

Ballinafad

Couple observe 60th anniversary

By Mrs. N. Shortill
Mr. and Mrs. James Lemon visited with Mrs. Clifford Reid on Sunday last. They are from Niagara-on-the-Lake.
Mr. and Mrs. Rafter have moved into the vacant house on the Eighth Line, near the town line corner.
Mrs. Harry Shortill held a shower for her niece Nancy Spear on Sunday night. Relatives attended. Nancy's wedding takes place in May.
A speaker from the Alcohol and Drug association spoke at Sunday morning service.

Mrs. Archie Lawr spent part of the week in Toronto visiting her daughter Joan.
60 years wed
We extend congratulations through our column to a fine couple, who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary this week — Mr. and Mrs. Robert McEnery. They both were born here in Ballinafad community and for the greater part of their years have lived here, 60-odd years right on the Seventh Line. Only recently they sold their farm home and moved into Acton. We wish them all the happiness and good health for the future years together. They have always been active participants in community affairs, both church and social.



FISHIN' WASN'T SO GOOD on opening day Saturday but that doesn't bother Ronald Cathcart and Michael Spencer, trying their luck at the Everton dam. Few large trout were caught in this district but streams were well patronized by first day anglers. (H. Coles Photo)

Ebenezer

Three students' posters best

By Mrs. Ron McLean
The topic for Rev. R. Finley's Sunday message was, "Let your faith grow." Jesus chose the parable of the mustard seed, to show how faith grows. Once the faith is started in you, it will grow and nothing can stop it. Farmers know how tenacious mustard is in their fields. When they think they have it conquered, they mustn't relax, or it will take hold again.
The parable does not refer to the numerical growth of people of faith. Christianity will never be eradicated, though there was one stage when the disciples themselves weren't sure.
The strength of Christianity is

in adversity. Faith is propagated not so much by crowds, but by the influence of one to one.
Best posters
Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett have moved from their home on the 6th line, to Thunder Bay.
The posters made by Mark and Rob Munro and one by Sandra Early were adjudged the best in a contest.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman have sold their farm on the Guelph Line, and are moving to Milton.
Birthday greeting to Darlene Hewer, Sharon Simpson, Sandy Munro and Sandra Early.



Happenings at Rockwood School

By Ann Smit
This week we had the pleasure and joy of having two student teachers in the school, Mr. Deen with Mrs. Storey and Mrs. Reeb, with Mrs. Muysson.
We had an exciting game against Eramosa, for the girls volleyball team's Love Marlon trophy on Friday. When the game was over it was a tie. The referee told us, the team to get the next

two points would be the winner. Joanne Seim served the winning serves. Everyone worked very hard. The score ended by 44 for Rockwood and 42 for Eramosa.
On Friday the students' council held a dance. It was a great success.
We are coming very close to the date of the trip to Ottawa for the Grade eights.

Let's talk about HORSES
with Jennifer Barr

A very horsey friend has taken exception to some of the hints I gave a couple of weeks ago on conditioning for endurance riding.
He has endurance-riden for years and has trophies to his credit. The part that caught his eye was my advice to allow six weeks riding for a 25 mile competitive ride. He contends that a lot of horses are over-trained with this much riding and that he has placed high on a horse that had only been ridden for about two weeks prior to a ride.
I've also heard of a person doing well on a horse ridden for a mere four days before the event.
He maintains a horse should be up to a good 10 mile ride the first time out in the spring and that a five mile WALK would bore him to tears.
He also disagreed with the necessity for feeding a vitamin-mineral preparation saying his horse performed well on grass and oats alone.
So much for the other side.
Now for my answer:
The vet I contacted felt that it was pure common sense to work up to something gradually rather than rush into it; otherwise there is a danger of causing your horse to contract Azoturia, a disease affecting the croup muscles.
Who can say what strain is put on a horse's legs, heart and lungs by too much exertion too soon?
Some horses do take less time to get into the peak of condition than others, but until you have endurance ridden your horse many times and really know him, you had better take it slow and steady.
As for the necessity of a vitamin supplement: If your horse performs well on just oats, think how much better he would do with some extra vitamins.
So my stand remains firm; if you're new at the game prepare

your horse properly or you may find your horse disqualified at the first vet check.
QUESTION: I am in the process of looking for a first horse and wish to ride him English at first, with a possible changeover to Western later on. I have heard some stories about a horse's temperament being indicated by its color. Is this true? Also, are there some colors that are not accepted in English classes?
Answer: If a horse is a good horse, color shouldn't enter into your choice unless you're interested in color breeding.
However, there are authorities who maintain certain temperaments do go with certain colors, such as: a grey horse is quiet and docile, a chestnut is very lively and sensitive, while a bay is just right. This is supposed to be related to skin thickness and pigmentation, but whether it has actually been proved, I don't know. There's always someone to tell you about the exception, including me.
As for some colors not being allowed in English classes, I'm afraid there is some prejudice in large Hunter shows even though no color is actually barred.
No matter how well a horse performs, a judge will often discriminate against pinto, appaloosa, palomino, or buckskin.
This is gradually changing but there are still older judges who will mark down a loud-colored horse who is supposed to be a hunter.
There doesn't seem to be this prejudice in performing classes such as open jumping. There, the horse is judge on what he does, not how he looks.
Please send questions to Jennifer Barr, R. R. 4, Rockwood.

Churchill

Song service visits in news

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur
An evening hymn song service will be held next Sunday evening, May 7 at 7:30 o'clock in Churchill Community Church. The morning service and Sunday school will be withdrawn so any who would like to attend our neighboring Ballinafad Anniversary service should be free to.
Mrs. J. Mathers and Dr. Macdonald and family of Mississauga were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binnie.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hall, Tim, and Charlene of Guelph visited at her brother's home with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Saunders and family.
In hospital
We are sorry to report Mr. Tom

Rotz is a patient in Georgetown District Hospital. He underwent surgery last week and seems to be coming along. We hope he can soon be home again.
Several from this area attended a miscellaneous shower held at the home of her aunt Mrs. Viola Shortill on Sunday evening for the bride-to-be Miss Nancy Spear.
Spring certainly is here. The frogs are croaking, also the barn swallows are busy flying in and out.
Mrs. Arthur Griffin of Erin had her sale on Saturday and now is residing with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson.

Silver-Wood W.I.s entertain at Halton Manor

By Mrs. George Burt
A pleasant evening was spent at Halton Manor last Thursday evening when Limehouse and Silver-Wood W. I. members entertained the residents at Halton Manor. The program included piano solos by Peter Gothe, musical numbers by Ted and Mary Lou Brown and Gordon McDonald. Acton Junior Farmers presented their comedy play "Good-night Please."
Lunch was served and a social time spent with the residents.

Mrs. Fred Campbell spent the past week with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Stull at Shelbourne.
Board meeting
Mrs. George Henderson attended a Women's Institute board meeting in Guelph for a few days last week.
Mr. John Rankin, a young farmer from Ireland, is spending some time in Halton County and is staying at the Henderson farm for a few days.

Summer Work
Applications are being received for positions for Summer Playground Leaders.
Any person 14 years of age or over may apply.
Experience in the athletic or supervision field an asset but not a necessity.
Write giving particulars
To Box 39
Applications Received Not Later than May 12 at 5 p.m.
Acton Recreation Committee

Osprings

Miss Stickney retires presentation at church

By Doris Fines
A very successful beef supper was held in Knox Presbyterian Church basement Saturday evening. Quite a large crowd attended, and all reports were that it was a delicious supper.
Mrs. Ross Ferguson is a patient in Guelph General Hospital following surgery. Her friends send their good wishes for a speedy recovery.

Presentation
The Eramosa-Erin Township Women Teachers' Federation met at Osprings church Tuesday evening. About 35 ladies sat down to a salad plate supper served by the Ladies Aid of the church. The main feature of the evening was a presentation for Miss Nellie Stickney, a teacher at Eramosa who is retiring. Mrs. Harry Burt showed colored slides of her trip

to New Zealand.
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Berry of Arthur were visitors Saturday evening with Mrs. Thomas Fines and Doris.
Mrs. K. Klooster and Mrs. Jeanette Hurd were guests at the wedding on Saturday at 1st row of Mrs. Klooster's granddaughter Jeanette Klooster and Peter Medema of Milverton. The reception was at Milverton.

Limehouse

Excursion to Toronto for 200 youngsters

By Mrs. A. Benton
Two hundred people, including the pupils of kindergarten, grades 1, 2, 3 and 4 with several teachers and mothers, left Limehouse school in three buses on Friday for Toronto. They saw Pinocchio at the Royal Alexandra theatre, when eight puppeteers handled 102 life-size puppets.
After a picnic lunch in High Park, well away from the garbage piles, they visited the animals in the park.
On Monday the pupils began

selling tickets for draws at their Old Tyme Garden Party to be held June 27 at the school. The proceeds will help finance educational bus trips such as last Friday's.
21 Kindergarteners
Also on Friday 21 children were registered for next term's kindergarten with several more expected later.
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patterson spent the week-end at Midland with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Henry and Tanya, who was celebrating her second birthday.

Several members of Limehouse W. I. with members of Silverwood W.I. served lunch, including birthday cake, to residents at Halton Centennial Manor Thursday evening. The two institutes arranged the program as well.
Gremlins at work
Were there gremlins in last week's Canadian Champion newspaper? Someone must have goofed as this correspondent, whose picture appeared there, would be over 160 years of age, by the date beneath the picture!

Eden Mills

Church ladies' plans anniversary, trip news

By Mrs. R. Wright
The April meeting of the Ladies' Aid and W.M.S. of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church was hosted by Mrs. Gilbertson on Tuesday afternoon.
Mrs. G. MacDougall took the devotions. Roll call for W.M.S. was sentence prayer. Roll call for Ladies' Aid was a home-made Easter bonnet.
Final plans to cater to a wedding were made. The ladies were reminded of the spring cleaning of the church in May with a pot luck dinner followed by a short business meeting.

Readings were given by Mrs. Joan Chamberlain and Mrs. Wilma Gilbertson and a contest conducted by Mrs. Jack Milne.
Lunch was provided by Mrs. Catherine Gilbertson and Mrs. Jack Milne. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Anna Wilson for the use of the home and those who took part.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woodhouse celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary recently when around fifty friends and neighbors called to extend their best wishes.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Engalage and family also Mr. and Mrs. Earl

Scott & family enjoyed a ten day trip to Florida recently.
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A Centennial Project
SPRING CLEAN-UP
ACTON 1974 CENTENNIAL
BUY A BRICK
The young people of Acton are launching the "Buy a Brick" fund raising campaign for Acton's centennial project.
The object is to raise \$3 each to buy a brick which will become part of the new building and carry their name.
THIS IS SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK
You can help - PAPERS - BOTTLES - GLASS will be collected Saturday 6th May in West & South Acton. Hire a student \$1.50 per hour - clean up your yard - wash outside windows - wash cars.
Support the young people - Support Acton's Centennial
Do you have a job?? Want a pick-up for paper or bottles??
Phone for service and pick-up
853-1057 853-1475 853-2703
Encouraging participation in Acton's centennial
—Nielsen Clothing — Moss Hardware
—Tyler Transport — First Line Television
—Acton Delicatessen
Welcome the Young People when they call.
COMING CENTENNIAL EVENTS
10th June Centennial Fund Dance—Acton Community Centre.
15th June Young Peoples Concert—Acton Community Centre.
24th June C. of C. Acton Legion & Acton Curling Club present Cent. Fund Dance at Curling Club.