



THE UNIVERSITY of Waterloo Biology students during a tour of the university, building was one of the many campus sites visited by Acton District High last week.

Students tour U. of Waterloo

By Lorrie Lefebvre
When we first arrived at the University, we had to hang around for a while to wait for a guide. After about 20 minutes, this student comes walking in and tells us that our guide must be having a class or something but in any case he isn't showing up. So he took us around for a while as a substitute.

We had fast glances at the campus center—that's where all the "kooks" hang out and listen to weird music. It gave me the creeps.

Huge gym
We also saw this huge room full of computers and finally we ended up in the gymnasium (which is about 6 times the size of ours). That's where we were met by our original guide who came running at full speed to catch up with us.

From there we went to the biology museum where we saw such things as a baby horse which was taken out of the mother's body at an early stage. We went to see a couple of lecture rooms—only one of them was unoccupied. They hold anywhere from 200 to

300 students so there isn't any allowance for questions or any individual attention. We saw their two theatres which had built-in seats and complicated machinery at the back where the light controls were.

Use tunnels
Even though it was a very cold day, the movement from building to building wasn't too bad because we could use the tunnels. At 12:30 we went for lunch in this huge cafeteria which had fantastic food. When we finished we went to the book store where they sold books (obviously), records, school supplies and various other things.

We managed to recuperate an hour or so in the student lounge where we were met again by our guide who took us to a room in the Modern Languages building. Mr. Little, the high school liaison officer, came and spoke to us about admission requirements, student loans and general information about the U. of Waterloo (there was another man there but I don't know who he was).

We went back to the bus and got home around 4:30.

Plowing match teaches facts, need for rubbers

By Laurene Reunick
On Wednesday, October 14, 1970, the grade 12 Environmental Science and Geography classes left Acton at 8 a.m. by bus for the International Plowing Match held on the farms of Claire Farr and neighboring farms near Lindsay, Ontario.

The weather was foggy and rainy and after a few set backs such as mechanical failure of the bus, roadside accidents, we arrived safely at the plowing match about 12:30, to find only more rain and mud—a foot deep in places. This did not stop the field trip, nor did it dampen the spirits of the students. Many students had been to previous matches and were looking forward to this one.

Answer questions
There were many commercial displays such as Esso, B. P., Gulf

Oil, Eatons and Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company as well as food booths which were also big attractions. On Wednesday, classes 10-11 were busy in the fields. These classes ranged from horse-drawn open-jointer plows to inter-county competition.

Our chaperone Mr. Bluck gave us a guide to follow. Some of the questions were as follows. Why is the International Plowing Match held in Ontario? How is the match organized? Its history?

Coming to Halton
The match itself is organized by the Ontario Plowmen's Association, who held their first plowing match in 1913 on the Sunnybrook Farm, where the present day Sunnybrook Hospital is located.

In 1971 it is to be held on the farm of Russell Hare, Nanticoke, in Haldimand County and

in 1974 it is coming to Halton County.

Most of the students felt that the plowing match was a worthwhile trip, as it informed us of new farming techniques and machinery, as well as some of the newer commercial products. In closing, I have one piece of information for those who intend to go to any future plowing match—take a pair of rubbers with you as well as warm clothing which will repel the rain.

Day at museum

School classes will be spending full days this year at Halton county museum, in its new program integrated with the schools. The first of these many day-long sessions was last Friday. Two Acton classes are booked to spend a day there soon.

Public school meet today

The annual Halton County Cross-Country Meet for elementary schools is being held today (Wednesday) at Fairview Public School, near Lowville.

Registration for Cubs and Scouts

Registration next week for Acton Cubs and Scouts has been announced by the group committee.

Cubs may register Monday, October 26 from 7 to 8:30 at the scout hall while Scouts may register at the same place Thursday, October 29 at the same hours.

The group committee has requested that either one or more parents accompany the prospective cubs or scouts when they register.

Story hours at library

The first Wednesday story hour at the library was quite successful with 18 young pre-schoolers attending.

The weekly sessions for 3 to 5 year olds are lasting till the end of November.

Mrs. Dawn Brydon of the South Central Regional Library System delighted the youngsters with her stories, and had brought a gerbil to show them.

The mothers read or chatted in the adult part of the library while the story hour (actually half

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UNDER THE supervision of guidance teacher Brian Skerrett, Acton District High students toured facilities at the

University of Waterloo, last week. The university has shown tremendous growth, during the 60's.

West Elgin C.C.R. delights audience

"West Elgin C.C.R.," a musical group from West Elgin Secondary School near Rodney, displayed their talents at a special assembly at Acton District High, last Thursday afternoon.

Science teacher Frank Bolger organized the group, which consists of three of his children Paul, Mike and Mary Bolger of Dutton, Neil and Don McColl, Alex and Cheryl Fleming and Tom Murray all of Rodney.

The group practices at noon hour and off hours and plays at dances in the Rodney area. A special benefit for the United Appeal is one of the next performances on the group's schedule.

Former Rockwood residents Mr. Bolger, an OAC graduate, and his family are former Rockwood residents.

His son Pat, a University of Waterloo student is a Canadian champion in his weight division in both judo and wrestling and for the trip.

has represented Canada at the British Empire Games.

The group was introduced by principal Dave Katz and thanked by student Terry Churchill. Thursday morning they performed at General Brock Secondary School in Burlington.

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By Mary Ann Freuler

The highlight of the past week at Acton High was an assembly last Thursday afternoon. The students filed into the gym and made themselves comfortable either in the bleachers or seated on the floor.

Mr. Katz, who had arranged the assembly, introduced the father of seven very talented children. After an introduction of each individual family member they commenced to perform on their guitars, drums, and piano. Their repertoire included Folsom Prison Blues, Proud Mary, Today, Long Tall Texan, Terry Churchill, a grade 13 student, thanked our guests on behalf of the student body.

As it was not yet dismissal time, the orchestra sang again one of the audience's favorite tunes Folsom Prison Blues.

Tour university

Last Friday, the grade 13 class spent the day at the University of Waterloo. Those who wished to, attended lectures of the scientific field. The remainder of the students were given a guided tour throughout the university grounds and buildings. Teachers Mr. Skerrett and Mr. Eastwood accompanied the class on this field trip.

The Ploughing Match in Lindsay was visited by several high

school students last Wednesday. The bus load left Acton at 8:00 a.m. and due to bus trouble, returned home at 9:00. The boys were attracted to the 1971 General Motors and Chrysler products. Snow mobiles, motor cycles, tractors and farm equipment were also on display. Mr. Keith Black was chaperone for the trip.

A letter was received from Aurore Obispo last week. Aurore is a foster child who has been sponsored by the Student Council for several years now. It stated that he is doing well in school and that the family appreciates our support. Aurore's native land is the Philippines.

At last Monday's track meet the Home Economics club sponsored a booth of home made cakes and cookies. This is the first project of the club for this year. Mrs. Fleisher is the staff adviser.

Soccer games
The A.D.H.S. Soccer team has been defeated in the past two games. The first, played in Orangeville, against Orangeville, our boys were defeated 4-0. Last Tues, they were defeated by the Ontario School for the Deaf 2-0. This game was played in Acton. Good luck to the boys in the future!

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