

NO DECISION ON HOCKEY

Turning to the hockey situation we find things still quite confused and as yet no official decision has been reached by league officials on what to do regarding the Markdale-Flesherton series which came to rather abrupt end last Wednesday night. Inability of league officials to settle the dispute has caused widespread speculation and whether the series will be finished or whether Markdale wins by default, no one seems to know. Undoubtedly mistakes have been made by both teams and it is now up to the executive to decide what must be done to iron the situation out. It is to be hoped this decision will be forthcoming soon and that we may soon see some more hockey—as it should be played.

CHIMNEY FIRE WEDNESDAY

The fire siren wailed word to town residents Wednesday morning in case of a serious fire at the Mt. Burnsley residence on the second story of Mrs. Doreen Morrison's house on Wellington street. When word was phoned in to Fire Dept., it was impossible to rush the fire fighting equipment to the scene in a matter of minutes because of the sheet of ice which covered the streets. When they did reach the blaze, the fire was confined to the stove pipes and chimney which had burnt itself out, and except for the pipes burned through in several places there was little damage done. Mit. was away at the time, but quite a number of townsfolk turned out to lend a hand in case the blaze got out of control.

SAUGEEN MILL SOLD

A business deal of local interest took place last week when Isaac Hooper, former owner of Barhead Mill bought the Saugeen Mill from Henry Henkel who purchased it from Mrs. Clarence Bartley less than three years ago. Mr. Hooper plans to take over about the 15th of next month. Mr. Henkel who came here from Owen Sound has not yet made definite plans for the future.

CURLERS WIN AT FLESHERTON

Four local rinks attended the annual curling bonspiel at Flesherton on Monday, skipped by Alben Hunt, Egin Boyd, Lou Thibodeau and Lorrie Denison. The Thibodeau rink won second place in the first event and received blankets as prizes. The winning rink also included Gordon Kingston lead, John Boyd second, Vic Ward vice-skip and Tom Reburn, spare.

BUYS STORE

The general store conducted by the late Chas. M. Heron for many years in Flesherton, changed hands during the past week. Mr. Chester Cameron being the new proprietor. The post office is in connection with the store and since Mr. Heron's death, Mr. Chas. Brodie has been the acting postmaster. We wish Chester all success in his new venture.—Advance.

HARKAWAY W. A.

The February meeting of Harkaway W. A. was held at the home of Mrs. Harry Hawken with Mrs. Rae as leader. The meeting opened with the Theme song, followed by a hymn; Scripture reading from the 121st psalm was followed by the Lord's Prayer. The roll call was answered by nine members. A reading by Mrs. Fred Halbert was entitled "February, Exceptional Month" and Isabel Carbert conducted a contest with Mrs. Wm. Rodman winning. The March meeting at the home of Mrs. Charlie Thompson will have a quizzing. Mrs. Fred Halbert as leader, Misses Lulu Lyons and Doris McInnes to give readings. The singing of a hymn followed by the benediction closed the meeting. Tea money was \$14.00.

FUNERAL OF MRS. THOS. LEMON

Mrs. Thos. Lemon, a highly respected resident of this community for over thirty years, passed away in the Markdale hospital on Wednesday, February 18th, as a result of a paralytic stroke suffered three weeks previous. She was in her 84th year.

The former Ann Jane Steadman was a daughter of George Steadman and Mary Ransom of Walters Falls where deceased was born and raised. She was 63 years of age. Mrs. Lemon also of that community, and they farmed in the Walters Falls district until coming to Markdale 32 years ago. For the past nineteen years they have shared the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Noble. Mr. Lemon passed away in June of 1939.

Surviving are three daughters, Ruby (Mrs. Chas. Gillilan) of Regina; Margaret (Mrs. Jos. H. McLean) of Strongfield, Sask.; and Florence (Mrs. Wm. Noble) Markdale.

The funeral service was held from Oliver's Funeral Chapel on Friday afternoon, followed by interment in the Mortuary of Markdale Cemetery. Canon R. S. Jones of Christ Church where Mrs. Lemon had long been a faithful member, conducted the service. The many floral tributes and the affection of her family and friends.

Funeralbearers were six nephews: George and Jim Lemon, Fred Lemon, William Lemon, Ernest Dixon and Edwin Dixon.

Friends from a distance in attendance at the funeral were: Mr. William Lemon and son, George of Shallow Lake; Mr. and Mrs. James Lemon, Mr. Fred Lemon, Mrs. McMurdo of Owen Sound; Mr. and Mrs. George Seabrook, Mrs. Herb Seabrook, Mr. Walter Lemon and Mr. Ernest Dixon of Walters Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dixon, Chatsworth; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Dixon, Durham; Miss Marion Noble and Mr. Wm. Noble, Owen Sound.

BIRTH

SEMPLE—In Markdale Hospital on Saturday, February 21st, 1948, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Semple of Glenelg, a son, Maurice Keith.

Fine Skating, Gay Costumes Highlight Ice Carnival

The Ice Frolics presented in the local arena on Friday evening was delightful from start to finish, and contained a splendid variety of skating numbers. The ice was in fine condition, enabling members of the local club as well as visiting artists from the Georgian Figure Skating Club of Owen Sound and the University and Toronto Skating Clubs to present as fine a performance as there has ever been presented on the local ice.

This year Markdale skaters took a larger part in the Frolics and their skates, showing a marked improvement over previous years, pleased the large audience. Also adding interest was the drama that blended in several numbers including "Sleeping Beauty" by Markdale Tiny Toes. This included four teen junior members, fairies in glistening white paper costumes with Marion Alox and Peter Thibodeau playing the leading roles of the "Sleeping Beauty" and "Prince Charming". As the fairies encircled the couch and then watched as the leading pair skated gracefully together, the scene had the appearance of a fairy land with the castle painted entrance in the background. This number included Joan Buschlen, Betty Richards, Marilyn Hannah, Margaret Harris, Anna Marie Wilson, Marie Ward, Margyelle Piper, Blanche Colgan, Willa Mae Lyons, Helen Ann Hunt, Jane Chamberlain, Jacqueline MacDonald and Margaret Cherry.

The march by the Markdale Club featuring 22 skaters dressed in pleated white skirts and pastel sweaters, showed that local skaters have acquired considerable ease and grace in their skating and their number was warmly applauded. All senior members took part in this number including Ruth Alox, Gwen Burnside, Ruby Burnside, Maxine Connell, Jean Elliott, Marion Hartley, Eleanor Henry, Audrey and Lois Kidd, Jean and Joan Lever, Gene and Ruth Peters, Maxine Parliament, Judy Sawyer, Lois Summers, Betty Shaw, Francis Thibodeau, Georgia Whitney, Barbara Wright, Muriel Smart and Hugh Mercer.

Gwen Burnside of the local club featured in a solo number; also Margaret Cherry and Barbara Wright in a tap dancing number. All three received a good hand. "One Man's Family," was a comedy in which Maw and Paw, played by Eleanor Henry and Ken Lever, took the family on a picnic and what a jolly time they had till a roll of thunder made them scamper for shelter. The Professor's Class with Barbara Wright "in command," was a good number and with a bit of comedy thrown in, pleased the crowd. As the professor ordered each to perform in turn they showed off their skating ability. Those taking part included Audrey and Lois Kidd, Gwen Burnside and Jean Elliott, Gene and Ruth Peters, Georgia Whitney and Judy Sawyer, with Ken Lever and Don Kidd providing the comic element.

The waltz by the Markdale Club had six pairs of skaters taking part. Numbers on the program were never lengthy and the crowd was kept well entertained throughout.

As in former years members of the Georgian Club and Toronto Skating Clubs played an important part in the Ice Frolics by presenting several numbers for which the local club is deeply appreciative. This year it included Norman Falkner, famous one-legged skater, who gave two fine solo numbers, first cutting figures on the ice and also demonstrating some wonderful balance and speed. His act was typical of those many people who skate for the pleasure they derive.

The skating by graceful Kathleen Amys, professional from the University Skating Club was voted outstanding with something of the ballet showing up in her grace and interpretation. The skating of "Jackie" Oidham in lovely blue thrilled the crowd with her performance, and showed she has every promise of moving on to the ranks of a professional. Dorothy Devine, also of Toronto, was brilliant in her number and when she paired with Sidney Soanes in a dance demonstration.

From the Georgian Skating Club, Owen Sound, the solo numbers by ten-year-old Mary McCormick and Paisy Shears and then their pair skating showed even the young skaters can acquire some wonderful skill on blades. Mr. and Mrs. Creighton Bradford who have favored us with numbers on several previous occasions were well received. Jean Shears, one of the well-known skating stars of the Georgian Club, also favored with a solo number which had plenty of "zip." Visiting clubs took part in four dance numbers.

There was plenty of comedy throughout. Keith Mackenzie kept the crowd amused in his comedy numbers in which he was forever losing his hat or his wig. The fight between Toreador and the bull was by a University Club trio and was also very amusing. Two local boys also played the role of comedians very creditably during the evening.

Although the crowd was not up to last year's record, the cold weather and poor road conditions following the recent thaw is believed to have prevented many folk from attending. It was regretted the show was a bit

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Sailing for England



BOB BERRY

son of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Berry of Markdale, who will sail from New York for England with his wife and family on the 3rd of March aboard the "Americana" where they will begin life on an English estate near Camden in the central part of England. Bob is married to the former Betty Haydon from Camden, England, where they will make their new home, and they have two young sons, Peter and Paul. Numerous friends in Bob's home town will wish him well in his journey and in their English home.

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Besides those named above, Joyce Parliament and Donald Henry also took part, while Mary Lou McArthur and Shelagh Lucas were absent because of illness. Following the Skating program lunch was served to the visitors at the Armory, with Mrs. Sproule catering. A dance, to the music of Russell Hill and his orchestra was well attended and climaxed the evening.

For those who found it impossible to attend it may be good news to hear that, weather permitting, it has been suggested there be a second carnival held this year, to be put on by local talents only with several added features.

Argument Refuted

Parent: "How do I know that you aren't marrying my daughter for my money?"

FARM FORUM NEWS

Lauriston

The Farm Forum met at the school house on Monday evening this week when secretaries were appointed for the next four meetings. They are Mr. Pat Gillen and M.S. Della Wilson; Discussion leaders are Mrs. Jack Torry and Mr. Wilbur Wilson, and in charge of recreation will be Miss Muriel Webster, Mrs. Alice Ke-rook and Mrs. Edgar Thompson. The March 1st meeting will be at the Frank Katool home.

Rosedale

Over 30 gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smart Monday evening for the Farm Forum meeting when a review of the month's work was heard. An interesting discussion was held on a proposed calf club for the teen-age group, and anyone interested in this project is requested to hand in their name to the Forum in March. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Craven will have the Forum next Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rodman were winners at euchre, and at crokinole Lloyd Hodgkinson and Eleanor Smart. Lunch was served.

Riverdale

The Forum met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hutchinson with nineteen in attendance. Being Review Night the evening's discussion was mainly on Daylight Saving Time, and a Community Hospital. The Forum agreed unanimously that Daylight Saving Time is not beneficial to the farmer in any way, and that it would be better if the whole country remained on Standard Time. Markdale Private Hospital was the subject of a lengthy discussion. Regret was expressed by all members at the possibility of the Hospital closing, and felt it would be a disaster to the Community if it were closed. Progressive euchre was then enjoyed.

Orange Valley

Orange Valley Forum, numbering 20 persons, met this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McLoughry. After listening to the radio program, Mr. Cooper gave an instructive talk on the warble fly, followed by informal discussion on "Hydro". At the meeting at the G. W. Littlejohn's home the week previous, a collection amounting to \$14.00 was taken for the "Canadian Appeal for Children fund."

Lauriston

The Farm Forum of Feb. 16th, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wes. Aiken was quite successful. The discussion hour was most interesting, and our bachelor members were given to understand that a good wife is most essential to good farm management. During lunch hour contributions to the Canadian Appeal for Children fund were received by Mrs. Sherwood when a worthwhile sum of money was realized. Next meeting will be held in the school house.

Holtford

Farm Forum met at the Dunbar home last week with nineteen present. The discussion period following the broadcast was "Should Farmers Keep Books?" The opinion of this Forum was that farmers should keep books. All other business firms keep records, and they believed it should be important to farmers to know where they stand at the end of the year. They thought it would be difficult for farmers to find time to keep books as mentioned. However most farmers owe their success to good management. Euchre winners were Angus Dunbar and Florence Sellwood. This week's Forum meets at Mervin Sellwood's.

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Suiitor: "We're both taking a risk; how do I know you won't fail in a year or so?"

VANDELEUR

The Farm Forum met on Monday evening in the Community Hall, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bowles. It was "review night" and after listening to the broadcast the secretary read the communications and a brief discussion followed. Readings were given by Mrs. W. G. Bowles, Billie Johnston and Howard Graham. The first dealt with the centenary of responsible government in Canada which takes place this month, and the second was an outline of the life of George Washington, whose birthday was on February 22nd. The balance of the evening was spent in cards, crokinole and indoor baseball. Lunch was served. The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson.

Mrs. Lundy Johnson spent a week with friends in Toronto.
Mr. Andy Pavocet spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McMullen of Duncan.
Crocs were flying around today (Feb. 24th), so spring must be just around the corner.

Vandeleur Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting in the Community Hall on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 19th, with the vice-president, Mrs. Carl Wilson, in the chair. Considerable business was transacted and arrangements were made for packing a box for the Institute's adopted family in Britain. A reading was given by Mrs. Gordon Wylie. Lunch was provided by Mrs. H. I. Graham. Mrs. Andy Pavocet and Mrs. Harbottle.

Observes 97th Birthday



JOHN CAESAR

who will celebrate his 97th birthday on Friday of this week, February 27, is probably the oldest subscriber on the Standard mailing list today. Mr. Caesar recalls that the first copy of the Standard was issued in 1880, and he has not missed a copy in 68 years. Mr. Caesar is enjoying good health and has kept closely in touch with the affairs of Markdale since he left in 1917. The account in the Standard columns telling of Mrs. Brown's choir supper was of special interest to Mr. Caesar, who can recall the time when they were building the church, when Mr. Caesar was stationed at Orangeville. Miss Francis Ford was organist and choir leader and the Rector was Rev. Mr. Ward. Reminiscing in a recent letter to his son, Morrel, of Markdale, he recalls many of the older generation whom he remembers well. The Standard joins with them in extending congratulations.

National Film Board Moving Pictures will be presented by Mr. Ed Lang at Cheeseville School Wed., March 3rd.

Town Council Approves Daylight Saving Time

National Culture Is Dying Says Rotary Speaker

Mr. Arthur Norris will be president of the Markdale Rotary Club for the remainder of the year. He will replace Mr. Genmel whose work will prevent his attendance at the meetings. Mr. P. D. Sawyer presented the speaker of the evening to the club in the person of Mr. Sherwood, English teacher of the local high school. His subject was "The Fate of Humanities in Modern Education." He defined the humanities as those subjects such as the pure sciences, mathematics, English, history and the classics which are taught with no practical purpose in mind. Their value is intellectual and cultural. The aim of the humanities is to civilize and teach the art of living.

The speaker expressed consternation at the over-riding emphasis being placed on the practical subjects which aim to teach the student how to earn a living and the intellectual value which are, at best, of secondary importance. The intellectual side of life is linked with the spiritual; the cultural side of life is the human side of life. It is the second dimension of religion. Religion cannot flourish if the intellect is starved by depriving it of cultural nourishment. Unless a student receives this cultural nourishment in school, in the form of the humanities, he will never receive it. The final result will be terrible to behold.

The national culture of the country is dying. Community dances, plays, and efforts of various sorts are rapidly dying. Recreation has been commercialized; the imported dance band, the commercial dance hall, the Hollywood theatre have replaced the old community interests based on the natural culture of the community. We are a generation of spectators. Our culture is a becoming machine-made and standardized. Civilization is running in two different directions. There is no logic to it. On the one hand it produces marvels of medicine to ease the suffering of man; on the other it produces marvels of mass destruction to make that suffering more acute.

The intellectual studies fill in the gap between these two extremes. They are international and have no boundaries of religion, language or race. They offer no reward but companionship and a sense of delight from being in touch for a brief moment with the eternal.

Mr. Sherwood was thanked by Mr. A. Dunlop for his address. Mr. G. A. Beaton, who occupied the president's chair for the evening, also expressed the appreciation of the club members.

In the Editor's Mail Box

Dear Jack:
The Arabs have blasted the very heart of Palestine; the senate is debating the contentious oleomargarine bill; the electric power shortage has become a public issue, and the fate of the German States is being decided; but these are as nothing to the disruption in our hockey league. Jack, we have reached a new low in hockey as a sport, and the never very amiable relations we have had with a neighboring village in this pastime has culminated into an open rupture. The whole village and countryside seethes with indignation and disgust.

With the rink filled to capacity and with our team primed to take a third victory out of four games, the opposing team came, saw, and did the disappearing act. They went out through a hole in the dressing-room window, which, as one facetious gent remarked, didn't necessarily need to be a big one. The game had to be played with one team missing, which made it a bit lopsided—we scored one goal. I hope that such sportsmanship will not dampen the ardour of the hockey fans unduly; the public in general should never be considered. Support and gate receipts are of secondary consideration when a team's pride has been tumbled; even their own supporters must suffer with them.

At this time as I write, the controversy has not ceased to be the question of the hour; we may have another game. Committees have met; have discussed; have read the rules; have censured certain officials, and perhaps have acted the Solomon in many ways. Appeasement being the fashion, we shall perhaps see a policy of rapprochement and can expect a sudden death game at any time; it pays to make a noise.

Being a member of the general public who enjoys a good game and who would like to know the rules and regulations that govern our local leagues, I feel like requesting that these be published in the local paper before the next contest starts; this matter of throwing the rules overboard because of some petty difference of opinion spoils things. Perhaps we need these periodic outbursts to stir up our interest.

So Jack, before my next letter arrives this ruffle on the field of sport may have subsided and all may be calm and peaceful. In the meantime I have been invited to go down to the rink to do a bit of patch work; seem-

Councillor H. S. Merrifield, and later Reeve Henry, presided when the village council met on Monday night this week for general business. Bills and accounts passed showed that removal of snow on the village streets during the past month had cost \$10.55, as compared with \$12.00 for the same period last year, while thawing out the water mains during the past month had cost \$146.05. Repairs and work at the pumping station and chlorine cost the Waterworks Dept. \$125.80. Hydro costs for the month of January amounted to \$3,646.36 which included a power bill of \$843.63, and material for rebuilding the system in the village costing \$2602.68. General accounts included mainly salaries and supplies.

Payment of \$1,000 was authorized to the public school board on their 1948 grant.

On motion of Alox and Hamilton the Canadian National Institute for the Blind is permitted to conduct a Tag Day for the blind in Markdale on the 24th of April next.

A motion was passed whereby the village will revert to Daylight Saving Time from midnight, Saturday, April 24th next, and continue to midnight, Sept. 26th, 1948.

A letter was received from the Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada, suggesting that the present protection at the railway crossing be replaced by flashing light signals and bell which would cost the municipality approximately \$2,000, with an annual operating cost of \$100. The question was also asked whether the village, the township or the County has jurisdiction over the road approaching the crossing.

The matter of caretaking of the Armoury came up for discussion, and the Council decided to act as a committee to review the case and will meet in a short time to draw up a scale of rates which will apply for the first year of operation to see if it can be made self-sustaining. Already there has been a request from a Toronto man to rent it each week for moving pictures, and it will also be available for anyone who wishes to rent it.

Reeve Milson Henry outlined the latest hospital proposition which faces this district at the present time. With a grant forthcoming from the Dept. of Health, Toronto, it has been proposed that in order to raise the purchase price of \$50,000 that the county be asked to contribute a share, with the rest to be raised by the municipalities being served by this hospital. It has not yet been decided how the municipalities will raise this amount, but to this end a meeting of all the Reeves and officials of the municipalities in this Hospital Area will be held in the near future to decide how the matter will be dealt with, as the present offer is good only to Mr. 31st. Dr. Carefoot has signified his willingness to continue as surgeon and will see that a successor is in charge before his retirement. Certain officials are in Toronto this week negotiating for financial assistance from the Department, and after that the matter will be laid before the municipal officials of the area.

ROSEDALE

The February meeting of the Rose-dale Unit was held at the home of Mrs. Harold Craven. During the first part of the meeting the ladies quilted, and then followed the annual meeting when officers for 1948 were elected as follows: Hon. Pres.—Mrs. Bill Rodman; Pres.—Mrs. Ernest Smart; Sec.—Ruby Menary; Treas.—Mrs. Bill Rodman, with all other officers re-elected for another term.

It was decided to hold a Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rodman on Friday evening, February 27, when progressive euchre and crokinole will be played, with a short program and a bazaar. It was decided to answer the roll call at the March meeting, to be held at the Chester Rodman home, by a sign of spring.

DANCING

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES—At the Fraternal Hall, Flesherton, are drawing crowds. Plan now to join them. Dancing starts at 9:00 sharp. Music by Russell Hill's Modern Dance Band. Make it a habit to go dancing Saturday nights in Flesherton.

PAISLEY—The most disastrous fire in Paisley's history destroyed the newly erected War Memorial Community Centre last Thursday night as well as Frank Pickard's hardware store and residence, resulting in a total loss of \$70,000. The arena had only been officially opened the Saturday evening previous, but already plans are underway to rebuild this Community Centre. The fire is believed caused from an oil stove exploding.

ingly we're going to nail up some of the boxes about the building before the next game. Why? I'm sure I don't know. Perhaps it's a new method of steadying the nerves of the opposing teams.

As ever,
Achetes.

Markdale Younger Skaters Presented Pleasing Numbers.



One of the most delightful of the skating numbers at the Ice Frolics last Friday evening was presented by Markdale Tiny Toes who looked lovely

in their number "The Sleeping Beauty." Leading roles were played by Marion Alox and Peter Thibodeau, supported by a group of "fairy skaters." Here

we see from left to right: Eunice Colgan, Anna Marie Wilson, Willa Mae Lyons, Margaret Harris and Janet Chamberlain.