



Finale of the Rockwood teen play brings the entire cast on stage. (Photos by Don Hillis)

## Eramosa tax rate increase five mills

ROCKWOOD — Tax rates approximately five mills higher than those of last year were struck by Eramosa Township council. Township rate for residential and farm is 81.5; for commercial and business, 81.1; Rockwood residential and farm 78.1; for commercial and business 87.2. Eden Mills residential and farm, 81.1; commercial and business, 90.2.

Taxes are payable in two instalments, the first by June 30, with penalty of 1 per cent per month thereafter to year-end. Second instalment to fall due on Nov. 30 with similar penalty to the end of the year. A discount of three per cent will be allowed on the second instalment if instalments are both paid on or before June 30.

First and second readings were given to bylaw 16,1968, which,

## W.A., W.M.S. meet at Freeman home

ROCKWOOD — The Rockwood Presbyterian W.M.S. ladies met at the home of Mrs. J. Freeman with Miss E. Pearson presiding. Mrs. Freeman played enjoyable piano music.

The ladies were reminded of the spring rally to be held in Elmira, May 29. The roll call was answered by naming a home mission worker.

Devotions were in charge of Mrs. G. Swanson and Mrs. L. Johnston. A diet was sung by Mrs. Freeman and Mrs. Fisher.

Mrs. J. Denham spoke on Our Responsibilities in Witnessing. Mrs. Battenham conducted the W.A. meeting. Following a short business meeting Mrs. Milne gave an appropriate reading.

When preparing iced tea try using orange juice instead of lemon juice for a pleasant change.



A scene from the hilarious production "Friday Night Instead of the Movies"

## LIMEHOUSE

### Surprise shower, visitors Y.P. meeting in week's news

by Mrs. A. Benton

Miss Helen Mills has visited her mother here after a recent holiday in Antigua, W. Indies. Mr. Sam Iscador of Toronto visited the Roughley's a week ago.

We wish Mr. Joe Ross a good recovery from a cataract eye operation in Guelph a week ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman McDowell of Brandon, Man. are visiting Mrs. Osburn and other friends and relatives in Ontario.

Miss Carol Lawson was hostess for a surprise miscellaneous shower for Miss Lillian Brown, a June bride-to-be on Saturday evening.

We extend sympathy to Mr. Meredith and family and to her brother, Mr. James Noble and family in the sudden passing of Mrs. Charles Meredith last week. She will be missed by many of us.

Mr. John Glynn has recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Peter Glynn in Germany where they are presently stationed.

The Young Peoples group met at the home of Linda Linham on Sunday evening.

## EBENEZER

### Baptism on Family Sunday

By Mrs. R. McLean

Family Sunday was observed at Ebenezer, with a children's choir, and Norman Moore and Dennis Mitchell assisting Rev. Finley. Shirley Moore sang a solo.

The flowers were in loving memory of Horace Blyth's parents and Grandpa Marlowe.

Mr. Finley's remarks dealt with the advantages of a good home environment. The mother bird has to have patience to teach the baby birds to sing in tune.

If we do our best, we don't need to worry about the consequences. We can't accomplish more than our original built-in potential allows.

Leonard Neal and Christine Ross, children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Forrier, and Jennifer Anne and James David, children of Mr. and Mrs. John McLean received the rite of baptism.

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## \$7,500 grant for Rockwood Conservation Area

Further capital development work in the Rockwood Conservation Area is being assisted by a \$7,500 grant from the Department of Energy and Resources Management, Wellington-Dufferin M.P.P. John Root revealed this week.

A second grant for the Grand River Conservation Authority was for the Conestoga Lake area. It was for \$24,500.

## SILVERWOOD

### Institutes bring party to Manor

By Mrs. H. Scott

Silverwood W.L. joined with Limehouse W.L. to bring a birthday party to the residents of Halton Manor.

Fourteen birthdays were celebrated on April 24. The table was decorated with daffodils and the residents received baskets of candy and shared a large birthday cake.

Mrs. Cosar introduced the rhythm band. The members are senior citizens of Acton and district and they entertained the party with many musical numbers.

Tea, sandwiches and cake, brought a pleasant afternoon to a close.

Silverwood W.L. held their May meeting on Thursday evening, May 9, at Mrs. Russell Miller's. This was the meeting of the bread and chelsea bun competition and Mrs. George Henderson won first in both bread and buns. Mrs. McKenna of Woodbridge was judge.

Mrs. Wood of Woodbridge was also a guest.

Mr. A. Borzina of Chipper Court, Georgetown, originally of Latvia, now a Canadian citizen, was guest speaker and spoke on behalf of the Cancer Society, especially lung cancer and cigarettes and air pollution. He answered several questions at the end of his interesting talk.

Plans were completed for the district annual. Tea, coffee and sandwiches were served and a social half hour was enjoyed.

## Major fire

There was only one major fire listed in Wellington County for the three-month period, January, February and March in a report issued by the Attorney General's department for the Ontario Fire Marshall Office. The fire listed occurred March 12 in Eramosa Township and was at the Northern Tackle Co. Loss was estimated at \$75,300.

## Rockwood Teens riotous TV spoof staged in school three nights

Reviewed especially for the Acton Free Press

Written by Peter Leslie and directed by Don Sinclair the play "Friday Night Instead of the Movies" was a great success. The show was performed by the Rockwood Teen Club and was held three nights, May 9, 10 and 11 in the Rockwood Centennial School.

"Friday Night Instead of the Movies" was a satire based on five different types of T.V. shows. The first was a take-off on the ever-popular afternoon soap opera. In a very short but humorous plot Ken Ellis and Kay Powers portrayed two typical young lovers on the verge of marriage.

The second satire was a news cast called "The Chunkley Binkley Report." Jim Gollally as Chat Chunkley, Rob Sinclair as Chat Binkley, Christine Sinclair as Lotta Bink, Randy Downs as Prim Monster Looney Pearson, Steve Leslie as the weatherman and Steve Webster as Mister Dooit all contributed to a zany news report, that may hold more truth than we think.

Our third program was a satirical reproduction of the famous Batman called "Ratman." Steve Leslie as the weatherman and cowardly Ratman while Wayne Anderson made an equally cowardly Robin. Their diabolical enemy Fatwoman was played by June Thomson and their friend, Chief O'Hairy, was Dave Leblanc.

From Ratman we went to the mock-seriousness of the courtroom in "Hairy Mason". For

the first time in his life Hairy Mason played by Martin LaVole loses a case to Hamburger played by Peter Lesbe.

The judge, David Cox presided over the ridiculous scene while Don Sinclair as the "Swearer-in", Rob Sinclair as Dr. W. Schmitzel, Yvonne Noble as the ghost and Ken Ellis as Henry Morninglory all added to the mounting confusion and humour of the scene.

After "Hairy Mason" and perhaps a little out of place, came a T.V. special sponsored by "Big Alvin". Neil Bostward as Big Alvin presented a feature play by the Fuzzybunny Kindergarten Class with June Thomson as Mrs. Fuzzybunny directing her little pupils in this juvenile but riotous production.

Finally came the late show, a typical but very much-modified monster movie. The show was called, "Frankenstein Meets Everybody" and turned out to be a matching of wits between Sherlock Hams (Don Sinclair) and Whatshisname (Jim Gollally) and their enemies, the Famous Seven at the Monster Mash.

With Brian Given as Frankenstein, Cora Gooyers as Ding Dony, Fred Smith as "The Mummy", Val Wright as both Wolfman and a Corpse, Paul Waddell as Dracula, Wayne Anderson as Gorgonzola, David Cox as Dr. Jekell and Lloyd Ratcliff as the Scotland Yard Officer, the scene was turned into a ridiculous riot.

The rest of the show was peppered with not-so-typical T.V. commercials, beautifully handled

by Steve Leslie, Rob Sinclair, Ken Ellis, Christine Sinclair, and Darryl Nicol. The commentator for the major part of the show was Steve Leslie.

Outside of the regular stage was the typical Newfie family watching the programs on stage. They kept things hopping between shows with their fighting and quibbling. Mary Coulson as Lotta, Paul Waddell as Newton, Glen Noble as Jacob and Barb Garner as Bulzebub were in front of the audience most of the time and did an excellent job.

Behind the scenes, Jack Bullamy had a full-time job changing scenes and getting the actors on stage at the right times.

Joan Hills and Linda Langson were responsible for the fantastic make-up and June Thomson came up with the widely varying costumes.

And last but not least were the extra actors who seemed to be running on and off the stage continuously. They were Wilma Lee Anderson, Marianne Coulson, Wendy Locke, Gail Nichol, Pat Dunne, Carol Thompson, Larry Billings, Marilyn Elsdon, Shelley Reid and Nancy Mock.

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By L. G. Denby your telephone manager

On your next visit to Montreal I hope you will find time to visit our new Panorama of Progress in Telecommunications. Please take this column item as my personal invitation to visit this "live" museum which is the story of the telecommunications business from Neanderthal Man to the present and on into the future. This fascinating tour through time opened last month in Bell Canada's headquarters building in downtown Montreal. All the many complexities of our fascinating telephone and telecommunications industry are made interesting through an Expo-like use of sight and sound effects. Early visitors have reported that you feel as though you had walked through 50,000 years of telecommunications history. A favorite of visitors already is the life-size mockup of a 19th century chemist shop, complete with patent medicines and Victorian decor and a tiny, primitive switchboard. Did you know that many of our first central offices were in chemist shops? "Central", the young girl who tended both the shop and the switchboard in the early days works away at the switchboard while today's visitors listen and watch.

In the various sections of the Panorama you will see the early telephone models as well as a demonstration of the laser principle and a wrist watch that might one day give instant communication to anyone anywhere in the world. When you are in Montreal - maybe you are planning a trip to Man and His World this year - do stop in for a visit to our Panorama. I'm planning to do so next time that I'm in that city. It's open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and eloquent hostesses will be on hand to show you through 50,000 years of communications history.

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"An unwavering regularity of irregularity" - that was how Mark Twain described his career. He was a river pilot, a printer, a soldier, a reporter, a miner, a lecturer, an author, a humorist, a publisher, an editor and, - unfortunately - an investor. Twain was always ready to write cheques to finance new and unusual inventions - such as a spiral hat pin, a self-pasting scrapbook, and nearly a hundred other products. But his investment never seemed to turn out right, and finally he decided he had learned his lesson. To the next stock offering him by a young inventor, he said, "absolutely and positively not". The inventor? Alexander Graham Bell.

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Not long ago in Chester, England, phones began ringing constantly for no apparent reason. When they were answered, there was nothing at the other end but ominous silence. Telephone men investigated for months with no luck. Finally the trouble was traced to the city zoo! A graffe named George was contentedly licking wires stretched across his enclosure, and short-circuiting all the phones in the district. The telephone poles had to be raised four feet to put temptation out of George's reach. Result: a lot of happy phone subscribers and one very unhappy graffe.

Clayton Stenby