

# Anten Mills poet publishes book

An Anten Mills woman has done what many people only dream of doing. She has had published a collection of her favorite poems for all the world to enjoy.

Stella Muir is now a resident of Anten Mills and was a teacher by trade.

In November of last year, she had published a selection of poetry dealing with this part of the province, and has since had her book, "Country Lanes" reprinted to meet the

demand of avid fans.

Of a total of 800 copies printed, only about 150 remain to be sold. They are presently available at Elmvale's Gala Gift Shop and Crossland's Original Store.

Later this year another chapter in Stella Muir's life will be published entitled "A Touch of Gold".

Mrs. Muir supplied us with a copy of her book and here is one of the works that can be found between the covers:

## THE WILLOW CREEK

I love the Willow - it's wandering through  
Minesing Flats - and it's luring me too -  
To a pretty spot where it winds along  
Under the bridge - and on and on -  
Past the willows where sunlight streaks  
Across the beautiful Willow Creek.

Here - upon the river bank  
My thoughts are full of praise and thanks.  
It gives me joy and quiet ease

The creek - the bridge - the sun - the trees.

The past re-echoes all around ...  
And you can almost hear the sound  
Of a Huron in his birch canoe  
The dip of his paddle - passing through.  
The scent of the Willow in the air  
And all the beautiful shadows there.

I like the way it sparkles with glee.  
The Willow Creek is home to me.

# NDP economic alternatives to be outlined

Bob Rae is probably the best spokesman the NDP has ever had for its economic policy. He'll be in Barrie Nov. 29 to speak about his party's solutions for Canada's current economic problems, at the dinner and annual meeting of Simcoe South NDP.

Rae entered politics in 1978 with an impressive academic and working background. A Rhodes Scholar, with an honours degree in history from the University of Toronto, he received a graduate degree in political theory from Oxford. He

taught at the London School of Economics, Radcliffe College in Massachusetts, and the University of Toronto. He has also done community and paralegal work in England and with the United Steelworkers and the Union of Injured

Workers in Canada. Recently, he wrote his bar exams.

In October of 1978, Rae won a close by-election in Toronto's Broadview-Greenwood riding. He expanded his plurality to 3,000 votes in 1979, and was again re-elected in February,

1980. Since his appointment as NDP finance critic, Bob Rae has taken Parliament by storm. His obvious intelligence, wit, energetic performance in the house and attractiveness have quickly earned him media attention. He is

one of the few MP's who can match wits with the colourful Conservative veteran, John Crosbie. Commenting on the recent budget, Rae described Liberal plans to increase Canadian ownership of the oil and gas industry to 50 per cent by 1990, as

"meaningless" unless control was also vested in Canada. Otherwise, massive revenues will continue to flow out of the country while a few wealthy Canadians have large stock holdings. "It's the same unsuccessful phoney remedies" he said.

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