

About the town

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A beautiful stained glass window was dedicated to the memory of the late Roger Ptolemy at the Sunday morning service at Knox church on March 3.

The Rev. John Murray conducted the dedication service. Roger was the son of Colonel and Mrs. William H. Ptolemy. He attended the Royal Military College in Kingston and served with distinction in England and France with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery during the first World War.

After recovering from wounds received at Passchendaele he was associated with the P. L. Robertson Mfg. Co. in Milton. He retired in 1959 as president of the Company and remained a director until Procor bought out the business. Mr. Ptolemy served the community as a councillor for the Town of Milton and was a hard working founding member of the Board of directors at Milton District Hospital.

He was an elder of Knox church for 47 years and served 33 of those years as Clerk of Session.

He was an honorary life member of the Royal Canadian Legion and a member of St. Clair Lodge. He also served as treasurer of the Santa Claus fund for many years. Mr. Ptolemy served his town well and was admired and appreciated by all who knew him.

Attending the dedication service were Roger's son and daughter-in-law Doug and Ann Ptolemy and his grandchildren Suzanne, Ian, Diana, and Michael.

Happy birthday wishes go to Annibale (Bill) Zulian who celebrates his birthday on Friday, March 17.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Martin and son from Toronto are new residents on Woodward Ave. and Mr. and Mrs. D. Rideout and son from Scarborough are new residents at Mayfair apts.

We welcome them to Milton.

Mrs. W. R. Lewis, 241 Woodward Ave. recently returned from a four week holiday in Ballymena, 18 miles west of Belfast, Ireland. While there she visited her parents, two sisters, and a brother.

Happy birthday to Sergio Borsatto, 223 Queen St. who celebrates his birthday on Friday, March 15.

The children at Milton Cooperative Nursery school enjoyed a skating party at Milton Arena on Tuesday, March 5. The children were supervised by Norma Lepa, Elsie Manford and several mothers. Everyone enjoyed hot chocolate back at the school following the outing. The children's next outing will be to see a live theatre performance of "Puss N' Boots."

New residents on Maplewood Cresc. are Mr. and Mrs. Steven Beauchamp and family from Mount Forest. Mr. and Mrs. R. Donald and daughter have moved from Mississauga to McNabb Cresc.

We welcome them to our town.

Best wishes go to Lisa Provaznik, 215 Bell St. who celebrates her birthday on Tuesday, March 19.

Congratulations and best

wishes go to Mr. and Mrs. Max Black, 65 John St. who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on March 9.

Students of Mollie McGregor's School of Dancing took part in dance competitions in Guelph on Saturday, March 9. The results are as follows:

Novice (8 and under) Graham McLeod third in fling; novice (10 and under) Caroline Hendy third in chantage; intermediate (11 and over) Barbara Vandenhoevel second in fling; second in sword dance; open section (13 and under) Charles Robertson second in fling, first in sword, third in chantage and first in Irish jig.

In the open section (15 and under) Kim McLeod came second in the Irish jig and third in the Scottish lilt; Dianne Roy was first in the fling, second in the chantage and second in the Scottish lilt; while Ingrid Martins was second in the fling, third in the sword, first in the chantage and third in the Irish jig.

Ingrid Martins also took the trophy for the 15 and under age group.

Happy birthday wishes go to Louise Hopkins, 416 Oak St. who celebrates her birthday on Friday, March 15.

New residents on Halton Ave. are Mr. and Mrs. J. Ling and their two daughters from Etobicoke; and Mr. and Mrs. W. Scarrow from Toronto are new residents on Ridge Dr. We welcome them to Milton.

On Monday, March 4, the second Milton Brownies were

guests of 1st Milton Brownies. The girls enjoyed hot chocolate, games and songs under the direction of Brown Owl Shirley Johnson and Brown Owl Pearl McWaters. The 1st Milton Brownies have a new Tawny Owl, Mrs. J. Ling who is also a new resident in Milton.

Saturday's icy conditions did not prevent the Knox Church St. Patrick's Bazaar from being well attended and a big success. Overall conveners were Ethel McIntosh and Audrey Lyle.

Other conveners were: aprons, Jean Hetherington and Norma Hull; baking, Eva Chisholm and Olga Bickers; candy, Helen Babcock and Jessie Anderson; delicatessen, Marion Hill and Helen Strain; touch and take, Doris Tonelli and Gwen Armstrong; variety and children's table, Nellie Jagt; white elephant, Jean Randall and Marie McMillan; tea room and decor, Lois McPhail and Doris Lawson; afternoon tea, Marion Hardy and Katherine Currie; C.G.I.T., Lois Schuyler and Cheryl French.

There were many other women who also contributed their time and efforts to the successful event.

Happy birthday wishes go to Stella Martin 11 - Third Sideroad, who celebrates her birthday on Sunday, March 17.

Happy birthday wishes go to Daryl and Darren Dingman of Ivy Lea Ont. (formerly of Milton). Darren celebrated his birthday on March 7 and Daryl celebrates his birthday on March 15.

Nassagaweya ladies do study on "tongue"

The Women's Association of the Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church met on Thursday, March 7 at the home of Mrs. John Roberts with a good attendance and some guests. The roll call was responded to by each one expressing some thought or prayer which had impressed them such as, "Life is like a tennis racket—you can't win without serving" and "Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday and all is well."

Mrs. Edith Coxie as program convener opened with a hymn and the reading of Proverbs, 15th Chapter by Mrs. Fraser. Following this, Mrs. Coxie read a thought-provoking paper on "The Beauty of the Tongue." While it is physically impossible to beautify that organ, what comes from there can be good or otherwise. The tongue is mentioned several times in the Bible, one instance being the third chapter of James which says "Even so the tongue is a little member and boasteth great things, how great a matter a little fire kindleth." A kind word or an unkind word can do much good or much harm, it was pointed out.

Meet at Chippawa During the business meeting, Mrs. David Henderson, one of the guests, extended an invitation to have a meeting at her new home in Chippawa. The invitation was accepted and plans were made for having the May meeting there.

The new church cups and saucers which are on order now will be sold at \$2. Get well cards were signed

by all for some neighbors and friends. Lunch was served during which time, members visited with Mrs. Henderson and her daughter-in-law.

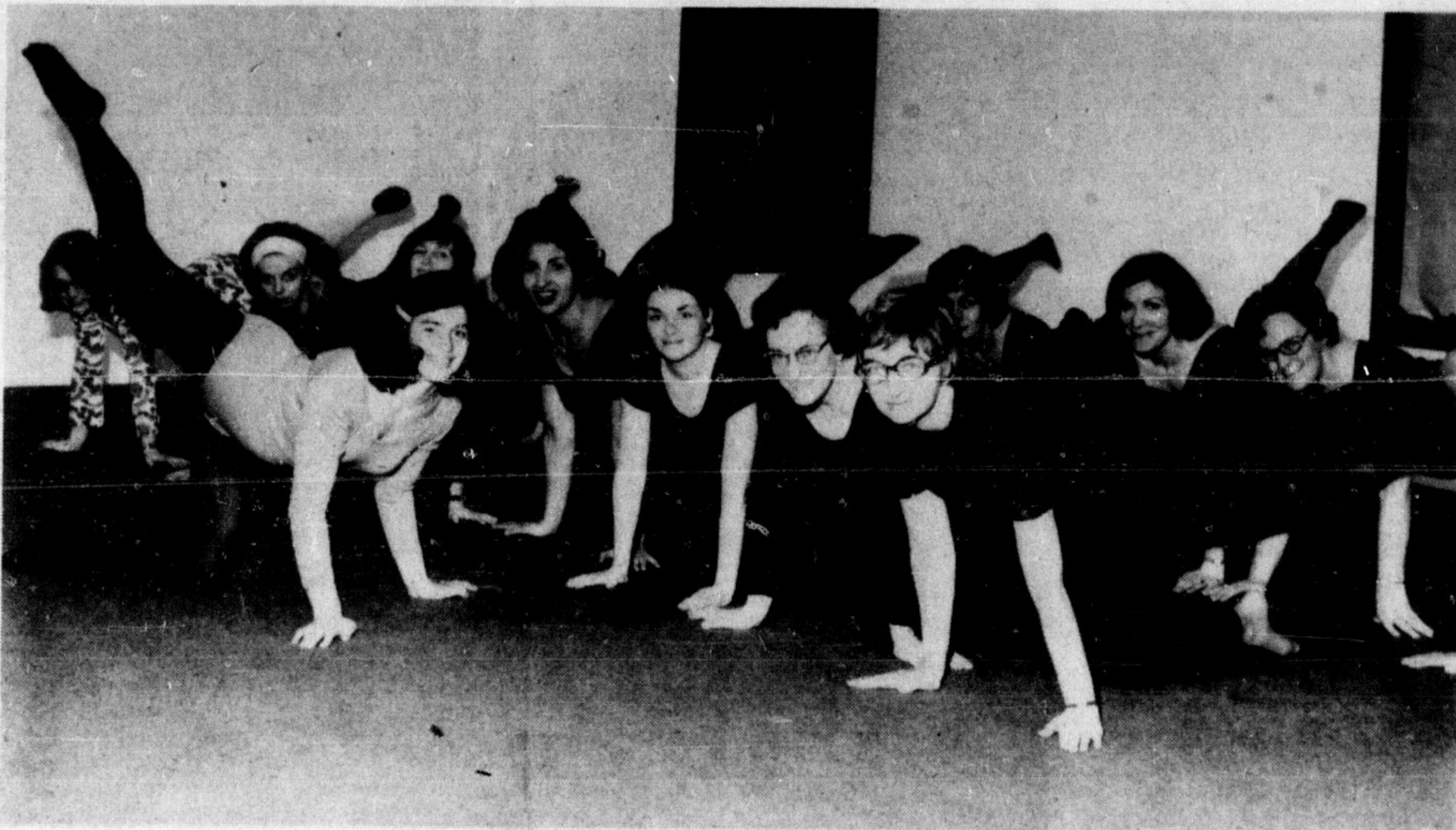
Fertilizer free

Milton Council not only granted permission to Milton Kinsmen to sell fertilizer door to door in Milton, but suggested the club could obtain a free supply of members dropped into a meeting of council any Monday night.

Councillor Rick Day said the club could pick up the supply on a Monday night. His jest was directed at some of the comments made during the council meeting, but the joke backfired.

Councillor Jim Watson replied the supply had been in short supply during the past month. The period Councillor Day had been on holidays.

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FITNESS FUN at Rotary Park is under the leadership of Pat Palmer. Kicking up their heels are, front left, Penny Barnhold, Joan Froesch, Jackie Chapin, Sheila McBryde, Jany Smuda, Mabel Coulson, Joy Riley. Back left, Jean Martin, Dorothy Bain and Lily Faithful. (Photo by J. Beaton)

Consumer Price Index uses, abuses explained

The monthly meeting of the University Women's Club of Milton and District was held at the home of Mrs. M. Powys on Thursday evening, March 7. The speaker was Ms. Margaret Coughtney, an economist with the Bank of Nova Scotia in Toronto. She has had experience in international economics, Canadian business and now the economics of agriculture. She is, therefore, well-qualified to speak, as an individual, on her topic, "The Uses and Abuses of the Consumer Price Index."

Price indicators are widely abused, mainly from simple misunderstanding on the part of many. The Consumer Price Index is not the only tool used to indicate price changes. Many people are confused on this issue.

Over the past several months, four different figures have been given for the change in prices. Each is correct in its own way: the highest is the difference in the Consumer Price Index between December 1972 and December 1973; the lowest is the actual consumer expenditures. In between, there are figures for the difference in average prices and the comparison of price changes with the gross national product. The highest figure is the most often quoted and the least valid.

Weighting system How are price changes measured? To do this a weighting system according to importance is used. The Consumer Price Index is a measure of price changes in a fixed basket of goods. To obtain this index, items are

usually priced monthly. These items fall into seven different categories. Food, housing, clothing and transportation make up four-fifths of the total household expenditures.

The Consumer Price Index has been in use since 1910 in one form or another. Changes in the weighting have been made from time to time. These are made on a time base at which the level reaches 100. The current time base is 1961 and this will soon be updated to 1967.

In 11 cities There is a Consumer Price Index for the whole country and one for 11 different cities. Unlike the Consumer Price Index in the United States, ours is not seasonally adjusted to compensate for normal changes and seasonal fluctuations.

There are several abuses of the Consumer Price Index. People tend to accept changes as gospel and do not compare correctly. They assume that it is a cost of living index.

The Consumer Price Index does not take into consideration changes in quality. There is no attempt to distinguish between what you buy and what you should buy. It is used in labor negotiations, but it is not the only indicator of price changes. It is used in tandem with others.

Ms. Coughtney also explained the term Gross National Product. It is the measurement of the output in the economy by all sections of the country in terms of dollars.

At the conclusion of Ms. Coughtney's talk, members

were invited to ask questions. Miss I. Davey introduced the speaker. She was thanked by Mrs. M. Gray.

O.S.D. public swimming

The Ontario School for the Deaf pool has been reopened after a brief closure last week.

The pool was closed for public swimming lessons because of the possibility of a high bacteria count. This problem has been solved though and swimming lessons are continuing as normal.

Aside from the lessons sponsored by the Milton Parks and Recreation Department there will be public swimming during the winter break. Tickets are available at the door for each of the three afternoon periods during the week of March 18. There is also a period in the evening for adults on Monday and Thursday during that week.

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Fitness, fun and fashion

Fitness can be fun as witnessed Monday and Wednesday nights at Rotary Park Community Centre. As part of the Milton Recreation Department program close to 20 women meet each night to kick up their heels, pull in their stomachs, and twist their torsos.

They seem to be thoroughly enjoying themselves as instructor Pat Palmer puts them through their jazznastic routines. A combination of exercise and music forms the basis for the program.

In addition the women learn posture and poise from visiting guests. Sheridan College instructor Jori Kadlac will return April 22 to demonstrate proper make-up application.

Yoga Yoga instructor Fran Grady will be here April 25 to illustrate the benefits derived from controlled breathing and prescribed postures of this ancient Hindu discipline.

Attacking the causes of stress and introducing new approaches to relaxation are all part of the new program to begin, April 1, running to May 22.

A fee of \$7 covers the 16 classes, two nights a week

from 7 to 10 p.m. Pre-registration with the recreation department is required.

Celebrate birthday

The family of Mrs. Maud Laurence including her children, grandchildren, brother and sisters, gathered at the home of her son, Ross Laurence to honor her on the occasion of her 75th birthday.

The guest of honor was presented with a dozen red roses and other lovely gifts. A buffet supper was served with Mrs. Laurence making the first cut into a decorated cake.

Family slides Slides were shown of family trips to Hawaii and Scotland. Guests were present from Hillsburg, Orillia, Waterdown, Mississauga, Hamilton and Milton.

A highlight was a telephone call to Grandma from Nelson Lawrence (son of Denzil) who is presently living in British Columbia. Mrs. Laurence received 20 congratulatory birthday cards by mail.

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