

BALLINAFAD

# Lightning just misses couple seated on couch

By Mrs. R. Shortill Sr.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lons and daughter Eileen of Portuguese Cove, Nova Scotia have been visiting here at Ballinafad the past week. Mr. Lons is a brother of Mrs. Reg. French and they have spent a happy time with Catharine and Reg. and their family also other relatives at Drumquinn. Their party included a nephew, Mr. Allan Lons and

friend also Mr. Bessy Piercell, Mrs. Lons's brother.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith had what might have been a tragic accident last week when lightning struck a tree at their house and came in through the wall behind the couch where Mr. Smith was sitting. Very fortunately they were not hurt. A happy reunion took place in

Mrs. R. Shortill spent part of last week visiting her daughter Miss Lillian Shortill in Mimico.  
Ballinafad Community Centre on Aug. 11. Members of the Hurron family met there to visit their uncle, Mr. Frank Hurron and Mrs. Hurron and daughter who returned from the west.  
Senior folks from near and far had a very pleasant picnic at Gormac Lake on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald plan this happy get together as an annual event and everyone who attends renews pleasant acquaintances and old times around Ballinafad.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods and family have moved to their home in Georgetown. Mr. and Mrs. La Rose have rented their farm place here temporarily and are living there. New people have bought La Rose's house. Master David Pearson of Gara has been visiting his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McEnery for the past week.



**TWO-CAR CRASH** on 25 Highway Sunday afternoon by the Yangmere mushroom farm caused one man to go to hospital with cuts and bruises: Adelbert J. Albert of R.R. 3, Georgetown, driver of the car which hit the tree head on was taken to hospital. Joseph A. Weadge of R.R. 3, Milton, drove the other vehicle. (Staff Photo)



# River diversion in Glen runs into difficulties

by chance, but while doing daily work. There is a saying attributed to Jesus, "Raise the stone and thou shalt find Me, Cleave the wood and there am I." Stone masons and carpenters can find the Kingdom of God in their work. The Kingdom of God is doing the will of God. Doing the will of God is not a dull and drab thing, but, like the pearl, is the loveliest thing in the world.

Esquejeing Council appointed Deputy Reeve Tom Hill to meet with representatives of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority and owners of properties involved in the Glen Williams river diversion project.

C.U.C.A. flood control chairman R.R. Parker of Acton, appeared at council's request and asked the township's help in securing easements from three of the four land owners along the river. The four properties involved in the modified correction job to alleviate spring flooding each had a different and difficult problem.

"The Authority has no authority to go onto peoples' property to do corrective jobs unless the people allow them to," Mr. Parker explained.

Mr. Parker explained the project was all part of one scheme with two phases and must be done at the same time. He said the Authority had the money and was anxious to get going on the project as soon as permission was granted.

Appointment of Mr. Hill by council it was hoped, would speed up negotiations with the three reluctant land owners.

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EBENEZER

# Community mourns late George Thomas

By Mrs. Ron McLean  
Ebenezer lost a faithful friend in the passing of George Thomas, after a lingering illness. He had held office as steward and elder, and was Clerk of Session, a few years ago. For 20 years, he used his gift of music in the choir. He had been employed by Nassagaweya Township and will be much missed by a host of friends.  
Sincere sympathy is extended to his wife the former Lillian Spence, and to the other members of his family.  
Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nellis, (formerly Joan O'Gorman) who were married in Acton on July 20. They are living in Guelph.  
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Boles, (the former Sandra Blyth) of Burlington, on the birth of a son, Bradley David, on July 28.  
A farewell party and presentation for Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyd and family, who have made their home at R.R. 2, Rockwood for the past 13 years, was held at Brookville Hall.  
Cards were played, the winners being Mrs. Charles Thomson, Mrs. Walter Freeman, Mrs. Baerman, Mary Thomson, Charles Thomson and Rae Blyth. Cal McIntyre was chairman, Mrs. Mervin Thomson read the address and the presentations were made by Mrs. Ed Wilson and Mrs. Gordon Thomson. Harry and Arlene's friends wish them success and happiness in their new home near Shelburne. Tyler Boyd is spending a few days with the Ed Wilson's until the end of the Pee Wee baseball season.  
Among those on holidays were Mrs. Don Early, Sandra and Laurie, who enjoyed a week at Port Elgin, Murray Pitt and Doug McLean, who took a trip in Northern Ontario, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron McLean who spent a few days in New York and Pennsylvania.

of great price. Pearls had a very special place in the ancient world. Their chief source was the shore of the Red Sea and far-off Britain. In the time of Jesus, very few people took their money to a bank. A rabbi had a saying, "There is only one safe place for your money — the earth." In Sidon, several pots of gold coins were dug up, along a row of acacia trees. They dated from the time of Alexander the Great and his son Philip. An army official, hearing a rumor of Alexander's death, had buried them in a garden, hoping to return and retrieve them. Centuries later, they were dug up and confiscated by the government.  
The treasure was found, not

OBITUARY

# Robert George Thomas

Robert George Thomas passed away Friday morning August 2 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, following a lengthy illness. Mr. Thomas was born in Toronto and spent his early life in Burlington moving to the farm at Mt. Nemo in 1922. In 1936 he married Lillian Spence and moved to Brookville, Nassagaweya, where he lived till his death.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Thomas of Mt. Nemo. He is survived by three brothers, Bill of Waterdown, Don of Toronto, Stanley (Pete) of Milton and two sisters Mrs. Harry Billfold of Jerseyville, Mrs. J. A. Patterson of Port Perry and three sisters, Miss Grace Thomas, Mrs. Elmer Foster, Mrs. Garnet Sheppard. One brother, Orville, predeceased him.

He was an active member of Ebenezer United Church, Nassagaweya, serving as Clerk of Session, Steward, Church treasurer for 14 years, Elder as well as Choir for 20 years.

He was an employee of Nassagaweya township for 20 years. The funeral service was held Monday, August 5 at 1:30 p.m. at McKerral Funeral Home, Milton. Rev. Russell Finley of Ebenezer United Church officiated. The pallbearers were Maurice Powell, Dick Hinton, Stan Wilson, John Henry, Bill Wilson and Jack Anderson. Interment was in Ebenezer Cemetery.

ONTARIO RESEARCH

With the opening of two additional research facilities in 1967, some 1,600 scientists, engineers and supporting personnel are now employed at Sheridan Park Research Community, 17 miles west of Toronto. Since its inception four years ago, nine companies and organizations have established research centres in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Diamond had a week's holiday at Southampton.  
Rev. and Mrs. Russell Finley returned looking bronzed and fit from a trip to Calgary to visit relatives.  
Mr. Finley's sermon was based on Jesus' parable of the pearl

# Man injured cars collide

Two cars collided on Highway 25 just north of 10 Sideroad Sunday afternoon, causing \$675 damage and injuring one man.  
The cars were driven by Joseph A. Weadge of R.R. 3, Milton and Adelbert J. Albert of R.R. 3, Georgetown. Mr. Albert suffered cuts and bruises to the face and head in the crash. He was treated at Milton Hospital and later released.  
A mailbox pole, hydro cable and farm fence were also damaged in the accident.

# P.M. to open Fergus games

Hon. John P. Roberts, Prime Minister of Ontario, will officially open the Fergus Highland Games sponsored by the Fergus Chamber of Commerce August 17 at Victoria Park in Fergus. The games begin at 9 a.m. and the opening is scheduled for 1:15 p.m.  
The feature of the 23rd annual games will be the Eastern Canadian Pipe Band Championship. There will be two massed band parades; highland dancing and piping competitions; tug-of-war; saber tossing and other attractions.

# Vacation school at United church

The two-week-long sessions of Vacation Bible School began at the United Church this Monday. About 75 boys and girls registered for the sessions, with volunteer leaders.  
The program runs from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. each day for two weeks.

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