



BRUCE RIVERS and son Warren of Galt feed "Gandy" and "Peeper", two of the geese they donated to the local parks board, before they enter their new home. Third goose in the trio is nicknamed "Trudeau". —(Staff Photo)

Fairy Lake waterfowl population now 39

The addition of seven Canada geese and two baby swans from Courtright Park and three white geese, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rivers of Galt, has brought the total number of waterfowl at Fairy Lake to 39.

Arena manager Harold Townsley has the birds penned up at the edge of the lake, just behind the poultry barn. The penned area includes enough water for them to swim in. Parks employees feed the birds every day.

Arrive Thursday
Mr. and Mrs. Rivers arrived with the three white geese Thursday after watching a filmed report on CKCO-TV Kitchener Wednesday night. Jack Carpenter handled the story.

The three geese, nicknamed "Gandy", "Peeper" and "Trudeau", took to the waters of the lake very well and almost got away, before their owners nabbed them and brought them back to the pen.

Mr. Townsley expects to release the ducks and geese in about two weeks' time. It is hoped they'll make Fairy Lake their permanent home.

LOWER LIMIT

The time may come when we shall cease to read about cars being pursued at "speeds in excess of 100 mph" says the Ontario Highway Safety Bureau. Starting October 1, 1972, the bureau's three-part proposal would: (1) Set 95 mph as the speed ceiling that must be built into all new vehicles. (2) Set 85 mph as the highest speed that could be shown on a vehicle's speedometer. (3) Require that as a vehicle exceeded 80 mph its horn would sound and warning lights flash until the speed dropped below that point.

Build shelters on Bruce Trail near Acton

The Toronto and the Caledon Hills Clubs have both recently built overnight shelters on their sections of the Bruce Trail. The Caledon Hills Club shelter is built of reclaimed telephone poles donated by Bell Canada Ltd. and is situated on the property of Jack Denevey, at the Horseshoe Inn, Cataract. Because of the possible transitory nature of the site, the Toronto club has built using standard stud framing, so that the shelter can, if necessary, be disassembled and rebuilt elsewhere. The Toronto shelter has been built on property owned by Consolidated Sand and Gravel Co., near Speyside.

Camp near Limehouse
In addition to the shelter, a new campsite is in preparation on the Toronto Section, on property owned by Indusmin Ltd. just west of Limehouse. Eventually it is hoped that a shelter may be built on this site. The Speyside and Limehouse sites are both a short distance off the Trail and must be reached by blue-blazed side trails. The Caledon Hills Club officially opened its shelter with a big celebration. The Toronto Club, in the time-honoured tradition of Toronto-the-Good, has been very reticent about the whole thing. After all, people will be sleeping there.

Judge Guernseys

The third meeting of the Jersey, Guernsey, Dual Purpose Shorthorn Club was held at the farm of Dr. Kunica, Hornby. A class of four-year-old Guernseys in milk was judged. Two lessons were discussed and the two quizzes were completed.



Halton hosts 15 U.S. 4-H members in exchange trip

After spending the better part of a week visiting highlights of Halton County and the City of Toronto, a crew of 15 4-H members from Wisconsin and Maryland headed back to their respective homes this weekend. The youngsters visiting Canadian youngsters during the past week will host Canadian 4-Hers later in the summer. Their stay here was highlighted by a

visit to Ontario Place, the Toronto Dominion Centre building and other points of interest in the city. Ontario Place far outranked other points of interest visited by the group. While most were awed by Ontario Place, other highlights in the city failed to impress several members of the visiting party. The American youths and some

of their Canadian hosts had a chance to enjoy the scenic beauty of Halton when they hiked from Crawford Lake over to Rattlesnake Point Thursday. A cool dip at Kelsco concluded the afternoon hike. The exchange allows some American youngsters to see life in Canadian homes for a few days and during the free time many get to visit places of particular interest with their host family.

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Let's talk about horses

By Jennifer Barr

It has been decided that the Acton Free Press needs a "problem clinic" type column to help our many horse loving readers deal with their charges. I seem to have been elected for the job, even though I have a stable full of unsolved problems. However, with various reliable sources of information at my disposal, I will attempt to find out the answer to your horse-y problem.

QUESTION: — The previous owners of my mare foolishly raced her till she was no good as a saddle horse. Two years of patience brought great improvement but she still pulls and at times, I can't keep her at a walk. Would giving her a good run when I first take her out, settle her by using up this excess energy?

If your mare hasn't been retrained in two years, you either haven't been using the correct method or she is hypertensive. On no account give her a good run to "take it out of her" this only makes things worse. I presume you've tried different types of bridles.

To retrain: the more relaxed the rider, the more relaxed the horse. School her in a small paddock as often as possible for an hour at a time. Sit loosely in the saddle, relax arms and reins. Quietly ask mare to walk. If she

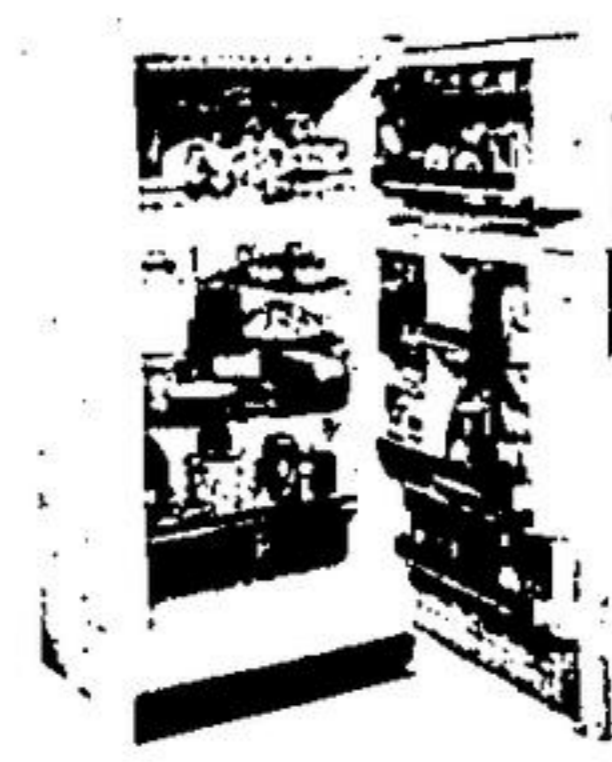
goes into a jog, easily pull reins just until she walks, relax. She will probably bounce right back into a jog.

Repeat the easy drawing back into a walk, always quiet and relaxed. Sing a song and run one hand backward along her neck-very diverting for a horse. Persevere until the mare eventually gets tired and gives in. Then and only then take her out on the road using the same procedure. If she tries to canter quietly but firmly draw her down with several sharp rein tugs rather than hanging on like grim death. This will take several weeks - don't excite her, try to keep her at a walk or brisk trot during this time. Never get angry or upset, shout at your husband but never the horse.

QUESTION: — My horse has very dry feet. We are greasing his hooves and letting mud collect around the water trough but it doesn't seem to be helping.

This is a common problem which should be relieved by any of the good hoof preparations on the market and by pasturing the horse in muddy fields. However, if this isn't helping, try adding 1/2 cup raw linseed oil or flaxseed oil to his grain plus a mineral high in phosphorus. Also, make a mudhole about a foot deep in a corner of the field and tie the horse here for a couple of hours a day.

Send your horse problems to Jennifer Barr, R. R. 4, Rockwood, and I will answer as many as possible in the column.



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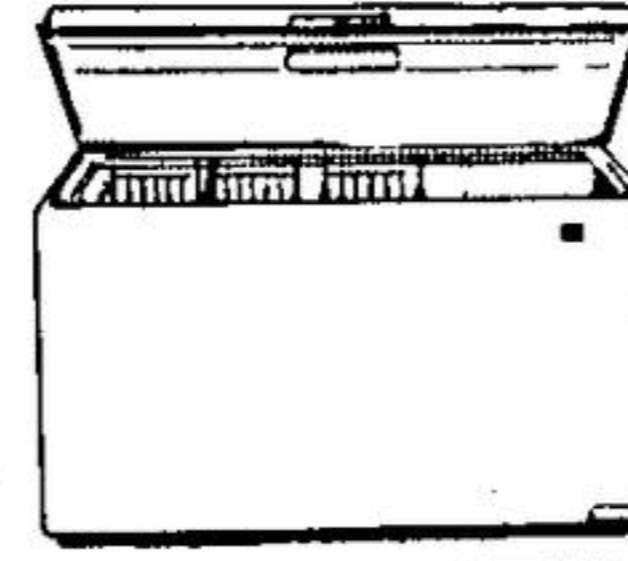
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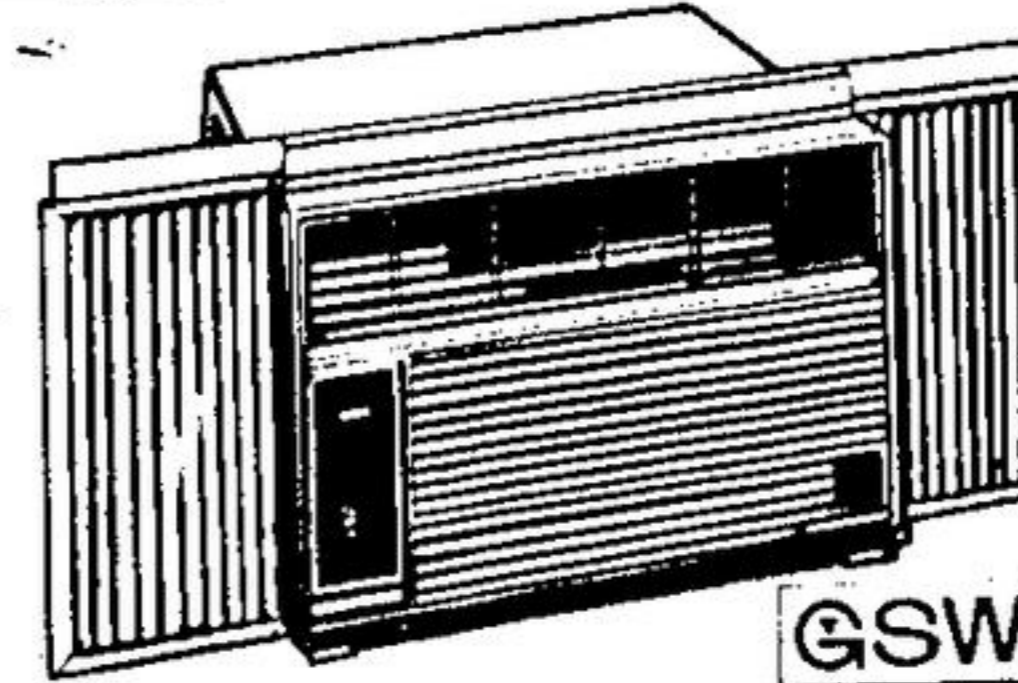


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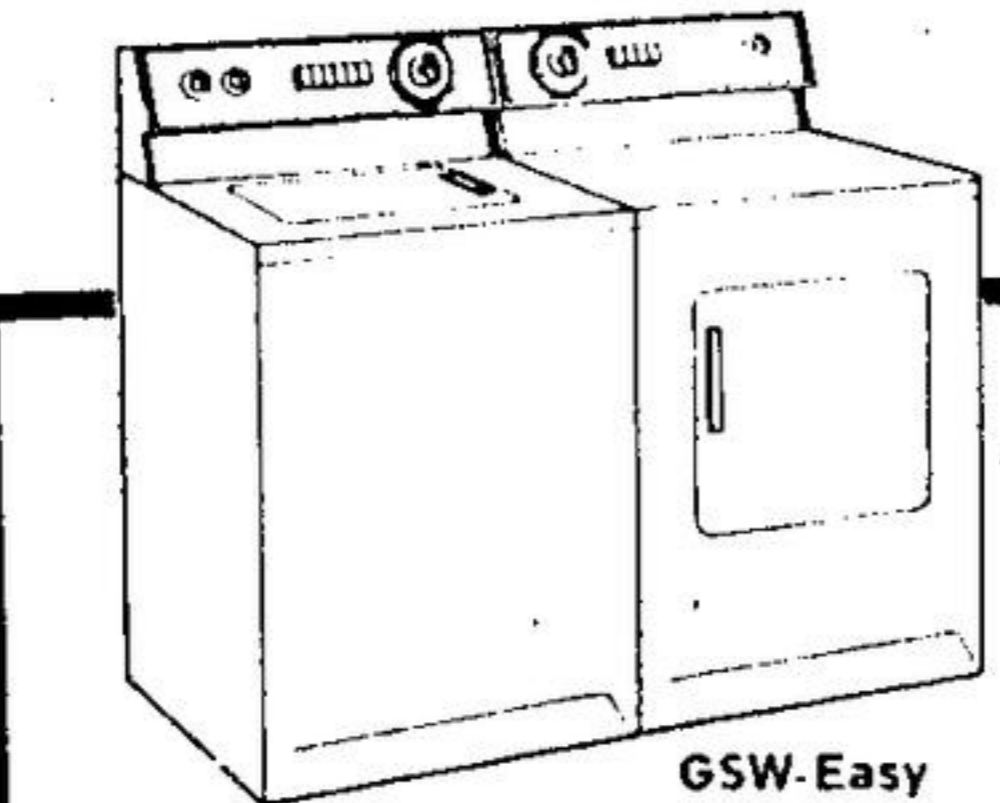
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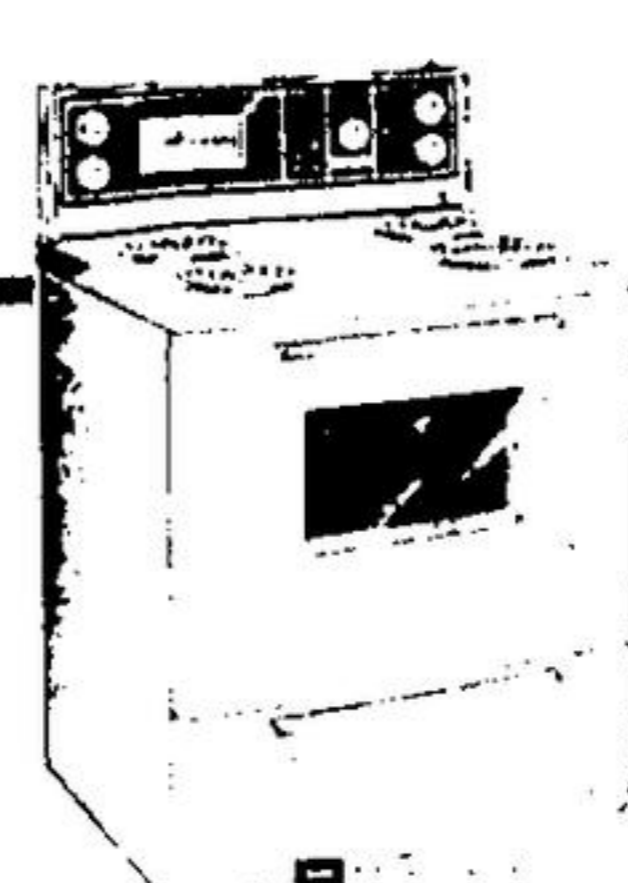
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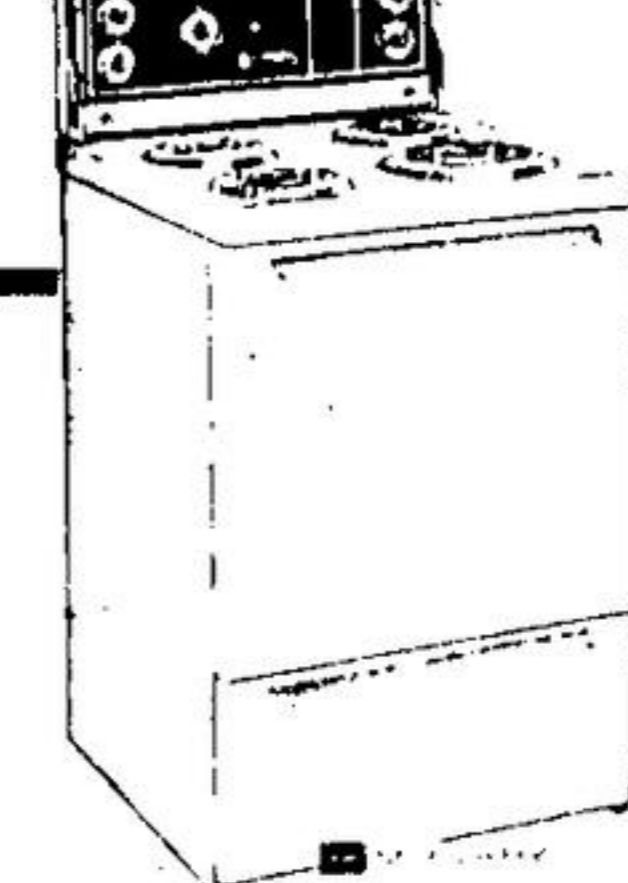
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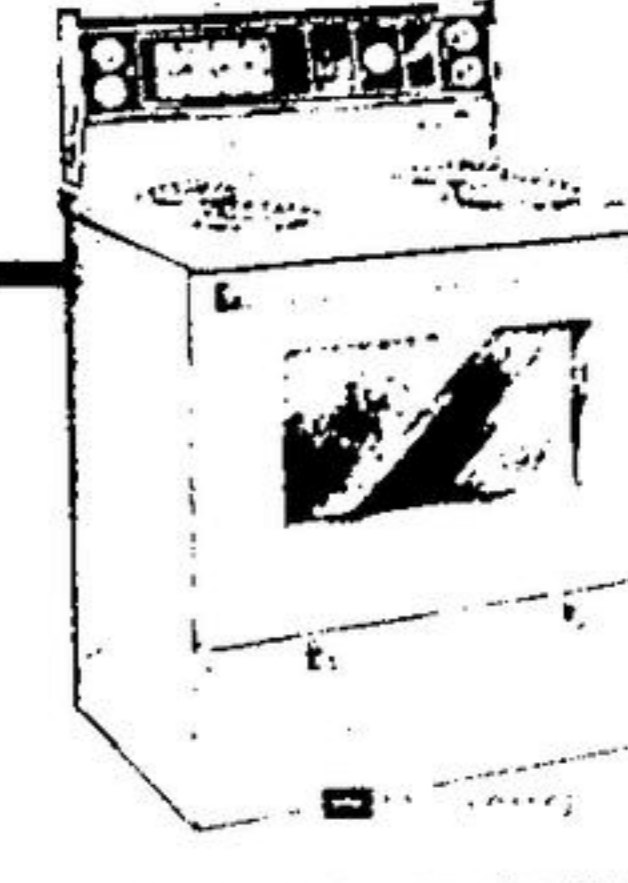
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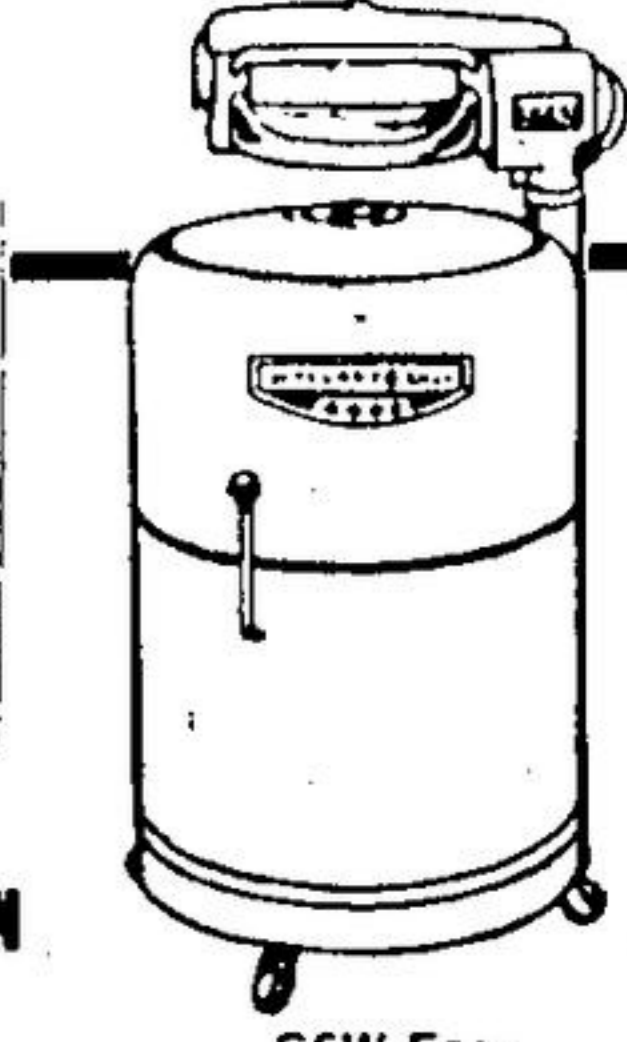
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