

## Personal Notes . . .

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

Friends are sorry to learn Bill Coon is a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

Mr. Rainy Lidka was home from Niagara Falls for the weekend.

Acton high school girls' curling team played in a C.W.O.S.S.A. bonspiel in Erin on Wednesday.

Mrs. John Wood has returned from a visit with relatives in Walkerton.

Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Buckner are leaving for a holiday in the Caribbean today (Thursday).

Friends are sorry to learn that Gary Dobbie is in Guelph General Hospital. He's a grade 10 student at Acton High School.

Exchange teacher Miss Rosemary High spent the weekend in Quebec City on a tour especially arranged for teachers from other countries.

High school teacher Pat Sullivan and his wife, who live in Guelph, welcomed a son to their family last week. Their second child was born in Guelph.

Mrs. Wilfred Harding, Sixth Line, Esquimaux, is a patient in Guelph General Hospital. Her friends hope for an improvement in health for her soon.

The many friends of Mrs. Duncan Moffat, Nassagaweya, regret that she is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph where she will undergo surgery.

Former Acton Fire Chief Jack Newton was among the large crowd at the arena Friday night watching the N.H.L. Oldtimers and Acton Tanners play. Mr. Newton is now living in Toronto.

The Y's Men's district council met in Brantford earlier this month, and was attended by Rick Cole, Bill Wilson and Doug Copeland from Acton. Main item of business was the planning of the District Conference in Brantford April 16 and 17. Rick Cole has been appointed contact man for Acton club.

Miss Florence Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. James Gardner and son of Bothwell visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lemon and family for the weekend. Also Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gardner of Galt on Sunday.

Pupils from grade four at the Robert Little public school toured the Acton Free Press plant Wednesday with teachers Mrs. Mellor and Mrs. Copeland. They are studying the making of paper.

Friends were happy to see Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cashburn and family, now of London, at the home key game Friday evening. He's the former recreation director here and an instigator of the Golden Age Club.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. McPherson accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Don Lindsay and daughter to the home of their son and family in Clarksville during the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. McPherson remained for a few days.

Miss Ruth Clow, formerly secretary at the high school, is now working in a lawyer's office in Guelph. Friends on the high school staff had a party and presentation for her before her departure.

Mrs. H. W. Hinton who has been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. C. O. Burns and family, Islington, fell on Saturday, breaking her hip. Friends here are sorry to learn. She is a patient in Queensway Hospital, Islington.

Attending the two-day Ontario Association of Agriculture Societies Convention at the King Edward Hotel Wednesday and Thursday of this week are executive members president Jack Marshall, vice-president Wilmer Fryer, secretary Mrs. C. W. Swackhamer and director Fred Kentner Jr.

Also attending from the ladies division are president Mrs. Mel McCullough and vice-president Mrs. Walter Linham.

Warden H. H. Hinton and Mrs. Hinton are in Toronto this week attending the Good Roads of Ontario convention and also the convention of the Association of Ontario Counties, of which he is a director.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sinclair (the former Mary Lou Stewart of Acton), their daughter Beverly and Miss Elsie K. Stewart came from Toronto for the Old-Timers' game. The Stewart sisters had both taught Old-Timer Murray Ecard; one in school and one in Sunday School, in Milton.

Canvassers in Mrs. Chester Anderson's area for the TB clinic met at her home on Friday afternoon to receive their kits and instructions. Present were Mrs. Wilderspin, Mrs. Alex Frank, Mrs. Laura Wilkes, Mrs. J. Van-Elect, Mrs. P. Edge, Mrs. Charles Landsborough, Mrs. H. H. Hinton and Mrs. H. Holmes. Some of these helped in preparing the kits, and some have also volunteered to help at the clinics if they are needed.

TB clinic canvassers met at the home of their district captain, Mrs. Harold Denny, on Wednesday afternoon to receive their kits and learn the procedure. Some of them intended to begin canvassing immediately after the informal meeting. Her canvassers are Mrs. Jack Creasey Sr., Mrs. John Creasey Jr., Mrs. George Gold, Mrs. Paul Hurley, Mrs. John Lewis, Mrs. Harris Rice, Mrs. Alex Johnson and Mrs. J. Marcoux.

Mrs. Carl Kautman, Kitchener, who so gratefully accepted cartons of clothing from Acton for the Unitarian Services Committee recently, returned Wednesday to explain the work of the group. Those who had responded to the appeal in the Free Press were invited by Mrs. R. D. Buckner to her home in two groups, yesterday afternoon and again in the evening, to see a film and hear Mrs. Kautman explain the work of the committee. Most of those attending brought along more used clothing, old flannelette sheets to be used for diapers, safety pins or ends of knitting wool.

First Lieutenant David Graham returned to Canada Monday after serving almost 13 months in Egypt with the Canadian Army. He arrived at the R.C.A.F. base at Trenton by plane Monday evening, after receiving medication at Paris on the way to prepare his system for Canada's cold! His plane arrived two hours early.

There to welcome him from Acton were his mother, Mrs. John Graham; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Catts; his sister Mrs. John Hume; Mr. Hume and daughter Sherry of Georgetown. His wife and two-year-old daughter Michelle, who live in Toronto, were there, too. On Tuesday evening the whole family gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Swales in Georgetown (Lieut. Graham's parents) for a belated Christmas dinner. After a week's leave, Lieut. Graham will go to Petawawa for three weeks to try exams for his captiancy. Then, after further leave, he will be posted somewhere in Canada.

Laguna Beach, California. Chamber of Commerce held a reception for visitors in their district last week, and by chance Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mainprize of Acton met there. Mr. and Mrs. Kern Brown, a retired druggist from the west, Mr. Brown is a brother of the late Richard N. Brown and he's a frequent visitor here.

Young People from Trinity United Church were among the many who attended the Modern Milk Mass at Streetsville on Sunday evening. They found the service most unusual and interesting — such as the singing of the 23rd Psalm to the tune of the Happy Wanderer.



Staff Photo

IVAN WALMSLEY, who tended nets for the N.H.L. Oldtimers Friday night, dipped into the barrel to pick winning tickets for a Green watch, mantle clock, and two tickets to Maple Leaf Gardens. Winner of the watch S. A. Rainford, Unionville; mantle clock, Stu Richardson, R.R. 1, Acton and the two tickets, Fred Landry, Acton.

## "Country Store" Essay Contest

Mrs. C. Aitken and Miss E. Pearson were joint hostesses for the February meeting of Greenock in statute.

Mrs. L. Trussell opened the meeting by reading the poem "So Long as There are Homes" followed by singing of the Opening Ode and the recitation of the Mary Stewart Collect. Mrs. Chester Allan gave the Bible reading followed by the Lord's Prayer. Fourteen members and one visitor were present. The roll call was an historical clipping suitable for use in the Tweedsmuir Book.

Thank you notes for Christmas plants received were read. A letter telling of the year's progress of St. Simon's Hostel, Castle Peak, Hong Kong, was very interesting. This branch has helped to sponsor Ping Shue, a student at this school for several years. The essay contest for this year is to be "A Country Store". This is to be about such a store located in Wellington County. It may or may not still be in operation. The writer of this historical composition does not necessarily have to be a resident of Wellington County. Entries in the contest must be made before April 30, 1966.

It is hoped that we may have some interesting entries in this contest.

The Wellington County Historical Society will be holding their annual Hobby and Craft Show in Guelph in April. Members were

Members of the Youth Fellowship of Knox Church took part in the afternoon and evening program with district youth at St. Paul's United Church, Milton on Sunday. The rally was sponsored by Toc Alpha. Attending from Acton with the Rev. A. H. McKenzie were Barbara McEachern, Ann Watson, Marsha McKenzie, Susan Allen, David Watson, John Davidson, Sims McPheeler, Bill Hansen and Bruce Coles.

## OUR READERS WRITE

### ON DISCIPLINE

What has happened to old-fashioned discipline, namely the razor strap and paddle in the home?

Its absence in the home is very evident, judging by the large number of boys and girls who have become juvenile delinquents and the vast amount of teenage crime.

The razor strap or paddle was considered very important in the home a number of years ago and was credited with boys' and girls' good conduct.

In those days if a son or daughter misbehaved they were given a sound bare bottom spanking with the razor strap or paddle, which proved very effective and a deterrent for future bad conduct.

Why should the public have to foot the bill for these kids' non-sensical actions when there is a remedy?

In my estimation, it is time for a return to old-fashioned discipline in the home.

If all boys and girls up to the age of 18 who choose to misbehave, were given a taste of the strap in the old-fashioned way, they would think twice before misbehaving again, making the home and community a better and much safer place in which to live.

Let's stop coddling these delinquents and get the desired results with an application of the strap or paddle on the proper place.

Sincerely,  
Robt. Johnston, Gen. Del.,  
Hamilton, Ont., Can.

## World Day of Prayer

Rockwood — In Rockwood the World Day of Prayer service will be held in St. John's Anglican church on February 25.

Songsters at both the Robert Little and M. Z. Bennett schools will soon begin practicing for the Music Festival to be held in Acton, April 5 with finals April 6 in the Robert Little school auditorium.

Grade seven and eight students will be enjoying another event in the Y together this Friday.

Hydro linemen and Town workmen were busy the first of the week as they combined efforts during a tree-trimming program in town.

Arnold Ward, of the National Council of Y.M.C.A. Toronto, is guest speaker at the Y's Men's meeting tonight.

Several other groups of ladies have visited county council and toured some of the county buildings at Milton, following the Acton chapter's visit on invitation of Warden Hinton. Of course, you don't need an invitation to sit in on a county council session. It's an open meeting, as Acton council meetings are. But few attend. You might be surprised how interesting these meetings can be, and of course, informative. A call to the county office could bring the information on the date and time of the next county council meeting.

Creating projects to raise money for the Red Cross is an thrilling for public school children.

## Off and Running

### Centennial Plans: Planting Program in Park, Parades

The first group in town to announce definite plans for centennial program have a flu bug to thank! It was while Guide commissioner Mrs. J. Lowrie was ill in bed that she decided to request use of the park for July 8, 1967 a year and a half away for a special program for Guides, Brownies and Cubs — and Boy Scouts, too, if there are any by then.

She thinks the Guides will likely demonstrate old and new camping methods. The Brownies will develop a special theme, too.

Centennial Scout Week. In Scout week in February in Centennial year, there will be a parade. Lord and Lady Baden Powell's birthdays fall on a Wednesday in centennial year and there will certainly be more celebrations than usual.

Mrs. Lowrie, busy this week with plans for the banquet on Thursday, is also planning to book the hall and speaker for next year already.

Improve Scout Hall. Improvements at the Scout Hall will be a tangible centennial project for the boys and girls. Mrs. Lowrie explains that they would fence off the area in front of the hall and plant shrubs and grass. The fence may just be a simple chain, anyway something pretty difficult for the youngsters to flatten. The lawn and fence would prevent cars from parking right up to the front door.

Inside the hall, a new stove is a definite need and goal. Perhaps a new refrigerator, too.

Two New Groups. There are now two Guide companies, rather than one. Mrs. Lowrie, who is Guide captain as well as commissioner, has the Second Acton Pack at 7 p.m. on Thursdays. Mrs. Ginger leads the First Company on Wednesdays at 7.

The Brownie troops have increased from two to three. The First Troop meets with Mrs. J. Mellor Tuesdays after school; the Second Troop with Mrs. Ron Guest Thursdays after school, and the Third Troop with Mrs. S. Newton Wednesdays after school.

Sales, Fashion Show. Since there is no Scout Troop, the girls have undertaken the sale of Hot Cross buns this Easter. They're not abandoning their regular cookie sale, either. It comes later, in May.

The Girl Guides are also planning a fashion show in the scout hall the end of March. Some of the clothing is being made by the girls themselves and some will be lent by the Family Outfitters store.

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