Jazz buffs view film on music personalities

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Lovers of jazz in Halton Hills enjoyed 100 filmed minutes of Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong, Count Bassie, Illinois Jacquet, Fats Waller, Artie Shaw, Billie Holiday, Coleman Hawkins, Gene Krupa, Eddie Condon, Pee Wee Russell, Glen Gray and the Casa Loma orchestra, Barney Kessel and many other jazz musicians headlined by Jack Teagarden Thursday in Georgetown's Knox Presbyterian Church.

The "concert" even included a 1932 animated Betty Boop cartoon--I'll Be Glad When You're Dead, You Rascal You--with a slender Satchmo and his band on the sound track.

The feature length film was put together from old clips, shorts and scenes from Hollywood movies belonging to jazz buff and historian Joe Showler, 34, of Toronto who was invited to Georgetown by Carl Keslick, 40 Dawson Cr., and Halton Hills Public Labrary which presented the film

The film is part of a personal love affair Showler has with jazz in general and the life of trombonist Jack Teagarden in particular.

Prior to 1964, the year of Teagarden's death, Showler collected Elvis Presley records, he told the Herald. Now he has about 300 LPs and 1,000 78s, all of Teagarden. His film will be shown at a San Francisco convention of the International Association of Jazz Record Collectors this summer. Mr Showler is a member of a small club which collects only recordings made prior to 1935. Of the latter, the 10-member club has accumulated 50,000-78 R.P.M. records, he said.

He trades film clips of Teagarden and other musicians with three other jazz film historians, one in Columbus, Ohio, one in Pittsburgh and a third in New York City and agrees it's still too early to form an International Association of Jazz Film Collectors.

His fascination with Jack Teagraden means his collection of films, tapes, records, acetates, literature, sheet music, photographs, test pressings, transcriptions and private recordings requires a room of its own.

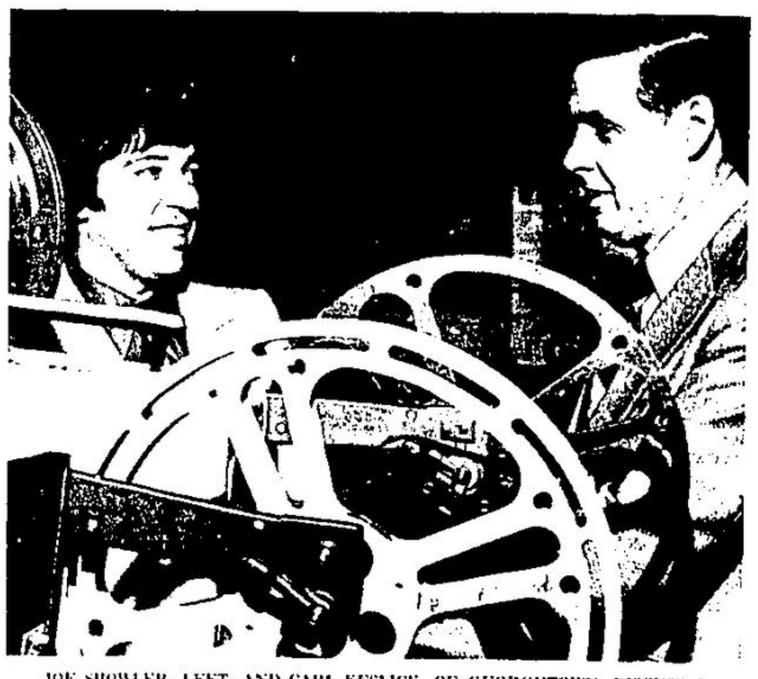
Recently, he acquires a home-made movie, much like anyone might make in the backyard, of Jack Teagarden in which was a woman who herself was taking movies and Showler took it to show a musician who was at the scene and might identify the woman.

He was given only the name Rita who lived, it was believed, in Flint, Michigan. Showler said a friend of his called a jazz loving acquaintance there, who sure enough knew her. Showler said he'll be going there shortly to meet the woman.

"She was excited because she was a friend of Teagarden's and had other movies of him," he said

Showler's excitement with film as a history recording medium once led him into producing a 17-minute color film of trumpeter Wingley Manone, 76 Although the cameraman and audio man worked for free and saved him extra cost, "I really got in over my head," he said. Immediately he added, that "I'd like to make more." He wants to film other jazz oldtimers.

Showler said that as far as he knows there is only one other jazz film collector in Canada, "a man in Montreal who has as big a collection as I have but doesn't show it. Half the fun is to take it out and show it."



JOE SHOWLER, LEFT, AND CARL KESLICK, OF GEORGETOWN, DISCUSS A FEATURE-LENGTH FILM PRESENTED TO JAZZ BUFFS LAST WEEK

Second Caledon Horse Show

Jomar Stables in Caledon held its second horseshow this week Approximately 125 entries made up the twelve classes divided into three catagories, four Hacking, four Hunter, four Jumpers for both ponies and horses.

Judging was done by Cliff McKay assisted by his daughter the results being Hunter Champion "Nipper" owned and ridden by Cathy Surry Reserve Hunter Champion "Boxing Day" owner and rider Lisa Taylor Jumper Champion [illegible] owner and rider Ted Hood Reserve Jumper Champion Jomars [illegible] ridden by [illegible]

[illegible] "Show and Tell", owner and rider Karen Ralph and High Pointhorse was "Questionaire" owner and rider Ted Hood

Jomars first show was held outdoors in January with approximately 166 entries and this month their new indoor arena the largest in this area hosted the February program

These shows are geared to the youths of to-day hopefully for the Equestrienne teams of tomorrow Their next show will be March 27 starting at 10 a.m. sharp on charge to the public Directions 2nd Line West of No. 10 Highway 7, [illegible] north of Steeles Ave 1 mile North of 17 Sideroad Caledon

Silverwood News

BY MICIA SCOTT
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Members of Silverwood W.I. and friends and neighbours gathered at the home of Mr and Mrs Orland Lindsay recently to honour Doris Sandquist who is to be married to Harry Calder. A shower of many lovely gifts was presented to Doris. A pot luck supper was enjoyed by all

Richard and Terry Corbett visited their grandmother Minnie Corbett Feb. 21 to say farewell. Richard Corbett is to go to Kuwait. He will be working on transportation for his company the Stanford Research Institute of San Francisco

Sheila and John Stull and family of Listowel visited her mothers Mrs Margaret Campbell Feb 21

Mrs Anne Norton was a guest at the Patrick Doutlet wedding at Knox Presbyterian Church Acton Feb 26

Ben Case everybody's sunshine is in Georgetown Hospital and continuously good wishes go to Ben

Amend plans for extension

Town planning board has recommended that Georgetown's and Esquesing's official plans be amended to allow Sharmount Investments Ltd to finalize plans for a 14-lot "extension" of the Marywood Meadows subdivision

No objections were raised at the necessary public meeting which preceeded the board's regular business session, although Richard Last of Hillside Crescent, near the proposed subdivision site expressed several concerns

Developer Ben Noy and consulting engineer Bob Copham assured Mr Last that they intended to return as many of the pine trees in the area as possible when they construct 14 single family homes on the triangular parcel of land

Mr Last was told that the price of the lots, each measuring at least 60 feet in width, has not yet been decided and was further assured that three vacant lots remaining in phase one of the subdivision will be developed in conjunction with the second phase

Town Roy Booth explained that the subdivision, to be located immediately north of Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital has already been approved in principle by council

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