

HOCKEY TEAM ENTERTAINED

The boys of the Senior hockey team were guests of the Markdale Rotary Club on Tuesday night.

LOCAL LADY HAS WRIST BROKEN

Mrs. W. J. Bowes met with an unfortunate accident last week when she slipped on the floor of her home and broke her wrist.

GEORGE SOUTH IS WARDEN

George South, Reeve of Collingwood, was elected Warden of Grey County at the opening of the January sessions of County Council held in Owen Sound on Tuesday evening.

HOCKEY NEWS

When the local C.O.H.L. team went to Dundalk on Wednesday night they not only had to go without three of their best players but they had no spares and were played out at the end of the first period.

88TH BIRTHDAY ON SATURDAY

Markdale's grand old man, Mr. Wm. Littlejohns, will mark his 88th birthday on Saturday, January 22nd, and has an honoured place in the 'Over Ninety Birthdays Club' on Neighbourly News.

WILL VISIT HERE THIS SUMMER

A letter received this week from Dr. A. A. MacVicar of Port Elgin, N.B., informs us they have a baby boy, David Richard, born December 16th, who according to Mrs. MacVicar, is a caricature of his dad.

LODGE MEMBERS VISIT MEAFORD

Ten members of Saugeen Lodge, I.O.O.F., visited Meaford Lodge on Monday evening when a team from Thornbury Lodge exemplified the first degrees on seven candidates, including four from Markdale.

ZION WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The January meeting of the Zion Branch of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. E. R. Peart with 15 ladies present.

ANNESLEY W.A. ELECT OFFICERS

The Woman's Association of Annesley United Church held their annual meeting at the parsonage last Thursday evening when officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Severe Wind Storm Does Much Damage

This district has just survived one of the worst wind storms ever remembered here, and there is evidence of destruction in every direction.

TO COACH MIDGET HOCKEY

In an attempt to develop some ground work in juvenile hockey, and to train these youngsters in the ways of clean sport, Hugh Mercer has taken on the job of coaching the 'midgets' group here—that is boys who aren't ready for the semi-pros.

Local High School Results are Released

Below is listed the results of the examinations held in Markdale High School previous to the Christmas recess. The marks in Grade IX work should not be taken too seriously as the true ability of the student, as previous records indicate that the change from public school procedure to that of the high school is more upsetting to some students than others and the student requires part of the year for adjustment.

- GRADE IX: John McKeown, 82.1%; Fern Harris, 81; Blanche Wiley, 78.3; Douglas Gilpin, 77.4; David Beaton, 74.5; Carol Leaver, 70.4; Anna Clugston, 69.5; Don Bravley, 69.3; Ruth Leppard, 69.1; Eleanor Hutchinson, 67.6; Ronald McCutcheon, 66.8; Edmund Hollis, 65.8; Leona Alcox, 65; Jean Lever, 64.2; Shirley Menary, 64.1; Josephine Foy, 63.4; Morley Angus, 62.7; Clare MacLean, 62; Marjorie McClocklin, 61.6; Iona Alcox, 61.5; Lucille Hill, 60.2; Joe Allison, 58.8; Joan Lever, 56.3; Mary Quinn, 55.5; Francis Harvey, 54.8; Ernest Trafford, 52.7; Wilmmer Smart, 51.4; Donald Henry, 50.8; Fred Peters, 50.7; Bill McManaman, 49.6; Marion Hartley, 49.4; Olive Baines, 49.1; Mervin Boyes, 48.6; Peter D'Arcy, 48.2; Alex Williamson, 47.5; Marjorie Sowerby, 47.1; Phyllis Menary, 47; Keith Williamson, 45.7; Charlie Jackson, 38; Betty Shaw, 32.4.

- GRADE X: Bonna Goodwill, 82.7; Ruth Adams, 80.1; Donald Mercer, 79.8; Sandra Thibaudeau, 79.7; Jean Sowerby, 79.4; Eileen Walker, 78; Isabel Gould, 75.5; Wayne Kidd, 74.5; Jean Peart, 66.4; Carl O'Neill, 64.5; Joyce Halbert, 64.2; Arnold Hollis, 64.2; Donald MacMillan, 64.1; Ruth Burritt, 63.7; Raymond Sweeney, 63.3; Ross Ryan, 62.1; Judith Sawyer, 59.5; Kathleen Routenburg, 59.4; Frederick Wilmmer, 56.5; Marjorie Leona, 56.3; Joy Erskine, 56; Stuart Hill, 53; Jean Boyce, 52.7; Donald McCormick, 52.4; Doris Lauber, 50.4; Ronnie Hill, 50; Doreen Johnston, 47.4; Frank Hutchinson, 45.5; Ted Menary, 44.2; Kathrine Belrnes, 43.5; Bill Robinson, 42.4; Glen Hannah, 38.2.

- GRADE XI: Ray Hunt, 75.7; Midge Matthews, 71.1; Mary Gillespie, 69.14; Angela Kenefick, 67.42; Morris Preeman, 64.4; Eugene Genoa, 64.28; Dorothy Keenan, 63.85; Dorothy Peart, 63.85; Edgar Gilpin, 62.14; Ruth McNally, 61.8; Velma Wiggins, 61.3; Donald Brodie, 60.7; Doris Decker, 59.9; Ruth Alcox, 59; Alfred Trafford, 55.7; Anna McCormick, 53.17; Barbara Wright, 52.57; Alma Slade, 51.6; Betty Hill, 48.85; Leo Adams, 45.4; Blanche McCullough, 44.04.

- GRADE XII: Ruth Peters, 85.8; Patrick O'Neill, 77.25; Leona Griffith, 78.25; Mary Thibaudeau, 71.87; James Foster, 70.5; Betty Edwards, 70.7; James Perkins, 68.5; Doreen Buchanan, 67.6; Toia McAfee, 65.6; John Black, 65.25; Allan Shaw, 64.25; Donald Craven, 63.38; Leona Hill, 58.2; Kenneth Smart, 57.6; Hugh Merriam, 54; Stanley Trafford, 51.3.

- GRADE XIII: Geraldine Maher, 62.25; Denzil Sawyer, 57.6; Kenneth Leaver, 57.4; Curtis Ryan, 52; Don Kidd, absent.

High School Teams Playing Inter-Form Hockey

The local High School, under the direction of Mr. Lemon and Mr. Sherwood, has organized its hockey teams for a third successive year.

Last Friday the first games were played with the Pushovers pushing over the Microbes by a 2-0 count. In the second half of the twin bill the Champs were edged out 3-2 by the Riveters.

At present arrangements are being made to meet with a number in Toronto where many of Markdale's former residents now reside, and it is expected they will be responsible for organizing the old boys and girls' away from home, and stage a full day's celebration.

Markdale Will Mark Centennial in '49

If all goes well, Markdale will be observing its Centennial in the summer of 1949. Although a date has not yet been set, pending word from former residents in Toronto and Detroit, plans are on foot for observing the 100th anniversary with a gala three or possibly four day celebration.

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One of the first things that will be undertaken will be to secure the names of all former residents of this village and district, and this is where almost every family can be of assistance.

HOLFORD FARM FORUM

The weekly meeting of the Forum was held in the school on Monday, January 17th, when thirty-nine members and guests were present.

ROSEDALE FARM FORUM

About thirty gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wyville on Monday evening for Farm Forum. The topic was "In Time of Need".

VANDELEUR

Vandeleur Farm Forum met on Monday evening, January 17th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Buchanan, and an exceptionally interesting discussion took place on "Social Security, unemployment, housing, unemployment and crop insurance, health insurance and Old Age Pensions."

The Forum has ordered 1750 trees to plant another reforestation plot and windbreak similar to the one planted along the road last year.

Will Rateliff presided for the meeting; Mrs. Angus Bowles and Mel Buchanan acted as group secretaries, and Mrs. W. G. Bowles and Howard Graham were discussion leaders.

Fund is Started for Local Citizen

Many expressions of sympathy are heard on all sides, as a result of extensive damage done to Gordon Francis' barn in the storm on Tuesday night.

ALBERT E. BRYSON PASSES

Albert E. Bryson, veteran educationist who devoted his life to teaching and the problems of those engaged in the profession, died yesterday at Lindsay, in his 81st year.

General secretary of the Ontario Educational Association for a number of years following his retirement as principal of Silverthorn Public School, Mr. Bryson was a familiar and much-beloved figure throughout Ontario.

In 1927 he retired to take the position of general secretary of the O.E.A. on a full time basis, having been appointed to this post in 1924.

MRS. W.M. SEWELL BURIED

Following an illness of six weeks Mrs. Wm. Sewell died at her home at Stratford where she had made her home for the past 20 years.

TRAVERSTON

Roads and pathways are extremely slippery and dangerous. Drive tacks in your shoes!

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Timmins visited the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. John Whitney of Holford.

A public meeting of residents of the 6th con. is being held at the home of Nelson Hunt on Wednesday afternoon to meet a Hydro man from Walkerton to meet a talk on hydro matters, and the measurements and costs for each home and farm buildings.

Mr. Russell Boyce of Markdale is helping Charlie Timmins to get up his pile of poles for wood.

Despite the icy condition of the roads a goodly number of livestock is being sent to market; wheat and old hens are moving as well.

The Zion W.I. met at the home of Mrs. E. R. Peart on Thursday last with a big attendance. Mrs. J. C. Cook was guest speaker and gave a most graphic address on their three months' trip out West last summer, which took the Canadian route going west over past the Rockies, returning by the U.S. route coming back.

COMING EVENTS

DANCING AS USUAL—In Meaford Town Hall every Saturday night. Always sociable crowds and loads of fun for all.

Robin Seen at Riverdale

While human beings are talking about the winter that so far has been "to everyone's liking", we hear that in Riverdale locality, despite the fact that there's a good blanket of snow covering the earth out there, there's a persistent Robin Redbreast who has apparently decided to remain through the winter.

Although there is still plenty of snow school children at Riverdale were surprised to find a ground hog stirring from its winter quarters last week.

ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH HELD VESTRY MEETING

The annual vestry meeting of St. Matthias Church, Berkeley, was held in the church Thursday afternoon, January 13th, the Rector, Canon R. S. Jones, being in the chair.

At the election of officers, Canon Jones appointed Mr. Harold Gillespie as Rector's Warden, and Mr. Wm. Sowerby, jr., was elected people's warden and also delegate to Synod.

'News Story' Features High School Teacher

When The Montreal Standard, that well-known national weekly, began to look around for a rural school principal who is also a leading citizen, their attention was directed to Markdale to one whom we all know as F. D. Sawyer.

Before the reporters left on Thursday they featured Mr. Sawyer as they took shots at various places around the town and district where this teacher's interest and his participation have won him the name of a leading citizen.

PIONEER BANKING

The forward-looking spirit of the local B of M office stems from the earliest traditions of the parent bank, which was founded in 1817. Within a fortnight of its establishment, Canada's first bank introduced the branch banking system.

Local B. of M. Branch Marks 50th Year

An early reminder that 1949 is this Community's centenary may be found next Monday in the anniversary of the local Bank of Montreal branch, for its establishment took place in 1899, midway through Markdale's first century.

Within three years the branch found that these quarters could no longer accommodate the growing demand for its services. Accordingly, it rented part of a building which had been erected long before by William Lucas and Company, a private banking firm.

In the past half-century the community has acquired a more diversified economy as well as a number of public improvements. While mixed farming provides the district with its economic bedrock, much specialization in beef cattle and hog raising, and in wheat has developed.

As evidenced by this progressive policy, the branch's successive managers have shared a firm belief in Markdale's potentialities for advancement.

More recent managers include R. G. Gillfillan, H. H. Lucas, who served on the executive of various community organizations, and Alexander G. "Sandy" Robertson, who left here three years ago on promotion to the London, Ont., main branch.



W. E. CRAMP

W. Edward Cramp, the present manager, has spent all 32 years of his banking career in Ontario. Born and educated at Meaford, Ontario, Mr. Cramp joined the bank at his native town. He came here from the B of M's Manitowaning office where he had charge for four years.

In the opening up of the West, Bank of Montreal branches pioneered in many frontier settlements. The bank played an important part in financing Canada's first transcontinental railway, the Canadian Pacific.