

KING CITY, OAK RIDGES LAKE WILCOX

"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest regarding people and events in the Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox and King City districts. Our news correspondent in King City is Mrs. William J. Houston, telephone Temple 3-5457; and in Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox, Mrs. Eleanor Charuk, Bayview Ave. North, phone PR. 3-5854.

King City Notes

King City looks fairly deserted these days with what seems to be the majority of residents away on holidays. With many of these the annual vacation takes the form of a camping trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buddin and Mr. and Mrs. George Black are on a two weeks' camping holiday at Burks Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hamilton and sons, Neil and Brian, are enthusiastic campers, spending part of their holiday time near Parry Sound, and at Eagle Park near North Bay.

Miss Beverley Hunter of Laskay has been at Camp Ahshunyoung, where other neighbours, Miss Margaret Cairns and Miss Betty Arbuckle, were acting as counsellors.

Mrs. Frank Marshall returned home after being at her cottage at Brock's Beach, Georgian Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wells of Clearview Gardens have been holidaying at their cottage at Wasaga. They were visited by Mrs. Wells' brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis of Heritage Park.

Picture Mementos
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis took a new collection of colored pictures during their 3,800-mile motor trip to the East Coast.

From Gananogue they travelled through Maine, New York and New Hampshire. Crossing to New Brunswick, they continued through Nova Scotia to Cape Breton Island, following the Cabot trail.

Miss Jessie Gellatly and her niece, Miss Beth Gellatly, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Curtis as far as Campbellton, New Brunswick, then returned by train.

To tour Quebec City, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis hired a guide for a two-hour view of the historic city. Going on to the Upper Canada Pioneer Village near Cornwall and Morrisburg they found a large crowd of tourists in spite of the rain.

From Cornwall they took an afternoon boat tour of that part of the St. Lawrence River, a welcome change on a sultry day from motoring. Returning home through Haliburton, they stayed with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Wynett Austin, tourist cabin owners.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis visited the Maritimes five years ago, but this was their first journey as far as Cape Breton. They thought better weather and scenery produced better pictures during their 6,000-mile trip last summer to the West Coast.

Returns To Village
After living in Durham the past two years, Miss Beth Gellatly has returned to King City to be with her aunt, Miss Jessie Gellatly, King St.

At Camp
Miss Elaine Armitage and Miss Jane Abrahams have been spending ten days as senior campers at Ahshunyoung. Jane is staying on as a junior counsellor for another ten days.

Orillia Visit
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon and their children, Bruce, Brenda and Cheryl, took a Sunday drive to Orillia to visit Mr. Ferguson's niece, Miss Hattie Nugent. Fly To Scotland

Mr. and Mrs. Ian Gilchrist left by plane for a month's stay in Edinburgh with Mr. Gilchrist's relatives. Mrs. Gilchrist is the retiring president of King City Unit, Canadian Cancer Society, after serving in that office for the past two years.

Masonic Appointment
King Township's Constable Harold Russell is the new Deputy District Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of Ontario. New officers of the Grand Lodge were entertained at a banquet attended by 1,400 Masons at the Royal York, when Right Rev. Ritchie Bell of Montreal was the speaker.

A Mason for 37 years, Mr. Russell was Master of Union Lodge for 1946 and 1949. He is a member of Aurora Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons.

Railroad Excitement
Were you awakened by the extra-noisy train that not only gave the customary two long, one short, and one long signal when approaching King City crossing from the north, but maintained a steady, accompanying whistle?

The CNR super continental had to back up slowly 30 miles to Toronto when a rain-caused washout three miles north of Bradford undermined the main track.

Bound for Vancouver, the passenger train continued its journey six hours late, re-routed to the east subdivision of the track. The next day repairs were made and trains were back on schedule.

This washout was a fraction of the one a few miles further north during Hurricane Hazel. No trains used the track along the west side of Lake Simcoe for nearly a week at that time, when the washout about four miles of Lefroy left an excavation be-

neath the suspended tracks large enough to accommodate more than a barn.

Plan New Home
Deputy-reeve and Mrs. Norman MacMurphy are planning to build a new home beside the former Presbyterian Church at Strange, near their farm "Ruunshaorine", which they have sold.

In a lumber newly-married Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kerr will be occupying the property purchased by Mr. Stanley Kerr, town-line farmer.

The farm at Strange has been owned by the MacMurphy family since the Deputy-reeve's father, Mr. Alexander MacMurphy, purchased it in 1885 from William Wells. The late Alexander MacMurphy was one-time warden of York County.

Georgian Bay
Mr. Charles Clubine and different members of the family have been vacationing at their cottage, "Clubby's Log Haven" at Woodland Beach on Georgian Bay.

One of her sons, LAC Charles Clubine, managed a holiday there from his post at Goose Bay, bringing with him slides of the Eskimos and dog teams he is accustomed to seeing.

Island Outing
Looking for a place to take the children for a day? A few of the village residents are taking advantage of the local bus service to have a day away, inspecting how the Metropolitan Parks Department invested \$14,000,000 in renovating Centre Island.

Children have a fair variety of transportation by the time they travel on a late morning bus from the intersection, transfer to a Bay St. car, and relax on the upper deck of the ferry Sam McBridge in the cooling breeze from Toronto bay.

Sunday School picnickers of a few years ago will find little resemblance in the island of today. In every direction the grounds are formally landscaped and dotted with flower beds. No sight remains of any of the former houses and streets, so that the view between central lagoon and the lake is clear, between the trees.

The bridge, repainted, is the only familiar clue to what used to be the "main drag", Manitou Road. The fire hall, refreshment stalls, rides, dance spot, restaurant and summer hotels remain only in memory.

No trace remains of the once-bustling boat livery. At that approximate spot is the smart new cafeteria with outdoor tables and umbrellas placed beside the Manitou bridge.

Part of the waterway has been re-routed to form a popular little lake for fishing, with steps all around the edge of the picturesque pool.

Tame little ducklings pause at the miniature island in the fishing area or cross to the fishermen and picnickers to eat snacks from their hands. Youngsters are having fishermen's luck, though the catch is small in length.

The farm zoo is more of a novelty for city youngsters than those from King used to seeing livestock.

On the north shore lifeguards patrol an area marked with buoys, with sections marked for the waders or older swimmers.

Picnic tables are plentiful, grouped under shade trees. In several spots are playground centres, with a variety of double-curve slides, push-around rides and jungle gyms to keep older children interested too.

There's one large, circular enclosure, formed by snow fencing, that could be used for a roomy play pen to keep toddlers out of the lagoons.

One woman told "The Liberal," "The island is a great place to take children. It's really intended for family picnics and there's no place to spend money."

No doubt there will eventually be more than the central restaurant and one counter for dispensing snacks. Good coffee and tea are available for ten cents and the restaurant offers an appetizing variety, if you don't mind the half-hour line-up for any food. When thirst strikes, you may be glad you took along your own refreshment.

To avoid the commuters' rush from the bus depot back to the village, picnickers can make a more leisurely return trip and have an extra two hours in the city by taking an evening bus to Oak Ridges.

Fire Calls
King City brigade answered two calls within the village lately. Firemen didn't have far to go to the blaze of rubbish burning in the foundation of a cellar for a new home on Elizabeth Grove, beside the fire hall. A neighbour, placing the alarm, noticed the fire after children had been playing at the site.

A call to North Keele St. proved to be a false alarm after the brigade found Mr. Art Brown's house had smoke, but no uncontrolled fire.

Bridal Shower
Miss Janet Buddin of Laskay was hostess to relatives and neighbours at a miscellaneous shower in honor of her future sister-in-law, Miss Jean Taylor of Richmond Hill will become the bride of Mr. Frank Buddin in Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church on August 19.

Pink and white twisted streamers decorated the party room, leading from ceiling to the big arm chair where the bride-to-be opened her many gifts.

Miss Buddin, who will attend her as maid of honor read the greeting cards and at intervals pink and white balloons burst to honor confetti on the guest of honor.

Among the many well-wishers present were Mrs. Ross Morgan, Mrs. George Black, Mrs. A. H. Loucks, Mrs. Norman Etheridge, Mrs. R. H. Franklin and her sister; Mrs. L. J. Dennett, Miss Mary Dennett, Mrs. John Taylor, Mrs. Robert Arbuckle, Miss Betty Arbuckle, Mrs. Whitley Finch, Miss Margaret Finch, Miss Helen Hunter, Miss Vera Hunter, Mrs. Marvin Hunter, Mrs. Earle Lowe, Mrs. Effie Bath, Mrs. Walter Monkman, Mrs. Alfred Gillham, Mrs. Clyde Cairns, Miss Beth Cairns, Miss Margaret Cairns, Miss Linda Cairns, Mrs. F. Taylor and Miss Marjory McMurchy.

Several parties have already been given for Miss Taylor, including a surprise party by fellow employees of Consumers' Gas Company in Toronto, showers by her attendants and an evening party in Toronto attended by relatives.

Relatives Visit
Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Campbell of North Keele St. were visited by Mrs. Campbell's sister, Mrs. George Gerrard, with Miss Dorothy Heather Gerrard and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Steskic from Winnipeg, Manitoba, who stayed in the village a week-end.

Current guest of the Campbells is Mrs. Campbell's brother, Mr. Alexander Gerrard, from Victoria, B.C., who is being entertained by friends during his three weeks stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis gave a supper party for Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and Mr. Gerrard.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wallas arranged a day's outing, driving Mr. Gerrard and Mr. and Mrs. Campbell to Niagara Falls to picnic and see the illumination.

The three went on a jaunt to Alliston to visit Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riddell, who formerly farmed at the Vaughan-King town-line.

Visit Scotland
Mr. and Mrs. James Lowdon of Dennison Road are on a three weeks' vacation in Scotland, where they are visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Lowdon Sr. in Ayr. The parents had a year's stay in King City about three years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowdon are travelling both ways by plane.

Fly To Scottish Home
Originally from Montrose before they moved to King City, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Knight took a plane trip to Montrose, Scotland, where they plan to stay three weeks before flying home.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dennett of Laskay, whose new son arrived at York County Hospital.

9th Sunrise Tour Draws 200 People To Farms In York
Over two hundred farmers turned out for the ninth York County Sunrise Tour this year. The tour took in several crop demonstrations in the northern part of York, with some of the newest cropping methods on display. The performance of Russell oats was noted particularly at the Oliver Bales farm near Newmarket. This new variety compared very well with Garry and Rodney, and is expected to outyield them slightly. Herta barley, although later, also looked good in the barley tests, with its outstanding straw strength.

A new haying machine, featuring a ten-foot mower, conditioner and swather combined, and self propelled, attracted the interest of the group as it was seen in operation on Harry Walker's farm.

Weed killers for corn was the main item at Cecil Mortson's farm near Queensville. Six different methods were used in his corn field and Atrazine sprayed on the crop, just after it came up, seemed to be doing the best job. Atrazine at planting time both as a spray and in the granular form also kept the weeds down satisfactorily.

Different fertilizers on a field of oats were compared at Bill Seller's farm at Sutton. The plots that had been fertilized according to a soil test with only 150 lbs. of 16-20-0 looked just as good as others where the rate was much higher. Profit on the crop where the soil test was used is also expected to be higher. The Sellers' farm also featured a very large dairy barn with some of the newest labour saving devices in use. A mechanical silo unloader got a lot of attention from farmers whose strength and endurance is put to the test every day of the winter taking out frozen silage.

Farm safety devices were also demonstrated at this farm, with some of the most common hazards, heat lamps, dust explosions, gasoline explosions and tractor upsets being included.

Lunch at Sibbald's Point park was followed by a visit to the newly developed Marsh vegetable growing area south of Keswick. C. C. Filman, vegetable specialist, and Glen Henderson of Federal Farms Ltd. described how the land had been brought into production, and the technique used to grow hundreds of acres of carrots, potatoes, lettuce and onions.

"Finger Painting" At Lake Wilcox Playground



The young fellow at the right looks as if he's a bit dubious about getting paint all over his hands — a somewhat unusual attitude for one of his apparent age. The trio of youngsters are being supervised by Marilyn Hall, daughter of the principal of Lake Wilcox Public School, as they engaged in summer playground activities sponsored by Lake

Wilcox Recreation Committee. "Finger painting" is the technical name for the occupation the kiddies are engaged in. From the left are seen Robin Plourde, Miss Hall, Gale Lacey, Gary Plourde. Other leaders at the recreation activities were Jade Seaton, who has gone to Mexico, and Susan Troyer, who has taken her place. — Photo by Lagerquist

Maple, King, Lads Win 4-H Honours

4-H Club members from this area have gained prominence in recent days. Tom Clapp, King City, has been chosen as York County's nominee for National 4-H Club Week. He has been an active member of Woodbridge Calf Club and Vellore Junior Farmers. Last year he was a member of the winning 4-H Dairy Judging team at the provincial 4-H inter-club competitions in Guelph. He will attend the 4-H Leadership Training School at the O.A.C. in Guelph. Eighteen years old, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clapp, Fraserdale Farm.

Bob Robson, Shur-Gain Farm, Maple, has been selected as a candidate for the Canadian National Exhibition scholarship for 1961. He has been active in the 4-H Calf Club at Woodbridge and in Vellore Junior Farmers.

He completed grade 13 at Richmond Hill High School this year and plans to attend O.A.C., at Guelph. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Robson, Maple.

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Oak Ridges, Lake Wilcox Socials

First of all I would like to thank Mrs. Betty Orton for taking over for me last week while we were on a brief holiday. We spent four days in the Detroit district and one of the highlights of the trip was the conducted tour of the Ford plant, where we saw how a new car is made. The rest of our holiday was spent at home working on the house, repairing the damage caused by the fire.

About People
Mr. and Mrs. Stan McComb of the South Road, Oak Ridges, are home after their holidays. Mrs. McComb spent two weeks in England and then joined her family in the North Bay district for a third week.

Mrs. J. Moore of the North Road, Lake Wilcox, was guest of honour recently when about eighteen persons gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Confort to shower her with baby gifts. She expects her thirteenth baby shortly and this was the first shower she has ever had.

Brian Horton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Killick, Bayview Avenue, Lake Wilcox, spent the weekend at a summer cottage in the Georgian Bay District, enjoying the fishing, with his step-sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Kornetz.

"Butch" Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, formerly of Newman Avenue, Lake Wilcox, now living in Richmond Hill, is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Osborne and family of Bayview Avenue, Lake Wilcox, while his mother is in the Big Red, Michigan, visiting her ailing father, Mr. James Butler. The eighty-seven year old gentleman, better known to local residents as "Gramps," has been hospitalized with a digestive disorder.

Carol Orton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Orton, Aubrey Avenue, Oak Ridges, spent a long weekend as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kilpatrick at their summer cottage near Barrie.

The Legion Peeewe baseball team played to a two all draw

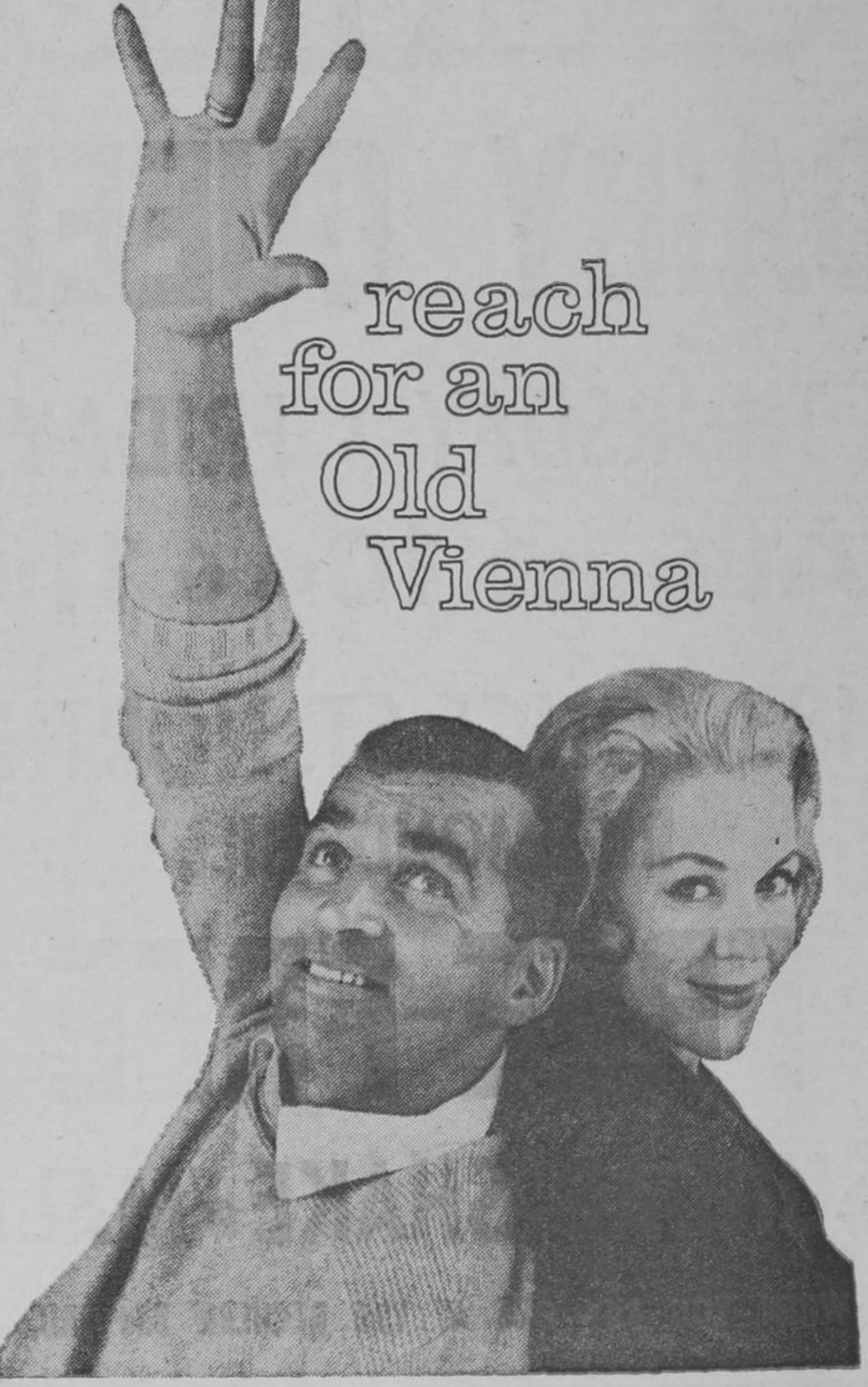


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