

SOCIAL EVENING, TOURNAMENT, FEATURE OF TENNIS CLUB MEET, THURSDAY

More than 25 members of the Tennis Club, operated under the Beardmore Recreation Club, held a social and tournament on Thursday of last week at the local club house.

Ladies' and men's doubles started the evening off and were followed by the mixed doubles, all of which managed to keep the two fine courts busy from 7:30 until very close to 11 p.m.

Coffee and cake topped the evening off along with a session of cards in the club house.

Only Irishmen Can Fathom Irishmen

By Hugh Tompkins in the Fergus News-Record

Nine years ago this past month, away back in the war year of 1941, a huge plane picked us up one day in a harbour at the south edge of England. There was an air raid in progress at the time—an unhappy custom in those days, and the south coast of England was vulnerable.

We had expected to go south, down the coast of France to Lisbon but that evening, when we stepped out of the big Sunderland into a motor launch, it was to find with some surprise that we were in the south of Ireland, down on the broad Shannon River.

We had never expected to see from the ground level. And these days still amaze us slightly as we look back over the years. We found the Irish among the kindest people in the world, but though we travelled in company of two noted Irish Canadians, Gratton O'Leary and Bishop R. J. Renison, we could not understand Ireland or the Irish.

We thought of this when we read the reprint of an Irish letter recently in the Durham Chronicle. Frank Irwin declares it is genuine, nothing added and nothing taken away. It was written about forty-nine years ago to an Irish girl in Toronto, later a resident of Durham, now dead.

Tullymacleserag Parish of Ballygret near, Ballysluggathy County of Kilkenny, Ireland.

My dear niece: I haven't sent ye a letter since the last time I wrote to ye because we have moved from our former place of living and I didn't know where a letter would find ye, but I now with pleasure take up my pen to inform ye of the death of yer ownly ivin uncle, Ned Fitzpatrick, who died very suddenly a few days ago after a lingering illness of six weeks.

The poor fellow was in violent convulsions the whole time of his sickness livin perfectly quietly and entirely speechless—all the while talking incoherently and crying for water.

I had no opportunity of informin ye of his death sooner except I wrote to ye the very last post, which same went off two days before he died, and then ye would have postage to pay.

I am at a loss to tell what his death was occasioned by, but I fear it was by his last sickness, for he was never well ten days together during the whole of his confinement and I believe his death was brought about by his eatin too much of rabbit stuffed with pails and gravy, or pails and gravy stuffed with rabbit but be that as it may when he breathed his last his docther gave up all hope of his recovery.

I couldn't tell ye anything about his age for ye will know that in June next he would have been just seventy-five years old lackin ten months and had he lived till that time would have been just six months dead.

His property now devolves to his next of kin, which all died some time ago so that I expect it will be divided between us, and ye know his property which was very large was sold to pay his debts, and the remainder he lost at a horse race, but it was the opinion of everybody at the time he would have won the race if the haste he run against had not been too fast for him.

I never saw a man in all my life, and the docther all said so, that observed directions or took medicine better than he did. He said he would as leave drink bitter as sweet as it had only the same taste, and spicacushna as whiskey punch if it would only put him in the same humour for fightin. But poor soul, he will never ate or drink any more, and ye have not a livin relat in the world except myself and yer two cousins who were killt in the last war.

I cannot dwell on the mournful

SPORT NEWS

"COMEDY OF ERRORS" PRODUCED BY ACTON INTS. IS FLOP OF THE SEASON

Manager Norm Morton must have figured Acton Ints. had pulled out of the slump on Thursday last when the locals handed Clarkson their second defeat in as many nights by a 4-2 score, but Saturday he could have pulled out his hair, gouged out his eyes and stood on his head and he wouldn't have helped Acton.

Waterdown, on Saturday administered one of the worst beatings an Acton team has had on the field. An inept fielding display plus a lack of hits in the right places allowed the Merchants to run wild. Final score was a matter of opinion. Some said 25-4, others said 26-5 but most of the fans left long before the final inning. According to the books the final count was 24-5.

Shortage of infielders prompted Norm Morton to send "Dude" Lindsay in at short. Seems Clayton isn't quite up to peak form so far this term. Anyway, he started the comedy of errors off by tossing a wild one over first. It was contagious and soon everyone was in on the act including roly poly Mel Jordan who started on the mound for Acton before he was lifted in favour of Sam Snyder in the sixth. Behind the plate, Harold

Townslay, playing the worst game of his career, exercised a woman's prerogative by changing his mind when it came to throwing to second or not. Waterdown stole second, stole third and even stole home. Case of highway robbery.

Finnimore, the big righthander, wasn't playing tiddley winks like his counterparts from Acton. He was throwing ball—really flouging them in. Acton managed to get a run in the fifth when they put together two hits and a long fly ball to score but it wasn't until later in the game they bothered Finnimore. Then, it was too late. It was Waterdown's seventh victory against as many defeats and the third time they had beaten Acton in four tries.

Thursday, against Clarkson, Sam Snyder went the distance on the mound with a gill-edged pitching performance. He gave up five hits, never more than one in an inning while his mate collected six off Holland, the Clarkson righthander. Bruce led the Acton hit parade with two bingles. Lloyd, the 46-year-old Clarkson catcher, was top drawer for Clarkson smashing out two hits, stealing three bases and scoring both their runs.

Blast Georgetown 10-1 For Ninth Win

Acton Ints. had no difficulty shelling Georgetown 10-1 here last night although in the earlier moments of the game they seemed as determined as the Raiders to toss it away. Spotting the visitors' one unearned run in the top of the second, Acton came back with two in their half, one in the fourth, two in the fifth and staged a five run rally in the sixth while the Raiders' futile efforts to hit Don Ryder's offerings garnered them only our well spaced safeties.

A southpaw name of Stamp started on the hill for Georgetown but he was relieved by Gibbs in the sixth when the locals really began to powder his slants. Gibbs fared little better as Townslay smashed a double that with a little more leverage would have cleared the fence and Robinson put one into the right field tree for a ground rule double.

Last night's win puts Acton up in the first division again with nine wins against the same number of losses. They have two more games to play—both with Oakville. They play one tonight under the arc at Oakville, the second game of a doubleheader. Waterdown meets the Oaks in the twilight bill. The final game, to be played in Acton, will be announced.

NEWFOUNDLAND BOOM

Newfoundland has added another secondary industry to its rapidly expanding economy, reports The Financial Post. Premier Joseph Smallwood has announced signing of a contract with a Swiss company to set up a \$5 million heavy machinery plant here. It will employ 500 men.

Other recent additions: Fur processing plant, leather tannery and leather goods plant. Combined, they will give employment to 1,300.

Since Newfoundland's economic and industrial development program began a year ago, seven new industries have been established.

TAKEN FROM APRIL PAGEANT

The farmer was talking about his farm to a city man staying at the village inn. "Why don't you have one of those motor harvesting machines?" asked the city man. "They do the work of six men!"

The Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighan is the only former Canadian Prime Minister alive today.

Wrestlers Provide Spills and Thrills

The unfortunate thing about this account of last Friday night's wrestling in Milton Arena is that the writer does not only not know who fought who, but even who won which!

But it was a good show with vocal audience participation adding to the excitement. Wild Bill Cody sported his bandage of the week before again. Although the members of the audience—not so numerous last Friday—assured the referee in no uncertain terms that the bandage was "phony", the fight went on. And as looked forward to it turned into a rather novel strangling match.

Well, the falls produced splendid thuds and wrestlers were tossed out of the ring, the referee got in the fight, the Mask's mask almost came off, the stars moaned and groaned, pepper was rubbed surreptitiously in opponent's eyes and the match approached slaughter range at times. What more do you want?

It was a good three bouts of professional wrestling.

STUDENT THESPIANS

Some 30 students of the Upper Canada College Little Theatre gave two performances of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" at the Cripplegate Theatre, London. Afterwards the company visited Harrow School, Rugby School and the Little Theatre, Edinburgh.



"Do I look like a crow?"



NEWSPAPERMEN VISIT St. Luc yard. Weekly newspaper publishers and editors of the Ontario and Quebec division of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association took time out from their convention in Montreal to visit the Canadian Pacific Railway's St. Luc freight terminal, the most modern in North America. Shown here at the hump office of the yard are a group of the newly-elected officers of the division, led by president E. A. Spence (centre), of the Strathroy, Ont., Age-Dispatch. Left to right: W. A. James, of the Bowmanville, Ont., Statesman; J. P. Pickel, Paris, Ont., Star; C. Shaus, Chesley, Ont., Enterprise; C. Nolan, Stouffville, Ont., Tribune; V. Farrow, Bracebridge, Ont., Gazette; Mr. Spence; R. Shearer, Blenheim, Ont., News-Record; R. A. Giles, Lachute, Que., Watchman; George Cadogan, Durham, Ont., Chronicle; D. R. Wilson, Shawinigan Falls, Que., Standard; G. C. Craven, Ridgeway, Ont., Dominion; and L. Guertin, Shawinigan Falls, Que., L'Echo de St. Maurice.

League Standing In Bannockburn W.I. County Ball Circuit

Table with columns: Team, Win, Loss, Tie. Acton (3) 8 0 0, Clarkson 1 11 1, Georgetown 3 8 2, Milton (2) 10 3 1, Oakville (1) 10 1 1, Waterdown 7 7 1.

CAMPBELLVILLE Team's 1-0 Victory Surprise of Season

In the week's baseball activities at the local ball diamond Campbellville's unpredictable juveniles staged the surprise of the season by coming through with an exciting 1-0 victory over Oakville Snows Junior entry in the West Toronto League.

Even the most loyal fans hardly expected the lads to come up with a win against Bud Corbett's power packed club which won the Ontario Juvenile Championship last year and who with some prize imports are pointing for the Junior crown this year.

The close, fast game featured a pitcher's duel between Lefty Roberts and Herbert of Oakville. Roberts pitched the best game of the season as he claimed no less than 13 strike-outs and allowed just three scratch hits. He was up three walks. Herbert, his opponent, gave up five hits and fanned nine, giving no free passes.

The only run of the game came in the sixth inning as two infield hits and a hit batsman filled the bases. After one batter was retired on an infield fly the next hitter, Kenneth Moore, laid down a bunt on which the run scored to the crowd's delight. Keith Lush was the big hitter with two safeties for the night. Brian Moore and Earl Cairns sparkled in the infield with two fine plays, as all the boys came up with a grand game. All hope they continue their recent play in the play-offs.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Mitchell on their recent marriage. The bride was the former Miss Margaret McMillan. They are honeymooning in Montana, U.S.A.

Mr. and Mrs. George Black and family have purchased the Hartley Anderson home and will move soon.

Mrs. O. Warr returned from Halifax after a month's vacation. The Mission Band journeyed to the Bird Sanctuary in Eden Mills last week.

WHAT SORT OF PEOPLE?

The Governor-General hit the ball squarely, down the fairway in a recent speech when he highlighted the shortage of Canadians in this country. Viscount Alexander was talking about quantity, and it's obvious that we could use many more citizens.

But another consideration points out The Financial Post, is quality. Canada doesn't need just more people. It needs self-reliant, industrious, ambitious people. But to believe that immigration possibilities are unlimited is to make the grave error of confusing people with statistical units. It's all very well to say Canada's population may be 50 millions in 100 years or so. It's more to the point to ask, if and when that goal were reached, what kind of Canadians they will be.

BRITAIN'S CONTRIBUTION

Britain has provided 40 per cent more manpower for every 1,000 inhabitants towards the defense of the free world than any other European nation, and more in proportion even than the United States.

NEW RUGS

Important changes are sweeping the floor covering business, says The Financial Post. New type rugs that are years ahead of their time and might never have been developed had it not been for skyrocketing wool-rug prices, are now on the market.

Fibre rugs made out of sisal—that material that goes into binder twine—has caught on with a bang in the United States during the last few months and is now becoming popular in Canada, even in wall-to-wall broadloom effects. Coco-matting, formerly limited chiefly to summer cottages, hunting lodges, summer porches is now graduating into the living room.

By next fall one of Canada's largest carpet manufacturers will turn many of his looms over to weaving blended rayon and wool rugs and also a line of 100 per cent rayon rugs. The same firm is also experimenting with nylon for the specialty rug market.

Bannockburn W.I. Picnic At School

The annual picnic of Bannockburn W.I. was held Wednesday, July 19th at Bannockburn School. An interesting program of races was under the very capable leadership of Miss Margaret Young, assisted by Mrs. Wm. Dobbie and Mrs. Wm. McDonald. A lengthy game of horseshoes provided entertainment for the gentlemen present.

Following a game of baseball the races were run and prizes presented to the winners.

The winners in the race under four years were two very young ladies, Miss Brooks and Miss O'Rourke; girls 5-6, Lesley Anne Duly, Carol McDonald; boys 5-6, Gerald Welch, Jimmy Rotz; girls 7-8, Rosemary Brooks, Jacqueline McDonald.

Boys 7-8, Kenneth Rotz, Ronnie McDonald; girls 9-10, Gail Dobbie, Mary Lou McDonald; boys 9-10, Wayne Marshall, Laurie Duly; girls 11-12, Barbara McDonald, Carol Schweigler; boys 11-12, Bobbie Marshall, Jimmy McLaughlin, Ladies, Shirley McDonald; men's, Ken Thompson; soda biscuit race, Bill Moffat; three legged race, Madeleine Anthony, Ken Thompson; wheelbarrow race, Jimmy McLaughlin, Wayne Marshall; kicking the shoe, Mrs. Les Duly.

The prize for the youngest person present went to Master Morley Shortill.

A prize awarded to the lady present with the most years as a member of the Women's Institute, was won by Mrs. Bert Davidson, who has been a very faithful worker in the Institutes in and around Acton for quite a number of years.

After the races were over, the crowd gathered in the school room to enjoy a very tasty lunch served by members of the Institute. Ice cream cones were given to all present, making the evening even more enjoyable for the younger folk.

Egg yolks are used in tanning leather.

Advertisement for Guelph Drive In Theatre. Shows include 'Mr. Soft Touch', 'Lady Takes a Sailor', 'Renegades', 'Second Honeymoon', and 'Champion'. Children's playground 2 shows nightly.

Advertisement for B.F. Murfin Sheet Metal Works. In summertime! Auties-Imperial. B.F. MURFIN Sheet Metal WORKS PLUMBING & HEATING Georgetown Tel 1383W

Advertisement for Wrestling at Milton Arena. Friday Aug. 3, 8.45 p.m. Team Match. The Mask & Wild Bill Cody vs. Don Shoures & Johnny Barclay. One Other Feature Match. 1 hr. limit. Adults 50c, Ringside 75c, Children 25c.

Advertisement for Frank Toth's Shoe Hospital. Vacation. FRANK TOTH'S SHOE HOSPITAL ACTON WILL BE CLOSED JULY 30 - AUGUST 7 For Our Annual Vacation Period