NEWEST BEAVER Bruce Cameron receives his special tie

from 5th Georgetown Beaver colony leader Helen Beckett during his investure as Keeo for the colony. Standing by to welcome the new member of the group from the left are

assistant leader Teresa Scholtz, Robbie Horning and Mike Payne. Seventeen beavers' were also invested during the evening as new members of the colony.

(Herald photo)

## Metric Magicians treat Ballinafad

By MRS, WINIFRED SMITH

Herald correspondent The 4-H Homemaking club entertained at a luncheon on Saturday afternoon in the basement of the church. It was in honor of their mothers' and friends, also members of the W.I. were invited to attend. The six girls under the leaders. ship of Mrs. Slessoraitis and Mrs. Koperdraad have just completed the course "Essential Edibles". They named their group "The Metric, Magicians" All measurements in preparing the food was done with the new metric

Helen "Schwartz welcomed the guests as they arrived. Tables had been set up and each one centred with flowers. The meal was arranged buffet style. On the menu served first was Grape Sparkle punch with a tasty tidhit followed by hot dishes of ham and mushrooms, with white sauce served on fea-

biscuits. A savory mixture of eggs, cheese and ham served on the form of a pie, and to complete the first course, cheese swirls. Relishes and pickles accompanied the meal. Desserts were fruit cocktail loaf, tempting pineapple squares, and sour cream loaf. A happy ending to the luncheon and a nice gesture on the part of the girls was the presentation of a large decorated cake, aglow with candles to Helen Schwartz, one of their group, who was celebrating her 16th birthday Kathy Lozinski made the cake. As it was being carried from the kitchen all joined in by singing the birthday song. The cake was served with a pretty dessert call "Pink Velvet". Then, after lunch an interesting and informative quiz contest on "Metric Measure" was conducted by two of the girls. Mrs. Edith Volmar was the winner of the contest. Kathy Lozinski, on behalf of the girls and their leaders, thanked all for coming. Mrs. Jamieson, president of the W.I.replied by congratulating the girls on their good work and praised the leaders for giving of their time to make it all possible. All showed their

appreciation. The November meeting of the U.C.W. took place in the basement of the church last Tuesday evening, Nov. 14th, Mrs. F. J. Shortill, president, called the meeting to order. The roll call was answered by each one naming a family · tradition that takes place at Christmas, Mrs. Larose gave the Devotion. The minutes of the previous meeting were given. The treasurer's report showed it has been a successful year for all projects undertaken. The secretary gave the report of the nominating committee. The other items of business were soon dealt with including plans for the Christmas meeting. Mrs. Shortill then welcomed the visitors, a

sister group of women (The Sharon group) associated with St. Paul's United Church, Brampton. Each one then introduced themselves. The president then called on Mrs.

Schwartz for the program. She showed slides of her native country Germany. They were most interesting as she commented on each one as she went along. Meeting closed and a social time was enjoyed. Mrs. Ada Kirkwood recently enjoyed a few days holiday in

Constable Beverly Swann, R.C.M.P. who is stationed in Winnipeg, accompanied her father, from St. Catharines and spent Wednesday of last week with her grandparents and other relatives at the Smith farm.

The dance at the community centre was wen attended on Saturday night. Disc jockey

provided music. Pot tuck supper provided lots of food which all enjoyed and a good time was had by everyone.

Rev Walter Fosbury, occupied the pulpit on Sunday in the absence of Rev. Stiles, who was taking part in the anniversary services at St. Andrews. in Georgelown.

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## Female stereotypes reinforced school board researcher says

Our educational system is perpetuating role stereotypes such as those which portray mothers as staying borne while fathers bring home the pay cheque, even though statistics show an overwhelming majority of women will be working outside the home for 25 years or more sociologist Landa Fisher told The Herald

Mrs. Fisher, who has a PhD. in sociology, is working with the Halton board of education on role-stereotyping in education, particularly male and female roles. She is teaching at the University of Waterloo.

Role-stereotyping has been an interest of Mrs. Fisher's for about five years, she said, although not always as it relates to education. One of her activities now is pulling together a list of non-stereotyped

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resource material for teachers who want to know what's available.

A study was done recently by said the Ministry of Education on stereotyping in textbooks, Mrs. Fisher said, with a random sample of texts, all approved by the ministry and various boards of education. The sample covered all subwets at all age levels.

GOT WORSE "In terms of visibility alone, the ratio was 70-30, men being more visible than women, and it got worse at the higher age levels," Mrs. Fisher said.

female visibility were science, mathematics and economics textbooks, with health books and primary readers being the best. Being the best in terms of visibility does not mean that

ing positive female role models, however, Mrs. Fisher

early 1960's.

The worst books in terms of introduced to textbooks to spur their interest," Mrs. Fished to be voracious readers. who would read no matter

"In cities like Toronto, over

they were any belter at provid-

Textbooks in French for students whose first language is better than those written in the

French are better than English situations. texts, Mrs. Fisher said, and books written in the 1950's are "Before 1959, there was a

much more even division of males and females, but in the early 1860's, educational people realized boys seemed to be having frouble learning to read so more men and boys were er said. "Girls were consider-

60 per cent of the women, the withdrawal of this approvbetween 25 and 50 work at any given time," Mrs. Fisher said Stereotypes prevent young women from being adequately conipped to deal with these

Mrs. Fisher said stereotyped attitudes are familiar in young children, many times not becares of influences from home, school, friends or television. but because the child creates his or her own stereotypes to make order out of the world around him or her.

As an example of role sterentypés, Mrs. Fisher pointed out that by grade 3, boys are more willing to volunteer answers in class than girls. She said this is because girls become so dependent on receiving approvat that they are unwilling to risk things.

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al by giving a wrong answer. They have been so successful and so encouraged in the younger grades that they don't want to risk it, she said,

By those grades, however, girls are also more willing to make exceptions as far as women in traditionally male occupations are concerned, Mrs. Fisher said. They are beginning to see that boys have the power. Boys are more likely to continue with the traditional concepts of malefemale roles.

Boys occasionally react well to changes in roles, though, Mrs. Fisher said. She describ ed one young boy who asked her while she was teaching a group of young students woodworking, why she did boy

"I answered that I thought of them as people things, and he thought a minute, and said 'Yeah, you're right. I play with

dolls'," Mrs. Fisher said. Mrs. Fisher said this work on role-stereotyping, which is being sponsored by the ministry of education, is designed to add positive, non-stereotyped material to what is available, and not to take anything away. The idea is to provide more positive role models for

Mrs. Fisher said her report on role-stereotyping should be ready about a year from the date of completion, she said. She will be working with the Hallon board of education for the remainder of this year before she begins compiling

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