

Rockwood Local and District News

Problems of New Immigrant Described to Rockwood U.C.W.

Rockwood — At the general meeting of Rockwood United Church Women, the president, Mrs. Freeman Wilson, opened with a poem "Do You Know the Shepherd?" This was followed by a hymn, prayer by Mrs. Wilson and the Lord's Prayer. The president extended a warm welcome to Mrs. Gardner, wife of Rev. Gardner, who has come to the Rockwood Stone church charge. Rev. and Mrs. Gardner are formerly of Milverton. The roll call was answered by 26 ladies and the minutes transacted's report and various mundane were read.

Progress Presented

Mrs. H. Bayne gave a reading on Stewardship and Mrs. J. Hosking, the supply convenor, announced a bale would be packed. The social convenor, Mrs. L. Marsden told the ladies of two June wedding banquets to which they would cater. The offering was dedicated by Mrs. J. Hosking.

Miss H. Bayne, the citizenship convenor, was in charge of the program and read an article where Hon. Lester Pearson had honored an Indian woman as citizen of the year.

Mr. Stanley Harris took the devotional, which was based on the Bible, and explained how the Bible was formed of literature, poetry and religion. Mrs. H. Bayne, Mr. W. Gull and Mrs. R. Gordon each read portions of Psalm 104. A poem "God's

Tales of Escape
She told of how the family had escaped from their native land in 1948, lived as refugees in Germany and then came to Canada. The speaker was very colorful in her native costume and told of the many problems surrounding a new immigrant. The immigration and citizenship laws have improved, said Mrs. Marshall, but the language barrier is always a problem she said.

Many articles from her native land were shown those present. Mrs. Marshall told of the salesman's tales by new immigrants who desire citizenship. She married a Canadian and has a family of three children. Mrs. Marsden thanked the speaker for her interesting talk. Miss G. Hanna and the group in a Canadian and a Mexican folk song. The Lord's Prayer brought the evening to a close and a lovely lunch was served.

Auction, Sale Planned At Meeting of C.W.L.

Rockwood — The May meeting of the Rockwood Catholic Women's League was held at the home of Veronica and Paul Frank. Seven members were present. President Mrs. W. Gull opened the meeting with the League Prayer and thanked the Franks for opening their home to the members. She urged cooperation in present and future endeavors.

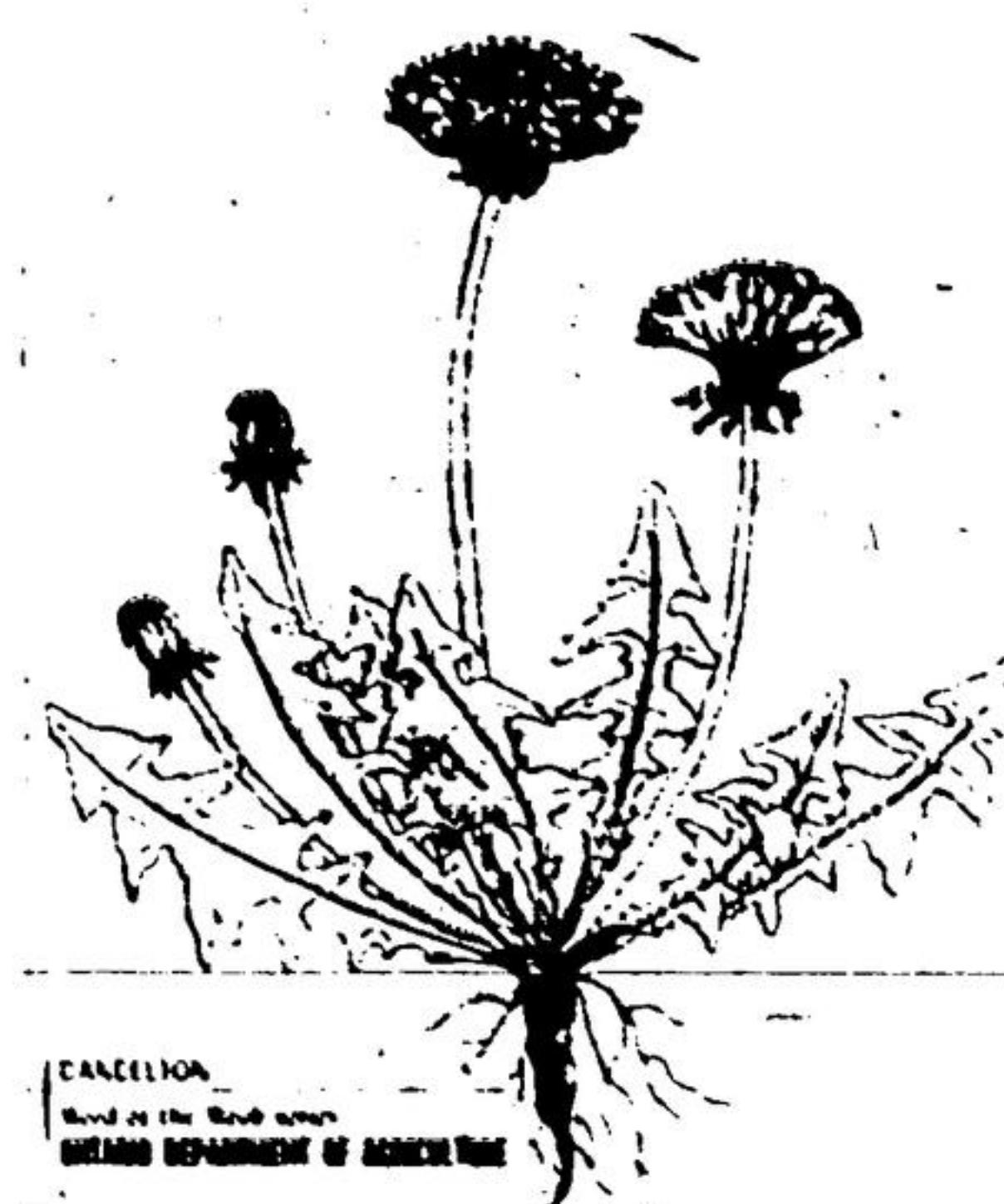
The roll was called, the trea-

surer's report and minutes from the last meeting read. A thank you note received from St. John Hebrew Church, Trois, was read expressing their gratitude for the donation. Religious magazines were collected for distribution to the mission in Indonesia at the request of Father Hines.

Reports from committees concerning progress for the coming meeting and summer sale were given and an expressed desire for success. A salvage drive was suggested but was postponed until fall.

Arrangements were made for future meetings with many ladies offering their homes. A humorously written article was read by Ann Asboth concerning a man's episode at a ladies' auction. Shirley Dix

in Galt, reports the Seeds and Crops Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.



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Food for Thought

Is Your Farm Washing Away?

Yours find the eroded "hoodoo" of Banff picturesque, they marvel over the beauty of the bad lands of South Dakota, the many colored pillars of River Canyon of Utah, and the shimmering fairys' east of the Arizona desert, but they seldom give a thought to the fact that these are dead lands. They died because they were unprotected from sun and wind and denuded of water, and such may become millions of acres of Canada unless heed is given quickly to conservation.

The population of the world has increased from 665 million around the year 1850 to somewhere about 3 billion 180 million. That means everyone is to have three meals a day, an additional drain on farmland of 2 trillion, 972 billion 925 million meals out of every year's crop of grains, vegetables, livestock fodder and all other things which contribute to human life.

Talking about meals brings the matter of conservation to fundamental reality. Destruction of resources — and there is no more important resource than the eight or 10 inches of top soil — is an injury with wide implications. The people make now to the demand for conservation will spell the difference between food and famine in the next few generations.

Sod erosion has been called a creeping death. It is fatal not only to growth of plants but to

the presented a religious reading entitled "Are Things Getting Worse?"

The group decided to participate in the Lucky Guyon Stamp Group Participation Plan, as a means of collecting articles for the sale. Golden Book for Charity donations were collected by Mrs. Saunders who said that this project had come to an end.

The meeting was opened and closed by Mrs. Deva abdwich which a delicious lunch was served by the committee.

the development of man. Concurrent with a farmer's realization that his farm is washing away, comes loss of morale. A rural population of prosperous and contented farmers is an asset every country needs, but if morale is destroyed, the farmers become apathetic, and the whole country suffers.

How long can this go on? Scientists tell us that it takes nature about 500 years to make one inch of good topsoil, and this precious source of food and living is being washed from beneath our feet at an alarming rate.

Inelligent, planned, organized attack is required. It might very well stem from the farmers' level and make itself felt in requests for advice and assistance and guidance of government departments. Consultation between individuals, farmers' associations, universities, county councils, the municipal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture and Agricultural Improvement Associations as to the best way of proceeding should go far toward building

effective control programs and coordinating them in a comprehensive plan that will benefit all. It is not too farfetched to say that the use of the slow moving vehicle sign will help to reduce accidents.

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PENNY SEEING SIGN
About ten million tree seedlings are supplied to private land owners in Ontario each year, most of them at a cost of a penny each, by the Department of Lands and Forests.

Last year 210 farm tractors were involved in accidents with cars on our highways and country roads. Four people were killed and 112 were injured. It is to be hoped that this year the new triangular orange and red "slow moving vehicle" sign will be used on all farm tractors travelling our roads. This sign is very distinctive and indicates that the vehicle is slow moving.

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Spot Check

Last week, a crew took a survey on highway 25 (the second line) stopping cars to ask the destination of the driver and how often the car passed that way. In the past, such surveys have indicated insufficient widening or paving

Beaut Herd

Name Two Ton of Gold Cows

In the herd of Maurice C. Beatty, Milton, the Jersey cow Lindale Flashing, 26849, Excellent, has just been awarded a Ton of Gold certificate. In 149 days she produced 2098 lbs. of fat. She is also a winner of one Silver Medal, and a daughter of the Superior Sire, Keeper's Right Royal.

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Biggest Fish Rate Plaques

Two brothers, Jim and Ray Thornhill of Acton not only came home with a good catch of fish from the weekend trip to the north but coped a plaque apiece for the largest and second largest pickerel caught in Three Mile Lake north of Bracebridge on the Victoria Day weekend.

Jim landed a 26-inch rive and a half pound pickerel to win the Labatt first prize and Ray snagged a 22-inch four pound pickerel for second prize. The two had only been fishing 10 minutes the first time out Saturday when Jim landed his prize-winning fish.

You guessed it! The fish are destined for the frying pan.

WATCH INFECTIONS
Fungus infections of the feet are often picked up from the floors of gymnasiums or swimming pool. Before dressing, after exercising or swimming, the feet should be washed, dried thoroughly, especially between the toes and dusted with a good foot powder. Shoes or slippers should not touch the floors.