

# 31st annual meeting held by Rockalong W.I. members

ROCKWOOD — The April meeting of Rockalong Women's Institute was held in the No. 8 Community Centre.

It was their 31st annual meeting and the following slate of officers was presented: president, Mrs. N. Harris;

first vice-president, Mrs. Edgar Johnston; second vice-president, Mrs. Harvey Shultis; secretary, Mrs. H. Bayne; treasurer, Mrs. L. Dyer; district director, Mrs. G. Mitchell; alternate director, Mrs. L. Dyer and pianist, Mrs. H. Bon-

ner. The directors are Mrs. C. Titt, Mrs. N. Armstrong and Mrs. W. Patterson; flower convener, Mrs. Edgar Johnston; auditors, Mrs. W. Gould and Mrs. A. Shultis.

The several committees: public relations, Mrs. H. Bayne, Canadian Industries, J. Glendinning; agriculture, Mrs. A. McPhedran; citizenship, Mrs. D. McNabb; education, Mrs. C. Titt; health, Mrs. G. Mitchell; home economics, Mrs. W. Patterson.

The meeting opened with the Institute Ode and the Mary Stewart Collect. Fourteen members answered the roll call with the paying of membership fees.

After discussion, the ladies decided to purchase new curtains for the Community Centre with Mrs. C. Titt and Mrs. K. Spence, the committee to look after the matter. In order to raise more funds for these curtains, it was decided to hold raffles on the 14 and 21 of April.

The F.W.I.C. Convention will be held at the University of Guelph on June 12. The District Annual will be held this year in Duff's Church on May 18. The theme will be "Know Canada Better". The Rockalong ladies will display samples of their quilting abilities at this time. Since this was the annual meeting, the reports of all standing committees were given.

The meeting closed with the Queen and the ladies enjoyed a social half hour.

## OBITUARY

### Councillor, fair president Arthur Swackhamer dies

A former Erin township councillor, Arthur Swackhamer, died at the age of 83 on Friday. In failing health, he had been in hospital the past few weeks.

He was both a farmer and a businessman in this district all his life.

Churchill United Church, where he was an honorary elder and Sunday School superintendent for 35 years, was held for the funeral service on Monday afternoon. Extra chairs were placed in the vestibule to accommodate the many mourners.

The service was conducted by

a former Churchill minister, the Rev. William Gibbs of Hamilton, assisted by the present minister, John May. After the service, the funeral proceeded across the road to the church cemetery for interment.

Pallbearers were Harold Griffin, Wallace Swackhamer, Griffin Sparrow, Archie Kerr, R. L. Davidson, William McDonald, Harold McIntyre and Earl Ryder.

Flower bearers were James and Ross Swackhamer and John Van Goozen, grandsons; Jim Thompson, John MacRae, Bill McCready, husbands of granddaughters; Ralph Denny, Clarence Denny, Smith Griffin Jr. and Don Swackhamer, nephews and grand-nephews.

He was born on the third line of Esquesing township, son of Christopher Swackhamer and Esther Zimmerman, Jan 12, 1884, on the farm now owned by Wallace Swackhamer, a nephew.

The crown deed for this "century" farm was registered to the grandfather of the late Arthur Swackhamer. His brother Clinton later took over this farm and Arthur Swackhamer moved across the town line and has farmed there in Erin township ever since. His son Leslie now operates the farm.

He served on Erin township council 15 years as reeve, deputy reeve and councillor and as reeve was a member of Wellington County Council.

In 1946 he was elected president of Acton Fall Fair board, after serving on the board in 1935. He acted as superintendent of the field for many years. In 1957 the Acton Agricultural Society awarded him a Certificate for Meritorious Service to Agriculture.

He was predeceased by his wife, the former Ina Grace Denny, and he is survived by four sons, Harold C. of Hamilton; Leslie E. J. Christopher and Ross M. All of Acton, and a daughter, Mrs. Dirk Van Goozen of Guelph. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### Mrs. M. Milne groups' hostess

Rockwood — Mrs. Max Milne was hostess to the April meeting of Rockwood Presbyterian W.M.S. and W.A. The president, Miss Eva Pearen, presided and read the opening poem. Reports from the various secretaries were received and the business on hand discussed.

Mrs. J. Freeman was in charge of the Study Book, dealing with the topic "The Church Goes West". Incidents of early history were mentioned and the works of Rev. John Black and Rev. James Robertson were reviewed. The Centennial service in the Glad Tidings was used in closing with Mrs. D. Gray and Mrs. Gordon Swanson assisting.

The president of the W.A. presided over the business meeting which followed. Mrs. L. Johnston opened the meeting with an appropriate April poem. A report of the recent firemen's banquet was given and other items of business were dealt with during the session.

A dainty lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Milne, and a social time enjoyed.

### Mrs. A. Drexler president of Rockwood, Oustic C.W.L.

Rockwood — Rockwood and Oustic Catholic Women's League held their annual meeting at the Parish House following the celebration of Mass in the church. Mrs. Patrick Dales brought in the new slate of officers and Rev. Fr. Isabelle conducted the installation.

The new officers are as follows — past president, Mrs. W. Giffillan, president, Mrs. A. Drexler; first vice-president, Mrs. R. Bacon; second vice-president, Mrs. R. Dupuis; third vice-president, Mrs. J. Gooyeds; secretary, Mrs. R. Haliburton and treasurer, Mrs. P. Dica.

Mrs. W. Giffillan was presented by Mrs. V. Synnott with the past-president's pin. Mrs. Giffillan spoke briefly and expressed her appreciation to the executive and the ladies for their co-operation during her two-year term of office. Mrs. T. Buzcek and Mrs. R. Dupuis were presented with statues of Our Lady of Goodwill.

The regional meeting is to be held April 16 at St. Louis Church in Kitchener with the convention being held at Burlington. Mrs. A. Drexler, the president for the coming year and Mrs. R. Haliburton will attend the three days' activities. The next euchre will be held April 28.

Standing committee conveners all gave a very full report on their year's work. The meeting closed with the League Prayers and a social time was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Green of Toronto visited on Sunday with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. McArthur.

Friends are indeed pleased to hear Mr. George Stephenson was able to return home from Georgetown District Hospital on Sunday, where he was a patient and now is convalescing at his home.

Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Davidson were a nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Martin of Beamsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Griffin; Mrs. Tressa Keeler; Mrs. Howard McArthur; Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Keeler; Cedar Valley and Wilmer and Ada Davidson.

## CHURCHILL

### Deaths, callers in week's news

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Near, Glen and Earl in the death of their uncle, Mr. John Maud of Guelph. They attended the funeral in Guelph on Monday, also the burial service at Everton cemetery.

The community and especially Churchill church members and relatives extend their sympathy to the family in the passing of their father, Mr. Arthur Swackhamer, a life-long member and past superintendent of Sunday School of Churchill church and life-long resident of this district.

A large number gathered to pay tribute on Monday afternoon at the service in the church and at the cemetery. A former pastor, Rev. Gibbs, now of Hamilton and the minister here, Mr. May, were in charge of the services.

Mrs. Robert C. Kerr visited on Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Knox, R.R. 1, Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Julian and family of Woodstock spent a pleasant Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner, David and Juliana.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton have their little grandson Mark Hamilton of Georgetown visiting with them for a couple of days.

Mrs. Archie Kerr and Misses Eric and Elizabeth Stirokov spent the weekend at their cottage at Fenelon Falls.

## MOFFAT

### Mr., Mrs. S. Trousdale receive neighbor's gifts

In 1961 Mr. Wilson received a plaque from the Threshers' Reunion for being the oldest surviving thresher man. Ebenezer, lost its oldest member in the passing of Mr. Elwood Wilson, who was 91 years old, last November 25. While not one of the original church trustees, he took over from one of them. He sang in the choir for many years, and was an honorary trustee at the time he was called to Higher Service.

Mr. Wilson was a thresher for 50 years, and a life-long resident of Nassagaweya, until retiring to Guelph a few years ago. His parents occupied the farm at present owned by Bill Frank, while his own home was that on which Charlie Fatt now resides. Mr. Wilson's first wife who was a Lind, died in 1950.

He is survived by his second wife, the former Augusta Jeffrey, and one daughter, Tyra, (Mrs. Wm. Kee), one brother, Harlan Wilson, of Guelph and one sister, Mrs. Easterbrook, of Milton. Mrs. H. Lawson, of Acton, is a niece.

Rev. W. Leeman had charge of the funeral and burial was at Ebenezer. The pallbearers were two grandsons, Roger and Garry Kee, Reg. Kirkby, of Brantford, Malcolm Moffat, Art Diamond and Carl McGill. A happy gathering of neighbors was held in No. 10 school Puslinch, for the purpose of paying honor to Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Trousdale. Mr. Trousdale had lived on the farm for over 50 years, while Mrs. Trousdale has been there for 36. Mr. Jim Simpson and Mr. Duncan McFarlane read the address, attesting to the esteem and respect felt for the Trousdales, by all who have

known them. The churches were beautiful with stained glass windows. The common people, most of whom could not read, read their Bibles in the windows. People went early to church to enjoy the paintings, carvings and symbolism of the various statues and images. The Greek Church emphasized paintings. The churches were literally sanctuaries of refuge from barbaric invaders. They cared for the widows and orphans.

Without the church, we would have no history.

### 25th anniversary party at Ballinacud

Relatives, friends and neighbors met in Ballinacud hall on Saturday night, April 22 for a surprise party for Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Russell. The occasion was their 25th wedding anniversary.

The couple were married at his sister's home on April 25, 1942, the late Rev. A. O. W. Forman officiating.

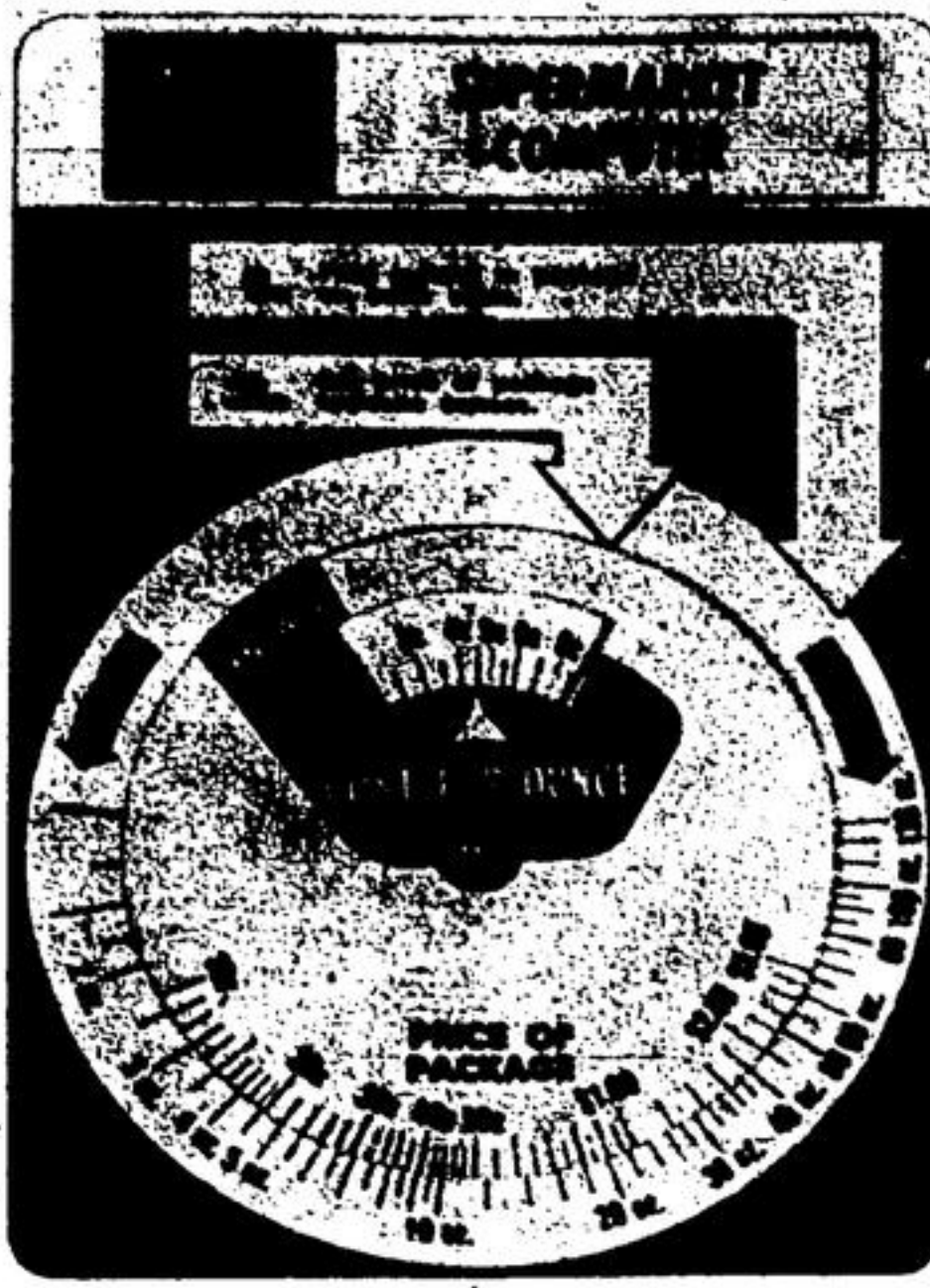
They have one daughter, Merle (Mrs. Alan Grant), and one grandson, Brian. Many of the wedding guests attended the anniversary party.

The evening was spent dancing to the McDougall orchestra.

The happy couple was presented with lovely gifts and made appropriate replies.

Lunch was served and the head table was decorated and centred with a three-tier wedding cake.

There were friends present from London, Toronto, Brampton, Erin, Georgetown, Acton, Guelph, Moffat, Hornby, Hillsburg and Alton.



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Much more is needed to fight the rising cost of living, he said. The New Democratic Party would establish a Consumers' Bureau to check the quality of products, advertising claims and packaging. They would also set up a Prices Review Board to investigate whether extraordinary price increases are justified. They also have a Consumers' Bill of Rights which will assure you of the right to be informed, the right to safety, the right to choose, and the right to be heard.

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## Return Mrs. Gordon Leslie Greenock Institute president

The annual meeting of the Greenock Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Calvin Aitken. The members met at noon, sang the Institute Grace and enjoyed a delicious dinner convened by the hostess, Mrs. E. Patterson and Miss E. Pearen.

The menu consisted of meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, relish and black cherries. Then the baking for the contest was sampled and judged by all. The griddle scones was won by Mrs. A. Gates and Mrs. J. McCulloch and the plain one-layer cake iced and decorated for the 70th birthday of the F.W.I.O. was won by Mrs. A. Gates and Mrs. T. Hemsley.

Mrs. Gordon Leslie opened the business meeting with the Institute Ode and Mary Stewart

Collect. Mrs. C. Binnie read the Scripture followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison.

The roll call was the payment of fees and all standing committee reports were read and adopted. Several members plan to attend the F.W.I.C. convention in Guelph on June 12 and the tables for the Greenock Centennial Picnic site opposite the old school are expected to be in place toward the end of May.

Miss Elva Pearen presided for the election of officers and Mrs. J. McCulloch acted as secretary. Mrs. L. Trysenaar, convener of the nominating committee, gave a report and the following officers were filled and approved:

Honorary president, Mrs. L. Trysenaar; president, Mrs. Gordon Leslie; first vice-president, Mrs. George Wallace; sec-

ond vice-president, Mrs. A. Gates; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Chester Allan; Assistant secretary-treasurer, Miss E. Pearen; district director, Miss E. Pearen; alternate, Mrs. T. Hemsley.

Board of directors, Mrs. J. McCulloch, Mrs. R. Sinclair and Mrs. A. White; auditors, Mrs. C. Aitken, Mrs. Gordon Johnston; fruit, flowers and cards, Mrs. C. Aitken, Mrs. T. Hemsley and Mrs. A. Winter; courtesy convener, Mrs. J. Thompson.

Standing committee conveners: agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. T. Hemsley; Mrs. A. Winter; Federation of Agriculture, Mrs. E. Patterson; home economics and health, Mrs. A. Gates, Mrs. A. Christensen; citizenship and education, Mrs. R. Sinclair, Mrs. W. Johnston; historical research and current events, Mrs. K. Echerich and Mrs. E. Johnston; public relations, Mrs. C. Aitken.

Temperance, Mrs. L. Trysenaar and Mrs. B. Johnston; safety, Mrs. George Wallace; resolutions, Mrs. J. McCulloch; Tweedsmuir curator, Miss E. Pearen; Tweedsmuir committee, Mrs. E. Patterson, Mrs. E. Johnston and Mrs. C. Allan.

Mrs. A. Gates was courtesy convener for the meeting.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### PRaises "PROJECT ACTION"

May I be permitted to submit the following tribute to the "Action Project" of our High School students.

"May I propose a special vote of thanks to all our Acton High School students who participated in the "Action Project" walkathon on Saturday, April 22, 1967.

Eighty-two of our teenagers set out on this test of endurance and stamina to make their contribution to the Cancer Fund, and to create for all Actonians the image of our students as dedicated, public-spirited young citizens.

Anybody who, like myself drove out along the march route to encourage, and if necessary assist, the marchers, felt admiration and respect for these young people who, in spite of inclement weather, soreness and exhaustion kept up their spirits while struggling on mile after weary mile; some of them on their feet for 24 hours having started out from Toronto City Hall.

Although it was simply beyond the physical ability of many of these marchers, and some had to admit defeat short of their goal, 26 completed the march and thus accomplished their aim.

This feat alone should convince those selfrighteous citizens and councillors who, out of prejudice, put obstacles in

their way by denying them the use of local facilities for their Teen-Dances, that in spite of their, to us adults, incomprehensible idiosyncrasies our young generation is made of the right stuff, and deserve our trust.

They have shown that Teen dances need not be rowdy affairs, and have proved that their way of arranging these events with properly organized security measures is more effective and acceptable than the former high school dances supervised by disapproving "chaperones".

In conclusion I would like to appeal to everybody concerned to show confidence in our young people, and appreciation of their splendid efforts by giving them our wholehearted support, and unreserved assistance in the "Action Project."

Thank you.

Yours very truly,  
Sid Saitz.

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