

Indians return to Bayfield Park

Camp counsellor Shelley Moisey leads a last Thursday night. The parents got group of campers in a demonstration of into the action along with the children Indian tom-tom playing at the Day Camp parent's night at Bayfield Park

and appeared to enjoy the occasion.

Daycamp parents' night held last Thursday

attending the day camp at The high point in the Bayfield Park over the evening for the parents chance to see what day camp is all about last Thursday night.

The children put on skits and sang songs, the counsellors told stories, and the parents even parents won by a score of

joined in on a few songs.

to the group of children

who were the most co- municipality.

between the counsellors Recreation Department

The day camp was put was the volleyball game on by the Simcoe County and the parents. The The counsellors put on a number of two week sessions around the county in places where Crests were presented there is no regular day camp organized by the

Explodes in Bay

Boat destroyed by fire

The Midland detach- Toronto stopped his boat ment of the Ontario Provincial Police report a fire which destroyed a boat on Georgian Bay over the weekend.

Lother Junerman of

to fish some half mile west of Quarry Island, put it in reverse and the boat exploded into flames.

Junerman was not the fire.

injured in the accident which demolished the 22 foot home-made boat. He was picked up by a near by boater who witnessed

Children's workshops at Naval and Military Establishments

of children's workshops to Naval and Military Establishments here. four times through late July and August.

years are invited to attend, free of charge, any one of the four sessions. They are scheduled for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 27-29; August 3-5; August 10-12; and August 17-19. There is a maximum of 12 children per workshop. The sessions go from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and children should take their

Establishments Program Naval and Military Labour Day.

qualified instructors.

groups of 12 children per tained by telephoning 549-Children from 10 to 12 session will allow for each 7456.

petry, military tactics, Penetanguishene town antiques. naturelore and some offices, Penetanguishene

child to become fully The Establishments is a involved in the activities. reconstruction of a 19th Since the program is century British naval being repeated four base and military times, 48 children from garrison. "Explorers" to the Penetanguishene area this historic site see life can take part. The as it was for sailors workshop is open to both isolated in the Upper girls and boys from Canada wilderness; for Penetanguishene and any families finding life in a of the surrounding military garrison Children must be who were at the registered by their Establishments during "The children will parents in advance for peaceful years. This is a participate in such things any of the sessions on a typical British outpost of

en- Supervisor Wendy Establishments, at the Budsombe. In addition end of Church Street. Be century will be the theme there will be sports and sure to ask for the "Naval recreational activities and Military Establishbe held at the Historic under the supervision of ments Children's Workshop" registration Miss Buscombe forms. Further instressed that the small formation can be ob-

agreeable and for soldiers as spinning, weaving, first come, first served the period. The more than pioneer handicrafts, basis. Registration forms 15 buildings have been sketching murals, pup- can be obtained from the furnished with period

The site is open daily 10 archaeology work," said library or at the Historic a.m. to 6 p.m. until

Indians had no corner on torture and cruelty

all articles of torture and they're all products of the often cruel and barbaric civilization of Europe. These devices were a European justice for over the inhabitants of the

centuries.

Motives for inflicting fear was warranted, for pain on individuals were the Huron and Iroquois as strange and varied as the methods used. A child of the 15th century might rivalled the methods of be hanged for breaking a the Europeans. pane of glass, or a woman burned at the stake as a reasons. A discredited general might be sealed into a barrel spiked with nails and rolled down a hill, or be placed in a basket full of wasps and stung to death.

of torture and cruelty naturally came to North New France, a 16-yearold girl was hanged for off

torture. This is in some measure due to the publication in Europe of the Jesuit Relations, yearly accounts written by the missionaries, that sometimes told bloodcurdling stories of Indian torture.

The Jesuits saw Indian cruelty and torture firsthand. Father St. Jean de Brebeuf was a victim of Iroquois wrath, and so were seven of his fellow

It was the martyring of Brebeuf in 1649 that marked the end of the mission to Huronia, and the 10-year struggle of the Jesuits to maintain the mission headquarters known as Sainte-Marie. The mission has been recreated as Sainte-Marie among the Hurons, located three miles east of Midland on Highway 12. It is open on every day this summer. It's a tranquil scene now. Costumed craftsmen perform their daily chores just as the Jesuit priests and their lay-

The wheel, the pillory, helpers did in the 1640's, prodded with brands and and with the same tools. smouldering pieces of screw, the iron collar, the They make corn-bread, bark. Then, the bones of rack, the garrote. They're cut and square-off tim- his hands were broken, ber, forge nails and door- his ears pierced with hinges-without, of course, the threat of wrists burned or severed.

Iroquois attack. But in the 1640's that prisoner was to die, a fundamental part of threat loomed heavily platform was erected isolated mission. Their had their own brand of torture that easily

But there was one witch for equally curious difference. North American Indians did not torture people in the enforcement of obscure, unfair or unnecessary laws. Their torture was symbolic. It avenged the death of fellow tribesmen in war. Still, Indian Some of these methods torture was cruel, and involved some forms of ritualistic cannibalism. To start, the prisoner's fingernails were pulled out, and his fingers cut-

Upon arrival at the Ironically, it was the village, the torture began, and could last up to six became notorious in days. He was led into Europe for their the longhouse and ingenious methods of stripped of his clothes, his hands bound together. He

now ran the gauntlet. Making his way back and forth along the length of the longhouse, he was

burning sticks and his

On the morning the outside the village. Now they began to attack his vital organs. The prisoner was made to eat pieces of his own flesh, and brands were thrust down his

throat and into his eyes. Later he was scalped and burning pitch poured over his head. When it was clear that death was imminent, his head was either cut off or broken open with a club. At the same time, the heart was cut out and his hands and feet chopped off.

If the prisoner had been particularly brave throughout this ordeal, his heart would be roasted and eaten by the young braves of the village. In this way, they hoped to acquire some of courage. The. prisoner's body was then cooked and eaten. Some ate the body with horror; others relished the taste of human flesh.

Certainly this platform torture was vicious, but it should be balanced against the barbarism of European torture, where

heretics could be gnawed by starving rats, or torn apart by raging swine.

greatest fury, did not fall overran a village, as was into drunken orgies and common when a French wholesale rape of captive army conquered The Iroquois, in their women when they European city. Obviously

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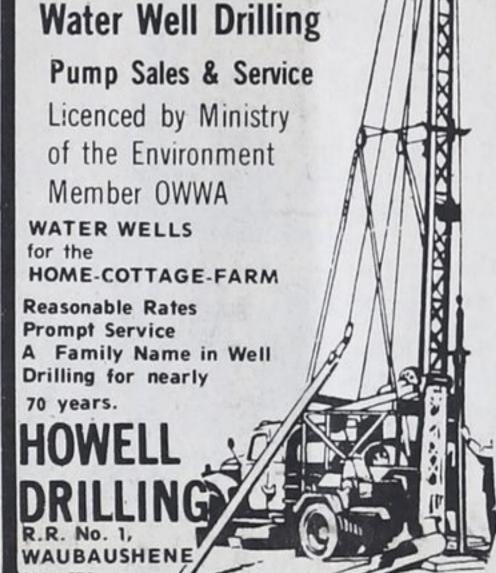


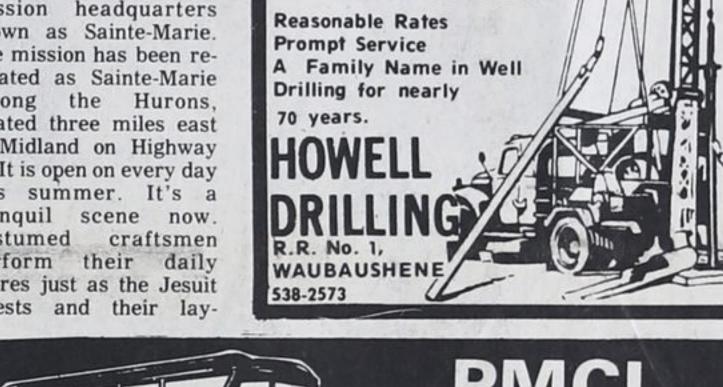
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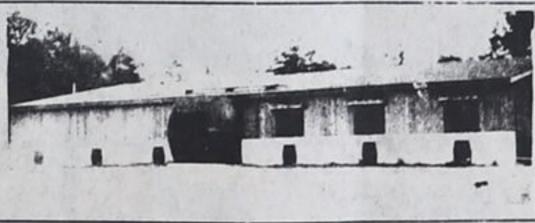
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