



Lunch is anywhere you find it if you are a starling named Peeper. Roxie Hamilton, 14, holds out a succulent worm for the tame starling while her long suffering brother, Craig, just grins and bears it.

PEEPER RECOVERS THROUGH EFFORTS OF HAMILTON FAMILY

By GEORGE EVASHUK
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There is a new member of the Hamilton family on Riverview Crescent in Georgetown with a suitable name: Peeper.

Peeper is a starling the family estimates is about six-weeks-old. They found the wild bird in the middle of June at a farm they were visiting. The bird was in a horse trough, its tail feathers had only started to emerge and although they brought it home, it wasn't expected to survive.

But under the careful nursing of Roxie Hamilton, 14, who fed Peeper a diet of flies and worms served on toothpicks, Peeper has thrived. Roxie had to recruit her 12-year-old brother Craig and the next door boy, John

Delfans to search for worms.

Peeper has the run of the house, shows no fear of the Hamilton cat or dog—once landing on the cat's head—and has fascinated the Hamiltons, who have become Peeper-watchers. He once surprised Mrs. Hamilton by taking a shower under the tap at the kitchen sink. They have also observed how he uses his long beak to clear the grass in search of his own dinner.

The Hamiltons have not confined Peeper to the house and once he was gone for an hour before returning. They expect that eventually he'll leave to find a mate and they are considering if they should band his leg. "We've had a lot of fun with him," Mrs. Hamilton said.

LEGION LINES

Prepare now for golf day

By RALPH HAWES

Without a doubt one of the most important days for 120 golfers, both pro and amateur is Aug. 14 when the ardent question, who is the top golfer of the branch? will be answered.

Forty players will start to tee off at 11:30 a.m. at Hurby Towers Golf Club, weather permitting it will be a good fun day for the members, all that is needed is your name on the list at the branch. We understand that the quota of 40 players has almost been reached. There will be a trophy which will be up for annual competition, for the low net, which is the gross score less the handicap, the handicap will be calculated by the Miami system, or California system, which are used at all golf tournaments.

On the subject of fun and good times, the branch Imperial Section is busy now organizing its annual barbecue and party night. This yearly shindig is a must, so keep July 23 open, this extravaganza is under the direction of Ron Carter Ray Clarke and Joe Poirier. The cost is \$2 per person. Gee that's a real bargain! See you there.

Still on the Imperial scene, Ron Carter has organized a moonlight jazz band boat trip for Saturday Aug. 13 hope they are lucky with the moonlight bit.

A bus has been chartered to provide transportation from the branch to Toronto docks and return, cost \$17 per couple, not bad for an evening of moonlight cruising. Those interested should book their seats early.

That of car club draw is almost half way through. Thursday's draw was No. 12, Doris and Joe have handed out around \$600 bucks with lots more bucks to go. The administering of this project is a time consuming job for those two stalwart members Doris and Joe.

The winners of No. 12 were: B. Fife, L. Wright, B. Baxter, G. Higgins, T. Williams.

The dart shoot was in the capable hands of Gord Harley, Barb Teese and Gib. This week it was steaks, with B. Burns, H. Russell, A. Telford, B. Postwaites, H. Cumstey, D. Cook, G. Harley, coming up winners. The roast of beef was taken home by M. Russell.

Entertainment for next week will be Boos on Friday July 15, with Peter Edge up front on Saturday. From all reports Paul and Angie seem to be popular they played to a full house on Saturday.

Most of last week all eyes and ears were on the weather forecasters, hoping for encouraging news of Sunday's weather. The weather men came up with ideal picnic weather for branch 120, we spent several hours at the picnic, from where we sat we could have to say it was a 100 per cent success, because of the deadline of this column it is impossible to publish the race and contest results at this time. Hopefully, the highlights will be included in next week's column.

A pleasant surprise at the picnic, was the forming up of the branch pipe band on the picnic grounds, where they played several popular numbers which were greatly appreciated by the members and families.

Earlier in the day the band were at Milton assisting in the 25th anniversary of the Milton Manor. There was a parade which started at Victoria Park through the town to Milton

Manor where the band performed for the residents of the Manor who were assembled on the lawn. A tip of the hat once more to the branch band for their concern for the community.

A note for the Ladies Auxiliary, the Zone will celebrate the 50 year anniversary of the L.A. with a dinner at Acton Branch Sept. 10.

This will be cocktails, dinner and after dinner entertainment, the entertainment will be provided by members of the Auxiliary. A bus will be provided which will leave branch 120 at 5:30 p.m. those wishing to attend should leave their names at the bar before Friday, July 15.

Vacate region offices: Watson

Milton Coun. Jim Watson suggests legal action launched by Milton region's landlord should be ground for immediately vacating its headquarters.

He told a special meeting discussing the status of the region's proposed headquarters on Bronte Road and Queen Elizabeth Way that he sees a conflict in the action of landlord Peter G. Lush in seeking an injunction to quash a building bylaw and objection exempting the property from parkway development controls.

"I think it's a case of the landlord taking steps to thwart us," Mr. Watson said, suggesting the region investigate a move.

The region now leases two floors of the Abbey Life Building on Harvester Road in Burlington from Peter G. Lush Associates, a company which Mr. Lush controls.

Mr. Watson suggested looking at several vacant schools as alternative headquarters sites where the regional council could take its leisure in continuing building plans and save several thousands of dollars.

An injunction has been sought in the Ontario Supreme Court quashing a bylaw passing the construction of the new building which is about \$500,000 over budget. A further objection has been made to advertising of an exemption in the parkway belt and unless such exemption comes by July 31 a contract for the new building could become invalid and the region must start seeking approvals again.

A money bag containing between \$500 and \$700 was stolen from a beer cabinet of a hotel in Georgetown June 28, police said.

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Public health nurses upset at latest ruling

The Ontario Nursing Association (ONA) is annoyed at an industry inquiry commission's recommendation announced Saturday that states public health nurses must live within economic restraints and would not receive retroactive contracts and that arbitration will not be granted in existing disputes.

Sharon Campbell, president of Hamilton's ONA (Local 1) said public health nurses receive about \$11,000 to \$12,000 whereas RN's receive \$14,000 to \$15,000.

Public health nurses are all registered nurses who decided to switch to community nursing which requires a diploma from a public health course or a four-year bachelor of science degree in nursing.

"The government is really saying public health nurses are worth less than they were last year," Mrs. Campbell said.

"We believe that community nursing is necessary and will grow in the future, but since we are still a small sector in nursing we are being ignored."

The situation remains at a stalemate. Nurses have been without a contract for over a year.

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Milton-Robinson wed

June 4, in Holy Cross Church Louise Milton became the bride of Thomas Robertson.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Milton of 67 Guelph Street. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bert Robertson of Glenpark Avenue Toronto.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white Georgette gown with lace inserts, a cummerbund, and a wide picture hat; she carried daisies and mums.

Louise's attendants were her five sisters: Theresa, Catherine, Lucille, Jeanette and Patricia—in shades of blue, yellow and beige. The girls made their own dresses.

The best man was Douglas

Caswell of Toronto and the ushers were Brian Love, Dwight Forth, and Gary Milton.

Father Devent performed the double ring ceremony witnessed by 100 guests; the organ music was by Mr. J.A. Hedmond.

The reception was held at the Elks Hall in Georgetown. Mr. G. Domenico, friend of the family, was the master of ceremonies. After an evening of dancing, the bride and groom left to honeymoon at Niagara Falls. The bride wore a soft rose dress with white accessories and a cattleya orchid corsage.

Their new home is on Lawrence Avenue in Toronto.

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