

Firemen kept busy

The Rockwood-Eramosa fire brigade was kept busy last week. They were alerted on two counts of car accidents and one other, a minor fire in the vicinity of the village.

An early morning alarm about 7 a.m. roused the firemen from their homes on Thursday when a chimney fire broke out at the home of Roy Harding of R.R. 1, Rockwood. The blaze was quickly extinguished within an hour.

A Saturday evening signal drew the crew to Main St. south in the village, when a car, owned by Donnie Beam, was parked near Guelph St. A cigarette had been dropped on the front seat of the Mercury he was driving. It had caught fire and, by the time the firemen appeared on the scene, the car was filled with smoke.

The seat had to be torn apart to extinguish the blaze.

The brigade was summoned earlier in the afternoon when two cars collided on Highway 7 on the first curve just outside the village, towards Guelph. Firemen were called to assist in releasing victims from the crashed vehicle.



Faulty wiring blamed as Tuesday fire cause

Rockwood-Eramosa firemen were alerted Tuesday afternoon to quell a fire in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Seim of 111 Jackson St.

The alarm sounded at ten minutes to two p.m. when a neighbor, Mrs. Peter Sim smelted smoke as she stepped out of her house. She saw smoke coming from the roof of the Seim home and turned in the alarm immediately.

Smoke-filled

By the time firefighters arrived smoke was coming out through the eaves and flames were spouting out the back door facing Jackson St. It was necessary to cut out a corner of the roof to get at the flames

which had spread up through the walls of the house. The men put on masks to get in to find the fire as smoke filled all the rooms.

According to fire chief Carl Meadows, faulty wiring was to blame for the occurrence. The Guelph fire department was called in to assist under the Wellington County Mutual Aid. The chief highly commended both the promptness and efficiency of the four men sent from the Guelph department. He said they arrived very quickly on the scene with a pump. He said he was especially proud of the way his own men handled the situation. The fire was quelled around 4 p.m., two hours after it had been discovered.

Damage to the large old home is estimated at \$5,000. Fire chief Meadows says that all rooms were smoke and water damaged to some extent but that the worst areas were the kitchen and bath room directly above.

Friends, relatives and neighbors worked well into the evening to assist in getting things back in some kind of order. At the time of the fire, both Mr. and Mrs. Seim were away from the house. The Seims have a family of five children. None were at home at the time of the outbreak.

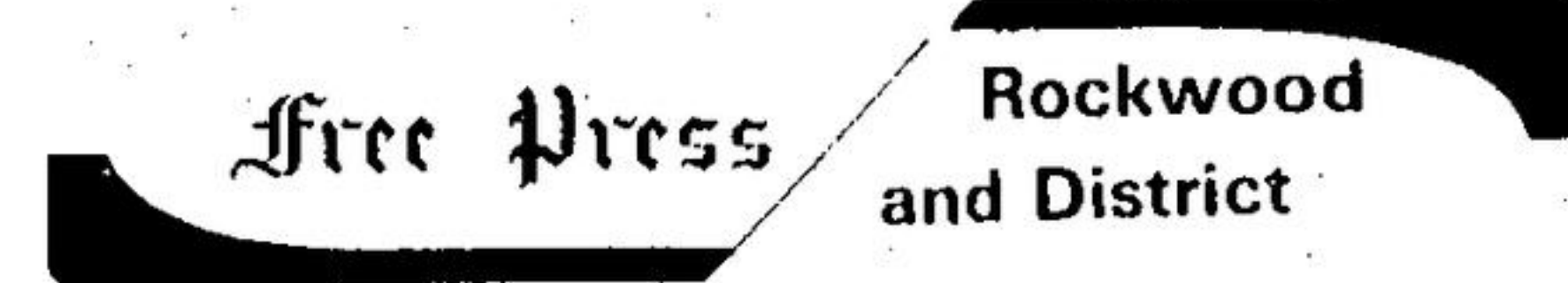


SMOKE AND WATER damage was incurred in the Tuesday afternoon fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Seim of Jackson St. The kitchen and bathroom directly above were the most damaged areas in the old home.

Book reading

The first newsletter of the Eramosa library board went out this week. It reminds residents that their tax money supports the venture and to take advantage of the services of the new-concept library.

A TUESDAY AFTERNOON blaze was quelled by the Rockwood-Eramosa fire brigade which resulted in an estimated \$5,000 damage. The fire occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Seim of Jackson Street when all members of the household were absent. Alarm was given by a neighbor who saw smoke coming from the roof. It was turned in around 2 p.m. and was contained by about 4 p.m. in the late afternoon.



Attendance up St. John's, Rockwood

Members of St. John's Anglican church are looking toward 1975 with great hope after attending the annual vestry meeting held Monday night at the parish hall. The congregation learned that, during the past year, attendance and gifts had increased 50 percent. A spokesman at the meeting said he felt it was due to the excellent Christian leadership since the Rev. Ritchie McMurray became priest of the parish.

Rev. McMurray chaired the annual event. Minutes of last year's vestry were read and passed on approval. A treasurer's report showed that the church had accomplished several monetary feats, such as paying off the mortgage and making certain building repairs, as well as contributing to diocesan relief funds.

He commended Mr. Hudson on being a close liaison between the congregation and its rector. Rev. McMurray said he was pleased to announce that most church officials had agreed to hold their offices for another term. Nominations were held for that of peoples' warden. John Clark was officially elected.

Others on the church council are, rector's warden, George Ingle; secretary, Len Hockey; treasurer, Betty Eason; lay-delegate to synod, Gladys Sillip, alternate-delegate Betty Lou Clark. Appointed to the church advisory board were, Ivy Ritchie, Flossie McMan, Steve McDougall, Dick Currier, Betty Jones, Sandy Hudson, Monty Hood and Ernie Slipp. Those holding office are automatically on the advisory board.

Several suggestions were made for 1975 church activities. They will be discussed and decided on at the next Parish Council meeting slated for February.

Organist Catherine Meredith attended the meeting. She requested that she be replaced from time-to-time as regular organist. The Rev. McMurray said he'd investigate to see if other organists are available in the area.

Lunch and refreshments culminated a very satisfactory meeting.

Missions

The parish was also able to send money to the northern Canadian missions as a start-off project in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Niagara Diocese in the Anglican church of Canada.

The chairman gave special thanks to peoples' warden, Sandy Hudson who was stepping down from his position.

Rockwood United church holds annual meeting

The annual congregational meeting of Rockwood United church was held Sunday afternoon, Jan. 26, following a pot-luck dinner in the newly-decorated Sunday school hall. The Rev. H. G. Rees opened with a scripture and prayer. A minute of silence was observed in memory of Mrs.

Edna Hosking, a very faithful church member who passed away last year.

Sandy McPhedran was appointed secretary for the meeting during which many matters of business were reported.

Miss Helen Bayne gave a summary of the U.C.W. work.

Highlights of the year were a rummage sale and the annual Christmas tea and bazaar.

It was reported that the Sunday school had had an active year with a small enrolment.

Church treasurer, Miss Gladys Hanna reported a financially successful year.

She said there was a small bank balance remaining, in spite of rising costs.

Officers

New officials elected for 1975 were, elders, Gordon Ostrander and Albert Malby; stewards, Louie Hills, John Sargent and Elwood Tosi; auditors Frank Ostrander and Helen Bayne.

As this year, 1975 is the 50th anniversary of the United Church of Canada, Sunday, June 1 was designated as the date for a Thank Offering service. The proceeds will be sent to a mission project which will be chosen later.

It was also decided that the anniversary of Rockwood United church on Sunday, June 8 will be celebrated with special music. The Rev. T. J. Rees, brother of the Rev. H. G. Rees, will be guest speaker.

Comin's and Goin's

Away visiting these days is Andy Johnston. Andy's in B.C. visiting his daughter Vicky Hawkes, her husband Tom and their four children. See you soon, friend, and have a great time.

Friends of Mrs. Ben Salmon will be sorry to know she's in the Guelph General hospital and has been a patient for the past two weeks.

Another of Rockwood's favorites is on the sick list. Mrs. Dorothy Dean of Harris St. was admitted to the Guelph General hospital on Saturday morning, operated on in the afternoon and is now recuperating. Good luck, Mrs. Dean. Your neighbors and friends look forward to your return home.

More Rockwood residents were southbound and have returned looking relaxed and happy. Elwood and Lois Tosi were the lucky tourists who enjoyed Tampa, Florida with its 80 degree temperatures. Visiting around and seeing all the sights including Weeki Wachee springs, the sunken gardens at St. Petersburg and even Disney World, the

couple arrived back home via Air Canada on Jan. 14. Welcome home, folks!

Latest word on Brenda Ingles is that she arrived in Vancouver with plans to leave immediately for Australia. Visa papers were her hold-up so she left for Los Angeles for a few days in the sunny south and will return to Vancouver to make her final big trip in a week or two. Lots of luck, Brenda. We look for a safe journey there and back.

Girl Guides are busy making posters. Brownies are getting decorations in order and Scouts are planning the set-up for the Valentine dance on Sat. Feb. 18 which will be sponsored by the Group Committee of the organizations to raise money for field and over-night camping trips and achievement badges. Lots of luck, kids. It's up to local residents to make it a financial success.

Tie a knot on your finger, snowmobilers—if father winter gets cracking, the Lions Club rally, Rockwood 100 will get off the ground this weekend. Come on, dad, let's see more white stuff from

your department and for those who haven't got them yet, pledge sheets are available at many centres. Contact Lion members for information.

Mure visitors to the sunny south this last while were Herb and Marjorie Saunders and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Carl McIntyre from Guelph, flight down to St. Petersburg on Jan. 15 and a return home Wed. Jan. 22 gave the foursome time to visit around and enjoy the wonderful sunshine and bathing.

Calculating the meeting, a special vote of appreciation was proposed to the Rev. and Mrs. G. Rees, Mr. and Mrs. S. Trousdale, Miss Hanna and members of the many boards and organizations of the church, for their efforts during the past year.

Snow names

Pilots flying over Rockwood conservation park last weekend report seeing many names spelled out in the snow of local residents and visitors who'd been hiking and decided to participate in the snow-writing activity.

Rockwood bowling

Carneys hold top position in the regular Tuesday bowling at the Rockwood league. Team standings show, Carneys 79 points, 2 Neighbors 78, 3 Nortons 74, 4 Jr. Farmers 73, 5 Four Corners 72, 6 Country Men 68, 7 Trotters and Guelphites 64, 8 Alley Cats 63, 9 Rockets 61, 10 Unruhthals 60, 11 Optimists 57, 12 Growers and A's 52, 13 Ramblers 49 and 14 Unpredictables, 47.

Men over 900

Jerry Birkhols 732, Sam Nyholt 720, Ted Jettin 720, Con Murray 705, Dick Dupuis 704, Fred Nightingale 699, Clarence Hilton 664, John Gordon 643, Elmer Allan 637, Harry Jettin 623, Sandy McPhedran 620, Duac McPhedran 620, Bill Garner 608, Bob Lilley 607 and Doug Buttenham, 602.

Women over 500

Lois Jettin 830, Nellie Stokman 820, Betty Brydges 806, Olga Sanderson 777, Ann Parkinson 764, Eva Bosch 570, Winnie Hitts 568.

Accident

A single car accident occurring Jan. 21 on Wellington County Rd. 24, caused \$1,000 damage to the vehicle and injured two people.

A car driven by Margaret Hammond of Acton was travelling south when it struck a snow bank. The vehicle left the road striking a hydro pole in the east ditch.

Ellen Garner 567, Mary Lush 565, Betty Burnett 558, V. Nightingale 553, Nancy Gordon 552, Corrie Kulper 542, Rika Looft 542, Nancy Ferguson 542, Ruth Kingsbury 518, Orna Ferguson 518, Muriel Buttenham 510, Jerry Hilton 508, Gerda Bakker 502, Remy Heard 300 and Gwen Gordon 500.

Games

Trotters were victorious and chobbered a 15 team with a score showing 7 to nil. Trotter Ted Jettin slipped in a 720 triple with singles 221, 221 and 278. Dick Dupuis bowled 704 with singles 239, 239 and 206. Olga Sanderson bowled 577 for triple with singles showing 274, 124 and 229. Dave Cleland made a 445.

Optimists were the 7 point winners against Unpredictables. Optimist Jerry Birkhols made a 732 triple with singles reading 222, 242, 266. Sam Nyholt bowled in a 570 triple with singles 242, 205 and 278. Unpredictable Jim Heard bowled 539 for a triple score with singles of 189, 161, and 229. Gerda Bakker bowled in a 502 score.

Five to 2 was the Norton's win over Jr. Farmers. Fred Nightingale brought in a 699 triple with singles 241, 239 and 190. John Gordon bowled 643 with singles 188, 261 and 194. Bruce Miller was the Jr. Farmer who brought in the score of 588 showing singles 172, 254 and 161. Betty Law bowled 589 with singles 164, 156 and 249.

Country Men made 3 points with Unruhthals 2. Eva Bosch bowled in a 570 triple with singles 242, 205 and 191. Peter Bosch's scores showed 148, 186, 211 to triple in at 548. Art Robert Unruhthals made

a 536 triple with singles 168, 155 and 209. Bill Atkinson bowled 458.

Rockets win

Rockets took off to a 4 to 3 win over Gooyers. Con Murray steamed in a 702 triple with singles 223, 224 and 256. Lois Jettin made a 636 triple with singles 231, 207 and 218. Clarence Hilton bowled 648 with singles 310, 177 and 161. Dan Hiltz bowled 576 with singles 216, 167 and 193.

Guelphites were 4 to 3 over Four Corners as Bill Scott made a 566 triple with singles 208, 191 and 167. Sam Lawlor bowled in a 560 with singles 165, 220 and 175. Nellie Stokman was the Four Corners star who brought in a 620 triple with singles 133, 225 and 262. Ann Parkinson bowled 571 with singles 163, 185 and 213.

Four to 3 was the Carneys' win over Neighbors. Bob Lilley slipped in a 607 triple with singles 163, 216 and 228. Danny Renaud bowled 580 with singles 181, 194 and 185. Neighbor Duac McPhedran brought in a 620 triple with singles 222, 188 and 200. Bill Garner bowled a 609 triple. Singles showed 246, 174 and 189.

Ramblers and Alley Cats competed. Cats went down with Ramblers taking a 4 to 3 win. Betty Burnett rambled in with a 538 triple, singles showing 204, 155 and 199. Orna Ferguson bowled 518 with singles 196, 153 and 163. Elmer Allan was the Cat with the 527 score. He bowled singles 243, 158 and 205. Betty Brydges slipped in a 608 triple with singles 180, 196 and 234.

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