



REG. BAILEY PRESENTS A GIFT TO MR. AND MRS. J. D. BRYSON

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## 65TH ANNIVERSARY

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**SCHREIBER** — An old-fashioned social evening was held to mark the 65th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. (Jimmy) Bryson, Schreiber.

The tone of the evening was set by the appearance of Jimmy, sitting in his cherished rocking chair with Mrs. Bryson, completely enjoying the good wishes of the many old and young friends attending.

The event began with a family dinner, held in the Anglican Church Hall, attended by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bryson, sons Jimmy, Bobby and Ricky, and Rodney of Terrace Bay, with his wife, son and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Georges Legault (nee Lillie Bryson) of Montreal. Another grandson, David Legault and his wife, of Kingston, were unable to attend. Also attending were Rev. Arthur Chabot and Mrs. Chabot of Marathon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryson were married in Gateshead on Tyne, in England, residing in Schreiber since 1911. Both were gifted musically, Mrs. Bryson as a pianist, and Mr. Bryson

with a high tenor voice which for many years was the backstay of the Anglican Church choir. On countless occasions they were the stars of local programs.

In addition, Mrs. Bryson taught piano, played for dances and is still the musician for Ruby Brebekah Lodge.

Reg Bailey, on behalf of friends, presented a quaint Christmas scene, with carefully folded bills forming the many shrubs, and inside a miniature organ a music box playing Christmas carols. He paid tribute to the contribution the Bryson's had made with their music, as wonderful hosts, and to the affairs of their church. Many other personal gifts were received.

Mesdames Jack Bryson, Georges Legault, and Rodney Bryson, the hostesses were assisted by Mesdames Reg Bailey, Norman Glad, Fred Harness, Geoff Birch, Ralph Morrill, George Birch, Cyril Sparkes and D. Q. Hamilton.

Laura Jane Reynolds was in charge of the guest register.

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## Americans Even Taking Over Our Credit Lists

Everybody appreciates credit these days. With it, many who might never have the cash to do so are enjoying life's conveniences at a time when they can most appreciate them. Credit is essential, but when it involves the storing of names of individuals in secret international files the time has come for a closer look at what is going on.

The Retail Credit Co. of Atlanta, Georgia, in recent weeks acquired six more Canadian credit bureaus. It now has a country-wide chain. Past performances have shown that by storing information in computers, and by maintaining these computers in the home office, it is possible for information on Canadians to become tied in with United States data banks. This information could be used for as yet unthinkable but — who knows? — potentially dangerous purposes.

This most recent takeover by American purchasers brought little recognition or action from either the federal or provincial governments. The former government of Ontario last spring introduced legislation to regulate credit bureaus, but even this effort was allowed to go by the boards with the change of leadership and the fall election. It is one item that should be revived under the new

regime.

Not all credit bureaus are the same, of course, but there have been reports from time to time when individuals have been harmed. These tell of secret investigations, inaccurate information stored in data banks, withholding the right to correct information from the people affected. These are bad enough but when the information becomes international then governments have a responsibility.

That no government has yet acted in this area of takeovers appears to be another move toward deflating the Canadian dream of sovereignty, even though we claim to be fighting toward greater control of our own affairs. The Manitoba government is the only one in Canada which has taken any initiative by passing laws regulating credit bureaus and protecting the individual. The whole picture needs some review.

In the case of foreign ownership, it would seem that steps are long overdue to assure that Canadians keep control of their own credit bureaus. There is no reason that the information they keep on file can not be stored in Canada and certainly that information should be gathered and kept in a manner acceptable to the people.