

Rockalong W.I. plans bus trip

Mrs. Harvey Shultz was hostess of the June meeting of Rockalong Women's Institute, with Mrs. George Mitchell presiding.

Roll call response was made by 18 members to bring an article from another country visited, and tell about it. Responses followed with members showing souvenirs and memorials from such places as Japan, Ireland, Ghana, Yugoslavia, China, Mexico, Holland, India, Scotland, Spain, China, Malaysia and others.

Various reports were made about the District Annual held in May and from the lower and card committee. Invitations were extended to the branch from Arkell W.

I. to a 65th anniversary tea and also from Royal W.I. for June 18.

Committee named

During business the Institute bus trip was planned for Oct. 3. It was decided one call would be to the St. Lawrence-Starch Co., Port Credit, for a conducted tour. Mrs. H. Shultz and Mrs. J. Glendenning were the committee named to organize the proposed trip.

Mrs. Bert Leroy and Mrs. Sheldon Traudt were named to represent the branch at Wellington Place, July 28 from 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. Will Black presented a report from the District Annual and added further district business.

Program

Mrs. John Ramsey and Mrs. Will Black were joint conveners for the citizenship program in which all members participated in discussion. They presented many ideas and opinions prompted by questions on present current topics.

A quiz then followed, conducted by Mrs. John Ramsey. Members were required to identify provincial premiers and provincial floral emblems.

An interesting meeting concluded, Mrs. Alex McPhedran and Miss Helen Bayne, served lunch.



A SPECIAL DEDICATION ceremony was held outside the Rockwood Presbyterian Church on Sunday, immediately following the regular church service. Two of the youngest and the eldest member of the village church are seen with Rev. Don Sinclair as they unveil the centennial sign which indicates that the Presbyterian Church in Canada has been in operation for 100 years. Mrs. William Swanson is the staunch eldest member who stands beside Mr. Sinclair. Laura Johnston and Kirk McNabb, both four-year-olds, are two of the younger members of the congregation. Hymns and a prayer were part of the ceremony for the unveiling, conducted on the church lawn on Main St.

Open house week begins June 16

Beginning Friday, June 16, nursing homes across the province will make special efforts to involve communities and residents to visit nursing homes of their choice and become better acquainted with what such homes should represent in every district.

According to Gail Bouwmeester of the Eden

House Nursing Home, "We have an open door policy and encourage visitors at any time in our home," she said. Gail is anxious that nearby residents put the home on a regular visiting agenda to bring the outside in to patients who sometimes never have visitors of their own.

With an auxiliary assisting in the background, Eden House operates for the benefit and stimulation of the residents. Betty Marshall is the enthusiastic craft and program co-ordinator who keeps a lively program of entertainment and accomplishment moving ahead of resident interest. Each day is set aside for special activity and, at Eden House, unless you're really ill, you are part of that activity.

Daily activities

Sundays are relaxing days when church service is conducted by Phil Bethel; hymns and a short sermon keep residents in touch with their home-time church routines. Monday evenings are card times, when ladies of

the auxiliary and sometimes their husbands visit the residents for euchre and other games. Tuesday is visiting day and last week in Eden House people went out and enjoyed a short stay at friends' homes.

One special activity of the local home is a rhythm band which has been organized by the enthusiastic program supervisor. Eighteen residents comprise the band which plays every Wednesday afternoon, providing great fun at the hall and those who are not musicians, sit and applaud. "One or two of the residents have great voices," says Gail. She mentions Simon Morlock, 94, formerly of Marlock, who enjoys giving solos, and Gladys Jones at the home who also sings. According to Gail some of the ladies and gentlemen like to dance when the band is playing.

Birthdays

Thursday at Eden House is devoted to birthday parties. Once a month church groups in the community convene for the celebrating residents. As well as daily programs, other activities are conducted with crafts one of the important features. Some items are made for selling or showing at teas and bazaars run by the residents. Picnics and lunch days are also encouraged.

Supervisors say that, although the home is always open to visitors, during Nursing Home Week they extend special invitations to area residents to "come in and share coffee."

"Get to know some of the people who live with us at the home," say many who work there who are concerned that today's city is a "shut-out" for seniors. "It doesn't have to be that way," say some of the younger people who visit regularly at Eden House and find the easygoing chat of the elderly a stimulating way of picking up local history in a friendly atmosphere. "The only difference between many of the people we meet at Eden House and ourselves is a few generations in between," said a number of visiting church young people recently.



MRS. MYRTLE ALLAN is a former Main Street, Acton, resident who lives at Eden House. She enjoys the activity at the home and talking to contemporaries. Mrs. Allan looks forward to visits from former neighbors and friends.



NINETTY-FOUR year old Simon Peter Morlock, a native of Morriston, can spin yarns of the past which keep everyone around interested and delighted. "I was born Feb. 12, same as Abraham Lincoln," says the gentleman who adds mischievously, "but he was born just a little earlier than I was."

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Digging completed

Mountains of freshly-turned earth in the vicinity of the Rockwood and District Lions Club park have roused curiosity of many residents over the past few days.

According to president Tom Gellinty, the digging is completed for phase one of the community club arena project which the local club has put into operation. "The community centre will be the front part of the building to be finished first," said the enthusiastic Lion who says that foundation for the centre will be started within ten days.

Candidates to speak at Centennial school

An All Candidates night is slated for Rockwood at the Centennial public school. Sponsored by the Rockwood and District Lions Club it will have a starting time of 8.15 p.m. sharp on Thurs., June 27.

At the present time seven names appear in the Wellington riding for the July 8 federal election. It is the hope of the Lions Club that all candidates will be on tap for the meeting where each will be given an opportunity to speak briefly with a question and answer period to follow.

Lined up for the village meeting are: Gareth Blythe

(Communist Party of Canada), Frank W. Maize (Liberal), Bruce Ernest Payne (Progressive Conservative), W. Gerald Punnett (NDP), Brian Seymour (Independent), Terry Theriault (Marxist-Leninist Party), and Walter A. Tucker (Independent).

Mr. Seymour is running for the New Liberation Party of Canada. As it is necessary for the party to run 50 candidates across Canada before the name of the party can appear on the ballot, Mr. Seymour is running as an independent.

At conclusion of the meeting, coffee will be served.

Candidates vie for July 8 vote

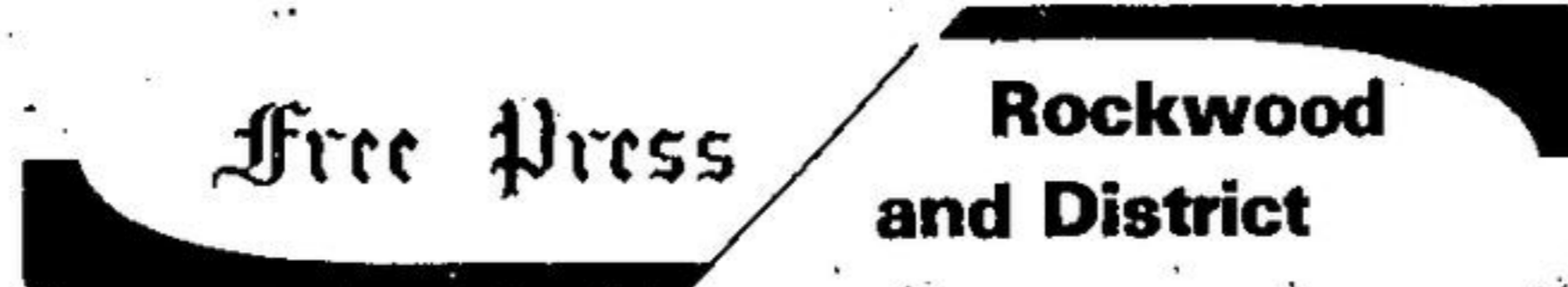
Deadlines for nominations in Canada's federal election was 2 p.m. standard time, or 3 p.m. daylight saving time, on Mon., June 17. According to Fred Hamilton, returning officer for Wellington riding, seven names will appear on the July 8 election ballot for 49,697 local voters.

Election Act, and other necessary forms.

Last date Mr. Hamilton says that straight names only will be used on the ballot, reading in alphabetical order. Design

will be white on black with a circle for the voter's mark. His instructions are to design a ballot so that voters' errors can be kept to a minimum and he feels that seven names will fit easily onto a ballot design.

Mr. Hamilton explained that Tues., June 25 is the last day to get names on urban lists. "Rural people can talk to their own enumerators and get their name on the voting list," he said.



PRIOR TO THE unveiling of the Rockwood Presbyterian centennial sign last Sunday, a horse, escorted by two young village girls, was curious and tried to see what the sign was all about. Cindy Johnson and Cindy Roadknight patiently explain that it means an unveiling will soon take place and the sign reading 1875, 1975 and 2075 indicates that the Presbyterian Church in Canada is celebrating its 100th birthday.

Comin's and Goin's

Hey now — look who's taken off for Europe. Ev Barden and her sister Jean Gemmel from Dundas left by air Thursday for a holiday with stop-off time planned for visiting a brother in England. The girls have not seen their brother for years and their friends at home wish them a very happy reunion.

sale at Eden Mills Presbyterian Church. "But those who braved the elements were pleased they made the effort," say enthusiastic ladies sponsoring the event and proceeds show that, despite lack of quantity, the quality was there and the ladies found it to be a financial success.

Members of the family of Rev. Don Sinclair attended a special centennial celebration on Sunday when a 1 to 4.30 open house was held commemorating the 100th birthday of the Sinclair public school in Whitby township. The school was named after W. E. N. Sinclair, Don's uncle, who had served as an outstanding figure in the community.

Centennial School Notes

By Judy Finley

On June 24 the graduating students and parents are cordially invited to attend the grade eight banquet and ceremony at the Rockwood Centennial school. Guest speaker will be Alf Hales.

Time of student photo is set for 6 p.m., banquet at 6.30, ceremony at 8, and a student dance will be held from 9 to 11.30 p.m.

Well, there's only seven days left of school and then we're out for a long holiday until Sept. 2. Let's just hope the weather changes a bit though or it won't be a very enjoyable one.

Plans are in the offing for an exciting final meeting of the Rockwood and District Sunshine Club to be held Thursday, June 27, at 2 p.m. All seniors in the district are invited to attend an afternoon of fun when Guelph and local talent will be entertainers for the program, topped off with a light luncheon. According to executive members Sept. 12 will be the fall start-up date with a pot luck supper the food agenda. So try for the last meeting in June as the final get-together Sunshiners and have a good time every-one.

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