

Many Pass Red Cross Tests In First Month Of Lessons

Red Cross Water Safety examinations were held at the Community Centre pool July 28 and 29. The beginning tests were held on Thursday, and the following were awarded their beginners' buttons:

Debbie Whyte, Margaret Goudy, Lynn Rogers, Mary Louise Armstrong, Anne MacDonald, Debbie Cayton, Colleen Cummins, Laura Henderson, Laura Kynnersley, Janet Clark, Pamela Earl, John Spryng, Carl Youlins, Marshall Hanson, Larry Green, Linda Wood, Keal Karack, Rita Timms, Mary May, Isabel Leeder, Randy Armstrong, Gary George, Brian Pullock, Ralph Roehrer, Alan Dalzell, Peter Bligh, Peter Youlins, Dave Baxter, Jim Brackenridge, Annie Hyde, Philip Hyde, Hughie Wilson, Beverly Gummer, Linda Baxter, Brenda Bradford, Johanna Gordon, Dar Carleton, George Henderson, Elizabeth Adams, Richienne O'Malley, Karen Ray, Margaret Ray, Wolfgang Schmidt.

On Friday the Junior Intermediate Senior and Bronze tests were held. The following received their Junior certificate and crest:

Alice Garrett, David Clark, John McGee, Barb Hildebrandt, Pat Kour, Lisa Lavellyn, Paul Chatterton, Andrea Chaplin, Robert McGee, Philip Masov.

Demolish "Pest House" At St. Joseph's Hospital

One more link with Guilph's pioneer days is now in process of demolition. It is a building known to many oldtimers as the "pest house", back of St. Joseph's Hospital. There were two such buildings. The first was razed during progress of the recently completed building project.

The history of these buildings dates back to 1888 when an epidemic of diphtheria occurred in Guilph and vicinity. A "Government Inspector" from Toronto came to interview the Mother Superior about hospital facilities for the care of these patients. A small frame building was quickly erected some distance to the rear of the hospital buildings. No foundation was built as it was only meant to be a temporary structure.

The building was divided into two rooms with a partition extending part way to the ceiling. There was also a small room for the nurses. Two Sisters, Sister DePazza and Sister M. Marcelline were given charge of the patients sent to this building.

Heating in those days was by means of a coal stove. Lighting by kerosene lamps. There was no running water, no telephone, no diet kitchen, no modern laundry facilities for this little isolation hospital. Later two stone houses were moved here to take over the work.

From 1888 to 1892 the Sisters cared for more than 100 diphtheria cases, 65 in 1888 with no antitoxin. Only 13 deaths are listed in the hospital records at that time. The treatment consisted of a spray of iodine and glycerine, with "poulticing". One tracheotomy was performed. Many years later this patient returned to thank the Sisters for his care.

Needless to say there was no toxoid protection for these nurses, nor were masks worn at that time, yet neither of the Sisters contracted the disease. One patient had a virulent type of "Black Diphtheria". It was discovered that the epidemic was coming from the well water that the people were using.

Rockwood Bowlers Likely Winners of Inter-County League

The end of July saw Rockwood again leading in the inter-county bowling league and with next four more weeks to set records, the likely winners of the Bowlers Trophy.

Rockwood has scored 112 points while the closest rivals, Guilph, has 67. Georgetown is third with 54 and Acton trails the four town circuit with 52.

Two ten end games are played weekly with six worth two points plus two points for high end aggregate score. Guilph and Georgetown each have a postponed game to play where Acton has been named out of the league's win/loss calculation will be held in Guilph some time in September.

Horse No Longer Is Mainstay In Yearly Haying Operation

As Written In The Guilph Mercury

Like toast and marmalade, haying and horses used to be coupled traditionally. But mechanization is rapidly divorcing the agricultural union in the interests of speed and efficiency.

How former equine heroes of Operation Haying feel about the change is anybody's guess. Probably none but a qualified animal psychiatrist could extract an honest answer from these useful beasts who once figured so prominently in all branches of farm work.

If horses react like people, which is possible because some breeds bear striking resemblance to some humans, their moments of greatest frustration likely occur during this haying season when the July summer is sweet with the fragrance of mowed raked hay.

Yesterday brought perfect haying weather. Among the first farmers observed making the hay were the "Tom Jones" bunch who were Harold McIntyre at work with his crew in a five acre pasture fronting Highway 7, just a half mile or so from town.

Harold at the helm, son David and Gary McIntyre helped in the final step of mowing with their lawnmowers and harrows. This involves making a swathe of hay and having it cut to feed to the stock or to be used for bedding.

How long would it take to clear the five acre pasture? About half a day, Guilph spread related.

There is a fine hay crop this year. Mrs. McIntyre reported. For example, this pasture will yield about six full loads of hay to the acre.

There is a possibility of a dry summer and farmers are being urged to get a good hay crop. A wet year would only have been formed. The local point of operation is the five acre pasture, a most suitable spot for a hay crop.

At the wheel of the tractor pulling the harrow is the tractor of Gary and a woman is Mrs. Dora McIntyre. In the past Mrs. McIntyre has been a woman with hair dyed from the electric machine.

Harold McIntyre was in charge of the final operation. A tractor, he drew necessary workhorses of his through the back fields to his second line farm.

Memories of childhood summer vacations, starting from a white wagon with an unpronounceable name of humor, are not far from the scene.

"Horses" No more tractors, instead for almost every operation. There is only one horse on the whole farm, a party riding pony that we pay for a neighbor.

Mrs. Robert Hynds, 70 Dies In St. Catharines

A Gen. Williams native who had lived in St. Catharines for several years, Mrs. Robert Hynds, 70, died recently.

She was the former Irene Graham and following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Hynds lived in town where he was member for the Bank of Commerce and later operated an insurance business. They made their home in the present John D. Kelly home on Albert Street.

Mrs. Hynds died two weeks ago. She leaves a daughter, Wilhelmine, Mrs. Lavette, who is of Hamilton and three sons, Robert and Percy of Hamilton and Graham of St. Catharines, and brothers and sisters Percy Graham, Brampton, Raymond Graham, Brantford and Miss Eva Graham, St. Catharines.

These members of the Graham family preceded her. Her husband and Mrs. James Wilson of town and Harland Graham, Brantford.

Funeral service and interment took place in St. Catharines.

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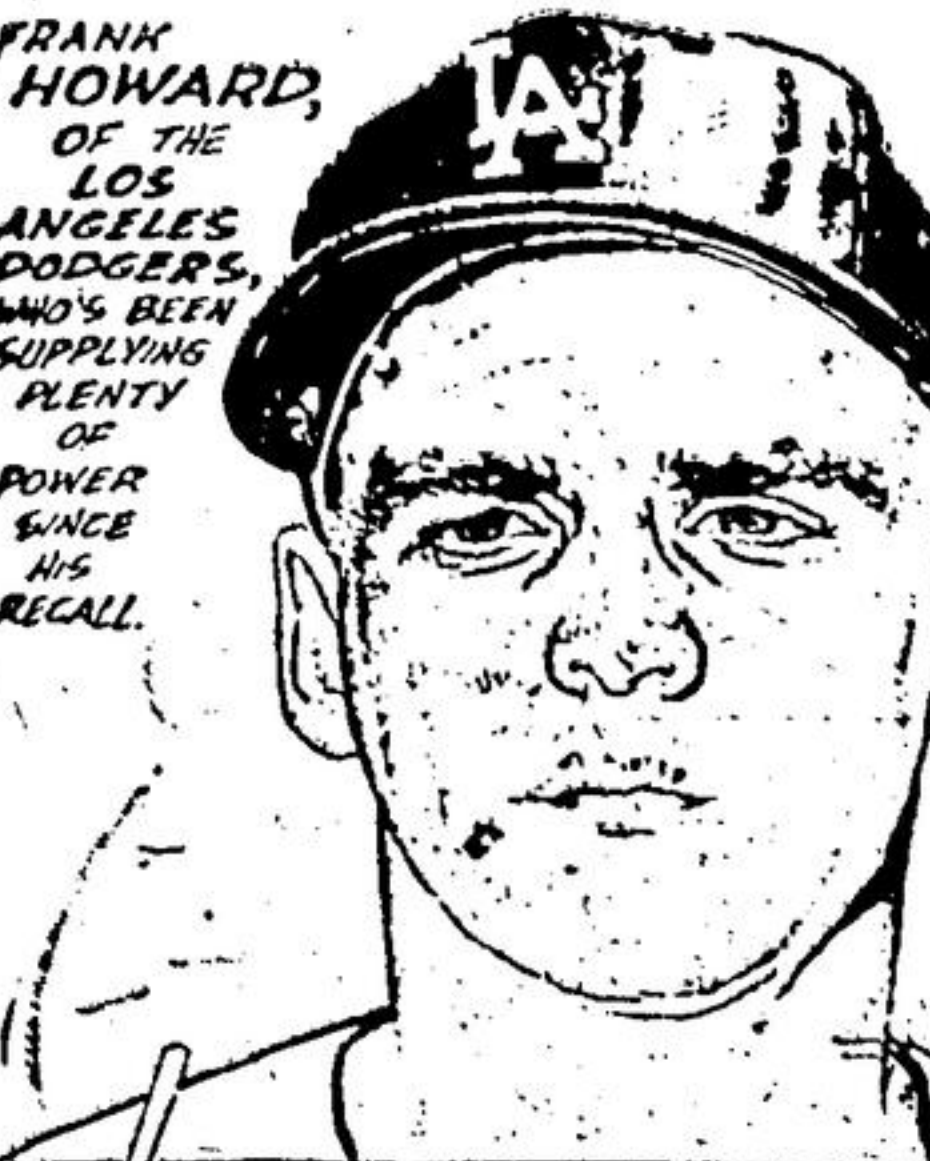
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