



One of the most popular items at the Acton Brownies, Guides and Pathfinders' sale Saturday at the Scout Hall was the baked goods and beverage counter. Pictured here are hard working ladies Pauline Barlow, Tili Jago, Jean Vaughan, Martha Casson and Heather Whiting.

Library looseleaf

by Esther Taylor

It's common knowledge that if a married woman is murdered, her husband is the first suspect. In the case of Enid Henderson found dead by her husband Leonard on his return from work, investigating officers had to consider other angles. Leonard had a strong alibi, and to complicate the picture, Enid, described as sweet and gentle, was not the type to make enemies. Leonard suggested to police that only a madman or hoodlum could have committed the crime. Yet neighbors could not recall having seen any strangers entering the Henderson home on the day of the murder. Obviously, Detective-Inspector Hogarth and Detective-Sergeant Simpson had their work cut out for them.

Readers of Celia Dale's *Helping with Inquiries* may guess the identity of the murderer—but certainly not early in the plot. Besides posing a neat puzzle, Miss Dale portrays human nature with disquieting skill.

Detective-Inspector C.D. Sloan, Criminal Investigation Department of the Berberey Division of the Calleshire County Police Force is back in Catherine Aird's *Some Die Eloquent*. Aird fans met him previously in *The Complete Steel*, *Henrietta Who?* and *Parting Breath*. Sloan, a likeable English cop manages to solve each case, but in his latest sleuthing, he has other things on his mind—like the pregnancy of his wife Margaret, whose child is almost due.

His current police riddle is low-pronged? Did chemistry mistress Beatrice Wanskyke, a diabetic, die a natural death? And how come she acquired a mysterious large sum of money before she died? In addition, who killed the dog and buried him in her garden?

Detective-Inspector Sloan's son arrives without complications before the cunning murder of Beatrice Wanskyke is cornered. *Some Die Eloquent* is Catherine Aird at her best. Aird is the author's pseudonym. Of Scottish parentage, she lives in a village in East Kent.

The adjective "grinding" comes readily to mind on reading Helen Forrester's *Minerva's Stepchild*. Grinding poverty is the condition of

14 year-old Helen and her family during the depressed 30's in Liverpool. The book is classified as British history bolstering the reader's suspicion that the author of writing of personal experiences as the eldest of seven children, who was expected; to stay home and look after her brothers and sisters while mother went out to work. Helen's struggles to lead her own life, her battle against illness caused by malnutrition would make many of today's teenagers cop out. *Minerva's Stepchild* is a different kind of tale, that reminds even the blasé, how life styles have changed incredibly for the better in Britain, and Canada as well.

A local library staffer with a well-deserved reputation for absent-mindedness had a uneasy feeling she was being followed recently as she passed the door to the Junior Library. Glancing uneasily over her shoulder, she spotted small footprints, which turned out to be clues of a sort. Silhouettes of Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson on the stairwell followed by kids and a dog complete the pictorial mystery, which is designed to promote a new junior reading club, also the formation of the Baker Street Irregulars, Halton Division. The plot originated with Department head, John Currie, Georgetown library, a Holmes fan, and Mrs. Margaret Merrin, Acton Junior staffer did the art work. Youngsters who join the Baker Street Irregulars will be expected to read three Mysteries (Nancy Drew, The Secret Seven, Sherlock Holmes and the Hardy Boys and Encyclopedia Brown are choices). Two non-fiction books and three other unspecified titles complete new club requirements.

Patrons with an unquenchable love of "over home" will be delighted with a beautiful new book, *Britain's Heritage: the castles, cathedrals and gardens of England, Scotland and Wales*. Colour pictures to enchant and dazzle and a text to induce homesickness.

New fiction arrivals in time for early spring reading include: *The Emperor's Virgin*, by Sylvia Fraser (author of *Candy Factory*); *Bleeding Hears*, Marilyn French; *Party Games*, H.H. Kirst; *Innocent Blood*, P.D. James; *The Bourne Identity*, Robert Ludlum.

Hall restorers aim for wire

The town hall restoration committee is taking now steps to meet the June deadline set by Halton Hills council for funds.

"We're going to try and give everything to the press" on June 13, said restoration committee member Ted Tyler.

"There's a deadline and we're getting close to the wire," said Mr. Tyler. "We've just got to produce."

Historic displays, meanwhile, are to be mounted in one of the show windows in the old A-B Supermarket on Mill St.

Halton Hills council last year set the June deadline for the committee to raise approximately \$43,000 towards the restoration of the 19th century hall.

If there is no action in two months the \$40,000 council earmarked for restoration in the 1980 budget will go towards the demolition of the building.

Daughters of Knox

Enjoy Swedish tea rings

The regular meeting of the Daughters of Knox was held on April 7 in the A.C. Stewart Memorial Hall.

President Kae Hansen opened the meeting with the reading of a poem entitled "Easter". "Living for Jesus" was sung, and the club's mottoes repeated. The secretary's report was given by Gladys Price. Roll-call was answered by presenting a craft item for the Bazaar this fall. The treasurer's report was given by Faye Pink.

A letter of thanks was received from the singing group "The Joyful Sounds" who sang at the two Sunday services at the church a few weeks ago. The Daughters of Knox put on a buffet supper for them that day.

Invitations were received to attend the Synodical Conference this month, also from the Bertha Buchanan Group of the church to attend their daffodil tea on May 6.

The Worship portion of our meeting was then

taken over by Rene Watson and her group. Mrs. Watson read first an article on the meaning of worship. One of the main considerations is one's attitude towards attending a worship service and it should be not what we can get from it, but what we can give to it. Anne Moore, Annetta Van Fleet, Jane Robertson and Avril Mathieson were the four readers who took us through the Easter Worship service in the Glad Tidings book. Vivian Swallow then rendered a vocal solo entitled "He". Her piano accompanist was Mrs. G. Harrap.

Mrs. Hansen then introduced Mrs. V. Bristow who showed us all how to make a Swedish tea ring. While it was baking, everyone enjoyed Carol Korpela's resume of the books in the church library, and in particular, the one on which she gave a review. This book was entitled "The Peace Child," by Don Richardson. It was a most interesting and informative account of the true story of a missionary couple.

Everyone then sampled the Swedish tea ring with their coffee, and enjoyed a half-hour or so of fellowship.

Tough bargaining in land swap

The town and Rugby Construction are getting down to tough bargaining in a land swap involving land on Elizabeth Drive and the old Leishman Park property.

In 1978 Halton Hills adopted a plan which would see Rugby Construction give the municipality land on Elizabeth Drive close to Fairy Lake for park development while the town would give Rugby Leishman Park and have it rezoned for residential development. At the same time the development firm would pay to take the bend out of Elizabeth Drive near Main Street North and the town would allow the firm to build some stores on Elizabeth beside the new senior citizens apartments.

Clerk-administrator Ken Richardson told Halton Hills general committee Monday night that the Leishman Park rezoning has gone through and it is time to nail down

an agreement between the municipality and Rugby.

In preliminary talks between the two sides payment of money as well as the exchange of lands has cropped up, Richardson noted. The town thinks it should receive money since Leishman Park can be used for a seven house development and so is more valuable than the Elizabeth Drive land the municipality will receive. At the same time the developer is looking for money since the land the firm is giving the town is much larger, about two-and-a-half acres, than Leishman Park. However, not much development could take place on the Elizabeth Drive property, if any, because it is under Credit Valley Conservation Authority control.

Richardson said an appraisal of the development value of both pieces of property is needed so it

can be determined who owes who money and how much. An appraisal is needed on a small piece of land which is part of Elizabeth Drive but closed, that will also go to Rugby.

The town would like

Rugby to pay for the appraisal, but are willing to wait and work that out when an agreement is finally hammered out. But the town wants to pick the appraiser and have the report sent to the municipality for use

during negotiations.

Committee authorized staff to go ahead and get an appraisal and then come back to council for further direction on what course of action to follow in future negotiations with Rugby.

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