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LOCAL NEWS

Miss Alexandria Turner was home from Hespeler for the week-end.

Miss Bessie Stewart was a week-end visitor with friends at Brampton.

Miss Marie Hamilton spent the week-end at her home in Berkeley.

A number of supporters accompanied the hockey team to Dundalk last Monday night.

Miss Dorothy McCauley of Owen Sound visited over the week-end with Miss Bernice Powley.

Mrs. Howard Demmon spent the week-end with her daughter, Norma, and other friends in Toronto.

Miss Helen McCormick of Toronto visited over the week-end with her brother, Joe McCormick of Glenelg.

Miss Dorothy Cowan of Hawarden, Sask., is spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. J. W. Boyd, and Mr. Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Loucks, Kenneth and Doris of Chatsworth visited Sunday with Mrs. Stella Wyvill and Hazel.

Mr. William Whittin has returned to his home here after visiting for some time with relatives at Belleville and Detroit.

The Junior Bridge Club concluded their weekly playing last Thursday evening when they were entertained at the home of Mrs. Alan McCormick.

Lieut. Randal Bythell, F.L.N.O., stationed at Digby, Nova Scotia, visited recently with his father, Rev. J. R. Bythell who is a patient in hospital here.

Mrs. W. D. Mercer received word on Thursday of the death at Owen Sound of her aunt, Mrs. G. Deans. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon.

This district had a down pour of rain this Wednesday and the streets to-day are extremely icy. A high wind is blowing which makes the going none too easy.

The late T. A. Chard, who passed away in Cloverdale, B.C., and whose obituary appeared in last week's issue, was a son-in-law of Mrs. G. Leitch of Irish Lake district.

Miss Mildred Bussey has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bussey. Mildred has recently completed her hair-dressing course in Collingwood and will try examinations in Toronto the early part of March.

The Service of Worship for Youth will be held in Cooke's Church on Sunday evening, February 25th, at 8:30 o'clock, with the members of the Young People's Societies of Markdale participating. Everyone welcome.

The Prices Board has announced the canning sugar allowance for Canadians this year will be the same as in 1944, 10 pounds per person, but that because of the world sugar situation the regular sugar ration to each coupon book holder will be reduced two pounds a year.

The Berkeley Patriotic Society met in the Orange Hall on Thursday last and packed fifteen boxes for our boys overseas. These boxes each weighed nine pounds and cost \$85.15. They consisted of fruit cake, gum, mints, peanuts, chocolate drinks, kani, cheese, chox, sardines, tea, tomato juice, raisins, shaving cream, razor blades, tooth paste, tooth brushes and bachelor buttons.

Mrs. C. W. Noble is visiting her niece, Mrs. J. F. Fox in Kitchener. Mrs. Fox is the former Beth Kilpatrick and will be remembered by many friends in Markdale where she attended school for some years. In writing to The Standard, Beth says her brother, Gerald, is fine and working now. Her husband is in the army and has been overseas for four years and at the present time is in the big push with the 1st Canadian Army.

Out of town guests at the regular monthly meeting of Freedom Chapter, O.E.S., Markdale on Thursday last, were Mrs. Jennie Little, East District, Deputy Grand Matron of this district, and Mrs. Rowe, Immediate Past Worthy Matron of Owen Sound Chapter. The former made a gift of one of the emblems of the Order to the local chapter, and on behalf of the visitors, Mrs. Rowe presented Mrs. F. D. Sawyer, the Worthy Matron of Freedom Chapter, with a lovely corsage of roses. Also present was Mrs. Gawley of Owen Sound, who rendered several pleasing solos. At the conclusion of the meeting lunch was served and a social time was enjoyed.

Assessment Judgment

Of public interest was an appeal before Judge Morley of the assessment on the property of the Fishing Club, west of the village, by W. R. Baker of Toronto who purchased the same from William G. Lee, formerly of Markdale for the sum of \$2850.

This property comprising about 12 acres, part of which is in the village of Markdale and part in Glenelg, was assessed last year for \$3000 but reduced by the Court of Revision this year to \$2500.

According to the Ontario Statutes a municipality has the right to assess an easement (rights and privileges connected with the property). It states, "Where an easement is appurtenant to any land it should be assessed in connection with and as part of such land at the added value it gives to such land."

Judge Morley decreed that \$2500 was a fair assessment for this property. Learning there was no assessment on the buildings, and since two cabins and a boat house had been erected since the appellant bought the property, an additional \$500 was considered a fair assessment on the buildings.

'Rehabilitation' Was Subject Of Address At Rotary Club

"An effective rehabilitation program can only be carried on if it gets public support", stated Charlie Johnston of the Owen Sound Rotary Club at the Markdale Club on Tuesday evening. The speaker stated the work of rehabilitation should look after the soldier when he is discharged; it should look after those who are vocational minded to find a vocation and give him a means of learning that vocation; it should assist in placing those who are interested in agriculture to find the means of getting started; it should help those who are amputation cases to find worthwhile occupations. "All the grants that have been made available by the government should be used to assist the returned man in getting settled."

Mr. Johnston believed there should be some consideration given to placing men in the less inhabited centres so that the returned men will be self supporting and not disturbed by the upsetting of changes made by economic conditions. The Act to assist those who are to be rehabilitated should be studied so that effective assistance can be given to those who need help. In urban centres a committee should be established to give guidance to the returned men. Authority in the Act is given for this action.

Charlie Johnston is the secretary of the Rehabilitation committee in Owen Sound and this committee has drawn up a constitution to direct their work. The organization has included in its ranks men of various vocations and professions to assist in giving direction and guidance.

He stated that men who come out of the army find the civilian way of life a considerable change to that which they have been used to and these men require guidance in their civilian life. In the army their whole life has been directed in detail; the change is a big one.

In conclusion he urged that there is a need to help the returned man; he needs everyone's backing and it is a patriotic duty to give every effort to get him established.

Mr. Johnston was introduced to the club by M. C. Richards and at the conclusion of his address was thanked on behalf of the club by W. J. Messenger.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gillen 30 Years Married

Mr. and Mrs. James Gillen of Markdale who reside on George Street were thirty years wed on Thursday, February 15th. Mr. Gillen is the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Gillen of Dornoch district while Mrs. Gillen came from Perth, Scotland. In recent years they have resided in Markdale and vicinity.

Of their family of seven children, five have been on active service, two having been discharged. The three sons now serving overseas are: Gnr. Robert and Alexander in Holland, and Pte. James in England, convalescing from wounds. Mrs. Nelson Merton, who resides in Markdale is a daughter.

Artemesia Council Appoints Township Officials

Artemesia Council made two important appointments at the regular meeting held Monday afternoon. Mr. Arthur Chard was appointed as Clerk while Mr. Aubrey Foster of Markdale is the new Treasurer. These appointments were made necessary owing to the death of Mr. Alex. Cameron of Eugenia, who held the combined offices of Clerk-Treasurer for the past several years. Mr. Chard is well-known throughout the Township, having been an efficient Collector of Taxes for about fifteen years, and will now combine the two offices. Mr. Foster is well-known in the northern part of the township. Both these men will no doubt fill their offices with satisfaction to the Council and citizens and with credit to themselves.—The Flesherion Advance.

NEWS OF OUR BOYS IN UNIFORM

Pte. Bill Fraser spent the week-end with his grandmother, Mrs. A. McCutcheon.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Weber of Kimberley have received a letter from their son, Pte. Wayne Weber, who recently arrived in England.

In a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fraser, Tpr. Jack Fraser tells of his trip overseas recently. In it he says that Gilpin Wells and Angus Turner of Markdale and two Young boys from Berkeley district were on the same boat.

Word has been received by his mother, who resides in Prieville, that her son, Cpl. Lloyd Whyte had died of wounds while serving in Holland. He had spent his boyhood days on the farm near Prieville where he was born. Deceased who was in his twenty-first year is a brother-in-law of Lucille Lee, formerly of Markdale. Cpl. Whyte's father, Sgt. Garfield Whyte, passed away suddenly at Halifax not a month ago (Feb. 1st).

I.O.O.F. Cigarette Fund

Recent donations to the Odd Fellows' overseas cigarette fund include the following:

Mrs. W. Prust \$1.00

World Day Of Prayer Service Held

Nearly fifty women were present on Friday afternoon last to take part in the World's Day of Prayer service which this year was held in the Gospel Worker's Church, with Mrs. C. J. McNicol presiding, assisted by Mrs. N. E. Casswell. The service was responsive throughout.

The theme, "That we should show forth the praise of Him who hath called us out of darkness into His marvellous light" from 1 Peter 2:9, was developed following the call to prayer, by periods of worship and thanksgiving followed by periods of confession and intercession.

Prayers were offered by members of the various churches represented. A duet was rendered by Mrs. M. Beltry and Mrs. Langman and a reading by Mrs. Belmyres was followed by a solo by little Ivan Belmyres.

The reading and prayers covered every area of Christian living. It was stated that the life-blood of the church is prayer and that believers are called to reverent awe in the presence of God; to holiness, and to living as those redeemed by the precious blood of Christ.

The offering goes to the treasurer of the inter-board committee of the W.M.S. of Canada for Christian work throughout the world.

Short Courses Interest District Farmers

Sponsored by Markdale Agricultural Society and the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Short Courses are being held in the local office for three days this week in the interest of the farmers of the district.

On Tuesday, Mr. George Scott of Derby Township gave instruction on the installation and upkeep of Hydro on the farm and in the home. On Wednesday, R. H. Graham, B.S.A., of the Ontario Livestock Branch, of Toronto was the speaker, and this Thursday, Field Crops will be the topic discussed by Prof. R. Keegan, B.S.A., of the Field Husbandry Dept., O.A.C., Guelph.

Between twenty and thirty farmers have been present each day to profit by this course of instruction.

Robbers Visit Flesherion Car and Safe Stolen

Burglars who figured in a double robbery over the week-end, entered Boyd's garage in Flesherion early Sunday morning and made their get away with a safe and stolen car. Earlier the same night the thieves had stolen a milk truck as well as their loot near Islington and drove it to Flesherion. After breaking their way into the garage, they loaded the safe into a car belonging to Mrs. Wes. Armstrong. These were recovered the following morning at Islington. The Flesherion robbery was not discovered till 10 o'clock on Sunday morning, and so far no persons have been arrested.

Contents of the safe was about \$300 as well as cheques and other valuable papers.

Church in Durham Burned

Fire of unknown origin badly damaged St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church at Durham on Wednesday morning of last week when the interior of the church was gutted. Heavy damage was done to the furnishings, although the roof and frame of the building remain intact. Insurance carried will partially cover the loss.

Red Cross Appeal for Funds

"Ontario has undertaken to raise half of the \$10,000,000 which the Canadian Red Cross Society is asking in the national campaign for funds beginning next month," a statement released jointly by Mrs. Arthur W. Ellis, president of Ontario Division, and Mr. Ian R. Dowie, the division's honorary campaign chairman said recently.

Having been asked by the government to collaborate in this campaign with the Canadian Allied United Relief Fund, the Canadian Red Cross faces added responsibilities this year. Money will be raised for the relief of the stricken peoples of eleven allied nations and this will be accomplished through one campaign, instead of many.

Ontario collects more than fifty per cent of Canadian Red Cross funds raised in the Dominion. Over half of all Red Cross work accomplished in Canada is done within this province. Cost of the helpful service which Red Cross is rendering servicemen on hospital and troop trains in Canada; a similar conducting service for the British wives of Canadian soldiers, as well as the erection of Red Cross lodges at military hospitals in Canada, bulk large in this year's budget. Outpost hospital service, biggest peace-time project of Red Cross, is an important item, with plans under way for additions to existing hospitals and erection of new buildings.

Coming Events

The Anglican Church are planning to hold a bake sale, tea, and bazaar on the 17th of March. Keep this date open.

SKATING AND DANCE—Skating on Saturday 7:30 to 9:30. Dance following skating. Ruben Kirk's orchestra. Admission to dance 35 cents.

Grand Ice Carnival; Figure Skating Exhibition

The grand ice carnival and figure skating exhibition held here on Tuesday night proved to be the outstanding event of the winter season, when one of the largest crowds to pack its way into Markdale Arena in some time was present. Chief attraction of the evening was the figure skaters from the Georgian Skating Club of Owen Sound and these put on an exhibition of numbers which drew much applause from the audience. Of special interest too, was the newly-formed Markdale Skating Club, who gave a very good account of themselves.

The figure skating was introduced by a demonstration by five of the visiting artists of the five elementary school figures it is necessary to know to become a figure skater. Twenty-four local figure skaters comprised the opening march. Numbers by the Georgian Skating Club opened with a pleasing waltz by eight couples headed by Marion Pigeon, the instructor of the local club, and Hugh Mercer, who has been chiefly instrumental in getting a skating club organized here. A comedy featured Marion Pigeon and Tom Crane, the latter being the president of the visiting club and who was later introduced during the program as the one whose efforts had made this visit possible.

The number by a junior pair, Carol Hipwell and Patsy Shears, was particularly gracefully done for their years. Solo by Gwen Gardhouse who is outstanding as a figure skater delighted the audience. Following the fox trot by Georgian Skating Club, the youngest member of the local club, little Marilyn Hannah skated twice around the rink. The quartet by Louise Bradford, Jean Kennedy, Betty Shears and Phyllis Campbell attired alike showed precision of movement, while the number by Gwen Gardhouse and Jean Shears was exceptionally well done. Other numbers equally well enjoyed were an amusing comedy by Rose Keenan, "When Grandma Tries Her Skates"; pair, Mr. and Mrs. Creighton Bradford; tango, Georgian Skating Club; comedy, Shirley Owens and Lawrence Phillips, and a solo by Jean Shears which showed remarkable skill. The ten-step by the visiting artists, Owen Sound and Markdale skaters. Headed by the latter there was a total of forty-six skaters on the ice and their formations on the ice and costumes made a pretty picture.

Music was supplied throughout for each number and each one was introduced and commented on through the public address system. During the program appreciation was expressed to the Georgian Bay skaters who had given the Markdale Club kind and valuable assistance. Master of ceremonies was Mr. Thos. Crane, and the announcer, Mr. Hugh Mercer.

Local figure skaters taking part, besides Mr. Mercer, were: Audrey Kidd, Lois Kidd, Lois Acheson, Mrs. Ella Hyslop, Eleanor Henry, Doreen Alcox, Lois Summers, Judith Sawyer, Anne Merriam, Maxine Parliament, Mrs. Ethel Simpson, Marilyn Hannah, Mrs. Mary Ilton, Dorothy Jane Keenan, Fern Harris, Thompson, Mary Gillespie, Ruth Muriel Smart, Gwen Burnside, Mrs. M. Evans, Beryl Sullivan, Eileen Summers, Marion Beaton, A. E. Hunt.

The costumes for the carnival were varied as well as fine. The best comic quality was awarded to four musical bands, comprising Wayne Kidd, "negroes", Hugh Merriam and Jimmie Perkins. The prize for the best song title was won by Ruth Alton with an original idea, "The Old Oaken Bucket—Always be an England". The best advertisement was awarded to Betty Richards with a clever outfit, "Garda Lamps", and second to Russell Phillips, Rooster advertising Shur-Gain Feeds. Best comic costume was George Armstrong of Flesherion, fat lady, and second, Mrs. W. Prust, Ma Yokum. Best original costume, Jean Bradey and Mrs. Jack Bradey, Indian couple; Eleanor Henry, "Just As I Am". The best farm scene, Florence Alton, farmer pushing a wheelbarrow, and second to Laurence Phillips and Elva Wiley, farm couple. Best National costume, Russell and Evelyn Phillips of Flesherion, America, and Jane Noble and Mrs. Ethel Simpson, Mexican pair. The best child's costume, under 12 years, Eunice Colgan, Bunny Rabbit, and Bernice Lovering, drum major. Judges for the events were Mr. and Mrs. Crane of Owen Sound and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Small of Toronto.

Immediately following the carnival, the dance held in the arena hall was equally well patronized. Music was supplied by Ruben Kirk's orchestra.

Notes On The Carnival

The carnival was a gala event and one that will be talked about for a long time.

Just so you will appreciate the performance of the visiting artists, in a talk with Mr. Small of Toronto, who happened to be visiting with Mr. Crane, president of the Georgian Club, and who, incidentally, came along to the carnival, he was impressed at the talent exhibited by the Owen Sound skaters and remarked that except for lighting and costuming, some of the skating was equally as good as seen at the Ice Follies in Toronto.

Throughout the evening the loud speaking arrangement was a great asset to the evening show and hearing seemed especially clear.

Printed programs listing the various events were printed and presented at

Hockey News—

Dundalk Finishes On Top Play-Offs Next Week

Won From Markdale, Monday Dundalk Beavers took sole possession of first place in the C.O.H.L. when they defeated Markdale at Dundalk on Monday night by the close score of 5-3. This was the last game of the regular schedule and proved to be a real crowd-thriller, especially in the final period. Ernie Batchelor in the Dundalk goal turned in another great game and at the end of the second period had Markdale blanked 4-0.

The final stanza, however, saw Angus Fitzsimmons, Markdale's ace, tally three times in a desperate effort to snatch the game out of the fire, but the locals squelched the visitors' rally and emerged victors by a two-goal margin.

"Bus" Springay scored twice for the Beavers, with Gordon Campbell, Russ. Acheson and Bob Goheen getting the other markers, all well-earned. Norman Hartley's stick-handling and skating caught the crowd's eye, and the Dundalk squad did well to hold him off the score-sheet. Markdale missed Madden, one of their best rushers. Dundalk gave the returned airman, Bob Banks, a busy evening and he turned aside many shots.

Dundalk—Goal, Batchelor; defense, Scilley, Acheson; centre, Springay; wings, Campbell, R. Goheen; alternates, Bradley, D. Goheen, Stafford, Scott.

Markdale—Goal, Banks; defense, Mercer, Brooks; centre, McTaggart; wings, A. Fitzsimmons, Hartley; alternates, Wiley, Falls, L. Fitzsimmons, Woneh, Piper, Ferris.

Referee—Charlie Murcar.

Dundalk Wins Another

Playing in Dundalk Arena last Wednesday, Dundalk Beavers handed the Markdale team a 9-8 defeat, thus winning the first game in three starts against the Northerners. The two previous games had been played at Markdale and resulted in wins for the home team. In the first period Dundalk racked up a 5-1 lead. The middle session ended 7-3, each team chalking up two counters. The final stanza saw Markdale come back strong by scoring three quick goals. The Beavers then took command and scored twice, the feat being duplicated by Markdale, making the score read 9-8. From then on, Dundalk played defensive hockey and were successful in holding off the frantic visitors till the final bell. It was a hectic period, with the crowd in a continual uproar.

Angus Fitzsimmons, with three goals, was the big threat for Markdale, followed by Hartley, with two goals. Wiley and L. Fitzsimmons each scored once. Springay again led the Dundalk scorers with three goals. Bradley and R. Goheen each notched two counters, while Campbell and Acheson accounted for one apiece. The line-ups were much the same as in Monday's contest, with Charlie Murcar as referee.

Markdale Defeated Shelburne

In an interesting hockey game played here on Friday night the Markdale team emerged victors over the Shelburne team in their last game in the regular schedule by a score of 12-4.

Final Standing of Teams

With all games played in the regular schedule, the final standing is:

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Pts.
Dundalk	8	6	2	12
Markdale	8	5	3	10
Shelburne	8	1	7	2

Markdale and Shelburne Play Off

Markdale and Shelburne will now play home-and-home games, goals to count on the round. The winner of this round will meet Dundalk Beavers in a best-of-three series for the Callaghan Trophy, now held by Shelburne. Don't miss seeing these play-off games. The dates have been set as follows:

Markdale at Shelburne (Dundalk Arena) Monday, February 26th.

Shelburne at Markdale, Wednesday, February 28th.

George Boyd of Flesherion has been chosen as the neutral referee for the play-off games.

Property Changes Hands

Two business deals have been completed during the past week.

Mr. Howard McGee of Vandeleur has purchased the farm of Tom Humphrey situated on No. 10 Highway a mile and a half north of Flesherion, and gets possession the first of April.

Mr. Wm. Swanton of the East Backline has purchased from W. H. Hill the house on Toronto street south, at present occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. R. King. Mr. and Mrs. Swanton intend moving to town in the near future.

the door, the compliments of Mercer's Groceria.

The carnival seemed to be well arranged, began promptly and events followed with very little friction except for the "jam" which seemed unavoidable due to the crowd. Rink manager Dr. Carefoot directed the carnival, assisted by his helpers.

The Sew-So Club conducted a booth during the evening and were enriched by about \$50.00 from the sale of hot dogs and coffee.

The exhibition put on by Markdale skaters who have only been organized this season, was proof of the progress made for so short a time and we trust there will be a bright future in store for the Markdale Club.

Mrs. Milt. Burnside Tells Pupils Of England

Pupils of Cherry Grove school invited Mrs. Milt. Burnside, a recent English war bride, to come to their school and tell them about her homeland. The account of her talk is contained in the following essay which was planned collectively by four Grade Eight pupils and compiled in the English class.

On Friday afternoon, February 16th, we, the Cherry Grove School pupils, were visited by Mrs. M. J. Burnside, who left England last Fall and came to Canada. She said when she got off the train she was surprised to see people like herself. She thought we Canadians would be dressed old-fashioned like the pioneers pictures she saw in history books.

Although England is a very small island, the population is 45,000,000. Therefore the towns and cities have to be close together. Transportation has to be provided to take the people back and forth. The ways of transportation in England are in buses, trams and trains. The trams and buses are double deckers. Leicester Square is a station where all the trams meet. The trains have two seats to a compartment and each seat holds five people. If you don't like the people you are sitting with you can move on to another coach. There are no horses except for milk wagons and bakery wagons.

The English money is very different from ours. They have shillings, pence, etc. While Mrs. Burnside was on the boat coming over she passed a man a one dollar bill, saying, "Two fifty dollar pieces, please."

The man laughed. "You would be doing well if you got two fifty dollar pieces from me for one dollar, but you are on the right track."

Mrs. Burnside thinks the money in this country is easier to learn than that of England.

The rationing in England is much heavier than we have here. As for food they have three-quarters of a pound of sweets a month, and 2 ozs. of butter for each person per month.

For clothes they have to give 18 coupons for a coat, 8 for an ordinary dress, 4 for a child's dress and 11 for a woolly dress.

"Do you find the Canadian winters strange?" asked one child.

"Yes," answered Mrs. Burnside. "In England I was once sick, and when I heard that it was snowing I looked out of the window but the snow disappeared almost as fast as it came. It is quite cold in England too. There is not much snow in Britain but they have much fog and much rain. Of course the British people all have a use for it. It puts out fires started by bombs; it also waters the farmers' crops and the flowers. There are lovely hedges along the country roads."

The flowers are similar to ours. Mrs. Burnside's home, and all the homes of the people or neighbours around that she knows have flowers, such as roses, blooming until nearly Christmas.

She said her home was bombed out once, which seemed hard enough to take, but her sister's home happened to be bombed out twice.

She was glad to answer questions so Iona Wood asked: "Are the English schools different from ours?" "They are much the same as yours except in the city and they are much larger," was the reply.

Jean Boyce asked another question: "How large is St. Paul's Cathedral?" "I can't tell you exactly how large it is, but it is very large, and very beautiful inside," was Mrs. Burnside's answer.

She said she had stood on Waterloo Bridge and looked down on the Thames River, and you can see the Tower, and other buildings.

All the people of England who saw Mrs. Burnside before she left Liverpool told her to thank the Canadians for the food supplies which were brought there. They said if it hadn't been for them they would have all starved before this.

Miss Leona Hill expressed the sincere thanks of the school for the kind and enlightening talk.

With The Curlers

The local curling rink has seen much activity during the past week. In the February Entertainment Committee Mixed Bouspiel only two games remain to be played. On Friday last, Arrow-smith's rink defeated Bradley's four by a score of 10-4 to qualify for the final in the first event.

The final on Monday between the rinks skipped by McArthur and Arrow-smith was one of the closest games played and ended with Arrow-smith leading by a score of 5 to 3 with the winner in doubt until the last rock was thrown. The members of the winning rink are Vesta Colgan, lead; Gwen Marshall, second; J. R. Dillon, vice skip, and Arrow-smith, skip.

The second event is well on the way to completion with a game scheduled between the Graham and Kidd rinks to decide who enters the finals against McArthur. The games since last week were: second round, Beaton won from Tuck, Kidd from Bowles and Graham from Alcox. In the third round, Kidd defeated Beaton and Graham won from Bradley. The remaining games will likely be played this week if the weather is not too mild.

Invitations to the Annual Bouspiel of Markdale Curling Club to be held on Monday next, February 26th, have been sent to the clubs in the district and it is hoped to have a record number of entries for this event.

Locally curling has taken on a new lease of life, due in a large part to the introduction of ladies to membership and the interest and enthusiasm every member has shown. It is hoped that this interest will mean that next year will be still bigger and better for the Markdale Curling Club.