



PADDLING UP the Chippewa River towards their Canoeist Badge are, from front to back, Scouts Jock Garton, leader Rick Saville and George Pearn. Photo by Mark Rowe.

Scout and Guide news

by Mark Rowe

First Acton Scouts held their first and most successful canoe trip last weekend. Selected members of the Court of Honour in the troop went on the trip last Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

They camped Friday night in a future public park on the banks of the Chippewa River near Niagara Falls, Ontario. The Scouts, under the leadership of Rick Saville and Mark Rowe, set out about ten o'clock Saturday morning. Due to high winds and the current which was against them, their destination, near Port Robinson was not reached until night on three o'clock that afternoon.

New experience
After setting up camp some of them went gunwale bobbing in the canoes. It was the first time most had tried this new and daring sport. It was enjoyed by all.

After Scouts' own duty to God on Sunday the canoeists set off downstream back to their starting place. The leaders did not help on the re-

turn trip and yet the boys arrived at the Queen Elizabeth Way (where we started) after only two hours of leisurely paddling.

They arrived back in Acton about six that evening. Upon receipt of a log book of the journey, Scouts George Garton, George Pearn, David Fuller and Yves Savard will receive their canoeist badges.

The first Group Committee meeting of the year was held last night at the Scout Hall. Among items discussed were meeting nights and times of the Guide and Scout groups in Acton. Watch this column next week for notification of starting dates.

Happy Anniversary
This week makes the beginning of the third year of publication for this column. Why not let Acton know what your group is doing by letting me know. We must show our town that we are here and doing well. Just call me at 853-1496 before Monday so your news will be news to 4,000 readers.

September 13 opening for local public schools

A change in Robert Little school hours highlights a few alterations in that school's and M. Z. Bennett school systems.

Classes will commence each morning at 8:45 a.m. and be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. for lunch. They will resume at 12:45 and off for the day at 3:30. These changes apply only to Robert Little. M. Z. Bennett will continue with the same hours as last year, 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., 1 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Class lists will be posted in the front foyer windows of both schools before school opens, so students may determine which classes and teachers they will have. M. Z. Bennett lists will be posted by press time today (Wednesday), according to principal Gary Dawkins, while Robert Little's will be up later this week.

Early registrations are also welcome at both schools in order to alleviate a last minute rush on the first day of school.

Staff changes
Six teachers at M. Z. Bennett have left for other destinations.

Kathy Ross, the kindergarten teacher, has moved to Ottawa, where her husband has been transferred. Helen Vadeika, from grade 1 is pursuing other interests, and grade 2 teacher Kryssia Robinson has left for the Renfrew area, where her husband has set up a veterinary clinic. Kathy Woods, grade 7 will be teaching on the Waterloo board of education. Diane Bradshaw, grade 8 also pursuing other interests. Grace Gray, grade 1 teacher, has accepted a position in an Oakville school.

Vice-principal Al Zamatta has been transferred to Stewarttown.

Monica Lawson, an Acton woman, will be taking over the grade 3 class. This is her first teaching post. Kay Kavanagh, also of Acton, will be teaching a split class of grades 1 and 2. She has taught

in town before, but went back to school for a while.

Another former Halton teacher, and resident of the area, Carol Lawson is returning to the class room to teach grade 4. She taught in Limehouse before returning to university.

Making M. Z. Bennett his first teaching post of his career is Brad Fisher, who will be in charge of a grade 7 class. Gail McHugh, who took a year's leave of absence, will be back in the grade 8 classroom come September. She is an Acton woman and returned to university last year.

New vice-principal is Gus Elliott of Georgetown who was transferred from Central public school in Burlington.

There are three teachers who just changed jobs within the school. Marlene Titon will be teaching kindergarten, leaving the art department where she was a familiar face to everyone. Joan Fallett will be taking her place, giving up her position in grade 4. Ann

Mulder will be teaching the grade 1 class. She is coming from grade 3.

Robert Little
New teachers at Robert Little school include Candy Ciok, teaching a split grade 2 and 3. Mary Smith, a local supply teacher, will be teaching grade 3 and Joan Pearce, who started in January will float between grades 6 and 7.

Helen Leouis will be teaching French to the grade 8's, being shared between Robert Little and Brookville school. Lorna Pennock will still be teaching grade 6 and 7 French.

Larry Gigen will be the new vice-principal coming from a similar post in Stewarttown.

Teaching grade 7 and 8 will be Bob O'Driscoll, and Ron Turner will have the special class.

Leaving Robert Little school for other areas will be Martha Disher, the grade 3 teacher, who has gone to Chatham. Marlene Loubser from the special class has

gone to North York, and Bob Bell, grade 6 has been transferred to J. M. Denyes in Milton.

Vice-principal Gary Bateman has been transferred to Brookville public school.

Public school resumes on September 13, high schools September 8.

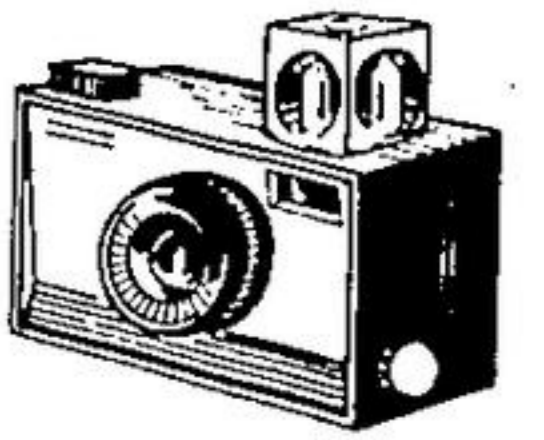
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SCOUT GEORGE Pearn enjoys breakfast Saturday morning on the banks of the Chippewa River near Niagara Falls during a Scout canoe trip. Photo by Mark Rowe.

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Guidance line-up setting up classes

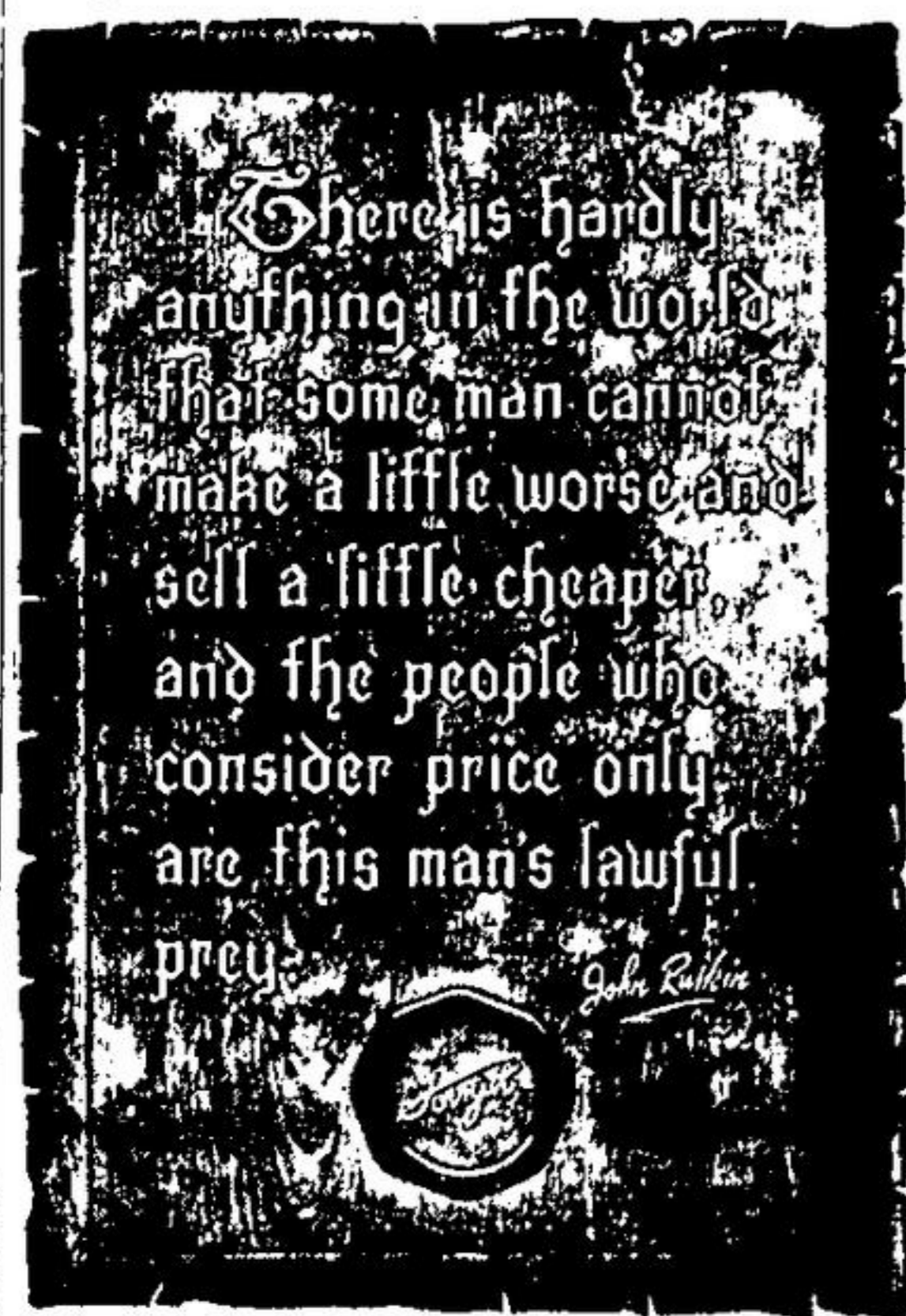
There's a line-up most of the time this week at the high school guidance office. Some of the students are arranging transfers and some are changing courses.

About 650 are expected back to Acton high school on the first day of classes.

The principal and vice-

principal are on hand already.

The classrooms aren't quite in order yet, since the heating system was changed during the summer and the work isn't finished yet. Covers have not yet arrived to be placed over the pipes in the classrooms.



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