Miniature Wirehair Dachsunds a specialty at Houndhaven

Ahobby

years ago. True dog lovers

they had raised animals in

England, strictly as a hobby,

for over 18 years. They brought with them to Canada

Visiting Houndhavon little fellows which, when kennels located at R.R. 4, first seen, capture the hearts unusual experience. It's like most kennels where avenues of well-kept dogs are anxiously vying for visitor attention or playfully talking back and forth.

What is unique here is one particular breed of delightful

Rockwood is really not an of those who favor smaller dogs. The perky little animals are called Miniature Wirehair Dachshunds and the Whitings have been raising that breed of pupe for 15

> They describe their special Lachshunds, as great hunting dogs. They originated as

> > Aller X

PUPPIES PEEPING perplexedly are seen tripping about in their

temporary cage at Houndhaven kennels at R.R. 4, Rockwood. Born only

two to a litter, the small animals are in quick demand and reportedly are

spoken for, as fast as they are produced.

Hallowe'en

Ospringe

By Doris Fines

bert left for their home in

Oban, Scotland, on Thursday

evening, from Toronto air-

port. They have been visiting

about six weeks with Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Camp-

bell have moved into the

downstairs apartment of R. B. Leltch's house on the

Mrs. Arthur Tanah of

staying for a week with her mother, Mrs. Enoch Wood, at

the home of her sister and

brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs.

Jack Ferguson end family. Mrs. Wood has been under the

doctor's care this past week.

Hallowe'en Party

The Hallowe'en party held

at the school on Thursday evening was a huge success.

Some of the activities were

dunking for apples, pin the

nose on the clown, blow up a

balloon and try to sit on it for three seconds, eating a

doughnut hanging on a string. There were lots of candies,

candled apples, freshie and

Prizes were given for the

best costumes 3 to 6 years,

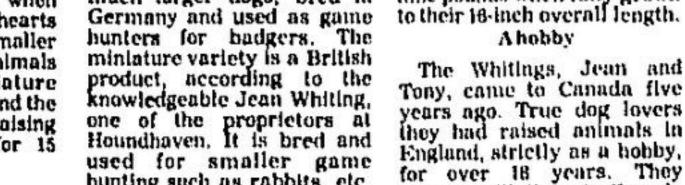
doughnuts for everyone.

Mrs. Gordon Howes.

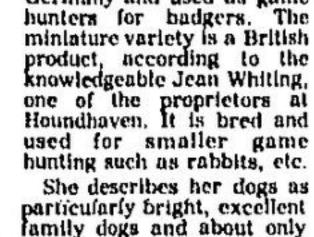
fourth Line.

Toronto,

Mr. and Mrs. William Gil-



particularly bright, excellent



15 dogs and one cat. "We had to charter them as ca to charter them as cargo in the jet we came over on," said Jean, explaining their arrival in the new country. Her own family had been living in Canada for 20 years when she and her husband decided to join them along with their young daughter

With a strong desire to have a kennel of their own and raise their own animals commercially, the Whitings were able to procure residency in an ideal location. A sister and brother-in-law, Edith and Jan Justin, owned a farm in Eramosa. It is on the Justin farm that Houndhaven is now located.

Getting the kennels established was the first problem. Tony was a butcher working in Guelph, his wife, an automobile saleslady at Robinson Pontiac and Buick in Guelph. She had been employed in the same business in England and knew her trade.

Progress

As the kennel business progressed, Jean quit her job. She is now working full-time in their special business doing all the chores and working with both her own-bred animals, and those the kennel boards. Husband Tony is employed at the University of Guelph working in the small animals branch.

Houndhaven kennels is,

one of the largest and most female. modern in the area.

Mrs. Whiting says, "When The Whitings, Jean and Tony, came to Canada five we first started up our kennel five years ago there weren't very many kennels near Guelph. Now the city and district have become quite famous as a dog raising area and some of the best-known breeders in Ontario are located nearby.

As well as the delightful Wirehair Dachshunds, Houndhaven also is a place to purchase Boxers, Cairns and German Shorthair Pointers. Another specialty of the establishment is the Norwegion Elkhound. The kennel boosts of having the bost female Elkhound in Canada. According to the Whitings.

Houndhaven's Borcalis, their special dog, is the fourth top Elkhound in Canada and has cities or in small apartthe American and Canadian ments," said Mrs. Whiting.

much targer dogs, bred in nine pounds when fully grown according to the couple, now champtonship as the best

The Whitings say their Elkhounds seem to have a special built-in intelligence with an amazing smelling ability. They can smell a moose a mile away. The Elkhounds used to be taken on ships as companions and hunters by the Vikings 6,000 years ago.

The miniature Wirchair Dachshunds are extremely popular and, as soon as pupples are born, she has almost-immediate homes. "We have waiting lists," she explained. Others breeds produce larger numbers of pups, but there are only two to a litter of the smaller

"They are particularly great for people living in

She likes to match people with dogs, as sometimes selling the wrong-type dog to a person can be fatal, "As personalities hit dead-on." Ambition of the proprietors of Houndhaven is to have top

dog kennels in Canada. "And I'm willing to work towards that goal," says Jean Whiting enthusiastically. At the present time many

people board their dogs at Houndhaven in the nummer months. Jean hopes to see It become a year-round business and owners, taking off for southern winter trips, will leave their dogs at the kennels. She feels that gradually working into allyear-round boarding, will help finance the Houndhaven dream of developing and raising top Canadian dogs.

Introduction Bestdes breeding animals, Mrs. Whiting takes

a special interest in each dog produced. A tru animal lover she applies the hospital of the (tender, loving care) to each of the dogs she cares for. In Canada, Houndhaven Is one of the first kennels to have introduced the exciting creatures to the population. As well as Elkhounds, the Whitings show the Miniature Wirehair Dachsunds on numerous weekend shows held right across the country.

They are being very well received, they say.

Also on the list of Mrs. Whitings accomplishments is the starting up of the Guelph and District Kennel Club. when she first came to Canada. She and two other people who have since left the area, Jim and Dale Measures, initiated the group in an effort to promote purebred dogs and their care in the area. They used to hold meetings in people's homes until the association developed into a much larger group. Now the regular

sessions are held at the

University of Guelph.

PROPRIETRESS OF Kennels Houndhaven holds Mazeltov, one of their newest miniature wirehair dachshund puppies. His name in Yiddish means Good

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Kennel owners plea dog rights

of Houndhaven kennels, is also a former Eramosa district pound operator who has certain attitudes about

Mrs. Whiting says that one of the things which concerns her very much, is the lack of value some owners place on their animals. Because many people are lax in having dogs properly spayed, there is an overpopulation of unwanted animals. She feels too many people think dogs are selfresponsible. "A dog is not an unimal which can look after itself." It much be under supervision and cared for. The ardent animal lover is

Water

break

anxious that people pur-

An area of town was without water for about four

hours Tuesday of last week. The break in a six-inch water

line occurred on Churchill

Rd. S. about 3:30 p.m. and the

workmen left again about

A backhoe was floated up

from the Halton Hills yard at

Georgetown to do the work.

Jean Whiting, co-proprietor explained, "Its's like a compulsion."

> She feels that unplanned dog breeding results in people giving away pups freely which, in many cases, leads to a lack of respect for the animals, "something thout putting more value on

pald for," she sald.

The kennel operator is also anxious about the number of dogs which run nimlessly loose in packs, picking up other strays as they run. "They are left wide-open to being shot when half-starved, they attack livestock," she sald, Mrs. Whiting points out that in the Houndhaven Kennels "We control unchasing dogs realize the wanted pets by a special

respect their canine friends and, if unable to look after them properly recommends they do not take them on as

Mrs. Whiting says she is

particularly concerned for

pets whose owners decide not

anxious that dog owners

animals when they have been to pick them up from a pound when they discover the costs incurred during the period of capture. "These amounts are set by the township for owners of lost dogs," she explained. She sald that many people are quite willing to allow their animals to be sent to the university for experimental purposes rather than pay the fee. She feels dog owners should be educated in proper canine care and the responsibility of

responsibility. "Many can't contract for spaying bit- care and the responsibility dogs," she ches," she said. She is dog ownership.

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they do it because they have CRUNCH WENT THE apple as pioneer girl Margaret Sale, left, and Heather Ormsby a pumpkin each capture the fruit with their hungry mouths. Money Pot nursery school teacher Lee Members of the region's administration committee Febel stands clear of the sharp teeth, during the were considering a recomschool's Hallowe'en party on Thursday. mendation that committee

Accident Thursday

Only car accident of the week in town occurred Hallowe'en night at 10:40 p.m. Drivers involved were Kevin Perkins, Maria St., with \$500 damage to his car. the car he was driving, and Norman Smith, R. R. 3, Acton, with estimated \$350 damage to his car.

A two-car collision Friday at Silvercreek Parkway and Speedvale Ave. in Guelph, resulted in \$2,500 damage and injury to two passengers. Dri-vers involved were Leslie Morrison of 81 Ragian St., Guelph, a passenger in the Morrison vehicle. Both wo-men were treated for cuts at St. Joseph's Hospital.

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afternoon. Prizes

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Sandra Timmerman and

"The only ones that sit through this are the press and

tables and stacking chairs be

The committee recom-

mended against purchasing

the tables and chairs because

of tight money conditions at the region and because

members weren't convinced

purchased.

of the need.

Lynne Johnston.

According to Oakville Councillor Mac Anderson, there are more than enough chairs to accommodate to. Editors tell them they members of the public in the have to stick it out. We'd regional council chambers, drive anyone away," he said. Burlington.

Car slams

A car driven by Gerald Sosnowski, 20, R.R. 3, Milton received an estimated \$900 damage Saturday when it left the road and collided with a tool shed. Sosnowski was travelling west along Concession 6-7 in Eramosa Town-

ship.
Two passengers, Rose
Hanousek, R.R. 2, Rockwood, and Anna Hartinger, R.R. 1. Acton, were both treated at Guelph General Hospital for minor injuries.

Dublin North

The Dublin North Checkerboards had their sixth meeting October, 30, at 7 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Fred Kirton.

Their next meeting will be held on November 6, at 7 p.m. also at the Kirton's. Notes were read on party food. They discussed more about their pyjama party. Lunch was

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