

## Crow a Predator, But Has Place in Nature's Scheme

R R 2, Georgetown  
Dear Sir:  
I should like to take exception to Mr. George Hoare's last column in your paper.

Mr. Hoare is elated that the man on the street is becoming conscious of his environment. Then wants to 'blast out of existence' an integral part of that environment just because it happens to compete with him for waterfowl.

I should like to bring Mr. Hoare up with the times by quoting what some of the noted field biologists say of predators.

Alexander Sprunt Jr. tells us how the prejudice against the predator birds developed. "Game farms had a lot to do with it. The English gamekeepers early developed the concept that anything which competed with game should be regarded as vermin and liquidated. This idea was imported into the United States and Canada and prevailed until fairly recent years. We seem to insist upon, and delight in, imposing our human moral standards upon wildlife." (e.g. killer crow, and black murderer). As Paul Errington has so aptly put it, "It is unfortunate that man, the specialist in evil, sees in predation among wild animals so much evil that is not there."

The common crow is omnivorous; as opportunity presents, they eat carrion, shellfish, mice, reptiles, wild fruit, seeds and nuts, and the eggs and young of birds. They can be especially destructive of nesting waterfowl. They are often persecuted because of these much exaggerated depredations. Actually there is no proof that any species of bird is less numerous because of the crow, nor do they threaten the existence of any species. (Audubon Land Bird Guide).

The point is that although the crow takes eggs and young birds he has his purpose in the general scheme of things and is himself preyed upon in early spring by Horned Owls.

If Mr. Hoare is interested in the conservation of waterfowl, a much better approach would be to encourage his readers to use a trained retriever to bring to bag the hundreds of thousands of birds that are shot, crippled and left every year by ill-informed sportsmen.

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## PAY IT, SAYS WATER DEPT.

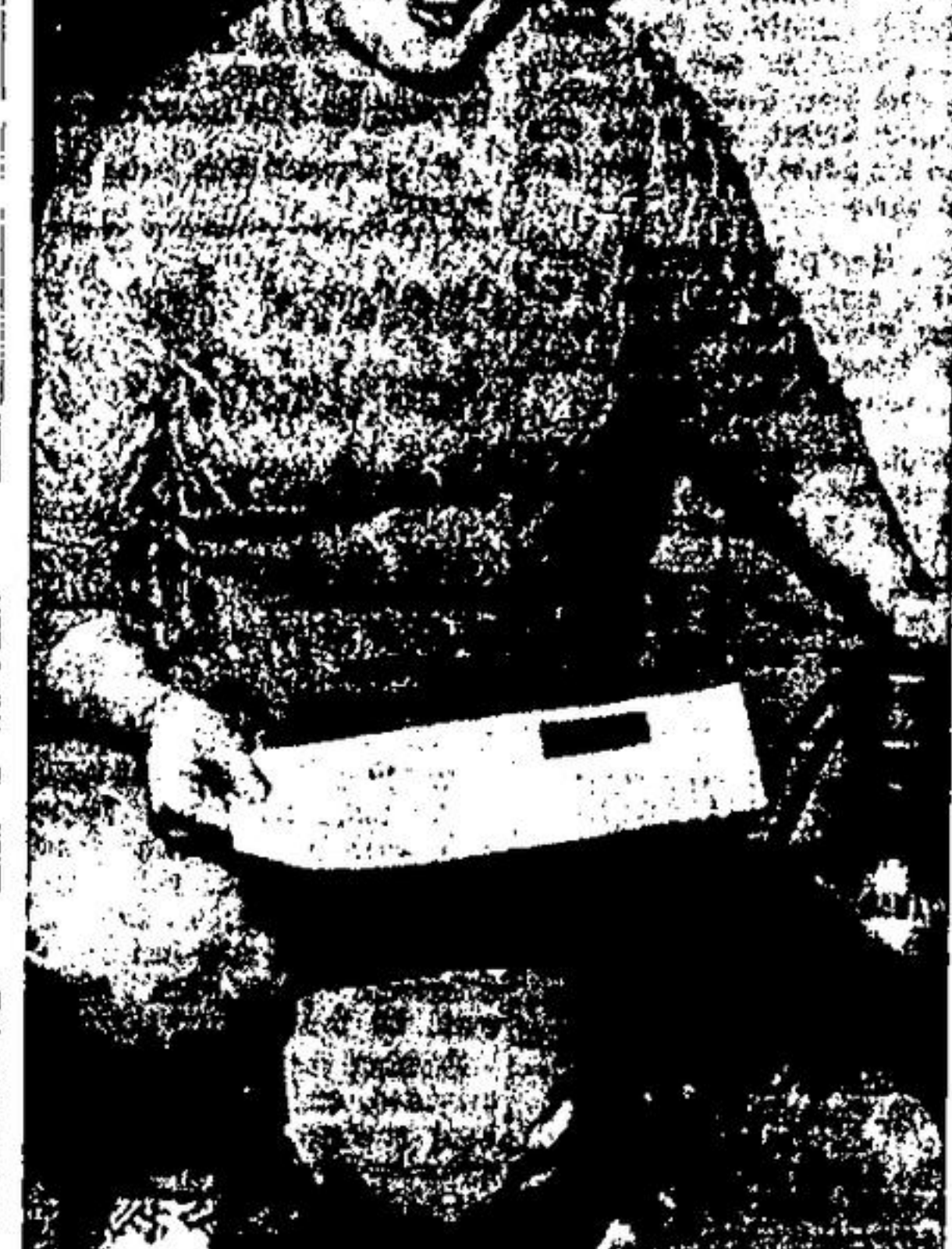
### \$80 Water Bill Puzzler To Sargent Rd. Woman

A water bill for \$80 was the unpleasant shock received by Mrs. Marion Carlson, 54 Sargent Road, last month. She claims she is not in arrears, and has paid every bill on time. Until now her highest bill was \$14.50, which was a summer.

According to the bill she used 151,000 gallons of water from the time of the previous reading. The water charge was \$53.54 plus sewer service charge of \$26.77, bringing the total to \$80.31. The meter was checked and found to be in working order, according to the water department. However, a new meter was installed. "They tell me I have to pay it," says Mrs. Carlson.

On being contacted by The Herald, Roy Ballentine, chairman of the Water Commission, stated, "It is the policy of the Water Commission that any water going through the meter, is the responsibility of the customer." He did however, say Mrs. Carlson was welcome to come to the next Water Commission meeting to discuss it further.

Following the usual time table the next meeting is Thursday, April 2, (tonight).



Mrs. Carlson had trouble believing her eyes when a water bill arrived for \$80. The water department says she has to pay it.

## Friends Here Join in 60th Wedding Celebration

Several couples from Ballinacorney joined in the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smellie's 60th wedding anniversary. The gathering met at the Round House at Fergus where the surprise party was held. There was a variety program. Members of the band of which Mr. Smellie was a former member serenaded the couple to the hall. Many congratulations were bestowed on the popular couple. Mr. and Mrs. Smellie were well known in Ballinacorney as they are the parents of Mrs. Myrtle Black who formerly lived in the village. They used to visit their daughter and son-in-law quite frequently.

The community Centre Board held their final euchre on Tuesday evening, March 24. There were 10 tables in play. It being the last euchre for the season there were three prizes given. Ladies first Mrs. Duncan MacMillan, Georgetown, Mrs. Sam Snow, Ballinacorney and Miss Marg Binnie, Erin. Three lucky men were Charlie Thompson, D. Densmore and Jack Marshall. Chairman of the Board Carl Volmar, sincerely thanked all for coming out to the parties and hoped they would come back when the euchres start again in October. Mr. Volmar also drew attention to the beautiful Maple Leaf flag on display which he said was a gift to the centre from the Ballinacorney W. I.

## Notice of First Aid Training

Under the auspices of ST. JOHN AMBULANCE a class of instruction, (for men and women), in FIRST AID TO THE INJURED will be held in Georgetown Ambulance Service Rooms, James Street, commencing on Tuesday, April 7 8 p.m.

This course will continue one night per week for seven weeks, followed by a written and practical examination in First Aid on the 8th night. Candidates for Certificate or Voucher will be given fourteen hours of instruction. Those trying for Medallion or Label will receive four additional hours of training. The awards issued to successful candidates are recognized by the Workmen's Compensation Board.

Since the tuition of most industrial workers under the WCB Act will be paid by the Workmen's Compensation Board, 'First Aiders' from industry are asked to supply the instructor with the WCB number of their employer. Any candidate not able to supply this number will be assessed the usual \$11.00 fee.

Registration on opening night, Tuesday, April 7 for further information — contact: Kan Thomson: 877-9155 or Tom Massena: 877-4393

Those from here who attended the Easter Musical at Hillsburgh Baptist Church on Sunday night report a very inspiring service.

Some volunteers from the W.I. will be calling on friends in the neighbourhood shortly for donations for the Cancer Society. April is Cancer month.

Michael O'Connor returned home on Saturday after spending a week with his brother Dan and his wife and little daughter.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Archie McEnery and A. D. McEnery over the Easter week end were Mr. and Mrs. D. Garion and family of Penbrooke.

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# 19th Birthday Sale

WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO LIMIT QUANTITIES

**IGA CHOICE**  
CREAMED CORN OR PEAS  
19 OZ. TIN **19¢**

**IGA**  
BEANS WITH PORK  
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9 OZ. JAR **19¢**

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PORK ROAST **53¢** LB.  
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TOMATOES **3 LBS. 87¢**  
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FLORIDA CELERY **29¢** SIZE 24 EACH

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MORTON'S MACARONI CHEESE **19¢** 8 OZ. Pkg.  
IGA OVEN FRESH APPLE PIE **39¢** FAMILY SIZE  
IGA 19th ANNIVERSARY CAKE **59¢** EACH

**You are invited...**  
**Be our guest!**  
We hope you will stop in and join us for a cup of coffee and a slice of our 19th Birthday Cake this Thursday, Friday & Saturday April 2-4.

**IGA LUCKY SHOPPER** — Mrs. R. S. Cann R. R. 1 Limehouse \$19.75

**WINNERS IN EASTER BUNNIES LUCKY DRAW**  
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**IGA SLICED BREAD** 24 oz. loaf **21¢**

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**IGA ROYAL GOLD BUTTER** 1 lb. **67¢**

## Former Jean Evans, Husband, Good Friday Crash Victims

A former Georgetown woman and her husband were killed on Good Friday morning in a head-on collision between two cars on Highway 400, 14 miles north of Barrie.

Dead are Roy Martin Smale, 60, of R.R. 1, Burlington and his wife, the former Jean Evans of Georgetown, 52. Also killed was Hugh MacDonald, 25, of Sudbury, driver of the other car.

Mr. and Mrs. Smale lived at 1063 Plains Road East, Burlington. Mrs. Smale was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Evans and attended public and high school here before her marriage.

**INTO FLAMES**  
Both cars burst into flames

Miss Hene Hurren, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Miller and Debbie of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. J. Polo and family of Guelph visited on Sunday with the Marshalls.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion was observed at the church on Easter Sunday. There was special music by the choir. Three joined the church membership, Ross McLean and Gary Brown by profession of faith and Ed Drullard who had his membership transferred from his former church in Toronto.

— Mrs. Winnifred Smith

## JUVENILE LODGE VISITS OBSERVATORY

Eighteen members of Halton's Pride juvenile lodge visited the David Dunlap observatory in Toronto last Wednesday, accompanied by their worshipful master Bill Switzer and guardians Mrs. June Greig and Mrs. Barbara Switzer.

Among the highlights of the trip were the 74 inch telescope and slides on astronomy. From there they went to the Loyal True Blue and Orange home at Richmond Hill where they were welcomed by assistant supervisor Mrs. Apperley. After lunch they had a tour of the home. Frank McNeven presented the administrator, Mr. Moore with chocolate easter eggs for all the children in the home.

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10.00 a.m.: Sunday School  
11.15 a.m.: Worship Service  
EVERYONE WELCOME

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11.00 a.m.: 'Boundless Love'  
7 p.m.: Communion service

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11 a.m. — Church School  
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Minister: Rev. W. R. Cairns

**Georgetown Pentecostal Church**  
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No. 7 Hwy. & 7th Line  
Pastor: Jack McCallum  
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