

TODAY'S CHILD

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Donald looks wistful and no wonder. In his eight years, this young lad has suffered rejection more than once, so he must often wonder, when he meets people, what their attitude will be. Because Donald really wants to belong to a family, he is enthusiastic about the idea of adoption. But he is anxious too. Will any people want me? And if they do, will they keep on wanting me? For Donald's sake let us hope for warmly affirmative answers to both questions very soon.

Donald is a pleasant, friendly boy doing well in school. He speaks clearly, expresses himself well and is a good reader. He is not so good at writing and drawing though he is improving.

His teacher says he has good potential.

Anglo-Saxon in descent, Donald is small in stature with blue eyes, light brown hair and fair skin. His smile shows deep dimples. He wears glasses for near-sightedness. Donald is strong and healthy, a recently discovered heart murmur having been diagnosed as not significant.

This good-natured, kind youngster is always willing to help anybody. His foster parents say he is mischievous but only in a normal eight-year-old way and is easily disciplined. He gets on well with children and with adults too once he feels he knows them.

Donald needs a mother and father who will welcome him and love him and help him learn that family relationships can last. It is especially important that the adopting father values family activities and wants to spend a lot of time with his son.

To inquire about adopting Donald, please write to Today's Child, Ministry of Community and Social Services, Box 888, Station K, Toronto M4P 2H2. For general adoption information, please contact your local Children's Aid Society.



HE DOES WELL IN SCHOOL

SCHREIBER TOWN TOPICS

Mr. and Mrs. Terry O'Connor of Calgary, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Ball of Geraldton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Sparkes, while visiting with numerous relations in the Birch families in town.

Mrs. John Didych of Thunder Bay is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Fischer - her daughter Florence, also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fischer - her daughter Zonie.

Mrs. Doris Vallant of Thunder Bay is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B.E. Tilbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gilmour have returned home after visiting Allan's parents in Almonte Ontario.

Visiting with Mrs. Leslie Comeau are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Potvin and family of Windsor, bringing home Leslie Comeau who had been holidaying with them; also Miss Linda Comeau of Ottawa. They also visited with Mrs. Alice Potvin and other relations.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Morgan of Manitouwadge spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Art Huard taking Miss Myrna McCuaig home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cataford and family of Sarnia are visiting Mrs. George Cataford and Mrs. Gino Caccamo.

Miss Ora Mae Harness of Sault Ste. Marie is visiting her parents bringing with her, her niece Kristine Stortini.

M.J. McGrath and Mrs. John Power were in Killaloe on July 9th to attend the funeral of their mother Mrs. Catherine McGrath - accompanied by Mr. Power and Mrs. McGrath.

Presenting visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Power are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Giroux of Bay Ridges, Ontario en route from the west coast.

Stratford photographer, Douglas Spillane received an award last week at the annual convention of the Professional Photographers of Canada. Mr. Spillane was named a craftsman in the photographic arts, the second highest award presented by the PPOC for excellence in photography and for service to the organization. He received a silver shield and a medallion in connection with the award. Only two other photographers in Western Ontario have received this award. Mr. Spillane is a native of Schreiber, who is almost as proud of his award as his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Spillane, who have just returned after visiting continued page I4