

## Notorious "Minstrels '64" Packs Town Hall Twice

Well, hell, the gang's all here—and they were, at least as many as the Rockwood town hall could hold, when the first Rockwood Street Troup presented their "Minstrels '64". Those who did not see the show when the boys presented it on May 1 and 2 really missed a good performance, but they have promised to bring another in the future.

After the opening chorus, the gentlemen were told to be seated by their very capable Mr. Interlocutor, Peter Leslie. Then came the Salute to our Merchants, an amusing chorus, giving the low down on the village shops and products, to the music of well-known tunes; after which we were taken on a Trip to Dreamland by the Chorus.

The End Men — Amos: Paul Waddell, Rufus: Jim Gallatley, Bones: Brad Wilson, Ramus: Mike Daley, Samba: Jack Bellamy, and Tambo: Gary Hill, kept the audience laughing with their well-placed jokes and comments all through the evening. They were indeed a credit to their script writer and director Norm Brain.

Mike Waddell sent the audience into an uproar with his antics when he emerged as a Hispanic English lass, and sang in a very feminine voice "A Lovely Bunch of Coconuts". A solo and tap dance "Me and My Shadow" by David Cox dressed in top hat and tails was much enjoyed.

When they began to play "Babies Only Babies", out ran three

overland infants complete with diapers and toys and some while they went through their tiny portraits; well done — Mike Waddell, Gord Cox and Rick Fuhrman.

After intermission the Bouncing Blackies came back with a chorus, "Side by Side", with Steve Leslie taking the solo part. Other solos given were — Beautiful Dreamer and Moon River both by Larry Logan, My Love with Kieran Nelson and Toot Tootie by Paul Waddell.

Down by the Riverside, with the Chorus was much enjoyed, and out came a lady adorned with grass skirt (Brian Slipp), a masculine bathing beauty (Paul Bolton), and an old crippled man (Daryle Nichol). "My Mummy" an Al Jolson favorite was well mouthed by Samba.

"Too Many Commercial" — showed a poor frustrated housewife (Dave Logan) who could hardly keep up with products advertised by TV commercials while trying to bake a cake, only to hear, after all her trips to the store for these, that a mix was better. The result — one smashed TV set.

Beats Substitute Then came the Beatles, but with wigs, and if the English boys ever got their wings clipped I'm sure Rockwood could supply a fit substitute. Tony Reid, Mike Waddell and Rick Fuhrman with Richard Wilk and Brian Benham sang, played and twisted their way through several Beatle songs while the audience laughed and clapped.

Near the first of the program a well dressed man (Bob Bolton) walked across the stage with a deck of cards in his hand, he returned, each time minus an item of clothing, until at last he appeared walking inside a barrel and admitted he had met a man in the back who knew how to play cards, even though he didn't.

In Closure After the closing chorus, the Queen brought two most enjoyable evenings to a close. Those taking part in the chorus were: Steve Leslie, Gary Hepburn, John Thatcher, Larry Logan, Paul Bolton, Bruce Bolton, Gary Swackhammer, Rick Fuhrman, Mike Waddell, Bob Bolton, Jim Daley, Larry Hepburn, Kieran Nelson, Dave Lehan, Daryle Nichol, Danny Bolton, Brian Slipp, Dave Cox, and Dave Logan.

The boys presented Norm Brain their script writer and director, L. Deebank the music director and John Deebank their pianist with gifts of appreciation for their time and talent given to make the show a success. The stage was in charge of Frank Schneider and Ken Murray, lighting — Bob Leslie, make-up — Mrs. H. Laverty and Mrs. Bolton, and costumes by the Ladies Auxiliary.

Congratulations to the boys and everyone who made two such fine evenings possible.

## Rockwood NEWS and SHOPPING GUIDE



MINSTREL SHOW END MEN kept the weekend audiences amused during the performances in Rockwood community hall. They were flashily dressed in red and white striped trousers, white shirts, black bow ties and colorful shirts while on stage. Left to right are Paul Waddell, Jim Gallatley, Brad Wilson, interlocutor Peter Leslie, Mike Daley, Jack Bellamy and Gary Hill. Members of the chorus are in the background.

## Monday New Garbage Day W. Machen Signs Contract

The Police Village of Rockwood will still have garbage collection but on a different day of the week, beginning June 8, 1964. It was decided that weather conditions being right and the season regular April meeting, recently, that the secretary notify by letter that garbage collections will be changed to Mondays, starting at 8 o'clock in the morning. The garbage contract will be given to W. H. Machen for a two year period at seventeen hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,750) yearly. Payment will be made monthly. Mr. Machen was present and the necessary agreements being prepared were signed, witnessed, and the Police Village of Rockwood seal affixed.

It was moved and carried that the Police Village request the Township of Eramosa council to try and have Mr. Hungerford complete and prepare the new agreement between the Police Village of Rockwood and the Township of Eramosa so it can become effective for 1965. This agreement was suggested by the auditor and the Municipal Board last year.

Accounts totalling \$904.72 were passed for payment. Roads — \$131.76, and General — \$674.96. The secretary was authorized to order two 200 ft. booster hose reels for the township fire truck from C. E. Hickey and Sons. The same to be charged to the Township of Eramosa, plus installation charges.

The Grand Valley Car Club has been granted the use of Valley Road on June 13, 1964, for a fee of \$50 for a hill climb. They must carry public liability and property damage insurance to protect the village from all claims during the event, and properly police and supervise, and have a doctor present for this event. The terms of the previous agreement must be carried out.

Proper lighting for the village always being necessary, the secretary was authorized to obtain prices on 175 watt and 200 watt Mercury Vapour Lights for the residential areas of Rockwood. This to carry out and continue the program of improving the lighting of the village streets.

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village, to see first hand, work that was needed to be done and the location of street lights. It was decided that weather conditions being right and the season regular April meeting, recently, that the secretary notify by letter that garbage collections will be changed to Mondays, starting at 8 o'clock in the morning. The garbage contract will be given to W. H. Machen for a two year period at seventeen hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,750) yearly. Payment will be made monthly. Mr. Machen was present and the necessary agreements being prepared were signed, witnessed, and the Police Village of Rockwood seal affixed.

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## Russian Schools for Retarded Visited by Speaker at U.C.W.

"You really have to hurry when you cross those wide city streets in Russia," advised Mrs. J. Crombie while speaking to the Rockwood United Church Women at their unit two meeting recently. Mrs. Crombie as guest speaker was telling the ladies of her eighteen day visit in Russia where she had gone to learn more of that country's schools for retarded children. The tour was arranged by the Canadian and U.S.S.R. Assn. whose head office is in Toronto. Their hotel accommodations and meals were very fine, said the speaker and they were very glad of their University student guides who knew English well. Mrs. Crombie visited many summer camps for children, some high in the mountainous hills. These were beautifully and well equipped with instructors and nurses.

In Russia they have many boarding schools for the deaf, blind or otherwise handicapped. These are often in the suburbs where it is safer for these children but if necessary, teachers are sent to homes for those unable to attend school. These teachers take a four year training course which gives them two degrees. The scenery was very beautiful, with its rugged hills and tall trees, and I enjoyed the stop at Amsterdam on the way home, included the speaker. Colored slides and postcards of Russia were handed to the ladies showing Russian scenes and buildings of interest. Mrs. Crombie is principal of the Rockwood Clinic for crippled children in Guelph.

The business portion of the meeting was in charge of Miss Gladys Hanna the unit leader who opened the meeting with the poem "I've just been cleaning up my heart". The roll call was answered with your favorite flower, followed by the treasurer's report. The ladies were reminded of the bale that is being collected during the month of May, the roll call to be answered next month with articles for a baby's layette. Miss Hanna welcomed members of unit one who were present, and it was announced that Wednesday May 6th would be the next unit one meeting, with Miss Ella Simlan of Guelph telling of her trip to India.

Mrs. Ross Gordon offered her home for the next unit two meeting. Mrs. Stan Harris was in charge of the program and opened with a reading and prayer. The Scripture lesson was taken by Miss Helen Bayne. Mrs. Harris had a picture of "Jesus the Good Shepherd" and told its story how Jesus leads his own flock. Many followers are like the sheep who follow closely and

others follow afar off and often go astray. Carl Harris accompanied by Jean Hayne on the piano favored the group with a violin solo. Following the Benediction lunch was served and a time of fellowship enjoyed. Mrs. G. Day thanking Mrs. Crombie for her fine talk and the ladies of the lunch committee for the refreshments.



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## Nichols' Pals League Champs

Well, the season is over, the champs decided, and all that remains are happy memories for the players of the Rockwood and District Bowling League. In the championship series No. 1, Nichols Pals came out on top with the trophies and a total of 6511 total pins. The runners-up were Town and Country 5985, Miles Booth 5972, Harriott Dusters 5914, Carney's Plumbing and Heating 5791, and Pearl's Varieties 5344.

In series No. 2, the consolation trophy went to the Korner Pins with 6021 total pins, followed by Schneider's Sweets 5916, Saunderson's Fireballs 5799, Stratton's Esso 5750, Barlow's Bums 5744, Hefferman's Hams 5676, Don's Fridlid Lockers 5634, Wildcats 5612, Matales' Alley Cats 5539, and Ken's Novelities with 5439.

The League Bowlers plan to complete the season with a banquet on Tuesday evening, May 5, at 7 p.m. at the Italian Canadian Hall in Guelph. No doubt there will be many experiences of the past season talked over, and new plans for the next. Special congratulations to the winners of the Dave Gray Trophy, and overall winners — Nichols' Pals.

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