

OUR READERS WRITE:

BALLINAFAD

Leisurely drive in country reveals lots, new-built homes

by Mrs. R. Shortill

I did what was necessary within the law to counteract it. I wish to express my thanks to the police for the help they have given me in getting to my job.

As you know, no one ever got anything for nothing and if by chance there is some benefit comes from this strike you can be sure there will be some disadvantages, too. I trust that my fellow workers have thought of that. You know when you grab a tiger by the tail you should be prepared for the consequences.

I had a fair idea of what to expect when I took this stand and, of course, I have not been disappointed. In fairness to the staff let me say that except for one girl, no remarks have been made to me by them. The outside pickets, though, have run true to form with their obscene language, insulting remarks and threats. I suppose this is their prerogative but it really isn't hurting me if they wish to show their ignorance in this way.

I was told I should join the union and that I should have gone out with them. The other side of this is I did not tell them they should not join and not go on strike. I respected their opinion so I feel I had a right to expect them to respect mine.

In regards to wages I'm no different than anyone else. I'd like more pay of course but there are other ways to get it than striking and tying up an essential service to the people of the country. There is arbitration and if need be a work to rule system that has proven successful in other disputes of this nature.

As to working conditions I admit there may be room for improvement in some offices but if really isn't so bad here in Acton. We all know before we started working here what the conditions of work were in regards to shifts and changes of jobs. I maintain if you don't like the work you are expected to do, the only thing to do is change your place of employment. We have had many privileges granted us by the Postmaster here that I'm sure we could not have gotten elsewhere.

Many times he has permitted us to change shifts when we needed some time to look after personal affairs. All the staff must admit to this.

I'd like to say I bear the staff no animosity for any inconvenience caused me. They are doing what they think is right. But then so am I. Their union is not going to pay my mortgage or put food on my family's table so my only alternative is to work for it myself, which I intend to do as long as I'm able.

There was a statement made by a member of the union to the reporter of another paper to the effect that why should I be inside getting paid while they are trying to get advantages that will benefit me, too. The answer is I'm getting paid because I'm working and also when the changes come I'll have to absorb them, too, even though I did nothing to cause them.

As I said before there are two sides to the coin. I sincerely wish this situation had never arisen but it is with us so let us hope we make the best of it.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain Respectfully,
Vic Bristow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Garton and three children of Pembroke are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McEnery. The U.C.W. catered to the wedding reception following the marriage of Charles Plouffe and Kay Thompson in Georgetown. About 40 guests sat down to a tasty meal served by the ladies in Ballinafad Church dining area.

A number from here attended the auction at the Acton home of Mr. A. McLean. Many valued old articles changed hands. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swindlehurst and Nancy had a week's camping in the Parry Sound area. Mrs. Ella McEnery is spending some time with her daughter Alma - Mr. and Mrs. Norm Sinclair and family.

Mrs. Clifford Reid had the misfortune to injure herself in an accident at their cottage at Belwood Lake. We trust her injury will not be too painful.

No. 5 (Pocock) Sideroad furnishes an interesting and enlightening, leisurely drive. All across we see 10 acre lots "for sale" and as we journey east

OBITUARY

Mrs. Edith Latto dies at 75

Mrs. Edith Latto of 295 Arthur Street, Acton, passed away in Guelph General Hospital on July 16, at the age of 75, following a 14 day illness.

Mrs. Latto was one of five daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Burgo. She was born on February 22, 1893 in Saoimo, Manitoba, and was married there on June 10, 1914 to Rev. T. T. Latto B.A. in the Pentecostal Church.

The Lattoes have been in Acton for the past five years. They had lived previously in Barrie, Westmeath, and Long Sault.

Mrs. Latto was herself a Deaconess in the Pentecostal Church.

She is survived by her husband and her children Hugh T. Latto, Weston; Viola (Mrs. Eldon Collins) Weston; Edna (Mrs. G. Ballinger) Port Perry; and Rhoda (Mrs. Verdan Delgatty) Kennewick, Washington.

Funeral services were held on July 20 in the Acton Pentecostal Church. Rev. S. M. Thomas conducted the ceremony.

Pallbearers were Peter Binley, Jim Bailey, George Stewart, Percy Barker, Bill Kobelka, and Ross Norton. Flower bearers were Garry Foster and Archie Binley.

Interment was in Rockwood Cemetery.

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A RECENT PICTURE of the chancel of Ballinafad church taken at the last anniversary service shows the pastor, the Rev. K. Johnson and the Rev. Robert Scriven at the altar.

along the former Alex Thompson farm, Ninth Line, several houses are already built and being lived in.

Then on down the Ninth Line many changes have taken place. Road ways wind in through the trees and three or four more houses are in the process of construction. As we reach the Ninth Line and Town Line corner we notice more improvement to Providence Cemetery, also, an indication of the W.L.'s continued interest in their project.

BALLINAFAD CHURCH

Our church here at Ballinafad has a very interesting history which has been recorded in a previous issue by Miss B. Hilt. Its first construction and subsequent improvements and additions have made it a fitting setting for our worship services, as well as all the meetings of the different societies associated with the church.

The Rev. Kelvin Johnson is our pastor and serves us as well as St. Andrews congregation in Georgetown.

Mrs. Ernie McEnery is organist with Mrs. F. J. Shortill and Kathryn Sinclair assisting. Both a senior and a junior choir furnish the necessary music.

A full committee of elders and stewards, see to the smooth operation of each department. Many pioneer families are members and adherents and we do our best to encourage new residents to join us in our worship and our social activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Wright and family also Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Shortill and girls attended the Orkman reunion on Sunday. It was held at Belmar which is near Wingham. Both Mrs. Shortill and Mrs. Wright were closely connected with the Orkman's, their mother having been an Orkman.

Mrs. W. Wright and her two granddaughters are visiting her daughter in Montreal.

Former resident G. H. Hall dies

A former Acton resident, George Henry Hall of Wingham, died after a short illness on July 18 in Wingham and District Hospital. He was in his seventy-ninth year.

Mr. Hall was born in Tillamook, Ontario in 1880. He was a resident of Acton for a number of years and has two sons buried in the family plot in Fairview Cemetery. He lived in Wingham for 31 years.

He is survived by his wife, Astella, his children Betty (Mrs.

Alex MacDonald) Wingham, Helen (Mrs. Russell Scott) Forest, Lorne (Mrs. Archie Stearnol) Howick Township, and Willis, Wingham and a sister Mrs. Elizabeth Scott.

He was predeceased by two sons, John and Melvin, his brothers William, James and Ernest and his sisters Matilda and Emma.

Funeral services on July 20 in St. Paul's Anglican Church in Wingham.

Interment was in the family plot, Fairview Cemetery, Acton.

NASSAGAWEYA CREST

CHOOSES TO WORK

R.R. 2, Rockwood, Ontario.

July 30, 1968, Acton, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Once again I think the Council of Nassagaweya, has erred, this time in the accepting of a Township crest.

With all due respect to artist, Mrs. Elizabeth Hoey, I think designs should have been invited from residents in Nassagaweya. After all, again due respect to Mrs. Hoey, there are other people in the Township of proclaimed artistic ability. With the accent on youth today, our students at Campbellville, Acton, Brookville or Milton District High Schools, might have submitted some interesting designs.

As for the crest itself, I wonder why it shows a sheep but ignores Nassagaweya's most publicized activity and largest taxpayer - The Mohawk Raceway.

W. A. Johnson,

29 July /68

LIKED "INSIGHT ACTON"

Dear Dave:

Just a line to say how very much we enjoyed last week's edition with its section "Insight Acton." This was a very interesting and most commendable effort on the part of you and your staff.

We found it not only interesting but highly informative and we sincerely hope that the "Free Press" will be able to handle other phases of this town in like manner as it continues to grow and expand.

Thanks very much for a most enjoyable treat.

Sincerely yours,

Robert S. Hart.

LIMEHOUSE

Birth, marriage, death all in week's report

by Mrs. A. Benton

Mrs. Newton Ruddell was a guest at the wedding of her niece, Miss Wilma Harris to Mr. Oliver McEnroe in Holy Name R.C. Church, Toronto and the reception at Fantasy Farm on July 20.

We extend sympathy to Mr. Charles Meredith in the death of his elder brother, Mr. Howard Meredith at Brampton a couple of weeks ago.

Mrs. N. Ruddell and children visited Miss Margot Ruddell at Len-Dave Lodge, Bala, a few days recently.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clow on the safe arrival of their fifth little daughter recently.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Patterson of Bryson City, North Carolina are visiting the A. C. Patterson's and other relatives in this area.

Mr. C. Meredith and the Karn's spent holidays on Manitoulin Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Scholz of Toronto and her grandmother, Mrs. Wismer of Washington, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. Scholz recently.

Two lost wallets not recovered yet

A woman's purse, found along Highway No. 7 last week by Mrs. Stan Matthews, was taken to the police office. The owner called the police here and recovered her property.

This week, two missing wallets were reported to police. One was lost by a woman, the other by a young girl. Both contained over \$20.

Upgrade h.s. marks at summer school

Four Acton high school students are attending classes in Central Peel secondary school, Brampton, during the summer, to upgrade subjects or get one or two they missed here.

They write final exams Aug. 8 and 9.

One of the Acton teachers, Ted Curtis, is teaching at the summer school.

Diane Greer graduate nurse

Miss Diane E. Greer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Greer, 835 Cedar Ave., Burlington, and granddaughter of Mrs. Frank Day, Rockwood, was graduated recently from The Atkinson School of Nursing, Toronto Western Hospital.

Graduation exercises were held in Convocation Hall, University of Toronto.

Diane is a graduate of Alder- shot High School. She will continue her nursing career in Toronto.

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