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**CHATTING.**  
by M.H.B.

Had always wondered if authors of booklets drew all their material purely from the imagination, or whether they based characters and incidents on actual people, and things that had really happened. So we were interested to hear, right from the mouth of a famous author himself — Somerset Maugham — while introducing the filmed version of his "Quartet" of short stories — that he did blend a great deal of fact with his fiction. If you have an opportunity to see this picture, by the way, don't miss it. It's first rate.

Our former colleague in Herald column-writing, Mrs. Harry Lewis (Pierrette, of "What's New?") called in at the Herald Office one day last week. Chit-chatting with ye Ed, she told him that they've bought an old house in Toronto, located at 450 St. Claire Ave. East, and are having a wonderful time with the remodeling. It's nice that every now and then the Lewis' come back to bring their children for dental treatments, and thus have a really good excuse for renewing their

friendships in Georgetown. Mrs. Lewis did some wonderful work with the youngsters here, in the recreational line.

Remodelling a house in Georgetown, are the John Inglis' of Toronto. They've bought the house formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bettke on Manly Ave., but have not moved into it yet. Mr. Inglis is with the A. V. Roe Company at Milton. We were sorry to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Bettke and boys have moved from town. They were well-liked here, and our best wishes go with them to their new home in Kitchener.

That certain tang in the air tells us that summer will soon be over, and the season of bright-hued maples and shocking bonfires will be with us again. Makes us think of corn-cobs, and singing around a campfire.

And that's just what we were doing last Thursday night, when Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bradley entertained St. George's Choir, in honour of Jack Thompson, who is to be married this Saturday. The Bradley's have an ideal setting for a campfire, below their stone-terrace garden. The air was chilly, and we really enjoyed the blaze. After everyone had their fill of corn, marshmallows, sandwiches, chocolate cake and soft drinks, we slowly, as you can well imagine — wended our way up the winding steps to the house. There we continued the delightfully informal evening, and presented to Jack a set of beautiful Chinese pottery — a large "ginger jar", and two Chinese figurines. Only serious note in the evening was struck when choir leader W. F. Bradley, and choir president, Thomas Warnes expressed best wishes to Jack, and appreciation of his faithfulness in choir work. Then we all joined in singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

The neighbourhood youngsters had a great time at a weiner roast held by Paul Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. "Bungy" Ward last Tuesday night.

Talking with Millye Davidson the other day, we learned that on Labour Day weekend, she intends to go to Sarnia, where she will attend business college, and seek a position after graduation. It will be quite a change for Millye, who has lived here all her life, and her many friends will be missing her.

You'll be thinking we keep pretty close tab on former Herald columnists, because here we have a bit of news about "Amie", our predecessor in the "Chatting" column.

The Watkins have bought a farm on R. R. 3, Milton, and their house on the 9th Line has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Long and daughters, Gail, 12, and Yvonne, 13, moved into the house in July. Mr. Long is manager at the Henry David Wood Products, and they are members of the United Church. The Long family formerly lived in Toronto. Mrs. Long tells us they are liking Georgetown very much indeed.

Anyone who takes a pride in growing plants, will have sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buchanan, Queen Street, who left a highly prized Christmas Cactus on their front verandah Saturday night, and found it gone Sunday morning. Seems like a pretty small trick, doesn't it? Can only hope the person will think better of it, and lift it back to the verandah real soon.

Noticed that Mr. and Mrs. James Hiebert have moved into their new brick bungalow on Edith Street.

St. George's Church, decorated with beautiful gladioli and mums, made a lovely setting for the recent baptism of David Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hall, and Gary Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bowers. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson officiated. Godparents for little David Joseph were Mr. Joseph Hall, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Feller. Mr. Raymond Bowers and Mrs. George King of Saint Ste. Marie were godparents for baby Gary Bowers. Mrs. King and daughter Mary have been visiting her daughter in town for the past week, and on Sunday Mrs. Bowers and Gary returned with them. Saint Ste. Marie to spend a week there.

**MANY BENEFIT FUNCTIONS FOR BEREAVED FAMILY**

The Streetsville community was out here in talking to the aid of the young widow and children of Donnie Blaine, popular lacrosse star who was killed in a highway accident. A fund has been started with the idea of building a home for the family and dozens of events have been held or are being planned to raise the money. A benefit lacrosse game was played between Weston and Streetsville Junior Farmers last week. A plant bingo was sponsored by employees of the McCarthy Milling Co. and the Graham Pitt-Engleming Co. and a benefit softball game played between Streetsville and Conksville. Future events include a community auction and a dance sponsored by the Odd-fellows.

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