

the painted box



by Wendy Thomson

Last week I was happily planning many hours in the sun keeping an eye on the ducks. So far, I've managed 20 minutes, not counting the time spent mowing the lawn. Things just never seem to work out as planned.

To begin with, it was discovered that Gord needs a small operation and is booked into the hospital August 15. And since he can't work till after that, we figured there's no point of his sitting around here moping. He might as well go visit family and friends out west for six weeks, leaving July 1.

And of course, that meant good old me had to get busy and not only wash and iron, but also mend, patch and sew buttons for two days before I could start to pack.

On the last pair of jeans to be mended, I rebelled, ran out and bought another pair Saturday, washed them, hung them today and found (just as the stores closed one long miscut seam all unravelled. So I had to sew and patch anyhow.

Homebodies
And what are we all going to do for the next 37 days? Make like real homebodies, I guess. The freezer already has one basket full of strawberries. I have wallpaper and paint for the boys' bedroom with paint ordered for the outside house trim. That'll be a start.

Of course, the kids are joining in. Right now, Beth is making lambchops. Jim is cutting hay and David is walking ducks. All in all, it looks like a very different sort of summer than I've been used to lately. I've even gone past the point of my regular outdoor gardening (planting portulaca in the crevices of a huge rocky border) and am coaxing 14 marigolds, two Boston Ivy, two tomatoes, three peanut bushes and two fuzzy green things.

A woman I was writing about a few months ago let me out her door laden with 18 begonia bulbs, 11 of which have sprouted. They, plus three peanut bushes and nine sunflowers range around the windows, inside.

Soccer balls
I might have had more begonias, but the kittens kept fishing the bulbs out and

playing soccer with them. I just got up to check on the progress of everyone, disturbing Tansy-cat asleep under the desk, tripping over found-sue asleep on my rug and found Beth asleep at one end of the living-room couch with David snoring at the other. Cock-eyed cat is snoozing in the washbasin and Tansy-two is on the kitchen floor.

Something tells me that this might not be a day for getting things done. I hear Jim still going on the tractor, though My chore for this afternoon is freezing strawberry pie fillings. I've never done this before but it sounds interesting. If you'd like to give it a try, the recipe follows.

FROZEN STRAWBERRY PIE FILLING
4 quarts strawberries
4 cups sugar
1/4 cup quick-cooking tapioca
1/4 cup lemon juice
1 tsp. salt
Wash and hull strawberries. Mix well with other ingredients.

Line four pie pans with heavy-duty foil, letting it extend five inches beyond the rim. Divide filling evenly between pans. Fold over loosely and freeze until firm. Then cover tightly, remove from pan and return to freezer. May be stored 8 months.

To bake pie, remove foil from filling, but do not thaw. Place in pastry lined pan, dot with butter, add top crust. Seal and flute edges, cut slits in top, bake at 425 degrees until syrup boils with heavy bubbles that do not burst—about one hour.

Free Press Family Page

Two week honeymoon Manitoulin, Michigan

Deborah Marie Papillon of 52 Nelson Court in Acton, and Lloyd George Smallwood, 128 Church St., Acton were married in St. Joseph's Catholic Church on June 15. Debbie Papillon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Papillon, Nelson Court. She is employed at the Province of Ontario Savings Office, in Guelph.

Lloyd Smallwood works in Milton at Rockwell International. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smallwood of Port Dover.

Father J.J. Gillen officiated at the double-ring ceremony, while Ted Hansen played the organ. White and orange carnations decorated the altar and baskets of white mums, carnations and orange roses were in the front of the church.

The bride's gown was made of white liguda, with a long train attached at the waist. Both dress and train were highlighted with Swiss gypure lace. The floor length veil was attached to a Juliet cap. She carried a bouquet of carnations, stephanotis and ivy with a white orchid.

Attendants
Maid of honor was Cathy Papillon, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Bonnie Bristow and Ann Mahar with Kim Papillon as flower girl. The gowns of the bridal attendants were floked organza with orange velvet flowers. They carried colonial bouquets of white miniature carnations and orange sweetheart roses. The best man was Bob Turkosz, with Harry Barens and Sid Hofstede as ushers and the groom's cousin, Donavin Wood as ring-bearer.

The group enjoyed an evening reception at the Acton Music Centre. The bride's mother received in a gown of mint green. The groom's mother wore a flowered gown of pink, mauve and blue.

The bride's going away outfit included a light blue pantsuit, accented by a diamond necklace, gift of the groom.

The couple spent two weeks at Manitoulin Island and travelled in the States to Michigan.

Showers
The bride had four miscellaneous showers, while the groom enjoyed two bachelor parties. The couple are living at 61 Mill Street in Acton.



Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smallwood

Bannockburn W.I. plans July picnic

Mrs. Fritz DeHaan was hostess for the June 26 meeting of the Bannockburn W.I. Mary Mathews opened the meeting with the Institute Ode and the Mary Stewart Collect. Immediately following was a minute's silence for Helen Lindsay, the president, good friend and neighbor, who passed away in May.

The roll call was answered by 12 members and one guest with "something I have bought and will never buy again." Anne Fisher read the motto entitled, Farewell with a Smile.

A gift was presented to Marilyn Coxo on the birth of her first child, Heather Ann, on June 4. Marilyn was a long-time member of the 4-H Club and welcome new member of the W.I. Business commenced with

the election of the first vice-president, Mary Mathews, to president, the second vice-president, Jean Vaughn, to first vice-president and Marilyn Coxo to second vice-president.

Reports
Ruth Inham, district convener, gave her very interesting and compact report from the District Annual in May.

The program for the evening consisted of a ten minute report from each standing committee as follows: agriculture and Canadian industries, Lois Henderson gave a quiz on hidden food in a series of sentences; citizenship and world affairs, Isabel McDonald presented a well defined talk on the meaning of good neighbors; education and cultural activities, Anne Fisher read an interesting article on God's mysterious gift to man, The Gift of the Gab; and on consumer and family affairs, Jean Vaughn prepared an informative talk on the importance of vitamin A in the diet.

July tour
The July 24 tour and picnic to the Doll's House in Elora was discussed. Mrs. Clarence Shoemaker will be showing her extensive collection of dolls along with her quilts.

Members voted to donate \$10 to the fall fair baby show. An interesting half hour conversation followed with Jean Lelch and Marilyn Coxo supplying the lunch. Anne Fisher graciously thanked the hostess and lunch committee.

Increase in C.N.I.B. donations

The C.N.I.B. campaign conducted in Acton this year was once again a successful venture.

Vic Bristow, campaign chairman, reveals that \$1766 was realized and this is \$150 over last year's total. This amount came from house to house, business and industry donations. The industrial amount was less than hoped for, but then with the added amount of people in town this was somewhat offset.

Vic says the important part of this campaign, though, is the dedicated help of 89 ladies

and gentlemen who gave so generously of their time to help those less fortunate than we are. This money will do much to help the blind in our area. The C.N.I.B. can't adequately thank these volunteer workers enough. Vic says "I can only hope they feel the same satisfaction I do knowing they have done a good job."

Following is a list of the volunteers:

Mrs. L. Higgins, Mrs. N. Lockhart, Mrs. Ancker, Mrs. A. Lynch, Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. E. Hunsfield, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mrs. D.

Mrs. J. Gerth, Mrs. W. Allen, Mrs. B. Arble, Mrs. J. Cooney, Mrs. E. Fossil, Mrs. A. Brooks, Mrs. V. Dawson, Mrs. Fossil, Mrs. G. Cooney, Mrs. J. Thompson, Mrs. H. Hiley, Mrs. L. Keziah, Mrs. G. Hinchey, Mrs. J. Graham, Mrs. E. Payne, Mrs. E. Van Meekelen, Mr. J. Kamiraga, Mrs. P. Marks, Mrs. H. Anderson, Mrs. D. King, Mrs. L. Clark, Mrs. G. Panchon, Mrs. L. Ladin, Mr. A. White, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. B. Baxter, Mrs. H. Cobham, Mrs. G. Shultz, Mrs. A. Ellery, Mrs. G. Ashby, Mrs. L. Haefner, Mrs. W. Lee, Mrs. H. Patterson, Mrs. M. McKenle, Mrs. D. Mason, Mrs. Andrew, Mrs. C. Gould, Mrs. J. Sewell, Mrs. J. Taillefer, Mrs. H. Mrs. E. Jordan, Mrs. M. Jerome, Mrs. B. Mainprize, Mrs. H. Wilson, Mrs. J. Arnold, Mrs. H. Lamb, Mrs. J. Caroll, Mrs. E. Swier, Mrs. T. Staves, Mrs. F. Robinson, Mrs. H. Pratt, Mrs. G. Hades, Mrs. S. Hobbins, Mrs. E. Patterson, Mrs. M. Anderson, Mrs. D. MacEachern, Mrs. E. Ewing, Mrs. T. Agar, Mrs. Blain, Mrs. E. Hartin, Mrs. J. Turkova, Mrs. E. Last, Mrs. J. McGilivray, Mrs. E. Goulding, Mrs. J. Hoy, Mrs. T. Murray, Mrs. R. McKee, Mrs. H. Murray, Mrs. S. Sale, Mrs. N. Thorpall, Mrs. N. Miller, Mrs. E. McGilivray, Mrs. A. Wilkinson, Mrs. Smiley, Mrs. W. Kamei, Mrs. J. Denny, Mrs. N. Hagan, Mrs. V. Mitchell, Mrs. B. Freuler, Mrs. S. Wilson.

Wedding in Etobicoke

A wedding of interest here took place May 17 at the Holiday Inn, Etobicoke, when Elyse May MacKenzie and John David Chapman were married.

The bride, an accounting clerk with Ontario Hydro, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rod MacKenzie, Etobicoke. The groom, an accountant with Reeves Bros., Toronto, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Chapman, R. R. 2 Rockwood. Both are studying for Registered Industrial Accountancy degrees at the Erindale campus of the University of Toronto. The bride has her Bachelor of Mathematics degree from the University of Waterloo.

Rev. Stewart East performed the marriage.

Carriers roses
The bride wore white with mauve accents and carried sweetheart roses.

The bride's cousin, Gail Pennington, Etobicoke, was her attendant, wearing a mauve and beige flowered gown with a mauve picture hat and bouquet of mauve daisies.

Charles Evans, Kitchener, was groomsmen. Buffet dinner followed. The groom's mother made the wedding cake.

Among the guests were the groom's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Fred West and Mrs. Doris Rolfe, Milton; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pfaff, Ottawa;

Mr. Gerald Brackenshire, Miss Cheryl Acheson, Markdale; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Evans, Kitchener; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest West, Peter, Paul and Michael, Waterloo; Mr. and Mrs. Lyal McCutcheon, Carol, Howard and Barbara, Preston.

Showers were given by friends and business associates. Family parties were hosted by Mr. and Mrs. MacKenzie and Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman.

The couple are living in Port Credit.

Donkey on TV

Baby Beau, Jennifer Harr's month-old donkey, will be appearing on Ladies' Fare on channel 13 Friday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

He will also make a guest appearance on Romper Room on July 28. The show will be taped then for fall showing.

Grateful

The Senior Citizen Aid Program, S.C.A.P. has started their summer work with the senior citizens. One couple that this group helped reported to the Free Press on the wonderful job that they had done.

Double ring ceremony for district couple



Mr. and Mrs. David Ward

Hendrika Maria Nagtzaam and David Earl Ward were married recently in a double ring ceremony at the Ebenezer United Church in Campbellville.

Hendrika is the daughter of Adrianus Louis and Anna Catharina Nagtzaam of R.R. 1, Georgetown. She was a butcher's helper at L. & M Food Store in Georgetown. David is the son of Earl Francis and Mildred Louise Ward of R.R. 1, Campbellville. He is a pig farmer at Campbellville.

The ceremony was conducted by Rev. Russell Finley. Organist was Mrs. Susan Fatt, sister of the groom.

Mary-Anne Nagtzaam, the bride's sister was maid of honor. Eleda Ward, the groom's sister and Petra Nagtzaam, sister of the bride, were bridesmaids. Murray Fatt, the groom's

brother-in-law, was best man with Carl and Louis Nagtzaam, brothers of the bride, ushers.

Showers were given by the Junior Farmers, a group to which both the bride and groom belong and Mrs. Edna McDonald of Snelgrove, an aunt of the groom.

The couple received two telegrams and gifts from the bride's relatives who live in Holland the morning of their wedding.

A reception was held following the ceremony in the church hall with about 60 guests.

Toastmaster was Jack McDonald, uncle of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Nagtzaam celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on their daughter's wedding day.

Following an enjoyable trip around Ontario Mr. and Mrs. Ward took up residence on the farm near Campbellville.

Gift presented at Knox church

Knox Ladies' Aid met in the church on the afternoon of June 25 with 19 ladies present. The president opened the meeting with a poem entitled Who's Delinquent. Roll Call was answered with your father's name and your mother's maiden name.

A short business period followed and a discussion on a July picnic.

Devotions were taken by Mrs. Gladys Robinson reading the scripture lesson and Miss Laura Wiles led in prayer.

Mrs. Robinson conducted a contest which was won by Mrs. Mann. Mrs. Mann favored the group with a piano solo after which Mrs. MacPherson presented Mrs. Moran with a small gift of appreciation, as she is leaving town soon to reside in Brampton. Mrs. Moran thanked everyone and invited all to visit her in her new home.

The offering was received and Mrs. McIntyre led in prayer. Lunch was served by the committee and everyone enjoyed a social half-hour.

Free Press Personals

Mrs. Jennie Holmes spent a week in Toronto with her daughter and son-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. Grenville Hall and family.

Mrs. E. W. Crozier of Toronto visited last week with her sisters Mrs. Perryman, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Bestwick and Mrs. McLean.

Mrs. Alberta Deck from Vineland has been spending two weeks with her grandmother Mrs. Beswick and aunts.

On Sunday, July 7, a very pleasant time was had at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Price and Mrs. Hattie Price when some 35 old friends and relatives gathered for a picnic prior to their moving away.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillard McCallum of Brandon Manitoba are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McEnery their cousins and friends.

Acton Citizens Bandplayed Saturday in Brantford in the hours-long parade celebrating the 100th anniversary of the invention of the telephone by Alexander Graham Bell, July 26, 1874.

Mrs. McLean of Brock Street in Acton celebrated her 92nd birthday yesterday (Tuesday). She enjoyed visiting with her friends who dropped over to extend their congratulations.

Presentations were made to teachers leaving the Robert Little staff at a pot luck supper at the Ormsby home. Leaving the list of teachers at R.L. are Sandra Andrews, Elaine Diggle, Karen Dyrre, Dale Griffin, John Kavanaugh, Joy Pentilla, Kathy Ross, Joan Sanford, Marlene Titan, Jane Gamble and vice principal Barb Rennick Mrs. Titan will just be teaching art at MZB, and Doug Price, who is also leaving, will be full-time at MZB.

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