

Friends N' Neighbors

By JESSIE MILLER 587-2569

Mr. and Mrs. George Hedges were in Oakville on Wednesday last, attending a dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Hunter in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mink (nee Rose Hedges) who are moving to Calgary, Alta. Mrs. F. Mink of Edmonton was also present. The Hedges returned to their home at Lamb's Corners on Sunday.

Mrs. C. W. Parsons and daughter Shani of Basingstoke, England are spending sometime with her parents in Jarvis. Captain Parsons of the B.O.A.C. will join them during the week when they will go to Huntsville to visit his parents, of Cayuga, who are at their summer home.

Mrs. Gary Marshall of Woodstock with children Adam and Lisa called on Mrs. Ida Armstrong on Wednesday last.

Also on Wednesday Mrs. Armstrong had a visit from her nephew and wife Mr. and Mrs. A. King of Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lysh visited Mr. and Mrs. Rae MacKay (a former principal of Jarvis School) at their home in Hamilton recently. Mr. MacKay is on the staff of Hamilton Teacher's College.

Rev. K. N. Brueton was pleased to have a visit from an old friend during last week. Archdeacon David Powell of the State of Kansas and also to entertain his niece Marjorie Brueton of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Marshall of South Walpole are in England visiting Ted's sister and family.

Sunday marked the end of the month's holiday services in which members of Knox Presbyterian members visited Wesley United Church with Rev. Eric Ramrattan conducting. Starting next Sunday morning members of Wesley will begin their month's visit to Knox church with Rev. G. Taylor-Munro conducting.

The highlight of Sunday's service was the presentation of 14 new English Bibles to Wesley Church by the Bousfield family in memory of their mother the late Mrs. Louella Bousfield. Ken Bousfield made the presentation on behalf of the family, also reading the scripture lesson Matthew 13: 1-9 The parable of the sower and the seed.

This was the theme of Rev. Ramrattan's sermon. Special music was provided by the Bousfield sisters and the regular choir rendered an anthem. This was an outstanding morning service enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell More Jr. of Guelph were visitors at the home of his parents on Friday.

Mrs. Ed Parsons, of Cayuga, and Jennie Lint, of Cayuga, were hostesses at the Wilson Macdonald Memorial School Museum on Sunday when a good representation of visitors

called. Guests from England, Scotland, Truro N.S. and Montreal Quebec signed the register.

The School Museum continues to attract people from many and various areas in Ontario. Some for the first time and others who were kids at the school long ago, tourists and groups by appointment. This week Sims Locks will hold their Grandmothers picnic there.

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Sider called on old neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shoap in Port Dover on Thursday last.

After spending a week with her mother Mrs. George Saunders and brother Delbert Saunders, Mrs. James A. Hogan and son Joe left on Monday for their home in Denver, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hare, now of Port Dover but formerly of Harewood Acres, entertained the executive of last October's Ploughing match with their wives at a patio party and barbecue at their home on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Vernice Hoover of Springvale with her sister Mary (Mrs. Elvin Schneider) of Harrisburg Virginia called at the home of their cousin Mrs. E. M. Sider and other community friends in Cheapside, Ont. Friday having evening dinner with their nephew Lorne Fretz, wife and family in Rainham.

A shower was held on Friday evening in Cheapside Community Hall in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nie. Mrs. Nie is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Madill Hoover of Selkirk and Ray is the son of Arvil and Bertha Lofthouse Nie. They are residing in the Old Emerson Nie Home.

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Federation Facts

by Otto Crone
Shoddy building practices by outside contractors has become a problem in our county.

With the rapid changes in agriculture there is a great amount of activity by farmers, through construction of barns and silos.

This creates heavy demands on local contractors and leaves room for outsiders to move in. Outside contractors in most cases are as reliable as local ones, but due to the poor workmanship done by

the odd one, it is necessary to check out unfamiliar contractors before engaging them for a construction job.

For example a farmer contemplating an \$8,000 job with an unknown contractor would be wise to spend a day, and if necessary drive several hundred miles to examine the type of workmanship done by this contractor. He should never pay in advance for more work than what has been satisfactorily completed.

If there should be a dispute concerning the workmanship it is much easier to acquire satisfaction if money is owed to the contractor rather than him being paid in advance.

A number of farmers have had very unpleasant experiences with builders this spring. The problem would be most difficult to solve by legislation but could easily be prevented if farmers would be more cautious.

Obituaries

JOHN GORDON REID

Gordon Reid passed away suddenly at his residence, R.R. 3, Hagersville, on July 18, 1972, in his 69th year. Mr. Reid was born in Oneida Township April 26, 1904 and resided on the farm all his life.

He was the son of the late Thomas Reid and Ellen Farraday.

He was a member of Oneida United Church. He is survived by his wife, Leta (Meehan) and a family Lorraine at home, Eleanor (Mrs. Jack Stubbs) Caledonia and Keith of R.R. 1 Jarvis also nine grandchildren. Four sisters, Mrs. Elgin Van Norman, Mrs. G. J. Nelles of

Hagersville, Mrs. Clarence Bacher of Cayuga and Mrs. E. F. Ast of Dundas also survive.

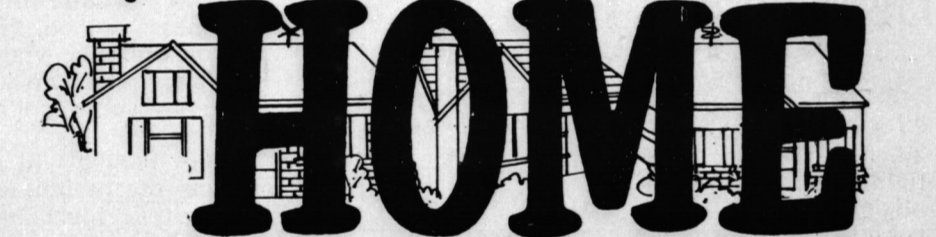
The funeral took place from the Hyde-Mott funeral home Hagersville on Thursday, July 20, 1972 at 2 p.m. with Rev. Arthur Magee of Oneida United Church conducting the service. Interment took place in Gore Cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were Earl Short and Allan Smith and pallbearers were: Don Hunter, John Fleming, Frank Peart, Alvin Peart, Michael Brooks, John Reid.

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Editorial Comment:

Investors At The Bottom

Statistics can invariably be made to sound interesting and none more so than statistics surrounding who made how much and over what period of time.

In the just published Canadian Consumer Credit Factbook, investors, along with farmers and fishermen, turn up at the bottom of a 27 category list as having the least income increases between 1965 and 1968.

Largest increases were recorded by real estate entrepreneurs followed closely by the professions and government employees.

The factbook is published jointly by the Canadian Consumer Loan Association and the Federated Council of Sales Finance Companies.

The 10 occupations which were rewarded with the largest percentage increases in average incomes between 1965 and 1968 were: real estate (30%); dentists (28.5%); teachers and professors (26.5%); accountants (26.4%); federal government (26.1%); doctors and surgeons (25.6%); lawyers and notaries (23%); provincial government (22.5%); municipal government (20.6%) and recreational services (18.6%).

Starting at the bottom of the heap were these 10 occupations: investors (-4.8%); fishermen (-3.8%); entertainers and artists (-1.5%); finance (0.9%); wholesale trade (1.7%); salesmen (2.3%); farmers (2.6%); public utilities (3.3%); pensioners (4.1%); and manufacturing (5.5%).

Most would have expected the statistics to show that society had given a "back of the hand" to pensioners, fishermen, farmers and artists, but few would have expected to see their ranks joined by manufacturers, salesmen and finance men, led by investors.

Over and even longer term, between 1961 and 1968, the compiled tax returns show that of the 27 occupations, the smallest increases in average incomes were awarded to investors, entertainers, wholesale trade, pensioners and manufacturing. These increases range from 3.1 to 15.5%.

The other 22 occupations, including farmers and fishermen all had increases of 20 per cent over the seven year period.

Professionals earned between 50 and 70 per cent more in 1968 than in 1961, and government employees between 40 and 50 per cent more.

Of course, people earn and spend dollars, not percentages and the average incomes of fishermen, farmers and pensioners stand 24, 25 and 27 on the list of 1968 with average incomes of \$5,291, \$5,260 and \$3,505 respectively.

In contrast, the \$12,175 increase in average incomes paid to doctors and surgeons, 1968 over 1961, was greater than the total average income of 21 of the 27 occupations categories in 1968.

OPP Report

CAYUGA - On July 23, Antonio T. Ribeiro, 27, of 437 Waverly St., Hamilton, Ont. was fatally injured in a motor vehicle collision on Nieces Road, Sherbrooke Township.

On July 29, Cindy Adoranti, 16, of Hamilton, while walking along County Road 11, Dunn Township, was struck by a truck and fatally injured.

Officers investigated 12 other motor vehicle collisions resulting in injuries to three persons. General occurrences investigated were: seven thefts, five break and enters, 20 requests for assistance, four assaults, two wilful damage, one causing disturbance, one impaired driving charge was laid and 13 Liquor Control Act investigations resulted in 13 charges being laid.

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Early Settlers - A Family Portrait

by Daniel J. Brock
Weddings are usually one of the few occasions bringing all the members of a family together. This being the case, the opportunity is frequently taken to capture such a reunion on camera.

Such appears to have been the case on July 1, 1882, Dominion Day, when George Edward Brock (1855-1937), eldest son of John Brock (1829-1910) and Elizabeth Ann Forster (1835-1907), married Phoebe Charlotte Emily (1858-1944), a daughter of James and Maria J. (Blayne) Matthews.

The Brocks were probably living in Jarvis at this time, while James Matthews operated a blacksmith shop in the now-forgotten settlement of Jericho in Charlotteville Township.

The wedding was a simple affair in the minister's house, as was common practice at the time. Since George was the first child to marry, the picture includes the entire family, consisting of the parents, their 10 sons, and their daughter-in-law.

Their only daughter, Eleanor Ann Elizabeth (1878-1880), had been buried in the Brock family plot, St. Paul's Churchyard, Jarvis, almost two years earlier.

Seventeen months after her death, her remains were joined by those of her grandfather, Francis Brock (1798-1882).

It was apparently in 1841 that Frank Brock had brought his family to Upper Canada (Ontario). There they joined the family of Robert Armstrong who farmed in the north-western corner of Scarborough Township, York County.

Armstrong, who had married Frank's sister Mary, had emigrated from Ireland a few years earlier. Some of their descendants, such as the Rodgers and Cherrys, are now to be found in the Jarvis area.

The Brocks had been born in County Fermanagh and lived in or near the county town of Enniskillen. It is believed that their ancestors were brought into the area as part of the attempt to Anglify and Protestantize Ireland during the reign of James I of England (1603-1625).

The earliest record of the Brocks in Fermanagh is that for the year 1630 when William, John, and James were mustered under Sir John Hume, undertaker of 3,500 acres.

It is traditionally believed that Frank's ancestors were besieged in Londonderry by the followers of James II in 1689,



A wedding on July 1, 1882, provided the opportunity for a Brock family reunion when this photograph was taken. Left to right are, front row, Herbert and Fred; second row, John (father), Charlie, Ernest, Bessie (mother); third row, George, Phoebe, Frank, Tom and fourth row, John, Perce and Robert.

and ultimately compelled to pay a goodly sum for so little as the hind-quarters of a rat. (One writer has stated that, in the final stages of the siege, rats sold for a shilling apiece.)

Frank himself was a pensioned soldier and had lost a leg in a war prior to immigrating to Upper Canada.

He removed with his family to Jarvis in 1852 and was possibly preceded by the families of nephews and nieces. At the time, one usually became a schoolmaster only if unable to engage in any other form of work, and not because of any marked educational ability.

Frank's physical handicap no doubt limited his occupational pursuits, but it is recorded that he "was a well educated man" and the first school house in the infant settlement of Jarvis was especially built for him along present-day Talbot Street "a little down from our Anglican Church."

By 1861, both he and his brother, John or "Gentleman" Jack" (1800-1888), were engaged in farming portions of Lot 4, Concession 4, Walpole Township. Ten years later, Frank was a toll gate keeper in the neighbouring Seneca Township.

While living in Scarborough Township, Frank's eldest son, John, had learned the blacksmith's trade which he pursued in Jarvis. His first shop was on the premises which became the Union Hotel.

A few years later he located on the site where the Whittaker Block was further extended this week when a

a few months before the great fire of May 24, 1873 which almost wiped out Jarvis.

About two years after moving to the village, John married the eldest daughter of George Edward and Eleanor (Barnes) Forster, who occupied the east half of Lot 22, Concession 14, Townsend Township.

John and Bessie were married in St. John's Anglican Church, Woodhouse Township, and were described in 1858 as having "a nice little property in Jarvis a good house, shop and stables; three horses a cow etcetra."

George, like his father, was a black-

The movements of the family are uncertain for several years after 1873. It is known that John operated the blacksmith shop at Jericho for a time after the death of James Matthews, but it is believed he had returned to Jarvis some time prior to 1885 when he sold his shop in the village to a Mr. Miller and his house to his brother-in-law James Crossen. In May most of the family moved to London where John had purchased a blacksmith and carriage works.

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Counter Clockwise

20 Years Ago July 31, 1952

The Jarvis Lions Club Band Concert held in the Jarvis Park on Sunday night drew nearly 1,000 people who, by their applause, enjoyed every minute of the two hour program.

Perfect weather was also a factor in the success of the event. The program was introduced by Lion Art Blight. Mr. Blight pointed out to the large audience that the program had been arranged by the Club in the various money raising activities sponsored throughout the year.

He also stated that arrangements had been made to hold another outdoor concert on Sunday night, Aug. 10 and another program will be presented still later next month.

The program of the Village Council toward permanent streets throughout the entire village was further extended this week when a

new hard top surface was put on Church Street from Peel Street north to Lydia Street.

The work was done by Almas and Reichel of Hagersville.

The section of Church Street completed this week was graded last year in preparation for the finished job that has now been done. It connects with the permanent resurfacing done on Peel west from Main last year. Within another four or five years the entire village will have permanent streets and the maintenance costs will thereby be substantially reduced year by year, besides making a substantial improvement for driving and in general appearance.

This past weekend was a black one on the accident record in the local area.

Automobile accidents took three lives on Friday and Saturday night on Highway 3 just east and west of Jarvis and a child was drowned at Caledonia on Sunday afternoon.