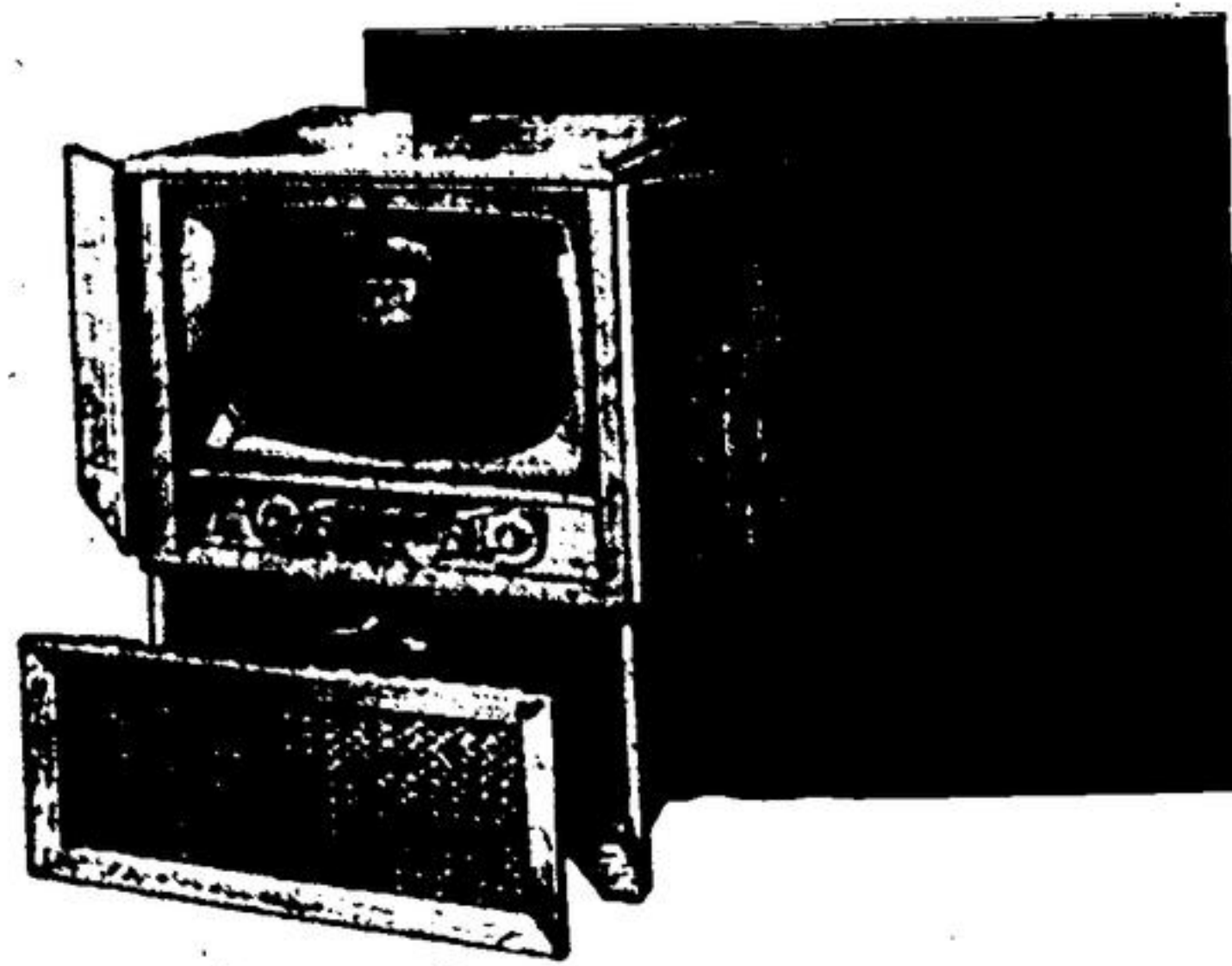




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Council Debates Grants For Baseball, Hockey

Should the town council promote sport by helping to bolster finances of Intermediate baseball and hockey clubs, proved a contentious subject at Monday's council meeting.

Appearing for the hockey club, Ron Kitchen explained that the club is over \$100 in the red at present, and unless gate receipts improve, this may grow to at least \$300, depending on how far the team advances in the playoffs. Mr. Kitchen was advised to approach the Board of Parks Management before council considered any action.

Later in the meeting, a letter from Charles Jenner, treasurer of the Baseball Club, pointed out that the organization is \$223 in arrears, and that one creditor of two years' standing is pressing for payment.

"It seems that baseball is leaving Georgetown," said Mr. Jenner's letter, indicating that crowd support does not justify continuing the sport.

While council advised the club that they felt they could take no action at the present time, a prior discussion included such items in the defunct Recreation Commission, juvenile delinquency, the cost of amateur sport and the acquisition of the arena by the town.

Cr. Hale said the arena should be run by a recreation commission, and Cr. Noble, who was a GRC member, said he had been disappointed when it had to fold up.

"We're paying taxes for other towns who get government support for their recreation programs," said Reeve Allen, while Deputy Reeve Norton favoured using tax money for sport in place of police protection.

Most members, however, favored Cr. McGilvray's viewpoint that it would be setting a dangerous precedent to finance sport from public funds.

"It is unfair," said Cr. Sargent, "for a club to dump their bills in our lap," and Mr. McGilvray believes those who create such debts should make efforts to pay them by lucky draws or some other money-raising projects.

"I've been at a half a dozen hockey games and I haven't seen any other councillors there," said Cr. Lyons.

Deputy Reeve Norton disagreed with Cr. Hale who said clean sport doesn't cost anything. Mr. Norton said that while he was a baseball club official no player had ever received a nickel from the club, but operating expenses are high, and club executives often footed bills themselves.

"It would appear that if we donate to sports clubs, we'll be spending tax money when taxpayers as individuals don't want to spend it," said Mayor Armstrong.

"Money spent on sport is well spent" opined Mr. Norton. "TV is keeping people home, and if clubs fold through lack of finances, the town will suffer in the long run."

Mrs. Snyder, Dave Lawson Euchre Marathon Winners

Mrs. Norman Snyder and Dave Lawson were top prizewinners in the marathon euchre which ended on Friday. It was the last of the games which had been played on eight consecutive Friday nights. Mrs. Clare Wilson and Harry Savings won second prizes in the ladies and men's divisions.

It is noted that Miss Scott, Mrs. A. Zillo, Mrs. Snyder and Mr. Savings won 10 lone hands in one night's play. Those winning the most lone hands for the eight nights were: Mrs. Snyder 54, Mrs. Stoddard 45, Mrs. J. Toat 42, Mrs. Lane 42, Nan Scott 40, Mrs. Clare Wilson 39, Mrs. Zillo 39, Mr. Savings 39, Mr. Lawson 35, K. Hancock 35, Mrs. Walters 35 and Mrs. Williams 35.

Prizewinners on Friday were Dave Lawson, Mrs. Belle Robinson, Mrs. Stoddard and Mrs. John Inglis. Travelling prizes went to Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Belle Robinson and the door prize to Godfrey Collier.

Mrs. Snyder, on behalf of those who played in the marathon, thanked the committee for the pleasant time they had enjoyed, at the conclusion of the evening on Friday.

BALLINAFAD

Ladies Meet in Church For World Prayer Service

The World's Day of Prayer service was held in the church Friday afternoon with fourteen ladies present. Mrs. Elwood Snow presided and several other ladies had special prayers. The minutes of the last prayer day service were read by Mrs. H. Hills. Mrs. A. Lawr was appointed key woman for 1954.

Ballinafad hockey team and fans motored to Barrie Thursday night to play their second game with Stroud in the play-offs. The game was hotly contested but our boys were defeated 4-3 in overtime.

The Girls Sewing Club met Saturday at the home of Rose Marie

Mrs. B. Hadley Leaves Husband, Four Children

Seriously ill for several weeks, Mrs. Basil Hadley, 40, died of her home last Wednesday.

A native of Hastings, Sussex, she was the former Dorothy Cox, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cox. She came to Canada in 1911 with her mother and stepfather, the late William Huggins. They lived in Toronto for three years, and since then she had been a Georgetown resident. She attended St. George's Anglican Church.

Surviving are her husband and four children, Bill, Dorothy, Maude, and Margaret, three sisters, Mrs. Henry Shepherd and Mrs. Thomas Warner of town and Mrs. William Bailey, Milton, and two step-sisters, Mrs. Harry Knight, Georgetown and Mrs. William Nagy, Hamilton. She was predeceased by a brother Joseph Cox and a step-brother Fred Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson.

Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson conducted the funeral service on Friday at the McClure Funeral Home and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were Thomas Warner, William Nagy, Henry Shepherd, Percy Chaplin, Jack Kerr and Jack Norton.

Toronto Barber was Native of Erin

A barber in Toronto for many years, James Clarke, 67 died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph on March 4th after a brief illness.

A bachelor, he was the son of the late John Clarke and Margaret Moore and was born in Erin. In his early years he bartered in Semmie, Saskatchewan.

He is survived by two brothers, Andrew Clarke, Toronto and Robert Clarke, Vancouver, a half brother, Stephen Norrie, Georgetown, and half sister, Mrs. V. Smith, Toronto. He was predeceased by a sister, Mrs. R. N. Medley, Guelph, a brother, Alex of Kansas City and two half brothers, William G. Norrie, Toronto and Albert Norrie, Acton.

Rev. E. A. Currey conducted the funeral service on Saturday at the Victor Rumley & Son Funeral Home Acton, and interment was in Erin Cemetery. Six nephews were pallbearers, Alex, Bruce, and Allan Norrie, Orval Wilson, Stanley Smith and Earl Johnson.

You may get to the top of the ladder — and find it has been leaning against the wrong wall!

Wendy McKenzie read their reports for the last meeting. Mrs. Jesse McEnery taught the girls how to do shell hemming, also what points to look for in judging a slip. Plans were made for attending Achievement Day in Milton. Cookies and hot chocolate were served by Joan and Gail Ridler.

A euchre party was held in the hall Tuesday night in support of the local hockey team. The ladies prize winners were Grant Wright, who was substituting won first and Muriel Hills second. Winning gentlemen were R. L. Davidson and Norman Sinclair. Tickets had been sold on blankets. These were won by Mrs. Larkman and F. Somerville.

For his Lenten services, Mr. Russ has chosen for his theme: "Who is this man called Jesus?" and stressed the thought of daily meditations and faithful witnessing during Lent. Mrs. Frank Smith is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Norman Swann in St. Catharines.

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