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## Chatting . . .

with M.H.B.

• **LITTLE WOULD** we think, as we enjoy these lovely June days that the clear, sun-warmed air is full of germs. Yes, and they're mostly measly germs at that, with a fair sprinkling of mumps and chicken-pox, just for variety. Measles, both "German" and "Red" have reached almost epidemic proportions in town, affecting mostly children in the up-to-10-years bracket. Some of the kiddies have been very ill with the "Red" ones, and some of them have had both varieties together. Main topic of conversation these days among the mothers is comparing notes on symptoms and spots. And it doesn't seem to do much good to worry about "contacts", because as a Scottish mother recently arrived in Canada remarked to us — "What's for them, won't go 'round them' . . . And that's the way it seems to be . . .

• **JUST FINISHED** having a chat with Mrs. Harvey Armstrong who arrived home a couple of weeks ago after a month's holiday in Scotland. She and an aunt took the trip together by plane. Going over, they flew direct from Malton to Prestwick, Scotland, in approximately 12 hours. Although she was born there, Mrs. Armstrong was just a small child when her family came to Canada, so that it was really like seeing Scotland for the first time.

Mrs. Armstrong thought the Scottish countryside very beautiful, reminding her greatly in some parts, of British Columbia, even to the snow on the mountains. The weather was good, enabling her to do quite a lot of sight-seeing. What impressed her most was the history which lies behind the ancient castles and cathedrals she visited. Centuries old, they are steeped in tradition. One of the beauty spots to visit was the Bobby Burns cottage at Ayr. It has been well preserved and the grounds well taken care of. They had their picture taken on the Brig-o-Doon. Another impressive place to visit is Edinburgh Castle.

• **WE FOUND THE** little souvenir booklets interesting. Leafing thru one, we found ourselves glancing at the advertisements merchants had inserted, helping, I suppose, to defray the cost of printing the booklets. There was one ad taken by a Thomas Black of Dunfermline, a dealer in tropical and cold water fish, plants,

## September Will See Five Teacher Increase

aquariums and accessories. In fairly large print in the centre of the ad, he advises his would-be customers "No More Alligators." Sounds as tho' they had been quite in demand . . .

• **WHEN TWO WOMEN** get together, to discuss a country, clothes inevitably enter the conversation. Apparently in Scotland, clothes are actually cheaper than they are here, and tho' of excellent quality, they lack style — or what we have come to consider style. So Mrs. Armstrong found she was able to do quite a favour for her hostesses during her stay in Scotland. When they would admire some article of clothing which she said Silver's Department Store gaiped some international fame over there. Two dresses she had bought there prior to her trip were much admired, and left behind as souvenirs. This is evaded out quite a bit in the line of souvenirs, however Mrs. Armstrong said they gave her so many gifts to bring home, that she was really glad to lighten her luggage for the return plane trip by replacing clothes with keepsakes. One thing she did bring back with her, however, were her rubbers. Her aunt left hers in Scotland, where they had caused some amusement as well as admiration in spite of a very damp climate, low rubbers are not worn in Scotland. The shoes are made with stout soles, and when over-shoes are required, they are made more like our galoshes . . .

• **A VISIT TO THE** hairdresser's was quite different from a hairdressing salon in Canada. They do not follow the Hollywood set hair styles so much over there, and their methods are so different, that a Scottish hairdresser, on coming to Canada, must take another course before she can obtain a certificate. The hairdressers were asking Mrs. Armstrong about our methods. One little tip they were interested in hearing was that most hairdressers here tip the head backwards into the sink for the shampoo, instead of forward . . . we agree — much more comfortable for everyone.

Mrs. Armstrong brought back a lovely Shetland skirt with her. In Scotland it is buttoned on over your outside clothes at the races, so that

Twenty five teachers will be employed in the two Georgetown public schools when the new term starts in September. An increase of five teachers will take care of the rapidly growing enrolment, and an addition at Wrigglesworth School, which is hoped to be ready in time for school opening, plus use of rented facilities will take care of the influx.

At present there are twenty teachers, ten employed at each public school. September will see 13 teachers at Chapel Street and 12 at Wrigglesworth.

At Chapel Street, Miss Thelma Whale has resigned to take another position in South Peel. New teachers at the school will be Mrs. Shirley Horland, who with her husband is moving to town from Brampton; Miss Leta Gallagher who will be coming from Melancthon Township; Mr. Ian Allen from Horning's Mills; and Miss Shirley Dawson, graduating this year from Hamilton Teachers' College.

Mrs. Harold Henry, kindergarten teacher at Wrigglesworth School since it was built, is retiring from teaching and her position will be filled by Mrs. Margaret Bilshaw of Port Credit. Mrs. James Carson and Mrs. Ann Gwisdala have been teaching on a temporary basis at the school this year, and the latter will now be a member of the permanent staff. Harold Culling is coming from Ingersoll as assistant principal; a local girl, Ruth McBride, is graduating from Toronto Teachers' College and will also be on the staff, and Miss Lois Menary of Snelgrove, once teacher at Union school completes the staff additions. McNally Construction has the contract for the Wrigglesworth addition with J. B. Parson Associates as architects.

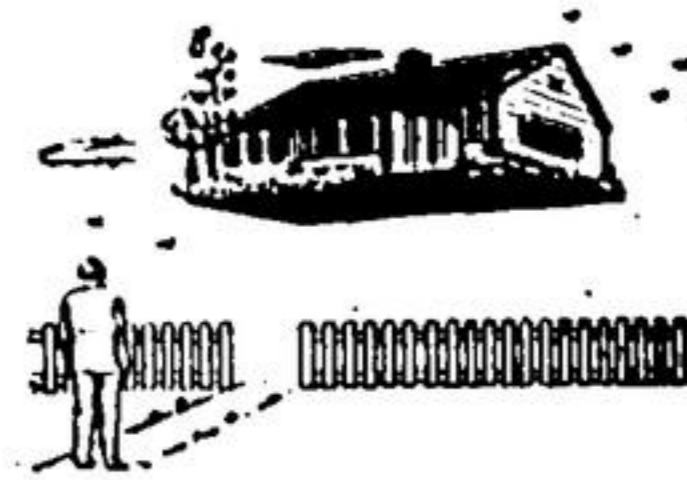
When you stand up to cheer, you don't have the bother of a robe sliding off to your feet. It would be a grand thing for hockey games here, wouldn't it?

• **DURING HER HOLIDAY**, Mrs. Armstrong also flew over to Ireland for a short visit. Traveling by train from Belfast to Dublin she enjoyed the lovely rolling country studded with little thatched cottages, just exactly like the postcard pictures of Ireland. In Dublin she was fascinated with the little donkey-drawn carts on the streets. Traffic stops to allow them to continue on their way.

As friend Editor remarked a couple of weeks ago, perhaps it would be better if traffic slowed down a little bit here too. Some of the driving is pretty fast in town, and not only after the siren has sounded, which was his main concern at the moment. Incidentally, with regard to following up the fire truck, Magistrate K. M. Langdon tells us there is a fine for motorists who travel closer to a fire truck than 500 feet, when it is in the process of answering a call . . .

• **ARE YOU STILL WITH US** on the list of families in the new subdivisions? This could go on for quite a while, at the rate new houses are going up . . . To continue with Prince Charles Drive, in the Sunbeam Heights Subdivision, Mr. and Mrs. Shearson; Mr. and Mrs. William Parker; Mr. and Mrs. Wilf Wilde; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Armistead; Mr. and Mrs. Healey; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Whyte; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clarke; and Mr. and Mrs. James Harvey.

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