

Lack of snow on the hills has limited the skiing. Got those outside Christmas tree lights down yet? Still see the odd Christmas tree lying around some yards. High school students appear to be enjoying their "Ice Carnival Week". Quite a number of rabbits have been struck by autos on the highways recently. A number of United church scholars are taking communicant classes Tuesdays after school. Ice trails are providing a perfect setting for youngsters to play shinny with hockey sticks and balls. Family skating at the pond has been successful with large crowds of parents and children enjoying the ice. Keep the Lions Club's Ice carnival date in mind in February. Some lucky winner will enjoy a jet flight to New York.

Hockey and skating is in full swing at the arena and around W. Rossall is quite busy providing an excellent ice surface. A number of ardent fishermen from the district have reeled their haul at ice fishing in the northern waters and report good catches. Characters for the Robert Little school operetta have been chosen and pupils are practicing daily under the direction of Mrs. E. Franklin. Remember a year ago when everything was coated in ice from the sleet storm! The way that this year has been much more favorable. Pupils at the Spynside school are taking advantage of the cold snap and are busy preparing an area for a skating rink at the school property. Surveyors have been busy on the eastern limits to town as they measure and mark the highway in preparation for Department of Highway plans to widen this area.

Four Possible

Phillips Seeks Warden's Seat

Of four possible candidates for the 1961 Wardenship of Halton County, only one to date looks like a sure starter in the annual race for the county's top position. And Reeve F. Alexander Phillips of Trafalgar looks like he may make it this year. Last year Reeve Phillips tried to contest the seat against Georgetown's Doug Sturgeon and lost out in a close vote. Contacted by The Champion this week, Mr. Phillips said he was anxious to try for the position again. He served on township council in 1941 and 1942, then returned to municipal battles in 1953 and has been on council ever since. He served one term as Deputy Reeve and this year begins his fourth term as Trafalgar's Reeve. Three others whose names had been rumored as possible candidates verbally backed out this week, when contacted by The Champion. Burlington's F. L. Ryckman said "I might let my name stand" but noted he was not keen on having the pos-

sition. He added he favored a candidate from the North of Halton sitting in the Warden's chair until the mess of the county voting power in the south was straightened out. (Reeve Ryckman is one of the advocates of more political power in Oakville, Trafalgar and Burlington.) Milton Reeve Mary S. Pettit who was Ontario's first lady Warden back in 1949 when she was Reeve of the former Nelson Township, says she expects to be nominated for Warden this year but won't accept the nomination. She said although it is Milton's turn at the post this year, she preferred to give the position to those who want the chance. She added it would be selfish to take the post of honor again, when some councillors never may get a chance. The other candidate who has been rumored as seeking the position is Reeve Campbell Sinclair of Esquesing. But Wednesday he scotched the rumor, noting it didn't seem to be his township's turn yet.



\$1,200 DAMAGE resulted to two cars, Monday afternoon, in a head-on collision on number 7 highway in front of Ari Brown's wicker yard, below Silvercreek. A car, driven by W. Thompson, R.R. 3, Georgetown, proceeding south, was in collision with a northbound vehicle driven by H. McArthur, Bellefontaine. The two vehicles are pictured shortly after the accident, locked together. Constable Carmen Wright of the North Halton O.P.P. Detachment investigated. Both drivers suffered minor injuries and were treated by a Georgetown doctor.

CAMPBELLVILLE Write Queen's Park For Campbellville Sign

Mrs. Stewart Cramp was hostess to the Campbellville Women's Institute on Wednesday evening with the Christmas and New Year spirit prevailing. Mrs. Leonard Andrews opened with a poem "Speak Out". The roll call was answered by 22 members with "Your grandmother's birthplace, age and name." Mrs. Murray McPhail gave the secretary's report. Mrs. Jack Wheelahan the cheer reporter and Mrs. Lloyd Bayley the treasurer's report. It was decided to give a W.I. cup and sash to members moving away to another branch. Mrs. George Inglis the Public Relations officer was instructed to write three letters, to The Department of Highways, Queen's Park, and to Mr. Stanley Hall, about having a sign placed on Highway 401 to state where the village of Campbellville lies. Many complaints have come because of motorists being lost.

Campbellville Ladies Involved in Accident

Two Campbellville district women were involved in a car accident on the Base Line near the village, Thursday of last week. Mrs. Isobel Smith of Campbellville was driving west along the Base Line, and Mrs. Inez Van Buskirk of R.R. 2, Campbellville was proceeding east when the two cars collided on the narrow, icy road. Damage amounting to \$200 on each car, was mainly to the front left fenders of the two vehicles. Const. David Hardy of North Halton O.P.P. investigated, and reported no injuries were sustained.

MONEY'S WORTH

The patient complained bitterly, "Five dollars is an awful lot of money for pulling a tooth — just two seconds' work." "Well," replied the dentist coolly, "if you wish, I can pull it very slowly."

Grandmothers' Program

Mrs. Lloyd Bayley then took the chair for the Grandmothers' program and opened with a poem "Young Grandmothers". Mrs. Al-

Robt. R. Hamilton Fred. A. Hoffman

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Don Cherrington Heads Bureau

Halton County's mutual aid fire prevention bureau chose Traill Edgar Cherrington as president for 1961, at the annual elections in Milton Tuesday night. Other officers named were George Bundy of Milton, vice-president; Frank Russell of Burlington, secretary; Bert Crowl of Oakville, treasurer. Committee chairmen named were literature, Doug Wilson, Oakville; publicity, A. E. Clement, Milton; fire inspections, Bob Bonfield, Georgetown and Mick Holmes, Acton; posters, Al Elliott, Trafalgar; Christmas fire prevention, Ivan Clarridge, Milton; spring clean-up, Doug Wilson, Oakville.

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Lakeside Chapter Annual Nominations

Annual nominations were held at the regular meeting of Lakeside Chapter L.O.O.F. Tuesday in the Legway Hall. Nominated to the nominating committee were Miss Jessie Coles and Mrs. Rue West. Annual donations were approved and a report was given on the Christmas hamper. Reports of all conveners will be heard at the executive meeting January 31. A delicious pot luck supper again preceded the meeting.

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MR. AND MRS. S. DIDERO had a surprise visit from the nine children and 32 of their 34 grandchildren Sunday after church. The family honored their parents on the occasion of a dual birthday role. Mrs. Didero celebrated her 63rd birthday on Saturday and her husband was 69 on Sunday. The entire group is pictured above during the celebration Sunday.

Nine Children, 32 Grandchildren At Surprise Birthday Party

With all their nine children and 32 of their 34 grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Severino Didero, R.R. 2, both observed very happy birthdays on the weekend. Mrs. Didero's birthday was on Saturday and his on Sunday. While they were out Sunday afternoon, the entire family came from Guelph and the Hamilton area, rushed in their gifts and food, hid their cars, and phoned for their parents to come home. There they took them completely by surprise. About 60 enjoyed dinner together, and of course there was birthday cake. It was Holy Family Sunday at their church, and Father V. J. Morgan spent the evening with the family and blessed the happy reunion. Successful "Business" Mr. Didero came to Canada from Italy in 1906 and he and Mrs. Didero were married in Bracebridge in 1915. They lived in many towns and came to their farm on R.R. 2, Acton, six years ago. Mr. Didero has carried on a successful turmp waxing business in which he is still actively engaged. He is well known throughout this district. Present for the party were six daughters and three sons, all of them married. Mrs. W. Meag-

ler (Norma), Mr. Meagler and family, came from Guelph. All the other lives in the Hamilton-Dundas area — Mrs. Ivan Anderson (Laura), Mr. Anderson and family; Mrs. Emmett Wolsey (Anna), Mr. Wolsey and family; Mrs. Frank Bates (Mary), Mr. Bates and family; Mrs. W. Smith (Eva), Mr. Smith and family; Mrs. M. Robillard (Josephine), Mr. R. Robillard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Didero and family and the most recently married son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Didero. Of all the grand-

children, just two were missing. "It was a very happy occasion," the Dideros agree.

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