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First Edition Thursday, April 16, 1970 Island Beacon Amherst Island, Ontario. *****

Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Council meets in the school through the kind permission of the Board of Education of Lennox & Addington.

A new building by-law is in effect for Amherst Island. This by-law is to regulat

her first trip of the new season, but ill fortune awaited her for she had only sailed a few hundred yards when a gasket blew on the water pump. She returned to port and in the morning, took the early morning commuters and remained at Millhaven until repairs were completed by the repair men from Dept. of Highways. Regular trips resumed by mid-afternoon. The next few days were really busy. Feed trucks, oil trucks, gas trucks, cream trucks, cheese, repair men, soft-drink trucks, hydro trucks, real estate agents, income tax consultants, students, teachers, drovers, preachers, all hurrying to come and go, and we Islanders are happy to once more be able to come and go in safety. Large fields of ice are still drifting around but a few warm days and a good breeze will take it downstream.

Spring has come again - it surely must be Spring for today I saw three robins and two meadow larks and the geese have flown north.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Stella Cheese Factory:

(Milk Producers Troubled)

The last weeks of March held a dim prospect for milk producers on Amherst Island. With the ferry service not operating, and winter transportation so questionable for next winter it appeared that the Stella Cheese Factory would cease to operate, leaving the producers without a market for their milk.

Since that time, the situation has been alleviated temporarily and a decision on the problems should be arrived at soon.

At this writing a meeting is in session in an attempt to resolve a solution.

"Newsflash"

A sigh of relief swept over many milk producers this evening when it was learned that Mr. Tugwell would continue operations at the cheese factory. He plans to purchase the milk from the Milk Marketing Board.

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Fire at Emerald:

Sunday afternoon's warm temperatures and sunny skies proved the first chance for many people in the district to begin outdoor "spring cleaning" operations, including burning off last years' old grass.

One of these grass fires, fanned by strengthening breezes spread out of control in the village of Emerald, and volunteer help was called. Many islanders, and some weekend visitors as well, responded to the call, and the fire was brought under control. One building, a small barn owned by Mrs. Freda MacCrimmon, was destroyed in the fire.

Township council is currently organizing a volunteer fire department for the Island. Plans include turning the Town Hall into a fire hall, and the acquisition of a tank truck. Present fire fighting equipment, owned by the Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be turned over to the new organization.

Sunday's fire left fresh in the minds of many islanders the importance of fire control in such an isolated locality, and it is hoped that the project will be given the community interest and expedience it merits. ...Donna Willard.

At least three subsequent fires in other areas on the Island have gotten out of control and help was required to put them out. It seems this is a very hazardous practice at this time of year.

Sports:

Amherst Island Athletic Club:

Well, it's that time again! Time when the "sports" turn to ball - whether it's baseball, fastball, or just good old-fashioned softball.

A general meeting was held on April 5, 1970 at the school and a new slate of officers was elected by the attending group. The new executive is as follows; Pres. Bruce Robinson; Sec.-Treas. Allan Glenn; members at large; Earle Tugwell, Dave Kerr, and Paul McCormick. It is expected, and the group at the meeting agreed, that we should invite two members from the ladies' softball teams to become part of the club's executive. This will give us a total of seven members on the executive.

On Sunday, May 11 the girls held a short meeting with Valerie Filson and Anne McCormick being designated as representatives.

By the way, it was a little disappointing to have a small representation such as we had at the meeting - so come on gang! At the next meeting let's see a real good turn-out. You will be notified of the date of the meeting in good time.

Some of the main topics of discussion at the annual meeting were

I. that steps should be taken to improve the infield of the diamond. Your executive should have the answer to this at their next meeting.

II. also the question of the back-stop was brought to light. Glenn Sheil will have the answer to this one very shortly.

III. The subject of a home-run fence was discussed and developments are promising.

IV. A uniform sized ball will be used this year.

The executive will meet at the school at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday April 19. At this meeting they will make arrangements to call all the players of last season to determine if they are going to play this season again. The executive will set a date for an open meeting of all members, to be held as soon as convenient after April 19. It seems that a meeting would be in order sometime after the schedule has begun. This would give the players an opportunity to air any problems or difficulties. When problems are brought out and a solution arrived at, it makes for good relations all around and better game results.

It appears that we are off to a good season. We had a lot of fun last season and this speaks well for last year's committee. If

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everyone gets out and does their share, we feel sure that we will have another good season. So come on out, all you ball fans. Pick your favourite teams and support them. It all helps to give the teams the "lift" to make good competition and we know you will enjoy the games!

...Bruce Robinson.

Stella Hockey Team:

The island hockey team started off the season on October 31. (with a loss)

The team progressed through the season, gaining confidence and ability, and towards the end of the season they were strong contenders, even though they only won three games.

The rewarding part about the whole season for me, in my position as a coach, was the whole-hearted cooperation from the boys, their willingness to learn and try and their dauntless effort.

It was gratifying to have so many of our local people turn out to support the games against the following teams: Holly, Jackson's Plumbing, Selby, Reserve and Pringle's.

...James Neilson.

Many acquaintances of Syl Apps Jr. were pleased to hear Emile Francis, coach of the New York Rangers speak well of him in a television interview. Syl has acquitted himself well as a centre for Omaha of the CHL and many hope to see him find a berth on an NHL club soon. Good luck, Syl!

Out Our Way:

Our sympathy and good wishes go out to Mrs. A. Gibson Jr. who is very ill in K.G.H. in Kingston.

The welcome mat is out to Mr. & Mrs. Ian Murray. They recently moved into the Presbyterian manse, and I am sure Randi will find it more enjoyable teaching with less commuting time involved.

News of the Social Groups:

The annual election of officers was conducted Wed, evening at the WI. meeting held at the home of Mrs. Wilbert Willard.

Births:

The Islanders welcome two new members to the community. Steven Richard, infant son born recently to Capt. and Mrs. Earl Willard and Teressa, infant daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Burt.

A new arrival at the Vance home, George Peter, is interesting news to us as Mrs. Vance was a former teacher on the Island.

Wedding Bells:

Mr. Garry Hitchins was recently married at Stratford, Ontario to Miss Anne-Marie Rickarby, in St. John Anglican Church.

Mr. Robert Gibson and Miss Debbie Daney, of Napanee will be married in Napanee, Sat. April 18.

The Amherst Islander has started bringing to the Island the usual large crowds of visitors on its Sunday trips. Now that the mainlanders know that the danger of heavy ice interference is practically over more and more of them will be coming to enjoy a Sunday with friends and families.

...Marion S. Fleming.

Highschool Happenings:

I am sure I speak for all the highschool students when I say, we are glad to be travelling once again on the ferry. No more lugging suitcases or being late for classes! I feel we owe a great deal of thanks to our principal, Mr. Froud for the interest he has taken in our "case" and the kind manner he has shown in dealing with us.

There is going to be a lot of new changes at N.D.S.S. next year. One, as most of you know, is that Mr. Froud is leaving and our new principal will be Mr. Thompson. The second change will be in the school

system itself. Starting next fall there will be no failures, and no names, just numbers. For the first few weeks I expect there will

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Highschool cont'd: be a lot of confusion.

On April 4, one of our island girls, Judy Bierma, placed 2nd on the uneven parallel bars in the Bay of Quinte Gymnastics meet held at our school. Last Saturday she went to compete at Cossa, the Central Ontario division.

The annual Variety Night is coming on May 1st and 2nd and the theme this year is "Space". Be sure to be there for good entertainment and to see the blast-off of "Starship N.D.S.S."

...Laurie Kilpatrick.

Chalk Talk: (Public School Report) Hello Fellow Islanders;

The staff of the Public School would like to contribute this section to inform you of school happe

Down The Lane:

This column will take us down the lane to the past, as a nostalgic reminder that we are making progress in our culture on the Island, though we sometimes get discouraged at our seeming out-of-date means of winter travel, and other commodities. Through the kind assistance of Mrs. Ernest Filson's diaries, this column will continue to keep us in touch with yesterday. Mid-April, 1933: Mild, rainy day. Billy Cochrane moved into his own house today. The mail came by Emerald. Ice is still in at Stella. The ferry made its first run April 18. The Press Bros. launched R. Smith's big boat.

Mid-April, 1939: Born to Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Taylor on the 19th, twin girls. The next day, Mrs. Secker and Margaret McKee came home from the hospital with new babies. Dr. Burleigh is sending them medicine. Men are seeding on the Saunders' place. Snow fell later in the day but didn't stay on the ground. Potatoes planted at Mrs. Filson's. The ferry has just started to run and ice is still in the bay. Men are drawing hay to Moutrey Wemp's.

Mid-April, 1944: Mrs. Joseph Beaubien came home from Kingston Hospital by boat to the head of the Island.

Mid-April, 1949: Ice still at village of Stella. A party was held in the hall on Easter Saturday night for the Piet Witteveen family. Art Drumgoole is taking cream and passengers over by boat from Epstein's, as ice is moving. Men working in the fields.

...Marj. Aitken. *****

Editorial:

The Island Beacon, in its initial edition, has attempted to bring to the people of Amherst Island a medium of communication of which they can be proud. Current plans are set up so that the newspaper will be published every second Thursday and we have endeavoured to ensure that as many as possible will receive a copy.

It is our ambition that the "Beacon" will, in large measure, become an integral factor to Amherst Islanders - and to this end, we have directed our efforts. With this in mind, the "Beacon" will attempt to communicate to the people of Amherst Island the news, information, and developments which are pertinent to our municipality.

Your suggestions, involvement, and encouragement are invited and welcomed for the success of the "Island Beacon".

...G. F. Sheil.

Your Ouestions Answered:

- 1. How can I get a copy of the Beacon?
- A. Each of the retail outlets has been supplied with copies, and the families sending students to the public school may have their copies picked up at the school. People on the mainland might have a copy mailed to them by friends or relatives.
- 2. Who is writing the articles and how are they edited? A. In most cases the author's name is shown and every effort has been made to ensure the reliability of information through editing by Glenn Sheil and other persons to be named in future issues.
- 3. Will articles appear which are covered in other newspapers?
- A. No. However, there may be comments or interviews on the broader news fronts, but The Beacon will report that news which is important to us as Amherst Islanders, but would receive little or no space in other papers.
- 4. How do I put an article or announcement in the paper?

A. To do this you should contact the person reporting that news or information. A list has been published for your convenience and in any event you could contact Mr. Sheil.

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Your Questions Answered: cont'd.

- 5. Will space be available for advertisements?
- A. If no objections to such a column arise, I anticipate a demand for advertisements and would hope to make this accommodation in the Beacon.
- 6. Do you find it necessary to schedule meetings for the organization of the paper?
- A. As yet, no, and hopefully not.
- 7. How are you financing the operation?
- A. The Beacon is currently being published on a voluntary basis and it is hoped this will remain so. However, a minimal price may be necessary to help defray operating expenditures that may arise.
- 8. How do I lodge a complaint?
- A. Gently, very gently.
- 9. What are your plans, as far as future issues are concerned?
- A. We have long range plans. Also we do not wish to make news but only to report it, to the best of our abilities.
- 10. Can people write to your paper with suggestions, stories, news, advertisements, etc?
- A. Yes. Please address your mail to The Beacon, Stella, Ontario.

...The Staff.

Burning Questions: (To be discussed in future issues)

- 1. How do we stand with amalgamation as mentioned in the Whig-Standard?
- 2. Is a pipeline for milk transportation a joke or is such a thing possible?
- 3. How seriously has pollution affected fishing in Lake Ontario?

Over The Line Fence:

Can you imagine what would have happened if a man and wife team of astronauts had gone to the moon? They'd have returned to earth, and as they were climbing out of their space capsule he'd have said, "Okay honey, let's have those moon rocks you packed", and she'd have answered, "The Rocks? I thought you packed them."

Son.. "Dad, will you buy me an encyclopaedia?"
Dad.. "No, by George. I walked to school as a boy and it's good enough for you."

Dead Joke.. What has thirty-six legs and lives in the cellar?

Answer.. The Boston Bruins. ***

Judge..."That will be \$30.00 or thirty days!"

Defendant.. (holding out hand) "I'll take the \$30.00."

One Sunday morning a sign in front of a large church proclaimed the service was entitled, "Liquor, The Enemy of Man." Across the street another church bore a similar sign announcing the minister's message "Love Thine Enemies."

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Second Edition Thursday, April 30, 1970. Island Beacon Amherst Island, Ontario.

Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Four ferry crew changes were approved at last council meeting. Congratulations to Bill Kilpatrick, who received his mate's papers and will now operate in that capacity. Lloyd Strain is a new captain, Ed McCormick is purser, and Ted Wemp is a new crew member, as deckhand oiler. Other applications received will remain on file for future consideration when a position is open.

Council's bid on the fire tank truck was accepted, so the island now has to arrange for adequate housing of this much-needed equipment. Chairman of the fire protection committee, Glenn Sheil, is making plans, for getting our new acquisition home and for getting progress on the following responsibilities:- organizing a volunteer fire department, remodelling the town hall for a fire hall, and instruction on the use of the equipment, etc. A public meeting may ensue, in this connection. Next issue will have more news on this vital topic.

Council met in Special Session, recently, to consider the effect that 'sub-divisions' will have on our community. An amendment was passed to our by-law to, hopefully, further control the proper building on these proposed sites. The addition of tax dollars to our

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coffers can be of much benefit to the overall economy of the island but council is determined to oversee, wherever possible, the projects to ensure that they are a boon, and not a detriment, to our society. Keith Miller chairman of the new buildings' committee, and Bruce Robinson building inspector, are, in council's opinion, doing a conscientious job in this regard.

There's been some difficulty in procuring the services of a bulldozer to push back the dump, and as soon as it is possible to do so, it will be done.

Road work continues and the forty-foot will be paved in '70 is the motto of the road committee.

Amalgamation is being discussed, county-wise. Council members are studying brochures on this subject, hoping to find that -- in spite of the overall picture now (no visible advantages for a township of our particular geography, being an island), that if it is inevitable in the future, we won't suffer loss of control

of our rights and privileges. ...Marj. Aitken. *****

Rabies Clinic

The Department of Agriculture through Dr. Rivington announces there will be a rabies clinic in June, the date to be set in next issue.

Amherst Islander

The motorship Upper Canada recently left her regular run at Wolfe Island to replace our ferry for two days. The Amherst Islander was in Kingston shipyards for repairs.

Slight load restrictions were in force while the Upper Canada maintained the regular schedule.

...Donna Willard.

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Women's Institute News Election of officers for W.I. 1970-1971.

Pres.- Mrs. Henry Hitchins.

1st Vice Pres.- Mrs. Wilfred Miller.

2nd Vice Pres.- Mrs. Wilbert Willard.

Sect. & Treas.- Mrs. Clinton Baker.

Dist. Director- Mrs. Marshall Glenn.

Alternate- Mrs. Lulu Strain.

Pianist- Mrs. Frank Fleming.

Pub. Relations & Press- Mrs. Lulu Strain.

Curator of Tweedsmuir History- Mrs. Vince Aitken.

Auditors - Mrs. Vince Aitken and Mrs. Fred Neilson.

Conveners of standing committee

Home Ec. & Health- Mrs. Edwin McDonald.

Citizenship & Education- Mrs. Ernest Fleming.

Agriculture & Can. Industries- Mrs. Fred Neilson.

Good cheer- Mrs. Ernest Filson.

Resolutions- Mrs. Lorne Veech.

The W.I. expect to canvass again this spring for the Cancer Fund.

The Safety Campaign Posters awards will be donated by the W.I. to the school children.

Church News

The members of the Roman Catholic church will be glad to know their services will be held every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m. with the next service held on May 3rd

The Presbyterian Church services will be each

Sunday at 11:00 a.m. The members are pleased that a permanent minister will come to them in August. Rev. Gordon Reid conducted services on Sunday, April 26.

The Anglican Church services will be as follows: Holy Communion, 11:00 a.m. May 3rd, and Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m. May 10th.

The Amherst Island Community Sunday School begins May 3rd at 9:50 a.m. at the school. All children are welcome at attend. Superintendent is Mrs. Wilbert Willard, Secretary-Treasurer is Mrs. Raymond Wemp. Teachers for various classes will be Mrs. Allan Glenn, Mrs. Earle Tugwell, Mrs. Wilbert Willard, Mrs. Royce Eves, Miss Joyce Wemp and Mrs. Glenn Sheil. No attendance awards or achievement awards of any kind will be made this year. It is expected that a Sunday School picnic will be held later on and a Christmas Party for the children would conclude the season.

Dr. E. Andrews of Queens University has been appointed as supervising minister for Stella United Church.

Out Our Way

Mrs. A. Cole is a patient at K.G.H. We all wish you better health and a speedy recovery.

We have been hearing of Eddie Fleming's anxiety to

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get home again and we hope he will be able to return to Stella when the warmer weather comes.

Mrs. Henry McGinn was buried on the island Saturday, April 18th. She will be missed by her family and friends.

The news of the recent passing of Anna Neilson was received with sorrow. Funeral services will be held at St. Alban's Anglican Church on Thursday, May 30th at 2:00 p.m.

Irv. Tugwell is getting along well at the H.D.H. after a lengthy period of illness.

Mr. Hugh Drumgoole has just returned home from a stay in the hospital.

Wedding Bells

Miss Nancy Reynolds, daughter of Mr. Morris and Mrs. Hazel (Strain) Reynolds was united in marriage to Mr. Rob't. Innis which was held in Bridge St. United Church, Belleville, Saturday, April 25.

Births

Born to Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Franklin of Millhaven, a daughter Sherrie Leanne. Mrs. Franklin is Barbara, of

the Bath Royal Bank, and is well known to all of us. ...Marion S. Fleming.

Friendly Faces

It may be of interest to know that a former teacher at Amherst Island Public School, Miss Cathy Sylvester, will return to her summer residence in Stella for the summer. She plans to take a summer course in Kingston and will commute back and forth. I'm sure the many friends she made while a resident of the island will be delighted to hear this.

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Brady and children Colin and Holly, residents of Ottawa spent the week-end of April 25th at their summer cottage in Stella. It was very nice to see them once again after the long winter.

...Janice Willard

Driving Club

The Beacon looks forward to some copy from the Driving Club. This organization has certainly proved their worth to our community and at this time of year, with the racing season opening soon, there would seem to be a real demand for track news and other information.

Mr. Milt Wells, a long time friend of Edwin Hogeboom, visited last weekend and mentioned that the Aurora Horse Show will be held on the second Saturday in June. He spoke very highly of this show.

Where Was The Fiddle & The Fire Water?

After darkness had swept her inky feathers over our island on Saturday, April 18 most rustic souls had settled down for the quiet pause that usually culminates the long work-filled week.

Suddenly spring's atmosphere of lethargy which had

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pervaded every fibre was shattered with the jangle of the telephone, "Fire in the marsh behind Royce Eves' farm!"

Almost instantly the soft evening sky was pierced with headlights and the smokey dust hung like mist over the township roads. The last laneway stretched into the darkness defying haste until finally searching eyes caught the fain glow of distant fire.

The farm yard was choked with cars but word had returned that a north-east wind was pushing the blaze out of harm's way toward the bay.

Friendly faces flashed in the darkness, murmuring relaxed greeting and exchanging pleasant talk. The

grimmer thoughts of only a short while ago were lost and I turned to begin the drive home with my family. However it was soon evident that this was not to be attempted so easily for several vehicles filled the narrow laneway.

There remained little to do but wait. As I sat my thought drifted to the whimsical note of a make-up house party rocking amid dancing and loud talk mingled with music and mirth. Would not a Charlie or a Bob of bygone days have produced a fiddle from "God-knows-where" and sawed off "Hail, hail, the gangs all here", or "There'll be a hot time in the Old Town tonight"?

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Highschool News

These last few weeks at the school have been relatively quiet. On Friday night, however one of Canada's best bands "The Five Man Electric Band" was at Napanee. Greg Stewart, disc jockey for CKWS was M.C. at this dance, to which a couple of girls from the island went.

This Friday and Saturday night is Napanee's annual Variety Night. The title this year is "Starship N.D.S.S." Tickets cost \$1.25 for adults; 75¢ students and 50¢ for children.

The highschool girls are getting anxious again to play baseball. One of the physical education teachers at N.D.S.S. may come over to play for one of our teams, so there will likely be a scramble to see whose team she will be on.

...Laurie Kilpatrick.

Chalk Talk (Public School News)

Spring fever seems to have hit the school but within the remaining two months we will achieve the impossible task of cramming in six months work.

Spring is the time for the Easy Rider on a bicycle and hikes and since no-one wishes to spoil this happy time with an accident, a representative of Ontario Provincial Police Department will be reminding students of rules and regulations Friday, May 1st.

Dance

On Friday, April 24th. there was a dance at the school which was attended by many. Decorations were handprints and footprints made by Grade 4 & 5.

March of Dimes:

Recently the school held a campaign to collect

money for the March of Dimes. Mrs. Aitken reports collection totalled \$15.63, a commendable effort.

Miles for Millions:-

This Saturday, May 2nd, students will be walking to aid the YM-YWCA in their collection of money for various organizations. If you wish to sponsor a pupil by contributing a small amount per mile please phone the school. For this 27 mile walk, transportation is needed to and from the Memorial Centre in Kingston. It will be necessary to be there at 8:00 a.m. Anyone wishing to help in any way please contact the school.

Students in Action:-

Within the next two weeks we hope to organize our baseball season. It is our pleasure to announce an upcoming special school event. A special committee of the Principal's Association of the Lennox & Addington County Board of Education has organized a county track and field competition commencing in May. Pupils from all schools will compete in an attempt to win a position in the semi-finals to be held at the three high schools in the county. The winners of the semi-final series will then go to the final series early in June. We look for

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some pupils to win for the glory of Amherst Island.

The school was pleasantly surprised to receive a new Yamaha piano on Monday, April 27th.

Reminder:-

Next Monday, May 4, is Professional Development for the staff and a holiday for the students.

Both Mrs. Murray and I have received some very interesting and well done projects on spring and young animals.

By the way what ever happened to good old "Arbor Day"?

...Miss P. Abrams & Mrs. H. Murray,

Note to typist:-

Please excuse above column as Phyllis is suffering from "Brain Strain".

Sports:

Amherst Island Athletic Club:-

The Executive met on Sunday, April 19 at 10:30 a.m. The following items were discussed: Ordering of

new equipment for 1970 season, back stop, home-run fence.

Mary and Jim Neilson looked after the ball sweaters last season and we urge that all sweaters be returned to the executive soon.

Players for 1970 season have been contacted and the draw system for teams will be utilized this year. The fee of \$1.00 will be collected this year.

It has been decided to clamp down on players who miss too many games in the course of the season with little or no regard for other members and often causing defaulted games.

The improving of the infield remains unsettled, but at our next general meeting on Monday, May 4th, at 8:00 p.m. in the school this and many other points will be resolved.

The opening game is fast approaching and your presence on May 4th is strongly desired. Be sure to be there!

Trap Shooting:- Anyone interested? If so get in touch with Bruce Robinson, phone 306J2. It may be too expensive, but let's find out. I

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can tell you it is a mighty fine sport.

Down The Lane:

Again this issue we'll be looking back in the pages of Clarice Filson's diaries, and comparing notes on weather and events with those of to-day.

May 1st. 1933:- A beautiful day, the first real hot one of the season, though there was heavy fog early this morning. Walter Brown had another operation this morning.

Early May. 1939:- Mrs. Taylor and her twin girls are home from K.G.H. Mrs. Ed Scott's (Music Teacher) pupils have made blocks for a Red Cross Quilt. Their mothers were invited to the school to-day to quilt it. It froze quite hard last night.

Early May, 1944:- The cheese factory opened up to-day - - Seaver Wemp is drawing our milk. A pig was cut up to-day and some stayed for supper. Maurice Hogeboorn bought Walter Brown's boat. Professor Gilmore preached at the Anglican Church on Sunday. Early May, 1950:- A baby boy was born to Barbara and Harry Filson. The W.A. met at Georgie Glenn's the same evening. It was a very warm day, the first of the season. The Women's Institute had a meeting at the Fowler's to mark the 100th anniversary of its beginning.

Early May, 1952:- Land too wet to sow, men at fencing. Rae Cronkhite's wife passed away. Born to Bert and Chris Glenn, a daughter.

Early May, 1954:- The Frank Fleming's had a gathering at their home to welcome the new student minister.

...Marj. Aitken.

Garden Chit Chat

Have you pruned your bush type roses this spring? If not, do so right away. Pruning back the canes to from 3 to 6 inches from ground level is all-important. Many failures result from not pruning back branches far enough.

This is also the time of year to clean up the lawns and gardens. Would you like a rest from raking leaves? All right, don't rake them! Pick up all the sticks, etc. and leave the old grass and leaves on the lawn. After mowing twice you won't be able to tell whether you raked your lawn or not, and the leaves will be where nature intended them to be, making fertilizer for the lawn. By not raking and burning your leaves you will help to keep the air fresh and not contribute to more pollution.

...E.L.N. ****

Pre-school registration first Thursday in June and Immunization Clinic.

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What Is A Boy?

Boys come in assorted sizes weights and colors. They are found everywhere - on top of, underneath, inside of, climbing on, swinging from, running around or jumping to. Mothers love them, little girls hate them, older sisters and brothers tolerate them, adults ignore them and Heaven protects them. A boy is Truth with dirt on its face, Wisdom with bubble gum in its hair and the Hope of the future with a frog in its pocket.

A boy has the appetite of a horse, the digestion of a cat, the lungs of a dictator, the imagination of a Paul Bunyan, the shyness of a violet, and when he makes something he has five thumbs on each hand.

He likes ice cream, knives, saws, Christmas, comic books, the boy across the street, woods, water (in its natural habitat), large animals, Dad, trains, Saturday mornings and fire engines.

Nobody else is so early to rise or so late to supper. Nobody else can cram into one pocket a rusty knife, a half-eaten apple, three feet of string, two gumdrops, six cents, a slingshot, a chunk of unknown substance and a genuine supersonic code ring with a secret compartment.

A boy is a magical creature you can lock him out of your workshop, but you can't lock him out of your heart. You can get him out of your study, but you can't get him out of your mind. Might as well give up - he is your captor, your jailer, your boss and your master - a freckle-faced, pint-sized bundle of noise. But when you come home at night with only the shattered pieces of your hopes and dreams, he can mend, them with two magic words - "Hi Dad!"

Submitted by Gayel Willard.

Letter To The Beacon April 23/70 109 Ken St. Whitby, Ont. To whom it may concern:

I was pleasantly surprised this morning when the mail man dropped off my mail; I found a rather fat looking (what I thought to be a letter) from my fostermother (Mrs. Frank Fleming). When I opened the envelope it contained your first edition of the 'Island Beacon'

I have just finished reading your paper; I read in your 'Questions & Answers' section where you have invited people to write your paper, well as a former Islander, and I lived and spent all of my younger life on the Island, leaving the island in 1963. I want you to know how immensely I have enjoyed your first edition and am wondering how much it would cost for me to obtain a subscription to this great and well put together paper.

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As a former Islander I wish to offer the staff of the Island Beacon every success in the future and keep up the good work, this is something the island has needed for years.

I remain gratefully Douglas McCoy.

Notice

It will come as a surprise to none of you that the Beacon will soon be financed by subscription. The cost of an annual single subscription of 26 issues is \$3.00 or \$4.00 if mailed. A single issue is 15 cents. Subscription forms will soon he available at the retail outlets in Stella.

Advertisements {Pag

For Rent:- Three-bedroom cottage on Amherst Island, inside facilities, private dock. Available immediately. Preferably seasonal rental. Phone Stella 253J.

For Sale:- Coldspot refrigerator and Kenmore stove, both 3 mos. old in excellent condition. \$150.00 each. Phone 313J3 Mrs. R. Murray.

For Sale:- 1 spin dryer, perfect condition \$40.00. 1 wringer washing machine \$20.00. Phone 310J3 Allan Glenn.

Wanted: Antique coffee table of wood or serving table which could be cut down. Phone 313J

Auction Sales:

Fri. May 8 12:00 Four miles north-west of Enterprise. Durham Cattle, Farm machinery, Antique & modern household effects. Arthur Carroll - owner.

Sat. May 2 12:00 - 1 mile north of Kingston on north Div. St. Holstein Cattle, Crop & Farm Machinery, Dairy Equipment. Robert Bell - owner.

Sat. May 9 10:00 a.m. 111 Dundas St W. Napanee. Antique & Modern Household effects. Estate of late Mrs. E.J. Pollard.

Over The Line Fence

A politician was speaking to a group of farmers who had gathered in a farm supply yard, and feeling in fine form chose a new manure spreader as a lofty perch from which to deliver his address.

He began "Friends, this is the first time I've ever spoken from my opposition's platform!" "Yah," came a voice from the crowd, "and that's the first time it's ever had a load in it."

Judge: "Why has this man been charged with beating his wife with a leaf? Surely that is not a criminal act." Constable: "Your honour, The leaf was out of the dining room table."

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Elephant: Why have ducks got webbed feet?

Answer: Stamping out forest fires.

Elephant: Why have elephants got flat feet?
Answer: Stamping out burning ducks.

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Municipal Affairs Council Corners

No significant Council news has occurred since last report. But an item of importance is the arrival to the island of the fire truck. Glenn Sheil picked it up from the Kingston Township Fire Station on Days Road on Saturday and drove it out to the ferry and across. Does this not conjure up a proud sight? One can almost picture Glenn, sou'wester, coat, hip-length rubber boots (turned down) and hatchet--rushing out highway 33 with sirens screaming, and hoses, shovels and the firetruck trappings, swaying around each bend in the road!! It was parked in Stella park grounds till Saturday p.m. for the inspection of interested onlookers. Many took advantage of the opportunity to view this new possession, which will afford us a measure of security from the perils of fire. A small amount of repairs to the body, a coat of paint and it will look the part. Meanwhile it is here and in working order. Since last issue, the long-awaited bulldozer has been here and pushed back the dump. Unfortunately, wet weather followed and before the road into the dumping area was sufficiently dried off, some impatient people had already begun throwing their refuse into the ditch and gateway. Council hopes residents will try to keep the ditches free from loose garbage and co-operate to keep the road into the grounds free from litter.

Road work continues on the 40-foot, in preparation for

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paving. Poles are being moved and fences also, in order to widen the road-bed to the regulation width, for such paving.

...Marj. Aitken

Reeve Vince Aitken was instrumental in procuring the fire truck, as he came up with the knowledge of the Kingston Twsp. truck for sale, and made the necessary contacts to purchase it. Clinton Kilpatrick has shouldered the job of mechanical fitness on the fire truck and has begun inspections.

.. The Editor

Miles For Millions- May 2, 1970

Mud, rain, wind and aching feet failed to dim the light of determination mirrored in the child's face as she doggedly plodded onward, anxious to be counted among those who would finish.

Three hours earlier she had been one of 39 who had left the public school with light hearts and boisterous talk. The western sky held promise of fair weather but it was only a taunt for the cold rain and raw wind persisted throughout the day. Their twelve mile route lead them along the Front Road to Emerald, across the Upper Forty foot to the south shore, along the Third Concession and finally back to Stella along the Fortyfoot. And when the "Walk" was over she was one of the 29 who had finished.

Mrs. Randi Murray and Miss Phyllis Abrams followed the progress of the walkers and worked hard to organize the event. Mrs. Lulu Strain, Mrs. Jean Tugwell, Mrs. Genevieve Fleming and Mrs. Randi Murray opened their doors to the children and along with welcome refreshment and respite from the elements, gave the children cheery words of warm encouragement. Valerie Filson and Dianne Bulch helped out as checkers from Emerald to the south shore, where Linda Wemp was the checker.

The Women's Institute paid for a treat (for all the children who participated) at Filson's Restaurant. Sincere thanks are extended to all these generous people.

Many parents travelled the course to keep watchful eyes on the youngsters.

From my vantage point on the motor byke which Brian Welbanks had lent me for the march, I was amazed at the spirit and pluck exhibited by the young people at every step. Never once did they fail to smile, however wearily; never once did they complain, however tempted; and only once did they quit, when they were too cold to go further or when they had finished.

The money, \$100.00, raised for the YM-YWCA was only a small part of the story on Saturday 2nd. The real story was the test of character the children faced. From Jerry and Jane deHaan who finished first, down through the list

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of names they all showed the great stuff they're made of and I, for one, was deeply proud of each child who took part.
...Glenn Sheil

The Milk Stand

As of April 15th, 1970, (three weeks behind the Outside World) all milk samples of Amherst Island milk producers will he tested for butterfat content on an Infra Red Milk Analyzer - IRMA - in the Central Milk Testing Laboratory, approved and operated by The Milk Commission of Ontario in Guelph. The main advantages of IRMA testing over the Babcock system are accuracy, economy, efficiency, adaptability to automation. It is also capable of testing for all major components in milk - namely, fat, protein and lactose.

Tractors began humming in the fields April 18th only to be stopped by heavy rain until May 6th.

The change to bulk milk will pose certain problems.....

...Jean Tugwell.

Driving Club

Dance - - May 15th, 9:00 p.m. \$1.25 per person, music by Brown Bros. orchestra.

Al Caughey purchased a new mare, Kim Marie Hal--Gary Filson - a new gelding, Clayhaven Dexter.

Stuart Miller has written for his driver's license and is waiting for results.

Racing season opened at Kingston May 10, 1970.

Al Caughey started three horses - Hugh Wemp started three horses and finished with two in the money - Ben Wemp drove five horses; two of his own as winners and the other three in the money.

Next regular meeting of the club is the last Monday of the month,

...Harry Filson.

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The Beacon was sorry that Mrs. Marion Fleming resigned as our social reporter as she has really assisted our efforts and her column was of special interest.

Mrs. Genevieve Fleming has agreed to report the social page, "Out our Way".

Athletic Club ... Allan Glenn. Sec. Treas.

At the general meeting May 4th, teams were chosen and the season ahead was discussed. The girls really showed their enthusiasm with a good turnout.

There is an executive meeting on Friday at 7:00 p.m. Teams for the 1970 Softball Season-

Team 1 Captain Dave Willard Cliff Sudds Dave Kerr Earl Tugwell Rick Bedford Brian Ward Lance Eves Terry McGinn John Burt Larry Fleming Jack McCormick Andy McGinn Vince Eves Russell McGinn Raymond Wemp Dennis McGinn **Bob Gibson**

Team II Gary Filson Don Miller Jack Forrester Brad Gibson **Bob Howard** David Wemp Don Christie Warren Kilpatrick Ron Miller Ian Murray Tim Jameison Jim Neilson Romeo Primeau Paul Glenn Allen Caughey Obbie Elmers

Team III Paul McCormick Glenn Sheil Allan Glenn Anthony Henderson Phil Silvers Pete McCormick Ted Welbanks Pete Wemp Darcy Timms **Gary Hitchins David Fleming** Brian Welbanks Larry McGinn Harry Hodgson Glenn Filson Don Lockhead

The executive at its next meeting, will draft a playing schedule and endeavour to see that each player receives one.

Players are reminded that the Athletic Club fee of \$1.00 should he paid prior to the first game.

We are hopeful of a good, spirited season of softball from a group of good sports. We want to see enthusiasm. But not at the expense of good sportsmanship.

WANTED:

1 cook stove, good condition. Ray Faraday

Ranges, Refrigerators, Freezers, Washer & Dryers, Water Pumps. You need it! We'll get it! Murray Clark Electric, Odessa, Ontario. Phone 386-3110.

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Highschool Report

As June draws nearer, the days go faster and it's the time of the year for trips and track and field.

On Thursday most of the students got out of school to participate in Field Day at the school. Quite a few island students took part and most who did, came home with ribbons.

They were:

May Mulders 2nd in shotput: 2nd in Discus.

JoAnne Mulders 2nd in discus.

Valerie Filson 3rd in discus.

David Willard 1st in discus.

Terry McGinn 3rd in 220 yd. run.

A pretty good showing, eh!

Last Wednesday the history students from the Grade eleven, four and five year courses, went on a trip to Toronto; Barry Strain and I both went. Everyone enjoyed themselves at the Royal Ontario museum. Later visited the Parliament Buildings and listened to the members in debate.

Carol McDonald, who attended teachers' college in Peterborough this past year, is looking forward to her first job in the County of Lennox & Addington this September. All the students wish her the best of luck.

The big dance of the year is coming up this Friday night at N.D.S.S., the formal. This year's theme is Japan and its title is "Satori".

...Laurie Kilpatrick

In the Trenton track & field meet, Laurie Kilpatrick scored 14 of a possible 15 points to win a trophy for

herself and help the school place third.

...Fellow Student.

Chalk Talk

What is a Teacher???

"A teacher is a person who takes care of us." .. Carol B.

"Teachers are bad, sometimes" .. Debbie F.

"A teacher tells you to work with your mouth shut." ..Paul E.

"She is my friend."..Penny M.

"A Teacher is someone who sends you to the office and makes you sit with a girl." .. Aaron S.

The role of the teacher was one of the many topics discussed during Professional Development Day. We, as a staff felt the day was well spent, as we looked objectively at our home school and planned programs for the remaining weeks to carry over into the fall term.

A warm welcome to Wayne and Kenneth from your new teachers and fellow students.

On May 1st Constable Ray Harrington gave a lecture and demonstration on artificial respiration.

Sports:-

The new backstop is now in place and the season has opened; No Stars, captain Peter McCormick; Sluggers, Captain Vincent Eves; All Stars, Captain Darcy Timms; and Sharks, Captain David Fleming.

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The first game was played on Tuesday resulting in a tie between the Sharks and the No Stars. The spectators were impressed with the high calibre of playing and the sportsmanship shown.

Pits were dug and tracks were measured in preparation for the Track and Field Trials.

Walk Talk:

"My tongue was dragging half-way to the ground but I kept it up."

"My hands were red and yellow."

"Some people were just walking mud puddles."

"I felt so tired I could have slept along the side of the road in the grass."

Red Cross:

Winners of the candy contest were Penny Gibson and Dale Willard.

Dew Drop Inn:

Our "borrowed" librarian from Amherstview P.S., Mrs. Fran Taylor began the time-consuming task of categorizing the books. We appreciate her capable efforts very much and enjoyed having her in the school for a day.

Note:- If the sound of "feudin" and "fightin" has been heard lately in the halls, relax; it's the grade six class on their way to Broadway (via the Ozarks) with their latest play.

...Mrs. R. Murray & Miss P. Abrams. *****

Out Our Way

Want to dance? Come to Victoria Hall Fri. nite, May 15th. Brown Bros. orchestra. Meet the crowd -Have fun! The dance is under the auspices of the Amherst Island Driving Club.

Our local fishermen are occupying their yearly spot on the dock in hopes that someone gets the "big catch" this year.

Many of the Island younger crowd were home on Sun. to wish their Mothers the best on her day.

All the Island was shocked to hear of the sudden passing of "Babe" Cole on Sat. May 9th.

Mr. Cole has been an "Islander" for a long time and acted as a fisherman and guide before becoming a mate on the Island Ferry. We will miss him among us and our deepest sympathy goes out to his family.

Kenneth Lemmon, his wife Luella, and their four children have become Islanders, and we all hope they'll enjoy their new home and neighbours.

Wedding Bells:-

Francis Glenn, son of Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Glenn, will be married to Miss Lucy Foy at Ottawa on Saturday, May 16th.

...Marion Fleming *****

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Down The Lane

Apologies to the Witteveen Family for an error in the first issue, concerning a party given in their honour - erroneously dated - 1949 - it should have been '51. It was your reporter's mistake not the mistake of the diary. This issue owes it's information to Bertha Beaubien, who has kept a photo-album with dates and particulars, from 1926. These pictures and their captions will be referred to from time to time.

May 1937- Island residents were canvassed by Hydro representatives, to see how many were wanting to subscribe to their service. Enough Islanders signed up to warrant the cable, so began the task of wiring barns and houses and of adapting Delco plant wiring to Hydro use. By June 1938, Hydro power was in use in the village of Stella and up the Front Road.

May 1948- saw the old wooden-hull ferry out of service and replaced by a new steel-hull one.

May 1952- A Variety Show was put on for the benefit of the Red Cross. It was a "take-off" on the Breakfast Club of radio fame. Leslie Glenn played the part of the famous MC- Don McNeil. Among others participating were--Tina Filson and Don Fleming, who sang and Ada Neilson was at the piano. An old-time fiddlers' contest was also featured. Allen Glenn, Stirling Glenn & Max Beaubien performed in this skit. It was a lot of fun and netted a good amount for the coffers of the Red Cross. May 1952-Yet another highlight of this particular Spring was the extremely high water levels which caused roads to be flooded in some areas. The road at the Head, from the Eves property west, had to be rerouted to its present location, from its old shore location. The ferry dock was under water for part of the season, and the truck taking milk to Stella cheese factory drove through several inches of water to unload their cans.

...Marj. Aitken.

The Beacon's excellent cartoons are the product of Mrs. Shirley Miller's skill and imagination.

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Garden Chit Chat:

As I write this, the weather is warm, bright, and sunny - the kind of day to go to the woods to gather spring flowers. I hope you notice the black rich earth made by the leaves rotting and turning back into earth exactly the kind, you can have if you take my advice from the previous issue.

But what about the accumulation of leaves in the fence corners? They can be raked and put into a compost pile. This earth is excellent for flower beds and house plants.

The early spring flowers are starting to fade - do be sure you clip the faded blooms so all the strength will go back into the bulb for next year.

Lilies like an acid soil and thrive with an application of peat moss now; this also discourages weeds. Saw dust has an acid content and may be used instead of peat moss.

...E.L.N. *****

OPP Press Release:

Accidents are the leading cause of death to children under fifteen.... Most of these accidents could have been prevented. Accidents do not just happen.

The Beacon wishes the OPP well during "Canadian Police Week" May 10 - 16.

Auction Sale

Antique Furniture, China, Colored Glass, Silverware, Antique Lamps, Etc.

At the Alma Villa, 389 King St. East in the Town of Gananoque, Friday, May 29th, at 9:00 p.m.

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Somebody's Mother

The woman was old, and ragged and gray, And Bent with the chill of the winter's day; The street was wet with a recent snow, And the woman's feet were aged and slow. She stood at the crossing, and waited long, Alone, uncared for amid the throng. Of human beings who passed her by, Nor heeded the glance of her anxious eye. Down the street, with laughter and shout, Glad in the freedom of "school let out," Came the boys, like a flock of sheep, Hailing the snow, piled white and deep. Past the woman so old and gray Hastened the children on their way; Nor offered a helping hand to her, So meek, so timid, afraid to stir, Lest the carriage wheels or the horses' feet Should knock her down in the slippery street. At last came one of the merry troop -The gayest laddie of all the group; He paused beside her and whispered low: "I'll help you across if you wish to go." Her aged hand on his strong young arm She placed, and so, without hurt or harm, He guided the trembling feet along, Proud that his own were firm and strong. Then back to his friends again he went, His young heart happy and well content. "She's somebody's mother, boys you know, For all she's aged, and poor, and slow; "And I hope some fellow will lend a hand To help my mother you understand, "If ever she's poor, and old, and gray,

When her own dear boy is far away."
And "somebody's mother" bowed low her head
In her home that night, and the prayer she said
Was, "God be kind to the noble boy,
Who is somebody's son, and pride, and joy."

To The Subscribers:

The Island Beacon is now operating on a self-supporting basis and will continue as long as it has your endorsement and encouragement. No person, as a staff member, will realize any monetary rewards and it comes as a shock to me personally, that some individuals would harbour any reservations as to the justification for the three dollar subscription or fifteen cent single issue cost.

The Island Beacon is a small young paper and cannot exist on a half hearted, sceptical reception. Those people who value a penny so much, should not throw their two cents worth of pessimism so unwittingly.

Financial Report:-

The Island Beacon will cost \$780.00 per year to print. Mr. Grant Gallagher agreed to print each issue for the reasonable cost of \$30.00 and there will be twenty-six issues each year. So mathematically speaking we need approximately 250 subscriptions and everyone's backing.

...G. F. Sheil.

Comments To Beacon

"Congratulations on such an interesting bit of reading. We enjoyed it lot."

"For my part, I think it will fold."

"I think you are charging too much."

"and because we enjoyed it so much, here's an extra \$2.00"

"What was that under Mr. Gomme's bed."

"Well it is really an excellent way for a new comer to get to know the Islanders."

"You charge more for each issue than the Whig-Standard" - yes but what news do you get about Amherst Island from the Whig-Standard.

"I think your cartoons are the highlights of the Beacon."

"That Down The Lane column is really wonderful."

Postmen Strike In Sarnia

Thru rain and snow and sleet and hail Postmen once carted the sacred mail

| Thru sleet and rain and hail and snow |
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| Posties tote placards as they go. ***** |
| Over The Line Fence |
| Mo I had an awful dream last night. Jo What was it? |
| Mo I dreamed I was eating a giant marshmallow. Jo What was so awful about that |
| Mo I woke up and my pillow was gone. *** |
| Carpenter Why are you throwing those nails away. Helper The heads are on the wrong end. Carpenter You darn fool, those nails are for the other side of the house. ***** |
| The End ***** |
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| I wish to subscribe to the "Island Beacon" and I enclose |
| \$3.00 \$4.00 (if mailed) for the next twenty six issues. |
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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

At a special meeting of Council recently, it was decided to have the IBM Computer Centre in Kingston work out the tax roll, the cost to the taxpayer being almost negligible, because they supply the printing and paper, etc., this being included in their fee. It would seem that even our remote corner of the province is going to be affected by the demon computer. Man is giving in to the machine more and more until one day the last sound heard on earth will be a Bleep, bleep and Click, click and KkkBoommmmm! Some computer will have decided that man is expendable - - Who needs him? Meanwhile we still control the machine and it is a happy relationship.

The mammoth job of preparing the 40-foot for paving, continues "Miller Construction" is working around the clock, grading ditches, widening roads and spreading stone, in preparation for paving. The piece of last year's paving will be repaired and re-surfaced as soon as we get some hot weather, which is necessary to make a good bond for the finish coat.

Re- the dump - - At a recent Institute meeting the roll call was "my prediction for the 70's" and one member very wisely said, "I predict we will no longer have a dump on the Island, unless we use it better than we have been." Amen to that statement. Our dump will surely be closed and rightly so, if it's abuse continues.

A joint meeting of the Council members of Bath, Ernestown and Amherst Island was held Monday night at Odessa Town Hall. Mr. Kidd of Ernestown chaired the informal meeting on amalgamation and it was felt by those

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attending on our behalf that the meeting was a good start on discussions, and that Mr. Kidd was a capable chairman for these sessions. The three townships agreed on pursuing the discussions further. Perhaps this will result in an election to see how the taxpayer feels in each twp. It will be interesting to follow in our district

papers, some of the exploratory meetings in other parts of the County.

...Marj. Aitken.

Apology to Jean Tugwell for erroneous line concerning "problems of bulk milk" in the last issue.

May 23, Auction

An auction sale was held on Sat., May 23, on the farm which had been owned by Dave Reid. Syl Apps, the owner had a good day for the sale and the articles seemed to be sold quickly.

Garden Chit Chat

With the weather so cold it keeps gardening activities at a minimum, and my chit chat likewise.

Anyone who has set out a tree or shrub will welcome the cool weather. The trees need to be watered regularly all summer and fall. They won't need to be fertilized if you had plenty of good rich earth to plant them in - otherwise they will need extra food two or three times during the growing season.

Do you know it takes three years for a newly planted tree to get established? So I hope you planted yours where you can soak the earth well about twice a week.

Let us hope for good growing weather so we can get. outside and enjoy our gardens.

...E. L.N.

Murray Clark Electric Odessa 386-3110

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Athletic Club ..Bruce Robinson. Girls Baseball Boys Baseball

The last executive meeting was held in the school at 7:30 p.m. on May 19, 1970.

The following will be of interest to all players. Seven games will be played in the playoffs, the team winning four games declared winner. The playoffs will be between the two top teams as of the end of the regular schedule.

This year members of the executive have been

assigned specific duties and we hope that any player when asked to help by one of the executive, will do so. Dave Kerr has been appointed "Purchasing agent". He will see that the playing equipment is in good condition and that there are sufficient bats, balls, etc., on hand at all times. Earl Tugwell is our "maintenance supervisor". He will endeavour to see that the playing field is in a playable condition. Earl will need some help fellows, so don't turn him down when he requests the assistance. Freddy Neilson and Mike McCormick have agreed to be the bat-boys and equipment keepers. They will remove playing equipment from the locker, look after the bats and balls during the games, and then return the equipment to the locker after the game.

And of course we just couldn't get along without the girls.

Ann McCormick has taken on the job of "Tax Collector". Ann will see to it that a collection is taken at each game. Val Filson has retained her job of scorekeeper and game records.

We are still looking for an Umpire in Chief, so perhaps by the next issue of news, we will have appointed a "chief".

The following players have been appointed as plate umpires:- when of course they are available - Glenn Sheil, Dave Kerr, Jack Forrester, Allan Glenn, Paul McCormick, Gary Filson, Don Miller, and Cliff Sudds.

For the Girls' games, at the plate these people will be available for umpires: Earl Tugwell, Allan Glenn, Glenn Sheil, Paul McCormick. The writer will fill in if really necessary.

For Base-umpires we have only the confirmed names of Earl Tugwell and Bruce Robinson. We need more people for this job. Could we have some volunteers. Just give Bruce Robinson a call on the phone.

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Auction Sale

In the village of Selby, Saturday, June 6 at 12:30pm. Among the articles are several old atlases of this area.

Chalk Talk

Among current activities is a Farm Safety Poster and scrap-book contest organized through the Women's Institute. Grades 1-4 submit scrapbooks and grades 5-8 posters pointing out safe practices on the farm. Three prizes will be given in each grade and all entries must be in by Friday June 12, 1970! We hope as many as possible will participate.

Preparations are under way for a Music Concert

under the direction of Mrs. Shetler. Each room will be presenting several numbers. With your co-operation we hope to make it a success.

Due to rainy weather our field trip to Fish Point has been postponed till next Tuesday, June 1, 1970.

Name Contest

Wanted a name for the Canada Fitness Award Mascot - a racoon. Contest is open to all students between the ages of 7 and 17. First prize is an all-expense paid trip for the winner and chaperone to the 1971 Winter Games in Saskatoon. If you can think of a good name for the raccoon, see Patti-Jo Neilson for entry forms.

Red Cross

Red Cross meetings will be held on Friday afternoon high lighted by the Grade Six play.

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Notice to Parents

We have been asked to notify all families that the vaccine for red measles will be given to all preschool children 2 - 6 who have not had the vaccine or the disease. This will take place on Thursday, June 4, 1970.

Parents are requested by Miss Mary Casselman, the health nurse, to bring their immunization records to the pre-school registration. Vision and hearing tests will be conducted also.

On Wednesday May 27, trials were held for track and Field events with the following results:- (event winners) Roycene, Penny G., Debbie F., Paul, Sandra, Diane H., Maureen, Freddie, Doug E., Cheryl, Patti-Jo, Diana, David F., Eric, Debbie G., Peter M., Wayne S., Andy, Darcy.

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This is only a partial list as our trials are not completed. However, we hope to publish a full report of the county Track and Field Meet and we are looking forward to seeing Island winners.

These people will represent our school at the finals in Napanee. We congratulate the winners and wish you good luck.

...Miss P. Abrams & Mrs. R. Murray.

Highschool Report

With the close of this year we lose a few more

students from our bus.

Gay Eves has been accepted at both the Kingston General and Hotel Dieu, and plans to spend the next few years training at the General.

Mary Mulders, accepted at Hotel Dieu in Kingston and General in Brockville, will train at Hotel Dieu next year.

This Saturday night there is an athletic banquet at the school always one of the last events of the school year.

...Laurie Kilpatrick

Extra

On May 21 at Belleville track and field competition in which 12 schools competed, Laurie Kilpatrick came first in the 220 event. She also ran the last leg on the relay team which finished first. She now is eligible for the Central Ontario Competition on Friday, May 29.

Down The Lane

May 31, 1933 Gordon and Ada Filson were married today. Fred Howard's funeral was the same day. It has been very cool.

May 29, 1934 Set out tomato plants today. Went for a car drive out to Caughey's in the evening. Warm showers through the night.

May 25, 1937 County Orangemen met on the Island tonight - - a large crowd turned out for this affair. June 8, 1940 Presbyterians had a tea and sale on Mr. Earls lawn today - - a huge success. All our family went out to it.

May 28, 1941 Severe thundershowers today - - Kearney's had a horse killed.

June 7, 1942 Leslie Glenn called on us this a.m. - - also the United Church student, Mr Adams.

May 30, 1944 Willie Smith on the Island today, he stayed for dinner. The men are planting potatoes. May 30, 1946 Harry Glenn's baby girl born.

June 2, 1953 Coronation Day - - there are horse races in Kingston.

June 1951 Upwards of 1000 Women's Inst. members from Lennox & Addington, Front. and Leeds counties visited Amherst Island to participate in the 50th Anniv. of the local branch. One of the highlights was the cutting of the birthday cake by Mrs. Wm. McMaster, 88, only living charter member and first secretary. Much credit was

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given, by speakers, to the Amherst Island branch for their careful preservation of records, including the inaugural address of the first president.

...Marj. Aitken.

OPP Press Release May 20.

This past week in the Napanee O.P.P. area the officers investigated just 5 motor vehicle collisions. Fortunately there were no injuries, but a total of \$4,250.00 damage estimated.

The two safety officers, Constable Watson of Kaladar and Constable Harrington of Napanee accompanied 150 school bus safety patrols to Ottawa this past Saturday. It was the tenth annual Nation Patrollers Jamboree. Approximately 6,000 young people from across Canada attended a parade and then a circus in the afternoon.

For Sale

2 sets of scales

1 - 2 ton

1 - 1 ton

Apply to Seaver Wemp. Phone 302W2.

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One right-handed baseball glove. Excellent condition. Phone 253-W.

Rabies Clinic - Free.

Anti-rabies vaccination will be held in Twp. Hall, Stella June 2, at 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

This service is provided free of charge by the Canada Dept. of Agriculture and all owners are urged to present their dogs and cats for vaccination. Dogs must be on leash and cats confined in a bag or under similar restraint.

Francis Wellbanks, Clerk.

Sports Flash

As a result of last night's baseball meeting, we welcome a fourth team to the men's league. Team "D" will be captained by Wilbert Willard and will play its first game against Team "C" on Friday night.

This expansion will entail some player realignment and rescheduling. The entrance of a fourth team will allow a longer season, more varied competition, and greater player participation.

Mr. Willard has also accepted the position of umpire-in-chief.

The Staff.

Amherst Islander Traffic.

For some, a few interesting statistics: Vehicles to end of April, 1970 -3989 Vehicles to end of April, 1968 - 3680 During week May11 - 17, 1,288. Tuesday, 162. Saturday, 240.

Traffic refers to a count taken on both sides.

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Out Our Way

There's no place like home!

Irv Tugwell returned to his home on Sun. May 17, after a lengthy illness in Hotel Dieu Hospital. Earl and Jean moved to Stella to care for him.

Eddie Fleming returned to his home after more than a year at Kingston General and Ongwanada.

Mrs. Mary Filson is home for the summer. Mary spends the winter months with her daughter in Kingston.

Bruce and Madelon Murphy have returned after a winter holiday in Mexico and California.

Bill Coulson is here too, sporting his Datsun pickup.

Mrs. Edwin McDonald and Mrs. Irene Cole are improving after surgery but we are sorry to report that June Gibson remains in very serious condition.

Marion Richards and Noreen Welbanks returned on Sunday after a trip to Dennville New Jersey occasioned by the death of Marion's niece.

Shirley Sheil, Tanya and Leslie Ann are spending the weekend with Shirley's parents in Franktown.

The Women's Institute met last week in the school with Lulu Strain as convenor of Public Relations. Bruce Robinson showed a film on First Aid and gave a demonstration on artificial respiration. Safety poster and scrap-book competitions were discussed. Members of the W.I. have completed their annual canvass for the Cancer Fund.

Raymond and Linda Wemp and family have moved from Stella to the former Albert Amerik farm house.

Three Wig Parties have been held recently with Shirley Miller, Shirley Sheil, and Kathy Burt as hostesses. Those in attendance report a most pleasant and fun-filled evening.

The Community Sunday School is working out well with an average attendance of 55 children.

Church Services

St. Alban's - - May 31, 9:00 a.m.

June 7, 8:00 p.m. Rev. D. Dunning

St. Bartholomew's - - May 31, 11:00 a.m. Father Price

St. Paul's - - May 31, 11:00 a.m. Rev. G. Reid June 7, 11:00 a.m. Rev. M. Schumaker

...Genevieve Fleming

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Over The Line Fence "Coulson Cuties"

"There was a young lady named Banker,

Who slept while the ship lay at anchor;

She awoke in dismay

When she heard the Mate say:

"Now hoist up the top sheet, and spanker."

"Oh, Mother, why are the men in the front row bald headed?"

"They bought their tickets from scalpers, my child."

If you can use any of this kind of stuff I have an unlimited supply on hand.

..Bill Coulson.

PS.

"Do you know Art?"

"Art who?"

"Artesian"

"Sure, I know Artesian Well"

B.C.

Annual Bird Count

On their annual 24 hour bird count taken this past weekend, the Kingston Field Naturalists report that 173 different species were noted within a 30 mile radius of MacDonald Park in Kingston.

Observers on Amherst Island counted 103 bird species at various locations. Among the more interesting species seen on the Island were: the Wilson Phalarope, the Cattle Egret, the Brant Goose, the Gadwall Duck, the Shoveller Duck and the Short-eared Owl.

Enquiries regarding the activities of the "Naturalists" may be addressed to the president, Mr. Bob Stewart, 603 Earl Street, Kingston, Ont.

"Why Worry"

There are only two things to worry about--either you

are well or you are sick. If you are well, then there is nothing to worry about. But if you are sick, there are two things to worry about. Either you will get well or you will die. If you don't get well there is nothing to worry about--either you will go to Heaven or Hell. If you go to Heaven there is nothing to worry about. But if you go to Hell, you'll be so busy shaking hands with friends, you won't have time to worry!

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Reeve Aitken was pleased to report to County Council Monday, at their regular monthly meeting, that Amherst Island Council wished to further explore the pro's and con's of amalgamation. Some of the Reeves from other townships gave a flat "not interested in any direction from Oueen's Park" answer from their councils. But when the time comes when one refuses direction from higher qualified, trained leaders, then it would seem that progress will surely 'bog' down. Administering to rural and suburban communities is no longer the simple matter of receiving tax moneys and spending them to the best advantage, and enacting simple by-laws etc. It has become impossible to live in the vicinity of other municipalities without the businesses of each inter-relating. One cannot stand aside and aloof from others on many issues. Even the least interested parties should read all available literature on amalgamation, thus to be better equipped to make a decision for or against, when the time comes.

County Council, preceding the meeting, toured the new penitentiary. It was an interesting tour, all the newest in kitchen facilities, and special facilities for inmates under psychiatric examination. Inmates entering the prison will be taken in through a separate tunnel, so as not to be seen by other inmates during this initial entrance.

Local Council will have a report on a pending decision for the next Issue.

...Marj. Aitken. *****

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Garden Chit Chat

Do any of you have a black rotten spot on the bottom of your tomatoes in the fall? I read in the "Green Thumb" last winter to work egg-shells into the ground around your plants and that would stop the rot. I am trying it and will report in the fall, if it works. My neighbour uses epsom salts, sprinkled on the ground, around each plant, and that reduced the rot on the tomatoes. I want to try the egg-shell treatment this year

- you can take your pick of the two remedies.

I also remembered that egg-shells soaked in water makes a good fertilizer for house plants. It is supposed to make even stubborn plants bloom. It worked for me on a cacti plant, but I haven't used it for a long time. Some day I'll try it on geraniums, as I have difficulty making them bloom.

.... E.L.N. ****

Murray Clark Electric Odessa 386-3110 *****

Chalk Talk Field Trip

Although the sky was threatening rain on Monday, the pupils and teachers hiked to Fish Point where they split into groups of three's and four's to explore the surroundings. Cries of delight rang out as the last trilliums of spring were discovered, along with honeysuckle, wild geranium, wild columbine and violets The amazing variety of plant and animal life in this area made for a productive discovery period (although the water-snake population suffered some what). Some of the most interesting discoveries: the fox den and parts of animal skeletons. After lunch and a brief rest, we enjoyed wading (with casualties) and a riotous game of switch-tag.

On Tuesday, the pupils were again split into groups and using the specimens for ideas, created an informative display of research and interest.

Following this indoor activity, a clean-up was planned in which students raked dug flower beds, picked up papers and grass clippings. Flower seeds were planted Thursday the seniors.

Concert:

Mrs. Shetler, our music teacher has been giving us a great deal of her time and energy in preparation for the concert to be held the last week in June.

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Sports:

On June 2nd twenty-three pupils competed at Napanee and District Secondary School in the Lennox & Addington Track and Field Meet. Though no individual honors were won, the children represented their school admirably and merit much praise for their conduct and spirit.

Softball Standings:-

| Team | Pts. |
|-----------|------|
| All-Stars | 14 |
| Sluggers | 7 |
| No-Stars | 6 |
| Sharks | 3 |

Safety Patrol:

After observing several potentially dangerous incidents on the road, we decided that a Safety Patrol would be set up to remind children of safety rules. There will be one student at the corner and two for observing the unloading and boarding the buses. Tickets remind offenders of their carelessness.

Remember, it only takes one mistake.

Thank you:

We wish to thank Mr. Vic. Shetler who again visited our school to distribute the Gideon Bibles to all students in grade 5.

The school was the recipient of some books and sports equipment and a ping pong table. This comes as a pleasant surprise.

Now that the first aid classes have come to a close for another year, the Senior room extends sincere thanks to Mr. Bruce Robinson for his lectures and demonstrations.

As June 1-7th was Red Cross Water Safety Week, on Tuesday, June 2, two representatives from the Red Cross showed a film on Safe swimming practices and demonstrated the use of S.C.U.B.A. equipment.

Red Cross:

On Friday last the Jr. room held a candy sale for a profit of \$2.85.

Coming up:

Plans are being made for our school trip to Peterborough.

As the days grow longer and the school time shorter, the teachers are working on promotion sheets and are looking forward to summer vacation almost as much as the students.

... Mrs. R. Murray & Miss P. Abrams.

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Down The Lane

June 6, 1934 - A very sultry morning -- attended a L.A. meeting at Mrs. Nessie Glenn's this afternoon, Joe took me in the buggie. Showered this p.m. and turning much colder.

June 14, 1934 - A little warmer to-day - 52nd anniversary of our wedding - had a call from R. Cumberland.

June 19, 1934 - This is Election day - some stir in town to-day. Kidd got the Election but the Government was changed - I hope for the better.

June 16, 1942 - the men are taking out manure to-day. Melville out to Stella in evening - brought home a treat - ice-cream.

June 19, 1942 - Had a thundershower to-day - just what was needed. Callers were - Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. W. Wemp, Ruth Glenn & Ruth Artwina.

June 11, 1943- Men gave up seeding at noon - three fields they didn't get done - ground too hard - planted potatoes in garden. About 75 acres sowed. (Excerpts from Mrs. J. Beaubien's diary.)

The following are from Clarice Filson's diaries:-June 15, 1946 - warmer than usual - starting to cut hay here.

June 9, 1951 - Bill Kilpatrick & Dorothy McMaster married today - served dinner in Victoria Hall - lovely day. We shipped our wool today.

June 10, 1953 - Went to Napanee to get chicks. W.A. at Barbara's.

June 20, 1953 - Busy at papering this week. Put down bedroom oilcloth. Francis Welbanks is sick.

June 23, 1953 - cut first clover to-day. ...Marj. Aitken.

Driving Club

Stuart got his licence for harness racing. Willowbrook Smokey owned by Allen Caughey, got a second at Belleville Saturday, June 6th.

Dance at Legion Hall, Sydenham, June 19th, 1970 - 12:30. Good music and bar. Admission \$3.00 per couple. Sponsored by Amherst Island Driving Club.

Bookland

The public school has some good reading for those who want to use the facilities. Three books of interest are Historical glimpses of Lennox & Addington, Picture History of Canada, and Power of Positive Thinking (Norman Vincent Peale).

Come in and browse around at your leisure.

The highlight of a recent sale at the home of Mrs. H. A. Wood of Selby was the auctioning of an 1878 Meach Atlas for Frontenac, Lennox & Addington Counties was sold for \$110. to William Warren of Harrowsmith.

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Law, Law, Law - is a useful little pocket-book recently written by two Toronto lawyers as "a down-to-earth citizen's manual on the laws you most frequently encounter...." It sells for 95¢ and is available in most book stores.

Athletic Club News

The baseball schedule is well under-way and despite some lopsided scores, the games have been interesting.

Perhaps the best game so far saw the Galaxies edge the Monarchs 8 - 7 in a see-saw contest.

The standings are as follows:-

Women

B (Hazel deHann, Captain) - 8

A (Suzanne Kerr, Captain) - 2

C (Mary Mulders, Captain) - 0

Men

B Galaxies - 8

A Monarchs - 4

C Beau Diddlies - 2

D Cast-offs - 0

Most of the games have been well attended and the spectators have been well entertained.

... The Staff.

High School Highlights

Laurie reports no news for this edition due to the end of June and the upcoming examinations.

1 used refrigerator inquire Filson's Coffee Shop.

Out Our Way

Mr. & Mrs. W.J. McKee, former residents of the Island, celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary on Sat. June 6th at Rideaucrest.

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Fleming spent a pleasant

weekend visiting Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Ward at Oshawa, Mr. Douglas McCoy at Whitby and Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fleming at Burlington. On Sunday they visited the "African Lion Safari" at Brantford.

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fleming & Family spent the weekend here and had as their guests the Jack Gordon family of Amherstview and the Nelson Kennedy's of Enterprise.

Mrs. Anna Creighton is holidaying at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Clinton Baker.

Mr. & Mrs. Walter Anderson, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, are spending a few days with Mrs. Marian Richards.

Mr. & Mrs. Nelson Kennedy were Sunday callers at the home of Harry & Syke Fleming.

Leslie Glenn had surgery last week at the Kingston General Hospital and will be home in a few days.

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Wayne and Jill Watson & family, London spent the weekend with Mr. & Mrs. Bert Glenn.

Mrs. Ethel Browning arrived on Monday and will spend the summer at Epstein's.

Mrs. Hough, London, England, and Mr. & Mrs. Derek Hough, Oakville were Tuesday afternoon callers at the home of Glenn & Shirley Sheil.

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Lougheed and two of their daughters were Sunday callers at the home of Mr. & Mrs Fred Neilson and Mrs. Kathleen Wemp.

Several choir members of St. Alban's are taking part in the annual United Empire Loyalist service at Adolphustown on Sun. June 14th at 2:00 o'clock. In the evening there will be a Confirmation service in the Cathedral Church of St. George in Kingston. Patti-Jo Neilson and Vincent Eves will be received into the membership of the church.

On Sunday evening June 7th, Steven Richard, son of Earl and Donna Willard was baptized in St. Alban's Church.

Rev. Millard Schumaker conducted the morning worship at St. Pauls on June 7th and his sermon was a very impressive one. Rev. Schumaker is a native of U.S.A. He has studied at Queen's University and graduated from there two years ago. He is a professor of religion and is presently teaching at the University. His wife and children accompanied him. We are looking forward to his return visit on July 5th.

St. Paul's Women's Missionary Society sent their first shipment of powdered milk to India this week. A 15 lb. parcel will make 60 quarts of milk. Cost of powder is \$4.50 and shipping charges are \$6.80. You may wonder why we send powder rather than money the powder is not available in India regardless of how

much money there is.

Congratulations to Francis Glenn who graduated May 29th from the University of Guelph with a Bachelor of Science and Agriculture degree. He is employed with the Maple Leaf Milling Co. in the Guelph area and resides in Woodstock.

Closing date for poster and scrap book competition entries will be Fri. June 12th. Women's Institute will choose winners on Tuesday evening June 16th.

Cancer donations amounted to \$123.15.

Mr. Grant Clark of the Lennox & Addington Cancer Society will be the speaker at the Women's Institute meeting on Tuesday evening, June 16th in the school. All are welcome.

Sunday services June 14th will be:-

St. Alban's -11:00 a.m. Rev. D. Dunning.

St. Bartholomew's - 11:00 a.m. Father Price.

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St. Paul's - 11:00 a.m. Rev. Malcolm Mark. June 21st will be:-

St. Alban's - 9:00 a.m.

St. Paul's -11:00 a.m. Mr. D.G. Gillingham.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Bruce Caughey Represents County

Bruce Caughey was among the ninety representatives from Ontario attending the Canadian School Trustee's Association Annual Convention on May 31, June 1, and June 2nd held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, celebrating its centennial, was host to the approximately five hundred delegates. Among the highlights was an address by Saul Miller, Minister of Education for Manitoba, at a banquet held at the Marlborough Hotel.

After the Canadian conference, Bruce's busy schedule as Chairman of the Lennox & Addington Brd. of Education, saw him attending the Provincial Conference at Queen's University June 7, June 8 and June 9th. Guest speaker at the closing banquet was Ontario Education Minister William Davis.

Bruce reports that both conferences were very interesting and that, with the exception of a taxi accident, en route from the Winnipeg airport, all went well.

.... The Staff.

Despite some chaotic moments the annual rabies clinic was a success

The Milk Stand

Our community is suddenly becoming dotted with shining new milk houses of various materials, steel, plywood and cement blocks. We wish these milk producers well in their new venture as we see them stretching day into night to complete a big task. Their work is made lighter only by their anticipation of the bulk tank truck turning into the gateways and so eliminating endless can washing and a bumpy trip to the factory, minus breakfast. The present transportation rate is \$.27 per cwt, however the producer receives an additional \$.10 per cwt for his product. There are at present nine bulk shippers on the Island and several other milk houses almost completed. And so we are witnessing a new era in the milk industry! ...Jean Tugwell.

Announcement

There will be a going away party in honour of Gordon and Ada Filson in Victoria Hall on Saturday evening June 27th. Ladies please provide lunch. For further information contact Barbara Filson or Mary Neilson.

Gordon plans to take up farming on the mainland in the near future.

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Mishap

A car driven by Joyce Glenn of Stella collided with a truck owned by Gordon Filson, also of Amherst Island. The Filson vehicle was parked on the ferry dock and was unoccupied at the time of the accident which occurred at 11:45 p.m. No injuries were reported, however the truck received considerable damage as did the car, owned by Herman Langwald. The Napanee O.P.P. investigated the accident.

Cash for live wild foxes. For information call Ian Murray 313-J-3.

Auction Sales

1 mile west of Kingston on Hwy. No. 33, Sat. June 13 at 10:00 a.m. of Construction Equip. Farm Machinery, Saddles, Hsld. Furniture.

13 miles S.W. of Napanee on the North shore of Hay Bay, Thurs. June 18 at 10:00 a.m. Holstein Cattle, Farm Machinery, and Hsld. furniture.

O P.P. Press Release

This past week in the Napanee O.P.P. area the Officers investigated 10 motor vehicle collisions. Fortunately there were no injury collisions. Total damage was \$3,200. Compared with 11 collisions, total damage of \$7,370. for the same period in 1969.

Information wanted on location of old cars (1920's & earlier) that have gone through the Ice. Call Ian Murray 313-J-3.

Over The Line Fence

A drunken Congressman said to Horace Greely one day: "I am a self made man."
"Then, sir," replied Greely, "the fact relieves the Almighty of a great responsibility."

Teacher (to pupil) - "spell straight."
Pupil "STRAIGHT"
Teacher "Correct; what does it mean?"
Pupil - "Without ginger ale."

The Irish toast suits me better.
"May you arrive in Heaven half an hour before the Devil knows you're dead."

B. C.

The End

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

At a special session on June 1st, Council had as its guest, Mr. Irvin Anderson, of the Dept. of Municipal Affairs. Mr. Anderson explained many of the aspects of the Planning Act and gave advice, re passing a bylaw to control sub-divisions.

The following night Council met for their regular meeting and discussed, at great length, the pros and cons of such a step. After much serious consideration a motion was carried to pass a bylaw establishing subdivision control over the entire municipality of Amherst Island. This seemed a rather extreme measure but there have been so many examples of poor development of lands where such control was not instituted that Council felt obliged to do so. But it would seem that the choice was not to be Council's for long at any rate. The following appeared in Monday's Globe & Mail and is a direct quote of the article, under the heading

-- For Ordered Development--

"Uncontrolled development of land is chaos. Land use plans are designed to avoid that chaos. But in vast areas of Ontario where municipalities have no such plans, extra-ordinary

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measures are needed. These measures were taken in the Legislature last week when Municipal Affairs Minister Darcy McKeough introduced amendments to the Planning Act. Under the new law, all Ontario municipalities that have no land use plans will have to apply to Queen's Park before they will be allowed to create subdivisions. By putting subdivision controls on all land not protected by bylaws or plans, Mr. McKeough has, in effect, frozen development until the municipality passes an official plan. And the plan must meet the standards set down by the Dept. of Municipal Affairs. Most of the areas affected are in Eastern Ontario. The Minister had no choice, without the protection of adequate zoning and planning controls, land could be hacked into smaller pieces and dished out to developers without regard to the need for roads,

sewers, schools, electricity or water supply." -- end of quote.

Monday evening another guest addressed Council. This time the visitor was Mr. Clyde Pope, of the Fire Marshall's Office in Belleville. He looked over the Town Hall and made recommendations for its conversion into a proper Fire Hall. He was very pleased with it's possibilities. Mr. Pope instructed Council on a proposed voluntary fire department as to the numbers of personnel required, equipment needed, and modifications necessary to the Town Hall to properly fit it to the needs of a Fire Hall -- i.e. a wall up along the stage line, to make a room for training meetings in the rear of the building, new wiring necessary, etc. Glenn Sheil is Council's chairman of this committee which will oversee this new group and a list of candidates for Fire Chief and brigade members is being considered. Glenn will contact these people personally and your support will be appreciated.

....Marj. Aitken.

Out Our Way

Weekend visitors were:-

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bach at their summer home. Mr. Claude Willard with Eldon & Elsie Willard. Mrs. Winnie Bailey with Ernest & Genevieve Fleming.

Philip Minty with Bill & Evelyn Coulson.

Mrs. Fred Neilson was pleasantly surprised on Thursday when one of her former pupils Jimmie Lowry called for a short visit. Jimmie spent his childhood and teen-age years at Long Point. Mrs. Helene Stein has returned to "The Lodge" for the summer, after four months in

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Germany. Mrs. Robert Bach, Mrs. Donald Johnson and Robert arrived on Wednesday and will spend the summer at "The Cedars."

Mr. John Ball will spend the summer at "Journey's End". Mrs. Helen Farrington left on Saturday for her home in Hollywood, Florida after spending five weeks with relatives in Chatham, Kingston and the Island. Harry and Garry Filson left on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Garnet Grant of Chatham.

Guest soloist at St. Paul's Church on Sunday June 21st was Philip Minty of Toronto. Philip was the Easter Seal "Timmie" in 1960. He is studying law at Queen's University and is presently taking violin lessons at the University. He is a member of the Canadian Youth

Orchestra and plays first violin with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. He stood second in the World Violinists competition. Many of us have known Philip for a long time and we are happy with the recovery he has made. He is a member of his home church choir and the rendition on Sunday was "I Forgive."

The Anglican Ladies Guild held a most successful bake sale at Frontenac Mall on Saturday, June 20th.

Eight members of the Women's Institute attended the tea and bake sale of Crystal Springs Women's Institute on Tuesday of this week.

Church services June 28th:

St. Alban's - Rev. Dunning

St. Bartholomew's - Father Price 11:00 a .m.

St. Paul's - Rev. J.C. Cooper 11:00 a .m.

Church services July 5th:

St. Alban's - Rev. Dunning

St. Paul's - Rev. Millard Schumaker - 11:00 a.m.

The Holstein - Friesian Association of Canada has awarded Quaker Lane Rag Apple Laura of Holbeth Farms a certificate of recognition as a One Star Brood Cow.

Beth & Jack Forrester held a surprise party
Saturday evening for Carol and Paul Glenn who are
leaving in July for Sudbury, Ontario. They were
presented with a gift of money. Paul who works for
Manpower Services Ltd., Kingston has been
transferred. Paul and Carol will be missed on Amherst
Island where they spent most weekends, and were
members of various community activities. They were
active members of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church
where Annette & John attended Sunday School. Carol is
also a teacher in the Community Sunday School.

Tommy Tooke Jr. of Grimbsy, Ontario is spending a few days with his grandmother and other relatives.

Engagement

Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Abrams of Hay Bay are pleased to announce the engagement of their only daughter, Phyllis Kathleen, to Captain William Lloyd Strain, son of Mrs.

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Lula M. Strain and the late Estelle Strain of Amherst Island. The wedding will take place on Saturday, August 1st at 12 noon in St. Mary Magdalene Church, Napanee, Ontario.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Garden Chit Chat

Now is the time to pinch back the tops of plants to make them bushy, and also create more blooms. Some that benefit from this are, chrysanthemums, snapdragon and petunias. This should be done not later than the first week of July.

Those who have amaryllis lilies should put them outside now. You can either bury the container they are in, or remove the bulb from the container and plant it in the ground. They need this outside treatment.

Watch your rose bushes for suckers and remove them as soon as you detect them because they take the strength from the bud bearing parts.

...E. L. N.

Recent Lennox & Addington Dinner:

At a recent L. & A. County Board of Education dinner and dance attended by board members, principals and guests, many retiring teachers were honoured and presented silver engraved trays in recognition of their contribution to education.

Among those honoured were Mrs. Hazel Holden, Roger's mother, who taught for thirty-one years; Mrs. Marjorie Storring (nee Bulch); and Mrs. Zelma Birrell, formerly of Bath, who has been teaching thirty-one years.

Bruce and Helen Caughey and Glenn and Shirley Sheil report that it was a delightful social evening. ...The Staff

Down The Lane:

June 30, 1933- South Side School Picnic to-day-schools are closed for the summer. Very hot and dry weather.

June 30, 1934--The hottest day yet. The ferry is running an excursion to Kingston to-night.

June 29, 1935--Melville & Avery are trying their entrance exams to-day.

June 29, 1942--Took the washing to Emilie's to-day --

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she has a power washing machine-stayed to dinner. July 4, 1942-- Tommy and Marjory were married today. Rev. Brazel married them.

June 30, 1943-- very cool for late June. Mary Corke married to-day.

June 27, 1945-- Haying is the order of the day here-very dry need rain badly for grain.

June 27, 1946-- A son born to Mr. & Mrs. Gordon

Glenn.

June 29, 1946-- Moutray Wemp married to-day in Toronto.

June 27, 1948-- Son born to Mr. & Mrs. Estel Strain. June 30, 1951-- Gene Miller married at St. Paul's - tea at Emerald Hall.

June 30, 1951-- Frank & Marion Fleming's 25th anniversary, big crowd.

June 23, 1951-- Georgia & Gordon Reid's 25th anniversary.

June 24, 1951-- Bad electric storm - lightning hit Anglican Church but no fire.

June 27, 1952-- Got my electric stove to-day!! June 24, 1967-- Centennial Parade today, real big bash, lovely weather and the school children really put on a wonderful show on their front lawn. Hurrah for the kids.

...Marj. Aitken *****

Chalk Talk:

As the school year closes, both students and teachers shout hurrah to welcome the summer holidays.

The end of school winds up the baseball season with Darcy Timms' team as champions having won 9 games, tied none and lost 2. It was an exciting season with good sportsmanship shown by all students producing some hard-fought games.

The weeks of practice came to an end with the presentation of our Music Concert to-night. We, the staff and students wish to express our appreciation to Mrs. Shetler for her able direction and patience throughout the year and especially at this time. Bus Trip:-

As cheery as the morning sunshine were the spirits of the students when we set off on our bus trip to Smiths Falls and Perth. We enjoyed the tours through the R.C.A.

Victor Co., the Hershey Chocolate Co., the Brown Shoe Factory, and Perth Water Purification Plant. Lunch was enjoyed on the banks of the Rideau amid the roses and fountains of Victoria Park.

Overheard on the Trip:-

"We want the bus with the washroom,"

"How much further."

"Are we in Smiths Falls yet?"

"Where are the washrooms?"

"Do you just listen to records all day."

"Can we go to the washroom now?"

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"They'd be able to eat all the chocolate they want."

"Where's the washroom?"

"That leather smells funny, Miss Abrams."

The Chalk Talk Column will be replaced by a "Summer Youth Column." Miss Abrams plans to spend the summer travelling between here and Hay Bay arranging her wedding while Mrs. Murray and Mr. Sheil will be attending summer school at Queen's University. We wish you a safe happy summer.

There is interest in the formation of a Summer Youth Program for the Island young people. Glenisle Lunch has offered the use of their recreation room for dances on the weekends. We hope young and old will be involved in planning and participating in events such as badminton, pingpong, volleyball and ??

...Miss P. Abrams & Mrs. R. Murray.

Athletic Club:

The executive and team representatives met on Sun. June 14. There were two questions to be settled; the apparent shortage of player's on Wilbert Willard's team and the postponement of games when a team cannot be fielded.

In the first question it becomes the player's responsibility to notify his captain if he is unable to attend. In the second question a motion was passed that the request for postponement must be in written form to the president or vice-president forty-eight hours prior to the scheduled game-time, and should only be submitted when a team cannot field seven players.

Special thanks are extended to Frank Fleming and Frank Welton who have loaned us our "home-run" fence. We earnestly hope that no harm will befall the fence. Glenn Sheil and Ian Murray erected the fence and the members praise them for their efforts.

A player's "only" bench and scorekeeper's bench have been installed. The umpire will enforce the rule regarding use of player's benches.

New bases are now ready for or use and the grass has been newly cut.

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On Sunday June 21st the executive's agenda called for a decision on new players entering the league. It was arrived at that the captains will submit the names of any interested new players on Sunday eve, June 28th. The executive will then assign the names to the best of their ability. Fourteen players will be the maximum assigned to any team.

A helpful hint (constructive) to cut down the large number of overthrows which are contributing to the high-scores: directly face your receiver and take just a little more time to be accurate. Also, how about relaying throws from the outfield to home-plate. ...Bruce Robinson.

Sports:

Once again the most exciting ball game was between the Galaxies (B), the Monarchs (A). The Monarchs revenged themselves for their previous two defeats by scoring six runs in the last inning to end the Galaxies 5game winning streak.

Jack Forrester was the first to hit a home-run over the new fence. Jack has hit two home-runs and Rick Bedford one; Wilbert Willard also hit one.

| Boys | Wins | Losses | Pts. |
|-------------------|------|--------|------|
| Galaxies (B) | 5 | 1 | 10 |
| Monarchs (A) | 5 | 2 | 10 |
| Cast Offs (D) | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Beau-diddlies (C) | 1 | 6 | 2 |

| Girls | Wins | Losses | Pts. |
|--------|------|--------|------|
| Team B | 6 | 0 | 12 |
| Team A | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Team C | 1 | 5 | 2 |

Upcoming Games:

| Date | Boys | Girls |
|---------|------------|------------|
| June 26 | C-D | |
| 28 | B-C (Eve.) | C-A (Aft.) |
| 29 | D-A | |
| July 2 | | A-C |
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We're Recognized!

The Beacon Staff wish to acknowledge the recent article in the Kingston Whig-Standard regarding the founding and the operation of the Island Beacon. As perhaps Canada's smallest and newest newspaper, we are grateful that a large and established newspaper such as "The Whig-Standard" will take time to notice our existence. We also appreciate the publicity and hope that many former Islanders noticed the article and decide to subscribe.

...Ian Murray. **** "Old Chinese Proverb say's young man who spin tires is more childish than youthful."

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O.P.P. Press Release For June:

During the past week the Officers of the Napanee Ontario Provincial Police investigated 9 thefts, 2 break and enters, 2 disturbances, 1 request for assistance, 2 compassionate to locate and 65 other occurrences of various nature.

There were 53 charges laid under the Highway Traffic Act and 33 Warnings. 2 persons were charged under The Liquor Control Act.

Officers investigated 9 property damage accidents with a total estimated damage of \$5,000.00. There were 3 personal injury collisions during the past week with 4 persons injured.

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For Sale:

One Classic Guitar. Excellent condition - \$35.00. Phone 318J1

Band Saw for sale.

Apply Neilson's Store.

Nearly new stove and fridge for sale. Ian Murray 313J3.

Trade A Treat

"Delicious Cake"

1/2 cup butter

1 cup brown sugar

1 egg

Cream and add:-

1 mashed banana

1 orange (juice and rind)

1 cup raisins

1 cup sour milk

pinch salt

1 tsp. soda

1 3/4 cup flour

1 tsp. bk. powder

Bake at 350 for 45 minutes.

...Helen Caughey.

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Letters To The Editor Mr. Editor:

My brother Garth and I came to the Island under the Gorent Immigration Scheme in 1929 and 1930 respectively.

My sister Chris, Mrs. Bert Glenn, is well known to all of you, I know. We often visit the Island and I am always interested in the news of happenings there. Good luck with the "Beacon."

Sincerely,

Keith Orchard

Ottawa, Ont.

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Letter to The Editor (cont'd) 285 West St., Conneaut, Ohio May 25, 1970. Island Beacon, Stella, Ontario Dear Sir:

We have indeed enjoyed the first three editions of the Island Beacon sent us by our brother-in-law, Bruce Caughey.

From Municipal Affairs to Down The Lane, we read each column eagerly. We are happy to be brought up to date with Current News and to reminisce with "Down The Lane". The Cartoons are excellent as indeed is the whole paper. Truly it is a very commendable effort and we will look forward to receiving future copies.

Please find enclosed a check for the next 26 issues. Yours very truly

Harold H. Marshall.

First Fire Drill:

On Wednesday evening, June 17th, the Amherst Fire Truck had its initial trial run prior to the setting-up of the volunteer fire department.

Allan Glenn, Lloyd Strain, Clinton Kilpatrick and Glenn Sheil put the truck through its paces. All were optimistic of the capabilities of the truck.

The thousand gallon capacity of the truck was tested during a 15 minute pumping operation. The truck was then refilled from the bay.

A number of interested spectators were on hand to shout words of encouragement and banter.

It should be noted that this was not a full scale drill but a preliminary to familiarize at least a few with the operation of the truck, so as to be prepared for emergencies.

...The Staff.

We are now approaching the two hundred sale mark and it would seem that our Island Beacon will have attained guite a measure of success. Anyone may subscribe by writing to the Island Beacon.

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Over The Line Fence:

An Irishman got a job in an observatory, During the first nights duty he paused to Watch a learned professor who was peering through a large telescope. Just then a star fell, "Man, alive!" exclaimed the astonished Irishman "You're a foine shot."

There are two times in a man's life when he should not speculate; when he can't afford it, and when he can. (Mark Twain)

Mother (to Bobby who has been fibbing) "Do you know what happens to little boys who tell lies?"

Bobby "Yes. They ride for half fare."

Art Editor - "Now what we need for our next magazine cover is a girl wearing one of those religious gowns." Artist - "What do you mean, a religious gown?" Art Editor - "Oh, you know, one of these lo and behold!"

Wanda - "He wore my photograph over his heart and it stopped a bullet when that bank bandit fired at him." Ethel - "Not surprised, dear, it would stop anything." ***

Professor - "Time is money; how do you prove it?" Student - "Well, if you give twenty five cents to a couple of tramps, that is a quarter to two."

...Bill Coulson

"Are your father and mother in?" a caller asked of the small boy who opened the door.

"They was in," said the child, "but now they is out."

"They was in! They is out! Where's your grammar?"
"She's went upstairs to lay down," replied the boy.

The weary tramp knocked timidly on the door. And, when a stout woman answered, he whined: "Lady, I haven't eaten in four days."

"Goodness" she exclaimed, fascinated. "If only I had your willpower."

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The Beacon Invites

The Beacon extends an invitation to anybody who would like to submit articles of special interest. Among the many topics that might be considered are:- fishing, historical notes, anecdotes, farming trends on the Island, etc.

We would also welcome suggestions regarding possible material that might be of interest to our readers.

...The Staff.

Volunteer Fire Department:

As chairman of the fire committee, I was pleased with Mr. Clyde Pope's appraisal of our situation. He not only praised our steps to date, but suggested many practical procedures to follow. One of these suggestions was a survey, conducted by his office, which would assess our fire protection necessities and relate them to our fire hazards. This survey, set for the future because of a busy schedule, would be free of charge and obligation, and would be accompanied by recommendations which would serve as ideal goals to work towards.

Mr. Pope in his address to council listed much equipment necessary for a volunteer fire department. He strongly urged that groups, who wished to donate money to the fire, department, be directed to purchase definite equipment. In this way each group will have concrete evidence of the use to which their money was put.

According to Mr. Pope, interest is the key for a really good fire department, and I know that this statement will be reflected in our efforts.

As offtimes said "Let us begin." If you wish to volunteer for the department contact me as soon as possible for a sufficient number should be trained so as to cover all emergencies that might arise. I anticipate assistance from the ladies as well, for there is a multitude of tasks in front of us and the volunteer fire department can and should involve the whole

community.

Notice: ...Glenn Sheil.

The fire truck will be started two or three times each week and on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. the fire siren will be tested briefly to ensure it is working properly.

The End

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Seventh Edition Thursday, July 9, 1970. 15¢ single copy Subscription \$3.00 per year \$4.00 mailed Island Beacon Amherst Island, Ontario.

Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

The appointment of Harry Filson as Fire Chief and Jimmy Neilson as deputy Fire Chief were confirmed at Tuesday nights' Council meeting. So the fire department is off and running with these capable leaders and Glenn Sheil as Council's liaison.

A motion was passed turning down the park grounds offered by Mr. Ameriks, as a gift to the residents of Amherst Island. Under the terms of the agreement, a road was to be built to the lot in question, and also maintained. It was felt that this construction and upkeep of the road would be an unwarranted additional expense to the Island road budget, and amply negated the value of the gift of land.

Mel Filson has contracted to mow the grass along the roadsides. The roads done so far look much improved and a measure of weed control will also result.

The County road engineer will be contacted at County Council meeting re the paving plans for the 40-foot road.

Stuart Miller was instructed by Council to fire the dump and burn the wood that has accumulated, thus tidying up the congested dumping area. Your cooperation in piling refuse as far into the grounds as possible will be much appreciated.

...Marj. Aitken. *****

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Down The Lane

Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries

July 15, 1933- quite cool this a.m. The Young People of Presbyterian Church are having a social sale at Home Cooking.

July 12, 1934- shower to-day, turned out very warm. United Church picnic. The Stewart family arrived today - motored all day and were very tired.

July 17, 1935- fine weather, everyone is haying, good weather for it.

July 15, 1940- Monday washday- It's trying to rain.

July 11, 1941- We picked our gooseberries to-day - poor year- got less than 1 quart. Had a nice visit with Robt. Brown and his Mother.

July 18, 1942- the Strain-Glenn wedding is to-day. Also Tom Cochrane is being married - I believe.

July 11, 1945- Shower for Catherine Filson at Barbara's. Very cool weather.

July 21, 1945- Catherine & Wallace married today. We went up to Stella in the evening.

July 17, 1946- son born to Anna and Henry Hitchins.

July 11, 1947- Glenn Filson 1 yr. old to-day - party at Chris'.

July 12, 1947- Mrs. Geo. Bulch died to-day.

July 17, 1947- Chris & Melville had a son to-day.

July 12, 1948- sowing buckwheat and haying here today.

July 9, 1949- Madaline Kilpatrick and Jack Kerr married to-day.

July 10, 1950- Garnet and Jean McDonald had a baby girl to-day.

July 20, 1950- There's a Wearever Party at Etta Fleming's to-night.

July 26, 1950- Mr. & Mrs. Cole are celebrating their 25th anniversary to-day.

July 8, 1951- Wallace Hefford broke his leg at church - taken to K.G.H.

July 10, 1951- to Mary and John Hall - a baby girl. July 26, 1951- There's a hay drawing bee at Wallace Hefford's place - terrible heat there.

...Marj. Aitken.

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The Jamieson

British Whig Wed. May 16, 1923:

"The first loss since the opening of navigation was the foundering of the schooner Jamieson in fourty feet of water about a quarter of a mile from Emerald, Amherst Island, at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Capt. Savage and his crew of four men and a woman cook were safely landed."

"The schooner Jamieson belonged to Picton and was returning from Oswego with 350 tons of hard coal. She sprung a leak after passing the Ducks, and the captain tried to make Picton, but was unable to do so. The water increased steadily in her hold and when it was evident that she could not be kept afloat, the crew took to the life boat and reached the shore just above Emerald."

Scuba divers first located the wreck in 1963. They found the wreck in fair condition with damage to the

bow indicating that the schooner sunk nose first. Many of the artifacts recovered from The Jamieson may be seen at the Marine Museum at Old Fort Henry.

Notes: The Marine Museum was founded in 1968 by the Kingston Divers Association in order to preserve for future generations artifacts rescued from local waters.

The above account was compiled by Ian Murray and he hopes to follow this with other historical events of interest to Amherst Islanders.

OPP Press Release

Napanee Detachment: -

A sign board placed on a secondary road read (on the front) "Road-closed---Do not enter!" The other side read "Welcome back--- Stupid"

Still thinking about getting ahead? Don't try passing on a slope unless you use your periscope. Passing cars, when you can't see is a quick short cut to eternity.

This past week the officers of the Napanee O.P.P. Detachment investigated 6 motor vehicle collisions. Three persons were injured in 2 of these collisions. Out of the 6 there was an estimated total damage of \$5,205.00 to vehicles and property. Also in the traffic line 48 charges were laid under the Highway Traffic Act and 44 warnings were issued.

73 various types of occurrences were investigated aside from traffic. Breaking these occurrences down, there were 5 thefts, 3 disturbances, 12 requests for assistance, 3 compassionate messages delivered and 50 other types of various minor investigations.

The "High School Highlights" and "Chalk Talk" have been discontinued until school resumes. We hope in the near future to organize more events for the Summer Youth.

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Sports:

In the girl's league, Hazel deHaan's "Nightingales" finally lost a game - ending their streak at 7. They were soundly beaten by "Suzie's Cuties."

Another major upset was the victory of the "Castoffs" over the "Monarchs" in a close game. The "Castoffs" bounced back from a disastrous defeat in their previous meeting with the "Monarchs".

The following players "cleared the fence" in the previous two weeks Earl Tugwell (2), Cliff Sudds, Dave Kerr, Garry Filson & Paul McCormick.

At the season's half way mark, the standings are as follows:-

| | Wins | Losses | Points |
|----------------|------|--------|--------|
| Galaxies | 8 | 1 | 16 |
| Monarchs | 6 | 3 | 12 |
| Beau-Diddlies | 2 | 7 | 4 |
| Cast offs | 2 | 8 | 4 |
| Women | | | |
| Nightingales | 7 | 1 | 14 |
| Susie's Cuties | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| Merry Mates | 1 | 6 | 2 |

We are pleased to see the "Peanut League" continuing every Wednesday evening.

...Ian Murray

Athletic Club Report:

Executive meeting Sunday evening June 28. At this meeting the team captains gave their list of players who had expressed their desire to join the Island Club. After discussing the capabilities of the proposed players the captains were excused from the meeting and the executive proceeded to balance out the four teams, to the best of their ability.

The aim was to have fourteen players on each team. We came close. There was no change on D. Willard's team. Wayne Snider and Ian Emmerson were transferred from W. Willard's team to Garry Filson's team. Paul McCormick's team received four players, Burgess Stevenson, Jim Lloyd, Ray & Steve Faraday. W. Willard's team received five players, Earl Willard, Burt Snider, Bill Punchard, Rick Instant, and Hugh Filson.

The other night at one of the games there was a question on one of the rules as follows. When a player is removed from the game by the Captain, can that player go back in the same game at a later time? The answer is "No."

Driving Club:

There were twelve members at the last meeting on Monday, June 29. The recent dance held at Sydenham was pronounced a success, (financially & otherwise) and a Committee was appointed to arrange an Island dance later this summer. The next meeting is slated for July 27 at Stu Miller's shore.

Recent results:- Wednesday,

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July 1st in Kingston: Spencer Heir (driven by Stu Miller) got a first: Willowbrook Smokey got a first and Nancy's Rum a second (both owned by Al Caughey). Sat. July 4 in Belleville, Spencer Heir placed second.The Staff.

Body Recovered:

On Wednesday, July 1st a fisherman Mr. Ronald Hough found a body in Lake Ontario one mile off the shore of Amherst Island. The body was later identified as that of Mr. Ronald Huff of Kingston, Ontario. Mr. Huff drowned while duck hunting last fall in the waters near Wolfe Island.

The body was discovered about 11:30 a.m. and shortly after 2:00 p.m. the body was removed on the south shore of Amherst Island. Messrs. Bert Mulders, Albert Mulders, and David Kerr assisted in recovering the body after which it was transported to Kingston.

Constable Randell of the O.P.P. investigated the incident.

...The Staff.

Auction Sale:

Saturday, July 11, 10:00 a.m. Town Hall, Odessa; antique furniture, glass, old guns and collector's items. ***

Auction Sale:

Friday, July 17, 10:00 a.m., 2 miles N.W. of Selby; farm stock, dairy equipment, machinery, furniture. ***

Auction Sale:

Saturday, July 18, 12:30 p.m., 9 miles South of Napanee on county road 8; antique and Modern furniture at G. Hush Sharpe's auction lot.

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Open Air Concert (June 25)

Another dimension in entertainment was added to the island recently with the production of the Open-Air Music Concert by the pupils of the public school. The enthusiasm generated soon quelled the nervousness of pupils and parents alike and the quality of sound produced was excellent. From dances, modern songs, novelty numbers and the rhythm band - one of the most

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enjoyable adventures into song was produced. The

Islanders extend sincere thanks to Mrs. Shetler and hope that this may become an annual event.

Out Our Way

There were two errors in the June 26th issue:-Paul Glenn is employed by Unemployment Insurance Commission not Manpower.

Phillips Minty is studying musical education and voice at Queen's University, not law.

My apology!!

Word has been received here, reporting the death of Mrs. John Miller, Kansas and Mr. Arthur Glenn, Indiana. The sympathy of the community is extended to their families.

Ernest Filson is receiving treatment in Hotel Dieu. Summer residents include:-

The Neill family from Virginia.

The Rob't. McMullen's from Chicago.

Mrs. Arthur Hinch and her sister Mrs. Vanzuben of Toronto.

The Ernest and Harry Fleming families and Mrs. Mary Filson attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Hattie Asselstine.

Ada and Gordon Filson wish to thank their many friends for the social evening and gift of money prior to their moving to their new home at Lansdowne. Special thanks to Barbara Filson and Mary Neilson, members of the Orange Lodge, and all who helped with the music dancing and the sing-song.

St. Paul's annual garden party will be held on the Manse lawn, Saturday, July 25. Afternoon tea served 3:00 - 6:00. Ferry leaves Millhaven every hour on the half-hour.

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Davies of Toronto were weekend visitors with Ian & Randi Murray.

Fifty-five grade 5 & 6 students from Prince Charles school, Napanee visited Holbeth Farms on June 25th to observe the procedure at the evening milking time.

The Ontario Milk Marketing Board provided a treat for the children and their teachers and parents.

Mr. Sheil welcomed the children, who were chaperoned by Mrs. Howard Holden, Roger's mother.

Sunday Services July 12th:-

St. Alban's- Rev. Dunning 8:p.m.

St. Bartholomew's-Father Price 11: a.m.

St. Paul's- Rev. M. Mark 11:p.m. July 19th.

St. Alban's- Rev. Dunning 11:a.m.

St. Paul's- Rev. A. Grier 11:,m,

...G. Fleming.

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Crossword Puzzle - Amherst Islander

{see Page 13 for a reproduction of the puzzle board}

- 1. Common Island Tree
- 2. Brother (Abbrev)
- 3. Lacking courage
- 4. Robins & Perch like these.
- 5. Antiquity (Plural)
- 6. Myself
- 7. Magnificence
- 8. Crew member soon to be a groom.
- 9. Enclosure
- 10. National Indian Central Airforce (Abbrev.)
- 11. Electromagnetic Radiation
- 16. Woes
- 20. Direction
- 21. Jewish Month
- 22. Small Stream
- 25. Preposition
- 26. Down (Abbrev.)
- 27. Deficiency
- 28. Fruit
- 29. Large Body of Trained Men
- 31. Dog Growling Sound
- 32. Behold
- 36. Shakespearian King
- 37. Captain of Long Standing
- 38. Two with this first name are on crew
- 39. Two with this first name are on crew
- 40. A colourless substance in fertilizer

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Down - cont'd.

- 41. City in Nevada
- 42. Kitchen Utensils
- 41. Measure of Land
- 46. Preposition
- 47. Summer (Fr.)

ACROSS

- 1. Early schooling
- 4. Two Brothers work on boat
- 8. Wildcat
- 12. Theatre sign
- 13. Bread spread
- 14. Den
- 15. This crew member works at two jobs.
- 17. Killer whale
- 18. Goals
- 19. What the crew likes best
- 20. There are two of this first name on crew.
- 23. Sums up

- 24. Staff
- 27. Mineral Spring
- 10. Pharm. salt
- 31. Two of this crew have this surname
- 33. Possessive of she
- 34. Attempt
- 35. Caviar
- 36. Weaving apparatus
- 38. Our link with the mainland
- 39. Coarse fabric
- 43. Alberta retarded adult training (Abbrev.)
- 44. Angered
- 45. Coffee maker
- 48. Gauzy fabric
- 49. Sea gull
- 51. Obtained
- 52. P.P. Of Lie
- 53. South Dakota's Extinct Kingfisher (Abbrev.)
- 54. Before

Answer Next Issue. ... Marj. Aitken.

Old Island Residence For Sale

It appears that the curtain is descending upon an era in Island History. A "For Sale" sign has been placed on the Moutray Estate in Stella.

Many will share a moment of nostalgia when they reflect on the significance that this house has held for so many years.

The house was originally the residence of W.H. Moutray who retained the position of land agent for the Maxwell family who owned the Island after 1857. Mr. Moutray settled here in 1870, and for the greater part of the past century the house has possessed an aura of old country tradition.

The staff of the Beacon wonders what the future holds for this property and in light of this, we hope to run an article about the history of this estate. Anyone wishing to assist by contributing information please address same to the Island Beacon, Stella, Ont.

...The Staff.

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Picton Gazette:

Pam Rosborough, a correspondent, with the "Picton Gazette" recently visited our island and while here purchased a copy of the "Island Beacon" at the Glenisle Lunch.

The July 1st edition of the Picton Gazette carried a very complimentary account of our paper and we were pleased that she felt it was deserving. In a letter to Bert

and Chris, Miss Rosborough said, "Your Island Beacon made quite an impression on our staff here at the Gazette."

Special thanks are extended to Bert and Chris Glenn who passed this information on to us, and who also made it possible through their usual warm hospitality. ...The Staff.

The Sea Of Matrimony Will Never Be As Rough

As I wound my way along the 3rd Concession late evening, July 3rd, suddenly my car lights picked up a strange sight. Were my weary eyes indeed playing tricks on me? With fear and trembling I asked myself could I be experiencing an hallucination? As I drew closer I realized this was no figment of the imagination. I was the beholder of large figures, mermaids perhaps? swimming - or were they floundering - in a large pool in the moonlight - sometimes flying through the air only to land with a resounding splash? As I rolled down my window I heard an organ peeling out the Strains of a Brahms lullaby, and then to my amazement I distincly saw two "Captain's caps" floating on the pond. Stepping heavily on the accelerator I dashed home, jumped into bed repeating over and over, I saw nothing, I saw nothing, I saw nothing!

...J. T.

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Helpful Hints:

The Beacon wishes to thank Mrs. Helen Farrington of Hollywood, Florida, for her helpful hints for which we are grateful. We will be using helpful hints from time to time. Mrs. Farrington also sent other items

Extra adhesive:-

When the adhesive on an envelope flap or a stamp won't stick use colorless nail polish as a glue. This will dry quickly and leaves no smudge.

Tenderfoot on a cross-country hike "Oh, what a funny looking cow, but why hasn't it any horns?"

Country hiker: "There are many reasons why a cow doesn't have horns. Some do not have them until late in life. Others are dehorned, while still other breeds are not supposed to have horns. This cow does not have horns because it is a horse."

Trade A Treat Jellied Salad

1 small pkg. lemon jello

1 small pkg. cream cheese

1 small can crushed pineapple (1 cup)

Dissolve Jello in 1 cup hot water. While still warm, add cream cheese and whip. Add crushed pineapple and juice, chill.

Sweet-Sour Beets

1 can (16 oz. or 19 oz.) sliced beets

3 tbsp. sugar,

3 tbsp. lemon juice.

Place all together in saucepan, leaving liquid on beets; simmer 15 min. stirring until sugar dissolved. Let stand at least one hour. Serve hot as vegetable, or cold as a salad item.

...Randi Murray.

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Over The Line Fence

"So you are undertaking to keep bees"

"Yes," answered Farmer Jones. "I don't want to miss anything, and I've been stung every other way there is."

The lawyer for the defence was cross-examining a witness in a robbery case.

"When did the robber take place" demanded the council in a bullying tone.

"I think" - began the witness, but the lawyer interrupted him. "We don't care what you think, sir. We want to know what you know."

"Then if you don't want to know what I think," said the witness quietly "I may as well leave the box. I can't talk without thinking - I'm not a lawyer."

"Poor old Jim! 'E's so neer sigted 'e's working 'imseif to death."

"Wot's 'e's nearsight got to do with it?"

"Well 'e can't see when the boss ain't looking, so 'e 'as to keep on shovelling all the time."

....Bill Coulson

Kingston Speedway Stock Car Racing Every Friday Night 8:30 *****

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

No important council news to report this issue. The road paving will begin shortly, if favourable weather conditions permit. Tentative dates were given to the Reeve at County Council meeting, by the county engineer, Alec Moffat. Weather permitting, it is hoped that the '40 foot can be started and the village get a final coat either the last week of July or the second week of August. The unsettled recent weather will no doubt mean that the latter date is more feasible.

Literature received, on new legislation soon to be passed, concerning more stringent laws on garbage disposal, may mean the closing of our present dump. Certainly there will be stricter control of garbage dumping areas, in order to comply with the latest antipollution measures.

Reeve Aitken has been in contact with a body mechanic who will be starting the minor repairs needed to put the new tank fire truck in good shape. He has promised to get busy at this job within the week.Marj. Aitken.

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Down The Lane

Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries

1933, July 26 - A lovely day, did up a basket of cherries. Mr. Earls had his picnic on Long Point. 1934, July 27 - cool to-day. J. Tugwell thrashed his barley.

1934, July 28 - real hot to-day. Presbyterian L.A. have a social and sale of dry goods - - also lantern slides by Rev. H. Reid.

1940, July 27 - Mrs. Jas. McKee passed away to-day. 1941, July 23 - Minnie planting out some asters to-day. Had Mrs. Caughey, Mrs. Marshall, Clem Allen and Nellie to call.

1943, July 31 - awful wind and hail storm - put a hole in Walter's boat.

1943 Aug. 2 - Walter fixing his boat damage.

1943, Aug. 3 - this was voting day - Ladies Aid at Etta

Flemings. R.C.A.F. concert at Stella. Walter went to Stella in his boat.

1944, Aug. 2 - Went to W.A. meeting at H.

McMasters. Catherine got hurt in a car accident.

1944, Aug. 4 - Tractor ploughs came to-day. Finished cutting grain. Red Cross dance at night.

1946, Aug. 1 - First nice rain in a long while, it will do a lot of good.

1947 July 26 - Still haying but loader broke down today. Ruth Glenn and I are collecting for the blind. 1949, July 25 - Neilson Wemp's wedding. Men got binder ready here.

1949, July 29 - Men cut grain. Stork shower at Lois' for Bernice.

1952, July 29 - very cool weather. Put little turkeys out.Marj. Aitken.

Kingston Speedway Stockcar Racing Every Friday Night 8:30

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Garden Chit Chat

There isn't much to be done to gardens right now; except to keep the weeds in check that is if you can get into your garden between showers.

The old flower stalks should be cut off the iris and peonies. I am going to let a few iris seed pods mature, plant the seeds and see if I get a different variety.

This hasn't been a good year for asparagus. It needs heat and moisture for quick growth. You can cut asparagus until the end of July - it doesn't get old and tough if you keep it picked. I learned that from a man who grew and sold vegetables for his livelihood.

....E.L.N.

A Glimpse Of History

After racing the Brigantine, St. Lawrence II, this afternoon around Kingston waters, the Nonsuch fluffed her sails and dropped anchor for the night in Stella Bay. It was a lovely sight watching two such beautiful ships, as well as the Minstrel, Brigett II, and others from Kingston Yacht Club sailing in the late afternoon haze between Amherst Island and Millhaven shore.

The 37 ton - 54 foot ketch, the Nonsuch, a replica of the ship that sailed in 1668 from England to Canada, will be around Kingston till July 22.

The Nonsuch was built to commemorate the 300th

anniversary of the Hudson Bay Company. She will be shipped eventually to the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature in Winnipeg.

Both the Brigantine, St. Lawrence II and the Nonsuch left Stella Bay in mid-morning hoisting their sails to the winds once more.

....Marlene Frohlich.

The City Of Cheyboygan the Daily Whig, Sept. 28, 1915.

"On Sunday morning about 11 o'clock the schooner City of Cheyboygan, loaded with feld-spar from Richardson's wharf, and in route to Buffalo, sank in full view of Joseph Bray, a fisherman of Amherst Island. During the terrible storm of Sunday Mr. Bray beheld the three-masted schooner, driven before the wind, suddenly founder and disappear one and a half in the south of Nut Island..."

| Monarchs | 6 | 3 | 0 | 12 |
|---------------|---|---|---|----|
| Beau-Diddlies | 2 | 7 | 1 | 5 |
| Cast-Offs | 2 | 7 | 1 | 5 |

| Women | | | | |
|---------------|---|---|---|----|
| Nightingales | 8 | 1 | 0 | 16 |
| Suzies Cuties | 3 | 5 | 0 | 6 |
| Merry Mates | 2 | 7 | 0 | 4 |

It's nice to see the younger players enjoying the

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"The Cheyboygan carried a crew of five men. It left to the Saturday morning with her bulwarks no more than three feet above the surface of the water. She was

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The wreck was discovered by scuba divers from Kingston in 1963 (within a month of the finding of "The Jamieson"). The schooner lies on relatively hard bottom with the hull fairly intact. Most of the articles recovered from the wreck may be seen in Kingston's Marine Museum at Old Fort Henry.

....I. M.

Sports

Since the last issue, there have been only three games played ('rain, rain, go away...'). In the single men's game, the Beau-Diddlies and the Cast-offs fought to a 2-all tie. The Nightengales continued their domination of the women's league by beating the Merry Mates. The Merry Mates rebounded to defeat Suzie's Cuties.

The standings are as follows:

| Men | W | L | Т | Pts. |
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| Galaxies | 8 | 1 | 0 | 16 |

Irene Cole has returned to her home after three months in Kingston General Hospital.

The members of the A.C.W. held their second successful bake sale at the Frontenac Mall on Saturday, July 18th.

Quite a large number of farmers and their wives attended the annual twilight meeting and chicken barbecue at the home of Earl and Jean Baker, Napanee. This event is sponsored by the Lennox & Addington Holstein Breeder's Association.

Ralph Durante, R.O.P. inspector is making his calls this week.

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Out our Way cont'd......

The Island is saddened by the passing away last Sunday of Mrs. June Reta McGinn, beloved wife of Mr. Andrew J. Gibson. She is survived by her husband and children, Bobbie (Napanee), Patsy, Bradley, Debbie, Penny and Tracey (at home).

Mrs. Gibson was interred yesterday morning at Glenwood Cemetery.

Church Services:

Sun. July 26- St. Alban's 8:00 p.m.

Aug. 2 11:00 a.m

St. Bartholomew's

July 26 11:00 a.m Father Price

St. Paul's

July 26 - 11:00 a.m. Rev. N. Allison

Aug. 2 - 11:00 a.m. Rev. N. Allison

O.P.P. Press Release (Napanee Detachment)

This past week ten motor vehicle collisions. Six persons were injured in five of these collisions. Ninety-eight charges were laid under the Highway Traffic Act and fifty-eight warnings issued.

Sixty-seven other types of occurrences were investigated including five thefts, three break and enters, one disturbance, and four requests for assistance.

For Sale:

Single horse trailer

Apply Garry Filson.

Auction Sale:

Saturday, July 25, at 10:00 a.m. 1 1/2 miles N.E. of Centreville. Antique & Modern Household Furniture. ***

Auction Sale:

Saturday, August 1st 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Erinsville; Contents of church rectory plus garden equipment.

James R. Brunet Insurance Auto, Fire, Life, General Bath, Ont. Phone 352 - 3315 *****

The Beacon invites one or two volunteers to handle the mailing of subscriptions. The job requires about ½ hour every two weeks.

Amherst Island Driving Club

Al Caughey drove Willow-brook Smokey at the head of the pack on July 15.

Early Lakes John, well known to local race fans, held the track record at Connaught Park for two weeks before losing a race and the record to Super Wave in a time of 2:00 minutes flat.

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Driving Club cont'd......

This week starts a series of stakes races at the Kingston oval.

Next regular club meeting will be held July 27, at 8:30 p.m.

Driving Club Dance on Friday, July 31 at Victoria Hall.

Al's Bait At Millhaven: Live bait at its best Complete line of tackle All summer 19¢ sale Open till 12:00 Sat. Nite

Letters To The Editor

As an avid reader and supporter I would like to see some letters to the Editor with ideas, approval or criticism of general topics.

Was sorry to see in the last paper, the refusal of council to accept the kind offer made by Mr. Americk of such a lovely piece of land, which as quoted by the surveyors of same "is worth \$6,000." Would it not be possible to accept this gift and then at a later date make use of it? Surely if owned by the township tax free it

could be.

Also congratulations and a hearty hurrah for our editors and all the staff for the giving of their time and energy. They deserve a lot of credit.

-- An interested rate payer.

Reply from the editor:-

Thank you for your warm words and support. We, at the Beacon, count on people like you to keep us going.

In answer to your correspondence regarding the parcel of land owned by Mr. Ameriks and which was offered as a township park, I conferred with Reeve Aitken as to the reasons for council's non-acceptance of this gift. The stipulations connected with the acquisition of this land made the acceptance of the offer unadvisable at this time. Council did not wish to commit themselves to such things as fences and road building when a number of programs are currently underway.

...The Editor.

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Cement Plant Proposed

According to news media, the Canada Cement Lafarge Ltd., plans to locate a new 49 million dollar plant in the Bath area. They have secured options on 4 square miles of land west of Bath and running towards the proposed Hydro plant.

Reporters for the Kingston Whig-Standard and the Napanee Beaver have written very disturbing comments on the changes wrought by such a venture. They regard a cement plant as a threat to the natural surroundings of the area, and I for one must echo their sentiments.

The presence of Millhaven Fibres, the penitentiary, the cement plant and the hydro plant will not only alter our northern skyline in its entirety but what of the possibilities of the chemical, sewage, dust, and oil pollution factors hanging in the balance?

Opposition to the cement plant must be voiced "now" and even if the plant is constructed, this voice will surely have engendered more sincere efforts for pollution controls from the outset?

...The Editor.

Helpful Hints:

Add a few drops of bath oil to your daily tub and it will perfume the air for hours. Store your favorite soap with your linen.

Answer To Puzzle In Last Issue {see Page 9 for the puzzle answers}

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

This week's meeting had to be postponed due to a meeting our Clerk-Treasurer was committed to attend. Thus the report of council business came too late for the paper deadline. Stuart Miller reports that the 40-foot is nearly ready for pavement and the County Engineer promises this will begin the last week of August or sooner. The stone crusher will be over this coming Monday for its annual stay to stockpile our gravel supply.

The following may be of interest to readers. It is copied from a book on Population Statistics for Ontario, sent to the Reeve.

Population Growth: -

At the time of Confederation, Ontario's population amounted to 1,525,000. A hundred years later it had grown to 7,149,000, an increase of 368.8% or an annual average growth rate of 1.56%. The rate of growth declined to 0.62% between 1881 and 1901, increased to 1.52% between 1901 and 1931 and fell to 0.99% from 1931 to 1941. Since then Ontario has grown at an annual rate of 2.46%, which is high by any standard. The high earlier growth rate was due to immigration from abroad. The low rate in the 1931-41 period was depression caused. The low rate from 1881 - 1901 was when so many left Ontario to move to the Western provinces.

It is calculated that Ontario's population will double the 1967 figure by the year 2037 or 70 years from 1967.

The proportion of the youngest age group (0-19) has

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increased continuously between 1941-1966 as a result of the "baby boom" during the '50's. The middle age group (20-64) increased from 52.6% in 1901 to 58.5% of the population in 1941 and since then has declined steadily until 1966 when it reached 51.5%. The senior age group increased from 5.5% in 1901 to 8.7% in 1951. By 1966 this age group was 8.2% of the total population, due mainly to vastly improved medical

facilities.

.....Marj Aitken

Out Our Way

Weekend and summer holidayers include:-Rev. Canon Donald and Mrs. Means of Bath, New York and Miss Alice Kildahl, Eagle River, Wisconsin with Frank and Marion Fleming.

Denys Cadman and family at his summer home on Kerr's Point.

Rev. Frank and Mrs. O'Hara and Michael and Debbie of Lyons Falls, New York.

Edward Filson with his mother.

Doug and Reta Miller with Marilyn and Royce Eves. Mrs. Mary Orchard with Chris and Bert Glenn.

Bob and Gwen Robertson and Anne at their cottage. Lyal and Helen Jones and family at Long Point.

Ernest Filson, a lifetime resident of the Island passed away on Wednesday, July 29th at Hotel Dieu. We extend our sincere sympathy to Clarice, to Melville and

his family, and to Glenn and Jennifer Lee.

The weather was perfect for St. Paul's annual garden party on Saturday, July 25th. We extend our thanks to everyone who attended and helped make it a decided success.

The Amherst Island Driving Club held a successful dance in Victoria Hall on Friday, July 31st.

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Church Services:-

Rev. Norman Allison began his ministry at St. Paul's on Sunday, July 26th.

St. Paul's Aug. 9th 11:00 a.m.

Aug. 16th 11:00 a.m.

St. Bartholomew's Aug. 9th 11:00 a.m.

St. Alban's Aug. 9th 8:00 p.m.

Aug. 16th 11:00 a.m.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Down The Lane:

This week's column is courtesy of Bill Kilpatrick, whose father kept a daily record in his Emerald grocery store:-

1936, July 9 - Temperature 104

July 11- Temperature 105

1938, July 6 - laid the first hydro cable to the island. {1938} July 15 - hydro turned on at 1:30 p.m.

1939, July 15 - Mrs. Joel Hogeboom died.

1940, July 27 - Mrs. Jas. McKee died.

1942, Aug. 4 - thrashing at Stan Connors.

1943, Aug. 4 - election day. Results:- Conservatives 38 C.C.F. 34 Liberals 14

1944, Aug. 4- very hot all week Red Cross dance on the week-end. Temperatures 89 - 95.

1945, July 16- ferry carried 64 cars to-day.

1945, Aug 14- very hot-storm at night. This is V-J day.

{1945} Aug. 15 - gasoline rationing went off.

{1945} Aug. 20- the Bath bank was robbed.

Some interesting prices from a 1933 ledger:-

butter - 23¢ a lb.

bread - 7¢ a loaf.

gas - 26¢ a gallon.

Mrs. Jas. Gibson bought 14 lbs. of cooked ham (for thrashing maybe) for - - - \$3.75.

....Marj. Aitken.

Engagement

Mr. & Mrs. Bert Glenn are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their youngest daughter Joyce Christine to Mr. William Clifford Griese, of Smiths Falls, son of Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Griese of Prescott. The wedding will take place in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Amherst Island, on Saturday, September 19th, 1970 at 2:00 p.m.

Kingston Speedway Stock Car Racing Every Friday Night 8:30 *****

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The Milk Stand:

About thirty-five Amherst Island residents recently attended the annual chicken barbecue sponsored by The Lennox & Addington Holstein Club at the home of Earl Baker, Napanee. Although poorly barbecued chicken served to famished guests at a late hour was disappointing the entertainment consisting of cattle judging competition and music provided by a local band was enjoyed by all.

Are you watching your cattle closely these days for the common "pink-eye"? Early and persistent treatment is the answer to this condition.

A dairy cow belonging to Mapledene Farm was recently diagnosed as suffering from nervous acid anemia. This condition is related to acid anemia but also affects the brain, causing the animal to act very strangely - throwing itself bodily and chewing on fence posts and other foreign objects. An injection given by a

veterinarian corrected the condition.

The ground is once more firm enough to carry hay equipment and farmers are pressing ahead anxiously watching the grain fields changing in colour.

....Jean Tugwell.

For Sale:

1 used Television 17" Maurice Hogeboom, phone 204.

Garden Chit Chat:

The next time your prepare wax or green beans, take a good look at the blossom end of the bean, you will see that there really isn't anything there that can't be eaten. I am told that most of the food value in a bean is contained in the blossom end, so why cut it off and discard it?

Did you ever hear of a banana sweet pepper? After being disappointed that my sweet peppers were hot ones, I was told that they might be sweet after all. They are not a dark green, but a yellow green and curved, and are very mild and sweet, much to my delight. Thanks S.A.M. {Shirley Miller?}

Be sure to keep the dead flowers cut off your snapdragon, pansies, and petunias, so they will continue to bloom all summer and fall.

....E.L.N.

James N. Brunet Insurance Auto, Fire, Life, General Bath, Ont. Phone 352 - 3315 *****

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Petition:

Thank you, to the Editor of the "Island Beacon," for his worthwhile article on the proposed Cement Plant at Bath.

His view, is that of many people in the surrounding area and Amherst Island.

The district news media has not been asleep and has given us all the pro and con on the subject, covering every angle of it. There is little more to say, the time, very little of it, is to act now.

There is a petition for you to sign which states:-Whereas the shoreline of Lake Ontario in the vicinity of Bath, Ontario, is of unique historical value and of great natural beauty, we, the undersigned, petition the Councils of the Village of Bath, the Townships of Ernestown and of South Fredericksburgh, and the Government of the Province of Ontario to ensure that these natural resources are not harmed by quarrying of lands adjoining the lake, and by the development of either processing or manufacturing plants detrimental to the area.

The petition will be at the home of Mr. & Mrs. F. Frohlich til Saturday, August 8th and Local Stores.

We would like to have your support. Thank you.Marlene Frohlich

Sports

With the return of the good weather, the baseball schedule is progressing nicely.

The most exciting game in recent weeks saw the Beau-Diddlies narrowly defeat the Monarchs 3-2. This was one of the best defensive games of the season. The latest matches (with one exception) have been much tighter than earlier in the season.

There have been no changes in the girl's league as the Nightengales remain well on top.

The standings are as follows:

| Men | W | L | T | Pts |
|---------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Galaxies | 9 | 2 | 1 | 19 |
| Monarchs | 8 | 4 | 0 | 16 |
| Cast-offs | 3 | 8 | 2 | 8 |
| Beau-Diddlies | 3 | 9 | 1 | 7 |

| Women | | | | |
|---------------|---|---|---|----|
| Nightingales | 9 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
| Susies Cuties | 4 | 7 | 0 | 8 |
| Merry Mates | 3 | 8 | 0 | 6 |

Home Runs: Earl Willard, Dave Kerr, Don Miller, and Garry Filson (grand slam).

Auction Sale, Fri., Aug. 14 & Sat., Aug. 15, 10 a.m. - Antiques and misc, articles - 5 mi. east of Picton near Glenora Ferry.

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Recollections Of The Moutray Estate -

Contributed by Bruce Caughey.

Your reference in a recent issue of "The Beacon" to the Moutray Estate being on the auction block, stirs within many of those of my own "vintage" memories of the past, intimately connected with this old landmark.

Ever since, through necessity the last of the Moutray family have had to seek care in a rest home, due to the infirmities of their age, we have had to accept the fact that this beautiful old home must eventually pass to the ownership of some-one else.

In these days of ever-diminishing shore lines and ever increasing interest in parks and park facilities, it has been in my thoughts that perhaps sufficient interest could be developed to enable this property to be acquired by the Township and Province and to be transformed into a most desirable park-site and a museum combined.

This old estate has very close connections with the oldest history of our Island Township and innumerable connections with our development and progress. Named "Farnham" (a nobility title in the Maxwell family) I would guess that it might have been built somewhere around 1850 to 1860. I would also expect that it was built for the use of William Percival Maxwell who served as "agent" for the owners of the Island and who was later succeeded by his nephew William Henry Moutray. It is with the latter's occupancy that I am most familiar but I have often heard my Aunt, Mrs. Henry Sanders (Sarah P. Allen) tell of the activities there during Wm. Percival's occupancy, for instance the first Sunday School classes were held in the "Drawing Room" that section to the west of the house and this large room was the centre of many social activities of that era.

The building now located on Art Drumgoole's farm, known as his granary, was originally a part of "Farnham" and was the servant's quarters, situated at the North end of the East Wing - a painting, by the late Daniel Fowler R.C.A., made from Stella Point was made when this original building stood there. When it was later replaced with the frame section presently there, the building, referred to above was used by the "Militia", for storage for their rifles and equipment (Miss Wess Moutray gave me this information many years ago.)

(To be continued in next issue.) *****

Summer Resident Dies

Mr. Elmore Chesher of Rochester, N.Y., passed away on Thurs., July 22. He was a native of Belleville and had spent many summers on the Island. Mr. Chesher is survived by his wife and son and daughter.

Congratulation

William Bulch recently acquired his master's papers.

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Crossword Puzzle {shown on Page 9}

Township Council Workers

- 1. Hall (P1.)
- 5. Ocean vessel
- 9. Mechanically-minded Councillor.
- 10. Rowings
- 14. Greased
- 15. Township clerk
- 16. Road Supt.
- 17. A Long Way Off.
- 19. Musical Quality
- 20. Over (Poetic)
- 21. Affirmative
- 23. Hollow-horned Ruminant
- 26. Plural ending
- 27. Man's Nickname
- 30. A group of three (2 words)
- 32. Of a sky-blue colour
- 34. Reeve
- 35. Goblins
- 36. European Social Order
- 37. Elevated Railroad
- 38. Eject
- 39. Cognizance
- 41. Bitter Vetch
- 43. Nautical Term
- 46. Edmonton Private Naturalists Assoc.
- 48. Ex-Reeve
- 51. Bld. Inspector
- 53. Common People
- 54. My Head (Fr.)
- 55. Farming Councillor
- 56. Multitude
- 57. Old Yard Goods Measure

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- 1. Landed
- 2. Victoria's Industrial Land usage.
- 3. Half Em's
- 4. Thoroughfare (abbrev.)
- 5. Couch
- 6. Island Fire Chief
- 7. Man's name
- 8. Liquid Measures
- 9. Kind of Lettuce
- 11. Military Rank (Abbrev)
- 12. Alcoholic Beverage

- 13. Wind Direction
- 17. Latin Plural Ending
- 18. Twp. Treasurer
- 20. Auricular
- 22. Masculine Appellation
- 23. Donated
- 24. Elevator Inventor
- 25. Italian Stream
- 27. Lethbridge Urban Management Union
- 28. Before (Pl.)
- 29. Arboreal Home
- 31. Arctic Explorer's Mineral Extension.
- 33. Captive Animal Home.
- 35. Teacher Councillor
- 39. Cartoonist's Councillor Husband
- 40. Snug Retreats
- - cont'd.

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Puzzle cont'd....

- 42. Egyptian Sun God
- 43. Art (Latin)
- 44. Old Card Game
- 45. Election Ballot Number
- 47. Versifier
- 48. Jelly (Var.)
- 49. Little Demons
- 50. Medical Officer of Health.
- 55. Concerning

Answers in next issue.

.....Marj. Aitken.

Amherst Islander:

Department of Highways recently completed the installation of wheelhouse control in the Amherst Islander.

The new method enables the captain to control the engine from the wheelhouse by means of a simple lever-type control.

The former method required the engineer in the engine room to control the drive, on a bell signal from the captain.

...Donna Willard.

Wedding

On Saturday, August 1, Miss Phyliss Abrams married Mr. Lloyd Strain in Napanee.

The Beacon wishes Mr. and Mrs. Strain a long and happy life together.

An old Irishwoman, sent a parcel to her son, in which she enclosed the following note:

"Pat, I am enclosing your waistcoats; to save weight I have cut off all the buttons."

"P.S. - You will find them in the top pocket."

....B.C.

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

The Ontario Dept. of Municipal Affairs has contacted the Clerk requesting a meeting with Council in the near future. The purpose of this meeting is to set a plan for the proper and planned disposition of Island properties.

The crusher is expected daily, the drill came Monday night and they were drilling Tuesday. No doubt the crusher will arrive by Wednesday and begin the job of stockpiling some gravel.

As was noted in the Whig-Standard's report of August's County Council meeting - garbage is a hot issue everywhere in L.A. County. Our dump is pushed back again - perhaps for the last time depending on how quickly new garbage regulations are enforced.

Anyone who maintained a home during World War II will remember how housewives all over Canada very conscientiously saved grease in one container, rags in another, papers and paper containers in yet another, and tin cans (rinsed and flattened out) and foil wrappers in another. These were taken to a central pickup area. It does seem feasible in 1970 that some of these items, which are complete wastage now, could again be reclaimed for a useful purpose if communities were educated to the need. Bottles and plastics are an exception. The Western world is so alert to the fears of air, water and land pollution that I'm sure a program of more careful disposal of food and packaging

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etc. wastes would be met with similar conscientious cooperation, by everyone, as was the crisis of the war years. We have had the water pollution brought home to us here with the Island fishermen having to hang up their nets, due to mercury. One wonders why the scientist who works long hours making new filaments, fabrics and packaging materials, cannot also develop ways of breaking down the same things into the original components for easy disposal. Maybe they will and this pollution problem will be met with the same degree of counter-action as any other crisis and we may indeed be drawn into the act in our daily living habits. When we see government legislation to strictly control industrial pollution of land, air and water and airline's and car manufacturers, the same, we will be willing to do our share. Mr. and Mrs. Consumer must share, equally with them, the guilt of this current problem.

....Marj. Aitken.

Quarry Operations Begins:

On Wednesday afternoon, August 19 McKendry and Company arrived on the Island to commence operations at Glenn's quarry. Their breaker and crusher will be grinding out 8,000 yards of crushed stone in the next few days. 4,000 yards are to be stock-piled and the other 4,000 yards will be spread on the 40-foot in preparation for paving.

..... Staff.

Driving Club:

August 8th Al Caughey had a win in Belleville with Nancys Rum.

August 12th at Kingston was really Amherst Island night as both Stu Miller and Al Caughey pulled upset victories with Spencers Heir and Willow Brook Smoky. Spencer paid \$37.00 and Smoky \$25.00. Stu made it two in a row with a repeat Saturday.

Ex-Islander Hugh Wemp continues to dominate local free-for-all ranks with Owen Creed, Dandy Duke and the exceptional trotter Kate McLaird.

Ben Wemp's Allison Scott, a threat here all summer, is now racing at a few fairs in Northern New York State.

Don't forget the Black Diamond Cheese Stakes this Saturday night at Belleville Fair.

....Harry Filson.

Out Our Way:

Summer holidayers include Mr. & Mrs. J.W. Muirhead, Vancouver, B.C. and Mr. & Mrs. J. Muirhead and family, Orangeville, with Frank and Phyllis Welton.

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Mrs. Eunice Hall with Art and Nessie Drumgoole. Frank and Margie Bailey, Wayne and Kevin at their camp at Emerald.

Earl and Helen Smith and family at their summer

home.

Leslie Gavlas and family at their cabin; Ed has returned to his duties after two weeks vacation here.

Harold and Nellie Marshall, Conneaut, Ohio at the Lake Shore homestead. They have had as their guests, Mr. & Mrs. Hiram Linch, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Woods and family and Mr. John Marshall.

Mr. & Mrs. Leeman Hazlett and Mrs. Hazel Bowen of Chatham with Clarice Filson.

Mrs. Leonard Kehoe, Donna and Patrick with Pete and Ytze Witteveen.

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Anderson of Caldwell, New Jersey, with Bertha Beaubien.

Gordon Mills suffered a painful shoulder injury in a fall at his farm last week and is in Lennox and Addington County Hospital.

Mrs. Donald Johnston and Robert, who have spent the summer at "The Cedars" will leave on Friday for Toronto where they will join Donald and proceed to their new home in Windsor.

Jimmie and Mary Filson and Freddie spent a Sunday afternoon with Ada and Gordon Filson at their new home in Landsdowne.

Frank and Phyllis Welton spent last

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weekend with Jay and Sharon and family in Orangeville.

At Home:

Mrs. Mary S. Flison will be "At Home" to her friends and relatives on Sunday, August 23rd, 1970 from 2 - 4 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m., at her home on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

Sunday School picnic will get under way at 12 noon, August 30th. Everyone is invited to attend.

Irene Cole expects to get home from hospital this Saturday.

The Wolfrey's family held a reunion last week at the cottages of Len and Lloyd. Those who attended were Art, Orlando; Howard, Winnipeg; Don, Toronto; Elis, Camden East; Cathy Teasdale, Cobourg; and Mr. & Mrs. Wolfreys, Napanee.

Church services: Sept. 6th

St. Alban's - 8:00 p.m.

St. Paul's - 11:00 a.m.

Sept. 13th

St. Alban's - 11:00 a.m.

St. Paul's - 11:00 a.m.

St. Bartholomew's - 11:00 a.m.

....Genevieve Fleming.

The donkey turns a hungry eye Upon the fields all bare and dry, Then waxes fat, the happy Ass -He thinks he's eaten all the grass! Anon.

Down The Lane:

(Courtesy Clarice's diaries)

1934 - Aug.21 - A lovely day, cool. Jos. & I went to Kate's with Helen Marshall and her mother - picking cranberries.

{1934} Aug. 30 - Cleaned out cistern and whitewashed it. Cleaned the barn well.

1936 - Aug. 31 - Brought out a load of straw to-day. Jos. started to get up his potatoes.

1937 - Sept. 4 - Nessie Glenn and Francis Welbanks married today.

1943 - Aug. 22 - Born to Nessie and Francis - a son in K.G.H.

{1943} Aug. 29 - Clarice washed today. She's been very busy attending to her lard and pork.

1944 - Aug. 27 - John Kearney killed in action.

1945 - Aug. 24 - Rain this evening. Little showers are holding up the thrashing.

{1945} Sept. 1 - Howard Welbanks and Noreen Richards married

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in Emerald Church - very pretty.

1946 - Aug. 23 - Been canning tomatoes here.

1948 - Aug. 25 - Mr. Ben Wemp dies in St. Mary's Hospital.

1953 - Sept. 3 - At Stella in a.m. - got hair cut at Barbara's. Shower for Syke Witteveen at Genevieve's in evening.

{1953} Sept. 5 - Harry Fleming and Syke married in Kingston at St. Andrew's Church at 10:30 a.m.Marj. Aitken.

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Answers To Last Week's Puzzle: {see Page 13 for puzzle} *****

Garden Chit Chat:

August is the time to divide iris. As a general rule, plants that flower early in the year are best divided in the fall.

The best method is to dig the clumps and pull the pieces apart, or cut them with a sharp knife. The old

part in the center can be discarded, and the younger, more vigorous pieces on the outside of the clump selected for replanting. Dividing the clumps with a spade is wasteful and destructive. Each new division should have roots and top-growth or buds from which new growth can start.

When watering gardens in dry weather, give them one good soaking a week, rather than small amounts frequently.

Did anyone try egg shells in the earth to prevent black rot on tomatoes? It hasn't been 100% successful for me, but I am getting more good tomatoes this year, so I'll try them again.

...E. L. N. ****

Wise men learn more from fools than fools learn from wise men.

Cato ****

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Recollections Of The Moutray Estate -Contributed by Bruce Caughey - part II

William Henry Moutray was the third son of Rev. John Corry Moutray, Rector of Eriglekeviough, County Tyrone, Ireland. His older brothers were John Maxwell (Rev.) and Robert Percival (Capt. Royal Navy) ("Burke's Landed Gentry," Courtesy of Dr. H.C. Burleigh, Bath). In 1871 William Henry married Margaret Wilson and soon thereafter came to Canada and took up his duties as "Agent" on Amherst Island, residing in "Farnham."

Therefore the Moutray occupancy of this grand old estate has extended over almost 100 years. In addition to carrying out his duties of the leasing of farms etc., the kindly and generous Irish gentleman always found time to involve himself in the many spheres of activity within the growing and developing Island community. The late Mr. Moutray served for many years as the Township Clerk, his foresight made him instrumental in the building of the first Stella Cheese factory, of which he served as Secty.-Treas., the establishment of the first grist mill on the Island, in the organization of the Amherst Island Agricultural Society and the holding of the Annual Agricultural Fairs, which were held on his farm across the street from Farnham for many years. When the need for a new township cemetery was recognized, about 1883 he granted the purchase of the present site from the Maxwell property for the sum of one dollar and he acted as Secty-Treas. of the cemetary board for many years.

Another project was symbolic of his foresight, the

construction of the cottages on Stella Point. "The Point" had long been a community picnic ground, as well as the site of one of our local shipyards and the erection of the cottages along with a "summer hotel" on the peninsula enclosing Stella Harbour was the first contacts that Island people had with "tourists." Prominent Kingston business men with their families spent their summers here and many of the descendants of these families still have ties with the Island as well as lifelong friendships.

The operation of the 'summer hotel," presently owned by Mrs. Stein, was at one time a very profitable venture. The use of the building as accommodations for our Continuation School was brought to a close with the sale of "The Point" to Samuel Sutherland, a shoe manufacturer from St. Louis, Mo. in 1928. (To be continued in next issue.)

Athletic Club News:

The executive met after the ball game Tuesday evening August 19th.

The new business confronting the executive was the darkness taking over before the full games

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were completed and secondly the schedule for the playoffs and the way the play-offs will be played.

On the first item the executive passed a policy where-by all remaining games in regular schedule and the play-offs which will be played in the evening, must start at 6:45 p.m. sharp. We also recommend that all participating players be on the field at 6:30.

The second item, play-offs -was discussed to some length and the following arrived at. In view of the fourth team being admitted to the league at a late date it was decided that the three top teams play a round-robin series and the first team to lose two games is out of the play-offs. The two remaining teams will play the best 2 out of 3 games to decide the winner. The "home" team for play-off purposes will be decided as follows. In the first game the team having obtained the most points in the regular games will be the home team. In the second game the team with most points in the regular games will be home team and the same applies for the third

The executive will meet immediately after the regular games have been completed and set up schedule for the play-offs. There are three games remaining in regular schedule and some rained-out games. These of course have to be completed before the play-offs schedule can be drawn up.

.... B. S. Robinson.

Sports:

The few remaining games in the baseball schedule will decide both the League Champion and (as things are now) the third (final) play-off position.

Since the last issue, the Monarchs defeated the Galaxies to move within one point but failed to win any other games, the two bottom teams each gained three points so that neither is yet "out of things."

Merry Mates and Suzies Cuties are deadlocked, with the former team having one game-in-hand.

The standings are as follows:-

| Men | W | T | L | PTS |
|---------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Galaxies | 9 | 1 | 4 | 19 |
| Monarchs | 9 | 0 | 5 | 18 |
| Cast-offs | 4 | 3 | 8 | 11 |
| Beau-Diddlies | 4 | 2 | 9 | 10 |

| Women | | | | |
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| Nightengales | 11 | 0 | 2 | 22 |
| Merry Mates | 4 | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| Suzies Cuties | 4 | 0 | 9 | 8 |

Home Runs:- Burgess Stevens (2, one a grand slam), Don Miller, Don Mack, Don Christie, Ian Murray, Dale O'Hara and John Burt.

Both of next Sunday's (Aug.23) games are cancelled.

....Ian Murray.

Musky:

Recently thirteen year old Gordon Franke of 696 Truman Drive, Kingston reeled in a 29 pound musky. Added to his achievement was the fact that

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he used 8 lb. test-line to capture his prize. Gordon was fishing near the shores of Amherst Island with his parents at the time. The fish measured 41 inches.

O.P.P. Press Release:

"Don't learn traffic laws....by Accident." Last week

in the Napanee Detachment, Ontario Provincial Police, area 10 Motor Vehicle Collisions were investigated by the officers. 5 persons were hospitalized for 3 of the 10 collisions.

Here are a few Statistics for your information:- 840 man hours were worked here last week while the men patrolled 12,093 miles of highway, county and township roads. During this time 113 occurrences were investigated. Thefts numbered 10, 4 break and enters, 4 disturbances, 4 requests for Assistance, 4 compassionate messages delivered and 87 various types of other minor occurrences. Along with the general investigations, the officers have laid 78 charges under the Highway Traffic Act, and issued 68 warnings to motorists.

The Drivers Guide

You watch the driver who drives ahead And the driver who drives behind You watch to the right You watch to the left You drive with a calm, clear mind.

But the driver you really have to watch On the highway you will find Is the driver behind the driver ahead And ahead of the driver behind.

Fall Fair Schedule:

| CentrevilleSept. 5 |
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| KingstonSept. 15 to 19 |
| NapaneeSept. 7,8,9 |
| OdessaAug. 29 |
| Ottawa (Central Canada)Aug. 21 to 30 |
| PerthSept. 3, 4, 5 |
| PeterboroughAug. 11 to 15 |
| PictonSept. 10, 11, 12 |
| Quinte Exhibition (Belleville)Aug.18 to 22 |
| TweedOct. 3 |
| Toronto (C.N.E.)Aug. 20 to Sept. 7 |
| Dates of Fairs listed are subject to change. International |
| Plowing Match, Claire Farm and Neighbouring Farms, |
| Lindsay - Victoria County, Tuesday, October 13 to |
| Saturday October 17th. |
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Stella Harbour:

On a recent, balmy summer evening I spent a short while cruising in Stella Harbour and visiting with some

wonderful people. These people were members of that unique group who choose to spend their summer holidays on sailing boats. On this particular evening they had anchored in our harbour and were enjoying the quiet that had pervaded the reaches of our island community. I would like to share with you the acquaintances I made on that occasion.

On the "Gabra" I met Mr. & Mrs. Brad Guest and their three children who were enjoying their first boating holiday. Mr. Guest is Works Engineer with the Toronto Harbour Commission and had heard of Stella Harbour some distance up the lake.

Four teachers, Elma Sinclair, Helen Clarke, Evelyn Jonas, and Margot McGregor were on a four day cruise aboard the "Kal III" out of Toronto.

Mr. & Mrs. Gord Jarrett from Toronto had anchored the "Cavu" and were visiting with Mr. & Mrs. John Koskela and daughter Laurie who had rowed over from their boat. Mr. Jarrett is a photographer and Mr. Koskela is a tool maker who has often sailed to our island and reminisced about Billy Clute who lived on "the Point."

"Whippoorwill" from Sackett's Harbour rode at anchor and on board Mr. & Mrs. James Williamson and Mr. & Mrs. Donald Mott good-naturedly interrupted their dinner to chat. Mr. Williamson from Gouverneur, N.Y. is a chemical salesman and Mr. Mott from Baldwinsville, N.Y. is a data processor.

The evening's brief survey brought me a little closer to the white sails and sleek hulls that often slip silently by my window and the warm conversation and open welcome with which I was received made the evening a truly memorable one.

..... G. F. Sheil.

Editorial:

We regret that we are unable to applaud the recent decision of the Athletic Club Executive regarding the playoffs for the men's softball championship.

Firstly, the exclusion of the fourth team definitely ignores the precedent set during the past seasons when all teams competed for the Amherst Islander M.V. Trophy. Is it not exciting when the fourth team - such as last years "Expos" - catches fire and takes the trophy?

Secondly, is it logical to attempt to integrate a round-robin series with a best-of-five final series?

In closing, let us beg the indulgence of the Executive in requesting that they reconsider their present position regarding the play offs.

.....Editorial Staff.

Summer School:

Several local members of the teaching profession recently completed summer courses from either Queen's University or the Depart

Ron's Gulf Service

"When hope is gone just call Ron for one call does it all."

R.R.#3 Bath 389-5512.

Brunet Insurance Auto, Fire, Life, General Bath, 352-3315 Insurance questions invited. ***

Wanted: Wooden Double Bed, 48" with or without mattress & springs. Leave name at Glenisle Lunch or contact Judy Bierma, Newburg 378-2697.

For Sale: Pine Steps, 5 ft. wide standard tread, 5' run, 4' rise Bruce Robinson, 306-J-2

Home Wanted for one male Walker and Blue Tick Hound, $1\frac{1}{2}$ yrs. old 320-J-2 *****

The Milkstand:

The recent good weather has allowed most of the area farmers to put-up enough hay to see them through the winter.

The oat crop is now being harvested and several farmers have even commenced filling their silos (some of them for the first time).

... Ian Murray.

Over The Line Fence:

Men are born with two eyes, but with one tongue, in order that they should see twice as much as they say.

The foreman on a political job ran short of shovels and phoned the Township Council, asking for more. The next day he received this reply:- "Have no more shovels, tell the men to lean on each other."

"A Council member is supposed to be familiar with all public questions."

"Yes," replied one of its members, "but not necessarily all the answers."

....Bill Coulson.

No thumping pulpiteer I be, But think in churchly mood The most religious man is he Who does the greatest good. R. Service ***

Problems worthy of attack prove their worth by hitting back. P. Hein

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Municipal Affairs: Council Corner:-

The Dept. of Municipal Affairs has not yet confirmed a date for a meeting with Council. It will be forthcoming soon, however, and it will hopefully, provide answers to questions concerning how to proceed with the buying or selling of Island properties, as well as setting up a plan of development, or at least establishing guide lines for such.

Council was short one member at Tuesday night's meeting, due to the resignation of Glenn Sheil. A letter of resignation, reader the meeting, stated that his many commitments prevent his continuation on Council. Glenn has made a worthwhile contribution in the few months he acted on Council spearheading the beginning of the fire department.

The gravel base on the 40-fool is almost completed and paving will begin Friday or Monday. Meanwhile the last years' paving in the village is being repaired where needed.

Work will begin soon on the conversion of the Town Hall to a Fire Hall. This will necessitate removing all furnishings and equipment. Organizations owning any such are requested to make arrangements for their removal, in order that the remodelling may begin.Marj. Aitken.

Perfection of tools and confusion of aims are characteristics of our time,

A. Einstein

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Historical Property Will Change...

On September 2nd Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Apps granted an interview regarding the Moutray property. As The Beacon has carried articles on this property, I was anxious to inquire about their plans for residence of the former land agent, Mr. William Percival Maxwell.

Large, rambling, and almost secluded by

encroaching shrubs the buildings command an inspiring view of Stella Harbour; and a visitor must tax his imagination to conjure up the scenes of its previous prominence as depicted in Mr. Caughey's article.

Mr. and Mrs. Apps informed me that they are planning to restore the property, as much as possible. This would include a great deal of landscaping and tree-trimming without and sandpapering and painting within. Coveralls, slacks, and old clothes were the order of the day as they had already commenced their task.

Mrs. Apps speculated that, once they had progressed far enough, the house could be opened for a community tea or other organized function.

When I spoke of the interest expressed by some island residents about a museum, Mrs. Apps assured me that such a project centred on the Moutray place was almost impossible for a community of our dimensions. Sincerely concerned, she spoke of our regret that the relics and other articles had been disposed of in such a manner as to defy reclamation for rbl or

way immediately following the service.

Church Services:

September 6th.

St. Paul's - 11:00 a.m.

St. Alban's - 9:00 a.m.

St. Bartholomew's - 11:00 a.m.

September 13th.

St. Paul's - 11:00 a.m.

St. Alban's - 8:00 p.m.

St. Bartholomew's - 11:00 a.m.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Garden Chit Chat:

Here are a few tips for those who have Christmas Cactus that refuse to bloom. Flower buds form at a cool night temperature of 55° and the plant also needs about 14 hours of darkness. If you have an unheated storeroom you could put your plant in there

- if not you can cover it with a black cloth at 6 p.m. and uncover it at 8 a.m. Keep the plant in as cool a place as possible. Avoid excess watering too.

It isn't too early to thin or planting bulbs to bloom next spring. Horticulturists advise digging the bed well in advance of planting.

Bulbs grow best in a medium sandy loam, but will do well in a wide range of soils, as long as there is good drainage.

Early fall planting will produce a better floral display next spring than planting them late in the fall. The reason being that if a good root system is produced in the fall, the bulb is ready to grow at the first sign of spring.

...E.L.N.

The Milkstand:

(The following is from the Agricultural newsletter. Courtesy G.M. Mills).

"For the third consecutive year Agribot, the farmer's mechanical friend, will be returning to the Canadian National Exhibition, courtesy of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food.

Agribot built by Mr. Bill Bohn of the University of Guelph is four feet tall and works by remote control. He is powered by motorcycle batteries and can be directed around a stage area in any direction, in co-ordination with a voice mechanism. Agribot will act as Master of Ceremonies at the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food presentation "Meats With

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Approval", a colour and sound kaleidoscope of the Ontario Meat Industry. Be sure and see Agribot if you visit the C.N.E."

South African scientists have developed a cure for mastitis. The new drug is administered by syringe. Mass production of the drug which is expected to start shortly, may eliminate this condition completely and increase milk production by 25 per cent.

....Jean Tugwell.

Down The Lane:

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries:)

1933 - Sept. 13 - the Ferry has gone to Kingston for repairs.

{1933} Sept. 14 - Ferry back in service.

1934 - Sept. 8 - made chili sauce today.

1935 - Sept. 13 - heaviest rain of the season, our pie and ice cream social postponed.

1936 - Sept. 16 - did up cucumbers and peaches.

1946 - Sept. 10 - Ed Reed's sale to-day. We canned grapes and tomatoes.

1949 - Sept. 9 - telephone has been out since Sept. 1.

1950 - Sept. 17 - Born to Bill and Doris Henderson - a son.

1951 - Sept. 8 - Helen McMullin and Ed McCormick married.

1952 - Sept. 18 - Women's Institute go through Fort Henry and Nylon plant - heavy rain all day.

(from the Kilpatrick Store records)

1936 - Sept. 8 - Mrs. Capt. Glenn died.

1937- Aug. 15 - Harvey Gervin died.

1937 - Sept. 5 -Wm. Hill died.

{1937} Sept. 9 - Maggie Hill died.

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1938- Aug. 18 - opening of Ivy Lea Bridge.

1939 - Sept. 3 - war declared.

{1939} Sept. 14 - Tom Bray died.

1942 - Sept. 14 - John Tugwell died after lengthy illness.

{1942} Sept. 15 - Harry Howard's barn burned - lightning.

1943 - Sept. 15 - Stella Fair - Agriculture Dance at night.

1944 - Aug. 24 - Leo McGinn back from overseas.

1944 - Sept. 9- Jas. Eves wounded.

1945 - Sept. 11 - Ralph Wemp and Grant Filson back from overseas.

Prices from a 1932 ledger:-1 roll of barbed wire - \$3.75

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1 cream can - $5.50

1 bag of cement - .80

1 bushel corn - $1.75

100 weight flour - $2.80

" salt - .90

1 car tire - $8.15

....Marj. Aitken.
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Recollections Of The Moutray Estate - Contributed by Bruce Caughey, cont'd:

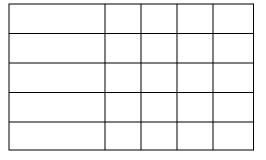
During his service as Township Clerk, the Annual "Revision Court" day was a very auspicious event, as the Reeve and Councillors were entertained at dinner at Farnham by the Moutray family. On many occasions his kind generosity were taken advantage of but he has left a heritage long to be remembered by Amherst Island residents.

Mr. Moutray was a great lover of horses and in his more active years was a familiar sight "on horseback," even after the advent of the automobile, his "carriage," with the old gentlemen at the reins was a familiar sight on the Island roads.

In religious persuasion the Moutray family were devote Church of England people, while I am not qualified to comment extensively on this phase of their activities, I do know that they were always devoted attendants and ardent supporters of the church of their choice. Two of the Moutray daughters married Church of England Clergymen. Rev, and Mrs. R.S. Wilkinson (Annie) were the first to occupy the new "Rectory" after its construction and Rev. and Mrs. J.E. Lindsay (Emily) also served the Amherst Island parish, for three years, (it is their daughters, Mrs. Mervyn Murphy (Dorothy) and Miss Betty Lindsay of Ottawa

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who are undertaking disposition of the property.)
Two recollections of Mr. Moutray ar



Bruce Robinson, club president, reports that new balls and bats will be provided for the play-off games. Also, all games will be officiated by three umpires.

Bruce would like to remind all hockey players that a meeting will soon be held.

The Nightengales won the women's league, but apparently the second place team has not yet been decided.

... Ian Murray.

Softball Playoff Schedules: -

Men Team A - Galaxies (Capt. Gary Filson)

Team B - Monarchs (Capt. Dave Willard)

Team C - Cast-offs (Capt. Wilbert Willard)

Sunday, Sept. 6, 1:00 p.m. C vs. B (Home) Sunday, Sept. 13, 3:00 p.m. C vs. A (Home)

If the need exists, and one team has not yet been eliminated (by losing 2 games) the above schedule is to be reversed until same occurs. Cancelled games are to be replayed as agreed upon by the respective captains. Women

B vs A (Home) Sun. Sept. 6 3:00 p.m. A vs. B (Home) Sun. Sept. 13 1:00 p.m.

If a third game is required, the home team will be decided upon by a coin toss.

The executive will meet when again to decide on the make up of the final series in the men's division.Ian Murray.

A poor life this, if, full of care, We have no time to stand and stare. W.H. Davies

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The Rumour Mill

There are many little stories
That never should be told,
Given by many wagging tongues
Just dying to unfold
Do they ever stop to ponder
How these lies they tell do hurt.
For as they are told, they gather
Like a dust mop gathers dirt.
If we all houseclean our own back yard
Many scandals we would find
So let's learn to live together
And only our own business mind.
....Concerned parent.

Back To School:

On September 8th the schools will be open for another term and The Beacon will carry its "Chalk Talk" and "Highschool Highlights" columns.

Mr. Sheil reports the school is almost prepared for its "first day" and Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Strain (nee Abrams) will return to their teaching posts. They welcome Lisa, May, Neil, Laurie, Sandy, Jimmy and Steven who will be spending that momentous "first day" at public school.

Most of the highschool students received their computerized and individualized timetables last week and it is reported that approximately twenty-eight Islanders will attend N.D.S.S. this year.

... Staff.

Everyone wants to understand art. Why not try to understand the song of a bird? P. Picasso

Letter To The Editor:

Sir

This letter is written by the President of the Amherst Island Athletic Club on behalf of the executive and refers to the editorial in the last issue of the Beacon.

First, let me assure you that we feel that the editorial was sincere and meant to be constructive. Freedom of speech and freedom of the press is still an asset in this land, so lets' make the best use of this privilege.

We believe that when we were elected that we would be depended upon to act the best we could for the benefit of all the players, not for just a few. As for a precedent being set during the past year or so, by a previous executive, the present executive cannot be governed by what went on in the past.

The present executive felt that if all teams in the Club knew that they would all be in the play-offs, come what may, where is the incentive to continue to play for a playoff spot. We know that there is a top-spot trophy, but what about the teams that lag behind and know that there is a spot in the play-offs for them, they could become quite complacent.

We cannot see, Mr. Editor, where we have let any of the players down, so to speak. As a matter of fact, I personal interviewed a great number of players, re the play-off idea, and all were very satisfied

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with the decision of the executive.

So Mr. Editor the play-offs go on as scheduled. We regret that we cannot please everybody, but how many policies are made that are accepted by everyone. And lets not forget the old worn-out but very true - "You cannot please all the people all the time."

Reply By Editorial Staff:

We appreciate the honesty and directness of the executive's reply, however, we are not as yet convinced that the revised playoff scheme is an improvement upon the previous system.

Firstly, one of the major principles of this country's law system is "precedent". New precedents are not set lightly.

Secondly, is it not likely that a team firmly ensconced in fourth place towards the end of the season might just "give up" as they have nothing to gain by trying to improve (is this "complacency")?

Thirdly, was the Amherst Islander Trophy not donated for full league competition? In a brief interview, this point was strongly emphasized by Mr. Stirling Glenn, former club president and a man instrumental in obtaining this trophy.Editorial Staff.

(It should be noted that this reply, and the editorial referred to, were written jointly by the editors; Glenn Sheil and Ian Murray).

Football:

Anyone interested in playing some two-handed touch, semi-organized football, please leave your name at Fred Neilson's store by Tuesday, September 8th.

Thank You!

Special thanks from the Beacon are extended to Tina Filson who volunteered to handle our mailing list.

Notice:

Each Wednesday evening between issues, Glenn and Ian will be at the school from 8:00 p.m. to discuss the upcoming issue of the Beacon. The staff and any interested parties are encouraged to come if they wish. G. F. Sheil

O.P.P. Press Release:

Evidence of the hostility towards automobiles and their owners in the early 1900's is clearly shown in this excerpt from an editorial appearing in the Newcastle Independent in June, 1904:

"Farmers in the vicinity of Newcastle, Ontario, are quite wrathy over the automobile. The farmers of Newtonville have had a meeting and petitioned the Ontario Legislature to prohibit the use of automobiles on the road."

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The Newcastle Independent adds:

"Is it not time something was done to put a stop to the automobile business? They are becoming such a curse to the country that we cannot stand it; we can compare them to nothing but a lawless gang of hoodlums and stop they must, for there is a vein of the blazer blood beginning to boil in Durham as we find these people have no regard for us or our horses, and when the latter are frightened, they laugh like a quartet of idiots. But with our shot guns and barbed wire the laugh may turn. Come on boys, and use them as demons and not as human beings. We defy any earthly power to give them permission to run over our roads and we must take an example of a few of them before a call to arms is given.

Times Sure Have Changed... I Hope!!

Silo filling time is here and we have been warned that silage gas can kill. The following news item comes from the information branch of the Department of Agriculture and Food.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Silage Gas Dangers Call For Precautions:

Irritation of nose and throat, sneezing, partial paralysis, then death, are the deadly results of exposure to silage gases.

Mr. Hal Wright, Farm Safety Specialist, Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food, identifies the gases as nitrous oxide and nitric oxide which are especially dangerous since they are colorless and odourless. Once mixed with air, they take on a yellowish brown tinge.

The gases begin to form hours after the silage has been stored, and collect at silage level, as they are heavier than air. Running the silage blower will merely agitate the gases, failing to eliminate the danger.

To remove the gases a number of precautions should be followed: -

- 1. The farmer should never attempt to eliminate the gases alone but should always have another person present in case of accident.
- 2. An oxygen supply should be used when climbing the silo and opening the doors to silage level.
- 3. Once the doors have been opened they should be left

open for several hours.

- 4. If anyone is exposed to the gases a doctor should be contacted immediately even if no ill effects are felt.
- 5. A warning should be posted on the door of the silo or feed room indicating the potential danger.

Unnecessary injury and possible death can be easily avoided if these steps are followed.

There is no such thing as success in a bad business. E. Hubbard

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Fri. Sept. 18/70
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Oddfellows Hall
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Music by: The 5-Tones
Admiss: \$3.00 per couple.

Wanted: Girl's bicycle in reasonable condition. Phone: Ian Murray, 313J3.

Wanted: Overnite accommodation for hunting party. For particulars call Dorothy Kilpatrick.

Is your drinking water safe?

There will be a demonstration testing the purity of any water supply free of charge - no obligation - in front of Glenisle Lunchroom Wed. Sept. 9, 1:00 p.m. Culligan's Mobile Unit will be at the site until 4:00 p.m. for your convenience. Culligan Water Conditioning.

Auction Sale: Modern & Antique Household effects, Electrical Appliances, China, Glassware and Garden Tools. Saturday, Sept. 5 at 10 a.m. 435 Barrie St., Kingston.

The crane that waited for the sea to sink And leave dried fish to feed him, died, I think. Anon.

Over The Line Fence: (Coulson Cuties:)

Old Maid - "But why should a great strong man like you be found begging?"
Wayfarer. - 'Dear Lady, it is the only profession I know in which a gentleman can address a beautiful woman without an introduction."

"How did old man Perkins git cut up like that?"
"Wal, he took a trip down to the city here last week, an he was gittin' shaved by one of them that lady barbers when a mouse ran across the floor."

A Scotsman and a Jew were brought up before a magistrate charged with being drunk and incapable. Both pleaded "not guilty"

"What reason have you, constable, for thinking that the accused were drunk?" asked the magistrate.

"Well, sir" replied the policeman, "Macdonald was throwing his money about."

"Urn! yes - I see! But what about the other prisoner?" "Isaacs was throwing it back at him."

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Petty Thievery and mischief at the Millhaven Dock occurred in late August and raises concern from many island residents who leave vehicles in that area.

Allan Glenn reports that on August 15, a battery was stolen from his car causing him some inconvenience and expense. Kenneth Lemmon was stranded in the bay on August 28 after someone had helped themselves to the main portion of the contents of the gas tank in his boat; the Amherst Islander came to his rescue on that occasion. About the same time Wayne Snider's bicycle was the object of malicious intent.

....Staff.

A fool is a man who in not addicted to your own brand of folly.

R. Edwards ****

Commercial Fishing And Mercury Pollution:

Commercial fishing in Lake Ontario faces a precarious future and I interviewed Mr. Francis Welbanks recently to ascertain exactly where the commercial fisherman stands in the light of recent findings and the ensuing flood of publicity.

Mr. Welbanks who fishes with his brother Howard informed me that they tied up their boats when the fishing ban-line was established from Indian Point on to Timber Island and on to the International Boundary; the ban affects commercial fishing east of this line.

Since yellow perch and pickerel are bottom feeders, they are most susceptible to mercury contamination and rumour indicates that carp, whitefish and white

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perch may be taken for sale.

During the first of August the Welbanks shipped about two tons of perch to Toronto. After a detention period of ten days in which samples were sent to Winnipeg for analysis, they received payment for their catch, since it was declared safe for consumption.

According to Mr. Welbanks, July was an excellent month for commercial fishing and also that this year had been potentially a good one. However, events have altered that and he says the commercial fisherman is in a very unstable position what with authorities in conflict over the matter.

The federal and provincial governments have extended a loan program to commercial fishermen and are pressing for reimbursement by those companies responsible for the mercury pollution.

A step in the right direction. G. F. Sheil.

Municipal Affairs:

Council Corner:

Step #1 in the conversion of the Town Hall to a Fire Hall, has been taken. Contractors have gutted the building as far as was necessary and the face lifting has begun. The sills and in fact, all of the hall's original construction materials are in excellent condition, which will cut costs of the job considerably, as these materials will be used for the new hall. As per instructions by the Fire Marshall, a 16' x 10' door has been ordered and will be installed in the front of the building. This will be large enough to allow two vehicles to drive in if in the future another fire fighting vehicle is added to the force. Harry Filson and Jim Neilson have been contacting personnel for the volunteer firemens' brigade. Protection for this crew is being sought, through the Workman's Compensation Board in Toronto.

First coat of paving has been completed on the 40-foot and a final coat has been applied to the village. A fond farewell to the dust clouds of the 40-foot.Marj. Aitken.

Mini-Marathon Swim:

Two intrepid Kingston men, Ed Donnelly and Ian Williams swam from the foot of the Island to the mainland on Tuesday evening, Sept 8th. The linear distance between the two points is approximately 9,000 feet but, with the strong current, probably amounted to over two miles. Two other swimmers, Donald Aberdeen and Harold McLennan swam from the Brothers to Fairfield Park.

Mr. William's time for the swim was 50 minutes - an excellent time.

Mr. Donnelly, noted that there was a strong taste of sewage for a few hundred yards near the Brothers.

Since this accomplishment it was reported to the

Beacon that Mr. Peter Barr, a nephew of Bruce Caughey, had swam the channel.

....Ian Murray. ****

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Runs Again:

On September 2nd, Edward Fleming's 1948 Dodge once again motored through Stella. Since 1964 it has been kept in the garage and after inflating the tires Eldon Willard chauffeured Mr. Fleming on a brief "run" through the village. Mr. Fleming purchased the car in 1948 and since it has not been running in six years, was understandably pleased.

....Staff. ****

Out Our Way:

The Community Sunday school picnic, held on Sunday, September 6 was a decided success. Rev. Norman Allison led in a short service of worship preceding the delicious pot luck dinner.

In the men's tug-of-war, Glenn Sheil's team won over Jimmie Neilson's.

Results of the races were as follows:-Most points for girls -Roycene Eves. Most points for boys - Tony Bernyea.

Luella Lemmon is convalescing at home following surgery in Kingston General Hospital.

Born to Dick and Virginia Bulch, a baby girl, Kimberly Diane, on September 2. Virginia and Kimberly are spending two weeks with Bill and Helen while Dick is taking a course with Ontario Hydro at Orangeville.

Heather Welbanks was hostess on Saturday evening when she entertained at a miscellaneous shower for Joyce Glenn. Joyce and Bill Griese will be married Saturday, September 19 at 2 p.m. in St. Paul's church.

Etta Henderson is visiting her sister Mrs. Goodberry in Buffalo, N.Y.

Mrs. Jeanette Young, Napanee is spending two weeks with Edwin and Florence McDonald.

Edna Reid, Ralph and Beatrice Wemp and Wilfred and Florence McCormac attended the wedding of Bonnie Reid and Bartes Haaksman at Centreville on Saturday. In the evening, Lois and Edmund Bongard, Marshall and Marion Glenn, Bruce and Helen Caughey and Ross. Kathleen and Merle McKee attended the dance at Enterprise Hall.

Mrs. R. K. Earls spent a few days here with her family and her return home was accompanied by Maurice and Vera Hogeboom who spent the Labor Day weekend at St. Andrew's Manse, Cobden.

Quite a number of Islanders attended Napanee Fair. Our 4-J Club members displayed a variety of cheese dishes, all exhibits were very attractive. The exhibit of posters and scrap-book attracted most everyone's attention. In the early summer, the Ontario Farm Safety Council announced the competition and fifteen students from our school entered. Four of the entries Scrap books were on display:-

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Grade 1 - Aaron Sheil

Grade 2 - Debbie Fleming

Grade 3 - Penny McCormick

Grade 4 - Chris Willard.

Local competitions were sponsored by the Women's Institute. Cash awards were given to first, second and third prize winners and each student who entered the contest will receive a pen.

Henry and Anna Hitchins will be celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary on Tuesday, September 19th. Congratulations also to Henry's parents - Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hitchins who will be observing their 57th anniversary the same day.

Please call 310W1 if you have any news for the Island Beacon.

Church services

Sept. 20 - St. Alban's 11:00 a.m.

Sept. 27 - St. Alban's 2:00 a.m.

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Sept. 20 - St. Paul's 8:00 p.m.

Sept. 27 - St. Paul's 8:00 p.m.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Griffin:

The icebreaker "Griffin" was in the bay for a few days last week. It was the base for painting operations of the lighthouse near Fish Point.

Sources say she commands 6,000 horsepower and was first launched in 1969.

....Staff.

Down The Lane:

(Courtesy of Clarice's diaries)

1936 - Sept. 18 - a lovely day, there's a quilting bee at Mrs. J. Tugwell's.

{1936} Sept. 19 - Rita Begg and Douglas Miller married at the church at noon.

{1936} Sept. 21 - the ferry went for the last load of

logs.

1939 - Sept. 26 - Stella Fair day. It rained and snowed and blew hard in the night but is fine now although cold. Hugh Glenn buried to-day.

1945 - Sept. 29 - Anna Glenn and Henry Hitching married in United Church.

1946 - Sept. 24 - To Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Hogeboom - a boy. To Mr. & Mrs. Billie Bulch - a boy. To Mr. & Mrs. Delbert McGinnis - a boy. To Mr. & Mrs. Jas. Eves - a girl (this week sometime.)

{1946} Sept. 27 - thrashing clover here.

1949 - Sept. 23 - Big rain spoiled the Kingston Fair.

1950 - Sept.21 - Men sow fall wheat to-day. Les brings coal. Chris and I were up to Stella with Hugh for a booster shot for whooping cough.

1952 - Sept. 27 - clocks put back to standard time, summer is over.

....Marj. Aitken.

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Olympic Star:

Last week the Olympic Star was at the C.I.L. dock. To my untrained eye, this ship was the largest and most attractive of any to date.

....Staff.

Thank You:

The teachers of the Amherst Island Community Sunday School wish to thank everyone who helped to make the Sunday school picnic a success. Would anyone who lost pieces of cutlery or dishes, etc., please contact one of the teachers.

....Jean Tugwell

The Milk Stand:

Hon. Wm. A. Stewart, Minister of Agriculture and Food for Ontario, announced recently that ARDA will make a study entitled "Farm Vacations as a Supplement to Farm Incomes in Ontario." The farm vacation movement began in the United States. In recent years a growing number of Ontario farm families have opened their homes to paying guests who are anxious to enjoy and experience rural living. More than 90% of Ontario residents live in urban centres and have never had the opportunity to visit a farm, see livestock, or observe how rural people live. Literature and experience in comparable areas in the United States will be compiled and published. The cost of the project will be shared equally by the government of Ontario and Canada. The survey will help inform interested persons on such

factors as accommodations, capital needs, operating costs, net revenues, managerial skills, etc.

The farmers have completed combining their grain and a good yield is reported.

....Jean Tugwell.

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Garden Chit Chat:

Mid-September is the best time to plant new peonies or divide and transplant your old ones.

My source of information recommends to first, select a place on the lawn or in the garden that receives full sun. Second, dig a hole 1½ feet deep, then put in a layer of gravel (for good drainage), a generous layer of well-rotted manure, next some good topsoil. Now set the roots of the plant on top and fill in the hole with good earth, being careful not to cover the top, or eye, of the root with more than 2 inches of soil. (One reason why peonies won't bloom is because they are planted too deeply.) Water well and firm the soil to eliminate air pockets.

This sounds like work, but the plants remain in the same place for a number of years so the extra attention you give them is justified.

....E.L.N. *****

Historian: A broad-gauge gossip.

A. Bierce

To Assist Crown Attorney:

Mr. J. Peter Coulson, Assistant Crown Attorney for Niagara South (Welland), will be in Kingston to assist Crown Attorney Sampson for a period of two weeks beginning September 21st.

Mr. Coulson who spent much of his younger days on Amherst Island will stay at his father's (Bill Coulson's) Island home. Accompanying Mr. Coulson will be his wife, Janet, and their two boys.

....Staff.

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Renovations Begin:

The town hall will soon be the site of the fire station and the major construction has been contracted by Doug Morton. On September 15 Keith Miller and Clinton Kilpatrick were on the location as Mr. Morton and his crew began work.

An expenditure estimated at \$3,000.00 will be

involved to prepare the fire station for the winter deadline.

A cement floor and a $16^{\circ}x10^{\circ}$ overhead door are in the plans, and sources say that the ceiling is to be lowered. A meeting room will be in the area once occupied by the platform.

....Staff.

High School Report:

The school year has begun with a bang, and the new grade nines have brought excitement and life to our once tranquil bus.

As for the new system, a lot of people are mixed up and disappointed. We took a vote to discover which system the students preferred and the majority preferred last years system. One reason for the preference was "its not as easy to skip."

The extra curricular events at the school are just starting so I encourage the students to take part. If you do, you will have a sense of belonging as well as a feeling of pride for the school.

Diane Bulch would like anyone interested in playing badminton to get in touch with her, at 315-J-3. ...Laurie Kilpatrick.

Thank You!

Beacon newsstands are now in use thanks to the kind graces of Allan Glenn's workshops!

....Staff. ****

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Chalk Talk:

The students of the senior class welcome the grade one's to school. We hope your public school years will be happy ones. We also hope that Heather and Michael Watson find their new school and friends enjoyable.

We're glad to see you again! Mrs. Shetler has resumed her position as music instructor.

Friendly faces: Mrs. Lois VanCamp, a registered nurse, was at the school on September 14 to give audio and visual tests. Mrs. VanCamp expressed her appreciation of the relaxed atmosphere and friendly students while she carried out the tests.

Congratulations to Aaron Sheil (Gr. 1), Debbie Fleming (Gr. 2), Pennie McCormick (Gr. 3) and Chris Willard (Gr. 4) on having their scrapbooks displayed at the Napanee Fall Fair. The pupils put some very hard work into their books and deserve congratulations for a wonderful effort.

Changes: The school has received two new Phys.

Ed. benches which can be used in a great number of ways.

....Kathy WempPatti-Jo Neilson.

Friendships: A ship big enough to carry two (or more) in fair weather, but only one in foul.

A. Bierce *****

The Editors, The Island Beacon, Amherst Island, Stella, Ontario. Dear Editors:

I have appreciated receiving copies of the Beacon and watching it grow. The Moutray saga is fascinating. Hope Mr. Caughey will continue with a regular column on Island history. Love the old diary references, too. Will be looking for a story on the erection of the beautiful Presbyterian church. Perhaps someone knows the history of the building of that "castle like" prison at Collins Bay. One day you might like to interview Jim Sutherland of Stella Point about his father - the "father" of hockey and the Hockey Hall of Fame. Herb Wires has written such wonderfully chatty letters about the seasonal changes and happening at the Island - he's another potential contributor.

Having published a weekly magazine for visitors in New York for over three decades, you'll understand my interest in your newspaper. Amherst Island, one of the loveliest places on earth, (with residents to match) needed a voice. The Beacon is that voice.

With admiration and best wishes, Rosemary McMullin Haywood. Host Ltd., New York City. *****

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Sports:

The only men's play off game played so far - the others have been rained out - saw the Monarchs defeat the Cast-offs 14-1. The game was actually closer, but the Cast-offs continually ran into bad luck defensively and also by hitting into forces at second.

In the first playoff game, in the women's division, the Nightengales narrowly defeated Suzies Cuties 12-11.

Monarchs and Galaxies are to play their rained out game next Sunday Sept. 20 at 10:00 a.m. At 1:00 p.m. the Galaxies and Cast-offs will play.

Stella Hockey Team has been entered in the South Lennox League. The ice is to be in the Napanee Arena by October 16. Jack Forrester has accepted the position of coach and manager. It is hoped that ice-time may be arranged in Kingston.

Dave Willard and Pete McCormick are trying out for the Napanee High School junior football team. Good luck boys!

....Ian Murray. ****

Thank You:

I would like to thank all my new friends and neighbors for the cards, visits and favors while I was a surgical patient in K.G.H., and to those who offered help in any way then and on my return home. It was all deeply appreciated.

....Luella Lemon. ****

Recollections Of The Moutray Estate-Contributed by Bruce Caughey - Part IV.

In those days the yard surrounding Farnham, was immaculately kept, not overgrown with lilacs and shrubbery as it now is, lovely flowers and well kept gravel walkways made it a most beautiful and desirable estate. Of an enterprising nature, the late Mr. Moutray undertook many "first", to mention a few of these, the installation of a windmill to provide a water system to pump water from the harbour to a storage tank for use in the home and to provide a water supply on his farm, which was adjacent. This system was eventually abandoned in favour of a gasoline engine operated pump and jack, which performed the same service. This engine was a single cylinder water-cooled "Olds" and no doubt was one of the only and first gas engines made use of for this purpose on the Island.

Another first was undertaken when he attempted, not too successfully, to light the home with "gas", remnants of this equipment, which made use of Carbide and water as used in the original bicycle lights still remain in the "front" cellar of Farnham. Indoor plumbing was another first in the Moutray home, many years before it came into general use in Island homes.

Is it any wonder then that I suggest this historic old site as an ideal location for a park and museum, steeped as it is in the history of this Island it is indeed regrettable if it passes on to some commercial minded

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person to forever be lost as an historic shrine, dedicated to the genteel, honest, generous, God fearing gentleman from Northern Ireland whose contributions to our Island Community are inestimable. It was always a puzzle to me that the late Mr. Moutray should have arranged purchase of a family plot in Cataraqui Cemetery,

Kingston, rather than to have his remains interred on the Island, which certainly must have been so much a part of his life.

.....A.B.C. ****

Household Hints:

To prevent sleeveless garments from slipping off hangers, bend up the ends of hanger.

To prevent rust rings from cleanser cans, etc., wrap the bottom edge with scotch tape.

....F. McD. ****

Welcome:

The Beacon extends welcome to Melbourne and Shirley Watson, who along with their three children, Michael, Heather and Philip have taken up residence on Amherst Island.

Mr. Watson purchased the Wilbert Willard property on the second concession,

.....Staff. ****

Driving Club:

On September 28th, a nomination meeting of the Club will be held at the school.

Don't forget the dance on Friday night!Staff. ****

Bazaar And Turkey Supper will be held at Victoria Hall, Saturday evening November 7th at 6:00 p.m. under the auspices of the Anglican Church Women. Admission: Adults \$2.00

Children \$1.00

Everyone Welcome

New Column!

In upcoming issues watch for "The Beacon Salutes", an informal tribute to people or things which have in some significant way contributed to Amherst Island. ...Staff.

Wanted:

Used Chest of drawers. Phone 213.

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When Day Is Done:

When day is done and the night slips down, And I've turned my back on the busy town, And Come once more to the welcome gate Where the roses nod and the children wait, I tell myself as I see them smile That life is good and its tasks worthwhile. When day is done and I've come once more To my quiet street and the friendly door, Where the Mother reigns and the children play And the kettle sings in the old-time way, I throw my coat on a near-by chair And say farewell to my pack of care, When day is done, all the hurt and strife And the selfishness and the greed of life, Are left behind in the busy town I've ceased to worry about renown Or gold or fame, and I'm just a dad, Content to be with his girl and lad. Whatever the day has brought of care Here love and laughter are mine to share, Here I can claim what the rich desire -Rest and peace by a ruddy fire, The welcome words which the loved ones speak And the soft caress of a baby's cheek. When day is done and I reach my gate, I come to a realm where there is no hate, For here, whatever my worth may be, Are those who cling to their faith in me: And with love on guard at my humble door, I have all that the world has struggled for. ****

Over The Line Fence:

Teacher - "What was Geo. Washington noted for?" Johnny - "His memory."

Teacher - "What makes you think his memory was so great?"

Johnny - "They erected a monument to it."

I remember, I remember, Ere my childhood flitted by, It was cold then in December, And was warmer in July, On the Winter there were freezing In the summer there were thaws; But the weather isn't now at all Like what it used to was.

"Do you know that Noah was the greatest financier that ever lived?"

"How do you make that out?"

"Well, he was able to float a company when the whole world was in liquidation,"

Echo -The only thing that can cheat a woman out of the last word.

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Municipal Affairs:

Council Corner:-

Chas. Densem has accepted the Council seat recently vacated by Glenn Sheil's resignation. Mr. Densem is from the head of the Island, thus rounding out the representation of various parts of the municipality on Council.

Municipal Affairs Office in Toronto is sending two key personnel from the Community Planning Branch, Sub-Division Section, to speak to Council this week. This will afford councillors the opportunity to question these knowledgeable representatives on Land Severances procedures and regulations.

Modifications continue on the new Fire Hall, with costs remaining within the budgeted amount. Keith Miller and Clinton Kilpatrick are overseeing the renovations. Next week is National Fire Prevention Week in Canada. Kingston Fire Stations are holding Open House all week from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. daily. Firemen will serve coffee and give tours of the Halls and be on hand to answer questions on all aspects of home fire prevention practices. Anyone with an hour to spare on a Kingston visit would benefit from a tour of one of the Stations.

....Marj. Aitken. *****

Chimney Fire:

On Tuesday, September 22nd, the fire department answered an alarm about 1:00 a.m. A chimney fire had begun to spread into the roof of a farm residence was quickly extinguished.

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The house was recently purchased by Mr. Allan Kidd who states that damage was not extensive; the farm was formerly owned by Mr. Royce Eves.

Harry Filson, James Neilson, and Leslie Strain were pleased with the truck's performance and Harry remarked on the advisability of obtaining ladders as soon as possible.

....The Staff.

The Council:

The present reeve is Mr. Vincent Aitken, an employee at Alcan, and the owner of a farm on the north shore.

Mr. Francis Welbanks is the Clerk of the Township. He is a commercial fisherman and also farms on the south shore.

Mr. Fred Neilson is the Treasurer and is the proprietor of the Neilson Store.

Councillor Ralph Wemp owns a dairy farm at the Head on the Second Concession.

Councillor Clinton Kilpatrick combines a small dairy farm with a flourishing garage business on the Third Concession.

Councillor Keith Miller operates a dairy farm on the Third Concession.

Councillor Charles Densem owns the Battery Farm at the Head and is organist at St. Margaret's United Church in Kingston.

...Staff.

The winds and waves are always on the side of the ablest navigators.

F. Nietzsche

Duck Hunting Season:

Opening day of the duck hunting season dawned and the elements were conducive to a successful morning's shoot. Many hunters came in with their bag limit. From all counts The Beacon gathers that there are plenty of ducks this year. It has also been reported that several geese have been taken. The game warden's presence was noted on the Island.

....Staff.

Out Our Way:

Leslie and Irene Glenn spent last weekend in Oshawa when their friends, John and Jean Walter celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Arthur and Helen Hinch spent the weekend at their home on Stella Point.

The Rod Barr family, St. Catharines, spent the weekend with their relatives here.

Harold Marshall, Conneaut, Ohio, left on Monday after holidaying here for two weeks with his sisters.

Fred Glenn, Gary, Indiana, is holidaying with his sisters.

Wilbert and Gordon Gates, spent Sunday with Bruce and Helen Caughey.

Edward Reid, Sudbury, spent a few days with his mother, Edna Reid, while en route to Montreal.

Wes Brown is at the home of Edgar and Janie McCaugherty and will return to Hotel Dieu for surgery in a couple of weeks.

Dr. Burleigh called on Mrs. Donald White last week. Mrs. Norman Eves was indisposed for a few days after a fall in her home.

Kerry Hogeboom, Stuart, Ronnie and Donald Miller spent last weekend duck-hunting at Calabogie.

Nine members of the Women's Institute attended the Area convention in Napanee last week and provided the musical entertainment at the Thursday afternoon session.

Mrs. Etta Henderson returned on Wednesday after two weeks in Buffalo, N.Y., with her sister Lucy Goodberry. She was accompanied home by Kay Marshall and Pearl Goodberry.

Marj. Aitken entertained the members of the Bridge Club on Thursday evening.

Evelyn Coulson is enjoying her annual vacation with Bill at their Lake Shore home. Janet and children are also here for two weeks while Peter is working in Kingston.

Bruce and Madelon Murphy attended the Queen's vs. Western game in Kingston on Saturday. They were accompanied by Paul, Sheila and Susan. ***

Church Services:-

Oct. 4 St. Alban's 8:00 p.m.

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Please call 310W1 if you have any news items for The Beacon.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Household Hints:

Zippers always work smoothly when the teeth are occasionally rubbed with wax.

Line pockets of jeans with chamois for protection for men and boys who carry nails and other objects in their pockets.

...F. McD.

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Garden Chit Chat:

If you haven't brought your geraniums into the house, or taken slips from those you wanted to keep, you will be doing it shortly so "Jack Frost" won't get

Here are a few hints to promote bushy growth and short sturdy plants. Start pinching back when the plant reaches six inches in height; continue this until at least six branches have formed near the base. Geraniums like a cool temperature at night, and full sunlight during the day. (That is why our grandmothers grew beautiful geraniums, - they didn't have central heating). Feed enough to keep the foliage a bright green colour.

The potting soil recommended is seven parts soil, three parts organic matter, two parts sand. To this add a small amount of complete fertilizer, such as 10-10-10. Good luck to those who grow tall, non-blooming plants!

Have you ever wished you could grow holly? When going through my clippings, I found where someone in Picton grows it, so next spring I am going to try to buy a few bushes or trees or whatever it grows on.

It is also time to cut the heads off your sunflowers and hang them upside down in a dry place so they will be ready for winter use.

....E.L.N

Amherst Island Driving Club:

All members or prospective members are urgently requested to attend the next meeting to be held October 6th at the Public School for the purpose of electing a slate of officers for 1970-71. Due to lack of support the Club may have to disband. We need community support to provide ice races this winter.

Down The Lane:

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries)

1934, Oct. 7 - Very cold & high winds. Lovely

Thanksgiving Service at Church.

1935, Oct. 12 - Finished with corn to-day. Ladies Aid had their Annual Chicken Pie Supper.

1937, Oct. 9 - Just like summer. Invited out for a good Duck Dinner.

1943, Oct. 1 - Men cutting buckwheat. Picton Fair on. Some of the family going.

1944, Oct. 7 - Ruth Glenn in K.G.H. for an operation.

1946, Oct. 5 - Institute at Genevieve's- had a good meeting.

1947, Oct. 4 - Rainy, windy Sunday. Mr. Brazil came over in a small boat to Church.

1948, Oct. 1948, Oct. 6 - Tea at Mrs. Marshall's for Rhoda. A lovely summer day.

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{1948} Oct. 9 - Rhoda and Rod Barr married 1949, Oct. 4 - Herb Beaubien buried to-day. He was found dead in the barn on Oct. 2. Mrs. Jos. Bulch died today.

{1949} Oct. 7 - Mr. Bill Richards died. 1951, Oct. 12 - Princess Elizabeth and Duke of Edinborough in Kingston to-day - beautiful day.

From a 1939 budget book of "yours truly" for the week of Oct. 6 - 13th.

car - gas 59¢

Pleasure - Movie 70¢ (for 2)

Dinner Dance \$1.00 and 2 cokes 10¢

Groceries -

Milk 4 Qts. 44¢

Butter 2 lbs. 50¢

Roast 75¢

Oranges ½ doz 15¢

1/2 doz. eggs 20¢

Graham wafers 10¢

6 bananas 18¢

Toilet tissue 2 rolls 18¢

Newspaper 3¢

Bread 4 loaves 40¢

Tuna Fish 15¢

Coffee 31¢

Crochet Hook 5¢

Night School Fees \$3.00

Work Shoes \$3.75

....Marj. Aitken.

Bazaar And Turkey Supper will be held at Victoria Hall, Saturday evening November 7th at 6:00 p.m. under the auspices of the Anglican Church Women. Admission: Adults \$2.00 Children \$1.00 Everyone Welcome

Thanksgiving:

When I look around this modern world of hustle and bustle, of supersonic aircraft, of voyages to the moon and of heart transplants, I cannot but wonder if we have adapted our thinking and prayers to include thanks to God for opening the doors of his universe to man, and for disclosing to us some of the wonder of his creation.

It is somehow easier to give thanks to God for our

food or a good harvest, - both of which to a great extent are subject to the whims of nature, than to give thanks for a new T.V., a new automobile, or a new house, the development of which appear to be more under the control of man than of God. But is this so?

Friendships, too, don't just happen. We have to cultivate friendships just as we cultivate our land or plan our house. So as Thanksgiving day rolls around again let us not just thank God for those things that touch us directly, but let us also remember to thank him for everything that improves the lot of mankind even though we may never see it or use it.

A thankful heart doubles our blessings, causing us to enjoy them twice - when we receive them and when we remember them.

....N.J.A.

The Beacon welcomes Mr. Allan Kidd to the Island. Mr. Kidd, a native of Florida, hopes to combine farming and teaching.

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Highschool Report:

Last week at N.D.S.S. was "Spirit Week," a week full of activities to display our school spirit. Tuesday and Wednesday were days when the students and teachers were to wear the school colours, blue and gold. Thursday, a pep rally was held, led by the cheer leaders, and Friday there was a parade, football games and a dance. Many of the Island students stayed after school to help decorate floats for Friday and a few took part in the parade.

David Willard and Peter McCormick both were picked to play on the junior football team. On Friday the team went to Picton for their first game. The first half ended with Napanee leading 4-0, but in the second half the Picton team rallied their strength and defeated Napanee 18-14.

We have five Island kids in the Geography Club at the school and later in the year they will be going on a field trip.

The English Department at the school sponsored a trip for grade twelve English students to see The Merchant of Venice at the Stratford Festival Theatre last Friday.

...Laurie Kilpatrick.

Chalk Talk:

Bulletin boards and colourful displays now decorate

our hall and "Dew-Drop-Inn." The teachers have organized a club for our school; it will combine Red Cross with other school activities. A slate of officers has been chosen for our first meeting which will be held on Friday, October 2nd. The officers consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer and a Red Cross Representative. We also have three programmers; a senior representative, Wayne Snider, junior representative, Paul Eves and our primary representative, Sandy Bernier.

Each month a new slate of officers, Red Cross representatives and programmers will be selected. As of yet, a name for our club has not been decided.

Mrs. Phyllis Strain attended an outdoor education workshop at Tamworth earlier in September and a grade one workshop at Odessa on September 30th. ...Patti-Jo Neilson and Kathy Wemp.

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Farm File:

October! Thanksgiving month of course - when our farmers breathe a weary sigh of relief and thankfulness for their barns well filled with hay, grain and corn.

Our Island drover, Mr. Robert Tugwell and Mr. Samuel Reid recently made their annual fall trip to the Toronto stock market with a truck load of steers. A few of our beef farmers have sold calves while others are holding theirs to take advantage of the good fall pasture.

A letter has been received by The Amherst Island Cheese Factory Association from Mr. Syl Apps, M.P.P., expressing his concern for the milk producers of Amherst Island. Mr. Apps hopes to discuss with the Department of Agriculture and The Ontario Milk Marketing Board the anticipated problem in the future of having an outlet for their milk throughout the whole year.

You have undoubtedly been reading about the new dairy program "Market Sharing Quotas" which is to be implemented on October 1, 1970. An excellent explanation of this system is to be found in the September Issue of the "Ontario Milk Producer" and we urge each producer to study this literature carefully.

Experiments with Corn Silage

Can high-quality corn silage replace hay as a forage on the dairy farm? In experiments at the Canada Agriculture Research Station, Fredericton, N.S., cattle were fed corn silage with no hay for two winters and let out to pasture for summer. Overall herd performance was satisfactory provided the animals are also given a protein supplement. The average Holstein receiving no hay will eat 80 to 85 pounds daily. To provide high

quality corn silage, 30% to 35% dry matter is required.

Such silages generally contain 30% to 70% total digestible nutrients and 7% to 9% crude protein on a dry matter basis - a high-energy, but low protein ration.

It is suggested urea be added at ensiling time - 10 pound - per ton ratio to make up the protein deficiency. This is recommended only when silage dry matter is more than 25% because some of the urea could be lost in juices draining from the silo. The added urea will push the crude protein equivalent up by 4% to approximately 12% on a dry matter basis - the equivalent of good quality hay.

....Jean Tugwell and Ernest Fleming.

The agricultural column is compiled by Jean Tugwell from articles submitted by Ernest Fleming and Keith Miller. Jean invites articles on farm news or views from any person who wants to contribute. *****

...no existing psychological test will tell how hard a man will work or how reliable his judgement will be, or how much intellectual curiosity he has.

V. Packard

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Men's Softball:

Playoff Picture:-

The date was Sunday, September 13 and the Monarchs and Castoffs were victims of the Galaxies' power which had dominated the softball season.

The portents of the date smiled winsomely on the red crew and their valuable early season acquisition of pitcher Earl Williamson.

At 10: a.m. in the morning, the Galaxies humbled the Monarchs 11 to 3. In the afternoon the Castoffs were knocked out of the playoffs, losing their second game of the round-robin series. Though beaten rather soundly, the Castoffs never lost their spirit and managed to push across 2 late runs to stave off the embarrassment of a shut out; however, they came out on the short end of a 12 to 2 score.

In both games Earl Williamson was the winning pitcher and contributed a home run in each game to support his own cause.

The Monarchs and Galaxies advance to the final play-off series. The first game was slated for Sunday, September 27th but the Galaxies could not field a team and the game was postponed.

Girls Softball:

The Nightengales swept to victory over Susie's Cuties in two straight games and captured the "Glenisle Play-off Trophy." Hazel deHaan is the captain of the winning team, and her Nightengales swamped Suzanne Kerr's Cuties by 27 to 6 and 33 to 12 tallies.

The girls' softball teams have closed out their season and I wish to offer my sincerest praise and congratulations to them for an excellent summer of competition and enjoyment,

.... G. F. Sheil.

Broken Bottles:

In recent years the number of bottle-cut accidents among children has increased considerably. The major factor in this increase is undoubtedly the growing use of non-refundable bottles combined with the continual apathy of the general population regarding such matters. If it seems like too much bother to put non-refundable bottles in the garbage, don't buy them! (They just fill up the dump anyway.) With both the Island park and the school yard being continually scattered with broken glass (have a look sometime) the chances of some child

- perhaps your little brother, niece or son getting seriously injured by cut glass is only a matter of time.Ian Murray.

The Beacon Salutes!

Reeve Aitken and the members of his council who have watched their road program move to completion and are currently engrossed in renovations to the Township hall. These men merit a real show of approval for their unstinted efforts and admirable performance of civic duties.

....The Staff.

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Thanksgiving Crossword: {see Page 13 for puzzle} Down

- 1. Political Party
- 2. Danish Coin (Pl.)
- 3. Zodiac Sign
- 4. To dig for minerals
- 5. Conjunction
- 6. For example
- 7. Bright
- 8. Have onf for Thanksgiving
- 9. Business Abbrev.
- 10. Royal Turkish Artillery
- 12. Nice in Pumpkin Pie

- 13. Salt (Var.)
- 16. Applaud
- 18. Bitter Vetch.
- 19. Doubling of a rope.
- 21. Hammer Head
- 22. To Burgle
- 23. Hard Fat
- 25. African Antelope
- 29. Use
- 30. External Covering
- 31. Signature (Abbrev.)
- 32. Feminine Name
- 35. Professional
- 36. Universe
- 37. Musteline Mammal
- 39. Exchange Premium
- 40. Of Aircraft
- 41. National Loyalist Society
- 42. Adverb
- 44. Place
- 46. Royal Show
- 47. Exclamation

Across

- 1. U.S.A. has it in this month
- 4. Miss West
- 7. Mix
- 11. Stuffing
- 14. Seek
- 15. Consider
- 16. About
- 17. Active
- 18. East Lapland's Northern Kind:
- 20. Our Thanksgiving is in this month.
- 21. A way of showing gratitude for Blessings received.
- 24. Officer of the Guard
- 26. Extrasensory perception
- 27. Pronoun
- 28. Single
- 30. Direction
- 33. To Exist
- 34. Appropriate pie for this holiday
- 36. To court
- 38. A self-righteous person
- 39. Main trunk of arterial system
- 41. Synthetic Filament
- 43. To jar (P1.)
- 45. A lion
- 46. To trill (As a bird)
- 48. Before
- 49. Pig Pen
- 50. Shoed a horse
- 51. To Decompose.

.....Marj. Aitken, *****

Lost:

One holstein heifer, identification tag in ear. Apply A. Caughey.

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Editorial:

The announcement from the A.I. Driving Club in this edition of the Island Beacon certainly raises a few eyebrows and from my standpoint the people who are interested in the Driving Club should answer the request.

I for one, indeed endorsed the formation of this club two years ago and since that time the club has contributed much to the social aspect of our island. They have sponsored two cards of winter horse races; they have organized dances on the island and on the mainland; they were right-in-line with a co-operative part and donation for the Santa Claus parade.

The incongruity of the Driving Club having to ask for support is indeed striking and to me a little sad.

If the executive of the Driving Club can muster the members and their support in the near future, I suggest that some of their time should be diligently spent in reflecting on their original aims and objectives. This might be the answer to why the initial, encouraging response waned.

....G.F. Sheil.

Acquaintances:

A person whom we know well enough to borrow from, but not well enough to lend to. A degree of friendship called slight when its object is poor or obscure, and intimate when he is rich and famous. A. Bierce

Wedding:

On Saturday, September 19th, Miss Joyce Glenn married William Griese in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. Following a honeymoon at Niagara Falls the newly-weds visited on the Island for a few days and then left for their residence in Smiths Falls.

The Beacon wishes Mr. and Mrs. Griese a long and happy life together.

...The Staff.

Lawyer:

One skilled in circumvention of the Law.

A. Bierce

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Auction Sale: Household & Office Furniture, Antiques & China. At G. Hugh Sharpe's Auction Lot, 9 miles South of Napanee on County Rd. 8. Sat. Oct. 3 at 12:30 p.m.

Auction Sale: Antique Furniture, Colored Glass, Guns, Collection of Clocks & Collector's Items, At 5723 MacDonnell St. in the city of Kingston, Saturday, Oct. 3 at 10:00 a.m.

Magnet:

Something acted upon by magnetism.

Magnetism:

Something acting upon a magnet.

The two definitions immediately foregoing are condensed from the works of one thousand eminent scientists, who have illuminated the subject with a great white light, to the inexpressible advancement of human knowledge.

A. Bierce

Over The Line Fence: (Coulson Cuties)

A non compos mentis patiently held a fish pole and line in his asylum retreat "What are you fishing for, my man?" asked a visitor, "suckers," he said, without looking up.

"Caught any?"
"You're the ninth."

Daughter -"But Dad, don't you believe that two can live as cheaply as one?"

Father - "Certainly do. Right now your Mother and I are living as cheaply as you."

Stealing a kiss may be petty larceny, but sometimes its grand.

...Bill Coulson.

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Municipal Affairs:

Council Corner:

Council has many "irons in the fire" at this writing. Insurance for the fire crew is being discussed with Workmens' Compensation Board but as yet no definite decision has been made as to how much coverage is necessary and at what cost to the tax payer. Council is however at full agreement that volunteers to the crew must have this coverage.

Clinton Kilpatrick is doing the necessary work on the fire truck to comply with the fitness test for insurance. The meeting with the three representatives of the Municipal Planning Board, was fruitful and a full report of the outcome of this meeting will be presented in the next issue of The Beacon.

A list of eligible candidates for jury duty is being compiled and will be forwarded to The Crown Attorney at the County Court House in Napanee. If notified to act in this capacity, it is hoped you will consider it a privilege to perform this duty to the best of your ability. ...Marj. Aitken

O.P.P. Press Release:

Last week 8 thefts, 3 break and enters, 2 disturbances, 2 requests for assistance and 5 other types of occurrences were investigated. The officers spent a total of 43 hours in Provincial Court with Judges Jackson and Baker registering 105 convictions.

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There is no truth to the rumour that the Amherst Island Liberation Front (A.I.L.F.) plans to kidnap Reeve Aitken. Their various cells can not agree on a suitable ransom.

....Staff.

Notice:

If any person fails to receive this Beacon please notify us as we will promptly mail another.

The Beacon endeavours to mail all subscriptions as soon as possible, and we regret any late deliveries. ...Staff.

Farm File:

The Ontario Milk Marketing Board will hold a meeting at the school, tentative date Monday evening, October 19th. The purpose of this meeting is to inform all milk producers about Market-Sharing Quotas. Producers will be notified of any change of date and are urged to attend.

This fall we see our Island horizon line broken by a number of shining new silos and realize that several farmers in our community anticipate their first experience in the use of corn silage.

Island farmers interested in corn silage will be pleased to know that Mr. Garnet Mills in conjunction with Keith Miller is planning a series of three or four discussions on this topic.

If anyone has suggestions regarding dates or a convenient time of day these workshops might be held please get in touch with Keith.

Any topics suggested of interest to local farmers such as haylage, grass silage, fertilizers, drainage etc. can also be considered for these informal meetings.

Local farmers, by getting in touch with Keith can receive free testing of feed samples. These samples can be grain, hay or maybe corn silage. Testing of corn silage is not encouraged because it is usually 3 or 4% protein and unless urea is added this will vary only slightly.

Thin Cows Produce Less Milk

Dairy cows that are fatter at calving time produce more high-quality milk than thinner cows. This finding, in recent tests by researchers at the University of Guelph, confirms the idea that stored body fat can be used by a cow as an energy source for milk production.

Researchers found that cows which were fatter at calving lost more live weight than thinner cows during the first 8 weeks of lactation.

"This trend indicates that the extra fat which these cows carried at calving was utilized as a source of energy for milk production and resulted in an increase of almost 9 pounds of milk per day," says Dr. N. M. MacLeod.

However, these results do not mean that overly fat cows will produce more milk. Cows that are too fat are likely to develop ketosis soon after calving, says MacLeod.

...Jean Tugwell Ernest Fleming Keith Miller.

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Softball Picture:

As yet the play-off picture is not resolved. Sunday's clash between the Galaxies and Monarchs never came off and as a result the play off picture is in a state of controversy. The Galaxies won the opening game 17-10 on Sunday October 4th.

....G. F. Sheil.

Hockey Season Closes In:

Jack Forrester, newly appointed coach of the island hockey team, was interviewed by telephone to-day about the upcoming season.

Jack says his attempts to get ice time for the team are hampered by the lack of the availability of ice in nearby arenas. Napanee arena will be available in about a week.

Jack will be attending a league meeting at Napanee to discuss the season regarding referees, game time, imports, and draft regulations.

The coach noted that two new players may join the team; these are Paul Reid and John Patrick. Burgess Stevenson will be between the pipes with Billy Carr with back-up goaltender.

....Staff.

Driving Club:

The Driving Club met on October 6 with a good turnout. It was election of officers night and the appointments were as follows:- Pres.- Allen Caughey, Vice Pres.- Ted Welbanks, Sec. Treas.- Jack Forrester, Directors- Eric Bailey, Gary Filson, Harry Filson, Gary Hitchins and Leigh Wemp. The club hopes to sponsor ice racing again this winter (weather permitting), and it was also discussed that perhaps we could help out with a local Field Day or Homecoming Week in sum

Kingston, after which she served one year of apprenticeship in Trenton. She now has her licence and will be happy to serve her customers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, formerly of Amherst Island will celebrate

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their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, October 18th. They will be honoured at a dinner given by their daughters Mrs Vincent McGinn and Mrs. Harold Belmont at Trinity Presbyterian Church Hall, Amherstview. Mr. Smith is a veteran of the First World War and was the first Islander to answer his country's call in the Second World War. Their friends and relatives extend congratulations and best wishes.

Guests at the home of George Mygend are his 82 year old mother, Mrs. Louise Mygend, his sister and brother-in-law from Denmark. They will also spend some time in Los Angeles before their return flight overseas.

Helen Miller spent Thanksgiving with her sister Marjorie Tooke and family, Grimsby.

Weekend visitors included:

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kehoe and family with Pete and Ytze Witteveen.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bach and Willis and Marion Stevenson, Jim and Jean at "The Cedars".

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Vanlare with Gordon and Georgia Reid.

Elmer and Sharon Ward and Roger with Frank and Marion Fleming.

Frank and Juanita Brady and family at their summer home.

Tim and Dorothy Murphy with Maurice and Vera Hogeboom.

Brenda Wemp of Kelowna, B.C. daughter of Neilson Wemp, was a recent guest of Helen Miller.

Church Services:

Oct. 18 St. Alban's 8:00 p.m.

25 8:00 p.m.

Oct. 18 St. Bartholomew's 11:00 a.m.

25 11:00 a.m.

Oct. 18 St. Paul's 8:00 p.m.

25 8:00 p.m.

Sheila Jarrel married Mr. Lance Eves on Friday, October 2nd in Kingston. They will be moving into their new home on the south shore when renovations have been completed.

The Beacon extends wishes for happy future to the

newlyweds.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Household Hints:

Distilled water is best for steam irons. If you are short of it, collect defrosting water from refrigerator or freezer.

A small piece of wrapping cord placed across jam or jelly glasses makes it easier to remove wax used to seal. ...F. McD.

Executive Meeting:

Bruce Robinson has scheduled a league meeting on Monday, October 19th to make arrangements for the annual club banquet and to deal with other matters. ... G.P. Sheil.

"I did this", says my memory "I cannot have done this", says my pride, remaining inexorable. Eventually, my memory yields.

F. Nietzsche

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Garden Chit Chat:

Most of us know that Mrs. D. J. Reid grows beautiful gloxinias so I asked her to write down her method of growing them for all of us to benefit.

Gloxinias are grown from a bulb. You root a leaf in water to form the bulb. Soon as the roots are established, plant it and keep watering it until leaves appear. If you dig carefully you will find a tiny bulb continue watering until your plant grows to maturity.

Care of mature bulbs:

In September stop watering completely and let dry out. Cut the plant off and store the potted bulb in a dry cool place for the winter.

In March (earlier if the bulbs start to sprout) bring the bulbs out of their winter habitat and place them in a bright window and keep the earth moist. They need plenty of light, but not direct sun. East, north, or south windows are best. Keep them out of a draft.

You should have flowers in June, and if you are lucky they will bloom a second time.

You have heard of roses in December but strawberries in October?? Marion Glenn picked a handful on October 9th.

...E.L.N.

Chalk Talk:

The last two weeks have been very busy ones at the school. Our first club meeting was a huge success. The business section of the meeting was followed by some singing and games. Mrs. Strain's class went on a small hike last week. They went to the park and the ferry dock. They collected and displayed rocks, leaves and twigs in their classroom.

Last Friday we held our first dance of the season. The previous club committee and the future one along with Mrs. Murray organised a midi-maxi party. The girls had to wear a midi or maxi dress. Refreshments were served and music was supplied by records. A delicious lunch was served.

....Patti Jo Neilson and Kathy Wemp.

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High School Report

This year at the school the Student's Council has planned to schedule the dances every other Friday. They have had some good bands so far and last Friday night they had The Sands of Time. A few Island kids went and from most reports the dance and band was a success.

A week from this Friday night the annual Sadie Hawkin's Dance is on and the theme this year is a Halloween masquerade.

Vincent Eves and Peter McCormick have signed up for the midget hockey league and we wish them luck on making the team.

At the school they have a driver education program for students wishing to learn to drive; Marcia MacCrimmon and Danny Emmerson are taking the course this year.

This, I think, is the first year the Island students have been active in so many different clubs and activities and it is good to see their enthusiasm. ...Laurie Kilpatrick

Raspberries In October?

The Beacon learned recently that Mr. Avery Brown chanced to pick fresh, wild raspberries on October 8. A fairly large spray of the bush, with the berries still clinging to it and evidently quite prosperous, was shown to me this week.

...G.F. Sheil.

Fire Department:

Reeve Vince Aitken reported developments on the fire department. The doors for the hall are slated to

arrive on the nineteenth; the ceiling has been lowered to allow for more economical heating; arrangements are being made to install wiring and electric heating; "good old Number 9" is being tuned up at Clint's Garage and is also getting some body-work done at the same time.

Mr. Aitken states that the compensation and insurance arrangements for the volunteers have not been confirmed or completed to date.

...Staff.

In the 10th Edition, I mentioned visiting several sailboats in Stella Harbour and this past week, I received a letter from Mrs. Annette Mott, one of the crew on the Whippoor-will, I had convinced them that they should visit some of the Island "sights" which they did.

"Many of our friends have asked us about our ten day vacation on the Whippoor-will and the four of us always say that our stop-over at Stella was by far the most interesting and friendly spot during our trip. I am sure that you will have many people from the Syracuse area and Gouverneur area visit your beautiful Island."

Signed Mrs. Annette C. Mott.

....G. F. Sheil.

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The George A. Marsh

Kingston Daily Standard, August 2, 1917, Thurs.

"...shortly after five o'clock yesterday morning ... the three masted schooner George A. Marsh of Belleville fell a victim to the terrible gale which swept over the lower lake and after battling against the fury of wind and wave for some time, went under carrying with her twelve lives and about five hundred tons of soft coal.....

"The unfortunate victims of the accident were Captain Smith, his wife and five children; Mate William Watkins, sailor George Cousens, and Mrs. McLennan and two children.

"Mr. McLennan and William Smith, a brother of the dead captain, were rescued by Hugh McCaugherty and Ben Wemp of Amherst Island, who put out in a skiff to the rescue.

Mr. McLennan related the following: "We passed Oswego about one o'clock in the morning and had a straight run over.... There was a very heavy gale blowing, but the vessel had weathered many another such gale ... Sometime in the early morning however, before daybreak, we discovered that the boat was leaking badly ... We tried to work the pumps but they could not check the flow of water.... all of us and our

families were assembled on deck....

"Suddenly about five o'clock in the morning when we were just about one mile from Pigeon Island... a wave much larger than usual caught us, the vessel gave a sudden lurch on its side and then took a plunge downward, washing every soul overboard, and sending us all into the cruel, pitiless hungry water....

"You cannot imagine the Hell and horror of it all - to see your loved ones go down before your very eyes and not be able to lend them a helping hand or do anything to save them from the doom that engulfed them. And then you can imagine the further hell when for six long hours we struggled in the water, clinging to the overturned yawl boat....

"Both the survivors were badly used up in their battle with the waves, their limbs being badly bruised and scraped by striking the yawl boat...

"They paid a warm tribute to the treatment given them by the residents of Amherst Island and to the splendid rescue effected by Hugh McCaugherty and Benjamin Wemp. Their strength was about gone when the rescuers reached them, and they could not of held on much longer".

Today, The George A. Marsh rests quietly on the bottom of Lake Ontario, her repose only disturbed by the occasional visit from local scuba divers. The wreck was discovered by Ed Donnelly, scuba instructor at The Kingston Y, in 1964. Artifacts from this ship may be seen at the Marine Museum at Old Fort York.

...Ian Murray.

Coward:

One who in perilous emergency thinks with his legs. A. Bierce

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The Beacon Salutes:

Allen Bruce Caughey, a prominent and publicspirited Islander, who must rank as one of most active and popular residents of our insular community.

Mr. Caughey was born June 22, 1910, the son of the late David Caughey and his wife Mary. He was married in 1938 to the former Helen M. Marshall and has three children, Allen, Beth, and Bruce Jr., who are now grown up. He has farmed on the family acres on the third concession for many years.

For thirty-three years Bruce was secretary treasurer of the Amherst Island Township School Area and held office continuously until the dissolution in 1969, at which time the county board concept came into being.

He was elected a member of the Lennox and Addington County Board of Education representing the ward of Ernestown, Bath and Amherst Island in 1969 and at the inaugural meeting of this board he was elected chairman and is presently serving his second term of office. Bruce was appointed to the Napanee and District Secondary School Board in 1966.

Since 1939 he has been a director of the Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance Company and is presently its president: in 1969 he was elected to the provincial executive of the Mutual Life Underwriters' Association. Bruce has been secretary treasurer of the Glenwood-Pentland Cemetery Board for twenty-five years and has been elder at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church since 1948.

Long active in organizations, Bruce has distinguished himself as a member or the Maple Leaf Masonic Lodge (since 1937), Ramesis Shrine Toronto (1968) and the Burleigh L.O.L. (1935).

With a heart as big as his booming laugh and his eye constantly set on his native island Bruce Caughey has himself in a life of public service, and his dedication is reflected in his achievements and contributions.

...Staff.

Answer to Crossword. {see Page 13 for puzzle answer}

Bazaar And Turkey Supper will be held at Victoria Hall, Saturday evening November 7th at 6:00 p.m. under the auspices of the Anglican Church Women. Admission: Adults \$2.00 Children \$1.00 Everyone Welcome *****

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"Observations"

In order to keep well informed and in tune with the times, one must be constantly alert and observant.

There are times when one's feelings are filled with pessimism and it is then that one must turn to other phases of activity and interest to seek restored confidence.

This can be particularly true of one's environment and the community that you call "home". Just a year ago now, arrangements were finalized for the sale of an extensive acreage in what is known as the Second Concession of our Island. This meant the transfer of title of farms from such well known Island names as Glenn, Filson, Bulch, McKee, Strain and Reid to an unknown corporation known as "Nilomis." It brought to

termination an ownership that had, in many cases, extended back over three and four generations. These were people who had, down through the decades of Island history, been the backbone of our community. They had farmed their acres well. They had a pride of ownership, ownership which had only been attained through dint of laborious toil down through the years. Their homes were well kept, constantly improved and had seen large families reared. They had their hours of gladness and also of sadness, and it was with much concern that many of us witnessed this change.

What of the future? We had heard rumors of the establishment of a Mennonite Colony of German or Italian immigrants and of a large scale farm operation. A year has passed and nothing has happened - ah yes, the grass and weeds have continued to grow, the look of neglect, rather than that of loving care is evident. When one drives the length of this road, one is filled with sadness and without a doubt pessimism, so we must turn to some other aspect of our Island life for encouragement and optimism.

One could not be an Island resident during the past six months without being conscious of the immense amount of construction work going on about us; four barns have been undergoing modernization - Bert Mulders and son Albert have enlarged their dairy operation as have Lorne Veech and son Allan; Harry Fleming, ex-Reeve of the Island has modernized his dairy barn as well as building large addition to the same.

(to be cont'd in next issue)A.B.C.

Do other males stare enviously at your wife or girl friend? Encourage her to keep in fashion: a midi-, and especially a maxi-skirt, will make her so dowdy no one will look twice. (You probably won't either, but that's the price you pay for security.)

....Ian Murray.

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1 Used Carlton portable typewriter for sale. Apply:- "Filsons Coffee Shop."

Over The Line Fence (Coulson Cuties)

Sergeant- "Are you married?"

Prisoner - "No sir."

Officer - "He's a liar, sergeant. When we arrested him, we searched him and found in his pockets a clipped recipe for curing croup, a sample of silk, and two unposted letters in a woman's handwriting a week old."

Said a monk, as he hung by his tail, To the little monks, female and male, "From your offspring, my dears, in a few million years, May evolve a professor of Yale!"

"What, your son is an undertaker I thought you said he was a doctor?"

"No, I said he followed the medical profession." ***

A teacher asked the children to submit a couplet made to rhyme with Kelly,

Little Willie released this epic

There was a likely lad named Kelly,

Who waded in the brook up to his knees.

"Where is the rhyme?" asked teacher.

"Water was not deep enough!" replied Willie.

A farmer wrote to a rural paper to ask.

"How long cows should be milked?"

"Why the same as short cows, of course." advised the editor.

Pa - "I think I'll go downstairs and send Nancy's young man home."

Ma - "Now, Elmer, remember the way we used to court."

Pa - "Gosh, I hadn't thought of that, out he goes!"

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Base On Amherst Island:

The Department of Energy and Resources has had a small group of men in this area during the last few months. They have been engaged in a geographical survey of Lake Ontario.

There are small signal stations on Pigeon Island, Bear Point on Wolfe Island, and the south side of Long Point on Amherst Island. Prior to the survey operations which are conducted from a boat in the lake, these stations were set up so that signals originating from them could be received at the boat and used to pin-point the places where samples had been taken. The station on Amherst has two thermal, propane generators.

The samples are taken from the bottom of the lake, and according to an informed source "a clam-type apparatus is lowered which encases the sample in a self-sealing container before it is lifted." Biological tests are also being conducted and the men state that Lake Ontario is in much better shape than Lake Erie. They will finish their work in "mid-November."

...Staff:- thanks to Bill Kilpatrick, *****

Fire Department:

Clinton Kilpatrick confirms that the bodywork and mechanical repairs will soon be completed and the fire truck fully ready to roll.

The fire hall renovations drag on: the ceiling tile is started and the light industrial fibreglass door has arrived.

....Staff

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Lest We Forget

On Sunday, November 8th at 2:00 p.m. the Legion will have a memorial service at the Cairn. It would be fitting to see the ceremonies well attended.

The following lists are men and women who have answered the call of their country. We have endeavoured to include all names, and so sincerely apologize for any omissions. (Stars represent loss of life.) Some names may appear which might be found on the roll of other communities. The Beacon thanks Fred Hitchins and Kenneth Miller for their wonderful assistance.

Boer War Edward Filson **

World War I George Willard William Taylor **Ernest Instant** Oswald Wemp Kenneth Miller James Cochrane Samuel Cochrane Matthew Durham Ross Pringle * Harry Filson Samuel Reid Harold Smith John Smith (I & II) Ernest Wemp James Bell * Bert Smith Charles Hefford Ephriam Hefford Thomas McFern * William Weeks John Willard Charles Willard Andrew Gibson Robert Filson Cyril Glass C.T. Holland Francis Holland I. Johnston I. Miller Ray McDonough Hugh McFern John Neilson George Newman Miss G. Preston George Pringle Hiram Willard Alfred Williams

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Ernest Dennee *

Stirling Polley *

Fred Willard *

World War II
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Chester Tugwell
Earle Tugwell
Harold Miller
Thomas Miller
Douglas Glenn
Grant Filson
Edward Filson
Stuart Kilpatrick

Wallace Hefford Stewart Brown

Wilbur (Mike) Brown

Leslie Glenn William Bulch Leslie McGinn

Neilson Wemp Ralph Wemp

James Eves

John Drumgoole

Vincent McGinn

Leo McGinn

Arthur Wemp Roger McDonald

Fred Hitchins

John Kearney

Wallace Kearney *

Gerald Kearney *

Gertrude Wemp

Rhoda Marshall

Anna Neilson

Kathleen Drumgoole

Ruth Kearney

Margaret Richards

Leonard Compeau

Jack Kerr

William Robinson

Alva Cochrane

Richard Saunders

Ben Nightingale

Maurice Smith

Herb Wires

Bill Coulson

Frank Welton

Harvey Eves

Wilbur Eves

Harold Morrow

Garth Orchard

Keith Orchard

Brian Orchard ₩

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Edward Reid

Cecil Tait *
Willard Sudds
Herb Kilpatrick
Don McGinn
Billy Glenn

KOREA WAR Daniel Wemp Henry Wemp

SINCE KOREAN WAR

Howard Cochrane Harold McGinness Robert McGinness

Attend International Ploughing Match:

A number of islanders attended the International Ploughing Match held this year in Victoria County near Lindsay, Ontario, October 13 - 17. Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Willard, Mr. & Mrs. Stratton Reid, Mr. & Mrs. James Neilson, Garnet McDonald, Clinton Kilpatrick, Gordon Reid and Marshall Glenn motored up to this event.

Mary Neilson enjoyed the excursion but commented on the deplorable weather and the necessity for rubber footwear. She was impressed by the "tented city" laid out in three huge, quarter-mile rows where displays of everything from milking equipment to household appliances were arrayed. Mary was amazed at one huge Massey-Ferguson tractor-dual-wheeled, V-8, 540 cubic inch, 150 hsp. She believes the exhibition of modern farm equipment is second to none in Canada.

Comments from another source were "sea of mud, good livestock shown, Ye Olde Shingle Mill included in a tremendous showing of steam equipment."

.....Staff.

By cultivating the beautiful
We scatter the seeds of heavenly flowers.
John Howard.

Galaxies Win The Playoff Trophy

The Amherst Islander M.V. Playoff Trophy was won by the Galaxies who also secured the coveted Tugwell Memorial for their first-place finish.

The series had been knotted at one game apiece, the Monarchs dumping the Galaxies 15-6 in their last encounter.

The final game, played on Sunday afternoon, October 25th, should rank as one of the season's best. The Monarchs led 3-1 until the bottom of the seventh when the Galaxies converted a pair of Monarch miscues into two runs and a 3-3 saw-off.

In the top of the eighth Brian Ward rushed home with the lead run for the Monarchs. However in the bottom of the eighth inning, Donald Miller lashed a lead-off single and Ian Murray ripped a hit to the left side which eluded the fielders and Ian scampered around the bags to be greeted at home plate by his jubilant team mates.

Full credit is given to the teams, umpires, and spectators who put up such a good show under very inclement weather conditions.

Notice: ...Staff.

Watch for our column "Where are They Now." I am sure you will find it makes good reading.

....G. F. Sheil.

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{1951} Nov. 6 Bulldozer clears roads the bus goes on.
Had to take a grist up with a sleigh. All the cattle in.
1953 - Oct. 31 Had little folks to call for Halloween
treats.
1953 - Nov. 12 To Bill and Dorothy Kilpatrick - a girl.
1939 - Oct. 31 Items from budget book of yours truly:
Clothing - shoes $2.60
           Stockings .59
Groceries
           meat .42
            tomato juice .08
            vanilla .10
            can of shrimps .15
            wax paper .10
            1/2 lb. bacon .15
            Velveeta cheese .10
Miscell.
            ball of baby wool .19
2 Weeks laundry bill $1.00
Church Coll. .30
2 weeks iceman bill 1.60
Candy for Halloween .60
....Marj. Aitken.
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An historical society for Amherst Island is under consideration at the Beacon "office." The material collected would be used for articles in the Beacon and hopefully the end result would be a book on this most interesting subject. Would you like to donate some time to the project? If called upon, would you participate? An organizational meeting has been scheduled for 8:00 Wednesday, November 4th at the Public School. Show your interest by turning out!

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R. Murray.
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October 31st QUIZWORD: {see Page 13 for puzzle}

Find the words in all directions horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backwards - use the clues from the list. Circle the letters in each word. The remaining letters will spell the "Quizword."

Clues: -B:- This cat is lucky (5) Witches ride them (6) A jelly one is good (4) You can get wet doing this for apples (7) C:- Are you having one in your school _ _ _ ? (4) You could dress up as this (5) You'll be wearing one tonight. (7)

F:- A false one is funny (4)

G:- Wear a sheet and be one (5)

A chewy treat (3)

J:- A carved pumpkin face (12)

Play them on friends (5)

K:- Candy ones are yummy (6)

M:- Wear a lot of this (6)

This will hide your eyes (4)

P:- Like it in a shell (6)

Recite one for your treat (4)

S:- People will do this for kids (8) 2 wds. Will you be doing this to windows? (7)

Sing one for your treat (4)

Does a ghost do this to you? (5)

T:- Like these on a stick. (11) 2 wds.

What you say when you call at someone's door (12)

W:- With a cape and a tall hat you can be one of these

....Marj. Aitken. ****

Masquerade Dance:

Friday, October 30th at Victoria Hall.

Music by the Five Tones,

Auspices of Royal Canadian Legion.

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Garden Chit Chat:

Contrary to what Mr. Abrahm (The Green Thumb) said, rose bushes do need protection during Canadian winters. Mr. A. lives in the United States, in a milder climate and no doubt roses there do not need to be protected. So please excuse me for taking exception to one as knowledgeable as he.

The end of October or early November is the time to cover your rose bushes. If you have compost, use it, dump about a ten inch mound around each plant, making sure it covers the roots in and around the bush. (Garden soil will do if you don't have compost.) Compost serves a twofold purpose - winter protection and soil improvement.

Rake all leaves off your rose bed, then sprinkle with Sevin or a similar product - next mound up the bushes then cover the whole bed with leaves, 2 or 3 feet deep. Secure the leaves with branches and your roses should survive the coldest winter.

Horticulturists don't recommend pruning in the fall but if your bushes have grown very tall it would be best to cut them down to 2 or 2 1/2 feet.

You can winter parsley in the garden by giving it a heavy covering of leaves also. Early in the spring fresh leaf growth will start. Bring a few roots into the house in a flower pot to have fresh parsley all winter. It requires a cool window and plenty of water.

.....E.L.N.

Athletic Club Banquet:

The annual banquet will be on Saturday, November 21st. Details will be available in the near future.

Tickets are being prepared for the athletic club draw and the Beacon asks that you support this drive for funds.

Chalk Talk:

...Staff.

Hallowe'en has struck the school! Masks are being erected by the senior room. A large pumpkin has been delivered to the school, his fate, everyone knows. We recently received a Cassette Tape Recorder and fifty cassettes. There is a large selection of primary stories and many tapes on higher educational levels. Installation of a hot water tank was commenced on Friday, as of yet it is not complete. The school's costume party has been set up for Friday afternoon with prizes for the best costume, most original costume and funniest costume. Treats will be supplied by students.

Arrangements of the school library are under way. Repairing the books is a job that most of the students enjoy and afterward the books look really nice.

The school has decided upon donating something to the fire department. Plans are to be discussed at our next meeting which is this Friday.

...Kathy Wemp & Patti-Jo Neilson.

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Driving Club:

About twenty Amherst Islander attended the horse sale at the Kingston Racing Stables on October 24th. There was not much to report regarding the auction or purchases.

The Driving Club held a meeting on Monday night in the basement of the Glenisle Lunchroom.

....Staff.

From The Principal:

A Three-Term Enrolment program will be initiated in our school effective January 1, 1971. This program is designed to offer the advantage of kindergarten and as well to structure into school organizations a flexibility embracing continuous progress and eventually ungrading.

Those who begin school in January are the children who will be six years of age between January 1, 1971 and April 30, 1971. Those born between May 1 and

August 31 will begin in May; and children whose birth date occurs September 1 to December 31 will begin in September.

The members of the staff at our public school are introducing parent volunteers into the programs. This is a new idea at our school and we are moving very cautiously, however I anticipate the volunteers will contribute significantly to the learning experiences.

High School Report:

The football season has drawn to a close for the Junior Football Team, and now the hockey teams are being organized. Vincent Eves and Peter McCormick are playing for the Midget Hockey League, and their first game was Tuesday night.

The school has organized typing contests every two weeks for the students who take this subject, and awards are given to the student with the most words per minute in his or her grade. Mary Emmerson received a pin for the highest score in her level.

This Thursday, the students from some of the commercial classes will go on a trip to Ottawa. From the island, this included Marcia MacCrimmon, Susan Veech and Barry Strain. They will visit the Parliament Buildings and also see how the Simpson-Sears store up there is run.

On November 7th, the annual commencement is being held at the school. Gay Eves will receive her grade 13 diploma, and Anne McCormick, Mary Mulders, Brian Welbanks and Warren Kilpatrick will receive grade 12 diplomas. Honour pins this year will go to Mary Mulders and Barry Strain.Laurie Kilpatrick.

Life's like a lovely garden With memories as the flowers And God gives us the privilege To choose what goes in ours. Helen Farries.

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FARM FILE:

Fall Fertilizing:

An increasing number of farmers have started fertilizing in the fall. It really pays off when confined to phosphorous and potassium. Recent research shows that losses from leaching are negligible for these two minerals. Savings in time and labor will offset any losses from leaching, unless your soil is exceptionally sandy, or the precipitation is above normal.

Do not apply nitrogen in the fall, as it becomes denitrified or leached during winter.

Plowing down fertilizer in the fall does not eliminate the need for starter fertilizer, but it does reduce the quantity to be put on when planting.

Feed Colostrum:

There can he no argument about the necessity of colostrum for the newborn calf. A calf is born with only about 10 per cent of the antibodies (gamma globulin) in its blood necessary to protect it from local diseases.

Colostrum is a unique feed, it not only contains a large and readily available supply of these antibodies, but also has an antidigestive enzyme which prevents the antibodies from being destroyed in the intestine.

Make sure that the calf gets 4 pounds of colostrum as soon as possible, certainly within 4 hours of birth. The extra colostrum may be frozen and fed to older calves. As it has twice the solids of whole milk it should be diluted with milk or water to prevent "overloading" the calf.

The Lennox and Addington County Milk Committee will hold an information meeting in the Amherst Island Public school on Monday evening, November 2 at 8:00 p.m. It is hoped that Doug Ptolmey and Allen Ketcheson will also be there. All producers are urged to attend and to bring their proposed market-sharing quota slips.

The Lennox and Addington Farm Safety Council Awards Night will be held in Odessa Township Hall on Tuesday evening Nov. 10th. All students who entered the poster and scrap-bock competition, and their parents are invited to attend.

....Keith Miller Ernest Fleming Jean Tugwell

Lennox Generating Station:

The public school received the periodical "Ontario Hydro News" in which the Lennox Generating Station is looked at in a comprehensive article. Any person who would like a copy of the article may get one by dropping in to the school.

G. F. Sheil.

Household Hints:

Egg whites beat up faster and higher if they are at room temperature and if a tiny pinch of salt is added.

Milk stays fresh longer if you add a pinch of salt to each quart.

..... F. McD.

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Activities At Victoria Hall:

Lately, Victoria Hall seems to be the scene of more activity as two functions took place there recently and there is the Masquerade Dance on Friday night.

The Benn sisters held a religious evening on October 21, but attendance was very poor. On Tuesday, October 27 the Elvis Presley movie "Easy Come, Easy Go!" attracted a good audience.

....Staff.

Observations

(Conclusion)

The Miller Family at "Mapledene" farm have done a complete job of modernization. Seven milkhouses have been built or are in the course of construction which have lead to the installation of bulk milk tanks; seven new silos have been erected and presently are being filled from a wonderful crop of corn, I am sure the largest acreage ever produced in Island fields. Our municipal Council is to be commended for their share of progress; tax bills issued by computer; the surfacing of some three miles of township road; the establishment of the Township Hall to a very fine "Fire Hall."

While I may appear to have been critical in preceding paragraphs, of the invasion of newcomers, this is not my intent, I simply want to give credit, through observation, where justly due. For many years now we have witnessed the substantial increase in summer residents and residences and I personally feel grateful for the many fine people who have established themselves here in cottages or in permanent homes. It would be impossible, in these columns, to enumerate those who have done so, or to suitably recognize their contribution to the Island economy, but suffice it to say that, with few exceptions, these people are the finest they have a constant program of improvement. In my capacity of "meter reader", I have the opportunity of seeing something of the beauty that they add each year to their properties - no over-running by weeds etc., but instead flower gardens, well tilled and productive vegetable gardens, well painted buildings and in general a decor of improvement and good taste.

As evidence of the progress of those who have become permanent residents, we have only to look at the gigantic establishment and organization of "Holbeth Farms" and to the "Tanti Hereford Farm", owned by our genial and capable reeve Vince Aitken, there is proof of interest and conscientious hard work as well as the expenditure of thousands of dollars. Thus observing, I feel inclined to balance the ledger; my confidence in our future is restored along with the replacement of pessimism by optimism.

.....A.B.C.

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Auction Sale:

Antique & Modern Household Furniture, Car, Motorbike, Boat & Trailer, Electrical Appliances 1 mile w. of Deseronto, mile e. of Skyway Bridge, Bayshore Rd. Friday, Oct. 30 at 12:00.

Auction Sale:

Antique & Modern Household Effects Collector's Items, Clocks, Guns, Wooden Decoys. 112 Centre St. Napanee, Ont. Friday, Nov. 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Mortgage Sale of Farm Property to be held Thurs. Oct. 29 at 2:00 p.m. on the Premises herein advertised:-West 3/4 of Lot (Less Exception) and North East 1/4 of Lot 6, Both in Concession 9, Township of Portland, County of Frontenac.

For Sale:

1 1969 16 H.P. Narrow Track Snow Cruiser. New Condition.

Apply: Edwin Hogeboom, Amherst Island. ***

For Sale:

Mixmaster, with grinder and lemon squeezer plus other attachments. \$20.00.

Apply: Chris Glenn.

The House Beautiful.

The crown of the house is Godliness.
The Beauty of the house is Order
The Glory of the house is Hospitality.
The Blessing of the house is Contentment.

Old Inscription.

Snowmobile Club:

A real good idea has been tabled and all that is needed is an adequate response. For our money a snow mobile club offers great winter fun and recreation, plus the advantage of outdoor activity and good friendship.

If you are keen on the formation of this club, submit your name at the Glenisle Lunchroom.

....Staff.

It's About That Time:

To get yourself, your group, and your community lining up plans for the Santa Claus Parade. Last year's parade was a whopping success and this year's is going to be better!

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Cenotaph Service:

On Sunday, November 8th the Legion Branch 539 held its commemorative service on the site of the cairn and the ceremony was graced with an exceptionally sunny, clear day.

The members of the local legion, who had marched from Victoria Hall, and the audience were led in prayer by Rev. Norman Allison. Mr. Fred Hitchins delivered the Honour Roll and Miss Annette Glenn placed the wreath of remembrance.

Two minutes of silence were observed and following the singing of O'Canada, the veterans marched in column back to the village.

....Staff.

Quiet Hallowe'en:

The night of goblins and other ghoulish spectres passed quietly on the island.

There was the usual rash of road-blocks and other similar mischief perpetrated by those whose tired sense of humour saddles their imagination. However, the "trick or treaters" were few, leaving many homes with a surplus of goodies, especially purchased or made for the occasion. I know of one lady who laboured for hours making taffy-apples, pop-corn balls, and homemade fudge - not one be-costumed visitor arrived on the thirty-first to claim a treat from her house.

Surely those innocents who spend their Hallowe'en marauding the island roads and not really providing true enjoyment for themselves or anyone else, would realize more profound happiness in donning a disguise and making themselves welcome in island homes.

....Editor.

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Municipal Affairs:

Council Corner:-

The Reeve speaks:-

The volunteer fire department will be covered with

compensation from the Compensation Board of Ontario. They will also be covered with an insurance policy for each member - \$10,000.00 on life and dismemberment. It would seem that with this point reached and the fire truck licensed, insured and ready to go that the township will very soon have its fire department. Harry Filson, the Fire Chief, has been given the "green light" to form his volunteer fire brigade. The fire ball is being wired by Murray Clarke with a 200-amp. service, capable of providing electric heating.

Representatives from 2 planning offices met with Council recently to discuss setting up controlled planning for the township. The firms will submit their quotes on this job which Council decided was necessary.

A meeting was held in the Chief Assessors' Office in the City of Kingston to discuss the equalizing of assessment. It could be concluded from information received from this office, that Island properties that had been sold from Oct. 1, 1968 to Sept. 30, 1969, showed a great increase in property values, and the assessment increased on same. The equalizing factor was arrived at from sales of Island properties during this 12-month period.

Anyone interested in further information on these vital issues might find a "question & answer" period on Nominations Night (Nov. 23, Victoria Hall, 7:30 - 8:30) will provide the answers. If enough interest is shown a public meeting with key speakers on these subjects could be arranged at a later date.

...Vince Aitken (per M.A.)

Correction:

In the issue of October 29th is a list of those who served in the various wars. Bill Coulson is erroneously listed as 2nd war whereas be served only in W.W.I. Herb Wires served in both W.W.I & II. He is listed in W.W. II only.

Thanks - B.C.

Hydro Plant:

The Lennox Generating Station will discharge one million gallons of heated water per minute into the North Channel.

How will this affect the ice? What are the chances of a warm current being created that will cause weak spots in the ice? Has this been considered? The Beacon hopes to find out.

....Staff.

Hunting News:

Donald Miller shot a spike-horn buck on his annual foray into the Madawaska country.

Gary Filson bagged a large wolf while deer hunting near Landsdowne.

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Safety Awards:

The Lennox and Addington Farm Safety Council held an Awards Night on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at Odessa Town Hall to honour area contestants who did an excellent job in the poster and scrap-book competition. Fifty-nine students were eligible for county honours, including eight from Amherst Island. Only two of our students, Aaron Sheil and Debbie Fleming were present to receive their awards but we congratulate all those who entered the competition. It was a most successful evening with over a hundred parents and children in attendance. Films on farm safety, proper use of electrical appliances and school bus deportment were shown and Constable R. Harrington of the O.P.P. spoke on safety.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Glenn Sheil moved a vote of thanks to the executive of the Farm Safety Council.

....Staff.

Why Is Santa jumping for joy? See page 10 ****

Farm File:

Use the right grease for the right job.

Lubrication: greases normally used on the farm consist of an oil mixed with a special type of soap. The soap acts as a stiffening agent and gives the grease its consistency. It may vary from an almost liquid toistanders turned out and many strangers came. The a hard and stiff substance. To a large extent, the type. W. is to be congratulated for an excellent supper.

soap used determines the characteristics of the greasstaff. and where it should be used.

Ordinary pressure-gun grease (often called chassis grease) contains a lime soap. Greases made with limeMr. & Mrs. Alvah Cochrane celebrate their 50th soap are resistant to washing with water but not twodding anniversary dayiv ember 2 4th. temperatures (200 degrees and over); water pump*,**** greases usually contain lime soap.

The special wheel bearing and ball bearing greatesOur Way: are made using a soda (sodium) soap base and are mWe are pleased to report that Claude Willard is resistant to higher temperatures and therefore do inorroving in Kingston General Hospital, also that Wes "throw out" of the bearings at higher speeds and Brown has returned to his home in Stella. temperatures; they also have a fibrous texture.

The newer multipurpose grease often are made using

a lithium base soap and are resistant to both heat and

...E. Fleming J. Tugwell.

Nomination Night For Reeve and Council:-Victoria Hall -

November 23rd, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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Election:

December 7th in Victoria Hall. 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Nomination Meeting for candidates for Lennox & Addington County Board of Education will be held at Ernestown Township Hall at Odessa, November 23rd at 8:00 p.m.

The Annual Community Christmas Carol Service will take place again this year at the Presbyterian Church on Monday, December 21st, at 7:30 p.m.

The Service will be conducted by the Rev. Norman Allison and the Rev. Douglas Dunning, the choir's under the direction of Charles Densem.

Choir practices are called for 8:00 p.m. at the church on Monday, November 16th, Monday, December 7th, and Tuesday December 15th. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome to join the choir, by getting in touch with Gene McDonald, at 318-W-1. ****

Turkey Supper:

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Welton.

Edward Filson, Ottawa, spent the weekend here at his home.

Carol Glenn, Annette and John, Sudbury, are spending a week with Helen Miller and Les and Irene Glenn.

Several students and parents attended the Commencement exercises at Napanee and District Secondary School.

Mrs. Marion Richards, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and their families attended the funeral of Mrs. Donald Hanley, (Viola) at Polaski, N.Y. The Community extends sympathy at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Drumgoole will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary in Victoria Hall, on Saturday evening, November 14th.

The Amherst Island Women's Institute will cater for the Athletic Club dinner on Saturday evening, November 21st.

It is deer hunting season and several of our Islanders have answered the call of the North; Kenneth, Stuart, Keith,

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Donald and Ronnie Miller, Kerry Hogeboom, Eric and Ted Welbanks, Glenn Filson, Paul Glenn, Wilber, Elmer and Earl Willard, James, Lance and Vincent Eves, David Wemp, Albert and Anthony Henderson, Carry Filson. If I have missed anyone - my humble apology.

Bible study classes will be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at the school. Rev. Allison and Rev. Dunning will instruct. Classes will be 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

The Community Sunday School Christmas party will be held in Victoria Hall, December 11 at 8:00 p.m. Everyone welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

The community carol service will be held on Monday evening December 21 at 7:30 in St. Paul's Church.

The evening service at St. Paul's has been cancelled on Sunday November 15th in order that those who wish, may go to Amherstview where Rev. Zander Dunn will be showing slides of Guyana, at 7:00 o'clock in Trinity Church. Rev. Dunn will also conduct the morning worship service at 11:00 a.m.

Church services:

St. Alban's Nov.15 - 8:00 p.m. evening prayer Nov.22 - 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion. St. Bartholomew's Nov. 15 -11:00 a.m.

Nov. 22 - 11.00 a.m.

St. Paul's Nov. 15 - service cancelled.

Nov. 22-7:30 p.m.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Santa Claus Parade:

The Santa Claus Parade meeting is slated for Wednesday, November 18th at 8:00 p.m. in the public school. Get up! Get out! Get in - on your parade this year!

We anticipate parade participation from those who helped last year, namely the Women's Institute, the Driving Club, the public school, the Legion, the Council, the Orange Lodge, the Athletic Club.

Four additional sponsors have entered their names to date and we welcome as many as possible.

Tentative parade date is Saturday, December 19th and we hope to organize evening activities such as a dance, a sleigh ride.

...Santa Claus Parade Committee.

Hallowe'en Dance:

The Hallowe'en dance at the Victoria Hall was fairly well attended. The following prizes were awarded:- first and second prize to identically-costumed Misses Jo-Anne Mulders and Valerie Filson; and best child's costume to Carol Bernier. Many of the costumes were excellent and the judges had considerable difficulty in awarding the prizes.

....Ian Murray.

Help thy brother's boat across and lo! Thine own has reached the shore. Old Hindu Proverb.

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Down The Lane:

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries)

1935 Nov. 17 - A dark, gloomy day. The wind was so high we had no mail, no boat trip.

{1935} Nov. 19 - Went to a church service, in the afternoon, at Miss E. Spears.

1934 Nov. 18 - A fine day for November. Rev Sharp of Wilton preached a fine sermon at church. Had Charlie and Minnie for dinner. Had Sunday School.

1940 Nov. 14 - Anglican Bazaar at Emerald. George. W. Brown died yesterday. Dad fell down cellar, Dr.

Ellicott of Napanee came to see him.

{1940} Nov. 26 - First snow storm this winter - awfully cold. It snowed all night.

{1940} Nov. 27 - Mrs. George Brown of Stella sold out to-day. We were at it. Roads blocked with snow.

{1940} Nov. 28 - Mrs. Brown and girl are leaving for London to-day, will live there.

1941 Nov. 20 - Mrs. Frank Hendersons sale is to-day. {1941} Nov. 29 - Mrs. Bruce Caughey home from hospital with her new son, Harold Allen.

{1941} Nov. 22 - A social evening at Frank Flemings'. Mrs. Richards has anniversary dinner.

1942 Nov. 28 - Went to Mrs. McCormac's funeral today. A plane went down in the lake this morning. 1943 Nov. 20 - A fair was held at Victoria Hall under the auspices of Women's Inst. Mrs. Geo. Begg died. {1943} Nov. 23 - I made my Xmas cake to-day. 1944 Nov. 18 - Thelma Glenn & Charles Howard married.

{1944} Nov. 22 - We had a family party including grandparents, 21 in all.

{1944} Nov. 25 - Phyllis O'Connors wedding.

1945 Nov. 18 - Avery & Anne married.

1949 Nov. 15 - Silver anniversary for Eddie and Ellie McMullin.

{1949} Nov. 22 - Mr. & Mrs. Marshall celebrate golden wedding - very, very nice.

1952 Nov. 18 - Institute making quilts for Korea.Marj. Aitken.

Hockey Game:

Stella's Hockey team was defeated by Reserve team 4-1 on Friday November 6th. The game was marked by poor officiating and rough play. Our informant says Burgess Stephenson was quite spectacular in net and Greg Hoselton scored our only goal. Attendance was very good.

....Staff.

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Chalk Talk:

This previous week we were visited by Mrs. Adams the Primary Consultant and Mrs. Johnston, the learning resource materials teacher. Mrs. Johnston comes in to offer help to students on project work. She said the main reason for this trip to the school was to see our Dew-Drop Inn. Mrs. Johnston said it was a "delightful room, it gave her some certain feeling" the minute she stepped into the room.

Mrs. Johnston has left for our use a Viewlex machine which projects filmstrips onto a small built-in

screen. This allows students to view a filmstrip without a darkened room.

Mr. Vic Shetler visited the Junior room to distribute the Gideon Bibles.

The senior students have been busy preparing Remembrance Day essays or poems for our legion branch. Prizes of money have been offered for first, second and third works.

A Remembrance Day programme was conducted at the school on Tuesday. All the students are looking forward to the holiday.

....Patti-Jo Neilson & Kathy Wemp.

The Amherst Island Athletic Club Annual Banquet and Awards Night will be held in Victoria Hall on Saturday, November 21 at 6:30 p.m.

....Staff.

Where Are They Now?

In May 1966, Rev. L.E. (Ted) Siverns and family left Amherst Island after Mr. Siverns had served as minister in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church for two years. They lived in Warkworth for three years and have been in Windsor since May 1969.

In a letter to the Beacon, Betty Siverns offers her congratulations on the success of the Beacon. Two special memories they had of the island were "Being ice-bound when Steve had scarlet fever: Ted trying to guess from Toronto what the weather was like on the island and he was almost always wrong."

Mrs. Siverns sends "Hello" to their friends of St. Paul's congregation and other islanders.

....Emily Wemp from Mrs. Siverns.

Answer To Quizword Puzzle:

Clue words:

B- black, brooms, beans, bobbing

C- class, clown, costume

F- face

G- ghost, gum

J- jackolantern, jokes

K- kisses

M- make-up, mask

P- peanut, poem

S- shell out, soaping, song, scare

T- taffy apples, trick or treat

W- witches

Quizword:- Halloween.

....Marj. Aitken.

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The Beacon Salutes:

The people of Amherst Island and the many subscribers to the Beacon. Through sixteen issues our paper has realized a creditable measure of success and the staff of the Beacon is appreciative of the public reception. You have been considerate of our endeavours and have never criticized our mistakes harshly.

We include the people who have placed advertisements in our paper. Our special thanks are extended to the seven establishments which display our Beacons for sale.

Our mailing list is now seventy and our total sales are usually about two-hundred and forty.

.....G. F. Sheil.

Unexpected.

I dreamed Death came the other night, and Heaven's gate swung wide.

With kindly grace St. Peter then ushered me inside. And there to my astonishment Stood folks I'd known on Earth; Some I'd judged and labelled as "Unfit" and "Little Worth."

Indignant words rose to my lips, but never were set free, For every face showed stunned surprise - no one expected me!

by Evelyn Crickmore.

If you want to kill any idea in the world today, get a committee working on it.

C. Kettering

Answer to Santa Quiz:

Because he just received his Christmas Gift Subscription to the Island Beacon. Why don't you send a Christmas Gift Subscription to a close friend or relative. It's a great way to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

See Tina Filson for details.

Household Hints:

A few teaspoonsful of vinegar added to the water while boiling potatoes will keep them from turning dark in colour.

To remove tea stains from cups, use a bit of salt on a damp cloth.

....F. McD.

Historical Committee:

On November 4th the historical committee met at the public school with eight persons attending. Much was accomplished in the area of organization and approach. The long range plan is the publishing of a book relating the history of Amherst Island from earliest times. At the inaugural meeting plans were established to determine as many sources of information as possible. The location of historical relics, clippings, accounts, and pictures will be catalogued for future reference

Mrs. Murray is looking forward to other interested people joining her group and invites any inquiries.

....Staff.

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Filson's Coffee Shop & Gas Bar. Lunches, Shell Products Ice, Fishing & Hunting Licence. ***

Glenisle Lunchroom & Gaseteria. Where good friends meet to eat. Recreation room for group fun.

Glenn's Store and Post Office, groceries & Sundries.

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Your Imperial Esso Agent. Stuart J. Kilpatrick The only complete Home & Farm Service. Bath, Ont. 352-7810

The Neilson Store for groceries, fresh. meat, hardware, gas & oil.

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Use A. I.

If you wish to market your surplus heifers use A.I. The buyers are anxious to purchase good dairy cattle from proven sires.

Shop early for Christmas this year in the friendly atmosphere of The Village Shoppe Bath, Ontario.

Mary McGuinn - Prop.

Culligan Water Conditioning 667 Gardiner's Rd., Kingston

J. Montgomery.

See the water treatment specialists.

Ron's Gulf Service,

"When hope is gone just call Ron for one call does it all."

R.R.#3, Bath. 389-5512.

For Hair Styling Whiz See Liz Salon at Holbeth Farm Phone 305-J-2. ***

Auction Sale:

Village of Harrowsmith Saturday, November 21st 10:00 a.m.

For Sale:

1 1969 16 H.P. Narrow Track Snow Cruiser.

New Condition.

Apply: Edwin Hogeboom, Amherst Island.

For Sale:

Mixmaster, with grinder and lemon squeezer plus other attachments. \$20.00.

Apply: Chris Glenn.

For Sale:

Antique Dominion Organ with original black paint.

Phone:- Odessa 386-3432.

Auction Sale:

Village of Bath at Masonic Hall. 10:00 a.m. Saturday, November 14th.

Movie Night:

Tarzan and The Jungle Boy.

Victoria Hall, Stella - 8:00 p.m. Friday, November

Admission:- Adults 95¢ Students 85¢ Child 50¢

Over The Line Fence: (Coulson Cuties)

A man met another in a Hotel lobby.

While not remembering who he was, feeling certain that he was acquainted with him, held out his hand and said:

"I am not sure I have met you somewhere."

"No doubt," was the reply, "I have been there often."

"Bill told me to go over to that new restaurant if I wanted some good roast beef." "And?" "It was a bum steer."

Before marriage a man yearnes for a woman.

After marriage the Y is silent.

In a cemetery, on a headstone, erected by a widow to her loving husband, bearing this inscription:

"Rest in peace - until we meet again."

"I hear the sea captain is in hard luck.

He married a girl and she ran away from him."

"Yes, he took her for a mate, but she was a skipper."

.....Bill Coulson.

The End

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Municipal Affairs:

Council Corner:

The snow storm on Monday Nov. 23rd, played havoc with the plans for a lively Nominations night, with an expected good attendance. Very few township citizens managed to dig themselves out to get to Stella, thereby showing interest in hearing the yearly reports and contributing to the question and answer period. Those who did show up were late getting there and it was impossible for some to arrive at all. However disappointing to members of Council, the ones present did hear detailed reports from each Councillor on their participation in the year's work and posed many questions to be answered, or dealt with by the new Council. One nomination was made for Reeve and six for Councillors. Since two members of '70 Council. Clinton Kilpatrick and Ralph Wemp, declined to accept nomination, the remaining four will comprise the 1971 Council.

Reeve - Vince Aitken.

Councillors - Keith Miller,

Chas. Densem, Ian Murray,

Allan Glenn.

All in accepting nomination, expressed interest in the current Island programmes of "planning" road surfacing, and the new Fire Department.

.....Marj. Aitken.

Hunting:

The following hunters brought back deer:- Don Miller; Stewart Miller; Keith Miller; and Kerry Hogeboom (2).

Keith Miller's doe at 127 lb. dressed, was awarded the prize for largest doe in the Calabogie Game Area.Staff.

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Farm File:

"On today's modern farms, with diversification into

livestock, swine and poultry enterprises, a standby pump is a must," says John Lang, Dept. of Agriculture.

Pressure pumps may require servicing as often as once a year. The water supply can be interrupted for several days while the pump is being repaired. This creates the extreme difficulty of supplying water to livestock or poultry as well as the household, especially during winter when alternate sources of water are limited. On farms where there is a standby pump, the failure of the original pressure pump would cause little or no interruption of the supply of water. In a matter of minutes the standby pump can be put into service.

Soil Testing:

The surest way of determining the health of your soil is to have it tested. A soil test can measure several things at the same time. They include the availability or lack of various plant nutrients; the acidity, alkalinity or salinity of the soil and the texture.

When selecting sampling sites, consider previous crop growth, soil color, texture and topography. Any area that varies in one or more of these characteristics from the rest of the field should be either sampled separately or not sampled at all. At least fifteen sites should be sampled in each field for a representative sample.

In the case of special or unusual crop growth patterns, a soil test can provide valuable assistance for diagnosing the problem, However, for a situation of this type, it is necessary to take deeper samples and to take more samples than is recommended for routine soil testing. The more concentrated sampling makes it possible to correlate abnormal measurements with the growth problem and to recommend corrective procedures.

Complete information on how to take soil samples as well as sample boxes and information sheets are available from all district agriculturists' offices in Ontario.

An Editorial comment "Hoards Dairyman" on the study of cholesterol and coronary heart disease....

The long campaign of the American Heart Association to convince the public that animal fats are harmful has been shattered by a recent report of the Framingham Study. It is the best news that dairymen have had in years of controversy over the diet - heart question. There is no suggestion of any relationship between diet and the subsequent development of coronary heart disease in the study group.

Medical world news in reporting the Framingham study said the findings would prove shocking to many

doctors and certainly to the public. This has long been a propaganda effort by the vegetable oil industry that has been highly damaging to farmers marketing milk, eggs, pork and beef.

...Jean Tugwell and Ernest Fleming

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From The Department Of Highways

I was talking over the telephone with Mr. Al Leach of the highway minister's staff recently. Mr. Leach was returning a call I had made to Queen's Park to inquire about the department's plans relevant to our island.

Mr. Leach assured me that his department was aware of our situation and informed me that they were then conducting negotiations with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Public Works with Amherst Island in mind.

....G. F. Sheil

Plans For Santa Claus Parade:

The Santa Claus parade will be on Saturday, December 19 at 1:45 p.m. Our committee received a tentative list of fourteen floats to be entered; in addition we expect clowns, horses and sleighs (weather permitting) and a band or two.

The financial arrangements are progressing with promised contributions from the organizations and clubs

Wednesday, December 2nd will be the date for our next meeting and any groups participating in the parade is urged to attend. The expenditures will be decided at this meeting and we ask that donations to the parade's success be made then.

The Beacon is sponsoring a trophy for the best entry in the parade.

...Santa Claus Committee.

Lennox Generating Station:

Because of a busy schedule over the last two weeks, the editor was unable to investigate conditions accruing from the installation of the Lennox Generating Station.

This excerpt from the "Ontario Hydro News" may pertain to the subject: -

Lennox will use a maximum of one million gallons of water a minute, with one-third of this used for tempering, which was selected as being the most applicable heat dissipation method for the site. This is a mixing of cold water with the warm water from the condenser. Discussions on this have been held with the Ontario Water Resources Commission and with the

Department of Lands and Forests.

Although much has yet to be learned about the effects of thermal discharge into rivers and lakes, and comprehensive off-shore studies will be carried on by Hydro for many years, it seems that such disturbance is not always detrimental. For instance, the outfall channels at both the Lakeview station in Toronto and the Lambton station near Sarnia attract both fish and fishermen, while in the winter ducks congregate in the warmer water of the channels.

....Staff.

For Sale:

Moto-ski - Apply Filson's Coffee Shop.

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Out Our Way:

Mrs. Wilfred Carruthers, Bowmanville was a recent guest of Lois and Edmund Bongard.

Phyllis Welton entertained the members of the Bridge Club last week.

Lois and Edmund Bongard and Marshall and Marion Glenn spent an evening recently with Mr. and Mrs. George Bongard, of Picton.

Lois and Edmund were supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thurston, Indian Point.

Ross and Tena Filson left on Saturday to attend the fortieth wedding anniversary of their friends Leola and Hez Shirk, Chatham.

William and Carol Witteveen, Cobourg, spent Sunday with Pete and Ytze Witteveen.

Willie Smith, the Rawleigh man, has completed his annual Fall visit to the Island.

Edwin and Florence McDonald spent the weekend with their son Roger and family in Ottawa.

Sam Reid and Jennie McCormick spent last week in Gananoque with William and Gladys McCormick, they had dinner on Tuesday with Ada and Gordon Filson, Lansdowne.

Clarice Filson is spending a few days with Eldred and Alvah Cochrane. She was a dinner guest at their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Tuesday, November 24th.

Congratulations to Shirley and Glenn Sheil on the birth of their little son Glenn Edward (Teddy).

Church Services:-

St. Alban's Nov. 29 8:00 p.m.

Dec. 6 8:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Nov. 29 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 6 7:30 p.m.

....Genevieve Fleming. *****

Where Are They Now?

Mrs. Arah Marie Wilson (nee Cochrane) has kindly responded to this question with a "special hello" to her many friends and relatives on the Island.

Some of her relatives are Elsie and Eldon Willard and Dorothy and Bill Kilpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and their three children reside in Simcoe, Ontario. Her special memories include "my childhood days and travelling back and forth on thi Amherst Islander with my dad, the late Capt. Bill Cochrane."

She commented that the Beacon enables her to "know what's doing in my old home town." ...Mary Neilson from Arah Wilson.

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County School Board Nominations

At the Ernestown Township Hall in Odessa nominations for the Lennox and Addington County Board of Education were held on Nov. 23 at 8:00 p.m.

The election to be held on Dec. 7 from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. will require the voters to cast their ballots from a slate of seven nominees for the Bath, Amherst Island, and Ernestown ward.

The incumbents are Bruce Caughey - Amherst Island, Norman Wilson - Bath, Roy Babcock - Odessa, Philip Benest - Odessa; the new persons are John Hilliard - Odessa, Rev, Floyd McPhee - Amherstview, Mrs. Sylvia Loveloch - Odessa.

...Staff.

Fire Brigade:

Councillor Keith Miller reports that the fire truck is resting in its new quarters with the new door and ceiling and yet-to-be-installed electric heaters.

Harry Filson and Jimmie Neilson have signed up twenty members for the volunteer fire department.Staff.

Driving Club:

Stuart Miller's Spencer Heir has a good record at Rideau Carleton Raceway in Ottawa. Al Caughey took Spencer Heir to Ottawa and in five starts, he reined him home with two firsts, a second, third, and fourth.

....Staff.

Athletic Banquet:

The Amherst Island Athletic Club had it's annual banquet in Victoria Hall on Saturday, November 21st. Following a hearty dinner served by the Women's Institute, the baseball awards were presented. The Glenn Isle Trophy for the Women's Championship was presented to the Nightengales. In the absence of Captain Hazel deHaan, the trophy was accepted by Valorie Filson, The A.I.G.P.S. Trophy was awarded to Darcy Timms on behalf of his All-star Capt. Gary Filson of the Galaxies accepted both the Tugwell Memorial Trophy for the league championship and the Amherst Islander Trophy for the play-of championship.

A new trophy, the Robinson Trophy, was donated for the purpose of recognizing the player who best combined playing ability with sportsmanship. The first recipient of this trophy is David Kerr.

Mrs. Alice Compeau won the draw for the two hampers of groceries and Miss Penny Gibson won the trophy donated by Allan Glenn.

The Beacon wishes to extend its congratulations to President Bruce Robinson and the committee for a job well done.

....Staff.

Season's Greetings to all my friends and acquaintances, summer guests included, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

J. Eric Morris.

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Sports:

The Stella Hockey Team reaped sweet revenge from the Hawley squad on Friday, November 13th. Bob Cashman scored two goals, John Patrick and Gary Filson one each as our team blanked the opposition. Dusty Ferguson in the Stella goal frustrated Hawley snipers all evening and the victory was a credit to Stella and coach, Jack Forrester

Last Friday, Gretna defeated Stella 5-3; Donald Miller, John Patrick and Cliff Sudds scored for Stella.Staff.

High School Report:

Liberation for women has been stressed at the highschool these past few weeks, and a few girls got together and initiated a bill to allow girls to wear slacks at school. A week or so ago the idea was accepted and the girls are now free to wear either dresses or slacks!

Saturday night on "Uptight", the school represented

will be N.D.S.S. The students went down by bus to the T.V. station on Tuesday night to tape the show, and it will be shown at 6:00 p.m. Saturday night, Channel eleven.

We are very fortunate to not have Christmas exams this year, one good aspect of the new system. Our first set now is in January. Perhaps soon exams will be completely eliminated.

....Laurie Kilpatrick.

Chalk Talk:

Preparations for a Christmas concert and Santa Claus Parade are in the making. Mr. Dodds the superintendant of schools in our county, was at our school on Friday with Steve Hummel, the Kingston Whig-Standard correspondent in Napanee.

Steve was taking pictures of the various activities which make up the usual busy day here in the public school. He was very impressed by our Dew-Drop Inn and the way we used the facilities of our gymnasium.

Mr. Sheil has taken slides of various interests at the school, and has planned to start "Travelling Slides"; by this method students may take the projector and slides home to show their parents.

Our monthly club meeting will be held this Friday: we hope a very full agenda has been planned.

Mrs. Murray reports a worthwhile time spent at a Professional Development Day for Grade 4 and 5 teachers, hosted by Newburgh School.

Our Parent Volunteers seem to be fitting right into the program. These "Reading Mothers" are Elsie Willard, Marion Glenn, Cathy Glenn, Genevieve Fleming, and Syke Fleming; Dorothy Kilpatrick our "Parent Librarian" is going to assist us in keeping our library in order.

Plans for the school concert Thursday, December 17th are simmering.

...Patti-Jo Neilson & Kathy Wemp.

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Car Insurance:

The following information is abstracted from Dollars on the Highway by David Randall (McClelland and Stewart Ltd., 1967.)

At the Accident Scene:

- 1. If possible do not move your car until the police arrive
- 2. If injured at all, do and say as little as possible.
- 3. Except in reply to questions by the investigating officer do not discuss the accident, your conduct, drinking, etc.

- 4. Write down names and addresses of all witnesses (If one is reluctant, take down car licence number and brief personal description.)
- 5. Carefully note surroundings as they might be altered by trial time. It is highly recommended that you have somebody initial these descriptions as being valid.
- 6. Check and note carefully the damage to the other car note and have witnessed. If your insurance company gets "taken" very likely your premium will be raised; that is, paying for damages not incurred in this accident.

Following the Accident:

- 1 Get it in writing..
- (a) the repair estimate
- (b) action promised by insurance company.
- 2. Don't sign anything without careful consideration. If injured at all get:-
- (a) a good doctor
- (b) a good lawyer
- 3 Be frank and honest with your lawyer and doctor.
- 4. Remember that your insurance adjuster works for the company. In any conflict of interest your interest will come second.

Your policy:

- 1. Do not accept fully the insurance company's interpretation of the contract (see "4" above). Even if you made a false statement in your "application for insurance," the company must still pay. If it thinks it has a case, it can sue you later.
- 2. The policy provides protection to any person driving the automobile specified in the policy with the insured consent:
- 3. Your car is considered to be in collision if it sustains damage even while parked and unoccupied.

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Damages:

- 1. "General damages" are based on medical evidence and the results of similar cases.
- 2. "Special damages" must be proved. Examples could be:- broken wrist watch, rented car, or ripped clothing. The book contains a comprehensive list of such items. ...Ian Murray.

Down The Lane:

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries)

1933 - Dec. 1 A lovely bright day but frosty. The ferry is making her last weekly trip to the city.

 $\{1933\}$ Dec. 5 threatens rain, very mild damp weather - the ferry is making 2 trips a day to Millhaven.

1934 - Dec. 7 a lovely cold, bright day - baking for

bazaar.

{1934} Dec. 8 the day of our bazaar, very cold - 10 below.

1937 - Dec. 7 Jim Kilpatrick operated on at K.G.H. Orangemen's Dance. Roads drifted with snow.

{1934} Dec. 8 Mr. Bill Wemp died.

{1934} Dec. 9 Mr. Wemp's funeral roads blocked. No boat or mail - bazaar postponed.

1940 - Dec. 7 Leslie and Irene Glenn married to-day.

1941 - Dec. 7 U.S. and Japan at war.

1944 - Dec. 6 Rather mild - twin boys born to Mr. & Mrs. Harold White.

{1944} Dec. 7 A lovely day. Twigg up with the sleigh. W.A. meeting at Stella Sharpe's. Ernest getting horses sharp shod.

1947 - Dec. 7 Clifford Sudds dies - bad storm.

1948 - Dec. 2 Born to Tommy and Marjorie Brown - a girl.

1951 - Dec. 3 Xmas shopping - a big rain again, water laying all over, telephones nearly all out.

1953 - Dec. 2 W.A. & Loyal Friends Party at Georgie Glenn's. Born to Dorothy and Gordon Stewart a boy.

A few items from my budget book for the week of Dec. 8 - 15, 1939.

Xmas tree 25ϕ lights for tree $39\{\phi\}$ reflectors $15\{\phi\}$ bulbs $25\{\phi\}$

Xmas cake ingredients 1.00

rent for Dec. 25.00 Xmas cards 59{¢}

Stamps $25\{c\}$

....Marj. Aitken.

Household Hints:

Probation corner for new recipes - paste a large envelope inside back cover of cook book. Put in untried recipes until you use them and decide on permanent file.

If you use a cigarette lighter to burn pin feathers and hairs off poultry, you are not as apt to smudge the skin as singeing.

.....F. McD.

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Garden Chit Chat:

I was glad to hear that one lady put her Christmas cactus in a cool dark room, and now her plant has buds. Leave the plant in the cool place until the flowers are ready to bloom. If you bring it into a hot room now, all the buds will drop off.

To protect the bark on young trees (from rabbits and moles) wrap them with aluminum foil, and tie with string. Put the shiny side out and the heat from the sun will be reflected; other-wise you might damage the tree trunk. I also wrap the lower branches because the rabbits will nip them off as well as eating the bark.

....E. L. N.

"Snow"

For our many subscribers, we would like to mention that the island is now blanketed in white due to four or five inches of snow which fell during a driving storm on Monday and in smaller amounts since.

The roads are treacherous with ice and hard packed snow however, few incidents of vehicles in the ditch have occurred.

.....Staff.

Fishing Again!

The Welbanks family are once more pursuing their livelihood on the lake. They have reported exceptional catches of yellow perch and work long hours to get their harvest off to market. The lake has been very rough, adding to the hardships of "catching up" on an idle summer imposed on them by the fishing ban.

.....Staff *****

Snow-Mobile Meeting:

Monday, November 30th, 1970. Proposed trails, Safety, Club, Interest, Rallies, Regulations!! Amherst Island Public School - 8:00 p.m.

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Teacher Couldn't Even Run Away

Winnipeg Teacher Lionel Orlikrow, writing in the Manitoba Teacher, publication of the Provincial Teachers' Society, cites a 1923 Idaho teacher's contract that was uncovered recently.

It stated that a teacher might be paid \$5.00 a month providing she met with certain conditions. These included:

- 1. Don't get married, and don't keep company with men
- 2. Be home between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- 3. Don't loiter in ice cream parlours.
- 4. Don't smoke cigarettes, and don't drink beer, wine or whisky.
- 5. Don't leave town without permission.
- 6. Don't ride in a carriage or automobile with any men

except your father or brother.

- 7. Don't dress in bright colours, dye your hair or use face powder, mascara or lipstick, and wear at least two petticoats.
- 8. Sweep the classroom at least once daily, and scrub the floor at least once a week.
- 9. Start the fire at 7 a.m. on school days.

The Beacon Salutes:

Two warm and wonderful gentlemen, whom everyone knows and - God bless them - who make life a little more blissful for many young children on the island.

Both of these men, great conversationalists in their own right, are "special" people to my household and I am sure to most households on the island.

On Hallowe'en "The Great Pumpkin" ranks a distant second to one of these men, and throughout the year he is called affectionately the "Pumpkin Man" by the children.

The other man amazes even me. I have never seen his secret candy kitchen, but he always has a treat for the youngsters any time or any place.

Every child should have such friends.

....Staff.

Did You Know?

For each edition of the Beacon eighteen people contribute articles and spend a minimum of thirty-five and one-quarter hours in writing, editing, typing, drawing, planning, etc. Our Island Beacon can certainly be called a community effort.

.....Editor.

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For Hair Styling Whiz See Liz Salon at Holbeth Farm Phone 305-J-2.

Correction:

In the Oct. 29 edition of the Beacon Gerald Kearney was listed as one of the war dead; this stands corrected to John Kearney

Also, Arthur Kearney served in the navy and his name was omitted.

...Staff ****

Decorations:

An annual trophy to the best Holiday decorations on an Island property will be awarded. The trophy has been donated by the following Island businesses: Glenn Isle Lunchroom; Filson's Coffee Shop; Neilson's Store; Glenn's Store, and Clint's Garage. An impartial jury will be selected.

....Staff.

Over The Line Fence: (Coulson Cuties)

Guide - "This castle has stood for 600 years. Not a stone has been touched, nothing altered, nothing replaced."

Visitor - "Um, they must have the same landlord we have."

My darling wife was always glum. I drowned her in a keg of rum, and so made sure that she would stay In better spirits night and day.

"Do you know why we call our language the Mother Tongue?"

"Because father never gets a chance to use it."

"Is this a healthy place?" asked a stranger of a native of a certain region of the West.

"It sure is," replied a native. "When I came here I couldn't utter a word. I had scarcely a hair on my head. I hadn't the strength to walk across the room, and I had to be lifted from my bed."

"That is wonderful," exclaimed the stranger. "How long have you been here?"

"I was born here."

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Bruce Caughey Returned:

In the election for county school board held on December 7 Bruce Caughey headed the polls for the ward of Bath, Amherst Island and Ernestown. Following the enumeration in a radio statement from the township hall in Odessa, Mr. Caughey expressed his pleasure that the voters had established a continuity of membership on the board, thereby showing their awareness of the board members' capabilities and also public concurrence with the board's policies.

Interviewed by the Beacon, Mr. Caughey elaborated on many aspects of the county board. He related his concern that representation from Amherst Island must be maintained, for a lapse in this area would make it extremely difficult to regain membership on the county's poat

Santa Claus Parade preparations are progressing and the promise of a great day is in the offing. The weather need only comply, and we should have a parade to remember on December 19th at 1:30 p.m.

The parade entry list from last year has increased by six; two bands have also assured us of their intentions to come.

The Women's Institute is again providing refreshments at Victoria Hall after the parade, and Mr. Claus will distribute candy from there also. The judges for the parade trophy have been selected and will announce the winner immediately after the parade. The Christmas Decoration Trophy will be awarded then as well.

Tina Filson has agreed to be our Treasurer and any donations for the parade should be given to her.

The parade will form up at the public school prior to 1:30 and the route taken will be much similar to that of last year.

....Staff

O.P.P. Press Release:

Studded Tires:

Here's a reminder about the laws governing the use of studded tires in Ontario. Studded tires are permitted on motor vehicles from October 1st to April 30th, but it is illegal to put studded tires on the front tires only.

Epitaph for a driver killed in collision, quoted by the Ontario Safety League.

"He Passed On, Passing On A Hill."

Safe Snow-Mobiling:

Recent amendments have been made to the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act of 1968.

For your Information, some salient points regarding this Act, and Amendments thereto, are forwarded herewith.

For further, more explicit details of the contents of the Act, please contact your nearest Provincial or Municipal Office.

Registration:

All motorized snow vehicles must be registered with the Department of Transport regardless of where they are being used. (Manufacturers and Dealers exempt under certain conditions.)

Insurance:

Owner must produce evidence of insurance under a motor vehicle liability policy if used upon a highway (that means any part.) Driver and owner commit an offence if no insurance in effect.

Driver:

No person under 16 years may drive a motorized snow vehicle upon a highway.

16 years and over must have operator's or chauffeur's licence issued under Highway Traffic Act.

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Owner also commits an offence if permitting either above offences.

Driving:

Generally speaking, driving a snowmobile on a highway means to obey all signs, signals, rules of the road, etc., and entails the use of hand signals and lights similar to the motorcycle.

Note:

If driver commits offence under the Act, or any local ordinance made under the authority of the Act, and the driver cannot be identified, the owner shall incur the penalty.

Collision:

Every person in charge of motorized snow vehicle who is directly or indirectly involved in a collision resulting in personal injury to anyone or damage to any property, other than that of the owner or driver, apparently exceeding \$200.00 shall report the collision forthwith to the nearest Provincial or Municipal Police Officer.

Speed:

Motorized snow vehicles shall not be driven at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under conditions then existing.

Use:

- 1. Motorized snow vehicle may not be used on any part of Highway #401 and similar controlled access roads (see the Act), or on any roads which are prohibited by By-Law, (see local authorities.)
- 2. They may be used on all other King's Highways providing they are used as far off the travelled portion, (roadway), as is practicable under the circumstances.
- 3. There are certain King's Highways in the northern areas where travel is permitted upon the roadway, (travelled portion) these have numbers 500 and up. Check first before using these.
- 4. By-laws can be enacted by local authorities governing or prohibiting the use of motorized snow vehicles within their jurisdiction. Check locally before using your snowmobile.

In general, it can be seen that the use of snowmobiles is discouraged upon the highways. Purely from a self preservation point of view, I would like to recommend that on a snowmobile highways should be avoided like the plague.

Detachment Commander.

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Out Our Way:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moeller and family of Bloomfield Hills, Mich. spent a few days recently with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Neilson.

Fourteen Islanders attended the Annual Holstein Banquet held at Morven on November 25th.

The members of the Women's Institute catered for the annual dinner of the Kingston division of the Royal Canadian Association of Organists on Monday, November 30th.

St. Paul's Ladies Aid, St. Alban's A.C.W. and Trinity U.C.W. held their Loyal Friend Christmas parties last week.

Mr. Wes. Brown has gone to Kingston to spend the winter with Edgar and Janice McCaugherty and Mr. Edward Fleming left on Tuesday to spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bush, Yarker.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Witteveen were in Cobourg with Willem and Carol last week.

Mrs. Ethel Browning, Toronto was a weekend visitor here and attended the U.C.W. party on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Veech recently returned from a week long trip to Detroit, Mich., visiting friends and relatives.

Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to Al Caughey who is in hospital.

Mr. Bill Coulson is receiving treatment in Kingston General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Compeau wish to thank the Amherst Island Athletic Club for the two hampers of groceries they won, and extend to all their friends and neighbours, also to the "Beacon" staff, "A very merry Christmas and all best wishes for a Happy New Year."

Word was received here of the passing of Mrs. Rachel Hart. We extend the sympathy of the community to members of her family.

Don't forget the Community Sunday School Christmas party on Friday, December 11 at 8:00 p.m. in Victoria Hall. Everyone welcome, light refreshments served.

Also Community Carol Service on Monday, December 21 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Paul's church under the direction of Mr. Charles Densem, Church Services:

St. Alban's:

Dec. 13 - 11: a.m. Holy Communion. Dec. 20 - 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Christmas Eve - 8:15 p.m. Christmas Eucharist

Dec. 27 - 11: a.m. M.P. & Carol:

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St. Paul's:

Dec. 13 - 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion.

Dec. 20 - 7:30 p.m. ...Genevieve Fleming

Farm File:

Don't forget forage workshops December 21st, 1:30 p.m. at the school. Garnet Mills and Arnold Welbanks will preside.

Tips to Preventing Frozen Pipes:

The possibility of frozen water pipes is a constant threat on many farms during the winter. Frozen water expands, and can burst a steel pipe and severely stretch plastic tubing.

Professor Ross Irwin, School of Engineering, University of Guelph, offers some hints that can help keep the farm water system operating smoothly this winter.

Pitless, underground-discharge well units seldom freeze. Pump houses can be insulated and thermostatically controlled heat lamps used to keep the pump equipment from freezing.

Wherever possible, water lines should be installed below frost depth. If this cannot be done, heating tape can be wrapped around metal pipe, if the pipe is not too long. These electric tapes use about 7 watts per foot of tape; the tape should not be insulated. Plastic pipe can be protected by installing it in-side a drain tile or larger plastic tubing. This maintains an air space which helps prevent freezing.

It is not practicable to insulate pipes, as insulation under winter conditions does not prevent heat loss, and water standing in the pipe will freeze. Insulating materials also lose their effectiveness if they become wet.

Frost-free hydrants can be located anywhere and consist of a stop-and-drain valve below frost depth. The valve is operated by a wheel or lever at the surface. When the valve is shut off, a drain at the base allows water in the stand pipe to drain away into coarse gravel at the base of the hydrant.

Teat Dipping Checks Mastitis:

A regular teat-dipping program helps check mastitis outbreaks and reduces bacteria count in milk, say researchers at CDA's Agassiz, B.C., research station.

Scientists there dipped each cow's teat in a 10,000 ppm iodophor solution after each milking. They found that the teat-dipping program greatly reduced the incidence of mastitis. After 16 months, the total number of animals showing a positive mastitis test had decreased by 25%.

They also found that the teat-dipping program had caused a large reduction in the bacterial count of milk samples from the herd.

Correction:Keith Miller.

At the Athletic Club's Annual Banquet Penny Gibson won a turkey not a trophy, as reported by the Beacon.

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Down The Lane:

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries)

1933 Dec. 16 - Continuing mild. Ferry made 3 trips today, carrying cattle and hogs across.

{1933} Dec. 19 - Still mild. Callers today were Mrs. Montgomery and Minnie, Miss Hill, Mrs. O'Connor, Miss Botting and Mrs. Pringle.

{1933} Dec. 23 - Very cold, snow storm. Mrs. K. Tugwell passed away.

1935, Dec. 22- Still very cold. Mrs. Moutray died this a.m. Clarice came to help get ready for Christmas.

{1935} Dec. 24- Clear and cold. Mrs. Moutray's funeral at half past 10 o'clock to Cataraqui.

1936, Dec. 22 - A beautiful day. The ferry made a special "shopping" trip to Kingston today.

1940, Dec. 20 - Harris and Kate and Robert Brown sat up with Joseph tonight - he's very weak.

{1940} Dec. 21 - Joseph passed away this morning.

{1940} Dec. 23 - Joseph's funeral in the Filson home.

1941, Dec. 17 - Play put on by Presbyterians.

1942, Dec. 19 -The ferry got frozen in at her dock - 6 below zero.

1943, Dec. 20 -To Mrs. T.E. Cochrane - a baby girl. 1943, Dec. 23 -A real cold day. Ferry made a trip through the ice.

{1943} Dec. 24 - Ferry had to turn back on her trip. Men walked with ice punt.

1947, Dec. 23 - Had our family Xmas party at Minnie's - rough day - we went in buggy. New ferry comes. 1949, Dec. 19 - Farm Forum at Moutrays - we went with spring wagon - very muddy.

1953, Dec. 23 - Clear and cold Legion holds Christmas tree party in Hall for children.

....Marj. Aitken.

Thank You:

Hugh and Minerva Drumgoole wish to thank our friends, neighbours and relatives for gifts and cards, the Orchestra for music and songs. Special thanks to the family for the party in honour of our fiftieth wedding anniversary, and all who came to make the evening an enjoyable one.

H.& M. D.

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Chalk Talk:

"Santa Claus is coming to town."

He's coming far too fast. There just aren't enough hours in the day for practising our parts in the concert and preparing floats and various entries for the parade. No hands are idle as we make props, scenery, and costumes. The public school has offered their services in displaying outdoor coloured lights in the park. These lights were bought by the Santa Claus Parade Committee.

Our music convenor, Mrs. Shetler has been ill and not able to come for our last two lessons. We have been struggling along with our parts and when Mrs. Shetler returns we will put the finishing touches on our work.

The grade eight class attended Napanee District Secondary School on December 3rd. We were greeted by Mr. Sommers, the Guidance Teacher, Mr. Thompson, the principal and the Head Boy. We were then assigned a "buddy" and we attended all the classes with this person. It gave us a taste of High School life and promises to be a good aid in helping to choose the correct level and subjects to take next year.

Immunization shots were also issued this same day at the public school.

Our "travelling slides" are turning into a very good activity; students and parents all enjoy seeing the school through the camera's point of view.

Don't miss the Santa Claus Parade December 19th and the School Concert, Tuesday, December 22nd in Victoria Hall at 8 p.m. Both promise to be exciting prospects.

....Patti-Jo Neilson.

Highschool Report:

The school has formed interform sports this year in a new way. Each person is grouped according to his zodiac sign and these are subdivided into Junior, Senior and Mixed. Volleyball is the sport for this time of year so everyone support your Zodiac sign.

Valerie Filson is trying out for the Senior Volleyball Team, which will be picked sometime this week.

The midi is slowly becoming more popular at the school, especially in midi coats, however the minis still predominate. About one out of every twenty-eight girls has a midicoat and one out of every fifty a midi dress or skirt.

.....Laurie Kilpatrick

Garden Chit Chat:

Some of you will be receiving plants for Christmas. Here are a few hints about their care.

Azaleas: Keep these well watered and growing until the flowers are gone. Water sparingly the rest of the winter. Keep in a light, sunny window, and do not relegate to the basement.

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Chrysanthemums: Keep moist until flowers fade then water sparingly and keep in a light basement window until spring. Plant out in the garden in the spring.

Poinsettia: This plant should be kept in good light and well watered until all the leaves have dropped.

Christmas Peppers and Jerusalem Cherries: Keep these in a sunny window and a cool 55 to 65 degrees temperature. Once the leaves drop and the fruits wither, save some berries and discard the plant.

After Christmas I'll tell you how to have blooms for another year.

....E.L.N.

Driving Club:

The monthly meeting was held November 30th with the regular members attending.

Plans were made for a float for the Santa Claus parade.

The Club is hoping for good ice again this year to have two or three days of ice races. Some members of the Club are already jogging horses in preparation for the big purse money.

....Harry Filson. *****

Notice:

There will be a Bridal Shower, in honour of Bonnie McGinn, on Friday, December 18, 1970 at 8:30 p.m. Victoria Hall, Stella. All ladies are welcome.

Where Are They Now?

"No, I haven't forgotten the Island," writes Mrs. W.C. (nee Gladys Wemp) Coristine, "It will always be a very special part of my memories."

Mrs. Coristine left the Island around 1929 and went to Calgary, Alta., where she worked first with Public Relations, then during the war years in the Department of Labour. In 1945 she entered the Real Estate Business.

"Amherst Island History being my proud birthright, and childhood associations and family tree so deeply rooted in its history, naturally my admiration and memories of the wee Island of Tanti are a very real part of me. Its magnificent setting, surrounded by the lovely blue waters of Lake Ontario and the Bay of Quinte, continue to delight me.

"Treasured and exciting experiences include the annual Treat, a ten mile drive every Christmas morning to Grandfather Wemps at the Head. A matched team of Pacers, hitched to a long sleigh covered with Buffalo robes, and rigged with the sweetest of sleigh bells, heated bricks, tucked in for extra warmth... what fun!

"Summer time and moonlight boat excursions...
summer dances on the Point... picnics on the Beach...
Church Bazaars and long tables groaning with home
cooked food... early morning trips to Fish Point for the
rewards of the first catch... annual excursions to Aunt
Ida's to gather hickory nuts, bags of

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them... and last but not least the beautiful horses, Dan and Moutray's pride and joy. I loved every one of them and never will forget the thrill of a very special gift, my first saddle from a great horsemen, Mr. Moutray."

Mrs. Coristine evidently still enjoys this active outdoor life as she participates in riding, hunting and fishing. She enjoys get-togethers with friends, Community and Church activities as well as the "Stampeders."

A very Merry Christmas to you from your Island friends and relatives.

....Emily Wemp from Gladys Coristine.

Hockey:

The Stella team dropped their November 27th game to the Junior Farmer team 7-1. Grant Wemp scored the lone goal for the Islanders. A week later, December 4th, they defeated Deseronto 4-0. Bob Cashman, Don Miller, Cliff Sudds, and Keith Van Leuwen all scored and the shut-out was registered by Billy Carr.

Upcoming contests are with The Reserve, 9:40 p.m. December 11, and Holly, January 8th, 7:00 p.m.

All games are at the Napanee Arena.

...Ian Murray.

Christmas Gift Subscriptions

Tina Filson now has the Christmas Gift Subscriptions and as yet, the response has not been too good. Possibly this reminder would prompt a few to send a subscription for the holidays.

Puzzle Corner:

The object of this puzzle is to turn each of the following sets of words into synonyms, by taking one letter out of either word and placing it somewhere in the other word. e.g. shred and ban. Take the "R" out of Shred and add it to Ban and you get shed and barn (synonyms).

 1. Laughter
 Gull

 2. Freight
 Scar

 3. Sit
 Cult

 4. Boast
 Hip

 5. Rig
 Penal

 6. Egg
 Lave

 7. Hop
 Chew

 8. Regiment
 Die

 9. Pant
 Slow

"I asked God for strength that I might achieve,
I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey,
I asked for health that I might do great things,
I was given infirmity that I might do better things,
I asked for power that I might have the praise of men,
I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God,
I asked for all things that I might enjoy life,
I was given life that I might enjoy all things;
I got nothing that I asked for but everything I had hoped for.

Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered;

I am among all men, most richly blessed." ... Unknown Soldier.

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...F. McD.

Good Striving

Give us to awake with smiles;

Give us to labour smiling as the sun lightens the world, so may our loving kindness make bright this house of our habitation.

...R.L. Stevenson.

Well-arranged time is the surest mark of a well-arranged mind.

Over The Line Fence:

"Here's a ticket to the conjurer show, Maggie,"

"Thank ye, Donald," said his wife.

"And hark ye Maggie, when he comes to that trick where he takes a teaspoon of flour and one egg and makes 20 omelettes, watch very close."

Defendant - "The things the prosecutor don't know

about driving a car, your Worship, would fill a book."

Judge - "And it seems to one, young man, the things you don't know about it would fill a hospital."

"I'll be good for a penny, mother," coaxed little William, hopefully.

"Oh, Willie," reproved his mother, "Why can't you be like your father? He isn't good for a penny. He's good for nothing."

Harry said to Archibald that he should pull down his curtains; that he saw him holding his wife on his lap the night before.

"The joke is on you, 'Arry," chortled Archibald, "h'I was not home last night."

The End

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Merry Christmas Happy New Year
Amherst Island. Ontario.

'Santa Claus Is Coming To Town'

At 1:30 p.m. on Saturday the Santa Claus Parade began to wind its way through Stella. The deep snow which had choked the Island from Wednesday night had been cleared from the roadways by the special efforts of our road crew; however a steady drizzle and mild temperatures persisted throughout the morning and the rain did not ease until parade time. Overcast skies and slushy footing failed to darken parade spirits as the procession left the public school.

Constable Ray Harrington and family in an O.P.P. cruiser led the parade followed by Elmer the Safety Elephant, Ernestown High School Band, Amherst Island fire truck, pony team and sleigh, Bell Telephone float, Glenisle Lunchroom jack-in-the-box, Island Beacon's Locomotive, four elves, two floats from the public school depicting an Eskimo scene and Christmas toys, Women's Institute float, the Island orchestra on the Driving Club float followed by two sulkies and drivers, Mohawks 99 band, a horse and rider, and Santa Claus waving jovially from his sleigh. Throughout the event six clowns romped and frolicked to the delight of the onlookers.

Band members, clowns, parade and spectators gathered at Victoria Hall after the parade for coffee, cocoa, and donuts provided by the Women's Institute.

The Beacon trophy for the best parade entry was awarded to the Glenisle Lunchroom for its jack-in-the-box entry drawn by skidoo. Judges Bruce Caughey and Alf Burrill commended everyone for a most successful and enjoyable day.

The Christmas Decoration Trophy donated by the A.I. Businessmen was won by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welton. Judges Marj. Aitken and Ian Murray presented the award.

Immediately after the presentations,

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Santa Claus passed bags of candy out to the children. Glenn Sheil, hesitated to single out persons for special mention, as he said a parade such as this required an almost total community involvement. The staff of the Beacon echoes his sentiment and cannot help but say that the Santa Claus parade is a great way to herald the holiday season.

....Staff.

Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Council extends to the Island best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The year ends with many projects completed and yet others begun. The Fire Hall is ready for Chief Filson to begin training his volunteer brigade. This affords the residents of Amherst Island a measure of security, never before enjoyed to this extent. The fire tank truck is in "standing" condition, in a heated building with a 1,000 gallon tank of water. Councillors Miller and Kilpatrick spent many hours this fall, forcing this project to completion and are to be congratulated for a fine, conscientious job.

The '40 foot paving has begun with the primary coat completed. Stuart Miller and crew did a commendable job of ditching and preparing this stretch of road for the paving. So Council has two areas of paving to its credit, with plans for another in '71.

Council has a garbage disposal problem to contend with in the coming year, in March, to be specific. Councillor Wemp did his best to have the present dumping site kept pushed back and too many of the residents were guilty of not co-operating with requests to take garbage inside the fenced area. So now there is no choice as recent legislation by government will require a permit to operate a dump and an inspector will first inspect the area, land fill type of dumps are necessary now. Maintaining a crew to operate

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this sort of grounds would prove too costly to the taxpayer so it is anticipated that some sort of alliance with Ernestown will be forthcoming to pick up and deliver our garbage to their licensed dumping grounds. So this is one of the problems facing Council early in '71.

Some sort of land severances planning is another forced issue to be dealt with in the new year. Much study of this subject will have to precede any final step taken in this field. Consultants have been in touch and further meetings with experts on Ontario Planning will be necessary before a suitable plan is arrived at, for this community.

Reeve Aitken has been trying to contact Highways

Minister Gomme, re-winter service for our ferry. So far his calls have been fruitless and he has only been able to reach Mr. Gomme's deputy who declines to make any satisfactory comment about our position. Requests for Minister Gomme to return Mr. Aitken's calls have fallen on deaf ears. He plans, however, on digging away at it until he gets some satisfactory answers to his requests. This, then, seems to be Council's No. 1 problem for the immediate future, with ice already beginning to form in the bay. Perhaps our MP who is an Island taxpayer can be induced to intercede at Queen's Park on our behalf and help solve this current problem.Marj. Aitken.

Philosophy: A route of many roads leading from nowhere to nothing.

A. Bierce

Island Weather:

Last Thursday (December 17) the Island was blanketed with about sixteen inches of snow. Many commuters missed work: Others were late because the Millhaven dock was not passable until after 10:00 a.m.

With only one plow working it took quite some time for all roads to be cleared. Many older residents were heard to remark that it was the heaviest snowfall of memory.

Today (Tuesday, December 22) is bitterly cold - below -40, wind chill factor taken into account - and the snow is falling and drifting badly, pushed by 30 m.p.h. winds. This morning the fog off the water was very heavy and this evening the ice and snow in the water at the Stella dock made tie-up for the Amherst Islander difficult. With the grader now operating snow plowing is moving normally.

....Staff.

O.P.P. Message:

At this time of the year we urge all motorists to make sure your vehicle is in "tip-top" shape and you use extreme care and caution while driving on slippery roads.

A good number of Christmas lights are being stolen and destroyed in built-up areas near here. With this in mind a warning is issued. Any person caught taking lights from Christmas displays from some other persons property will be charged with the theft of such articles as mentioned above. This type of action is not a prank but

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a Criminal Offence.

This past week the Safety Officer visited 19 classrooms and contacted 528 pupils, reminding them of Safety Rules which are forgotten so quickly.

Parents: "Set A Good Example".

Your children watch and imitate many of the things you do and say. Make sure your habits are "good habits" pertaining to safety on the roads and streets.

Out Our Way:

The Christmas meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Lulu Strain on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Mary Orchard, Kirkfield, has been visiting at the home of Bert and Chris Glenn.

Bartes and Bonnie Haaksman, Kingston, were weekend guests of Wilfred and Florence McCormac.

Ada and Gordon Filson were with Jimmie and Mary Neilson for the weekend.

Dreta Gibson was hostess at a shower in Victoria Hall on Friday evening for Bonnie McGinn who will be married early in January.

Members of the Women's Institute served coffee, hot chocolate and doughnuts to a large crowd of happy people following the parade on Saturday afternoon.

The Christmas Carol service scheduled for Monday December 21st has been postponed until Monday, December 28th due to the illness of Mr. Densem.

Friends and relatives of Hazel Reynolds (Strain) will be happy to hear she has been released from Belleville General Hospital following major surgery and is convalescing at the home of Nanetta Glenn -Amherstyiew.

Guests at the Sheil home on the weekend were Mr. & Mrs. Doug Craig, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Sosnick and Michael Flemming, home on leave from Vietnam.

Christmas greeting to our Island friends and relatives from Gordon Glenn and family at Juanita's Nursery School, Amherstview.

Greetings and good wishes for a Happy Holiday Season from Genevieve and Ernest.

Church Services:

St. Alban's:

Christmas Eve -8:15

Christmas Eucharist December 27th - 11:00 a.m.

St. Paul's:

December 27th - 7:30 p.m.

December 28th - 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Carols - Combined choirs.

....Genevieve Fleming

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Farm File:

Use Urea On Ice.

Numerous homeowners use salt to make ice less hazardous. It is however, highly corrosive and harms grass, making lawns discoloured and unhealthy. It has been discovered that urea is an excellent substitute for salt when temperatures are above 15 degrees F. Gardentype urea pellets may be used but tend to solidify and take up moisture in storage. Prilled or shotted urea contains an anti-caking compound which makes it easier to apply.

The application rate should be one pound to 100 square feet. If the ice is thick the rate may be doubled but a second application is probably better. Don't apply more than the recommended rate as the nitrogen adds to the pollution problem.

Urea is as effective as salt and will fertilize the grass rather than damage it.

Buying Batteries:

When buying a battery do not buy by price alone, but for continuous year-round use. There are two different kinds of load demands on a battery, one is the short duration but heavy load of engine cranking, the other is the continuous, but much lower load produced by accessories such as lights, heaters and radios.

Tractor-type batteries include special anchors to hold the plates in place inside each cell, helping to resist damage, from shock and vibration.

When buying a battery consider price guarantee, ratings and type and thus obtain a battery that fits your needs.

New Battery Pump:

A new pump which handles up to 500 gallons of water per hour on power from a 12 volt battery has been introduced by Simer Pump Company, Minneapolis Minn.

The company says the pump will lift water 20 feet below it and also push water 50 feet above it. The noncorrosive pump and motor can be used as a regular pump or as a backup unit during an A.C. power failure. Ernest Fleming Jean Tugwell.

Chalk Talk:

High winds and driving snow all day Tuesday, December 22nd forced the cancellation of our 1970 Christmas Concert. Everyone was disappointed.

Many students were in the parade on Saturday. Mr. Sheil asked us to mention how considerate the hundred or more people were who used the school before parade time. There surely was a great bustle!

The teachers are planning an open house at the school in the new year. There will be five new beginners in January: Kelly, Rita, Tania, Kevin and Beverly.

Season's Greetings and a Happy Holiday.

...Patti-Jo Neilson and Kathy Wemp.

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Christmas Decorations:

Many Island homes were brightly decorated for the Christmas season. The ones which come to mind are F. Welton, A. Henderson, A. Glenn, M. Glenn, M. Hogeboom, J. Eves, B. Kilpatrick, E. McCormick, S. Wemp, H. Filson, B. Bulch, R. Filson, I. Murray, Glenisle Lunchroom, Public School.

The Santa Claus Parade Committee set up a beautiful tree at the corner in Stella. The materials were purchased from the surplus 1969 funds.

....Staff.

Agricultural Meeting:

On December 21st at the school four representatives of the Department of Agriculture were on hand to assist and inform local farmers. The Ag. Rep., soil and crop specialist, feed expert, and an assistant in a well-prepared presentation brought the small audience a little closer to the farm scene.

The next meeting is scheduled for early January, and many local farmers should be there as the emphasis will be on feed ration, an essential element of farming today.Staff.

Puzzle Corner:

| The object of this puzzle is to find the fourth |
|--|
| word related to all three words as in this example |
| Cookies Heart Sixteen |
| |

The answer is "sweet". See how many of the following ten you can get and send in your answers:

| ten you can get and send in your answ |
|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Surprise Line Birthday |
| 2. Base Snow Dance |
| 3. Rat Blue Cottage |
| 4. Nap Bird Call |
| 5. Golf Foot Country |
| 6. Tiger News Plate |
| 7. Painting Bowl Nail |
| 8. Maple Beet Loaf |

9. Show Oak Plan ______
10. Light Village Golf ______

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For the interest of our public this is a list of our mailed subscriptions to date.

Mrs. J. R. Barr, St. Catharines Mrs. L. R. Neilson, Mississauga

Syl Apps, Kingston

Mrs. R. Murray, Downsview

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Roger Porretti, Downsview

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Mrs. G. Filson, Lansdowne

John Drumgoole, Kingston

Mr. S. Jubinski, South Gate, Mich

Doug Martin, Kingston

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Down The Lane

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries)

1933 - Christmas Day - A lovely day. Cold with some

sleighing. Family all here for the day.

1934 - New Year's Day - A lovely winter's day. Mail

came by ice punt to-day.

1941 - Boxing Day - The L.O.B.A. had a Euchre and

Dance - a real success. Willie Marshall home for a few days.

1943 - New Year's Eve - Kept Agnes' children because of dance at night. Grand roads.

1944 - New Year's Eve - Ferry tried twice but couldn't make it to other side. A dark mild day.

1945 - Boxing Day - Snowing today. Ferry running - strong south winds. Sleet and rain on Xmas day and people ran cars.

1948 - New Year's Eve - Heavy snow and drifts. Roads full of people going to dance with sleighs.

1949 - Christmas Day - At Moutray and Elsie's for Xmas supper. Called Eveline on phone.

1952 - December 31 - Blakey down: Wallace Wemp brings us 2 new cows. Gravel being drawn for roads. Bruce Caughey breaks his arm and goes to K.G.H. N.Y.'s dance at Stella.

1953 - Boxing Day - Silver Anniversary of Ernest and Genevieve. We all went - a big crowd.

{1953} N.Y.'s Eve - Up to Coulson's in afternoon. Mrs. Wires dies. Ernest and I stay till 1 o'clock. N.Y.'s Dance.

Egotist: A person of low taste, more interested in himself than in me.

A. Bierce *****

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Garden Chit Chat The Poinsettia.

Flower of the Holy Night - is originally from Mexico, where legend has it that the traditional flower of Christmas was created by an angel.

A Mexican child, weeping outside a church because she had no flower to offer the Christ Child, was told by a beautiful angel to pluck a weed and return it to the church. The weed miraculously turned into a poinsettia and has since been cherished as a symbol of Christmas, according to Florists' Transworld Delivery Association. It was introduced to the United States in 1829 by the first U.S. Ambassador to Mexico, Joel Roberts Poinsett, whose name has been given to the flower in the English-speaking world.

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!E.L.N.

Hockey:

On December 11 the Reserve beat Stella 5-4 at the Napanee arena. Scorers for Stella were Don Miller with

two, Cliff Sudds, and David Kerr with one apiece. The game was entertaining for the spectators.

The next game is January 8 at 7:00 p.m. ...Staff. *****

Highschool Report:

The last few days before the holidays have been easy ones for most of the students, and teachers. Monday after 1:00 a games day was organized, where volleyball, hockey (at arena), curling, chess, checkers, and broomball could be played. There was a hockey game between the teachers and students which ended up in 4-4 tie.

On Tuesday, first volleyball games between students and teachers will be played, then a Christmas Assembly will be held. Here even old St. Nick will show up.

In closing, the students would like to say "Have a Very Merry Christmas."

....Laurie Kilpatrick

Where Are They Now? Greetings from the Houslanders.

Another year of happiness and some sadness for the family has almost come to a close. Little Jamie was taken two weeks before his second birthday in October. He had been a patient in the Ottawa Civic Hospital for seven months. He had a sweet personality.

As if to compensate, in some measure, for the loss Lois and Don welcomed into their home Heather Suzanne, in November. Marilyn and John welcomed Susan Elizabeth, in February. We now have two grand-daughters and three grand-sons.

Gary took over a medical practice in June, and immediately found himself up to his ears in work. His office is in a

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medical building opposite the Kitchener General Hospital. He is very happy in his work as a family doctor. Mary is proving to be an excellent home-maker.

Bill's project this year was building a catamaran from scratch, for sail and motor. It floats like a cork, and stands up to rough weather. Daisy's 'green thumb' was evident in the beautiful flower garden at the cottage.

Next year the Bowman congregation celebrates their 175th anniversary. We are planning big things for this outstanding event. The Friendship Club, formed last year, continues to expand and carry out an interesting program.

We wish for you a real Bethlehem experience and all

the joys of Christmas. Sincerely, Daisy and Bill. *****

Driving Club:

Members of the Driving Club who got our entry ready for the Santa Parade and the Island orchestra deserve much credit. Thank you.

Winter racing is planned at Amherst Island, Wolfe Island, Odessa, Napanee and Gananoque this year. Now is the time for interested businesses and persons to start thinking about sponsoring prizes for our races on Amherst Island.

Season's greetings to track fans everywhere. ...H. Filson.

Household Hints:

Candle light can be beautiful. Avoid dripping candles by putting them in refrigerator for a few hours before using.

Coffee and iced tea can be frozen in ice cube trays tucked into freezer bags and you'll have a supply at a minute's notice.

Don't flirt with food poisoning - refrigerate the dressing separately from left over turkey or any fowl.

Lick your postage problem. A cut potato surface is just moist enough to use for stamps.

....F. McD.

Answer To Last Week's Puzzle

- 1. Slaughter Kill
- 2. Fright Scare
- 3. Slit Cut
- 4. Boat Ship
- 5. Ring Peal
- 6. Go Leave
- 7. Chop Hew
- 8. Regimen Diet
- 9. Plant Sow

Thank You:

Merry Christmas to our friends and acquaintances and special thanks to the Island Businessmen who donated the lovely trophy. We were delighted and will treasure the beautiful plaque.

....The Weltons

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Filson's Coffee Shop & Gas Bar.

Lunches, Shell Products
Ice, Fishing & Hunting Licence.

Glenisle Lunchroom & Gaseteria. Where good friends meet to eat. Recreation room for group fun.

Glenn's Store and Post Office, groceries & Sundries.

Millhaven Grocery,
Fresh Meat, Vegetables, Sundries, Texaco Gas & Oil.
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Use A. I. If you wish to market your surplus heifers use A.I. The buyers are anxious to purchase good dairy cattle from proven sires.

Shop early for Christmas this year in the friendly atmosphere of The Village Shoppe Bath, Ontario. Mary McGuinn - Prop.

Culligan Water Conditioning 667 Gardiner's Rd., Kingston J. Montgomery.

See the water treatment specialists.

Ron's Gulf Service,

"When hope is gone just call Ron for one call does it all."

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For Hair Styling Whiz See Liz Salon at Holbeth Farm Phone 305-J-2.

For all your Feed, Fencing and Farm Supplies - Phone Blatchford Feeds 546-0835.

Middle Road, Kingston.

Regular Service to Amherst Island.

Amherst Island Beacon:

Dear Friends:

Please accept my sincere thanks for your very nice flowers and kind thought.

I should like, through the medium of your admirable paper to extend my gratitude to all those who so kindly sent cards. The Legion, Branch 539, sent a most acceptable basket of fruit which I enjoyed thoroughly. Thank you one and all.

Yours sincerely,

Wm. P. Coulson.

To all our friends and acquaintances a Merry Christmas and all the beet wishes for the New Year. Fred and Marlene Frohlick and family.

The legend tells that when Jesus was born the sun danced in the sky, and the aged trees straightened themselves and put on leaves and sent-forth the fragrance of blossoms once more. These are the symbols of what takes place in our hearts when the Christ child is born anew each year. Blessed by the Christmas sunshine, our natures, perhaps long leafless, bring new love, new kindness, new mercy, new compassion. As the birth of Jesus was the beginning of the Christian life, so the unselfish joy at Christmas shall start the spirit that is to rule the new year.

..Helen Keller.

Over The Line Fence: (Coulson Cuties)

"Does she know much about motors?"

"Naw, she thinks you cool the engine by stripping the gears."

Teacher - "Johnny, can you tell me what a waffle is?"
Johnny - "Yes'm, It's a pancake with a non skid tread."

A youth's moustache was the pioneer of the instalment plan -

A little down and than a little more each week.

The doctor's work fills six feet of ground, but the dentist's work fills an acher.

The End

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Municipal Affairs:

Council Corner:-

The inaugural meeting of Council for 1971 was held Tuesday night. Vince Aitken welcomed back Keith Miller and Charles Demsen and introduced two new members, Ian Murray and Alan Glenn.

Committees for 1971 were discussed and chairmen appointed as follows:-

Keith Miller - as senior councillor, will chair the building committee and will also act in an advisory capacity in "planning" and "roads".

Charles Densem:- will be chairman of township properties- parks, fire hall, etc. committee. He will also explore the possibilities of a new garbage disposal facility and oversee the closing of the local dump on March 1st, due to legislation prohibiting same.

Alan Glenn:- will chair the roads committee, with Clinton Kilpatrick offering assistance in this department.

Ian Murray:- will head up the Township Planning committee, which will involve new housing development and land severance in the municipality.

Bruce Robinson:- will retain the building inspector's job.

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Other appointments - fence viewing, pound keepers, and warble fly inspector, will be made later.

The sudden illness, in Detroit of the Island Treasurer Fred Neilson, has presented much concern to Council, both for Fred's welfare, and the Island's finances. It is hoped his recovery will be rapid and his return home very soon. Meanwhile, urgent matters are being looked after by Council and if it is deemed necessary later, a temporary appointment to the treasurer's post will be made, until Fred is back on the job. His knowledge of municipal finances is a well-known, accepted fact so his absence is keenly felt. Hurry back Fred.

Harry Filson, Fire Chief and his deputy, Jim Neilson are geared to a training program in 1971, which will help protect the firemen themselves, the township fire equipment and the property of the people who might

need their services. They will study the latest methods of firefighting available to them from the Fire Marshall's office.

A quarterly payment plan for taxes will be studied, to explore the feasability of offering pre-payment bonuses for early payment and collecting quarterly thus to escape the interest rates for borrowing money to meet Island expenses, - payrolls and bills incurred through general expenses etc. Many municipalities have found this eased their interest burden. At present, a mill rate of three mills is needed to take care of bank loans.

.....Marj. Aitken.

Happy New Year

The New Year's Eve party at Victoria Hall was well attended and a lively time was had by all. The Island Band played well into the morning for the die-hards while many others retired to quieter house parties.

The Legion is to congratulated for their initiative in organizing the evening and, of course, the band members are to be thanked for making the occasion so lively.

....Staff.

Thank You:

The Community Sunday School would like to express their sincere thanks for the donation made to them through the Offering at the Community Carol Service.

.... Gayle Willard

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Ice In The Bay:

On December the twenty-seventh the mercury dropped to a 0° giving the ice a chance to form in the channel.

Since then high winds have caused many shifts in the ice and Islanders cast frequent, pensive looks at the bay thinking of the icey drives ahead.

The ice is now about five inches in depth. Reports have it that at least one person has crossed the bay on foot and another person by snow machine.

The Amherst Islander is making regular runs but must force her way in the "track."

Winter service appears to be a dream for another year as Reeve Aitken and the Beacon received the conventional "runaround" from Mr. Gomme and his staff.

....Staff.

Out Our Way:

Bruce Morris, Vancouver, B.C. with his uncle, Eric Morris.

Jay and Sharon Muirhead and family, Orangeville, with Frank and Phyllis Welton.

David and Leslie Anne Harding and Sherri, Amprior with Les and Irene Glenn.

Paul and Carol Glenn and family Copper Cliff, with Helen Miller and Les and Irene Glenn.

Glenn and Sandra Filson and family, Kingston with Helen Miller and Jimmie and Mary Neilson.

Wayne and Jill Watson and family, London and Bill and Joyce Griese, Smiths Falls, with Bert and Chris Glenn.

Tom and Marjorie Tooke and Tom Jr., with Earl and Jean Tugwell.

Dorothy Hill, Kingston with Ross and Tina Filson.

Ray and Winnifred Jamieson and family, Ottawa, with Ernest and Genevieve Fleming.

Mrs. Olive Eves is spending the winter with her family at Amherstview.

Mrs. Jean Wires suffered a painful knee injury in a fall at her home.

Glenn and Shirley Sheil and family spent the holiday season with their relatives at Smiths Falls and Franktown.

Fred and Nellie Neilson and Mary spent Christmas with Fred and Kay Moeller and family at Bloomfield Hills, Mich. We are sorry to report that Fred was stricken on Christmas day and is seriously ill in hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Wright and four children spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. Willard over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs, W. Willard and family spent Christmas day with

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her parents Mr. and Mrs. Earl Peters of Wilton.

A Christmas gathering for the family of Joseph Willard was held at his daughter's home, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Eves on Simcoe Island. Members from Amherst Island travelled via two ferries and took the ice from Wolfe Island to Simcoe Island. A lengthy trip to cover a few miles but well worth the effort.

Church Announcements:

The Annual Vestry Meeting for the Anglican Church will be held Sunday, January 24th immediately

following the Evening Service of 8:00 p.m.

Church Services:

St. Alban's: January 10, 8: p.m.

January 17,11: a.m.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Notice:

Last chance to get ski-doo people together for winter fun.

Glenisle Lunchroom Sunday 2:00 p.m. Jan. 10

Farm File:

Prevent Alfalfa Winterkill

Alfalfa may fail to survive the winter for various reasons, the main cause being poor cutting management - the alfalfa then goes into winter in a starved condition.

Most farmers are familiar with heaving of alfalfa roots. Any soil that is saturated with moisture and then exposed to alternate freezing and thawing, forms ice around the crown of the plant. As the ice forms and expands, the whole tap root is pulled upwards. When a thaw comes, moisture fills in around the crown and top of the tap root, which is separated from the soil, thus causing the roots to heave two to six inches above the soil.

Underdrainage can cut down on heaving as can leaving a six or eight inch stubble. Grass plants also help to cut down on heaving.

If an old stand winterkills new seedings can be topdressed with seed while frosts are still affecting the soil. If legume kill is severe but grass cover is good topdress with nitrogen for increased yield.

Winterkill can be lessened by good cutting management, fertility, and drainage.

....Keith Miller Jean Tugwell

Pups

Two pups to give away to good homes.

R. Bedford.

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Ten To One

Ten little Churchmen went to Church when fine; But it started raining, and then there were nine. Nine little Churchmen stayed up very late; One overslept himself and then there were eight. Eight little Churchmen on the road to heaven; One joined a baseball club and then there were seven. Seven little Churchmen heard of Sunday picnics; One thought he'd like to go and then there were six. Six little Churchmen kept the place alive; One liked his garden, and then there were five. Five little Churchmen seemed loyal to the core; One didn't like the Minister then there four. Four little Churchmen argued heatedly At a Church Meeting, and then there were three. Three little Churchmen sang the service through; Got a hymn they didn't know and then there were two. Two little Churchmen disputed who should run The church's next concert, and then there was one. One faithful Churchman, knowing what to do, Got a friend to come to Church and then there were two.

Two sincere Churchmen each brought in one more; So their number doubled and then there were four. Four sturdy Churchmen simply couldn't wait Till they found four others and then there were eight. Eight eager Churchmen searching round for more, Praying, working, witnessing, drew others by the score. Scores and scores at every service, filling every pew. O God supply the grace to make this story true.

(Reprinted from a South African parish magazine) *****

Down The Lane

(Courtesy Clarice Filson's diaries)

1935 - Jan 4 - A real cold day again, the first horse across the ice at Emerald - Eddie Mills and Ed Reid. {1935} - Jan.5 - First horse over ice from Stella - John Tugwell mailman.

1941 - Jan. 9 - The ferry was able to make her trip through ice in bay. Some boys went in for military training.

1943 - Jan 15 - A dance in Victoria Hall in aid of Red Cross, Grace United Church in Napanee burned.
1947 - Jan 6 - Election Day. T. Cochrane Reeve.
1948 - Jan 14 - Mailman crosses with horse twice.
Plane brings Sterling K. home. Cold night.
1952 - Jan 5 - Born to Howard and Noreen Welbanks - a son.

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1952 - Jan 8 - Eddie, Ella, Ruth and Clifford here for supper. They connected long distance at Hugh Drumgoole's.

{1952} - Jan. 10 - Walk on ice at Emerald. First lamb

born - Mail came by plane.Marj. Aitken.

Where Are They Now?

Although Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Press of R. R. #2, Aylmer left the Island in 1941, they have "fond memories of many friends we would like to hear from."

Some special memories include "the people, who were always so friendly, the peaceful atmosphere and the years when our daughters grew up and attended school taught by Edith Scott."

Mrs. Press writes "Our oldest daughter Mrs. Walter Hatton lives with her family in Toronto the youngest, Mrs. G. Baycroft (Pat), with her family at R.R. #2, Orillia. Pat's son is stationed in Halifax with the navy."

Mrs. Press' only son lives in Aylmer with his wife and six children.

Ernest Press retired three years ago and Mr. and Mrs. Press "have talked many times of a return visit." Their friends on the island would be very happy to see them again.

Thanks to Mary Neilson from Mr. & Mrs. E. Press

Lost

One holstein yearling calf Contact: Rick Bedford.

Circular to Farmers on Amherst Island. Dear Sir:

The workshop held on December 21st was, I think, quite successful. As mentioned then, more meetings are planned. The next of these is called for Monday, January 11th at 8:00 p.m. in the school at Stella.

Mr. Barry Kowalchuk, Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food Dairy Cattle Specialist, will be on hand at this meeting. This meeting will deal with ration formulation, i.e. helping you formulate a ration for your particular situation, regarding feed available, level of production etc. In order to make the most out of this session it would be advisable if you brought:

- (a) pounds of hay fed per cow per day
- (b) pounds of corn fed per cow per day
- (c) pounds of milk produced per cow per day
- (d) pounds of grain fed per cow per day and the constituent of your grain mix
- (e) average weight of your cows
- (f) feed tags from any purchased feed used.

Hoping you will be able to attend this meeting.

Yours very truly,

Bruce Hart, P. Ag.,

Assistant Agricultural Representative

Lennox and Addington County

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Chalk Talk:

Six months at hard labour remain!

Five new students began school Monday, wide-eyed with wonder and amazement at all the people and strange new objects.

The following are comments made by the new pupils:

Tania Sheil: I like school and I like to play best. Reta Brown: I like school and I like to print. Kelly McGinn: School is good and I like to play best. Beverly Wemp: I like school.

Kevin Kilpatrick: I like school cause we can colour.

An open house is planned for the very near future at school. If anyone who doesn't have a child going to school would like to view the "travelling slides" please contact the school and arrangements will be made. Patti-Jo Neilson and Kathy Wemp.

Highschool Report:

Now that the holidays are over the big word around the school is exams. The pre-Xmas ones were done away with, so now we are fortunate to have only two sets. The first set begins January 19th and extends until January 29th.

Winter of course means either billeting or commuting back and forth to the students and this year the majority of us will be boarding. About seven or eight students will travel back and forth.

...Laurie Kilpatrick

Hockey:

The standings in the league show Stella and Hawley tied at four points each. Gretna is in first place followed by the Reserve and Selby. Deseronto is in the cellar.

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Where Are They Now?

Roger McDonald, who left the Island in 1942 remembers the Island as "a nice place to grow up, and I still feel strong ties to the home base for several generations of McDonalds."

Mr. McDonald served with the Air Force from 1942 - 1945, at which time he went to Queen's University. He graduated in Metallurgical Engineering in 1948 and is currently at Energy Mines and Resources in Ottawa.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. McDonald and his brother Mr. Garnet E. McDonald are presently living on the Island.

Roger's family includes two teenage boys, Douglas and Bruce, and ten year old Alison. They enjoy living in Kanata and visit the island frequently during the summer.

...To Mary Neilson from Roger McDonald.

Friar's Some Liar

A man of the cloth, of all persons, is the new world champion liar, the Burlington Liars' Club ruled Wednesday.

Brother Gregory Havel of St. Mary of the Angels' friary, Green Bay, Wis., submitted the winning prevarication in the club's annual competition.

"The floods in Northern Minnesota were so bad last year," Brother Gregory submitted, "that the turtles climbed out of their shells and used them for row boats."

An honorable mention went to Frank C. Machart, Erskine, Minn. who said, "time goes so slow here that we have to use the same calendar for two years."

"Last year," said honorable mention winner, Robert N. Bynum, Ellensburgh, Wash., "we sawed up a contorted willow tree and the wood was so twisted that we had to screw it into the stove with a pipe wrench."

O.P.P. Press Release

"Good News" only 1 fatality in 1970 but the number of Motor vehicle collisions reported to the Napanee O.P.P. Detachment office are up from 604 in 1969 to 617 in 1970.

General types of occurrences are also up 278 over a year ago. 2,845 occurrences in 1969 compared with 3,123 in 1970.

Over the holiday between December 27, 1970 and January 2, 1971 the officers at this Detachment worked a total of 1,200 man hours and patrolled 8,570 miles of Highways, County and

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Township Roads.

Due to the increasing number of minor collisions with snowmobiles while the officers are patrolling they will be checking these vehicles more closely. Tail light will be an important item during this check. If the snowmobile is not mechanically fit or is being improperly driven charges will be laid under the Motorized Snow Vehicle Act.

Careless Driving:

It is an offence to operate a motorized snowmobile without due care and attention, or with out reasonable consideration for other persons. "This applies both on and off the Highway."

The Ontario Safety League commends the snowmobile clubs in Ontario for the work they have done to make snowmobiling a safe and better recreation. They also advise you to join a snowmobile club. If there is not such an organization in your community, form one - - - - take some positive action to promote good snowmobiling. If you want help, write the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs, 1525 O'Connor Drive, Toronto 16, Ontario.

During the past week of patrolling the Napanee Detachment officers laid 52 charges under the Highway Traffic Act and issued 51 warnings to motorists. They investigated 5 Motor Vehicle collisions, 2 of which were the personal injury type with three persons requiring hospital treatment.

In the general field, 7 theft, 1 disturbance, 1 request for assistance, 1 compassionate to locate and 27 other types of various occurrences investigated. 27 man hours were accumulated in Provincial Court (Criminal Div.)

"Think Snow - - Stamp Out Summer"

If you are one of the persons who drive one of the 140,000 snowmobiles zooming over the Ontario Landscape,

Drive like a Professional Drive Defensively Drive to Survive.

Puzzle Corner:

Here are nine simple, familiar proverbs restated in complicated language. Try to put them back into their original form.

- 1. A superabundance of talent skilled in the preparation of gastronomic concoctions will impair the quality of a certain potable solution made by immersing a gallinaceous bird in ebullient Adam's ale.
- 2. Individuals who perforce are constrained to be domiciled in vitreous structures of patent frangibility should on no account employ petrous formations

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as projectiles.

- 3. That prudent avis which matutinally deserts the cosiness of its abode will ensuare a vermiculate creature.
- 4. Everything that coruscates with effulgence is not aurous.

- 5. Do not dissipate your competence by hebetudinous prodigality lest you subsequently lament an exiguous inadequacy.
- 6. An addlepated bonehead and his specie divaricate with startling prematurity.
- 7. It can be no other than a maleficent horizontally propelled current of gaseous matter whose portentous advent is not the harbinger of a modicum of beneficence.
- 8. One should hyperaesthetically exercise macroscopy upon that situs which one will eventually tenant if one propels oneself into the troposphere.
- 9. Aberration is the hallmark of homo sapiens, while longanimous placability and condonation are the indicia of supramundance omniscience.

Answer To Puzzle

- 1. Too many cooks spoil the broth.
- 2. People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones
- 3. The early bird catches the worm.
- 4. All that glitters is not gold.
- 5. Waste not, want not.
- 6. A fool and his money are soon parted.
- 7. It's an ill wind that blows nobody any good.
- 8. Look before you leap.
- 9. To err is human, to forgive divine.

As New Year's Resolutions go, I think these are worthy of the Beacon and I hope to bring these beyond the speculative stage:-

- I Celebrate our first successful year, when our twenty-sixth edition is complete.
- II Present an award to an outstanding member of the Stella Hockey Club.
- III Investigate the possibility of including photographs in our paper.
- IV Press for improved winter service to Amherst Island.
- V Increase circulation to readers beyond Amherst Island.
- VI Improve the flow of news from the public to the editorial staff so that current news stories can be reported adequately.

VII Organize a summer picnic or festival day.

VIII Make arrangements for an outdoor rink so that Islanders will have the enjoyment of this much needed facility.

...G. F. Sheil.

He is not only idle that does nothing, but he is idle who might be better employed.

Socrates ****

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Filson's Coffee Shop & Gas Bar. Lunches, Shell Products Ice, Fishing & Hunting Licence. ***

Glenisle Lunchroom & Gaseteria. Where good friends meet to eat. Recreation room for group fun.

Glenn's Store and Post Office, groceries & Sundries.

Millhaven Grocery, Fresh Meat, Vegetables, Sundries, Texaco Gas & Oil. Rex & Barb Aldermen - Prop.

James Towne, Auctioneers, Estate Liquidators, Importers. Auction every Wed., 7:00 p.m. 4033 Bath Rd., Collins Bay, Ontario. ***

Brunet Insurance, Auto, Fire, Life, General Bath, 352-3315 Insurance questions invited. ***

Your Imperial Esso Agent. Stuart J. Kilpatrick The only complete Home & Farm Service. Bath, Ont. 352-7810

The Neilson Store for groceries, fresh meat, hardware, gas & oil.

Eastern Breeders Incorporated Use A. I.

If you wish to market your surplus heifers use A.I. The buyers are anxious to purchase good dairy cattle from proven sires.

Shop early for Christmas this year in the friendly

atmosphere of The Village Shoppe Bath, Ontario. Mary McGuinn - Prop.

Culligan Water Conditioning 667 Gardiner's Rd., Kingston J. Montgomery See the water treatment specialists.

Ron's Gulf Services,

"When hope is gone just call Ron for one call does it all"

R.R.#3, Bath. 389-5512.

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For Hair Styling Whiz See Liz Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Salon at Holbeth Farm Phone 305-J-2.

For all your Feed, Fencing and Farm Supplies, Phone Blatchford Feeds, 546-0835.
Middle Rd. Kingston.
Regular Service to Amherst Island.

Notice:

Marj. Aitken is conducting a four day course in paper mache craft, under the sponsorship of the W.I. The first day of the course is Monday January 11th, at 10:00 a.m. at Aitken's house.

Due to the absence of Nellie Neilson who was to have assisted in the demonstration, the course is limited to fourteen people.

Anyone interested may call Marj. for a list of materials.

.....Staff.

Household Hints:

Save large size grocery bags. They make excellent liners for garbage pail or wastebasket making disposal of refuse easier.

To neutralize cooking odors - boil one to three teaspoons of ground cloves in water 15 minutes or heat some vinegar on the range - works like a charm.

.... F. McD.

Answers To Last Week's Puzzle:

- 1. Party
- 2. Ball
- 3. Cheese
- 4. Cat
- 5. Club
- 6. Paper
- 7. Finger
- 8. Sugar
- 9. Floor
- 10. Green

Over The Line Fence:

"What did you hear at the Opera yesterday?"

"All sorts of things, Smith is going bankrupts, Mrs.
Brown has dyed her hair, and the Whites are having a divorce."

- "I can't bear a fool," said the lawyer to the farmer.
- "Your mother could," said the farmer.

Here's to the girl that's good and sweet, Here's to the girl that's true, Here's to the girl that rules my heart -In other words, HereWrsh

Crossing

After several days of ski-mobile crossing, three intrepid Island men made the first crossing by car. On Sunday, January 10, Harry Filson, Stirling Glenn and Leslie Glenn climbed into Les' '36 Chevy (no doors, no back) and successfully completed the trip to the Millhaven Dock and back.

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The tree line was laid out by the road crew the following Wednesday, January 13. The "road" runs to the east of the docks as the ferry track veers right over to Fish Point eliminating a westerly crossing.

At present, the approaches at either end are a bit rough but quite safe. With the extremely cold weather this past week (27° at Morris Hogeboom's on Wednesday, 13th, 6 a.m.) has made the ice quite thick although the presence of considerable small cracks indicates some brittleness.

A rough calculation showed that around twenty people commute to the mainland every day to work. As long as the ice remains passable, the "bridge" is very convenient and shortens many people's working day.Ian Murray.

Observations

Many of our readers have noted, during the past weeks, the moving in of a number of heavy machines by the Ontario Hydro and on Monday last a group of workmen commenced operations. Earlier in the fall a number of truck loads of 'treated' poles were delivered here and stored in an accessible place awaiting the start of this work.

The commencement of this work is the first phase of conversion of telephone service on Amherst Island to 'dial'. At the time of sale of our telephone system (Amherst Island Municipal Telephone System) to Bell Canada in December 1966, one of the conditions of sale was that 'dial' service would be provided by 1971. Bell Canada is now setting about carrying out this commitment. In conversation with one of Bell Canada's engineers early in the fall, he assured me that this conversion would be completed by December 1971 and they hoped for an earlier completion if possible.

Bell Canada engineering staff have arranged for what is known as 'joint use', this being an arrangement with Ontario Hydro whereby subject to certain specifications the necessary cable is strung on Ontario Hydro pole line, for which service, Bell Canada, or any other telephone company, pays a per pole rental as well as reimbursing Ontario Hydro for any changes necessary to comply with the required specifications.

Joint use specifications require, in addition to adequate clearance from the ground to the telephone cable, "a minimum vertical clearance of 30" between the power conductor at maximum sag and the line of sight of the highest communication conductor be provided." It is therefore necessary, particularly in the case of poles carrying transformers, to place longer poles, in order to meet these specifications.

It is interesting to note that by the use of modern equipment, eg.; the caterpillar equipped pole winch etc., which moves easily over any amount of snow, that construction work, which a few years ago would have

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to be left to the more favourable summer conditions are now carried out with ease. Doubtless with the opening of navigation, in the spring, the new cable, carrying 'dozens' of circuits will be laid across the channel. The Island terminus of this cable will be on the Murphy property at the Eastern end of the Island extending from there out across 'Sand Bay' rather than the present terminus on 'Epstein's Point.' It is anticipated that the Mainland terminus will be in the Amherstview area with connections being made into the Collins Bay facilities of Bell Canada. In preparing specifications for the cable, engineers have planned for sufficient circuits to meet the requirements of our community for many years to come.

Originally Bell Canada, in take-over of our system, proposed to use underground cable through out the Island, apparently there is a change of plans and with completion of the overhead cable installation the present pole line will be removed completely, except for some very short stretches in a few places.

It would seem unfortunate that there could not have been more consideration given to a re-location of the Hydro pole line, with so many changes being made. Our Township Council have had a policy in effect for a number of years regarding the gradual widening of our road-right-of-ways, which does much to facilitate snow removal and ditching, as well as to improve the general appearance. With the removal of the telephone pole line from one side of the roads it is very disappointing to see the pole re-placement by Hydro, still in the same locations. The element of safety should also have been looked at as well as the undesirable feeling of driving through a forest of poles.

....A.B.C.

Farm File

The 5th annual meeting of The Ontario Milk

Marketing Board as held January 6th and 7th. There were two announcements of particular interest to everyone present. The first announcement was the signing of the market sharing quota plan at 10 p.m. Tuesday January 5th by Ontario and Quebec producer organizations and the Canadian Dairy Commission. The second announcement was the 20 cents a hundredweight increase in the price of classes 1 and 2 milk becoming effective February 1st, followed by a further increase of 15 cents September 1st.

Mr. Lorne Hurd, General Manager for O.M.M.B., who was Canada's delegate to the International Dairy Congress in Australia, gave a very interesting paper on his trip to both Australia and New Zealand.

W.D. Knox, editor of Hoards Dairyman was the guest speaker at the meeting. He praised the O.M.M.B. highly for the excellent job they were doing.

In the late afternoon a question and answer period led to a lively discussion, especially regarding quotas. The meeting adjourned about 4 p.m.

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crossing the ice each day to attend classes.Laurie Kilpatrick *****

Volunteer Fire Fighters Meet

Harry Filson and Jimmie Neilson held brief introductory meeting with their volunteers this past week. The workings of the truck and pumping equipment were explained. It is hoped that this equipment remains unused except for training sessions (in warm weather).

....Staff.

Driving Club

With cold weather and winter racing getting close, it is a common sight to see our Island Driving Club members jogging their horses along Island roads.

Earle Willard has a good prospect in Prester Star, as well as Stu Miller with Jerry Nimity who has a mark of 2:03; Bruce Caughey with Ruth Arness, Garry Filson with Clayhaven Dexter, Bob Howard with Amherst Lady, and Ross Hitchins with Flicka Creed. Mel Filson is also preparing his good old trotting mare Melody Tripp.

Spencer Heir, Prima Blossom, Kim Marie Hal, Nancy's Rum and Willow Brook Smokey are still resting up for next summer races.

At Odessa racing begins this Sunday, January 24, 1971, post time 1:30 p.m. and the following two weeks at Odessa Fairgrounds under the auspices of the newly formed Odessa Horseman Club.

The Island Driving Club is still looking for new members and hope to see a good turnout at our next meeting, Monday January 25th, 8:00 at Glenisle Rec. Room. Plans will have to be made for this winter's races as well as finding a place for a track.

Don't forget to bring your ticket stubs to this meeting.

...Al Caughey and Harry Filson *****

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Down The Lane

(courtesy of Clarice Filson's diaries)

1933 - Jan. 24- A beautiful day, the bay has been like a mirror. Had Miss M. Hill, Mrs. Will Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Parker to call.

1934 - Feb. 1- A nice winter's day - Clarice's birthday. Had them to supper.

{1934} Feb. 2- Quite windy and turning colder. The Driving Club held their annual horse races today. Dance held tonight.

1936 - Jan. 20- Quite cold today. King George V died. The Empire is mourning.

1937 - Jan. 27- Cold, bright day. The ferry made her three trips as usual.

1939 - Jan. 27- Bitter cold- 18° below this morning. The cars are flying across the ice.

1942 - Feb. 2- We had our neighbours and friends in - it being Ernest and Clarice's 25th anniversary.

1943 - Jan. 28- Ernest took cream today. Rev. Earls came home with him. Rehearsals all afternoon.

{1943} Jan. 29- United Church Play - "Aunt Bessie beats the band". Very good.

1944 - Feb. 4- Went to a quilting bee at Helen Caugheys. There was a dance at Emerald.
1945 - Jan. 31- Roads drifted badly. Born to Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Glenn a daughter - Juanita Kathleen.
1949 - Jan. 20- Had Clifford and Ruth, Moutray and Elsie for supper. Took Ed Bongard to K.G.H. in the night. He was operated on.

{1949} Feb. 2 - Grand day. Ed Bongard comes home - by plane.

1950 - Feb. 3- Neilson's get bread and butter by plane. Mr. Cole tries a snowmobile. Ice is not good. It went out down our way.

1952- Jan. 20- Boat still running.

1953- Jan. 29- Ferry still running. Several people go to Lorne Connors funeral. A trip of the ferry at night. A beautiful night - just like a moonlight cruise.

....Marj. Aitken.

Where Are They Now?

Mr. Neilson Wemp who now lives in Kelowna, B.C. fondly remembers Amherst Island. Leaving Amherst in December 1948, Mr. Wemp resided in Duncan on Vancouver Island until 1951; he moved to Kelowna in July, 1951. Married in 1949, Mr. Wemp has two sons and two daughters.

In a letter to the Beacon, he mentions his mother, Mrs. Kathleen Wemp, his brother, Ralph, sisters Helen Miller and Jean Tugwell. Mr. Wemp writes to wish his old friends and the Beacon all the very best for 1971, and following are excerpts from his letter regarding his special memories:-

"Christmas day before the time of snowploughs. Driving the family with a team and sleigh from the head of the Island to my grandmother's place. Back again around midnight often upsetting the whole family in a snowbank on the way."

"I also remember the Emerald Dramatic club. This was organized

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by Maurice Smith and Marian Richards. We put on plays and raised money to build the dance hall at Emerald. This has since been purchased by Maurice Smith and made into a house. Some of you will remember the fun we had when the club was first organized."

"There were also the wintertime dances in Victoria hall at Stella when the bay was frozen over and cars could cross. They were exciting events and gave us a chance to look at the girls from across the water. Sometimes fists flew before the evening was over which added to the excitement."

"I think many will agree when I say once an Amherst Islander, always an Amherst Islander in our hearts."

...Emily Wemp from Neilson Wemp. *****

Bruce Caughey Addresses The Inaugural Meeting Of The L. & A. Board Of Education To The Members Of The Board Of Education And All Personnel In Lennox & Addington County.

For the past two years you have given me the opportunity and the privilege of serving as Chairman of the first County Board of Education in Lennox & Addington and at this time I would like to express to you my sincere thanks and appreciation for the excellent cooperation that you have given me while in this office.

The past two years have been extremely busy oneswe, the elected representatives, who were given a mandate to organize a system of school administration on County level, have been deeply involved in the establishment of such a system. It was necessary to start from scratch in the organizing of an administrative staff as well as facilities and we were indeed fortunate that we received applications and were able to procure the services of highly qualified and experienced people to fill necessary positions within the structure. As a Board of Education we attempted to hold the number of administrative staff to a minimum, this has meant many long hours of patient and dedicated work on the part of these people. It has meant long and tedious hours at both regular Board meetings and particularly in Committee meetings, where ad hoc committees have been constantly functioning. I am deeply grateful to all who have carried

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out their duties in such an admirable fashion.

Many times we have been subjected to criticisms, some of these we have listened to and governed our opinions accordingly, others we have ignored and pressed on with the task at hand in the hope that our judgements would be accepted and respected. I feel that we are justified in judging the acceptance of our representation the basis of the return of the majority of the members to a further two year term on this Board.

To the personnel of the administration, it has been inspiring to me to feel, that without exception, I have had your confidence and respect as well as your cooperation at all times. I have tried to leave you to your daily duties with a minimum of interference and have intentionally absented myself from the confines of your office except when my presence was essential.

To the members of the teaching staffs within the County, I want to say a special 'thank you' for the many opportunities that you have given me of associating myself with the 'work' and the 'play' of your respective schools.

In view of your many courtesies to me I cannot help but feel, that for the most part, I have in no small way, enjoyed your confidence and respect. I ask for my successor the same measure of cooperation that you have given me.

As I now move to the 'debating' section of this Board table I look forward to further involvement in establishment of policies and procedures that will produce a better educational system for our County and that we may be able to attain this standard without an overburdening of the tax structure so necessary to produce the required support of good educational facilities and programs.

May I extend to you, Mr. Munroe, my sincere thanks for your cooperation as Vice-Chairman and wish for you, in your acceptance of the Chairmanship of this Board every success and promise my support to you at all times in your carrying out of the innumerable duties involved.

I am, Sincerely yours, A. Bruce Caughey.

Lennox & Addington County Board Of Education.

Chairman- John Monroe, representing Town of Napanee, a Napanee resident, owner and operator of the Queen's Hotel, Napanee.

Vice-Chairman- Warren Finley one of two representatives from Camden Twshp. and Village of Newburgh - lives at Strathcona, where he is an executive in the Strathcona paper mill, owned by the Finley family.

Stanley Allore- Representing Camden Twshp. and Village of Newburgh lives in Camden East where he operates a retail meat business.

Gerald Hannah- Representing Twnship of Sheffield, lives in Tamworth, where he is a funeral director.

Roy Holtshauer- Representing the Twnshp. North of Highway No 7, lives at Kaladar where he operates a Shell Service station and restaurant at junction of No. 7 and No. 41 highways.

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Jas. McCutcheon- Representing Twsp. of Richmond, lives at Selby and owns and operates an Insurance and Real Estate business in Napanee.

Roy McDannold- Representing North Fredricksburg where he lives, is an executive in the Plant of Metcalfe Foods, Desoronto, owned by A. &.P. Stores.

A. Bruce Medd- Representing Town of Napanee, living in Napanee, is the retired Vice-Principal of Napanee District Secondary School.

Thos. Tomkow - Representing South Fredricksburgh & Adolphustown, residing in the where he is a dairy farmer.

Rev. Floyd McPhee- One of four representatives of Ernestown, Bath and Amherst Is. Lives in Amherstview where he is minister of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Philip Bennest- Representing Ernestown, Bath and Amherst Is. resides in Odessa, where he owns and operates Bennest's Red & White Store.

Norman Wilson - Representing Ernestown, Bath and Amherst Is. resides in village of Bath, employed at Dupont of Canada, where he is an electrician in maintenance.

A.Bruce Caughey- Representing Ernestown, Bath and Amherst Is. living on Amherst Island where he is a dairy farmer.

Edward Hopkins- Separate School representative on the Board, resides at Erinsville, where he is Postmaster and former operator of a general store. *****

O.P.P. Press Release

Accident rates are running high in '71. This past week in the Napanee Detachment area 16 Motor Vehicle Collisions were investigated. 1 of these were of the Personal Injury type with one person being injured, the balance being property damage. A total of \$6,390.00 property damage was estimated as the result of the collisions.

The officers of this Detachment travelled 9,509 miles of highway, County and Township roads. 31 charges were laid under the Highway Traffic Act and 37 warnings were issued.

Apart from traffic, 4 thefts, 1 break and enter, 2 disturbances, 1 request for assistance and 50 other types of occurrences were investigated.

As of the 1st of January, 1971, the safety officer's area was enlarged. Constable Harrington is now visiting

the classrooms in the North Addington are as well as the schools south of Hwy. #7 in Lennox and Addington County. Thirty elementary school involving some 6,500 children will be visited twice during the school years by Constable Harrington.

Have You Got Your New 1971 Licence Plates Yet?

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Observations

Winter Transportation: -

At time of writing the Amherst Islander continues her shuttle service between the Island and the mainland, but with the slowly thickening ice and the circuitous route necessary, it is practically impossible to maintain a satisfactory schedule. When the ice first formed in the channel on Christmas eve, last, the ferry crews maintained an extremely wide channel through the ice, in the hope that this would facilitate their keeping navigation open for a longer period. Fate intervened however and with a mild spell, coupled with a strong wind about ten days ago the ice shifted from 'Fish' point east, closing up the channel in use and forcing the ferry to make the circuitous route from the Island Ferry Dock to the end of 'Fish Point' and then to follow the open water across to Millhaven Dock, this channel gradually filled with ice and in the effort to maintain a reasonably uniform schedule, there has been no time to attempt breaking any other channel and coupled with the thickening ice it has only been possible to operate "as you can."

This is the season of the year when from now until mid-March or early April we face that period of great uncertainty. I am sure that new-comers to our Island, who intend making their permanent homes here find this most frustrating and for we "seasoned" Islanders causes us to take many second looks at the situation we find ourselves in each year and to relate this situation to that of our neighbours on the mainland and particularly to our fellow Islanders on Wolfe Island.

We live in a Province where great emphasis is placed on the provision of "equal rights" to all, only recently we have gone through a re-organization of our educational administration system, we were told that the one great purpose being to establish equal "educational opportunities for all." We have witnessed road construction on a very extensive scale into our great Northland, the stated purpose being to "open" up this country, make the natural resources available to all and to provide economic opportunities for those people who live there. Please don't misjudge my statements, I am truly appreciative of all that has been done to improve

our situation as far as ferry service is concerned but we never seem to get all the way.

My recollections go back many years, in this regard, and it seems to me that anything that we have obtained has been the result of coaxing and pleading on bended knee, both on the part of our Municipal Councils and our M.L.A.'s. Innumerable deputations and delegations have been received by our Ontario Legislators and they have always seem to come up with some alibi. When the late Samuel Miller conceived the idea of Ferry service to connect the Island with the mainland, there was little thought of assistance coming from a Provincial level, at that time we were involved with a County Road System and

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Amherst Island practically "went it alone" in the operation of our ferry service, when representation was made to the then Dept. of Highways for assistance, I remember the answer of Hon. Doucette (then the Minister) was, "I am sorry, the Dept. is not in the "ferry business." In spite of this we witnessed the establishment of free Provincially operated ferry service at Glenora and learned of the establishment of a Provincially operated ferry service to St. Joseph's Island in the "Soo" river.

Wolfe Island's needs run parallel to ours and we were interested, at the close of World War II, when their ferry was unconditionally condemned, the Dept. began to slowly be concerned with the provision of some facilities for transportation. This resulted in first of all the provision of two troop landing crafts being pressed in to service while a conversion job was done on a new coastal freighter, built at Collingwood for service in the China Sea, the cessation of the war meant no longer any use for this particular ship and she became the present Wolfe Islander. One step after another seems to have been taken in quick succession, the taking over of the Wolfe Islander and provision of completely free ferry service, the provision of a second ferry to augment the service, the construction of a winter dock and a connecting highway to it and now consideration of construction of an International Bridge, which hopefully will terminate all transportation problems for the Island.

Like our sister Island Wolfe, we found ourselves in a like dilemma as far as ferry service was concerned. We had a small wooden boat, a mistake from the moment she was launched off the Municipal Pier in Collingwood, capable of carrying, at the most seven touring cars and totally incapable of breaking even one or two inches of ice. Approaches were made, through our then representative the late Harry A. Stewart to the Dept. of Highways - The Kingston Shipbuilding

Company were crying for work, war contracts had ceased to exist and plans of a proposed ferry for our Island were formulated at a price tag of \$30,000. to \$50,000. still no commitment from the Dept. and in desperation and collaboration between Mr. Stewart and our Reeve, the late T. B. Cochrane a "Tank Landing Craft" was purchased from War Assets and a conversion job was done on this craft by the Ship Building Co., more "hedging" from the powers that be and no one will ever know how close Amherst Island came to picking up the tab for this blunder of \$65,000., it is generally agreed that it was only through the goodness of some of our friends close to "government" that prevented our so doing. The succeeding seven years proved the folly of what had happened and while we did enjoy, through the summer months a greater carrying capacity of cars, there was still no ice-breaking ability and in October 1954, with most of the watertight compartments of this ferry, hopelessly flooded due to the thin "skin" of the hull rusted through, she was removed from service due to condemnation.

One cannot help but be amuse by the next chain of events. One

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of our "political" parties arranged a big rally to be held on Amherst Island, amusement, music and song and eats were provided, while one of our presently wellknown members of the "Judiciary" then involved in politics on a Federal level, addressed those present and flailed the Provincial Dept. for their evasion of their responsibilities to the people of Amherst Island. Soon thereafter came the answer- another political rally was organized by "another" political party and again there was amusement, singing and dancing, in the midst of which our Provincial M.L.A. from a cabinet level, announced the decision of the Provincial Government to provide a new ferry for service of our Island, also there would be consultation with our municipal heads, whose advice would be sought in arriving at a suitable design, choice of power, etc. The latter did not develop but in July 1955, there sailed into our lives the present Amherst Islander. As in the case of most new ships there are "kinks" to be ironed out, we waited patiently while this was done but our great disappointment came with the first ice when we found that this ship wore out it's "slippers" very quickly and each time that any amount of ice was encountered there was a break down. Season after season went on this way, we recognized the excellent ice-breaking abilities of the hull, her tremendous carrying capacity, excellent manoeuverability but also her great lack of "guts", she was truly a "Cadillac" with an "Austin" engine. Finally

a new motor was installed but problems still existed. In spite of the new motor possessing twice the number of cylinders, it was still a fast turning motor only capable of swinging a certain sized wheel and the problem was still one of broken transmissions, propellers and propeller shafts. Frequent trips to the ship yard, which are also costly ones for the body who pays the shot have done little to improve the situation and so we face another period of uncertainty.

As each of these uncertain seasons approaches, representation and requests are made to the Dept. to provide a tug to keep the ferry in operation all season the same as at Wolfe Island. Each year our M.L.A., Mr. Apps does his best to present our side of the picture, a few years ago the Minister of Highways even made a whirlwind tour of "The Islands" (Howe, Wolfe and Amherst) expressed his sympathy but managed to get back to Toronto without any commitments. Last year the Ontario Milk Marketing Board put the pressure on again and again our Municipal Council journeyed to Toronto to make solicitation, again came the same old answer "We are sympathetic" but replied the Treasury Board "We have no money." The Delegation could not help but agree, for on their return downtown they had ascended the Toronto-Dominion Bank Tower so that they could see at first hand the multi-million dollar land fill operat

because of the possibility they might engage the Drive position. The Ontario Safety League says that an accessory to overcome this hazard is now on the market. Translok is a device that is installed on the shift collar opposite the gear selector. When the car is left in Park position the lock cylinder is pushed in and thereafter it is impossible to get into any other gear position until the device is unlocked, with a separate key.

Licence Plates

They are now available at all Department of Transport issuing offices. Plan now to get your licence plates early and avoid the long last-minute line-ups in February.

If you have health, you will probably be happy; and if you have health and happiness, you will have all the wealth you need, even if not all you want.

E. Hubbard

Puzzle Corner

How quickly can you find out what is so unusual about this paragraph? It looks so ordinary that you would think that nothing was wrong with it at all and in fact, nothing is. But it is unusual. Why? If you study it and think about it you may find out, but I am not going to assist you in any way. You must do it without coaching. No doubt, if you work at it for long, it will dawn on you. Who knows? Go to work and try your skill. Par is about half an hour.

Answer To Puzzle

This week's puzzle was not easy ("e"sy). Although the letter "e" is the most used letter in the English alphabet, the paragraph did not contain a single "e".

Notice:

Island Driving Club;

...the Beacon could be persuaded, with a little urging, to arrange for a suitable and worthy prize for one of your ice races this year.

We want to take the initiative, but would like the members of the Driving Club to approach us with some suggestions. We hope you contact us as soon as possible if interested.

....Staff.

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Household Hints

Save wear and tear on children's cardboard games such as checkers by shellacking them - also easily wiped off when soiled.

For your little girl's birthday cake you could try using small kewpie or baby dolls to decorate instead of candles making a little gift for each child to take home from a party.

....F. McD. ****

Euchres

to be held at Public School Wednesday, January 27 and Friday, February 19 Sponsored by W.I.

Admission: 50¢

Hockey

On January 8th the Stella Club blanked Hawley 2-0

on goals by Dave Kerr and Bob Cashman. I was a spectator at the game and was impressed by many aspects of the game, notably the control our team had throughout the game.

Jack Forrester had his stalwarts primed for the victory and they came through - to the delight of their numerous home fans.

January 12th however was considerably different, for Stella was shell-shocked 6-0 by the Gretna squad. ...G.F. Sheil.

Over The Line Fence:

Father- "Are there half fares for children?" Conductor- "Yes, under fourteen." Father; -"That's all right. I've only five."

"Some of our Congressmen drink more than they can stand."

"How do you know?"

"Why, I read the other day in the paper about one member who made a speech from the floor of the House."

How can it be proved that a horse has six legs. He has fore legs in front and two behind.

The End

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:-

A delegation of Burleigh Lodge executive presented Council with the terms of sale of Victoria Hall, on Monday evening at Councils' February meeting. Council will consider purchase of this property for conversion to a community hall. Many aspects of converting the hall to a serviceable township hall, with proper washroom facilities, kitchen facilities, heating equipment, etc., were discussed and the cost of such a project, in terms of mill rate to the taxpayer, will be given serious consideration before any decision will be made. Grants for assistance with this project will be investigated by a committee. The need for some sort of appropriate building to serve the needs of the community is clearly recognized and the matter will receive Council's attention in the next few weeks.

The heavy snowfalls and heavy winds of the past weeks have put the road crew and snow removal equipment under great pressure. Some of the island roads were left with only one track width to travel due to break-downs but it is hoped further snow falls will hold off until all the roads are pushed back well. The condition is not just an Island one - all the province is in serious condition with country roads and lanes. Old Man Winter has shown us the fury of an old fashioned winter and the Indian who was reported to have said in the fall, that "winter '71 would amount to nothing", should hang up his shingle for weather forecasting on the shelf.

....Marj. Aitken. *****

January Storms

On Wednesday, January 27 the storm that had ravaged Western Ontario swung its frigid blasts on Amherst Island. Though the force of the wind had abated in some degree from its triumphant peak of 75 m.p.h., we were lashed by two inches of snow riding a 45 m.p.h. gale.

Heavy drifting and low visibility made travel on the roads or across the ice a very hazardous enterprise.

High school students who braved the crossing in the morning found that the high school bus had not waited for them, and the students managed transport to Napanee through the generosity of Mrs. Rickey. In compliance with recent directives from the L. & A. Board of Education, the public school remained open; however, in the early afternoon arrangements were initiated by road engineer, Stu Miller, to plow the school buses home. Conditions had deteriorated to such a state by that time that it was nearly 8:00 o'clock before Ross Hitchins' bus had completed its

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run.

Late evening witnessed the storm move eastward out of our area.

On Friday night, January 29, a storm of lesser intensity, but more snow, struck; following in the wake of Wednesday's storm it meant that roads were choked with snow. On Saturday the roads were quite passable but they had been reduced to narrow aisles flanked by six-foot drifts.

.....Staff.

Snowmobile Mishap

A family outing ended in a scare when Lloyd Strain narrowly missed severe injury or worse on the evening of Monday, January 25.

Earl Willard, Leslie Strain and Lloyd were snowmobiling in Cadman's field behind Lloyd's house when the accident occurred, about 8:p.m. Unaware of a fence in his path, Lloyd drove under a strand of barbed wire, which caught on his neck and threw him from the machine. He sustained very serious cuts to his neck and jaw from the wire which had apparently caught first on his jacket. Laurie Willard, a passenger on the machine, was frightened but unhurt.

Earl Willard and Lloyd's wife, Phyllis, rushed him to the Hotel Dieu Hospital where he received twelve stitches and other treatment.

The next day Lloyd was "just a little stiff" and reflected thankfully that he "was not going very fast," at the time of the incident.

Note: The staff learned of another brush with grief which happened over the Christmas season. It is reported that Patti Jo Neilson's scarf became entangled in the flywheel of a snowmobile on which she was riding. Luckily the scarf snapped, leaving Patti Jo

gasping and breathless, as a result of the experience.

Crossing Changed

The ice road is now altered so that cars enter and leave the ice at the cheese factory. The road swings around Stella Point and across the bay to the east side of the Millhaven dock. This change was necessitated by the instability of the ice to the west of the Stella dock.Staff.

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Waist Deep In Winter

Ken Lemmon, returning from work on Friday night January 29, abandoned his car which had become stuck at the crack near the Millhaven dock. The bay was a cauldron of swirling snow and wind but Ken managed to walk to Stella. Approaching the Stella dock, he suddenly found himself waist-deep in icy Lake Ontario. He was able to get out and at 3:00 o'clock Saturday morning he had to finish his journey home, drenched and nearly frozen.

.....Staff.

Out Our Way

Mrs. Edith Sudds, a former Islander underwent major surgery last week at K.G.H.

Keith Miller, Eric and Ted Welbanks and Ronnie Miller went on a snow-cruiser safari to the north country last weekend.

Islanders learned with regret that Rev. Douglas Dunning is leaving this parish. He will take up his new duties in March at St. Paul's in Kingston. We wish him well in his new charge.

The Women's Institute family night will be in the school on Friday, February 19th. In the previous issue of the Beacon it was reported in error that there would be a euchre on that date. So far only one euchre has been planned by the W.I. and it will be held when weather permits.

The congregation of St. Paul's will hold their annual meeting in the school on Saturday, February 13th. The meeting will be preceded with a pot-luck dinner at 7:00 o'clock sharp. Rev. Allison requests that each member of every family try to attend.

We learned last week of the passing of Mrs. Lucy Goodberry in Buffalo, N.Y. and we extend our sympathy to her sister Mrs. Etta Henderson and her family.

Brenda Wemp, Montreal, spent a few days recently with Jean and Earl Tugwell.

We are happy to report that Fred Neilson has been released from hospital and is spending some time with Kaye and Fred Moeller. He hopes to return home in a week or two.

Glenn and Sandra Filson, Todd and Kim spent the weekend in Arnprior with David and Leslie Ann Harding and Sherri.

Jean and Earl Tugwell returned home Wednesday after a pleasant holiday with the Tooke family of Grimsby.

Friends and family of Mrs. Jean Brown send her best wishes during her stay at Napanee Hospital and hopes she will be home soon.

I will take this opportunity to say a sincere thank you to my Loyal Friend, the ladies of St. Paul's church, my family and friends for the flowers and phone calls I received in K.G.H. and since my return home. Special thanks to Clinton Kilpatrick and Edward McCormick for solving my transportation problems on such a stormy day.

.....Genevieve Fleming.

Fire Siren Drill

On Saturday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m. Fire Chief Harry Filson is planning to test the siren to ascertain its range. Please be advised that the purpose is not to conduct a fire drill. Members of the volunteer brigade are asked to listen to test the audibility of the siren.

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The following article was written by an inmate of Kingston Penitentiary and is submitted by Wayne Snider.

Children Learn What They Live

If a child lives with criticism, He learns to condemn; If a child lives with hostility, He learns to fight; If a child lives with ridicule, He learns to be shy: If a child lives with shame, He learns to feel guilty; If a child lives with tolerance, He learns to be patient; If a child lives with encouragement, He learns confidence:

If a child lives with praise, He learns to appreciate; If a child lives with fairness, He learns Justice; If a child lives with security, He learns to have faith; If a child lives with approval, He learns to like himself; If a child lives with acceptance and friendship; He learns to find love in the world.

Unusual Call

Mrs. Shirley Sheil requested a Kingston number on the telephone the other day and to her surprise she found herself talking to the operator in Adrian, Michigan. Ann Hitchins, the Stella operator was mildly confused by the situation.

.....Staff.

Down the Lane

1933- Feb. 6 Real stormy day - snowing hard. Boat made a trip in afternoon through ice.

{1933} Feb. 8 No mail today - first day of no boat. {1933} Feb. 13 R.M. Swirns got mail in his car - first horse over ice bushing road.

1937- Feb. 12 Worlds Day of Prayer was held here - 13 present.

{1937} Feb. 13 Threatens rain today. Our Young People put on a play tonight - it was good.

1942- Feb. 10 A plane came down on Mr. Ben Wemp's farm this morning - two men in it - no one was hurt. Clifford Glenn putting in ice now - men helping. {1942} Feb. 11 Several airforce men here - planning on

removing the plane.

{1942} Feb. 14 Still working on the plane - taking the wings off. Ruth Marshall and Clifford Glenn married in Toronto.

{1942} Feb. 18 The last of the plane drawn across the bay.

1944- Feb. 12 Institute Tea at Mrs. Fred Neilson's. {1944} Feb. 26 Herman Finley dies.

1946- Feb. 26 A dark cold day. Ice too heavy for cars. Bankers didn't come over today.

1949- Feb.18 Warmest Feb. date on record - 58° . 1951- Feb. 9 Coldest day of winter so far, - 12° but

1953- Feb. 9 Rae Cronkhite dies - body taken to Fergus - age 47. Men get in ice at the head.

{1953} Feb.11 Getting my hair done at Barbara's. Quite a snow storm. Men take cream across the bay lose 14 cans.

.....Marj. Aitken. *****

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Farm File

Speaking before the Fifth Annual Meeting of Milk Producers, the Ontario Milk Marketing Board, Mr. W.D. Knox, Editor of Hoard's Dairyman, in his address - "Dairy Trends South of the Border," concluded with the following quotation:

Thus, with tongue in cheek, I predict that in 1980 the American dairy cow will still have but one udder. It

will be located not under her chin, between her front legs nor conveniently on her back but between the rear legs. And it will have not one but four teats, spaced equidistantly and of uniform size. She will still have four stomachs; require protein (or the building blocks thereof), energy, fiber, vitamins, and minerals to manufacture milk. She will refuse the five- or four-day week. She will be milked by devices somewhat more efficient lighter in weight, and shinier in sheen than those which are now suspended from her mammary gland. Despite the efforts of legions of white-coated scientists and sanitarians, she will still survive in an environment that is not wholly sterile. She will resist, but not be immune from, microbial warfare, which is the lot of the biological creature in an exposed environment.

Though her milk and the products therefrom will continue to cause industrial internecine warfare, lead lawyers to debate, judges to pontificate, bureaucrats to regulate, economists to prognosticate, editors to elucidate, legislators to legislate, presidents to ponder and ambassadors to negotiateshe will ruminate.

Though we humans will push her, shock her, psychoanalyse her, inject her, bulk handle her, hormonize her, sanitize her, coax her, and even beat her, she, in her tolerant and placid manner, will insist on being a contented cow, even amidst all the frantic machinations of ulcerous man.

And when man is forced into early retirement because of the ravages of his frustrated endeavours, he will turn again to this kindly and beneficent creature as one of the chief sustaining forces of human life.

Thus endeth the fearless forecasts.

Nineteen tickets for the Milk Producers' Banquet and Dance have been purchased by Island Dairymen and we are hoping the weather will be such that we may all attend. We look forward to this annual event. Guest speaker will be Newton Ashton, Stratford, a former Agricultural Representative for our own county.Ernest Fleming.

Chalk Talk

In the past two weeks there has been a lot of excitement around the school. The skating party, although held on a "frosty Friday" was thoroughly enjoyed by all, regardless of bruised knees and sore feet.

Snow removal operations have resulted in the formation of a big sliding hill which has been receiving much attention. If you see some one tumbling down the hill head first, don't be alarmed, for it happens all the time.

We had a visit from a former principal who was here to give Standardized Tests to the grades four and six. Mr. M. Isbester commented favourably on the Dew Drop Inn, the general brightness of the school and the children who had all but grown up since he had last seen them.

The children from the senior and junior rooms have been writing away for information for projects. Such places as the Drug Addiction Research Foundation, The Food and Drug Directorate, the Lands and Forests, The Eddy Match Co., J.L. Edwards Motor Sales and Service have kindly responded with pamphlets posters and letters.

There has been a candy sale

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planned for Friday, February 5th at the school. Help out your Club by making and bringing in candy.

....Diane and Dianna.

High School Report

All of the high school students must have heaved a sigh of relief on Friday, the final day of examinations. Now this week we are getting our results - both the good and the bad.

On Wednesday the Canadian Armed Forces Band came to the school and played for all the grades.

Events coming up are Winter Week, sponsored by the Students' Council and a Valentine Dance, sponsored by the Girls' Athletic Association.

..... Laurie Kilpatrick.

Notice

Ice races are a possibility for Sunday, February 14 reports the Driving Club. Weather and ice conditions dictate the setting of this date.

Thank You

Tina Filson for your unstinting aid to the Santa Claus Parade.

Tina is our treasurer and has balanced our books for the last two years.

....Glenn.

Hockey

The Stella Hockey Club deflated the team from Deseronto at the Napanee Arena on Friday, January 29. Goal scorers for Stella were Glenn Filson- 2, Bob Cashman-1, Donald Miller-1, and Raymond Wemp-1.

.....Staff

Snowmobilers:-

- ...do not litter trails or camping areas.
- ...do not pollute streams or lakes.
- ...do not damage living trees, shrubs or other natural features.
- ...respect other peoples property and rights.
- ...lend a helping hand when someone is in distress.
- ...make themselves and their vehicles available to assist search and rescue parties.
- ...do not interfere with or harass hikers, skiers, snowshoers, ice fishermen or other winter sports-men.
- ...know and obey all federal, provincial and local rules regulations the operation of snowmobiles.
- ...check the local authority before using National or Provincial Parks.
- ...will not harass wildlife.

Notice

A euchre will be held Friday evening, February 5th at the public school.

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Where are they now?

Mr. Jim Richards, who departed Amherst Island in 1935, and has lived in Vancouver for the last ten years, writes to the Beacon of his "happy memories and

beautiful summers" while a resident here. He remarks how his recent visits have afforded him peace and quiet, and the "direct ferry trips to Kingston - hours long, but very exciting" remain memorable experiences.

An apposition to Mr. Richards' letter, informs us:-Jim is the son of Marjorie and Fred Richards, Napanee, formerly of Amherst Island. He married Patricia Smith of Halifax in 1952; they have three children: Robert (13), Andrew (12), and Christine(7).

Since 1960 Jim has been at the University of B.C. in the Department of Cancer Research where he has an Associate Professorship. He did post graduate work in Scotland, 1958-60, after acquiring a Ph.D. in Biochemistry at London, Ont.; in 1947 he graduated from Queen's with a B.A. and studied for his M.A. at St. John's.

.....To Mary Neilson From Jim Richards.

Household Hints

Empty butter cartons are fine for storing cookie dough in refrigerator. When sliced to bake each will be uniform in size.

Store crisp cookies in container with loose fitting cover. To re-crisp in humid weather place in oven at 300 F. for a few minutes in shallow pan.

....F. McD.

Work expands so as to fill the time available for its completion.

C. Parkinson

O what a tangled web we weave, When first we practice to deceive! W. Scott ****

Over the Line Fence

A Visitor to Mark Twain's home commented upon the abundance of books and the rather limited accommodation for them.

"Yes," agreed Mark, a bit wistfully, "but it is so difficult to get friends to loan you shelves."

"I noticed you got up and gave that lady your seat in the bus the other day."

"Since childhood I have respected a woman with a strap in her hand."

Bride- "I'd like a nice shoulder of ham."

Butcher- "I am extremely sorry that we haven't any just now. How about a nice fresh leg of spare rib instead?"

An American was touring Wales, and on entering a hotel in one town
Noticed the words "Tam Htab" written on the mat,
"Ah!" he said, "I suppose that's Welsh for Welcome."
"No sir," replied the doorman, "That's the bath mat upside down."

The End

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SNOW STORMS

The week beginning Monday, February 8th was marked by storms on Monday and Tuesday nights. The school was closed on Tuesday and Wednesday and travel across the bay was restricted almost entirely to snow machines. By Friday some vehicles ventured across but, by and large, had to be towed or assisted in one way or another.

On Saturday, February 13th a severe storm, lasting all day plugged the Island roads. Vicious northeast winds pelted 12 inches of snow (48 hour period) and brought traffic and snow clearance operations to a virtual standstill. By Sunday evening Stuart Miller, Road Engineer, reported that with the grader he had forced a single track from Holbeth Farms at the Foot to Emerald; the plough truck had to quit at "Fanny's Hill" on the forty-foot earlier in the day. By Monday morning the crew had advanced out the forty-foot to the little bridge south of the 3rd Concession, and had gotten about ½ mile west of Emerald up the Front Road.

Tuesday saw most roads opened except those at the extremities of the Front Road and the Second and Third Concessions leaving just a few families isolated.

On Wednesday a flash snow squall added another three inches to an already clogged situation. Evening came and all roads were passable except from Ralph Wemp's to Art McGinn's.

On Saturday night Mrs. Lance Eves was rushed to the Hotel Dieu Hospital where she gave birth to a baby boy about 5:00 Sunday morning.

Circumstances and weather combined to make this a remarkable experience as for the previous week transportation to our island environs had been cut off from the mainland, save for snow mobiles, and on Saturday night about 9:00 the storm already crippling highways throughout this region, reached its greatest intensity. It was at this time that the young Mr. Eves announced his impatience to enter this "world of woe" and a party of four snow mobiles headed out over the frozen wastes of Lake Ontario where snow and wind had cut visibility to a few feet.

They managed to gain the other side and transferred

to an automobile for the trip to Kingston. They were very fortunate to follow a snow plough for the majority of the route on Highway 33 and through

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Kingston to the hospital, otherwise they would not likely have gotten there without serious difficulty.

For Lance and Sheila - great joy after their harrowing experience for Ted, Howard, Brian and Ed, and Grace who accompanied them, a sigh of relief following a very anxious evening.

.....Staff.

Fawn Recovers

On Saturday, February 6th a young doe was sighted in apparent difficulty in a field. On a snow mobile Elmer Willard, Kaye and Dorothy McGinn and Karen and Vernon cautiously approached her, and on finding she was badly injured they transported her to Kaye's farm.

At first they thought the deer had been shot, but a closer look revealed that the injury, located between the back legs, was likely caused when the animal straddled a fence. Kaye applied disinfectant to the wound and notified the game warden.

The young deer is making herself at home in the barn and Kaye says that she has calmed down enough to eat out of his hand.

....G. F. Sheil.

Municipal Affairs Council Corner:-

Last week County Council members, appointed to Lenadco Home for the Aged board, had their meeting in the newly-opened Home. Walt Gerow, administrator conducted them on a thorough tour of the building preceding the meeting. Many applications have already been received for the available rooms. Each of the well planned comfortable rooms will accommodate two residents. The furnishings comprise of a bed, dresser, table and two comfortable chairs in each end, tile floors for sanitation and windows for pleasant view and ventilation. Meals are served in a common dining hall where residents can become better acquainted and this plan encourages more movement about the building. Sick residents will of course receive their meals in their rooms. Plans are in the formulative stage for recreation facilities which are a recognizable need for residents. Some provision for occupational therapy and other such facilities will shortly be instituted. Meanwhile the county can take pride in the building of such a fine edifice.

Another County Committee meeting was followed by dinner at the maximum security prison at Millhaven.

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The meal was served in the kitchen where all the modern equipment available to institutions is in use. The meal carts are made up of compartments for hot and cold foods and a tractor-type vehicle hitches up to eight or ten of these food wagons and tows them to various eating rooms in the prong-shaped cell blocks of the Satellite (as the prison is called). This being a maximum security prison, inmates will not eat in a common dining room which affords opportunity for alliances to form and rumours to spread and trouble to brew.

Locally, our good news is Fred Neilson's return home and we welcome both he and Nellie back.

At this writing our roads are gradually being dug out again but residents' patience is being strained, waiting their turn to be ploughed out. The road crew are doing their best to make all roads passable. This is an extreme winter, and taxes us in all extremes ...crew, equipment, patience, and - when the bills are all in - in our pocketbooks.

.....Marj. Aitken. *****

Farm File

During the past week literature which is of interest to all milk producers in our community has been received from Canada Department of Agriculture Ottawa and the Ontario Milk Marketing Board.

The News Release, dated February 5th by Agriculture Minister H. A. Olson stated that the Canadian Dairy Commission will increase its purchase prices on skim milk powder and cheddar cheese, effective February 8th. The new price for skim milk powder will be 24 cents per pound. It is presently 20 cents. The base price for cheddar cheese is to be 51 cents per pound. It is presently 47 cents. These increases, the first in four years will permit an improvement in market prices to producers for manufacturing milk. Negotiations with respect to milk prices to producers fall under the jurisdiction of provincial agencies.

This was followed by a letter from the Ontario Milk Marketing Board stating an increase in the price of milk sold by the Board effective February 8th. The new price for industrial milk class 5 in bulk will be \$3.99 and milk sold in cans will be 10¢ a cwt. less. It is presently

\$3.70 in bulk.

A notice was also received from the OMMB stating that the Board has 15,000,000 pounds of plant supply quota available for allotment, in the Eastern Supply Quota Regions for the quota year commencing May 1st, 1971. A form for tender was enclosed. All or part of the 15,000,000 pounds of quota may be purchased by cash or by payments over a period not to exceed two years. Tenders will be received up to noon February 26, 1971.

The quota allotted May 1, 1970 to the patrons of Amherst Island Cheese Factory was 4875697 pounds. This was adjusted by 12726 pounds due to diversion of one day's can milk to Pet Milk leaving a total of

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4862971 pounds. Any amount used over and above this figure up to and including April 30th will be deducted from the Plant Supply quota allotted for the coming year.

With our present weather conditions many bulk shippers have passed the remark "I am glad I'm not drawing my own milk this winter." A good deal of credit goes to Larry Shae for the many miserable trips and long hours of hard work and cooperation with the farmers which has made it possible to keep the milk pick-up on schedule.

....Jean Tugwell.

Island Horse Series

Preston Star, owned by Wilbert Willard and trained and driven by Earl Willard, captured two firsts and the eye of most spectators at the Odessa Ice Races on Saturday, February 6th. In his first outing the four-year old, black gelding won impressively in the first and forth races with times of 1:40 and 1:37 respectively over the seven-tenths mile track. Another Island horse Jerry Nimity, owned and driven by Stuart Miller, won a first as well.

Earl and Wilbert were highly satisfied with Preston Starr's performance and they hope to start him on the track when the racing season opens.

The horse's sire is Oaktree Colby; his dam is Belmont Donna; a half-brother, Lenway, has a time of 2:02 for the mile.

.....Staff.

Hockey

On February 8th the Stella team defeated Deseronto 6 - 2. The goal scorers for Stella were Greg Hoselton with three, Glenn Filson with two and Don Miller with one. Then on February 12 the Stella team was defeated

by Hawley with a score of 3 - 0. If Stella can pick up one point they will be able to be in the play-offs for their first time since joining this league. If not Hawley may be in the playoffs again.

Omission from last issue:-

On January 29th Stella was defeated by Junior Farmers by a score of 7 - 2. The goals for Stella were scored by Greg Hoselton and Garry Filson.

....Valerie Filson.

High School Report

This week at the school has been winter week with such activities as snow sculpturing, lacrosse games, snow queen contest and tricycle races. The week winds up with the snow queen contest on Friday night with the band Noah.

On March 10, N.D.S.S. is holding their annual open house. From what I have heard it should be a successful event, so be sure to come and see the exhibits.

....Laurie Kilpatrick.

"Lamp Of Learning" Nominee

The former chairman of Lennox & Addington Board of Education Trustee Bruce Caughey has been nominated for a special award- the "Lamp of Learning." This award is presented to a person who in the opinion of a panel of representatives of leading Ontario educational, business and cultural organizations, has made an outstanding contribution to education in Ontario.

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Education Africa

Mr. R. A. Dodds, Superintendent of schools for Lennox & Addington will devote his holidays this year to teaching administration to principals in West Africa.

Mr. Dodds, who spent the 1967 vacation in Uganda will head an eight-man team made up of educational representatives from across Canada.

.....Staff.

Thank You!

The Eves family wishes to express their deep gratitude to Ted, Ed, Brian and Howard for their assistance on Saturday night.

Down the Lane

1936- Feb. 29 A blustery day and the roads are in bad shape. We postponed our "World Day of Prayer" meeting.

1939- Feb. 16 Mr. Ed Scott's funeral today - sang four hymns. Mr. C. Hogeboom played the organ.

1943- Feb. 15 Clarice washed her clothes today - sunny but bitter cold -30° below zero.

1953- Feb. 19 Lovely day. Art Drumgoole draws pigs and calves over Bay for B. Tugwell. Wallace Wemp and Stan Blakey drive pigs over on foot.

{1953} Feb. 21 Terrible gale of wind. Hydro off part of day and no mail. Ice moving in Bay. Ice out up to McMullens.

{1953} Feb. 22 To Edward and Helen McCormick - a girl. Helen went, by plane, to hospital.

{1953} Feb. 23 Edward McC. walks home on ice. Kenneths', Wallace's, Eddie's and us at Royal. Wemp's for dinner. Tug came early in morning and broke ice for ferry. It made several trips back and forth.

{1953} Feb. 28 Ferry was able to make several trips thru channel in ice. Rickey's over with outboard motor. Ice all gone down here.

.....Marj. Aitken.

Household Hints

Store packaged cheese in original container using additional waxed paper or foil to rewrap if necessary. Serve at room temperature.

.....F. Mc D.

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Out Our Way

Born to Lance and Sheila Eves, at Hotel Dieu on Sunday, February 14 a little son.

Mrs. Violet Wemp has been released from Kingston General Hospital following surgery.

Anne-Marie Hitchins is undergoing tests and treatment in Hotel Dieu.

We are pleased to report that Fred and Nellie Neilson returned home on Tuesday and that Fred is much improved in health.

Islanders were saddened by the death of Jean Miller Brown on Monday, February 8th and the sympathy of the community is extended to her family and to her husband Gordon and sons George and Jim.

The Women's Institute family night which was planned for Friday evening has been postponed indefinitely.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Hovercraft?

An anonymous caller to the Beacon office suggests that the council investigate the advantages and possibilities of a township owned and operated six-passenger hovercraft. The caller added that this vehicle would mean assured travel to the mainland when ice conditions prohibit automobile crossings, and also that trained operators might be mustered from the ranks of the ferry crew.

.....Staff.

These verses were written by the first schoolteacher on the Island, Alexander Girvin Grattan, who later moved to Kansas. The school was situated on the former John McMullen farm.

My first month spent in Kansas I felt it hard to stay
Away from Amherst Island
And pleasant Quinty Bay
I'd spent a good part of my days
Full thirty years or more
On that fertile little Island
And Lake Ontario shore.

That was in the cold winter 1872
This place was quite a desert then
For houses there were few
The plain being lately turned over
Made it look dark and wild
And the atmosphere was colder here
Than it was on Amherst Isle.

A storm they call a blizzard here
Oft visited the plains
And always brought down with it
Thunder, lightning, wind and rain
And rolled around with electric force
From northwest to southeast
And mostly killed all in its path
Let it be man or beast.

The trees could grow in Kansas then
Only where the river flowed
For the raging fires that crossed the plains
Would not let others grow
And as there was no shelter
When that cloud came pouring down
What its deadly lightning did not kill
The rain did almost drown.

I saw the wild ducks plenty In each creek were to be found The prairie chickens and the plover Were in thousands flying around cont'd page 8.

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And the antelope and buffalo Were numerous on the plain A sight that none ever will Behold the same again.

I took my gun and started out
Although the air was keen
But when the springtime rolled around
The plain was nice and green
So I knew the soil that raised such grass
Would raise corn, oats and wheat
So I bought a spot and pitched my cot
Beside Middle Emma's creek.

Going out one early morning
Just as the sun did rise
The sight I saw around me
Did very much surprise
And I stood amazed in wonder
At the pleasant sight I had seen
For in the winter, what was desert
Was now a flowery green.

To see the flowers blooming
That morning in the green
Sent my memory wandering back
To school days at Ardkeen
Where oft amongst the flowers and vines
I read the noonday hour

And that pleasant time came back to mind When I saw the blooming flowers.

I wrote my wife to sell up there
And bring the family here
For here they all would have a home
In the course of a few years
And after I was ten years here
I took the train once more
To see a daughter, we had left
On Lake Ontario's shore
Besides some cousins I loved most dear
That lived on Amherst Isle
I had not seen for years.

I stayed five weeks among them
But could no longer rest
So hurried back to Kansas
Now the garden of the west
And up to my prairie home
Where for life I will remain
And pass my days until called away
To be laid in the flowery plain.

Submitted by--his great grand. daughter Edna Tugwell Finnegan.

There is no law against hustling freight on the docks while you're waiting for your ship to come in.

Anon.

We toil for that which profits not. Sophocles

Over the Line Fence

A suggestion for the cemetery
"Persons are prohibited from picking flowers from any
but their own graves."

There was a young lady named Maud, A very deceptive young fraud; She never was able To eat at the table, But out in the pantry - O Lord!

"Sweetheart, If I'd known that tunnel was so long, I'd have given you a kiss,"
"Gracious! wasn't that you?"

"Is there any truth in the report that McTavish has bought the gasoline station?"
"Well I don't know for sure but the 'free air' signs have been taken down."

The End

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner

Many issues came under fire at this week's council meeting but with the necessary absence of one member and all topics requiring further consideration, another meeting will be called to resolve the questions.

Township employee wage increases were met with little enthusiasm and deferred to a later meeting - the road budget and Fire Hall budget were presented and discussed, but not as yet accepted.

Discussion of the conversion of Victoria Hall to a community hall was also fraught with mixed feelings and until the proper authorities inspect the property to give an answer on the feasability of installing a proper water and sewage system for such a hall, no fixed answer can be given on that matter.

The question of interviewing a qualified "planner" for the township to prepare a proper zone control plan that would meet with the Ontario Municipal Board approval, is another "hot potato". But if the Island doesn't make provision for such an acceptable plan it will be done through the County and thereby raise even more hair on more backs. So a meeting, with the planner that tendered the lowest bid for the job, will be set up as soon as possible. It will, in effect be spending money to save money, to hire a qualified "planning" expert to avoid the cost of poor development.

The subject of a passenger-carrying hovercraft was brought up and subsequently discarded as being prohibitively expensive.

Ernestown has set a figure of \$1,100.00 for looking after our garbage after pick-up. This was not voted on at the meeting as further talks in this regard, with Ernestown council are forthcoming.

So the mill rate has not been struck yet, until all of these proposed expenditures are in a more concrete state of adoption or rejection.

..Marj. Aitken.

Tractor Goes Through Ice

On Saturday February 27 James Eves' tractor

dropped through the ice a few feet off the shore of Fish Point. James' arm caught on the ice as the tractor lurched onto its side. Lance, his son, and Royce, his brother, rushed to pull him free; as it was, James was wet to the waist.

The men were on their way to get a ski doo which was stuck farther out on the bay. Lance and Royce had moved ahead to check the conditions of a crack which they were approaching, and had thought the way was safe until the tractor suddenly broke through.

Attempt To Retrieve Tractor

On Sunday the weather thwarted the plans of some twenty-five Island

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men who had gathered at Fish Point to assist James Eves in removing his tractor from the ice. By snow machine, tractor and wagon, and by foot through eight inches of watery ice and snow they had come only to find that the driving wind blinded them and James and his neighbours had to return the half mile home and wait for a better day.

On Monday afternoon a tripod was erected, chain hoists attached, and twenty-five man-power strong - the tractor was wrenched from the icy grip of Lake Ontario. At 5:00 p.m. it was resting on solid ice about twenty-five feet from the hole and on Tuesday it was towed back to the Island for repair.

Thank You

James Eves expresses sincere thanks to his friends and neighbours who helped him remove his tractor. ..Staff.

Best Wishes

Rev. Douglas Dunning has left the local parish to assume his duties as rector at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Kingston. Members of his congregation and his many other Island friends wish Rev. Dunning and his family continued happiness in their new home.

..Staff.

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Accident Involves Island Man

On Friday, February 26 at approximately 5:00 p.m.

a snow mobile operated by John Burt was in collision with a car driven by Donald Turner of Bath. The snow mobile received extensive damage and the car an estimated two hundred dollars damage.

Mr. Burt was entering Highway 33 from the laneway of a farm at Millhaven and apparently did not notice the oncoming Turner vehicle he was thrown from the machine which subsequently struck the rear of a truck owned by Horace Rickey of Millhaven, but caused no further damages.

John Burt, who is the cheese-maker at Stella, was shaken up but other than a sprained toe escaped serious injury.

..Staff.

Ice Races At Wolfe Island-February 27.

A terrible track and meagre audience combined to make the latest Wolfe Island Ice Races a good deal less than a success. However four Amherst Island horses were there; they were driven or lead from Stella to Millhaven and thence by truck and ferry to Wolfe Island, for the races. Our ice at this time would not permit any vehicles (other than snow mobiles), let alone horse trailers to cross.

Following is a list of Island horses and drivers and how they finished: -

Jerry Nimity- S. Miller- 1st & 4th Preston Star- E. Willard- 4th & 1st Clayhaven Dexter- G. Filson- 4th & 5th Ruth Amass- B. Caughey- 4th & 6th ..Staff. *****

Motorists !!!!

"Watch out for little Folk"

With high snow banks it makes an ideal sleigh run but unfortunately onto the street. Be alert, Drive Defensively - - - All of the time. Children Aren't Careless? They're Carefree.

Hockey

On February 19 Stella defeated Jackson's 4-3. The goal-scorers for Stella were John Patrick (2), Garry Filson (1), and Bob Cashman the other. This game puts the Stella team into the play-offs for sure. So let's see some support from the fans in the play-offs.

Then on February 26 Stella was defeated by Junior Farmers 4-2. Goal-scorers for Stella were Garry Filson (1) and Bob Cashman (1).

.. Valerie Filson.

Observations

This is the most severe winter that we have experienced since we have been completely dependent on motorized equipment for our transportation needs. In the days that we depended upon faithful "dobbin", we would have had no worries whatsoever, our needs in transportation would have been met with teams and sleighs to haul our groceries, our feed, our milk or our cheese back and forth across the ice as well as ourselves. But alas those days are gone forever and today we find ourselves dependent upon the internal combustion engine to provide the necessary "horsepower."

During the past several winters we have had splendid travelling conditions during the period of ferry layup, by car or truck but alas, this year Mother Nature has been anything but with us. Heavy snow falls, severe checking of the ice, heaving pressure cracks and now with milder weather for formation of slush have all provided many of us with countless frustrating experiences in making crossings.

Out of this winter, surely the snowmobile has been our only salvation. But alas, it does not provide the answer to the farmers' needs for transporting cattle, hogs, cheese, etc. etc. and as a result many farmers have ventured on the ice with heavy tractors and equipment in order to retrieve their cars or trucks, hopelessly "mired"

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in snow or slush. I venture to say that many times the ice has been called upon to bear up under loads the proportions of which have never before been experienced. Hydro crews, carrying out much needed construction work here, have crossed with much heavy equipment and one wonders why there has only been one unfortunate experience such as our friend James Eves suffered last week with his farm tractor.

Congratulations to our M.L.A. and fellow citizen, Syl. Apps on his appointment to a cabinet post, under Premier Wm. Davis. We sincerely hope that in his added responsibilities, the Hon. Mr. Apps will still find time to give us the representation that he has given in the past. We hope also that he may be able to convince his fellow cabinet ministers of the necessity of seriously considering a permanent solution to our transportation problems.

...A.B.C.

Out Our Way

Recent visitors to the Island included: -

Harold Marshall, Conneaut, Ohio with his sisters and their families and Bill and Myrtle Saunders, Franktown, with Shirley and Glenn Sheil and family.

On Sunday, February 21st fifteen interested Islanders travelled by snow cruiser to Millhaven and attended "Open House" at the new Federal Maximum Security Institution.

Ian Murray spent last week in Toronto on a work course with the Ontario Department of Highways.

Helen Bulch will be returning home this week following surgery in Kingston General Hospital.

Elizabeth and Paul Cook, Belleville N.Y. were in Kingston this week and called several of their friends

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by telephone. Elizabeth and Paul are regular summer visitors to the Island.

We were sorry to hear of John Burt's misfortune with his snow cruiser, but glad to know he came out with just a few sore spots.

Doug Morton, Stirling, made a short visit to the Island on Tuesday.

R.O.P. inspector, Everett Martin, is making his rounds this week.

Bad roads and flu have combined to make the attendance at the "Paper Mache" classes small; those who are able to attend are finding it very interesting. Summary day will be March 23rd at Napanee.

Mrs. Olive Eves is spending the winter with her family at Amherstview.

A former Islander and teacher, Nancy Burleigh passed away recently at St. Mary's of the Lake Hospital. We extend our sympathy to her nieces Nanetta Glenn and Hazel Reynolds.

There will be no services at St. Alban's until further notice due to the transfer of Rev. Dunning.

The Women's World Day of Prayer will be held at St. Alban's Anglican Church on Friday, March 5th at 2:00 p.m.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Where are they now?

Mrs. Daniel Taggart (nee Eleanor McGinn) writes from Wolfe Island where she has lived since 1963. Previous to this she taught school in Port Credit, Whitby, Amherstview as well as on Wolfe Island. Mr. and Mrs. Taggart have three children - two boys and one girl.

Dennis McGinn is her only brother still living on the Island but several aunts and uncles are still here.

Among her special memories are "School days on the Island and Friends that I went to school with have a special meaning." She reports that life on Wolfe Island is similar to that on Amherst but that the Island "still seems home to me, in a way you just can't put into words - people are friendlier on Amherst."

"As comparison to living here than Amherst of course one aspect we have is a tug in the winter that is just wonderful because you don't have the worry of travelling on the ice. As for the free ferry I think it is much better to have to pay because in the summer it is just terrible to get on the boats, either morning, noon or night."

..To Mary Neilson from Mrs. Daniel Taggart.

Farm File

We learned on Friday evening of the passing of Rockwell Parks and it would be amiss if we did not pay tribute to such a well-known farmer who had spent all of his life in our county. Rockwell lived on a farm which had been in the Parks' name for almost a century and a half. His centennial project was the building of a new dairy barn and silo. He has always been interested in Holstein cattle and many of us have known him since he came to the Island around forty years ago as a young man, to judge cattle at our Fall Fairs. He has always been active in all agricultural groups and has contributed much to 4-H club work in our locality, whenever there has been a calf club. Rockwell was sure to be there at judging time and was always ready and willing to go with young boys and girls to exhibit at other competitions. We are glad to have known him and extend our sympathy to Mrs. Parks, Marilyn and Wayne.

...Ernest Fleming. *****

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Rev. Zander Dunn

There were many disappointed people on Sunday February 21st when crossing conditions were not conducive for travel by car. It was the 165th anniversary of St. Andrews in Kingston and Rev. Zander Dunn was the guest speaker.

Zander was a former Islander and was a friend to people of all denominations during his stay here.

Upon graduation from Secondary school he attended Queen's University and while there, he came one day, a shy young lad, to conduct the service in St. Paul's. It wasn't long until he became a confident, fluid speaker who felt very much at ease with his congregation. When he graduated from Queen's he went to Knox College in Toronto and continued to come at the weekend for service. Upon graduation from Knox he requested that

he be ordained in St. Paul's. This request was granted and following his ordination he was inducted as our minister, serving also at Amherstview.

He remained with us until the time when the people of Amherstview felt the need of a church of their own, and Zander, who by this time had married Nancy Snelling and had two little sons, Scott and Kirk, moved to Amherstview where later Marc, was born.

Zander was born in British Guyana when his parents were missionaries there and in 1967 he felt the urge to return there as a teacher and missionary, and he and his little family left for the foreign field. Their life in Guyana has been happy and challenging.

They are home on furlough and Zander is continuing his studies at University of Toronto where he hopes to obtain his Masters Degree.

If all goes well they will return to Guyana and with them will go our best wishes for success in their work in these troubled times.

...Genevieve Fleming.

Down the Lane

1935- Mar. 11 A beautiful day, mild. Going to Minnie's to a surprise party tonight. Started the new dock today. 1941- Mar. 4 Did our Red Cross quilt. Emily came in and helped us quilt. Annie gone to the play "Gone With The Wind."

1942- Mar. 12 Men sawed wood and drew it home. Willie Wemp's moved up the road.

1944- Mar. 13 Art and Nessie Drumgoole's silver wedding anniversary.

1945- Mar. 5 Using ice around foot to cross. Perry loses truck. Clarence Bulch drowned off W. Taylors shore. Big rain.

{1945} Mar. 6 Men break N. side road also middle road, lots of snow and water - mild.

{1945} Mar. 7 W.A. postponed because of roads. Papered downstairs bedroom, first lambs born. 1953- Mar. 3 Drive trucks and cars up by Gordon Mills. Art Drumgoole draws pigs with horse and sleigh. {1953} Mar. 4 W.A. at Georgie Glenn's. Ice goes down Bay from Fish Point. Ferry runs noon and night. Mail on night boat.

{1953} Mar. 5 Dr. Burleigh over - takes Bert Glenn to K.G.H.

{1953} Mar. 7 Ferry making trips but very heavy ice mail and bread arrived. Bobbie Fleming goes to hospital at night.

{1953} Mar. 8 Take Royal Wemp to hospital, ferry running all night and day.

{1953} Mar. 9 Bobbie Fleming was operated on. Dr. over so many sick with flu. Gwen Miller very sick. ...Marj. Aitken.

Television Draw

Bruce Robinson was the winner of a portable television on which the Driving Club had sold tickets. The draw was held at the monthly meeting on Monday night.

..Staff.

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Chalk Talk

Mr. Keith Miller is planning to organize a 4-H Club on the Island. This club would be principally a calf club and any interested boys or girls 12-20 years of age should submit their names as soon as possible. ****

Garden Chit Chat

I hope you have kept your Christmas plant blooming because these instructions are a little late, telling you what to do.

Azaleas:- In the spring bury the pots outside, and keep well watered. Bring them in after a few heavy frosts, keep well watered and in a bright sunny window, and they should bloom again.

Chrysanthemums:- The kinds sold at Christmas, are usually late-flowering types that will produce buds but will not bloom outside. Plant out in the garden in spring - divide the shoots if necessary. In October, transplant into pots, bring into the house and they should bloom a

second time.

Poinsettia:- After all the leaves have dropped, remove the plant to the basement and keep it dry until April. Cut the stems back to six inches and start into growth. In June bury the pot outside in a shady corner of the garden and keep growing all summer. Bring the plant in before frosts and keep near a bright, cool window. Do not let it have too many hours of light - it is like a Christmas cactus, and the buds will not form until the nights are long and cool.

..E.L.N ****

The Strange Creature

There's a new type of creature emerging on earth, I'll describe him to you for whatever it's worth; He comes out of hiding in winter I'm told; He rejoices in weather that's terribly cold, He leaves the warm fireside, his wife and two kids, Climbs onto a motor, a belt and two skids. The machine comes to life, he is ready to go, But he can't 'cause of yet there is no sign of snow; For the past eighteen days he's been wearing a suit; That is covered in zippers from parka to boot, And mittens, and helmet and mask on his head, "My god," says his wife, "must you wear that to bed?" Then it finally happens, the ground has turned white, He's on his machine and he roars out of sight; On the flat he'll crouch down, on a corner he'll lean And they tell me his blood is now pure gasoline; Over hill, over river, through marsh and round trees, Over rockpile and sandpit, yet down on his knees! He looks like he's praying as onward he flies, Is it a monster or man?

All we see are his eyes;

He'll go charging ahead when it's twenty below, Screaming into a blizzard of onrushing snow; By what demon possessed is this new breed of man? Who finds joy in a snowstorm like no human can? But what happens in summer when snows are not there? Is he out on the porch enjoying fresh air? No! he's inside the house for the whole world to see Sitting there on his snowmobile watching T.V.

Over the Line Fence

"How did you get that black eye, Mrs. Higgins?" "Well, sir, me husband came out of prison on his birthday."

"Yes."

"And I wished him many happy returns."

"Did you ever hear anything so beautiful?" exclaimed the daughter of the house, as she turned a new swing record on the Victrola.

"No" replied the father. "The nearest thing I ever heard to it was when a truck loaded with empty milk cans had a collision with another truck that was loaded with hogs."

...Bill Coulson.

The End

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Worst Winter In Years Tests Islanders:

Since our last edition on March 4th, Amherst Islanders have experienced two weeks of severe winter ushering a deluge of frustration and hardship. Travel across the ice, snow removal and plowing were the focal points of concern: farmers frantically managed to get their milk to the factory; people who are employed on the mainland fought their way to and from work; the elementary school abandoned any regular classes; the township council was confronted daily with problems and predicaments; Island people, and particularly those situated a distance out of Stella, found themselves isolated.

Wind and snow combined to fill our Island roads which in many cases were already lined with ten foot banks, and the roads were virtually sealed on Thursday evening, March 5th, when the grader, our most effective plowing machine, was marooned at Sand Beach on the Third Concession; the grader had a flat tire and, after transporting the tire to Kingston for repair and then back up to the grader by snow-machine on Friday, the men found that the steering mechanism on the grader was broken. The situation was compounded on Friday night when Stuart Miller, Mel Filson, Kerry Hogeboom, and Donald Miller - namely, the members of our road crew -resigned en masse. This news apparently stemmed from the fact that council had deferred making a commitment on their wage requests earlier in the week. Council later clarified the wage issue by stating that the deferral was made due to the lateness of the hour and would likely have been viewed favourably at a subsequent meeting.

On Saturday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. Reeve Vince Aitken called an emergency council meeting. Bert Glenn was appointed as temporary road superintendent. The township's plow truck was detailed to do as much as possible with the assistance of two front-end tractor loaders, Ed McCormick's and the township's. This meant that the loaders would clear a hole through the drifts and the truck would "root" through; the wing was broken on the truck adding to its inability. It was hoped that a path could be made to the grader so that Clinton

could weld the steering.

James Neilson and James Eves "blew" out the road to Stella from their farms on Saturday and their milk was picked up by the truck, as was Roger Holden's at the Foot. By Sunday midnight Marshall Glenn's milk was picked up as the truck and tractors had gotten that far.

On Monday a new storm filled the roads again and plowing operations halted. New parts for the grader were ordered from Paris, Ont.

Twelve skidoos delivered 23,000 lb. of milk to the cheese factory on Tuesday; this is approximately one-half of the Island milk; the other half had been picked up by

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the bulk tank.

The plow wing on the truck was repaired on Thursday and by 8:00 p.m. Friday night the Front Road was open up to Fred Hitchins' farm. The parts for the grader arrived on Friday and the grader was ready for action by midnight, but the accumulation of snow dictated that assistance would be needed before the grader would move.

A 3,500 pound, \$6,500.00 snow blower (or thrower) arrived on Saturday March 13th. The blower was installed on to the township tractor and numerous onlookers turned out to witness the occasion. However, they were somewhat disappointed in the fact, that the blower would not operate properly until additional weight was mounted on the rear of the tractor. This undertaking was carried out by Clinton Kilpatrick and by Sunday at 1:30 p.m. the blower was beginning above Marshall Glenn's hill; the sun and rain hampered the effectiveness of the blower for the snow was slushy and plugged the chute. At Bruce Caughey's farm the alternator and chain drive gave out and the blower waited for repair by a company representative on Tuesday.

Monday and Tuesday saw a concerted attempt to get the grader "on the line" and by 4:00 Tuesday afternoon. its muffled roar was heard breaking through the last drift on its way down the Third Concession.

As this edition goes to print the grader is opening the road at the Head, and "spring cannot be far behind!"G. F. Sheil

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The preceding picture shows the women who

managed to attend the World Day of Prayer at St. Alban's

From left to right: Mrs. Vince Aitken, Mrs. Ross Filson, Mrs. Fred Neilson, Mrs. Bertha Beaubien, Mrs. Les Glenn, Mrs. Howard Welbanks, Mrs. Eldon Willard, Mrs. Bert Glenn and Mrs. Tommy Brown. ****

Simcoe?

The Simcoe was to leave Prescott Wednesday March 17th on her annual ice-breaking assignment. Dependable sources report she has orders to attend to the Amherst Island crossing before passing on to Toronto.

The Marine Radio Station informed the Beacon that the last communication with the Simcoe was to the effect that they were off Quebec Head at the eastern end of Wolfe Island. They were shutting down ice-breaking at 9:00 p.m. for the men to get much needed rest.Staff.

Island Cheese:

On Friday March 5th about 120 cheeses, each weighing 90 pounds, were transported by half-ton truck and snow mobile across the ice. At Millhaven Bob Cook's truck was waiting to take it on to Belleville. Nine Island men helped to complete the job. John Burt, cheesemaker, and Bob Tugwell, owner of the cheese factory, were glad to see this job completed. ...Staff.

Driving Club:

Bad roads and cold weather have kept harness activity on the island to a minimum. However Kingston Agricultural Society held races on Sunday and Stu Miller had 2 thirds with his steadily improving Jerry Nimity. Warmer weather will see local horsemen jogging their charges in readiness for a proposed April opening at Kingston fair-grounds. This summer there will be much racing for local enthusiasts with Brockville operating Sunday afternoons, Kingston on Wednesday evenings, Belleville, Saturday and the new Frontenac Downs in Kingston going twice a week after July 18th. Wilbert and Earl Willard plan on paying Preston Star into some of the local stakes after his promising showing at Odessa and Wolfe Island.

....H. A. C. ****

Hockey

On Friday, March 5th Stella played their first playoff game. They were defeated by Junior Farmers by a

score of 3-0. On March 13 Stella played their second game and again were defeated by Junior Farmers 5-3. The goal scorers for Stella were Glenn Filson, Pete VanLuvan, and Grant Wemp. These two games eliminated Stella from the finals.

...Valerie Filson.

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Island Publicized:

Life on Amherst Island received a good deal of printer's ink in the last short space.

The Kingston Whig-Standard ran a large front page picture on March 8 depicting our township roads; the marriage of Gay and Burgess was the topic of a human interest story on March 6; Bruce Caughey reported milk, road and school conditions in a later edition of the Whig-Standard; Paulette Mulder's letter to the editor was printed relating her plea for winter service; Ernest Fleming was quoted in the Whig-Standard on his stand for a fair shake for the Island.

In the Napanee Beaver James Neilson and Robert Brown set forth their views on our circumstances.

Mrs. R.J. Brown penned a letter to "The Way It Is," a radio commentary program, hosted by Dr. Barry Thorne; the program is aired for a few minutes about five times a day and the letter was the subject of the commentary on March 17.

....Staff.

Farm File

Now is the time to look over equipment: -

In too many cases, farmers and custom operators find themselves in a last-minute panic, trying to get equipment which has been sitting idle all winter operational for the first Spring work.

Protect your investment, as you would the family car.

If there are any problems, make early arrangements for any additional servicing, or needed repair parts. While you are at it, this would be a good time to check your shop supplies, if you haven't already done so. Make sure your supply of parts such as belts, hoses, fittings, spark plugs, and nuts and bolts is adequate to meet those minor emergencies that are bound to crop

Look for the Spring check list next edition. ****

Out Our Way

Sam Reid returned home on Friday following surgery at Kingston General Hospital.

Teddy Sheil is making a good recovery since his return from Hotel Dieu.

Congratulations and best wishes to Gay Eves and Burgess Stevenson who were married on Thursday evening, March 4th in Polson Park Free Methodist Church, and are residing in Stella.

We are sorry to report the passing of two well-known Islanders in the persons of Wes Brown and Mrs. Irene Cole. Wes had been at Lenadco Home for the Aged in Napanee for several weeks and was very happy there. Early Friday morning he suffered a heart seizure and was removed to Lennox and Addington County hospital and passed away at 9:00 a.m.

Mrs. Cole had been a long and patient sufferer and had been confined to bed much of the time since she underwent surgery in May of last year. She passed away at her home in Stella at 1:00 a.m. on Monday March 15th.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the members of both bereaved families and also to Myrtle Veech and her family in the passing of her mother, Mrs. Terry of Kingston.

Due to transportation difficulties only nine ladies were able to attend the World Day of Prayer service which was held in St. Alban's church on Friday, March 5th.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Household Hints

Store perishable soft cheese in refrigerator in tightly covered container. Other cheeses keep well in a cold place if air is kept out. Foil is fine for this.

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Special Notes:

Larry Shea, the bulk milk truck driver, merits recognition for his unstinting and persevering efforts to help Island farmers with their milk problem over the last two weeks. Larry was foremost in this role and throughout many demanding situations he showed optimism and pluck.

Clinton Kilpatrick was available at any time when the snow removal equipment required repairs. His mechanical ingenuity and determination to do his best drew many words of gratitude and praise.

A bit of a record has been set at "Neildowne" farm this season, from a total of 25 holstein cows, three sets of twins have been born so far.

The Beacon has compiled a list of forty-eight snow mobiles on Amherst Island. Several machines were purchased in the past two weeks and on a per capita basis, our municipality must now be among the province's leaders.

The Stella Hockey Club expresses recognition to the contribution of support extended by their loyal fans during the hockey season.

The Beacon wishes to congratulate the hockey club for their successful season. The team competed in the playoffs for the first time in three years.

On March 15, Morris Hogeboom and Emily Wemp spotted eleven snow geese winging over the Island in the vicinity of the Neilson Store.

Many robins have been sighted and these gay harbingers of spri

The second installment of the work packages was assembled and distributed on Tuesday, March 16th. ****

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Garden Chit Chat:

This is the time of year everyone starts to dream about the garden he would like to have. That is good, but do act and plan now the kind of flowers you want this year. Most of us know what vegetables we can grow and those we like best, so we'll dwell on flowers now.

Did you know that an Easter Lily will bloom a second time if you bury the pot in the garden? When it is finished blooming, cut the dead flowers off and bury the pot outside. The flowers will last longer if you nip off the yellow pollen on the stamens as soon as the flower opens.

Following is a new method (to me) for starting new plants. Mix two parts of peat moss to one part sand, add water to this so that when you squeeze it only a few drops will ooze out. Put about four inches of this in a plastic bag, (a bag without holes) place your cuttings in the mixture and close the bag securely with a rubber band. Place the bag on a northern window sill. Do not disturb until roots appear.

This is supposed to be good for starting African Violets, geraniums and flowering shrubs.

....E.L.N.

Down the Lane

1933- Mar. 24- Harold Marshall got his colt drowned today near the mainland.

{1933} Mar. 28- Quite cold- mail coming by ice punt. {1933} Mar. 30- Mail coming by water to Emerald. Ice still with us here.

1945- Mar. 17-Tea at Ada Neilson's, I took buggyalso Molly and Pauline. Cars running fine.

1946- Mar. 17- Marion and Frank's baby born in

{1946} Mar.23- Ferry made first trip. Anna Filson's body came for burial.

1947- Mar.19- Started the dock over at Epstein's. 1949- Mar.25- Men walk with mail- had a hard time getting to shore. Plane up twice- vet to Caughey's-

landed in Ralph Wemp's field. Thunder and rain. 1951- Mar. 29- Men had a hard time bringing mail and supplies in to shore.

{1951} Mar.30- Rainy. Plane drops bread and mail -

{1951} Mar.31- First trip of ferry. Ice floating in Stella bay - roads very bad.

1953 - Mar. 18 - Beautiful day. Tina and Ross came home from the West.

....Marj. Aitken.

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Letter To The Editor - "A Sign of the Times."

Through the excellent media of your columns, Mr. Editor, please allow me to commend the actions of many Islanders during our winter crisis. From the milkman, the mechanic, the mail deliverers, the road crews (regular as well as recent) to the silent-suffering citizens - a large majority have rallied to the challenges of the emergencies. Is this not a sign of the times - the "old" times?

There are, however, "new" times and signs thereof have recently been very apparent. Amherst Island no longer is an exception to this invasion. Times when responsible citizens suddenly become irresponsible, leveling criticism and complaints at those who are doing their level best in public service; people who apparently have personally been given Divine insight as to correct

action and decisions; people who look with envy or jealousy at any other person's gain, privilege or even geographic location.

Council positions were filled by acclamation this year. Is this indicative of public apathy or could it be that no one wants to be publicly subjected to a thankless task? May I humbly suggest that we start giving constructive support to those who accept such thankless tasks before reluctance to serve the public causes our Island to be regionally merged under "foreign" control - another unfortunate trend of the present times.

.... A. Glenn.

Wolves:

On a recent hunting expedition three wolves were sighted after they were flushed into the open. Keith Miller suffered the embarrassment of having two wolves scoff as his rifle was not up to the occasion.

Over the Line Fence

Three Jewish men were talking of the day when they would die

And each one was a choosing of the place they'd like to lie.

Levinsky chose Jerusalem

"America" said Einstein

But when it came to Cohen, he said

"Here's the place for me where dear old Shannon's flowing where the three leaf shamrock grows. In an Irish cemetery with a shamrock on my nose. For old satan will be looking to find me I suppose. But he'd never think of looking where the River Shannon flows."

Two college girls were having lunch together.

"My dear," said one, "why do you always call your mother "the mater?"

"Because," answered the other girl, "she managed to find husbands for all my seven sisters."

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{being April's Fools Day, the mis-dating of this issue may have been deliberate; however, to be correct, it should have read '1971'}

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Municipal Affairs

Council Corner:

The Reeve was in touch this week, with Prescott, to enquire re the Simcoe's whereabouts, hoping that, if she was in the vicinity, another attack at the ferry track might chew up the ice blocks enough to enable the Amherst Islander to pile the trail to Millhaven. But the Simcoe, after leaving here, was forced to have major engine repairs done and then was summoned down east to free the channels in that area. The Griffin could be expected to be in this area a week hence and if we still are without ferry travel, might be lured to do the job but this is not a firm promise as it is in Georgia Bay now and has to cut her way down thro' heavy ice in all the Great Lake channel areas before getting here.

Council welcomes our new road supt., Harry Filson and wish him every success in his new venture.

....Marj. Aitken.

Simcoe Arrives

The long awaited arrival of the icebreaker, Simcoe, was realized by Saturday, March 20th when she arrived within a quarter mile of the Stella dock at 5:00 p.m. The track from Stella to Millhaven was broken open from Sunday morning to Monday morning.

Capt. Douglas Creaser reported unusually heavy ice ranging in thickness from 22-27 inches.

The Amherst Islander did not venture out, impelled to wait until milder weather reduces the huge ice cakes in the channel. The ferry was loosened from the dock on Wednesday.

Much travel still continues to the west of the track as the cool temperatures maintain reasonably good ice conditions.

....G. F. Sheil.

March 25, 1971.

Mr. Bert Glenn,

Stella, Ontario.

Dear Bert:

I am instructed by Council to express their sincere appreciation for your effort and help during the recent crisis of blocked roads on the Island. It was a serious and trying time for all Islanders, especially the milk producers. I am sure that I speak for everyone when I say "Thanks" to you and all your helpers.

Yours truly,

Francis Welbanks,

Clerk.

Mishap

Bruce Caughey's holstein bull cornered Bruce in the barnyard Sunday March 21st. Bruce was knocked down and his son Allen managed to ward off the bull with a fork and at the same time dragged his father

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who was unconscious, to safety. Bruce sustained several bruises but otherwise no ill effects.

....Staff.

O.P.P. Press Release

It's Spring!! And now is the time to get your bike in good operating condition for spring. Ask your dad or bicycle serviceman to help check for:

- +Worn or loose handle grips
- +Loose or missing spokes
- +Weak links in the chain
- +Low air pressure in the tires
- +Use a good quality oil or grease to lubricate the chain and bearings.

Your bike will be safer and more fun if it's roadworthy. Realizing that a bicycle is a vehicle the rider must comply with many of the rules of the road just like a car driver. This summer members of O.P.P. will be making more and more checks on cyclists.

Last November, Nellie Neilson and I attended a 2-day training school in Grace United Church, Napanee - the subject being "papier mache". The instructress was Miss E. Flint, of the Extension department

of the Ont. Dept. of Home Economics, in Toronto.

We were disappointed in the instruction as Miss Flint had, just prior to the classes, broken her right wrist and was in a cast, so was badly handicapped in demonstrating the methods of this craft. But we had manuals with good descriptional diagrams and if the 2-day course did nothing else it aroused our curiosity to explore and experiment on our own.

After N.Y.'s the W.I. started with one full day's program and following that each Monday afternoon was set aside, for those who could make it, to continue. Nellie Neilson was, of course, absent, due to Fred's illness, until March but was very helpful in the last few weeks, preparing the display for Summary Day March 23rd in Napanee. The weatherman crossed us up by preventing many members from attending many classes but this was a common complaint in the County and on Summary Day only five of the thirteen groups taking training school, turned up to display the completed articles. Helen Miller and I attended Summary Day and the variety and quality of the articles displayed was amazing. Each group seemed to concentrate on different articles and thus had turned out exceptionally fine quality goods. Trays, mobiles, pictures, vases, jewelry, puppets and figurines were among the displays. Our Island display was popular and will be shown at the District Annual W.I. on May 25, along with three other groups. The waning interest in these training schools is of concern and by displaying articles made out of throw-away household items, perhaps more members will make an effort to take advantage of future courses. It was a "fun" course and helped pass a long dreary winter.

....Marj. Aitken. *****

Down the Lane 1942- Stella W.A.

The regular monthly meeting of the W.A. of Trinity United Church, Stella, Amherst Island - was held at the home of Mrs. D. Filson with a large number of members present. The meeting opened with a hymn, followed by the scripture lesson, read by Mrs. Filson and prayer by the president, Mrs. Frank Fleming. Roll call was answered by a verse of scripture. Mrs. Fleming presided for the election of officers and at the Sunday morning church service the minister Mr. Harold Kennedy, officially installed the officers. The officers for 1942 are as follows - Pres. Mrs. Percy Tugwell, 1st Vice-pres. Mrs. Ross Filson; 2nd Vice-pres. Mrs. W.J. Glenn; sec-treas. Mrs. Ernest Filson; program committee; Mrs. D. Filson and Mrs. Wesley Brown; sewing committee, Mrs. Wm. Scott and Mrs. E. Welbanks; lunch committee, Mrs. John Glenn and Mrs.

Eddy Fleming; pianist, Mrs. Frank Fleming; flower committee, Mrs. Ray McMaster and Mrs. Wm. Cochrane jr; correspondent for sick and shut-ins, Mrs B.O. McMaster; press, Mrs. M. Pringle.

....Marj. Aitken.

Household Hints

Prepare oven for baking - preheat to temperature wanted. Place rack where heat is most even so baked product will rise evenly and brown perfectly.

Do not crowd your oven by baking too much at once, or place pans near oven wall - Heat must circulate evenly for best results. If using two racks do not put one pan directly above lower one.

...F. McDonald.

I wish to express deep gratitude to friends and neighbours for flowers and their many acts of kindness shown during the recent bereavement of my mother Irene Cole.

....Barbara Filson.

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Out Our Way

Clarice Filson spent the weekend with Alvah and Eldred Cochrane in Bath.

Keith and Shirley Miller spent a few days with Rosie and Harvey Chambers, Cannington and attended the dispersal sale of Holstein cattle at the farm of Dick Munro, Sutton.

Roger Holden and Betty Bedford spent a few days with their friends in Linwood, Pennsylvania.

The Sheil family spent the holiday week with their family at Franktown.

Bruce Caughey, Helen Miller and Lula Strain are attending a Fire Insurance meeting in Toronto.

Born to Marie and Brian Ward, a little son, Steven Brian, March 24, at Hotel Dieu.

Harry Fleming underwent surgery at Kingston General Hospital on Sat.

Mrs. Bert Hitchins was taken to Kingston General Hospital on Monday.

On Good Friday, April 9th, providing the ferry is operating, there will be a community service of worship at 11:00 a.m. in St. Paul's church. The congregation of Strathcona Park, Camden East, Trinity at Amherstview and St. Paul's are uniting for this service.

Rev. Floyd McPhee of Amherstview and Rev. Cunningham of Sand Hill will take part and Rev. Norman Allison extends an invitation to all congregations on the island to come and worship.Genevieve Fleming. *****

The family of the late Wes Brown wishes to thank many friends and relatives for their cards, flowers, and kindness during their recent bereavement.

Student Wins Award

Miss Kathy Wemp, who won first prize in the Remembrance Day Essay Competition last fall sponsored by the Canadian Legion, received further good news recently. Her poem, printed below, earned Kathy an additional \$15.00 from the district final.

Fred Hitchins, Secretary-treasurer of Branch 539, in a letter to Kathy writes:

"We are all very proud of you, as you were competing a pretty large area, from Napanee on the west, east to Ottawa, and north to Deep River."

"He Paid The Price"

The war was won and with it went Brave young men whose lives were spent Cries of anguish and of sorrow Living today, dreading tomorrow.

This young man and thousands more Fought and were killed in the cruel war There were four brothers and two were killed The hearts of fellowman were stilled.

In Italy he fought the foe 'Twas there he caught the mighty blow And now in peace this man doth lie While relatives do weep and cry.

I did not chance to meet him, though His mother I shall always know Mourning for her sons who died And hearts of all are filled with pride.

He gave his life that we might live And now a tribute to him I give "I wish that you could take a bow Or better still, be living now."

By Kathy Wemp. *****

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Amherst Island Driving Club

Amherst Islanders are again to be highly commended in their faithful support of the Kingston Horsemen's Driving Club at their annual dance to be held this year in the Oddfellows Hall, Kingston on Friday, April 2nd. Undaunted by the chancy crossing conditions, twenty couples have purchased tickets to attend.

The Kingston club is lucky to have such loyal followers. The success of their dances over several years has depended on the number of islanders that they could entice to the other shore. Many times we have filled over half the hall. They figure to net five to six hundred dollars on this dance.

Last September on a Friday evening, in the same hall, at the same admission, with cheaper refreshments, when the crossing was excellent the ferry on schedule and the weather fine, the Amherst Island Club was able to coax 8 Islanders to their dance. It netted \$10.00. Strange, isn't it - or perhaps downright discouraging?

After two races in Kingston Stu Miller ended with 3 thirds and 1 fourth with Jerry Nimitz. Track conditions on both days were sloppy. As Stu said "It was the same there as Wolfe Island only the water was a lot muddier."

Earl and Wilbert Willard had planned to race Preston Star but with crossing uncertain they chose to leave him in the barn.

...A. Caughey.

Where Are They Now?

Mr. Edward Reid has been employed as a Stationary Engineer with the International Nickel Company, Copper Cliff, Ontario, since leaving the Island in 1947. His mother Mrs. David Reid; sister Mrs. Ralph Wemp and many relatives still reside on the Island. Mr. Reid married Margaret Szilva in 1949 and they now have four boys and three girls.

"I would like to be able to turn the clock back twenty-five years, and have a few minutes to chat with all of the old-timers that used to deliver their milk to Emerald Cheese Factory every morning," writes Mr. Reid; however he feels there is too much snow here in winter for him to be tempted back, except for a few days every summer. (Some of us may have similar feelings at this time.)

...Emily Wemp from Edward Reid.

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Farm File

Prepare Your Tractor For Spring:

1. Remove tractor from blocks. Check tires and inflate

to recommended operating pressure.

- 2. Remove all dust and protection covers installed last Fall.
- 3. Remove wash, clean and repack front wheel bearings, and insure that all wheel and lug nuts are secure.
- 4. Thoroughly inspect tractor for worn or broken parts and replace as necessary. Check all bolts, nuts capscrews and sheet metal screws for tightness.
- 5. Lubricate tractor as outlined in your service manual. Clean all fittings, plug openings, oil cups and other lubrication points before servicing. Use only quality oils and greases, and ensure that the lubricant is the proper one for the job required.
- 6. Examine cooling system, and repair any leaks. Replace any soft, weak or corroded hoses. Ensure that the system is filled with a seasonal coolant.
- 7. Remove the valve cover and flush the valve mechanism with a mixture of one-half kerosene and one-half SAE-10W motor oil.
- 8. Drain rust inhibitors from fuel tank, and bleed fuel lines. Clean all filter screens, flush tank, fill and check for leaks.
- 9. Drain preservative oil from crankcase and refill with a quality seasonal oil. Replace oil filter.
- 10. Adjust fan and power steering belts to proper tension.
- 11. Ensure that hydraulic reservoir are filled to the correct level. (Check all hoses and connection for leaks after starting tractor.)
- 12. Charge the battery (or batteries) and install, grounding as recommended. Check all electrical circuits and wiring. Worn or cracked wiring should be replaced.

 13. If the tractor is turbocharged, the charger should be primed with ail before starting, according to the
- primed with oil before starting, according to the manufacturer's instructions. Failure to prime the turbocharger after prolonged storage, or after an oil filter change, can result in severe bearing damage.
- 14. Start engine and run at idle until warm or until the operating temperature is reached.
- 15. Adjust carburetor, and check and set ignition timing.
- 16. Test drive the tractor for a short period of time to ensure that all is in order.

....Keith Miller

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1 McCormick Side delivery rake on steel

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Garden Chit Chat

Here are a few tips on the care of African Violets. They like an even temperature of around 70°. Water when the soil feels dry- avoid over watering. Use room temperature water.

Keep in a bright window out of direct sun- east or north windows are best. Dust the foliage with a removed leaf or a piece of kleenex. They thrive in a high humidity-keep containers of water near your plants. Fertilize every two weeks.

Did your amaryllis bloom this year? Cut the flower stalk down soon as the flowers fade and fertilize the bulb when you do your other plants. If we ever get warm weather, either dig the bulb out of the pot and plant it directly in a sunny part of the garden, or bury the pot. I have tried both ways and they are equally successful. Water when needed during the summer.

Last issue I suggested you remove the stamens from your lily to prolong its life. I tried this with my amaryllis and it doesn't prolong its life long enough to warrant spoiling the look of the flower when you remove the yellow centre.

(This proves that you shouldn't believe all you read.)

...E.L.N. *****

Observations

The completion of the transformation of the former "Township Hall" to a fire hall brings to an end another phase of the history of this old building. This building was built by the 'Select Knights', a fraternal insurance organization which flourished on the Island, possibly some 75 years ago, as their lodge rooms. Some years ago I remember when the hall was badly in need of a paint job, seeing very distinctly on the half circular name plate on the front of it the words 'Select Knights' and if I remember correctly there was a number of the lodge or the year of construction of the building.

Many Fraternal organizations flourished in country places years ago. Most of these organizations provided life insurance protection for their members at an extremely low cost. The low cost of providing family protection usually attracted a fairly large membership, but the lower premium rate set-up did not provide adequate financial reserves, in a few years there was always an upward revision, followed later by another and very often the membership began to fall away when they could not foresee any stability in rate for the policies that they had purchased.

...A. B. C. (To be cont'd. in next issue)

Over The Line Fence

Here's to our fishermen, bold; Here's to the fish he caught; Here's to the ones that got away; And here's to ones he bought. ***

"What did the Puritans come to this country for?" asked a school teacher of a class in American history. "To worship in their own way, and make other people do the same," was the reply.

Helen- "What kind of a husband would you advise me to get?"

Hazel- "You get a single man and let the husbands alone."

Boss- "I'm surprised at you! Do you know what they do with boys who tell lies?"

Office Boy- "Yes, sir, when they get old enough the firm sends them out as salesmen."

The End

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Municipal Affairs

Council was visited by a delegation from the local representatives of the Milk Board, at last week's Council meeting - the purpose being to band together with Council in exploring the possibilities of winter service for our ferry for the coming year. A meeting is being arranged with Syl Apps to decide the most advantageous way to attack this problem.

Council was sorry to announce Fred Neilson's decision to retire as treasurer, tax collector. It was hoped that if given time to recuperate from his recent surgery, he would feel more disposed to taking back the reins of the treasury but upon doctor's and family's advice he has made the decision. Applications for the position are being received by clerk, Francis Welbanks until April 20th.

A meeting with Mr. Mark Heitshu of the firm of Municipal Planning Consultants if forthcoming, after a motion to hire him, to do a zoning study for land use on the island, was passed.

Winter Control costs soared to \$7,000.00 for the month of March, due to record-breaking storms that crippled machinery, and traffic. We'll long remember the winter of '71, which is still stinging us with ice-jamming conditions hampering the ferry schedule and cold north winds bringing us temperatures below freezing and yet more snow to whiten our morning landscape. But the robins are back, there's still hope for Spring.

Reeve Aitken was in contact recently with Deputy Minister of Highways, Mr. McNab, concerning the sealing off of the washroom facilities on the Amherst Islander. Mr. McNab agreed that the absence of these facilities made conditions deplorable for the crew, and promises to study the situation. Our M.L.A. will also add his influence.

.....Marj. Aitken. *****

Happy Birthday!!!

On April 18, 1970 the First Edition of the Island Beacon was circulated.

Two-hundred and seventy-two pages, over one-hundred thousand words, one-hundred and twelve cartoons, one-hundred and twelve mailed subscriptions, and countless enjoyable and productive hours later our little paper reached its first birthday.

On April 23rd, a Friday evening, a dance will be held at Victoria Hall to celebrate our first birthday. Everyone welcome to come and enjoy themselves. G. F. Sheil.

Three Vehicles Involved In Accident - April 11th.

Two trucks and a car were involved in an accident in the village of Stella on Sunday at 11:00 p.m. A late model car driven by Bob Filson of Landsdowne struck the rear of a parked truck owned by

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Bruce Caughey; the force of the collision shunted this truck into the front end of a second truck owned by Allen Caughey which was also parked at the time.

Estimated damages of \$800.00 were incurred by the two trucks; estimated damages to the Filson vehicle were not available, however they were extensive.

The Napanee detachment of the O.P.P. investigated the accident.

.....G.F. Sheil

For the interest of our public this is a continuation of the list of our mailed subscriptions to date:- 90 to 112 inclusive.

Helen Glenn, Bloomfield, Ont. Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cook, New York. Vernon Richards, Kingston, Ont. Mrs. Winnie Biley, Whitby, Ont. Gordon Glenn, Amherstview, Ont. Brian Ward, Kingston, Ont. Rolf Stein, Kingston, Ont. Mike Brown, Kingston, Ont. Edward Reid, Sudbury, Ont. Kenneth Reid, Centreville, Ont. Sam Reid, Stella, Ont. Davy & Reta Miller, Waterloo, Ont. Eric Welbanks, Kingston, Ont. Barbara Little, Oshawa, Ont. Rob't. Robertson, Oshawa, Ont. Mrs. Josie Munro, Kingston, Ont. Mrs. Mary Tugwell, Cornwall, Ont. Arthur White, Bath, Ont. Mrs. Eva Kidd, Kentucky, U.S.A.

Mrs. Wm. Griese, Smiths Falls, Ont. Mrs. M. Reynolds, Madoc, Ont. George Bierma, Newburgh, Ont. Mrs. P. Eves. Stella, Ont.

Amherst Islander

The tugboat, Monarch, arrived on April 2 to break through the track left by the Simcoe on March 22. After working at the Stella dock for some time, she made two runs over to the Millhaven dock. The Monarch departed at about 3:00 p.m. and at 3:45 Friday afternoon the Amherst Islander set out on her first spring run.

The ice cakes were very large and thick but the time in crossing gradually decreased over the next few days. Rain and mild weather on the weekend of April 9 - 12 cut the ice to a large extent and a summer schedule is in effect now.

....Staff.

Believe It Or Not?

A strange sight was reported recently and it seems to defy explanation. However, the fact is irrefutable that a number of persons saw a large, awesome object or animal swimming in the lake within eye shot of shore. The observers in their accounts did not venture a guess as to what the object was, but only said it was at least eight feet long, travelled quickly and quietly leaving a large wake, and had some two feet of black, scaleless, furless body out of the water.

The Beacon wishes that anyone who could add credence to the account would contact us.

....Staff.

Farm File

Two members of the Milk Board met with the Amherst Island council on Tuesday April 6th, to discuss next winter's transportation problems and to try and come up with some idea of what we want. It was decided that the council contact our Honourable Member of Parliament Mr. Syl Apps and arrange a meeting in the near future.

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As yet the patrons of Stella Cheese Factory are still in the dark as to whether or not the factory will be operating after the first of May. The announcement for the dairy year starting April 1st, 1971 is that price support levels remain unchanged, subsidy will be paid at a rate of \$1.25 per cwt., and the support levels are skim milk powder-25¢ per lb., cheddar cheese-51¢, and

butter- 65¢ per pound.

For the twelve months on which the Board has collected statistics it is shown that Grade A milk was 56.1 percent of the production and 43.9 percent industrial.

It might be interesting to note that more industrial milk is supplied in cans then in bulk during the period from March 1970 to February 1971. The Capital Grant Program has been expanded in Ontario to include bulk milk tanks. As of April 1, 1971; the terms of the program have been enlarged to cover a wider area of grants for farmers; each farmer is allowed up to \$3,000. Ernest Fleming.

Appreciation

Many people who attended the Annual Horsemen's Dance held in Kingston remarked on the thoughtfulness of Capt. Eldon Willard and the members of his crew who delayed their last trip home long enough so as to ensure that everyone got home safely.

....Staff.

Appreciation

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to those who sent cards and visited me while I was a patient in K.G.H. and also many thanks to those who helped out at home.

.....Harry Fleming.

Chalk Talk

The school children are jubilant with the sunny recesses. Though the yard is not dry enough for playtime they enjoy the crushed stone area which was extended in December.

Mr. Sheil's class spent some time talking about maple syrup making. He was surprised to find that eleven of his students were interested enough to the point of attempting to tap, collect, and boil down maple sap. Many were rewarded with varying amounts of delicious syrup.

All the children enjoy the modified volleyball which is played in the P.E. room on a shift basis.

This week a startling number of Golden Crowned Kinglets flew against the east windows of the school. We are very perplexed as to the reason for this and will investigate the cause if possible.

Polly Bulch and Ann Willard have entered the K-l class and seem to really like school.

Our library in the Dew-Drop Inn is a bee-hive of activity and the pupils recently began a search for misplaced or unreturned books. Would you like to help? Please look on those shelves at home and if any school

books are there - do us a good turn and drop them in to the school.

High School Report

School wound up last Thursday with a Teacher-vs. Student Hockey game at the Napanee Arena. The teachers, after a hard battle came out on top; the money collected will be donated to the Cancer Society.

Two weeks ago the grade twelve girls health classes went on a trip

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to the Smiths Falls Institute for the Mentally Retarded. The trip was very informative and the residents enjoyed our visit as much as we did.

This Friday the Mash Makhan are coming to Napanee, the concert is open to the public.Laurie Kilpatrick.

Out Our Way

Arthur Fleming, Jack and Leeanne, Collins Bay; Donald, Joyce, Kevin, Greg and Lorie, Kingston, and Bob and Linda, Brampton, were recent visitors at the home of Frank and Marian Fleming.

Frank and Phyllis Welton spent the Easter weekend with Jay and Sharon and family in Orangeville and also were guests at a 25th wedding anniversary in Kitchener.

David and Gordon Wires spent a week with David's parents, Herb and Jean Wires. We are pleased to report that Jean is making a satisfactory recovery from her knee injury.

The Good Friday community service of worship in St. Paul's church was well attended. Service was conducted by Rev. Allison and Rev. McPhee. Organist and choir leader was David Hunt of Strathcona Park and the combined choirs of Trinity church Amherstview and Strathcona Park provided appropriate musical selections. Easter services were held on Sunday evening in St. Alban's and St. Paul's.

Visitors to the Island for the Easter weekend included: Paul and Carol Glenn, Annette and John, Sudbury, with Les and Irene Glenn and Helen Miller.

Tommy and Audrey Miller and family visited relatives on the Island.

Glenn and Sandra Filson, Todd and Kim with Jimmie and Mary Neilson and Helen Miller.

Bill and Joyce Griese, Smiths Falls with Bert and Chris Glenn.

Mary Neilson, Toronto, with Fred and Nellie Neilson.

Elmer, Sharon and Roger Ward with Frank and

Marian Fleming.

The Brady family, Ottawa at their cottage. Bill and Evelyn Coulson, Toronto, at their Lakeshore home.

Willis and Marion Stevenson, Jim and Jean at "The Cedars."

Ray and Winnifred Jamieson and family, Ottawa, and Shirley Fleming, Kingston with Ernest and Genevieve Fleming.

Jack and Beth Forrester, Bay Ridge, with Bruce, and Helen Caughey.

Ruth Drumgoole, Kingston with Art and Nessie Drumgoole.

The Earl Twofoot family with Allan and Cathy Glenn.

David and Anne Harding and Sherry, Amprior with Les and Irene Glenn.

Wilfred and Florence McCormac, Edna Reid and Irvine Beaubien spent Easter Sunday with Kenneth and Bernice Reid and family at Centreville.

Welcome home! to the Murphys who spent the winter in Montreal.

The Robinsons who enjoyed a delightful holiday in Texas.

Happy holiday to Bob Tugwell who is leaving next week on a trip to California.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Down The Lane

(courtesy Eldon Willard, from an old scrap book in his possession.)

Every community has a similar story somewhere in it's background. Call it "folklore", "fairytale" or "old wives tales", it is fun to read and extract a measure of truth from the fiction. The date is not on the newspaper clipping but the yellowing of the paper testifies to its age. Later articles in the book were dated 1922. This is a direct quote but condensed.

.....Hearken to this tale from Amherst Island, which takes us all

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back to a boyhood conception of Borneo, whence came the one original wild man. A startling discovery which brings back the story of Robinson Crusoe to real life, was made here when a party of hunters in search of game on Amherst Island in the Bay of Quinte, found a huge, hairy man clad in the skins of a wild animal and leaves, who was unable to utter a syllable of any language. He was discovered in a cave and resisted ferociously until the hunters captured him with a lasso. After being brought to Belleville he was identified by

Mrs. Florence Masters, who keeps a millinery store, as her husband who disappeared after going on a fishing trip 22 years ago... After the wild man was brought to Belleville he was put in a cage, for safe keeping, formerly occupied by a zoo gorilla. During the first night of captivity he uttered blood-curdling howls which could be heard for miles around.... The next morning the residents of Belleville attempted to feed him... they offered him breakfast food.... he sniffed contemptuously. Then a large piece of raw meet was thrown in the cage. The wild man tore it to shreds.... and devoured it.... Mrs. Masters, who had been advertising for her lost husband for 20 years, came to the cage out of curiosity. "Ethelburt", she cried, the moment she set eyes on the wild man. "It's my dear husband!" By several scars and moles Mrs. Masters positively identified him... Her mate had gone on a fishing trip 22 years before and had never been seen since... It is now thought he had become stranded on the island, which was seldom visited in those days and had led a Robinson Crusoe existence... "I am going to try to teach him to talk and wear clothes again," said Mrs. Masters. "For a time I will have to keep him in a cage, but... it will not be long until Ethelburt is himself again."

....Marj. Aitken. *****

Driving Club

Racing locally begins this Sunday afternoon, April 18th at the Community Centre track in Kingston. Race followers will see a much improved oval in Kingston this year. The track has been widened to sixty feet from the original forty-eight. The turns at either end have been banked and made more gradual, and new hub rails both inside and out are to be installed. The lighting also is to be greatly increased.

Betting facilities are also to be improved with electric tote machines to be added soon.

Races this year are to be run by the Kingston Agricultural Society and they will hire new officials for their meet which runs to the middle of July.

Construction also progresses daily on the new Frontenac Downs. The track is finished except for the final coat of gravel and stone dust (which is to be brought in from the Niagara Peninsula) and although the buildings haven't been started, the foundations are being readied.

The Oddfellows Hall in Kingston was the scene of festivities April 2nd as the Kingston Driving Club held their annual dance. Many journeyed from here by skidoo to the dance and all had a good time. The fun lovers from Amherst Island were much in evidence for the first waltz, through the polkas, and square dances,

down to the singing of the anthem at the close of the evening.

Ken Bailey from Richmond, Ontario has been doing some shoeing on the island and in Kingston.

Next regular meeting will be Monday night, April 26th at 8:00 p.m. at either Filsons or Glenisle Restaurant.

...H. A. C

Fishermen

On Tuesday, April 13, the Island fishermen were still using snow mobiles to fish on the ice.

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Garden Chit Chat

I mentioned the Easter lily two issues ago but didn't tell you the care it needs while blooming. Give it plenty of water and see that it doesn't sit in water. It likes a bright, cool, window. Remove the dead flowers immediately, keep growing until all danger of frost is over. Dig the bulb out of the pot and plant in a permanent location. It should bloom again in the fall and live on to beautify your garden next year.

The hydrangea is another popular Easter plant. It also needs plenty of water. If you have a pink one, fertilize it with a phosphate fertilizer - if blue, it needs acid watering (one teaspoonful of cider vinegar to one quart of water.)

The hydrangea is not hardy out of doors. It can be held over to bloom a second year indoors.

After it has finished blooming, cut the stems back to two or three inches and repot. When danger of frost is past, bury the pot in semi-shade in the garden, bring in before frost, hold at $40 - 50^{\circ}$ for six weeks, then raise the temperature to 60° and give average care until it blooms.

...E.L.N. *****

How To Preserve Children

To preserve children take:1 large grassy field
1/2 dozen children
2 or 3 small dogs
a pinch of brook and some small pebbles.

Mix the children and dogs well together and put them in the field, stirring constantly. Pour the brook over the pebbles, sprinkle the field with flowers, spread over all a deep blue sky, and bake in a hot sun.

When thoroughly browned remove and set to cool in

a bathtub.

...Kathleen Wemp, Grimsby, Ontario.

Athletic Club

President Bruce Robinson reports that, although no date has been set yet, the annual general meeting should be held before the end of April. At the meeting, new officers will be elected, accounts presented, and other business completed.

....Ian Murray.

Note

A fourteen month old purebred hereford heifer delivered a normal full term bull calf at Tanti Hereford Farm, owned by Vince Aitken, on April 13. Mr. Bill Patterson cited this as a most unusual case.

....Staff.

Griffon

The ice breaker, Griffon came down the North Channel on Monday, April 6th.

A Sale

-called "Fuddle-Duddle"

-April 24, 1:30 p.m.

-at Trinity Presbyterian Church Hall, Amherstview.

-For sure, good used clothing, dishes, jewellery knick-knacks, books, plants - - - -

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Household Hints

Glasses - when two are stuck together put cold water in top glass and place the bottom in hot water. {continued on Page 8}

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{Household Hints continued from Page 6} remove in a few seconds.

Use your china in rotation so there's never a group at bottom of pile that remains unused - use from bottom, return to top spot.

....F. McDonald.

Observations

(cont'd. from last issue)

The first such organization that existed in this community and which I do not remember except through hearing of it through my Grandfather was the A.C.U.W. (Ancient Order of United Workmen) I do remember at a very early age, being taken by my mother to a meeting of the 'Chosen Friends', I would have to say that this was my first experience in Lodge activities. This Association had both men and women members. Then there was the I.O.F. (Independent Order of Foresters) the C.O.F. (Canadian Order of Foresters) the P.A.P.B. (Protestant Association of Prentice Boys), the L.O.L. (Loyal Orange Lodge) and L.O.B.A. (Loyal Orange Benevolent Assoc.), all of these associations were joint fraternal and insurance organization and of course with the organization of so-called "straight-line" insurance companies such as Mutual, Manufacturers, Sun, Metropolitan, etc., the fraternal organization found it increasingly difficult to operate and usually

succumbed to amalgamation or complete disbandment.
The "original" Township Hall stood at the eastern
end of the village, east of the Neilson store and on a site

about where Evan Lloyd's home now stands. I have no facts concerning the type of construction of this building or it's approximate size but possibly it was about the same size as the present or past Township Hall, no doubt it saw great service in the community and doubtless was the scene of many a rousing political debate back about the time that Sir John A. McDonald was a prominent political figure in this area, however when the 'Select Knights' became a dying organization the Township Council purchased their hall and were able to improve their accommodations considerably. What became of the old hall? I understand it was used for many things, a gymnasium, a dance studio, for dancing lessons and I was told by my late Aunt, Mrs. Sara Sanders, that she and the late George Beaubien (Irvin and Edna's father) won a prize there for being the heaviest (weight-wise) and the lightest footed (smoothest) couple in the class. In latter days the hall was relegated to a storage for farm machinery by the then Frost & Wood dealers, Fleming & McCormick and it was eventually demolished, perhaps the material was used in some other building under construction or it may have become fire wood.

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Book Exchange

Ann Hitchins suggests that a book exchange club would attract a large membership on the Island.

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Happy Birthday Party

The Island Beacon staff and friends celebrated one year of success on Friday evening, April 23rd. A potluck supper at the school for staff and helpers was followed by a dance at Victoria Hall. Though attendance at both functions was a little disappointing, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

....G. F. Sheil

Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Council met in Special Session last week, for the purpose of choosing a new treasurer-tax collector to replace Fred Neilson, recently retired. Jean Tugwell was appointed and will take over her duties as of May 1st. Congratulations are extended to Jean, who has looked after the cheese factory books so capably and now with the official announcement of the factory closing will be free to do the township books.

....Marj. Aitken.

Amherst Islander

The motorship Amherst Island is in Kingston, awaiting her turn in drydock after repairs to a coast-guard vessel have been completed. Captain Eldon Willard reports a major overhaul is going to be necessary to ready her for the busy schedule of the year ahead. Life preserver inspection has necessitated the ordering of \$1,500.00 worth of new ones. This is just one item of cost in the rising costs of maintaining such a vessel. If no new parts are needed for the engine which will require ordering and thus delay the work, we could expect her back into Island service within two weeks. Meanwhile we are grateful to have the Upper Canada, on loan from the Wolfe Island service, filling our needs.Marj. Aitken.

Chimney Fire - April 15th.

At about 9:15 a.m. Thursday morning the fire

department rushed to the home of Mr. Robert Gibson at Emerald. However, a hurriedly initiated bucket-brigade had managed to check the fire in the chimney

James Neilson of the fire department noted the prompt response of the volunteers after the alarm had been sounded and additional assistance from the switchboard operator.

...Staff.

Commercial Fish

Francis Welbanks, commercial fisherman on Amherst Island, reports that the catches of perch, carp and bull heads are remarkable to date.

He says that the nets which had been set under the ice were full when they brought them in after the breakup. Prices are excellent and he accredits this largely to the Lake Erie situation.

Howard Welbanks is now fishing carp in the St. Lawrence River with good hauls.

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Sheep Killing

Sheep killing by dogs has struck an Island farmer. Mel Filson was the unfortunate victim of the loss and the township held responsible for payment of this loss. Seaver Wemp and Rob't. Tugwell are the island evaluators for these cases. Reeve Aitken reports that the Dept. of Lands and Forest of Napanee, as one of their functions, will send inspectors into an area where there is a sheep kill and they very frequently find the animals doing the killing. Then the payment of costs of the animals dead is the responsibility of the owners of these dogs. Cases of these kills should be reported to Clerk Francis Welbanks who can report it to the Napanee Dept. of Lands and Forest and if they fail to find the responsible killer dogs, then the evaluators can value the loss and send a written claim statement to the Clerk for Council's approval and payment. Dogs running at large in groups can strike again and again and be a real menace to Island farmers. Two young dogs coming across the ice from the mainland this February ran the beef herd of Tanti Hereford Farms, through deep snow in the barn yard and caused one of their best cows to abort. So even a playful, innocent-seeming young dog can be a prospective killer if in a group. It may be necessary to pass a by-law and enforce it to have island dogs kept tied up as most of the townships have had to do. Certainly if everyone has to comply, most will. Human nature does not allow us to tie our dog up

unless our neighbour has to do the same.

Assessment Enumeration

Mrs. Lula Strain, enumerator for Amherst Island, has completed her task. Records of population, buildings, etc., are completed and forwarded to the assessment office in Kingston.

...Staff.

The Beacon Salutes:

Fred Neilson for his many years of unfailing endeavours for Amherst Island.

Recently, Mr. Neilson resigned his position as township treasurer of Amherst Island; this action was for health reasons as he has undergone surgery and is to return to hospital in the future.

Having served on council from 1935 until 1938, he accepted the reeveship in 1938 which he held until 1945. Mr. Neilson was acting treasurer for his brother Rod who had falling eyesight for some years prior to 1950 at which time he took over the duties, and he has conducted the finances of Amherst Island until this year.

In 1926 Fred married Nellie McDonald. They have three children, James, Stella; Mary, Toronto; Kaye, (Mrs. Fred Moeller) Bloomfield Mills, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Neilson have seven grandchildren.

His contribution to the Island includes years of service on the school board and also the chairmanship of the telephone commission from its formation until its sale to the Bell in 1967.

During his years as treasurer, Amherst Island has had five reeves: Morrison Scott, Tom Cochrane, Frank Fleming, Harry Fleming, and Vince Aitken, our present reeve. {James Eves is added to this list in the next issue}

He looks back on the period from '35 on, when the Island was considered almost bankrupt in the face of a backlog of tax arrears and bank loan refusals until a few years had passed and the Island enjoyed an enviable financial position (\$9-10 thousand tax role); this was the highlight. The rip-roaring nomination meetings and years of ferry service stand out.

Now that the responsibility has been relinquished Mr. Neilson looks back on the experience with- "a host of wonderful memories, not necessarily wonderful then-but wonderful in their recollection now."

....G. F. Sheil.

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Observations

I am sure that no one regrets the quiet departure of the last of the ice field in the channel. During the early morning hours of Saturday the 24th, the well rotted, icicle type of ice slipped down the bay with the urging of a gentle breeze. This will certainly go down in history as one of the longest and severest winters of modern times. It was back on December 24th 1970 that the ice first formed in the channel making an even four months that it has presented it's great uncertainties. Since the Amherst Islander began her regular schedule on April 2nd last, the good ship has been subject to the vagaries of the huge ice field. The ice breaking voyage of the C.G.S. "Simcoe" on March 22nd enlightened us as to the great thickness of ice which really existed and we had many thoughts of what lay ahead before we would look upon open water, however I think that even the old timers will agree that the "breakup" was an exceptionally easy one, as we are well aware of the tremendous power of shifting ice, especially when driven by high winds. Very calm weather as well as unseasonably low temperatures were not conducive to movement of the ice and it seemed that nothing but the slow "rotting" process was to remove it. The Amherst Islander did not experience any great amount of difficulty, unfavourable wind directions, which shifted the field back and forth thus inconveniencing the traveling public at times while we waited for scheduled but impossible trips of the ferry were our only worry. For the past week the ice field packed the Island shore but day by day as this field gradually weakened the boat was always able to "get through."

With ice worries presently out of our mind, let us not lose sight of the fact that within eight more months the situation will again be with us and let us not forget our resolve to "do" something about it this year. I am sure that all of us were somewhat heartened this past week to read the Hon. C.J.S. Apps' statement during the Annual meeting of the Progressive Conservative Association in Kingston, concerning the Government's awareness of our situation and of the study that is being made. We can only hope that our friend "Syl" has finally got through to the powers that be and furthermore it is this writer's humble hope that this is not a political plum being dangled before us but rather that it will be an honest effort to provide the solution for decades to come. In the study which is promised I sincerely hope that the Government Departments may take the Island people in to their confidence and that a committee of Municipal representatives along with competent deep thinking ratepayers might be recognized in an advisory capacity.

Sometimes we feel that we are completely alone in our struggle to improve our transportation facilities. I can assure you that we are not and in my traveling to and fro throughout the length and breadth of this Province I am constantly in touch with people who are aware of the situation and are very strongly of the opinion that there is complete inequality being shown in dealing with it. In some cases this expression of interest has not alone been "lip service" but rather these people have taken of their own time to think about us and to make representations to our government leaders, wherein they have set forth their theories and suggestions for an improvement and permanent end to our difficulties, in subsequent issues of the "Beacon," if space permits, I would like to tell our readers of some of the efforts that interested friends are making on our behalf.

.....A.B.C.

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Out Our Way

Ytze Witteveen, Zwanze Kehoe and Syke Fleming attended the morning service at Edith Rankin Memorial church, Collins Bay, when Patricia Dawn, daughter of Janke and Douglas Hannaford was baptized.

Captain Harold Miller, Elsie, Michael, Scott and Dawn Louise spent a recent weekend with Helen Miller. Harold and his family will be leaving in July for Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A. where he will be stationed for three years.

Sharon and Jay Muirhead, Phyllis and John spent the weekend with Phyllis and Frank Welton.

Wilfred McCormac underwent surgery on Monday in Kingston General Hospital.

Myrtle and Bill Saunders spent the weekend with the Sheil family.

Mrs. Mary Orchard, Kirkfield is visiting Chris and Bert Glenn.

Peter Barr and Sandra Lewis, St. Catherines, spent a couple of days last week with Art and Nessie Drumgoole, Ruth Glenn and Helen and Bruce Caughey.

Wilbert and Gayel Willard and family spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Martin at Arden.

Georgia and Gordon Reid moved to their home on the second concession on Saturday after spending the winter months in Stella.

Mrs. Marion Fleming underwent surgery Wednesday morning at Kingston General Hospital.

The Leonard Kehoe family, Peterborough spent last weekend with Pete and Ytze Witteveen.

The community Sunday school session will begin on Sunday May 2nd at the public school at 9:50 a.m. Service in St. Paul's church:-

Sunday May 2 - 8:00 p.m.

9 - 8:00 p.m.

16 - 8:00 p.m.

23 and for the summer 11:00 a.m.

.....Genevieve Fleming.

Down the Lane

(from a 1922 newspaper clipping)

Stella, Dec. 8 -

A shower was held in Victoria Hall on Monday p.m. last, for Mr. and Mrs. W.J. McCorinal. Many valuable and useful gifts were received. Music was furnished for dancing by Glen & McDonald's orchestra.

Miss R.M. McMullin was removed to Hotel Dieu, Kingston on Wednesday when she underwent an operation for appendicitis. She is doing as well as can be expected.

The sad news was received here on Friday to the affect that Hiroin Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Afred Willard, had been drowned with several other members of the crew of the steamer Maplehurst, when she foundered near the Portage Lake ship canal, Lake Superior. She had loaded coal at Ashtabula and while en route to Port Arthur was met by a terrific storm which resulted in the loss of a number of lives. The late Mr. Willard is survived by a number of brothers and sisters.

The steamer Susie Chipman arrived here on Monday morning from Oswego with 370 tons of hard coal for L.R. Neilson. It is being sold at \$16.50 per ton.

Quite a number of farmers took their dressed poultry to Napanee on Wednesday and Thursday last, for the fair. Good prices were realized. Turkeys sold as high as 45¢ a lb.

Reeve Samuel Miller attended the County Council session in Napanee last week. W.H. Preston, tax collector, has been making his rounds.

Canan J.W. Jones, Kingston occupied the pulpit of St. Alban's and Christ's church, Emerald on Sunday,

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owing to the illness of the rector Rev. J.C. Dixon.

Quite a number from here attended the football game in the city on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Filson attended the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto last week.

...Marj. Aitken.

Where Are They Now?

Mr. Hugh McCormick left this island in 1938 to live in Chatham, Ontario. His brothers, Fred and Leonard McCormick still reside here. He is now married with a son and a daughter.

Mr. McCormick makes special mention of "the never-forgotten memories of good old school days at S.S.#3 and High School on Stella Point; also dances at Victoria Hall!

"I wish to congratulate the people responsible for the Island Beacon," he adds, "a credit I'd say to Amherst Islanders."

...Hugh McCormick to Emily Wemp. *****

Notice

Annual Athletic Club Meeting, Monday, May 3, 1971. The Athletic Club will elect new officers for its 1971 season at the public school beginning at 8:00 p.m. *****

Thank You

Helen and Earl Smith wish to express their appreciation to all their Island friends for get well wishes during their recent stay in hospital.

Garden Chit Chat

According to a garden calendar, there is so much you can do this time of year, but with the weather so cold it discourages any outside work.

As you clean up your lawn and garden, why not start a compost pile in some out-of-the-way cornghuch

"Milk"

You can raise the price of Liquor but the only squeal you hear

Is from a thirsty public which demands more gin and beer

The same way with tobacco, they will pay without a peep.

And smoke at least as heavy as they did when it was cheap.

You can put a tax on movies, they will ante up and go: They will pay a rise with pleasure on the things they wear for show.

But raise the price of milk! O boy! they'll fight with all their breath

They have a growing youngster who is bound to starve to death.

The family allowance can never stand so much. It's nice to keep that windfall for nylons and such, They don't ask for bigger wages just to spend it all on milk;

They will show those wicked farmers and their scheming thieving ilk;

They will march with hoisted banner they will cable, write and wire;

They will drag the local member by his whiskers through the mire;

They don't mind paying rises on their whisky, smokes and silk,

But not the slightest fraction will they tolerate on milk.

O.P.P. Press Release

Motorists note:

Have you been driving this past winter with studded tires on your car? If so, here's a reminder about the laws governing the use of studded tires in Ontario. Studded tires are permitted on motor vehicles from October 1st to April 30th. So, if you still have studded tires on your car, replace them with standard tires by this date. Don't forget - it is illegal to drive a car in Ontario equipped with studded tires after April 30th.

For Sale -

Collie pups- four young pups and one older pup Apply Clinton Baker.

For Sale -

Two riding horses. Apply Clinton Baker.

Of Much Interest

Some ten days following the passing of the late Wesley Brown, a letter addressed to the late Mr. Brown was received at the Stella Post Office. The letter was redirected to Mr. Brown's daughter, Mrs. Edgar McCaugherty in Kingston, who found upon opening it, that it was from Mr. N.A. (Bus) Daly of Vancouver, B.C.

The writer of the letter will be remembered by many older Islanders, who recall the more prosperous days of "The Daly Tea Co. of Napanee," when this company was known throughout Ontario as one of the largest tea importing and blending firms then in existence. Their outlets and sales of tea were handled principally by "peddling" from door to door, as well as wholesaling to retail businesses. Horses and wagons were used in earlier times but with the advent of the automobile the change was made to trucks. It is in connection with the transportation of their first truck to the Island that Mr. Daly recalls the experience that they encountered.

Before the advent of ferry service to and from Amherst Island, if you owned other than a car upon which the top could be lowered and the windshield removed or turned down it was necessary to transport such vehicle via the "lighter," a flat scow owned by the late John Tugwell and towed by a motor launch. (Cars, which could have the top lowered etc., were able to be accommodated on the Steamer Brockville, a passenger boat plying the "Bay Route", making calls at Emerald, Bath and Stella. The necessity of lowering the top etc., was to allow the vehicle to enter

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the low narrow gangway, intended for only passengers and freight trucks.) The above mentioned lighter was flat bottom, reputedly hard to tow and susceptible to upsets particularly when loaded with a shifting cargo such as pigs or cattle, for which purpose Mr. Tugwell had it constructed.

The particular experience recounted by Mr. Daly was in 1924, when they loaded the Daly truck, heavily laden with tea, on the lighter at Millhaven, a storm was coming up when they set out with the tow being made by the late Hugh Glenn (Les and Stirling's father) with his launch the "Ethel", in order to beat the storm the motor was operating "full speed" and when over a mile from Stella, a connecting rod went through the block of the engine and lighter and launch drifted down the channel toward the foot of the Island. Fortunately the plight was spotted by Vere Howard, who came to the rescue with his motor launch and towed them safely to shore, just as the storm broke.

Mr. Daly, in his letter, recalls his associations with many Island people, a number of whom have since passed on, and remembers with pleasure the excellent bass fishing he has enjoyed around the Island as well as splendid duck hunting. Mr. Daly's particular purpose in writing at this time is to try to find accommodation for a period of a few months when he intends coming East and would like to renew acquaintances around the Island as well as living in enjoyable surroundings. Mr. Daly states that he has a limited income but would be able to pay about \$75.00 per month. Due to an ulcer operation some years ago, he has a reasonably small appetite and feels that he is a minimum of trouble as a tenant. If any reader would be interested in providing the accommodation that Mr. Daly requires would you please correspond with him at 1846 Haro Street, Vancouver, B.C. Mr. Daly plans on coming East during June, spending two weeks in Toronto and reaching the island from June 15 to July 15.

(Bruce's observations on the Township hall concluded.)

The new Township Hall was, I am sure, a considerable improvement and many uses have been made of this for the holding of meetings by such organizations as the "Farmers Institute", "Women's Institute," "The Amherst Island Agricultural Society", "Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance Co.", "Stella Driving Club," and many more, in addition to the holding of regular Council meetings. Nomination meetings, Elections, etc., I will always have very vivid memories of the "torrid" battles fought on the old platform by the numerous Township politicians who took the responsibilities of the Polifices very seriously.A.B.C.

d Mut Mop.-Owerethe Line Fence

"So my daughter has consented to become your wife, Have you fixed the day of the wedding?"

"I will leave that to my fiancee."

"Will you have a church or a private wedding?"

0.000r officher mother will decide that, sir."

"What have you to live on?"

"I will leave that entirely to you sir."

Olin with te, surchiondsopouralways call your wife, 'Honey' Mr.

"Well, honey has always disagreed with me."

"Mr. Smith, won't you buy a bouquet to present to the lady you love?"

"That wouldn't be right: I'm a married man."

The End ****

The following advertisements appear to be a loose page stuck in with the rest of the printed Beacon so it has been left to the very end to transcribe.}

Filson's Coffee Shop & Gas Bar. Lunches, Shell Products, Ice, Fishing & Hunting Licence.

Glenisle Lunchroom & Gaseteria. Where good friends meet to eat. Recreation room for group fun.

Glenn's Store and Post Office, Groceries & Sundries,

Millhaven Grocery, Fresh Meat, Vegetables, Sundries Texaco Gas & Oil. Prop.- Rex & Barb Alderman.

James Towne, Auctioneers, Estate Liquidators, Importers, Auction every Wed. 7:00 p.m. 4033 Bath Rd., Collins Bay, 9206016000-06.0.4000r 400-0.4200 Tc0.4 &e Oil.

Ron's Gulf Service, "When hope is gone just call Ron for one call does it all." R.R.#3, Bath. Ph. 380-5512.

For Hair Styling Whiz See Liz. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Salon at Holbeth Farm. Phone 305-3-2. ***

For All Your Feed, Fencing and Farm Supplies, Phone Blatchford Feeds, 546-0835. Middle Rd., Kingston. Regular Service to Amherst Island. ***

Central Aluminum Siding - Windows - Storm Doors - Awnings. Carpentry: Renovations, New Construction. Rolf Stein, 18 Gretna Green, Kingston, Ontario.

Phone: 544-6702.

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner

Jean Tugwell is finding her new position as township treasurer-tax collector very gratifying. Jean says the job offers a variety of bookkeeping that makes it interesting. Fred Neilson is helping indoctrinate her into the various procedures of Island business, which was his task for so many years. With his able assistance and her background of bookkeeping experience, we can rest assured the position will be well looked after.

The Island roads are being graveled by the road crew where the spring heaving permits. Chas. Densem reports that the dump which is plugged with old vehicles will be bulldozed back as soon as he and Harry Filson can make arrangements for a bulldozer to come at a time when it can be put to use for other township jobs also (within a week it is hoped.)

A meeting with the Milk Board, Council, and our M.L.A. Syl Apps is still forthcoming, as soon as Mr. Apps and all persons concerned can agree on an available date. The discussion at hand will, of course, be the continuous service (winter) of our ferry. Many conjectures resulted after the news media's reports of a week ago, that an announcement could be expected shortly on the subject of winter service for the Islands. So we await the results of this meeting--hopefully.

- - M. Aitken ****

Submarine Cable to Island

On Tuesday, May 4 the submarine cable was laid across Lake Ontario in two stages. Two barges towed by tugs, one from the mainland and one from the Island, and each loaded with a reel of cable weighing about 60 tons, drew out from either shore to meet in the middle where the "204 pair cable" was to be spliced. The great weight of the cable prevents interference with marine activity.

The tugs, barges, and crane owned by Simjac Marine Ltd. of Prescott were guided by engineers stationed on the mainland and the island. Jack Boyd is construction manager of the \$241,000 project.

The submarine cable will eventually be connected to

main transformer poles on the island and mainland to provide a direct dialing system through the Collins Bay Exchange.

(the above is an extract from the Whig-Standard)

Line Work Begins

On Saturday May 8, Direct Winters transport delivered several reels of cable to the island, 20 reels of support strand and 27 reels of cable. A large crane owned by Purtell Crane Service unloaded the reels at the Bell site.

Mr. Doug Phillips, one of the seven member Bell line crew, reports they are stringing the cable and plan to finish on Tuesday or Wednesday next week. Benner Mount Construction did the pole work prior to the cable installation.

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Cheese Factory.

The future of the cheese factory is very indefinite; supposition and rumour surround discussions.

Notice had been posted that the factory would be closed as of May 31, 1970. However the Ontario Provincial Milk Commission has expressed interest in the continuance of its operation.

A milk producers' meeting was held on May 11 regarding can-milk transportation arrangements if the factory were to close on May 31.

--- Staff

Omission

In the salute to Mr. Neilson (28th edition), Mr. James Eves' name was omitted as having been a reeve of Amherst Island.

Athletic Club News

At the General Meeting, May 3, President Bruce Robinson discussed business from last year and Secretary Treasurer Allan Glenn presented the Club's finances.

The election of the 1971-72 executive then proceeded with the following results: President, Ian Murray: Vice-President, Clifford Sudds; Members-at Large, Hazel deHaan, Kathy Glenn, Glenn Sheil, and Bobby Howard: Secretary-Treasurer, Lee Filson.

After the General Meeting adjourned, a brief meeting was held between those members of the new

executive that were present at the meeting. Another executive meeting was held on May 10th in which the tentative baseball teams were drawn up for the new season. The team lists have been published (available at Glenisle Lunch Room) and a second general meeting is to be held Friday, May 14th, at 8:00 p.m. in the school. The season is scheduled to start on May 23 and schedules should be available by the next issue of the paper.

- - Ian Murray

Census

Mr. Allen Caughey is census taker for Amherst Island. He expects to complete the census by the middle of June.

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Chalk Talk

Our club meeting was held on Friday, April 30. The executive brought us up to date on finances and planning. The primary room sang songs; the junior room performed a play, "The Case of the Missing Tooth," the senior room presented a game, "Jeopardy."

Mr. Bill Markle came to our school on May 6th and delivered a very interesting account of Indian drums and headdresses. He showed a drum which was made from a hogs-head barrel; the drum was over two hundred years old and there were some two-hundred and seventy homemade tacks holding the buckskin heads in place. An Indian headdress was also shown. Mr. Markle fielded many questions and demonstrated the beat of the drum. His recitation about "Napanee" drew a hearty applause.

The school visited the Napanee Detachment of the O.P.P. on Wednesday morning, May 12. Ross and Shirley drove the school buses for our trip. Several officers of that detachment were on hand to show us many areas of their work: the breathalyzer, telex, criminal investigation techniques and equipment, legal forms, fingerprinting, radar, scuba equipment, motorcycle, and snow mobile.

Police week is designed to help bring the public a little closer to understanding and appreciating the role of our O.P.P. and on Wednesday it was estimated that nearly one thousand would avail themselves of the opportunity.

Mr. Dick Cherry will take over the duties of the primary room when Mrs. Phyllis Strain leaves on May 20. Mrs. Strain expects her baby in June. Mr. Cherry, a former N.H.L. player, will teach here until the end of June.

Miss Beth Borris has been hired for the primary room for September.

The Lennox and Addington County "Musicale" is scheduled for May 20 at the Napanee and District Secondary School. Tickets will be available from the students.

The dance on Friday, May 7 was a "Mod" success. The softball teams are now organized and following our brief exhibition tour the Crusaders, Knee-Knockers, Fuddle-Duddles, and Vampires are set for the season.

High School Report

As the end of school approaches, so does the time for school trips, elections, and field day.

On Wednesday the Grade 12 English students went on a trip to Toronto to see the play Jane Eyre. Trips are really the highlights of the year and they are worth the work put into them.

The elections for next year's students' council were held last week and we had an assembly to introduce the new executive; maybe someday we'll have an Islander nominated for the position.

The formal is this Friday night with the theme of "Alice in Wonderland."

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Out Our Way

Sunday guests at the home of Pete and Ytze Witteveen were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson, Toronto, Willem and Carol Witteveen and family, Peterborough, Doug and Yanke Hannaford and family, Amherstview and Harry and Syke Fleming and family.

Kevin Wright, Strathcona, has been holidaying for two weeks with Wilbert and Gayel Willard.

Harry and Barbara Filson spent the weekend in Chatham.

Since our previous issue, six Islanders have entered Kingston General Hospital:

Marion and Frank Fleming, Mary Neilson, Irve Tugwell, Grace Eves and Phyllis Welton. Grace returned home on Tuesday and Marion expects to be released on Thursday.

Ross and Tena Filson spent the weekend in Kingston. Franklyn, Eleanor and Wayne McCormac, Kingston, spent the weekend with Florence and Wilfred McCormac.

Helen and Arthur Hinch, Toronto were Sunday callers on the Island.

Elizabeth and Paul Cook, Belleville, N.Y. arrived on Wednesday and are spending a few days with Ross and Tena Filson.

Bill Coulson had the misfortune on Wednesday evening to cut his finger with the electric saw. He was cared for at K.G.H. outpatients clinic.

Church Services:

St. Alban's

May 16 - 2:00 p.m.

23 - 8:00 p.m.

30 - 8:00 p.m.

St. Paul's

May 16 - 8:00 p.m.

23 -11:00 a.m.

Continuing at 11:00 a.m. for the summer

...Genevieve Fleming

Household Hints

Double boiler food saver; a metal jar ring in the bottom of a double boiler will rattle when the water becomes too low - a dependable S.O.S.

When heating baby foods, you may do different kinds at one time by using a 2 or 3 cup egg poacher. When warm, lift from tray and feed baby directly from the cup.

....Florence McDonald *****

Down the Lane

(from a 192- newspaper clipping)

Amherst Island, July 2 - -

The death occurred at Amherst Island on June 28th of James Finlay. Deceased suffered a paralytic stroke about six years ago and never fully recovered from the effects. Deceased was 85 years old and was born at Amherst Island. His home was on the bay shore, just below the village.

The late Mr. Finlay was a well-known and much respected resident of the island. He farmed for many years on the third concession. His wife, whose maiden name was Miss Lark, pre-deceased him many years ago. Deceased was a Conservative in politics and a member of the Methodist church. He was one of the few remaining veterans of the Fenian raid of 1866-70. Deceased is survived by one son, Ephriam Finlay of Collins Bay.

The funeral took place on Sunday, July 31st and was largely attended. Rev. James Cumberland conducted the service, assisted by Rev. J. C. Dixon. Interment was in Glenwood Cemetery. The pallbearers were W. H. Preston, J. A. Beaubien, Capt. H. Sanders, W. Cockrane, B. Fleming and Samuel Fleming. Relatives present were A. A. Finlay, Mrs. D. T. Finlay, Mrs. Lane and Mrs. W. Frink of Collins Bay.

..M. Aitken

Appreciation

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to those who sent cards and remembered me while I was a patient in K.G.H.

.. Wilfred McCormac

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Driving Club

Amherst Island horses are starting to make their appearance on the local circuit. Preston Star owned by Wilbert and trained by Earl Willard made his first start Sunday afternoon at Kingston. Driven by Al Caughey the four year old finished third and showed lots of pace at the end of the mile.

At the recent standardbred sale Hugh Filson purchased Vanway Crimson a really pretty chestnut yearling filly, from Mac Vance of Cornwall. We wish Hughie lots of luck.

Some additional ten head are being prepared (weather permitting) to start this summer. With any kind of luck the island should make its presence felt long before the season is over.

....H. A. C.

4-H Club

The first meeting of the Amherst Island 4-H Calf Club was held on the 15th of April.

Eric McGinn was elected President; Billy Brown, Vice-President; Fred Neilson, Secretary; Mike McCormick, Press Reporter.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 17, 1971.

- - Mike McCormick

..The following column was written some time ago by a frequent contributor to the Island Beacon, Mr. Bruce Caughey. Owing to a demand for space it was necessary to hold this over until this time.

Observations

As indicated in a recent issue of the 'Beacon', the conversion of the Township Hall to the purposes of a splendid fire ball has now been completed and it is certainly hoped that this will provide a very useful, although we hope a little used facility in the community. We wish Messrs. H. Filson and J.S. Neilson every success in their endeavours to mould into shape an

excellent fire brigade. We hope also that those who have volunteered to serve in this most useful capacity will enter in to their duties with the same degree of enthusiasm that the members of Council, who have been responsible for this project did their part.

As of January 5th last, The Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance Company officially turned over to the newly formed brigade, the fire fighting equipment that was owned by the company. This equipment which was purchased in 1953, at a cost of \$1,200. consisted of a McCullough Portable pump, which if close enough to the water supply was capable of handling two lines of hose, about 700 feet of hose plus a 'fog' nozzle and all was carried in an antiquated half ton-truck. This equipment was purchased by the Insurance Company, in the hope that it would be added to during the years and might prove to be of some use in time of an emergency. No other organization ever did come forth with additional equipment and down through the years it was 'cursed' and it was 'blessed'. Cursed when the air cooled engine was slow in starting with a fire raging and blessed when the welcome streams of water were at least able to save adjoining buildings at an outbreak.

When this equipment was purchased the late Estel J. Strain was appointed caretaker and operator and many times he did an admirable job under difficult circumstances. The drying of hose, particularly in winter weather was always a problem and I am sure we appreciate Mrs. Strain's tolerance in putting up with the hose draped around her kitchen range, times without number. At Mr. Strain's death his son Lloyd became the caretaker and latterly his son Leslie. Many people owe this family a debt of gratitude for their co-operation and patience in providing this service over the past seventeen years.

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When the one long ring on the old magneto telephone struck terror to the hearts of all those within hearing of it and they rushed to the telephone to inquire 'where is it?', one could be sure that before putting this fire call out over the individual telephone lines that the operator had already called the Strain residence and some member of the Strain family was already on their way with the equipment. A number of fires come to mind which would have been very severe losses except for this bit of meager equipment. I remember a hot dry September day when the MacCrimmon barn, in close proximity to the house burst in to flames, it was this equipment, with an adequate supply of water from the bay, which saved the house, as well as other surrounding buildings. It played no small part in saving the Neilson Store from destruction one Spring morning

when a stubborn smouldering fire was prevented from bursting into a terrible conflagration by the lack of oxygen. One of the cottages on Stella Point was saved when a grass fire got out of control, but probably the greatest 'save' to the credit of the equipment was just four years ago when Rossena's coffee shop, a large brick building was destroyed during the early morning, had it not been for the hundreds of gallons of water poured upon the nearby buildings by this much despised little pump, before the arrival of the Bath Fire Department by Ferry, the greater part of the upper part of the village could have fallen prey to the flames.

It is sincerely hoped that this additional equipment may prove of some value in the larger organization of which it may form a part.

.....A.B.C.

For Sale
Three 80-lb. milk cans.
Apply Eddy Bongard

To Whom it May Concern;

We are all good critics and know better how to do any thing than those whose responsibility it is to make the rules.

Nevertheless may I ask, in all humility "Why are signals on cars?" One may be given a ticket for not signalling but no other car driver is obliged to obey it.

You are in the centre lane, maybe you are unfamiliar with the area, when suddenly you become aware that the next turn off is yours. You put on your right turn signal and you could go miles before traffic passing on your right will let you over.

Trucks have a speed limit of 60 miles per hour in a 70 mile zone. Why not limit the speed for all Vehicles to 60 when travelling in the right hand lane? This would help the centre lane car to exit when he so desires. I would go further and say, passing on the right is legal but done at the passing vehicle's risk. I would make it obligatory to obey signals and where proof of deliberate failure to do so can be established a violation be registered.

Yours for safer driving Wm. P. Coulson *****

Where are they now?

Mrs. Patricia Johnson (nee Eves) writes an interesting account of her life since leaving the Island in 1963.

After teaching in Kingston she married and moved to Chibougamau in Northern Quebec where her husband

was stationed with the Air Force. Here Mrs. Johnson reports "winters were severe and summers we were plagued with black flies."

Mrs. Johnson is now on staff at Bayridge P.S. and says she looks forward to the summer and weekends on the Island.

- - Mary Neilson from Mrs. Patricia Johnson

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Buying a Lot??

If you are thinking of purchasing a lot for a summer home - - on the Island or elsewhere - - you would be wise to think upon the wisdom contained in the old Roman term "caveat emptor" - - let the buyer beware!

Before committing yourself to a sale the following should be borne in mind - it may save you future grief:
(a) has the lot been surveyed?; (b) is the title clear? (you should hire a lawyer for this); (c) can you put in a privy or septic tank? (call the Township Building Inspector for advice). With respect to this last point the problem of pollution is such that the regulations are becoming tighter all the time.

Also, under Section 29 of the Planning Act it is an offence to subdivide and offer for sale, agree to sell, or sell land by a description in accordance with an unregistered plan of subdivision. You could report such incidents to the Township Building Inspector.

....I. Murray

Garden Chit Chat

Don't forget to cut the faded blooms off your spring flowering bulbs. It might aid next year's growth if you fertilize the bulbs after they have bloomed.

Fertilize the established roses any time this month. Hybrid tea roses should have three applications during the growing season; floribundus two; and climbers one. The second application for tea roses should be given about the first week in July, - - the last around the end of July.

Save all your banana skins and dig them in around your rose bushes - - they make pot ash and "roses love banana skins."

Don't scoff at clay soil - - it is one of the best garden soils but it needs plenty of humus. This can be well rotted manure, for those who have access to it- - or peat moss for the rest of us. Use sufficient fertilizer with the peat.

- - E.L.N.

Elm Bounty

The Department of Agriculture will pay \$5.00 for each elm tree cut down on your property. What you do with the tree is your business - - they count the stumps only.

For information contact Mr. MacLean, Department of Agric., Nap.

Where are they now?

Mr. Andrew Willard of Landsdowne, Ontario, writes that he left the Island in 1926. He has two brothers, several nieces and many friends left on the Island.

Regarding special memories of the Island he states that be had so many "..that I could not commit myself,"

He adds: "I was over to the Island a year or so ago but it is not the Amherst Island that I used to know fourty years or so ago. The old generation have gone and no

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doubt been forgotten. The homes in years gone by were always nicely painted and clean looking, but today there is another generation that has not got the time - the little fellow cannot afford to repair and the one who can afford it banks his money."

Mr. and Mrs. Willard have three children and eleven grandchildren.

...Andrew Willard to Mary Neilson.

It's All In The State Of The Mind

If you think you are beaten, you are. If you think you dare not, you don't. If you think you'd like to win, but can't It's almost a cinch you won't. If you think you'll lose, you've lost For out in the world you'll find Success begins with a fellow's will It's all in the state of the mind. For many a race is lost Ere even a race is run, And many a coward falls Ere even his work's begun. Think big and your deeds will grow Think small and you'll fall behind Think that you can and you will. It's all in the state of mind. If you think you're outclassed, you are You've got to think hard to rise, You've got to be sure of yourself Before you can win a prize. Life's battle does not always go

To the stronger or faster man,
But sooner or later the man who wins
Is the fellow who thinks he can.
- - submitted by Catherine Wemp

...Thank You..

The Beacon appreciates the time and effort spent by Ted Wemp to get pictures for our paper on more than one occasion.

....Thank You....

Mary Emmerson and Cathy Strain for your wonderful assistance to get this edition of the paper to press.

..Glenn

Over the Line Fence

A man boasted of having eaten forty nine boiled eggs. "Why did you not eat one more and make it Fifty?" asked one of his listeners.

"Hurumph, do you want a man to make a hog of himself just for one egg?"

Pupil- "Do you think it's right to punish folks for things they haven't done?"

Teacher- "Why of course not, Willie" Pupil- "Well, I didn't do my homework."

"Where do jelly fish get their jelly?"
"From ocean currents, I guess."

A tourist in a back country small town struck up a conversation with an old gentleman.

The Tourist- "Have you lived here all your life Sir?" Elderly man- "Not yet."

Tourist-"How old are you, Sir."

Elderly man-"I have passed my 100th year."

Tourist-"I suppose you are looking forward to another hundred years of life?"

"Well," said the old fellow. "I sure feel a lot stronger starting my second hundred than I did my first.

Our Bill

The End *****

{The following advertisements were in this issue of the

Beacon as a separate page and so have been transcribed at the end.}

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner

Council met at Syl Apps' request on May 15th. Also present were Island members of the Milk Board. Mr. Apps gathered them together to announce the Dept. of Highways plan for installing a "bubbling system" to permit the winter service of our ferry. As promised, Syl "carried the puck" for us in Toronto and "scored a goal." We are to have all year round ferry service and this is good news. On Wednesday May 19 Vince Aitken and Mr. Apps met with Dept. of Highways officials in Toronto to discuss the terms of the proposed plan. The Island is to administer the bubbling system when installed, but at no cost to the taxpayer. The only obstacle to the work starting is to receive permission from the Federal Government to lay the pipe on the bottom of the bay and install a compressor on both the Millhaven and Stella sides This permission is of no concern, just a matter of the two branches of government working out details. The compressors will force air through a pipe and create the bubbling that will force the warmer bottom water to the top, thereby preventing ice on the top in the ferry route. Pessimists doubt the efficiency of such a system in this area but the Department officials assured the reeve that sufficient tests have been done to convince them of the success of the move. The costs of installation of the bubbling system for our 2.8 mile crossing would certainly warrant having assurance of its success before making such a decision.

The road crew are busy grading and clearing shoulders and ditches of the mile east of the village slated for a primary paving coat this summer.Marj. Aitken.

Cheese Factory

Mr. Robert Tugwell, owner of the Stella Cheese Factory, states that due to recent developments the factory will not close the end of May as earlier posted. Negotiations with the Dairy Commission and the Milk Marketing Board have not been completed; however, with the proposed improvement of winter service it

seems the parties concerned are resolved to maintain the existing operation until transportation via the ferry during the winter is assured. This quite possible means that the factory will continue for another year.

....Staff.

To The Editor

I placed the "Beacon" in the sunporch of Victory III (K.G.H.) and was surprised to hear the favorable comments from the readers. They didn't know I was from Amherst Island so they were quite free in their opinions which made it more interesting and made me realize we really made the news this past winter.

....Marion Fleming.

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Summer Picnic, Fair Day Or Festival

For some time the idea of a summer picnic day on Amherst Island has been in my mind, and wouldn't this year - this week - be a good time to see if we can't make it more than an idea?

Date - Any day is a good one for a picnic or fun. Picnic - Chicken, Bar-B-Q, Box social, fish n'chips, corn roast.

Fun - Pony Baseball (Pee-wee), horse races (Island Horses), 4-H Calf show, Tug-O-War (Milk producers, Athletic club, Ferry crew, Fire Department), Swimming, Horse Shoe Tournament.

Events -

- 1. Morning program judging, display, etc
- 2. Noon lunch.
- 3. Fun Time. (afternoon)
- 4. Supper
- 5. Bazaar, bake sale, etc.
- 6. Dance (street dance?)
- 7. Fireworks Display (Community sponsored).

If you want a day like this and can see its merits, don't sit on your hands. With everyone pitching in - just with a show of enthusiasm even - We Could Have A Day To Treasure And To Look Forward To And Plan For Each Year.

Meeting on Monday, May 31st at the public school at 8:30 p.m. If you cannot attend please telephone your ideas or interest to Glenn Sheil.

Athletic Club

The following has resulted from recent executive meetings:

Captains wishing to postpone a game must give detailed reasons in writing. If the executive decides the reasons are not sufficient, the game must be played as scheduled.

Schedules have been drawn up and are available at the local stores and restaurants.

Games must start on time. If the home side cannot field a team at the appointed time, the game shall be forfeited. If the visiting team agrees to delay the game, both teams shall forfeit the game. It should be obvious that each player has a duty both to other players and to the spectators to be on time.

Any persons not yet assigned .20i si

To keep whipping bowl from slipping set it on a folded damp cloth.

..... F. McD.

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Where are they now?

Mr. Aubrey Rhamey, a former principal at the old Continuation School, and now principal at Eastern Commerce in Toronto, replied by letter to the Beacon in answer to our column flyer.

Mr. Rhamey's life is obviously a full one as he has three sons, his school staff numbered 139 for 1971-72, he is the V.P. of the Kiwanis, he is a past master of the Masons, he is a past president of the Ontario Educational Association, he still is an avid ski enthusiast, and - he lends his support to the Big Doe Boy's Camp (25th Anniversary).

He left the Island in 1940 and enumerates his Island friends as 240. Since leaving the Island he was in the R.C.A.F. and then was principal at Port Carling and later taught at Malvern Collegiate, Toronto.

Special memories included by this former friend are:- "Drama club and its plays which paid for the piano and track and field days with Bath and Odessa." "Fishing for whitefish and sturgeon with Francis and his dad."

"Debating- Mackenzie in politics- with Fred Neilson."
"Visits across the channel - Bath Lodge." "United
Church Choir - Tom Cochrane, Edith Scott."

Mr. Rhamey still has occasional contact with the Island through the Welbanks, Neilsons, and Caugheys.

He states "I am beginning to learn what are true and proper priorities in life, however, and will be on the Island soon. In truth, my long neglect of my friends is an embarrassment to me and probably has contributed to my delay in returning."

...Mary Neilson from Aubrey M. Rhamey

Diplomacy:

The patriotic art of lying for one's country.
A. Bierce

Garden Chit Chat

Borer in Iris usually appears when the leaves are 5-6 inches tall. Treat with 50% Malathion, - 1½ pints of water. {This formula is corrected in the next issue.} Repeat just before the plants bloom.

Red spider attacks phlox and hollyhocks. Treat these with Malathion also, (using the same proportion) soon as they are found, and continue during the growing

season if necessary.

Pests attack the flowering crab trees soon as the blossoms fall. A multi-purpose garden spray or dust will control these. Repeat every 10 days.

A multi-purpose rose spray keeps your roses healthy too. Don't spray unless you find it necessary, because nature sometimes controls the pests for you.

....E. L. N. ****

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Chalk Talk

Amid cheers and the words of "For She's a Jolly Good Teacher," Mrs. Phyllis Strain bid fond farewell to the students of the public school on May 20. At a special going-away party the students presented gifts to Mrs. Strain who then helped us to eat her cake. Mrs. Strain has resigned as she expects her baby in June.

Mr. Cherry, who is filling in for Mrs. Strain, reports that he is happy to be at the school. On Thursday Mr. Cherry has planned a "Hockey Talk" for the junior and senior rooms. Miss Elizabeth Barns is visiting the school this week and is looking forward to September when she officially takes over as the primary teacher.

Mrs. Mildred Jean O'Neil, of Napanee made a tremendous presentation of her poetry to the students and teachers on May 19. Her audience entranced by the delightful anecdotes, lured by the rhythm, and captivated by her grace and charm, fell willing victim to her warmth and personality. Mrs. O'Neil's book about Jodie and Gigi will hold a very special place on our library shelf, and Mrs. O'Neil a most special place in our hearts.

Musicale 71 at N.D.S.S. on Thursday May 20 was a great success. Our students travelled by school bus for the performance which was viewed by several hundred, including many Islanders. The choirs, orchestrations, and mass number met with loud applause and words of praise. Mr. Doughty, the program co-ordinator and main driving force, behind the show, merits great praise - as do all members of his organizing team.

Softball at the school is in full swing and the teams - Fuddle Duddles, Vampires, and Kneeknockers are on their respective roads to the A.I.C.P.S. Trophy.Principal.

Down the Lane

(from an old newspaper clipping)

Probably the most accomplished of all early painters of Canadian life was Daniel Fowler, born at Down Kent, England in 1810. He was articled for the law but later broke away from it to become a painter and was

trained in London and Italy. Health failing him he came to Canada in 1843 and became a farmer on Amherst Island near Kingston, Ont. He had decided to give up his brushes altogether and did not touch them until after his 47th year when a visit to England brought back his old desires. From 1858 onward he worked assiduously as a water colourist in the intervals of farm labor and was speedily recognized as a genius, especially in his pictures of Canadian birds and wild fowl. As a colourist and technician in his particular field, he has never been surpassed in the history of Canadian art. He died on his farm in 1894 at a very venerable age.

....Marj. Aitken.

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To the Editor Island Beacon:

Your paper has always delighted me whenever I have had the privilege to see it. Every word is read. A considerable amount of your January 21st issue was contributed by A.B.C. This is a person who is very well informed and I certainly hope the writings will continue and will be preserved for future generations. He or she must be someone I know but regardless, let's get on with it.

As long as A.B.C. sticks to history A.B.C. is delightful but when A.B.C. expresses views, A.B.C. becomes a trifle dangerous. According to A.B.C. it would be very desirable to have a bridge and highway built to or over our Island in order for it to have the communications, industrial appeal and various other things common to many areas of the mainland. Now would we really want that? If any one wants to live in industrialized areas then they may and can do so; there are plenty of them in Canada, but there is no other place just like Amherst Island, at least I've not seen one in many a mile. There are many beautiful islands which are deserted or nearly so, usually because of their remoteness, but to me, since Amherst has had decent ferry service during navigable months, it seems we may have struck the right balance. Perhaps A.B.C. was born on the Island and thinks this is a disadvantage but many of us made a special effort to get there because things were as they were and we do not want it made into something entirely different.

There has been persistent whining over the years about us not having what "they" have "over the water." It has served a good purpose. "Over the years" has been short for me. I came there in 1956 and had to leave in 1962. To me it was, as it still is, a paradise. The Island services have made advancements and will make more but let us not cry for bridges! You put a bridge over the Island and it would most likely be made into a

provincial park and you and I would have to go and look for someplace else to call home and in case it was not made into a park, a through highway over Amherst would mean mostly beer cans (all empty unfortunately) and other litter to cover our fields. The situation here reminds me of the old Castorla ad. "Children cry for it." Well I think the baby has had enough Castorla. It is time we stopped crying. Ed Gaylas.

Due to limited space we were unable to publish this letter which was submitted some time ago.

Achievement Day

The 4-H Girls traveled to Picton on May 15th for their Achievement Day. The culmination of their years' efforts is realized this special day. This years' project was entitled "Meat on the Menu".

Phyllis Strain, Patti-Jo Neilson, Maureen Wemp, Kathy Wemp, Joyce Wemp, Diane Henderson, Yvonne McGinn and Diana Willard completed their courses and received their silver spoons.

...Staff.

Driving Club

Victoria Day at the Memorial Centre Track in Kingston saw a good turnout of Islanders to witness the card of races.

Preston Star came home at the front of the pack in the fourth for his first win of the summer; A. Caughey was the driver.

Word comes to the Beacon that Hugh and Chris connected for a sizable quinella during their outing. ...Staff.

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Mary McGuinn - Prop.

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Bob Tugwell On His Return From Las Vegas Submits

This Story

A man who had gambled away his last cent in Las Vegas had to beg a dime from another patron in order to use the rest room. The stall he approached, however, had not been locked, so he used the dime to play a slot machine - and he hit the jackpot. With the proceeds, he tried a more expensive machine, and won again. His run of luck continued, and he went on to play the roulette wheels and crap tables until he won a million dollars.

Rich and famous, he went on a lecture tour, telling his remarkable story, expressing gratitude to his benefactor and declaring that if he ever found the man, he would split the million with him. After many appearances, a man jumped up in one audience and cried, "I'm the man who gave you the dime!"

"You're not the one I'm looking for," the lucky man replied. "I mean the guy who left the door open!"

For Sale

Used Viking Wringer Washing Machine.

Apply: Shirley Sheil

Phone 213 Stella.

Wanted To Buy

Approx. 1 acre lot with frontage on North shore of Amherst Island. Suitable for permanent home. Please reply to D.J. Vrooman, 389-3940 Kingston, Ontario or J. Kerr, Stella, Ontario.

Over the Line Fence

The talk around a campfire turned to the question:

"What's the most frightening sound you know?"

"A groan in the dark," said one fellow, "when you know nobody's there."

"I'd say the sudden buzz of a rattlesnake at your feet

when you don't have any boots on", said another. Finally, an older member of the party grunted, "I know a sound worse than all yours put together," he drawled. "A long, low whistle coming from an auto mechanic underneath your car."

A teen aged girl whom we know recently started smoking. She came to her father and said, "Guess what, Dad? I smoke."

The father, who was strongly opposed to her smoking, replied, "No dear, you don't smoke. The cigarette smokes. You're just the sucker." ***

One man to another: "I picked up a wonderfully comforting word from my boy's report card. Now I think of myself not as a failure, but as an under a chiever."

Farmer "I've arranged so as not to be caught by any drought this summer." Friend "What have you done?" Farmer "Planted onions and potatoes in alternate rows. The onions will make the potatoes' eyes water and so irrigate the soil."

The End

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner

Frank Fleming, senior purser on the ferry, has retired due to illness. Council was sorry to have to accept his resignation. Frank was a most conscientious crew member, both in his boat duties and also in his handling of the ferry monies. Bert Glenn was appointed by Council to purser classification, leaving an opening, to be filled by application, for the deckhand job.

The Marine Surveyor from the Department of Transport has confirmed by letter, a conversation with the Reeve, to the affect that cars may now be parked close together on the ferry, providing they are unoccupied during the crossing and also providing the captain is satisfied that they are suitably placed. This would allow cars four-abreast and will thereby ease the peak traffic waiting line.

The Department of Lands and Forests were not able to identify the dogs guilty of the sheep killing at Mel Filson's. They did, however, determine that it was dogs who did it. Council reimbursed Mel the loss figure arrived at by the appointed township adjusters, Bob Tugwell and Seaver Wemp. It is to be hoped that there will be no further incidents of these sheep killings.Marj. Aitken.

Operation Clean-up

The residents of Amherst Island saw community spirit and a willingness to work put into the hands of sixty-five school children and a group of teachers and other adults on Friday, June 4th. The results were nothing short of spectacular; some forty miles of island roadside cleaned up; the immediate area around the local dump site tidied up; Stella village received garbage pickup operations; a mound of wire, paper, tin cans, bottles, branches, poles, old pots, pails, tubs, etc., stacked within the dump.

The day began at 9:00 a.m. when Glenn Sheil, principal at Amherst Island P.S., passed out band-aids, garbage bags, and last minute instructions to the students who had arrived at the dump area by school

bus. Under the supervision of Mr. Dick Cherry and Mr. Sheil the students cleaned up this region and then by tractor and wagon set out for the east section of the Island.

Shirley Miller and Eldon Willard driving half-ton trucks and Clinton Kilpatrick, Seaver Wemp, Glenn Sheil and Dick Cherry driving tractors and wagons idled along the roads as the children piled on garbage and refuse aplenty.

By noon the six groups had completed their morning runs and reported to the school for lunch which was paid for by the township council. Lady volunteers had prepared huge racks of hot dogs, steaming plates of beans and pitchers of milk and freshie. Bread and butter and a round of cookies topped the

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lunch served on the long tables which had been erected in the P.Ed. room.

Mrs. Randi Murray who was in charge of lunch organization and operation control (in case of emergency) reported a successful morning and by 12:45 the groups pressed on to the western half of the island. Here the routes were longer and the groups traveled to the end of the run and worked their respective ways back to the dump.

Foreboding storm clouds in the west harried the youthful workers but by late afternoon the last load was dumped and the rain had held off; but luckily so for heavy rains fell on Kingston and also at the Head (west) of the Island in mid-afternoon.

Sir Hardly Neat, special pollution control agent from Kingston (garbage truck) arrived in the afternoon and made several pick-ups at garbage depots located at strategic points on the Island.

By 3:40 the students, teachers, drivers, and Sir Hardly Neat had finished and had gathered at the public school for photographs and congratulations. The school buses arrived, tractors and wagons departed. Sir Hardly Neat roared away and the scene took on an air of utter tranquillity.

But the pause was to be a suspended one, for by 8:00 p.m. most young workers were back at the school once more but now - their hands scrubbed, their sunburned faces shining, their old clothes discarded for party garb - they had assumed the attitude of revellers, as indeed they were: For a dance was on the go and proved a delightful way to crown a perfect day.

A perfect day it was! Right down to the neighbours who provided refreshments along the routes and to the residents who made a special point to commend their efforts - it was a perfect day.

Regional Fire Insurance Meeting

The Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance
Company will play host on Thursday for the Annual
Group meeting of Group #7 of the Mutual Fire
Underwriters Association of Ontario. Group #7
comprises Farm Mutual Insurance Companies from
Lindsay on the West to Amherst Island on the South
East as follows:- Farmers Union Insurance Company of
Lindsay, Hamilton Township Mutual Insurance
Company of Cobourg, Bay of Quinte Mutual Insurance
Company of Picton, Lennox Mutual Insurance
Company of Napanee and Amherst Island Mutual
Insurance Company of Stella.

Meetings will be held during the morning and afternoon at the Amherst Island Central School with dinner, as guests of the Amherst Island Mutual Co., being served in Victoria Hall at the noon hour. The dinner is being catered for by the Amherst Island Women's Institute, who along with the pupils of the Amherst Island Central School will provide some entertainment following the dinner.

Among those prominent in the Farm Mutual Insurance field who will be present and speak to the delegates assembled will be: Rob't. Anderson, Secretary-Manager of the Lanark Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Perth, Ontario who this year is serving as President of the Mutual Fire Underwriters Association of Ontario, Mel McIntyre of Galt, who is Executive Secretary of the M.F.U.A., Gerald Snyder, Examiner of Farm Mutuals for the Department of Insurance, Toronto and Herb McFadden, Secretary-Manager of the Farm Mutual Re-insurance Plan of Lindsay. Boards of Directors from all the Member Companies will be present and an interesting day is anticipated. While it means an early start for those driving a long distance, for instance from as far away as Newmarket yet those attending appreciate and enjoy the ferry ride to the Island and we

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hope the Island hospitality.

Ernest Fleming, a director of the Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance Company is the Chairman of the Group meeting this year and A. Bruce Caughey, President of the local Insurance Company is a member of the Provincial Executive of the M.F.U.A. A profitable day is anticipated.

...Bruce Caughey.

Sports

The softball standings to date are: -

| Men | W | L | T | PTS. |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|
| Triumphs | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Recalls | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Canditas | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Reds | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Women | | | | |
| Mavericks | 2 | | 0 | 4 |
| Hawks | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Twinkles | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

The scores are becoming more respectable, in general, as the pitching and fielding improves. The "Reds" forfeited their last game as they were unable to field even seven men. It is hoped they will do better in future.

...Ian Murray.

Out Our Way

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fox, Wooller, were recent supper guests of Lois and Edmund Bongard.

Mrs. Gordon Mills attended the graduation exercises at Queen's University when her grandson, Wayne Batillia received his B.A. Degree.

Mrs. Ada Hitchins has returned home from K.G.H. Randi Murray has returned home after minor surgery at Hotel Dieu Hospital.

Irve Tugwell is still confined to hospital but making satisfactory progress.

Grace Eves underwent surgery on Friday.

The Muirhead family have returned home to Orangeville after a week with Phyllis and Frank Welton.

Jack and Beth Forester and Julie have moved to the Island for the summer months.

Several people attended the dance at the Austrian Club on Friday evening as guests of the Frontenac Teachers Association.

The Women's Institute served dinner in Victoria Hall for the annual meeting of the Mutual Fire Underwriters Association of Ontario, Group No. 7. This is the second time the Amherst Island Mutual Fire Insurance Company has hosted the meeting.

...Genevieve Fleming.

I would like to thank my Island friends and neighbours for cards and visits and inquiries, and a very special thank you to Irene Glenn. Also to Rev. E. Carne and Rev. N. Allison for their visits and prayers while I was a patient in K.G.H.

...Phyllis Welton.

I wish to thank my friends and relatives for the cards and get well wishes I received when I was a patient in the Hotel Dieu Hospital.

...Marie Ward.

Down the Lane

From an old clipping of the 1920's. Stella, June 16 - The summer promises to be unusually lively even for Stella. Samuel Sutherland, St. Louis, Mo., who bought Stella Point last autumn, has made great

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improvements to the cottages and it now erecting a bungalow for his own use. Part of the land has been measured off into building lots with a 114 foot road from the bridge to the outer dock.

The building formerly occupied by George Tugwell has been secured by Max Beaubien who will convert it into an ice-cream parlour.

Numerous close heats are run off nightly on the main Street but owing to the dust clouds, the winning buggy has not yet been observed.

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The clean-up day conducted on Friday by the public school started wonder on my part as to the affect it would have.

Since then I have noticed two or three occasions of littering and it dawns on me, that surely our places of business could arrange for garbage cans to be placed on their properties. This would surely help the situation, though I confess it would give them some extra care.P.T. ****

Where Are They Now?

Francis Glenn, son of Gordon and Nanetta Glenn, who graduated from Guelph May 1970 with a Bachelor in Science and Agriculture (B.S.A.) has again this May 3rd, 1971 started back to Guelph College to work for his Masters Degree. For the past year he has worked for Maple Leaf Milling Co., and was head Salesman.

At the end of June they will be moving from Woodstock to Elmira where his wife Lucy will be teaching. Lucy taught this year in Woodstock. ...Marian Glenn.

Editorial Comment

Much ado has been made of the plight suffered through by the residents of Amherst Island, particularly during the winter just past, most certainly one of the severest in recent memory when travel to the mainland was - on many occasions - opportuned only by the advent of snow machines. Indeed, travel on our township roads was suspended for several days due to a rash of circumstances and storms.

However, this may be, or has been - it seems now that the government is prepared to recognize the existing urgency to do something to alleviate the situation, and the political machinery has initiated steps in this direction.

We are told, via the medium of the press, that \$45,000.00 will provide a bubble system capable of maintaining an "open channel" for the Amherst Islander. Until the official announcement of this proposition, much speculation and conjecture rode the crest of rumblings which are imminent in such longanticipated expenditures.

When I came to the Island in 1966 I repeatedly was told that a bubble system could never operate in our predicament; further to this I was informed that a remedy for our winter woes was price-tagged in excess of \$150,000.00 (tug-boat). Now four years later we are told that \$45,000.00 will do the job.

Could it be that science has linked hands with the engineer in the period of four years, to make a bubble system to Amherst Island possible now, - or could it be

that in the face of the publicity showered through Kingston and district concerning winter transportation for Amherst Islanders - that \$45,000.00 proves a small price for this particular political "bauble"?

....G. F. Sheil

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The next meeting of the Amherst Island 4-H Calf Club will be held on the 14th day of June. It will be held at Jimmy Neilson's Farm.

...Michael McCormick

Garden Chit Chat

Let me correct the cure for Iris borer. Use a 50% Malathion solution and mix the following way - 1 1/2 teaspoonfuls in 1 1/2 pints of water.

I hope the following hint isn't too late for you to use. When transplanting seedlings, swish the roots through a root starter solution. You can buy the root starter at an outlet like Co-op. "Agrico" is one brand name for it but there are others. Mix according to the directions on the bag. This helps the plant get established sooner and there is less loss of plants. I tried it on Spanish Onions, but strawberry plants, tomato and cabbage plants, even flowers would be helped by this treatment. Shirley Miller told me about this method.

Are you finding it hard to remove the water marks from vases? A little vinegar in water will work wonders. Also fresh potato peelings soaked in vases will clean them. More than one application of this is necessary. ...E.L.N.

Household Hints

Moth preventives should be hung as high as possible in clothes closet because the fumes filter downward otherwise you get only partial protection.

Moths love woollens - one sure way to keep them apart in summertime is to store clean sweaters or scarfs in large top glass jars with moth balls and lid tightly closed.

...F. McD.

Mrs. Mildred Jean O'Neil who lectured at the public school earlier this year submits the following poem for our readers. Another poem by this wonderful person will be published at a later date.

A Picture Of Life

That is this life, God's gift supreme. Sometimes we work -Often we dream.

The years go by And we grow older, It seems many problems We learn to shoulder.

From day to day Time works a change, The world keeps turning Things seem so strange.

When I was a child I loved the flowers, The beautiful trees Even the showers.

I used to worry Lest it should flee; That I might die No more beauty see.

My head did ache, My heart did burn; And for the answer -Where should I turn.

But now I know God cares for me And of the future, He keeps the key. *****

Farm File

In spite of cold temperatures and little precipitation the crops on the Island seem to be off to a good start, the hay crop may not be quite as good as other years at this time, especially the clovers; a good field of Alfalfa is getting hard to find.

In the previous issue it was mentioned that the cheese factory would operate for another year, which will be more satisfactory for {continued on Page 8}

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{Farm File continued from Page 6} the can shippers as it will give more time to plan their operations and to make up their mind as to whether they wish to go bulk or discontinue dairying. Let us hope many of them continue as very few who have ever gone bulk would wish toMag

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Applications for the position of deckhand were considered by Council at a recent meeting. Gary Hitchins was chosen and good luck is extended to Gary on the new job. Already he is getting the healthy glow of a weather-beaten sailor, after his stint with his indoor cheese factory job which afforded few opportunities for exposure to sunshine.

The following is included in this report for the benefit of "Beacon" readers who, not being Island taxpayers will find it of interest.

Copies of By-Law #428 (A By-Law to regulate the use of land and the erection and use of Buildings and Structures in the Township of Amherst Island) has been circulated to all Island taxpayers. Council intends to apply to the Ontario Municipal Board pursuant to the provisions of Section 30 of the Planning Act for approval of ByLaw #428 passed on the 6th of October, 1970.

Council urges everyone receiving this copy to study it and comply with the instructions - - i.e. send in to the Clerk, Francis Welbanks, by registered mail or deliver to him in person, notice of his objection to approval and reasons for such, by July 6th. Anyone wishing to support the application for approval of the By-Law can do likewise through a registered letter to the Clerk. The Municipa1 Board may approve this By-Law but before doing so, it may appoint a time and place when objections will be considered. Notice of such a hearing will be given only to persons who have properly filed an objection or notice of support.

.....Marj. Aitken *****

Special Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Reid will be at home on the occasion of their 45th wedding anniversary on Thursday, June 24th, 1971.

Friends and Relatives welcome.

Young Woman Injured

On Saturday evening June 12th a motor cycle, owned by Clifford Sudds and driven by Miss Lee Filson, went out of control in the village of Stella. Miss Filson was practising how to drive the machine in the driveway of James Neilson's farm when she suddenly lost control. The motor cycle careened through the ditch, across the road, smashing through the front door of a garage owned by Sterling Glenn which stands immediately opposite the Neilson property. After going through the door the motor cycle contacted a large post some six feet inside the door causing Lee to be thrown to the floor.

Onlookers rushed to the scene and found the driver very much shaken and with minor injuries. She later went to hospital for treatment of a cut in her scalp and several abrasions. However she was not hospitalized and was able to "get about" the next day, though with some degree of discomfort.

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The motor cycle received damage to the front forks and - a note of interest - when the motor cycle struck the post, the cord to the clock was unplugged leaving us to ascertain the time of the accident at exactly 7:02 p.m.

..... G. F. Sheil

Sports

The present standings are:-

| Men | W | L | T | Pts. |
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| Triumphs | 4 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| Canditas | 3 | 2 | 1 | 7 |
| Recalls | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Reds | 2 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Women | | | | |
| Mavericks | 4 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| Hawks | 4 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| Twinkles | 1 | 5 | 0 | 2 |

The most exciting game to date saw the Recalls defeat the Canditas 4 - 3.

It is hoped that a meeting can be held in the near future so that ground rules may he clarified in order that disputes may be kept to a minimum.

The executive wishes to thank Frank Welton, Frank Fleming and Allan Glenn for the loan of the snow fence and the poles from Bert. Also thanks to those who put it up.

A special note of thanks to the school kids for cleaning up the ball diamond. It is hoped that everyone will make an effort to use the garbage disposal units.Ian Murray.

Where are they now?

Clarence Hogeboom who left the Island in 1947, to pursue his calling as a teacher is now listed as Supervisor of Education - Department of Solicitor General. His wife, Alice, an elementary teacher, who is also a member on the Board of Directors for Women Teachers, has written two notable books, "Chalk Lust" and "Your County Has A Past."

Their son, Robert, who completed Queens as an honor student in electrical engineering, is an employee of General Electric in Toronto. Their daughter, Roberta (Bonnie), married Flight Lieutenant Canivet, a graduate of R.M.C. Mr. Canivet is stationed in Manitoba. Bonnie graduated from Peterborough Teachers' College as an honour student.

Mr. Hogeboom has two brothers who remain on the Island, Maurice and Edwin. He makes special mention of Ernest Flemings' family and Mr. Fred Hitchins.

As a young man he taught on his native island and remembers fondly his pupils and their parents. Other memories include the kindness of people, scenery, history, crossing the ice, and plays which were presented.

A humorous note is added when this past Islander refers to the salary negotiations for the teacher "Wow!" ...Emily Wemp from C.R. Hogeboom.

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Chalk Talk

The big news for this edition of the Beacon is our school's fine showing in the county competition; Mr. Cherry, the coach, reports on the meet following this column.

A discordant note was added to the plans for our music festival when Mrs. Shetler fell and hurt her back, and as she is the one who makes our music really tick we had to cancel the festival for this year.

Our school trip to Bon Echo Park on Mazinaw Lake is slated for Friday, June 25th. Mr. Sheil rescinded his decision to exclude the seniors and on Wednesday they heaved a sigh of relief and gave him a hearty round of

thanks.

The last day of school, June 30 approaches and with it comes our final reports - then - sun, water, fun, relaxation.

Good-bye to our school chums for the last seven years:- Eric, Russell, Wayne, Patti-Jo, Kathy, Billy, John. Good luck and happiness in your high school careers.

Mr. Cherry leaves on June 30th. We really enjoyed your stay at our school, and - Mr. Cherry, remember us! We shall always remember you!

...School Reporter

P.S. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Strain. We are all happy for the three of you.

Track And Field

Amherst Island Public School might be short in numbers but certainly isn't short on talent. Over thirty winners from the Island's Track and Field Meet traveled to Napanee on June 16th, for the District Meet. Determination was the key word and when the dust had settled, seven of our students had gained berths into the Lennox & Addington County Meet. The seven were Paul Eves, Lisa Neilson, Dianna Willard, James Baker, Cheryl McGinn, Carroll Veech and Wayne Snider. Debbie Fleming, Lois Henderson and Jerry deHaan were added to make up our relay team.

The winners from three district meets converged on Napanee on June 23rd for the County Meet. Needless to say the competition was keen as the top athletes in the county clashed.

Again Amherst Island showed its colours when Wayne Snider gained second place in the senior boys 60 yd. sprint, and Cheryl McGinn captured second place honors in the senior girls 440.

School time lost? It should be obvious to all that education is not limited to the confines of four walls.

..... D. Cherry

For Sale

One large frigidaire, Excellent Condition \$75.00. Also chairs, dishes, mirror, other articles. J.A. Sutherland, Stella Point. Phone 300-J-1

For Sale

One 16 ft. auger with or without motor. Contact Royce Eves.

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A Tribute To Our Dad, On Your Retirement

Frank Fleming was born on Amherst Island in 1901. He attended the local school and Kingston Business College. Frank left the Island and went to Oconomowoc, Wisconsin in 1924 where he worked for the Carnation Milk Company. In 1926 he married Marion Kildahl of Oconomowoc and later in 1931 they moved with their two year old son, Art, to the Kingston area. Frank worked at the Hemlock Dairy farm for six years during which time Don was born. In 1939 he bought the family farm on the 3rd Concession. Later in 1946 a third son, Bob, arrived. Douglas and Sharon McCoy came to live with Frank and Marion in 1954.

Frank became a member of local council in 1947, and in 1952 became Reeve of Amherst Island, during which time the first snowplough and large grader were bought. There were also better changes made in the ferry system until in 1955 the present ferry was obtained through the persistent efforts of the Reeve and his council. During his Reeveship for eleven years from 1952 - 1963 he became Warden of Lennox and Addington from 1956-57 and also Chairman of the Health Unit. In the fall of 1963 he became purser of the Amherst Islander until his recent retirement because of illness.

"Our Tribute"

Though many of life's pleasures, May change from year to year, Dad, you never change at all Except to grow more dear; And just like cherished memories You have a place apart A place reserved forever In a corner of the heart.

With our best wishes:
Art, Don, Bob, Doug and Sharon.

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Out Our Way

Dorothy and Walter Anderson have been holidaying on the Island and would like to say how they enjoy coming back each year and also how much they enjoy "The Beacon."

Dorothy left the Island in 1923 when she entered Kingston General Hospital as a nurse-in-training. After graduation she joined the staff at Shore Road Hospital in Brooklyn, N.Y. While there, she met and married Walter in 1928. They bought a home in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and have spent all of their married life there. Until his retirement in 1955, Walter was a Time Study Engineer with Western Electric (Telephone). Since leaving here 48 years ago, Dorothy has never missed a year in coming to the Island for a summer holiday. They will be leaving soon to return home and we wish them a safe and happy journey. Other holidayers include:

Harold Marshall, Conneaut, Ohio with his family. Tim and Dorothy Murphy, Calabogle, with Maurice and Vera Hogeboom.

Mary Neilson, Toronto, with her parents Fred and Nellie.

Jack Instant, Kingston at his home.

Helen and Arthur Hinch at their home on Stella Point.

Harry Glenn, Montreal, with Francis and Nessie Welbanks and Bert and Chris Glenn.

James and Della Sutherland, Richmond, B.C. at their summer home on Stella Point.

Joe and Doris Crackle and Janice and Helen Farrington, Hollywood, Florida with Barbara and Harry Filson. Valerie Filson will be leaving on Sunday to accompany her aunt, Helen Farrington and spend a holiday in Florida.

Helen Miller and her mother, Kathleen Wemp are leaving on Sunday on an air trip to Kelowna, B.C. They will spend three weeks with Neilson Wemp and his family.

We are happy to report the birth of three babies at Hotel Dieu. Susanne Elizabeth - daughter of Linda and Eric Welbanks. Richard Jason - son of Heather and Ted Welbanks. Trudy Luanne - daughter of Phyllis and Lloyd Strain.

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Sorry to report two accidents:

Mrs. Helen Stein sustained a fractured elbow in a fall at her Lodge on Stella Point and Mrs. Ethel Browning, a fractured leg in a fall at Epstein's Lodge.

Mary Neilson entered Kingston General Hospital last week and underwent further eye surgery. We are very happy to report that she will be returning home on Thursday.

Church Services:

St. Alban's

Sunday June 27- 8:00 p.m.

July 4-11:00 a.m.

St. Paul's

Sunday June 27-11:00 a.m.

July 4- 11:00 a.m.

St Bartholomew's

Saturday Evening - 8:00 o'clock all through the summer.

....Genevieve Fleming *****

Household Hints

A tablespoon of butter added to jam while boiling, cuts down on foam and seldom needs skimming.

For easier cutting: Dip scissors in boiling water before cutting up dates or marsh mallows.

.... F. McD.

Barber Shop News

Pleased to announce the opening of Lucien A. LaVoie's Barber Shop next to Filson's Coffee Shop sometime in July.

Ladies, Gents and children all welcome.

Local Prices

We have enjoyed the Island so much we decided it was the place to make our home.

Garden Chit Chat

If your evergreens have been damaged by moles or weather, prune them. If the leader had been damaged, replace by staking up a side branch - tie securely with a nylon stocking. You can prune the soft new growth now to make your tree a better shape. Don't prune too severely, but try to make your tree a good shape - you can prune more next year and eventually train your tree the way you want it to grow.

Ants may seem to be a serious pest on peonies but really seldom hurt the plant. They are only collecting, the sweet nectar on the buds. However if they make hills in the roots or you suspect them of carrying disease, then spray with insecticide.

Keep the pansy bed moist. Pick off all dead flowers, and if the plant becomes leggy, cut it back any time. Regular feeding also helps.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we would get a steady, warm, gentle rain for two or three days?

....E.L.N.

Subscriptions

The Island Beacon is a small newspaper, totally dependent on a volunteer effort. You can help our financial commitments by submitting your subscription promptly. Please notify Tina Filson, Stella, Ontario if you wish not to renew your subscriptions.

.....G. F. Sheil

Surprise

Contrary to popular belief we are neither the smallest nor the poorest township in Ontario. According to the 1970 Municipal Directory, there are twenty townships in the organized counties with a smaller population and thirteen with a lower assessment.

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Farm File

Ever present in a cubic foot of living productive soil is the cycle which is a fundamental law of life on this planet and perhaps eventually of the universe, the cycle which includes birth, growth, death, decay and rebirth. By the time man has consumed for his own nutrition and existence the vegetable products of the soil and the dairy products, milk, eggs and meat in turn created out of the same vegetable growth the whole chain becomes complete. When the soil gets low in fertility or out of balance it reduces the nutritional value of its product, therefore whatever that product is used for, the feeding of live stock or processed and used by people, the health of either or both will suffer for the lack.

It has been proven that animals fed from the products of depleted soils suffer more from malnutrition acetanaemia, bangs disease and many other infections and as soon as the soil was fertilized and built up with organic material plus lime, these infections gradually cleared up and both animals and man-kind were much healthier.

There must always be a perfect balance between the process of growth and the process of decay. The consequence of this condition is a living soil, abundant crops of good quality and live stock which possess the bloom of health. The key to a fertile soil and a prosperous agriculture is humus.

.....Ernest Fleming.

Most of the socialists I know do not work. They only talk about work. What they want is an orthodox heaven of ease, where the harps are always in tune and the robes are always laundered.

E. Hubbard *****

Over the Line Fence

A naval officer fell overboard. He was rescued by a deck hand. The Officer asked how he could reward him. "The best way, sir," said the sailor, "is to say nothing about it. If the other fellows knew I'd pulled you out, they'd chuck me in".

We are always giving toasts to the ladies. Well here's one to the boys.

Here's to the men, God bless them! Worst of my sins, I confess them! In loving them all, be they great or small, So here's to the boys! God bless them! ***

The fashions come, the fashions go, Now longer skirts, now shorter; -But everything that woman wear, Some prude reformer tears his hair And says they hadn't orter!

"Dear Teacher," wrote an indignant mother, "You must not whack Tommy. He is a delicate child and isn't used to it.

We never hit him at home except in self defence."

...Our Bill.

The End

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

At council meeting on Tuesday July 6th the holding by-law was discussed thoroughly. This is a rather important issue currently, as it is a strong measure having a profound impact on land and building plans. Many opinions have circulated regarding this by-law, and council requested that the residents of the Island submit their opinions in writing to the clerk.

Nine letters were read at the council meeting; six in favour of the holding by-law; two strongly opposed to such a step; and, one letter rather difficult to ascertain as to its author's views.

The holding by-law is being presented to postpone developments of a building nature on Amherst Island until such time as an official plan of land severances can be tabled.

....Staff.

Friends

The Beacon is initiating a column in which we talk about the people who we see often but don't really know too much about. In this first we introduce "Ian Murray."

Born in 1943 in Prince Edward Island, Ian Murray spent the first four years of his life there. At this time his family took up residence near Georgetown, Ontario, where Ian spent his public and high school years. Ian took a B.S.A. degree at University of Guelph then continued on to Western U. for a Master's of Engineering. His main interests at this time seem to have been sports - rugby (accounting for many broken bones), wrestling, soccer, badminton, and tennis. While re-visiting Guelph he met his wife, the former Randi Hill and was married in 1968.

Ian worked for the Department of Highways in Toronto until his transfer to Kingston in 1969 at which time a move to the Island was both convenient, as Randi teaches here, and pleasurable. Since this time Ian has contributed his knowledge and interests to the Island Beacon, the Township Council and the Athletic Club.

Ian has a sister living in Minnesota and a brother in

Belleville; both are married. His mother, Mrs. Ruth Murray is a frequent visitor, to the Island and is well known to many people here. She resides in Toronto and is a nurse with the Workman's Compensation Board Hospital.

The Summer Fair and Picnic is not dead yet, we are simply waiting until we can get everybody together to make sure there is enough community spirit or interest to make it worth while.

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Garden Chit Chat

First of all a thank you to Tena Filson for lending me books filled with ideas and facts for this column.

A timely topic this season would be the proper way to water plants. Moisture should soak down one to two feet for the average plant - small plants less - very large ones more. Skimpy watering is worse than no watering at all. By dampening only the top of the soil, roots are drawn into the upper, easily-dried-out surface where they will develop less vigorously and be more quickly killed or stunted. So give your plants one thorough watering a week. Of course new seedlings need more frequent watering, but they too benefit with deep watering.

Watering early in the day is most effective. In early fall, watering should be done only to prevent wilting. Withholding it at this time encourages proper hardening of new growth so that it does not winter-kill easily.

If you haven't pinched the ends off your chrysanthemums - do it right away. This pinching back promotes more branches, hence more flowers.

....E. L. N. ****

Farm File

Your Dairy Heifers or your beef steers and heifers have probably been out on pasture for awhile. Have you checked them? Do you do so on a regular basis? This varies, of course, from farm to farm. Quite often however, these are the forgotten livestock until next fall. Why not check them once a week, or at least once every two weeks. Salt and mineral should be supplied free choice to them. Combine the tasks of replacement of the salt and mineral and checking these livestock. The pasture and water supply should also be checked. Both

should be adequate if the cattle are to make good gains. With cattle on pasture there are two possibilities. Either they make acceptable gains or they just manage to keep going. Good gains made on pasture can be profitable. Cattle that do poorly because of poor pasture are going to cost you money. The choice here is up to you. It can pay to feed hay and grain to supplement poor quality pasture.

Monday July 12th - Amherst Island Calf Club will meet at the farm of Bob Brown where they will hold a cattle judging contest.

July 25th - L & A Federation of Agriculture picnic, at Jim Neilson's farm on Amherst Island, for all members and their friends. Games will be organized for the children.

Driving Club

Local horses continue to race well - Preston Star made a fine showing in the Hiram Walker Stake in Kingston, finishing 3rd in the elimination in 2:09.2 and 4th in the final which went in 2:08.3. The stake was won by Bernard Hunt's Margie's Lad. His record for the year is 10-1-3-3. In seven appearances behind the gate Willow Brook Smoky is 2-0-3. Mel Filson's Melody Tripp has returned to the races and is trotting well after a three year vacation. Prima Blossom and Nancy's Rum are racing regularly but as yet have not scored a win. Polaris Missile, Jerry Nimitz and Kim Marie Hal have all gone sore and are turned out.

....A. Caughey.

Prejudices are rarely overcome by argument; not being founded in reason they cannot be destroyed by logic.

T. Edwards *****

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Out Our Way

Holidayers include: -

Joyce and Bill Griese, Smiths Falls with Chris and Bert Glenn.

Winnie Bailey, Whitby with Grace and Eric Bailey. Russell and Lilas Filson, Brett and Andrea, Regina, Sask., with relatives here.

Weekend visitors:-

Linda, Eric and Susanne Welbanks with Nessie and Francis Welbanks.

Mrs. Hazel Holden, Napanee, at Holbeth Farms.

On Monday, Shirley Miller, Cathy Glenn, Dianna, Sandra and Janice Willard, Cathy Wemp, Yvonne McGinn and Carol Veech left for a camping trip along the Mazinaw River.

Noreen Welbanks returned home on Tuesday following surgery in Kingston General Hospital.

Garry, Hugh and Dale Filson left on Sunday for a motor trip to Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Marilyn and Royce Eves and family spent the weekend at Waterloo, Darrell Miller returned with them and will spend the summer here.

Tim Jamieson, Ottawa is spending the summer with his grandparents, Genevieve and Ernest Fleming.

Eddie and Michael Kehoe, Peterborough spent a few days last week with their grandparents Ytze and Pete Witteveen.

Leslie Anne, David and Sherri Harding have moved to the Island for a few months. David is now employed in K-Mart.

We extend our sympathy to Marjorie and Jack Sylvester who were holidaying at their summer home on the Lake Shore. Monday evening they received word that Marjorie's mother had been killed and her father injured in a motor accident north of Montreal.

We are sorry to report that Bill Coulson is confined in the Intensive Care Unit at Kingston General Hospital following a heart seizure early Sunday morning.

Born to Cathy and John Burt, a baby girl - Tammy Annette, on Tuesday July 29th at Kingston General Hospital.

Congratulations and best wishes to Judy and Donald Miller who were married in St. Luke's church, Kingston on Saturday June 26th and to Carol McDonald and Herman Longwald who will be married on Saturday July 10th in St. Alban's church, Stella.

Church Services:-

St. Paul's Sun. July 11 - 11:00 a.m.

July 18 - 11:00 a.m.

St. Alban's Sun. July 11 - 8:00 p.m.

July 18 - 8:00 p.m.

St. Bartholomew's - 8:00 p.m. every Saturday.

....Genevieve Fleming,

Thou mayest as well expect to grow stronger by always eating as wiser by always reading.

T. Fuller

Statesmen are dead politicians. We need more statesmen!

R. Edwards ****

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Down the Lane Stella - April 16 - 1931.

A well-known and highly respected citizen of Amherst Island passed away Sunday morning, in the person of Patrick Drumgoole, who died after a brief illness. The late Mr. Drumgoole was born at Erinsville 75 yrs. ago. Coming to the Island when quite a young man, he followed the occupation of farming in the vicinity of Emerald where he was always known as a good neighbor and a kind friend. Deceased is survived by his widow, three daughters, Mrs. Jos. Harte of Kingston Mills, Mrs. H.A. McGinn and Miss Kate Drumgoole of the Island and two sons Hugh and Arthur, also of the Island. The funeral cortege proceeded, following the service at St. Bartholomews to the cemetery at Emerald where interment was made. The pallbearers were Roderick Instant, D.A. Bray, T. Morrow, W.S. Morrow, George Beaubien and D. Kearney. Among friends from a distance were:- Jr. and Mrs. W.W. Gibson, Kingston, Hugh Gibson, Howe Island, Mrs. D. Foley and Miss G. Drumgoole, Syracuse, N.Y. and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ingoldsby, Centreville.

The residents of Stella and vicinity were treated to something novel on Saturday evening when the ladies of St. Pauls Presbyterian Church served an "Amos and Andy" supper in Victoria Hall to a large concourse of people. The event was enjoyed by all. The articles of food served were named after well- known characters and their conversational errors.

.....Marj. Aitken. ****

Notice

Fire Siren to test - Monday July 12th - 8:00 p.m. All volunteers to muster at hall so that fire chief can tell affect.

Household Hints

A curly coil metal pot scourer makes the handiest cleaner for root vegetables - a quick rinse will clean the rust proof cleaner.

Gently rub - ironing scorches on cotton articles with salt - moistened with lemon juice. Then hang garment or towel in sun to dry.

.... F. McD

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Custom Work

Clinton Baker wants hav cut raked and baled. Cash or Share.

Thank You

We would like to express our thanks and appreciation to our family, friends, relatives and neighbours for the lovely gifts and good wishes on the occasion of our 45th Wedding Anniversary. Sincerely Gordon and Georgia Reid.

Thank You

I wish to thank all my friends, relatives and neighbours for kindness shown both to me and my family while I was a patient in hospital recently.Mary Neilson.

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Chalk Talk

This is the last Chalk Talk column for the summer as school officially closed on Wednesday, June 30th.

Mr. Cherry, who will be vice-principal at Odessa Public School next year, received gifts from the pupils at the assembly on Wednesday morning. Mr. Sheil wished the graduating grade eight students a happy high school career, and extended hopes for a good vacation to the students and teachers. Mrs. Lulu Strain and Mrs. Lloyd Strain and Trudy visited with us at the assembly, and along with Mrs. Murray said how much they enjoyed teaching at our school.

On Tuesday, June 29th the classes had a terrific picnic at Baker's farm. The day was taken up with team games, swimming, relays, and a long awaited teacher vs. student baseball game. (no winner was declared due to a protest from both benches to the effect that lunch hour fatigue had encumbered their respective abilities and play had to be suspended until June, 1972) Lunch consisted of a wide selection of goodies prepared by the families.

"Put sunshine in your tank! Go with summer!" ****

Where are they now?

Mrs. Jean E. (Cochrane) Hall who lives in West Orange, N.Y. wrote to Mary Neilson for our column. Mrs. Hall graduated from K.G.H. in 1936 and, after working there until 1941, joined the staff of the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children and served there for three years. While in Toronto she met and married James C. Hall of Burkton, Ontario.

Mr. Hall is a professor of Physiology at Rutgers University (N.Y.). They have two children; Kathleen 24, works in Toronto and Robert 21, is living at home. Mr. and Mrs. Hall, prior to taking up residence in West Orange, lived in Fredericton N.B. for two years.

Mrs. Hall's special memories of the Island include: "The Cochrane farm beside the Anglican Church at Stella; the ice skating on the harbour in the winter, and the swimming in the summer; the horse races on the ice just off our shore and those great dances afterwards; it was always a "must" when I was quite young to meet the S.G. Brockville on her trip from Kingston during the open season."

Relatives of this former Islander are Bill Kilpatrick (nephew), three members of the Bob Brown family, Georgia, Fred, Kathleen McKee, Tena Filson, Lulu Strain, Anna Hitchins.

Children's Hymn Time

See the children coming down the isle, With their happy walk, and cheery smile, Adults of the future, very soon they'll be -All at present trusting, in home and family.

The minister in his cloak so neat The children standing at his feet, They are like a song forever sung -May God bless, every little one.

Mildred Jean O'Neil Napanee, Ont. ****

Note

Please excuse the rather poor editorial effort evident in this particular edition. Your correspondent has been holidaying and has found his time most limited.G. F. Sheil.

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Athletic Club

A complete run-down of the standings will be published in the next edition of the Beacon.

Here are some quotable quotes, take them for what they are worth - they win ball games!

"Walks kill you"

"Be a holler guy"

"Move on every pitch"

"Keep your eye on the ball"

"Never anticipate the bounce"

"Don't fight the ball"

"Throw where you're looking"

"Shake off the bad play - the only one you can do anything about is the next play"

"If it's not in the rule book - ad lib"

Prayer Of Serenity

God grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change;

Courage to change the things I can; And the wisdom to know the difference.

Over the Line Fence

An old codger, (not me) was watching a mini skirted miss so intently that he almost walked in front of a

speeding car, prompting a policeman to observe: "That gentleman's eyes were almost on their last legs" (Reader's Digest)

A lady who could not swim, was in imminent danger of drowning having ventured too far out in the surf. Her struggles and screams had no effect on the lifeguard. who was perched upon his raised seat of observation. A spectator rushed in and rescued the lady and not too soon. The spectator wrathfully, asked the guard "What the H--- he meant by not going to the lady's assistance! The Lifeguard: "I can't swim."

The spectator: "How did you get the job?"

The Guard: "I am bilingual."

Blend sugar, flour and salt, add eggs and milk, cook until creamy in double boiler. Stir frequently add rest of ingredients. Mix well serve chilled.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. (Extract from a newspaper.)

If there is one time more than another when a woman should be entirely alone it is when a full line of clothes comes down in the mud. ***

"Say, dad, remember that story you told me about when you were expelled from college?"

"Yes"

"Well, I was just thinking, dad, how true it is that history repeats itself."

The following notice was posted in a pleasure boat belonging to a steamship company on the Suir, Ireland. "The chairs in the cabin are for the ladies. Gentlemen are requested not to make use of them till the ladies are seated."

"Our Bill"

The End

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Farm File

July 20th, and the greater part of the hay is in the barns, a crop that for the most part is well-cured and of good quality. Sometimes we wonder how the crop will ever be harvested, but with the help of a few good strong lads and modern machinery, the job seems to get done.

At this time, the crops on the Island look good; the rain has come when it was most needed, even if it did hold haying up somewhat. A number of farmers have had machinery troubles; breakdowns are expensive these days. I know that baler needles are at least \$34.50 a pair. News cannot always be bad, however. We hear that milk is expected to go up another 50¢ a cwt. and that is always a help.

....Ernest Fleming

Driving Club

In the past two weeks the Island has seen many new horses arrive. Al Caughey made a trip to Vernon last Tuesday and came back with three: Jay Diamond with a mark of 2:05 and \$30,000 lifetime, Gem's Billy with a mark of 2:08 and Gorgeous Dianne who went in 2:06. All of these horses are pacers. He also has Eternal Pick which he is using as a stallion.

Jack Forester also made a new purchase in Gaiety Guy which has been racing locally for Olan Corr of Brockville.

Local horses have been racing well of late with Prima Blossom showing marked improvement with two seconds. Preston Star has been second and third; Willow Brook Smokey- second and fourth; Nancy's Rum- third and second.

Melody Tripp has been given ten days off on the veterinarian's advice.

Mac Smith was over on Monday and took blood samples for the swamp fever test. We hope that all tests are negative.

Former Islander, Hugh Wemp lost Brenda B. Hoover and Misty Way; Ben Wemp lost Jan's Magic to the disease.

Tonight Gary Filson makes his first qualifying drive

for his licence.

Speak to me not of peace For it betrays your blindness. Speak to me rather of peacefulness Within the general conflict.

P. Ryan *****

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Virus

Several Islanders have suffered from a "bug" making the rounds lately. This malady affects the stomach with mild disorder, sore joints seem to go along with it.

A peculiar virus (from reports) has caused severely aching hip joints in some children. It is suspected that swimming has something to do with this but no confirmation of the fact has been made. A few days duration and rest sees the children back to normal.

...Staff

Stella Harbour

Many beautiful and some magnificent crafts have graced the waters of the harbour this summer. Eight or nine sailing vessels cast anchor here Tuesday evening.

Five rest in the sheltered bay as this edition of the Beacon goes to print.

Down the Lane

From an old newspaper clipping of undetermined age (probably the 1930's)
Stella - Aug 15

Farmers are this week in the midst of their grain cutting and they report a good crop. The burn of threshers will soon he heard once more.

The Stella Driving Club held a dance in Victoria Gardens on Sat. evening from 8-12 p.m. An excellent program of music was supplied by Everett Stevens and his Blue Jacket Orchestra. The event was well attended and was a decided success, despite the wet evening.

The ice cream social held under the auspices of Quinte Lodge L.O.B.A. on the Victoria lawn on Sat. evening was well patronized and everything was disposed of C.A. Wiseman Chevrolet dealer of Napanee

was on the Island last week assisting the local representative K-S. Miller.

Neilson Bros. have installed a new gasoline pump at their service station.

Miss Mae Tugwell is undergoing treatment in the Kingston General Hospital.

F.A. Kilpatrick, Kingston is on the Island at present, doing some lettering in Glenwood and Pentland Cemeteries.

The Rev. W.T. McCree, former pastor of St. Paul's, spent a few days on the Island.

Mr. & Mrs. Hugh McFern and Harry Glenn, Three Rivers, Que., are spending a short vacation with friends here.

...Marj. Aitken

Household Hints

To wash fresh garden vegetables as potatoes, beets etc., gather in wire baskets and turn the hose on them or even when laid on the grass. To diminish slugs around vegetables spray soil with alum solution 1/4 1b. to a pint of water. Dry powder sprinkled near plants not quite so effective but a help.

...Florence Mc.

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Out Our Way

Jerry, Ann and Michael Cooper are spending a few days with Ross and Tena Filson. Jerry first came to the Island in the early 1950s when he was employed with Bill William's in the motion picture business: he has been an annual visitor since that time.

Bus Daly, of the Daly Tea Co. Napanee, now retired and residing in Vancouver B. C. is spending the summer on the Island with the Glenn Sheil family.

Glenn and Shirley Sheil and family attended the Saunders family reunion while they were holidaying at Franktown.

The Rod Barr family, St. Catherines spent a few days this week at the Homestead on the South Shore.

Ada Neilson, Mississauga, Helen Neilson and her sister, Mrs. Hazel Shaffer, Nalcrest, Florida are holidaying at the Philip Lloyd cottage. Ann Neilson will join them on the weekend.

Randi Murray went by air for a holiday in Rochester, Minnesota.

Georgia and Gordon Reid are on a motor trip with Sarah and Moore Finnegan. They are touring south western Ontario and will return by a United States route.

Captain Claude Goodberry and his wife Dorothy

Buffalo, N.Y. and Mrs. Jack Brahm (Verna Strein) Rochester, N.Y. spent a say last week with their Aunt, Mrs. Etta Henderson.

Mr. And Mrs. William Hitchcock and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cummings, Windsor, spent a couple of days with Lucille and Bob Brown.

The Brady family, Ottawa, and the Earl Smith family, Kingston, are spending the summer here at their cottages.

Fred Neilson entered Kingst

the time.

A superhighway is a road that can make bad manners fatal.

E. Wilson

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Island Beacon

The staff at the Beacon office has looked forward for some time now to hearing from its many readers. We are few in numbers and - - sometimes we wonder just how successful we have been in accomplishing our goals, that is - - the establishment of a newspaper in which we, as Amherst Islanders, may all take pride.

True, we have received letters from former Islanders; we have been helped immensely by volunteer contributors, both regular and occasional; we have a good circulation.

But - - What about you, our public? Surely the medium of our little press could be used more widely!

I fail to comprehend how a community can have so little to buy, sell, or trade.

I concede we have had burning issues of such preponderance as to merit columns in the Whig-Standard and Beaver, surely some lesser questions or opinions could be submitted to the Beacon.

Anecdotes, poetry, historical accounts, jokes, news
---- send them in, that way We'll Be A Gutsy
Little Paper With Something To Say!!!!!!

Athletic Club

| Men's | W | L | Т | Pts |
|-------------|---|---|----|-----|
| 1. Triumphs | 8 | 0 | 4 | 16 |
| 2. Canditas | 9 | 1 | 3 | 19 |
| 3. Reds | 4 | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| 4. Recalls | 3 | 1 | 11 | 7 |

| Ladies' | W | L | T | Pts |
|--------------|---|---|---|-----|
| 1. Mavericks | 9 | 0 | 1 | 18 |
| 2. Hawks | 5 | 0 | 5 | 10 |
| 3. Twinkles | 3 | 0 | 7 | 6 |

Several new names have been added to the teams'

rosters and the new players are fitting in nicely, adding to the caliber of play.

Cliff Sudds has been doing double duty, performing ably on th field as well as umpiring regularly

Many players and fans are irate in view of the many defaulted games, and it seems very disappointing to note that many ball players simply disregard the detrimental affect this has on the league.

...Sports editor

Lot Wanted

\$1,000 cash for the best building lot offered Lake frontage desired but not necessary. Reply held in confidence.

Please submit letters to

"Building Lot c/o of the Island Beacon"

Dairy Cows

I wonder if we appreciate the great production of good quality nutrients provided by a high producing dairy cow. According to Dr. N. L. Jacobson of State University: "If a cow has a ten month record of 16,000 pounds of milk containing 3.5 percent fat, her milk will have approximately the following amounts of various ingredients:

protein- 496 1bs.

lactose- 78 lb.

fat- 560 lbs.

ash- 112 lbs. (including 19 lbs. of calcium and 16 lbs. of phosphorus)

This totals to just about one ton of edible highly digestible nutrients. The protein produced by this cow in ten months is equivalent to the protein in the trimmed edible cuts of about eight steers weighing 1200 lbs. each, or 28 pigs each weighing 200 lbs, or enough protein to supply the needs of an adult man for 9 ½ years; calcium 30 years; phosphorus for 25 years; and energy for five years.

For the most part, conversion of feed protein to milk protein is a much more efficient process than conversion of feed protein to meat protein in the same type of animal.

....Ernest Fleming *****

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Hangover Pills Anyone?

Many people enjoy a drink -that is to say, an alcoholic beverage. Some pursue their pleasure in the comfort of their own homes; some frequent the many fine hotels of their choice; some sport their fancy while

travelling by automobile; someplace the spirits in the car and find a convenient parking place to indulge their thirst; most are simply enjoying a drink and comradeship, respectful of the rights of others and observing the principles of acceptable behaviour.

However, every community seems saddled with a few individuals who cannot govern themselves so that public and private rights and property are not encroached upon.

As evidence of this, reflect on the sorry condition into which the park in Stella village had been turned last year:

Numerous beer bottles had been dashed against the cement column bearing the name plate "Centennial Park"; wine and liquor bottles had been tossed onto the grass, many broken and shattered; mix-bottles lay everywhere.

The front lawns at the school daily give evidence of the nightly sorties made by our citizenry into the land of the inebriated. Many mornings dawn when beer, wine, and liquor bottles adorn the school yard. Often entire cases of empties are thrown onto the grounds.

It's enough to make the average person sick, but an event last night proved even more nauseating:

Late in the evening (Sunday) a few cars parked on the fringe of my lawn; by the sound of the voices drifting through the air I imagined it to be a group who had stopped to talk and visit. As I was enjoying a quiet hour of television viewing, I interrupted the program long enough to ascertain the source of the sound, and returned to my program. This morning I found the group had so chosen to use my lawn as a dump; beer bottles, cigarettes, match boxes, papers.

Well, group it's too had your mothers didn't eat you while your bones were soft! Apparently your bones have hardened but the softness has only retreated to the cavities you formerly assumed held brains!

G. F. Sheil

Puzzle Corner

In every number below are four definitions, each of which calls for a familiar common word. However, all members of the quartet of words must contain the same letters, used the same number of times but in different arrangements. See how many you get and send in your answers.

- 1. (a) Peril: hazard
 - (b) Vegetable plot
 - (c) Male goose
 - (d) Moved within limits
- 2. (a) A tufted ornament
 - (b) Grows rancid
 - (c) Purloins

- (d) Small blackboards
- 3. (a) An expression of sorrow
 - (b) Fireplace ledge
 - (c) A long cloak
 - (d) Pertaining to the mind
- 4. (a) Took an oath
 - (b) A planter
 - (c) Those in debt
 - (d) Bad; ill (comparative)
- 5. (a) Animal's den
 - (b) Metal track
 - (c) Prevaricator
 - (d) Seed covering
- 6. (a) Vipers
 - (b) Totals again
 - (c) Fears greatly
 - (d) More sorrowful
- 7. (a) Football tosser
 - (b) Not dense; scattered
 - (c) Long-shafted weapons
 - (d) Bowling term (plural)
- 8. (a) Kind of cheese
 - (b) Woman (slang)
 - (c) A meadow
 - (d) Manufactured
- 9. (a) More pliant
 - (b) Wooded area
 - (c) Cherish; care for
 - (d) Talent; strong point
- 10. (a) Fail to keep
 - (b) Part of a shoe
 - (c) Kind of gin drink
 - (d) Name for a lion (plural)

Subscribers

Please be prompt in renewing your subscriptions. Send your renewal to Tena Filson, Stella, Ontario. This consideration on your part will save Mrs. Filson a good deal of time and effort.

...Thank You

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Lucien A. LaVoie

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Answers To Puzzle

1. danger, garden, gander, ranged

The End

- 2. tassel, stales, steals, slates
- 3. mantle, mantle, mental
- 4. swore, sower, owers, worse
- 5. lair, rail, liar, aril
- 6. adders, reads, dreads, sadder
- 7. passer, sparse, spears, spares
- 8. edam, dame, mead, made
- 9. softer, forest, foster, fortes
- 10. lose, sole, sloe, Leo's

Over the Line Fence

Smart Alec tourist: "What's your speed limit?"
Local Policeman: "Haven't got one! You fellows can't go through here too fast to suit us."

His Honor: "Go ahead and tell the court exactly what passed between you and your wife during the altercation.

Defendant: "A flatiron, a rolling pin, six plates, and a tea kettle."

He: "Have you ever been mistaken for a man?" She: "No, have you?"

"This is the fifth time you have been brought before me for speeding," said the judge severely.
"Yes, your honor," smiled the offender. "When I like a feller I generally gives him all my business."

A bee's stinger is one-thirty second of an inch long. The other two feet is imagination.

"Oh," exclaimed the fair city boarder, as a couple of calves scampered across the meadow, "What pretty little cowlets."

"You air mistaken, mam," said the old farmer, "them's bullets."

Owner of a midget car: "I want a half a cup of gasoline and a teaspoonful of oil, please."

Mechanic: "And shall I cough into the tires, sir?" ***

"I hope you don't mind me eating while you smoke."
"Not at all, madam, as long as I can hear the orchestra."

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner:

Haying being just about done on the Island, Council members were back at the grind of Township business Tuesday evening with all members present.

The road crew continue with the preparation of the mile west of Stella, for paving later this month.

The McKendry stone crusher, which makes an annual trip to the island to stock pile a year's supply of gravel for road use, is due to arrive Monday. The drilling equipment is at the quarry now in preparation for the crushing operation.

The Department of Highways has notified Council that right-of-ways for road allowances purchased by the township for road widening, must in future be surveyed.

Harry Filson and his road crew continue with the preparatory work of clearing and grading shoulders, on the mile west of Stella, for the paving to be done later this summer.

The bubbling system has been "cleared" by the Federal Office and surveyors have been at work on the shorelines in preparation. So it is going to be a reality and we hope also a success.

....Marj. Aitken. *****

Break-In

On Friday night July 30 or early Saturday morning the Neilson Store at Stella was broken into by a person or persons who gained entry through an upper front window. They made off with several dollars worth of cigarettes, lighters, cartridges, and other items.

The break-in was discovered by Maurice Hogeboom on Saturday morning. The O.P.P. are investigating.Staff.

From Africa

Mr. R.A. Dodds who is Superintendent of Education for Lennox and Addington is spending the summer in Africa involved in educational affairs. From Sierra Leone, a post card sent by Mr. Dodds stated how

impressed he is with the beauty of the country and the friendliness of the people.

Good to hear from you, Mr. Dodds.

.....Staff

Sports

The following are the standings as of August 11th.

| | Games | | | | |
|----------|-------|------|------|------|---------|
| Men | Won | Lost | Tied | Pts. | to play |
| Canditas | 11 | 3 | 1 | 23 | 3 |
| Triumphs | 9 | 5 | 0 | 18 | 4 |
| Recalls | 6 | 9 | 1 | 11 | 2 |
| Reds | 4 | 11 | 0 | 8 | 3 |

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| Women | | | | | |
|-----------|----|--|--|----|---|
| Mavericks | 10 | | | 20 | 2 |
| Hawks | 4 | | | 8 | 2 |
| Twinkles | 4 | | | 8 | 2 |

The rained out games will be played as soon as possible. Members of the executive and others interested are requested to meet at the school after this Friday's game to discuss the play offs.

Telephone Changeover

The expected changeover to the dial system is progressing. Many home telephones have been converted by the Bell men.

August fifteenth is the date set for completion. *****

Workmen At Public School

Some areas of the public school were painted this summer. The main corridor, one classroom, the teachers' room, and washrooms have been painted.

New windows were installed in both west classrooms; this work needed due to deterioration in the wooden frames and sills of the former windows.

Fluorescent lights have arrived for the two east classrooms and will be installed later this summer.

....Staff.

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture for Lennox and Addington County held a picnic on Sunday July 25th at the farm of Jim and Mary Neilson. A pot luck dinner was followed by water skiing and games.

Farm File

There is little doubt that most dairy farmers feel that in the future a different method of milk prices will come to pass, instead of using the butterfat content for pricing, solids - not - fat or protein in the solids might be used.

According to an article in Hoards Dairyman which by the way is an American farm paper, this method of pricing milk should be started immediately.

Back in 1960 the non-fat powder in whole milk was worth about 45 percent of the fat value, now the powder in 100 lbs. of milk is worth 90 percent of the value of fat assuming 3.5 fat and 8.5 solids-not-fat.

Dr. Truman Graf of Wisconsin suggests that fat be priced at about 7 cents per point and protein at about 4 cents per point, milk testing 3.5% fat has about 3.3% protein. In the early days statistics were compiled showing that milk with higher fat had higher non-fat solids and this is true on the average but there are a great number of cows that do not stick to the average.

In England and Wales the Milk Marketing Board has started protein testing and in selecting bulls for A.I. use, will give consideration to the progeny tests for protein as well as fat milk yield and type.

....Ernest Fleming.

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Dog Catcher Needed

Because of several sheep killings and some incidents of cattle being worried, Council has decided to actively pursue the problem of the large, and often, roving dog population on the Island. Applications for the position of dog catcher should be forwarded to the Clerk by

August 25th at 8:00 p.m.

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Out Our Way

Several of our people have been or are confined to hospital.

Mrs. Donald White is a patient at Hotel Dieu and Irve Tugwell at K.G.H.

Mrs. Etta Henderson underwent surgery at Hotel Dieu Hospital and Fred Neilson at K.G.H. Both are making a good recovery.

Gordon Mills has returned home from Lennox and Addington County Hospital and Shirley Sheil from Hotel Dieu, both having had surgery.

Ethel Browning was able to leave K.G.H. and has gone home to Toronto and Bill Coulson returned home on Saturday.

The Jack Werner family, Rochester, N.Y., are holidaying at Long Point.

Paul and Elizabeth Cooke, Belleville, N.Y. were callers here on Wednesday.

Mrs. Alfred Corey, Watertown, N.Y., her son and two daughters and their families recently spent a weekend here renewing old friends and acquaintances. Mrs. Corey was the former Mae Smith - sister of John Smith - and left the island many years ago. She is now 80 years old and amazingly alert. They camped on Maurice Smith's lawn and on Sunday had a picnic and a Smith family reunion. Mrs. Corey said she found a great many changes on the island. She enjoyed her visit and hopes to come again soon.

Mrs. Robert Goodwin and little son Donald, Verona were recent guests of Marion Richards. They were accompanied by Mrs. Eva Wemp who remained here for a week.

Willis and Marion Stevenson, Jim and Jeannie, Richmond Hill and Donald and Jean Johnston and Robert, Windsor are holidaying at "The Cedars."

Jack and Verna (Willard) Reid, Dover, Delaware, spent Tuesday with Eldon and Elsie Willard.

George and Helena Bierma were weekend guests of Ernest and Genevieve Fleming.

Doug and Reta Miller and Darrell, Waterloo are holidaying with Marilyn and Royce Eves and family. At the weekend they went north to Calabogie and Cobden and visited Tim and Dorothy Murphy and Rev. R.K. and Arline Earls.

Clarice Filson spent the weekend at Bath with Alvah and Eldred Cochrane.

Stan and Joan (Griffin) Young and four children dropped in for an hour at the Fed. of Agriculture picnic on Sunday and met several former friends. Joan taught for a term in old S. S. No. 5 in 1946 and boarded with the Ernest Fleming family. She received her B.A. degree at Queen's University. Following this she went in training and graduated as a Registered Nurse. She met and married Stan Young who is in the designing department with General Motors, Oshawa. Later this year she will receive her M.A. - after four years of study at home - one day a week at University. It's nice when folks like these call around to see us. Joan says there's just no place like the Island.

Lula Strain was hostess for a miscellaneous shower for Gail - daughter of Doug and Hope Glenn, on Saturday, July 24th.

Glenn Russel and family, Kingston, have moved into the former Harris

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Beaubien farmhouse on the 3rd concession.

Bert and Dora Mulders returned home last week after a motor trip to British Columbia and United States.

David and Julie Wires, Kenneth and Gordon are holidaying with Herb and Jean. This week they are staying with Bill Coulson.

Diane Rutherford and Anne McKenzie, Campbellford, the Grant Filson family, Toronto, and Edward Filson, Ottawa were recent guests of Mrs. Mary Filson.

The annual garden party at St. Paul's was a decided success. Attendance was much smaller than some former years but the proceeds were up a little over last year. The wall tapestry designed and done by Shirley Miller was purchased by Joyce (Glenn) Griese, Smiths Falls. Jean Tugwell was the lucky winner of the gate prize - a lawn chair. On behalf of St. Paul's church, I wish to thank everyone who donated, time, talent and material things to help make our annual event a successful one. We enjoy the fellowship when old and new friends meet on this annual occasion. See you next year - we hope.

.....Genevieve Fleming.

Langwald - McDonald

St. Alban's Church, Stella was the setting for the pretty July wedding of Carol Francis McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garnet McDonald, Stella and Herman Noel Langwald son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Langwald, Actonville, Quebec.

Reverend A. W. Lauder of St. Georges Cathedral, Kingston officiated.

The bride given in marriage by her father wore a full length gown of white nylon lace over white Poie de soie with long veil and headdress, held with small yellow roses. Carrying a cascade of small yellow and pink rosebuds.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Joan Crowe as matron of honor - and bridesmaids Juanita Glenn and Laurie Kilpatrick cousin of the bride.

The attendants wore flowered nylon full length dresses and carried bouquets of small pink and yellow rosebuds.

A niece of the groom, Natalie Waltz was a lovely flower girl in summer green and Kevin Kilpatrick was ring bearer.

The groom's attendant as best man was Audre Girouard and ushers were Murray Glenn and Conrad Waltz

As the bride entered the church and during the signing of the register Debbie and Kathy Smith, cousins of the bride sang two selections accompanied by Mr. Charles Densem, organist of St. Margarets, Kingston.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. It was held on the lawn facing the water front. Guests who attended were from Montreal, Ottawa, Actonville, Waterloo, Kanata, Newmarket, Napanee, Seeleys Bay, Kingston, Bloomfield, Tamworth and Stella.

Church Services:-

St. Alban's

Sunday Aug. 8 - 8:00 p.m.

Aug.15 - To be announced.

St. Paul's

Sunday Aug. 8 - 11:00 a.m.

122nd Anniversary Guest Speaker - Rev. Robert Dobbie of Carleton University.

Aug.15 - 11:00 a.m.

St. Bartholomew's

Saturday 8:00 p.m. each week.

Thank You

Chris and Bert wish to thank all the customers and friends of Glenisle Lunch for their patronage of the past two years. It is with extreme regret that we find it necessary to close our business, however, we hope that it may yet be taken over by a younger and more energetic couple.

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Down the Lane (courtesy Clarice Filson's scrapbook) Stella 1952 - Captain and Mrs. Joe. Saunders were at home to their friends on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Captain Saunders, son of the late Mr and Mrs. John Saunders, was born at the foot of the Island on the farm now owned by Mr. M. H. Epstein of Toronto.

Mr. Saunders is a retired Great Lakes captain who sailed for 39 years and was one of the fifth generation of the family to follow the sailing occupation.

His grandfather was one of the first St. Lawrence River pilots and sailed the steam vessel Frontenac, built at Millhaven about 150 years ago.

In the past 100 years the Saunders name changed from Sanders to Saunders.

Mrs. Saunders (Josephine) is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson and was born on Amherst Island.

Mrs. Saunders wore a grey satin brocade dress for the celebration and with it wore gold ribbon streamers. The couple's home was decorated with bronze mums and yellow roses. Among the many lovely gifts received was a large hymnal from Trinity United Church.

Mrs. Perce Tugwell and Mrs. Sheriden Patterson poured tea assisted by the couple's nieces and nephews; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Glenn, Mrs. Chas. Howard and Miss Lucile Henderson.

Mr. Alfred Saunders of Cataraqui brother of Capt. Saunders attended the celebration. Mr. Sheridan Patterson of Stella, who drove the bridal couple to church 50 years ago, was also a guest.

....Marj. Aitken.

Garden Chit Chat

This is a quote from the Department of Agriculture. Care of small fruits.

Raspberries and blackberries have a perennial root system that lives for many years. However, the shoots are biennial, growing in the first season and bearing the fruit crop the following summer.

Since the canes die shortly after fruiting it is best to remove them soon after harvest. This should be done by cutting them off at ground level with a sharp knife or pruning shears. These canes should be removed from the planting and destroyed as they may carry disease.

It is also desirable to remove some of the new shoots, especially if the plants are vigorous and have produced a large number of suckers. Only some of the weak suckers should be removed at this time.

The complete thinning job should not be done now, as it could promote late growth and lead to winter injury. If left until spring it can supply the planting with extra winter protection by helping to trap snow as a natural protective mulch.

End of quote.

Do you have tuberous begonias? Water them deeply in dry weather, don't put water on the foliage in late part of the day for this encourages mildew. Fertilize every three weeks from when buds form till just before frost. Pick off all dead flowers and for longer-lasting bloom remove also the single female flowers which bloom on either side of the main flower. You can easily identify these by the three-winged seedpod forming just behind the flowers. More about the care of the tubers later.

....E.L.N.

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"Our Bill"

The End

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September 2nd, 1971. Thursday. 36th Edition. Island Beacon Amherst Island, Ontario Subscription \$3.00 per year \$4.00 mailed

To Our Public

The Island Beacon did not go to print on August 19 as we felt it was an opportune time to enjoy a holiday.

We apologize for not notifying you in the 35th edition. From several sources, it appears many missed the paper - however we do not expect a similar event to happen very often.

.....G.F. Sheil.

Municipal Affairs

Council Corner:

Hydro are in the process of laying the cables which will provide the power for the bubbling system, from Stella to Millhaven. It is encouraging to see work progressing on this project.

The 40-foot is being readied for "phase 2" in the surfacing programme for this piece of road. September 2nd is the date agreed upon for this step so if the weatherman cooperates it will be good travelling again for this much-used Island "throughway" by the end of the week. There have been more sheep killings, regretfully, and an organized hunt has been spoken of to rid the Island of the 1/2 dog, 1/2 wolf bands of animals that have been the bane of sheep farmers. It would be a gigantic task to sweep from end to end of the island with a band of hunters but it might be more fruitful and certainly more economical to the taxpayer than hiring a dogcatcher.

Ex-Treasurer, Fred Neilson, is once more home from the hospital after surgery. Council wishes him a speedy recovery.

.....Marj. Aitken. *****

Fire Siren Test

Fire Chief, Harry Filson, reports that the sirens have been installed and they will be tested Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. All members of the volunteer squad notify Harry as to the audibility of the sirens.

Brush Fire- August 11.

On Wednesday night at approximately 11:00 p.m. a small fire was reported. A pile of brush had started to burn vigorously. A few members of the volunteer fire department sped out to the south shore and in a short time, with the assistance of the fire truck and portable pumper, the blaze was extinguished.

.....Staff

Boat Capsizes

Late Monday afternoon, August 30 a motor boat capsized in the vicinity of Preston Cove. The Amherst Islander hurried to the scene. Attempts to take the craft in tow failed however due to the cleats pulling from the motor boat.

The men on the boat had set out to swim to the mainland when the Islander took them aboard. They stated that something had smashed a large hole in the boat as they were cruising. The Amherst Islander

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took the two lads to the Millhaven dock.

Cam Hay of the Bath Marina succeeded in retrieving the boat.

...Staff. ****

Sports

Since the last issue, the league championships have been decided with the Mavericks winning the women's league and the Canditas the men's league.

The playoffs this year consist of a round robin series with all teams competing; a team is eliminated upon losing two games. To date, in the women's league, only two games have been played - the Twinkies beat the Hawks and the Hawks beat the Mavericks. The Mavericks and Twinkles are to play tonight (Thurs). On Sunday, at 3:00 p.m., the Hawks will play the Twinkles.

In the men's league, only the Reds and Canditas remain. The Reds are undefeated and the Canditas have lost one game. These teams play on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Further dates and times for both leagues will be posted at Filson's and players will be notified by their captains.

Most of the games have been exciting with the outcome often very much in doubt until the final inning.Ian Murray.

Driving Club

The Island's latest driver to obtain his license, Garry Filson, has been impressive in his first drives, with a win, a second and a third behind Prima Blossom owned by his father Harry. Continuing to race well is Willow Brook Smokey owned and driven by Al Caughey. Smoky has had only three out-of-the-money starts in 17 trips to the gate this summer. His racing partner and stall mate Nancy's Rum along with Ron and Stu Miller's Jerry Nimitz were both reactors to the Cogging Test for swamp fever, and both horses were destroyed last week; a considerable loss for their owners. Ross Hitchins recently purchased Gorgeous Dianne from Al Caughey and we wish Ross much success with her. Al has also added Ruth Dear to his barn. She had been racing for Jack Bissonette. She won a qualifier Sunday afternoon pacing free-legged. Stu Miller tells us that Spencer Heir will soon be ready as will Jack and Beth Forrester's Polaris Missile. The Forrester's other horse Gaiety Guy raced in a qualifier in Belleville Saturday with Bruce Caughey Jr. at the controls and finished second. Earle Willard who is training Blazer Arm for the Chris O'Hara (Betty Willard) stable of Odessa says that they will soon start Preston Star. He has had a month's vacation. Bruce Caughey has obtained his full license and will drive Polaris Missile Wednesday at Frontenac Downs.

The reason that a team of horses generally gets along better than a married couple is that there is only one tongue between them.

.....H.A.C.

The Sunday School Picnic

On Sunday August 22 the Community Sunday School picnic was held in the Amherst Island Park. The picnic opened with a short service conducted by Rev. N. Allison and Rev. E. Carrie. Following a delicious picnic lunch, an afternoon of races, tug-o-war, and candy scramble was enjoyed by both children and adults. The grand prizes were won by Aaron Sheil and Karen Lawson. They were rewarded with two lovely pictures. The afternoon ended with cheers for the teachers and a splash of rain.

.....Kathy Wemp and Mrs. Jean Tugwell

Left At Sunday School Picnic

One fork, one spoon, one knife and set of salt and pepper - Tupperware.

Jean Tugwell.

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4-H Show

The 4-H Club decided to have a show day on Amherst Island for the benefit of those interested in showing of cattle:- the original date was for Saturday August 28 but due to rain it was held on the following Monday.

The day proved a real success. Following is a list of the results, first prize \$3.00, second prize \$2.00, third prize \$1.00.

CLASS ENTREES

Junior Holstein Calves Tony Bernier- 2nd (4H) added Wayne Fleming- 1st

Cohn Brady- 3rd

Beef Breeds (4H) Eric McGinn- 2nd

Tom deHann- 3rd Jack deHann-Jimmy Baker- 1st

Senior Holstein Calves

(4H) added

Fred Neilson- 2nd Mike McCormick-Bill Brown- 1st Lisa Neilson- 3rd Ernest Fleming-

Holstein Yearling Heifers (open) Jim Neilson- 1st Bruce Caughey-Harry Fleming(2)-

Holbeth Farms(2)- 2nd & 3rd

Showmanship Exercise

(4H) added

Tony Bernier-Wayne Fleming-5th Eric McGinn- 4th Tom deHann-Jack deHaan-Jimmy Baker-Fred Neilson- 2nd Mike McCormick-Bill Brown- 1st Lisa Neilson- 3rd Colin Brady

Grand Champion - Reserve Champion -

Bill Brown. Fred Neilson.

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Out Our Way

Recent Visitors include

Hez and Leola Shirk, Chatham with Ross and Tena Filson.

Mrs. Elizabeth Miles and grandson Jonathon, also Mr. and Mrs. Findley, Aurora with William Coulson.

Carol Glenn, Annette and John, Sudbury with Helen Miller.

Mabel Filson, Regina, Sask. with relatives here. Reg and Mildred Reynolds, Toronto with Arthur and Helen Hinch.

Harold Marshall, Conneaut, Ohio with his family. Rod and Rhoda and Elizabeth Barr, St. Catherines at the homestead on the lake shore.

Andy and John Gavlos, Winnipeg, Man., with James and Grace Eves.

Miss Amy McDonald. suffered a painful back injury in a fall at her cottage at Emerald.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hitchins were supper guests of Bob and Helen Bach at "The Cedars" on Saturday and called on Misses Amy and Edna McDonald en route.

Harry and Barbara Filson spent the weekend in Hull, Quebec.

The Sheil family returned this week after a pleasant holiday.

Phyllis Welton is enjoying a holiday in England, she left by air August 10 and will soon be returning home.

Royce and Marilyn Eves and family spent the weekend in Waterloo. Darrell Miller has spent the summer here with the Eves family and he returned home.

James and Grace Eves, Charlotte and Charlene and Jim and Carolyn Burnet returned last week from a holiday in Quebec and the Maritimes. They visited friends in Prince Edward Island and returned home by way of United States.

Burgess and Gaye Stevenson have moved into their new home.

A large congregation attended the 122nd anniversary service in St. Paul's Presbyterian church on Sunday August 8th. The guest speaker the Rev. Professor Robert Dobbie of Carleton University delivered an inspirational message, choosing the theme - "The practice of the Presence of God."

Trudy Luanne - baby daughter of Lloyd and Phyllis Strain was baptized on Sunday August 22nd in St. Alban's Church and on Sunday August 29th Julie Elizabeth - baby daughter of Jack and Beth Forester was baptized in St. Paul's Church.

Janice and Douglas Willard spent most of last week in Sundridge with the Sylvester family. Cathy has spent the summer here at her home in Stella and will be leaving on Thursday to return to her teaching duties in Sundridge.

Earle and Jean Tugwell and Helen Miller spent the weekend with the Tooke family at their cottage at Bala.

Tom and Audrey Miller, Ottawa spent the weekend

with Elaine and Lloyd Wolfreys.

Mrs. Donald White is still confined in Hotel Dieu and Irve Tugwell in Kingston General Hospital.

We are happy to report that Fred Neilson and Mrs. Etta Henderson have returned home following surgery Mary Neilson, Toronto is at home for a holiday.

Kaye Marshall, Buffalo, N.Y. spent a day with Mrs. Henderson while she was in hospital.

Harry Troy, Benton, Penns. agent for Rueben Greenburg, Columbus, N.Y. spent Wed. on the Island and was quite impressed with the quality of dairy cattle he saw.

"Show Day" which was held on Monday proved very successful.

Several animals were exhibited and all who helped to make the day a pleasant and interesting one are to be commended for their participation. I expect the 4-H Club press reporter will be contributing to this issue of the "Beacon" so I will not infringe on their write-up. However we hope to see the 4-H-rs at Napanee next week and wish them well in their work.

....Genevieve Fleming *****

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Church Services:

St. Alban's

Sun. Sept. 5 9:00 a.m. Sept.12 11:00 a.m

St. Bartholemew's

Sat. Sept. 4 7:00 p.m.

Sept. 11 7:00 p.m.

St. Paul's

Sun. Sept. 5 11:00 a.m.

Sept.12 11:00 a.m

Veech - Lemmon

Morven United Church, was the setting for the lovely July wedding of Sharon Anne Lemmon, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lemmon of R. R. #1 Napanee and Stanley Allan Veech, son of Mr and Mrs. Lorne Veech, Stella.

Rev. Bacon of Newburg officiated assisted by Mr. W.J. Graham of Bath.

The bride wore a street length dress of white nylon lace over white satin with shoulder length veil and a corsage of white and red roses.

The bride was attended by Miss Susan Veech sister of the groom, who wore a yellow street length dress and white accessories with a corsage of white carnations.

The best man was Raymond Wernp.

Mrs. Mildred Kavaner was organist.

After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Veech have taken up residence in Bath.

Thank You

"I would like to take this opportunity to say sincere thanks to my family, friends, relatives and neighbours for the lovely cards letters, flowers, gifts and phone calls while I was a patient in Hotel Dieu Hospital." Etta Henderson.

School Opens -Sept. 7.

Another summer will soon be but a memory and in its wake comes the opening of another school year.

Our staff will have two new teachers: Miss Beth Borris in the primary room and Mrs. Helen Caughey in the junior room.

Down the Lane

"M.V. Amherst Islander"

A new automobile and passenger ferry has been put into service for the convenience of motorists and residents of Amherst Island. The. "M.V. Amherst Islander", built for Amherst Island Township Council, with substantial financial assistance from the Ontario Department of Highways was commissioned June 7. Reeve J.F. Fleming of Amherst Island Township was chairman for the ceremonies, held at Stella. He noted that the Department of Highways had, in addition taken over payment of \$1,800. to the Federal Department of Public Works for use of wharves at Millhaven and Stella, terminal points for the new ferry. The new ferry service will provide a two-mile link with Highway No. 33, in the vicinity of Picton, Bath and Kingston for Amherst Islanders and motorists.

Mrs. David Kearney, descendant of one of the first families to settle on Amherst Island, was give the honor of cutting the white ribbon, symbolizing the opening of service for the new ferry.

The new ferry is capable of carrying 19 motor vehicles and 12 passengers in addition to its crew. Its superstructure is of metal and it is powered by Diesel engine.

Its specially constructed prow will enable it to climb upon and break through ice. Previously, for a short period each spring when th ice was too thin to support a person's weight, yet too thick for the average boat to break through, the residents had been cut off from service with the mainland.

In officiating at the ceremonies, Mrs. Kearney recalled with a smile the worry for the plight of the islanders by newspapers on the mainland, two years

ago, at a time of the year when service could not be maintained because of ice conditions, added to the fact that the telephone system had also broken down. Then an airplane was flown to the island with mail and

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cargo of bread for the allegedly "starving" people.

"And all the time we had a barn full of beef cattle, and most of us bake our own bread anyway," said Mrs. Kearney.

The first ferry to be put into service through cooperation of the Department of Highways was the Amherst Islander commissioned in 1928. She plied between Millhaven and Stella until almost the end of World War II. The islanders spent two years without ferry service, then a tank landing craft was commissioned and operated as a car ferry until last year.

Mrs. Kearney remembers when there was no official ferry to Amherst Island, but in those days, steamship lines plied the Bay of Quinte from Belleville and Picton to Kingston. The steamer "Brockville" docked at Stella each day and at Emerald, a village on the western tip of the island, three times a week. Another steamer, owned by the Rathburn Lumber Company of Deseronto, named the "Leitha" also made Amherst Island a regular port of call.

Mrs. Kearney was the former Marion McGinn, whose father came to Canada from Ireland. On her mother's side, she is a descendant of John Wemple, now abbreviated to "Wemp" who was the first white child born in Kingston. She has resided on the island for all of her 62 years.

Mrs. Kearney and her husband live with a son, Gerald, on their 260-acre farm. Their home was built well over one hundred years ago, and in it Mr. and Mrs. Kearney have raised their family of 12 children.

At one time, more than 1,000 people resided on the island, but today most of the young people have gone to the mainland to make their livelihood. There are some 73 active farmers on Amherst Island today, and the population has dropped to less than 500.

Amherst Island is steeped in early history of the opening up of Upper Canada. United Empire Loyalists settled there following the American Revolution, and the first transfer of title to a settler is recorded in 1803. Around 1670, Sieur de la Salle, with his French companions and Indian guides, explored the island and claimed it for his own. He gave it the name "Isle Tonti", in honor of one of his officers. Previously, it had been called "Kaounesgo" by the Indians, its first inhabitants, which meant "the drowned island", for a large swamp and lake are on the island.

Governor John Graves Simcoe, during his term of office, changed the name to Amherst Island, in honour of Lord Amherst who led British troops against the French fortress of Louisbourg, on Cape Breton.

Amherst Island was the home of the renowned Canadian artist, Daniel Fowler, R.C.A., who died in 1894. His beautiful home, "The Cedars" which he built, overlooking the entrance to the Bay of Quinte has been visited by hundreds of people. Amherst Island also boasts of another residence, said to be unique in Canada. It is "Scott's Mud-House," built over a hundred years ago, with earthen walls three feet thick, which still stands today, although one part has fallen into disrepair.

Others who took part in the recent commissioning ceremonies were Hon. W.M. Nickle, Q.C., Provincial Secretary for the Province of Ontario, representing the Hon. James N. Allan, Ontario Minister of Highways, and Canon W. Williston, of St. Alban's church, Stella.

Following the commissioning, a banquet was served at Victoria Hall, put on by the ladies of the community.

Among those present were Francis T. Welbanks, Clerk, Amherst Township; L.R. Neilson, Treasurer; H. Filson, Road Superintendent; Councillors Max Beaubien, James Eves, Ross McKee and Ernest Fleming.

Women's Institute members present, some attired in costumes of the "gay nineties" period, were Mrs. W.A. Smith, Odessa; Mrs. Marshall Glenn, President, Amherst Island Women's {continued on Page 8}

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{Down The Lane continued from Page 6} Institute; Mrs. Fred Perry, Napanee, President of Lennox County District Women's Institute; Mrs. D.A. Miller Stella; Mrs. William Coulson, Mrs. Garnet MacDonald.

R. W. Sutton, manager of Kingston Shipyards, where the ferry was built, and Mrs. Sutton, Mrs. Nickle, and J. Gilmore, Montreal. architect, also attended.

Toronto, July 14, 1955. ****

To The Editor

Before the new telephone system becomes an accustomed facility, I would like to express some thoughts on the old system. As a relative newcomer to the Island I was well familiarized with our present dial phone with my years of city living. I well remember my first reactions to, first, the crank phone, where one could reach anyone on the line by ringing oneself and no need to bother the operator and then later to using the switchboard for all calls. My impatience at having to wait for a clear line, my fury at listening to all sorts of rings night and day, disturbing my naps or reveries, gradually gave way to an understanding of what a

wonderful news source this was and how firmly was knit the fabric of an "Islander" by this close contact he had with neighbour and friend. My admiration grew for the operators who took such an interest in subscribers to the point of relaying messages and keeping everyone informed where possible, of Island events, cancelled parties, fires, all emergencies, etc. When the Bell Telephone office called to say we'd be hooked up to the new system by the 15th I was quick to express regrets at losing these switchboard operators, although pleased that we were moving forward with more modern facilities.

The impersonal computerized exchange will never replace our own "gals in the trailer" and I just wish to express my gratitude for kindness over the years.Marj. Aitken

Over the Line Fence

"Your methods of cultivation are hopelessly out of date," said the youthful agricultural college graduate to the old farmer. "Why, I'd be astonished if you got even ten pounds of apples from that tree."

"So would I," replied the farmer. "It's a pear tree."

"Doctor, I want to thank you for your great medicine."
"It helped you, did it?" asked the Doctor very much pleased.

"It helped me wonderfully."

"How many bottles did you find it necessary to take?" "Oh, I didn't take any of it. My uncle took one bottle, and I am his sole heir."

The End

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Municipal Affairs Council Corner

The presence of County road equipment in the park must mean action is forthcoming on the paving - now overdue - on this year's planned contract. Harry Filson and his road crew have been busy preparing for them, in hopes they will complete the paving in one fell swoop, with less inconvenience to Islanders.

The addition of the mercury-vapor light fixture to the Fire Hall, lends a little finishing touch to the appearance of the building. The alarm system tests have been disappointing to Fire Chief Filson, Deputy Neilson and chairman of Fire Hall Committee Chas. Densem. The volume is going to have to be increased drastically to be a satisfactory alarm and solving this problem will be the main objective for the present.

Canada Dredge is engaged in laying the pipe for the bubbling system, adding yet another bit of encouragement to the realization of year round ferry service.

Council discussed the Bell Telephone plans for interlisting Island subscribers with Kingston customers when the '72 directory is issued. One or two Councillors felt some concern for the fact that we will not have a separate listing as Howe and Wolfe Islands and other communities - i.e. Harrowsmith, Yarker, etc. Would we perhaps lose our identity as Amherst Islanders when listed with Kingston subscribers? It does seem odd that a community fifteen miles west of the city of Kingston would have no separate section in the directory. It could be the bane of "information operators" answering enquiries for people looking for Island phone numbers. If, also, a subscriber is listed in the middle of Kingston subscribers as "John Doe, Stella" it could be confusing. "John Doe -Amherst Island" might be better. The word Stella would mean nothing to a stranger, it could be a street even. Does anyone else have an opinion on this? These directories are prepared months in advance so action would have to be taken in the next few months.

No applications have been received for dogcatcher as yet. Council discussed the possibility of

amalgamation with a neighboring township on this perhaps having their dogcatcher patrol the island at times to enforce the licensing and impound stray dogs, etc. No action was decided upon but further discussion will be carried on next meeting.

....Marj. Aitken.

Bubble System

This laying of the pipeline for the proposed bubble system, as a means to ensure ferry service to Amherst Island during winter months is underway. Some three-quarters mile of pipe has been put in place.

The Canadian Dredge and Dock barge, "Rock Prince" and the tug, "Halton" are utilized to lay the pipe after it has been welded into long sections on the Island. The shorter sections are welded together in a line from Glenn's Store to the ferry docks this makes it

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possible to cut down on difficult joining out on the bay.

The pipe line runs from Stella dock in a crescent route towards Fish Point and then to the Millhaven Dock.

The cement pads for the compressors have been laid on both the Stella and Millhaven docks.

....Staff.

Farm File

Because of the raise in the price of export cheese, industrial milk shippers should receive about 14 per cent more for milk in September than they did in July. This increase will be for all milk shippers whether they send to cheese factory or not.

In July industrial producers received \$3.99 plus \$1.25 federal subsidy per hundred weight less transportation and milk board expenses leaving a net of about \$4.69 a hundred weight. The new increase should amount to another 60 or 70 cents.

The O.M.M.B. will review the markets of milk products each month, if they should increase in price the farmers should benefit if on the other hand they should drop in price we might expect the same.

.....Ernest Fleming.

Athletic Club

The regular season and playoffs in the softball league have been completed.

In the ladies' league the Mavericks copped the

Glenisle Play-off Trophy. In the men's league the Reds upset the Canditas and won the M.V. Amherst Islander Play-off Trophy.

Plans for the upcoming Athletic Club Annual Banquet are being made. This has become a much anticipated evening and we are confident this year's banquet will be successful.

.....Staff.

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Filson's Coffee Shop
Glenn's Store
Neilson's Store
A.I. Driving Club
Eastern Breeders (Ernest Fleming)
Island Beacon
School Fund
Athletic Club

The above groups and individuals sponsored prizes for the 4-H show on Amherst Island. Grateful acknowledgment is given by the 4-H Club, as the success of the show was much heightened due to their generosity.

The judge for the show was Grant Huyck of Napanee and his services were much appreciated.

The Lennox and Addington County Milk Committee donated the milk refreshment for the day.

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Out Our Way

Recent visitors include Mrs. Nettie Young, Napanee and Stan Detlor, Enterprise with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin McDonald.

Colin and Ruth Filson and family Port Colborne with Mrs. Mary Filson.

Zwantze Kehoe, Donna and Patrick, Peterborough and Yanke Hannaford, Douglas, Scott and Patricia, Amherstview, with Pete and Ytze Witteveen.

Prior to their departure for their home in Ottawa, the Brady family had as their guests for a day, Harry Reid, Detroit, Geraldine Kelly, Sheila and Bill Shaw and son David of Gananoque.

Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, Regina, Sask with Jack and Janet Bews at their cottage. On Monday both couples left for London, Ontario where they will attend the Canadian Council for the Blind Conference. Jack is president of the Canadian Council for the Blind and is also chairman of the Ontario division of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Mr. Pollock will

represent Saskatchewan at the conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson, Caldwell, New Jersey with Bertha Beaubien.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shinton, Trenton at Holbeth Farms. They had accepted an invitation to spend Wednesday evening at the home of Bert and Dora Mulders and on arrival were delightfully surprised to find a number of their friends already there to help them celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. We extend congratulations and our best wishes.

Mrs. Donald White and Mr. Irve Tugwell are still confined to hospital and Fred Neilson will enter K.G.H. on Friday to undergo surgery.

We extend the sympathy of the community to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Mills in the sudden and tragic passing of their grandson, Floyd McGinness.

Misses Amy and Edna McDonald left on Tuesday for their home in Ottawa.

Next week, members of the Women's Institute will be conducting a canvass for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

On Monday evening Ian Murray met with the Women's Institute and plans were made to cater for the Athletic Club dinner and Awards Night, Friday, October 22nd.

Amherst Island was well represented at Napanee Fair. Members of the 4-H Calf Club did a good job, all were first year members and are to be highly commended for their ability and their attitude towards both their work and their fellow members. Fair officials were pleased to have an entry of Holsteins. No one came home with premier breeder badge but all those who participated are to be guests of John and Mary Lou Sonneveld at a dinner on Saturday evening. John was named Premier Breeder, his Holstein herd having won the most points at the fair.

On Sunday September 12th at the morning service in St. Paul's church the sacrament of baptism was administered by Rev. Norman Allison.

Richard Jason, baby son of Ted and Heather Welbanks.

Susanne Elizabeth, baby daughter of Eric and Linda Welbanks.

Shelly Christine, daughter of Allan and Cathy Glenn.

Mr. Elburn Welbanks, great-grandfather of Richard and Susanne attended the service, also Mr. and Mrs. John Sedore and Janet, of Flinton, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hicks, South Bay, and Joan and Nolen Rychman and Nolen Jr., Kingston. All were guests of Francis and Nessie Welbanks for lunch.

....Genevieve Fleming.

Church Services
St. Alban's
Sunday, Sept. 19 - 9:00 a.m
26 - 11:00 a.m.
St. Paul's
Sunday, Sept. 19 - 8:00 p.m.
26 - 8:00 p.m.
St. Bartholomew's
Saturday, Sept. 18 - 7:00 p.m
25 - 7:00 p.m

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Chalk Talk

Amherst Island Public School - September, 1971 - and the fall term is in full swing. Mr. Glenn Sheil, principal; Mrs. Helen Caughey, junior teacher; Miss Elizabeth Borris, primary teacher; Mrs. Lulu Strain, principal's relief teacher and supply teacher make up the staff.

Steven Wemp and Sylvia Baker are now in the K-1 program; Tammy Caron is a new pupil in grade one; Brent Wolfreys is new and is in grade four.

The school looks great after the summer; much painting and repairs are noticeable.

New supplies have arrived, notably - library books, book truck, landforms model, and just today a Bell and Howell 16 m.m. projector.

We have started the new term with some great plans:

- (a) A dance Friday, Sept. 17.
- (b) A school band (make shift)
- (c) An elective program (November)
- (d) A fall trip to the north (Oct)
- (e) Guest speakers (Mr. Dodds hopefully who recently returned from a summer in Africa)

The students all feel that this will be a year to remember.

...School reporter.

High School Report

With the beginning of every new year, come the eager grade nines. This year Kathy Wemp, Patti-Jo Neilson, John Emmerson, Billy Brown, Eric McGinn and Russel McGinn all got initiated with powder and confetti, however the bus suffered more than the newcomers.

There are a number of revisions in the system this year, whether they will be improvements, is yet to be seen. Mr. Sheraton is our new Vice-Principal taking the place of Mr. Hodgson.

The activities are just beginning to get underway, perhaps by the next report, the island students will have

joined clubs or teams. This Friday nite is the first dance primarily for the grade nines. We hope that this is the beginning of a good year for them.

....Valerie Filson.

Down the Lane

(from a 1950 newspaper clipping)

The Ladies' Aid of Trinity United Church, in honour of the 25th anniversary of the formation of the United Church in Canada, served a supper to a large crowd in Victoria Hall, Amherst Island.

Special services were held in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in honor of the 75th anniversary of the Presbyterian church in Canada.

Guest soloists for the occasion were Mrs. M.J. Bailey Toronto and Mrs. Betty Pritchard, Kingston who was accompanied by Miss Anne Halliday, assistant organist of St. Andrew's United Church, Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Pringle, Buffalo, N.Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Neilson.

Miss Jean Miller spent a weekend in Toronto.

Mrs. Rodney Barr, St. Catherines has returned home after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Marshall.

Mrs. Rob't. Filson has returned to her home in Stella after the winter spent on the 3rd Concession with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fleming.

Mrs. Julia Frink, Collins Bay is spending a few days with Mrs. Margaret Pringle.

Harold Neilson of Providence, R.I. spent a day on the Island en route to Napanee where he attended the funeral of the late G. F. Richards.

....Marj. Aitken.

Household Hints

To help thicken juice of fruit pies, roll two or three soda biscuits to fine crumbs and sprinkle them on crust under fruit.

Over juicy pieces need not run over. Before baking insert 1 1/2 inch pieces of macaroni in slits in top crust. Remove macaroni before serving.

... F. McD.

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Observations - Aug. 12th

During the past week numerous Bell Canada Vans have been darting thither and yon about the Island, as Bell Crewmen go about their duties of making the "cut over" to the new dial system and at the time of this paper going to press the transfer will have been completed and like many of our fellow telephone users

in other areas we will be "on dial" complete with D.D.D. (Direct Distance Dialing.)

This is the end of a lengthy program, into which has gone many, many, hours of engineering as well as the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars. At the time of sale of the Amherst Island Municipal Telephone System to Bell Canada in late 1968, this was one of the agreements of purchase that Island subscribers should be furnished with dial telephones not later than 1971. Bell Canada has kept their commitment all the way and Amherst Island residents should he very happy and satisfied at this time that we have reached a complete new era in telephone service and that no one enjoys anything more modern than ours.

Contempora as well a touch tone sets, in a variety of colours, are available to subscribers who wish this type of equipment and private and semi-private lines are also available to those wishing this type of service.

Truly we have come a long way since the "forties" when we suffered patiently through that period when our telephone service slowly and eventually disintegrated. It seems a long time ago when if one wished to contact the outside world you made your way to Millhaven and through the kindness of our neighbours over there you placed your call over their equipment. Then came that time when, through the goodness of some of our friends in high places, equipment for the transmission of messages was placed on the Amherst Islander, during lay-up at the Stella dock, and the Barriefield station was kept open so that these necessary messages might be relayed through these facilities.

Then came the mid-forties and the formation of the Amherst Island Municipal Telephone System, the appointment of Commissioners to administer the System, Fred. S. Neilson, Chairman, Bruce Caughey, Sect. Treas, and the late Messrs. W.A. Kilpatrick and H.W. Miller. Solicitation and pleadings followed with the owner of the existing telephone system, then negotiation for purchase followed with no success and eventually expropriation and arbitration. Who of us involved in "the hearing" in the Kingston City Buildings will ever forget that day particularly the triumphal ride home across the ice in Art Drumgoole's stage sleigh and that extra flourish the length of the village a couple of times when a hairpin turn at the Neilson Store resulted in one of the councillors being thrown from the sleigh and deposited unceremoniously in the snow. I remember, although it seems a long time ago of my driving to Hugh Drumgoole's with a telephone instrument and installing it in his residence and attaching it to the old cable so that emergency calls could be transmitted through the Bath Central Office. Who of us will ever forget when Cal. Drumgoole and

his assistants started to pull the wire out of the snow banks and slowly but surely they restored telephone service, mile by mile, can we ever forget the scarcity of dollars when it was impossible to pay such help and they waited patiently until two more thrifty Islanders loaned us two thousand dollars and we thought we had the world by the tail. Then came the debenture issue, the days of the Haggarty Construction Co., the eventual laying of a new single pair cable at the Eastern end of the Island and it's connection through Bell Canada facilities to Kingston. Many nights the midnight oil was burned by the conscientious Commissioners when deliberations resulted in decisions usually affected

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by the fact that we had such a small amount of money. I remember my first collection of long distance tolls made by me as I read meters, it was only a matter of a dollar or two from each subscriber but it was pretty important dollars as far as the Company was concerned. Careful administration by good honest business men, a cooperation among the subscribers, and always patience soon saw the company slowly struggle to it's feet. Profits were continually ploughed back into the System and gradually we reached the point where our long distance commissions paid our operator's salary. Cooperation and unlimited assistance from the Bell organization through their representatives, who we got to know and consider as our "friends" paid off and fourteen years of ever increasing service are something that we can now look back upon with nostalgic feelings.

One can only wish that many of those dedicated, community-minded people could have been here to have witnessed the great transformation but fortunately we do have a substantial number who I am sure are particularly appreciative of the fact that their efforts were not in vain and we have now obtained "ne plus ultra" in a service that is so essential in today's way of life.

.....A.B.C.

Thank You

I would like to express my gratitude to all my friends and relatives who sent me cards, flowers and candy during my long sickness and confinement to hospital. Also to the Chaplain of K.G.H. and Mr. Carne for their many cheery visits.

A special thanks to my family and associates who so capably took over my duties during my absence and also, to my friends who came to my aid in Township Affairs.

....Fred S. Neilson

Garden Chit Chat

Prepare soil now for spring bulbs.

Spring-flowering bulbs planted in early fall generally produce better blooms than late planted bulbs.

Bulbs grow well in a wide range of soils as long as adequate drainage is provided. A medium sandy loam soil is best. Lighten heavy soils with sand and organic matter - well rotted manure if you have it.

Early fall planting will allow the bulbs plenty of time to produce roots and become well established before winter. These bulbs can then start growing at the first sign of spring.

More about tuberous begonias. Before frost, dig up the plant, leaving as much soil as possible around the tubers; take indoors; when leaves have wilted, cut them off, leaving a few inches of the main stem on the tuber. A few weeks later take off the stem and soil and any roots clinging to the tuber, and store in boxes or plastic bags, with peat moss or vermiculite, (You never store begonias bare as you do glads) at a temperature of 50° - 60° F. Check once or twice during the winter, and if you find any disease or serious shrinking, discard the tuber.

Do you sometimes wish you could preserve your tomato plants until all the green tomatoes ripen? Last fall, before frost, we carried eight plants into the basement and hung them upside down on spikes, driven into the beams, and we had tomatoes until the middle of December.

....E.L.N.

Life is like a mirror It reflects the things you do And if you smile into it It will smile right back at you.

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Wanted

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"Be"

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill Be a scrub in the valley - but be The best little scrub by the side of the hill: Be a bush, if you can't be a tree If you can't be a bush, be a bit of the grass, And some highway happier make, If you can't be a muskie, then just be a bass -But the liveliest bass in the lake

We can't all be captains, we've got to be crew, There's something for all of us here There's big work to do and there's lesser to do And the task we must do is the near.

If you can't be a highway, then just be a trail If you can't be the sun, be a star It isn't by size that you win or you fall Be the best of whatever you are.

...Anonymous.
'Contributed by Marion Richards.'

Thank You

As parents of two of the boys in the 4H Calf Club we would like to personally thank the three gentlemen that made it possible for our boys to be members of a 4H Calf Club this year.

Bruce Caughey Jr. for all his time, trouble and encouragement in teaching the boys judging, grooming, and showmanship.

Keith Miller and James Neilson for their efforts in successfully organizing and running a fine club. I am sure our boys have both benefited greatly by being members this year.

...Lucille Brown and Ena Baker.

Over the Line Fence

Teacher- "Frank, what is a cannibal,"
Frank - "Don't know, mum,"
Teacher- "Well, if you ate your father and mother, what would you be?"
Frank - "An orphan, mum."

An old farmer was once asked by a young man how it was he became so rich.

"It is a long story" said the old man, "and while I am telling it we might as well save the candle," And he put it out. "You need not tell the story," said the youth, "I understand."

A junior grade teacher escorted her young charges to the race track for a learning experience. All eyes, the pupils enjoyed the afternoon and their new surroundings. As time grew late, many of the boys felt the call of nature and a reconnaissance soon found the "Men's Room". All the young hearties trouped inside and moments later, one reappeared to inform his teacher that the trough was too high. Being a person of quick resource, she decided that the only thing to do was to escort the young fellow inside and hold each boy up to the required height. This she did, and was getting along splendidly each in turn-when she suddenly noticed that the one she was holding seemed different, prompting her to ask, "Are you a pupil in the fifth grade?" "No," came the reply. "I'm a jockey from the fourth race."

The End

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Observations

During the past two weeks, Island people as well as visitors have been watching with interest the laying of the pipe line, between the Island dock and the Millhaven dock, which is to provide the implementation of the "bubble" system or our Island lifeline for the coming winter months.

The contract for the laying of this pipe is being carried out by the Canada Dredge and Dock of Kingston, who have a fleet of scows, a derrick barge and tugs on the scene of operations. The system of laying the pipe is a somewhat unique, one, at least to those of us who have never witnessed anything of this kind.

The thousands of feet of pipe were transported to the Island by transport, and placed in stock piles along the "forty-foot" leading from the Island dock. Welders have worked for days welding the 22 foot lengths of pipe together and installing the "bubblers", attaching draw eyes to the pipe and then when all is in readiness the tugs hitch on to the end of pipe and adhering to a given course pull toward the mainland. The first day of efforts on behalf of the tug "Halton" pulled some 3,500 feet on to the channel bed, with the outer end being supported on buoys. The next day's efforts were a little more difficult and some 2,000 feet were laid. As the length became longer, naturally the weight became greater and the tug "Rodgers" was pressed in to service. In spite of the addition of the more powerful tug, the third day's effort became more futile and it was necessary to attach a large compressor to the Island side of the pipe and with this in operation the water was forced out of the pipe and they were again able to move it. At time of writing the foreman on the job reports that approximately 10,000 feet have been laid, which makes the job well on to completion.

Other phases of the job sees large crews of Hydro workers tying in the new cable which was laid sometime ago in order to provide the necessary power for the motors which will drive the compressors. Cement pads have been laid on both docks to carry the four compressors which will produce the "bubbles" as well,

as provide a foundation for a building to protect the machinery from the weather.

It would seem that there is lack of communication between the Government Department in charge of this project and the local Council as little seems to be known of the overall plans. Observations note that there are two lines of pipe laid side by side for a great portion of the distance, a three inch pipe, through which the air is pumped and a two inch pipe, in which the "bubblers" are installed and are produced as the air returns. One is inclined to be a bit apprehensive of the damage to the pipe in the long haul in to the water as well as the long haul over the surfaced road before entering the water. One hopeful observation of the eventual success of the system was watching the steady stream of bubbles coming to the surface when

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the pipe was connected to the portable compressor on shore. This seemed to prevail in spite of depth of water and the pattern was clearly discernible as one watched from the Island dock. Island people have high hopes of the success of the system and will be looking forward in anticipation to the formation of the ice in the channel. One hears that this is the longest "bubble" system ever installed and doubtless is within the greatest depth of water. A similar system worked successfully in the Duluth-Superior harbour during the past two winters and facilitated the movement of ships. There is no doubt that very close studies have been made by engineers before an expenditure of these proportions were undertaken and we sincerely look forward to the success of the system in the North Channel.

Sept. 29/71.A.B.C.

Child Injured - Sept. 25

On Saturday morning a young boy, Noel McCormick, was struck by a vehicle driven by Mr. Leslie Strain.

The accident occurred at the intersection of the Front Road and the Forty-foot in the village of Stella. Mr. Strain was returning home from the morning milk trip to the cheese factory, when the five year old boy ran his bicycle into the path of the truck. Noel was thrown into the south ditch.

Initial shock and anxiety was of course immediate. However Noel soon recovered consciousness, and, after a check-up in the hospital, Saturday afternoon saw the bright blond head once more at frolic with his fellows in a game of football.

.... Staff. ****

To Our Subscribers

If anyone has been given subscription fees to pass on to Tina, our mail lady, please be prompt to submit the money as it saves unnecessary notices.

Out Our Way

The following have been recent visitors to the Island. Arline Earls, Cobden, with Vera and Maurice Hogeboom.

Eva Wemp, Verona, with her sister-in-law Marion Richards.

George and Margaret Bucknam, Toronto with Helen and Arthur Hinch.

Ted and Evelyn (Gamble) Harris and Jean, Brownsville with Nessie and Francis Welbanks.

Harold and Nellie Marshall, Conneaut, Ohio with their relatives.

Phyllis Welton has returned home after a delightful 28 days in England.

Marshall and Marion Glenn spent last weekend at Alliston and at Elmira where they were guests of Lucy and Francis Glenn.

Mary Filson has returned home after a holiday at Campbellford.

Word was received here recently of the death of Margaret Loughland, Watertown, N.Y. She was the widow of Rev. J. V. Loughland who ministered in St. Paul's from 1926-1929. On the Sunday following her death, her son Emerson and his wife Mary, Watertown, N.Y., with their daughter, granddaughter and Mrs. Jean Fear, Louisville, N.B. attended the evening service at St. Paul's.

We learned today of the passing of Stuart Pinder, Toronto, who was a frequent summer visitor at the Goodman home.

Harold Jensen, Toronto, who has his summer home in Stella underwent surgery last week.

Fred Neilson is making a good recovery in Kingston General Hospital. I was speaking to him by telephone this evening and he says he is feeling "pretty fair" and hopes to see us all shortly. Also to say thanks for him to all who have remembered him with cards and for their inquiry about his progress.

To-day, September 29th, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hitchins observed their 58th wedding anniversary. Congratulations and best wishes!

....Genevieve Fleming

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Church Services

St. Alban's

Sunday October 3 - 8:00 p.m.

October 10-9:00 a.m.

St. Bartholomew's

Saturday October 2 - 7:00 p.m.

October 9 - 7:00 p.m.

St. Paul's

Sunday October 3-8:00 p.m.

October 10-8:00 p.m.

...G. Fleming.

Down the Lane by M. Aitken.

The following poem was copied from the "Rideaucrest News" recently and merits entry into this column. The many friends of the late Elsie Wemp will share her husband's feeling of loss as he wrote these words:-

I've traveled this wide Dominion, O'er mountain, land and stream: I've helped to break the Prairie And I've ranched Ontario's greens, But the one I loved dear, With affection and cheer. That's been stricken with strokes and bed care Came back to health to a certain extent. And went wheeling her squeaky old chair Each day as I'd go and walk down the hall She would meet me again with her laughter, With that little Scotch giggle And quaint little smile To see what of earth I could give her, Love and affection was all she could give That's the greatest of all world desires. But when death knocks as the door And I take note of the past - -

The kindness shown by nurses and staff -

I'm happy to know

Of the laughter and glow

That rests in Rideaucrest Home.

Lovingly composed by her husband, Moutray Wemp.

Corn Silage Harvest

Roger Holden who does much custom work with his corn harvesting equipment has been operating steadily for about two weeks. The crop was excellent and surplus corn was reported.

James Eves and Bert Mulders are still busy with their own harvests.

About eight farmers depend on the corn crop and most hope that one more week will see the job finished.Staff.

Chalk Talk

New furniture arrived Monday morning to add comfort and convenience to the staff room.

Also, on Monday morning, Billie Emmerson brought our two lovely Budgie Birds to school and they are proving to be quite an attraction. As yet they are unnamed but we hope to choose names for them before too long.

Mr. Sheil is away for part of the week to a Principal's Seminar at Pinecrest Lodge in the Northern part of the county.

Basic skill tests were administered to the students of grades 4 and 6 on Tuesday afternoon by Miss Deanna Lewis.

A cranberry picking project by the senior grades is being planned and we wish them luck.

....School Reporter.

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High School Report

Last Friday was a busy day for a a number of students and teachers. The occasion was our N.D.S.S. Spirit Parade, which started on the Camden Road at 2:00, headed down Dandas then back up to the school. There were a few floats, but most entries were decorated cars, horses and costumed students. The purpose of the parade was to promote school spirit, and judging from the enthusiasm shown it was a smashing success. After the parade the first football game of the season was played.

A few girls at N.D.S.S. are getting together to form a "powder-puff football team". Valerie Filson and Jo-Anne Mulders are planning on trying out.

The art classes at the school went off to Toronto on Tuesday to hear a Canadian artist speak on mural painting. Jo-Anne Mulders, who is taking art this year, was one of the ones that went.

Household Hints

When using tomatoes as a garnish for salads: add at the last minute, cut in vertical slices (as the French do) to keep the juice from running.

Salad greens may be washed and ready to use, wrapped in aluminum foil and if well sealed will keep garden fresh for nearly a week.

...F. McDonald.

Square Dancing Anyone!

Anyone interested in joining a square dance club, contact Mrs. M. Veech for further information.

O.P.P. Press Release

Now that the days are getting shorter just a small reminder to parents. Whether your child is on foot or wheels - wear something light or reflective at night.

Owed (!) To "The Beacon"

Oh!' "The Amherst Island Beacon" is unique (is unique!.)

You won't find another like it, though you seek (though you seek)

It tells news of great and small

Winter, summer, spring and fall;

I can hardly wait each time to take a peak (take a peak!)

Oh! I use it in my classroom every year (every year!) Imitate it - and that's flattery sincere ('ry sincere!) My kids express their views,

And copy style and news -

We plagiarize "The Beacon" loud, and clear (loud and clear!)

Oh! we 'specially admire the clever hand (clever hand!) Of S. Miller, who can sketch to beat the band (beat the band!)

I must confess this, though,

We can neither place nor show

In competing with her - we're an also-ran (also-ran!)

Oh! I lend my copies - sent me by Noreen (by Noreen!) To all my teacher friends - who view the scene (view the scene!)

On Amherst Island's shore,

With great desire for more,

They love your mighty midget magazine (magazine!)

Oh! The time has come for me to say adieu (say adieu!) To another joyful summer spent with you (spent with you!)

Long may "The Beacon" shine

Here's four bucks - please send me mine

On to bigger, better efforts each issue (each issue!)

...H.M. Jones.

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Garden Chit Chat

There is still time to transplant perennials. Peonies are ready to be divided now. When locating them, try to find a place where they will get plenty of sun, but if they get too much sun the flowers will bleach - morning sun and afternoon shade is good if you can manage it.

It was a shame to have to dig bulbs you have to winter, just as they were starting to flourish, but don't let the frost get them, e.g. amaryllis.

No doubt you have slipped the geraniums for planting outside next spring. The whole large plant can be wintered in the basement. Place it in a large plastic bag, fasten securely, and hang upside down in a cool dark place in the basement.

Those who use parsley in cooking - cut and wash the leaves and form into balls, - like making a snowball - pack it firmly, wrap in waxed paper and freeze. When thoroughly frozen put in a plastic container and next winter when you need parsley - grate it into the soup or vegetable, and put the remainder back in the container. Parsley on buttered carrots is delicious.

....E. L. N. ****

The Potato

A potato went out on a mash And sought an onion bed; "That's pie for me", observed the squash And all the beets turned red. "Go away!" the onion weeping cried "Your love I cannot be, The pumpkin be your lawful bride You cantaloupe with me." But onward still the tuber came And lay down at her feet, "You cauliflower by any name And it will smell as sweet. And I, too, am an early rose And you I've come to see So don't turn up your lovely nose But spinach at with me." "I do not care at all to wed So go, sir, if you please." The modest onion meekly said "And let us, pray, have peas..." "To think that you have never seen Myself or smelled my sigh!" "Too long a maiden I have been For favors in your eye... "Oh!, spare a spud the tuber prayed "My cherished bride you'll be, You were the only weeping maid That's currant now for me."

And as the wiley tuber spoke
He caught her by surprise
And giving her an artichoke
Devoured her with his eyes.

Cow Falls Into Well?

On Wednesday morning several neighbours rushed to rescue a cow which had fallen through a well-covering near the Sheil residence in Stella. The cow, belonging to Art Drumgoole, struggled out with the aid of a tractor. {The cow belonged to Robert Tugwell which is corrected in the next issue.}

Mrs. Sheil who discovered the animal's distress, reported that several cows had been loose in the yard the previous evening, so it seems the cow had been in the hole for some time.

.....Staff.

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To The Editor

Dear Mr. Editor:

Could I use the medium of this press to express a point that for some time has been pressing heavily on my mind? It seems that every year drifts past and nothing materializes on the question of winter ice-skating facilities for the people of Amherst Island.

This appears a foolish statement with the knowledge that we are entirely surrounded by water; however the ice comes in late and these last several years have witnessed only two or three weeks of good skating-ice. Many attempts to provide a sheet of ice for skating on the harbour have resulted in very temporary success or no success at all.

Isn't it about time that we organized a concerted community effort to spearhead development of adequate facilities? We have an ice hockey team representation on the mainland; many young lads venture to Napanee to participate in their minor hockey program; numerous fans from Amherst Island support their team throughout the season, sometimes facing hazardous ice crossing to do so; the Athletic Club on the Island is a strong concern. Surely these statements speak in favour of such a move.

Wouldn't it be wonderful for recreation and sport if a modest rink with proper lighting, "warm-up shack" and boards were established in the community.

I have great faith in the fact that with the Beacon's support, the co-operation and drive of people like yourself and the Islanders, and the total involvement of all of us we could do this.

Let's not look back next fall and say "If only we

had!" Let's look back next spring and say "We are awfully glad we did!."

Anon.

Dear Anon:

I endorse your sentiments sincerely. As you chose to remain anonymous I'll suggest that to get the puck rolling, let's use an old method. Any persons who are of the same mind, submit a letter or just your name to the Island Beacon, c/o Puck Rolling.

...G.F. Sheil Editor.

Driving Club

Stuart Miller won with Spencer Heir at Frontenac Downs on Wednesday night.

Allen Caughey drove Scotch Tan, a horse owned by Mrs. Neil, to a win during the same race card. ...Staff.

Hunting Season

Many hunters were out in their chosen locations for the opening day's hunt. Many were somewhat disappointed as they missed bagging their limits. Several counts were two and three for the morning.

Word is around that game officials are keeping a fairly close eye on events this year, and it seems that this is the trend in other areas as well.

The flocks of geese are much in evidence as we head into the fall and many avid hunters scan the skies and fields for a shot at the Canadas.

...G.F. Sheil.

Notice

Baby clinic at public school Thursday, October 7th, 10:00 a.m.

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Puzzle Corner

Can you divide the following into four equal parts so that the numbers in each part add up to 15?

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Last Week- Not a single correct answer was received although Jim Varley submitted two answers that had equal parts but not equal shapes. {The previous sentence refers to a puzzle which did not appear in Issue 37, or any other issue.}

Over the Line Fence

There was an old person of Tring Who, when asked by someone to sing, Replied, "Isn't it odd? I can never tell 'God save the weasel' from pop goes the Queen!"

"Do you wish the court to understand that you refuse to pay your dog licence?"

"Yes, your Worship, but -"

"We want no 'buts' you will be fines. You know the licence has expired."

"Yes, and so has the dog."

Moses had indigestion like you have, Mother," announced small Elinor at the Sunday dinner table. "Why what makes you think so?" questioned her

"Why, what makes you think so?" questioned her astonished mother.

"Because," said Elinor, "God gave Moses two tablets."

Patron -"Do you serve fish here?"
Waiter - "Certainly, we cater to everyone."

"I must have a holiday," said the pretty cashier in a restaurant. "I'm not looking my best."

"Ridiculous," said the manager,

"It isn't ridiculous, the men are beginning to count their change."

Old lady (to tramp) "Why don't you work? Hard work never killed anyone."

Tramp - "You're wrong lady, lady, I lost both my wives that way."

A Scotchman in planning his new home left the roof off one room. A friend asked the reason for this. "Oh, that's the shower" replied the Scotchman.

'Our Bill'

The End

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Progressive Conservative Meeting

On Thursday evening, October 14th Syl Apps, Conservative MLA for Kingston and the Islands, attended a political assembly in Victoria Hall at Stella.

Approximately one-hundred people were in attendance, as Mr. Apps highlighted his eight years service to this riding. Foremost in his address was his attachment to the people of Amherst Island - one of the reasons for his purchase of the former Moutray residence with plans for its restoration. Outstanding in the Island's way of life is the cheese factory and through co-operation on many levels, he stated how the factory had been maintained as a year round market for the milk. The improvements of ferry service over the past few years and the prospects of winter service to the Island was a record in which Mr. Apps took pride. Also mentioned in his speech were programs of the Ontario government, designed to enhance the farmer's financial picture.

Accompanied by his wife and several acquaintances, Mr. Apps enjoyed talking informally with many of his constituents, following a buffet lunch which was served by a group of ladies.

Lively music from the accordion of Jimmy Forbes and the piano of Tommy Howe proved a delight to the gathering. Many joined in singing and clapping such favourites as "Road to the Isle" and "Pack All Your Troubles."

Henry Hitchins, who introduced Mr. Apps, as a "person with the Island's interest at heart", joined with the crowd as Mr. and Mrs. Apps arose and all sang "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows."

....G. F. Sheil.

Municipal Affairs

Council Corner

At the recent council meeting, representatives from the Department of Labour were on hand to discuss holiday pay for township employees.

Also arising at the council meeting was the question of liabilities in regard to the bubble system while in

winter operation.

This very important area of responsibility will be under discussion in future.

....Staff

Compressors Arrive

Four compressors have arrived at the Millhaven dock as the bubble system nears completion. With early anxieties somewhat abated, optimism, regarding the prospects for winter service to Amherst Island, is quite evident as the laying of the pipe has been completed and it remains just to "iron out a few bugs."

....Staff *****

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O.P.P. Press Release

Thanksgiving weekend is over, but it has left its mark on statistics and in the homes of many people in Ontario.

In the Napanee Detachment area 15 m.v.c.'s were investigated, 9 of these being the property damage type while 6 were personal injury, 10 persons sustained injuries and hospital treatment as a result. A total of 67 occurrences other than traffic were looked after by the officers here. A breakdown of these reveals 6 thefts, 4 break and enters, 4 disturbances, 5 requests for assistance, 3 compassionate messages delivered and 45 other types of various minor occurrences.

During last week the officers travelled 10,562 miles of highway, county and township roads as they worked 1,160 man hours. Highway traffic act charges totalled 49, with 41 warnings issued to motorists for various reasons.

Drivers: A Word To The Wise

Reduce your speed when another car approaches at night. As it gets nearer, your vision will drop from about 275 feet to about 150 feet. As it passes, your vision is limited to about 90 feet, even when you don't look directly into the lights. If you make the mistake of looking directly at the oncoming headlights, the glare will blind you for more than 3 seconds. At 60 m.p.h. this will result in your driving "blind" for the length of a football field.

Turkey Supper And Bazaar Victoria Hall November 6, 1971, Time - 6:00 p.m. Admission Adults \$2.00 Children \$1.00 Sales Tables Home Baking, Candy, Sewing, Fish Pond for the Children. Proceeds - Amherst Island Anglican Church Women. *****

Out Our Way

Visitors at Thanksgiving weekend included Marjorie and Jack Sylvester, Point Clair, Quebec at "The Chalet" on the Lake Shore.

Juanita and Holly Brady, Ottawa at their cottage. Cathy Sylvester, Sundridge at her home here.

Marjorie and Tom Tooke and Tom Jr., Grimsby with Jean and Earl Tugwell.

Dorothy and Tim Murphy, Calabogie with Vera and Maurice Hogeboom.

Winnie Bailey, Whitby with Grace and Eric Bailey. Edward Filson, Ottawa, with his mother Mary Filson.

Winnifred and Ray Jamieson, Tim, Lynda, Mark and Pam, Ottawa with Genevieve and Ernest Fleming.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Blue, Dutton, with Art and Nessie Drumgoole.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kelford and Family, Smiths Falls with Glenn and Shirley Sheil.

The previous week, Aubrey Rhamey, Toronto, former principal of Stella Continuation School, and his son Paul, were guests of Francis and Nessie Welbanks. Aubrey is now principal of Eastern Commerce Collegiate, Toronto.

Those who holidayed. elsewhere included Ted and Heather Welbanks, John and Ricky at Sudbury with Paul and Carol Glenn and family.

Pete and Ytze Witteveen at Peterborough with Zwantze and Leonard Kehoe and family.

Bruce and Helen Caughey at Grand Valley with the Woods family.

Three of our former senior citizens are now confined to Ongwanda Hospital in Kingston. Eddie Fleming has been feeling a bit under the weather for awhile. We hope he is improved by this time. Mrs. Donald White and Irve Tugwell are as well as can be expected.

....Genevieve Fleming.

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Church Services St. Alban's: Sunday October 24 8:00 p.m. October 31 9:00 a.m. St. Paul's:

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October 31 7:30 p.m.

St. Bartholomew's:

Saturday October 23 7:00 p.m.

October 30 7:00 p.m.

Notice - Ladies

On October 26th, November 2, 4, and 9th a Home Management Course is being offered by the Department of Agriculture and Food.

The time is from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the public school.

...Bruce Hart, Assistant Agriculture Representative.

Auction Sale

School Equipment, Large School Bells, Pianos, Desks, Tables, Etc.

5½ miles east of Napanee at Switzerville School.

Saturday, Oct. 23 9:30 a.m.

Being sold for the Lennox & Addington County Board of Education.

H. Bruce Snider, Auctioneer.

Weather

Unseasonably wet weather has resulted in plant growth; reports of apple blossoms in October and roses budding in the fall are making the rounds.

Today, October 14, was a beautiful fall day; the sun shone warmly and the aura of autumn was at its resplendent best.

Athletic Club News

This years Athletic Club Banquet will take place on Friday, October 22, 7:00 p.m. at Victoria Hall. Tickets may be purchased from your baseball captain or at Filson's Coffee Shop. The dead-line for ticket purchase is Saturday, October 16, as the caterers, the Amherst Island Woman's Institute must be informed as to how much food to prepare.

Children's tickets are limited to twenty so please leave your request for these tickets where you purchase your ticket so that the tickets may be distributed as fairly as possible.

(Wanted - Volunteers to serve. Free Meal.)

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Down the Lane

(from a 1960 newspaper clipping)

Some changes, worthy of note, have been taking place in the quiet little village of Stella, on Amherst Island.

For longer than anyone, now living on the Island, can remember, the post office was in Neilson's Store, at the eastern end of the village. As nearly as F.S. Neilson, present owner of the store, can find out, it is between 90 and 95 years ago that his father, J.S. Neilson, became postmaster.

In attempting to get more details on the early history of the post office a few years ago, Mr. Neilson called on Capt. J. Saunders, a retired gentlemen in his late 80's, who lived across from the store. The answer he got was, "I guess you'll have to ask some of the "old-timers" about that. The post office has been there as long as I can remember." No "old-timers" being available, it was settled.

L.R. Neilson, son of J.S. Neilson, followed his father as postmaster. Shortly before his death last fall, he wrote for the Women's Institute what he could remember of the early days of the of the postal service. But he dealt only with the carrying of the mail across the water. His earliest memories were of one, John Baker, sailing out of Stella harbor with the traditional leather mail pouch which was sufficient to carry both the out going and the incoming mail. At that time there were two post offices - one at Stella and one at Emerald, with the forwarding office at Bath. He traced the story of the mail service across the bay from the early days of row boat and sail boat in summer through the days of the first motor boat used by W.J. Beaubien. This boat was quite an innovation. It was built by Peter Grattan on the island and the engine bought from the St. Laurence Engine Co. James Strain followed Mr. Beauhien and used a covered boat which was considered quite de luxe. Mr. Beaubien served a second term, followed by W.J. McKee and Richard O'Connor. There was no ferry and each of these men had some exciting experiences. Until the first ferry was procured, the mailman was called upon at any hour of the day or night, to cross for various reasons. For many years Art Drumgoole has given faithful service. The winter trips can still cause the mail carrier rugged and dangerous trips. But Mr. Drumgoole and his smart-stepping team are always on the job - making many extra trips, especially at the beginning and end of the ice season.

Now the post office is moved to one end of a brick building near the western end of the village. The building is owned by Ross Filson who remodelled it, put a lunch room in one end, living quarters in the centre, a Legion meeting room in the second storey of the other end and the post office below. Herbert Wires is the new postmaster, formerly of Toronto where he was a postal

employee for many years.

The change of post office will be hard to get used to but no doubt convenient for villagers in the west end.

The death recently of the Capt. Saunders mentioned earlier was another change. He lived opposite the Neilson Store for many years and took great pride in his flower garden.

....Marj. Aitken

On October 31st Support Syl Apps Vote to keep Ontario growing. Sponsored by the Progressive Conservative Party of Kingston and the Islands.

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Chalk Talk

The cranberry picking proved to be a very successful trip. They were brought back to the school around noon, cleaned and then taken to Glenn's corner and sold, profit made nineteen dollars and ninety cents.

We are in the process of choosing Electives, and helpers are being requested to volunteer. The Electives are to be under way by the first of November.

The senior room created a beautiful large Thanksgiving "Conglomerate" mural.

Two of Mrs. Caughey's better writers are now permitted to write with pen; they are Penny Gibson and Jane Henderson.

A new addition to the "Dew-Drop Inn", a small snapping turtle was brought in by Dale McGinn.

The Primary room was busy last week preparing for Thanksgiving. Painting, stories, May Flower and turkey too, were all part of the preparations. Now everyone is back a little fatter and ready for more work.

....Janice Willard.

Electives

Electives are areas of study presented by the school in which students have a wide selection of interesting topics. For our program of electives, we are attempting to utilize the resources of the community to a large degree. Many people will be involved in a wide range of activities: hunting, paper mache, motor mechanics, baking, sewing, art, craft work, care of pets, puppetry, farm study.

The response to the initial stages is very promising and it appears that the electives offered are excellent choices.

....Principal.

High School Report

Now that the voting age is eighteen, a large number of students at N.D.S.S. can vote. On Tuesday morning the three candidates for the election were at the school to present their platforms. The question period that followed the short speeches proved to be very informative and gave the student body a good idea of what each party was concerned with.

The level four biology class, went on a field trip to the caves at Shannonville last week. Jo-Anne Mulders and Joyce Wemp went along decked out in boots and hard hats.

This year we have two students from the Island in the N.D.S.S. Junior Band. Debbie Gibson plays the clarinet, and Billy Brown the flute. Usually they have a band concert at the school at some time during the year, we'll have to be watching for this event.

....Laurie Kilpatrick.

It's Apple Blossom Time.... (Whig-Standard, Oct. 1/71)

It's blossom time for at least one schizophrenic apple tree on Amherst Island.

The tree bearing both apples and blossoms on the same branches was spotted by Leonard Wallace of 154 Pine Street on the property of his cousin Wilbert Willard of R.R. 1, Stella.

"It's the darndest thing I've ever seen, I've never seen anything like it before." said Mr. Wallace.

The tree had been split "nearly in half', he said, and one half had nothing on it while the other half carried both apples and blossoms.

Mr. Wallace couldn't identify the type of tree with the split personality.

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The apples are "pretty big and pretty hard" - some kind of cooking apples, he said.

Puck Rolling - ?

Two responses were received by the editor of the Beacon in favour of organizing a community sponsored ice rink on Amherst Island. I was very confident that a promising show would be elicited through publishing a letter submitted to the Beacon by an Island resident.

I thank those two people for coming forward with their words of encouragement. We now have four people very much behind the idea. However it is, indeed, discouraging to reflect that others harboured such apathy that they were not inclined to stand up and be counted - or - it might be assumed that the concept of an ice rink was not worthwhile anyway.

Dreams are made of fluffy stuff and wishes - realities are made of sacrifice and callouses.G. F. Sheil.

What Is Happiness?

It's a seed that is planted down in the heart.

That only deepens and grows;
It is Joy, it's Cheer, it's Faith through the years
It's a puppy, a Kitten, a Rose!
It's the rainbow that comes after the storm,
It's the sun, it's the heavens of blue;
It's a fire on the hearth, it's a good book to read;
It is Love, it is dear Friendship too!

It's finding some goodness in each man you meet, And overlooking the bad;

And overlooking the bad;

It's finding some worth in each experience on earth;

The good ones, the bright ones, the sad!

It's making the best of things as they may come,

It's a smile, even when there are tears;

It's hands that are busy for others it's love

And a Faith that but grows with the years.

Keith Bennett.

Apology

The Beacon, in its 38th edition, attached the wrong ownership to a cow belonging to Mr. Robert Tugwell. We incorrectly reported Mr. Arthur Drumgoole as the owner.

....Staff.

I will be on the Island with all kinds of vegetables, potatoes and several good varieties of apples including Russets on Wednesday, October 20th. Rain or shine. Jas. A. Robinson

D.D. A. Nomana

R.R. 4, Napanee.

From The Editor's Chair

- Agri-News.

Most, if not all of the corn silage is harvested. Grain corn picking is starting to get under way. Winter wheat should be all planted by now. Fall plowing is partially done on most farms. But, what about your fall fertilization program? Has this been forgotten or "put off till later?" You can plow down phosphorus and potash on your corn fields. Broadcasting of phosphous and potash on your hay and pasture fields is also desirable. How much fertilizer? This depends on your

soil test results. If you haven't soil tested yet, then it is advisable to do so right away. Information on soil sampling, soil sample bags and soil sample boxes are all available at the Agriculture Office.

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Another area of concern now is weeds. While this years growing season is over, don't forget about weed control. It is advisable to make up a field plan for your farm and note on it which weeds were problems this year. Also note what spray(s) and rates were used this year. It is easier now to make up this type of plan than it will be next spring. This field plan allows you to plan ahead for your weed control next year - you can alter your spray program as required.

In the area of planning ahead - have you established a basic herd? From Finance Minister Benson's tax changes you could have to pay capital gains tax when animals not in a basic herd are sold. Your basic herd should be established before December 31st, 1971. The basic herd allows you an exemption from capital gains taxes on the number of head sold within the basic herd. Any animals not covered would of course be subject to capital gains tax. In order to establish a basic herd contact your regional tax office - in either Kingston or Belleville.

Farming in 1947 and no basic herd established. Then get a neighbour or veterinarian or other persons familiar with your farming operation at that time to sign an affidavit stating the number of head you had then. Establishing a basic herd now will save you money later.

Roast Wild Goose

Wild, goose is not as fat as the domestic variety and has a tendency to dry out during cooking. A wise cook bastes with liquid during roasting, or you may prefer to protect the bird with a layer of salt pork or bacon strips.

Mix together and. place in cavity:

1 large onion, chopped

1 large tart apple, chopped

1 cup chopped celery.

Place goose in covered roaster and let stand overnight in a cool place.

Preheat oven to 400°F. Remove vegetables and apple from goose and fill with:

4 cups soft stale bread crumbs

2 cups chopped apple

1 cup raisins

1/3 cup finely chopped onion

2 teaspoons salt

1 teaspoon poultry seasoning

Stir in 1/2 cup butter, melted. Makes about 6 cups.

Lady Driver (after collision) - "But I insist it was my fault."

Gentleman Driver - "No, my dear lady, it was my fault. I could tell your car was being driven by a woman at least 300 feet away and I could easily have driven over into the field and avoided this."

"I got a real kick out of kissing Jane, last night."

"Any more than usual?"

"Yea, the old man caught me."

Ozzy (learning the business) - "Fadder, dere is a customer in de store vat vants to know if dose all wool, inshrinkable shoits vill shrink."

Fadder - "Does it fit him?"

Ozzy - "No, it iz too large."

Fadder - "Veil, den dey'll shrink."

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"How would you classify a telephone girl?

"Is her's a business or a profession?"

"Neither. It's a calling."

The End

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