

Rideau Lakes Union LIBRARY

The Board received a beautiful selection of Canadian writings from Mr. & Mrs. Wm. C. Hurt of Maryland, U.S.A.

The books have been donated to the Library in memory of Mrs. Hurt's father, John S. Lennox who was bron in Elgin in 1887. Mr. Lennox' grandfather was the Rev. Nathan Howard, a minister at Elgin United Church around the 1850's.

The Library Board was most pleased to accept this gift and are sure their many patrons will enjoy the excellent selection of books.

ROBSON EXHIBIT

Down through the ages many skilled crafts people have worked long hours at the potter's wheel to produce useful objects necessary for everyday living as well as refined pieces of beautiful artistry.

Now at the Elgin Branch of the Rideau Lakes Union Public Library is an exhibit of pottery by Jan Robson which combines both these goals.

Jan Robson began her work in clay in 1974 following study at the Banff School of Fine Arts. Initially working in stoneware, she has made the transition to porcelain as part of the continuing refinement of her work.

As a pottery instructor for St. Lawrence College, the Gananoque Arts and Crafts Guild and the Kingston Potter's Guild as well as a participant in numerous Southern Ontario art shows, Ms. Robson is receiving increasing recognition for her work. She currently works in her studio at her home near Elgin, Ontario.

Two special decorative techniques should be noted when viewing her exhibit at the Elgin Library. In the marbled pieces, colouring metal oxides, such as cobalt or copper have been added to a portion of the clay, while underglaze pencil designs are drawn on the surface of the bisque pot. These pencils contain colouring oxides and allow the potter fine control of their application on the smooth surface.

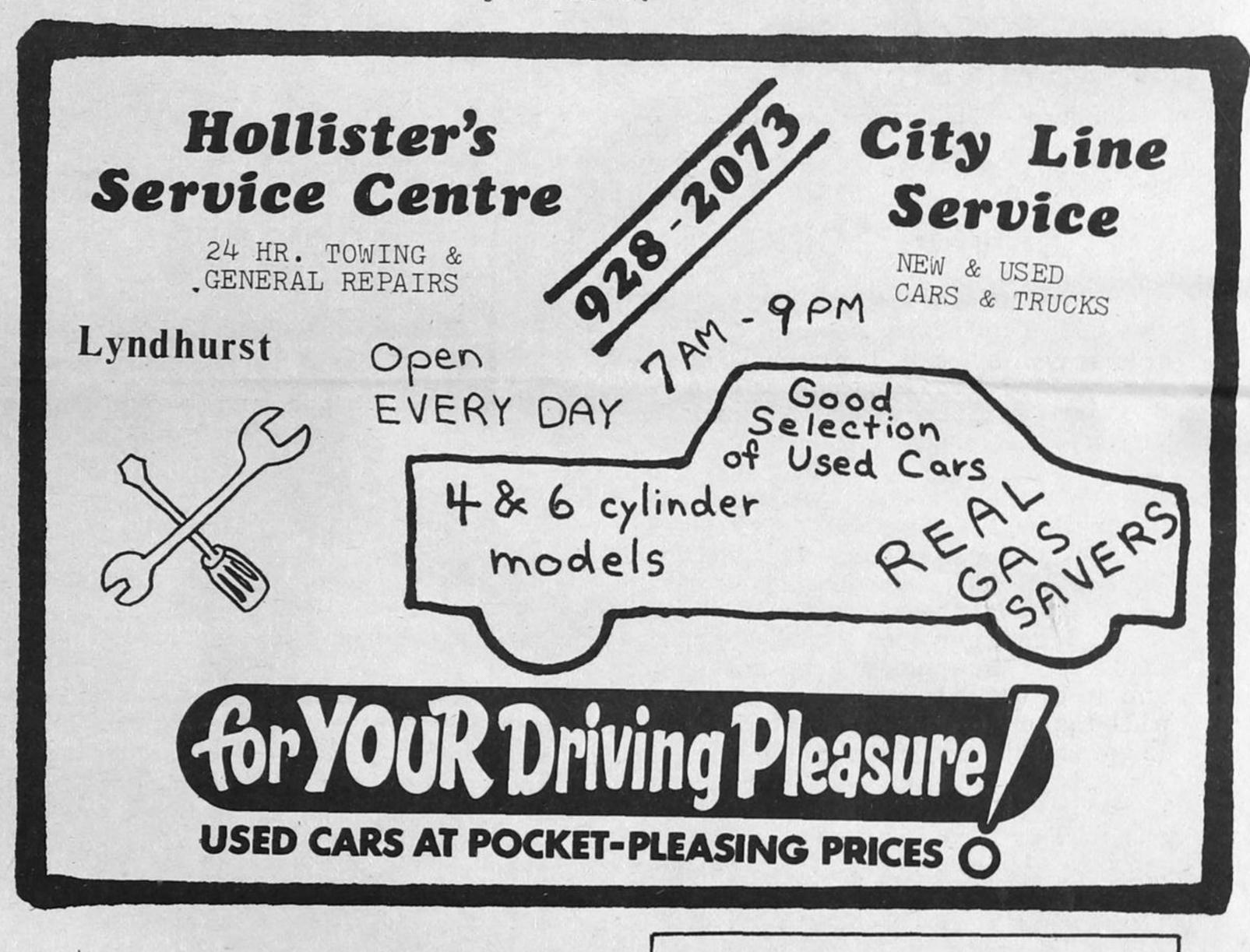
Jan Robson's pottery display is currently on loan to the Eastern Ontario Library System for a 1980-81 tour of member public libraries.

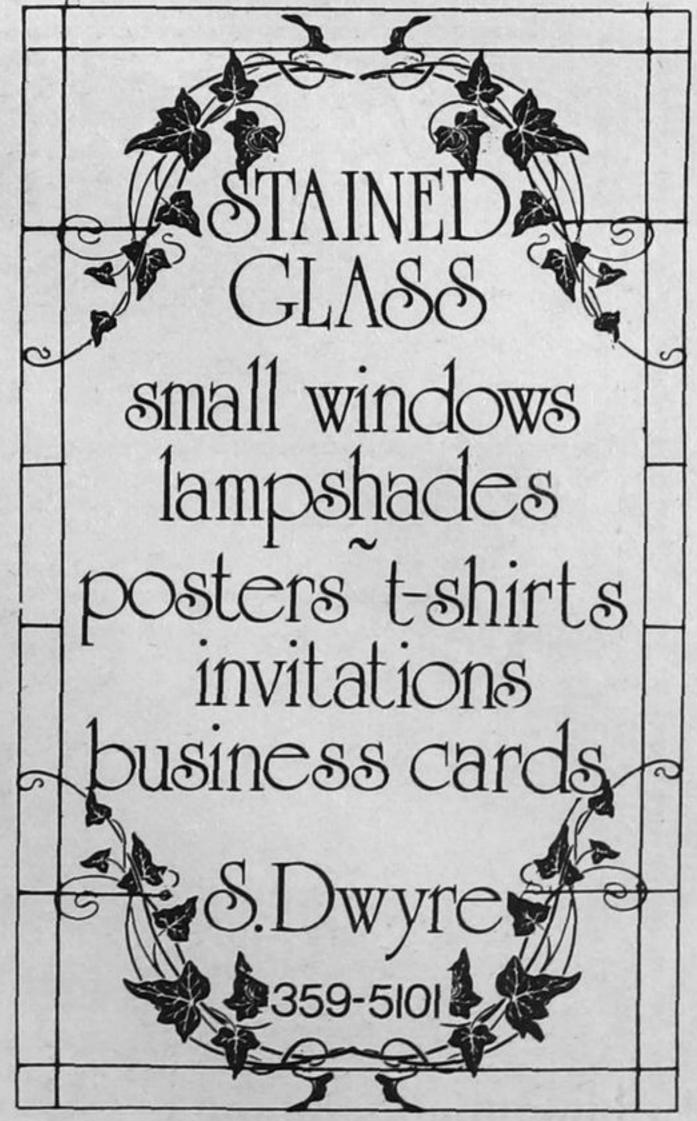
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