From Alberta

Elk join buffalo in game preserve

Extinct in Ontario for the past 60 years, elk returned to Halton on Saturday when the Halton Region Conservation Authority shipped in five young animals from Alberta to expand a game preserve in a valley beside Rattlesnake Point Park.

Photographers, staffers and curious visitors had a hey-day watching the five scared elk being unloaded from trucks and released in the 75-acre compound at the north end of Walker's Line that already houses five buffalo.

Both the bison and the elk were gifts of the federal government, from the Elk Island National Park near Calgary, Alta. The Rattlesnake area is believed compatible with the animals' natural habitat in Alberta. There is plenty of land for browsing and if the snow is too deep, their feed will be supplemented with grain.

The buffalo H.R.C.A. brought to Ontario two years ago seem to be thriving in their new home, although they are not reproducing yet. "Bobby" the bull buffalo wasn't old enough until this winter to father any offspring, but officials are hoping to have some "blessed events" next spring.

He has four female companions in the grassy, treed, and rolling enclosure nestling below the Niagara Escarpment within easy viewing distance of Rattlesnake Point Park. The fenced enclosure gives the animals the cover they require, yet they are frequently seen in the open fields or obtaining food at the Walker's Line end of their parkette.

Wildlife technician Frank Timmermans of the H.R.C.A. and Maurice Readhead, a former works superintendent for the Authority who retired last year, flew west to Alberta two weeks ago to pick up the elk. All the animals had survived a 60-day penned-up quarantine prior to their departure for Ontario.

They were crated and placed on a train for the long journey eastward, and Frank and Maurice stayed close to their charges to ensure they were fed properly. The train pulled into Hamilton railway station Saturday morning and within three hours the animals had been released in their new home at Rattlesnake.

Mr. Timmermans said the lone bull in the herd would weigh 600 lbs. and would probably grow to 800 or 900 lbs. at maturity. His horns were shorn for the transporting because of the dimensions of the narrow crate he occupied on the train. He'll grow a new set by spring. All four females should be expecting calves in the spring, he said.

While out west, the two men visited a private game farm where muskox are the big attraction. The H.R.C.A. is hoping to eventually add a few muskox to their collection of wild beasts.

AND AWAY SHE GOES . . . The first of five Alberta elk to arrive and be uncrated at Halton Region Conservation Authority's 75-acre enclosure at Rattlesnake Point Park makes a dash for freedom as soon as the crate is opened. A cluster of H.R.C.A. staffers, press and interested visitors witnessed the long awaited arrival of the elk, who will join five buffalo already firmly established in the park. (Staff Photo)

News of the district

ERIN.....

Members of the Erin Fire Department recently made a canvass of the Village for the fund to fight Muscular Dystrophy, as did Firemen across the province. The Erin Firemen collected close to $100 for this worthwhile project, to which our volunteer firemen lend their support each year.

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Members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Kirkwood entertained their parents on the occasion of their 55th wedding anniversary, November 20. A buffet supper was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hurren and a social time enjoyed with their children and grandchildren. During the evening the family presented their parents with a gift. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkwood reside with their son Gordon, on the farm lot 4, 10th line, Erin Township, a Century farm, where Mr. Kirkwood was born and spent his entire life.

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FERGUS.....

"We are not against area government but we are disturbed that we haven't been consulted about it." This was the reaction of Mayor John Campbell of Fergus to a report that a submission to be made to the area government study in Waterloo includes Fergus and surrounding area as part of it. W.R. Thomson, planning director of the city of Kitchener, and the Kitchener planning board have prepared a 100-page brief that calls for a 900-square-mile super city that includes all of Waterloo county and the southern half of Wellington, as far north as Fergus and Elora. This brief will be submitted to the officials of the Waterloo County local government study that is working in Kitchener at the present time. The first word that Fergus officials had of this idea was from newspaper reports. Both Mayor Campbell and Fergus clerk David Low expressed the same thoughts. They were surprised that the town had not been consulted before they were included.

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This is Grey Cup week. There are many people who look at baseball only during the World Series and football only for the Grey Cup, but there's been football on the TV every week-end as one team after another has been eliminated. Now there's only Saskatchewan and Hamilton left. It's interesting to watch the trend toward rougher sports. While professional baseball is fighting for its life in Toronto, the rough games are flourishing. Yet baseball is played in the balmy days of summer, while the weather is pretty severe in November for football. If it isn't muddy, there's three inches of snow on the ground and the spectators need their long woolies and many of them take a few doses of stimulants. But baseball is a slow game and needs figures and statistics to keep it going. In football, lacrosse and hockey, it's the players who do the going. The players are willing to take a chance on broken legs and such like. It's a game of bodily contact so it's exciting and the crowd eats it up. In football, the scoring makes it possible to come from behind in a hurry and no team is out until the final whistle if they're at all evenly matched. - From Mostly Gossip.

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MILTON.....

Over a century of service to journalism has earned The Canadian Champion a "Century of Service Award" from the Ontario Government in commemoration of centennial year. Founded in 1861, The Champion is Halton County's oldest continuously published newspaper. Halton East M.P.P. Jim Snow, presented the plaque on behalf of the Provincial Government and Premier John P. Robarts to Jim Dills, managing editor of The Champion. The Champion was cited "for a century of distinguished and devoted service to the cause of Canadian journalism."

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Milton Council issued a challenge to Oakville to have a higher percentage vote in the current municipal elections, or drop their objections to annexation. Councillor Brian Best suggested the challenge to build interest in the municipal elections in the two towns. He noted Oakville Mayor McLean Anderson was pressing to reduce public apathy and it was important in Milton to build voting interest too. To add some interest, he offered the incentive that if Milton won the honor, Oakville would drop its objection to annexation.

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GEORGETOWN.....

Six new policemen began duties on the Georgetown police force bringing the total strength to 16 including Actin Chief Harley Lowe. A selection committee set up by the Ontario Police Commission interviewed five applicants chosen for the position of Georgetown's police chief at Brampton, November 30.

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Forty units long, Georgetown's Santa Claus parade was blessed with ideal weather as it travelled from the plaza in the east end of town to the downtown area where the star of the show stepped down to greet a throng of beaming youngsters and distribute bags of favours. The close to ideal weather made the sponsoring Lions Club look like brilliant strategists. This year, for the first time, they moved the parade back into November to avoid bad weather which has accompanied the day in recent years.

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Roger Carey, 26, a native of Windsor and a former Georgetown resident has been reported washed overboard and lost at sea 300 miles off the coast of Spain. Roger was serving as second mate aboard a chartered sailing vessel when he was washed overboard during a storm.

Simpsons-Sears centennial gift

A special Centennial edition of the first volume of a fascinating

Copies of the book, The Dictionary of Canadian Biography, are being placed in the 4,500 schools as a Centennial gift the company stated.

The book is the result of nearly 10 years work by more than 100 experts at the University of Toronto and l'universite Laval in Quebec City. It is considered one of the most important reference works ever published in Canada.

It tells, in 755 pages, the story of the colorful, adventurous, dedicated and oft-times controversial figures of Canada's founding years, up to 1700.

The lives of nearly 600 men and women who visited or lived in Canada during those early years are described in articles ranging in length from a few lines to 17 pages; explorers, Indians, Norsemen, officials, missionaries, traders, farmers, sailors, and even a few pirates.

Work is already well along on several subsequent volumes. The next, covering the period 1701-1740, is scheduled for publication in 1969. About 20 volumes will be needed to bring the Dictionary up to the present.

Sugar and Spice . . .

And I'll shout, "You get upstairs and get at your homework and stop being so lippy or I'll give you a thick ear."

Knowing I wouldn't dare, she flounces out, goes up and works off her repressions with the guitar and a couple of shouted freedom songs. And I work off mine by getting the carrots ready and inviting her down to dinner.

But we get along fine. She knows her place -- head of the household, and I know mine -- foot of the household.

I'll be glad when Mum gets home. At least she knows a head from a foot, which is something in these troubled times.

Slips in type

Give hang dog looks

To err is human and sometimes slips that pass in the type give everyone in this newspaper a hangdog expression for days on end. Sometimes they can cause much concern.

Thankfully, we haven't yet had a string of errors like the one recently reported made by a small daily newspaper in the southern United States.

It started with the following ad in the classified page on a Monday:

**FOR SALE: R.D. Jones has one sewing machine for sale. Phone 958 after 7 p.m. and ask for Mrs. Kelly who lives with him cheap.

* On Tuesday --

NOTICE: We regret having erred in R.D. Jones' ad yesterday. It should have read: One sewing machine for sale. Cheap. Phone 958 and ask for Mrs. Kelly who lives with him after 7 p.m.

* On Wednesday --

R.D. Jones has informed us that he has received several annoying telephone calls because of the error we made in his classified ad yesterday. His ad stands corrected as follows:

*FOR SALE: R.D. Jones has one sewing machine for sale. Cheap. Phone 958 after 7 p.m. and ask for Mrs. Kelly who loves with him.

**Finally, on Thursday --

NOTICE: I, R.D. Jones, have no sewing machine for sale. I smashed it. Don't call 958 as the telephone has been taken out. I have not been carrying on with Mrs. Kelly. Until yesterday she was my housekeeper, but she quit.*

Indeed to err is human . . . but to forgive, in this case, was divine.

It makes us feel a little better anyway.

Christmas Gifts

FOR THE

Lady or Man in Your Life

- YARDLEY GIFT SETS
- SHULTON GIFT SETS
- CHANEL No. 5 GIFT SETS
- EVENING OF PARIS
- ON THE WIND
- MAJA GIFT SETS
- HAIR DRYERS

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SEE OUR SELECTION OF

Laura Secord Candies, Cakes, Chocolates

ACTON PHARMACY

2 Main St. N. — 853-1620

Let's Play Bridge

by bill coats

The end play in bridge is sometimes called an "avoidance play". You can end play one opponent so that he will have to give you a trick or you can end play an opponent in order that you won't lose a trick. Here is a hand of the latter type. This hand occurred at the regular Monday evening meeting of the Acton Bridge Club.

The dealer is north and north south are vulnerable.

NORTH
S-A 10 5 3 2
H-6 3
D-A 9 7
C-Q 9 5

WEST
S-Q
H-A Q J 10 8 7 2
D-K 10 4
C-4 2

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

SOUTH
S-K J 9 8 6 4
H-K 5
D-Q 8 5 2
C-A

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Pass	3 C	3 S	4 H
4 S	All Pass		

Opening lead - club four.

East has a good non-vulnerable pre-emptive bid. The three club bid really crowded the bidding. East-West did not sacrifice at five hearts since there was a good chance of defeating the four spade contract. However, four spade can and should be made.

Declarer has no choice but to win the opening lead. There appears to be two diamond losers and two heart losers since West has bid hearts. In the winner column there are six spades, one diamond and one club. There is, however, a good chance of setting up a diamond in which case a heart can be discarded from dummy and a heart ruff would make 10 tricks. At all cost, East must be kept off the lead.

One round of trump takes out the opponent's trump. A diamond is led to the ace and a low diamond returned. Declarer should just cover whichever card East plays. West can win with the 10 but he is end played. That is, he won't give declarer a trick but he cannot lead hearts.

West's best play is to take the diamond king and lead his last club. Declarer is home free. He ruffs the club and cashes the thirteenth diamond, discarding a heart from dummy. Now his only remaining loser is one heart.

If declarer had played the diamond queen earlier, West would take his king and East's jack would be a winner. Now East could lead a heart and declarer goes down.

Last week's winners at the Acton Bridge Club were: first, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dickson; second, Cam Sinclair and Bill Wardell; tied for third, Pat Jeffares and Mrs. Kay Campbell with Mike Lorusso and Duke Wilson.

Firefighters hold election

Firefighters held their annual election Monday evening, and there's no change in the slate for '68.

Fire chief is Mick Holmes, deputy-chief Bern Van Fleet, A company captain Alf Duby, B captain Wayne Kelly, C Captain Doug Mason, secretary Phil McCristall and treasurer Wilf Duval.

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Pre-Christmas sale

With Christmas less than three weeks away, festive foods are beginning to appear on your shopping list. Mr. IGA is aware of your needs, and has a wide selection of candies, nuts, cakes, pickles and relishes and paper goods to help you in planning your meals. Just one more indication that at IGA We Really Care.

AYLMER FANCY TOMATO JUICE 3 48 oz Tins 99¢
IGA FANCY APPLESAUCE 3 14 oz Tins 49¢
STAFFORD'S MINCEMEAT 24 oz Jar 55¢
MAXWELL HOUSE COFFEE 1 lb. Bag 75¢
Q.T.F. TROPICAL FRUIT SALAD 2 14 oz Tins 49¢
Q.T.F. CRUSHED PINEAPPLE 2 14 oz Tins 37¢
REGULAR 12 INCH SARAN WRAP 2 50 ft. Rolls 69¢
EAGLE CONDENSED MILK 14 oz Tin 35¢

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VEGETABLE & SALAD CRISCO OIL 38 oz Btl 99¢
DOMOLCO MOLASSES 26 oz Btl 33¢
McNAIR CHOPPED WALNUTS 2 8 oz Pkgs 89¢
THOMPSON'S SUGARIPE RAISINS SEEDLESS or BLEACHED 12 oz Pkg 33¢
WESTON'S DIGESTIVE BISCUITS 16 oz Pkg 49¢
CHRISTIE'S BITS & BITES 2 7 oz Saver 89¢
CREST — REG or MINT FLAVOUR TOOTHPASTE Giant Saver 57¢
WOMEN'S FOLDING SLIPPERS 2 Pr. $1

DEL MONTE FRUIT DRINKS 3 48 oz Tins 89¢
PURE CANE GRANULATED SUGAR 10 lbs. 79¢
IGA HOMOGENIZED PEANUT BUTTER 49¢
IGA CHOICE UNGRADED PEAS 3 Tins 49¢

"FRESH ONTARIO PORK SALE"
Rib Portion 3 lb. Average LOIN O' PORK lb. 49¢
Tenderloin Portion 3 lb. Average lb. 59¢
FAMILY PAC — 9-11 CHOPS QUARTER PORK LOIN lb. 69¢
CENTRE CUT ROAST OR CHOPS LOIN ROAST O' PORK lb. 79¢
FOR THE PURPOSE BEEF STEAKETTES lb. 49¢
SUNNY MORN ENGLISH SLICED SIDE BACON 1 lb. Vac Pak lb. 65¢
RUPA'S HEADCHEESE 3 lb. Tin $1
DAIRY DEPARTMENT
IGA SOFT MARGARINE 2 1 lb. Pkgs 39¢
PILLSBURY XMAS PACK BISCUITS 2 lb. Pkg 75¢
PRICES EFFECTIVE DEC 6, 7, 8 and 9

IGA Christmas Cake
1 LB. 59¢
2 LBS. 1.15
3½ LBS. 1.99
DUTCH APPLE or RHUBARB IGA PIES 2 24 oz Saver 89¢
DEMPSTER ONION ROLLS Pkg of 8 36¢

GOLDEN RIPE SAVOURY TROPICAL FLAVOUR BANANAS 2 lbs. 25¢
BURSTING WITH JUICE — LARGE SIZE 100's FLORIDA ORANGES Doz. 49¢
LARGE SNOW WHITE HEADS CAULIFLOWER Product of U.S.A. Canada #1 Grade Head 35¢
CALIFORNIA CRISP — CANADA No. 1 GRADE ICEBERG LETTUCE Ea. 25¢
PRODUCE OF U.S.A. 1967 — CRISP & CRUNCHY EMPEROR GRAPES lb. 29¢
FROZEN FOODS
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