were weekend guests of Mr. ison. and Mrs. Cecil Titus of Mr. and Mrs. John Grey Walsingham Women's Inst-

spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Saunders. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gero and family were dinner opened with the singing of

Gero of Silver Hill. after a lengthy stay in Till-



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Mr. and Mrs. George sonburg District Memorial the Olympics and parking meters will be removed from weekend guests of Mr. and The Walsingham Women's Port Rowan. Birthday and Institute served the funeral Nutritional Education cans Mr. and Mrs. John Titus luncheon for Mrs. John Patt- were passed. Mrs. Allport reported we will be serving lunch for Mrs. Jack Patti-

The business meeting guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie the "Institute Ode and the hall Wednesday night for fire repeating of the "Mary Ste- extinguishers. There was no Roger Smith has returned wart Collect." Mrs. Hamm Hall Report. The sunshine conducted an In Memoriam convenor reported she had for Mrs. John Pattison who is sent two cards for sick people

poem "Just One Plea." The ment Day.

Auction Opened Nov. 26,

a past president of our Mrs. Lynn Byer gave the 4-H institute. We observed a one report. She reported the minute silence. Mrs. Hamm chose as her all preparing for Achieve-

The Wish Book" was well answered. The minutes were LaCroiz reported on attendapproved as read. The treas- ing the Royal Winter Fair. urers statement was sub- Mrs. Allport gave the Hamilmitted. Correspondence was ton Area convention report. a Thank-you note. Bills were Mrs. Hamm reported on her submitted. It was moved by meeting with Mr. Carl Szucs Mrs. Maynard Long and about our hall. It wasmoved seconded by Mrs. Beausaert by Mrs. Allport and second-

Business Program of The son's funeral in her Social

The plastic is coming off the windows and must be repaired and the Fire Department is coming to check our lubs are finished. They are

roll call "What I Want From The one minute convenor's reports were given. Mrs.

that the bills be paid. ed by Mrs. Maynard Long that each member bring something for our Christmas Current events included a Luncheon "carried." It was fire in Los Angelas, Tobacco moved by Mrs. Allport and seconded by Mrs. Robillard Teachers and postal strikes that we don't have a children still on, The Queen will open Christmas Party this year "carried." It was moved by Mrs. Maynard Long and seconded by Mrs. Glennis Long that we do senior citizen's plates this year and that each plate should value

Long volunteered to do the Senior Citizens Plates. It was suggested for our adopted citizen at Norview that Mrs. LaCroix purchase a pair of fuzzy slippers. It was moved by Mrs. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Butler that we purchase a ladies and gentlemen's gift for around \$2 to be donated to Norview for some one that has no body at

Mrs. Hamm stated that the Erland Lee Homestead would like to have donations of toys or other: things pertaining to a child's room. It was moved by Mrs. Gates that we donate \$5 to the Erland Lee Homestead in memory of Mrs. John Pattison. This was seconded by Mrs. Byers "carried".

It was decided to wear long dresses for our Christmas program on Dec. 2. It was moved by Mrs. Maynard Long and seconded

by Mrs. Allport that Mrs. Hamm speak to Mr. Keith Chamberlain about building our library showcase "carr-It was moved by Mrs. Allport and seconded by

Mrs. Byers that Mrs. Maynard Long go to the Auction Mart and bid on a map. "carried." Mrs. Hamm reminded us to bring our articles for the Auction Sale and our gifts for the gift exchange on Dec. 2. Mrs. Glennis Long showed us articles she had made from all different kinds of articles

Our next regular meeting

POEM OUT OF LONDON FREE PRESS NOV. 19

If God Went on Strike

It's just a good thing God above Has never gone on strike Because he wasn't treated fair For things he didn't like. If He had ever once sat down And said, "That's it -- I'm through; I've had enough of those on earth So this is what I'll do.

"I'll give my orders to the sua Cut off your heat supply And to the moon -- give no more light' And run the oceans dry. Then just to really make it tough I'll turn off air and oxygen Till every breath is gone.

Do you know He'd be justified If fairness was the game For no one has been more abused Or treated with disdain Than God -- and yet he carried on Supplying you and me With all the favors of His grace And everything -- for free.

Men say they want a better deal And so on strike they go But what a deal we've given God For everything we owe, We don't care who we hurt or harm To gain the things we like But what a mess we'd all be in If God would go on strike.

(Author unknown)

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Courtland Notes

School held their annual charge. turkey bingo and penny sale Discussion centered around

welve turkeys plus one extra committee in Council and arge turkey. There were costs have been explored. Sthree share-the-wealth Suggestions were made regames and a generous door garding the location.

slo-pitch league within the Free coffee and doughnuts Township, T-ball and soccer. was served by the committee The two soccer teams for

the 1974 season under the 842-3951 The Advisory Committee coaching of Mr. Joe Wolf and or recreation and Commun- Mr. Matthew Gantner of ty Centres for the Township Courtland both took champof Norfolk met on Thursday ionships in the play offs. It is night November 27 in the hoped to build up a soccer board room of the Port league within the township Tooling of the Port league within the township Rowan Community Centre and anyone interested should with Advisory Committee talk to the representative of the committee from your area of the township.

Major programs and facilities for recreation are to be undertaken on a rotary basis revelance and feasibi-

The Bell Mill Home and chairman Clarence Abbott in lity to be decided by the

We were reminded again sislaus Church on Saturday Port Rowan. The plan for a that the people, themselves, double tennis court has been must be interested in making their own community a better place in which to live. If the people are not behind efforts to have better facilities in their area and willing Mention was made to work to make things Proceeds are for the work of concerning an additional ball happen then it is useless for their play for the Annual diamond in Courtland, a the municipal council to pro-

> is the people who can make There will be no meeting in December. The next meeting wil be held in Courtland on January 22, 1976.

The Youth Fellowship of the Fellowship Baptist Church Courtland entered a float in the Santa Claus parade in Tillsonburg on young people distributed Christian literature to people

The Youth meeting on Nov. 26 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church was attended by 13

The youth then rehearsed vid something for them that adjourned.

Michael Biddle is convale-

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Herman and Carol Beth visited last Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hib-

Some members from this area helped with the Senior Saturday morning. The Citizens' Friendship Club annual Bazaar and Bake sale, held at the Optimist rooms in

> Poke Bonnet

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Larry and Jan Herman opened the meeting with prayer and also conducted the business which followed.

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> G.B. ENGRAVING

Courtland District Lions bingo Thursday nights at 8 p.m. at the Community Hall. lackpot and winner-take-all.

Langton, won the second \$50 Mrs. Gerard Desmaiter and Jackpot. The Winner-Take- daughter Linda, Mr. and

McGregor were Friday over-

night guests of Mr. and Mrs.

All (\$95) was split between Mrs. Richard Van De Wiele Mrs. Bonnie Spriet, R. R. 2 and Mr. and Mrs. John De Courtland, and Mrs. Irene Cloet have returned from a Spohn, R. R. 2 Courtland. vacation to Belgium. While Free passes for the next there, they attended the 100 Priddle and his son, Sheldon, target with these weapons Tues. night bingo were given birthday celebration for their of Langton, killed a white- for the past four years and to the Jackpot winners. Free mother and grandmother,

Delores Desnaiter who is coffee was served during the

with her parents Mr. and Sinnaeve of Essex and Mr.

Mrs. Gerard Desnaiter and and Mrs. Marcel Mailoux of

The first \$50 Jackpot at the Urben Sinnaeve and family.

Belgian Fair Bingo on Tues- Mr. and Mrs. Leon Spriet

day night, November 18, was and son Roger, Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Shirley Stager of Court- Valere Spriet, Mr. and Mrs.

land. Miss Carrie McKiller. Adiel Spriet and son Jerry,

attending Fanshawe College evening.

in London spent the weekend

The bow-and-arrow is mak- and a long-bow. They have

ing a come-back. Blake been trying to get their

THE FARM

Each member of the family helped with the farm. Some

of the jobs were gathering the eggs, chopping the wood

All of the equipment was homemade. Oxen pulled the wooden plow while the farmer walked behind. The

harrow broke up the bigger clumps of land. There were

no fertilizers in the pioneer days. A seeder was filled

with wheat or flax seed and the farmers son walked up

and down the rows broadcasing (spreading) the seed. A

cradle was used for cutting down the swaths of grain.

The hay was gathered into a windrow and later tied into

sheaves. An operation called blading separated the

grain from the stems. The grain was then shovelled into

baskets and hit with a flail to separate the husks. A draft

homemade grind with two stones made the flour. A few

years later a miller took over and made all the flour. If

the farmer didn't have much money the miller would

Flax plants were pulled from the ground by hand for

harvesting. The seed balls were removed after curing.

For that a small wooden comb was pulled through the

flax. Water dissolved the flax when it was weighted

down on the bottom of the creek. This is called retting. It

softens the outside of the stem. It was then dried. Then,

a handful of flax was taken to the clinger or wheel which

broke the outside of the stem. A wooden heckle was used

to get rid of the broken stems. The flax was then spun

into sacks, cloth, rope or string. The harvest of one year

had to supply the family with food until the next harvest.

keep one bag of grain as a payment.

going through the barn blew the chaff away. A

and feeding the animals.

tailed deer with a cross-bow have finally succeeded.

PIONEER LIVING

PREPARING FOOD

All food was products of the farms or forests and icluded wild animals.

Pork was soaked in salt and water and later smoked for about ten days. To make sausage you mixed the meat with herbs and put it through a press into casings. They had a machine called an apple peeler which peeled the apples. They then cut them into strips and

hung them to dry. SauerKraut was made with cabbages and salt which were pounded and packed in crocks for three or four weeks seasoning. The people grew all their own herbs. Butter was made by boiling water in a churn and then

pouring the boiling water out. The cream was put in after going through a cream separator. Just as the cream was starting to turn sour the dasher was worked up and down in the cream until it became thick. The butter was seaparated from the butter milk. The butter was washed with clear cool water and salt was added to preserve it. A wooden mold made designs in the butter. All extra butter was taken to the store and sold or traded.

They had to use raw sugar. Maple syrup was made by drilling a hole in each maple tree and inserting a spout in each tree. The sap ran down the spout and into a bucket hanging beneath it. The sap was boiled until maple syrup was made. That was poured into metal pans.

Bread was made once or twice a week. Yeast was taken from potatoes. The dough was dried in the dough box and the next morning it was kneaded and formed into loaves. The loaves were left to raise. They were put in the oven where a wooden door retained the heat.

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