



HORTICULTURAL NOTES

Milton and District Horticultural Society met in the Union Hall on Pine Street on Monday evening, March 20 with a large crowd in attendance.

The president Mrs. M. Readhead opened the meeting and welcomed the members and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Nowak of Karen's Flower Shop at Milton Plaza demonstrated a number of different flower arrangements which were given as door prizes, with the following ladies taking them home: Mrs. E. Beyerman, Mrs. R. Dredge, Mrs. E. Goodall, Mrs. A. Britton, and Mrs. H. McCann.

There were quite a number of entries in the monthly flower show with the following winners:

- Class 1, Tranquillity — Mrs. L. Tasker, Mrs. A. Britton, Mrs. E. Branch.
- Class 2, Table Centre using candles — Mrs. S. May, Mrs. L. Tasker, Mrs. H. McCann.
- Class 3, Easter Arrangement — Mrs. S. May, Mrs. H. McCann, Mrs. A. Britton.
- A. Woodley auctioned some plants donated by one of the members.
- Lunch was served by Mrs. A. Woodley and Mrs. R. Tinkler.
- On March 2, about 50 members of Milton Horticultural Society travelled by bus to the annual Flower Show at O'Keefe Centre. They were also taken on a conducted tour of the new city hall in Toronto.

Nassagaweya groups discuss work with Canada's Indians

The April meeting of the Ladies' Aid of Nassagaweya Presbyterian church was held on Thursday evening, April 6 with the vice-president Mrs. W. E. Beck in the chair. Mrs. Beck read a poem: "If you have loved a long, long time". Mrs. Cargill read the minutes and Mrs. Robinson gave the financial statement. Wearing of costumes for the Centennial celebration in June was discussed and it was agreed to have the members bring anything available to the May meeting. Church ferns were priced and sold immediately to two members present. A hymn and prayer closed this meeting.

The Women's Missionary Society followed under the leadership of Mrs. Mullen, the president, with a service of worship for the Centennial Year. Minutes and correspondence were read. One of these was an invitation to hear Mrs. Sanford Reid speak on Thursday, April 13 at 2:30 p.m. at the Acton W.M.S. meeting. Also, the spring meeting of the Brampton Presbyterian executive at St. Andrew's church at 10 a.m., April 26, was announced.

Mrs. D. R. Nicholson took the Mission Program with Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. E. Dredge, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Roberts explaining the background of the topic. Mrs. Nicholson spoke on: "Ministry for Indians Today".

She told of her life in Melford, Saskatchewan, where there are many Indians. They have ball games and the ladies have booths. There are local Homemakers' clubs and two Indian residential schools which were under the direction of the W.M.S. but are now financed by the Dominion government. Western Indians are nomadic and follow game around. Now the Indians are integrated into public schools. Boys are taught farming and girls how to cook and manage a household.

Presbyterian Fellowship House opened in Winnipeg in 1960. In 1964 a second house was opened. In 1961 a hostel in Kenora provided a centre for community life. The change from reserve to city or town is a great one. We need a centre to inform Indians of social services in cities after they leave the reserve. We must

Presbytery rally

Elders receive "pep talk"

"The church may not have too long to witness," was the warning voice of George Fernie, 30 years an elder of a Toronto Presbyterian church and presently Assistant Director of Presbyterian Men, at a rally of elders from the Presbytery of Brampton of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Almost all congregations were represented at the enthusiastic meeting held in St. Andrew's Church, Brampton, on Sunday evening, April 9.

Mr. Fernie pointed out that Communism is 50 years old this year and already eight million subscribe to its beliefs. "The world will only be convinced when we as elders and a church present something to the world by which it will be attracted," he insisted. "Can we not show the joy and power of a life dedicated to the service of the Master?"

Speaking in the theme, "Help, I'm an Elder!" he outlined briefly the history of the eldership from the time of Moses and discussed the duties of elders, which include government and discipline in the church to maintain the "family" in a wholesome way, the

admission of members, the conduct of worship and the training of the young.

Referring to the number of men relinquishing the ministry, he challenged his hearers that many were discouraged by the attitude of their sessions and some even dreaded bringing new members into the church, because they were afraid of bringing them into the arms of a corpse.

He pointed out that there is one minister to every 18 elders in Brampton Presbytery to show that the whole load cannot be borne by the minister. He added that elders can get to places and make contacts that the minister cannot. "What is the gospel according to you?" Mr. Fernie asked.

A panel discussion on practical questions of the eldership followed. Panelists included Rev. R. MacMillan, Knox Oakville; Rev. D. R. Micholson, Campbellville; William Wright, an elder from Port Credit; and Mr. Fernie. The convener of the Presbytery's Evangelism and Social Action committee, Rev. D. Gibson, Orangeville, moderated. Song leader was Jim Lain of Hamilton. The Male Quartette of Knox, Milton, brought messages in song.

Amongst the elders was one lady, Miss Mary Whale, of Erdale Church, elected to the eldership since the General Assembly's historic approval of the ordination of women last June. She is director of Overseas Missions of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.).

Earlier in the day 130 visitors from many congregations in the Presbytery carried out a survey of Bramalea in preparation for launching the Presbytery's first new congregation. They located 235 Presbyterian families and many others interested in the town.

Church authorities stated that it was the most successful such effort that they had ever known.

Plans call for the initial service to be held on Sunday morning, April 16, in Dorset Drive Public School. Participating will be Rev. A. H. MacKenzie, Acton, Moderator of Presbytery; Rev. C. Elder, Director of Church Extension for the synod of Toronto and Kingston and Rev. J. McBride, Brampton, representing Presbytery's Extension Committee. Church school sessions will precede at 9:30 and the service will be at 11:00 a.m.

The minister will be Rev. Ralph Kendall, who comes here from Ile Perrot, Que. A manse has been bought for him and his family and a lot has been obtained for the future church building.

Gifts for the new congregation were dedicated by St. Andrew's, Brampton, last Sunday. Other gifts are coming from the Presbytery and other congregations.

Names conveners for Spring bazaar

The Spring Bazaar held by Halton Centennial Manor Women's Auxiliary was discussed in detail at their April meeting Wednesday evening, and a list of table supervisors was drawn up.

They will include Mrs. J. Gibbons of Georgetown at the bake table, Mrs. J. Sanford of Milton at the penny table, Mrs. C. Hill of Milton in charge of handcrafts, Mrs. G. MacIntosh of Milton in charge of lucky draw tickets, and Mrs. A. Wilson and Mrs. A. Woodley of Milton supervising the tea tables.

Gratitude was expressed to Mrs. A. Britton and her assistants for the decorations at Easter and St. Patrick's Day.

Following adjournment, coffee, tea and lunch were served by Mrs. S. Allen and Mrs. C. Rowney.

Helena, capital of Montana, was known as Last Chance Gulch by gold prospectors before it was founded as a community in 1864.

Church receives 13 new members

A group of 13 new members was received at St. Paul's United Church during the Sunday morning service. They were welcomed by Rev. J. L. Graham and clerk of session L. McNeil. Following the service they were entertained in the Fellowship Room and introduced to officers of the Church.

New members are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Artt, R.R. 2 Milton; Miss Joan Benson, 129 Anne St.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gren, 281 Kingsleigh Court; Mr. and Mrs. F. Jefferson, 272 Elmwood cres.; Mrs. James Kerr, 212 Main St.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Massee, 385 Ontario St.; Mr. and Mrs. Larry A. McDougall, 399 George St.; and Mrs. E. Rowsbottom, 465 Kingsleigh Court.

C. W. Dredge, Campbellville paid \$400 for a milking female at the dispersal of the Barrie Holstein herd of Dalton Wright last week.

Hamilton boy wins contest

The Zone Two Optimist Club oratorical contest held at the Burlington club April 4 resulted in a Hamilton boy, Stever Jeffrey Albert, being chosen to represent the Zone in the Southern Ontario contest.

Milton Optimist Club was represented at the competition by Alexander Dorst, a Grade 8 student at Holy Rosary Separate School.

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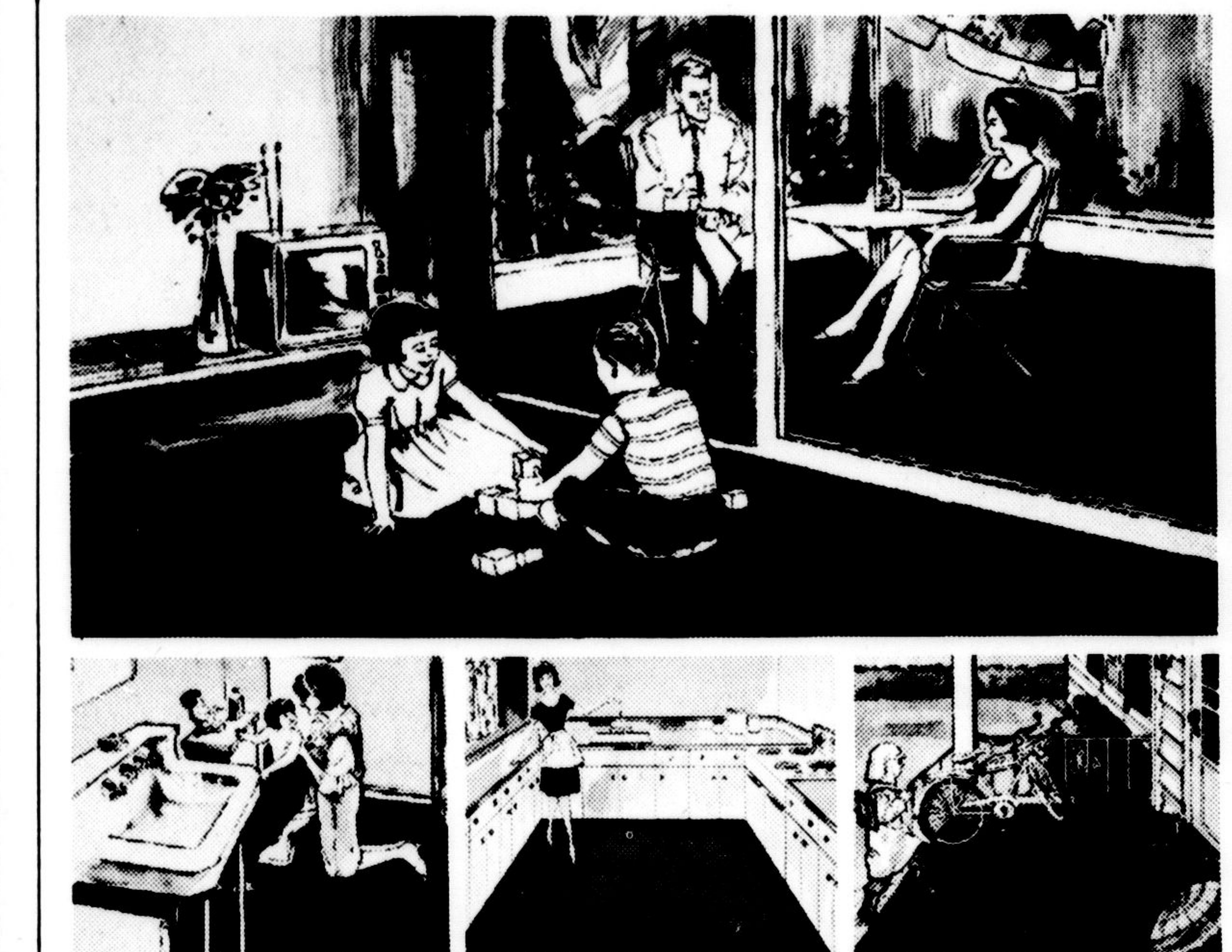
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