

PERSONALS

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. D. Dills is the latter's mother, Mrs. R. Brown of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Rogvaldson visited in Alliston on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McKenzie attended a dinner at the Y.M.C.A. in Oshawa on Saturday night.

Miss Jenny Capesky of Toronto visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. Rogvaldson over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Johnston and Mrs. C. MacDonald of Hamilton visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newman of Streetsville moved to their new home on Monday, formerly owned by Mrs. H. Sayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Phillips and Bobby of Hamilton visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnston on Sunday.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kirkness and their daughter, Kimberly, are her mother and sister, Mrs. Hall and Miss Susan Hall of Bracebridge.

After visiting a couple of weeks with Mr. and Mrs. James Sayers, Miss H. Sayers is now staying with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce, Oshering.



LEGION NEWS

Let's this week look into the biography of our first vice-president, Herb Woods.

Herb, now 39, was born and educated in Acton before joining the Highland Light Infantry and serving from 1940 until 1945, here and in Europe. Upon discharge in 1945, he joined Branch 197 and has served on various committees and on the executive for four years.

Herb married a Guelph girl and he and his wife Lillian have raised a daughter, Marilyn.

Starting his hockey career out on the fitter beds at the Beardmore tannery, Herb applied the technique he acquired from the old Crescent gang when they played hockey and rose to be a hero of the town when in 1938-39 he helped Acton win the intermediate championship in hockey.

Starting in goal for years with the Acton team, Herb was always ready to kick out the shot that sneaked past the defence. A master of several sports, he also donned the pads and mask and steered many a pitcher during the summer baseball season.

He has served on the Minor Sports Committee and was president in 1956-57.

Both Herb and his wife are interested in the Legion, with Lil helping out in the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary.

Well, Tuesday evening wound up the regular season's play in the dart tournament and everyone had the points filed so there wouldn't be any miscues.

Fuelies donned their smoke masks and smoked out Sportsmen 5-0. Wanderers came out on top of Nevev Dues 3-2. Harbints, ruffed Leathernecks 3-2 and Pageboys hung up Runggades with a 5-0 score.

Next week are the play-offs, so watch these teams go.

Last Friday, the usual 11 tables of ruffie were active as the tally cards showed Jack Ford to be the night's big winner with a 62. Jim Higgins came through with a 59 for second spot and Lloyd Masales took home steak number three.

C. Copeland, from our neighboring suburb of Georgetown, finished up at the bottom of the heap again this week with a 35.

Pat Kenney and Bob Wallace are in Sunnybrook Hospital, Branch 197 wishes them a speedy return.

Don't forget the church parade Sunday. Leaving the Legion Hall at 6:30, the parade will proceed to the Presbyterian church for the service.

Tomorrow night is the Anniversary Dance. Have you purchased your ticket yet? Also members, don't forget the Anniversary Dinner Saturday.

MILK YOUR BEST HEALTH HABIT. DRINK 3 GLASSES EVERY DAY. ACTON JERSEY DAIRY.

Prominent Horse Breeder Marquis Given, 74, Buried

A prominent hackney horse breeder and showman, Marquis "Mark" Given, 74, was buried in Greenwood cemetery, Georgetown, on Wednesday, March 19. In ill health for some time, he died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, on March 17.

A native of Elm township, he was one of 13 children born to John and Mary Ann Kirkwood Given. He attended Glen Williams public school after the family moved to Paqueton in 1885. In 1909, he married Ida Hecoby in Brampton and they farmed on the sixth and eighth lines and at Lamelhouse until moving to Rockwood in 1945. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Given had a large collection of medals and prizes accumulated by his hackney stable in competition.

Surviving are his wife, three children, Olive, Jean and Lloyd at home, and two grandchildren, Brian and Dale (Tommy), and one brother, Malcolm Given of Calgary, Alberta. Three daughters died in infancy and other members of his family who predeceased him were Robert, Thomas, Kirkwood, Nathaniel and William and sisters Mrs. N. K. Hardie, Mrs. Joseph McMenamy and Mrs. H. Barnes.

Rev. A. H. McKenzie of Knox Presbyterian church, Acton, conducted the funeral service at the Strachan funeral home, Acton. Six nephews were pallbearers, John, Thomas, Bruce and William Given, Clarence and Elwood Snow.

They Used to Kill Losers After Hurley Hockey Game

Did you ever get to wondering as you sit in an easy chair watching a hockey game on TV, cheering the TV set to a victory, just how this game called "hockey" all came about? Well, here's your explanation.

It is claimed that the word "hockey" is derived from the French "hoquet" which described a shepherd's crook or a hooked stick. According to an old French dictionary, "hoquet" also means hiccup, but the first definition makes more sense.

An ancient Greek engraving, found on a wall built by Themistocles in 478 B.C., depicted six athletes armed with curved sticks. The central pair had the curved blades of their sticks crossed on the ground, with a round ball between them. This ancient affair, of two thousand four hundred and thirty-six years ago, seemingly took place without the help of a referee.

The early Irish people came up with a unique "sport" called hurley, in which two teams of nine men took part. Equipment included curved sticks or clubs and a brass ball. The rewards to the victors is not more than that it was their privilege to kill members of the losing squad. Anyway various phases of the game sprung up in Denmark, Scotland and Wales during medieval times. The Welsh called their version "bandy", while the Scottish name of "shinty" survives to-day on ponds or street-corner tanks where shinty is played.

Exactly when "hockey-in-the-grass" (as it was called in England in 1877) came to North America is unknown, but very likely the Indians were playing it long before the voyages of the Vikings. Unlike the game then being played in Europe, the Indians used sticks (sometimes the leg-bone of a reindeer) of varying lengths. One early print shows players with sticks a good fifteen feet long. The Indians, the Greeks, and their Scottish, Irish and Welsh counterparts did have one thing in common. All played their game on grass. It took the Canadians to finally put the game on ice.

Captain James Sutherland, one of Canada's foremost hockey pioneers and authorities, wrote that the first ice-hockey game ever played was at Kingston, Ontario, in 1867, when members of the Royal Canadian Rifles, stationed at Fort-à-Pont Barracks, cleared the snow from the Fairbairn ice, and engaged in a game requiring skates, sticks, and goal-posts. For the decade which followed, there were no rules to speak of, as tree branches, knotted roots, field hockey sticks and shillelghs were used to propel the puck (sometimes slipped from a zibbar-ball), while baulches were used to defend the goal.

Finally, in 1878, a group of McGill University students gave a semblance to organized hockey. Rules were drafted covering size of playing area, number of players per team (nine) and length of game (two hours). Within three years inter-city leagues were in action with Montreal, Victoria, Quebec, Crystals and Ottawa, forming the nucleus of the first major circuit.

From such humble beginnings came Canada's foremost sport of today.

Baseball gloves are beginning to get a workout on the side roads.

Several new telephone lines have been installed in the country recently.

Beware on Tuesday, April 1st. Remember it's April Fool's Day.

Workers are busy cleaning up the front street this week.

The dust is flying again — it's about time for a nice, warm rain, recently.

Easter holidays will soon be starting for the children.

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Seasonal Warning

Suckers, Smelt Ready to Run

During the months of April and May in the Huron District, anyone can take coarse fish by means of a spear from sunrise to sunset. One can also use a 6" x 6" dip net for taking coarse fish during the months of March, April and May during the daylight hours only.

Smelt may be taken by means of a dip net not exceeding 6" x 6" at any time day or night with a smelt licence. Smelt licences are required for any net not up to 30' in length and those nets must be 1 1/2" mesh. By using this size mesh, most smelt will pass through the net unharmed. Artificial lights must not be used from sunset to sunrise for the taking of any type of fish.

It has come to our attention that public property along the beach fronts such as verandas, wooden sidewalks and fences have been torn down for the purpose of building bonfires, explains Halton County game warden Bob Reid.

It is unfortunate that irresponsible people do damage such as this. It is the moral duty of all citizens to bring to the attention of local authorities the people responsible for this vandalism.

Bonfires out of control cause a great deal of damage each year, he added, and while set along lakefronts they often become dangerous to the wood constructed cabins on summer homes.

In the Bruce Peninsula, which now comes under the Forest Fires Prevention Act, anyone who sets a fire after April 1st is responsible for the control of the fire. He is responsible for any damage caused by the fire. Except for obtaining a permit, or for cooking a Barbecue Permit is required to set out a fire in a fire district.

The same regulations apply this year as those in 1957 concerning the setting of Groundhog bonfires. The bonfire must fall in the name of one County where the holder wishes to shoot venison. If the holder wishes to use those licenses in Regulated townships, he must get the approval of the township authorities.

Lawyer, Minister To Speak Here In Holy Week

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riching experiences for all attending.

Many community groups have already accepted invitations to be present at one of the five services in a body. The present list is as follows:

Sunday night: Duke of Devonshire Chapter, I.O.D.E., St. John Ambulance Brigade, Acton Legion and Ladies' Auxiliary, Y. Men's Club, Daughters of Knox, Acton United Church Session, Baptist Adult Fellowship.

Monday night: Acton Fire Brigade and Knox Church Session.

Tuesday night: Lakeside Chapter, I.O.D.E., Acton Women's Institute, Acton Rotary Club, Acton Girl Guide Company.

Wednesday night: Alert Evening Auxiliary of Knox Church.

Thursday night: W.M.S. Senior Auxiliary of Knox Church.

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United Church Ladies' Groups Hold Joint Dinner Meeting

The ladies of the W.A. and W.M.S. of the United Church met together for dinner and a joint meeting in the Sunday School room of the church Tuesday.

Mrs. A. Shoemaker, president of the W.A., presided for the evening's program after the meal which enjoyed Mrs. J. Moore led the devotional, taking "Women" as her theme.

All ladies over 60 were called forward, and carnations were presented to Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Evered, Mrs. R. L. Johnston, Mrs. J. Mowat and Mrs. A. Symon. Although not yet 60, Mrs. Hannah also received a flower.

Mrs. Shoemaker spoke of the many shut-ins and plans were made to call on them.

As it was Mrs. F. Cleaves' 44th wedding anniversary, Mrs. Shoemaker read to her a poem written by Miss Esther Taylor for the 65th wedding anniversary of Mrs. and J. Reid.

The ladies paid special tribute to Miss M. Z. Bennett on having a school named in her honor. A poem, "Soldiers", was read to her.

Mrs. W. Hallett gave two readings, "The Elevator" and "Mother's Soliloquy".

After a sing song the group had the pleasure of seeing the pictures taken by Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Elliott

on their trip to Florida, and the scenes from Northern Ontario. Mrs. H. Burns of Alliston was a special guest at the dinner.

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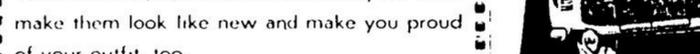
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ANNUAL MEETING

THE CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY OF THE COUNTY OF HALTON cordially invites all interested citizens to attend their Annual Meeting to be held in the Sunday School Room of St. Paul's United Church, Milton, on Tuesday evening, April 1st, 1958 at 8:15 p.m.

Guest Speaker - George E. Elliot O.C.

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