

President Hosts Garnet WI

On May 14, 1970, Mrs. Bruce Meehan opened her home to 16 members and one visitor. After conducting the opening exercises, the president read a poem entitled "Sometimes."

Roll Call "Recollections of What I Learned at 'Mother's Knee'" was answered in a most interesting manner. Minutes, financial reports and communications were dealt with by the secretary, Mrs. Earl Phillips.

Business discussions included mention of the District Annual, May 29, 1970 at Cheapside.

It was decided to cater for 50 people, at the International Ploughing Match. As requested, Mrs. Phillips consented to be

Hagersville Lions Club

The Hagersville District Lions Club held their regular semi monthly meeting and postponed their entertainment in order to plan a summer program. The members were unanimously in favour of cancelling their annual July 1st parade celebration and instead support a Fellowship Youth Organization Day on Saturday June 20. The Lions Club as a whole, also agreed to give some financial support to the WALKATHON on June 20, and give \$1.00 to the treasurer of the good cause, for every person completing the 18 miles walkathon.

The Club was also pleased to learn that arrangements have now been completed for an early summer opening day of the swimming pool and that all tickets are complimentary on the opening day, Saturday June 13.

The Swimming Pool Committee will soon be announcing that season tickets will be on sale this year at special rates. The Bingo Committee announced that the jackpot prize was won during the past week and that there would be no more weekly bingos until after the summer holidays.

Plans were made to sell tickets on a draw on a Honda Mini Bike, and that the Draw would take place at the Ponderosa on Saturday July 18.

Before closing the meeting the Caledonia visitors announced a Lobster Barbecue for their Los Vegas Night on June 13.

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Sandusk News

Mr. Lorne and Sanford Dougherty attended the Anniversary Supper at Cheapside United Church on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nicol also attended the Supper at Cheapside United Church. Miss Deanna Nie and Mr. Wayne Lefler attended the supper at the Cheapside Church.

We are sorry to report Mr. Geo. Marshall has been seriously ill in Norfolk General Hospital, but happy to report he is improved some now.

Mr. Chipman of Uxbridge an employee at the Nanticoke generating station has moved into the Wm. Jacobs house, and his wife and family will join him when the school term ends.

Mrs. Leo Mulkins, Mrs. Wm. Nicol, Mrs. Craig Werner, Mrs. Merrill Nie and Mrs. Wm. Bray of the

Jarvis Community Chest

By Jessie Miller

The Jarvis Community Fund drive is practically over. The receipts as of June 1 amount to \$2,706.43 which is well over the objective of \$2,500.00. The committee meeting in March to arrange for this year's drive designed against the plan of designation in givings. This being a democratic country and the Community Fund a free will offering, the canvassers found that donors give their money to the charities in which they are interested. They refuse to be regulated as publicity conveners. I admire their spunk.

Designated amounts are taken from the total first. The remainder is divided evenly and the designations added as listed. Totals of Designated Amounts: Heart Fund \$140.00, West Haldimand Hospital \$122.00, Salvation Army \$85.75, Retarded Children \$78.00, Institute for the Blind \$57.50, Mental Health \$31.00, Canadian Diabetic Asst. \$22.00, Rehabilitation (March of Dimes) \$21.00, Red Cross \$30.00, Arthritis and Rheumatism \$19.50.

These are designated results only. The full payments to each charity will be published later.

MEIDEMA — Douglas and Susan (nee Stone) R.R.5, Waterford are pleased to announce the birth of their son Steven Douglas, in West Haldimand Hospital, May 26.

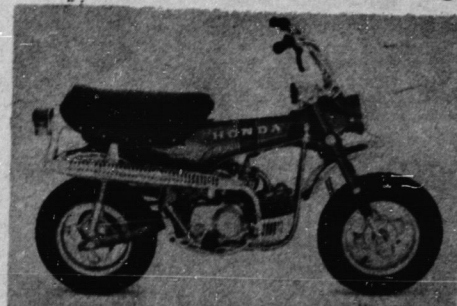
BURKE — Mr. and Mrs. Carl R. Burke Jr., 67 Queensway St., Simcoe are pleased to announce the birth of Twins, Carla Rebecca and Carl Robert 3rd., on May 28 in West Haldimand Hospital, Hagersville a brother for Kristina.

WINGER — LeRoy and Luella Winger (Nee Moore) on Saturday May 30, 1970 at 3:30 a.m. in the Henderson General Hospital a boy, six lbs. 11 ozs. Lowell LeRoy, a brother for Lynn.

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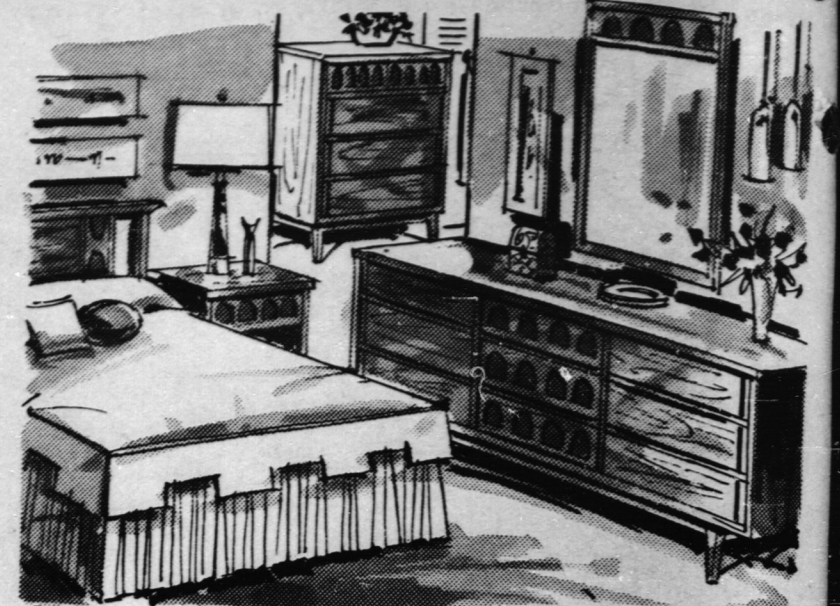
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of the church catered to the luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Partridge of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Cooper, Kim and Kelly of Burlington, also Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bray and Daryl of Hagersville enjoyed a

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Editorial Comment

Too Much of A Good Thing

They help to pay the national bills and keep the national economy in balance. They bring smiles to the people who operate hotels, motels and summer resorts. They are the tourists who pack up once a year and for some distant spot, in their own country and abroad, and in so doing help to fill the cash registers of the merchants in the areas they visit.

The tourist business has grown to impressive proportions in the last two decades. Travel agents, airlines, railways, bus companies and shipping concerns all have benefited from the travellers. For some countries they are a major source of income.

On the whole, the tourist and his money are welcome wherever he goes.

But, like everything else in life, the tourist business has its drawbacks. Some countries, which at one time welcomed all comers with open arms and smiled at the dollars and cents flowed in, now are realizing that it is all gravy.

Anyone who has to travel on Canadian highways at weekends knows the frustrations caused by traffic jams, by accidents causing gigantic pileups of cars, by over-existent accommodation. The same problems are repeated on a larger scale in those countries which offer the greatest lure to the tourist.

Britain is a case in point. The people of this anglicized island, whose 55,000,000 people occupy nearly all its living space, have found there can be too much of a good thing. So much so that people closely connected with the tourist business are afraid that traditional British hospitality to the visitor — a valuable having card in itself — may in time be a rarity.

Lord Mancroft, head of the London Tourist Board, says last year the number of visitors found the local inhabitants resentful of being crowded out of London theatres and hotels by the influx of foreigners.

Lord Mancroft hopes to help solve the problem by steering visitors more evenly through the year and to less well known parts of the country.

This may ease the strain on the people on the receiving end of the tourist deluge.

No one wants to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs. But perhaps everyone would be happier if it could be persuaded not to lay so many of them.

Nelson Statue Quivers?

The statue of Lord Nelson, high atop its column overlooking London's Trafalgar Square, must be quivering on its base in these degenerate days.

It was bad enough a while ago when the Royal Navy abolished the time-honored daily tot of rum to its men. And there has even been treasonous talk that the hallowed bell-bottom trousers are not efficient armaments in these days of computer-operated ships.

But now comes a new book which sets out to debunk the cherished British belief that seapower has determined the course of history.

The author, historian Carrelli Barnett in his recently published Britain and her Army, has put the word to what he calls cherished myth about bygone battles. And Nelson and Drake, he says, were admirals whose shining deeds at sea had little or no effect on the actual courses of the wars in which they were engaged.

Barnett does concede that Drake's defeat of the Spanish Armada was "a swift and splendid deliverance from invasion." But this was bad in that it gave birth to the belief that decisive sea victories by Britain could lead to victory over major European land powers. This he calls a "fallacious and perpetual belief." And when it came to a life-or-death struggle in Europe, the sea battles were "barren of decisive result and not very successful in execution."

Nelson's famed victory at Trafalgar, for instance, was not really necessary because Napoleon already had decided to abandon his attempt to invade Britain.

But Barnett's approach is not wholly negative. He does not overlook the day-to-day work of the British and Canadian naval forces on convoy duty in the North Atlantic in the Second World War; his target is mainly the beliefs arising out of the spectacular engagements of the past.

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Counter Clockwise

20 YEARS AGO

Fred Fish is taking the lead in getting his store premises spruced up in readiness for the May 24 show. The new coat of paint on his store front is a great improvement and should illustrate to other business men the advantage of applying some of the products Fred sells.

As a matter of fact Alex. Duncan is a close second to Fred Fish in getting his establishment all painted up. It's just amazing what a difference a coat of paint makes.

We almost got back to normal over the weekend after the 24th. But we hadn't figured on what the mail would bring on Tuesday. The annual tax notices. Wow! Those new parking signs on Main Street must be rimmed with gold.

When Earl Bousfield handed us a contribution to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund the other day he made the following comment: "You know I have been thinking what I would do if the Sandusk Creek ever went 30 feet over its banks?" When we think along those lines we have a better appreciation of the great tragedy that has taken place in Manitoba. Can any of us ignore the plight of these people?

30 YEARS AGO

The beautiful bed of tulips now in full bloom at The Marshall Dairy has drawn considerable comment this week. The bed is arranged in circular fashion, with different colored tulips in each circle. There are approximately 140 blooms out and present a pretty picture. We understand Stanley Burditt is responsible for the arrangement of the blooms.

Activity at the Nanticoke and Garnet Airports is progressing at full speed, and before long, from present indications at least, local residents are going to become really air minded.

With so many men in the district employed at the fields, naturally the work under way is the chief topic of conversation. Occasionally a Royal Air Force uniform is seen, but even the boys wearing them

Swing To Left

Sirima Bandaranaike, world's first woman prime minister, was swept back into power in Ceylon at the head of a left-wing coalition. Last in power in 1965, she swamped Prime Minister William Gopallawa's United National Party.

In other election news battle lines were drawn for the June 18 British election with the release of the manifestos of the Labor, Conservative and Liberal parties. A key difference was whether Labor was right in claiming to have cured the ailing economy.

Prime Minister Wilson's Labor party maintained a small lead over Edward Heath's Conservatives in public opinion polls.

are wondering what they are doing here at this early date.

According to reports coming via the grapevine route, it will not be long before residents in this district will be able to cast their eyes on a modern fire truck that will serve Jarvis and district. Splendid co-operation we are told, will result in filling a long felt need here, and the men responsible in displaying the foresight necessary to make this need a reality fully merit the commendation that will surely come their way as a result.

Mama: "Do you know what happens to little girls who tell lies?" Precious: "Yeah, they grow up and tell their little girls that they'll get curly hair if they eat spinach."



Bill Smiley

Let's have some service

I have no sympathy for anyone except the public. Mail service in this country has gone backwards about 50 years in the past two or three years.

Costs have steadily increased, and service has steadily decreased, until we have reached the point where many people would welcome the return of the pony express riders who used to carry the mail through dust and storm and hostile Indians.

Because it is a government monopoly, it is huge, sprawling and utterly inefficient in a modern society. No enterprising private business would put up with the incredible sloppiness of the present postal system. If it did, the public would soon put it out of business.

It's rather a paradox to note that the liquor stores, which used to operate on a five-day week, are now open six days, plus Friday evenings, while postal service has been cut to five days and post offices close earlier. Apparently there's more profit in booze than public utilities for government.

And that's what the postal service is, or should be — a public utility. Wouldn't we be in a fine state if hydro power, and the telephone service, and police and fire protection were lopped off on Friday, to recommence Monday — or Tuesday, if there were a Federal holiday?

The only people who have benefited from Mr. Kieran's new, "efficient" postal service are the telephone and telegraph companies. They're reaping a harvest because big business has practically stopped using the mails.

What's the point of posting an important letter on Wednesday if you know it probably won't be delivered Friday, and therefore will be delivered the following Monday, or Tuesday if Monday's a holiday?

It's bad enough to drive a businessman to apoplexy, but it's just as frustrating, on a more personal basis, to the ordinary citizen.

Our daughter lives in the city, 90 miles away. She doesn't have a phone. If we write her on Monday, she gets the letter Thursday or Friday. If there's something urgent, and we write Wednesday, there's no guarantee she'll get it that week.

So send her a wire! Suppose she's not at home. She doesn't get the telegram until next day, or the next. If I were to drop dead, she might find out about it a week after the funeral. It wouldn't bother me, in that condition, but it might upset her a bit.

Today I checked at the local post office. Three mails a day go out. If I send a letter to my father-in-law, 120 miles due west, here's the procedure. It goes due east for 35 miles, then southwest for 200 miles, southwest then northwest for 120 miles. The shortest distance between two points is a triangle, in post-office math.

There is a good-sized town three miles away. A letter sent from there can, and usually does, take two days to get here. You could walk it in 45 minutes. Paradoxically, a colleague of mine writes his mother in England, and she gets the letter within 36 hours. If this is efficiency, I'm all turned around somehow.

Granted, the postal workers were underpaid for years, though I'll witness that they were not overworked. I was employed in a post office during the Christmas rush and nobody was rushing that much.

Pay them a decent wage, give them decent working conditions, but let's have some blasted service. If the P.O. runs at a loss, pay it.

The CBC and the CNR are heavily subsidized, and there aren't too many squawks. Millions and millions are thrown down the drain on such flourishes as the aircraft carrier Bonaventure, and shrugged off.

How about delivering the mail on time!

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