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Relocation of Millbrook Library Proposed

By Celia Hunter

Cavan Reeve Vic Norman gave an enthusiastic presentation on the relocation of the Millbrook Library to the Old Millbrook School at the January 7 meeting of Millbrook Council. As outgoing chairman of the Library Board, Norman heartily endorsed the proposal to move the crowded facility to more spacious premises at the newly purchased community building.

At present, the library is limited to a 600 square foot area on King Street. The building is made available as a library free of charge, except for heating costs which amount to approximately \$1,000 per year. The furnace is currently in need of repair, according to librarian Margot Loucks. On at least one occasion recently, there has been no heat in the building.

The proposal put to the Library Board by the Friends of the Old Millbrook School offers 900 square feet of space at an all-inclusive rental cost of \$3,000 per year. The terms of the rental contract, states Fran Fearnley of the Friends of the Old Millbrook School, could be "as long-term as the Board wishes - 25 years if they want - and with whatever security features

they felt were appropriate."

Miss Fearnley stressed in a later interview that "the school is not owned by the Board of Directors, but by the Corporation (of the Millbrook Cavan Community Heritage Fund), which is a registered non-profit community organization. Grants are being awarded on that basis. For example, the grant from the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture to purchase the school would have to be reimbursed if it were sold within 25 years, and funds from its sale would have to go back into a community project."

In his presentation, Vic Norman pointed out that an improvement in service is the only reason for consideration of the move. He went on to describe the increase in space available, allowing for a reading area and room to accommodate arts and crafts projects, the availability of parking and washroom facilities, and the possibility of having access to a computer which the 'Friends' plan to purchase for use by both their own group and by all other community groups located at the School.

Millbrook librarian Margot Loucks reported that results of a mini sur-

vey showed overwhelming support for the move. In response to concern raised that Senior citizens would find the Old School difficult to get to, inquiries showed, reported Loucks, that most Seniors drove or were driven to the library, and it therefore made no difference where the facility was located. She pointed out that library circulation has increased by 50 percent over the past four years, and that present facilities are cramped.

Reeve Vic Norman concluded his presentation by reminding Council that the Old Millbrook School had been purchased to be a focal point in the community, and that moving the library would enhance the School in that role. Miss Fearnley of the 'Friends' echoed Norman's comments later by stating that "the library's presence in the building would help to focus the project and make the school more eligible for grants. It will also make the tangible statement that this is a community project. It seems that two worthwhile organizations - the Library Board and the Friends - stand to gain from its relocation."

Millbrook Council is presently reviewing the proposal.



Photo by Phil Winslow

Brian Greer of Cavan Blazers is checked by former NHL defenseman John Miszuk.

NHL Night Huge Success

The Toronto NHL Oldtimers Hockey Club treated three local Oldtimer hockey clubs - the Millbrook Oldtimers, Millbrook Superbees, and the Cavan Blazers, to a rare and highly entertaining lesson in how to play the game at the Millbrook-Cavan-South Monaghan Community Centre on January 11.

The game was a sell-out with proceeds marked for a proposed Reserve Fund for the Arena. The evening was organized by Arena Manager, Bill Wells.

NHL Oldtimers on hand included Hockey Hall of Famers Andy Bathgate and Norm Ullman, and two players from Team Canada '72

which defeated the Soviets; Rod Seiling and Paul Henderson. Other colourful players rounding out the team were Rene Robert, Ron Ellis, Dean Prentice and Bobby Lalonde.

The former professional players at times put on a demonstration of puck control worthy of the Harlem Globetrotters on ice. Hockey was interrupted by bouts of clowning when NHLers doused the opposition with water, and veteran referee Bill Friday called a penalty taken by the Superbees from centre ice with a pint-size hockey stick into a knee-high net. Centre Bob Wylie was equal to the task - a goal for the home team!

Throughout the evening, Andy Bathgate was chief clown, entertaining the crowd of 500 who might otherwise have grown listless at the failure of the home teams to get on track. Displays of NHL calibre play stood out amid the antics, with fast skating, passing and puck control by the NHL players highlighting the three periods of play. Commented one player after the game, "For about 50 aging local guys who still love to play hockey, it was a rare experience. Having 53 year old Dean Prentice blow by you on defence is a humbling experience, although good humour prevailed at all times."

Between periods, players from Minor League teams took breakaway shots from the centre line on NHL goaltender Peter McDuffe.

Several draws took place during the evening. Henry Hogendoorn of R.R.3, Millbrook won a gas barbecue, and Max Manley was the winner of the 50/50 Draw.

Volunteer help by a variety of local groups and individuals contributed to the success of the evening: the Edgerton Oilers Hockey Club provided security, Millbrook Figure Skating Club sold tickets, and enthusiastic assistance came from all the hockey players who participated and supplied donations, John Eadie and Company, the Arena Staff, and Fred Comrie.

The deficit at the Community Arena has been reduced to \$22,057.77 as of December 31, 1985, down from \$34,686.92 in November.



Photo by June Buettner

South Monaghan Council Members. (from left) Hugh Bothwell, Bill Jones, Reeve Anna Whittington, Malcolm Sver. and Mark Grove.

South Monaghan Township Honours Retiring Reeve

The Inaugural Meeting of Council for the Township of South Monaghan was held in the Council Chambers on Monday evening, December 2, 1985.

Deputy Clerk, June Buettner, welcomed

almost thirty members of the community who braved the wild weather conditions to attend this ceremony. After the Declaration of Office was read and the incoming members of Council had sworn their oath of

allegiance, they took their places: Reeve - Anna Whittington, Deputy-Reeve - Bill Jones, Councillors Malcolm Syer, Hugh Bothwell and Mark Grove will hold their various offices for the next three years.

Reeve, Anna Whittington, introduced the Rev. Stuart MacDonald, Minister of Centreville Presbyterian Church, who after a short Bible reading gave a brief address, then led the people in prayer for the Council. Mrs. Whittington then introduced Hon John Turner, M.P.P., who brought greetings from the Provincial Government and presented a plaque signed by the Premier of Ontario, to retiring Reeve, George Dean, to commemorate 31 years of service in municipal life.

Mrs. Whittington then introduced former Councillor, Gerald Anderson, who presented a plaque with a gavel to Mr. Dean, with the thanks of the Township for all the dedicated service given so willingly to the Township

and the surrounding community. Between them, Mr. Dean and Mr. Anderson had a fund of amusing anecdotes to tell about all the years they had served together. Councillor Malcolm Syer then presented a plaque to Mr. Anderson thanking him for over 16 years of service. Reeve Whittington presented Township pins to Mr. & Mrs. Percy Bothwell, who retired recently after over 50 years as mail carriers from the Fraserville Post Office, which serves the northern part of the Township.

Reeve Whittington thanked all who had attended and invited everyone to stay for refreshments and an informal visit with friends and to meet the incoming Council.

Brian Bulger Heads Chamber of Commerce

The December meeting of the Millbrook and District Chamber of Commerce was held at the Cavan Municipal Hall in Millbrook on Wednesday, December 18 with 20 members present.

The election of officers was conducted by the President, Patrick Conlon with the following being the elected executive for 1986: President - Brian Bulger; Vice-President - John Lyons; Secretary - Edith Heaton; Treasurer - Larry Keates. Advisory Committee members are Bent Reinert, Walter

Dyer, Patrick Conlon, Jim McMaster, Isobel McCoy and David Tong.

A Testimonial Dinner in honour of Arthur Manley and Lavern Gibson is being arranged by the Chamber of Commerce to be held on Saturday, February 8 commencing at 6:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall in Millbrook. The dinner will be followed by a dance. The cost per person is \$12.00 and tickets may be purchased from Brian Bulger at the Bulger Insurance Office.

A Wine and Cheese

Party will be held on Wednesday, January 29 at Frankie's Restaurant in Millbrook beginning at 7:30 p.m. Members and those interested in the Chamber of Commerce are invited to attend.

The winners in the Christmas House Decoration Contest were - 1st prize - Mr. & Mrs. Lavern Gibson of 78 King Street East, Millbrook, and 2nd prize - Mr. & Mrs. Mogens Olsen of R.R.1, Fraserville, who received prizes of Gift Certificates for use at any local business in the area.

The outgoing President of the Chamber of Commerce, Patrick Conlon, gave his Annual Report to the Membership pointing out that 1985 had been a good year with strong signs of healthy growth.

date a fridge, stove, couch, easy chair, crib, and change table have been acquired for the Centre.

Support is coming from many different groups and organizations in the community. The Millbrook and District Chamber of Commerce has pledged half the proceeds from their annual fund-raising party this month. St. Andrew's United Church Sunday School donated money for toys at their White Gift collection in December. In addition, the Cavan Women's Institute are pledging funds for the purchase of equipment, and both Millbrook and Cavan Councils have expressed an interest in the project.

Please remember us if you are cleaning out your toy box, book shelves, attics or basements, or if you're moving and want to discard anything. We still need furniture such as tables, chairs, couches, shelves and carpets, as well as kitchen equipment - kettle, cups, glasses, spoons, and a coffee maker. Office equipment would also be appreciated, as we will need a desk, filing cabinet and typewriter.

We are certainly encouraged by the positive response to this project, and with your support we hope to see the Centre running by April. For further information or pick-up, call Nancy Robinson, 932-2634.

Firefighters' Grocery Draw Is A Winner

By Ron Richards

Winners in the December 14 Christmas Grocery Draw were Art Trick of Millbrook; \$250., J. Harding of Peterborough; \$150. and Paul White also of Peterborough; \$100.

The draw, sponsored jointly by Calhoun's Foods, Millbrook and the Millbrook Cavan Firefighters Association is a prime example of what a community can do when it pulls together.

The initial leadership and support of Didi Calhoun got the ball rolling, and soon ten businesses and thirty firemen were busy making

the tickets available to you, our friends and neighbours.

Many thanks go out to Didi Calhoun Condon of Calhoun's I.G.A., Clarke's Esso, Stop and Go, Country Corner Restaurant, Millbrook Deli, Royal Canadian Legion, Millbrook Pharmacy, Williams Shell, Cavan Store, Millbrook Billiards, and Family Af'Hair.

The newest equipment to be installed on our firefighting apparatus will be very bright lights to illuminate accident scenes at night, as well as radio communication equipment.

Chamber To Honour Two Retiring Businessmen at Dinner and Dance

By Brian Bulger

The Millbrook and District Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Retirement Dinner and Dance for both Art Manley and Lavern Gibson on Saturday February 8 in the Millbrook Legion Hall.

Two hundred tickets have been printed and will be sold at the price of \$12 each. The tickets can be obtained from any Chamber of Commerce member or by phoning 932-2734 and 932-2997 during the day.

The evening's festivities will commence at 6:30 p.m. with an open bar and will end at 1:00 a.m. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and a short speech and presentations will

follow at approximately 8:00 p.m. A dance will follow with music provided by a D.J. and the bar will remain open until closing.

Art and Lavern have been in business in Millbrook for a combined total of 50 years, given their time and services for numerous functions as members of different local organizations and are well known throughout the Township.

Come on out and join us in giving these two fine gentlemen a proper farewell and to thank them too for the many years of great service they have provided us with. Their local businesses will be very much missed by all.

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Response Is Positive for Resource Centre

By Nancy Robinson

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LACAC Proposes Co-operation With Historical Society

By Doris Ingham

This year the Millbrook-Cavan Historical Society held their Christmas party in the old Millbrook Public School. A large room on the ground floor had been decorated for them in the Christmas motif and was offered to them at an introductory price of just \$25. The society is considering renting a smaller room on the second floor for regular meetings. One of the advantages would be ample space for parking.

The evening started out as the usual Christmas party. Served buffet style from a long table filled with trays of cheese and crackers in great variety, with fancy squares, tea, coffee and punch, the guests served themselves. It was not all partying, however; there was an interesting program.

Dorothy Stevens, the president, who was in charge, introduced two speakers, George Raab and Roly Hurley from LACAC. They came to explain the work of their committee and to promote better understanding between them and the Historical Society since in many cases their aims were similar. They stressed that they wished to restore typical buildings whether they were simple cottages or residences of the more affluent. One of their aims is to have one whole section of the main street designated of historic interest as has been done in Elmira and Pembroke.

LACAC hopes to hold a Heritage Day some time in February when they would give recognition to persons who had assisted

them in their work. They wondered if the society might not like to join in by honoring such people as their past presidents.

For their Heritage Day they plan to have wide coverage on TV, radio and in the press.

Dorothy Stevens announced that there would be an executive meeting on January 7 in her home commencing at 9 a.m.

Mrs. Joyce Paton, an antique dealer in Bailieboro, recently explained how she happened to have old record books from Needler's Mill. They were in a lot of goods she bought from a dealer in Bridgenorth, but she had no idea of their source until she consulted Wes Eardley, of the Annex Antiques. From the names he knew they must be records of the local mill.

Legion Auxiliary Enjoys Christmas Dinner Served by Legion Men

By Doris Ingham

At the meeting of the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 402 held December 9 two new associate members were inducted. They were Janet Harding and Victor Norman, reeve of Cavan. Each was presented with a book of rituals and procedure and with a membership pin.

Applications for membership were received from John Robinson and Charles Hedges seeking to become regular members and ones from George Dancy and David Andrews for associate membership. Nelson Tomlinson is transferring to Br.

402 from another branch.

Plans were made for the Christmas dinner to be held on December 17 for the women of the auxiliary showing the branch's appreciation for their work throughout the year. This is always a delightful affair. The men prepare the meal, serve it and wash the dishes afterwards, with the help of a dishwasher. What makes it so pleasant is that they appear to be so happy doing it. The menu was to include tomato juice, ham, scalloped potatoes, hot mixed vegetables, salads, relishes and rolls with generous

servings of white or chocolate cake for dessert with tea, coffee or wine. The men make excellent waiters. Two women members of the branch were to assist. There was to be an exchange of gifts from the tree with a Santa Claus who somehow reminded one of the president, Lloyd Slack.

Mona Morton had made and donated a pair of woven lawn chairs to the branch to be raffled off. In the draw made at the auxiliary bingo on December 19 the chairs were won by June Bull.

Canada World Youth to Give Community Presentation

The Canadian participants in the Canada World Youth Millbrook-Cavan Exchange will be returning to the community for a few days in January before heading back to their homes. They will have just returned from a three month program in Sri Lanka. A get together has been organized for Thursday, January 23rd at the Old Millbrook School. Families who billeted participants will start the evening with a pot-luck supper at 6:30. At 7:30 any interested members of the community are invited to join the group for refreshments and an informal presentation on the Sri Lanka exchange. Everyone is welcome.

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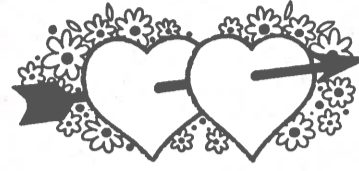
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Millbrook's Santa Claus Parade A Hit

By Doris Ingham

The Santa Claus parade held this year on December 14 once again proved to be one of the highlights of the Christmas season.

Judged the best overall float was the entry of Cavan Beavers and Cubs depicting a camping scene. First prize for a float entered by an organization went to the combined effort of the Lions' Club, the Cubs, Brownies and Scouts.

Winning prizes in the best community floats section were: 1st Millbrook and Cavan Brownies; 2nd Millbrook Recreation Committee; 3rd Millbrook and Cavan Guides and Pathfinders. The award for the best family float went to: 1st Larry and Kathy Gillis for their "Goldilocks and the

Three Bears"; 2nd the Armstrong and Gillis families for their Christmas tree with penguins; 3rd to the Robson and Lock families.

On horseback Art Vowles dressed in a western outfit, and Lorrie Coombs in blue won first and second in the best individual adult class. Best individual novelty awards

for children went to: 1st Chris Sullivan (a clown on a bike) 2nd to Ken Guthrie, and 3rd to Tammy Gillis.

Best clown was Valerie Bull.

There were two bands in the parade, the Legion's own Junior Drum Corps and the Kawartha Shriners from Peterborough.

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EDITORIAL Library Move

It is surely hard to dispute the statement that Millbrook has outgrown its library. Circulation has grown 50 percent in the past four years. Books lie in boxes waiting for shelf space, and the one and only work table sits right in the middle of the traffic area, hemmed in by book racks and shelves. The long, narrow room is crowded and dark.

Not far away stands a beautifully designed, spacious, and well lit structure, which has recently been purchased with the support and cooperation of Millbrook and Cavan Councils, by a local citizen's group. The Old Millbrook School has been bought and renovated to benefit local residents. Its facilities are for our use. What a perfect location for a library.

There can be no doubt that relocation to the Old Millbrook School will improve our library facilities. The available space will increase by 50 percent. The graciousness of the lofty ceilings and the tall windows will lend much to the atmosphere and the lighting. The large parking lot next to the building will ensure easy access, and washrooms will be available on the premises.

The purchase of the Old Millbrook School was backed and funded by the community and now it is up to us to develop and use it as a community focal point. Plans for location of a Family Resource Centre in the School are well under way. The library is another perfect candidate for this new community facility. Millbrook Council is currently reviewing the proposal to relocate the library. Let your representatives know how you feel about it.

A few words on what happened to your article

The Millbrook Highlighter seems to be well on the way to becoming an established fact in our community.

The volume of submitted articles and information is growing steadily. We are delighted and relieved that individuals, groups, and organizations are realizing that we have no staff of reporters to call on, and that you are willing to fill that gap and do your own reporting.

How disappointing though, having gone to all that trouble to write out the news and send it in, when the article fails to show up in the next edition. Believe me, we are no less disappointed, because it means that we are unable to give the fullest coverage possible. It has taken us a long time to gain your participation; we don't want to lose your trust and enthusiasm in the space of one issue.

However, our own enthusiasm to go whole-hog and print everything we can, has to be curbed by common sense. Finance, as always, must rule supreme. In order for us to send 3,400 copies of each edition out to you free-of-charge, the revenue from our advertising has to cover the costs of production and postage. It's as simple as that.

So, if you have submitted an article that was never printed, please don't despair. Don't give up. We want to hear from you, and we will do our best to give fair coverage to everyone.

Letters to the Editor

Protesting War

The world spends two billion dollars on armaments each day. With that much money, we could feed millions of starving children all over

the world.

War spreads like a black plague. First two people start fighting, then their countries, then more countries until it is a world war. World wars one and two were fought with tooth picks compared with the sophisticated weapons we have now. If there is



another world war, we, the people in the towns, cities and villages, would be the targets for all the missiles and bombs.

Remember Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We didn't know how powerful the atomic bomb was. Hiroshima and Nagasaki were wiped right off the map. A lot of the people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki just disintegrated.

If there is another world war with all the nuclear weapons we have now, we could blow up our beautiful planet Earth.

Jessica Rowland
Age 11

Thoughts for Arn

I have enjoyed reading the articles about our past residents. I knew Arn Armstrong ever since my mother forced him to look at me. When I arrived at the walking and talking stage, Arn changed. He proceeded to show me how to live the great life. Arn smoked in those days. It was fun for him to show us how this was done and how, if five of us got a cent, we could get five cigarettes. I still can taste and name the Turret cigarettes. Anyone could smell us coming, so here he taught us about the great cedar tree.

Arnold would leave town for a year or two, working on different projects. I can still hear his mother say "Oh! I never know where Arnold is until he comes home."

I remember his father. He had a poolroom over a building which has since been destroyed. Some of us would clatter up the old enclosed wooden steps to

sneak a look. We came down faster than we went up.

Arn came home, but it was a sad occasion. His father died suddenly. Children in those days had no idea what a death meant. We had to be very quiet and never ask questions. All the people stood still and the men removed their hats. People wept. Soon Arn came out among us again. He was now the man of the house. He looked after his mother, his sister Alice and Aunt Crystal. I would have tea and cookies with them. They were genuine country people. Arn's sister Alice was a mysterious lady. Every kid wanted to see this citified gal.

When I was 14, I broke out in a rash, much like measles. I could go out, the doctor said, but not to school. The village had a bench in front of the town hall, and that is where we gathered to talk on all subjects. Arn was one of the talkers, and he suggested that we make a ball diamond. Now that was a challenge. We started after getting permission from the owner of the land, Arthur Jeffrey. We blew trees and rocks out of the ground with 'borrowed' T.N.T., and believe me, the work was hard. I know I have never worked that hard for anyone since. I believe I had a crush on Arn, and would do almost anything for him.

We finally got our diamond. We even got a team together. I had to play grad ball, or I would sit on the bench. The coach was Arnold. The merchants bought our first equipment and ball uniforms. Arn made up the schedule; Pontypool, Bethany, Yelverton. We

ended up having an excellent team.

War intervened. Young men left town, Arnold with them. I met Arnold again in the payroll department in Kingston. This time the girls wanted to

know how I knew him, and would I introduce him. It amazes me still how we all came back to Millbrook after the war. I wrote this for Arnold's nieces, Nancy and Susan.

Ruth Farr

RARE BEAUTY

By Bertha Elliott

I walked through Fairyland today -
 It was so wondrous bright.
 I felt as rich as any king -
 It was a gorgeous sight.

The sun was shining brightly
 With such a glorious light,
 And every tree and every shrub
 Was dressed in splendour bright.

For diamonds sparkled everywhere;
 They shone - they were so bright!
 The countryside was all dressed up.
 The town was all alight.

Rare beauty shimmered everywhere;
 It was a splendid show.
 No Midas could be wealthier -
 Now that one thing I know.

I surely know that I was blessed
 To view such beauty rare,
 For seldom does one's eye behold
 A sight beyond compare.

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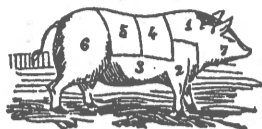
By Evelyn Raab

Now and then I find myself waxing nostalgic for a bygone time of which I have absolutely no first-hand knowledge. I entertain the foolishly romantic notion that lives were so much more enjoyable and fulfilling in the good old days before microchip technology and Le Menu Frozen Dinners. People lived simply then, dined on uncomplicated food prepared in a wholesome, straightforward manner. Didn't they?

Holy Hannah - was I on the wrong boat! Give me those good old artificial preservatives and edible oil products any day! A few hours spent curled up with a crumbling copy of "The Practical Housekeeper" was almost enough to make me go out and buy a microwave! This compendium of allegedly useful information from the mid-1800's (my guess - the title page is missing) is a veritable goldmine of horror cookery. It's no wonder they didn't live very long. Here are some highlights.

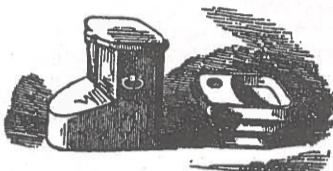
Anyone who has trouble downing toast and coffee first thing in the

morning will appreciate the intestinal fortitude required to deal with this dish at 8 a.m.



Pig's Face for Breakfast

Cut the ears off, and take out the tongue and brains, then lay them in salt for two days, take them out of that, and then use the ingredients as for tongues, and dry them the same as hams.



If you are one of those individuals who feels that liver is just about the outside limit of tolerable anatomy for human consumption, (Don M. are you paying attention?) consider this:

Udder

Boil a calf's udder in broth or water; when cold trim off the outside: pound and rub through a sieve.

What thrifty housewife could possibly do without the following helpful hint:

Potted Birds - How to preserve when they begin to grow old

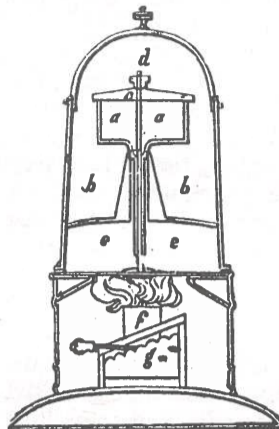
When birds are sent a long way they often smell so bad that they can hardly be borne, from the rankness of the butter; by doing them in the following way they will be as if only fresh done. Set a large saucepan of clean water on the fire, when it boils take off the butter at the top, then take the fowls one by one, throw them in the saucepan of water one minute, take one out and dry it well inside and out, do so till they are all done, scald your pot clean; when the birds are quite cold season with mace, pepper, and salt, according to taste. Put them down close in a pot, put clarified butter over them.

There seems to be something missing here:

Mrs. Bratty's Cheesecakes

The yolks of eight eggs, eight ounces of sugar finely powdered and sif-

ted, eight ounces of sweet almonds powdered, beat all together till very white. Line the pans with a thin paste; immediately before you put them into the oven, mix the size of a walnut of butter melted into them over a fire. If the oven be too hot they will fall when taken out.



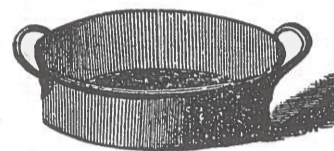
In the handy section entitled *Cookery for the Sick* we find this appetising little gem:

Toast Water

Pare the crust off a thin slice of stale bread, toast it brown upon both sides, doing it equally and slowly, that it may harden without being burnt; put it into a jug, and pour upon it boiling water; cover the jug with a saucer and set it in a cool place.

Do you do a lot of holiday baking? Perhaps you will find this useful next year:

The mincemeat made at Windsor Castle every year, and made one month previous to using, is as follows: Two hundred and forty pounds of raisins, four hundred pounds currants, two hundred pounds lump sugar, three pounds cinnamon, three pounds nutmegs, three pounds cloves, three pounds ground allspice, two pounds ginger, three hundred pounds beef, three hundred and fifty pounds suet; twenty-four bushels of apples, two hundred and forty lemons, thirty pounds of citrus, seventy-two bottles of brandy, three pounds mace, sixty pounds lemon peel, sixty pounds orange peel.

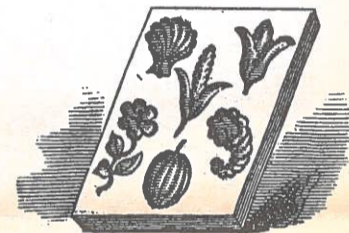


Preserve Pan Enamelled.

Although I will spare you such intriguing morsels as "Cauliflower Dressed Like Macaroni;" "Pigeons in Jelly;" "Salmon - to Pickle Undressed" (exactly who is undressed here?); and an altogether too explicit description of "Turtle Soup" which goes on for 3 pages and mentions portions of the turtle's anatomy I never even knew they had; I will leave you with this:

Sidney Smith's Receipt for Salad

two large potatoes, passed through kitchen sieve, Unwonted softness to the salad give,
Of ardent mustard add a single spoon —
Distrust the condiment which bites so soon:
But deem it not, thou man of herbs, a fault
To add a double quantity of salt;
Three times the spoon with oil of Lucca crown,
And once with vinegar, procured from town.
True flavor needs it, and your poet begs
The pounded yellow of two well-boiled eggs.
Let onion atoms lurk within the bowl,
And, scarce suspected, animate the whole;
And, lastly, on the flavored compound toss
A magic teaspoon of anchovy sauce.
Then, though green turtle fail, though venison's tough,
And ham and turkeys are not boiled enough,
Serenely full the Epicure may say, —
Fate cannot harm me -
I have dined today!



RABIES CLINIC

Please note that the combined municipalities of Cavan, Millbrook and South Monaghan are sponsoring a Rabies Clinic, Saturday, January 25, 1986.

The rabies clinic will be held at the home of Dr. Neal Robson, Con. 3, Lot 22 (Cavan Township - 1679 Zion 4th line). Hours of the Clinic are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

FOR CAVAN TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

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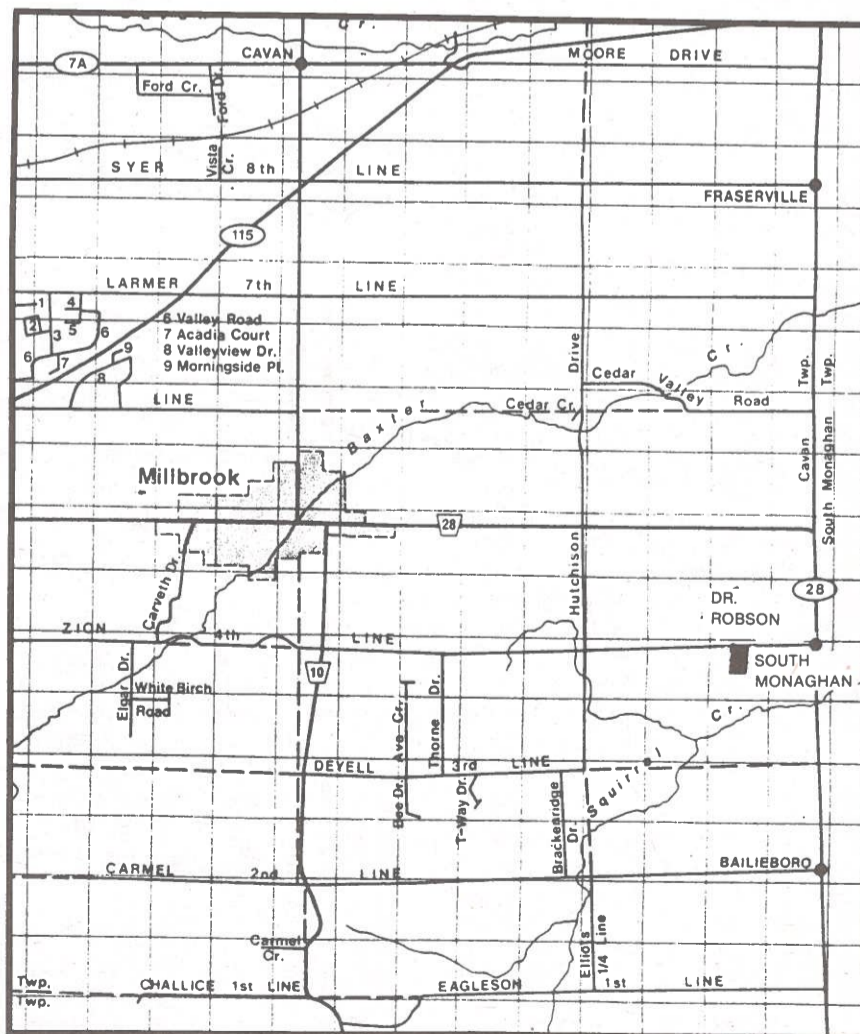
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Disaster Fund Needs Ongoing Support

Although the Peterborough City-County Disaster Fund is aimed at self-sufficiency, it hasn't quite made the grade yet. Consequently there is still a need for public donations to meet a goal that will make the fund self-sufficient, based on past experience and to be prepared for any extreme emergency that might arise because of fire or disaster to individuals or families within the city and county of Peterborough.

former Alderman in the City of Peterborough, initiated the fund five years ago to provide immediate aid to people who have been displaced or suffered loss because of fire, explosion, or some other type of disaster. Since its inception the fund has assisted 182 families and paid out over \$48,000 in aid, some of which has come to the Village of Millbrook and the Township of Cavan.

All 37 members of the committee are volunteers from the city and county

Gordon Holnbeck, a

who give freely of their time and effort to help oversee the fund's operation. Certain members make a point of being present as soon as possible after a fire breaks out, providing some financial assistance, and informing them of other agencies, such as the Salvation Army, the Red Cross, St. Vincent de Paul and Operation Blessing.

The Committee has no fund-raising drives but relies on private donations and interest earned on operating funds. Last year the committee had a special fire insurance awareness week, for both owners and renters, as it has been found that many tenants are not covered by insurance. This means that after the initial emergency and some help has been given, there is nothing to cover the loss and get re-established. While the fund provides immediate assistance, it does not continue with aid over a long period of time.

The fund was started following a fire, where

three elderly people lost everything in January of 1980. The fund has proven worthy of its existence through all the support that has been given to it. Donations may be sent to the Peterborough City-County Disaster Trust Fund, P.O. Box 234, Peterborough, Ontario, K9J 6Y8. Local members of the committee are Ron Wismer, Jim Coe and Walter Dyer. Monthly meetings are held at Peterborough City Hall.

Women's Institute Discusses Timely Social Issues

Mrs. Gerald Larmer was hostess on December 3 for the Christmas party and pot luck dinner of Millbrook Women's Institute with 15 members present.

After a sumptuous repast, a short business meeting took place with

Mrs. Wilson Larmer taking charge.

Mrs. Hermi Jandrisits and Mrs. Gerald Deyell are to host a Home Decor Course in January with date to be set later. An invitation was received from Bethany Women's Institute to attend a special meeting on January 13 at Mrs. A. Scott's home, the topic being "Pornography". Our shut-in members are to be remembered with cards and plants.

The Roll Call for the January meeting is to be answered with get well cards and stamped envelopes.

Christmas readings were given after which bingo was played with each member receiving a prize. A very enjoyable afternoon was brought to a close with the singing of Oh Canada. The January meeting will be held in the Municipal Hall on January 28 with Mrs. A. Olan in charge. Her topic will be "Citizenship and World Affairs".

Holiday Celebrations Are A Success at Legion Branch 402

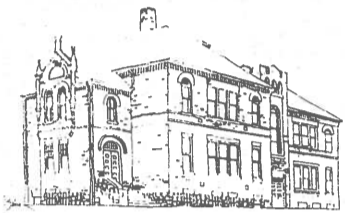
By Doris Ingham

The New Year's Eve dance sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 402, had all tickets sold out well before the event in spite of the fact there were other dances in the area and many private parties that night.

The president's levee

the next afternoon also attracted a large attendance. There Lloyd Slack, the president, exchanged greetings with members and guests. The party featured a hot and cold buffet, with everyone wishing everyone else the old wish, "A Happy New Year."

It was announced that the ever popular Wednesday afternoon euchres sponsored by the auxiliary would resume, after the holiday break, on January 15 at 1.30 p.m.



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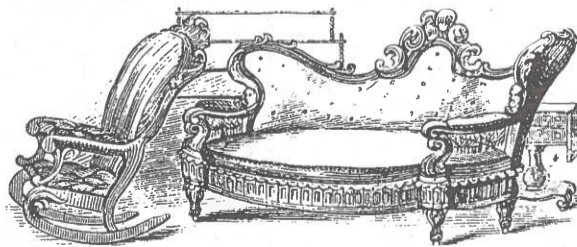
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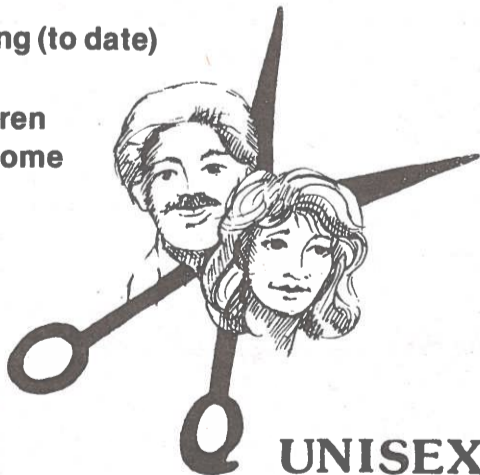
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Happy New Year! With or Without Resolutions

By Clayton Thexton

With the frivolities of the New Year now three weeks to the day in the past, perhaps it is not too early to review the stability of whatever resolutions we have made. What's that? ... You don't make resolutions?! Well, can't say that I blame you. I have made very few myself, and broken most of those. But that doesn't mean I don't believe in resolutions. I do. I think they are a wonderful thing. They impart a transient sense of strong character and the need for our betterment. Like the bells that rang in the glorious New Year, they resound in our being. And, as the ringing of the bells, they fade. In my case, anyhow. What about your resolutions? Are they holding? Are you hanging in? If not, worry not! Most resolutions are made in a rather irresolute manner. It is very easy, when glasses brim with the richest of egg-nog, when hearts pound with optimism and voices grow tight with sincerity, to resolve almost anything.

Perhaps it is too soon to assess truly. Three weeks is but a small portion of our calendar year. Yet, in the life span of most resolutions it represents a longevity which few attain. So we must base our projected assessment on an in-depth study of the resolutions of yesteryear. A glance at the Trotting Poll-distantly related to the Gallup-shows that 67% of all resolutions are broken by the ninth day. 19% are considered unnecessary by the eleventh and by the fourteenth all have been forgotten. Lloyds of London will in-

sure no resolution for longer than twelve days, and then for an amount not exceeding forty cents.

The message being that resolutions are of flimsy stuff and suffer a precarious existence.

I recall, once upon a time, resolving sincerely to rise a few minutes earlier on week day mornings, not in order to reach work on time, - I was seldom late - but solely to lessen the rush. And to enjoy my coffee with leisure hitherto unknown. This lasted for about four days. I am sure it was no longer. And why, you may ask, was my resolve so quickly abandoned? Was I a creature weak of will and lacking in stamina? Not at all! I beg you be patient in your judgement. Let me re-evaluate. The duration of my resolve was relative to the time it took for the truth to dawn. I suddenly saw the flaw! It broke crystal clear, or in a coffee-oriented tale, darkly clear. I found that a cup of coffee, drunk in leisure at that particular hour, held little appeal. It was an insipid thing, a liquid serving merely to wash away toast crumbs and the cloying taste of jam or marmalade. Nothing more. There was no sense of the luxury anticipated. How had it eluded me? By the third day I stood bathed in the light of truth! A tricky truth it was. Those additional minutes had robbed it of its luxuriance! A morning coffee drunk in haste is pure nectar. Its rich nut-like flavour will last the entire morning, and often into the afternoon, where it dispels the fleeting flavours of tea and colas

imbibed at desk and lunch. Its sustaining quality gives us strength and whets our appetites for what the day may bring. So I abandoned this resolution. It failed in the finals. It was weak, not I. Had I not been strong enough to make it? I was also strong enough to break it!

The tongue-in-cheek attitude with which I am inclined to view New Year's resolutions probably began in my early teens when it became apparent to me that my father had little tolerance for them. "Much better" he would say "to do your best from day to day than load yourself down with a lot of promises that only bother you if you can't keep them!" However, dad made two resolutions which I believe he never broke.

New Year's Day and the day before were cold and clear and had brought us our first taste of sub-zero temperatures. Oval Pond had quickly donned its first layer of new ice. Windswept, and smooth as polished glass, it beckoned. It invited. And where are the youngsters who can refuse the opportunity for a game of 'shiny'? Skates and sticks and puck appeared with our enthusiasm. Mother saw to our warmth with sweaters, scarves and warm socks. Then came a problem. For an even distribution of strength we needed a goalie. Dad was pressed into service, although his reluctance is still remembered.

The game was going well. But in our pleasure we had failed to notice the spreading cracks in the ice by dad's goal line. Not yet

firmly frozen, our tumbles and rushes had weakened it to the point of fracture. In a moment dad was halfway to his waist in water. All of us watched in shock and surprise as he floundered shoreward. An hour later, dry clothes, a warm fire and hot tea had a wonderful effect. Dad laughed more than anyone at the mishap. But I did overhear him sharing with mother his two resolutions; never to play hockey on Oval Pond again unless the ice was of a super thickness and quality, and never to go skating anywhere unless the stakes were of an improbable height and the cause most imperative. I have often wondered, years later, if this ex-

perience influenced his decision to favour the installation of artificial ice in the local arena.

New Year's Resolutions: By all means, make them! But keep them or break them, never take them too seriously. The long road through the new year is not made

easier by binding ourselves to hasty promises, kept or unkept, but in the making we reveal a faith in ourselves, an awareness of faults and shortcomings, and a desire to improve. We aspire to better and greater things, which sometimes, some of us find the joy of reaching.

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HISTORIC CAVAN

Reminiscences of Teaching

By Jean Burnham

With a first class teaching certificate obtained at Peterborough Normal School, I nervously began teaching in the township of Cavan on September 1st, 1927 and stopped in October 1970 because I was worn out.

S.S. #13 Cavan was on the Zion Line and there were about 15 pupils. The school was one room, spacious and well-heated

with a kind of furnace. There were 8 grades which kept the teacher busy but we were like a family and pupils learned from each other as well as from the teacher.

Drinking water was carried from a well across the road and toilet facilities were modestly hidden in a clump of cedars about 25 yards from the back door. The children loved to be read

to and we revelled in the adventures of Master Skylark, Tom Sawyer, Treasure Island, etc.

The teacher was paid 3 times a year - at Christmas, Easter and in June, a salary of \$900.00 for the year and there was no income tax. Board and Lodging cost \$5.00 a week.

Of course the Christmas Concert was a highlight of the year and I recall one Santa Claus who never uttered one word or one ho! ho! all during the performance.

The Agricultural School Fair in the fall of each year to which all schools in the township and village paraded carrying banners to identify themselves, and gaily dressed in hats and sashes of crepe paper was another highlight. We sang, gave demonstrations of simple First Aid and the children displayed produce and handwork they had prepared themselves. One year there were so many ground hogs throughout the county a prize was given to the school that could display the most ground-hog tails. I don't remember how many were in our display but I do remember what a nasty smelly job it was mounting them.

In Sept. 1929, I moved to S.S.#10 Cavan known as the Fallis Line School. Here were spent seven very happy years. During these years the first Music Supervisor in the district came. He was Mr. Martin Chenhall, a talented young musician who could persuade the most tone deaf monotone to sing.

At this time my salary was \$1000.00 per year paid in monthly installments, but as the



Photo courtesy of J. Burnham

Back row from left: Lloyd Fallis, Tom Belch, Eric Fallis, Miss Jean Burnham, Edna McKnight, Lazelle Lunn, Marjorie Sutton. Front row: Willoughby Belch, Cameron Sutton, Ollie Henderson, Donald McKnight, Martha Belch, Isabelle Aiken, Vera Fallis, Lorraine Henderson.

financial depression continued it dropped to \$775.00 where it stayed after I moved to Millbrook in 1936 until the early forties. A raise of \$25.00 a year was then considered worthwhile. Taking a reduction in salary wasn't pleasant, but I don't remember feeling any resentment as I knew that those who paid me were all having less to live on.

During the years at Fallis Line we had one hot dish at lunch - soup, cocoa, or beans. The pupils and I prepared the lunch and washed up afterwards.

School opened at 9 a.m. and closed at 4 p.m. Lunch hour was 12-1 p.m. The pupils all walked to and from school unless the days were too cold or stormy. Most came a mile and sometimes two.

I lived in the village and drove to school in Father's car when the roads permitted. When they were too muddy, Mr. John George drove me with a horse and buggy and when the snow came with a horse and cutter. There were no snowploughs. When roads were blocked they had to be shovelled out by hand. When that became too big a task we drove through

the fields. It was bitterly cold at times but we dressed warmly so we survived. Doctors heated bricks and/or Eaton's catalogues in the oven and used them as foot warmers. On a cold, windy day now I thoroughly appreciate the luxury of driving in a closed, heated car.

In 1936 I began teaching in the Millbrook Public School which is now being used for other purposes. The classes here were larger, ranging from 3-54, with Grade 1 and 2 in Mrs. Betty Stuarts' care. Grade 3, 4 and 5 in my room and Grade 6, 7 and 8 in Mr. Bruce Dawson's room. Mr. Dawson who was born and raised in Millbrook was the Principal for many years until he joined the Army in 1940. When Mr. Dawson left, Mr. Percy Hamilton came and stayed until ill health forced him to retire in the fall of 1967. Mr. Wayne McLellan took his place in September 1968. Gradually the staff had grown to 7 full-time teachers, plus a Principal's Supply, one Remedial teacher, a Music Teacher and a Secretary.

Life in the '30s and '40s was freer for the children - they could wrestle, climb trees and spend their recesses without supervision. When School Boards insured the children there was supervision, and activities were curtailed.

For several years I had a dog who attended classes regularly. His name was Peter and he belonged to the children of Bob and Edna Guthrie. He came in and went out with the bell

and was very well behaved. If he slept in the aisle we just stepped over him. There were some double seats in the room so he frequently sat on the seat beside one of his family and slept or sat and seemed to listen to what was going on. He bothered no one so was allowed to stay with us until the last of the Guthrie children had left my room.

There were fewer pupils with learning disabilities or so it seemed. Of course, some learned more slowly than others but most learned to work and anyone who has a mind to work will eventually succeed.

Millbrook Figure Skaters Pass Tests

By J. Armstrong

Congratulations go out to the following figure skaters from the Millbrook Figure Skating Club, who were successful in their tests on December 7 at the low test day held in Millbrook.

Figures: Preliminary - Joanne Rowsell; First - Nicole Kelly. Free Skate: Preliminary - Krista Davis; Junior Bronze - Wendy Luther, Kim Little. Dances: Dutch - Joanne Rowsell, Canasta - Joanne Rowsell, Shannon McDowell, J.C. Gonder, Kelly McLaughlin; 10 - Fox - Lisa Little, Krista Davis, Darlene Farrow, Kim Little, Jocelyn Wylie; Fiesta - Lisa Little, Darlene Farrow, Kim Little, Jocelyn Wylie, Diahne Dunlop; Willow - Kim Little, Diahne Dunlop, Wendy Luther, Nicole Kelly, Kelly McLaughlin.

Tickets were sold on two food hampers, with the draw taking place on December 20. The winners were Jocelyne Daw and Jean Larmer.

Best of luck to the Millbrook Figure Skaters who will be participating in the Victoria South Inter-Club Competition in Little Britain on February 1.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Responsibility for School Page content this month was offered to the students of The Bethany Hills School, and we thank them for their participation. News from Millbrook Intermediate and High School and other area schools will return next month.



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EDITORIAL

Beyond the Hills

By Karen Dawson

If you've never heard of the Bethany Hills School before, this is your chance to learn about its inner depths and mysteries.

Bethany Hills School is situated between Bethany and Omeme, Ontario. It was decided upon by parents who formed a school board five years ago. Mrs. Janis Smith, the headmistress, has worked hard to build up the reputation to that of the brother school Lakefield College School.

Bethany consists of eighty students: seven day girls; the remainder are boarders. A majority of the staff also live on campus. This creates an atmosphere of family. Teachers become more than teachers; they advise, they console, and they listen.

The school uniform consists of: Number ones-a MacDonald tartan skirt, a white ratcatcher, a navy sweater and brown pennyloafers. Each girl must have a uniform to wear. On a day-to-day basis, the girls wear navy blue Levi cords, a white button down shirt and a navy sweater.

A full academic program is offered on the semester system with evening study compulsory from 7:30 to 9:00. Classes of seventy minutes begin at 8:50 a.m. after daily chapel and run until 3:20 p.m.

A major component to Bethany Hills is "dorm" life. Having to share and live with another person takes much adjustment. With two, sometimes three people per room, there is ample space for living adequately. Phones are available and can be used until 11:15 p.m. at night. Of course, there is a disciplined curfew time for all the students except for grade 13.

Grades eleven and twelve are in bed by 11:00 p.m., while grades nine and ten have a 10:00 p.m. curfew.

Students at Bethany Hills have varied and nutritious meals. Since they are sit-down style at round oak tables, they enhance the "family" feeling. To wear off the delicious desserts, a variety of extra-curricular activities take place.

Sports include riding, skiing and running. With five hundred acres of horse trails and forest, even the most hardy types can find a challenge. Nearby, both Devils Elbow and newly opened Sunegga provide memberships for recreational skiing at anytime. In winter, some girls are selected to ski with Lakefield College School racing team.

A social life is a very vital part of the life of Bethany Hills. Lakefield College and Trinity College share in dances on Saturdays and there are also frequent visits to Bethany or to the ski hills.

All in all, life at Bethany Hills offers an environment to develop the "total individual". One definitely cannot say that life is boring "beyond the hills".

Awakening

By Taria Mantysalo

As the morning broke, the sun came up like a great yellow circle along the horizon - a slow awakening. It glistened along the tranquil lake like thousands of tiny diamonds.

He sat on the porch noticing every movement around him, hearing the leaves rustling while a cool breeze lazily wound around through the trees. Sound of young children coming out for a morning swim filled his ears with laughter and screams of delight.

Soon the sun began to beat down on the porch and he felt it shining through the slats of the trellis. The children were still there but he noticed their voices were more distant. They had moved down the beach discovering new treasures, their voices muffled by the sound of gentle waves washing the shore.

As he sat in the chair, he

heard from the corner of the porch a long yawn and then the patter of paws on wood as his dog walked over and sat by his feet. His hand brushed against the soft long fur, feeling the warmth the sun had left behind.

It was cooler now. The sun was once again a ball of fire, now orange, wavering behind the lake. He felt the breeze pick up, rippling his thin shirt against his skin sending a shiver through him. The sound of the children was gone. The laughter was gone. Only the sounds of the waves gently rocking against the shore and the quiet rustle of leaves was left.

The man on the porch stood up, his dog by his side. He bent over, picked up a white cane and carefully stepped over the threshold into the darkening house. Another day was over. Another day of awakening.

Looking at Common Exams

By Tessa Comeau

The faster life goes, the less personal it becomes. Already one no longer smiles and chats with the waitress at the local hamburger palace. A rolled down window, a loud voice in a box on a pole is all one needs to order his lunch. If Ontario adopts "common exams", will it not just become another impersonality in education?

Part of the excitement of learning is being able to have a variety of teachers, each one with an innovative and fresh outlook on that particular subject. With common exams the work taught is just that; work taught, but not with that personal touch.

An argument for common exams is that it is easier to compare student abilities. It is true that students across the province will be tested on the same things. However, teachers will then have to

teach the same material and that does not allow for courses to be tailored to meet student needs.

Education is too precious to constantly alter it. When there is a keen interest, learning is easy: when education is cloned and photocopied from one to another, with no adaptations made to the pupils, it becomes less precious and more automated. As with the syllabus the teachers become inflexible, restricted and regimented. Time is carefully allocated so that the required course is completed for the exam, despite the danger of a lack of understanding, or interest, among the students.

What is true learning? Is it not an enthusiastic interchange between student and teacher? Or is it a place where productivity is measured and timed?

"Time is money" will become our school motto. To most, common exams are not a serious issue, but to the student, they can be the start of a negative and impersonal

method of learning.

With this thing called progress, is it necessary to turn our schools into assembly lines?

Adult Court for Adult Crime

By Jenifer Graham

Bang! You're dead.

Life has been taken from you by a vengeful seventeen year old boy carrying a hand gun.

What's to be done with this boy? Who has the right to decide his future?

The question here is: Does juvenile court provide the accused with a just punishment, particularly for serious offences such as murder?

Will three years in jail and a few on probation (as stated in the Young Of-

fenders Act) really combat all the problems that led this boy to commit such a crime?

The answer is with you, the people. While you can't decide on the exact punishment, you can greatly affect the severity of it by deciding whether to send him to juvenile or adult court.

This is not some "mickey mouse" decision. It concerns fairness and justice for all.

As a seventeen year old myself, I feel a sixteen or seventeen year old person committing as serious a crime as murder should definitely go to adult court. Young people are always asking to be treated like adults, so why not start here by giving them adult punishments for what is an adult crime!

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Laughter amidst hasty munching

Vacant stares cured by caffeine

injections

Radiant smiles created by the phrases

of long distance Romes.

And some look on in envy: unloved,

One girl remembers, reflects, the

memory of spring love

And saddened at its loss: broken

hearted

Time is fleeting, and a voice threatens

The Head of Academics patrols

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Tuesday, February 18, 1:30 p.m.

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PONTYPOOL NEWS

A last look at the Holiday Season

By Nettie Aiken

Happy New Year to all my neighbours. Since 1986 has just started, and things are resuming for the winter season, I think it best to summarize for you the activities of Christmas, in the hopes that something of the Spirit of Christmas may remain to enrich the days and weeks and months ahead of us.

All of the Christmas

services in Pontypool United Church were very beautiful and appropriate.

The White Gift Service was taken charge of by the Sunday School. Throughout the month of December, there was a mitten tree for distribution of warm clothing, new or clean and useable, second hand, to Crossroads, a home in Peterborough for battered wives and children. Also,

a fruit basket was made up for Sandra Stronge, by Donna Bryant.

Seven families from Pontypool Church went to Sandra Stronge's home on the 6th line, to sing Christmas carols, after the Christmas Sunday Communion Service, December 22. Sandra greeted everyone outside with a box of chocolates and a handshake.

A couple of special events occurred at Grandview Public School. On Tuesday, December 10, there was an Appreciation Tea for Art Rowan, on the occasion of his retirement from various School Boards after thirty-three years of service.

On Wednesday, December 18, the Christmas concert at Grandview School was presented.

Two former Manvers Figure Skaters won gold medals at Scugog Frolics in Lindsay on Saturday, December 14, namely Christina Jeffery and Noelle Currie-Mills; congratulations to these young ladies.

Unfortunately, several people experienced bereavements.

Marshall Reynolds, recently from Victoria Manor, died on December 9th. We will miss the familiar car and driver from Pontypool's main street.

Lila Kerr, mother of Robert and Ross, both of Bethany, died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Peterborough, Tuesday night, December 17th, in her

100th year. Funeral was from Mackey's Funeral Chapel, Lindsay, with interment at St. Mary's Lifford Cemetery. Former Pontypool resident John Brooks died in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, on Monday, December 9th.

Clarence Thertell died on Tuesday, December 24th in Bowmanville Memorial Hospital, with spring interment at Orono Cemetery. A sister of Mrs. Charles Ingram died in Fort Erie Christmas week. Jimmy Strong passed away in Bowmanville Memorial Hospital on Saturday, December 28th, with spring interment at Pontypool Cemetery.

Welcome to the Evans family who moved into the area at the end of September to live on the farm which once belonged to Jack Payne. The daughter, Michelle, is in the Guides program. Lorraine's husband is Larry, and they also have a son, Mack.

There were several choices of New Year's Eve celebrations, but your correspondent doubts that any could have been more successful than the one in our own Community Centre here in Pontypool. It was a beautiful evening, lasting into New Year's morning. On behalf of all those who attended, thanks are given to all who worked so hard to make it as successful as it was. A good job was done by all.

A PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

One Year To Live

By Rev. Lorne Trimble

If I had but one year to live;
One year to serve; one year to give;
One year to sing; one year to smile;
To brighten earth a little while.

One year to sing my Saviour's praise;
One year to work through all my days;
One year to strive for a reward
When I shall stand before my Lord.

I think that I would spend each day,
In just the very self-same way
For soon the call may come for me
At any time, and I must be
Prepared to meet Eternity.

If I had one year to live,
Or just a day in which to give
A pleasant smile, and helping hand,
A heart that tries to understand,
I'll try to live each day He sends
To serve my gracious Master's ends.

May God bless you richly with a joyful and prosperous year ahead in 1986.



NOTICE TO CAVAN TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

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MUSICAL NOTES

Desert Island Questions

By George Ingham

Musicians are often asked: "What is your favorite piece of music / concerto / song / chorus & which is your favorite singer / pianist / composer / violinist / orchestra / conductor / choir?" Then there are those 'desert island' questions. "If you were confined to a desert island which recording / pianist / composer would you find it most hard to live without?" During the next few months, with my readers' permission, I shall try to answer some of these

questions, giving reasons which I hope will be consistent with my own point of view, at least.

"Which is your favorite symphony?" I should have to answer "Brahm's No. 4 in E-Minor." One of my reasons would have to be that I believe that this symphony, together with Mozart's No. 40 in G-Minor comprise the two most perfect works in the symphonic repertoire.

I have other reasons as well. This symphony was written in the twilight of Brahm's life. It has passion, but it also mirrors a mind that had achieved philosophic calm through having made all the decisions regarding those matters that might trouble the conscience or the soul's equilibrium.

Religious people may find inconsistency in Brahm's habit of daily Bible reading and his fondness for the gay tarts of Vienna. But he never broke up a home, nor forced himself on an unwilling partner.

Whether I am discouraged or in a robust state of optimism this music always speaks to me, assures me of my own worth, and of the worth of life itself. If I ever write a valedictory symphony, I should be proud to model it on this work.

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THANK YOU

We wish to thank doctors, nurses, ministers, family, friends and neighbours for kindness shown in so many ways during the past year. Happy New Year to all. Lola and Clayton Thexton.

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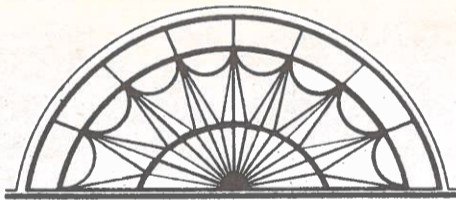
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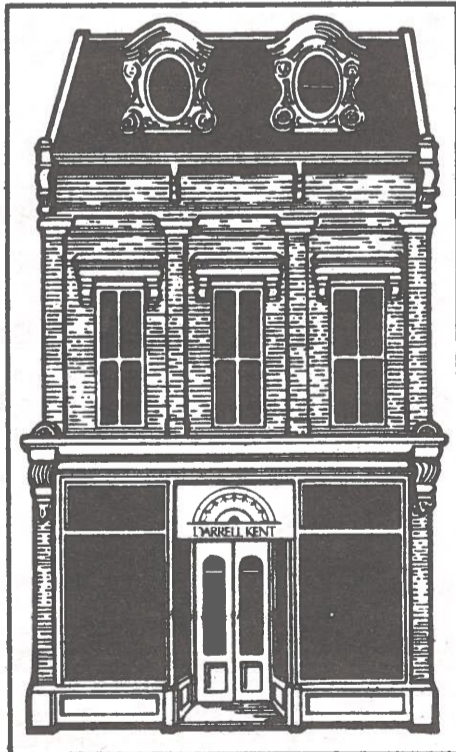
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Oven Cleaner 150 mL CONT. **1.59**
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Sandwich Bags PKG. OF 50 **.49**
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FLAVORED WITH CHICORY
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