

## Legion Notes

Friday night socials have been going strong again, Dutch McCartney and Dennis Wright were handling them for a few weeks to help out, and are still helping the entertainment chairman, Sam Tennant. And did everyone notice the two "fugitives from the Boulevard" working up there last Friday, Chuck and Chubby? Sam has a new system worked out, whereby different members will be working each night. This will eliminate any one member being tied down each Friday night, and also give all the members the occasional chance at the job, if they wish it.

Hear the Legion was well represented at the golf tournament in Orangeville a week ago Saturday. Not only was the ancient and honorable game of golf played, but also that other game (not quite so ancient, possibly), called "Sniff and Short." Understand it adds to the golf immensely.

And speaking of golf, we understand that one of our members has become known as the "retriever" over there. It seems he carries a pair of swimming trunks and every time a ball goes "splash" so does John. Understand the caddies union are going to picket him as unfair to organized labour.

First league game for the fastball team will be in the park on Tuesday night. Let's see a nice crowd on hand to see it.

The first ball practice was held last week in the park and we understand left the boys crippled up the next day. Hear some of the boys on the press line really were crippled. Ever think maybe it's just old age catching up, fellows?

Wonder how "T-Bone" and the "Fat Boy" are going to make out in the slugging department this year?

Don't know whether there is any truth in it or not, but we hear they are petitioning the league governors to be allowed to use scooters this year!

Well! Sunday's ball game was quite an opener. The boys really went to town in beating Simcoe... the score being 16-2. The Simcoe boys were a highly touted outfit, and we really expected to see a close game. However, the boys came through with a nice win, for their first game in the season. Scotty pitched five innings of nice ball, and "Wee Willie" Barrie pitched a nice last two innings. The boys are invited back to Simcoe for a return game, and there's some talk of making a weekend of it... Subject we presume, to the OK of the players' wives! Sounds like it could be a nice trip for the team, as well as helping to get them in shape to pin that trophy for keeps. Sorry to hear that so far the Glen has not entered a fastball team. They always have a good team and would be a real addition to the league.

The long awaited juvenile banquet will take place a week this Thursday night in the Legion Auditorium. As most members know, the banquet has been held up until jackets were here. There are a number of tickets available for fans who followed the team this past season. The trophy that goes with the provincial championship will be presented that night, and also the various crests as well as the windbreakers (we hope). The banquet is being catered for by Mrs. J. Fred McCartney and her group of ladies. So altogether it sounds like a nice evening. For information or tickets see Alf Sykes, Les Clark, Marsh Timbers or Harvey Garvin.

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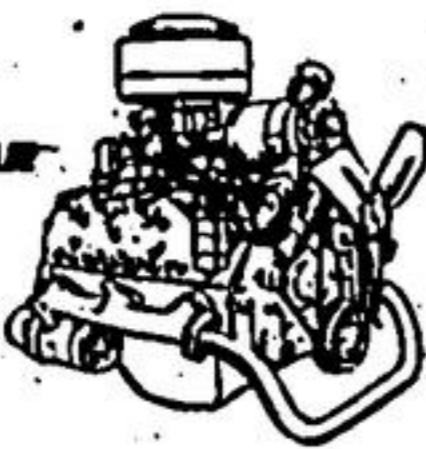
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## Burlington Lady Heads Children's Aid Society

Mrs. W. A. Weaver, of Burlington was elected president of the Halton County Children's Aid Society, at the annual meeting held at St. Paul's United Church, Milton, on May 7th. A large turnout of members and interested people from all parts of the county gathered to endorse the work and hear the guest speaker, Mr. Clare Vinnels, director of the Hamilton Children's Aid Society branch and the report of G. F. Thompson, superintendent of the county branch.

In his interesting report Mr. Thompson said he was very happy to report there had been very few cases of cruelty to a child, but while many other problems had come to his attention, they were chiefly moral ones which could be blamed partially to the high cost of living. He further stated his office was swamped with applications for adoption. Many young married couples have become quite adoption conscious, but are surprised when they find they are unable to take home a child the day after their application has been filed.

"Year after year the problem families appear to follow the same general pattern. A similarity exists in the type of neglect, such as quarrelling, immorality, excessive drinking and in all too many cases, the separation of parents. We are inclined to associate desertion with the father, but during the year we have had a number of cases where the mother has deserted the family, leaving the father alone with the children, quite unable to cope with the situation," Mr. Thompson declared.

"The Children's Aid Society is the only agency in the county rendering a full time welfare service, which has knowledge of practically every problem family and child. More people are turning to this agency for assistance, and we are glad to render all possible assistance to our citizens," the superintendent concluded.

Referring to problems within the home, Clare Vinnels, director of the Hamilton Children's Aid Society, who was introduced by Charles L. Kirkness, Acton, declared "we want to reach these children in their own homes before it reaches the stage where they have to be removed from them."

"We are also endeavouring to put more emphasis on our own work, especially toward the neglected

manner the work that has been accomplished through difficult times, experienced by some families. He also emphasized the success experienced by the society, in connection with foster homes. "Establishment of these foster homes has been gratifying, especially in the environment shown as over placing a child in a shelter."

Mrs. M. J. Brown thanked the speaker for his interesting address. Warden J. M. Wickson expressed his appreciation for the work accomplished by the Halton branch and commended the personnel. He also suggested the population of the county would be doubled within a short time, thus increasing the work of the entire group.

Several musical numbers were sung by the male quartette of Knox Presbyterian Church, and two delightful solos were sung by Mrs. Murray Hall of Burlington. President E. D. Mahon was in the chair. Other officers selected were vice president W. G. Mackenzie Robinson, Oakville; secretary, Mrs. Louis J. Lee, Burlington; treasurer, William Deans, Georgetown.

Directors include: Acton, Orland E. Robbins and Elmer Smith; Bronte Mrs. Richard Ellison and Mrs. A. E. Pickard; Burlington, Mrs. W. A. Weaver and Mrs. Louis J. Lee; Georgetown, William Deans and John T. Armstrong; Milton, Mrs. M. E. Nixon and J. W. Higgins; Oakville, Dr. H. V. Cranfield and Rev. John A. Munro; Esqueving Twp., Mrs. M. J. Brown; Nassagaweya Twp., E. D. Mahon; Nelson Township, Mrs. Velma Norris and Trafalgar Township, W. G. MacKenzie Robinson.

County council representative are — J. M. Wickson, warden and S. A. Faye, Milton.

William J. Vansickle thanked all who assisted to make the annual meeting the success it was. Out of town visitors included: Miss Veronica Frank, supervisor, Ontario Department of Child Welfare, and Miss Irene Allen, director of the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Toronto.

A social hour concluded the meeting with the Mr. and Mrs. Club of St. Paul's United Church serving luncheon.

A noted lung specialist says that a man who sings at the top of his voice for an hour a day won't be troubled by a cold, cough or influenza.