

By Wendy Thomson

Things are starting to grow again, and every day I can hardly wait to get the housework (just the bare necessities, of course) done, to get outside and start wandering around, picking pussy-willows, seeing what state the creek is in, and what size the fish in it (reported by Beth to be 12 - 14 inches long) actually were, how many babies the ground-hogs have out romping in their back yard, and so on.

This year, something was missing, though, and I couldn't quite place what it was until the over the edge another. There just young gander chased me up the wasn't room for his feet and he drive. The past few years, our couldn't balance, right, so he old Papa goose had accompanied started throwing the straw back me on the rounds. Since his on top of the regt, multiring poese were all nesting, he had away the whole time. "Stupid nothing terribly important to ducks. Don't know how to build do, so he walked alongside me, a decent nest. Stupid place to mumbling away about the poor build it and they did it all state of the soil, how stoney the wrong. Eggs probably, are no drive was, and just look at all good. Stupid place to put those disgusting groundhogs there." Mutter, mutter, and running around HIS field. If we more straw throwing. "Didn't came to one of their holes, he'd want to ut on them anyway.". stick his head in, screech, then And away he went, stomping walk on with a self-tatisfied air. out of the barn. On the days I didn't come out, he'd chase the cats and bite the little batty, sitting talking to a dog, and mess around with goose now and then, you just whatever was outside. One day, find vounelf a "people-goose" he inspected the car that Gord like this one, sit down and wait was working on, then ate a few for him to start the maskets and started drinking the conversation. When he's sitting

anti-freeze or crank-case oil, or beside you, one blue eye some such guck. watching, making all sorts of Much as I hated to let him go. friendly goose-type noises, if we decided last fall that it was you don't answer he'll soon tell time Papa-goose started another you that you are rude, gooseherd, wrapped him and unfriendly, and maybe even a two females in feed tacks and little off your rocker as well, sent him to a small farm in Eden before he stalks away. Mills. I didn't know how the move would affect him, but the tonight and we usually sit up till first day there he walked up to all hours and talk. He and Gord the back step where his new go through countless cups of tea owner was sitting, eyed him for and all kinds of cookies before a few minutes, switching his they're done, and I'll have to get head back and forth as if to let baking this afternoon to get all his right eye confirm what his stocked up. This is one cookie lest eye had seen, then climbed that goes over well. up in Sid's lap and settled down,

hibbling all around his shirt collar. From then on it was man and his gander-Sid was followed for 5 minutes, then cool. Cream everywhere. cup thortening, I cup white wear, I cup brown sugar, add 3 eggs, and beat well. Add 1 tsp vanilla, the One day he started off to work, and was a small way along raisins, and I cup chopped nuts. Sift the 18 side road when he 4 cups flour 115 tip cinnamon, 15 tip nutmer. 15 tip alliptice. I ten baking powder, 1 tip talt. Add to first happened to look in his rear-view mirror and saw musture, blend well. Drop by spoon Papa-goose flying down the on cookle theet. Bake 12 to 15 middle of the road after him, minutes at 400 degrees. flapping as hard as he could. Since he couldn't rise more than

foot every six feet or so, like taking giant steps down the Now every time Sid wants to no out he has to take elaborate precautions, like going in the back door, racing through the house (which, in his house, is a complicated business to start with), out the front door into his car the probably has it turned around, with the motor running), down a long drive, and

out of sight before the gander

a few feet off the ground, he was

giving himself a boost with a

catches on. The other day, Papa-goose took a good look at his two geese sitting on their eggs in the barn and decided that, unce he hadn't anything else to do at the time, he might as well sit on an est or so, too. I guess he figured there must be something to it-more than met the eye-unce his greese did it for so long He found himself a duck's nest. tenderly cleared away the straw from the eggs, and settled down-or tried to. No matter which way he turned, the nest just wouldn't fit. His tail got caught up one way, and hung

Sid is coming for dinner

RAISIN COOKIES

Boil 2 cups raisins in 1 cup water

Personals

Friends are sorry to hear Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bauer of

Mr. and Mrs. Roy C.

Anderson, Kenneth and Audrey

of Toronto spent Sunday with

Mrs. Mary McAuley. Audrey.

Mrs. McAuley's granddaughter,

is practice teaching here for a

week at the M. Z. Bennett

Sat. Matines

-Kitchener visited last week with

H. Jordan Sr. is a patient in

Guelph General Hospital.

Mrs. Jacob Bauer.

health soon.

A fine attendance of members of Dublin Women's Institute mthered at the home of Mrs. Edward Wilson, Nassagaweya, on Thursday evening for their monthly meeting. It was the last meeting of the Institute year, and included the election of officers for 1969-70.

A pot-luck supper with a large .. variety of food was enjoyed by

the ladies. Mrs. M. Nellis, president, presided for the meeting and conducted the opening exercises. Roll call by Mrs. D. Moffat, necretary, was responded to by the payment of fees, and offer of homes. Two new members were added to the list.

Splendid reports of the recent

Acton were given by Mrs. E. Norton, and by Mrs. W. Britton of the Booth Committee, in their work at the Rockwood International Sales Rooms. It had been a busy month for the ladies, but the treasury was Now, if you think we're all a enhanced with a satisfying sum. Plans were made for the Halton District Annual on May 21 in Boston Presbyterian Church with the Scotch Block Branch as hostess. Tickets were available for anyone wishing to attend. Several items for the

> McCullough, Mrs. C. McIntyre, Mrs. M. Nellis and Mrs. D. Moffat will be delegates to the District Annual. Choices of the Food Forum to be held in Milton were made with "Weight Control" and

program were discussed and

several members were chosen to

finalize them. Mrs. M.

and second choices. The year's work was summarized in the reports of the

"Add a touch of you" as first

Standing Committees. The treasurer, Mrs. D. Moffat, gave a splendid report. It had been a busy year which left a fine amount in the treasury. Mrs. E. Norton, on behalf of herself and Mrs. G. Collins, gave the

Auditors' Report. A liberal donation was voted to the Canadian Cancer Society in their annual canvass of funds

during the month. With the press announcement of the cancellation by the C.B.C. of the "Don Messer and His Islanders" program at the end of the season on television, the members felt it was one of the better programs, and should be continued. Consequently, it was decided to individually write to the C.B.C. Box 500, Terminal A, Toronto, Ontario, (Don Messer Program), petitioning for a renewal of the contract. Anyone who enjoys this good musical program may write to the above address or to the Halton Member of Parliament, Mr. Rud Whiting,

Mrs. Fred McCutcheon is a M.P. at Ottawa. patient in Guelph General Mrs. Alex Near took the chair Hospital. Her many friends hope for the election of officers for for her an improvement in 1969-70. She congratulated the officers on a very successful year when they presented interesting Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Buchanan and enjoyable meetings. Mrs. B. and Miss Ruby Clark visited with Rennick, on behalf of herself Mr. and Mrs. Alex Patcai of and Mrs. N. Douglas, and Mrs. E. Kitchener and with Miss M. Z. Pierce, of the Nominating Bennett at Waterloo, who Committee, presented the list of showed them through her "happy home", Parkview Manor. officers which was approved by

the members.

petition for "Don Messer" Blyth; Curator, Miss The following are the officers for 1969-70 of Dublin Women's Somerville, Mrs. D. Moffat, Mrs.

> Past president, Mrs. M. Nellis; president, Mrs. M. McCullough; lat vice president, Mrs. H. Blyth; 2nd vice president, Mrs. E. Norton; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Melntyre: ass't secretary-treasurer, Mrs. M.

Mrs. McCullough heads W.I.

Planist, Mrs. G. Robertson; ars't planul, Mrs. McCullough; press reporter, Mrs. J. C. Dennis: ass't press reportery Mrs. C. Armstrong: Branch directors, Mrs. J. Vanbloet, Mrs. C. Britton, Mrs. A. Near; district director, Mrs. M. Nellis; alternate district director, Mrs. C. Britton; auditors. Mrs. E. Norton and Mrs. D. Moffst. euchre and draw in Luxton Hall ..

Public relations, Mrs. A. Near; Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. J. O'Gorman and Mrs. W. Frank; Citizendin and education, Mrs. F. McCarron and Mrs. E. Norton; Historical Research and Current Events, Mrs. G. Robertson and Mrs. E.

Home econonucs and health. Mrs. N. Douglas and Mrs. B. Rennick: Resolutions, Mrs. C. Britton; mental health, Mrs. H.

Free Press

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

SATURDAY MORNING'S

SOME GARDENERS have

LAST WEEK THE police

reported five dogs killed by

vehicles in town -unusually high

THERE WILL be a draw for a

huge cowhide at the citizen of

the year dinner. It's on display

in Paul Nielsen's store window

Roll bandages

Bandages to be sent to lepers

were rolled while the evening

unit of the U.C.W. met last

Wednesday evening. Plans were

made for the Thankoffering

meeting this Thursday and to

attend the tea at Parkwood

Manor in Kitchener Wednesday

Interview on IV

to see Miss M. Z. Bennett on

television Monday morning, Miss

Bennett was one of several

persons interviewed concerning

today's tea and bake sale at

Several are expecting to

attend, to renew friendships

with the former school principal.

Parkview Manor in Waterloo.

Acton friends were delighted

and tickets are available there.

their first seeds and plants in the

snowfall was a masty surprise.

starts this weekend.

ground already.

News Items

W. McIntyre.

McCarron, Mrs. W. McIntyre:

quilt, Mrs. W. Frank, Mrs. G.

Booth, Mrs. E. Wilson, Mrs. W.

C. Thomson, Mrs. W. Britton,

Mrs. J. A. Van Heet;

Mrs. B. Rennick, Mrs. E. Pierce.

On retiring from the position

of president for the past two

Entries for the competition at

named wither in both the classes

of date loaf and maple cream

candy. Mrs. Nellis will again

compete on May 21 at the

district competition in Boston

years, Mrs. C. McIntyre thanked

memento to her.

M. Nellis and Mrs. D. Moffat. .

ROBERT LITTLE students are preparing for their open

MILTON'S Italian-Canadian club is planning monthly dances. The first one was a great success with 200 attending in Milton's Agricultural hall.

ABOUT 2,000 students are registered at the University of Guelph for the summer semester. Classes began Monday.

THE FIRST dandelions of the season were picked pleasure, but there'll be a different reaction later.

LAST WEEK'S produced mini-floods in local streams. In some places there was a major concern about flooding but dams are being opened gradually.

house next week.

rainfall

Free Press

W. Frank, Mrs. A. Near and Mrs. Mrs. F. McCarron: visiting, Mrs. D. Moffat, Mrs. H. Blyth, Mrs.

Greenock W.L.

Robertson, Mrs. G. Collins, Mrs. The president, Mrs. Wallace, opened the meeting by giving a brief report on the first Britton, Mrs. J. Lynch; bus, Mrs. institute formed by Greenock lidies 21 years ago and members are pleased to still nominating, Mrs. N. Douglas, lave six of the original members on the roll today. ..

Fifteen members were present to answer, the roll call with the payment of their members' fees for the coming year.

Mrs. Nellis for liet successful Mrs. Elwood Johnston read period in office and presented a the scripture followed by the repeating of the Lord's Prayer. Minutes of the last meeting were the District Annual were capably read and adopted. Minutes, of judged by Mrs. George Young, the last annual meeting were also Acton, and Mrs. Nellis was

Interesting reports were given

Teachers meet school heads

Pupil-teacher ratios, parental reports, integration of program, facilities and special education facilities joined the Halton County Board of Education budget as topics of discussion Tuesday afternoon, April 15, when just under 200 school teachers assembled to meet with senior Board officials in Milton District High School.

The teachers were from the North Halton area, including Milton and Esquesing public schools.

Representing the board were assistant suberintendent E. Lavender, superintendent of special education W. K. Armstrong and director J. W. Singleton.

Two teachers, W. Robinson head of the science department of M.D.H.S., and Miss Gwen Robertson of Norval, took an active part in the panel discussion segment of the program.

Cancer research in Canada depends heavily for its support on voluntary contributions to the April campaign of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Mrs. K. Eckerick was hosters on the year's program by the annual meeting of standing committee. All felt they had a very successful year indeed.

> Mrs. Wallace tlunked all for comperation, the had received from the members Mrs. E. Johnston, Miss E

Elva - Pearen appointed to conduct the election of officers for the

Past president. Mrs. Gordon Ledie, president, Mrs. George C. Wallace, first vecy-president, Mrs. A. Gafes, tecond vice-president, 1. McCulloch; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Calvin Aitken: assistant secretarytreasurer, Mrs. J. McCulloch.

District Director, Mrs. Ledie; alternate director, Mrs. C. Allan; public relation officer, to be held later on in the month Mrs. R. Sinclair; Mrs. A. Gates; will be made at a later date. Mrs. E. Patterson; auditors, Mrs. G. Johnston, Mrs. R. McKeown. Courtesy convener, Mrs. E. Johnston, fruit, flower and

cards, Mrs. G. Leslie, Mrs. E. Patterson, Mrs. A. Winter.

Industries, Mrs. K. Eckerich, Mrs. C. Allan, Citizendip and Education, Mrs. J. McCulloch. Mis. A. Gates, Historical Research and Current events,

· Home Exonomics and Health; Mrs. R. Sinclair, Mrs. G. Jolinston, Resolutions, Mrs. R. McKeown, Temperance Mrs. E. Patterson and Mrs. C. Binnie. Federation of Agriculture,

Mrs. A. Winter Curator, Miss E. Pearen, accidants, Mrs. E. Patterson, Mrs. E. Johnston.

Mrs. G. Wallace returned to the chair thanking the members for her re-election. It was decided to have a booth at a sale Mrs. G. Leslie; branch directors, of May. Further arrangements

Mrs. Calvin Aitken was appointed to go as delegate to the Guelph officers conference April 29 to May 1.

Mrs. G. Johnston was winner

of an amoving contest conducted Standing committees, by Mrs. G. Wallace.

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MATINEE - SATURDAY, APRIL 26 "JACK THE GIANT KILLER" (Color)

APRIL 27 - 28 - 29 - 30 SUN. - MON. - TUES. - WED 'A Minute to Pray' (Adult) (Color)

ALEX CORD ROBERT RYAN INSPECTOR CLOUSEAU" (Color)

ALAN ARKIN EET YAM THURS FRI SAY. "FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD" - Color

Julio Christio - Alan Bates "JERRY-GO-ROUND" - Cartoon

SAT. MAY 3

MATINEE 2 P.M.

"TIKE AND THE SHARK" - Color

NOTICE TO PARENTS

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

"Registration for admission to Kindergarten in September 1969, in the Elementary Public Schools of Halton County, will take place on Monday, May 5, 1969, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon; and 1:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the school which serves the attendance area in which the child resides.

"Public school supporters may register their children who will have attained the age of 5 years on or before the last day of February 1970. Proof of public school support will be accepted in the form of a 1969 tax-bill or 1968 assessment notice, or a declaration from the Municipal Clerk's office: a birth certificate or a baptismal certificate will be acceptable as proof of age.

"If further information is required, call the School Principal or the Chairman of the appropriate **Education Centre below:**

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