



**NORTH HALTON DELEGATES ADMIRE THE WORK**

NORTH HALTON DELEGATES TO THE tenth annual conference of O.A.R.C. admire a piece of work done by mentally retarded children during a break in sessions at Kingston on the weekend. Left to right are: Mrs. Allan Howard of Milton, and Mrs. William Treahy, Georgetown.

**GREEN THUMB CORNER**

**New Homes Don't Have to Be Bare!**

By Gordon Lindsay Smith

New homes often look bare for several years until trees and shrubbery start to grow, but they needn't if one uses plenty of big quick growing annuals. In a few weeks these will make quite a showing to take the place of perennial runner beans, hops, morning glories or other quick growing climbers. For shrubbery we go through the seed catalogue and select those things that grow two to five feet tall, giant marigolds or zinnias, cosmos, tithonia, cypress, dahlias, etc. Some of these big bushes are shy annuals, planted in clumps within two or three feet of walls and fences, will change into a real home and do it in weeks, not years.

**WHEN YOU MOVE THEM**

One doesn't need a green thumb or a lot of technical knowledge to be successful in transplanting plants, shrubbery or even fair sized trees. There are just two important points to remember. Make sure the roots are firmly covered with fine soil and that this is well watered. And of course, always bear in mind that roots are meant to be covered, so don't expose any more than is absolutely necessary to the air or sun. In the case of small trees, like perennials or tomatoes, keep the soil about them moist for a few days, with or without a rain fall.

**IS IT SUITABLE FOR CANADA?**

The Canadian gardener is well advised to make sure that the flower and vegetable seed used comes from a Canadian source. Not because they may BE CONSIDERED PATENTED, BUT BECAUSE ONLY SUCH seed has been especially selected and tested for the Canadian climate and conditions. A flower or vegetable that may give excellent results in England, or Virginia or Ireland, may well find Canada a bit too rugged for its taste. Good suitable seed only costs a few cents but without it a successful garden is impossible.

**A GREAT HELP, BUT**

Chemical fertilizer is clean, practically odourless and simple to use, though care should be taken not to let it actually touch tender plants. A fool-proof way for small applications is to dissolve in a watering can and simply pour along the plants, like perennials or tomatoes, with a hose after application. With or do the job just before or during a rain fall.

**Retarded School Gets \$600-Auxiliary Gift**

Six hundred dollars, raised by the North Halton Auxiliary for Retarded Children, was turned over to the Sunshine School at last Thursday's meeting of the Auxiliary. The annual "Iles of March" dance grossed most of it, and the remainder represented hours of work in bake sales and bazaars. A film entitled "Children Limited" meaning in fact, limited in capacity to learn — was shown to the group. A poignant part of the movie showed a mother having her child assessed, and the mother's reaction when the realization of her worst fears was confirmed. Birthday gifts were brought by the members for the little girl whom they have adopted at Cedarvale Hospital School. This child has no relatives and the Auxiliary have taken on the role of foster parents to send cards and presents at birthdays, Easter and Christmas.

**Harmony A-Plenty is Barbershopper Promise**

Steamer Emerson, who started the ball rolling on the formation of a local chapter of the barbershop singers, A.S.P.E.S.Q.S.A., has a tiger by the tail — but he's too excited about the whole thing to be worried. Since he first announced his scheme to give bathtub Carous a place to vocalize, fellow time letters, he has received a response in numbers and enthusiasm that probably surprised his wildest hope. The initial meeting was held April 17th at the Cedarvale School for Girls, where a good turnout heard the well known quartet, the Rhythm Counts, as well as an outline of barber shop quartet singing. George Shields had the crowd divided into four parts and singing barber shop harmony moments after they arrived. A second meeting to which he had invited the local members of the Etobicoke chapter when it is sponsoring the Georgetown group.

**Election of Officers Domtar 25 Year Club**

Ted Gorth has been elected president and W. J. Fiddler secretary-treasurer at the annual Domtar (Alliance) election of officers for their 25 Year Club. The Georgetown mill chose their executive Monday, April 8th.

**School Teacher Killed Returning From Easter**

Twenty-four-year-old school teacher Sylvia J. Shepherd, on her way to her Mallory Gardens home in Toronto after having spent Easter with her parents near Milton, was killed on Highway 4 a half mile west of Palermo when she drove into the back of a slow moving dump truck. There were no passengers in her foreign model car. Though fog was heavy later that evening, police say visibility was fairly good at eight o'clock, the time of the accident. A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sheppard of R.R. 6, Milton, the young woman was returning to Toronto where she teaches at Alexander Muir Public School. She had spent Easter holidays on her parents' farm and was going back to Toronto to study for a McMaster University evening course.

**Council Will Purchase Mobile Radio Equipment**

Mobile radio equipment, formerly the town had rented, which up till now has been used by the town on a rental basis from the Bell Telephone Co. will be replaced by town-owned equipment by the end of the month. Monday council empowered the police committee to proceed with purchase of equipment and notified the Bell firm that it would terminate the rental contract the end of April. Cr. Jim Emerson assured council that maintenance cost will be low on the equipment and that replacement equipment is immediately available in case repairs are needed. Mayor Hyde explained that the equipment will cost \$1200.

**Lorne Scots Team Wins Rifle Shoot**

Piel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment's rifle team defeated the Queen's Own Rifles 472-454 at University Armouries April 10th. The teams were using 22 military rifles. Top marksman for the Lorne Scots was J. Fish with a score of 98. Second was W. Waring with 97, followed by T. Lewis with 95, G. Egeland 93 and P. Doolan 89. For the losing Queen's quintet, H. Ghering led with 93. Completing the scoring were D. Stock 92, W. Coomber 91 and F. Johnson and W. Durance with 89 each. The Lorne Scots biggest test will come in a few weeks when they compete with the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry.

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**EIGHTH OF A SERIES**  
**Letters From a "Trouble Spot"**  
 Letters from a Georgetown soldier in Viet Nam

When he received a posting to the Far East a member of the Canadian Military U.N. delegation, Albert Carter, began putting his observation on paper and sending them home to the officers and members of the Royal Orange Lodge 245 of which he is a member. The lodge found the accounts so absorbing that they submitted them to the Herald and part of the first letter appears below as article No. 8 of a new series.

Hanoi, North Viet Nam, Dec. 10th, 1962

To the Officers and Members of Royal Oak Lodge, No. 245

Winter is upon us, and some days the temperature sinks down to a brisk and chilly 45. If one were to look at the local population, though, one would think that they were getting ready for a visit to Siberia. Most of them are dressed in reclaimed clothing that the Salvation Army must have thrown out.

The colder it gets, the more clothes they throw on, but a number still walk around barefooted, and most of them wear sandals with no socks.

I was down to Vientiane again for what I hope is the last time. This city, the capital of Laos is quite interesting and I went on a picture tour of the place. I got wandering all around the back streets and into the suburbs. I thought at first that the local population might object to having a foreigner take their pictures but the people of Vientiane are such a bunch of hams that all they have to do is see you with a camera and they come bounding over field and swamp to absorb that they submitted them to the Herald and part of the first letter appears below as article No. 8 of a new series.

I thought that I was headed for trouble on one occasion though, for I had just finished taking the picture of a young girl and had just reloaded my camera, when she grabbed it out of my hands. I thought that she was going to smash it, but she took my picture, then handed the camera back, grinning like mad.

After I ran out of film, I had an empty camera and pretended to take pictures. I enjoyed having the people pose in front of the empty camera while I pretended to snap them. Especially the girls.

Some of the most morbid members of the Canadian Delegation have taken to attending Lao Boasts. When a Lao dies it is not too long until a Lao ceases to be the late Lao and becomes the late, scorched lamented. I was going to attend a funeral, but I was chicken out at the last minute.

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