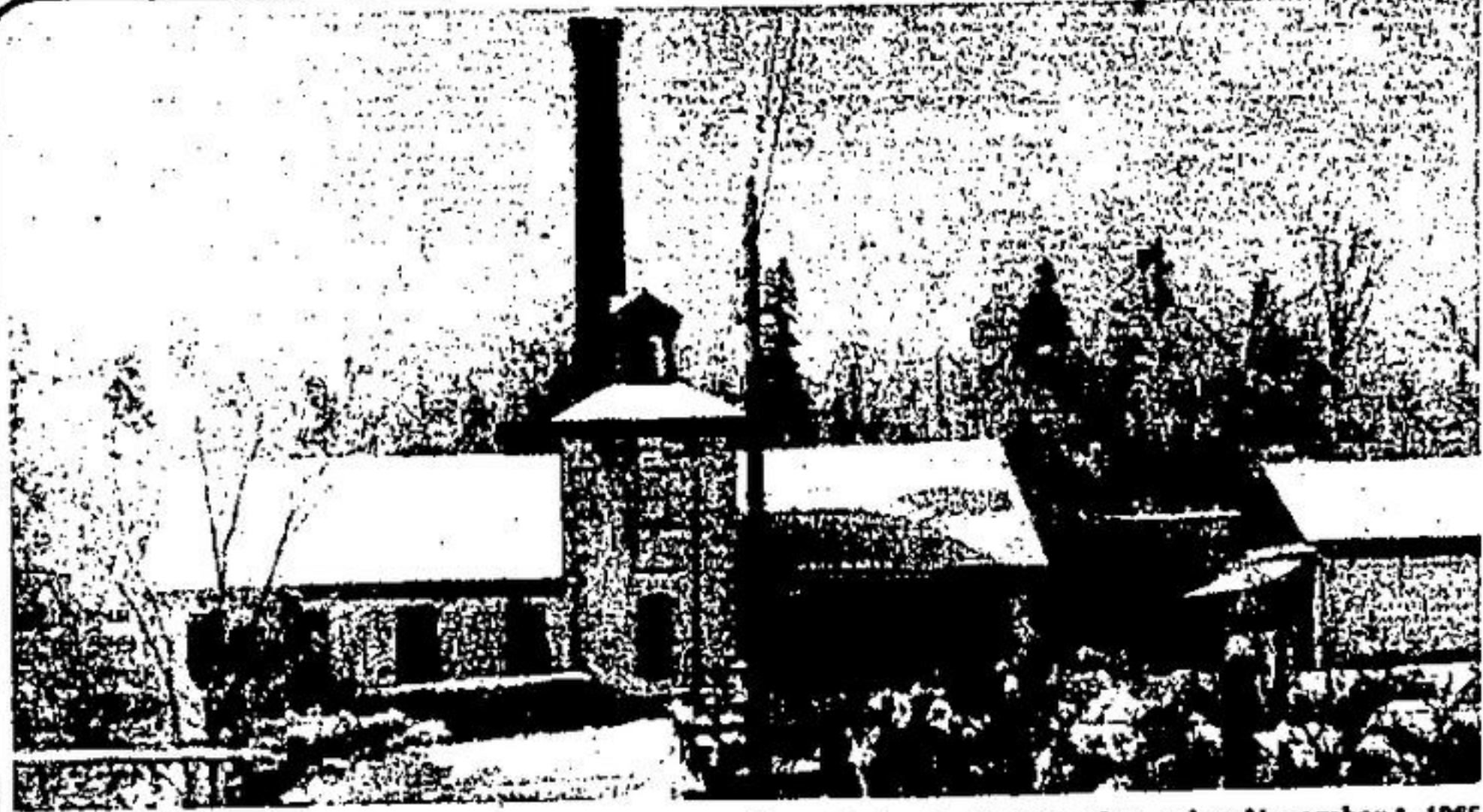


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Harris Woolen Mill, Rockwood's founding industry, as it was before the building burned on November 1, 1965. The stone ruins are now part of the Conservation area. Stone foundations close to the Mill along the Valley Road are all that's left of mill staff homes and cottages, including the residence of Richard Harris.

Photo by DON HILTS



Richard Harris, grandson of John Harris founder of Rockwood, photographed before his death in 1961.

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Rockwood Digest

Featured on this page are some pictures of Rockwood in days gone past taken by Don Hiltz. Most of them will be remembered by residents. Don, who has Rockwood photographs from way back, and George Day, our local historian, are collaborating on a pictorial history book of Rockwood they hope to have published next year. The two have been working four years on the project and have gathered pictures from all over Canada. The years featured in the book will encompass 1852 to 1940 and will include many group pictures of residents.



Dr. Jim Houston, Rockwood's new chiropractor, shares his office with his receptionist and wife, Susan Houston and daughter, Catherine, 4 months.



Rockwood isn't Rockwood without squirrels. If this little fellow is still alive he's a great-grandfather by now.

Photo by DON HILTS

Rockwood has a new chiropractor housed in the Kappert Building across from the hotel. Dr. Jim Houston opened his office next to the Village Hairstylist recently and is ready for Rockwood's aches and pains. Open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dr. Houston believes in working long hours. He's open the other three weekdays at his Milton Mall practice. Residing on Highway 25 south of Acton with his wife Susan, also his receptionist, and infant daughter Catherine, Dr. Houston is delighted to be part of Rockwood business. He says he and his wife drove around the area for quite a while and decided Rockwood could use the services of a chiropractor. (I guess he saw us all out shifting our rocks around.) He and Susan say they were taken with the picturesqueness of the village. Dr. Houston has an honors science degree from University of Toronto and four years of chiropractic. He says it was a fantastic relief to get out of school. In his spare time Rockwood's new chiropractor likes to work his 50 acre farm and is planning to plant Christmas trees. Dr. Houston says he is very satisfied with his new business and has really enjoyed the past two years in practice. "I rarely lose a patient," he grins.

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Man wants well, villagers turn on pipe

For years some Rockwood residents wished for a water and sewer system. They got what they wished for. Now at least one man wishes the well system could stay. And so does his neighbor.

MacPherson wins at CNE

By Mrs. W. MacDougall Miss Laura Wachal is enjoying a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wachal in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. William McLean were two granddaughters, Miss Debbie McLean from California and Miss Lorna McLean and a

friend from Bellville. Sorry to report Mr. McLean is now in hospital. Get well wishes go out to him and to his wife Nora who suffered a nasty fall in her home.

Hugh MacPherson took several prizes with the showing of his fowl at the Canadian National Exhibition.

Leo and Elsie Schulte have returned from a lovely strip to St. Andrews, Nova Scotia. They drove down with their daughter and son-in-law, Petra and Bob Clark and they came home by airplane.

Miss Nina Legate was the recipient of many pretty and useful gifts when she was guest of honour at a bridal shower attended by friends and neighbors in the Sunday School room of the United Church. Nina will become the bride of Byron Timbers of Acton in September.

Dave and Sharpy Banks at the general store are now selling antiques so plan to drop in and see their display.

One had to be a dedicated baseball fan to sit through the game on Thursday night. The game was an exciting 19 innings long with Eden Mills finally winning over Morrison 3-2. The home team also won a really good game at Morrison on Monday night with a 3-1 victory. These were the Eramosa-Puslinch semi-final playoffs.

Buddies and friends of Jim Tolton held a stag party in his honor at the hall on Friday evening. Mrs. Mel Tolton entertained at a stagette party for Jim's bride-to-be, Miss Renee Tarrant the same evening.

Mrs. Anna Wilson attended the wedding of her godchild, Miss Geraldine Jansen and Rob Reed at Trinity United Church in Acton.

Interested in Karate Registration? It will take place at the Community Hall on Saturday, August 10 and September 6 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Fees are \$2 per week for adults and \$1 per week for children. Classes are on Monday and Wednesday evenings with beginners from 7-8:30 p.m. and advanced from 8:30 to 10 p.m. For further information contact Terry Cole at 856-9777.

The Pathfinders (girls 12-15) will meet on Wednesday, September 3. Brownies will resume meetings at the hall on Thursday, September 4 and Girl Guides start on Tuesday, September 18.

Thomas Semanyk, Alma Street, was asking Eramosa Township Council last week for an exemption from the rule which directs residents to link up with the water and sewers within a year. Council is scheduled to make a decision in a couple of weeks. Meanwhile Semanyk's lawyer is searching for the deed which reveals, according to Semanyk, an agreement which has him supplying water to neighbor Stan Madzarac of Fall Road North.

Because of the lie of the land, according to Semanyk, his neighbor cannot hook up to the water. "We share one well and when we bought the two houses, we had the agreement," Madzarac told council. "In case he (Semanyk) hooks up, I'm out of the water." Semanyk said there were problems with the well; he returned after a weekend to three feet of water because a line split; however, he is willing to go along with

that. Semanyk indicated he was not willing to have to hook up to the village and also supply his neighbor. "If I have to look after it for someone else, I'm not putting up with that."

"If he (Semanyk) hooks up, what do I do, go to village and ask for two buckets of water?" said Madzarac. The well poses some difficulties for the owner Semanyk. He told this paper that his kitchen, the house is about 15 years old, had three coats of paint last year. Today, it is cracked. There is also some leaking in the front foundation, he said.

Councillor John McLeod suggested the solution of bringing water service down Fall Street. "With water you don't have to go down as far as sewers."

A new well on Madzarac's land could cost \$3,000 and he could also hook up in two years. Thomas Semanyk of Alma Street, would like to keep things just as they are.

Ospringle Welcome Moorehouses

by Doris Fines We welcome Sid and Teresa Moorehouse to the community, who with their four daughters, Shawna, Karen, Brenda and Heather, have purchased the Russell place on the First Line, above 17 Sideroad.

The First Line neighbors had a party last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beck, to welcome the Moorehouse family and introduce themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aitken had an enjoyable two weeks holiday at Chaffey's Locks, at a cottage on Indian Lake, where they enjoyed visits from other members of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roes

Ferguson joined their daughter and son-in-law Linda and Don Wilson, and grandson Danny, at a cottage near Gravenhurst, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Viletstra and family enjoyed a two weeks outing at Algonquin Park, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Wynne, Deborah and Eric, spent the day last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wynne and family, at Oshawa.

A lively game of soccer was played at Ospringle on Tuesday evening, between the Mosquito Hillbillies and Eramosa Mosquitoes. The score was 7-3 in favor of the Hillbillies.

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Ebenezer

by Mrs. R. McLean A good crowd enjoyed the Sunday church service when the Rev. Mrs. Betty Ling, from Bungay Reform Methodist Church in England, was the speaker. How often we say, "What a fool I've been. A fool is a funny man, a clown or a stupid person. Folly is the opposite of wisdom, a disregard of God's revelation of action. In Biblical times, a fool meant damned. Psalm 53. If there were a God, He would punish all the wicked people. Mark Twain said, "I guess pretty soon I will know everybody except God." The second fool was called so by Jesus because he asked Jesus to adjudicate between himself and his brother. A man's life does not belong to him, no matter how rich he is. Security consists of triumph over things. God is willing to accept us, if we'll not be fools and turn away.

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