

# Sugar and Spice ...

BY BILL EARLEY

Are you frozen with terror, these days? You're not? Then wake up, you vegetable. You're supposed to be.

Haven't you noticed the relentless campaign to scare the living daylight out of us ordinary souls? There seems to be conspiracy, in the communications media, to put you and me and our wives and kids into a perpetual state of fear.

Advertising is the most prevalent, though not the most powerful, weapon of the scare-mongers. It is suggested that if we have greasy hair or a greasy sink, we're sunk; that if we don't use a certain soap, we stink; that if we don't drink a man's beer, we're a bunch of you-know-whats.

Well, all this is enough to set up a certain nervous tension in the ordinary amiable chap. What man wants to admit he's a failure because he can't rush out to his friendly neighborhood dealer and snap up an all-new Super Aurora Borealis Shooting Star Sedan, with safety belts? Or has dandruff?

But this is for the morons. You know, all the people who don't read this column. If they want to wind up with acid stomachs, upset nerves, migraine headaches and irregularity of constipation is now known, serves them right. Anybody who is frightened by that kind of advertising deserves it.

But it is not on the humble

commercial - watcher that the big guns of the horror - brigade are trained. It is on the serious reader - viewer. They have moved, lock, stock and frightfuls, into the newspaper, magazine, book and "serious" TV field.

Every time I pick up, leaf through, or switch on these media, somebody is trying to frighten the wits out of me about something. It's a bit hard for a fellow to cope with.

Black headlines or graphic pictures suggest that I'm supposed to be shaken rigid about Communists and cancer; birth control and bingo; high school dropouts and homosexuality.

Simultaneously, I'm supposed to be stricken by integration and insulation. If I'm not in favor of the former, there'll be a terrible blood-bath. If I'm agin the latter, my heating bill will soar.

Sometime during the day, I'm supposed to be whimpering in a corner because of high priced funerals; the computer, which is going to put me out of a job; the unfulfilled housewife; and all that leisure time I'm going to have next year, when automation takes over. You'll notice I haven't even mentioned nuclear fission, which is old hat, nor the squirrels in my attic who, at this moment, according to an article, are chewing my wiring to start a fire in which we'll all be cremated, and do we have enough insurance?

And so on.

If people weren't basically so tough, sensible and mean, they'd all go to bed and pull the covers over their heads. Fortunately, we're as sensitive as an old rubber boot. But, in case the scare distributors are bothering you, let me give you a formula that is guaranteed to steady the nerves. One thing at a time.

Communists - most of us are twice as scared of our wives as we are of the Red menace.

Juvenile Delinquents - hit them on the head Hard.

Cancer - you want to live forever?

Creeping Socialism - better than the galloping type.

The Computer - so who wanted a job in the first place?

Leisure Time - be happy to have a chance to sit on your butt.

Population Explosion - see Birth Control; also Nuclear Fission.

High - Priced Funerals - you don't have to pay.



SIGNING REGISTER at the annual "At Home" dance Friday evening left to right are Gloria Rody, Bob Black, Jim Jennings and Linda Ralston. Students, parents and teachers enjoyed dancing and lunch afterwards.

# Editorial Page

## About a Newspaper...

About a Newspaper... We are not magicians. That may not be an earth-shaking statement. You probably didn't think we were anyway. But we get that feeling sometimes when something happens, such as an important anniversary for someone or some organization, or an interesting or humorous little incident occurs in a section of the community, or when someone - particularly one of our young people - achieves something of note either here or abroad, or when someone catches a big fish or grows a big tomato... and weeks later, we learn about it. Trouble is when we do learn about it, we're greeted with the phrase "Oh... I thought you'd know all about it."

That's where we think people sometimes think we are magicians.

It is no help to us, and little comfort to you, if you stop one of us on the street and say "I thought you might have had something in the paper about our installation last month," or "How come you didn't have a picture of that big fish Joe Doakes got a couple of weeks ago?" or "Pretty nice about Bill Jones' kid... guess you don't like him or you'd have had the story about his promotion in the paper."

We probably would have had it... had we been told at the time. It is our job to report these things; whether we like somebody or not is a human frailty we like to keep as deeply submerged as possible. While this newspaper is made up of individuals, it strives to operate in a non-individual manner. We may disagree with you or anyone on one subject, but if we find common ground to co-operate on another, believe us, we are ready to do so.

We do have regular news sources: council meetings, police reports, civic organization meetings, fire and accident reports, and so on. Harassed by the fact that there are still only 24 hours in a day, our job is made much easier by a regular liaison with such news sources which keep things coming on a routine basis.

But as for the untoward incidents, the out-of-the-way happenings, whether they be humorous, serious or just plain interesting, we are crippled. Even with a hundred reporters on the staff, we wouldn't know where to look.

Over the past few years we have noticed - and appreciated - an increasing awareness of this fact among our readers. More and more people drop in to tell us of something newsworthy, or to ask us to help, or phone when it's a "hot" and timely item. This growing interest in your paper is encouraging.

For it is your paper. This perhaps could be classed as a trite saying, a cliché. Nevertheless, it sums up the situation. No newspaper staff, no matter how large or how eager or how dedicated it was, could possibly cover ALL the happenings in a community such as this. That's where you come in. This is a community paper. It only reflects what is happening in this area.

Not everything you tell us can earn its way into print, the cost of white space being what it is these days. But we would appreciate the opportunity of adjudication. Every reader is a part of this paper. What you know may be of interest to others, what others know may be of interest to you.

We have a large number of faithful watchdogs around town, and we are eternally grateful to them for recognizing that we are only human, and we need a lot of help. And also for recognizing that, in helping us do our job completely and fully, they are helping themselves - by helping their own community.

We are not magicians. Because of that, we need all the assistance we can get. We'll be happy to hear from you at any time. We may not always be able to agree that what you have is real news, but let's give it a whirl anyway!

### EDEN MILLS

## Officers Elected by Institute At Annual Meeting Last Week

Monday afternoon the Eden Mills Women's Institute met in the home of Mrs. R. Wright with Mrs. R. Roy, the president, presiding. Interesting reports of the year's work were heard and the roll call answered by paying fees. Mrs. R. Roy reviewed last year's activities and thanked the ladies for their co-operation and help during her term of office. Mrs. Wallace Lasby was appointed chairman for the election of officers as follows:

President, Mrs. R. Roy; first vice-president, Mrs. W. Lasby; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Herb Gilbertson; Assistant, Mrs. W. McLean Sr.; branch directors, Mrs. J. Hamer, Mrs. E. Jennings, Mrs. K. Atkinson; auditors, Mrs. W. McLean, Mrs. J. Hamer; pianist, Mrs. Wallace Lasby.

District director, Mrs. J. Gilbertson; social conveners, Mrs. S. Gilbertson and Mrs. S. Wilson.

Standing committees: Historical Research and Current Events Mrs. W. McLean Sr.; Home Economics and Health, Mrs. Wallace Lasby; Citizenship and Education, Mrs. G. Marshall; Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. J. Buchanan; Public Relations, Mrs. R. Wright.

Mrs. R. Roy again took the chair and read a poem entitled Don't Quit which gave the ladies new

enthusiasm for the coming year. The ladies were reminded of the District Annual and a bus trip being planned for June. The ladies will join Eden Crest Institute in a Centennial project in improving the grounds of the village hall and cleaning up the east side of the river and installing benches. Mrs. J. Hamer will be hostess for the May meeting.

**Other News**  
Mrs. G. Atken, Pittscharry Farm, has returned home after three weeks in Scotland.

The executive of the Presbyterian Young People met in Eden Mills Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon from near and far with Allan Crow of Morrison in charge. Miss Bonnie McDougall with five others enjoyed a holiday in Florida.

Mr. Harold Buchanan is at present confined to Guelph General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Vois of Eden Mills have flown to Holland for three weeks' visit.

The Young People of Arkel held a dance Saturday evening in Eden Mills Hall which was successful.

**Thank Offering**  
The Easter Thank Offering meeting of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church was hosted by Mrs. Garnet McDougall, Mrs. H. Gilbertson open-

ed the W.M.S. with hymn 216 and Scripture Reading was taken from Luke 24. Mrs. Taylor guest speaker took as her theme, Living Power and brought an interesting message. A duet, The Old Rugged Cross was sung by Mrs. Wallace Lasby and Mrs. Garnet McDougall. Roll call, a verse from Luke, and Mrs. C. Lasby closed with prayer.

Mrs. J. D. Lowrie opened the Ladies Aid with a poem, If You've Tried, and hymn 599 after the usual business, minutes and treasurer's reports. Roll call was answered with an Easter thought. A quilting bee will be held in June and next meeting will be at the McDonald Farm.

Shortill Sheet Metal has moved to its new location on Mill Street and is occupying a section of the old Free Press plant beside Dills Stationery store. Business was uninterrupted during the move.

The company formerly occupied a section of the Dills Printing and Publishing Co. building on Willow Street. The new location is more central with an office in the front of the building.

### This Sunday's Church Calendar

- MOTHER - GOD'S HELPER**  
This Sunday we honor you, mother. You have been given the unique gift of being God's helper. Train up a child in the way he should go, and when older he will not depart from it. Those prayers taught at mother's knee, those Bible verses inscribed in infancy will bring forth their fruit later on. May God bless you as you seek to be His helper-mother.
- PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA**  
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON  
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D. Minister  
Mr. E. A. Hansen, R.A. Organist and Choir Master  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
9:45 a.m. - Regular Church School session cancelled.  
11:00 a.m. - Christian Family Service, Church School and Adult Congregation worship together. - The Sacrament of Christian Baptism will be administered.  
7:30 a.m. - Youth Fellowship meeting. Young people 14 to 20 welcome.  
Everyone Most Welcome
- MAPIE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
(formerly Evangelical Baptist Church)  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
Bus leaves Y.M.C.A. at 9:15 a.m. Calling at Limehouse 9:30 a.m.  
For information call Acton 853-1956 Georgetown 877-6465
- BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
Acton, Ontario.  
Rev. Wiebe Van Dijk  
Phone 853-1585  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
10:00 a.m. - English Service.  
2:30 p.m. - Dutch Service.  
3:45 p.m. - Sunday School.
- ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE**  
P.A.O.C.  
33 Churchill Road  
Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor  
853-2715  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages.  
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship.  
7:00 p.m. - Evening Evangelistic Service.  
Tuesday, 8 p.m. - Prayer Service and Bible Study.  
Thursday, 8 p.m. - Christ's Ambassadors.  
Friday, 7 p.m. - Crusaders.  
1 Cor. 15: 20 - But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept.
- THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR**  
- ANGLICAN  
Corner Willow and St. Alban's Drive  
Rev. Ritchie McMurray, M.A., S.T.B.  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
9:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist.  
10:30 a.m. - Matins.  
7:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist.
- ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Founded 1842  
Pastor: Rev. Stanley Gammon  
Res. 144 Tuley Ave., Ph. 853-1615.  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship.  
"Blessings of a Good Mother."  
Evening service will be cancelled to meet with the Bible Society at Knox Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m.  
Wednesday is Mission Band at 4 o'clock; Prayer and Bible study at 7:30.  
Thursday is choir practice at 8, finance and property meets at 7.  
Friday - B.H.F. at 7; Explorers at 7:30.  
Text: "My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother." Prov. 1: 8.
- TRINITY CHURCH**  
(The United Church of Canada)  
The Rev. Dwight I. Engel, B.A., B.D.  
Organist: Mr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.  
SUNDAY, MAY 9th, 1965  
DIVINE SERVICES  
9:30 and 11 a.m.  
THE CHURCH SCHOOL  
9:30 a.m. - Grade 5 and higher.  
11:00 a.m. - 4 years to Grade 4.

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For appointments phone 853-1300
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6 John St. S., Acton  
In Acton Wednesdays only  
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For appointment, phone 853-1041  
If no answer, phone Waterloo  
742-8867
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evenings after 4 p.m.

# The Good Old Days...

## 20 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, May 3, 1945.  
At a Liberal convention in Milton Saturday night, the town hall was packed to the doors. Mrs. Mary Pettit, Deputy - Reeve of Nelson Township, was chosen candidate for the provincial election.

Among the first to enlist from this community, Cpl. Chick Purdy arrived home in Acton Monday. He has been overseas for five years and has come through without a wound.

Further honor won on the battlefield has been awarded Major T. V. Kenney, a native of Acton. He has now been promoted the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

The 'Y' had its annual display with the largest crowd yet attending and 150 boys and girls taking part. The display took the form of a circus with Mr. R. B. Parker as ring master. Clowns were Johnny Gray, Lorne Arth, Eddie Crewson and Frank Spielvogel.

Capt. Johnny Gray was home on leave for a few days. A grand affair closed the program with flags carried by Gordon Lawson, Bobbie Rumley and Buddie Kertner. The gym was patriotically decorated with allied flags and War Bond posters.

The boys are yearning for home. A full page ad for Victory Bonds was sponsored by Watson's Dairy, Toth's Shoe Repair, H. Waterhouse, McEachern's Garage, Cloverdale Farms Dairy, Hinton's, Elliott Bros., Acton Home Bakery, B. D. Rachlin, Mrs. K. Russell, Symon's Hardware, Pallant's Clothing, Hayward's Drug Store, Acton Creamery, Hotchen's Bakery, Talbot's Hardware, Harold Wiles, Brown's Grocery, Royal Cafe, Massey's Meats, Carbond Groceries, Maxwell's Dairy, Carroll's Grocery, Cooper's Men's Wear, Lovell (Sawyer) Meats, Barr's Grocery, Brada's Shoes, Cooper's Drug Store, Agar Coal, Johnstone and Rumley, J. B. Mackenzie, George Benton, C. F. Leatherland, Norton Motors, Tyler's Transport and the Free Press.

## 50 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, April 29, 1915.  
Mr. George Barber purchased a new Ford car this week. Seeding is well advanced. Some farmers have completed it.

Eighty in the shade is rather a big mark for April. That was Saturday's weather. It seems a little too early for continuous summer weather yet.

Mr. N. P. McLam is making preparations to move his residence about twenty-four feet further back from the street and enlarge and improve it. The work is scheduled to start in a short time.

Rev. H. H. Wilkinson, M.A., rector of St. Alban's Church, gave notice at the Easter vestry meeting that he intends to sever his connection with the parish shortly. He will be greatly missed by the congregation.

Acton Red Cross Society is donating \$185 to Shorncliffe Hospital \$105 was raised at the concert held last Thursday evening.

A letter from Sergt. Harry Hayward says all the boys are O.K. and in good spirits and are pleased to get the Acton Free Press with news of their families and friends at home and in the surrounding district.

Esquimaux Agricultural Society's Spring Horse Show was held in the park at Georgetown, with the classes well filled and some splendid animals were shown by local exhibitors.

The Patriotic Concert, arranged for presentation by the Red Cross was a success from every standpoint, both from an entertainment point of view and also financially.

Born - Eastdown, in Acton, on Thursday, April 22, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Eastdown, a son.

Died - Makins, in Rockwood, on Saturday, April 24, 1915, Prudence Elizabeth Makins, in her 91st year.

With the unseasonal hot weather, children especially are enjoying summer pursuits.

### Where are Tots? Not all Listed Yet

Kindergarten enrolment for the fall term has not had the result school principals anticipated.

At the Robert Little school 60 enrolments have been received and more are anticipated. Last year enrolment totalled 75. At the M. Z. Bennett school enrolment is away down with only 36 names received. Last year enrolment totalled 51.

Anyone with children of school

### Near End

Fast improvement in Knox church basement and upstairs is already most apparent. It's hoped the project may be completed by this weekend. A financial appeal for the Renovation Fund will be held the end of May.

It is asked to contact the schools in order to have forms completed before the first day of school in September.

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