

Churchill

Many visitors in summer season

By Mrs. F. MacArthur
 Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered by pastor, Rev. A. W. Fosbury at the Churchill Community Church service at 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lindsay, Marla and Glyn of Orangeville, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Brown and family.

Messrs Wain Brown and Harvey Burt returned home on Thursday after a two week trip to Vancouver, B. C. They motored and enjoyed camping each way with sight-seeing trips and visiting in Vancouver.

Visit daughter
 Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Fosbury visited a week ago Sunday and Monday at the home of their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Cross and son Craig at Lorne Park. Mrs. Fosbury stayed over Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sharon MacArthur spent a few days holidaying at Bellwood with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Anderson, Earl and Jim.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spear and family, also Mr. and Mrs. Bob Priestman, spent Sunday at Wasaga Beach.

Visitors last week with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr and Jeffrey from Monday to Wednesday were Pat's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Knox and Nancy of Hampton, and her sister Mrs. Grant Down and children of Sunderland. On Tuesday evening Mrs. Knox, Nancy, Mrs. Downs and Pat Kerr motored and attended a shower

for Miss Marge Kitchen of Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr and Jeffrey visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Malcolm of Locust Hill for a family gathering to honor Mrs. Kerr's brother Ken Knox of Hampton and his bride-to-be, Miss Marge Kitchen of Woodstock.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. David Williamson and Mrs. Annie Burns were Mrs. Vera Davis, Mrs. Hugh Mark and Mrs. Burn's sister, Miss Ruth Taylor of Hornby on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Storey and family of Orillia visited on the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Storey at Crewsons Corner, also with Mrs. W. J. McDonald and Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fosbury of Willowdale were Sunday visitors with his parents Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Fosbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kroeker, Bernice and Brenda of St. Catharines, visited on Sunday with Mr. Leslie Swackhamer, June, Kathy and Debbie.

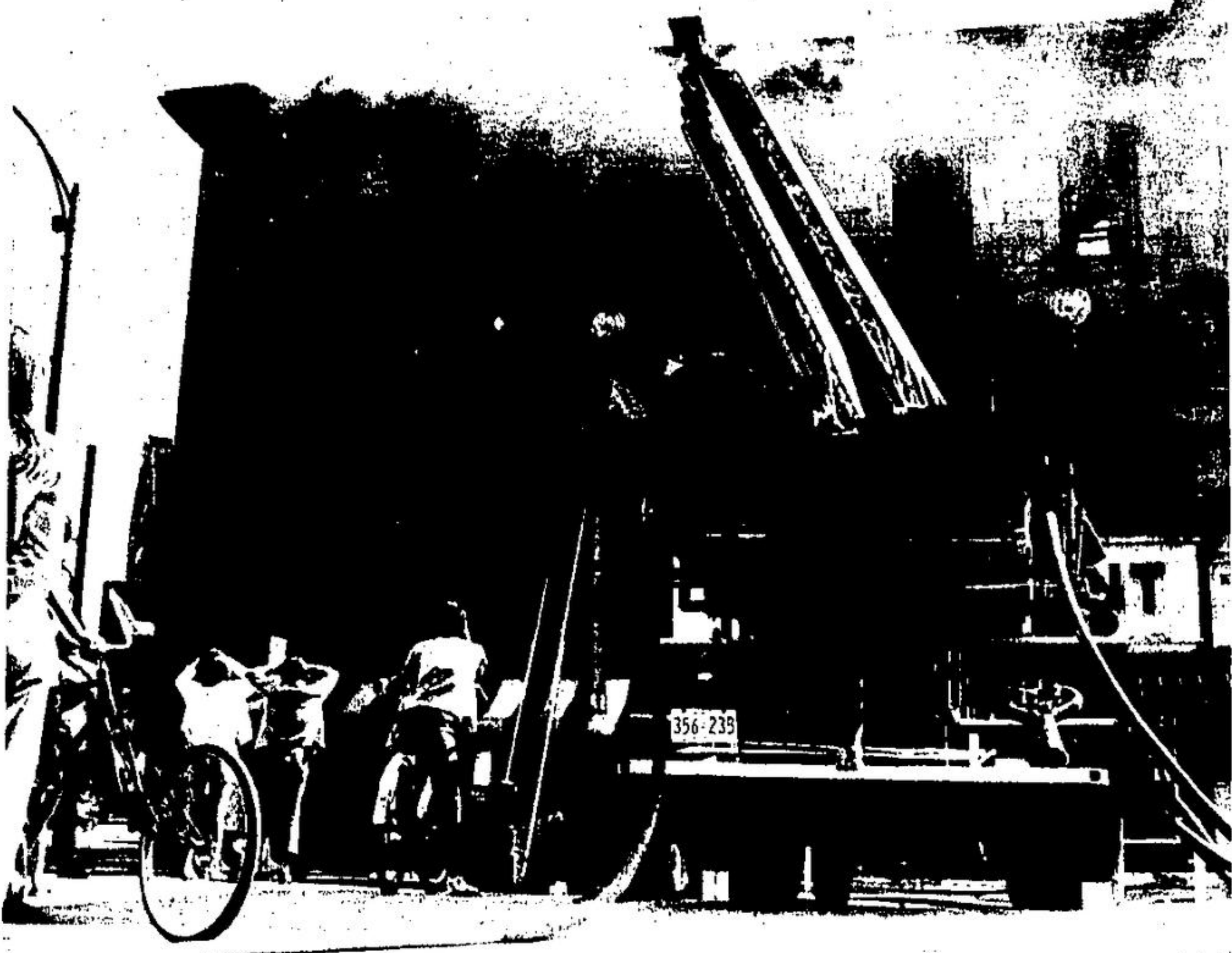
Complete lessons
 Some little tots from Churchill district, Jackie Denny, Helen Kock and Susan Miln have completed several weeks of swimming instructions at the community centre in Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Winter attended the wedding on Saturday, August 15 of Miss Lillian Waterhouse and Mr. John Warton, both of Elora, in St. George's Anglican Church, Guelph; also the reception afterward at the Cutten Club.

Mr. Keith Russell of Lenore, Manitoba, is spending a week with Mr. Ray Swackhamer. He is on a Junior Farmer and 4-H Club exchange visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson accompanied by Mrs. Tressa

Keeler, Mrs. Arthur Griffin and Mr. William McArthur, all of Erin, spent Sunday with their nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Martin, Beamsville and also called on their cousin Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smart.



A FIRE IN THE MACDONALD BUILDING in Guelph, which started about 1 a.m. Monday morning caused an estimated \$500,000 damage, destroyed five places of business and caused severe smoke damage to two

others. Crowds lined the streets, as Guelph firefighters fought the blaze, which was still smoldering when this picture was taken at 11 a.m. Monday morning.—(Staff Photo)

History of Halton

Asked what, in the view of the township residents, were the causes retarding the improvement of the township, they replied that among other things, "large tracts of land have been granted to certain individuals and these, being men of fortune, are under no necessity of selling their lands but hold them at so high a price that poor people are unable to buy them. Again many of these gentlemen have gone out of the province, so that there is no opportunity to purchase from them. So it still remains a wilderness. And the poor people who are settled around such tracts have roads to make and every other public duty to perform at their own expense which greatly enhances the value of the land to the great injury of the inhabitants." "Another hindrance respecting our township is that a great number of them remain unsettled but when settlers become numerous this evil will be done away with."

We thus see in the report that our first settlers in the county were not altogether in accord with the "powers that be" in the Government at York. As the signatories indicate, they were to a man descendants of the Loyalists and as such, they probably were more independent and quick to resent the injustices they had to suffer from the upper class officials over whose appointment they had no voice.

As a particular example of this independence we might refer to Laurence Hagar a prominent Methodist, on whose land the first Methodist chapel in the township was located, around which the village of Palermo grew up. (Oakville and the Sixtee, H. C. Matthews p.92) After the Methodist split of 1833 Brother Hagar customarily sat in his own chair set just under the pulpit. When the preacher expressed views with which he was in agreement he would say "Amen" but when he was opposed, he took up his chair forthwith and removed to the other church. He rarely remained long in either church.

In due course the land along Dundas St. became more or less occupied and a further purchase was deemed expedient. Accordingly on October 17th, 1818, an agreement was made whereby a block of land reaching from the 2nd concession above Dundas Street to what is now Highway No. 9, and from the Etobicoke to the North West Line from Burlington was purchased. A new system of survey was instituted with the upper concession line above Dundas Street as the base line. The new concession line paralleled the North West Line whereas the intersecting cross roads paralleled Dundas Street.

A curious situation arises since Dundas Street actually runs 8 degrees to the south from a true south-west direction. Accordingly all roads in Peel and Halton intersect at angles of 83 degrees and 96 degrees instead of right angles, and also all farm properties are laid out at these angles. For convenience these concession lines are spoken of as running north and south and the crossroads or sideroads as running east and west although actually the latter run more towards the south than west. However this has been the custom from earliest days since Dundas

This is the second in a series of articles taken from a history of Halton County compiled for the county Women's Institutes. Author of the history is Ben Case of the Silverwood area.

Street was always regarded as running east and west.

Under this new survey the blocks between roads are about 266 rods wide and 600 rods north and south, or roughly 7-8 mile by 17-8 miles instead of 400 rods by 400 rods as in the old survey, each block containing 1000 acres. This makes for farms more nearly square and hence more convenient for farm work as shown herewith. The three lower townships were extended north about six miles to a new base line running east and west through Hornby and just north of Milton, and three new townships laid out to the north. The following letter from the Lietu-Governor gives instructions as to naming the new townships.

Lieutenant-Governor's Office, April 2nd, 1819.

To the Surveyor-General

Sir:

I am directed by his Excellency the Lt-Governor to inform you that he has decided the following names shall be given to the three townships in the Mississauga Tract now under survey, namely to western township in rear of Nelson that of Nassagaweya, to the centre township in rear of Trafalgar the name of Esqueing and to the eastern township in rear of Toronto that of Chinguacousy, being the Indian names of the principal rivers in each respectively.

I have the honor to be

Yours truly,
 George Hillier

N.B. The original of this letter is in the Public Archives at Ottawa.

To verify these names we are referred by Mrs. Chisholm to a

list compiled by Mr. Augustus Jones, the early surveyor, of the names of all rivers and creeks from Niagara to the Trent showing the English names and the Indian names and their meaning. Being married to the daughter of a Mississauga chief he was familiar with the Mississauga language. This list is now in the Surveyor-General's office in Toronto, and reads in part as follows:

Evidently, as happens even today, a mistake was made in the Government offices and the names Esqueing and Nassagaweya got switched. Also the name "credit" was given after the fur-traders came and the original name must have been Chinguacousy which Mrs. Jameson in her book "Summer Rambles" says meant "Young Pine".

The story goes that an old Scots elder was praying at the mid-week service as follows: "Oh Lord, we have just had most distressing news from Little

York. We have heard Oh Lord, that a boatload of the wild Irish have just arrived at the town of York in search of a new home. We pray thee, Oh Lord, that they may be directed to the hills of Caledon and that they come not to this beautiful valley of Esqueing and that they be made hewers of wood and drawers of water for their ain peculiar people, the Hielan' Scotch".

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September 5	Drum and Bugle Competition	\$4.00 and \$3.50
September 6	Military Band Tattoo	\$4.00 and \$3.50
September 7	Nationbuilders	\$2.00 and \$1.00

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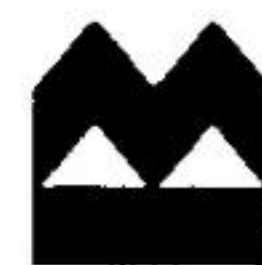
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