

Materials for playground are arriving mysteriously

By Pam Sheldon
The Speyside Kindergarten class are happy to announce the safe arrival of eight fuzzy chicks. The "blessed event" occurred some eight hours premature in the middle of Wednesday night, much to the disappointment of the 34 inquisitive children.

However, it was all wide-eyed delight the following morning when the children witnessed the results of their 21-day vigil. The eggs, which had been brought to class from the Mountsberg Game Farm, were now a heap of broken shells amidst the eight tiny chicks.

Although a little late for Easter, the chicks arrived just in time for Mothers' Day. And "Mothered" they have

been, as the children lovingly feed and watch over them each day.

And what is to become of the wee brood when they are old enough to leave the nest? It seems the children have managed to find eight good adoptive homes in the area.

Green thumbs
While on the subject of Speyside's Kindergarten class, it would appear the forthcoming gardening season was the source of some confusion among the children.

Apparently, the day before they were to plant their indoor garden, Mary Shier, the children's teacher, asked them to bring their green thumbs to school the next day. Little did she realize her

choice of words would have such dramatic results.

One child arrived at school the next day with his thumb completely covered with green marking pencil; another child had his thumb all wrapped up in green wool; whereupon, at least half a dozen children informed Mrs. Shier that, "my mommy doesn't have any green thumbs at home that I could bring."

Needless to say, the children's garden has flourished.

Materials arrive
The recent meeting at the

Speyside Public school to discuss a Creative Playground on the site, has obviously sparked the interest of many local residents. I've been informed that building materials keep mysteriously appearing on the grounds every few days.

Someone has dropped off a collection of truck and car tires, cement drain pipes and empty cable spools.

With everyone so keen, it would appear that Speyside's Creative Playground will become a reality before we know it.



GARY LEE has been assigned to the Acton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police from Burlington. Constable Lee will be staying here until the regional police take-over in September and will then return to Burlington.

Gary Lee is new constable

Constable Gary Lee is one of the newest additions to the Acton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police.

The Constable is from Burlington where he has been in the O.P.P. for 15 months.

He is originally from Caledonia. While in the south his beat was the Queen Elizabeth highway. Here in Acton he does everything from investigating car accidents to paper work.

For the time being he is boarding in town, but when the policing of the town is taken over by regional police in the fall, Constable Lee will return to Burlington.

Ospringle

Bicycle rodeo at Ospringle school

by Doris Fines
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith spent the weekend at Meaford visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Smith and Mr. and Mrs. George Kearns. Mrs. Kearns is confined to the hospital following an accident in which she sustained a broken ankle and shoulder bone.

Mrs. Thomas Fines, Miss Doris Fines and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson visited on Mother's Day with other members of the family, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Henderson at Belwood.

Gary Ferguson of Hamilton spent the weekend with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson.

Doctors Carol and Barry Bruce and Michael, of Carp, Ontario, spent a couple of days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce.

Mr. Garnet Bruce has just returned from Hawaii where he spent ten days attending a convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce spent a weekend recently with Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell at Guthrie, Ontario.

Mrs. William Rupka is recovering from a successful gall-bladder operation. We wish for her a speedy return to good health.

Mr. Clarence Denny and Mr. Gordon Aitken spent the weekend fishing up north.

Dr. Garth Bruce, Mrs. Bruce, Kim and Dean of Toronto, visited a day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce of Hamilton visited on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruce. Congratulations are extended to Bob who received a Pass with Distinction in his final exams in Chemistry. He obtained the top mark in his class.

Safety rules explained
Constable Kidd of the OPP, safety officer, spoke to the pupils of all grades at Ospringle school last Tuesday, and showed charts on bicycle safety. He answered many good questions from the students. This will be followed by written tests on bicycle rules. There will be a rodeo on June 3, when all bicycles will be checked. Pupils will show their knowledge of bicycle rules and safety, as well as their skill in operating the bicycle.

Grade five students began swimming lessons in Guelph this week. They are supervised by their teacher, Mrs. Mary Nellis.

Cubs and Brownies
The 1st Ospringle Cub Group and Brownie Pack attended the Mother's Day service in Knox Presbyterian church, and provided special music for the occasion.

By Mrs. F. Scott
Silverwood W. I. held their May meeting at the home of Mrs. Marchington on Thurs. evening, May 8.

The meeting opened with collect and roll call answered by retirement hopes and plans, some of which didn't always turn out.

Secty. treasurer read minutes of the annual meeting and gave the treasurer's report.

A letter was read from ARC Industries, Hornby thanking the group for their donation to this worthwhile cause.

Members received an invitation to attend the sixth annual garden party at the Manor, Milton and several members plan to go.

Plans for as many members who are free to go to the Halton district annual May 21 at St. Paul's Church, Milton, were made.

Lived in India

Trinity Activity group met Thursday evening, May 8 at Mrs. Dorothy Rogvaldson's. President, Mrs. Dianne Butler conducted the business meeting.

The ladies will pack a bale for the Allan Lauder Mission in Manitoba on Thursday morning.

Four members of the group have been asked to take part in a survey of community needs being done in Acton. Mrs. Rogvaldson led the devotional service.

Topic
"Conditions of India" was the topic presented next by Mrs. Sue Dunn. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn and family spent two years living in Bombay and travelling about the country. A series of excellent slides and a number of articles, books, fabrics, etc. brought from India enlightened the group to the almost unbelievable living conditions there. Mrs. Dunn's daughter Wendy also contributed to the evening by coming dressed in a sari, traditional dress of the Indian women.

It was decided at the Acton Hydro Commission monthly meeting on Thursday evening that the men would have to buy their own shirts, contrary to previous years when the piece of clothing has been supplied.

It is in the union contract for the employer to supply coveralls or overalls, but no shirts. Until now, the supplying of shirts was a goodwill gesture but with the rising cost of clothing, it is no longer feasible. The commission will continue to purchase the pants.

Meter readers will be given a jacket or shirt with their names on it for identification purposes.

Silverwood

Home economist about labelling

Achievement day May 24 for 4-H is a Peel and Halton project and will be at Milton. Miss Lorraine Holding, Home Economist, will be in charge. The members decided to participate with 16 branches to entertain W.I. members from B. C.

Mrs. Wilson gave a report on the Manor party.

Our program planning meeting Mon., May 26 at Mrs. Ironsides will prepare our monthly meetings for 1975 and 1976.

Mrs. Gothe gave a short talk on Family Unity and its influence on family communications.

Our sale of plants and seeds was a success and they will be planted in members' gardens.

Miss Lorraine Holding, Home Economist for Peel and Halton, was guest speaker.

She enlightened members on sizing, labeling and pricing on food and textile labeling and symbols for care of same. The meeting closed with a dainty lunch and tea and coffee.

Sympathy
Community sympathy goes to the Miller family on the death of Mrs. Roe.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Kidney of Thornbury visited old neighbours recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles, Canary, Florida, are at her parents home Mr. and Mrs. Malozzi for a few days.

May 5 received .81" rain, May 6 received 1.06" rain, Silverwood total 1.87"

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Stormy session Erin council

In a rare split vote, May 5 Erin Township Council capped a stormy session by a three-two decision to convey an unopened road allowance on the property of Howard Barbour, Lot 27-28, Concession 8, to him.

The matter was first brought before council in January when Mr. Barbour stated he felt that sometime in the past, the land in question had been deeded to the land's owner when another road over more traversable terrain was opened on the same property.

Residents in the area opposed the road closure last January, it should be kept for future use, and both factions attended last week's meeting along with Clark Webb, a lawyer representing the residents, and Mrs. Hungerford, the township solicitor.

The session opened with Reeve Donald Matheson reading a letter from Church and Church, lawyers for Mr. Barbour. It stated that a deviation road had been laid out and opened with no compensation paid at any time to the land owners, and therefore Mr. Barbour was entitled to the original unopened road.

unopened roads in the township, he suggested the adoption of a new policy, since public land once conveyed to new ownership is no longer available for any type of public use in the future.

"You should not give up options which are available to you as they would be if you hold on to this land."

In conclusion, Mr. Webb stated "Any decision you make should be in the public interest. At this time I have not been able to determine in my own mind what benefit would be derived for the public with this closure."

Gravel
At this point in the meeting Reeve Matheson clarified the decision allowing Mr. Barbour to extract gravel from the unopened road allowance, saying the Department of Pits and Quarries had informed him to get permission from council.

Mr. Barbour's opening statement was that he didn't think the gravel situation entered into the problem at all, but felt it was quite clear he was entitled to conveyance of the unopened road since the opening of a highway for which compensation had not been paid entitled the owner to an equal amount of property.

He felt that the conveyance would not be prejudicial to any other resident, and could not see the benefit of two roads within one lot.

He also quoted parts of the municipal act which supported his stand, and concluded "Back in those days (when the original transactions took place) matters like these were settled by handshake. There is no doubt in my mind there was an exchange of property."

New light
New light was brought to the matter when Clerk Elmer McKinnon produced minute books from 1869 and read that the clerk had been instructed to post notice that the owners Lundy and Howel were to be given land in lieu. May 13 1870, a motion was passed to convey the old sideroad to Lundy and Howel in lieu of the present travelled road.

The motion was read a second and third time, but there the matter rested. No

deed has ever been found.

Lawyer Hungerford commented "It is clear that council of that time intended to do what the present council is trying to do, but at that time the deed, for some reason, never was registered." He added that no matter what the speculation might be, nobody will ever know for sure just what happened 110 years ago to prevent it.

Councillor Tom Ormesher took issue with the emphasis on the deed stating "It's not a matter of deed or no deed. That's not the point." He felt that the closure would not be in the public interest. "Leaving it the way it is isn't hindering the public - only Mr. Barbour."

Liability
Don Matheson told the residents his biggest fear was that the road was a potential liability to the township. "We already have 160 miles of township roads. We're not too happy with the condition of them in view of the amount of money spent to keep them in shape, and we don't want any more roads opened. I feel that's the biggest reason for closing it."

After the delegations left, Councillor Ormesher questioned whether a new owner might go in for wholesale gravel operation since the lot was already zoned gravel, but was told Mr. Barbour had previously assured the reeve he was in no position to sell.

After the regular business was attended to, council again returned to the matter of road closure and after an extremely heated discussion a vote was taken.

Reeve Matheson, Deputy-Reeve Bert Wheeler, and councillor John Reid voted to

convey the unopened road allowance to Howard Barbour. Councillors Jack Marshall and Tom Ormesher voted against.

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