

Hooray for Father

This Bit Does Wonders for Dad's Ego

MOTHER AND SISTER (Milk Armstrong and Sandra Greig) of the sandbox set lead father in a duel during the Rotary Club's "Holidays" which opened here Friday. The creators tucked their tongues in their cheeks and rated Father's Day one of the year's major holidays, all of which are lampooned in one skit. The show continues this Friday and Saturday. Featured again is the Rotary Show chorus (below).

—Peter Jenkins Photo



The Local Force That Watches Your Health

Most of us have heard of the County Health Unit in a vague sort of way, but what do they really do? They cover a wide range of services to severs and plumb-ing to pre-natal care.

Throughout the centuries the scourge of epidemics had brought unified action by the doctors in the fight against disease, but following the epidemics, each went his own way as no preventive medicine was practiced. In fact it was as late as 1933 that the first Health Unit was established in Ontario. The Halton County Health Unit was not established till 1947.

Male Concern

As in the beginning, the main concern today is still the control of communicable diseases. Now the emphasis is on the discovery and treatment of tuberculosis and venereal disease and their control.

Skin tests rather than wide spread chest x-rays are used more frequently now. There are two reasons, first, there are fewer people with positive skin test reactions (meaning fewer have been in contact); secondly, more care is now shown in the exposure to x-ray. However, it is still necessary to have the x-ray, if the skin test is negative.

Encouraging is the decline in the death rate from TB. In 1900 the death rate per hundred thousand was 180; it is now 2. In addition the new case rate is decreasing.

Health Nurse

A large part of the Health Unit's work is done by that familiar figure—the Public Health Nurse. She visits the sick in the home, in some cases does the home nursing herself, but many times instructs someone else in the care of the sick. She is always present at the Child Health Clinics, of which ten a month are operated in Halton County, where the consultation and analysis in the immunization program.

During her regular visits to the schools, she reports any communicable disease, helps in the school immunization program, and conducts vision and hearing tests. She is also the link in many cases between the disturbed child and the eventual treatment.

Not content with all that, she conducts pre-natal classes during the winter.

Check Water, Milk

The "Sanitary Services" department is an inspection service of all the controllable areas that could spread infection in the county. Their duties range from testing of water supply to checking milk supply, to inspections of restaurants, bakeries, slaughter houses, plumbing, garbage collection, garbage disposal and swimming pools. As if there were not enough they check well for installation of septic tanks and enforce the regulations on location and size of septic beds.

Health education through schools, pamphlets, and the press is a major responsibility. Every Health Unit in the country for prevention. They also have a concern with vital statistics, not the type Mansfield kind, but the birth rate, death rate, and the income rate of a given area. This area shows a high per-

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A telephoning campaign has been held recently in the Norval district for those telephone owners who have been marking time until the Brampton exchange could be added to this area for free dialing.

Of course it is not entirely free as our telephone rates will rise if and when this service is supplied, and here is the bone of contention for many in Georgetown. The number in Georgetown against this additional service and there is no fare in rates, was so numerous that the Georgetown Council petitioned the Bell Telephone not to add the Brampton exchange which was scheduled to take effect on May 7th. After discussion the Georgetown Council have agreed that sounds alarming, it isn't Dr. Kafato, plus psychologist and social worker, hold a clinic in Milton and in Oakville regularly, and will treat those referred to them, usually by the family doctor.

None Since 1958

"The quarantine sign has virtually disappeared from use," says Medical Officer of Health Archie V. Bull, "with emergence of antibiotics the necessity of isolation has almost gone." Only a few rare diseases are still quarantined. Dr. Bull concluded with a statement heartwarming to any parent who remembers the summertime fears of no-so-long ago, "we have not had a case of polio in Halton since 1958."

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Mrs. Wm. McMichael Was Born in Rio de Janeiro

Rev. Robert Duncanson of Norval Presbyterian Church conducted the funeral service of Mrs. Frances A. Alexander McMichael of Norval, held at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home, Georgetown on Tuesday, March 24th. Mrs. McMichael died on Sunday, March 22, in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

She was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 81 years ago. She went to England with her parents in 1888 and to Canada in 1907. In 1911 she trained as a children's nurse in New York and worked there until her marriage to William McMichael in 1915 in Toronto and settled in Norval where she resided for nearly 30 years. She was predeceased by her husband in 1947. She attended Bishop's Ladies School in Osgoode, England and was a member of the Presbyterian Church in England, Brandon, Manitoba and Novia Scotia. She was a life member of the Women's Misionary Society.

Surviving are three sisters, Annie (Mrs. N. Nelson), Carrie, Manitoba; Charlotte (Mrs. C. Hougham), England and Christine (Mrs. T. McMichael) of Toronto.

Pall bearers were Miss McClure, Hardy Barnhill, Oliver Hunter, Orval Shea, William Jarvis and Orval Carter.

Provincial police said the car, an Austin Sprite, was damaged to the extent of about \$800.

Cpl. Larry Kneale of the North Halton detachment helped handle the investigation.

Calls Meeting, Discuss '67 Centennial Project

Georgian's participation in the 1967 Canadian centennial will be discussed at a meeting on May 7th.

Mayor Joseph Gibbons told council Monday that he intends to call a meeting that night of interested citizens to talk about a suitable local recognition. Government grants are available on a sharing basis for a variety of projects which a community might adopt.

FINED \$100 FOR POLICE ASSAULT

A twenty-year-old district youth was convicted Monday of assaulting village Police Constable Fred Panchenko and fined \$100 by Magistrate H. Howell.

Special Prosecutor Bruce Payne told the court the accused was a "smart guy and rural legal expert" who was

Mr. Roy Early, Saskatchewan, a cousin of the P. L. Thompson, 21 Edith Street, was a weekend guest with them.

Mr. Abrahams and daughter of Windsor, Ontario, were recent weekend guests with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Headham, 10 Keyway Drive.

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