



HALTON FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU hosted the six winners in its 1969 fire prevention poster contest at an awards dinner in Milton last week, when Halton East MPP Jim Snow was guest speaker. The speaker is shown with Susan Mellor of Georgetown and Mark Bowen of Oakville, top prize winners. Their posters will be entered in an all-Ontario competition after claiming first prizes in the Halton contest.—(Staff Photo)

SILVERWOOD

W.I. enjoys furniture facts community party at Greigs

By Mrs. H. Scott
A community party for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson was held on Thursday evening, Dec. 4 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Greig, R.R. 3, Georgetown. A pleasant evening of cards was enjoyed by friends and neighbors. Mr. Alan Duncan was high score for men. Mrs. Marchington was high for ladies. Bill and Brenda were presented with an end table and lamp. A delicious lunch brought a pleasant evening to a close. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Duerkop, Grosse Point, Michigan, were visitors recently with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott. Mrs. Fred Campbell was hostess on Tues. Dec. 2, to members of Silverwood W.I. and friends to listen, learn and see "furniture facts". Miss Jeanne Armour, Extension Dept., Home Economics Branch Ontario Dept. of Agriculture and Foods, was speaker for the day which lasted from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. She showed wood samples and furniture styles, and colors, construction, design, periods, and how to mix and match to the best advantage. She also gave advice on removing paint, varnish, and finishing old furniture. Mrs. Minda Corbett thanked Miss Armour for the discourse along with slides which everyone enjoyed.

NEWS of the district

Sculptress leaves village

TERRA COTTA—Rebecca Sider, the famed sculptress, is leaving her 'old world forge' home in Terra Cotta after 11 years. Rebecca and her family recently applied to buy a piece of land adjacent to her studio for an extension to their home. Her studio, —a picturesque barn-like structure that used to house a blacksmith shop, was smack dab in the middle of a projected road widening project and Peel County wanted and got it. Meanwhile Rebecca was appointed education director for the McMichael Conservation Collection of Art, in Kleinburg. This week the Siders move out of their home for 10 years to a house in Kleinburg.

Exotic donors swell fund...

ERIN—Further donations to the Erin Youth Centre Fund have been received by Mrs. E. G. Manning following the fashion show held recently to raise money for this project. Latest donations were: Joan Walker, Erin, \$5; Etien Faberge, Paris, France, \$5; Madame Duchon, Hungary, \$5; Madame Valentina Kollassa, Russia, \$5; Lotif Pungabi, Gibraltar, \$5; Brigadier Francis MacDonald, Arabia, \$25; Mr. and Mrs. Don MacColl, King, Ont., \$25.

Back from the moon...

A story said that liverwort would grow in the soil that was brought back from the moon. I don't know what this means or whether it is just one more silly experiment. I wouldn't know a liverwort if I saw one growing by the side of the road. It's a totally unimportant plant. But I suppose the fact that anything at all will grow in dust from the moon is important. I'd be more impressed if it were wheat or oats or watermelons or something like that. Not that I need to care; I'm not expecting to visit the moon and certainly will not be taking up residence. But scientists are always investigating something: it's their business and in that way the world makes progress and professors make a living.—By Hugh Templin in Fergus News-Record.

Goose lays - warm winter?

KILBRIDE—Eight big fat goose eggs, a little out of season but nevertheless legitimate, make Eric McArthur of Kilbride wonder if it's going to be a warm winter. Normally his geese lay eggs in late February or early March, but two of his birds have laid eight eggs in the past week. He's not sure whether the goslings will survive the cold weather when they hatch, but he's going to try. Meanwhile, are the unseasonal goose eggs a sign of a mild winter?

Demolish Erin CPR station...

ERIN—Erin station of the Canadian Pacific Railway will be one of twenty demolished, as a result of consolidation of company operations. Tenders are now being received for the station's removal. The CPR acquired the rail line through Erin in 1880, and at one time as many as four passenger trains a day, as well as freight trains made the local station a very busy place. Passenger service was discontinued in 1958, and freight and express serviced by C.P. trucks. Twelve regular agents serviced the station, the first being Mr. Elliott, and the last, W. A. (Bill) Weber. Special train excursions to Erin Fair, to The Drummers' Snack at Stanley Park and the old mighty steam engines puffing into Erin will become a nostalgic memory when the station disappears.

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LIMEHOUSE

Presentation, Layman's Sunday-carnival couple in area news

By Mrs. A. Benton
We saw a splendid picture of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meurer in the Milton Champion recently. They are Carnival prince and princess of the Toronto German-Canadian Club and were wearing their robes of office when attending the Milton club's masquerade dance. We regret Mr. T. H. Price has spent the past two weeks in hospital in Guelph. We hope that he is soon feeling well again.

Ebenezer

Services, concert planned for season

By Mrs. R. McLean
Next Sunday night, a musical treat is planned when the Junior and Senior Chorus present their candlelight service. On the following Sunday evening, Dec. 21, the young people of the three churches present a Christmas play, in Eden Mills Community Centre. Horace Blyth and Bill Price were elected for a three-year term as elders. The Sunday School Concert is to be Dec. 22. Holy Communion will be observed next Sunday. Mr. D. Finley talked about the Bible, a library of 66 books, written over 1,500 years. The youngest book is 1,700 years old, but new translations are constantly being made. In translating the Bible for the northern Eskimos, it was found that, while Eskimos are a very happy people, their language contained no word for "joy". A translator observed how happy a dog was, when the little boy to whom he belonged, returned from fishing with his father. So he wrote, "There is tail-wagging in heaven over one sinner that repents." The Bible is a letter from God, with your own personal address on it. The first act is the story of Creation. In the second act, a small group is chosen to learn God's way. Act 3 is enacted every Christmas, when we remember the coming of God's Son. In Act 4, which is still being written, we see how those who believe in Jesus have the power to be children of God. When we think of the Bible dealing directly with us, we have to let it speak for itself. When Karl Barth was asked to put in a few words the meaning of faith, he said, "When I was young, my mother sang to me, 'Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.'" An English domestic, with a burning desire to be a missionary to China, applied to the Board of Missions. She was turned down, because of lack of education. So she paid her own way, going across Russia, amid great difficulties. After months of travel she landed in China where she did magnificent work with children. Cardinal Legere is a modern example of one who received a personal letter from God. You, too, will be led to do things you never thought you could do, through the power given to the children of God.

BALLINAFAD

Euchre finals, last dance bazaar's replacement in news

By Mrs. R. Shorthill
Mr. Harding Price is at present a patient in Guelph Hospital. We hope he soon will return home much improved in health. At the 4th euchre party at the Community Centre, 17 tables were played. Ladies' prizes went to Mrs. Sargent and Mrs. Reilly and men's to Howard Sinclair and Frank Smith. All are anticipating good rewards in the 5th and final which take place this Tuesday night. The last dance had a good turnout. Pleasant dancing to Al Dermott's orchestra from Shelburne was reported. On Sunday evening last several of our people went down to St. Andrew's Church where Rev. Russell Horschburg and his two associates had charge of a very interesting service. The U.C.W. sponsored a tupperware party on Tuesday evening. It seems to have been quite successful for those who wished to buy the plastics for their own use and for Christmas giving. We understand it took the place of the usual bazaar which seems to have worn itself out. Friends here were sorry to learn that Mrs. Betty McDonald of Streetville is a patient in Peel Hospital. We hope the soon will be well again. We understand that the hockey young lads are warming up for some interesting games. Practice is in Erin on Sunday nights. Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLean visited with the Beswick's in Hamilton last week. Mr. Beswick was able to be home from hospital.

Scotch Block dam given green light

After being held up for a month due to a government regulation, construction of the Scotch Block dam and reservoir is expected to begin soon. Bot Construction of Oakville was the company which received the go-ahead to begin the work after submitting a bid of \$857,983.30, which includes bringing fill for the Esqueaux dam across Highway 25 using scrapers. The problem was a government ban on using the earth moving scrapers across Highway 25 unless a special permit was issued. This permit was not known about when Halton Region Conservation Authority officials let out the contract to be bid on. Once they found out about the regulation, bids had to be revised to include the cost of using trucks to cart fill and a new date had to be found to announce acceptance of a final bid, Nov. 21. Total cost of the project will be \$1,100,000 with 75 per cent of the funds coming from the provincial government and the rest of the money coming from local municipalities. All the land has been obtained by the Authority says resources manager Dave Murray, but the final price on three pieces of land has not been finalized, he stated. Located on the east side of Highway 25 at the rear of Tangmere Mushroom Company, the dam will reduce runoff during heavy rainfall and will control the flow of the Sixteen Mile Creek during periods of low water. The original estimate done in 1965 was to have the reservoir flood an area of 825 acres but this has risen to an area of 832 acres which gives the Conservation Authority a mile and a half long lake. It is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1970 and Mr. Murray expects to have the dam full of water by the spring of 1971.

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