

Erie Personals

by Mrs. E. Keen
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Towns of Selkirk were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Best.

Mr. and Mrs. John Van Loon of Hagersville spent Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bertly Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hodgson of Hamilton spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Sidney Best.

Mrs. Walter Davis and Mr. John Makey spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Schumacher near Fisherville.

Miss Barbara Jean Makey had her tonsils removed at the Hagersville Hospital on Friday.

Mr. Charles Brown of Jarvis enjoyed a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bertly Brown on Saturday evening.

Mrs. George Waterhouse, Mr. Michael Shaboluk and Gregory of Hamilton spent Saturday at the Keen home.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lint spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Stitt in Cayuga.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lint of Hagersville and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Smelser of Rainham were guests on the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Lint.

Mrs. Susie Jarvis is spending some time with her sister Mrs. Murray Biggar.

Mr. William Lint has been released from the Henderson Hospital and improving satisfactorily at his home here.

Mr. John Bielik has returned to his work in Hamilton after spending a week's sick leave at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rynsoever spent Saturday near Brampton.

Wide Powers

(CP) - The Ontario legislature's committee on human resources voted itself wide powers to investigate education spending and priorities in programs.

Tim Reid, member for Toronto Scarborough East, the Liberals education critic, called the move "a real breakthrough."

The committee was given authority to: - Investigate and identify waste, unnecessary duplication and low-priority programs in education in which significant expenditure cuts can be made.

- Identify top priority programs in education which must be strengthened in the '70s.

- Call before it representatives of special groups and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation.

- Report to the legislature no later than June 30.

Kinsmen Club Of Hagersville

"One thing that really impressed me about Tokyo," said Mrs. Glen Green, "was how incredibly clean and immaculate the people were." Mrs. Green, wife of the Charter President of the Club,

provided a running commentary as she recently showed several slides of her visit last year to Expo '70 in Osaka. Her informative included varied statistics about the people's wages, and way of living.

In contrast, Hong Kong was filthy, dirty, permeated by the stench that accompanies poverty. (The average wage here is \$3.50). In conditions are such that apartment, 12 feet by 12 feet, must house persons, generally, countless people living in the streets and alleys there is no place else for them to stay. An estimated 150,000 persons live on their entire lives on the same floating in the harbor.

Deaths And Obituaries

Mrs. Allan Smelser Funeral services were held Friday for Mrs. Allan Smelser who passed away on April 14 in West Haldimand Hospital, Hagersville, in her 78th year.

Mrs. Smelser had suffered a heart attack and was confined to hospital for approximately two weeks.

She rested at the Hyde and Mott Funeral Home where her pastor the Rev. Eric Ramtrath was in charge of the funeral.

Interment was in the United Church Cemetery, Jarvis.

Pallbearers were Roy Reynolds, Earl Slater, Alfred Walker, William McMurphy, James Brown and George Franklin, all members of Jarvis IOOF Lodge - at the request of her husband Mr. Smelser.

Born in Skipton Yorkshire England, the former Florence Gertrude Smith, she was married in Skipton where her youth had been spent at the close of World War I to Lee Porter a war veteran from Jarvis. She resided in Jarvis until her death last week. Mr. Porter predeceased her in 1960.

On June 7, 1969 she was united in marriage to Allan

Smelser of Selkirk and Jarvis who survives her. Also surviving are her son Melvin, surviving her son Melvin, Irving Porter of Jarvis, one granddaughter (Linda) Mrs. John Snowden and one great grandson Thomas Porter Snowden of New Foundland and one sister Mrs. Edith Hudson of Jarvis.

Sandusk News

Mrs. Wm. Nicol and Mrs. Wm. Bray attended the Rebekah Lodge on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Werner visited Mr. and Mrs. Craig Werner on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nicol attended the card party at Erie on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Werner and Alan, Mrs. Wm. Bray, Mrs. Merrill Nie, Marilyn, Gwen, Floyd, Sharon and Michelle and also Mr. and Mrs. Bertly Brown attended the party in Cheapside Community Hall on Friday evening when the families of St. Johns Anglican Church challenged the families of the Cheapside United Church to a return game of bowling baseball, an equally good time of fun and fellowship and lovely lunch served by the Anglican Ladies was enjoyed just as much as when the United Church invited the Anglicans to the first game. All agreed we should do it more often but due to seeding and busy time approaching, we start earlier next fall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brennan and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bray Sunday evening.

A devoted wife and mother, Mrs. Smelser has been a member, active in the work of the Jarvis Women's Institute throughout her life in Canada.

She will be greatly missed in Wesley United Church where she has been a member throughout the years, both of the Church proper and the Women's groups of the church.

SLOTE - After a long illness Mrs. Wm. Slote of Brantford passed away Thurs., April 15 in Brantford Hospital. Burial took place April 17, 1971. A daughter, Mrs. Robert Meade of RR 3, Jarvis, two other sisters and the husband Mr. Wm. Slote survive.

SILVERTHORNE, James Mitchell on Sunday, April 4, 1971, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Silverthorne. A private service was held at the Funeral Chapel of A. W. Miles 30 St. Clair Av. W. on Monday. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Cottage Use Could Ease Housing

Walpole council and the Walpole Township Zoning Action Association are at odds over a home law that depicts that summer cottages may not be used as residences all year round.

The legal aspect of the situation is to be aired in court at Cayuga, April 28.

The two parties should leave the legal matter to the courts.

However, it would seem that when every planner consultant has been speaking to municipal officials about a chronic housing shortage in the area a promise should be considered that might help ease the situation.

This is especially true when you hear the views of business people and municipal officials that so far area has lost commerce because of farmers leaving their farms after selling them for industrial sites.

One of the complaints was that many people living in the area are commuting from outside. A way to keep some of them in the area is to have places for them to live even if these are temporary quarters such as summer cottages.

Of course the viewpoint of extra pollution should be considered but it would seem from here that septic tanks used in the winter time wouldn't be any bigger than when they are used during the six month period of warm weather.

"Wise, Unwise And Otherwise" Democracy

Canada is a democracy and by that we mean that every citizen is equal in the eyes of the law to every other citizen. There is no person or group that is above the law, we are all equal. This does not mean that we all have equal intelligence or goodness or education, for we are all different in these matters, but in the eyes of the law (or justice) these distinctions do not count.

The word "Democracy" comes from the Greek meaning rule by the people. In Ancient Greece "democracies" or city states were quite small and it was for the citizens to act in their own persons, with us it is impossible. It is worth noting, however, that in ancient Greek cities the citizens were actually in a minority. To be a citizen you had to be descendant from a citizen. This left the great majority of the population the outside. This majority consisted of slaves, immigrants and anyone else who could not qualify as a citizen.

This is the form of government that exists in South Africa, called "Apartheid." Here a small minority of whites are the citizens who rule the country, the black people are outside and have no vote, they are not citizens.

In Canada we have something that is more like the principle of real democracy. But with a population of 20 million we cannot all actually participate in government, we choose someone to be a member of the House of Commons (or the Legislature) as our representative. It is parliament that is supreme, not the member, not the prime minister, nor any committee. It is parliament that rules and we elect the parliament.

This theory of public participation in government is to be on some danger today from two very recent sources. One is within parliament itself. There are years to me to be a definite attempt to make the prime minister and his cabinet the actual rulers, leaving parliament to be a mere "rubber stamp." The other danger is very different. I refer to the many consternations that have occurred from anti-Viet Nam to Women's Lib. These are really attempts to overthrow democracy by substituting mob rule for organized democracy as found in the House of Commons, or the Legislature.

We expect parliament to preserve our ancient rights and liberties and we must do our part to protect them. One thing we can all do is to exercise our right to vote at elections - or do we wish to make ourselves into second-class citizens?

In Camelot

April 29, 30 and May 1 students of Hagersville Secondary School are giving the musical "Camelot." This year's students are giving on the show themselves, unlike other productions when the operetta was given by two other high schools. Under the direction of Mr. Shippey the cast and crew of Camelot are rapidly being whipped into shape, promising a production. Long lines have been going on for weeks to prepare for the night. Thurs., April 29, Fri. 30 and May 1 at 8 p.m. for Camelot.

of costumes and props. The leads have been working extra hard to get their lines down pat. Joanne Labrie portrays a beautiful Guenevere and Jim Phillips her lover Lancelot. Rod Nelson is very good in his role of King Arthur. The chorus, dancers and band, all Hagersville students, have also put a lot of work into their parts, as the production shows.

Tickets are available from all cast members at \$1.50, \$1.75 for reserved seats - also at the door. We hope to see you at HSS on Thurs., April 29, Fri. 30 and May 1 at 8 p.m. for Camelot.

Counter Clockwise

20 YEARS AGO

The foundation has been poured for the new post office building on Main Street and the work is proceeding ahead of schedule at the present time. Geo. Reu and Sons are in charge of the work.

It is reliably reported that the Canadian Oil Company plans to build a new service station on the north-east corner of Main and Talbot Streets in the immediate future. The Company purchased the property several years ago from the former owner, T. H. Lewis, and the house has been leased for living accommodation. It is understood the large brick residence will be torn down to make way for the new station.

David Banks and N. C. Colbert attended the dog

show in London last week and were much impressed with what they saw. They report that Jarvis is fortunate in having been chosen as the location for the Hamilton dog show on June 30 and the event will attract hundreds of people here on that occasion.

three-quarters of all the plastics that the company expects to produce during the present year have originated in the laboratory in the last 48 months.

30 YEARS AGO

The longer fitted sweater is a rival now for the very short one. The new type has been slowly making headway in influencing the sweater trend. The movement is definitely to longer fitted types.

The speed with which scientific research is translated into commercial products is demonstrated in a report made by Arnold E. Pitcher, general manager of the planting department of the DuPont Company, in which he discloses that

Niagara is to keep its beauty, but the upper stretches of the St. Lawrence are due for some sad treatment if, as and when the deep waterways scheme materializes.

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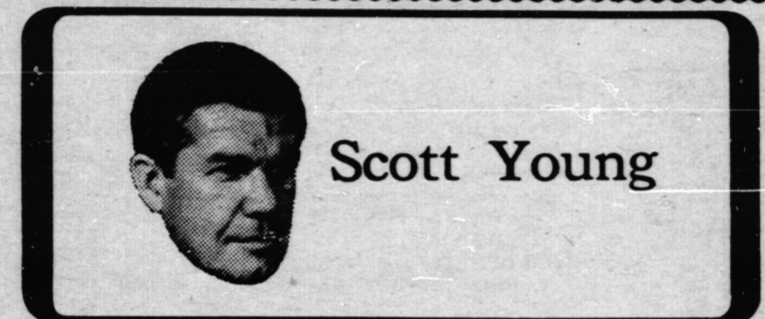
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Scott Young

Hey you dropouts! Read this!

Spring is the time of year when our geniuses and duds of the future are difficult to distinguish from one another. They are all dressed in the same kind of clothes, have the same haircuts, use the same lingo.

They all are choosing up sides between the books open on the table (there to be studied) and the land turning green outside, the old man's car in the driveway, and the great wide world of fun to be had and girls to be chased.

Friends who have quit school, or are dogging it, phone and say, "Where do we go tonight?"

All of this, although many do not know it, boils down to the simple Now vs. Then; age 18 vs. years without number; wheat vs. chaff. The only question is, who's going to be the chaff?

Not long ago, the principal of a high school in my home area received a letter from a member of his Chaff class of 1967. The principal sent the letter to me. It reads:

Dear Sir: Another ex-student reporting of the rather unsuccessful vintage of 1967.

Possibly it would be a good thing to let some of the fellows and girls who think it's a real lark to get out of school as quickly as possible, know where they'll stand when the lark dies.

When I lost interest in school and left in 1967, I knew it wouldn't hurt me. I was smart enough to get a job, and I did. After the first I got another one, then another and another... 30 different jobs. I've sold shoes, subscriptions, clothes, and new and used cars. I've been office boy, chopped wood, broken concrete, assembled refrigerators.

Some of these jobs were in the East and some in the West. Each time I felt that if I couldn't find IT here, IT must be somewhere else. I pushed a wheelbarrow, dug fence posts, typed reports, washed dishes, ran a Ferris wheel, spent three months logging, and chauffeured a millionaire to San Francisco twice, all expenses paid. I earned from \$58 a week in an office to \$200 a week logging.

Yours sincerely, (name withheld)

In its way, that is a sermon, of course. I guess he was a pretty happy-go-lucky young fellow, in 1967. I hope he makes it now - when it is 20 times as tough.

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