

## Ballinafad W. I. to celebrate 25th

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The May meeting of the W.I. was held in the evening at the home of Mrs. Jesse McEnery. There were 34 members present and 8 visitors.

Mrs. Jamieson, president welcomed all to the meeting. After opening in the usual way, by all repeating the W.I. ode and Mary Stewart Collect, the meeting got underway.

The roll call was answered by each telling of a book they would recommend. The main topic of business discussed was the district annual meeting coming up May 17th.

This year it will be held in Georgetown.

Delegates were appointed to attend.

October of this year will be the 25th anniversary of Ballinafad forming a branch of the W.I. There was some planning on how the branch would celebrate. It was decided to have a banquet and a guest speaker.

Education and Cultural Convener Mrs. Shortill was unable to be present so Mrs. Jamieson remained the chair for the program. She called on the convener's for two minute reports.

Current events were given by each member telling of a happening in the neighbourhood. The motto "Reflections through the Windows of Time" was given by Mrs. Smith in the form of a poem.

Mrs. Reta Shortill had prepared a paper on "The History and Culture of Glass Making" It was given by Mrs. Grace McEnery. It told how glass was made in the early days and how many different types of glass available, namely pressed glass, cut glass, crystal and blown glass, also milk glass.

Grace had a piece of each which she passed around. There was a beautiful blown glass vase on display which had been handed down for two generations. The article also included a story of the art of making fused glass, and

described the memorial windows in Cedar Springs United Church, which is of different construction than the ordinary stained glass. It proved to be an interesting and educational topic.

As is customary at the May meeting there was a sale of plants. Jesse McEnery auctioned them off in fine style. The sum of \$20. was realized for the welfare fund.

Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Marshall were in charge of the lunch with Mrs. Kirkwood and the hostess assisting.

Christian Family Sunday was observed in the Church, May 9th, with members of families have different parts of the service. The first scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Fred Shortill. A beautiful duet was sung by Gayle and Leigh Jessup. "We Thank Thee for Our Mothers" was sung. Mrs. Gloria Johnson, representing the mothers gave a reading "Family Beatitudes."

The second Scripture lesson was given by Mr. Floyd Shortill.

The Junior choir under the direction of Mr. Bob Finkerton and Mrs. Paul Schwartz did exceptionally well when they sang the anthem "My Task".

A prayer for Mothers was given by Jennifer Munroe.

The offering was received by the Guest Family. Mrs. Grace McEnery representing Grandmothers recited "Somebody's Mother".

Rev. Siles thanked all those taking part in the Christian Family Service.

We were glad to hear the good news that Mr. Lloyd Burt is recovering nicely from his recent heart attack. He is a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

Mr. Morgan Madill was able to leave hospital on Friday and is recuperating at his home. We sincerely hope he continues to improve.

Mrs. Brenda Igaw of Vancouver, visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. Buckrell and other members of her family over the weekend.



### 77 PUPILS IN LIMEHOUSE PLAY

The Happy Scarecrow is an operetta that participated in the event. Above is the Happy Limehouse public school pupils performed Wednesday and Thursday. There was a different cast each evening and 77 children participated in the event. Above is the Happy Scarecrow moments after being transformed by a fairy while a lost doll, flowers, crows and a farmer's wife look on.

## Ballinafad homeowners oppose development

A special meeting was called in Ballinafad Wednesday by Dave Hillier who wished to clear any misconceptions residents had concerning a proposal for developing a section of his land into 17 lots.

Jack Martin, president of Marbro Ltd., approached Erin Township with his plans of development but council turned it down. Mr. Martin is to attend a hearing before the Ontario Municipal Board May 19 in Hillsburgh.

He will not, however, attend the meeting unchallenged. Several angry residents stated clearly their reason for moving into Ballinafad was because they enjoy the quiet country atmosphere.

A ballot box in Morley Shortill's general store contains the names of Ballinafad residents stating whether they are for or against the housing development.

Mr. Martin stated he was not there to sway residents to his side, simply to explain his intentions. He owns 85 acres in the northeast corner of the village, including the west half of Lot 1, which he bought two years ago with the intention of developing.

The land is classified as Grade 4 agricultural land, but the only thing you could grow on this land is pot rocks," Mr. Martin said. He said the lot is designated by Erin township for development.

"I only asked for something that is already slated," he said. "Development may be a dirty word in this group and your protests may delay me, but development will come."

The land designated for development is registered as hamlet under the official plan of the Guelph and Suburban Planning Area board secretary Roger Trueman said. This means urban growth is limited to in-filling and limited expansion in the area.

Mr. Martin said engineering studies were carried out and there is sufficient water available to service the wells. Soils is sufficient to provide for septic tanks.

He wants the home to resemble estate-type homes on three-quarter of an acre lots to be serviced by septic tanks and wells.

Throughout his presentation, citizens questioned him on whether he planned to include parkland for 17 new families, whether taxes would go up in the area, where children would attend school (since the closest

school is overcrowded), if he had considered separating his land into larger lots and fewer houses, and when he intended to build if he received permission.

Coun. Jo Schneider tried to satisfy everyone's curiosity for the reasons Erin Township refused Mr. Martin permission.

"Erin township doesn't want any development," she said. "The township asked for this situation since they didn't look far enough into the future."

Dave Hillier attended council May 2 to discuss the situation. Council will consult a planner who will give council

four different plans. Coun. Schneider said council is against Mr. Martin's proposal. Deputy Reeve Bert Wheeler refused to comment at the meeting saying he preferred to listen to all the comments. Coun. John Reed is a representative for the Guelph and Suburban Planning Board, said he would like to find out more about the OMB hearings, since someone suggested a lawyer be secured to represent Ballinafad residents.

Angelo Castaldi of Erin said he had appeared before the OMB in an effort to sub-divide his land into five-acre lots but was told the OMB wanted to

conserve land; therefore he could divide his land only once.

Robert Harman of Ballinafad said there was no use in blaming Jack Martin for his idea of development. "The land was designated for development by people we elected on the Erin Township Council and we should register our complaint with the OMB," he said.

However it was pointed out that most of the residents were not living in Ballinafad in 1973.

Sandra Henderson lives across from the proposed development area and she likes the hamlet atmosphere. "I'm all for progress, but if 17

families move in, there isn't enough school facilities for the children in this area now, so what will happen with more coming?"

"The purpose of this meeting was to give everyone a clearer understanding of Mr. Martin's proposal," Mr. Hillier said. Residents will have to decide if the decision is good for the area or not. Mr. Hillier said a secret ballot would prevent any hard feeling between neighbours.

"There is two weeks before the hearing, give us time to gather ammunition for or against the development," he said.

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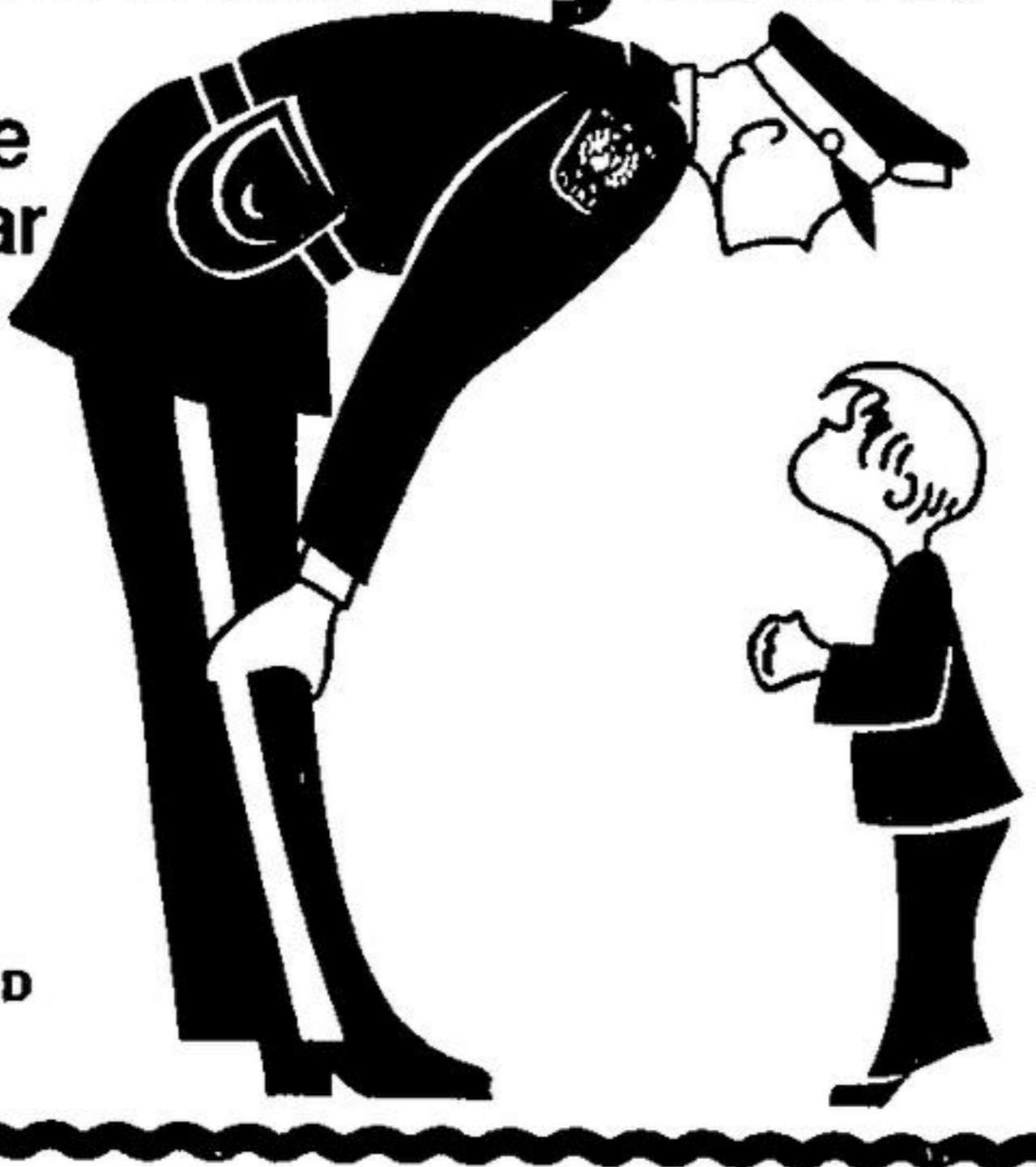
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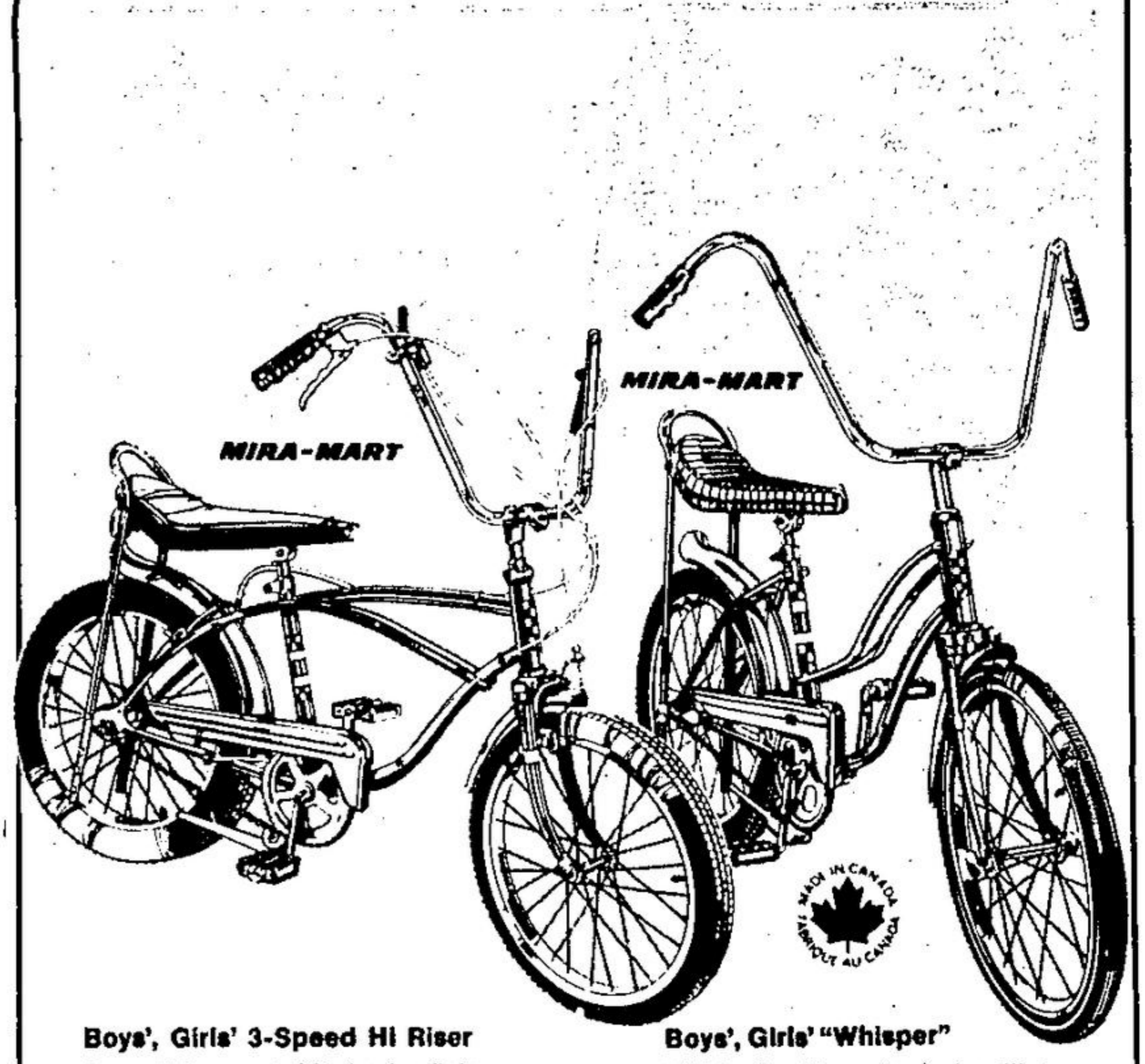
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