

Homes Flooded, Furnaces Out - As Glen Suffers Severe Damage

by Glen Correspondent
Mrs. Cecil Barth

The news of the past week of floods, to all of us, is the flood, which is one of the worst in years. For weeks it has been pouring and finally it came last Wednesday. All homes along the river were flooded to some degree. All cellars were flooded, and furnaces put out, adding to the wet. Others had the first floor inundated so badly that their furniture was ruined.

Such was the case with the Whitlock family who have just moved into the Young House by the bridge. They had enjoyed the big flood in Holland a few years back.

St. Alban's Church, parish hall and rectory were among the worst hit. Laundry equipment and furniture in the rectory were damaged. Rev. and Mrs. Stukley and children were evacuated as were all residents along the street beside them and most families from the lower bridge down on the river side did the same.

Mrs. Stukley and children are with relatives in Montreal. Those who could, moved furniture to the second story as they did in the Rectory. Cliff Davidson's house and barn were completely surrounded. They went to be with the W. Korwick's while the cattle were trucked to John Wagstaff's barn.

One basement wall of Fred Weir's house was crushed in with the force of the ice. The Emergency Measures crew assisted in putting up a temporary wall.

Police, Conservation Authority and Emergency Measures men were in the village most of the time. Traffic was quite heavy with sightseers — most of them with cameras.

The water has receded at the time of writing but there are still large ice jams all the way through the village. We hope by the time you read this that they have been broken and swept gradually down the river.

Never did the Glen get into the news so often in a few days — publicity we would gladly do without. However, on the bright side — no lives were lost which so easily could have happened.

Now is the time for plenty of that. By the way, for next Sunday at least, St. Alban's will be holding their service in the Parish Hall where they have shovelled out the mud, and swept and got the furnace going to help dry it out. Paths have been cut through the blocks of ice between the church and hall.

Apple Products were closed at the height of the flood. The Public School was not officially closed but the attendance was low.

The bus was full on Saturday for the ladies annual winter trip to Toronto. All enjoyed shopping, eating out and some went to see Judy Garland, others 'My Fair Lady.' They had a full day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Scott and Michelle of Scarborough visited with Mr. and Mrs. T. Haines over the weekend.

We extend congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Tom HIN on their 25th wedding anniversary this week.

The Sunday morning service in the United Church was taken by a member of the Gid-sons from Brampton to Rev. H. Irwin was not well.



HOSPITAL NEWS

by L. M. C.

The annual meeting of the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital Association will take place Thursday evening, March 4th. The meeting will be held in Wrigglesworth auditorium, Guelph St., at 8 p.m. It is the fond hope that this year a good crowd will attend, and voice their opinions as well as exercising their right in helping select officers for the next term.

This year, with some 900-odd membership cards held, the Board hope they may look forward to a packed house.

The only restriction is that you must be a member of the association to vote in the election — any citizen may attend whether a member or not. However, if you wish to become a member, you may purchase a 1965 membership card at the Hospital any time. For those who have donated \$50 or more a honorary life membership has been issued, which makes them lifetime voting members.

So let's see a good representation of our community and district present that evening. (For complete details, read in this issue.)

A matter of considerable concern to the Hospital, is the misapprehension about the financial status of the Hospital. Some months ago we announced that the Hospital had paid off its loan and was free of debt. This was a fact, and we felt, was information that the public were entitled to. However, in the same article, we added that this debt-free picture did not in any way reflect the true financial picture, regarding current and future needs.

Since that article, there have been recurrent instances of people saying 'With the Hospital paid for, where is the need for money? And further does not the Hospital Commission take care of the finances?'

Nothing could be further from the truth. The Commission only looks after current operating expenses. Not one dime is available for replacement of equipment, new equipment, or additional facilities. Therefore,

as present equipment wears out, and new equipment becomes necessary, there are no funds to do so, unless a little can be saved from current operating funds, a highly doubtful proposition. This leaves any hospital in the highly vulnerable position of needing funds from local individuals and groups to make up the price of new equipment. At the present time we believe that the cost of new equipment needed by our medical staff and replacement of used items, would total close to \$100,000. This is an amount that must be spent in the future, and one which will not receive one red cent in grants from any level of government.

The Board naturally, tries in many ways to obtain funds from funds set up for this purpose, philanthropic foundations, etc. However, the great bulk of aid comes from local organizations and individuals, and as can be readily seen, their representing us in a completely happy financial position do not help in the least.

What can YOU do about it? Quite a lot. If at if you hear this type of story, explain the true situation, or have one of the Board or Medical Staff do so if you prefer. Secondly, if you know of any group or individual who might be interested in helping rectify the situation with financial aid, urge them to do so.

Explain Pottery To St. Andrew's UCW

The art of pottery making was explained to members of the UCW of St. Andrew's Church when Mrs. Adelaide Leah Miller spoke to them February 11. Miss Miller was introduced by the president, Mrs. J. A. Pickup and Mrs. Baker expressed thanks for her talk.

A Valentine luncheon was served by Mrs. Janice Smith and her committee.

Mrs. Henrietta Cook Has 91st Birthday



MRS. HENRIETTA COOK

Mrs. Henrietta Cook was 91 years old Wednesday, February 17. Mrs. Cook, mother of a Georgetown-area man, Cliff Cook of R.R. 4, Georgetown, was a local resident all her life until two years ago when she went to live with a daughter, Enid, at Caledon.

Mrs. Cook is the former Henrietta Clark. She was born on the 7th Line of Esquewaug at Silvercreek, and spent most of her life at R.R. 4. Mr. Cook died in 1937.

She also has a son in Howlandville (Jack), a son in Florida (Bill), eleven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Cook's health is still excellent.

Guelph Funeral Service For Mrs. E. Chester

Daughter of the late Edward Albert Collins and Ellen Jeff. Edith Waite Collins Chester died in Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital Monday, Feb. 15. She was born in London, Ontario, July 10th, 1900, and moved to Guelph with her parents as a small child and spent the greater part of her life there.

In October, 1915, she married the late Edward Chester of Pelee Island Township and Guelph. He was a CNR employee and during their married life lived in many Ontario communities. He died in Malton in 1944. Mrs. Chester then moved back to Guelph with her family where she remained until 1955, when she made her home with her daughter Faye, Mrs. Gordon Tolton of Georgetown. While living in Guelph she was active in the First Baptist Church there.

Mrs. Chester is survived by Faye (Mrs. Gordon Tolton), Georgetown, Irene (Mrs. Rev. Paul Tracy) Smithfield, Pennsylvania; Donald of Guelph and Kenneth of Lucknow, and nine grandchildren. She also leaves two brothers J. E. Collins of Guelph and Traudbull Collins of Brantford.

Funeral service was conducted by Mr. H. D. Wintermute at the George Wall Funeral in Guelph and interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Palbearers were Jack Harris, Robert Collins, Rev. Graham, Dr. J. C. Rennie, Os. Reading and Lionel Robertson.

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Wilson Winner Kin's Contest

Kinsman Herb Wilson advanced to the semi-finals of the District 1 Gord Harbison Public Speaking Contest Monday night when he defeated fellow Kin Jack Laviole and Bob Collett in the club finals at a regular meeting Monday night. The judges were Deputy Governor Matt Blair, Rob Gibbons and Bill Hewitt. The winner's topic was, "Are Kinamen Publicized Enough?"

The Gord Harbison Public Speaking Contest is conducted each year in District 1. The contestants start at club level, advance to the Zone Conference if successful, and finally to the talk-off at the District Kinamen Convention. The late Gord Harbison was a past-president of the Association of Kinamen Clubs. The contest was originated in the hope that it would foster and encourage an idea put forth by Mr. Harbison that "the art of speech is one of God's finest gifts to man."

Georgetown past-president Jack Findlay was in charge of the contest and spoke briefly on the rules before introducing the speakers and judges. Kin president Trev Moores presented the winner with a gift from the club as a lasting reminder of his achievement.

ELECTRICAL LIVING

Residents of Ontario make good use of the province's abundant electric power resources. Average annual consumption among farm customers now exceeds 7,700 kilowatt-hours compared with 6,000 kilowatt-hours among urban residential customers.

LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

By BILL COATES

I have always enjoyed the defensive aspect of contract bridge. With an understanding partner, defense can be fun. On the average, you will be defending on half of the hands that are dealt. If your defense is good, these hands can not only be fun but also profitable.

Here is a hand that occurred last week at the Acton Bridge Club. We didn't get a top board, i.e. the highest score, but we got all we could out of the hand.

Dealer — East.
Both sides vulnerable.

North

S-6 5
H-A
D-8 7 5 3
C-Q 7 6 4 3 2

West

S-A 10 S-K 9 8 8
H-Q 10 7 2 H-J 9 8 4
D-K 10 4 D-Q 9 8 3
C-A K J 10 C-9 5

South

S-Q J 7 4 3 2
H-K 6 4 3
D-A J
C-8

The bidding:

East South West North
Pass 1 S 1 NT 2 C
Pass 2 S All Pass

Typical duplicate bidding.

South doesn't have a strong hand, but a six spade suit cannot be overlooked. West would have opened one no trump and the one no trump overcall shows exactly the same number of points. I think that North should have kept quiet, but South would probably bid spades again anyhow.

West opens the club king for a look around. East signals with the nine, but West must ignore the signal and shift to a trump. This gives up a trump trick, but saves two heart ruffs. Ace of trump, followed by the ten, which East wins.

East leads a club and South discards a diamond in order to set up the club queen. West wins with the ace of clubs and leads a heart. This pins the lead in dummy and uses dummy's only entry. Declarer trips the club queen but East ruffs.

Declarer makes four trump tricks and his side aces and kings, but it's not enough.

Downs one game on an above average board. No trump by West apparently makes only six tricks so it's just as well if West can defeat a North-South contract.

Monday's bridge winners:
Garry Ellis and Jack Coats, Earl Emond and Mike Lorusso, Mrs. J. Coats and Glenn Banks.



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