

**Silverwood**

**Residents enjoy Caribbean cruise**

by Mrs. F. Scott  
Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Miller enjoyed a three-week cruise of the Virgin Islands. The Caribbean cruise stopped a day at each of the five islands. They also visited at Fort Lauderdale and Panama City with sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roe.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. Fogal and Mrs. Minda Corbett are home again after a trip to California. They spent three weeks in the Palm Springs area and also visited with relatives.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller of Goderich were guests with Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Miller recently.  
Good wishes are extended to any and all sick people in the community.  
Six-inch snow piled up last Friday in Silverwood.



ART COOPER, R.R. 2, (centre) and his wife Thelma became friends of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Melbourne on their vacations at Nassau and arranged for them to come up to Canada last weekend. An evangelist, Mr. Melbourne was guest preacher at Churchill community church Sunday.

**Party politics**

Party politics will become evident among regional council during the next provincial election, according to regional chairman Allan Masson.  
Questioned on the matter during a press conference last week, Mr. Masson replied, "Oh yes, you'll see that here. It's fairly evident now. Mac (Oakville Councillor Maclean Anderson) will run."  
"Ted Itallo is probably the one Liberal dedicated to regional government. Some Conservatives are working hard to prevent regional government from leaving the Tories with a black eye," Masson intimated.  
Mr. Anderson is often rumored as being a likely candidate for the Liberal party.

**Ospridge**

**Lost all in fire family needs help**

by Doris Fines  
We have been adopted by a cat. A week ago Sunday we noticed this big white bundle of fur with two pleading eyes, sitting on our window sill. Thinking it belonged to one of our neighbours, we ignored it in the hopes it would go away, but next day, and that cold blustery Monday night it was still there, cold and hungry, and somehow it managed to wrangle its way into the house, where it immediately took possession. Telephone calls to neighbours found their cats all at home. He is obviously someone's pet, white with orange head and tail, clean, well mannered and house-trained. We don't tell him what to do, he tells us, luckily we understand cat language.  
If he is your pet you may come and pick him up, as he absolutely refuses to leave or set foot in a snowbank.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vander Muelen and family who moved from Ospridge last year, had the misfortune to lose their home by fire last Monday morning. Everything was lost. Friends and former neighbours from here have helped by sending supplies, school clothing and dishes.  
Their greatest need now is money to purchase a washing machine and other necessary appliances, food and bedding. The six children are in grades 5 to 9 at school. At present they are living in a trailer on the farm, as they have chickens to look after.  
Items have been collected at Dudnik's store, and the Vander Helde's have taken them to the unfortunate family.

**First sight of snow for Nassau evangelist**

by Peter McCusker  
Canadians and people in the northern U.S.A. take winter's blanket of snow for granted, but for evangelist Edgar Melbourne and his wife it's something new, for they had never seen snow.  
The Rev. and Mrs. Melbourne were in Acton for a weekend, visiting with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Art Cooper of R.R. 2, Acton, leaving their home in the sunny Bahamas for a few days. On Sunday Mr. Melbourne was guest preacher at Churchill community church.

**Puts PCs in place**

Mae Anderson furthered his reputation as one of regional council's wittiest politicians during the council's meeting Wednesday.  
It was Anderson's turn to be chairman of the proceedings for the day. As he moved from his seat at the table to assume the chairman's chair at the front of the room, several councillors uttered comments about council running by "Liberal rules" for the day. (Anderson is an often-mentioned candidate for the Liberal candidacy in Halton in the next election.)  
The veteran councillor and former Oakville mayor was not shaken by the jibes. He puffed slowly on his pipe, looked at a couple of Tory colleagues at the back of the room and quipped, "Well your polls are down, but its nice that you've kept your sense of humor." (Recent polls show the Conservatives slipping a further three percent in the Gallup Poll.)

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**Woman's Year church service**

by Mrs. R. Shortill Sr.  
The March meeting was at the home of Mrs. Tom Given on Wednesday, March 5. Mrs. Given had just returned from a trip to Florida and members were pleased to welcome her back.  
The president was in the chair and Mrs. Smith, secretary-treasurer, read the minutes and called the roll, which was answered by the name of a woman who has left her footprints on the "sands of time."  
Mrs. Jesse McEneaney gave the motto: "A man's feet should be planted in his own country but his eyes should survey the world." Grace began her talk with the words of the well known poem

"Home thoughts from abroad." She brought forth several splendid thoughts, enlarging on them. Are we proud enough of our own country? Do we wonder and realize why so many people from other lands come to Canada. Should we not puff out our chests and be proud of it rather than complain about so-called "foreigners" usurping our jobs. Today our "village" is the "world", not just our own doorstep. Even the skies and the stars of the universe have become our "ceiling".  
We have progressed, yes, but progress should be for the betterment of all humanity and not for mere progress' sake.

Film shown  
Mr. Carter showed some very fine films on Egypt, Ethiopia and Lebanon. These films had been taken by his son, who had been in the army based in these places. Mr. Carter is Mrs. Given's brother-in-law and we have been favored with his films before. Mrs. Given gave the commentary.  
Lunch was served by Mrs. McEneaney and the hostess.

Woman's Year  
The service on Sunday which was Woman's Year Sunday, was interesting. Kathryn Inliss and Margaret Jamieson read the lessons. The girls' choir sang "Climbing Jacob's Ladder," Nancy Shortill accompanying.  
Mrs. Sheila Stiles gave the sermon a very fine one based on woman's place in the world and the home Mrs. Stiles, wife of our minister, is

a registered nurse and a third year student at Wilfred Laurier University, majoring in Psychology and Sociology. We were pleased to hear her speak to us, in her capable manner.  
The dance on Saturday night gave all the folks a very pleasant evening. Just like they used to have. It ended at 12 o'clock and there was no lunch. The music was good and old friends and new ones enjoyed themselves.  
Mrs. R. Shortill spent last week in Mexico, visiting afternoons with her ailing sister, who is in a nursing home.  
Mr. Frank Smith is convalescing at home after his eye operation.

**Limehouse**

**Cub leaders' awards, 91st birthday news**

by Mrs. A. Benton  
Birthday greetings to Mrs. W. T. Mills who was 91 on March 10. We hope she continues so well and alert.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sheppard visited their daughter Susanne, a Ph.D. candidate at Queen's University, Kingston, recently.

Reports were received on the Multitudo and Cub activities. Planning was begun for the Father and Son banquet in May. It was regretfully announced that Steve Thompson would be retiring as Akolas as of Sept. 1. At last week's Cub meeting, Lord Douglas, District Commissioner, unexpectedly arrived to present Wood Hodge sashes and heads to leaders Steve Thompson and Elaine Hannah. These are

awarded after approximately four training sessions in our own district, three weekends of specialized training at Blue Springs Scout Reserve, and another three months in your own pack putting into practice what has been learned in the training sessions.  
Another new Cub for Limehouse Jeff Feudly from Glen Williams Welcome to the Pack.

The W.I. met on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. G. Davies, opening with the Ode, Collect and a poem by Pearl Carter Phillips. This Spring, read by president Mrs. Booth. Roll call was "An important point of entertaining I have learned." Interest was shown in the short course, "Baked in a pie".

Donations were voted to the Save the Sight project and some spending money for a local young scout planning to attend the world jamboree in Norway. Dates to remember mentioned were the Children's Aid Society annual meeting in Oakville, March 18, a meeting on laws pertaining to women at Master Feeds Hall where Miss Robson will speak, each branch providing cookies for a snack. District directors' meeting is at Milton on April 1, and the District annual at St. Paul's Church, Milton, on May 21st, where Nelson W.I. will be hostess branch. Mrs. Booth read current events.

Churchill  
World Day of Prayer postponed to March 16

Each standing committee convenor read an interesting item, and each must have her annual report prepared by the next meeting. As program convenor, Mrs. Davies chose 4-H Clubs as the topic, telling of the set-up, projects, etc. of this national organization.  
Next W.I. meeting will begin with a pot-luck luncheon at 12.30 on April 2. Mrs. Houghley and the hostess served a tasty lunch at the close.

World Day of Prayer postponed to March 16  
and there is much economic unrest with evidence of the military everywhere. In spite of this he had a good holiday and returned tanned and well rested.

by Mrs. Fred MacArthur  
Services at Churchill Community Church, Sunday, March 10 at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. were very well attended to hear guest speaker and friends of Art and Thelma Cooper and family, of this congregation, Evangelist, Edgar Melbourne of Nassau, Bahamas spoke. His wife, Mrs. Melbourne sang. Both sermons were very stirring and enjoyed.  
Special music was by our young group, God's Kids. They sang The Lord's Prayer, accompanied by Michael Cooper on his guitar. The choir was in attendance at both services.

Showers  
Mrs. A. Strokov, Vera and Mrs. Michael Cooper were guests at a linen shower for Erica, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Strokov. Mrs. Peterson held an afternoon tea and shower at her home in Guelph last Saturday, March 8, in honor of Erica's approaching wedding. She received many useful and lovely gifts with the best wishes of many of her prayer and bible study group in Guelph.

Home safely  
Mrs. Cooper relates they had a phone call from their friends and they arrived home fine. They said they enjoyed their visit, meeting their Churchill friends. There will be pictures elsewhere in the paper.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hyde visited on Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer, Janice and Ray.  
World Day of Prayer service was cancelled on account of bad roads. It has been planned for this coming Sunday at the usual hour, 11 a.m. Mrs. William Geggie will be guest speaker. Come and hear her message. There will be special music and song.

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Scout, Cub news  
by Mrs. Hannah  
First Limehouse Group Committee held their March meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Case. Fifteen parents attended. It was announced that Mrs. Betty Rock has taken over as treasurer from Dolly Moulden. Finances are in good shape at the moment and a separate fund is to be set aside for leader training.

Holiday  
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