

Bus drivers and families attend Burlington picnic

The beautiful and massive acreage of the C. H. Norton family was the scene of a mammoth bus driver's picnic last Sunday when 240 school and charter bus operators and their families congregated for the annual Norton Line bus drivers' picnic.

Located on No. 5 Highway in Burlington the farm was jammed

with swimming in the heated pool the popular activity of the afternoon, superseded at 4 p.m. by races of every variety for the very young to the oldsters.

Approximately 50 local drivers from the Guelph and Eramosa districts attended the rendezvous which was followed up by an outdoor feast of barbecued chicken, salads, chocolate

sundaes, pop, coffee. Everyone had a marvellous time with many drivers congregating from Burlington, Hamilton, Snelgrove, Georgetown, Glen Williams, and Rockwood, and during an informal ceremony in the afternoon, presentations were made to these drivers who deserved special acclaim.



A "D" ROUTE driver for the eastern corner of Eramosa Twp., Ivy Ritchie stands at the bus door awaiting her charges for her last home trip before the summer vacations. "I'll just take it easy," said the affable driver when asked what she'd do with her spare time without the responsibility of bus riding children. Ivy likes children and enjoys listening to them as they make their daily excursions from the country to the local Rockwood school.—(Photo by Lorraine)

Seek planning officer to project enrolment for Board of Education

Halton County Board of Education has approved the hiring of a planning officer, effective Aug. 15, to work for the board in conjunction with municipal planners. His chief duties would include projection of enrolments, analysis of population density and movement, and assessment of subdivision developments as it affects the educational enterprise.

Introducing the subject, Assis-

stant to the Director E. S. Lavender explained old methods for calculating enrolments were no longer reliable because the patterns of growth have changed. Information for short and long term accommodation requirements would be a key duty the Planning Officer would have. It was suggested he may work closely with the Superintendent of Transportation and the possibility of combining the two

positions into one was considered.

The man filling the position would be paid in the area of \$9,000 to \$14,000. While some trustees argued the man would save money for the board in the long run, trustee Ernie Bodnar remained unconvinced that the move was a good one.

He feared the man's work would be a duplication of municipal services now provided and wondered if a qualified planner would be able to forecast projected enrolments. "Are we really getting what we want when we hire a planner?" he wondered.

During the same meeting the board appointed Ron Chapman, currently principal of Clarksdale School, as assistant superintendent. They also received a request from Phil Mullen, the Oakville guidance teacher who had been demoted earlier this year to meet with the board.



WARDEN ALLAN DAY of Halton, right, chats with Premier John Roberts and host MPP Jim Snow at the beef barbecue held at Mr. Snow's farm near Hornby Wednesday. Snow's youngest daughter Jennifer, 4, clung to her daddy when the VIPs came around to say "hi".—(Staff Photo)



"Driving a car with a broken muffler is a gas."

OUR READERS WRITE:

Commends Mr. Kierans' stand

The Editor, Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir:

May I express my opinion, on the postal situation which is disrupting our country? First of all, I am proud of the fact that Canada has a Postmaster General who has stamina enough to stand out for what, in his judgment, is sufficient and right. That is our money he is handling, not his

own. He is our representative, and cannot throw our money around indiscriminately.

I like to see men and women receive good wages, but this "whole hog or none" attitude, (especially in these days of much unemployment), is carrying things a bit too far.

Thanks for space in your paper.

I am,
Yours truly,
Millicent Milroy,
Rockwood, Ont.



NOT REALLY IN NEED of medical assistance, Bill Jackson of Brampton, President of the Halton Junior Farmers sees how a respirator works. The Halton group donated the respirator to the

Milton District Hospital. Nurse Mrs. S. Godfrey demonstrates while provincial director Brian Bessey of Guelph and past president Carol Swackhamer of Acton look on.—(Staff Photo)

Jr. Farmer field day names Halton winners

Junior Farmers from the Norval, Acton and Palermo clubs got together at Milton District High School Saturday for the annual Halton Junior Farmer track and field day. Winners of each event will be Halton's en-

tries in the zone field meet at Guelph on July 18. Winners included: men's 100 yd. dash, Larry Campbell; girl's 75 yd. dash, Donna Jackson; men's shot put, George Hen-

Over 20,000,000 cords of pulpwood were cut in 1969 in Canada.

erson; girl's shot put, Donna Jackson; men's 220 yd. dash, George Henderson; girl's 220 yd. dash, Jean Goodfellow; girl's softball throw, Donna Jackson; girl's long jump, Laurie Maxwell; men's high jump, George Henderson; men's 880, Bill Alexander; girl's tug-of-war, Norval Jr. Farmers; men's mile, Don Hamilton; men's softball, Palermo Jr. Farmers; girl's softball, Norval Jr. Farmers; men's 440 relay, Palermo Jr. Farmers.

Children's service Sunday at St. Alban's

The 10.30 service at St. Alban's last Sunday was especially designed for children while, in contrast, members of the Golden Age club were special guests. Boys acting as sidesmen were Clifford Creasey and Michael Mitchell; lessons were read by Carol Staley and Barbara Turkoz. Miss Leah Murchison assisted the Rev. H. Dawson in handing out the many 1970 church school awards.

Paula Kathleen, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Mitchell, was baptised by the rector.

Five children's hymns were sung by the congregation. David Harris was supply organist for the service.

Ronald Haefner received the collection from the Sidesmen and

handed it to the Rector for the blessing.

After church, parishioners gathered together to bid farewell to Rev. and Mrs. Dawson, who with their little daughter are off to Great Britain. He is spending three weeks at Canterbury, followed by a holiday tour. The special sessions are being called to commemorate the death of Thomas Becket, and clergymen from all over the world will be participating.

During his absence, Rev. Schaffter of Brampton and lay reader Les Doby will be taking the services here.

Work of the church school children was on display after the service.



A TRACK AND FIELD MEET was held at Milton District High School Saturday by Halton Junior Farmers, when winners of 15 events were chosen to represent

Halton in the zone field day at Guelph on July 18. Competitor Bill Alexander of the Norval club is shown in the shot put event where he placed second.—(Staff Photo)

Salt and Pepper . . .

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have thought, for I rarely connected as I slapped and peered into the water and up the creek for some sign of the beaver.

Suddenly, I noted a V coming down the stream, straight for the dam. I peered closer. It looked like there might be a snout behind the strong ripple. It circled coming closer... and closer. After several minutes of underwater maneuvers, a creature emerged from the water and climbed onto a log, observing me with a curious look.

It was an honest-to-goodness beaver, looking on the log like he was the model for the back of our neck.

Back he dived/foiled around with the dam, and then paddled over to shore where another animal - obviously his mate - joined him after churning her V in the water.

I snuck back to the car for the camera, confident that at last my patience was going to be rewarded. When I returned, Chips and his mate were rippling a wake upstream.

Camera shy - or just heading back for

some more timber? I decided to wait. I waited... and waited.

Fireflies lit their tiny lamps by the hundreds, the mosquitos still knew where I stood. A pair of car lights pierced the almost darkness. The car stopped and out jumped Neil Benton. "See anything?" he asked quietly.

I explained the situation. We both peered into the dark. "There's something coming," we both agreed. We waited but the ripples came no further. Another car drove up. Out jumped Roy Arnott. Beavers, he said, seeing the dam. Heard there were some here. Likely come from further up the creek.

But no action. My visitors left.

I waited... and waited... and waited, until the only reflection on the mirrored surface of the water was a star. It was my signal to leave. Still no pictures of the beavers but the first two objectives finished.

I left with more respect for wildlife cameramen than I ever had before.



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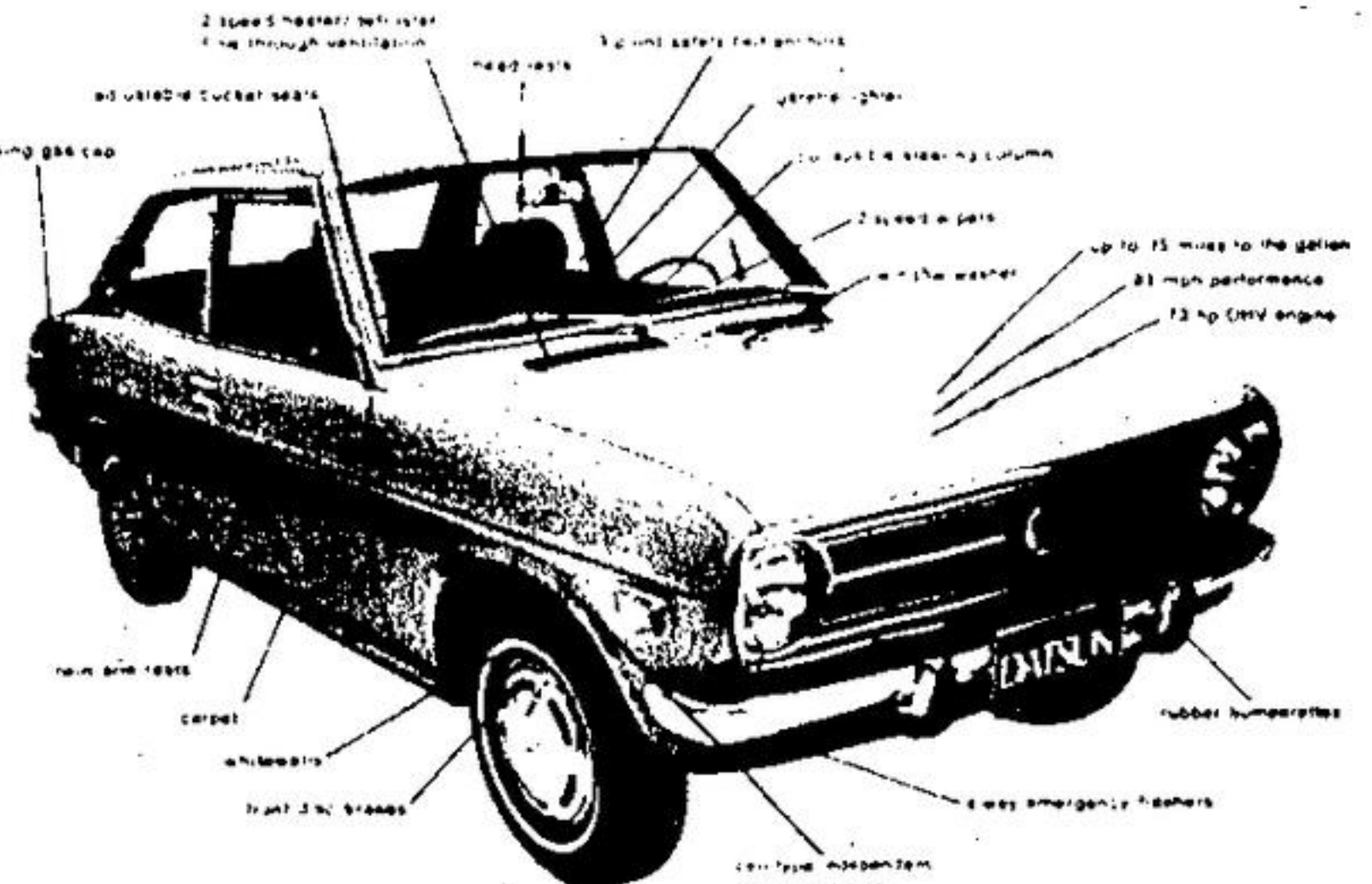
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