

Ballinafad

Blocked roads in rural areas

by Walfred Smith
Winter set in with a vengeance after Ground Hog day Friday.

Blocked roads and filled-in laneways kept many from attending church on Sunday. There was a front row filled with children who were fascinated by the little story Rev. Stiles had to tell them, previous to Sunday School classes.

The sermon was taken from one of the parables from Luke. It was announced there would be a family dance in the Community Centre the last Saturday night in the month. It will be for all

ages. Also there will be a pancake supper in the church basement on Tuesday, February 27.

It was unfortunate the weather did not cooperate for the annual meeting of the hall board on Sunday afternoon, but the meeting went on and there were 9 elected for the new slate of officers. More particulars next week.

Two more families in the community have recently been saddened by death. We extend sympathy to Tylers, who suffered the death of a husband and father, also

to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sinclair whose sister-in-law recently passed away in Brampton.

Mrs. Buckrell had some unexpected visitors on Monday when the school bus took a slide off the road into the ditch. It was almost two hours before another bus came along to pick up the children who were on their way to school. Fortunately the bus

stayed upright, as the ditch was rather deep where it slid in.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Haynes attended the christening of their little granddaughter on Sunday. The ceremony was held at Christ Church Cathedral in Toronto.

Miss Jean Lawr, of Toronto spent the weekend here with her parents.

Stephens select

Peter Stephens of R.R. 1 Limehouse has been selected by his school, Sheridan College, to exhibit his paintings in the Royal Bank's Artventure exhibition in Toronto. Artventure is a series of professionally organized exhibitions developed by the Royal Bank of Canada to recognize and encourage Ontario's most promising student artists.

The exhibition, "Painting III", opened January 17 in the Upper Banking Hall of the Royal Bank Plaza at Bay and Front Streets, Toronto.



Ballinafad Hall Board elected its new executive at the recent annual meeting. Front row l. to r. are Sandra Henderson (Public Relations), Don O'Connor (Chairman), Peter Brown (Treasurer).

Bonnie Shortill (Secretary). Back row, Bob Harman (Entertainment), Doris Fueller (Member at large), Vi Shortill (Booking), Sid Spear (Maintenance), and Ivan Bird (Member at large).

Limehouse

Guides enrolled, W.I. meets

Enrolment for the 1st Limehouse Guide Company took place at Limehouse public school January 30. During a candlelight ceremony, the following guides recited the Guide Promise and Law to Guide Captain Marnie Willisie and were enrolled: Kendall Batchelor, Cathy Boyle, Kelly Laurence, Lori Little, Kelly Loughnon, Elizabeth Majeury, Danielle Mileham, Margaret Olah, Judy Thomson, and Sherry Willisie.

Boyle, Kelly Laurence, Danielle Mileham, Elizabeth Majeury and Coralee Denny. Coralee also received her Golden Hand, Wings and Jester's badge as well as her 3rd year Brownie pin from Tawny Owl, Marie Brown. Afterwards she flew up to Guides. Her mother, Mrs. Helga Denny was enrolled as Lieutenant of the 1st Limehouse Guide Co.

Following the ceremonies, the parents took part in two games: World Association and Observation. Campfire songs were enjoyed by all and after Taps, the Brownies and Guides served refreshments.

From Mrs. Art Benton Limehouse Women's Institute met at President Mrs. Booth's home February 1 with 12 attending.

The meeting opened with the president reading a poem, "The Robin and the Sparrow, the singing of "This Land is Your Land," and repeating of the collect. Correspondence brought a letter from provincial president Mrs. Diamond, who stressed this year as the year of the child; an invitation to a pot luck dinner sponsored by mothers of our youth groups; a notice of the officers conference to be held May 1, 2 and 3 at Waterloo University, with no one appointed to go. Several thank you

were received for gifts sent shut-ins or sick folks; the forthcoming quilting course mentioned as open to non-members; and members were reminded to get their quilt block for the District annual competition ready by March 1.

Mrs. Kirkwood handled the motto, "We must change with the changing times, but cling to the unchanging principles," from a poem by Guest. Mrs. Moulden had current events. Roll call—what more can I do to promote W.I. interests? told us to wear our W.I. pins, talk up the W.I., publicize our activities, welcome non-members, etc. The meeting closed with "The International Garden of Peace," after

which our hostess served a nice lunch.

Rockwood Roundup

Block parent signs now mark 21 safe homes, where children can find assistance in Rockwood, Everton, Eden Mills and Eramosa. More participants in the program are needed. Come and ask your questions at the Block Parent Open House, February 20, 8-10

p.m., in the Rockwood Centennial School Music Room.

Rockwood Centennial School's Kindergarten registration is slated for March 7. If your child will be starting school in September, please call the school at 856-9662.

World Development . . .

(continued from page 8) The timely topic for roll call is "A valentine verse."

The most exciting things happening in local homes this week seem to be as follows: (1) getting the lane blown out for the

weekly shopping trip to town; (2) receipt of a postcard from a lucky friend holidaying in the sunny south; (3) regular night school (hockey, tennis) sessions; (4) the arrival of baby lambs (pigs, calves, pups); (5) a newly decorated room.

I guess we've reached the mid-winter doldrums. I saw a crow this morning but it didn't quite make it as a "sign of spring" with the thermometer standing at zero Fahrenheit. The groundhog certainly knew what he was doing last Friday when he retired for another six wintry weeks.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. P. Moss and Mr. and Mrs. D. Fritzner, and child, both from Erin have made their home in Acton recently, reports Welcome Wagon hostess Lynda Franklin.

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