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Members of MACAC honour Millbrook heritage: from left: Roly Hurley, George Raab, Hans Greizer, Lois Bennett, Pauline Lyons, Pat Riches, Tom Quinn, and Harry Williams. (Absent: David Tong).

MACAC honours heritage and spirit

By Celia Hunter

The Millbrook Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (MACAC) honoured property owners and the village itself with plaques, awards, and a slide presentation on September 18 at the Old School.

The awards evening was hosted by members of MACAC dressed in period costume, with close to 100 in attendance. The slide presentation, effected with two projectors to create a fluidity of motion, and complete with soundtrack, was the work of Ken Frazer of Amora Studios in Peterborough, and focussed on historic architecture

and design both in scenes from the past taken from old photographs, and in the present.

Thirty-four property owners were presented with bronze plaques to be affixed to the exterior of their designated properties, displaying the date of construction and the original owner or builder.

Awards of Excellence were presented to Huntley and Maureen Brown, Frankie's, and the Needler's Mill Project.

Awards of Merit went to Bert Reinert, owner of the Annex Antiques building, Cliff Larmer of King Street West, John and Shirley Newman on Anne Street, Darrell

Kent for the Country Real Estate Emporium, and the Millbrook-Cavan Heritage Committee for the Old Millbrook School.

Letters of commendation were also presented to Didi Calhoun for the Tupperville Centre, Jack and Debbie Bull on Centre Street, Earl and Margaret Todd also of Centre Street, Pat and Sue Riches on Bank Street, John Tinney for properties on Tupper Street, Ron and Marion Hunt on King St. E., and Gary Jones on Union Street.

In addition to property awards, several area residents were commended for their services to the community. Mrs. Doris Ingham was cited for her valuable contribu-

tions over the years as an active member of the Historical Society. In a short speech she described her surprise at the award, saying that after 25 years writing for the Examiner, 16 years with CHUC, and countless hours spent working on the Mill Committee, with the Historical Society, and with the Highlighter, that "I don't usually get rewarded for having fun."

Mrs. Kay Fallis accepted a plaque in her late husband's name to be mounted on the turbine in Needler's Mill. Ken Fallis spent much time and effort in ensuring that Needler's Mill be restored to a sound and functional structure.

School addition approved by Board

By Celia Hunter

The Peterborough County Board of Education (PCBE) has approved the sketch plan submitted by its property and finance committee for an addition to Millbrook Intermediate and High School (MIHS).

The approval came at the PCBE meeting held September 25. The committee is made up of trustees Donald Clark (Chairman), Fran Fearnley, Sylvia Jackson, Gale Knott, Frank Leahy, and Joy Rishor.

The proposed addition will

almost double the size of the existing school. A large all-purpose room is planned with a gym floor space of 3,150 square feet: almost twice the size of South Cavan's gym, and larger than South Monaghan's. The all-purpose room will also feature a large stage area. Other rooms planned in the addition include an Art-Music room, additional library space, two classrooms, a health room, and new office space.

In the presentation given to PCBE, area trustee Fran Fearnley pointed out that the student population is increasing in Millbrook and Cavan far beyond projections. There is a second portable this year at South Cavan Public School, Miss Fearnley noted, which is the feeder school for MIHS. Enrollment is up there by 34 per cent this year, with 244 pupils enrolled in September compared to 182 last year.

Plans for the addition, explains Miss Fearnley, are now at the sketch plan stage. The plans will be studied by the Fire Marshall, the District Health Unit, and the Ministry of Education during the months of October and November. Working drawings will be ready in December for approval, and tendering is scheduled to start in January. Ground should be broken in March, with the addition to be completed in October or November, 1987.

Another public meeting is planned for April or May, when community input will be welcomed on various aspects concerning the interior of the addition.

South Monaghan hosts County Plowing Match Saturday

By Clayton Thexton

The 69th Annual Peterborough County Plowing Match will be held on the farm of Lloyd Atchison, R.R. 1 Bailieboro, Lot 10, Concession 2, South Monaghan, on Saturday, Oct. 18, beginning at 10 a.m.

This one-day event serves to prepare plowmen for Ontario competition, and this year boasts about forty competitors from the area.

Tractors of 30-130 horse power will be in use, drawing plows of many sizes and designs. A class for horse-drawn plows was planned, but the cost of obtaining insurance proved prohibitive.

Expected to perform in competition is Mr. Herb Jarvis of Agincourt, a veteran plowman with nearly fifty years experience. Mr. Gordon Bradfield, a long standing member, a great plowman, and

judge at the International Plowing matches, is expected to attend. On hand as well is Mel Davis, who won the award for second highest points at the International Plowing Match at Stirling. Mark Grove also participated at this event and his efforts received many fine comments. Of added interest is the Queen of the Furrow class, for ladies 16-24 years of age, taking place at 12 o'clock.

The Peterborough County Plowing Match is supported and made possible by the goodwill donations of over eighty organizations and individuals interested in preserving our heritage of land husbandry.

Refreshments will be available on the grounds. Come, and make this a memorable outing for the entire family.



Photo by C. Hunter

Brian Mitchell presents prizes on behalf of the Cavan Recreation Committee to winners of the recent draw: (from left) Mrs. S. Straughan of Cavan and Mrs. Margaret Mitchell of Willowdale. Absent is Mr. R. Platt.

Draw helps Cavan's park

Cavan's Maple Leaf Park Association held a raffle on September 18 as part of its efforts to raise about \$12,000 for playground equipment at the Park.

Winners of the raffle were Mrs. S. Straughan of Ford Crescent, Cavan — a first prize of \$400 worth of gasoline; Mr. R. Platt of R.R. 2, Cavan — a second prize of \$300

worth of beef; and Mrs. Margaret Mitchell of Willowdale, Ontario — a third prize of a painting by artist Bent Reinert.

In the coming months, the Association will continue its fundraising efforts as it seeks to add to the proceeds of the draw. Plans include requesting funds from foundations, additional local fundraising activities by interested community groups, and donations and interested organizations and individuals.

The Association gratefully acknowledges the support of the following organizations to date through their generous donations: Cavan Women's Institute, the Cavan-Millbrook Nursery School, and Mrs. Didi Calhoun-Condon.

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County Council objects to education costs

Even though members of Peterborough County council have passed several resolutions regarding methods of funding education, some councillors are still concerned with rising costs.

The issue of education funding was discussed at length at the Oct. 1 session of county council.

Acting on a request from Chandos Township, members of the county administration committee met with the Peterborough County Board of Education (PCBE) and the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Newcastle Separate School Board to discuss cost increases.

Last year Chandos council wrote the boards regarding costs, but weren't satisfied with the reply. This year Chandos had requested that all of the reeves and deputy-reeves in the county appear before the boards as a delegation, but council decided to send the administration committee instead.

County Councillor William Jones, of South Monaghan Township and a member of the committee, felt the committee was put into a delicate situation.

"Concerns were brought forward that they (PCBE) should be more responsible when setting their budget," Mr. Jones explained.

"They weren't too happy when it was brought to them."

Committee Chairman Victor Norman, of Cavan Township, said he "wasn't concerned with increasing costs" of education but with the method of funding.

At one time the province funded 60 per cent of education costs. In recent years that figure has dropped to about 50 per cent.

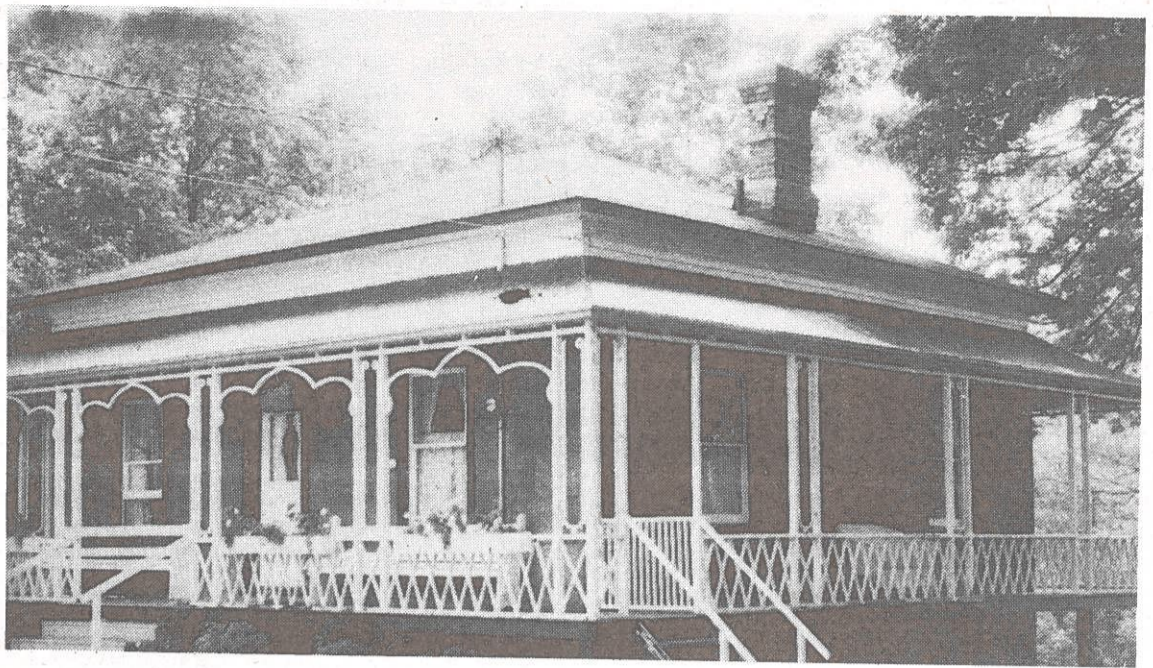
Mr. Norman said he would like to see the province bring the level of funding back to 60 per cent.

Councillor Doris Brick, of Ennismore, agreed with Mr. Norman.

"AMO (Association of Municipalities in Ontario) is fighting to get back 60 per cent funding," she said. "Some of the larger school boards lose \$32 million in interest, with the current method of (education) tax collection."

The administration committee also presented council with reviews on a number of recommendations from the provincial Commission of Financing Education in Ontario.

Committee recommendations approved by council included: that the county not support the commission's proposal to assign different mill rates for cottage and recreation properties, and that the county continue its dialogue with both boards



File Photo
One of the designated properties commended by MACAC, the property of Pat and Sue Riches on Bank Street, known as The Ontario Cottage.

of education on a regular basis.

Council turned down two other committee recommendations. The committee wanted the county to endorse a commission proposal to assign a portion of education costs to personal income tax. The committee was opposed to having all reeves and deputy-reeves in the county meet with the boards of education.

This year the PCBE increased its levies to county municipalities by an average of 9.68 per cent, from a total of \$29,636,067 in 1985 to \$32,504,893 in 1986.

Findings by Coroner turned down at County

The speed limit of County Road 10 at Carmel Corners, in Cavan Township, will remain at 80 kilometres per hour despite a recommendation from the Chief Coroner of Ontario to reduce it to 60 km/h.

Peterborough County council decided to keep the speed limit at 80 km/h at its regular meeting held on Wednesday, Oct. 1.

The coroner made the recommendation following a fatality that occurred on the road. But the county road committee did not agree with the recommendation.

The committee felt the limit should remain at 80 km/h because Carmel Corners is not an urban area.

Instead of reducing the speed limit, the county will have watch-for-children signs erected in the area.

County discusses new flag

While members of council feel it is time for Peterborough County to have a flag to call its own, most were less than pleased with a design presented at the Oct. 1 regular meeting.

A design recommended by the property committee was sent back for improvements.

The flag depicted the county crest in the centre of a white circle against a dark blue background.

"The circle looks like a white blob," said Councillor Alta Whitfield of North Monaghan Township.

Mrs. Whitfield, and several other county councillors, felt three vertical bars (two blue bars flanking a white one) would be a better design.

It was also pointed out that the county crest on the flag only contained five colors, while the official crest features 13 different hues.

County Warden George McKie defended the circle design, because the three-bar flag is used by several counties already.

"I'm in favor of the circle... it's an uncommon design," he explained.

Mr. McKie did concede that the flag's crest should contain more than five colors and suggested the number be upped to eight. He added that using all 13 colors in the flag would be too expensive.

The property committee will present several flag designs to council on Nov. 5.

CAS projects deficit

The Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society (CAS) has projected a deficit of \$483,000 for 1986.

But according to Al Rennie, Peterborough County's appointed member to the CAS, an increase in child care is why the agency is being pushed into the red.

"Historically this CAS has not had not enjoyed favorable funding (from the province)," Mr. Rennie explained at the Oct. 1 meeting of county council. "Now we are taking in more children."

Last year the CAS had a total of 184 children placed in its care. By the beginning of August, 1986, 211 children were placed in the agency's care.

When setting the yearly budget, the CAS has to base it on the number of children cared for in the previous year.

Mr. Rennie added that the pro-

vince is considering a change in funding that may eliminate such budget problems.

The Ontario government is looking at funding such agencies on a per-child basis, rather than basing the allocation on the previous year's figures.

The largest deficit projected for the CAS is in the area of boarding rate payments for the children. It is expected to come in \$324,000 over its \$1,144,768 budget.

The cost to the agency for placing a child in a foster home is from \$11-\$13 per day. There is one case in Lindsay requiring special care. The cost is \$185 per day for extensive supervision, to prevent a child from committing suicide.

County sets new rules

People wishing to make a presentation to Peterborough County council now have to follow a set of procedural rules, as council accepted a new policy at its Oct. 1 regular meeting.

Prospective delegations are now required to notify the county clerk at least 10 days in advance of the council meeting to be placed on the agenda. If a delegation appears that is not listed on the delegation, then council must grant it permission to speak.

All delegations can only have one person to speak on its behalf.

Speakers will be limited to 10 minutes for their presentation, with the exception of answering questions from council.



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Historical Society supports school

By Doris Ingham

Dorothy Stevens, the president, welcomed everyone to the meeting of Millbrook-Cavan Society held Monday, September 22 in Cavan Council Chambers.

Kathie Elton, the retiring treasurer, presented a cheque for \$950 to the Friends of the Old Millbrook School, known officially as "Millbrook-Cavan Community Heritage Fund." Dr. Harry Williams accepted the cheque on behalf of the committee. Dr. Williams in expressing thanks said it would give a real boost to their project. Recently they have had to have painting done on the exterior and school windows repaired.

Kathie Elton reported on the interesting program put on by MACAC in the Old School on September 18, saying that 29 plaques had been presented to owners of homes which they had restored and which had been designated as being of historic or architectural interest. Presentations were also made to individuals for their work in the community such as to Celia Hunter for the Highlighter, Didi Calhoun for the Millbrook Plaza, and to Huntley Brown for the restoration of his home. There were many others.

At that meeting the Historical Society was to have presented a Heritage pin to Peg Carruthers for her work as chairperson of the membership committee which sees that everyone is notified of meetings, and for the many other things she does so capably behind the scenes. Peg was unable to be present that night. However Doris Ingham also honoured at the Awards Night, received a pin at the time, and the presentation to Peg was made at the Historical Society meeting.

Susan French reported that the Cavan LACAC committee, comprising Shirley Challice, Doris Tarasuk, Rod Mens, and herself hoped to meet with the ministry in

the near future.

Dorothy Stevens told of the book-binding course David Jackson would be holding in the old school on Nov. 8, 15, 22, and 29. She said Lynn Lepper had commenced lessons in quilting that very afternoon also in the school. There will be both afternoon and evening sessions. Interested persons should contact her by phone. Mrs. Lepper had given demonstrations of quilting at Expo in Vancouver this year.

Appreciation was expressed to Norman McBain for fine articles on local history appearing in the Highlighter.

On a motion by Walter Dyer, seconded by Bertha Elliott, it was decided to rent an upper small room at the Old School in which to store articles of historic interest which have been given to the society.

It was announced that Elwood Jones who teaches at Trent University and who is compiling a book on the history of Peterborough with many pictures would be the speaker in October. For the November meeting Mary Sutherland has agreed to give an address on "Living with Antiques." It was decided that the Christmas party should be held in a home.

People who said they would be interested in helping to compile a book on local history included Jocelyne Daw, Canon Walter Dyer, Kay Fallis, Norman McBain, Mary Sutherland, Anne Ramsden, Dorothy Stevens, Doris Ingham, and Paul and Wanda Buttitor.

It was decided that a letter of appreciation should be sent to MACAC for the interesting and quite charming evening complete with old time costumes they had put on, as well as for their work in the community.

A beautifully decorated cake with the inscription "Millbrook-Cavan Historical Society 1985-86" was made and served by Judy Lawder.

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Legion Branch 402 celebrates anniversary

By Doris Ingham

Br. 402 of the Royal Canadian Legion celebrated their 40th anniversary in style on Sept. 26th.

President Gerry Martin conducted the opening ritual.

J. H. Raper presented the Book of Remembrance he had compiled bearing the names of those from this area who had served in the two world wars and in the Korean conflict. He presented also the plaque on which the names of all those from Millbrook, Cavan, Manvers and South Monaghan who had made the supreme sacrifice had been inscribed. The Rev. George Quibell, legion padre, offered prayer and conducted dedication ceremonies for both.

Robert Carr, a past president, who had served for many years, presented the "Articles of Faith" of the legion. Gerry Martin in ac-

cepting them expressed appreciation to Dan Maebræ for his work in framing them in the beautifully carved wooden frame he had made.

Several copies of the Book of Remembrance had been produced. One of these was presented to J. H. Raper in appreciation for his work. He stressed that although he and his helpers had tried very hard to include the names of all who had served from this area, yet that there were bound to be omissions. For that reason the book had been made so that additional pages could be added if necessary.

Since Walter Challice and Keith Blair had not been able to be present on the night awards were given out, the president called them to the front to receive their diamond

jubilee medals.

Invited guests included all charter members and their wives and all who had assisted in any way the production of the Book of Remembrance. There were boutonnieres and corsages for the invited guests.

Those who helped with the book included: Rev. and Mrs. George Daley, Rev. Douglas Mitchell, Rev. S. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. George Dean, Clifford Larmer, Carl Martin, Donna Whittaker, Comrades Lt. A. V. Thorn, Bill Brooks, Lloyd Slack, Rod Dew, Rex Park, and Lorne Maracle.

Vera Gillis, auxiliary president, made the large anniversary cake which was beautifully decorated with an exact replica of the legion crest by Betty Lunn.

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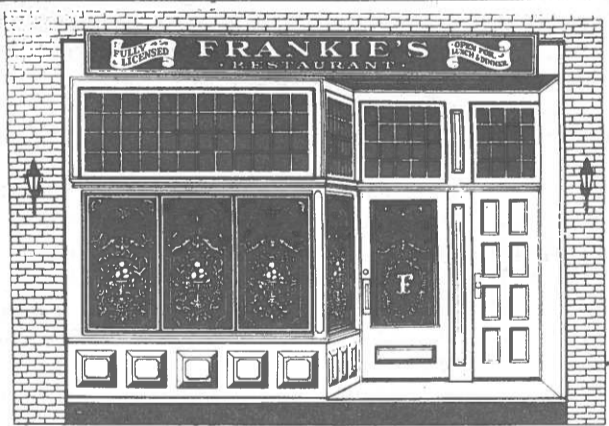


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A note of explanation

By Celia Hunter

Last month's banner headline "Millbrook Highlighter Sold" must have raised a few eyebrows and left a number of questions unanswered.

Sold? Some may interpret it to mean that money was made, and there may be those who wonder when Evelyn and I have booked our flight to the Caribbean.

In fact, since the Highlighter was run by volunteers, any funds left after the invoices are all in and the bills are paid, will be donated to a local non-profit community project.

A Last Hurrah!

This issue will be my last; it is only a month until I move with my husband, daughters, assorted pets, and all worldly goods to a farm near Trenton. It is the family farm, and has always felt like home. We couldn't see it go to a stranger.

However, it is not without regret that we pull up roots that have grown deep here. Although it has been touch and go sometimes, it has largely been thanks to working on the Highlighter that I have felt so much at home in this community. It has given me a chance to get involved in the area, meet many of the 'doers' who make things happen, and work with some wonderful people.

Thank you, all, for the memories.

Celia Hunter

quest was within all existing laws? The end result would be that the lots would be developed and your tax dollars spent at the O.M.B. hearing would no longer be available for other services, such as roads, fire protection, recreation, etc.

It takes courage to support a motion against one's personal feelings, to call a spade a spade, to keep the issue at hand ahead of the individuals involved.

I will continue to take a stand for any taxpayer within his/her legal rights — and that includes the farmer's right to farm. If I don't agree with the rules, I must act in a business-like manner and first lobby to try and change the rules.

We have many professional-type young farmers in Cavan Township running competitive and viable farm units. To help save our agricultural future, I'd like to see more representation from this sector on the council helping run Cavan Township business and its future.

Kathy MacGregor
 Councillor
 Township of Cavan

Thanks to PCBE

At its September 25 Board meeting the Peterborough County Board of Education approved the first choice sketch plans of the Community/Staff Input Committee, bringing the addition to our school one step closer to reality. This community owes a sincere thank you to all the Board members whose actions area clear demonstration of democracy at its best. They have listened once again to community input and need, and have responded to it in a positive, responsible manner.

The ratepayers and students of the Millbrook Cavan area appreciate this latest milestone on the road to the completion of our long awaited addition.

Wendy Brown
 Sylvia Honduk
 George Luchuck
 Community representatives
 Community/Staff Input
 Committee

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

By Robin Soligo

(the following article was submitted by a student who recently attended a talk at Kenner Collegiate entitled "Staying Sane in the Nuclear Age")

Being a student, and never having been to a meeting on nuclear war before, this was a whole new experience for me. It wasn't exactly what I expected, but then again I didn't really know what to expect.

I'm not going to go into full detail on what the entire meeting was about. I thought it would be more beneficial to you if I told you my thoughts about it.

First of all our speaker (Dr. Chris. Ross) started out by giving us the usual statistics and facts about the number of nuclear weapons in the world, and the number of people that would have died if one was dropped, for example, in down-town Peterborough. Of course I had heard

it all before but once again it shocked me, and I became very depressed. I hate that feeling of complete helplessness, and that's exactly how I felt.

Then gradually my spirits were raised as I realized that I wasn't the only one who felt this way. The people that were sitting all around me, started standing up and giving their own points of view on the matter. Some of them were even the same age as I am! They all seemed deeply concerned as I was, if not more! They started sharing their ideas on how they could help prevent a World War III, and I thought to myself, "If they can so can I."

My first step is writing this article in hopes that the people who happen to read this may decide to do something about it too!

So if I learned anything from this meeting, it's that "Action is the cure for depression!"

WE NEED EACH OTHER

We need you, and believe it or not you need us too! The Millbrook & District Chamber of Commerce has much to offer the local people, farmers and business people in this area. We offer the following services and benefits to our members in case you didn't know:

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- Support is given to the development of retail business.
- Support is given to other local organizations and fund-raising projects.
- Promote local business members.

These are but a few of the things we have to offer to our members and we are working on more.

Our meetings are held every third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Cavan Township Hall in Millbrook. The next meeting will be November 19th, 1986, and we will be discussing the restructuring of the Chamber as well as the things planned for the New Year. Anyone interested in joining the Chamber of Commerce and/or finding out a little more of what we have to offer should drop in.

Also, a Business Improvement Information night is scheduled for Wednesday, October 29th, 1986, at 7:30 p.m. in the Millbrook Municipal Office.

Cathy Fox, who is a Provincial Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Affairs representative, will be present with a slide presentation and information on grants available for local business improvements. Try to make yourself available for this very informative evening as it will be well worthwhile.

Brian Bulger

Letters to the Editor

In defence

In reply to Grace Glass — September 17, Highlighter;

As one of your councillors, I must clarify my actions at the council meeting of September 2.

First let me say, as a partner in the business of farming, I not only agree in principal with your thinking with regard to protecting the Canadian farmer, I directly understand the farm problems and pressures. Your reference to a "sphere of influence" is basically correct. Cavan Township has one such sphere of influence and as a councillor, I did my part to lobby long and hard to achieve such a designation.

However, the issue at hand on September 2 was relating to existing lots (three specifically) and a concerned farmer. Let me emphasize that the lots existed before my time.

My personal sympathy was with the farmer - but the lots in question did conform with all the rules and regulations in place, and must then pass the Minister's Agricultural Code of Practice before final release. Weighing these facts, I made the motion in favour of the lot owners. This motion ended in a tie vote broken by the reeve.

If this motion had lost — the lot owners would inevitably have taken council to an O.M.B. hearing costing the taxpayers of the township from \$2,000-\$5,000. How could they lose when their re-

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Mrs. Draper's Grade 5 class enjoy a visit from Mrs. Jean De Mille and Amy

South Cavan's Grade 5 students raise money for Walk-a-Dog-a-thon

By Celia Hunter

South Cavan's Grade 5 class played host October 2 to Millbrook resident Jean DeMille and her guide-dog Amy. The occasion was marked by the presentation of a hefty container filled with donations to boost Mrs. DeMille's pledges for the Walk-a-Dog-a-thon, held in Peterborough on October 5.

The project to collect money for the Walk-a-Dog-a-thon on behalf of Mrs. DeMille was initiated by the class itself, after reading about a guide dog and its blind companion, in a school reader. Newspaper articles on Jean DeMille and on the Walk-a-Dog-a-thon heightened the class interest.

The Walk-a-Dog-a-thon is held each year to raise funds for the first and only guide-dog training centre in Canada, located in an old school building in Oakville, west of Toronto. The centre is sponsored by the

Lions Club.

Mrs. DeMille has had her present dog Amy for about six months, and spent three weeks at a training centre in Michigan with Amy before bringing her here to Millbrook.

The Grade 5 students were enthusiastic about the visit, and asked a number of questions about Amy, her training, and her behaviour. They were impressed to hear that the shaven patch on Amy's side is due to her having to have allergy tests, and many fellow-sufferers were sympathetic to her allergies to dust, trees, and grass!

Mrs. DeMille also described some of the commands Amy responds to, and explained how she and Amy navigate. She also explained to them why it is dangerous for people to call out to Amy on the street or pat her, emphasizing how important it is for Amy to concentrate.

The students were delighted to hear that Amy is also a perfectly normal two-year-old dog when out of harness, chewing up kleenex and socks, and playing with a bone. Interest was also sparked by the description of the Adopt-a-Pup program offered by the Training Centre, whereby pups are adopted by a family for their first year and then returned to the Centre for training.

Mrs. DeMille accepted the class' contribution with thanks, and added that her pledges collected for the Walk-a-Dog-a-thon amounted to approximately \$1,500, an extraordinary sum from such a small area.

Mrs. Draper's Grade 5's raised over \$45.

Children busy at Nursery School

The children at the Cavan-Millbrook Co-operative Nursery School have been very busy with themes of Safety, Thanksgiving, Fall, and are eagerly awaiting Hallowe'en activities. We are planning a costume party, and look forward to meeting the many characters children become!

We hope that everyone who participated in the shopping trip to Toronto enjoyed themselves. We

thank you for your support.

Nina Buchanan, our resource teacher, will be in attendance at our General Meeting on Tuesday, October 21. She will be informing us about her role in our Nursery School. Please come out to meet her!

Happy Birthday to Trevor Ackerman, Kirby Tapson, and Jenny Boone.

New Brownies welcomed at St. Thomas Hall in Millbrook

By Celia Hunter

Millbrook Brownies, Guides and Pathfinders have started another year packed with excitement. Just a few things to watch for are sleepovers, a Christmas Parade and a Toy Fair, planned to raise money for a weekend outing in March that all units in Millbrook and Cavan will take part in. Any girl who hasn't already joined us may do so: Brownies age 6-9; Guides age 9-12.

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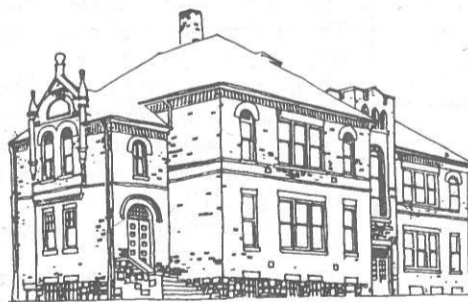
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Dr. and Mrs. Hobbs celebrate 50th

By Doris Ingham

On October 10, Maurice and Margaret (Peg) Hobbs celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Their wedding took place in Smooth Rock Falls, 300 miles north of North Bay. Maurice, after two years internship at the Tuberculosis Hospital in Saint John, New Brunswick, saw the advertisement for an assistant to the doctor at Abitibi Power and Paper Company

and decided to apply. Shortly before that, he had become engaged to Peg Clarke. She tells that they met at breakfast in the hospital staff dining room. She was filling in as dietitian for the summer while the two regular dietitians took turns having holidays. Maurice had no idea what living arrangements might be in the north so he went on alone. When he found they could board at the other

doctor's home he sent for Reg. Her brother and his wife accompanied her to Smooth Rock Falls and there acted as Peg and Maurice's wedding attendants. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. Marshall Ferguson. The reception was held at the home of the other doctor and his wife. Then the young couple started out on their honeymoon to Kapuskasing. Peg's wedding outfit was a very pretty suit with a mink collar. It was particularly suitable for the occasion since it snowed that day! Kapuskasing had a very fine hotel, but at that time it was the end of the line. If you ventured farther you were likely to become stuck in the mud.

During his year at Smooth Rock Falls, Maurice used frequently to make trips up to the logging camps where he travelled by dog team or else went on skis. Peg recalls that skiing was their main form of recreation. They did not have to travel miles to get to a ski resort as people often do now. They could start almost from their back yard. It was an advertisement put in the Canadian Doctor by the late Dr. Henry Turner that lured them to Millbrook. Dr. Turner wanted a doctor to assist him. Here Peg and Maurice lived from 1937 to 1972, and while they have an apartment in Peterborough they still consider this their home. St. Andrew's here is their home church which they attend whenever possible. They come here to the dentist and to shop in the supermarket.

An article quoting Dr. Hobbs'



Long-time residents of Millbrook, Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Hobbs

speech made at a meeting of the Millbrook-Cavan Historical Society appeared in the Highlighter in two parts last year telling of their 35 years spent in Millbrook. All four of the Hobbs' children were born here and attended the local schools. They are Janet, Judith (Judy), Patricia (Patsy) and Arthur. There are four

grandchildren. There was a family party with all the clan assembled to mark the anniversary on October 10 in the Hobbs' apartment in Peterborough. Many Millbrook residents will want to extend their best wishes to the couple for whom they have had great respect and affection for many years.

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LEGION NEWS: Branch active this fall

By Doris Ingham

At the meeting of the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 402, held on September 8, two new members were inducted: Edward Retallick as a regular member and Harold Walton as an associate one. Gerry Martin, president, and Margaret Baker, second vice-president, conducted the initiation ceremony. Members were reminded of the Trash, Treasure and Bake Sale, held on September 13, which turned out to be a great success. They were pleased to realize more than \$750. They were reminded also of the zone convention being held in Millbrook on Sunday, Sept. 21st with the afternoon session commen-

cing at 1:30 p.m. In the morning the zone executive planned to meet. On September 26 all members were invited to a party celebrating the branch's 40th anniversary. J. H. Raper who has been in charge of preparing a book compiling the names of veterans of the area, assured the meeting that the Book of Remembrance would be back from the printers and on display at the party. The first Edna Sloan Memorial euchre tournament was held in the Legion Hall on October 4 and a blood donor clinic took place in the Legion Hall October 8. A letter was read from Jean

Maracle tendering her resignation as sports' officer. Debbie Martin has agreed to replace her. It was called to the members' attention that the new gas furnace, bought at a cost of \$3,950, was now installed and in operation. The Remembrance Day dinner will take place on Sunday, November 9. Tickets are available at the Hall. For the Remembrance Day parade the fall-in will be at the Hall at 10:30 for the 10:45 march to the Cenotaph. A letter was read from the CNE commissioner thanking Bill Brooks and his Youth Drum Corps for participating so effectively in parades at the exhibition.

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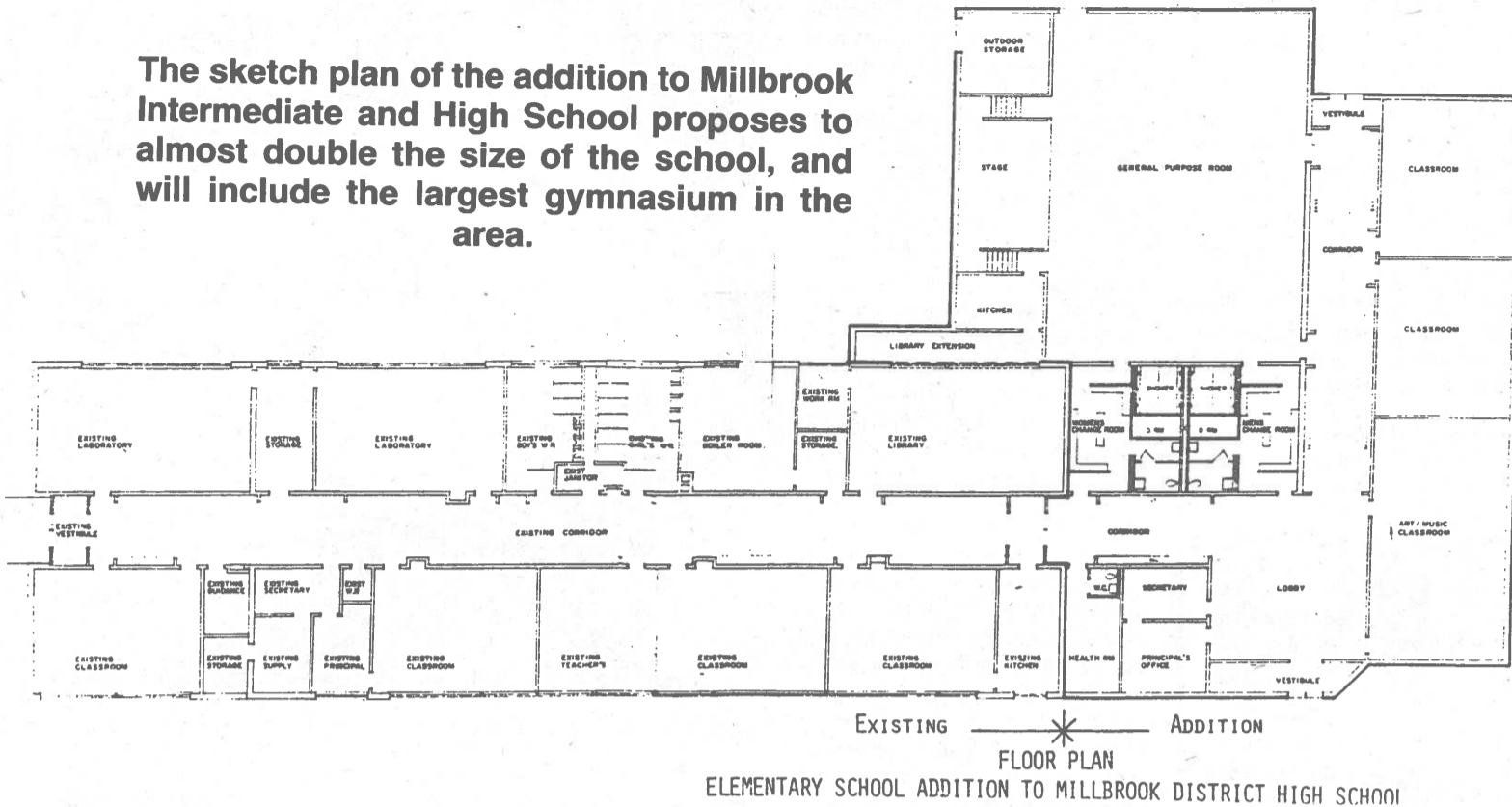
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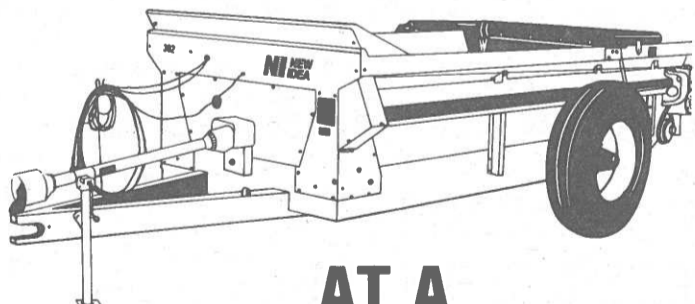
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Recreation Committee continues work on Cavan's Park

The meeting of the Cavan Recreation Committee was held on Sept. 18. At this time, the draw was made for the recently sponsored raffle by the Cavan Maple Leaf Park Association.

1st prize: #1026, Mrs. S. Straughan, Ford Drive, Cavan; 2nd prize: #1182, R. Platt, R.R. 2 Cavan; 3rd prize: Margaret Mitchell, Willowdale, Ont.

Congratulations to the above winners.

The Cavan Maple Leaf Park Association would like to thank the following people for their generous donations: The Cavan Women's Institute, Larry McCarroll, and Dick Calhoun Condon, and to all those people who made the raffle a success. Money raised will go towards play equipment for the Maple Leaf Park.

Work is ongoing with the Maple Leaf Park, such as soil leveling, seed and fertilization, ditching and

draining on different areas of the park.

Clean up and levelling is well on the way at Edgewood, gravel is to be put on the infield and the swing set will be repaired for the coming spring.

The Sports Committee reported a successful year with baseball and T-ball. Two soccer teams made the playoffs. To round the season off, there was a family picnic on the 22nd of September.

We are sorry to see the departure of our caretaker Mrs. Jean Lush. Jean will be missed and we thank her for doing such a great job.

Due to Jean's departure the recreation committee will be looking for a new caretaker. Please read the ad in this month's Highlighter.

Recreation meetings are held every third Thursday of the month at the Cavan Community Hall, Cavan at 7:30; everyone is

welcome. If you're interested in joining the committee please come along to the meeting, or give Brian Mitchell a call at 944-8905.

Cavan Blazers hail Clark

In the Lindsay Pastimers Hockey tourney, held September 26-28, the Cavan Blazers successfully ousted their opponents to win the division championship.

The Blazers attribute much of their success to the superb coaching of Ron Clark.

Final score of the championship game against Whitby Marigolds was 4-1, with goals scored by Gord VanDan, Ralph Larmer, Phil Olan, and Brian Greer.

Dave Pollock, who was outstanding between the pipes, having an average of two goals per game, won the Most Valuable Player award.

Microwave system keeps animals warm

By Lorraine Brown

Researchers at the Universities of Guelph and Waterloo are experimenting with a novel, and much cheaper, method of keeping young farm animals warm—using microwaves, and letting the animals turn the heat on whenever they feel cold.

The system has been successfully tested with piglets, and the researchers are turning their attention to chicks. (Generally, only young animals need the heat.)

"Traditional heating methods heat the whole environment—ground, air, walls, and so on," says Dr. D.W. Morrison of the Animal and Poultry Sciences Department at the University of Guelph. "With microwave heat, the environment will stay cool, but the animals will be warm. No heat will be lost to the

surroundings."

The researchers are trying to reduce the temperature difference between the air inside the animal's quarters and the cold outside air, Dr. Morrison says. This would significantly reduce heating costs, since the farmer would pay for energy only to heat the animals.

Home microwave ovens work the same way, heating only the objects in the chamber, not the air or the chamber walls. But a home microwave unit would be fatal to animals; although the animal-heating units are basically similar to home microwave ovens, they use waves of lower intensity and lower wattage, Dr. Morrison points out.

The idea of keeping farm animals warm with microwaves was developed by Dr. D. Pai, of the University

of Waterloo's Engineering Department, Dr. L. Otten at Guelph's School of Engineering, and Dr. Morrison.

Dr. Morrison says there is no fear that the piglets could inadvertently burn themselves with the microwaves. "The pigs realize that they're getting warm, and seem to know when to move away," he said. The heat stays on for three minutes after the pigs start it, then turns off.

Four piglets, housed in a pen about 1.5 metres square, share one heat source. The microwaves enter at the top of the pen, about one metre away from the pigs. The animals' water, delivered through a nipple drinker, stays cool because it is stored in a pipe made of reflective material impermeable to the microwaves.

Microwave heat would be used only for very young, newly weaned piglets. After they are six or seven weeks old, piglets no longer need the higher temperatures (around 25 degrees Celsius) provided by the waves. The young pigs also need the heat mainly in the daytime. "Like people, pigs prefer to be cool at night," says Dr. Morrison.

The scientists are experimenting with microwave heat for chicks too. Chicks also can be trained to turn the heat on when they feel cold. Like the piglets, they need the extra heat only when young. Microwave heaters could eventually replace the radiant heat brooders now used in poultry farms, Dr. Morrison says.

The research on microwave heating systems is funded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council.

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Sportsmen's Club praised by chairman

Millbrook and District Sportsmen's Association held their meeting on Thursday, September 25 at 8 o'clock in the Municipal Hall. The executive, chaired by Mr. Daryl Sanderson, met briefly to discuss recent developments.

Of first importance was the obtaining and location of a building to serve as an Outdoor Recreation Centre, and in the drawing up of a map describing their intentions, to be presented to the proper authorities for consideration.

Mr. Wilson Stark, Zone #5 Chairman of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters provided much friendly advice and many suggestions. He stressed the importance of being a versatile organization, ready and willing to accommodate the many aspects of the sporting world. Many sports were discussed and the interest displayed would seem to promise that no activity would be discouraged. The increase in population would make apparent the need, and justify the creation of recreational facilities.

For groups wishing to participate, a fourteen-day notice of intent was considered fair. There would be no charge, but donations would be appreciated. The need for funds is always there.

A drawing of the area, indicating a tentative layout was approved. Copies will be available to those interested.

The general meeting was chaired by Mr. Stark, and also on hand to offer direction were Mr. Donald Pritchard, representing Cavan Council and also the Ganaraska Conservation Authority; Mr. Ralph Cole of the Bethany Hills Hunt Club, and Mr. George Clark, president of the Kawartha Fox Hound Association.

Mr. Stark opened the meeting with approving comments on the efforts of the Association, with special tribute to Mr. Sanderson for his honest efforts to present all aspects in their proper perspective — communication is of paramount importance to any undertaking, and

especially so in one where the field of complaint becomes so broad. He believed the Millbrook and District Sportsmen's Association was striving to maintain a high profile, and one that should be viewed with approval by the most critical.

All sportsmen are at first novices, needing tolerance and direction. This Association should endeavour to provide — everyone with a gun is not a hunter; a man with an axe or saw is not a woodsman, most hikers are tyros, unaware of danger areas — poison ivy or oak, mosquito attacks, and the ever-present danger of becoming lost. All are areas in which basic instruction is

needed. It should be a learning experience for all. Most important, let us never be over critical of others, for criticism begets criticism until matters are exaggerated and difficult to bring back into focus. Sound advice applicable to any situation!

With such intentions Mr. Stark wished the Association all success and the meeting adjourned with the sharing of many interesting experiences.

The next meeting will be October 30, 8 o'clock, in the Cavan Municipal Hall, when preparation of plans and briefs will be readied for presentation to the Ministry.



Softball Round-up

Season busy for Millbrook teams

With the financial assistance of the Millbrook Recreation Committee another season of softball has come and gone. This year a total of seventy-four players came to have a little fun on the ball diamond. Since there was not enough bantam boys to make up a team, they joined with South Monaghan.

The T-ball age group of five to eight years old had a total of fifteen players sign up. Although this team did not have a specific schedule, they met once a week and began learning the basics of softball. The team was coached by Tom Hannah and assisted by Mike Gallimore. The team was sponsored by Smith Contracting.

A new age group was formed this year, made up of nine and ten-year-old boys and girls. This team competed with Cavan and two teams from South Monaghan. Sponsored by a private individual, they were known as the Millbrook Thundercats. Coached by Raymond Fallis, with assistance from Paul Buck and Danny Woodward, they played two games a week throughout the summer. A total of seventeen players signed up in this division.

Although it looked as if a lack of players would stop the Bantam girls from fielding a team, last minute recruitments made it possible. Sponsored by Calhoun's IGA, a total of sixteen players signed up. They had a very successful season under the coaching of Henry Van Beek. The Bantam Girls played three other teams from Pontypool, South Monaghan, and Bethany.

The PeeWee Boys took to the ball diamond this year with a total of thirteen boys. This team was coached by Ken Nixon and assistant coaches were Bob Wylie and Paul Goodman. A total of five teams

made this the largest division this year. Other teams in this division were Cavan, Janetville, Pontypool, and South Monaghan. Again this year, the PeeWee Boys tournament was hosted in Millbrook. With help from the parents, Jeremy Bates, Dave Lorette, and Ryan O'Grady, all players were provided with lunch. At the conclusion of the tournament, Pontypool was declared the winner, while Janetville picked up the most sportsmanlike team trophy. Pontypool District Softball Association crests were given to all players, while the winning team received medallions.

Due to a tragedy in this area, a special award, given by Jason Baker's relatives, was provided to a player in the Mites Division. This trophy will be given annually to a player in this division who exemplifies good sportsmanship. This year the trophy was given to Aaron Fallis. This trophy will be on display at Calhoun's IGA in the near future.

South Monaghan sweeps tourney

By Karen Bendall

On Saturday, August 9, Janetville hosted the PeeWee Girls Tournament held at Janetville and at the Grandview School. Teams participating were from Millbrook, Janetville, Bethany and South Monaghan.

South Monaghan won three games straight, winning the League championship with a final win over

Millbrook 14-5.

Each South Monaghan player was awarded a medallion by Janetville coach Ross Brown and every player taking part was awarded with a crest. The League trophy was donated by the Bailieboro Corner Grocery Store. The award for most sportsmanlike conduct went to Bethany.

South Monaghan takes trophy

By Karen Bendall

The Bantam Girls tournament was hosted by Millbrook on Saturday, August 16. Teams participating were Millbrook, Pontypool, Bethany, and South Monaghan.

The Pontypool District Softball

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The trophy for most sportsmanlike conduct went in a tie decision, to both Bethany and Pontypool. Both teams received a trophy.

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Children and the Nuclear Threat

By Joanne Rowland

Staying sane in the Nuclear Age was the subject of a program held at Kenner Collegiate at the end of September featuring Dr. Christopher Ross, a clinical psychologist who has conducted a survey of 2,000 school children. The most notable statistic was the percentage mentioning as their first worry: war 29%, unemployment 20%, school studies 13%.

Among those attending were a good number of students and their comments during the evening were of interest. "Politicians seem to be living in a mentality that I don't understand, in the 1940's and '50's; they don't realize they are a step

behind in technology, and how can they make decisions (about nuclear weapons) if they haven't kept up?" was the concern voiced by one student.

Others commented, "You think it (nuclear war) is going to happen but you don't think there is anything you can do, so you try not to think about it. I get angry when, out of 900 students in my school, only 40 show up to a nuclear awareness meeting."

Dr. Ross commented that youth are very aware of the potential dangers of a nuclear war but often do not want to upset their parents by talking about it. They are often relieved when they are given the

opportunity to talk openly about it. He feels that dying is the taboo subject of the younger generation. He feels it is appropriate to be fearful of nuclear war but the question is whether the fear is enabling or disabling. A student from Millbrook High attending the meeting commented that her first reaction was depression but that out of that came the desire to do something; rather than being paralyzed by the depression, she feels there are things she can do so the depression and fear are reduced.

Other news

On April 19, 1983, Richard Johnston (NDP, MPP for Scarborough West) submitted a resolution to the Ontario Legislature to declare the province of Ontario a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone. A

NWFZ prohibits possession, storage, transit, testing, manufacture or support of nuclear weapons. In November, 1983 the resolution was debated and defeated 38-63 with 24 members absent. Members in support included David Peterson, new premier of Ontario and six other current members of the Cabinet. At present, 17 countries around the world, including Spain and Iceland (NATO members) have declared themselves N.W.F. In Canada over 100 towns and regions, including the entire province of Manitoba have done the same. In Ontario 39 cities and towns are N.W.F. zones.

Richard Johnston's resolution has been again introduced to the Ontario Legislature and will be debated this fall. Our main thrust

here in Millbrook will be, along with Peterborough groups, to encourage our MPP John Turner, to vote in favour of the resolution. Possibly we could ask our own municipal councils in Millbrook and Cavan township to declare our areas Nuclear Weapons Free Zones.

An East-West Peace Festival will be held at Peterborough Robinson College in Peterborough Oct. 17-20. Taking part will be an exiled member of the Moscow Trust Group, the first peace group to be formed in the Soviet Union, in-

dependent of government control. Details of the festival are posted on the notice board outside Millbrook Municipal office.

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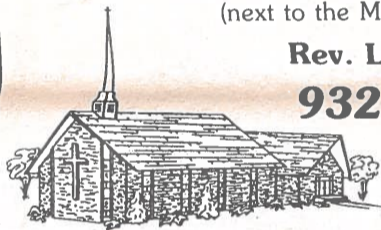
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Millbrook Women's Institute focuses on meals challenge

Mrs. Albert Olan opened her home on Sept. 23 for the first meeting of the season of Millbrook Women's Institute with 14 members and one visitor present, who answered the roll call by naming a "Household Hint."

A summer picnic was held in August at the Peterborough Lift Locks, after which the members visited the Centennial Museum where a display was shown honouring Peterborough's nationally acclaimed cake designer, the late Mrs. Hester Carson. A Coca-Cola display was also of great interest.

During the business period Mrs. Hermi Jandrisits was appointed as delegate along with Mrs. Stephen Doyle who will also attend the Central Area WI. Convention to be held in Toronto at the Royal York Hotel October 28-29. The theme this year is "Meeting the meals challenge." A sum of one-hundred dollars was given to the delegate to cover expenses. There will be a one-day workshop on "Short order Meals" in Maple Grove Church on October 7, when Mrs. Warren Challice and Mrs. Hermi Jandrisits will attend, bringing back information and ideas

to be shared at a later date.

The highlight of the afternoon was the presence of Mrs. Howard Robinson of Cavan who attended the World Conference of the A.C.W.W. in Kilarney, Ireland in May. She showed slides of her trip in England, Scotland and Ireland, and also samples of woollens, crystal, and linen for which these countries are famous.

Mrs. Robinson's talk included snippets such as that in Scotland they burn heather to feed the grouse; Ireland is 302 miles long and 189 wide; No part is further than 70 miles from the sea. People on welfare make as much as those that work, so there is no incentive to work. Ninety-five per cent of the population are Roman Catholic. Dr. Ellen McLean of Nova Scotia, World President of the A.C.W.W., was the guest speaker at the convention which was held in the Southern Hotel in Kilarney.

A hearty note of thanks to the speaker was voiced by the President Mrs. Wilson Larmer, who mentioned the next meeting will be held October 28 at the home of Mrs. Johnston Rowland.

An auction sale of various articles netting over forty dollars was held, after which a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Gordon Davidson and Mrs. Warren Challice assisted by the hostess.

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Council approved the winter-patrol concept at its Oct. 1 regular meeting.

Ennismore Councillor Doris Brick, who chairs the county road committee, explained that the patrol is a response to complaints from the public.

"Last year there were a lot of calls saying that the roads weren't being looked after," Mrs. Brick said.

A temporary patrol will be set from Dec. 1, 1986, to March 31, 1987.

The committee still has to look into the cost of the patrol.

Grace and Centreville get set to celebrate

Our two local Presbyterian churches are marking over a century and a half of witness and service in the area and they are doing it in their customary way — services of celebration.

Centreville Presbyterian Church, Monaghan, will hold two services on October 26th at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. to mark their 153rd Anniversary. Special music will be featured at both services, including a quartette in the morning and a male choir in the evening. The preacher at both services will be Dr. Michael Farris. Dr. Farris, son of the late Allan Farris, Principal of Knox College, was born and raised in Toronto. After receiving his Bachelor's degree from the University of Toronto, Michael headed south to study theology at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia and completed the requirements for a Doctor of Ministry degree. While in Virginia, he served as an interim-minister and as the campus chaplain at the West Virginia Institute of Technology. It was at Union that he also met his wife, Deborah, now herself studying to be a minister at Knox College. On returning to Toronto, Michael began Ph.D. studies in the field of Old Testament and served as interim-minister at Melrose Park Presbyterian Church. He is currently the assistant minister at St. Andrew's, King Street, in Toronto and the focus of his ministry is in the areas of outreach and programming. Dr. Farris is a very noted teacher and preacher.

The following Sunday, November 2nd, Grace Presbyterian Church, Millbrook, will celebrate its 152nd Anniversary with one service at 11:15. There will be special music, and the preacher will be Rev. Fred Swann. Mr. Swann will be known to many in the area. Originally from Ireland, Fred is both a minister and high school teacher. He teaches in Bowmanville, and serves the church as interim-minister at Ballyduff and Nestleton. Under his ministry, the Church at Ballyduff has re-opened and moved from holding services once a month to once a week, and a substantial congregation has been established. We look forward to hearing from Mr. Swann.

All members of the community are welcome at all services.

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE Self-Image — the key

By Rev. Lorne Trimble

How important is self-image? It is the key to your worth. It will determine your usefulness. Stop and take a good look at yourself before you turn your attention to others! Do you like what you see? Can you accept your limitations and build on your strengths? Do you put your trust in God and feel relaxed and sure He will bring out the very best in you? The first thing you must do is learn to appreciate your own worth.

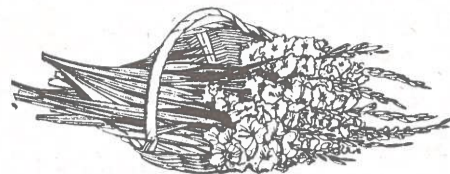
If you do not like the creation, you cannot appreciate the Creator! You cannot effectively reveal God or lead other people to know Him. Why shouldn't we have confidence? After all, God created us in His self-image. If we accept ourselves and our weaknesses positively, we can help others to be self-confident and enable them to meet and accept success and failure. Our confidence is in God!

It's said we remember 10 per cent of what we hear; 50 per cent of what we see; 70 per cent of what we say; and 90 per cent of what we do. Who wants to stay at the 10 per cent hearing level when you can be at the 90 per cent doing level? The

Bible, the Word of God, is as remarkable as man and the universe. The psalmist sums it up perfectly: "The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the judgements of the Lord are true; they are righteous altogether." Psalm 19: 7 - 9.

Filling out an evaluation form, a third-grader answered the question, "What do you want to be?" He answered, "MYSELF!" Everyone ought to like being himself!

The Bible tells us how to have a good self-image. It teaches us to leave the past behind, and teaches us forgiveness and love. It calls us to set our priorities straight. It calls us to service. It tells husbands how to treat their wives, and wives how to treat their husbands; it tells parents and children how to respond to one another. It tells us how to treat our neighbour. The family without the Bible is like a ship without a rudder. It gives us a sense of balance and a reason for being.



Glad Days for epilepsy group

Epilepsy Ontario will adopt the gladiola as its official, provincial flower, and the sale of gladioli (or Glad Days) will become the provincial, fund-raising event for ALL chapters of Epilepsy Ontario, it was decided at the annual volunteer workshop at the Bolton Conference Centre held in mid-September.

Glad Days will happen ACROSS ONTARIO one weekend in August,

and will be comparable to the Cancer Society's daffodil sales and the sale of carnations by Multiple Sclerosis.

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Millbrook Remembrance Service
Tuesday, November 11, 1986

Fall in 10:30 a.m. — Service at Cenotaph 11:00 a.m.

Annual Turkey Roll

November 22, 1986 (Saturday) Time noon

The members of the Ways and Means Committee would like to thank all those who helped and donated to our Trash and Treasure Sale. It was a big success.

Honors and Awards Night
Friday, October 17, 8:00 p.m.

Ladies Auxiliary General Meeting
Tuesday, October 21, 1986 — Time: 8:00 p.m.

Branch Executive Meeting
Tuesday, November 4, 1986, 7:30 p.m.

Branch General Meeting
Monday, November 10, 1986
Please note the change of day

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Donations	1,050.00	
Sale of Poppies	\$1,809.95	
Bank Interest	30.15	
Total 1985 Receipts:	\$3,956.00	\$3,956.00

Total Bank Balance \$5,443.02

Expenditures

Poppies & Wreaths	\$1,361.00	
Poster & Essay Contest	1,961.53	
Veterans Aid	1,050.00	
Total Expenditures	\$4,372.53	\$4,372.53

September 31, 1985 —		
October 1, 1986 —		
All Accounts Paid		\$1,779.28
Bank Balance October 1, 1986		Net Worth

I wish to thank all those who donated their time, money or the many other ways of helping, to make the 1985-1986 Campaign the success it was.

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SPECIAL FEATURE

Zucchini — that dependable vegetable

By Clayton Thexton

(Ed. Note: As the spouse of this year's Grand Prize winner in the Great Zucchini Competition here is surely a man who knows what he's talking about!).

It is late autumn now, and our gardens have presented their bounty. We marvelled at the abundance! A few seeds, a few months ago, cast by careful hands, appeared finally as stalwart rows of rustling corn, golden beans and ruddy beets. The six-pack of cabbage and tomato

plants, committed to the soil with faith and fertilizing, became capable of supplying needs much greater than ours . . . And of course, there is the zucchini.

It is last mentioned, not because of its insignificance, but because of its unquestionable rise to fame. It has become the prince of the produce patch. The veggie for all seasons. And as the star of our show, it is the last to be introduced.

Is there anyone who has not heard of tasted or endeavoured to

of veggies?

Most unlikely! Is there a housewife who has not added its bland bulk to everything from stir fries to wedding cake, from appetizers to zesty dips? Just as I thought! Not one.

First in its line of conquest was the garden, where its branches reached out like the tentacles of some giant squid, usurping space intended for the less aggressive lettuce, the radish and pea. It triumphs over the cucumber. It shoulders aside the patient squash, it scorns the meekness of the marrow.

And its aggressiveness has been met, not with rebuff but with squeals of pure delight! "Oh! See where the zucchini has spread to!" the housewife chortles. "Just look at those leaves! So broad! So green! So thick!" "My, those tomatoes, they're almost covered!" And soon they will be. Just give those zucchinis time.

The day comes when our gardener looks for greater rewards, and delves expectantly among the tangled vines. The prize is waiting. Zucchinis are everywhere. But so well camouflaged! they are but a deeper shade than the vine. They have yellow flecks, but the dominant tone is green. And such a green! Emulating the shade of an emerald exposed to brilliant light, or the dark depths of a frog pond at midnight. Granted, the yellow



flecks add a little character, but they are basically very, very green. But not the appetizing green of lettuce, nor the mouth watering green of the chard or bean, but rather a waxy, reflective, lacquered green. Truly, the colouring of this veggie is the most intriguing of any we are likely to see.

Nevertheless it is gathered in gloated over and fondled. Exuberant cries of "I found three more zucchinis today!" greet all in earshot. Never, I dare say, have two gardeners conversed without some reference to the state of their zucchini. Somehow they have captured the hearts of those who nurtured them.

Now our zucchini faces a new challenge. The Kitchen and those it cannot win over by the taste test, it diplomatically joins. Very like the politician is our zucchini, accepted

because it's quiet by joins with those about it. Bland it may be, but this veryblandness assures its acceptance. Like a seasoned actor it is capable of many roles. Like a seasoned diplomat it forms an affinity for its associates, causing not a ripple. Thus it assumes the flavour of its companions in the pan, a master of masquerade.

So having met with success in the garden and the kitchen, it moves with assurance to the dining room. Here is its finest hour. Complimenting everything from appetizers to entrees, it moves up to the desserts. Breads, biscuits, cases, pies, puddings, jams and preserves, it lends its substance to all and never once is it detected for the bland characteristics. With quiet dignity it has entered the realms of flavour, and claimed victory. Truly a master marinator. A superb veggie!

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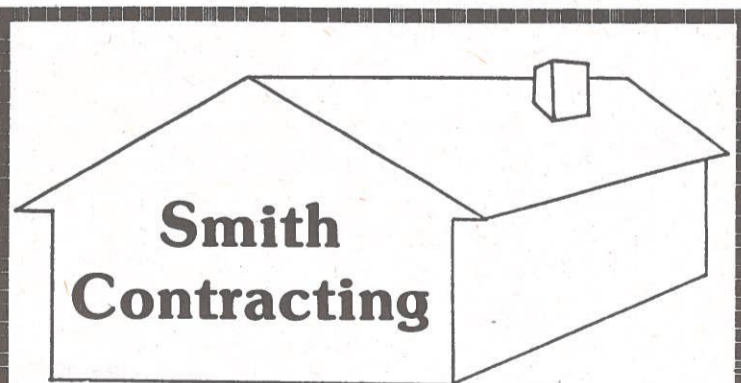


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STONE SOUP

Impossible cookery

By Evelyn Raab

It seems to be virtually impossible to open the pages of any magazine without encountering one of those handy little cookbook inserts with a dozen nifty recipes using biscuit mix. Unfortunately I have long suffered an aversion to packaged mixes of any sort and therefore could never experience the thrill of (for example) *Five Minute Impossible Italian Tuna Broccoli Taco Cheese Pie*. Oh, I suppose much of my snarly attitude toward mixes stems from a notion that they contain lots of weird laboratory ingredients which serve no earthly purpose other than to make the product last for eternity. This feature would be very useful, indeed, after a nuclear war, for instance, when we are all holed up in our root cellars waiting for the fallout to clear. However, on a daily basis I prefer to avoid ingesting ingredients which sound as though they would have to be packaged in child-proof containers.

In doing my usual in-depth research before writing this column I attempted to follow up my suspicions on this matter. Expecting to be able to report on the endless array of nasty chemicals which infest our most common convenience products, I surreptitiously visited the baking aisle of the IGA. It came as no surprise, then, that there were quite a few items on the shelf (I'm not mentioning any names) which were in fact full of stuff which you'd expect to find in maybe a welding shop or a tire factory, certainly not in chocolate cake. On the other hand, however, much to my astonishment some of the convenience mixes are quite undeserving or my scorn and actually contain

nothing unpronounceable at all! All these years — living without *Impossible Bavarian Banana Coconut Upside-Down Torte!*

Alas, this information comes too late for me. I have found a recipe for biscuit mix which is so easy (and cheap) that there is simply no point in buying the commercial stuff. It can be used just the same in all those handy recipes so that you too can have the experience of *Impossible Asparagus Peanut butter Cheeseburger Pie*.

Biscuit Mix

9 C flour (white or a combination of whole wheat and white)
1/3 C baking powder
1 C plus 2 T powdered milk
4 t salt (or less)
1 3/4 C solid vegetable shortening
—Mix together all dry ingredients
—Cut shortening into flour mixture until it resembles coarse meal. This is very easily done in a processor (in batches) but can also be done by hand with a pastry blender.
—Store, well covered, in a cool dry place. It does not need refrigeration.

—Use in any recipe you would use commercial mix. The following are some basic ones.

Biscuits

2 C mix
1/2 C milk
—Stir together mix and milk to form a soft dough.
—Knead by hand five times, then roll out 1/2" thick.
—Cut with a biscuit cutter, place on ungreased baking sheet, and bake at 450° for 8-10 minutes.

Pancakes

2 C mix
2 eggs
1 C milk
—Stir together until smooth, then make pancakes.

Carrot Muffins

1 1/2 C mix
1 t cinnamon
1/3 C oil
1/3 C brown sugar
2 eggs
1 C grated carrot
1/2 C raisins
1/3 C chopped nuts
—Blend mix and cinnamon.
—Beat together eggs, oil, brown sugar. Add mix. Stir in all other ingredients just until combined.
—Bake at 400° for 15-20 minutes.

Cinnamon Twists

2 C mix
2 T sugar
1/2 C milk
2 T melted butter
1/4 C brown sugar combined with 1 t cinnamon
—Combine mix with sugar, then stir in milk.
—Knead 8 to 10 times. Roll out to a 12"x9" rectangle.
—Brush with melted butter, then sprinkle with cinnamon-sugar mixture.
—Fold in thirds lengthwise, seal edges.
—Cut into 1" fingers, twist twice, place on an ungreased baking sheet and bake at 425° for 8-10 minutes.

Oatmeal Cookie Mix

While I'm on the subject of mixes, here's another one which might be handy to have around. This makes quite an acceptable oatmeal cookie.
3 C flour (white or whole wheat or combination)
2 1/2 C sugar (white or brown)
1 t baking soda
1 t baking powder
1 C shortening or butter
3 C rolled oats
—Mix together flour, sugar, baking powder. Cut in shortening until mix resembles cornmeal. Add oats and mix well.
—If made with shortening this may be stored at room temperature, but if you use butter it will need to live in the refrigerator or freezer.

To make 2 dozen cookies:

2 C oatmeal cookie mix
1 egg
1 t milk
1 t vanilla
—Mix all together well. You may add (if you wish) 1/2 C chopped nuts or 1/2 C raisins or 1/2 C chopped dates.
—Drop from teaspoon onto greased cookie sheet and bake at 375° for 12-15 minutes.



Immediately upon landing in Frobisher Bay our Stone Soup Champion Zucchini was given a thorough medical examination to ensure that it had arrived in good health. Seen here holding the lucky zuke is Mr. Bryan Pearson, former mayor of Frobisher Bay. Unfortunately, further details of the trip are unavailable.

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FARM TALK

OFA helping Ontario farmers

By Dave Brackenridge

There are many organizations that Ontario farmers can be involved in. These organizations range from community groups that concern themselves with issues of a nature specific to the commodity

that the members produce, to general organizations that encompass farmers from all walks of life joining together into an umbrella group to look at issues that involve all farmers regardless of the com-

modity they produce. The Ontario Federation of Agriculture is the largest farm organization that is general in nature. Since I am most familiar with this group, I would like to explore its make-up, what it does, and how it helps the farmers of Ontario.

At present there are 23-24,000 members of the OFA. Any farmers can join the OFA for a fee of \$75.00 per year. This entitles the farmer to go to local county federation meetings and have a vote and speak on any issue. Each county federation elects directors who sit on the provincial board of OFA. There are about 120 provincial directors on the board of OFA. The board members for Peterborough County are Cameron Bonner and Ron Frankish. The provincial board of OFA has an executive of seven farmers elected at the annual convention in November. The current president of OFA is Harry Pelisseo. The OFA also employs a staff at its head office on Eglinton Ave. in Toronto. The staff and organization are managed by Executive Administrator Joanne Sutherland. There is also a small field staff of a half dozen people who maintain the link between head office and the countries. The field staff help out on signing up new members and general trouble-shooting chores. Our local fieldman is Dan Cayley from Victoria County who serves the Counties of Durham, Peter-

borough, Northumberland and Victoria. Each county has a board of directors made up of two or three farmers from each township. This local group meets once a month. In Peterborough County the directors meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month. On the provincial level, the board of directors meet on the third Wednesday of each month.

The OFA is a group of farmers working for farmers. One of OFA's major strengths is that it represents both individual farmers and farming organizations such as farm women's groups, commodity associations and boards, co-operatives and educational associations. Together and on behalf of these groups OFA members:

- prepare briefs, evidence and submissions to hearings, royal commissions and cabinet
- promote understanding of agricultural interests by publishing a newsletter for circulation to the provincial and federal elected members.
- foster provincial appreciation of agriculture with urban residents.

The OFA lobbies government, business and other influential groups in its efforts to create a healthy environment for agriculture. Many policies are translated into programs that return money to farmers' pockets. As well as speaking with one voice for agriculture, OFA provides other benefits including: an extended

health program, a farm machinery agency, group life insurance, the Farm and County newspaper and staff help for problems with warranties, tax, expropriation, right to farm and line fence disputes.

Many problems face farmers today. It is heartening to have the OFA in place. However, the group can only be as strong as the members make it. If you are not a member now, consider joining. If you are a member, be sure to come out to local meetings and let your views be heard. Support your provincial directors and let them know what's on your mind. There must be continuous dialogue between the "grass roots" and the executive in order to have a strong lobby. Find out what OFA directors and staff are lobbying for and continue this on an individual basis with your local representatives on municipal, provincial and federal government. If you are not happy with OFA, come out and say why. Other segments of business also have associations and lobby groups. Many of these groups have compulsory membership for their participants. Membership in OFA is completely voluntary, yet farmers who don't pay for a membership still collect on programs OFA has worked for (notably the Ontario Property Tax Rebate). So don't sit on your hands, buy a membership and come out and let your voice be heard.



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MUSICAL NOTES

Schumann's lyric songs

By George Ingham

In mentioning some favourite Schumann songs a few months ago, I neglected to mention the most famous 'lied' of all, 'Widmung' or 'Dedication'. At the opening of this song the singer begins: "Thou art my Soul, Thou art my Heart, Thou both my Joy and Sorrow art, Thou art my World, etc.", if a male, fairly shouts out his wild enthusiasm

for his beloved. Later there is the affecting line: "thou art my Grave, in which I cast forever . . . All my Sorrow past!"

The content of Opus 35 No. 2, opening with the counterpoint of an organ accompaniment is best described as follows: "The organ-like accompaniment sets the scene of the song: the old cathedral of Augsburg, where a young maiden goes to pray. She is weary of the world and begs the Virgin: Let me belong only to you. The bells ring, and those at prayer suddenly see the maiden, now wearing a garland of lilies in her hair, go to the high

altar. "I shall be a nun," she says; "die love and pleasure!" "May God protect this maid" says the poet, for she is my beloved; she knows it not, but she has broken my heart. Die love and light! The text was by Justinus Kerner.

One of Schumann's most beautiful lyric songs, "Silent Tears" is based on the following text by Kerner: "While we sleep blissfully the skies often shed bitter tears, but in the morning they appear fresh and serene. So many of us cry out our hearts in the still night, and in the morning seem glad and happy."

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County computer costs \$45,000

Peterborough County council has authorized an expenditure of \$45,000, not originally budgeted for 1986, in order to expand its originally computer system.

County Clerk Doug Armstrong told council, at its Oct. 1 meeting, the existing computer system has run out of entry space.

The additional equipment would expand the computer's memory from 21 to 120 megabytes.

"It will accommodate what we have now and what we have planned for a long time," Mr. Armstrong said.

Currently accounts payable, accounts receivable and the general ledger are handled on the computer system.

The computer was installed late in 1984. At that time it was hoped the system would last for at least three years before upgrading was required.

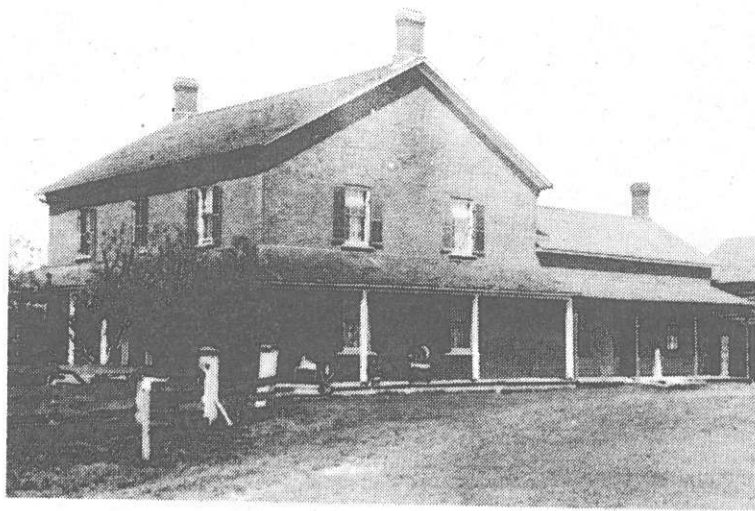
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HISTORIC CAVAN Idylwilde farm

By Norman McBain

The Crown Grant on the east half of Lot 22, Concession 12 of Cavan was William Stewart's in 1824 and on the west half of the same lot, James Wilson's in 1829. It isn't known whether either party settled here.

Records show that early in the century it came to be owned by John Walsh who served as an appointed Justice of the Peace. The 1861 Census shows the name as Welch, but there is little doubt that Walsh is correct. As one pioneer is reported to have said: "It should be pronounced Walsh" — "the full of your mouth."

John Walsh was born in Ireland in 1809 and was a Wesleyan Methodist, one of the founders of Fairmount Church. His wife was born Mary Sharpe, also Irish by birth and belonging to the family of that name who had settled to the

west on Lots 6 and 7, Concession 11. The family of John and Mary were named: David, Eliza Jane, Joseph, Mary, John J. and Harriett.

John Walsh also acquired Lot 23 adjoining the east and sold it to the eldest son David. The home farm was passed on to the second son, Joseph, born in 1849 who married Margaret Cruikshank of Hamilton Township. Joseph and Margaret were the parents of Georgia who married Norman Seaton, Eleda, a nursing sister overseas in World War I, Leone unmarried, and Dr. Stanley Walsh who served in Europe in World War I and later practised medicine in Keene and Peterborough.

A feature of the Walsh farm in the days of John Walsh, was a field from which the clay was kilned into brick. This brick was used to build the farm home as well as for the construction of Fairmount Church, the McIndoo home and

probably others in the neighbourhood. Another landmark was the detached brick smokehouse, used in earlier days for the curing of meats and also, it is believed, for baking bread. In those times the property was known as Maple Hill Farm.

Joseph Walsh retired to Peterborough in 1913 and sold the farm to James Seymour who moved with his family from Harvey Township. The Seymour family consisted of four sons and two daughters: Harry, Percy, Sadie, Eva, William and Carman. The latter who married Mae Petrie of Otonabee Township succeeded his father in ownership and this family was comprised of Myrna, Lila, Joy and Jim.

The Seymours were pioneers in dairy farming in the production of whole milk, which for many years was delivered by horse and wagon to Kendry Station for shipping daily by CPR to Toronto. The family achieved considerable fame in 1927 by having raised a registered Holstein cow who set a world record in milk and butter fat production. By this time the farm had been renamed Idylwilde and the famous cow was registered as Idylwilde Korndyke.

Accompanying this brief historic record is a photo taken in the early

1900's of the impressive farm home built in the 1850's. In addition to the large rooms on the first floor there were six bedrooms on the second floor. Wall construction was the usual solid brick, making it difficult to modify for modern standards of plumbing and electricity and particularly for insulation.

At present a third and fourth generation of Seymour's continue to operate the dairy farm, in the persons of Jim and Cathy Seymour who have two daughters Karen and Heather.

In one way local history seems to have gone full circle. Jim Seymour reports that occasionally he sights a timber way at the north end of the farm on the edge of the long swamp and it seems that these animals are attempting to return to the area

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Looking back:

A Moment in Millbrook History

(The following article has been submitted by Mr. Cliff Larmer. It appeared originally in The Millbrook newspaper of the day — however the exact year is not indicated).

MILLBROOK, Feb. 3 (ENS) — The funeral of William Taylor Wood who died of scarlet fever at Millbrook in his seventy-fifth year Saturday night took place at 8:30 o'clock Sunday night in St. John's Cemetery at Ida in Cavan township. Mr. Wood contracted the disease three weeks ago, and since then his many friends at Millbrook and throughout the district heard with regret reports that his condition was critical with only slight prospect of his recovery. Because of the contagion of scarlet, fever, the funeral was not delayed for the usual seeming extension of life into the memory and tribute of friends, and only a little group attended at the graveside on the snowclad slope of

the old cemetery at Ida. Mr. Wood was the eldest son of the late Archibald Wood and his wife Susanna Taylor, pioneer residents of Millbrook. He was educated in the village public school, the High School at Port Hope and also at Jarvis Collegiate Institute, Toronto. After that preparation he entered the employment of the Bank of Toronto at port Hope, and after further experience in Montreal he returned to Millbrook and was engaged with the private bank of Wood and Kells which his father directed. This financial business was sold to the Bank of Toronto and W. T. Wood, known to his closer friends as "Billy," was manager for a while.

The names of Wood and Kells hve been prominent in the affairs of Millbrook for a long time, and after the private bank passed into corporate hands, Mr. Wood was the accountant for the firm of Wood and Kells for thirty years. He also had insurance connections, and in his own way was active up to the time the fatal illness overtook him.

For many years Mr. Wood was the municipal mentor of Millbrook. He was a member of the village council for ten years, the last six years as reeve, terminating that more prominent phase of his usefulness by his election as Warden of the united counties of Northumberland and Durham in 1929. A Liberal in politics, the dominant Conservative group in the counties council frankly acknowledged his outstanding ability especially in financial matters, retained him as chairman of the finance committee, and generally esteemed the soundness of the direction he had quietly given to the council affairs.

One of the memorable incidents of the counties council at that time was the action of Warden Chas. H. Davidson of Campbellford at the conclusion of his year's sessions in departing far from the routine of political preference by appealing to the members of the succeeding year's council to discard the unearned influence of politics and elect "Billy" Wood, Warden.

"That's all right for Charley Davidson when his own term is finished, to be magnanimous and mellow," several of his associates somewhat mildly protested, but Mr. Davidson's suggestion was actually carried into effect. It was one of the warmest tributes Mr. Wood ever received, and it was richly merited by the long service he had given to his own municipality and the years of work as the representative of Millbrook in the counties council.

Mr. Wood was the first chairman of the village Hydro-Electric Commission, and for years was chair-

man of the Public Library Board. The respect of his own community was reflected in the series of acclamations given him as candidate for municipal office. In fact, it is understood that he never was opposed. During his term as Warden of the united counties the county road from No. 28 highway to Millbrook was paved in the summer of 1929, as part of the Northumberland-Durham permanent road surfacing program that was undertaken so confidently in those lush years that ended in October of 1929.

Another of Mr. Wood's deep and quiet interests was his membership in St. Thomas Anglican Church, of which he was the people's warden for twenty-five years. He was also a member of Masonic Order and a Past Master of the G. B. Hall Lodge, 145.

Millbrook citizens pay Mr. Wood the tribute of placing him first among his peers and associates.

"Billy Wood was in every respect the leading citizen of Millbrook," Percy Stinson, former reeve and warden, told the Ex-

aminer. "We all went to him for advice, and that has been going on for a long time. Mr. Wood was a man of sound judgment. He was well informed, kept abreast of the times, had been well trained, and apart from all that he had judicial characteristic about him which everybody recognized. He was a fine citizen and friend, and we are going to feel a great loss in his death. I was in Montreal visiting my son over the weekend, and I did not get home until this morning. I have hardly recovered yet from the shock of learning that "Billy" Wood is in his grave."


Mr. Wood is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Nellie Lefroy and Miss Margaret Wood at Millbrook and Mrs. (Dr.) B. C. Whyte of Battle Creek, Michigan. He was predeceased by two brothers, Harry and Walter of St. Catharines and one sister, Annie, the wife of Rev. A. Allen of Oaklands, California.

The burial prayers were recited by Venerable Archdeacon Simpson last night, and a memorial service will be held on Sunday, February 7, at St. Thomas Church.

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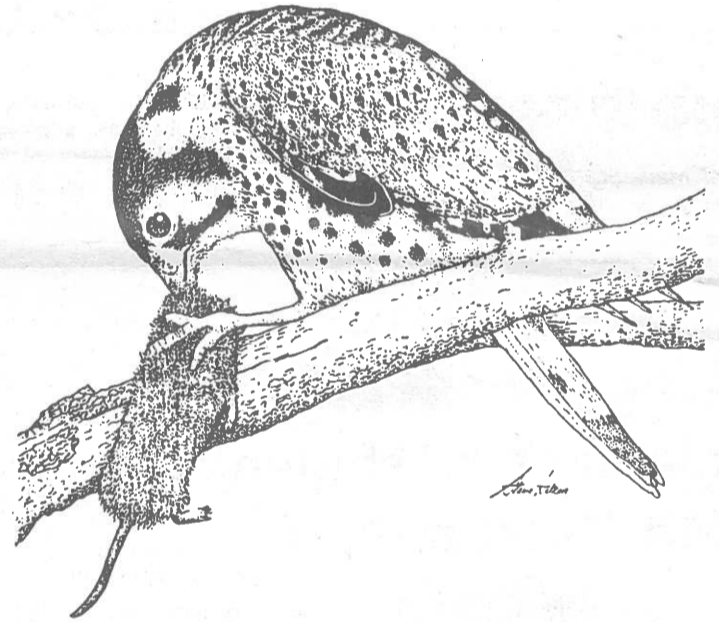
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Sit you down and listen a spell

By Len Colp

(Mr. Colp is a resident of Baillieboro. This article first appeared in Living Message)

We are a fast-moving generation. An inquisitive generation. We demand knowledge. The cost is no object in our futile search for wisdom.

The cry still goes out, "Give us schools, colleges and universities. Stock our libraries with the best and latest books and encyclopedias."

As hunting dogs search out game we rush after wisdom at a 'break neck' speed. It is a race that starts at the cradle and crawls into the station of old age like a tired and weary steam engine.

In this generation we have gathered more knowledge, published more volumes than any before us. These things are good. Yet the fact remains we speed by one of our greatest sources of wisdom.

It is a source not found in libraries. Money can not buy it. Any generation rushing like a river to its end will miss it every time. It takes time to reap this knowledge. Patience is the key word here. "Sit you down and listen a spell," is the title best suited to this volume of latest wisdom.

You'll find this wealth of knowledge in a million different sized and shaped volumes. It walks the streets of our cities behind shaky

canes. It sits in wheelchairs in senior citizens' homes.

They are the cream of the last generation, ready and willing to instruct the next. One thing they have in common is that they are old and wise. Each is filled with its own particular brand of information. The cover may be soiled with age yet beneath that frosty covered brow is knowledge that would shake up any computer.

The older generation now travelling at a snail's pace, love to tell you of the things they've done and said. Can we afford not to listen? Is it what they have done and said and thought that has made this world the place it is today. Is it not wise to listen as they contemplate the good times and the mistakes they've made?

You will find them ready and willing to divulge their wisdom if you will but 'sit you down and listen a spell'.

They are everywhere. They live in big cities like Montreal and Toronto. They are the frail pillars of small towns like Metiskow, Haliburton or Salmon's Cove.

'Sit you down and listen a spell,' as wisdom tells about his role in World War I. Now he is old and bent with time but then he was in the prime of life. He talks first hand of war in France and along the Rhine. He remembers them in days

when he dreamed of a perfect world.

He saw what history books forgot. He saw the cost of freedom. While historians talk of frozen corpses on the battle fields he speaks of George and Bill and Ted. They were his frozen buddies whom he was forced to leave behind.

He speaks about the things that mattered most to the 'average Joe'. Things like freedom for all, the right to live, and having a stomach full of food.

Sit you down in Saskatchewan and listen as another old timer tells how his Alma made her only dress from flour sacks. How she washed it every night so it would be ready for tomorrow because he could not afford to give her more than one.

He talks of springs he planted wheat. Wheat that 'nay' pushed its head up through the dry soil.

With a far away look in his mellow brown eyes he sees the years when the wind gave wings to the top soil. He knows of dust storms as bad as winter blizzards. With feeling not found in textbooks he tells how his son, who was his only hope of keeping the family farm alive, went to war in 1939. That hope died on July 31st, 1944 in North Africa. To him it's not the hard statistics of the unknown soldier; it was his son.

In a senior citizens' home in

Westlock a rusty brown Indian woman leans upon her wooden cane. Her lonely mind remembers a village where Father Lacombe preached and she was there.

The tales of mounted men in red coats who forced the law are vivid and real to her.

In her tribe she was Red Wing. She knows how her people felt and thought as greedy white men pushed their wagons and ribbons of steel across the prairies. To Red Wing it is not the hard cold facts of a textbook. No, she felt it all. She acted out her part. She helped to build the great Northwest. She never packed a rifle or pulled a bow but she was one of the 'average Joes' that made this land.

In her mind are facts and feelings

that go between the lines of your most expensive set of Britannica.

Yes 'sit you down and listen a spell'. It is amazing what you will learn from those with a stooped shoulder and a frosted brow.

If you but listen you will learn, as well as give an old man a reason for living. You will cause an old woman to say, "I knew there had to be a reason for the hard times we passed through. The reason is that I might help your generation pass over a less stoney road."

Old age is not a useless time. It is the age of wisdom and only a fool would let it pass by unheeded. A writer has written, "Listen, young man, that thou mightest avoid the pitfalls of thine ancestors."

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New insecticidal soap means garden pests are all washed up

By Hugh Westrup

A Vancouver Island company has made cleaning up insect infestations on plants a simple matter of washing down the offending bugs with a new insecticidal soap.

Safer Agro-Chem of Victoria, B.C. manufactures a soap that is as lethal as chemical pesticides when sprayed on certain insects. Because the soap is specially tailored from organic ingredients that harm only certain insects, it knocks out the bugs without damaging the environment, says Safer's vice-president in charge of research and development, Dr. George Puritch.

So well does the insecticidal soap work that the company is developing other soaps that kill harmful plants and fungi.

Dr. Puritch says that soaps that kill insects (or plants or fungi) are just like ordinary household soaps, in that they contain a mixture of fatty acids and an alkaline base. Which is not to say that house and garden pests can be effectively controlled by lathering up a bar of Ivory and soaping down the bugs.

Safer's insecticidal soap is a blend of fatty acids—there are hundreds of different fatty acids—that has been designed specifically to kill insects. It kills eight harmful house and garden pests, including mealybugs, earwigs, spider mites, and tent caterpillars. If combined with a bacterial pathogen, the soap will also control caterpillars and aphids.

"Fleas are also sensitive to the soap, so you can use it on your dogs and cats," adds Dr. Puritch. "It makes their coats look good, too."

Because the soap is designed to kill only certain insects, it does so without harming a hair on the heads of such beneficial ones as bees, parasitic wasps and ladybugs.

Dr. Puritch says the insecticidal soap does its dirty work on insects in more than one way. First, it penetrates the insect's body and disrupts

the membranes of the insect's cells. "The membranes lose control so that all their contents leak out and the cells die," says Dr. Puritch.

In addition, the fatty acids build up in the insect's nervous system, causing paralysis.

In order to work, the soap must hit the insect directly, Dr. Puritch says. This requires more frequent spraying than other types of pesticides; nevertheless, the soap is cost-effective, he says.

Dr. Puritch says the soap has a number of advantages over pesticides made from petrochemicals. "It isn't harmful to the environment and it won't endanger your workers," he says. "Also, it degrades immediately so you can use it right up until the day before harvest."

"And because it's a soap, it makes it easier for you to clean up your equipment," he adds.

The insecticidal soap comes in a liquid form that looks much like the new hand soaps available in pump bottles. When watered down, it can be sprayed over houseplants or fields

or entire forests.

So far, Safer's soap has been used everywhere from apple orchards in B.C. to fir forests in North Carolina to greenhouses in Holland.

Now that the bug soap has proven so successful, Safer is marketing a herbicidal soap, called De-Moss, which kills moss, algae and lichens that grow on patios, sidewalks and roofs. Dr. Puritch says wooden roofs are particularly vulnerable to certain algae which give them a black, sooty appearance. "When De-Moss is sprayed on a roof, it gets into the wood and keeps it free of algae for five or six years," he says.

Yet another new Safer soap, "Lawn De-Moss", kills moss on grass. "We're also developing a soap-sulphur complex that can be used against powdery mildews and black spots," Dr. Puritch says.

Safer Agro-Chem has received grants from the Science Council of British Columbia and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council.

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PONTYPOOL NEWS

Community Notes

By Nettie Aiken

This past month, activities have started up towards a very busy fall season. Every age group has its own special programs, and its accompanying commitments.

The Manvers Historical Society began the fall with an executive meeting at the home of Moira Lawrence, wife of MP Allan Lawrence. The main business was reviewing the immediate and future requirements of the Old Bethany Post Office. Cliff and Yvonne Fallis are representatives from the Keenagers on the Historical Society's executive. There was an open meeting of the group in the Bethany Town Hall on October 9.

On Thursday, September 18, forty-seven members of the Northumberland and Durham Riding Associations of the Progressive Conservatives visited Ottawa for

the unveiling ceremony at the statue of the late Right Honorable John G. Diefenbaker on Parliament Hill.

Arriving at 11:45 a.m. the ceremony commenced at 12:30. After the unveiling, everyone attended the gathering under the In-fotat at the east of the Centre Block.

Those attending from the Manvers Association of the Progressive Conservatives included President Perry Grandel and wife Doris, Association Treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Morley Kellett, Mr. and Mrs. Art Rowan, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Webb, Mrs. Mildred Britton, and Mrs. Verena Sanderson. The group stayed at the Chateau Laurier.

There was a reception and dinner hosted by Honorable Allan Lawrence and Moira Lawrence. After dinner, the group attended the Progressive Conservative party

reception in the Renaissance Room of the Chateau. September 19, the group toured the grounds of Rideau Hall, the Governor General's Residence, and lunched at the Parliamentary cafeteria. Group photos were taken. Following a visit to Mr. Lawrence's office, the group left for home at 1:30 p.m.

Betty Lou Preston, one of the school secretaries at Grandview School has informed me that there are 760 students enrolled from the Township, including Junior Kindergarten, which started on Monday, September 15. There are twelve regular bus runs and a van for the handicapped of the township.

The Victoria County Pre School Resource Van made its September 16 visit to the Pontypool Community Centre with a very interesting session on different colours. There were coloured sponges in the water table, and the craft was licking and sticking circles and squares of various colours on precut paper.

All the Grade 6 Grandview classes have been to the Ganaraska Forest Centre, which is a two-and-a-half-day program, involving an overnight stay. It consists of pond study, orienteering (how to get around without becoming lost) and outdoor education, such as a close examination of trees. Teachers try to make interesting follow-up lessons.

The following comes from Harvey Garner of the Pontypool Fire Department to keep you up to date on their activities.

The Lindsay ambulance personnel were unable to come to our fire hall on September 21, so they will be giving the firefighters additional

training on October 19. Again, anyone wishing to observe is welcome.

September was a very quiet month for the fire department, but now the wood stove season is approaching, so take a few moments to clean and inspect your wood-burning appliances and chimneys to help avoid a tragedy.

The Firefighters' Annual Christmas Draw tickets will be on sale shortly.

The year is going fast, and your reporter wants to give you a glimpse of the Christmas season. On November 8 and 9, and November 15-16, the M-R Gallery will be having an old-fashioned arts and crafts sale for Christmas, with the event named "Country Christmas." Proprietress Kathy Morton would be happy to have you participate on one of the weekend dates from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Jean Rose was able to visit at home during the Labour Day weekend. After approximately a month in Richelain, Quebec, she will be taking her final training at Camp Borden. It has been a long, hard struggle, but keep up the good work. Your parents are proud of you, and we all wish you the very best.

On Friday, September 26, there was a very happy birthday dance at the Pontypool Community Centre in honour of Audrey Wood's birthday. The evening began with three tables of euchre. The dance was well attended, with the Harold Davidson Band providing the music. Russell Wright called off for a few square dances, for variety during the hours they were under

engagement. There was a bountiful lunch served and we thank Ross and Audrey and others who made this occasion the success it turned out to be.

On Monday, September 15, Frank Kingsland from Oshawa and a friend, spend a few hours with Harold and Marie Wilson, of Pontypool. Both the men worked at T. G. Gale Lumber, Ritson Road, Oshawa, Ontario. This company sold out to Peacock Lumber.

Mr. Edison McGill of Bethany suffered a stroke affecting his right side on July 8 and is still in the Doctor Joseph O'Ruddy General Hospital in Whitby, Gordon Street, Second Floor, Room 205, L1N 5T2. He is improving slowly but it will be quite a long time yet before he is able to return home. Edison would be very happy to receive notes and calls, visits and prayers from his former neighbours. Also, please continue to remember Mrs. Leta Ford, Horace Peck and Harvey Aiken.

Dorothy Reader, sister of Gwen Curtis, died on Wednesday, September 24 with funeral on Friday, September 26 from Nisbett's Funeral Chapel, Peterborough, interment at Little Lake Cemetery. The sympathy of the community goes out to the Curtis family.

A cousin of my husband's in Gananoque died suddenly in his sleep on Sunday, September 14. Jack Kirkby leaves a wife, Irene, and two married daughters and their families. He is the son-in-law of my husband's oldest aunt, Aunt Gertrude, now in a nursing home in Gananoque. Our prayers go with these bereaved loved ones.

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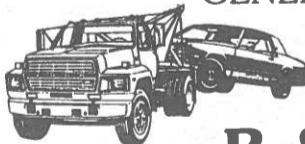
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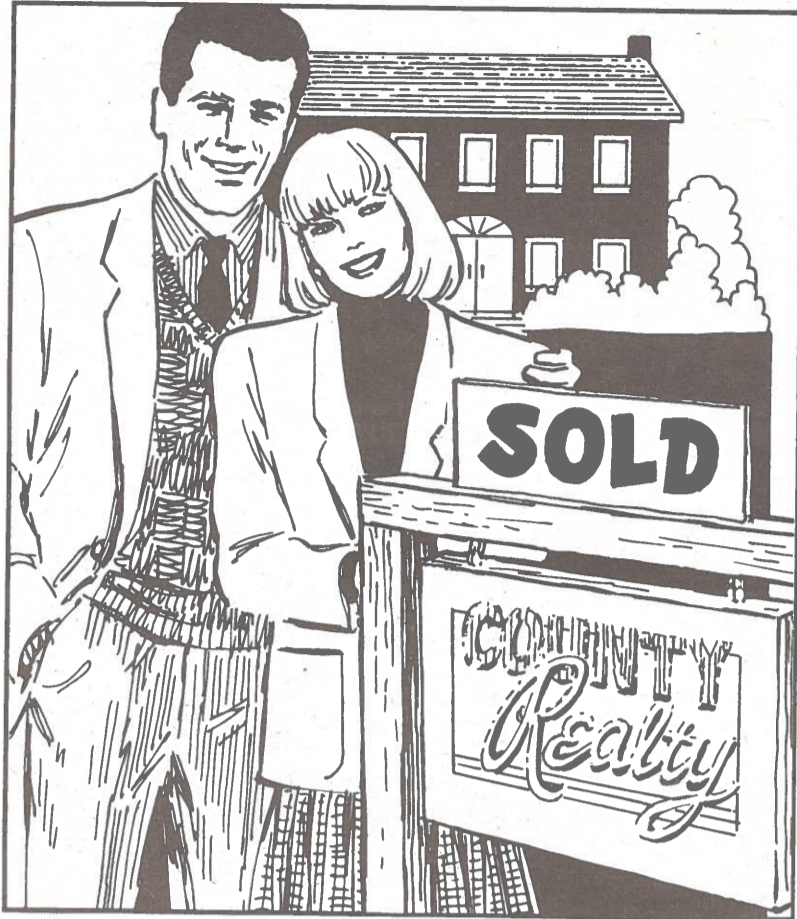
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