



TALK ABOUT SERVICE

People pulling into Ralph Algar's Delrex Sunoco service station during his three-day Gala Opening on the weekend must have wondered if they had been mistaken for a celebrity. In fact the special attention given each customer was all part of the official opening which featured balloons and suckers for the small fry plus a lucky draw chance at valuable prizes. Friday, Saturday and Sunday's special staff even included a couple of obliging clowns. Above, owner Ralph Algar (right), and Suzie Algar, Glen Chapman, Barry McLaughlin, Bonnie DeMille, Dave Irons, Jim Verrette, Darlene Algar, Pam Little, Roger Little and John Reaume give the official opening treatment to Mrs. John Gunn and daughter Alexandra.

Halton Will Insist on Own Regional Government

Halton County councillors will make a pitch for a separate Halton regional government when they confront four Ontario cabinet ministers at a special meeting August 14 at the Riviera Club in Norval.

Municipal Affairs Minister Darcy McKeough, Energy and Resources Minister George Kerr (Halton West MPP), Education Minister William Davis and provincial treasurer Charles MacNaughton will attend the afternoon meeting. Premier John Robarts may also attend.

Municipal representatives from Halton, Peel, Wellington and Dufferin counties have been invited.

Super Region
McKeough has proposed that

Halton and Peel merge into a super metro-type region. However, Halton County council has voted for a separate Halton region. Peel has not yet made an official decision on McKeough's proposal.

An economic study just completed by the Department of Municipal Affairs shows that regional government can be introduced into Halton-Peel at a saving to local taxpayers.

At Halton County Council deputy reeve, William Gillies, suggested that "rather than sitting around at this meeting listening to Robarts and his men telling us how good we've got it" the county should be preparing its own brief on regional government.

Gillies doubts if much good will come out of the Norval meeting. He said there will be too many there and too much to discuss to really accomplish anything in one afternoon.

The Norval meeting will deal with provincial taxation, provincial aid to municipalities, local taxation, local government structure, changes in the assessment act and other municipal reforms.

MPPs Attending
Halton East MPP Jim Snow, who will also be attending the meeting said, "it is one of a series being held across the province to further establish useful two-way communication between Queen's Park and the municipalities."

Other area MPPs attending the meeting will be R. D. Kennedy, Peel South; John Root, Wellington - Dufferin; and A. E. Downer, Dufferin-Simcoe.

Wants Family Counsel Under Children's Aid

Deputy Reeve R.C. Harris of Milton has urged Halton County Council to call a meeting to investigate putting all family counselling services in the county under the Children's Aid Society.

He said this is what has been done in Peel County where agencies ostensibly performing the same service, but lacking communication and common purpose.

Harris said a unified agency for family counselling is needed in Halton.

This view was backed by Reeve G. Gallagher, of Burlington, who said council should not wait around for regional government but "do something about this now."

Council has received earlier requests for a unified family counselling bureau in the county.

The Children's Aid Society has been suggested.

Council noted a meeting will be called soon to discuss this matter.



OLD FRIENDS ARE BEST

It's nice to make a new friend, but most members of our species, the naked ape, agree that old friends are the best friends.

Last week, I had the best of these two situations, and I am not only delighted but astonished to be alive to report it. The only thing that doesn't seem to be functioning is my liver. Must be in better shape than I thought.

It began with a three-day visit from our old friends, the Traps. We have one of these reunions once a year, and it usually takes a week to get over them. Trap and I joined the air force together. Peggy and Susie have always got along well because they have the same interests.

They can talk for 20 hours at a stretch. On Tuesday night they went to bed at 8:15. That's a.m. Know what they were doing? The university acceptance tests. They scored very high. But they were a little dashed when I told them that high school kids get 50 minutes to do these. It had taken them seven hours.

And you should hear them playing duets on the piano at 4 a.m. One playing Gálway Bay and the other Tales from the Vienna Woods. It sounds pretty good until they begin to sing.

Well, the Traps left, and I settled down for a quiet day of reading and recuperation. Knock at the door. Another old friend, Bill Hanna, all set to go sailing. Apparently, though I'll swear it never happened, we'd had a long and involved telephone talk setting the time and the day.

No way out, without being a stinker. So I tottered off sailing. A peculiar sport. It takes an hour to get ready. This is hard on a man who is dying on his feet. Then you float around for a couple of hours while the skipper desperately tries to catch a breeze no bigger than a beach.

Then, suddenly, there's what we old sailors call a spanking breeze, and the skipper is hollering at you to "cleat your jib" and "tuff your lee" and all sorts of nasty things, and the dam' boat is hurtling along with one side almost under water and your beer has tumbled into the bilge and you are wondering whether you can still swim two miles.

Back home, safe, late and burned to a cinder. Nodding over a late dinner and the 11 p.m. news. Door bell rings. Cheery young voice, "Anybody home?" And you go downstairs and there's another old friend, petite Jeanne Sauve, and she's brought you a beautiful rose from her own garden. And yes, she'll have a gin and a look at the new bathroom and a two-hour talk with Susie.

There was only one way out, and I took it. I plunged off in the car next morning for Uxbridge, and the Ontario Weekly Editor's annual golf tournament.

Host Pete Hvidsten, a Norwegian who didn't know enough to go home after the war. But by the acme of acumen managed to marry off both his kids within two weeks.

Gene Macdonald, the man from Glengarry, who won the prize for the longest drive of the day - he'd driven 280 miles to get there. He also insisted I buy him a double every time I had a double bogey. A stiff proposition for both of us.

Johnny James of Bowmanville with two strapping sons who hit a golf ball a quarter of a mile. Weeklies' dean, Warden Leavens of Bolton, who played four holes counting the 19th. Charlie Nolan of Stouffville, game as always, getting

rather like trying to get 40 rhinoceros to sit up at table and put on their napkins. Jim Dills of Acton-Milton, genial and easy-going as always. And a dozen others.

That's why it was equally pleasant to meet new friends, Gabriel's trumpet and die - a Dave Scott of Fort Erie, the couple of decades before your only man I've ever seen whiff time.

Self-Cleaning Oven? Must Follow Directions

Do you own a stove with a self-cleaning oven? Be sure to follow the manufacturer's directions, and never attempt to force open the oven door while the oven is cleaning itself, suggests the Halton Fire Prevention Bureau.

Recently an Iowa fire department received a call for help from a woman who was cleaning her oven and noticed it was smoking badly. She had apparently forgotten she had left a can of lard in the oven earlier in the day, and the lard was smoking furiously as the oven cleaned itself.

Firefighters found the oven smoking badly, and the door locked. They pried open the door, seriously damaging the safety locks in the oven. Later they discovered it was not necessary to force open the door.

When these ovens are switched on "clean" the oven burners are turned on, and the temperature in the oven begins to rise. At around 600 degrees, a special thermostat does three things: (1) It locks the oven door; (2) turns on a fan to cool the outside of the oven, and (3) turns on a special catalytic burner in the oven vent to catalyze the smoke that would otherwise escape into the room.

When the temperature inside the oven gets to around 900 degrees, the burners are automatically shut off, and the oven cools off. When the temperature drops again to around 600 degrees, the special thermostat shuts off the catalytic burner and the fan, and unlocks the oven door.

The cleaning cycle can be interrupted manually at any time by switching the oven control to "off". This, of course, would not shut off the special catalytic burner or unlock the oven until the temperature dropped to 600 degrees.

In most cases, it would seem that the best way of handling situations of this kind would be simply to turn off the oven control and allow the oven to cool down. Unplugging the stove itself or shutting off the main electric control would shut off the catalytic burner and allow more smoke to escape into the house. If the oven door were pried open at around 900 degrees, there is some possibility that a back draft explosion might occur.

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Rev. Andrew McKenzie officiated and Mr. E. A. Hansen was organist. Mr. O'Rourke gave his daughter in marriage in the double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a traditional floor length gown of silk lace over taffeta, with lily point sleeves, and a long train falling from the shoulders. A three tiered veil was held in place by organza petals trimmed with seed pearls and she carried a bouquet of yellow roses and stephanotis.

Mrs. Clifford Scott was her sister's matron of honour and the groom's sister Pat Tuck and the bride's cousin Terry Fleming were bridesmaids. They wore floor length gowns of green crepe and chiffon, carried bouquets of yellow pom-pom mums and wore yellow mums in their hair. The groom's cousin, Christine Hoare as flower girl wore floor length yellow crepe and carried a nosegay of yellow pom-pom mums.

The groom's cousin John Hoare was best man, the bride's brother Robert O'Rourke and Don Stewart, Toronto, were ushers.

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GOING TO LAW SCHOOL



PAUL FISHER

Paul Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fisher, R.R. 5, Milton, and grandson of Mrs. Clarence Hayes, 14 Academy Road, received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Waterloo at the May convocation. Paul who is a graduate of Georgetown District High School, currently has an appointment with the Home Mission Board of the United Church of Canada on the Indian reservation at Sandy Lake in Northern Ontario, where he is setting up a recreation program for children and teenagers. In September Paul will attend the University of Toronto law school.

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