

Friends N' Neighbors

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Craddock with Susan and Diane Doughty, spent the New Years weekend at the Craddock Cottage in Northern Ontario.

Lieut. Mary Buckley of Ottawa spent the week with her mother Mrs. Muriel Buckley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker spent New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Caswell at Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Osborne and little daughter of Parry Sound were holiday visitors with her parents Rev. E. M. and Mrs. Sider at Cheapside. Among those who called at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Sider at Cheapside on Sunday, Dec. 27 were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Myers of Napanee, Indiana. Mrs. Myers is the former Nettie Weaver daughter of Jesse Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Tyrell of Fisherville, Ed Tyrell of St. Catharines, Miss Florence Messicar of Cheapside. The Rev. Harvey Sider home for Christmas with his parents left after dinner en route to Pennsylvania where they visit with Mrs. H. Sider's relatives and Harvey's two brothers Robert in Carlyle and Morris in Grantham P.A. Harvey will be on deputation work through the United States to California before returning to Cheapside at the end of January. On Dec. 28 the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Sider entertained their brother-in-law and sister the Rev. Edward Gilmore and wife Emma Sider Gilmore of Wainfleet for dinner, it being the occasion of the birthdays of the Rev. Gilmore and Mrs. Earl Sider. A very pleasant time was spent together. Greetings were received by long distance phone calls coming from Grantham P.A., New York City, and Napanee, Ont. Mrs. Sider received a significant gift of Barjeeling tea from India.

In the evening the Siders were treated to a trip to Simcoe to view the display of park lights with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Schwyer and his mother Mrs. Nellie Schwyer. Upon their return a social hour was spent at the Schwyer home where a lovely lunch and tea was served. "We give thanks at this joyous season for fellowship, friends and loved ones," a quote from the Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Sider.

Miss Edna Vivian of Hamilton spent the New Year Holiday with Mrs. Leslie Lowes.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Smelser, were New Year's day guests of Mr. Snelser's daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. John Cutting in Dunnville.

Mrs. Effie Huffman was in Hamilton for the New Year with her son Ross Huffman and family.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Smelser on Wednesday of last week were Mrs. Smelser's family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Porter of Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. John Snowden and baby Thomas of Newfoundland with Mrs. Winnifred Eadie of Jarvis.

The Rev. G. Taylor-Munro of Knox Church presided for communion at Norview on Sunday afternoon at 5.30 pm.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Tom McNeill has returned to his home from West Haldimand Hospital, Hagersville.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brueton and children leave Toronto on Wednesday for Brussels, Belgium where they will remain for two years. The Rev. K. N. Brueton will go to Toronto with them and fly to Montreal to spend a few days at the home of his brother.

Miss Dorothy Patrick of St. Thomas has been spending a few weeks with her sister Mrs. Wm. Henderson.

Miss Annie Miller of Colchester, Ont. returned to her home on Sunday after spending the week with her grandmother, Mrs. R. A. Miller. They accompanied the Bruce Miller family of Port Stanley to spend New Year's day at St. Catharines with Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Miller and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart Vanloon had for their Christmas Holiday their son, daughter-in-law and baby from Toronto, and for the first weekend of the year their other son Mr. Nelles Vanloon also of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Dare of Mary St., enjoyed a family Christmas gathering in Pickering when their mother Mrs. Dare of Venice, Italy met with her three sons and her daughter, Mrs. Dare senior arrived in Toronto late in the year to visit with her family all living in Ontario.

Miss Debbie Taylor-Munro who visited her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Steven Taylor-Munro in Freeport Greater Bahamas Island during the Christmas season has returned home.

Mrs. Robert Bourne and Mrs. John Hodgson of Grimsby with Dr. Harold Davidson of Niagara Falls spent Tuesday of last week with their brother Mr. Charles Davidson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Veemy of Aylmer called on Mrs. Ben Johnson and Miss Myrtle Johnson on New Year's Day.

Christmas visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lunday were their son of Don Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lundy and two sons, and their daughter Mr. and Mrs. J. Kelley of Ancaster.

Mrs. A. L. Miller and Mr. Cyril Saunders returned home after attending the wedding of Miss Judy Miller on boxing day in Timmins. New Years guests of Mrs. A. L. Miller were Mr. and Mrs. Denton Miller and baby Jennifer and Mrs. Mabel Dowswell of Toronto and Miss Nancy Miller of Sudbury.

Mrs. Robert Taylor of Toronto has visited relatives in Jarvis during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rawcliffe of Hamilton were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Rose Taylor.

Miss Medeline Ells of Montreal, niece of Gloria Hall was a guest at the Hall's residence at Christmas time. It was her first return visit to Jarvis since the summer of 1969. Madeline renewed old acquaintances during her four day stay in Jarvis.

It was nice to see Carol Reynolds home for her Christmas holidays. She has now returned to Hamilton to continue her studies at Chedoke Hospital as a Lab. Technician. Congratulations are extended to Carol for passing her first term examinations. Carol also helped Madeline Ells have an enjoyable holiday at Jarvis.

Mrs. A. L. Belbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Belbeck and Mrs. Harold Porritt attended the funeral on Dec. 17 in Brantford of Mrs. Cecil Drabble the former Olive Margaret Hayhurst, the niece of the late Mr. A. L. Belbeck.

Miss Nancy Pyfrom of Toronto spent the Christmas and New Year season with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Pyfrom. The Misses Eunice Pyfrom of Hamilton and Violet Pyfrom of Stoney Creek spent Christmas at the home of their brother Mr. G. B. Pyfrom and Mrs. Pyfrom. Miss Eunice stayed over the long weekend.

Russell More has been in Jarvis from Guelph for the holiday. His many friends are delighted to see him.

Postmaster and Mrs. Larry Sear with their son Brian have been in Port Elgin over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shaver Martin and Leisa of St. Thomas were Christmas Eve callers at the home of Mrs. R. A. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holland and Linda of London spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Holland and Miss Jean Holland.

The Reicheld family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Tothpol in Chippawa.

Mrs. Effie Huffman spent the Christmas holidays in Hamilton, with her daughter

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Editorial Comment

The Bridge That Doesn't Work

Port Dover has a new \$1 million attraction for tourists. The new bridge across the Lynne River that cost thousands but doesn't work has already gained fame across the province.

It has baffled its engineers and has caused politicians to have nightmares.

Even Sam Morris, editor of the Port Dover Maple Leaf, has been more than patient over the project. But also he finally blew his lid over it in the Christmas issue of his paper. And who can really blame him.

However, all is not lost Sam. Since you asked the question on what to do with a bridge that doesn't work we will endeavor to help you.

We suggest that you promote more publicity on the project and strongly urge the population to come and see the \$1 million bridge that doesn't work.

You could also have some of the big guns of the Ontario Department of Highways around to explain all the theories on why it should work.

You could promote one day out of every year as bridge day when the construction company could again attempt to get the bridge to go up or come down, whichever happens to be the goal. Even the citizens of Jarvis and area may come to Port town and drop a buck or two.

In a few decades Sam you may even be able to give the province a dividend on its \$1 million spent on a bridge that doesn't work.

"Wise, Unwise And Otherwise"

by The Old Owl
LIFE AS A JOURNEY

Somehow, New Year's Day makes me think of Abraham who, like us, went on a journey to an unknown country. For him it was a great adventure. We usually think of him as an elderly man with a grey beard but he was probably quite young (the ages of Methuselah and the other patriarchs can only be regarded as legendary). To him came a call from God Who bade him leave all and set forth on a strange journey to an unknown country. He was not told how he knew it was God Who called but he was quite convinced that the call came from God. So he went. When he reached the Promised Land God told him that his descendants would occupy this land, as they did under Moses and Joshua.

On this day we are something like Abraham. We have set out on a new journey, not knowing where we shall go or what will happen to us. We shall be travelling through an unknown country to an unknown destination.

We are not told much about Abraham himself but we believe he was a man of Faith and Righteousness. We need both these qualities in our journey. We need faith in God, perfect trust, believing that He cares for us. As we go through 1971 let us have complete trust in Him and in His love.

But we must play our part. Abraham was chosen not only because he had faith and an adventurous spirit but also because he was an upright man. Today, in our Christian civilisation, there is a great need for upright men and women who will not only demand righteousness in society, but will also practise it in their own lives. There is a great decline in moral standards, or rather in recognition of such standards. Dishonesty, failure to live up to obligations, lack of any sense of responsibility, selfishness etc., are only too common. God is often left out and His Commandments are ignored. There is a great need for men and women who will stand firmly for the right as they see it and journey through 1971 with complete trust in God and a resolution to obey His moral laws. We shall have difficulties, as Abraham did, chiefly in connection with Isaac, but his faith in God's goodness brought him through.

We live in a world, in a society, that is disordered by sin, man's sin, and most of the troubles that exist are the result of that sin. War and Pollution are two examples of this and the surest way to peace and prosperity is for more and more Christians to make Abraham their example in our journey through 1971.

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MINISTERS NOTE

Dear Editor:

As citizens of this country it is doubtful if anyone could look back over the past year with a sense of complete satisfaction.

As we take inventory of the past 12 months, we cannot help but note the dark spots in our national life, which only a few weeks ago, have so stained our historical record in magnitude and proportion that the so called, "Canadian Identity" which was undoubtedly nationally exemplary has been radically altered if not obliterated.

During the year many of our people have passed through crucial times, moments when life and death weighed in the balance, times when faith and anxiety reached its elastic limit. Beyond doubt, this season has inevitably awakened in many hearts the bitter pains of some recent bereavement or the loss of something or someone which meant more than life that the only consolation was to echo and re-echo the famous words of Adelaide Anne Procter's hymn of trust and submission which says:

Local Junior Farmers In Talent Festival '71

The climatic peak of another Junior Farmer year will draw together over 1200 Junior Farmers from across Ontario for the Provincial Junior Farmer Talent Festival '71. Participants from Haldimand County will be among the Junior Farmers displaying their talents on January 9 at the King Edward Sheraton Hotel in Toronto. Twenty-five counties and districts will be represented in the public speaking, music and square dancing competitions.

The county will be represented in the vocal solo competition and in the talent hunt. Faye Hewitt of York will participate in the vocal solo competition, an event which was introduced last year. Haldimand's jug band 'The Hilltop Billies' will participate in the talent hunt. Members of the band are - Rodney Fox, Arlene Fox, Don Farrell, Nancy Farrell, Bruce Smith, Ralph Hedley, Jeff Turnbull, Anne Doughty, Farley Magee, Paul Harvey.

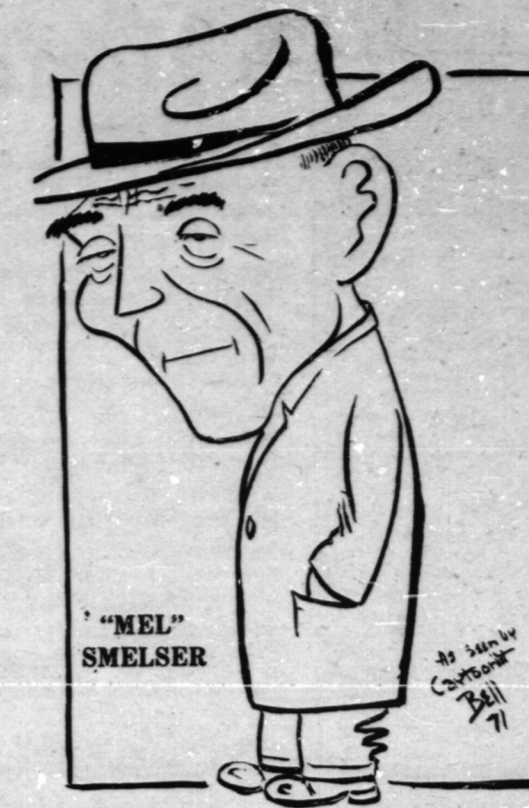
During the festival the four Junior Farmers who will visit the United Kingdom on the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food Travelling Scholarships, will be announced. Rodney Fox of Cayuga has been nominated by Haldimand County Junior Farmers for this scholarship.

This day long festival will conclude with a dance in the Crystal Ballroom of the hotel in the evening.

"I do not ask my 'cross to understand,
My way to see;
Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand,
And follow Thee."

Sometimes new beginnings are possible, other times they seem impossible, but the God Whom you serve says, "Behold, I make all things new." Then, with renewed hope and courage let us enter this New Year 1971 resolved to grow in faith and to help create a better society; His will in heaven will then be done on earth. God bless you all - Happy New Year.

Your dear friend and minister, Eric A. Ramrattan



Scott Young

Men of the night

It's all very well to spend a couple of weeks in the fun and games of Christmas and New Year's, as we have.

But sooner or later one must come to grips with reality again and get back to the serious concerns of life.

Luckily (because it is pretty darn cold in most parts of Canada right now) I have an extremely pertinent red-hot issue right here: men's nightgowns.

I must point out at the outset, my fellow Canadians, that these garments are NEVER called nighties when worn by men.

The reasons for this are various, but to use only one example, I happen to know that Punch Imlach (coach and general manager of the NHL's Buffalo Sabres) wears a nightgown to bed and actually has one with a mink collar for those cool nights in Buffalo.

But imagine him receiving a telephone call in the middle of the night from some other general manager trying to make a deal.

"How the heck are you, you old buzzard?" is the usual salutation from the other end at times like that.

Imlach simply couldn't reply, "I'm fine—just sitting here in my bleeping nightie waiting for another Bobby Orr to drop from Heaven." He might say "nightgown", but not "nightie." I don't blame him.

Imlach also wears a nightcap with a long red tassel, but that is another story.

There are two basic styles of nightgowns available for Canadian men. Both fall to the knee and are relatively simple in design. There is the pullover nightgown (which, incidentally, Imlach favors). But other men, who do not like to have their hair mussed, often opt for the button-up nightgown, or sleepcoat.

This is the type I use myself. All of mine have four buttons down the front, and three pockets. The bottom button may be left undone, for that casually elegant look while lounging around the bedroom cleaning pipes, but, buttoned, gives one an extra fling of security when making a trip downstairs to the refrigerator.

After all, you never know who might be passing by on a snow-

mobile, at that precise moment; and modesty is essential. I always insist upon the three pockets. Two are slung about groin level, one either side. It is the usefulness of these that I propose to deal with first.

As our family's principal bearer of food and drink upstairs during television commercials, I am a nut on precise planning.

When I dash downstairs and want to make it back up before the deodorant girls are finished bounding through the gorse toward their loved ones (or is that a soap commercial?), I don't have time to arrange a tray. With a glass in each big pocket, pickles and a bottle-opener in the small left breast pocket (or, I should say, the small pocket on the left breast), I have my hands free to carry two bottles of beer and a bowl of cold fried chicken.

"Aha!" you might be saying. "Now he has to make a second trip for the salt!" Not so. When I am on airplane trips, I collect small packages of salt, pepper and mustard and keep them in my night table.

The advantage that the nightgown has over the more frontier-like custom of wearing only a pajama top is evident the first time the nightgown is tested.

There is none of this waking in the middle of the night to find the pajama top up around your shoulder blades, while a frosty breeze is blowing across your rear end. The nightgown usually stays down. Only people who dream a lot and thrash around in their sleep might eventually work a nightgown out of position.

A friend of mine beats this predicament by wearing stirrups. He says that care should be taken to allow enough looseness in the elastic that runs from the stirrup to the hem of the nightgown.

In the first experimental use of the stirrup, all was well until one instant he dropped off to sleep.

When he relaxed at that point, as one does, the effect of the tight elastic was to bring his heels up sharply in such a way that he kicked himself on the behind and couldn't get back to sleep for some hours.

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