

Stronger Regional Government Solution for Planning Problem

To plan the best use of land for this district is much easier than to implement these plans, members of the University Women's Club of Milton and an equal number of male guests concluded after hearing an excellent address by Dr. Ralph Krueger, head of the Geography Department of the University of Waterloo. Well known for his ability in the field of community planning, Dr. Krueger was heard by Acton and Milton councillors, planning board, committee

of adjustment, and conservation authority members as well as members of the club. The well-attended meeting was at the home of Mrs. L. C. McDonald with president Mrs. P. Allmen presiding and thanking the speaker. He was introduced by Mrs. McDonald. A very interesting question and answer period followed informally while lunch was enjoyed. Urban Country Now Dr. Krueger has done regional planning studies in Waterloo



QUEST STARS at the Acton Figure Skating Club carnival on Saturday, April 10 are Karin Whitfield and Ronnie Shaver of Galt, Western Ontario Bronze dance champions and Summer International Novice Pairs Champions in 1964, Western Ontario Novice Pairs Champions and Western Ontario Silver Dance Champions in 1965. Ronnie was also Western Ontario Juvenile Men's Champion in 1963, Summer International Novice Men's Champion in 1964 and Western Ontario Novice Men's Champion in 1965.

LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

There are two basic types of defense — a passive defense and an active defense. In a passive defense, you should play cautiously and not give declarer any additional chance by opening new suits. In an active defense, you must try anything and perhaps take some chances. When you are defending a hand, you should decide what type of defense you are using. You often, declarer will make a hand because the defenders got active when they should have been passive or vice versa. How can you tell which to use? Only experience will tell, but there can be other indications. Here is a hand to illustrate what I mean.

Dealer — South. Neither side vulnerable.

North S-J 10 9 5 H-A Q J 2 D-O 2 C-A J 2

West S-O 7 H-K 10 5 D-A J 10 9 5 C-O 8 3

East S-10 7 H-9 7 4 D-8 6 4 3 C-K 10 7 6

South S-A 8 6 4 3 H-8 6 3 D-K 7 C-9 5 4

The bidding: South 1D, North 2D, East 2S, West 3S, All Pass.

You may think that South has pushed the bidding a bit. At the Acton Bridge Club, this hand

county and is particularly interested in the problem of urban blight. Canada is fast changing into an urban country: over 80 per cent of the population lives in cities of 25,000 or over population and 10 per cent of the total land and 62 per cent of the people live in one big piece of land. While big pieces snowball, Dr. Krueger explained, small towns are depopulated. Currently, it seems everyone wants to be an urbanite but live in the country. An error in city planning is made in building of super-highways and neglecting improve roads in the centre of the city. Best solution would be to require development kept tight around cities and towns, preventing strings of housing along highways. "Suburban fringe is uncoordinated and unplanned," he observed. In looking ahead, he declared legislation is underused. Two-thirds of our planning boards don't plan, they just grant consents. Technical staff is really required. Another problem is due to regions, set up in haste and buggy days which seem to be "sacrosanct for some reason." He feels a directly-elected county council with control over taxes, assessment and planning would be far more effective, leaving town councils to deal with strictly local matters. "How can we have effective regional planning without regional government?" However, governmental departments feel the people are "not ready for leadership" which could be provided by experts. He cited planning studies which never see the light of day. People want the rights over their own land, although, Dr. Krueger philosophized, "we are the stewards of the land." He urged his listeners to "be informed" and support local and provincial governments when they take a strong measure of leadership.

Alan Orr President
Erin 4-H Officers

Erin 4-H clubs were organized on April 3, at the Erin Coliseum. Both previous and new members were welcomed by the leaders, John Reid and Robert Macdonald. The discussion of the clubs available this year — calf, grain, swine, corn, and electric — was followed by the enrolment of the members for 1965. 14 of the 35 members who enrolled in the various clubs were new members.

The area in Wellington County for the farm and home electric club has not yet been decided. This new club is in co-operation with the Ontario Hydro.

Election of officers in the call club were president, Alan Orr; vice-president, Craig Switzer; secretary-treasurer, Sharon Braiden; press reporters, Karen Hamilton and Wayne Gregson.

They hope to have sufficient (10) members for a corn club in Erin.

The distribution of record books, outlines of the summer's work and supplies for each club concluded the meeting.

Eden Crest Institute Holds Meeting on 15th Anniversary

The years pass but they leave their treasures with us. Memory is one of the greatest of these gifts. With these words, Mrs. G. Macdougall, president, opened the 15th anniversary meeting of the Eden Crest Women's Institute.

In her welcoming speech, Mrs. Macdougall thanked the previous executives and all members for a good job done and hoped that the Institute would have many more happy years. She welcomed all the guests and regretted that due to the inclement weather, many of the guests were unable to attend.

The roll call "A good book for a child to read" was answered by all the members, while "A memory of my Institute days" was answered by the chartered members.

"Down Under" Mrs. Ramsey, convener, introduced Mrs. E. Linton, who delighted everyone with her picture slides taken during her year's stay in Australia. Through the magic of her camera, she transported the ladies across the Rockies to Vancouver, down to San Francisco, New Zealand and Australia, where the beautiful scenes set in warmer climes made them long for our warmer weather.

Then back home they travelled via Italy, Gibraltar, India, France and England. Mrs. Linton showed many of her souvenirs gathered along the way. She had a collection of spoons from each country visited, which she found were attractive as well as being useful. Also, they were easy to transport back to Canada.

Village Expands

Mrs. N. R. Marshall, as the first secretary of the Institute, read the minutes of the first meeting, which proved very interesting. Highlights of various meetings were read and newer members were surprised by the large amount of money the Institute made 15 years ago.

One tongue-in-cheek member suggested that maybe they should have saved some for a rainy day! But in those days, the Institute was the main interest in the village; now the village is caught up in activities supporting various other organizations, so that the ideas of the people in Eden Crest are being forgotten.

Prizes during the evening were won by Mrs. K. Hewitt, Mrs. J. Hilton, Mrs. W. Bewley and Mrs. M. Christie.

Mrs. N. R. Marshall thanked all those concerned for a most enjoyable evening and a social hall hour was spent over a salad plate lunch, which was conveyed by Mrs. Woodhouse, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Barden.

Accident, Banquet Visitors in News

Accident

Friends of Mrs. Keith Sinclair were sorry to learn of her accident on the highway at Bruceville last week. No bones were broken, but she received a bad shaking up and her car was badly damaged.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aitken, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce, Mrs. Byron Bruce and Mrs. G. Suter were in Preston on Tuesday evening, where they attended a service in the new Christian Education building of the Presbyterian Church where Rev. A. Vair minister. He was a former minister at the local church.

When you see the grey uniform of the Canadian Red Cross, look for the red flash on the cap. The wearer is a dedicated volunteer who serves in so many humanitarian ways in our community.

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OSPRINGE

Accident, Banquet Visitors in News

Connie and Carrie McCristall of Acton are visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Archibald while their mother is in a Toronto hospital following car surgery.

Mr. A. Phillips of Orton visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. McMillan.

A number from here attended the truckers' banquet and party at Kitchener on Saturday evening.

Ronnie Griffin of Gravenhurst spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stewart and sons.

Mr. J. A. Bulloch left on Sunday by air for Washington, D.C., where he will attend a union convention.

Mrs. F. Grieve of Hillsburgh was a recent visitor with her son and daughter-in-law, Norman and Mrs. McKenzie and family.

Mrs. J. Wheeler of Guelph spent the weekend with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Lang and Bonnie.

D. G. and Mrs. Robertson visited on Sunday with the former's brother and sister-in-law, Lloyd and Mrs. Robertson in Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hutchison and son of Toronto spent the weekend with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aitken.

Ladies Meet Centennial Subject of Fair Essay Contest for This Year

Mrs. Calvin Aitken, First Line, Erin Township, was hostess to the Ladies' Board of Acton Fair last Thursday evening. First vice-president Mrs. M. McCullough presided for the meeting and Mrs. William McDonald read the secretary's report. Several items came up for discussion at the meeting. A special display is being arranged for the hall exhibit at the fair this year when articles made by the pupils at the School for Retarded Children at Humber will be shown, which should be of interest.

The subject for the Ethel Brant Monture essay contest this year is "Why we should take part in Canada's Centennial." This is an annual contest sponsored by Mrs. Monture and has created considerable interest. Principals and teachers in local and neighboring schools have been advised, and members are hopeful that there will be several entries from this district. Awards are made locally and then are entered in district and provincial classes.

Reports of the first day's sessions of the Provincial Fall Fair Convention held recently in Toronto were able given by Mrs. E. Archibald and Miss Elva Pearen. Unfortunately because of a very bad snowstorm, the delegates were unable to attend the sessions in Toronto on the second day.

The skill "An Old Fashioned Ladies' Fair Board Meeting," which was presented at the Town and Country Variety Show recently by some of the ladies, will again be presented to the Golden Age Club in Acton on April 15.

The next meeting of the organization will be held on Tuesday, May 4, which should be of special interest, when a tour of the Free Press will be taken by the members. Later they will journey to the home of Mrs. M. McCullough to have their meeting.

A dainty lunch was prepared and served by Mrs. J. McEnery, Mrs. L. McEnery and Mrs. E. Archibald, assisting the hostess, Mrs. C. Aitken. Courtesy craven or was Mrs. Wm. McDonald.

Nearly 400,000 persons of all ages and from all walks of life participated in Canadian Red Cross water safety services and projects last year.

OBITUARY Mrs. Edith Larabee Funeral at Merlin

Mrs. Edith Larabee, who had lived in Acton for her past six months with her daughter, passed away April 5 at Guelph General Hospital. She was born Edith Clifford, daughter of the late Isaac and Alice Clifford, Patman, Ontario. She was married to the late McKenzie Larabee who predeceased her in December, 1944. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Nile Derbyshire (Grace) of Leamington, and Mrs. Henry Knipfelberg (Liz) of 69 Main St. S.

The late Mrs. Larabee is resting at the Secord and Jones Funeral Home, Merlin, where funeral service will be conducted by Rev. Colin Grassie of Merlin United Church, Thursday at 2 pm. Interment will be in Merlin cemetery.

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