

#### Dr Kingscote describes Chinese painting history

The present exhibition of Chinese brush painting in the Guelph public library by Rockwood artist, Dr. Anthony Kingscote, until quite recently calligraphy is a great help. was little known in the Western World. It started to flourish with the invention of paper about 100 A.D. with most of the early Chinese paintings which are still preserved, on the walls of caves.

At first the paintings were largely of people, landscape painting evolved later and slowly, until the outstanding examples of the Great Masters have now become world famous. In the Sung Periods particularly about 960 to 1279 A.D. the doctor continued, the beautiful flower and bird paintings are among the great masterpieces.

Dr. Kingscote states that many of the early paintings were of spiritual significance and the works of Taoist and Buddhist monks. Even today, he says, a painting is first judged by the

tao or spirit it possesses. Next to tao comes the skill with which the artist has handled his brush and here a knowledge of

Calligraphy in itself is a lovely form of art so that poems or comments written on paintings, if not overdone, enhance their beauty. The calligraphy on the paintings in the Guelph Library in the majority of cases is through the courtesy of Professors Chen Bing Sun of Manila and Chang Tan Nung of chrysanthemums collectively Singapore, both skilled called the "Four Gentlemen" calligraphers in ancient and more because of the symbolism modern styles of Chinese associated with the four

On being asked how one goes student can soon create pleasant about mastering Chinese compositions; some students, painting, Dr. Kingscote states especially ladies, start making the first essentials are a few pointed brushes, and ink stone and sticks or ink, rice or other paper or silk, patience and the power to concentrate.

Once one starts even the



Howdy, my frends! Almost didunt git to writin' nothin' this week wot with bein so busy an all. Dick's kid Martin has had me hog-tied t'thet durn blame cutter fer th'past three weeks an I aint had no time fer anythin' else but run, run, and keep runun.

Heard Jim Thatcher here th'other day tawkin' to Julie and they was sayin't thet th'Orangeville race track is sponsorin' races every Sunday from now on fore 18 Sundays in a row runnin' consecutive-ly from the first one in May.

Used t'be that they only held races on Labour Day but now it'll be an easy jaunt to git thar an th'boys shore are plumb pleased about thet.

Ole Dick now figgers he's got himself a gewd thing cause if I lose out on any draws in Elmira like last year he'll be able to git me in at Orangeville. So's between Orangeville, Elmira. an'Hannover they's bound n'bent tuh make me into a gewd candeedate fer the glue factory after all. They's been all kinda gewd t'me lately down hyar at th barn. Johnnie Salmon was clockin' me th'other day an him an ole Jim con-cluded that I'm runnin' twice as fast as I was this time last year so things shewd be pickin' up at th' track this season. Sher hopes so cause all my frends wot bets on me can lose big pots of money if n I don't win those races.

Got inta a tough squeeze at th rockery last Friday nite. Thet dad tootin' place was loaded with all sorts o'varmints frum all over th'place and just about all

the village folks was there buyin' things reel cheep. Parkin' was a big mess though and it shore surprizes me s'to how the Main Street doesn't git jammed up. Wot human folks never do

seem to catch on to is th'fact thet nothin's a bargain unless you want it in th'fust place!

Bye now, yore frend, PRETTY FAIR

# Goin's

Comin's

and

The Rockwood Home and School Executive meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Hudson last Thursday evening when plans were completed for the mammoth fashion show of Walker's Clothing to be held on Thursday evening, April 2 at 8 p.m. at the Centennial School.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Milne of New Westminster, B.C. are spending a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Milne. They attended the 50th Wedding anniversary celebration of Bill's parents last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chapman of Columbia, South Carolina, spent the weekend with Mrs. Chapman's sister, Mrs. E. Craig of Rockwood.

An unnamed great horny owl and two harries (marsh hawks) have chosen the Eramosa River near the Conservation Park as their habitat and are helping to keep the balance of nature in hand whilst proving to be a source of interest to members in the community.

Les femmes du ville de Rockwood are popularizing Louella Beauty salon these days for the best buys in ladies' wiggy headwear. Cut and styled with expert taste the local damsels sport elegant coiffures with case and confidence.

Mrs. W. A. Duby, Guelph Street, visited her grandson Robert Duby and his wife in Georgetown last S unday evening and had an enjoyable time.

The ladies of the St. John's Church in Rockwood hostessed the Guelph Community Concert organization last Monday evening with lunch and dessert when their bus stopped off in Rockwood from their Toronto

Among the numerous high school students planning on taking short trips during their Easter holidays will be. Rob Sinclair of Rockwood and Jamie MacKinnon, Guelph, with destination - Mexico.

The latest report on Mr. George Saunders is that he is progressing beautifully and can now be considered "on the mend" much to the relief of many anxious friends in the

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Oops!

R. R. 4 March 11/70.

Acton Free Press Acton, Ontario.

Gentlemen:

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> Best Regards Alf Long.

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MY ASK FOR THOUGHT!

LEAN OFF YOUR

simplest painting one soon becomes oblivious to all one's

worries and disturbances. With a

challenge accomplished - even to

painting a twig of blossoms,

comes the thrill of having

of Chinese painting works

mostly on developing confidence

in his brush strokes by learning

to master the skills associated

with painting plum blossoms,

orchids, bamboo and

subjects. At this time the

their own letterheads,

bookmarks, place and greeting

"Later", Dr. Kingscote

continued, "landscape painting

instruction commences and about this time Guild teachers put great stress on studying and recreating works of the Great

Masters. In so doing the student

learns skills and techniques which various masters have developed through the centuries

and after that, the advanced

student, is free, if he so wishes, to start his own style and

school,"

For the first year the student

created something oneself.



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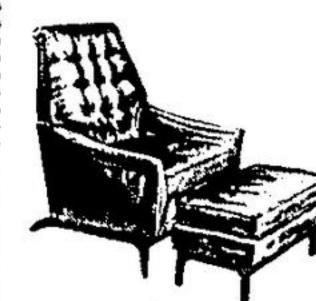
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