

## Ontario Women's Institutes Active in Health Programmes

The Women's Institutes of Ontario are taking an active part in a wide variety of enterprises for the health of the people.

Wherever a hospital is being built, we find the Women's Institutes of the district furnishing a room or a ward or providing some special piece of equipment. For example, even before the site was chosen for the South Waterloo Memorial Hospital the Institutes of the district were holding bake sales and quilting bees and in all the ingenious ways known to women, raising money for their hospital fund.

We hear such reports as that Preston and South Dumfries each have contributed \$900 to furnish a one-bed room in this hospital and that Galt has given \$1350 for a two-bed room. Similar contributions are coming from about every Branch in the District. We know that the Institutes of South Temiskaming, last summer presented the hospital board with a cheque for \$2150 for the new hospital and promised \$500 more toward the furnishings. Royal Institute near Guelph has given \$600 to furnish a room in the new general hospital in their area. South Dufferin Institutes gave their local hospital \$2500 and a promise of \$500 more. Nestleton put on a party and raised \$200 for the Port Perry hospital. And the Institutes of Perth County, in addition to furnishing a room, gave the Stratford hospital an "orthopedic cart" for carrying casts, pulleys, weights and other equipment for orthopedic cases. These reports tell only a little of what Women's Institutes here and there all over the province are doing to meet the pressing need for more hospital accommodation.

Health study and health projects have an important place on many Ontario Women's Institutes programmes.

Linwood arranged a Young Mothers' Night with twenty eight young mothers as guests and had a doctor talk on "The Care and Feeding of the Pre-School Child." Mono Road had a nurse from the county health unit speak on "Pre-Natal Care and the Child's First Year." Brookside and Scotch Block had talks and a film on the early diagnosis of cancer. Lucan arranged a series of

health lectures for women by a specialist in Gynaecology and Obstetrics; this Institute also had health films on "The Eye" and "Teaching the Blind to Read." Richard's Landing had a talk on "Preventive Dentistry." Hoath Head and Ridgeville report addresses by a doctor and a nurse on "Medicine of Today" and "Medicine, Past and Present." Tavistock recently had a talk on heart disease with a film "Guard Your Heart." At a meeting of the Busy Bees Institute in Halton County, the district nurse spoke on the RH blood factor. From Institutes all over the province there is a growing demand for health Education and extension service — courses and conferences on home nursing, the prevention of accidents in the home, protecting the health of the family and the community.

In the way of practical health service, many Ontario Women's Institutes are working with the Canadian Cancer Society, canvassing the community in advance of travelling clinics and doing general publicity work. In the fight against tuberculosis, Institutes are assisting their county health unit by holding educational meetings to prepare the people to take advantage of the chest X-ray clinics coming to the district. A very popular project with the local branches is the sponsoring of a child health clinic. Elora Institute is responsible for a pre-school child clinic which is held in Elora once a month. The Institute bought baby scales, pads, table covers and baskets. A doctor and three nurses come from the Wellington county health unit and four Institute members help with the weighing and registering and act as general assistants. The territory served covers four townships and at the first clinic there were 69 children. Other Institutes known to be sponsoring child clinics or assisting with them are Walkerton, Beeton, Mount Forest, Southampton, Tavistock, Chesley, Rockwood, Alliston, Richmond Hill.

A great many Institutes have taken their members into pre-paid hospitalization plans. Fisher's Corners, and probably many other branches — had the secretary of their county Co-operative Medical Services come to a meeting to discuss their new plan of surgical benefits. The Institutes of Lincoln county had a part in securing the services of a Victorian Order nurse for the rural people of the county — the only rural VON service in the province. East Pearson Institute in Thunder Bay district is trying to get a school nurse for their area. Forty years ago the Women's Institutes of Ontario were doing the pioneer work to secure medical school inspection for rural children and were agitating for more health education. The Institutes of today seem to be carrying on this tradition.

### GLEN WILLIAMS

#### PRESENT SILVER TRAY TO RETIRING ORGANIST

A very enjoyable evening was spent last Wednesday in the United Church in honour of Mrs. Jack Addy who has retired as organist of the church. She has spent thirty years as organist and choir member.

Members of the present congregation as well as former members were able to attend which brought back pleasant memories of church activities in years gone by.

Rev. C. C. Gilbert was chairman for the evening. An entertaining programme of piano selections and readings interspersed with Mr. Gilbert's good humour was brought to a close with a sing-song led by the minister and Mrs. Addy at the piano.

Mrs. Albert Presswood read the presentation address and with a few well-chosen words, William Schenk presented Mrs. Addy with a silver tray, suitably engraved and a purse.

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## Captain Prouse... Cadet Corps Leader



Captain A. Prouse, leader of the Georgetown Cadet Corps has been doing a marvelous job of building our cadet corps to what it is today. He has spent many extra hours helping the cadet corps and deserves a good deal of credit for its present high standing. He recently awarded diplomas to several top cadets.

## 9B REPORT

by Terry Harley

Lately, many of our English periods have been spent in practising a play for Commencement. It was suggested that we have a few understudies in case the actors don't show up at the ceremonies. We wonder what happens if the understudies don't show up.

In VG period we discussed the differences between 1870 advertisements and those of today. In one of the old ads, the 'satisfied customer' put it this way: 'I used your soap five years ago and have not used any other since.' An accompanying picture proved that he was telling the truth.

## Basketball Introduced Hutchinson Coaching

A start has been made in basketball in Georgetown. On February 11th, the first practice was held with Don Hutchinson as coach. For the first night 15 cadet players turned out and they were taught running and standing shots by coach Hutchinson. Don gave a very good job of coaching and said later that the players did a very good job for their first try. Teams were chosen and the practice lasted about 2 hours. There will be another practice the following Wednesday. We hope that Georgetown can produce a good team and wish them lots of luck.

Canadian Naval aviation has two squadrons of fighters, two of anti-submarine aircraft, a training air group and a helicopter flight.

Mr. Addy, on behalf of his wife, expressed their thanks.

In appreciation of her work with the choir, Marie Gibbs gave her a brooch and earring set.

Lunch was served after which a bouquet of spring flowers was presented by Gail Wheeler from the Sunday School.

A very pleasant social evening was brought to a close with the presentation of a bouquet by Olive Logan to Mrs. J. Hepburn, Sr., an old friend of the church, whom everyone was delighted to see and who had been Mrs. Addy's Sunday School teacher.

## EDITORIAL

Don Souther

In talking to many GHS students one will find that the general outlook is that as soon as they are 16 they will quit and get a job in a manufacturing plant. This outlook is very detrimental to the school record. On the other hand students will say "I'm going right thro' if I don't have to work for it." These two extremes are undetermined the school as a body. There are exceptions to the rule in each case, but the general idea of school is to have a good time at the expense of those who would like to get their year. If at the beginning of third form, students were asked whether they wished to continue and work, then, the ones who wanted to go places could be given a chance and those who were "just along for the ride" could be encouraged to work or get out. In the recent reports several vital facts were found. One is that most of the high ranking students did not engage in a large number of other after school activities. It is not the one or two school parties that do the harm. It is the extra-curricular activities that are the real basis for low marks. School parties are a must to encourage school spirit and they should not be cancelled but the after school jobs should be discouraged.

## IT'S BIGGER THAN YOU THINK

Two weeks ago was Georgetown's industrial week. This idea which was devised by the Chamber of Commerce was considered to be very successful. Some well displayed store fronts were to be seen while walking along our fair town's main street. There was another thing that aroused interest, and that was the plant visits. Many people did not realize how big some of the plants in Georgetown really are. Take the paper mill for example, the writer did not realize how large scale the plant was. The huge calendars and mixers were enough to strike amazement to many people. These tours were very well conducted by men who really know their business. It is nice to know just how big Georgetown is and the past industrial week really gave many a chance to find out.

## LOTS OF JOBS FOR ENGINEERS

Federal Labour Minister Milton F. Gregg said that university attendance had risen 175 per cent and high school attendance by 150 per cent over the past 33 years.

Despite this a survey of 417 Canadian firms indicated that the supply of graduates, particularly engineers would not keep pace with the industrial growth if the present levels of hirings and university enrolment continued.

## AYPA Valentine Party Gay Time for Students

Bev Hyde

The Valentine party sponsored by the AYPA Friday, Feb. 13th was a tremendous success.

The party did not really get started until after nine o'clock when the students who had to work began to fill the hall.

The entertainment was supplied by the AYPA members who imitated some popular singers, etc. The music for the round and square dancing was played by the Glassfords.

The group served sandwiches and cookies and pop and candy could be bought at a booth.

Later they had a lucky draw, the numbers being given with the candy. The winners were Rhoda Dickson and Jean Muckart who both received a nice prize.

As I said before the party was a complete success and we all had a wonderful time.

## Don Seddon Returns To GHS from Winnipeg

Ross McGilvray

Don Seddon, a grade ten student who had left to live in Winnipeg, Manitoba, last fall is now back with us to try for his year at GHS. He is staying in Georgetown and is an old friend to most of us. He liked Winnipeg very much and is an active cadet and boy scout.

Grade ten girls now have the use of the Public School gymnasium once a week for their exercises and games. A new ping-pong table has been installed in the hall for the boys' use only and those that eat at school will be allowed to use it at the noon hour. Inter-room hockey games on alternative Tuesdays are in full swing and another game for grade ten boys should be coming up soon.

A gentleman with Mr. Prouse asked him if he was training the champion soccer team to go to Florida for spring training and asked if we were getting a head start by playing in the snow.

## CHOIR REPORT

Plans for Commencement are underway. The choir has been going over prospective songs for the last few weeks. We don't know what we are singing at Commencement and whether anyone else does I don't know. A mixed quartet has been picked and sounds wonderful. I'm sure you'd all like to hear it at Commencement.

We have also started thinking about the festivals, the duets and the solos are now being picked. We hope to have a successful year at the festival again this year and we plan to work very hard.

That's all the news this week — so long.

## New Blood Test Found To Detect Diseases

Doctors in the near future may have a new blood test that will detect the presence of various diseases and also measure the effectiveness of different methods of medical treatment.

The basis for the new blood test, known as the "universal reaction," comes from 25 years of continuous effort by Dr. Reuben L. Kahn, developer of the "Kahn test" and chief of the serology laboratory at the University of Michigan.

The following is a simplified explanation of how Dr. Kahn's "universal reaction" works: 1) in a normal, healthy individual, there is daily tissue wear and tear resulting in the death of certain body tissue cells; 2) when the cells are thus destroyed, they break up and release their contents into body fluids, including the blood stream; 3) certain fat-like substances called "lipids" are part of the released cell contents; (4) some of these "lipids" become foreign to the body tissues and call forth the production of antibodies, presumably to neutralize or destroy the lipids; and 5) presence of these antibodies is measured by the "universal reaction."

## Being A Little Grimy Is Fun To Youngster

Bathing regularly may be a custom in the United States, but it's hard to make a little boy believe it. Children between the ages of three and twelve seem almost to prefer being a little grimy.

It helps if parents remember that the dislike of dirtiness is a taste that is developed slowly. The youngster should be given "fair warning" of the impending bath so that he will have time to get adjusted to the idea. Parents should "compromise" on the number of baths Junior is to take weekly, in order to enlist his cheerful co-operation. By the time they reach junior high school age, boys begin to take an interest in cleanliness and appearance, and are probably ready to accept daily bathing as a matter of course.

## Fed by Agency

In one part of 1950's world, men's efforts had considerable success in rendering thousands of children homeless and orphaned. But in other areas, at least, other men were ministering to the youthful victims of past wars and civil wars on an unprecedented scale. To more than 2,400,000 children in Greece, Yugoslavia, and the Middle East, agents of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund last year doled out one good meal a day. Elsewhere they set up dairy machinery capable of supplying safe milk to 4,000,000 youngsters, vaccinated over 11,000,000 kids against tuberculosis, provided enough cotton, wool and leather to give 5,000,000 children an article of clothing or a pair of shoes—sometimes both.

## New Insecticide

A new insecticide, heptachlor, looks so promising that more than a million pounds of it will be made before it is announced to the public. A close relative of chlordane, it has the advantage of being an effective insect killer outdoors, without remaining poisonous as long as chlordane. At a concentration of 1/10 pound of actual heptachlor per acre, grasshoppers were killed completely, while 4 ounces to the acre killed such tough pests as cotton boll weevil and thrips.

## Paint—Then and Now

The forerunner of the modern living room was known in Colonial days as the "keeping room" or "sitting room." Its paneled and painted walls, beamed ceiling and wide board floor—scrubbed white or painted—has set the style for many a living room today. The keeping room was sometimes the great kitchen, but generally it was the best room in the house, placed in front of the kitchen.

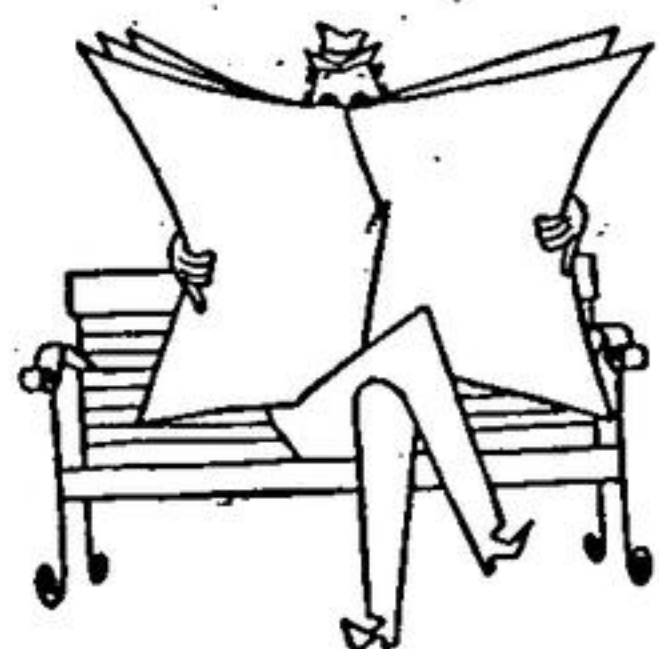
## Hammurabi Had It

Although the average man today seems to regard inflation as a relatively current problem, designed deliberately for his personal harassment, research experts point out that the problem of inflation has been with us for almost four thousand years. In fact, it started way back in the days of King Hammurabi, literally the moment money was introduced as a common medium of exchange in the Babylonian marts of trade.

## Way Back When

The Anglo-Saxons held the month of April sacred to Eostre, goddess of the teeming life that bloomed anew in the spring. Her great festival was celebrated by the exchange of (colored) eggs which were the heathen symbol for the beginning of life. With the advent of Christianity, the pagan custom evolved in England into the beautiful festival of Christian significance observed with the gladness of a new solemnity and called Easter.

Owls have other talents beside their ability to see in the dark. They are as swift as swallows in flight, and as sensitive to sound as a radio receiving set.



## Behind the News...

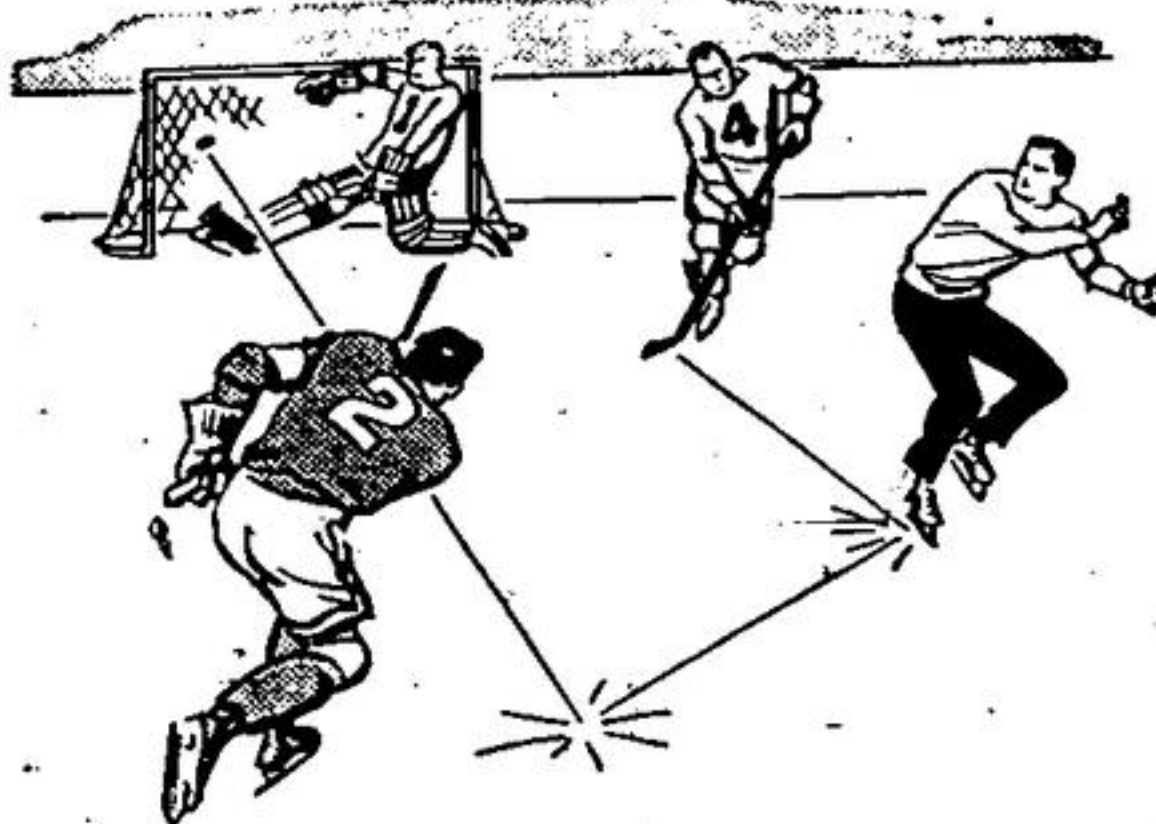
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## Hockey Fans! IS THIS A GOAL?



A defending player tries to shoot the puck out of his zone. It hits the referee and deflects to an attacking player who shoots and scores. Would you allow this goal?

Yes, the goal counts. Only when the puck is deflected into the net directly from an official is the goal not allowed.



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