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## WITH THE CUBS AND SCOUTS

Monday night saw the first meeting the local Scout Troop with a good attendance but not full.

The meeting was held out at the Scout cabin and after the break off from the horseshoe a bit of cleaning up around the cabin was done and the remainder of the meeting spent in games. Scouts would like to thank Graham and Jamieson for the cutting of grass etc. around the cabin. The next regular meeting will be on Monday, Sept. 21st. starting at 7 P.M. at the cabin where work will be done on the rifle range. Be on time. Be Prepared.

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The Cub Pack met at Akela Thomson's home for the first of the season with a good turnout of 19 boys.

Cubs meet next Monday night at 7 P.M.. The Meeting will take place at Akela Thompson's home. Be on Time. Be Prepared.

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Now is the time to cross one item off your Christmas list. Purchase your cards from the local Scouts who have a good selection of cards, seals and wrap. Your support is greatly appreciated. Anyone not called upon and desiring cards phone 645R2 for service.

## COMING EVENTS

BINGO—Under auspices of Lady of Lourdes Church, Hagersville, will be held every Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. in the Church basement. Cash Prizes. Special Games. Good Jack Pot. 26TF

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES of The Stone Church, Walpole, will be held on Sunday, September 20th. Services at 11.00 A.M. and 7.30 P.M. Hot Turkey Supper September 22 from 5.30 to 8.00 o'clock. Tickets available from members of the Evening Auxiliary.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES— At Garnet United Church will be celebrated on Sunday, September 27th at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P.M. Rev. Alfred Shields of Talbotville will be the guest Minister. A Chicken Supper will be held on Thursday night, September 24, from 6 to 8 P.M. Adults $1.25 Children 6 to 12 50c Pre-school free. 35-2TC

## ONTARIO HOG PRICES

SEPTEMBER 8 — 10TH

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Western Canada markets show little change over last week. Winnipeg markets were slightly higher at $22.75 to $23.50 on Tuesday and Wednesday. Edmonton was unchanged at $21.70 Monday to Wednesday, and Calgary prices remained at $21.60 Monday to Wednesday.

Monday was a holiday in Montreal this week and no sales were reported. Hogs sold on Tuesday and Wednesday at west end markets for $25.25; sows sold for $15.00 on Tuesday, $14.0 0on Wednesday. East end market reports hogs sold at $25.00 and sows sold at $15.00 on both days.

Total hog gradings for the week of August 31 to September 4th were 56,057, an increase of 3,386 over the previous week. Number of hogs going through the 36 marketing yards of the Hog Co-op in Ontario last week was 53,813, an increase of 3,471 over the previous week. This represents 94.22 per cent of total gradings in Ontario. This figure does not include Ontario hogs moving into Quebec.

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## CARDS OF THANKS

I wish to express sincere thanks and appreciation to my friends for flowers, gifts, cards and visits while in Toronto Hospital and since returning home. —Mrs. Mary Walter

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# Jarvis at Fergus - Saturday 3.30 P.M.

## Tourists In Sanfrancisco

— By A. L. M. —

We woke us this morning with breakfast tray which featured a bowl of old fashioned Oatmeal mush. Since this was our last day in San Francisco we thought it a most thoughtful gesture. You know I have always been proud of my British ancestry and never failed to impress it on to her in the impressions of her youth. Despite my efforts we never could get her to appreciate the music of the Scots. The porridge is good and nice to be filled up with some so substantial after a diet of Tango Tabus etc.

Morning is taken up in trying to fit many souvenirs in the suitcases that were filled on arrival. This is quite a task, we assure you you have not had that personal experience.

Early after noon we stow our luggage in Evelyn Abram's car and she offers to take us to the airport by a different route. We head out the Lake boulevard and head south for the first time we see the country around San Francisco like. It's nice. Our destination is going to be Stanford University located at Palo Alto.

Leland Stanford University was established by the California Legislature in 1885 and the Founding Grant established the University Trust was executed by Leland and Jane Stanford on the same year. The first classes in 1891.

The University is a Memorial to Leland Stanford Jr., only child of the Stanfords. The parents were active in the development of the Pacific Mr. Stanford was trained in the New York State before beginning his career as a merchant with his brothers in 1852. He attained great success in business and other fields.

Leland Stanford Jr. was born to the Stanford eighteen years after their marriage, and as the only heir became the center of the fond parents' hopes and ambitions. He was a prodigious youngster, but died tragically of Typhoid Fever in 1884, two months before his 16th birthday.

The grief of the Stanfords were tremendously shaken by this loss and were determined to devote their immense wealth in memorial to him which would benefit other children the advantages they had intended for their son. The development of a university was the development of Stanford's idea of education. As a member of the U.S. Senate he was author of the act which would have provided aid to education.

But his career he established the Palo Alto Stock Farm which was to be the site for the Memorial University. This farm contained 8,000 acres. The Founding Grant provides that the lands may be alienated from the University. About one-half of the land has been reserved by the Trustees for University purposes and the remainder is being held under leases for residential, commercial and other uses.

Land that is being leased is lands that is under rapid development and the lease rights must provide tremendous income for University and the full potential passes the imagination. Two shopping centers are within sight of the University and these cater to an expanding population growth. Some Palo Alto comes from the towering redwood tree that dominate the area. The Stanford Inn originally named Palo Alto Inn is one particularly tall Redwood standing near the northwest corner of the property. It had been named by the early Spanish Explorers, to whom it was a major landmark. Literally translated, the name means tall stick.

Leading up to the main University Buildings is an avenue of palms. This sight was most enjoyable to us. We saw several palm trees but they were not in evidence as much as we thought they might be. Here we saw them in all their glory.

We browsed through a shopping center in Palo Alto before heading northward again to the International Airport where we would be carried aloft for the trip homeward.

This thought was a bit depressing We were not quite ready to leave. What other wonderful sights had we missed? Could there be any?

Upon arrival at the airport we find we have a little better than one hour before take-off so we decide to have dinner. This time we went to the third floor dining room at the Airport. Sitting at the table there is a clear view of all take-offs and landings. This sight is a revelation The planes are landing and taking off continuously. One wonders how this heavy traffic can be regulated so smoothly. Everyone is thrilled to see the big jet passenger planes when they come in or take off.

A wonderful dinner was served but somehow no one seems to have any appetite. After eating so prodigiously all week one would think the custom would have been naturally habit forming. It's funny too there seems to be a choking up on conversation. The truth is that goodbyes had to be said and, under the circumstances, there didn't seem to be anything very exhilarating about that experience. Suffice it to say we finally got aboard the big DC 7. The piston motors started up in a cloud of smoke and in the darkness of the night the exhausts spitted fire as we waved to a lonely figure standing in that space, enclosed by glass, for people who are seeing friends off. We couldn't actually see one another but the waving continued until our craft was but a speck in the cloudless sky. Maybe the other passengers thought we were suffering from a bad case of hay fever, but it wasn't.

The trip home was uneventful. A wonderful experience looking at the settlements along the way in the dark of night. The lights give the appearance of valuable gems. The moonlight reveals a mountain peak off the wing tip. Nearing Chicago at day break the ceiling drops and we ride on the clouds for miles. Suddenly the nose dips and visibility is clear and we land smack in the center of the city at Midway airport. A TCA Viscount is waiting to take us on the last leg of the trip to Malton Airport at Toronto. Before the craft comes to a stop we discern another hand waiving enthusiastically on this trip and that the last wave we saw in San Francisco, but it gives us a new perception of reality. It's even good to be back. Even the dog wagged his tail when we arrived home.

We never anticipated writing about these experiences when we left but we now discover the report exceeds 16,000 words. Our readers have been more than kind in their reaction to the reports and our hope is that everyone may, at some time, have the wonderful experiences we enjoyed.

## WEDDING

### HARPER — KITCHEN

A wedding trip to Banff is following the marriage in Christ Anglican Church, Nanticoke, on Saturday, September 12, at 3 P.M., of Alice Kitchen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kitchen, R.R. 2, Nanticoke, and John Harper, R.R. 3, Caledonia. Rev. K. N. Brueton officiated. Mrs. Graydon Field, of Nanticoke, was at the organ and the soloist Miss Molly Hedges sang "The Wedding Prayer" and "My World".

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father and wore a floor-length gown of white chantilly lace over taffeta with full skirt, fitted bodice long lily-point sleeves and boat neckline. An orange blossom and pearl headdress held a finger-tip veil of silk illusion net and she carried a bouquet of pink lilies, white carnations and stephanotis.

Maid of honor was Miss Ada Kitchen of Hagersville and the bridesmaids were Misses Anne Kitchen and Lynda Kitchen, all sisters of the bride. They were dressed identically in light blue street-length lace over taffeta, princess style, with large bows at the back and headdresses to match. The maid of honor carried pink sweetheart roses and the bridesmaids pink carnations and pink sweetheart roses. Marie Weaver and Marsha Hedges, cousins of the bride, flower girls, wore short pink taffeta dresses with headdresses to match and carried small baskets of flowers.

Robert Smith of Hagersville was best man and the ushers were Douglas Lamb of Nanticoke, cousin of the bride, and Elvin Nixon, Hagersville, brother-in-law of the groom.

A reception followed at the Cove Room, Port Dover, for 95 guests. Mrs. Kitchen receiving in a navy blue dress with rose accessories and matching corsage. Mrs. Harper wore a deep rose dress with lace panels, black accessories and matching corsage.

The bride travelled in a beige and copper tone sheath dress with three quarter coat, matching accessories and corsage. On their return from Banff, they will reside at R.R. 3 Caledonia. Out-of-town guests were present from Caledonia, Hagersville, Port Credit, Jarvis, Nanticoke, Simcoe and Port Dover.

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### LONG — POND

The wedding of Arlene Pond and Merritt Long took place in St. James United Church chapel, Simcoe, on Monday, September 7th. Rev. W. G. Leck officiated. The bride wore a turquoise taffeta street length gown with matching feather hat and accessories and carried a corsage bouquet of salmon pink roses. Mrs. Wm. Ionson was matron of honor, and chose a beige taffeta gown of similar style, and her feather hat and accessories matched her corsage bouquet of bronze roses. Walter C. Long of Port Dover was best man for his brother.

Following the ceremony, a wedding dinner was held at the American Hotel, Jarvis, and the couple left later on a wedding trip to Eastern Ontario.

—Port Dover Maple Leaf

## BOY SCOUTS PAPER COLLECTION

**The Jarvis Boy Scouts will hold a Paper Collection on SATURDAY, Sept. 26th**

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## Record Crowds At Harewood Race Events

A reported record crowd, in excess of 10,000 watched the challenge races at Harewood last Saturday and the proceeds, $10,000 was handed over to the sponsors, The Toronto Globe & Mail, for Sports Editor Jim Vipond's fund for a swimming pool for Retarded Children.

The event was the result of a challenge by Ed. Otto, Vice President of National Association of Stock Car Racing. He proclaimed, earlier in the year, that stock cars could defeat any sports cars on any track, but doubted if the sports car drivers would accept the challenge.

The challenge was accepted and the results were not very encouraging to Mr. Otto who said after the 100-mile feature event: "We have no alibis."

Sports cars took the first nine places in the feature with Harry Blanchard, driving a porsches gained the victory. Frances Bradley was second with Bob Cliff third in a corvette and Dan Shaw with his Devin TR in fourth position.

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## *Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary*

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wood of Woods Point, Nanticoke, are celebrating their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary quietly at their home on Friday, September 25, 1959.

They were married by the late Rev. H. J. Leake at the home of the deed of the school was made to Mr. Schweyer by Dr. R. Weylie, chairman of the North Cayuga Public School Board. The school building now occupied for the teaching of the Retarded Children was the property of the citizens of North Cayuga and was one of the school buildings left idle with the building of the central school at Cayuga.

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## First Game of Semi-Finals

## Return Game Here Wednesday Night

The Jarvis Herefords go to Fergus on Saturday afternoon to play the first game of the Ontario Amateur Softball Association Intermediate "B" Play-offs. The return game is scheduled for the Jarvis Park on Wednesday, September 30th at 8.30 P.M. The winner of this round will meet the Northern Ontario Semi-Finalists in the South over the Thanksgiving week end.

The Fergus series promises to be a thrilling one and it is hoped all loyal Hereford fans will be with the team at Fergus on Saturday afternoon. Fergus is a short distance from Guelph and will be a lovely drive at this time of the year.

## Officially Open School For Retarded Children

Haldimand's first school for Retarded Children was officially opened last Wednesday night. The program for the opening included the presentation of gifts to the school and an address by Hon. James N. Allan, Provincial Treasurer, and M. L.A. for Haldimand County.

Mr. George Schweyer, president of the Haldimand Association for Retarded Children was chairman of the proceedings and expressed his satisfaction in the fulfillment of an under taking started about two years ago.

Presentations included a flag from the County Legion Branches which was presented by Harold Brooks and received by Mrs. George Baldwin, teacher at the school. Mrs. Baldwin also accepted a Bible which was presented by Rev. E. Shaw. She said she would see to it that the children learned to respect and to take the greatest care of these two gifts.

The Charter for the new school was presented by Mr. G. Campbell, a past President of the Ontario Association for Retarded Children. Mr. Campbell reviewed the progress made in this field since the first school was opened at Kirkland Lake seven years ago. The Charter was received by Mr. Birge Havill, Vice President of the Association.

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## West Hald. W.I. Officers Conference

The Fall Meeting of West Haldimand District Women's Institute convened in the Caledonia Anglican Church on the afternoon of September 21st with Mrs. Alfred Marr, District President in the chair and Mrs. Clarence Hayes, District Secretary assisting.

Mrs. Alan Flowers, President of the Hostess Branch, Willow Grove, extended a gracious welcome.

It was decided that the East and West Haldimand Reunion be discontinued for the present at least. The name of Mrs. James Nichol was submitted as the choice of West Haldimand for 2nd Vice Chairman of the Hamilton area. The Area Convention was announced for Oct. 27 and 28 at the Royal Connaught Hotel, Hamilton, when Miss Ethel Chapman will review her impressions of the recent A.C.W.W. held in Edinburgh Scotland.

Mr. T. Roy Brown I.P.S. spoke on the establishment and opening of the School for Retarded Children, stressing the fact that this is not a school to be judged from an academic viewpoint, but rather as an humanitarian project, noting that parents must make voluntary application for enrollment of their children.

He again asked for W. I. representation on the School Ground Improvement Committee. Three members of the Garnet W. I. were named to the committee.

Mr. J. Gordon Skinner, Agricultural Representative, was the next speaker, dealing at some length with the Farm Accident Prevention Survey. Findings show that the most accidents occur to those in the age group 30 to 40 years while the least prone are those in the 60-70 year category. He solicited 3 committee members for night school planning. These were named from the Willowgrove group. He also asked for ladies who would help plan "Farm and Home Week". The Clanbrassil W. I. will send three members to this meeting.

Mrs. Sandra Taylor, Home Economist, spoke briefly on the work with 4-H clubs in Haldimand. Noting the Leaders' Training School to be held this week in Kohler for the Supper Club project and announcing the spring project as "Cottons May Be Smart", she reviewed the program of the 4-H Club Conference held in Guelph and noted the senior project "Window Treatment" to be held in Kohler Oct. 20th and 21st.

Mrs. Jas. Nichol, representing the W. I. on the Hospital Board brought the meeting up to date on progress toward the new West Haldimand Hospital, noting the fee to Haldimand Hospital Association as $2.00 to be paid to the Treasurer Mr. Letner of the Hagersville Bank.

Mrs. R. A. Miller reported the new trends in Children's Aid work, the stepped-up program of adoption, presenting the case of the older child the physically and mentally handicapped and the difficult child all of whom must find a place in the society of today and who are a challenge to many dedicated people. She

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## Sports Highlights

- By Russell R. More -

### JARVIS CONQUERS OAKVILLE FERGUS NEXT

Jarvis Herefords defeated Oakville score of eight to nothing last night. This was the second final game of the series leading won the first game by the same score. Edwards pitched shutout and consequently no-run game, a large following of fans, his third of the play-offs, allowed a possible twenty-seven. Jarvis batted twenty-three strikeouts went to the outfield early and from then on it was lead three down.

Jarvis scored in the Jarvis nine runs on hits with two going to Beattie, Nixon, Clark and Edwards. One error was scored against Jarvis to the first batter when the ball was fumbled, the runner stole second. Oakville committed three errors.

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| Jarvis | 0 0 4 2 0 0 1 1 0 8 | 13 | 1 | 1 |
| Oakville | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 |

Jarvis now meets Fergus and the series opens at Fergus on Saturday, September 26th at 3.30 P.M. The return game is on Wednesday, the 30th at 8.30 P.M.

At time of going to press no word has yet been received as to who and when the Jarvis Juvenile Baseball team meet in the next round.

## The Christian Viewpoint

- By "Simon" -

### IT'S NOT HOPELESS

Recently in a railway car, one passenger got up from his seat at every stop and looked out of the window. Shaking his head in annoyance he resumed his seat repeating the same words each time: "I see more and more that I have taken the wrong train." In spite of his mistake however, he did nothing, and the train continued its run carrying him farther and farther from his destination.

The story may sound a little absurd, but there are many people today who are just like that man. On the journey of life they realize that they are going in the wrong direction, yet they do nothing in order to try to change their lives or their way of living. Instead, they allow them selves to be carried along by the force of habits, though it will lead them eventually to disaster.

Many such people feel altogether powerless to help themselves and indeed they are. St. Paul, that great pioneer of christianity had often felt like that. In one of his letters to friends in Rome, he wrote: "My own behaviour baffles me. For I find myself not doing what I really want to do but doing what I really loathe" (Romans 7, Phillips translation). All of us have experienced that sense of weakness, even though we may not have admitted it. But this does not mean that our case is hopeless or that we must continue in the way that leads us farther from our goal, for Jesus has said: "I came not to call the righteous but the sinner to repentence." (Matthew 9. 13). Repentence begins by recognising that we are on the wrong road, that we have made a mistake, and it is completed when we make the resolve to accept the challenge of a new way of life as offered to us through Jesus Christ.

Jesus came into the world to challenge men and women to that higher way of life, and he challenges us to accept it. We are powerless to help ourselves, but through Christ we are offered loving forgiveness and strength to begin a new life. This is the meaning of the word GOSPEL — Good News — the Good News that we need no longer follow the wrong road, moving farther and farther from our true goal, but that here and now, through the acknowledgement of our failure and the acceptance of Christ's forgiveness, we can start on a new road that leads to a fuller and higher way of life.