

School children have been warned against playing in the snow piled on the school creek property.

Most of the rural roads have been plowed out and residents are once again able to drive their cars to town.

With reports of robins and crows coming in to the Free Press office one can't help but get that longing feeling for spring.

Minor Sports hockey league will possibly wind up tomorrow night (Friday) when the young stars take to the ice for the final playoff games.

Skating and tobogganing have been popular pastimes for the youngsters this winter and the heavy snowfalls have added much to the fun.

Acton Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies, dressed in their uniforms, joined with the congregation at St. Alban's church Wednesday evening for the Lenten service.

Miss Ida Nellis, R. R. 1, Acton, called the Free Press Tuesday to report sighting a crow in a tree near the house. This is the first crow reported this year. Just another sign of S-P-R-I-N-G.

Spring is only two weeks away.

Father Jackson of St. Martin-in-the-Field, Toronto, was guest speaker at St. Alban's church Sunday. The rector, the Rev. H. B. Stokroel, was preaching in Toronto.

Newly formed Rover Scouts enjoyed an outing last weekend when they accompanied their leader Ron Smith to his farm property in Nassagaweya, for a tobogganing party. Hot drinks and a lunch were enjoyed by the boys after their return to the Scout Hall.

One man, who has to explain why orders are late being shipped to the West Indies, simply clipped pictures of last week's snow storm from several newspapers and last week phoned the Free Press to make sure there would be a convincing photograph of the snowdrifts published. Little did little Johnny and Jimmy Timmings know when they posed for a picture shoveling out their grandfather's garage covered with a 14 foot drift, their picture would be travelling to Jamaica. Who knows! Maybe if the snow catches up with the natives in the West Indies they might hire the two youngsters to shovel.

\$400,000 Building Campaign Stressed by Evening Speaker

The first woman chairman of national Presbyterian board, Mrs. C. Denton Taylor was guest speaker Sunday evening in Knox Presbyterian Church at a World Day of Prayer service led by the Daughters of Knox and attended by members of other local congregations.

Mrs. Taylor, a chairman of the Missionary and Deaconess Training School Board also heads the National Campaign Committee seeking to raise \$400,000 for erection of a new school as a training centre for Presbyterian missionaries and deaconesses.

When completed, the building will replace the outmoded 15-room residence currently serving as a school and residence for some 23 young women studying for missionary work.

Building inadequate introduced by Mrs. H. Coles, the distinguished guest described vividly many inadequacies of the present building located on George St., Toronto.

Mrs. Taylor stressed that to meet the \$400,000 objective will require the participation of every Presbyterian congregation. Plans for the new Training School call for a chapel, an assembly hall, three classrooms and

an intimate and much more extensive accommodation for resident students.

Taking part in the service of worship with the world-wide theme "Laborers together with God" were members of the host mission organization, Knox Church junior choir led in the singing with Ted Hansen at the organ.

Under the direction of Mrs. Alex Mann, senior girls of the choir sang "Living for Jesus" and "I Came to the Garden Alone". C. G. I. T. members, Explorers, groups and the Young People's Society were also in attendance.

Take Part President of the Daughters of Knox, Mrs. W. Spivogel opened the service to lead in a general prayer and the call to worship.

Mrs. C. Ashley, Mrs. Murray Scovine and Mrs. Kerwin McPhail respectively led in confession, affirmation, consecration and intercession. Rev. Andrew McKenzie pronounced the benediction. After the service, the sponsoring hosts served refreshments to visitors and members of Knox congregation. In appreciation, Mrs. Spivogel presented a bouquet of flowers to the guest speaker, Mrs. C. Denton Taylor.

BALLINAFAD

Famous Composers Recalled Old Songs Sung at W.I. Meet

Mrs. Clarence Snow was hostess on Wednesday evening for the March meeting of Ballinafad W.I. The meeting opened with the W.I. ode and Mary Stewart Collet. Roll call was answered by "If you were 16 again, what would you do?" 20 members and three visitors answered.

Several items of business followed the minutes. Plans were made to help with the canvass for the new hospital. Mrs. Clarence Snow was key woman for this community. Extension Service course will be held in the basement of the church on March 17. A donation of \$5.00 is to be sent to the Music Festival.

Plans were made to hold an Easter Party at Stewarttown. Mrs. Fred J. Shortill who is public relations convener was appointed to attend the Officers Conference to be held in Guelph in May.

Mrs. Lloyd McLean, agricultural convener took the chair for this part of the program. Current events by Mrs. Norman Sinclair, topic, Mrs. Jesse McEnery on "Music". Mrs. Clarence Snow read a paper on famous composers. Mrs. Fred J. Shortill played a number written by the composer Handel, "Handel's Largo". Mrs. Lloyd McLean read about Stephen Foster.

Mrs. Norman Sinclair sang a hymn of Jeanne with the light brown hair, composed by Stephen Foster. All joined in singing a number of old songs.

The meeting closed with the Queen Mrs. Lloyd McLean then conducted a contest, naming the girl in the song.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Sandy McLean in the passing of his wife Alice Maude Thompson. Both Mr. and Mrs. McLean were residents of this community before their marriage.

Day of Prayer World Day of Prayer was held in Ballinafad United Church on Friday. Mrs. Ernie McEnery as key woman.

New Baby Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Shortill on the safe arrival of a baby daughter in Guelph on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Hemes visited with relatives in Flint, Michigan, last week.

W.I. Euchre W.I. euchre was held at the home of Mr. Elwood Snow on Saturday night. High scores were made by Ernie McEnery, Mr. Leo Jamieson, Mrs. Jesse McEnery and Mr. Percy White.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Willets visited at the home of their son, Don, at Aurora last week.

GIRL GUIDE NEWS

Roll call was completed as soon as possible so that the First Class girls could leave and the Tenderfoot pass tests for the enrolment next week.

The First Class studying Home Nursing proceeded to Mrs. Watson for instruction from Miss S. Harty Public Health nurse. At the Scout Hall, each patrol prepared a Patrol box containing items used in projects.



SKATING STARS from Galt who performed at the Acton arena Friday night are pictured with two local girls, who admired the skaters during the evening. Pictured left to right are Katherine Garrett, Linda Anne Ward, Neil Carpenter and Ella Jany. The two skaters are the Western Ontario and Niagara Peninsula champions.

OSPRINGE

Guests Play Crokinole Games As W.I. Members Hold Meeting

Over forty attended the "Pot Luck Family Dinner" held Wednesday night in the Church basement, sponsored by the Women's Institute, for members and their families.

Following a full course meal crokinole was played by the guests while the ladies held a short business meeting.

Contest Winners Mrs. H. Theaker was winner of the parker house roll contest and Mrs. S. Fuller had the best apple pie.

These two ladies will now compete at the baking contest at the District Annual held later in the spring.

Next meeting is the annual election of officers and Mrs. H. Theaker, Mrs. S. Fuller and Mrs. R. Taylor were named as nominating committee.

A hat made of kitchen gadgets is to be modelled at the next meeting.

Name Committees Committees appointed for the euvres for March are Mrs. C. Storey, Mrs. M. Jackson, Mrs. G. Robertson and Mrs. E. Archibald for the first one, and the second Mrs. W. Awrey, Miss D. Fines, Mrs. T. Fines and Mrs. K. Stubbington.

Thanks Committee Mrs. W. Awrey as courtesy convener moved a vote of thanks to the lunch committee and all who helped make the dinner a success.

World Day of Prayer The women of the Church of Christ Disciples, "Everton", sponsored the World Day of Prayer, held at the home of Mrs. D. G. Robertson.

Ladies from the Presbyterian and Christian Reformed Churches were guests. Rev. Byron Howlett of Everton Church was guest speaker and gave an inspiring message on "Prayer".

Several ladies assisted with the service including Mrs. John Alton, Mrs. H. Hortop, Mrs. W. MacPherson, Mrs. A. Kingsbury, Mrs. Currie, Mrs. G. Sumter, Mrs. John McDougall and Mrs. Ward Bruce.

Receives Gold Wings Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Howard have been informed that their daughter, Jan, had received her gold wings, designating five years as stewardess with American Airlines.

Local Views

Word has been received of the

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birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. John Wickenhuser at Stratford. Before her marriage Mrs. Wickenhuser (nee Ferne Schell) taught at the local school.

Miss Joan Aiken of Western University, London, spent last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aikien, studying for forthcoming exams.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Baldwin and children of Ancaster visited on Sunday with the Stewart families.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg Carter, Laveno and Karen of Stratford visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robertson.

ROCKWOOD

Local Boy Scouts Attend Bronze Arrowhead Course

During the weekend, some 48 Boy Scouts from Fergus, Elora, Salem, Rockwood, Aberfoyle and Guelph attended the Bronze Arrowhead Course at the Optimist Hall, Guelph. Among those present was Billy Wingate of Rockwood.

Sunday morning, the Scouts attended service at the Church of Our Lady and Dublin St. United Church.

At Convention Mr. Stewart S. Royce was in Toronto last week attending the annual Hydro convention.

Clean Streets During Saturday and Monday, men were busy cleaning away piles of snow on Main Street, using a bulldozer and trucks to haul away the snow. Disposition of some of it was in Exhibition Park and the old quarry.

Attendance Down As a result of last Thursday's snow storm, the Women's World Day of Prayer attendance was considerably lessened. Only those in the village were able to attend in St. John's Anglican Church.

Sunday, Rev. Jackson of St. Martin's-in-the-Field conducted service in the absence of Rev. H. B. Stokroel who was in Toronto for services.

Services on Sunday were fairly well maintained following the storm last Thursday. Some of those who live at a distance were able to attend church.

A Young People's Society social of the Presbyterian Church was cancelled last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Dyer, owing to bad roads off the highway at Eden Mills side road.

\$1,000 Damage Saturday afternoon a collision took place between cars driven by George Lavery and George Fletcher which resulted in damages to the amount of \$1,000. O.P.P. Constable William Humphreys investigated.

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Floral Arrangements Enjoyed During Women's Institute Meet

Mrs. Pearce of the Remedial League of Georgetown demonstrated floral arrangements to the members of the Acton Women's Institute when they met for their regular meeting on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Fred Kitigantill, Bruce Ave. Decide the odd, stratty weather of the day, the pretty arrangements gave a real touch of spring.

Mrs. Pearce graciously donated the three bouquets to the group. A draw was made and the lucky winner was Mrs. W. Denny, Mrs. A. Wilderspin and Mrs. J. Buck and.

Mrs. George Fryer, who presided, thanked Mrs. Pearce and presented her with a gift in appreciation of her visit.

Appointment Business items dealt with included the appointing of a nominating committee, comprising Mrs. J. Buckland, Mrs. J. Hardie and Mrs. Hector Lambett.

Plans were finalized for the annual euvre and penny sale announced for this month.

The roll call was answered by singing a city of Canada beginning with the initial of every name. Two visitors were present and Mrs. Wynn was received as a new member.

The motto of the month, "Plant seeds of character in your home and they will bloom in the community" was ably presented by Mrs. J. Buckland.

Conveners Report The conveners reported as follows. For education, Miss Marjorie Hall paid tribute to the late Mr. Denyes, school inspector for Halton county for many years, and also gave a story of an art gallery in Ottawa.

Mrs. Earl Lambert, home economics, told many uses for olive oil and eggs as used for hair shampoo. She also read a poem "If Man should Reach the Moon".

Current events were reported by Mrs. F. Anderson announcing the World Day of Prayer service

CHURCH Visit Local Home On Return from U.S.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vannatta visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kerr on their return home to Fenelon Falls. They had been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tyler and family and eight other guests at Phoenix, Arizona.

Mrs. Frank Freeman spent a few days visiting with friends in Detroit.

A number in the community took part with the first Short Service.

Church service on Sunday of this month was not short when the first short service was held. A party of six couples had a enjoyable evening dining and dancing at the Old Mill in Saturday night at Toronto.

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Booster Night

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During lunch Herb Cook and Bob Listell led the crowd in a singing and Mrs. I. Ward of Galt danced a Scottish number accompanied by a member of the Acton Junior Pipe Band on the pipes.

Two buses and several cars awaited the Galt youngsters and soon to the skirt of the pipes the crowded auditorium began to empty as the skaters began their trek home.

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