

Friends N' Neighbours

by Jessie Miller

Mrs. Glenn Lofthouse has a quilt in the frames and is inviting friends and neighbors to help quilt. This is a B.I.C. Church sewing circle project.

Mrs. Ralph Lofthouse is again a patient in West Haldimand Hospital, Hagersville.

Miss Florence Messecar of Dunnville spent the weekend at home with her brother Bruce at Cheapside.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan White of Hamilton were Friday afternoon callers at the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Sider.

Miss Vida Burns of Selkirk entertained the Siders at her home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vokes and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Graham returned from a trip to Florida on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shropshall and Jason visited Mrs. Earl Marr on Sunday afternoon to celebrate her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Oldham, who have been visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. L. Porter, in Ottawa arrived home on Sunday night. It being Mrs. Oldham's 80th birthday, they were entertained in Hamilton by Mrs. Mamie Hinck, who also celebrated a birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Oldham and daughter Mrs. Ron Smith attended the birthday party and brought their parents home with them.

On Sunday morning in Wesley United Church the rite of baptism was administered to Michael Scott, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Parkinson, by Rev. Eric Ramrattan.

On Friday night, the Cheapside area Snowmobile Club held a party in Cheapside Community

ity Hall and on Saturday night, the annual Board meeting was held. One feature of this meeting was the presence of a delegation from Lamb's Corners W. I. who offered to present new drapes for the platform and windows.

Miss June Awde is a patient in West Haldimand Hospital Hagersville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hedges spent two days last week at the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Hedges at Schomberg, Ont.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Rose Taylor of Monson St. has returned to her home after having been a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital and the Brown Infirmary, Hamilton since November 4, 1972.

Her many friends will be happy to learn that she is at home again.

The Rev. Clifford Waite of R. R. 2, Simcoe

occupied the pulpit of Knox Church Jarvis on Sunday morning. The congregation has been pleased to have him during the absence of the Rev. G. Taylor - Munro. It is hoped Mr. Taylor-Munro will return in time to be in his usual place in Knox and Chalmers Church on Sunday morning next.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan McKenzie, their daughter Lois Mitchell and her little son, Michael were in Schomberg visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Hedges during the weekend.

Last Thursday Miss Vera Jaques drove her mother, Mrs. Elgin Jaques, Mrs. Lily Miller and Mrs. Earl Marr to Burford for dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Sandison who used to operate the Variety Store in Jarvis (Magic Mart).

Mrs. Reg Leatherdale is a patient in West Haldimand General Hospital, Hagersville, Ont.

Jarvis Lions News

After the January 8th meeting, the Jarvis Lions began practices for their 20th annual Minstrel Show. Lion Ted Montague will once again be the Director and Margaret Miller, wife of Lion Chief Bruce, will be Musical Director.

At this meeting, Lion Art McVitty, chairman of Health and Welfare, reported on work done by his committee during Christmas and a group trip to Grandview Lodge.

All Grandview residents, from this area were visited and given a Christmas plant.

Secretary Dave Wilson read several Thank You notes from persons who received a plant or food basket.

Mr. Fred Soplet (head of special services in education for Norfolk County) showed slides and spoke on recent group trip to Russia and neighbouring countries where they were observers of their educational system.

At the meeting of January 22nd, a note of appreciation for a cash donation to the Guides and Brownies was read.

Lion Mac Dosser thanked the ladies of St. Paul's Anglican Church who have provided such

excellent meals for the past several meetings. Mrs. David Genery, President of the Women's Club responded.

President Bruce Miller appointed a nominating committee to present a slate of officers for the 1973-74 term. The committee will consist of the three vice-presidents, Eugene Montague, William Snowden and Don Mitchell.

The program was provided by Mr. Ed McCarthy, a lawyer from Hagersville. He gave an interesting talk on the making of wills and estates.

A special meeting of the Easter Seal and Crippled Childrens committees followed the regular meeting.

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Maracle - Irving and Lorraine Maracle of R. R. 1 Ohsweken are happy to announce the birth of their daughter Nancy, 8 lbs. 5 oz. on January 25, a sister for Brenda Lynn.

Brock - Frank and Margaret announce the arrival of Johnny's baby brother, Craig Francis, January 26, 1973 at Greater Niagara General Hospital, Niagara Falls, Ont. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wagner, Brantford, and Mr. and Mrs. John Coyne, Hagersville.

Hearing Adjourned Until March 8th

Ken Bousfield of R. R. 1, Jarvis must wait until March to learn whether he will continue to receive natural gas service or must search for an alternate fuel.

The Ontario Energy Board hearing into the Union Gas Company's application to end service to some customers in Haldimand County has been postponed from February 1 to March 8.

Mr. Bousfield and all other affected Haldimand County residents received a registered letter stating that the Energy Board has consented to the request of those opposing the application and has retained an engineer to look into Union Gas claims that certain gas lines are uneconomical.

However, the letter stated it would be impossible for the engineer to complete the investigation in time. Thus, the hearing has been adjourned until March 8th.

Last February, The Union Gas Company of

Canada Ltd. submitted a report to the Ontario Energy Board proposing the abandonment of gas services to 951 households in Haldimand.

In July, Union Gas representatives visited 261 householders and offered compensation to convert to propane.

Two committees in the Townships of Dunn and Rainham were later formed "to try and represent the interests of citizens in these areas."

According to these Committees for the Retention of Natural Gas, "an alternate source of gas is readily available and Union Gas should not deny continued service to its customers in the affected areas."

They have charged Union Gas with using divide and conquer tactics by selecting and dealing with small groups of the 951 total.

They also fear that a win will set a precedent for further action in Haldimand County and rural areas across the province.

The Committee for the Retention of Natural

gas claims that compensation for switching to an alternate source of fuel is not enough for an oil or electricity change and "propane is not as free of harmful emissions as is natural gas, nor is oil as free of harmful emissions as either propane or natural gas."

Haldimand County Council supported the Committees with a resolution adopted September 15 stating "That before the Union Gas Company of Canada is allowed such action (abandonment) that the Government of Ontario take steps to see that every possibility be explored and every effort be made to continue to make this important and primary energy resource available to the householders of the County of Haldimand."

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Mary Edith Group

The first meeting of the New Year was held at the home of Mrs. Will Campbell. The President, Mrs. R. Jepson, opened the meeting with the repeating of the Lord's prayer in unison. The hymn "Blest be the Tie that Binds" was sung.

Roll call was a verse with the word Love. Roll call for February is a Valentine verse. Mrs. M. Biggar read the scripture, the 116th Psalm. Prayer was given by Mrs. J. Biggar.

Minutes of the December meeting were read and the financial reports given. A report of the annual Presbyterial meeting held in Hamilton January 16 was given by Mrs. W. Lint and Mrs. M. Biggar.

A reading "Make it a Habit" by Rev. John Perry was given by Mrs. R. Jepson. The

meeting closed by repeating the Benediction.

Award Winners

Awards for pork competitions were presented at last Thursday's annual meeting of the Haldimand County Pork Producers held in Kohler.

Boar bonus awards were presented to the following (they purchased boars with 115% index or higher): Bruce Meehan, Ernie Topp, Bill Sutor, Keith Richardson, Ben Elliott and Glen Overend.

Carcass Quality Competition winners were: 1st Glen Overend of R. R. 1, Canfield; 2nd Ron Feeney of R. R. 1 Jarvis; 3rd Joe Downey of R. R. 1, York; Melvin Elgersma of R. R. 1, Cayuga and 5th Jim Feeney of R. R. 1 Jarvis.

Wise, Unwise and Otherwise

by the Old Owl

Arrogance

The subject of arrogance is a pretty big one and my article on it left a good deal unsaid, hence this second article is on the same subject.

One approach to the subject would be to ask whether it is deliberate or more or less the result of a slow process. I mentioned the big business executive to whom people were no longer regarded as people but just a set of figures and numbers. He probably started out as a fairly decent sort of fellow but as he moved higher in the business he became further and further removed from the ordinary man in the street and almost unconsciously treated the public and his own employees in an arrogant manner. He would probably be quite surprised if accused of arrogance.

On the other hand, there are people who deliberately set out to treat those of lower rank than themselves, or of smaller income with arrogance, hoping that by so doing, they will demonstrate to the "Boss" that they are qualified for some executive position. If the Boss is really living in an ivory tower, he may look kindly on such an attitude, for it is usually associated with an apparent blind devotion to his superiors.

But arrogance may be the result of an entirely different set of circumstances, especially in politics, literature and religion. A person has come to adopt a certain position regarding something in one of these fields. To them such a position, set of beliefs or something of that kind has become very clear and very real. They cannot understand people who do not see this as they see it and they come to regard such people as stupid or lacking in sense, therefore they adopt an arrogant manner in dealing with them.

Arrogance is frequently associated with bureaucracy and I think with some justice. I have never had much to do with bureaucrats but I have heard and read enough about them to form some idea. But we must remember that it is not only in the Civil Service that we find bureaucrats, but in business (especially large ones) and in the Churches too.

destroyed, also the stock yard and adjoining buildings.

July 14, 1932

A number of complaints have been received by Carl Davis, secretary of the Hamilton Automobile Club, from motorists who have been fined for not stopping at the intersections of No. 3 and No. 6 Highways at Jarvis.

July 21, 1932

The marriage of Miss Jean Pratten, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Pratten, Nanticoke, and Mr. Lyle Somers, Nanticoke, took place at Springfield, Ont. on Monday afternoon.

August 11, 1932

Hickory Beach Park Nanticoke was the scene of a very pretty event on Thursday, August 5th when about two hundred relatives of the Evans and Jackson families gathered to celebrate the fiftieth reunion.

September 22, 1932

What might have been a disastrous fire occurred in the Village on Sunday last. About 4 p.m. an alarm was sounded and it was discovered that the barn in the rear of Reg Leatherdale's Bakery was on fire.

June 16, 1932

On Monday evening a very disastrous fire occurred at Renton when the chopping mill owned by W. J. Patterson was

The Credit System An Evaluation

by Derek Bishop

Most new systems have both advantages and disadvantages, and Ontario's new approach to education has its champions and challengers. Its supporters point to a greater flexibility in timetabling and wider choice of subjects for the individual student. It is true that the Credit System allows a great proportion of the students in the province to tailor a program of studies of their abilities, needs and interests. There was little provision before for the average student who was very good in two or three subjects and mediocre in others.

Schools with small enrolments (under 800) may have difficulty offering enough levels of difficulty to be truly flexible, but even a little is more than we had before.

Students have tremendous freedom in subject choices, which is a great advance as long as they are given adequate advice before choosing. It is the responsibility of parents, teachers, and the students themselves to use this freedom wisely - and that responsibility is a heavy one.

One of the big advantages of the new system for many students is the lack of a single small group we used to call a "class," which stayed together for most subjects, all year long. Since every student has an individual timetable, with his particular choice of credits, no two classes are ever made

up of exactly the same students. If Johnny has eight classes today, there will be eight different groups of students. True, in several classes, some of the same faces appear, but the number of people Johnny has to get to know has increased tremendously over a few years ago.

This constant group changing is disturbing to the hermit and shy student. Some see it as a great way to make more friends, but they are in the minority.

The biggest outcry has come from teachers and parents who have felt that too much freedom has been granted too quickly. Adolescents are notorious for wanting freedom; it takes maturity to realize that increased freedom carries with it increased responsibility. Our job as educators is to help and guide as much as possible.

My biggest concern is the lack of communication to the public about the status of the new diploma. In the old system, a Graduation Diploma guaranteed that work had been completed at the grade twelve level. The new Diploma does not. All it assures is that twenty-seven credits have been completed; the credits can be very general or very specialized, bare passes or first class honours credits. Somehow employers and others who require certain levels of educational ability will have to get the message that "Have you got a

diploma?" does not ask the right question. "May I see your transcript of marks?" is a better question.

I'm very optimistic about the potential of our new system of education. With care and a mature approach to its freedoms, students should be better prepared to face the future than they ever could have been under the older system.

With Pen In Hand

All of mankind is entitled to be Happy and healthy, but most of all free. But how can we take for granted these three? While warfare and prejudice plague land and sea?

All manner of men bleed the same blood All manner of men till the same sod. All manner of men, no matter what creed, Have the same basic problems, the same basic needs.

Building a future lies in our hands. The fate of the air and the seas and the lands Becomes a task for all to o'ersee To make it the best it can possibly be.

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GAMES, SANDCASTLES AND DREAMS

by Marie Weaver

Climbing each step seems like a great achievement. Why tonight?

"Julie, are you going to bed?" "Yes, Mother."

Climbing the stairs was always a game with me; running up the stairs.

"Julie, where's your sister?" "... just so I could slide down the bannister."

"Julie"

The last time I slid down was the night before my thirteenth birthday.

"Julie! Can't you hear?" "Sorry, I didn't hear. What did you say?"

"Where's Christine?" "She's already sleeping."

"Good. Remember, we must be up early tomorrow morning. I'm not going to be late for church again!"

"Mother had said, 'Julie, you'll be thirteen years old tomorrow; my little girl all grown up!' I thought about it for awhile and decided that games were silly; especially for a girl thirteen years old."

As Julie crossed over the last step she saw the portrait of her grandmother. Julie paused for a moment and whispered, "I'll miss you Grandmother," softly to herself. She began walking down the hall towards her room.

"Julie what did mother want?" "Nothing. Go back to sleep now."

"night Julie."

"Goodnight Christine."

As Julie stepped into her room the moonlight fell upon her face as if welcoming a friend. After closing the door behind her, she carefully knelt down upon the rug and pulled out her small packed suitcase from beneath the bed. Then Julie peeped over and sat on the chair by the window looking anxiously beyond her familiar yard, on down the shore road.

Oh how beautifully the moon shines on the ocean waves. What fun Neil and I had building sandcastles and squashing them with our feet. Then as if overnight we weren't building sandcastles anymore ... but dreams. When I turned seventeen we were going to be married and live in the small cottage along the shore road. We'd plant flowers in the summer and build snowmen in the winter. How wonderful raise a family of four; two boys and two girls. How wonderful and perfect everything was going to be, but then the war broke out. Neil entered the army and even though he was stationed at home, Mother and Dad had forbidden our marriage until the war is over. I'm eighteen; nothing has turned out as planned. My hopes had almost been overpowered with despair until yesterday.

Julie pulled out a letter from the pocket of her dress, unfolded the letter carefully and read it quietly to herself. My dearest Julie,

I've made arrangements to have a jeep for this Saturday evening. I'll pick you up at eleven thirty. This will remain our secret until you've officially become Mrs. Neil Graham.

All my love forever, Neil.

Julie refolded the letter and placed it back in her pocket.

"Goodnight Julie."

Julie glanced down at her watch; eleven twenty five. "Julie are you asleep?" "Almost. Where are you?"

"Downstairs. Now where else would I be? I'm going to bed now. You get some sleep."

"Goodnight Mother."

"night."

What's that noise? Is it a car? Yes? ... yes it is. It must be Neil. No, I must be imagining things. I don't hear it anymore.

Nothing could be heard except for the waves rolling onto the shore, and then after awhile even the ocean sounds seemed not to exist. Julie suddenly rose to her feet as another shot ... then another. Julie slowly sunk back into her chair and stared out beyond her yard, beyond the shore road and beyond the ocean. The sky was beginning to grow pink and birds could be heard singing outside her window. Carefully Julie rose to her feet. Slowly she slipped off her clothes and they fell in a huddle on the floor. Julie then walked over and crawled into bed. "Games, sandcastles, and dreams ..."

Julie rolled over and fell asleep.