully serves as Sunday school teacher, treasurer of the Ladies' Aid and church organist, a position she has held almost continuously since she was 15 years old. It was also noted, she has not missed a communion service in the past 39 years.

Her husband, Ewart Sunter, passed away a number of years ago, and her sister, Miss Emma Baldis, makes her home with her. Her only son resides in Niagara Falls, a stepson, Ernest lives in Acton, another stepson, Harold is deceased.

During the weekend she entertained several ladies who were treated to a piece of birthday cake.

She was the recipient of numerous cards and expressions of esteem.

Due to recent surgery of her daughter-in-law who was still in hospital, her son was unable to be present for this memorable event.

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