

## Christmas shopping began early this year at Georgetown Arts and Crafts annual show



THREE SISTERS man the lapidary and leather booth at the height of the rush Saturday at the Georgetown Arts and Crafts show. Club president, Mrs. H. Bessem, farthest right, had sisterly support for the busy day from Mrs. G. Dolmer and Mrs. W. Charlesworth, Guelph. A fourth sister, Mrs. Bert Gilmore of Galt, was expected later. (Staff Photo)

Keeping her cool and her charm in the midst of swirling crowds, talented Mrs. Ethel Bessem directed Georgetown Arts and Crafts annual exhibition and sale last Saturday. Even the roomy Riviera at Norval wasn't roomy enough for the crowds that thronged in from the opening hour at 10:30 right through the afternoon.

Mrs. Bessem had family support for the day. Her husband, three sisters and a niece all lent a hand.

Mrs. Bessem, who moved recently from Glenora in Acton to a snug home on highway 7 near the motel, specializes in leathercraft, stone work (lapidary) and knitting.

Another Actonian with a much admired booth of handmade articles was Mrs. W. J. Beatty. Her specialties are knitted toys and silver work.

Another busy convener from this area was Mrs. G. Ironside of Silverwood.

Other club members with work for sale were Nancy Mitchell with enamelling on copper, Eva Woodcroft with ceramic gifts, Dorothy Brandford with leather jewellery, Helen Agg, L. and V. Molesworth with pottery, and Daphne Lingwood with leathercrafts.

The weaving table was a group effort.

The guest artists, attracting much attention, were Heger Fulcher with clay sculpture, Mrs. Joan MacLeod with candle making, David McAleese with cabochon cutting, Miss Alice McNair and Mrs. Sylvia McCulloch with egg shell decoration.

The local group also had smaller displays of batik, silver, paintings and bubble glass. A highlight was the central table filled with the group's feather flower arrangements.

One of the members, Minda Corbett, had set up her loom to exhibit weaving.

Hot brunch was served in the morning, and afternoon tea later.

Executive members backing up Mrs. Bessem as president are first vice-president Beatrice Clark; corresponding secretary Bernice Fogal; recording secretary Evelyn Charles; treasurer Dorothy Brandford; craft convener Nellie Beatty; social convener Sally Hahn and program convener Charlotte Ironside.

Many from Acton and district attended.



FEATHER FLOWER CREATIONS are admired by Mrs. D. Charles, R.R. 2 Georgetown, and Mrs. G. Ironside, R.R. 1 Georgetown, at the Arts and Crafts show. (Staff Photo)



SMILING MRS. W. J. BEATTY watches as customers are charmed by her handmade stuffed toys. A long-time member of Georgetown Arts and Crafts, Mrs. Beatty of Acton also specializes in silver jewellery. The annual show was held at the Riviera, Norval, Saturday. (Staff Photo)

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### OSPRINGE

## Local families entertain visitors several meetings in news of district

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson

Mr. J. Sauve, of the Kitchener office of Canada Pensions was guest speaker at the local Presbyterian Church on Wed. He explained in detail the merits of the plan and answered questions.

The ladies served refreshments at the conclusion of a very informative evening.

Mr. Gordon Aitken returned home on Monday, following a week's holiday in the West, spent with friends, duck hunting.

Mrs. E. Fisher attended the funeral of her cousin James Price, who was killed while crossing the highway on the outskirts of Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm H. Russell of

### LIMEHOUSE

#### Accidental death

By Mrs. A. Benton

We extend sympathy to Mr. Howard Price and Mrs. Bevan and other relatives in the very sad passing by accident of Mr. James Price.

Also to the DeForest family in the death of their father in hospital, Mr. Albert DeForest.

We regret Mr. J. Roughley has had a return to hospital, but hope that he makes a return to health soon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patterson have returned from a motor trip to the Carolinas where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Patterson.

Services were withdrawn last Sunday on account of Knox, Georgetown anniversary, but will be held at 3.30 p.m. on further Sundays with Sunday School at 1.30 p.m.

Detroit, Michigan visited with Mrs. Thos. Finnes and Doris over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baptie, Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Meadows, Rockwood; Mrs. Ida Woods, Erin were recent visitors with Mrs. M. Jackson.

Mrs. Fred Stadt returned to her home, in Smithers, B.C. after spending the past five weeks, with her mother Mrs. K. Klooster and her father, who is ill in the Guelph Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hutchison and two sons of Kemptonville; Mr. and Mrs. Sherlock Aitken of New Hamburg visited during the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aitken.

Mr. Henry Pankratz and two daughters flew to Winnipeg to attend the wedding of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Bruce of Toronto and Barry Bruce of London spent the holiday weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce.

Thanksgiving visitors at the home of D. G. and Mrs. Robertson included Douglas and Mrs. Robertson and family, Guelph; Kenneth and Mrs. Robertson and daughters, Oakville; Brian Robertson, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. George Young and Marilyn Acton; Mrs. C. Heimler, Miss M. McIver, Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. Reg Carter, Stratford.

At the first meeting of the Ospringe 4-H Club held at the home of Mrs. R. Ellis, 10 girls were present.

The election of officers was held. President Brenda Bruce, Vice president Patti Ellis, secretary-treasurer Donna Milton, press reporters Judy Ellis, Debbie Stewart and Jane Vander Sluis were elected.

The history of embroidery,

colors and color schemes, and the contents of an embroidery work box were discussed. Mrs. D. Milton demonstrated the blanket stitch.

Cookies and juice were served by the hostess.

Brenda Bruce presided for the second meeting of the 4-H Club held at the home of the leader Mrs. R. Ellis. The roll call was answered with "The Learning Stitches Article I have chosen to make and Why." The members voted to have orange folders with black lettering.

Patti Ellis moved a motion seconded by Debbie Stewart that the girls take turns in supplying the cookies and the juice be paid for from club funds.

The club will have an exhibit at Erin Fair. Mrs. D. Milton and Mrs. R. Ellis demonstrated, how to thread a needle, the proper way, and to cut out a Learning Stitches article; and how to pull a thread from a skein. The "Blanket Stitch" was demonstrated a second time.

Refreshments were served at the end of the meeting.

The third meeting of the 4-H Club was held at the home of Mrs. D. Milton.

Meeting opened by repeating the 4-H pledge followed by the roll call. "Places the Blanket or Buttonhole stitch could be used."

Donna Milton read the minutes of the last meeting and also a letter addressed to the press reporters, giving information as to reporting club news and keeping it fresh and up-to-date.

The Home Economist, Mrs. Flewelling is expected to attend the next meeting when it is hoped Greenock and Comingsby Clubs will be guests.

Three variations of the "Feather Stitch" were demonstrated by Mrs. Milton.

The usual juice and cookies were served by Donna Milton.

Mrs. David Stewart was hostess for the regular meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship of the Everton Christian Church.

Mrs. J. McDougall presided and Miss Marilyn Kingsbury read the minutes and correspondence, which included an invitation to a Tea and Bazaar on Nov. 9 at Rockwood Presbyterian Church. Mrs. H. Hortop read the financial statement.

Roll Call was answered with "My favorite apple" with a penny for every letter in the name of it.



CABOCHON CUTTING was demonstrated Saturday at Georgetown Arts and Crafts show by David McAleese, Toronto. Knowledgeable watcher Herman Bessem, R.R. 1, Georgetown and his wife also collect, tumble, polish and set stones. (Staff Photo)

## Increased to 70 m.p.h.

Maximum speed limits for passenger cars and motorcycles will be increased next month from 60 to 70 miles per hour on highways 400 and 401 only, announced Hon. Irwin Haskett, Ontario's Minister of Transport. The only exception will be for commercial vehicles other than buses, for which the limit will remain at 60 mph.

The new limits will come into effect on November 15 when replacement of speed limit signs on highway 400 and 401 will be completed. The delayed effective date will allow time to make the required change in signing on 560 miles of limited access highway.

Mr. Haskett said the move was carefully considered for sometime by officials of his Department after detailed study of accident experience and traffic surveys.

Mr. Haskett said that studies show that the accident rate is actually lower on four-lane divided highways. The accident rate for the whole province, on all types of roads, was 5.8 per million miles of vehicle travel. The experience on four-lane divided highways is 1.6 accidents per million miles of vehicle travel.

Mr. Haskett stressed that this is not an initial move in a general raising of traffic speed limits.

The Minister warned that maximum speeds are the maximum for driving in good weather, road and traffic conditions and advised drivers to slow down when conditions were unfavourable.

The present speed limits will remain in effect until November 15.



ACTON HOSTED District No. 5 of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies for the first time here Tuesday when 174 attended the annual meeting in Knox church. Nino Braida was named a district director. Above, Chief Elliot Moses of the Six Nations reserve at Brantford was guest speaker. There were 24 farmers represented. (Staff Photo)