

Purple Valley

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(by Audrey Hepburn) ORANGE LODGE HALL TO BE SOLD

Many former residents of this community will be sorry to hear that the Orange Lodge Hall is being sold.

I do not know too much of the history of the hall, but I do know it holds many, many memories for a great number of us.

That is where we learned to dance. I can remember when, for 50 cents you could dance round dances, square dances, waltzes and fox trots to the Cape Croker Indian orchestra from nine til one on Friday nights. How we enjoyed the music.

There is a good chance you met your wife or husband at this hall. Perhaps you kissed your first girl there, smoked your first cigarette, tasted your first drink. Perhaps, like us, this is where your wedding shower was held with all the neighbours gathering to wish you the best and the ladies serving a bountiful lunch and tea, served from the huge pot, kept hot on the pot bellied stove at the door.

Just think, no more allemande lefts or ladies cross your lily white hands, no more wedding parties, no more euchres, no more quiltings, no more maple syrup festivals, no more reunions, no more Halloween parties or Christmas concerts with the big green tree, presents and candy and the shining eyes of the little ones singing carols and saying their recitations, no more Santa Claus rushing in, throwing snow balls, kissing the ladies and promising rings to the eligible girls and false teeth to

anybody who needed them that year.

Remember the agony of sitting on those benches along the side and waiting for that certain boy to ask you for a dance.

Remember? I remember. What do you remember?

-Lottie Urbshott, Wiarton, is visiting for a few days with Bill and Audrey Hepburn after being in the hospital. Her sisters Mary Stewart, Wiarton and Vera Baetz and niece Dianne Baetz, Walkerton called on her for an hour on Friday afternoon.

-Clifford and Sharon Gilbert visited over the weekend in Dundas with her sister Dorothy and Ken McArthur.


-Cathy Cook spent the weekend with Dianne Frizzell in Wiarton. -Mrs. Beatrice Pruder is home from the hospital and says she is feeling better.

-Bill and Judy Glassford had as guests over the weekend, Peter and Marie Thompson, Inglewood and Bill's aunt Ethel and Uncle Chris, Mississauga.

-The Purple Valley 4-H girls have just completed another project called "Leisure Wear." This club was led by Mrs. Elaine Rouse and Mrs. Goodale. Don't forget Achievement Day is December 4.

-Gail and Sally Gilbert were in Kitchener recently visiting Gail's mother, Mrs. Nora Gilbert who has been a patient in the hospital there.

-Allan Hepburn spent the weekend in Toronto with Lois and Garth Keays and took in the Royal Winter Fair.



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Connie Cook, a W.D.H.S. student, modelled this evening dress, made from Style pattern 1595, at a fashion show at the school last Thursday.

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We have just listed the "Old Orange Hall". It has one large room with hardwood floor and two one piece toilets with holding tank. Many possibilities. Make us an offer.

WINCH: Floyd passed away at the General and Marine Hospital in Owen Sound on Sunday, November 21, 1976 in his 65th year.

Floyd Winch is survived by his wife Dorothy Mulveney and his family Susan (Mrs. T. Neely) of Orillia; Ann (Mrs. R. McIntyre) of Petawawa; Cathy (Mrs. Ted Willis) and James, both of Meaford; Keith of Vanderhoof, B.C.; Michael and Debbie at home.

Also survived by ten grandchildren and predeceased by two brothers.

Floyd is the son of the late James and Emma Winch, and was born at Purple Valley. He resided his childhood in Wiarton and returned and lived in Wiarton after his marriage. He served overseas for five years with the Canadian Armed Forces Kent Regiment.

He had been retired for 1½ in Owen Sound, and had lived in Meaford thirteen years, prior to that.

The funeral service was held from the Gardiner Funeral Home, Meaford on Wednesday, November 24, 1976 at 2 p.m.

The Canadian Legion, Branch 32 held a memorial service on Tuesday at 8 p.m. Rev. Aikman United Church minister conducted the service.

Burial, Lakeview Cemetery, Meaford.

COVENEY: In loving memory of Hector, who passed away November 28, 1970.

His cheery ways and pleasant face

Are a pleasure to recall,
He had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.

Some day we hope to meet him,
Some day, we know not when,
To clasp his hand in the better land,

Never to part again.
Always remembered by wife
Josie and family. 31-pd