

Heirlooms from bygone days displayed at Schilling home

By Bob Burt

The home of Robert and Jo'Anne Schilling on Cedar Springs Rd. in Kilbride can best be described as a mecca for antique buffs and local historians.

Many of the antiques in the home are family heirlooms and most of them have intriguing stories behind them.

Among the antique items are several garments and quilts which are to be donated to Halton County Museum and Brant

Museum in Burlington. A christening gown which dates back to about 1850 and has been handed down generation by generation is of particular family interest on Jo'Anne's side of the family. The gown came from Ireland via a sailing vessel and has since been used by at least three generations of the family.

Depict era

In addition to the gown are bed clothes and evening wear from the turn of the century, and women's black flowery hats that might put one in mind of a lady during the roaring '20s. Hats, gowns and muffs all help depict an era gone forever.

Apparently Jo'Anne's ancestors operated a hotel in Bakersville, near Waterdown. The community was named after her ancestors, the Bakers. The name of the hotel was The Rising Sun.

Remnants from the hotel are among the antiques Jo'Anne has in her collection. An old black iron stove that once stood in the parlor of the hotel as well as a huge pot that was used for rendering pork and a sausage stuffer help depict the tools of the trade as they were in those days. Corn planters, cheese cutters and other instruments depict what now would be considered a primitive era. The cheese cutter came from Purdy's General Store in Campbellville when it closed just seven years ago.

Five generations

The Bakers have been in Canada for five generations now and first came to the country with the United Empire Loyalists and bought crown land.

The building the Bakers operated as a hotel still stands. One of the intriguing stories has to do with some cabinets now used as furniture by the Schillings. As the story goes Jo'Anne's great grandfather sold his sailing vessel and retired from the Great Lakes but the buyer didn't come up with sufficient funds. In fact all that was collected was enough to buy the furniture. It has since been refinished and serves the family well even to this day.

Interesting display

Guns, watches, news clippings, vanity bags, photos of ancestors wearing the garb of the day and other old items make for an interesting display. For the past 50 years the family has enjoyed Christmas dinner together. As hostess this Christmas, Jo'Anne accepted guests in an old gown and boudoir cap. A display was set up for the interest of her guests.

"It was a lot of fun," she says.

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THE HOME OF Mr. and Mrs. Ron Schilling on Cedar Springs Rd. is a mecca for antique lovers. Jo'Anne is shown here with an old stove and pot once used in a hotel her great grandfather and later her grandfather operated near Waterdown at Baker's Hollow. Baker's Hollow is named after her family name. The hotel was called the Rising Sun and it still stands today. (Photo by B. Burt)

Halton Mutual Aid names '73 officers

Cliff Levely, a Burlington firefighter was named chairman of Halton Mutual Aid Firefighting Service at the group's annual meeting, held in Milton Tuesday evening of last week.

Vice-chairman is Howard Roszell of Acton Fire Department. A secretary-treasurer is to be appointed later by the chairman.

Halton Mutual Aid is a self-help organization which includes members of the five fire departments in the county. All five brigades are equipped and trained to assist each other in cases of major fires and members meet five times a year to discuss mutual problems.

Mutual Aid is the parent organization of the Halton Fire Prevention Bureau. The Bureau is concerned with fire prevention while the Mutual Aid's main concern is fire fighting. Many of the county's firefighters are members of both organizations.

MILTON PLANNING BOARD

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The public is hereby notified the policy of the Milton Planning Board will be to hear those persons or deputations who wish to appear before the Board, on the First (1st) Wednesday of the Month at 7.30 p.m.

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County seeks best method of getting rebates on tax

Halton County Council's Administration Committee will ask council to call tenders among tax specialists and invite a firm to study the county books with a view to gaining a rebate on provincial and federal sales tax.

A number of firms are now in the business and according to clerk Garfield Brown, substantial rebates have been realized in other communities. Apparently experts brought in on a commission basis made possible rebates of \$26,000 for Brant County and \$46,000 for Wentworth County.

Oakville Reeve Allan Masson asked why the county staff wasn't able to find ways to save this money, without having to bring in outsiders to do the job.

Difficult ruling

Administrator Garfield Brown noted rulings on tax matters at Queen's Park and Ottawa were not consistent. "It depends who and on what day you enquire about tax matters on what ruling you'll get," Brown complained that legislation covering exemptions was complicated and ambiguous.

He pointed out an obvious inconsistency in the rulings, noting that sign posts were exempt and the signs affixed to the post were taxable. There is no tax on floor tile if the municipality proves that they will be used. "These are the crazy things we run into," he told the committee.

The clerk had recommended the county hire a firm that would do the work and take 30 per cent of what they saved the county. A second firm offered their

services at 25 per cent but the clerk had been advised the first firm had more experience in the field.

Georgetown Reeve Ric Morrow suggested having county treasurer Jim McQueen look into the books in his own time and give him seven per cent as a bonus for what he found, then

have the expert come in and find what McQueen missed.

After considerable discussion it was decided to accept quotations from all interested firms and accept one. The county expects to have the work done in April. The study will go back to 1961 provincially and cover two years federally.

"God Dwells Not In Temples Made With Hands"

In the Old Testament times, under the law of Moses, worship was centred in the tabernacle. Here with priests, altars, incense, sacrifices, ritual, gold, jewels, and the most holy place. The temple built by Solomon in Jerusalem was costly, beautiful, and elaborate.

But when Christ came "To fulfill the law," this was the end of the old order. In talking to the woman of Samaria about the proper place to worship, Jesus said, "Neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem, shall ye worship the Father... but, true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth." (Read John 4: 19-26)

Centuries later, misguided worshippers began to give emphasis to the place of meeting. Years were spent in decorating the walls of church buildings. As time passed with continued neglect of Christ's teachings, we see the result today in those ancient nations with their many cathedrals and dire poverty, guided saints and ragged humans, ritual and incense, faith, immorality, ignorance and superstition.

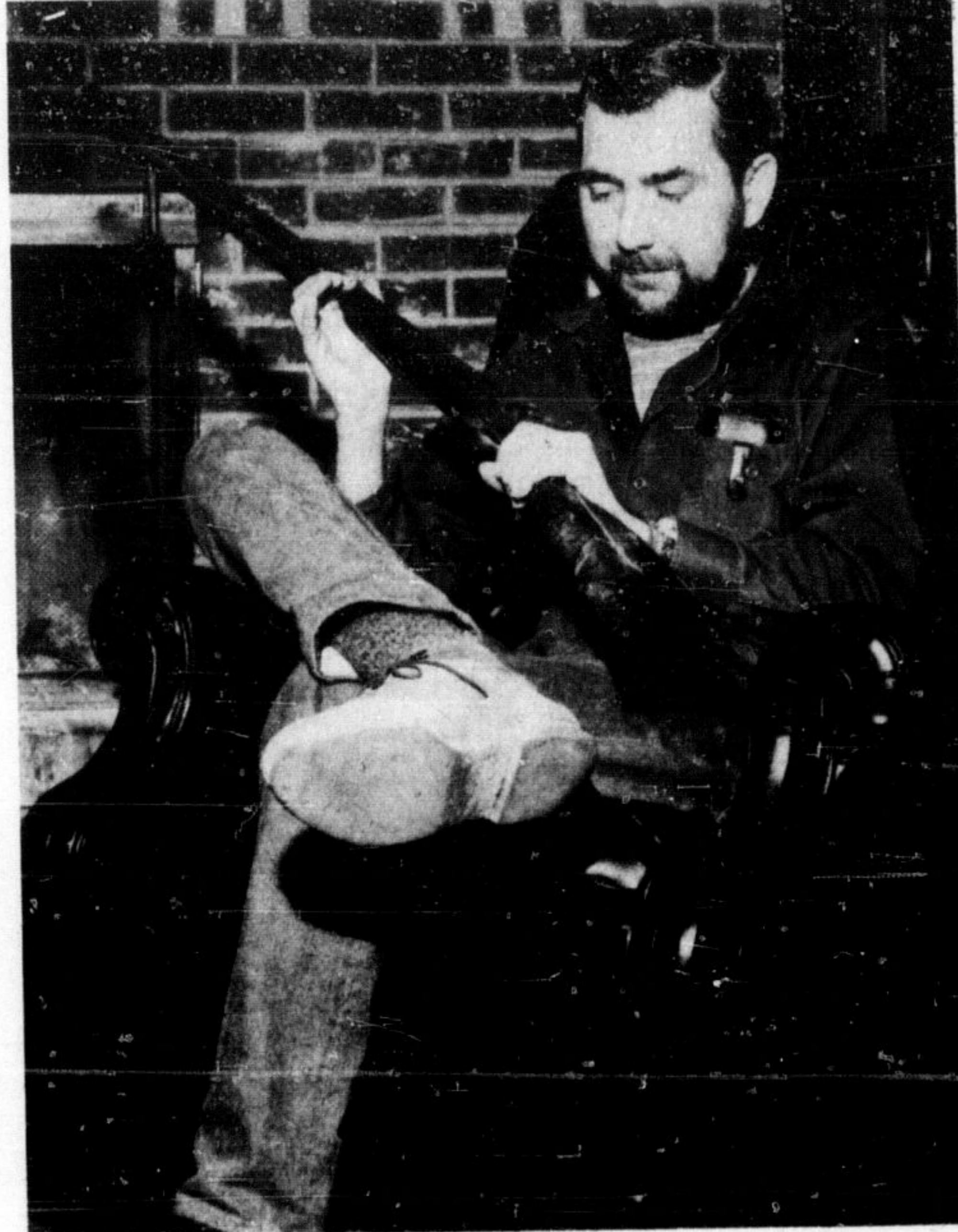
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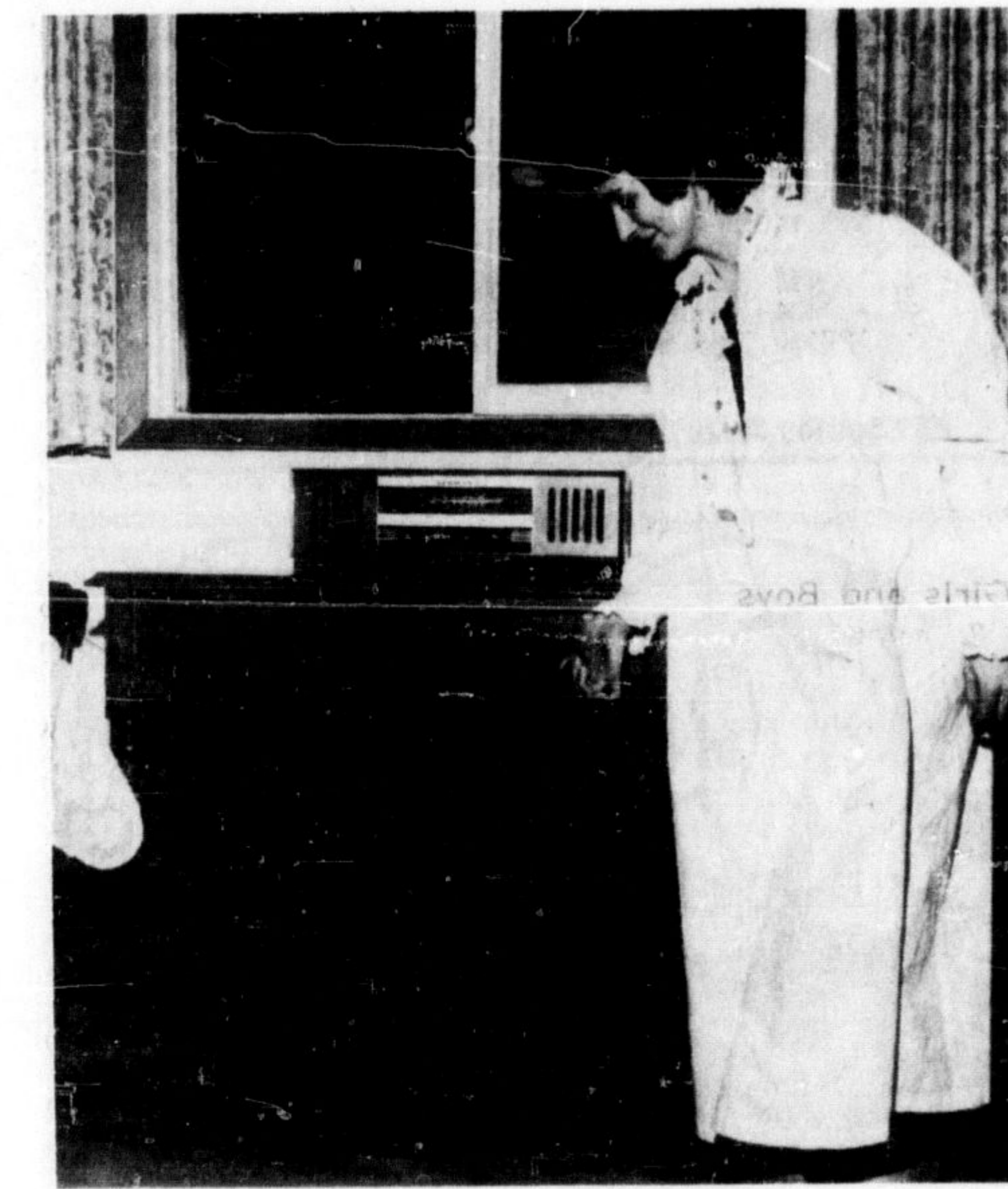
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THIS RIFLE has a history dating back to the war of 1812 and the Battle of Stoney Creek. The gun hangs above the fireplace in the home of Ron Schilling on Cedar Springs Rd. The gun is one of many antiques he and his wife have in the house. (Photo by B. Burt)



THIS CHEST OF drawers has been handed down through generations of the Baker family. It was bought with proceeds from the sale of Jo'Anne's grandfather's sailing ship. (Photo by B. Burt)



Paper drive is thriving

The monthly paper drive operated by Milton Boy Scouts in Milton continues to grow according to leader Jim Strain. Strain felt that February's pickup on Feb. 17 will provide enough paper to fill a 40 foot trailer they've been loading. That will amount to about 20 tons.

The leader notes he is still looking for a good market for the paper to be sold and indicated there was still a need for more parent volunteers on the monthly morning drives.

Esquising won't plow laneways

Esquising Council has decided not to offer to clear snow from the entrances to laneways of senior citizens this winter.

Instead council has instructed roads superintendent C. E. "Bud" Snow to investigate the feasibility of installing "gates" on township snow plows. "Gates" would prevent snow from piling up in front of driveways.

It had been suggested in December that council consider the service to senior citizens.

THE WAY WOMEN used to look. Jo'Ann Schilling models night gown, apron, boudoir cap and muffs from the early 1800's. The garb along with other samples of yesteryear have been in her family for at least four generations now. (Photo by B. Burt)

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