

Last toot

Steam locomotive makes final runs

Belching clouds of white smoke, old steam locomotive No. 6218 chugged along the tracks last Sunday on her final run...

One of the many locomotives of her type, No. 6218 had played a heavy part in the drama of World War Two when troop trains were in continual operation...

Place of honor Over the weekend, numerous conjectures were bandied as to her final fate and close listening revealed considerations of a multi-million dollar compound slated for Toronto's waterfront...

Nostalgic memories Whatever her future, old 6218 has done her job well and last weekend's two-day excursion runs revealed the nostalgic memories which her penetrating steam whistle sound aroused in the thousands of spectators who waited to view her from the various points between Toronto and Paris, Ontario.

Line track People were gathered all down the track beyond the Rockwood station and right on through to Guelph at focal spots where they could best observe and take pictures of the historical event.

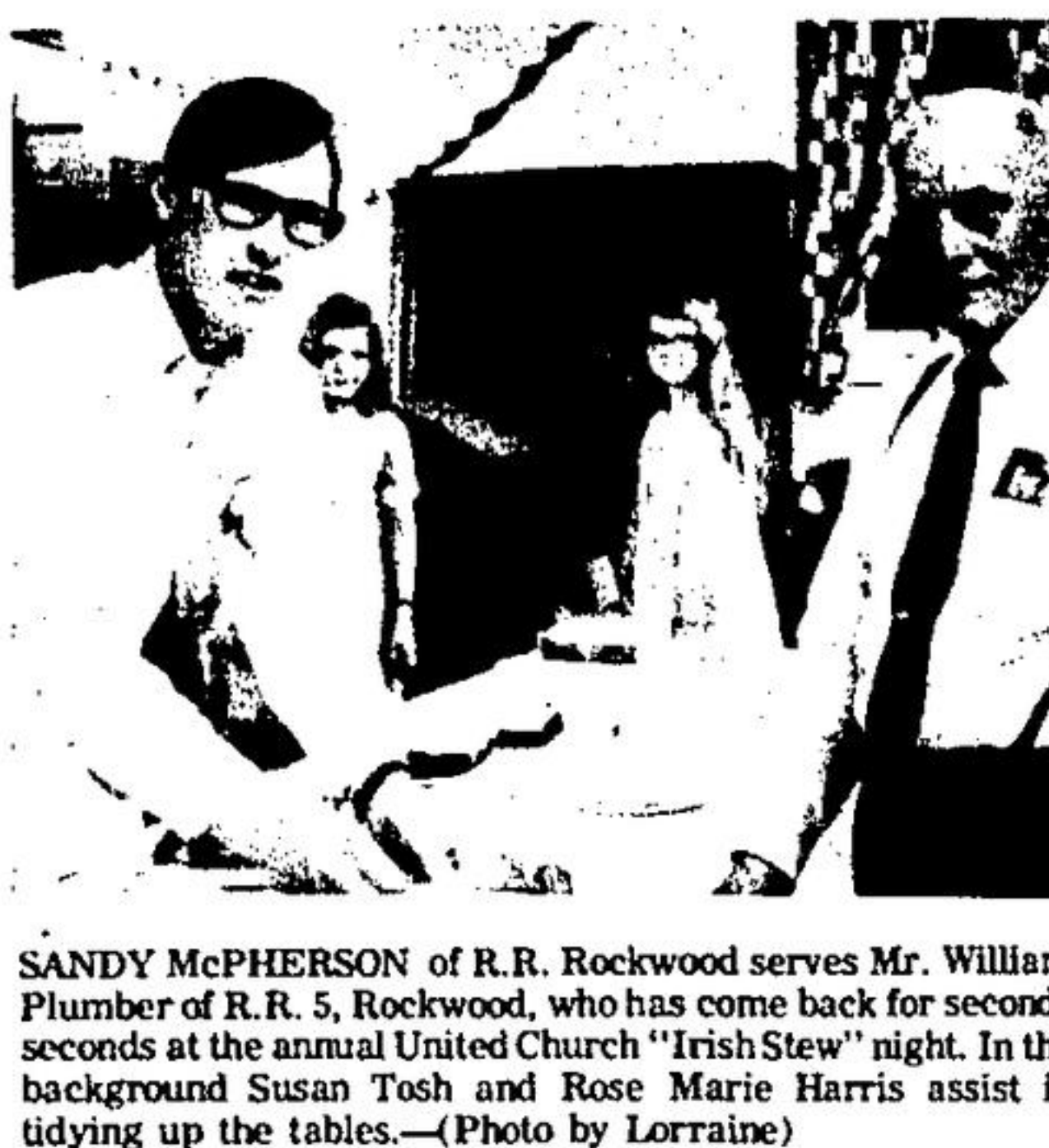
regular stations as announced by P.A. Systems installed by the U.C.R.S., finally reached Paris Junction. There, officials turned No. 6218 on the Y, coaled up her tender, lubricated her wheel journals, and then, diverted to another line, she proceeded to Onondaga and Caledonia...

Will Saturday and Sunday's escapade really be the last run for 6218? Many hopefuls remember that she was taken out of wraps after her publicized "final trip" of approximately one year ago and feel that she will someday be seen on the tracks again.

Own steam "She's lucky to be running today" said a local buff, "And, although I hate to see her put away, I'm glad to see her return gracefully on her own steam."



IT'S NO BLARNEY that the St. Patrick's Irish Stew night held at Rockwood United Church hall was cooked with elegance by the Board of Stewards, faithfully assisted by their wives and other members of the congregation.



Pony recovering from heart attack

A 30-year-old Shetland pony had a whacking heart attack last Saturday morning but today is merrily running about chasing race horses around the field.

The vet was called and Jingle Belle was given an injection with little hope of survival. Today, however, the valiant tiny animal is back to normal.

rather than being pulled home by a diesel. That would definitely be most embarrassing.

More trips via steam engine for railway fans? That too remains to be seen. The 6218 is the only one of its type still owned by the Canadian National Railways...

The function of the Upper Canada Railway Society is to encourage studies of railways in Canada including field trips to different junctions to study track layouts, signalling, photographing old stations, and tape-recording train sounds.



Rockwood Bowling

Low scores made the Rockwood bowling ratings look like a stand-still from the previous week's competitions but right now the 12 team league shows: the Clippers and Pacers tied for 1st place with 109 points...



TEDDY KNEGT, Tim Hartman and Wanda Gray are ready to pounce as Greg Strong tosses the ball to centres Steve Hartman and Rob Drijber at the Wednesday athletic night held every week at the Rockwood Centennial School gymnasium.

County apportionment shows little change

Recently released figures revealing actual apportionments of the municipalities will pay towards the county budget show Milton paying 3.148 per cent while Acton pays 2.025. Esqueping pays 4.168 per cent while Nassagaweya will carry the smallest portion at 1.919 per cent.



"BUY A COOKIE MISTER?" and little Ruth Hartman, of Alma Street, Rockwood was one of the 25 brownies canvassing for cookie sales the proceeds of which will be converted into craft materials and supplies for the annual Mother and Daughter banquet to be held this year sometime in May.



ROBIN DRIJBER leaps high to get control of the ball against the opposing team-centre Steve Hartman. Teddy Knekt waits to grab the ball and Wanda Gray is ready to take it down the floor.

A-B SUPERMARKET advertisement with a list of products and prices. Includes items like Prime Rib Roast, Rib Steaks, Braising Ribs, Mini-Sizzlers, Bacon, Fresh Produce, and various oils and jams.

Passengers on the Sunday run had a special attraction when the locomotive, having stopped at the