

## HORSE BITS

With Lola Wood



This poem is credited to anonymous. Probably passed on by word of mouth but there are a lot of truths contained in it.

### The Prayer of a Horse

To thee, my master, I offer my prayer;

Water, me, feed and care for me and when the day's work is done, provide me with shelter, a clean dry bed and a stall wide enough for me to lie down in comfort.

Talk to me. Your voice often means as much to me as the reins. Pet me sometimes, that I may serve you more gladly and learn to love you.

Do not jerk the reins and do not whip me when going uphill. Never strike, beat or kick me when I do not understand what you mean, but give me a chance to understand you. Watch me and if I fail to do your bidding see if something is not wrong with my harness or feet.

Examine my teeth when I do not eat. I may have an ulcerated tooth and that, you know, is very painful. Do not tie my head in an unnatural position, or take away my best defense against flies and mosquitoes by cutting off my tail.

And finally, oh my master, when my useful strength is gone, do not turn me out to starve or freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner to starve to death, but do thou, my master, take my life in the kindest way and your God will reward you and hereafter. You may not consider me irreverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a stable.

Anon

Congratulations to Krista MacLaren on the purchase of her quarter horse gelding, Mama's Late Ace. The MacLaren's bought him from Zande Sharpe of Meadowbrook Quarter Horses in Sarsfield. A beautiful little horse.

And of course, Pinetree Stables is the proud owner of Krista's pony, Redwing. Already she's wrecked the tackroom door. A Bionic Pony?

John's Quarry

Because I do not wish to be

responsible for accidents, I am closing the quarry to the public. Parents are advised to warn their children. Lola Wood.

Russell Reinsmen

Russell Reinsmen enjoyed a lively meeting recently. Bruce Haperton explained training methods for standard bred.

Both attendance and participation at recent meetings was described as encouraging. Russell Reinsmen will be meeting March 4 and all members are urged to attend.

## Library News

From Carol Parker

There will be another film at Greely Public Library on Saturday February 23rd from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The film is a Laurel and Hardy classic called March of the Wooden Soldiers and is suitable for all ages.

Books recommended for this month: Shadow of the Moon by M.M. Kaye, and Now God be Thanked-by John Masters.

For children: The Canal Children by Brian Wright, Child of Ebenezer by Angela Bull, Samson's Hoard by John Verney.

Remember books can be borrowed through the Inter-Library Loan service of the Eastern Ontario Library System—ask your librarian.

We urgently need volunteers for two or three hours each Saturday—please call the librarian Mrs. C. Parker, 821-3313 if you have time to spare.

### A million plus

Osgoode Township in the calendar year 1980 spent \$1,176,716 on road construction and maintenance.

## Visiting

With Dorothy Marquette

Mrs. Paul Parlee of Powassan, Ont. was a weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cheery.

Following the Baptism of their infant grandson, Christopher Rowan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hay, in Russell United Church, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hay entertained to dinner Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rowan, Mrs. Robert Crothers, Patrick, Kevin, Kelly and Colleen of Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wilson of Osgoode, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gamble, Mr. James Gamble, the Misses Dorothy and Florence Marquette. Christopher wore the Christening dress worn by his great grandmother Boyd at her Baptism eight-five years ago.

Miss Mary Boyle and Mrs. Emerson Fallis of Ottawa spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Wade.

Mrs. F. Guerin, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Johnston and Trevor of Ottawa were weekend guests of Mrs. John Twiname.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Craig and Mel jr. of Dunrobin visited Mr. and Mrs. Hubert MacDonald.

Mrs. William Carscadden visited her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pritchard and girls.

Mr. Glendon Loucks, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Parry, Gwyneth and David of Ottawa were dinner guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Loucks.

Dr. and Mrs. Donald Gamble of Maxville visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. William Williams and Kimberly of South Mountain were guests of the Misses Florence and Dorothy Marquette.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Loucks visited the latter's sister Mr. and Mrs. Donald Runions of Morewood.

Mrs. Cecil Arbuthnot of Morewood was a dinner guest of Mrs. Donald McLaren.

Mrs. Lyle Henderson of Brockville spent a weekend with

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hitsman.

The family of Mrs. Charles Hitsman held a party in her honour to celebrate her 85th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Carscadden and daughters of Ottawa, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Morrow of Manotick were dinner guests of Mrs. William Carscadden.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kinkaid have returned home from a month's vacation at Daytona Beach.

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## Corporation of the Township of Russell

# NOTICE

Public meetings will be held by the Planning Board of the Township of Russell to present the proposed modifications to the Official Plan of the said Township.

One meeting will be held on February the 20th 1980, at 19:30 at the Russell Arena.

A second meeting will be held on February the 21st 1980, at 19:30 hrs. at the Centre Récréatif in Embrun.

## Municipalite du Canton de Russell

# AVIS

Soyez avisé(e) que la Commission d'Urbanisme de la Municipalité de Russell présentera au publique les modifications proposées au plan directeur de la dite municipalité.

Toutes personnes intéressées doivent se rendre au Centre Récréatif d'Embrun le 21 février, 1980 à 19:30 hrs ou a la salle de l'Arena du Village de Russell le 20 février 1980 à 19:30 hrs.