

# "Time of their lives" at variety program for seniors

Over 60 members were present for the recent evening meeting of Acton Golden Age Club, when a very fine programme was given by members of the Sunshine Club of Rockwood.

Mrs. M. Milne was chairlady for the variety program. With Mrs. Wm. Black at the piano a short song of old favorites was enjoyed. Keith Black sang an appropriate number for the

month of June "Where'er you walk," by Handel and for an encore, "Amazing Grace."

Mrs. Cecil Nellis had two readings "Spring cleaning" and "Shining Door." A duet by Mrs. Black and son Keith "Lullaby Time" was followed by toe-tapping music by a trio, Victor Smith, A. Leachman and R.L. Davidson with Mrs. Mann at the piano.

Clifford McDougall read a letter, from a Newfie mother to her son which was quite hilarious. T. D. McCutcheon who had his 87th birthday the next day, sang two numbers, "His eye is on the sparrow" and "Mansion over the hilltop." He received a standing ovation. Alf Coaling played several mouth-organ numbers, and Mrs. L. Dennis gave a reading, "Don't fret over things down here" which was well received.

The program closed with music by Mr. Smith and Mr. Leachman, thus ending a very enjoyable evening.

Honor anniversaries. Thanks to all was extended by R. L. Davidson and all joined in singing happy birthday to T. D. McCutcheon and wedding anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nellis.

On June 14th several members attended the Lawn Party and Bazaar at Halton Centennial Manor, travelling by bus provided by the local Lions Club.

On June 17th, 50 members went on the annual summer trip, destination Midland,

where a tour of the Shrine was made, followed by a boat cruise among the islands. A stop was made in Barrie for a roast beef supper.

Attend picnic. On June 24th - 23 members attended zone 13 picnic at La Salle Park, Burlington, R.L. Davidson 2nd Vice President of the Zone was master of ceremonies for a program of races and contests.

Acton Golden Age Club are really living up, the theme for this year's Senior Citizens week "It's the time of our lives."

## July 1st

The July 1st holiday played havoc with Acton mail this week and copy from district correspondents did not reach the Free Press office in time for press.

This newspaper regrets the inconvenience caused to readers who look forward each week to reading about local events. Fortunately, such holidays are rare and next week's news will be back to normal.

## Graduates

Ken Rotz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rotz, R. R. 2 Acton, graduated in June from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. He will be teaching in September at Victoria Senior High School Victoria B.C. Ken, his wife and family, have been living in Victoria B.C. for the past three years.



WENDY GRAY and Brett Hodsdon were married in an outdoor ceremony in Rockwood on Saturday, June 14.

# Hodsdon-Gray wedding in Rockwood, June 14

A Rockwood garden was the scene of a pretty summer wedding when Wendy Lee Gray became the bride of Brett Hodsdon on the afternoon of Saturday, June 14 at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Jean Gray. The Rev. Don Sinclair, of the Rockwood Presbyterian church was officiating minister. Large bouquets of mixed flowers in baskets were placed on pedestal stands, touching off the simplicity of the setting.

The daughter of Mrs. Jean and the late Gordon Gray, the bride is a teacher at the Red Lake Day Care Centre in Red Lake, Ont. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hodsdon, Lower Rd., Guelph. He is an employee of the Ministry of Lands and Forests at Red Lake.

Given in marriage by her mother, the bride wore a floor-length gown of white ligoda with fitted bodice and

butterfly sleeves. A head-dress of Chantilly lace accented her gown as she carried a colonial bouquet of Shasta daisies.

Attendants. Maid of honor was Miss Brenda Ingle, friend of the bride. She wore a long gown of frothy pink nylon with bouffant, butterfly sleeves. Sister of the bride, Janice Gray was bridesmaid; another sister, Sandra, was junior bridesmaid. Heather Wingate the bride's niece, was flower girl. Attendants wore dresses of flowered-Swiss voile over pastel-colored nylon skirts. The bridesmaid's skirt was in pink, the junior bridesmaid's in yellow and the flower girl's in blue. All carried bouquets of Shasta daisies. The flower girl carried her flowers in a basket.

Following the ceremony an evening reception was held at the Rockwood town hall. Mrs. Gray received wearing a pastel-green crepe, floor-length gown with bouffant, cap sleeves. Mrs. Hodsdon received, wearing a flowered sheer floor-length gown over cream satin. All members of the wedding party were in the receiving line. An evening dinner was held, followed by a dance.

Guests attended from Toronto, Hamilton, Simcoe, and U.S.A. and Rockwood. An uncle and aunt of the groom attended from Australia. Telegrams were received from Australia and England.

Before her marriage, the bride was feted with several showers. A miscellaneous

shower by the staff of the day care centre, was hosted by Mrs. Marie Hoken. The Rockwood Presbyterian church ladies held a miscellaneous shower; another was given by aunts of the bride, Mrs. Marilyn Gray and Mrs. Muriel King. A friend, Miss Carol Thomson hosted another, assisted by her mother, Mrs. John Thomson. Since her return to Red Lake, one other shower was held. It was given in the Ministry of Lands and Forests employees at Red Lake.

## Free Press Personals

Cpl. Jim McKeown, Lynda, Lee Anne and Stephanie spent three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McKeown and Peter prior to their leaving for Lauder, Germany, where he will be stationed with NATO armed forces for the next four years.

Jim McKeown and family before they all departed for their different destinations for the next few years.

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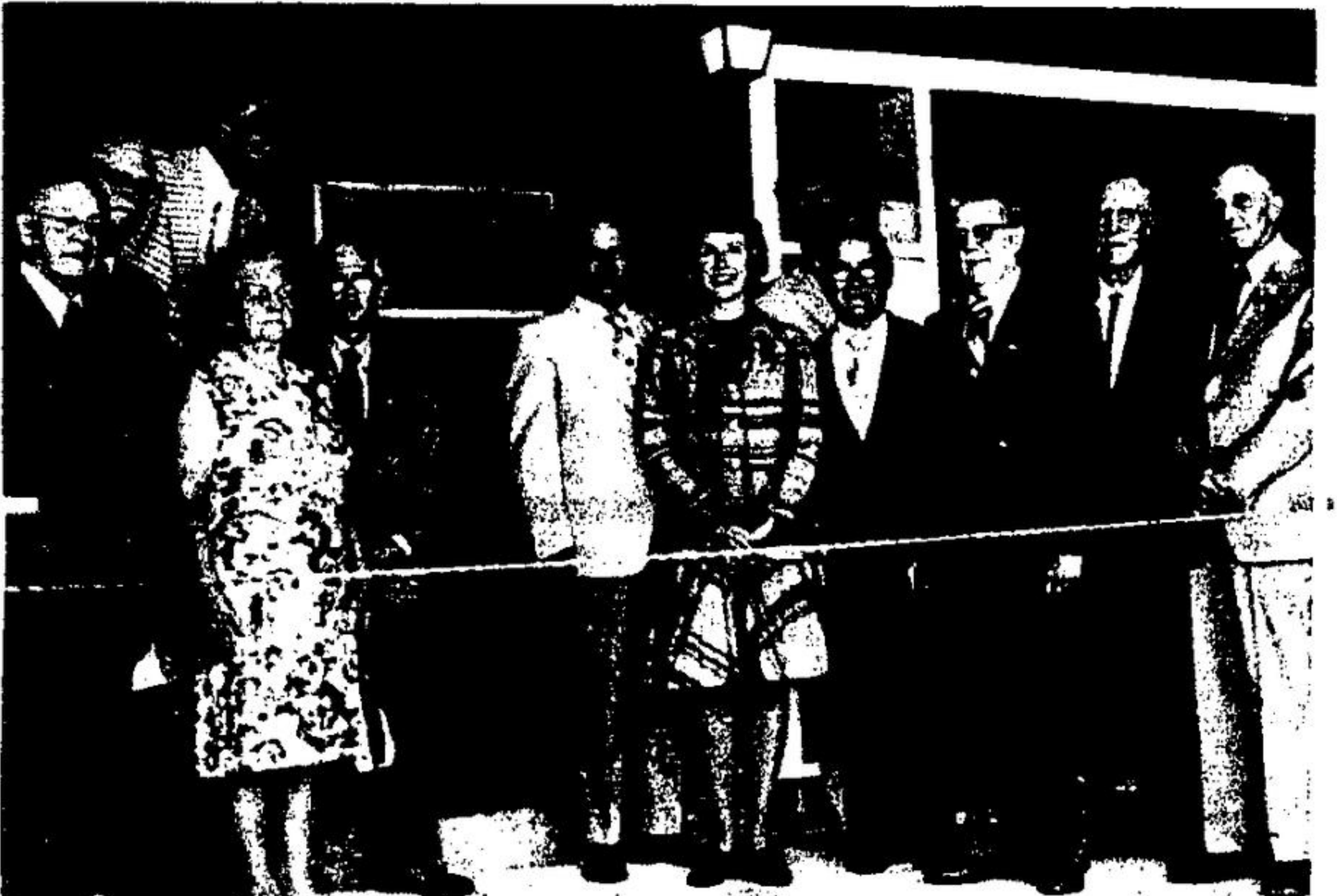
The home of Mrs. Edgar Lidka has been a busy place for the past few weeks. Cpl. and Mrs. K. J. Middleton (former Jean Lidka) with Scott, Susan and Sean arrived in Canada after a six year posting in Baden Germany. Joining the family were Randi, Heather and Drew from Owen Sound, and Gail and Tasha from town. An aunt, Mrs. Bessie Lidka of Sault Ste. Marie came for a week's visit with the family.

A niece of Mrs. Edgar Lidka's, Mrs. Lillian Rosie of Terra Cotta with her three, Jeanne, Maggie and Robbie also joined in the fun and visited with their cousins. Mrs. Lidka has returned home to Acton after taking her brother Laurier Michael to his home in New Hampshire. Mr. Michael visited here for the past month and the Middletons have left for their new posting in Cold Lake, Alberta.

Dr. Tom McKeown spent two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McKeown and Peter prior to his trip to Calgary, Alberta where he will be for the next year doing his internship in the Foothills Hospital.

The whole Gordon McKeown family were together for one week-end to celebrate Tom's graduation and in my Ron Vengas to Cpl.

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ORIGINAL MEMBERS of Halton county museum board 15 years ago were present Wednesday of last week for the unveiling of a plaque listing their names—left to right Ben Case, Alex Cooke, Mrs. Wilfred Bird representing her late husband, Keith Barber, with director Dr. H. J. Newman perched above; Dr. Carl Martin, Mrs. Kay Dills, Herb Merry, Walter Reeves, Ralph Wakely, Jack Milne, Robert Marshall.

## New museum plaque names founding board

Fifteen years after the establishment of a county museum in Halton, a plaque was unveiled at the site to name the original board members and the long-time curator, Dr. H. J. Newman. Milton mayor Anne McArthur pulled the cord that opened the velvet curtain, while about 60 gathered at the museum centennial building door last Wednesday afternoon.

Regional councillor Harry Barrett, representing chairman Allan Masson, and David Coons, chairman of the finance, administration and social services committee, also spoke.

Herb Merry reminisced how he, Archie Service, Wilfred Bird and Jack Milnes inspected the old Alexander barn as a possible museum site, clearing a little space in the cow barn to see what the floor was like. County council went along with his enthusiastic recommendations and approved funds for the establishment, upkeep and growth of the museum.

The museum was located in the Duff Alexander barn when the farm was expropriated by the conservation authority for the construction of Keiso dam. A centennial building erected in 1967 and a Nassagaweya log cabin reconstructed on the site. In use also are the upstairs of the barn, the Alexander home and the outbuildings.

The museum is now administered by the finance, administration of social services committee of regional council.



MILTON MAYOR Anne McArthur unveils plaque at Halton Region museum, listing original board members. A reunion of all previous board members followed.

Evenings are still cool, much cooler than in June.

## Recall early highlights at WI's 70th anniversary

Some 80 persons - members, former members, friends and families celebrated the 70th anniversary of Coningsby Women's Institute on June 2nd.

Miss Bessie Thomson, founder of the Branch was often remembered during the day. The old school house where she taught, and where the first meeting was held, is still the centre of memories for many Institute members.

On display was the Tweedsmuir History containing records of the early membership, an account of the founder of the Branch, many farm histories and early industries, and events of the area. Also on display were Bibles of early members, some presented to them by Erin Centre Disciples Church. There were also old school texts, pictures of early meetings, and a dress which had belonged to a Charter member. The letter stoll from the old Coningsby Post Office was there and also a picture of Queen Victoria which had once hung in the school. Some satisfaction was found in identifying members in early pictures and in determining the year of some events pictured.

Joy in building. One highlight was the reading of an appreciative article written by the Kronbergs, now residents of the old school, telling of the joys they found not only in the building, but also in its associations with past scholars, teachers, and neighbors.

A summary of the Institute activities since the 50th Anniversary was given by Mrs. L. Lang. Following the report, a former President and a lady well known in Coningsby, Mrs. Chester Burt, was introduced by Mrs. F. Root. Mrs. Burt brought greetings and remembrances of the 50th Anniversary celebration which had been held in her home, and she reminisced about the days when meetings had been held jointly with the local United Farmers branch.

Prizes work. Reeve Donald Matheson, whose mother had been a Charter member, and whose wife Jean, is assistant plantist for the branch, thanked the women for their work in the community. One of the projects mentioned, was that of keeping the flower border in Coningsby Cemetery. A plaque denoting this contribution will be erected in the near future.

A framed scroll of the Mary Stewart Collect was presented by Mrs. Ches Burt to four prize winners. Mrs. Matthews, a former member, who was present with her daughter Mrs. Lloyd Peavoy,

had travelled the greatest distance to attend. Another prize winner was Mr. Morgan Graham, who was the person with the greatest number of children present. The 70th registrant of the afternoon was Mrs. George Davis of Erin, and the fourth winner was Mrs. Elizabeth Stauffer, formerly of Coningsby, and now living in Waterloo, who was the oldest lady present.

Floral arrangements. Flower arrangements by Jean Cosgrave, Shana Gimbert and Charlene Hartwell decorated the hall. Tables were set up in gold and blue, the Institute colours. Present members of the branch were distinguished by a "Sunflower" boutonniere of blue and gold made by Mrs. Myrtle Reid, while visiting representatives of F.W.I.O. wore floral corsages made by Charlene Hartwell. The anniversary cake was made

by Mrs. C. Burt, and decorated by her sister Mrs. Dan O'Connor of Ballinac. The cake cutting ceremony was carried out jointly by District President, Mrs. Isabel Beatty, Provincial Board Member, Mrs. Myrtle Reid, and President Mrs. Muriel Foster. Jean Cosgrave was chairwoman for the Anniversary.

Mrs. M. Petch, Second Vice President of the Central Convention Area, who had just completed a two year term as North Peel President, brought greetings and congratulations.

Homemaking skills. The food committee under the direction of Mrs. Ann Graham, handled the setting up of a delicious pooled supper so generously supplied by all and reflecting the homemaking skills of the W.I. members. Institute grace was sung with Marie Harris as piano accompanist.

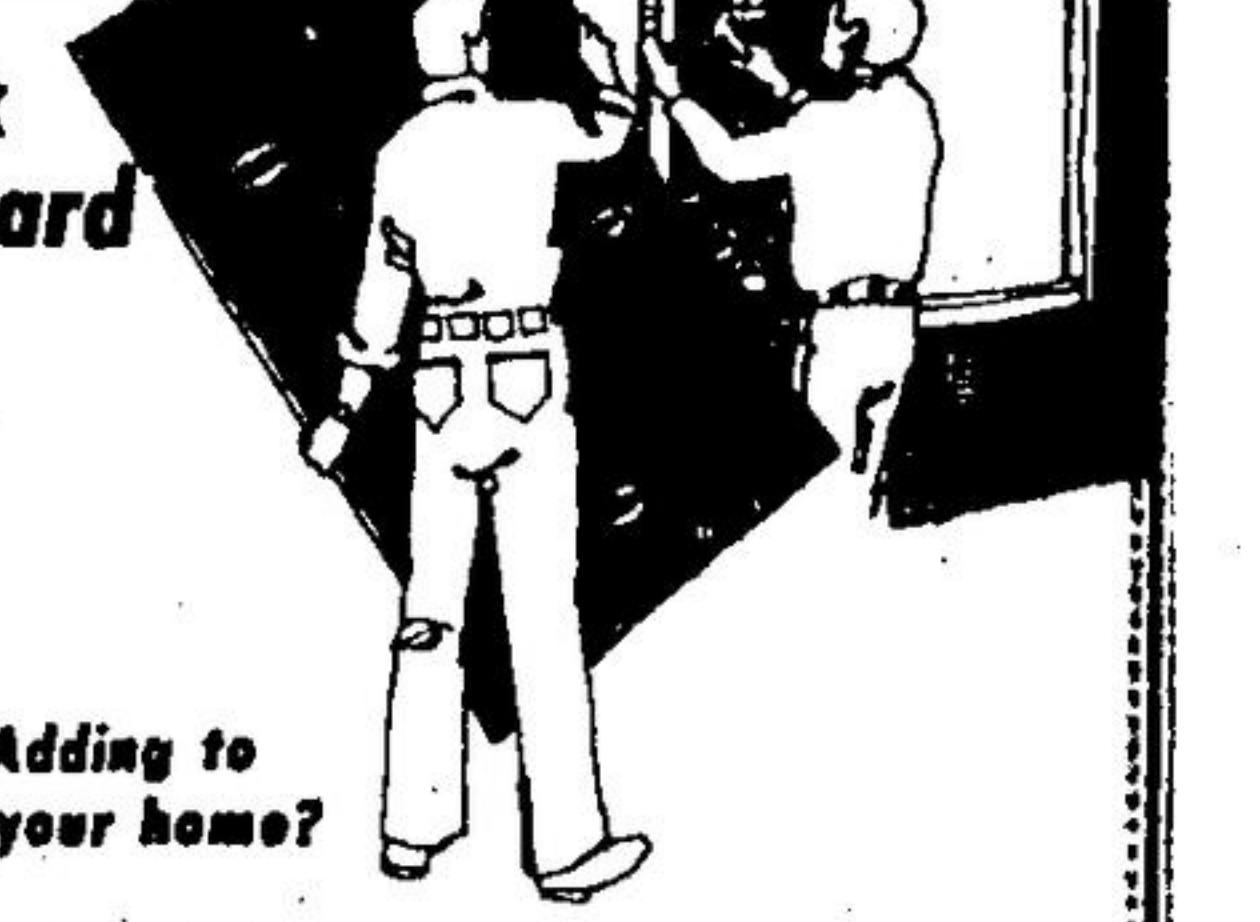


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