

# At 83 he still does chores

Edward Snow celebrated his 83rd birthday last Monday. But the day started like every other day, down to the barn, feed the pigs and do the chores.

At 83 years of age Edward Snow has more energy than a lot of men half his age.

"I've been feeding pigs since I was 10 years old, for more than 70 years," Mr. Snow said in an interview recently.

He recalled his boyhood and being the youngest of five boys in the family. "There were so many ahead of me, so anxious to drive the team that I never really got the chance to drive until I got older so it was my job to feed the pigs."

But he went further than just feeding pigs. Ed Snow shows his shoe box full of ribbons for honors at fall fairs around the country and competitions at the Canadian

National Exhibition where he had the honor of winning the grand national championship.

Gifted with an incredible memory Mr. Snow recalls the goings on of the early 1900's as if they were yesterday.

Mr. Snow was born and raised by a family that had always taken a keen interest in the politics of the country.

He is a staunch Liberal and in spite of the fact that his nephew, Jim Snow, is a Tory Cabinet Minister, the idea of voting Conservative brings fury to his eyes and disgust to his voice.

"I wouldn't vote Conservative if they were the last ones on earth. You couldn't pay me to vote Tory," he scoffed.

Mr. Snow regards Sir Wilfred Laurier and MacKenzie King as two of the greatest Canadians that ever lived.

He recalls with vivid detail the day he cast his first ballot in an election. "I voted for Sir Wilfred Laurier. I lost my first vote when the country voted against the Liberals because of the reciprocity issue. But better things were coming." He voted Liberal then and every election ever since then.

Recalling the funeral of Sir Wilfred Laurier Mr. Snow quotes by memory the words of the minister at the funeral.

"Lay him gently, oh so gently for seldom has the sod covered a nobler heart than that of Sir Wilfred Laurier," the minister had told pall bearers.

"And that's the way the country felt," says Mr. Snow. Mr. Snow talks of Laurier, King and Trudeau with

glowing respect. He recalls his family not having enough money to have a radio so he went to town to hear McKenzie King on radio.

"Laurier taught King many things. King was the greatest of all times."

He recalls as a boy hiding with his brothers behind and under the wood stove so they could listen to his father and other Liberals talk politics around the kitchen table.

"The meetings used to be at our place. We were brought up as Liberals. I learned Liberalism from the beginning. Halton was a Tory place then. You can't say that now though."

"It will take a blamed good man to put Trudeau out of his place. He's ready to throttle Levesque. Levesque hasn't

got over the plains of Abraham yet. If he hae his way he'd make a mess of Canada.

"Trudeau will have Canadians thinking right before the next election. In his own way and time he is doing the best that can be done."

"He's not as popular as Mackenzie King. But the day is coming when he will be. He's not what Clark and that old Broadbent says he is."

A devout Christian and church worker, Mr. Snow began at the age of 75 to write a book and after seven years of work had the book published. He has sold over 300 copies but still has close to 600 copies in stock.

The book is titled, "His Love and Mercy."

Economics and the Parti Quebecois will be the next two topics in the Sheridan College Canadian Unity series to be presented March 30 and April 3 at the Oakville Campus on Trafalgar Rd.

Gerald Godin, Quebec journalist and PQ representative for Mercier County, will speak March 30 on the PQ election victory and its implications for Canadian federalism.

On April 3, Dr. Grant Reuber, Chairman of the Ontario Economic Council (OEC), will discuss the economic aspects of Canadian unity.

Both presentations begin at 12 noon in Room B-125 and are open to the public.

Godin began his journalism career in 1959 and is currently editor of the Editions Parti Pris. He is a former secretary and first vice-president of the St. Jean Baptiste Society of Montreal and was secretary and researcher for the 1976 Report on Culture in Quebec.

Dr. Reuber has been chairman of the OEC since 1973. A graduate of Harvard University (Ph. D. Economics) and the University of Western Ontario (Honors B.A. Economics and Political Science), he has been a member of numerous economic committees, both

federal and provincial.

Dr. Reuber was a founding member and first president of the Canadian Economics Association and, in 1972 was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

The Canadian Unity series has been organized by Sheridan's Liberal and General Studies Division to focus on aspects of Canadian unity and disunity in all parts of the country, not just Quebec.

# Caribbean group to play at library

Billed as an "evening of sunshine" a performance of Caribbean music by the musical organization Syncona will be given at Milton Library Thursday, April 5.

The group's leader, Dick Smith, says since its inception in 1972, Syncona has been working towards an accurate and entertaining representation of Caribbean music. In the time the group has been together it has performed

widely, from concerts and parades, television and film, to boats and planes.

The first Syncona album was released in 1974. Its success led to a broadcast recording of four selections in the Jamaican reggae tradition for the CBC in 1975.

Tickets, available at the library, are one dollar. The program starts at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

# Live drama at library

Milton Central Library will present a live drama Tuesday, April 18 using the works of Canadian authors, Margaret Laurence, Stephen Leacock, Robertson Davies and others.

The production to be presented by actors Anne and Jim Wright of Toronto will incorporate audio-visual material with a sound system and rear screen projected visuals, according to the Library.

"This is an experiment, and depending upon how we do

with it, we may try other similar things," said Shelagh Conway, head librarian for Milton Central Library.

The 35-minute production will conclude with a 15-minute discussion.

Although adult entertainment, Mrs. Conway stated the show would be of interest to high school students as well.

The first of its kind at the library Mrs. Conway said she hoped to repeat similar performances if sufficient interest is shown.

# Cancer campaign

Preparations for the Milton Cancer Society fund raising campaign are already underway. The Milton Society has prepared 500 information canvas kits to be distributed throughout Milton and Campbellville during April, "Cancer Month."

Thirteen members prepared the kit, following the March 21 business meeting, according to Shirley Graveston, a Milton Society member.

Education convener, Donna Elliott, reported showing a film to the Milton Lions Club, March 6.

The same film will be shown to Milton Rotary Club Tuesday March 28.

As part of the Cancer Society campaign, McDonald's Restaurant, Milton will give all proceeds from the sale of "Egg MacMuffins" on Sunday, April 9 to the Canadian Cancer Society.



EDNA PLUMTREE of 71 John St., Milton, is the lucky winner of a brand new Toyota Corolla from Park Toyota, RR 1, Georgetown, in a contest run by Hunt's Bakery. Mrs. Plumtree answered a skill testing question after her name was selected from thousands of entry forms. It was the third of 11 prizes given away and the president of Hunt's, Mr. Bregman, was there to present the car and a huge cake, along with Paul McDonald, of Park Toyota, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Plumtree was notified of her win on the first day of Spring. Ian Forsyth, manager of Marketing services of Canadian Motor Industries was also at Park Toyota to assist in the presentation. Left to right are Mrs. Plumtree, Paul McDonald and Mr. Bregman.

Heavy cigarette smokers lose up to ten years of life. The Canadian Cancer Society urges smokers to quit the habit.

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