

News of the district

Director at \$30,000

Wellington county board of education trustees are coming down to the wire in getting a cadre of administrative officials. The board has tentatively chosen a business administrator. Trustees will continue interviewing applicants for seven positions of superintendents and assistant superintendents and hope to make a final selection possibly by the next meeting.

The board voted to pay its director of education, David Wilson, \$30,000 for his services during the coming year. Mr. Wilson was hired at the first meeting of the board in December, and was previously Guelph's director of education.

The board decided to defer a request from the Harrison home and school association to introduce oval French into the town's public school until it names its superintendents.

Board secretary Richard Brimmell reported that there had been "significant progress" made in transferring staff payrolls to computer operation.

Mystery bird?

GEORGETOWN—The unidentified large bird which Georgetown district farmer Ed Osborne blames for the loss of some small pets from his farm has been sighted on the town's northern limits, according to an Ann Street resident.

Mrs. Seifried sighted a bird in a neighborhood tree which fitted the description.

"I've never seen a bird so big," she said. "At first I thought it was an owl, but it was too big. Its head was the size of a small dog."

Mrs. Seifried said while she watched the bird it moved from one tree to another, and she brought her cat into the house.

Money maker

MILTON—Elderly residents should be wary of strangers asking to check their money for counterfeit bills, Milton Police urged.

Chief Ray Andress reported a new style of an old swindle turned up in a neighboring city recently. A man identifying himself as a police detective went to a pensioner's home and asked to check the pensioner's cash for counterfeit bills. To clinch his identification, an accomplice claiming to be the man's detective sergeant called the home and asked to speak to the visiting police officer.

With such seemingly positive identification, the elderly man handed over a pile of bills the "police officer" said were phony. Naturally the officer and the bills were never seen again.

Chief Andress points out police officers do not collect money from elderly people. Neither do "bank inspectors"—a frequently-tried dodge in this district for several years.

Hydrants show again

MILTON—Snowed-in fire hydrants are no longer a part of the Milton scene. The 2nd Milton Venturer troop heard of Milton fire department's concern over the accessibility of fire plugs and went to work clearing the way to about 125 of them. In Acton, too, the fire chief made an appeal for citizens to shovel the snow around the nearest hydrant.

Old landmark

GUELPH—The old mill that became the home of the Guelph Casket Co. for many years is being torn down to increase the parking facilities for an adjacent property. The firm has moved to a new location on York Rd. and demolition of the old building followed.

Knitting mill moves

GEORGETOWN—Beaumont Knitting Co. is moving part of its operation to the old Smith and Stone plant, known as the Bakelite division, in Georgetown.

All yarn-making operations will now be done in this plant, leaving the knitting, finishing and warehousing in the Glen Williams plant, explained co-owner Sam Penrice. The other principal is Gord Graham.

Crews are now ready to begin installing the machinery and the new plant should be in operation by March. The 15,000 square foot plant stands right beside the railway tracks, east of the station.

The building was built in 1946 by Victor Diggins to house his business, Federal Engineering.

On the same site some years before there was also a woollen mill, which burned down.

Bye bye Brant Inn

BURLINGTON—One of the town's better known landmarks, The Brant Inn, was closed on New Year's Day and soon the wreckers will move in to tear it down. In its place the new owners plan a 44 storey, \$9,000,000 apartment, hotel, motel and convention centre jutting out into Lake Ontario.

For 40 years the Brant Inn has been a famous entertainment spot. Liberace, Glenn Miller and many other name stars have appeared there. During the second war, radio programs originated at the Brant's Saturday night dances which were beamed to servicemen overseas.

The owners expect most of the Inn's contents will be sold before the existing building is scrapped. They say the operation has been losing money for several years.

New child study project

GUELPH—A study in the prevention of possible maladjustments in children in Wellington county is to be undertaken by the Centre for Educational Disabilities at the University of Guelph.

Dr. Dale, district M.O.H. for Guelph, Wellington and Dufferin, has received a National Health grant of \$65,000 per annum, through the Research and Planning Branch of the Ontario Department of Health, to finance the study.

The study will involve interviews with parents of children starting school this year with a view of getting a profile of the child from its earliest days. Interviews will be conducted in association with public health nurses. Mothers and teachers will be consulted about the progress of a child when in school.

The object of the study is to benefit children so that they will have a healthy outlook when they are in school. This is the only child study program of its kind ever undertaken in Canada and it is hoped that the study will prove beneficial to all children in Canada.



THE RHAMOSA RIVER tumbles over icy crags and forms vertical icicle patterns before reaching the dark water below Hortop's Mill, Rockwood. Owner Jim Milne says the mill, run by water power alone, is operating at full power, unhindered by zero weather.—(Staff Photo)



ELLEN FAULKNER 13, AND HER SISTER RUTH 12, were the top two prize winners in the Hydro O.E.A. Erin Township Public Speaking Contest. Ellen, a grade 8 student, took first prize with a speech entitled "Martin Luther King and the Negro Race." Ruth who is in grade six, won second prize with her speech on Television. Both are students in Ospringe public school, making it the third year in a row that Ospringe speakers have brought home trophies. The girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Faulkner, R. R. 3, Acton.—(Staff Photo)

BALLINAFAD

Dance, U.C.W. meeting course in area's news



By Mrs. R. Shortill

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Marshall and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Miller at Toronto on Sunday last.

The U.C.W. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Archie Law on Tuesday evening. It was a general meeting and the roll call was answered by paying dues.

Mrs. Ernie McEnery had the devotional. For the topic of the evening Mrs. Kelvin Johnson showed slides of their vacation journey to England which were much enjoyed.

Mrs. Cameron McEnery is in Georgetown hospital for treatment.

There was a good turnout at the dance on Friday night in the community centre.

Mrs. John Hancock, R.N. has been taking a Public Health Nursing course at Toronto University this year. She commuted each day.

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OBITUARY

Retired farmer C. Griese buried Jan. 24 at Beachburg

Charles William Griese of R. 2, Acton, passed away in Guelph General Hospital on Tuesday, January 21. Mr. and Mrs. Griese farmed at Beachburg until retirement, and after a few years at Pembroke they moved to Acton, where they had two sons. They built their comfortable home in the country and lived there the past 14 years.

In recent years, Mr. Griese had been the popular caretaker of the Y.M.C.A., becoming well-known to many in town. He was a keen gardener. He was a member of the United Church.

The funeral service was held at Beachburg at the W. R. Reynolds funeral home on Friday, January 24. Rev. R. A. Speer conducted the service, and interment was in Beachburg Union cemetery.

Palbearers were three nephews, Jack Johnson, Ogal Martin and Mac Martin and three friends, Lowell McClelland, Earl Brown and Robert Kenney.

Mr. Griese had been in failing health since November. He was born in 1889 in Cobden, Ontario, son of John Griese and the former Wilhelmina Witzel. He and Mary Ann Martin were married in 1911, and she survives him. He is also survived by four sons, John Fraser, Pembroke; Edgar at home; Donald,

formerly of Acton and now of Oakville and Cranston; Acton; three sisters, Mrs. Alvin Johnson, Beachburg; Miss Gertrude Griese, Toronto and Mrs. William Miller, Toronto; two brothers, Arthur, Beachburg and John, Carrot River, Saskatchewan, and three grandchildren, Cathy, Charles and John Griese.

Our days are all the same size, like identical suitcases. But some people can pack more into them than others.

Regional dissenters

BURLINGTON—By a slight majority, voters in Burlington expressed dissent with a regional form of government. To the question "Are you in favour of Burlington becoming part of a regional government?" 485 answered "no" and 455 said "yes".

The poll was conducted last month as a test for IBM Votomatic machinery, on shoppers at Burlington Mall. The town council is considering a purchase of the automatic voting machinery for use in municipal elections.

Other questions asked during the survey indicated the voters favor a new main library, improved bus service and an extension of the GO Transit service. Voters liked sidewalk snow clearing by the town crews and twice weekly garbage collection if the service meant increased taxes.

OSPRINGE

Church annual meeting, euchre, university graduate in report

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Young, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baple, Guelph; Mrs. Etta Barden, Eden Mills, were recent visitors with Mrs. M. Jackson.

Mrs. George Grundy, and Nancy, who was home from Guelph for the weekend, and Russell and baby visited on Sunday with the formers' daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bilton and family, Rockwood.

Congratulations to Gail Fuller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Fuller, who received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Wellington College at the convocation exercises on Friday morning in French and Spanish. Gail is to be a supply teacher at Erin District High School till April and in September hopes to attend O.C.E. in Toronto.

The first euchre of the new year, sponsored by the Women's Institute, was held Friday night at the school, with ten tables in play.

Prizes were awarded for high score to Mrs. S. Matthews, Mrs. H. Nodwell, Dan Winter and Howard Switzer.

Lunch was served at the conclusion of a pleasant evening.

The annual meeting of the local Presbyterian Church was held Thursday evening with a fair attendance.

The various officers presented their reports and noted all commitments met; Rev. Herbison was present and gave his report with comments.

Hopes were expressed for the new year ahead, in regard to the place of the church in the community.

Refreshments were served by the ladies and a social hour enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce had their son Garnet and Mrs. Bruce of Toronto, home on Sunday.

Mrs. Ross Ferguson was a patient for a few days at Guelph hospital where she underwent minor surgery.

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BUTTER 68¢	FRENCH FRIES 39¢
SALMON 49¢	TOILET TISSUE 2:49¢
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