



LIKE FATHER LIKE daughter! Leesa Slater did various jobs after leaving school but had a real interest in getting into construction. Her father John Slater was just the man to talk to. An opening appeared as a flagman and Leesa got her chance. Her face is well known to Rockwood residents who I'm sure passed her every day for months. When the man who drove the packer quit another opportunity arose.



SURE BEATS working in a factory! Alice Vance is interested in making money to go back to school and her brother had just the answer. A flagman was needed and Alice got the job. This fall Alice hopes to take nursing at Conestoga but in the meantime she sure knows how to stop traffic! She also finds the men friendly and other than the noise finds the job great especially with the nice sunny weather starting.

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Rock around clock for March of Dimes

by Kerry Chalmers
Do you like dancing? Well if you are in grade seven, eight or nine you can dance for 15 hours and for a very worthwhile cause. This year the March of Dimes campaign has a new angle.

To beat street conditions and prevent people from having to canvass through mud, Julie Brace campaign manager, decided the kids could hold a Dance-a-thon and have village residents sponsor them. The Dance-a-thon will be held on April 23 at the Town Hall. The dance will run from seven Friday night to 10 a.m. Saturday morning. Pledge forms can be picked up at the school, Root Hardware and the R. & M. Shoppette. All students must

have a sponsor to attend the dance so if you are interested kids, pick up your forms and get out there and get sponsors. People are invited to pledge whatever they wish, but are asked to support these students. All sheets are to be turned in to Julie Brace by April 9.

Dog tag

By Kerry Chalmers
Today is the deadline for dog tags! Any dog without a tag can be fined and the owner is also reminded that dogs in the village are not permitted to run at large. People with concerns about stray dogs can contact Wayne Duby, the Dog Control Officer.

Mrs. Brace is in charge of this March of Dimes campaign for Rockwood and invites any concerned parent to contact her



Garage on fire

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McCannell of Station St. had a rude awakening early Tuesday morning. They had been visiting with friends in Acton Monday evening, returned around 1 a.m. and put the car in the garage as usual. At about 4.40 a.m. the couple was aroused from sleep to see bright flashes of light reflected off their bedroom walls—their garage was on fire! Mr. McCannell phoned the Rockwood Fire Department immediately and

was impressed with their fast response. The garage and car were completely destroyed but fortunately only minor damage was done to the house. The police and insurance men have examined the ruins but the cause of the fire is not known.

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Men willing to talk of problems

by Kerry Chalmers
Do you have complaints about the water and sewer construction on your street? John Slater, superintendent of the Armbr project here in Rockwood, and Roy Schermerhorn of Woodstock Engineering are two men that can help you. There are also a number of foremen on the streets every day who can help you.

As a result Harris St. is somewhat behind schedule. Mr. Slater feels that the construction will be complete in three weeks at which time the men will put the roads and yards back to their original condition. Pictures were taken of the roads and houses prior to construction so the crews have something to work with in their rehabilitation. The progress elsewhere in the village is reported to be moving along at a good rate and they feel the work on Guelph St. and around the school will be completed in the next week or so.

fore they leave on Friday and while they are cleaning up the site, then something will be done. Mr. Slater also mentioned that someone is usually patrolling the streets on the weekends and that he can be reached Saturday mornings if there is an emergency situation as he often is here Saturday morning. To reach John Slater through the week call 856-9581, or Roy Schermerhorn at 856-9592.

They ask that you speak to them and point out the difficulty. Because of the terrible weather conditions that caused a mud bath in the village it was difficult for the men to continue at their usual speed.

In the meantime do tell the men what the difficulty is before they leave on Friday and while they are cleaning up the site, then something will be done.

Library news

By Georgina Kelsa Assistant Librarian
There is a good selection of gardening books in the library for everyone from beginner to green thumb expert. Also there are several titles on patios and pools for those who are thinking ahead to warm spring days. In the culinary department are two new books, Popular Freezer Cookery and The Electric Slow Cooker cook Book. Other recent additions are Kate, the life of Katherine Hepburn, The Early History of Elora and Vicinity, Home-steading by Patricia Crawford, Margaret Thatcher, First Lady of the House, A Blast of Trumpets by John Creasey and two old favourites, The Lieutenant's Lady and Mother Mason by Bess Aldrich.

Why not shed extra pounds?

Ladies, girls — even men — summer is coming; why not shed those extra pounds? Join the Rockwood Toners and become a "new you" before summer. Rockwood Toners was organized in September by our now president Lorraine Renaud. It is a branch of the Canadian Calorie Counters. Weigh-in is with the weight recorder and the only person who sees or knows your weight is yourself. The meeting consists of pledge, roll call, secretary and treasurer's reports and weight recorder reports. They discuss diet tips, and any problems anyone might have. No one is put on a diet. They count calories every day. Each person has the daily calorie intake suggested by their doctor. Every week each member brings something diet for the basket (orange, apple, diet pop or gum) and the biggest loser of the week wins it. The biggest loser of the month receives a nice gift from the club. Star When a member reaches her desired weight she becomes a star. In congratulations the Head Office sends her a star pin, and the club gives her a gift. Rockwood Toners have had two

stars, Diana Carney and Darlene O'Halloran. Nineteen more members are striving for the same goal. The club always welcomes new members, teens, pre-teens and adults. So if you have gained a few extra pounds over the winter may we suggest the Rockwood Toners. All have the same problem and together as a group can conquer it. For additional information call Marg Townsend at 856-9883 any time.

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St. Patrick's party for Bible Club

The joyful noise coming from the Bible Club room in Rockwood was not only because they were having such fun at their St. Patrick's party, they had just learned a new song called "Oh, Say but I'm Glad!" and they really were happy. Before the party "Aunt Helen" McDonald stressed the importance of reading the Bible for personal guidance daily, and of prayer. Few parents realize what reading is available to their child today and thus do not warn them of the chances of discovering harmful literature. "The truths of the Bible are designed for you to read, it can only help you, if you open it, and read what God has to say to you!" After several rousing choruses the usual program was followed with badges being earned by four people, and a certificate as Teacher's Assistant, won by Jane Porter for her faithful work as secretary. The final donation in the

Missions Gift contest put the Door Team over the top, to everyone's surprise and delight at the increase in the number taking part, explaining that "each of us must learn to get the habit of giving of our blessings regularly." A story about a boy who disobeyed his parents and tried to ride his pony before it was saddle-ready, held everyone's interest. He found that the Bible is true, when it states "Your sins will find you out." A game of Sword Drill was eagerly played by both teams, with the younger ones

showing much improvement, as they all strove to be first in finding a verse in the Bible. A special word of praise was given to the newcomers by Mrs. Drijber for their exceptional progress, since coming to the club.

A time for enjoyment of the many treats followed the study time; several mothers generously donated cookies and candy, which the little waitresses soon passed to delighted recipients. Jane Porter moved a vote of thanks and a cheer for a lovely time.

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