

Port Rowan Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Wray Dedrick has as weekend guests Mr. and Mrs. Royce McFail and family, Thorold, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dedrick and family, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Taylor, Simcoe. Mrs. Taylor remained for a few days before returning to Humber College, Toronto, where she is taking an O.R. course in nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Parry attended a birthday dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Jenny, to celebrate Mrs. Parry's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bouck had as guests recently Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith, Mexico City, and Duncan Smith from Western University, London.

Mrs. Eva Trickett and

Mrs. Harry Franklin attended the New Horizon Senior Citizens group in Port Rowan when plans were made to hold a bake sale, crafts etc. on March 29 at 11 a.m. on Main St. in Port Rowan.

Mrs. Reta Bouck is spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bouck, Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam LaForge, Norwich, spent two days with Mrs. Lellie Gates.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Dedrick have returned from their honeymoon and spent Friday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Wray Dedrick, before taking up residence in Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. George Parry and Geordi visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allen

Kitchener during the weekend and also visited Mrs. Emily Allen Sr. in the K.W. Hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. William Howe entertained at a musical evening Thursday when Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Post, Simcoe; Cy Stapleton, Delhi; Mrs. Janet Mumford, St. Thomas; Miss Nola Marcotte, Kapuskasing, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Howe were guests.

Paul Howe accompanied by Max and Bill Chamberlain attended the Farm Show in London on Thursday.

A family dinner was held on Sunday at the home of Mrs. Aaron Pauls, Messiah Corners, to honor her 80th birthday. The room was decorated with flowers and the dining table centerpiece was a decorated birthday cake.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shuh, Elmira; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pauls and family, St. Catharines; Mr. and Mrs. James Newton and family, New Dundee; Mr. and Mrs. Jake Reimer and family, In the afternoon she had several visitors from the community bringing her birthday wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. David Reimer and daughter are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard Reimer in Bossvein, Manitoba. Mr. and Mrs. Jake Reimer and daughter Lois were among those guests at the Selecta Banquet at Valley Heights Secondary School on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swick attended a house warming for Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Helmer, who have moved into their new home purchased in St. Williams.

Mrs. Margaret Leighfield had as a Monday guest Mrs. Kenneth Hicks and on Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. William Kenline were dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Petker and Mrs. Jacob Reimer Sr. have returned from a holiday in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Howe attended a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Howe, Tillsonburg, on Friday evening. It was a birthday party for Ronald Howe. Euchre was played during the evening. Mrs. Paul Howe received the prize for the most lone hands. Over 20 were present for a midnight supper.

And for spring

The annual Sacred Heart Catholic Women's League fashion show "Fashion in the News" was held in the Langton Community Centre at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 5th with 450 in attendance. The stores taking part were Heath's Department Store in Tillsonburg and Judy's Specialty Shop, Tillsonburg. The fashions were transported by Tip Top Cleaners in Tillsonburg. Mrs. Margaret VanLaeken was commentator for the evening and Mr. Marcel Nolf was organizer.

Junior models were Heather VanHooren, Jeffrey VanHooren, Bernice Dockz, David Dockz, Paul DeLeye, Robin Vandepoele, Cheryl Soenen, Angie Winne, Paul Winnie, Donnie Handsaeme, Sandra Loncke, Lisa Loncke, Sherry Loncke, Sherry DeVos, Jo-Anne DeRoo, Janice Sinden, Angelina Marozza, Theresa Demeester, Carolyn Seys, Janice Seys, Jo-ann Vanlandschoot, Richard Demeester, David Kersten, George Marozsan, Terry Mattan, Dan Vanlandschoot, and David Sinden.

President, Mrs. Tony Kersten welcomed all to the annual fashion show and introduced the convener, Mrs. Joseph Loncke, who in turn introduced the organizer Mr. Marcel Nolf and the commentator Mrs. Walter VanLaeken. Mrs. Loncke also welcomed the large audience.

During intermissions the Catholic Women's League served lunch, and the following door prizes were drawn. Tray donated by Bennett's Stationery, evening bag, donated by Boka's Shoes, Tin of floor preparation was from Verne's Tile, five \$5.00 gift certificates by Heath's Department Store, Brooch and Earring set by Esther's Dress Shop; Shampoo and Cut donated by Marie's Hair Styling; Stole by Judy's Specialty Shop; Set of cuff links, by Ghesquiere's Men's Wear; Crystal dish by George Goossens Insurance; Shampoo and set by Pat's Beauty Shop; Salad bowl set

by Marcus Jewellers; two \$5.00 gift certificates by Lady Anne Dress Shop; Blanket by Gary and Art Dewaele's T.V.; Evening bag by Rachael's Boutique; Place Mat Set by Woolworth's; Beach bag by Judy's Specialty Shop; Crystal vase by Lierman's Store; Shampoo and Set by Helen Lampkin; Shampoo and Cut by Marie's hairstyling; Place mat set by Woolworth's; two potted mums by Newman's Flowers.

These 28 door prizes were won by Maria Vandesoempele, Nancy Steyaert, Helene Teigrob, Simone VanHove, Suzanne D'haene, Debbie Bogart, Becky Lampkin, Mrs. John Kovacs, Carolyn Seys, Rose Mary Ceresios, Judy Verbrugge, Pearl Solga, Sandra Vanhooren, Freida Dyck, Daphne Hennessy, Maria Vandesoempele, Agnes Sinnaeve, Betty DePaep, Mrs. Pogarzik, Rosann Smith, Terry VanWynsberghe, Debbie McIntyre, Jenny Zamecnik, Donna Rigole, Mary Ann VanDerHoeven, Judy Verbrugge, Etienne Vandebussche, and Kimberley Hamm.

Mrs. Loncke thanked all the models for taking part, the stores, tip-top cleaners, and all who had helped in any way to make the evening such a success, with special thanks to the men for setting up the stage and special help of Mrs. George Goossens. She presented gifts to the commentator, Mrs. Walter VanLaeken, and to the ladies selling the most tickets for the show. Mrs. Russell Sinden who sold 37 tickets, Mrs. Jerry VanHooren, 29, Mrs. Joe VanMaele, 21, Mrs. Fred Soenen Jr., 18, Mrs. Joseph Dockz, 15, Mrs. Roger Demeester 13, Mrs. Roy Vermeersch 10. All the children models were given a gift.

Respect your body. Eat sensibly, exercise and don't smoke. You'll feel better and reduce your risk of heart disease.

Editorials

Since the International Women's Year motto, Why not!, was adopted, I have heard numerous rather snide remarks about the interpretation that many people (substitute to read men) have given the phrase.

Many people (men) have taken the phrase to mean something rather lewd, I take it. Here and now, I would like to say that the motto, "Why Not", has a great many meanings, none of them in the least bit "blue".

Why Not, means a woman should be able to walk down a dimly lit street at 8 p.m. and not be attacked by some man, who later says to the judge, "but your honour, look at the clothes she was wearing - she wanted me to do it."

It means she should not have to become the defendant in a rape trial instead of the victim. It was indeed heartening to hear that one judge recently ruled that the victim's past sexual history not be related in court.

Why Not, means a woman should be able to enter a bar, be served, and sit alone, without someone insinuating that she is waiting for a "pick-up" or that she is a "loose woman". I've never heard anyone refer to a lone man as loose or waiting for a pick-up. Why should women be different?

Why Not, means a woman should not have to marry the first man who asks her just so that she won't end up being called an "old maid". The opportunities for women grow every day. Anyone who is under 25 and complains "I never had a chance to do what I wanted with life", is either too weak to do it, or too lazy to achieve the things she claims to want. The educational roads for women are opening up further every day, and they tell me that with a degree you can do just about anything you want.

Why Not, means that we should stop referring to a section of our population as "just housewives". They are not. They are professional nurses, chefs, chauffeurs, gardeners, seamstresses, sanitary engineers, governesses, ... the list is endless. Housewives are people who put their entire energies into a job which is rewarding and stimulating.

Why Not, means that a woman should be able to get a job in any field, provided she is capable of the work. I disagree with a woman who works in a manual labour field, is not strong enough to lift the heavy loads some men are capable of, allows the men to carry her share of the work, and then asks for equal pay and shrieks, "sexual discrimination". Equal pay for equal work ... but only EQUAL WORK.

Why Not, means that beauty contests should become as archaic as the bow and arrow. Beauty contests are meat markets. ... they exploit a woman's sexual attributes. Most of these so-called beauty contests claim that "the successful contestant must have charm, talent, poise, personality, and GOOD GROOMING." To that I say, garbage! If you'll notice, most of the judges are men ... and they are not looking at her poise!

Why Not, means a woman should not be put down for being a career woman. Many times people, men and women both, refer to career women as "cold and heartless". That's not true. It just happens that some women are not suited for domestic expertise and children. A person must be able to recognize their limitations.

It is better not to marry and have children, than to bring up children who are miserable, children that the woman resents because they meant the end of a career for her. A woman must understand her priorities - and they are different for every woman.

Why Not, means that a woman should have control over the reproductive aspect of her life - her own body. Young women: who go to their local doctor and ask him to prescribe the pill should not be turned away with the threat, "I'm going to tell your mother about this, young lady!"

Abortion should be considered as a viable means for a woman who is pregnant, alone, unmarried, and does not want to be saddled with a child and cannot afford to have one. Most of the objectors to abortion are religious groups or conscientious groups, such as the Right To Life group.

These people are perfectly entitled to their opinion. But for those who are not conscientious objectors, Why Not means a woman who becomes pregnant as the result of a rape should not have to go through nine months of hell.

Above all, Why Not, means that you are no longer someone's possession - you are your own woman, with your own ideas and your own priorities in life. Exercise those rights. It's your life.

Why Not!

Wise Unwise & Otherwise

By The Old Owl

If you went around asking questions you would probably come to the conclusion that most Canadians favour the Israelis rather than the Arabs in the present unpleasantness in the East. That is understandable. The Israelis are very well served by their Public Relations and Propaganda people and they make the most of any opportunity that is opened up. The Arabs have practically none. This gives the Israelis a great advantage. Also the Israelis

are naturally very intelligent and they are able to make out a very good case.

Their greatest asset, however, is the fact that they live among us, they are our friends and neighbours - one of us. The Arabs are not one of us, they are "foreigners". We picture them as wearing long black gowns, a funny kind of head dress and riding on camels - and they do nothing to correct the idea.

Yet there is much that can be said for the Arabs. I cannot go into details, so I will confine myself to one aspect. That is - that a large percentage of the Arabs are Christians. Most people in Canada are not aware of this but it is so. There are no Christians on the Israeli side. The Anglican Church has an Archbishop there and the Israelis are holding in jail the Archbishop of the Greek Catholic Church, who was caught running arms for the Arabs. There may be other Christian leaders of whom I know nothing. However, it stands to reason that neither of these Churches would keep men of the quality of Bishops unless they were assured of a fair sized following.

Political potpourri

By Robert F. Nixon

A few weeks ago the Ontario Government managed to reach an eleventh hour agreement with the Civil Service Association of Ontario to avert a Province-wide strike.

The crisis was averted but the problem was not solved.

The problem is the legislation which governs our civil servants - The Crown Employees Collective Bargaining Act.

When this Bill was passed in the Legislature in May of 1972 I opposed it because it was unnecessarily restrictive. It was and remains a law that is wrong in principle and therefore ultimately self-defeating. Its first test almost resulted in a crippling Province-wide strike.

The essential question is whether or not our public servants should be granted the right to strike. The current legislation says no. But it fails to recognize that the thousands of public employees work in hundreds of job categories. Obviously Ontario would not grind to a halt if the employees of liquor stores were out on strike. But the safety of the public would be seriously threatened if the Ontario Provincial Police were not on duty. This is the basic fault of the Crown Employees Collective Bargaining Act. It is not selective.

During the recent negotiations, the Provincial employees left no doubt in the mind of anyone that they were prepared to down tools in spite of this legislation. Therefore the legislation could not prevent a strike, only make it illegal.

It is evident to me that before we face the threat of another strike in 1975 the Crown Employees Collective Bargaining Act must be reviewed. Several months ago I suggested that a joint committee of M.P.s and representatives of the Civil Service Association should be set up to examine the current legislation to see if it can be amended to the satisfaction of both the public and the public workers. I feel this is still a valid suggestion.

The alternative is another bitter controversy between the Government and its employees and a renewed threat to break the law and strike.

Chit Chat

by Stan Jucardon

FIRE CHIEF DON SUTHERLAND

S.J. Would you briefly explain your duties at present, and give an outline of the present fire protection which is set up for the Township of Delhi?

CHIEF SUTHERLAND I began my duties as Fire Chief Jan. 1, 1975, on a part-time basis, and look after the fire stations in Teeterville, Delhi, Vittoria, and St. Williams. My position as chief is presently on a trial basis, and will be reviewed by the fire committee to see if any changes are required sometime in April. S.J.

Does each station still have its own fire chief, and are you required to attend each fire in the Township?

CHIEF SUTHERLAND The present fire chiefs, (District Chiefs), for each station remain in charge of their set duties for their respective units. I do not attend every fire at the time of the alarm unless requested, but I do go to the scene sometime later to make out my reports for the Ontario Fire Marshall's office. S.J.

What is the condition of our fire equipment at the present time?

CHIEF SUTHERLAND The St. Williams station has received a new pumper last fall, and we are considering an expansion to the present Fire Hall sometime in the future. The rest of the stations have adequate facilities at present, with the exception of Delhi.

Delhi has ordered a new pumper, and unfortunately may not have a place to keep it at the present fire hall. We are keeping two trucks in the hall at present. The rescue unit is kept around the corner in the municipal garage, and when the new pumper arrives, one of these trucks will have to be kept at a third location. This arrangement is very unsatisfactory, but does exist.

The proposal for a new Fire Hall in Delhi, remains in the hands of council and the Fire Committee. At present, as far as I am aware of, there is nothing definite been set as far as, date of construction, or size of a new Fire Hall.

Hopefully, the new Hall will be built with future expansion in mind, so when the need arises we will be able to expand on the same premises. There has been a survey done by the Ontario Fire Marshall's office, prior to Jan. 1, 1975, which was given to Council, but at present I have not been told of its contents. S.J.

What training do the volunteer brigades receive, and do you feel there could be improvement in the present system?

CHIEF SUTHERLAND Each station receives an instruction course once a month, and under Mutual Aid system we have seminars each summer. There are also Fire Training schools which may be attended by any volunteer who desires to attend. The only major improvement is to have a full time Fire Chief. The amount of paper work, and basic things to look after, do not leave enough time for a part-time Chief to expand the present fire protection. A full time chief would have time to set up an industrial, and commercial fire plan to cover all businesses in the township. This type of plan would make available to firemen, a knowledge of blueprint layout of each building, what materials are stored and the names and phone numbers of persons to contact in case of fire at one of these firms. S.J.

There is considerable confusion since the Regional Police have changed the telephone numbers to one number in Simcoe. Has there been any changes for the Fire Stations?

CHIEF SUTHERLAND We still have the same number as before and don't see any changes in the present set-up. We are in the process of obtaining a new radio dispatch system, which will connect all four stations, and eventually each volunteer will have a clip on monitor with an alert sound and voice system. With this complex arrangement we feel we will be able to increase the fire protection for all areas of the township, and save valuable time in responding to a call.

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Catholic women meet

The Langton C.W.L. held their March meeting in Langton Community Centre with 25 members answering the roll call, of "What is important to you for your Christian family life". There were two girl guide leaders in attendance.

A teachers' dinner is to be held at 12 noon on March 13th in Langton Community Centre. The C.W.L. will also cater to Old Timers' hockey game on Mar. 14 and attend the World Day of Prayer in Walsingham. The annual

meeting to be held on April 7 and preceded by mass and followed by wine and cheese party.

The election of officers was held: President, Mrs. Alfons Peters; first vice president, Mrs. Steve Horvath; second vice president, Mrs. Paul DeCleir; third vice president, Mrs. Joseph Loncke; secretary, Mrs. Ed Zamecnik; treasurer, Mrs. Wayne Slaght.

The meeting was brought to a close by the Girl Guides serving lunch.

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