

Feed stolen at feed mill

A custom of trust which has existed for years in the village has had to be rescinded and the Guelph O.P.P. are investigating incidents of stealing at the Rockwood feed mill.

Proprietor of the mill, Jim Milne says for years he has been making up feed orders for farmers and leaving them out on the loading deck for customer pick-up. Two weeks before Christmas, Mr. Milne noticed bags of feed seemed missing but felt he had simply miscounted. Two weeks ago he missed more feed but was still not convinced it had been stolen.

For sure

On Monday, Feb. 10 at 8:40 a.m. he reported to the O.P.P. A large order which had been left overnight out had definitely been stolen with total value set at \$354. Mr. Milne lists one ton of pig grower worth \$150, rye shorts valued at \$105, 100 lb. bag of lay mash at \$9, approximately 10,000 lbs. of oats and corn valued at \$81 bag with total value, \$350.

Mr. Milne feels the steal was certainly done by someone who knows his habits of leaving the feed out for customers. At the present time the O.P.P. are continuing the investigation.



SKIING WAS at its best after weekend snows on Sunday and, seen enjoying the sport at Rockwood's most local hill are the McLeod family of Guelph St., Katharine, 10, Richard, 7, David, 11, and Kelly, 8. They are on the St. John's church hill, a popular one for the village's younger set.

District canvass suggested for Lions centre project

Whisperings of a petition being circulated by residents who question the request of the district Lions Club community centre and arena complex have come under discussion by other community members. Supporters of the centre feel that if it should be necessary for the township to issue debentures, costs incurred by taxpayers will be outweighed by the value of the centre to the entire township.

One new member in the Rockwood community who has some knowledge of building an arena in a town of comparable size to Rockwood is Royal Bank manager, Jack Hougham. He moved into the village six months ago from Beamsville; prior to that he was resident of Smithville, where an arena is presently being built.

Headline

Mr. Hougham feels that district residents must look at the project realistically. He feels that, as the centre has already been started, the municipality of Eramosa must get behind the Lions. He says that, although the Lions

Club could raise the required amount of money (estimated at \$100,000), it could not do it quickly enough to combat the rising costs. He refers to his experience in Smithville when he was involved in investigating financing for an arena there.

Instating it be understood that he is not an expert but only a person who assisted in a similar project, the bank manager says the Smithville steering group visited six different arenas and saw that they could pay for themselves. "By such things as concession bars, ice time sold to hockey teams and figure skating clubs," he explains. He said the Smithville arena is now nearing completion but escalating costs from the time the arena was first considered in 1970 until four years later, literally doubled.

He suggests the same could happen to the Eramosa community project if council doesn't look at what assistance is needed. Mr. Hougham understands the council's position. He suggests the Lions should go to the people and sell the idea of the centre to the township

residents. He recognizes if only a small number of people are interested in the centre, it would be only common sense that council would have to respect wishes of the majority. He feels Lions members should canvass everyone in the village and township asking if they are in favor of grants and request ideas of financing. "Ask residents if they are willing to pledge or pay by debenture," he suggests.

Where people stand

The bank manager feels that township council would then know where people stand. He feels it would be better than a general vote on the issue as people could be sold on the idea by the enthusiasm of those interested in providing the project.

The speaker gave suggested ways of financing the centre. First, some debentures could be raised by the Lions themselves. Secondly, since interest will be available by way of grants, thirdly, he suggests that people, groups and organizations be contacted and asked to make a pledge or

donation. He envisions groups raising funds within their own organizations to support the centre. Cost to the individual taxpayer then could be very little and could be handled more easily by the township.

Debentures

Mr. Hougham referred to a recent report of an Eramosa township council meeting when Lions members had asked about financing the centre. The Lions had said the centre, when built could raise its own money through various means which would assist paying back loans from the township. The bank manager feels that, in this case, it would not be necessary to add costs to the taxes. "Some or all of the money required could be raised by the township through the sale of debentures," he said. He added, "The Royal Bank is always interested in financing any reasonable project."

A meeting between the Lions Club and the Eramosa township council is slated for Thursday, Feb. 20 when matters of financing and costs will be discussed.

Stop work order will delay centre

Completion of the new medical centre in Rockwood has been temporarily placed in abeyance following a motion passed at Monday's Eramosa township council meeting. It was based on a written request from the Wellington-Dufferin Health Unit that a stop work order be placed because of lack of application for permit, and unsatisfactory plans for a weeping tile bed. Council discussed the matter at the Monday meeting.

When the wheels for building the medical centre were first put into motion, last year's council for '74 had decided to hook into the septic system of the public school annex located adjacent to the centre. The annex is the property of the Wellington County Board of Education. The hook-up was to be only a temporary stop-gap measure

until the installation of the sewer and water system proposed for the village. Failure to inform the Health Unit of their intent had triggered the request to halt construction on the building.

Opportunity

Members of the Rockwood trustee board were in attendance during the discussion by council. They suggested to the Eramosa board that it would be an excellent opportunity for the township to try out the new Aquarobic system which is presently being investigated as a prospective solution to village sewage problems.

After further discussion council moved to have the construction of sewer and water facilities in the medical centre in Rockwood stopped until such problems are resolved with the Wellington-Dufferin Health Unit.

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Doll house will re-locate at Meadowview centre

Eleven years of doll collecting has been the hobby of an ex-school teacher who intends to re-establish her doll exhibition in Rockwood some time in April.

The doll house, owned and operated by Mrs. Hazel Shoemaker, was moved from the village approximately four years ago when the Shoemakers moved to a farm off the Elora highway. Since that time the ambitious hobbyist has increased the number of dolls and items of interest in her collection. She will be bringing them with her when she comes back to Rockwood to her newly-renovated quarters at the Meadowview auction centre located just below the railway tracks on Main St.

Fairy tale dolls

Nursery rhymes, fairy tales and biblical stories are all represented in the amazing collection, as well as

a large number of dolls of other lands. Formerly a collection numbering 650 Mrs. Shoemaker says she now has 1,100 made of everything including tin, wax, wood, china, bisque, chamois and other types of antique doll-making materials. Mrs. Shoemaker herself makes dolls of many materials, including apple dolls, some of prunes, cornhusks, gourds and little bulbs. "In fact of any material at all which will interest children in trying out their own creativity in the art of doll making," she explains.

Mostly, the doll lady makes all the dolls' dresses. Dolls of other lands, which are representative of those from all over the world, are left in their original costumes. She also creates her own three and four-headed toys which include, in one body, all the characters in a fairy tale such

as Red Riding Hood, granny and the wolf as a three-headed doll.

Added interest to the new quarters will be a miniature store, depicting the typical general store of 100 years ago. Mrs. Shoemaker says everything has been made to scale and creates great interest for children and adult groups who visit from many parts of Ontario to view the surprising hobby. A Mennonite kitchen is also included in the display, made to scale.

Indian artifacts

The teacher once taught Mennonite children in grades from one to eight. Her interest in the sect can be identified in some of the dolls on display. Also a teacher of Indian children on a reservation, Mrs. Shoemaker has a large collection of Indian dolls and artifacts. Antique baby and doll buggies, beds and other interesting items have further been added. They will be seen at the Rockwood quarters which, when opened will be available to the public daily including weekends.

School groups

organizations, adult education and recreation groups as well as children enjoying special birthday party trips have all been part of the guest-visiting list of the well-known doll lady. She expects her new quarters will be bright and cheery and updated surroundings should encourage even greater interest of groups and visitors who stop in at the centre and learn about dolls and their histories.

Rockwood bowling

Despite poor weather conditions last Tuesday night, most teams reported a good turnout of bowlers. For the Optimists it was a 7 point win over Ramblers as Optimist Sam Nyboil brought in a 623 triple, singles showed 23, 24, and 27. Jerry Burkholder made a 524 triple with singles 17, 17 and 18. Ramble Alan Burnett made a 384 triple with singles 15, 23 and 16. Betty Burnett bowled 205, 219 and 172 to trip as at 596.

Neighbors 5 Country Men 2 was the final score when Neighbour Doug Buttenham bowled in a 676 triple with singles 27, 238 and 191. Dave Kingsbury bowled 592 with singles 219, 204 and 169. Country Men Peter Bosch bowled a 611 triple with singles 19, 218 and 207. Eva Bosch made a 526 triple with singles 140, 140 and 178.

Four Coverts bested the Norrons 3 to 2 as Jack Parkinson topped off a 628 triple with singles 27, 218 and 180. Ann Parkinson made a 573 triple with singles 190, 214 and 141. Fred Nightingale topped out team with a 191, 227 and 204. Viv Nightingale made a 623 triple with singles showing 21, 178 and 225.

Team standings: 1. Carvers 88 points, 2. Norrons 86, 3. Farmers 83, 4. Country Men 80, 5. Guelphites 77, 6. Tied with 73 points, Rocketts and Trotters, 8. Laurifists 73, 10. Optimists 69, 11. Alley Cats 67, 12. Goovers 64, 13. Upper diables 63, 14. A's 56 and in last position, Ramblers with 52 points.

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Sunday was a 90th birthday

One of Rockwood's most illustrious seniors reached her 90th birthday on Sunday last and many friends and relatives dropped in to wish her well.

Mrs. Jennie (Burnett) Hamilton was the happy lady who was born in Listowel in 1885, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Burnett. She was brought to the district of Eramosa and with her family, resided on what is now the farm owned by Allan Burnett, a nephew, at R.R. 3, Rockwood. Her family was the second of three generations of Burnetts to live in the Eramosa homestead.

Cake

Sunday's party was a fun occasion when the birthday lady was feted with flowers, cards, gifts and friendship. Her two daughters, Pearl Hamilton and Elsie Swanston of Guelph organized the celebration. Her granddaughter-in-law, Marilyn and two great-grandchildren served. A beautifully decorated birthday cake was prepared by Mrs. Swanston.

Guests came from local areas including Guelph, Shelburne, Acton and Rockwood. The celebrant's grandson, Murray Swanston also attended with his wife and daughters.

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LAND USE

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Sat. Feb. 22, 1975 10 a.m.

General questions after this topic

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Russ Powadiuk
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MARCH 3, 1975

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DONALD E. LOUGHEER
TREASURER

NOTICE GENERAL MEETING WELLINGTON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1975
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