

Roger Smith Competes for Ontario Speaking Honours

Two outstanding orators, a high school youth and a Georgetown high school young man have won the right to represent the four counties of Halton, Peel, York (outside Metro Toronto) and Ontario, in the provincial public speaking contest for secondary school students on Monday, March 27th (Easter Monday) at Sheraton-King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

John S. Porter, 16, a grade 11 student at Anderson Collegiate Vocational Institute, Whittby, captured top honours in the prepared speech section at the zone 4 (provincial semi-final) oratorical contest held at Anderson Collegiate Vocational Institute in Whittby on Friday night. He duplicated his speaking achievement of last year when he took first place in the prepared speech section in the zone competition and earned the right to enter the 1966 Ontario final oratorical contest. The other zone final winner this year was Roger J. Smith, 17, a grade 13 student at Georgetown District High School who won the impromptu speech section.

Despite the inclement weather, 19 contestants took part in the zone public speaking competition. They were from high

schools in Brampton, Georgetown, Milton, Newmarket, Oakville, Oshawa, Whittby and Woodbridge. There were 10 speakers in the prepared speech section and nine in the impromptu section.

Wins Second Time

Repeating his feat of last year, John Porter of Anderson Collegiate, Whittby, spoke on "World Peace" to win the prepared speech first place honours.

He is the son of Rev. John Porter and Mrs. Porter, who live at 467 Garrard Road North, in Whittby Township. His father is the pastor of Westminster United Church, Whittby Township.

In winning the impromptu speech honours, Roger Smith of Georgetown District High School, displayed originality also remarkable organization of his subject matter as well as great poise and excellent delivery. He spoke on the subject "In defense of Laziness." Roger Smith is the son of Mrs. Esther Smith. Roger has been interested in public speaking throughout his high school career. He was second in the Central Western Ontario Secondary School

Association, District 6, public speaking contest, earlier this year. He is active in student affairs and is the president of the Students Forum of Georgetown District High School. Roger is planning to go to university and hopes to study mathematics.

Presents Hydro Trophies.

The zone four public speaking contest in Anderson Collegiate at Whittby, was sponsored by the Ontario School Trustees' and Municipal Councils' Association, the Ontario Educational Association and the Ontario Municipal Electric Association, District 4.

Arthur K. Meen, Q.C., Chairman of the Borough of North York Hydro, and President of the Ontario Municipal Electric Association, District 4 presented a Hydro silver cup and a replica to John Porter also a Hydro Shield and a miniature shield to Roger J. Smith.

Commenting on the excellent quality of the speeches, Mr. Meen, who is a professional engineer and a lawyer, stated that he marvelled at the ability of the young people to speak with such ease and fluency in public.

GREAT CANUCKS Late General Vanier A Canadian Patriot

The following speech was delivered to Georgetown High School students by a fellow-student Mike Faris.

"George Vanier was Canada's first French-Canadian Governor General. He was born in Montreal on April 23, 1888. Trained for law at Laval University, he left his practice when war broke out in 1914 to help organize the well-known French Expeditionary Force — the Van Doos. Overseas in 1915 he was awarded the Military Cross and later the Distinguished Service Order. In 1918 a bomb explosion cost him his right leg.

"He returned to Canada and in 1921 married Pauline Archer. During the 1920's he served as aide-camp to two generals, commanded Royal 22nd Regiment, served as Canadian representative on the Permanent Advisory Commission and Preparatory Disarmament Commission of the League of Nations and as Canadian delegate to the General Assembly of the League of Nations. He represented Canada at the Naval Conference in 1930, was technical advisor to the League of Nations in 1936

and was appointed Canadian Prime Minister to France. After a narrow escape from France when war broke out he embarked on an enlistment drive in French Canada. In 1943 he went to London as minister to the allied Governments in Exile. After his retirement General Vanier was named to the Canada Council. Six years of his appointment as Governor-General of Canada on Sept. 15, 1959.

"To Canada he has been a symbol of unity. He believed in our country; he respected its past, he was proud of its achievements and he had faith in its future because of his great faith in young people.

"In an age of pessimism he was a prophet of hope. In an age of cynicism he was a man of faith. In an age of materialism, he emphasized character and the things of the mind."

Mike Faris concluded his tribute by reading the text of a speech delivered by Governor-General Vanier on New Year's Day to the people of Canada.

Colour TV Sets For Lucky Egg Shoppers

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This was the message Cal Loomis brought to the Halton Egg Producers annual dinner meeting held Monday, March 13 in Hornby.

Mr. Loomis, secretary-manager of the Egg Fowl Marketing Board of Toronto, announced that three million coupons will be distributed throughout Ontario in egg cartons over the next three months. At stake are eleven color television sets to shoppers who draw the lucky coupon.

Mr. Loomis appealed to the Egg Producers to support the idea for promoting the industry.

"Supermarkets and grading stations are so far responsible for very well," said Mr. Loomis.

The evening's guest speaker was Dr. William Gregg, specialist of poultry diseases at Connaught Labs of Toronto. Dr. Gregg spoke to the Egg Producers on poultry diseases and their treatment. In a question and answer period after his address, Dr. Gregg discussed specific problems of poultry nutrition and the management of the laying house.

Optometrist Gives Tips on Growing of Roses

The March meeting of the Georgetown Society was held last Wednesday evening in Knox Church Hall with a very fine turnout of garden enthusiasts greeting L. M. Brown, special speaker for the evening. Robert Barber introduced Mr. Brown to the audience who in turn gave a talk on How To Grow Roses.

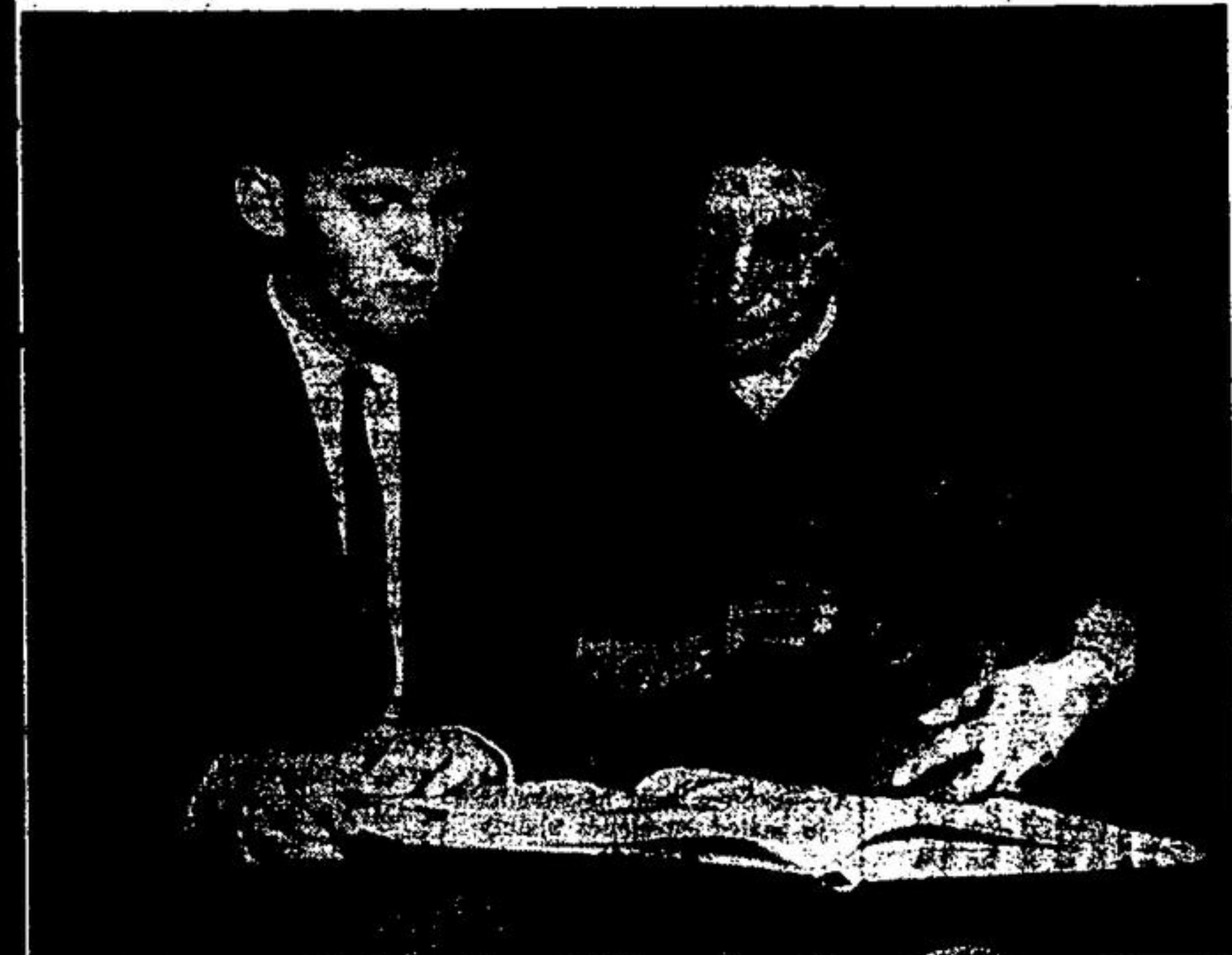
A comprehensive study of the rose from choosing the desired type of bush and variety to the picking of a prize bloom was discussed, showing how easy it really is to produce a winning specimen. A bush properly planted, watered, fertilized, sprayed and wintered over each year should give the home gardener many years of delight. Mr. Brown showed several coloured slides of rose plantings in the Metro area, prize-winning blooms and arrangements seen at recent Canadian Rose Society Shows of which Mr. Brown is a Director. The audience participated by directing several questions to Mr. Brown for clarification. D. N. Cole thanked Mr. Brown for his time and effort in presenting his lecture and suggested that rose culture am-

ong those present would have an upwings this year.

Society president, Fred Duffield, chairman for the evening thanked all present for their extra efforts in coming out despite the bad driving and walking conditions. Several items of business were dealt with including an upcoming tour of Dominion Seed House for the membership, a special report on membership by H. J. Herder and more information relating to the June flower show.

During the meeting a going away presentation was made to Mrs. E. L. Burman by Mr. Herder on behalf of the Society. Mrs. Burman has been a valued member of the Society especially in the area of flower shows, greatly assisting in the planning and preparation of past shows and also for the June Show coming up, which will reflect her interest and enthusiasm.

Mrs. Harry Scott presided over the door prize draw and the following people were winners: Mrs. N. Ican, Mrs. S. Palichuk, Mrs. W. R. Norton, Bruce Harley, Mrs. E. S. Thompson, Mrs. H. Barkoskie, Norman Bird, Mrs. G. W. Campbell, Mrs. J. Cleave, Mrs. Gordon Booth and S. Palichuk.



ROGER SMITH and his mother, Mrs. Esther Smith, hold his prize, a Hydro shield, a miniature shield and a world atlas.

Two Georgetown Men On Children's Aid Bd.

Reeve Austin J. Ledwith, 39, a Milton businessman, is the new president of the Children's Aid Society of Halton County.

He was elected to head the 18-member slate of directors for Centennial Year, following the annual meeting of the society held at Knox Presbyterian Church, Thursday.

Reeve Ledwith is one of six county council representatives on the board of directors.

Rud Whiting, 248 Riverside Drive, Oakville was elected vice president. Mrs. Paul Lanz, Gary Crescent Burlington, secretary and Warren Harding, Rankin Drive, Burlington, treasurer.

Other county representatives are: Warden William Coulter, Reeve of Nassagaweya; deputy reeve George Currie, RR 2, Georgetown; Oakville deputy reeve Allan Day of Milton; deputy reeve Frank Oaks, Knox Avenue, Acton; and deputy reeve A. R. Speight, Shelley St., Georgetown.

Also on the board are: Mrs. Barbara Harris, Mr. G.G. Heym, Mr. Peter Howard and Harold Young, all of Oakville; Eldon

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Illegitimate Births Increase Need New Foster Home Plan

A "foster uncles and aunts" experiment with emotionally-disturbed children was urged Friday by Doctor Gordon Askwith, executive director of the Children's Aid Society in Halton County.

He said the number of illegitimate births in Ontario was on the increase, "particularly in Halton."

"Children are coming into our care today for more serious emotional problems and require more help" he told the annual meeting of the Halton Society.

He said it was difficult to place such children in foster homes and added: "it is likely we will have to experiment in a different type of foster home and group therapy generally."

"We are looking at the possibility of encouraging people to be aunts and uncles to these children."

"It will be an experiment in enlisting the help of parents who would not directly have responsibility for children in their care."

Dr. Askwith said the Halton Society was hoping to put a new committee to work to study the special needs of families and children in the county.

He said it was the intention to use a homemaker to go into what he described as "neglectful homes" to help train mothers or families to care for their children.

The homemaker would help families who were on the verge of breaking up.

He said although the illegitimate birth-rate was rising and more children were being taken to care of the society there was still an adequate number of adoptive homes in Halton County.

Last year the Society began with 107 children in its care, admitted another 105 and rounded off with 120.

The Society assisted 148 unmarried mothers in plans for infants and helped 964 children find their own homes through 212 families.

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