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A telephone information and referral service serving the Huronia Area by Eileen Smith

"The Odyssey of Free Food"

Many of you already know the origin of the 11 tons of frozen food which was distributed to Midland and area residents last week. McCain's factory turned this food over to the government following a fire at their large factory in New Brunswick.

Lists of names had been completed earlier through churches, schools and welfare workers from which an order was sent to Toronto. We received much less food than the original order, but made it a priority to distribute only to the names already listed as they had been given to Contact.

The fact that it was arriving was not announced publicly, (and we thank the media for the consideration). Those who had requested food were notified by note or by telephone, unless they could not be reached.

It is extremely difficult to please everyone, but we made a real effort to distribute the food fairly and to as many as possible. More than 400 families were served by Midland proper. Part of our 11 tons went to Wyebridge and Elmvale to serve the area south of Midland.

The whole organizational job was momentous, particularly since we weren't really sure how much or what we were getting. To compile the order took a great deal of time, and much forethought was necessary to avoid confusion. We were particularly grateful to the Civic Centre trustee board for granting approval to distribute food from the centre.

Capt. Figley of the Salvation Army, although busy with his Red Shield campaign, did all he could and was on hand all day for distribution.

As usual, our volunteers came through to help bring order out of what could have been chaos, with free food being given away. Chuck Lackapelle, Tom McAullough, Mary Brown, Bob Duncan (Dominion Store Mgr.); Reg Mulligan, Charlie Housome, Stan Dane, Bert Desroches, Les Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Adamson, Sandra Adamson, Joan Spires, Rhoda Brownlee, Ann Strapko, Angie Crook, Ruth Rumney, Valerie Hammond, Betty Hawke, Scott Smith and even a Toronto Globe and Mail staff writer who innocently dropped in to Contact didn't mind being recruited as a volunteer for a while.

Students from ARC Industries workshop were especially helpful and willing. The Air Cadets also assisted in setting up the night before.

Police Chief Ernie Bates had his men on the job directing the flow of traffic. They were great!

My own Contact staff were invaluable. No one will ever know how much total time and effort went into this planning.

To those of you who appreciated the food, I would suggest that you send a letter to your provincial member, Gordon Smith MPP Simcoe-East, Main block, Queen Park, Toronto, or write your local paper.

The provincial government accepted a tremendous responsibility in accepting and distributing this food, I know they would be glad to know from some of you, that it was appreciated.

North Simcoe obituaries

Alexander Fraser dies in Midland

Mr. Alexander Fraser of Victoria Harbour passed away on Friday, April 11, at St. Andrew's hospital in Midland. He was 73.

Beloved husband of Gertrude Bowen, Mr. Fraser leaves sons Bud of Niagara Falls and Edward of Toronto, and daughters Lois (Mrs. F. Sheehan) and Sadie (Mrs. M. Sheehan) both of Victoria Harbour.

Mr. Fraser was predeceased by son Earl. He is also survived by 13 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Mr. Fraser is the brother of the late Frederick Fraser and Adele Collison.

Friends called at the A. Barrie Chapel of the James H. Lynn Funeral Homes, in Midland. Funeral mass was held at 9 a.m. at St. Margaret's Church, Midland on April 14. Parish prayers were held at the funeral home, on Sunday evening. Interment at St. Margaret's Cemetery, Midland.

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Charles Toole

The death occurred on Wednesday, April 9, of Mr. Charles Toole at his residence, at 368 Queen Street, Midland. He was 77.

Charles is the beloved husband of Doris Rice, and dear father of Ronald of Midland, brother of Hilda (Mrs. George Graham) of Peterborough, and grandfather of Tim Sharon, Tom, and Cathy Toole all of Midland.

Funeral services were held from the Nicholls Funeral home, Midland on Saturday, April 12. Services were under the auspices of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 80. Mr. Toole was a First World War veteran.

Interment at the Lakeview Cemetery, Midland. The

Russell Edwards

The death occurred on Sunday, April 6 at his residence, on Queen Street in Midland of Russell (Tarr) Edwards. He was 51.

Mr. Edwards was the beloved son of Mrs. Rena Edwards and the late Telfer. He leaves dear brother Ross of Port McNicoll, Vern and Glen of Midland, Reta (Mrs. E. Prosser), Joy (Mrs. J. Fitzgerald), both of Whitby, Jessie (Mrs. P. Fobes) of Ashtabula, Ohio, Edna (Mrs. H. McMann), Marie (Mrs. C. Jeanotte), Jean (Mrs. F. Wilkins) all of Midland, and the late Gerald, Norris, and Orville.

Services were held from the A. Barrie Chapel of the

Eight born in Midland

The maternity ward at Midland's St. Andrew's Hospital did a booming business last week, as eight new area residents made their entry into what we hope will soon be a spring world.

Between April 8 and 13, the girls outnumbered the boys 6-2. With baby daughters are Mr. and Mrs. Loiselle Robitaille of Fifth Avenue in

Port McNicoll, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hampson of King Street in Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Laurin of Bayberry Estates, Mr. and Mrs. Remi Robitaille of Bay Street in Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. John Keevil of R.R. 1, Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Mortenson of Birchwood Drive and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murray of King Street in Midland are the proud parents of newly arrived sons.

PGH births

There were two births recorded at the Penetanguishene General Hospital this past week:

Carriere -- to Mr. and Mrs. Omer Carriere of R.R.1 Perkinsfield, a baby boy on April 10;

Desroches - to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Desroches of R.R.3, Elmvale, a baby girl on April 9.

Junior farmers travel

Two members of the North Simcoe Junior Farmers Association were awarded travel opportunities during the provincial conference held on March 21, 22, 23, 1975.

Douglas Langman from R.R.1, Orillia, was awarded a trip to the Rural Youth Conference being held in Indiana, U.S.A. during August 10-14, 1975.

James Beck from R.R.1, Midland, was awarded a trip to Nova Scotia for two weeks in August.

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