



KING SIZED bubble making machine is a magnet for tots at the Rockwood nursery school, held twice a week at the Anglican parish hall. Want to try a few?—(Staff Photo)



THIS IS HOW we wash the dishes, one nursery moppet explains to the Free Press photographer at Rockwood nursery school. One falls with the straw was of the opinion the water was good for drinking—or bubbling—which made his companion adopt a quizzical look.—(Staff Photo)

Nominations on Nov. 22

The Eramosa Township nominations date was improperly printed in the last edition of the Acton Free Press. The actual date set for nominations will be Saturday, November 22, in the Rockwood town hall, and the next meeting of council will be that of Monday, November 3, 1969.

Shell out for UNICEF

Rockwood boys and girls will be out seeking more than goodies on Hallowe'en. They'll be carrying UNICEF boxes for donations and they're hoping to get a good response.

News and views

By LORRAINE

Okay, so you've got yourself a ritzy friend and she and her husband were able to take themselves off and spend a few days in Europe this year. You're not envious, you just got back from Hamilton yourself, so it doesn't bother you if your friends want to trail around the countryside, it's more fun to read a good book by the fireside in your own home anyway.

Humbly! But don't let on that you'd just love to have gone on the trip with them. Don't even breathe that it has always been your secret desire to sail down the canals of Venice in one of those gondola boat contraptions. Just play it cool and smile complacently because, if you don't my friend it can be positively disastrous and what could happen shouldn't happen to a relative.

Now, no one, but no one ever takes a trip without first of all investing in a handy little 35 millimetre camera which could cost twice as much as the trip itself or at least represent a good down-payment on the new winter coat you've wanted for the last six years. With the camera of course, there's film, film cases, special light attachments, all sorts of paraphernalia which spells "picture bug" or, as commonly referred to by natives, "tourists."

The old cartoon, "she must be a tourist because she's smiling" is really true, and why is she so happy? Because, bless her sweet little heart, she has a stiff mouth paralyzed from saying "cheese" on the Eiffel tower, off the Eiffel tower, leaning against the Eiffel tower; another on the cathedral of Notre Dame, one in the Luxembourg Gardens and many more in Madre Patricia's little whitewashed stone home in Spain.

As a matter of fact, this home-made film strip starlet has been literally posing for over three years ever since the original camera investment of their first 1967 35 mm. which petered out last year. She has said "cheese" at the Allan Gardens in Toronto holding everything from a petunia to an oversized water lily; one lovely picture displays black netted legs encooned on an Old Fort York cannon, and even the Maple Leaf Gardens penalty bench holds no qualms for this smiling female, and if you're not very careful you will view all of them the whole batch!

Friends of mine just returned from a trip abroad don't you know, and the old telephone snare "How's about dropping over and having coffee with us" turned out to be a social gathering with at least 25 people all consuming the same brew. As a matter of fact, cocktails pre-empted the "coffee-bit" which added zest to the whole affair but, upon arriving, the quantity of guests, garbed, gorgeous and chic, was a far cry from a "drop-in".

Always prepared for the unexpected I was not too awestruck until my furtive glance sped 'round the room and landed with a clunk on not one black tin box of film slides representing 100 pictures, but speedily I counted, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, then 6 boxes, which totalled six hundred pictures of the Mr. and Mrs. Neverumindhoos, which could go on being presented for hours. We had been envigilled into the premier performance of their complete repertoire of photographic attempts from early 1967 to that of their most recent professional European achievements.

Well, we visited Toronto via camera screen for one hour's viewing (I had lived in Toronto but had difficulty recognizing the balcony on which my friend was sitting but, after the first 15 minutes I was able to spot it every time, in fact I could even say, "Oh there's the balcony again" more quickly than anyone else at that party); we made a quick stop off at Ottawa spending an hour and a half on the parliament buildings and Mary Neverumindhoos was in every one of them looking her usual pert and brightly smiling self with even a wave cleverly thrown in on some of the more unusual shots. For those of us present who had not managed to see Expo we were treated to seeing Mary sitting on, over under, in, and even, thereabouts, every building on the premises three times over, some even at different times of day. "You look just lovely Mary, how did you do it. Look so fresh all the time I mean."

"No trick at all" she said coyly. "My goodness, if you'd had as many pictures taken as I have you'd be prepared for the camera at all times."

Mary didn't know a thing about the buildings or what was inside any of them but the weather had been lovely and sunny and it was a wonderful trip.

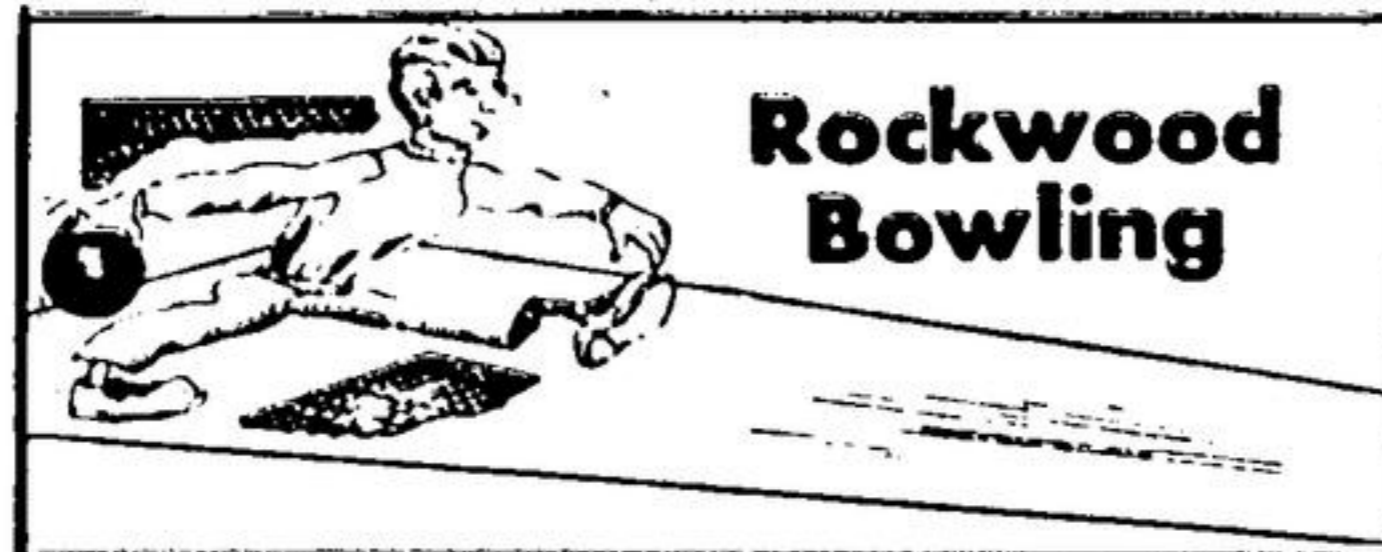
Two more hours of here and there around Rockwood, Acton, Guelph, hundreds of pictures taken in Hamilton, and more of Toronto's Allan Gardens. It was wintertime now but the cala lilies were in bloom again. Sorry about that Kathryn. The projector manipulator wasn't pushing the button clicking the pictures fast enough and the guests were getting chatty which was slightly annoying to our host and so a few nasty words were exchanged which corrected the situation and soon we were once again able to continue our viewing.

We sat through four and one half hours of slides and conversations about the slides. Sadly enough the camera le. in light near the end of the film and so we could only enjoy 599. The 50 pictures of Europe were very good and Mary was in all of them excepting the one with pigeons shown nesting on the roof of the Eiffel tower.

She said she was sorry she'd missed that one but it was just too high for her to climb. Her guests were glad that she was not a quitter and told her so; everyone enjoyed the sandwiches but unfortunately the coffee had become rather cold so some was left over. We all shook hands and drove homewards but I can't verify that we all went home mumbling O O O O



NURSERY SCHOOL teacher is Miss Cynthia Luckman of Eden Mills who explains a story to an interested group of children during Friday morning's session.—(Staff Photo)



Rockwood Bowling

Last Tuesday's cold weather turned up a hot game for the Whitewashers when they took seven points off the Neighbours. The fast moving Nortons beat out the Four Corners team 5 to 2 and Fred Nightingale, scoring with 770 points and Vivian Nightingale with 613, were the high scorers for the Nortons'.

The Queen of Hearts were downed and outed by the Untouchables with a 4-0 scored in favour of the Untouchables but the high triple score of the games was Harvey Jestin of the Queen of Hearts team with 724 pins and Untouchables' George Lindblad chalked up 609 points.

Elmer's Alleycats headed the Begoodorbegones with a 7 to 0 score but the Alleycats' Helen Elliot pulled out a handy 566 points.

Strattons lost out against Carneys with only two points to Carney's five. Fran Crooks took 620 points and Mary Stahlbaum 583, representing the Carney team, while the Stratton top scoring Dunk Kingsbury took 676, Sam Nyholt 636, and Shirley Salmon came through with 581 points.

Team standings have changed somewhat and this is the set-up. First place shows Nortons with 22 points, second place Untouchables tie up with Strattons with 20 points each, third are the Four Corners and Carneys with a mean 19, fourth shows Elmer's Alleycats with 18 points, fifth spot has the Begoodorbegones with 15 points and the No. 6 position boasts the Whitewashers, the Queen of Hearts, and the Neighbours all sharing the lower rung with 14 points each.

Rockwood News



HAPPENINGS at ROCKWOOD CENTENNIAL SCHOOL

Mrs. Storey's class of last year did a presentation recently of their trip to Moosonee. Mike Ferguson welcomed the guests and Dale Hamilton gave a speech on the trip. Mr. Schneider, one of the chaperones, showed his slides including some of Miss Kennedy's. Allan Nightingale projected his movies. Several students presented their views of the trip in a "remember when" session in which they outlined some of the trip's highlights. Tony, the bus driver, gave a little speech and refreshments were served. The girls of the class had prepared these earlier in the day.

THIS 'N' THATS - Rockwood Centennial is entering a five week five school soccer tournament with the first game taking place at Eramosa public school on Oct. 22. We have two teams, girls and boys.

The student council this year consists of Mike Leslie, president; Ron Death as vice-president; and Dale Hamilton as secretary-treasurer. One successful dance has been held and another is being planned for Hallowe'en. The grade eight students had a rainy but enjoyable educational visit to Doon Pioneer Village.

Mr. Love's grade eight class made a large thermometer with a goal of \$100. They staged a walkathon Sunday and blew the top off the thing as they made over \$150.

The student council hopes to meet with the mathematics department in order to establish a type of "credit union". So far it is just "in the wind". If this system is established, it would allow students to borrow a small amount of money for certain things, e.g. purchasing a new hockey stick. The students would then repay the money

25 children enrol in nursery school

The second year of the Rockwood Nursery School started off in enthusiastic acceptance last Wednesday, October 8, when 25 children ranging in age from three to four years arrived to participate.

The original nursery school was started up last January when 20 children attended for two mornings a week with Mrs. Marilyn Brace and Mrs. Lois McRae as the leaders assisted by numerous mothers helping periodically. Although it was difficult carrying on such a project with untrained staff, the effort proved worthwhile and three of the class programs consisted of such highlighting events as a visit to the Enchanted Doll House, a farm trip, and a safety program wherein all the children were included.

The success of last year's Nursery School set up a demand for the continuance of the project once again this term.

However, Board of Education requirements have tightened somewhat and it was necessary this year to have a certified and licensed teacher in charge.

Fortunately the Rockwood parents were able to call on Mrs. Cynthia Luckman, a recent Eden Mills resident who, by the same token, has taken over the nursery school at Eden Mills also, and teaches the children in that village on alternative days.

The Rockwood nursery school which meets at the Anglican parish hall is held regularly every Wednesday and Friday from 9.30 a.m. to 11.45 a.m., and is a co-operative one financed by the parents themselves with 16 mothers of the 25 enrolled children taking part and assisting in the program of games, crafts, and story telling, approximately twice a month.

The executives and organizers of this year's term are Mrs. Marilyn Brace, president, and Mrs. Julie Thatcher, secretary.

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