

Friends N' Neighbors

by Jessie Miller
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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Debus of Tillsonburg visited John Troke and sister Mrs. Lucy Oliver on Monday of last week.

We are delighted to know that Miss Jean Holland of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce has been able to return home from hospital.

Mrs. Edith Hudson has returned to her home here after a prolonged stay with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reynolds of Puslinch.

Firemen were called to the home of John Kramer east of the village just before noon on Wednesday of last week. No damage was reported from ignited wax in the house.

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Jarvis UCW

The general meeting of Wesley United Church Women was held in the church parlour on Tuesday, afternoon, Jan. 19, with the president Mrs. Clarence Hayes in the chair. The Afternoon and Fireside Units were well represented.

Mrs. Earl Slater and Mrs. Flora Jaques were in charge of a well prepared devotional period on the theme "The Light of the World."

A donation was made to the Sunday School toward the Chow-Yu-Yu Fund.

It was reported that Mrs. Jack Doughty would act as the representative from the Couples Club to be in charge of the sick and gift committee. Mrs. Don Howden and Mrs. George Smith will represent the UCW as reporters on the committee and the UCW will share the cost with the Couples Club. Please keep these ladies informed about the sick and shut-ins so that no one will be neglected.

The annual smorgasbord supper will be held in February.

General meetings will be called in June, September and December unless otherwise decided by the president.

Mrs. Dave Wilson gave an excellent summary of the first chapter of the Study Book "All This and Christian Too." She also handed out a questionnaire to be filled in by members. The president closed the meeting with prayer and the committee served a tasty lunch.

Sandusk

Mr. Donald Dennis was one of a group who spent last weekend ice fishing at Lake Simcoe.

Mrs. Larry Link, Dunnville, Mrs. W. Culver, Selkirk, and Mrs. Donald Dennis spent Thursday in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Werner, Dale and Allan enjoyed a trip to Toronto to attend the Ice Follies on Saturday.

In 1955 Mr. Mitchell completed nine years of

Wed 50 Years



Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Mitchell

A well-known and highly esteemed area couple will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Feb. 6. Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Mitchell of highway No. 3, will receive their many friends and relatives in the Jarvis Community Hall from 2 to 5 p.m.

They were married in Mount Zion Methodist Church on February 5, 1921, by Rev. W. G. Shaw. Mrs. Mitchell was the former Pearl Burch, daughter of the late Edgar and Hannah (Winter) Burch; and played for Port Dover the first year the arena was opened here. Many of his teams became group champions.

Mrs. Mitchell is a charter member and life member of Renton Women's Institute. She is a member of Silver Star Rebekah Lodge, Jarvis, and of Knox Presbyterian Church, Jarvis.

The couple have a family of one son and one daughter, Mrs. Orlin (Eleanor) Fisher, Toronto, and Clarence B. of Woodhouse Township; there are seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A family dinner will precede

the "At Home" in the Jarvis Community Hall. The Jarvis Record joins with their many friends in wishing them many more years of health and happiness on this auspicious occasion.

Erie

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Laidlaw and family of Bramalea were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. William Laidlaw.

Mr. and Mrs. John McBurney, Wayne and Cheryl of Caledonia were supper guests of Mrs. J. W. McBurney on Sunday.

Mrs. David Lint, Misses Louise and Joan Lint visited Mr. William Lint in the Henderson Hospital on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. William Lint, who for some time had been a patient at the Hamilton General Hospital, has been moved by ambulance, to the Henderson Hospital.

Miss Mary Jane Mottey of Hagersville spent the weekend with her friend Miss Judy Best, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Best. Miss Margaret Biggar RN, of Welland spent the weekend at her home here.

Editorial Comment

Something Extra

Jarvis is a good place to live with many activities supplied for old and young alike.

However, with changing times and the possibility of a much larger community in the near future, it may be time to start thinking of new facilities and outlets, especially for the young.

With many youngsters from the village enthusiastic skaters as well as hockey players it may be time to start thinking about an artificial ice rink.

Service clubs and other interested citizens could start thinking about such a project. A more positive approach than this would be to start a fund through co-operative effort of people involved in various community projects. Another necessity in the near future will be a swimming pool.

We know these things all take time, effort and money but it isn't too soon to start planning for them because they would make the community a better place in which to live.

A Cashless Society

Cast a wistful glance into that dwindling wallet. The word just out from a United States banking association is that money as we now know it may soon be a thing of the past.

The group, the Foundation for Full Service Banks, which represents some 7,000 commercial banks throughout the U.S., predicts that dollar bills, paper cheques and change will be replaced in the future by computerized bank cards.

These bank cards, the foundation says, will be used for handling all monetary matters, including getting petty cash from money machines, buying merchandise, paying bills and making income tax returns.

"In the new era, not only will all your bills be paid by computer, but your salary, taxes and deductions will be transmitted by computer," the foundation adds.

Already in the U.S., it notes, arrangements can be made with some banks for automatically paying monthly utility bills, mortgages, rent, property taxes and other recurring bills.

And in the future, these transactions will become even more sophisticated. For example, by inserting his card in a money machine the card holder may receive a certain quantity of coins and bills which will electronically be subtracted from his bank account.

In purchasing merchandise, the same cards could be inserted into a store's data videophone which will contact the bank via computer. Either the cash to cover the cost of the transaction will be deducted immediately, or a quick credit check will arrange a loan in a matter of minutes.

All of this sounds like an efficient and convenient way of smoothing a person's financial transactions, but one cannot help worrying a bit about the possible side effects. For one thing, a person's whole career will be tied to the computer. Every day he goes to work - or conversely, if he's absent - the computer will total up his day's income and add it to his assets total. Every cent of expenditure - even including the cost of the newspaper he buys on the street - will be "electronically subtracted" by the remorseless computer.

It sounds a bit cold-blooded, and to top it off, think of all the horrible examples of weird computer errors that have come to light in the last few years. Grounds for unease, indeed.

GOOD EXAMPLE

People who look to governments at all levels for help would be wise to consider the example of resourcefulness students at Humboldt Collegiate Institute set recently. The students wanted - and still do - a time clock in the gym. The school board, with good sense, said they would contribute one-half, up to \$500. The students would have to dig up the other \$500, said the trustees. So nine girls and six boys, plus a dozen or so moral supporters, staged a gruelling 16 hour volley-ball marathon. Donors pledged various amounts of money on their choices. They raised \$300, short \$200 of their objective. - Humboldt (Sask.) Journal

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Counter Clockwise

20 YEARS AGO
David Banks was elected president of the Jarvis Board of Trade at the annual meeting held at the American Hotel last Friday night. He succeeds John Peresky who has held the office for the past two years.

Robt. Lysch presented the report of the nominating committee which was composed of himself, A. L. Miller and A. B. Blight. The report which resulted in the election of the following officers was unanimously adopted: Vice-president, Norman C. Colbert; Secretary-treasurer, Jack Cooke; Directors for a two year term, Peter Banks, R. J. More, Morgan Williamson and Donald Phibbs.

ACI, Lea Hoover after spending a two-week holiday at his home here, left on Sunday for St. Hubert's, Quebec, where he will continue his training in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He successfully completed a course at Camp Borden in December, prior to his transfer to Quebec.

Gordon Hazlett was re-elected chairman of the

Better Equipped

VICTORIA (CP) - In a cluttered office at the University of Victoria Environment 100 is under way to provide a factual information service on regional environmental issues.

Armed with such information, the public will be better equipped to deal with pollution problems.

The idea for the environmental information centre, believed to be a first in Canada, came from the University of Victoria's Biology Club, after it held a big Environment Tomorrow teach-in in the spring.

Betsy Sweeney, one of the new project's workers, says the public is already on the alert to the variety of threats to the environment. What the public wants now is action.

The centre won't offer opinions on issues. It will supply instead all the objective information it can gather. There is a wealth of information but it needs to be pulled together.

The centre's library of environmental facts is growing in the cluttered office at the university.

Sue Laubenstein, Mrs. Sweeney and their volunteers are assembling a film directory, a speaker's bureau, a catalogue system for the swelling volume of material, a list of scientific and professional advisers and experts from a variety of fields available to answer questions.

BOTTLE GIMMICK
SASKATOON (CP) - An anti-pollution gimmick created by six Saskatoon high school students was a statue made of 3,000 non-returnable soft-drink cans and bottles. The statue was eight feet high. The cans were collected from the streets around Nutana collegiate.

Jarvis Public School Board at the inaugural meeting of the new board last week. Guy Leathong was re-appointed attendance officer. It was announced at the meeting that the County Inspector, Mr. Christie, would attend the next meeting.

30 YEARS AGO
Manager Roy Hazlett is doing everything in his power to make skating at the Jarvis Arena enjoyable for his patrons. He has installed a loud speaker system and skaters thus have the privilege of skating to music. The rink is this year enjoying excellent patronage. The weather has been fairly good since the first of the year and the season looks promising.

Reeve John A. Miller of the Township of Rainham was elected Warden of the County of Haldimand at the inaugural session of that body held at the Court

House in Cayuga on Tuesday. Morely Coverdale, reeve of the Township of Canboro was the only other contender for the office, but it is understood he retired to make the selection of Mr. Miller unanimous.

Jarvis and the surrounding district have seven couples who have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. William Parkinson, who head the list, will celebrate their 61st anniversary next March. Rev. and Mrs. Michael E. Sipler celebrated their 59th anniversary in February. Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. McCarter will observe their 58th anniversary, and in March, Mr. and Mrs. William Butcher will reach their 57th anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hyde will celebrate their 53rd anniversary in March and Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hallam observed their 51st anniversary in December,

while Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Challand had their golden wedding anniversary last October.

Letter Box

Jan. 29, 1971

Dear Editor:
As an observer, who does not own a snowmobile, it seems to me there has been far too much criticism regarding these vehicles.

The recent snow storm has shown how much the owners and machines can be relied upon.

They delivered food, drink, drugs, clothes and blankets.

Those who have been so quick to complain should have thought about this before voicing their complaints.

J. C. Kirkpatrick,
Hagersville, Ont.



Scott Young

Day of crowning blow

I lost an argument with our older daughter last summer that reflects no credit on me, or on her. But you tell me what I should have done.

This was a beautiful day in June. We were first up in the house. I made some coffee and said, "What do you say we go riding?"

This was just too good a day to miss: sunny, a little cool, the fields and trees looking as if they had just been washed and polished; they were that green.

She said, "Right now? And I said, "Yes," and she seemed very pleased. She's 19 and in university. Not everything I say pleases her, as I will indicate further in a minute.

I don't want this to sound like a big rich spread, or anything. Her filly cost her \$200 and my old gelding cost me \$175. We haven't even got a stable, so we keep our saddles slung over a pole I set up in the basement, with the bridles and spare halters on nails driven into the beams nearby. The only door is from outside. So we came down the steps from the house chatting away amiably and went into the basement and picked up our gear.

The corral is about 150 yards downhill, through some trees. As we carried our saddles down the lane, I was thinking it was good for both of us, a free and easy hour or two together.

Then I took a second look at what she was carrying. "You forgot your helmet," I said.

She is blonde and her hair hung loose. She was swinging along taking long steps, in blue jeans with a patch on the seat. "I didn't forget it," she said, looking at me. I could tell from her look that she knew she was in a fight. "I'm just not going to wear it any more," she said.

I stopped walking. We'd had this argument once before early in the spring. I'd told her

then that if she didn't wear it, she didn't ride. So she'd worn it. She always wore one when she was younger, but now she wore none.

"Why not?" I asked. "That helmet just isn't me," she said.

I tried logic. "You come off that filly of yours once in a while," I said. "There's always a chance that you could land on your head. Without a helmet, you might be a vegetable for life. It has happened."

She was pale, now. Not a smile. "I'm not going to wear it. I'm old enough to make up my own mind," she said.

I can be stubborn, too. I said that as long as she wished to keep her filly on this land, she would obey this one rule, the only riding rule we had, or take her filly somewhere else.

"All right, I will," she said. She turned and took her saddle back into the basement. I did, too. I knew she didn't have the money to take her filly elsewhere. So did she.

But the day that had started out pretty good was ruined. She was cool to me from then until she left for her summer job, where she made enough money to pay her own way to university in the fall. She didn't ride again before she left.

During the summer I thought of it often. I didn't like riding alone. On the first day she was back in September I said, "Let's go riding."

She looked at me sharply, but came along.

When we were in the basement and she didn't pick up her helmet with her other stuff, I said, "I still think I'm right about the helmet, but life is too short to argue about it."

So we went riding. If she had been younger, I would have been adamant. But with a 19-year-old, who knows what is right?

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