



GIANT BLOCKS OF ICE were scooped from the ditch on Ontario St. on the weekend as flooding conditions loosened the boulder-sized ice floes and they jammed up at bridges, causing minor

flooding. Town crews were busy all weekend, trying to keep the spring runoff flowing. Worst trouble spot was Ontario St. near Childs Dr. where blocks as thick as three feet were found.

Legion Notes

By Mabel Greenfield, Public Relations Officer

This column will be a kind of a "jog your memory" time so that you may become aware of what is going on at your Branch. It is hoped that as many members as possible will take advantage of the different activities that have been planned by Committee Chairmen. And remember that we are all working towards a common goal—a new Legion building!

On the 19th of March all you lads from the land o' the green and your colleens will be able to do a jig at the Legion Hall, second floor, when the St. Patrick's dance will be on the agenda. See the stewards for your tickets, and be at the Wearin' O' The Green!

The Friday night euchre again was well attended and the winners—they each got a steak—were overall score, M. Bridgeman; ladies' high, S. MacKay; second, G. Mountain; men's high, Bob Eggleton; second, Bill Praught.

A little reminder about the

Rummage Sale and Penny Sale for April 16, and if you would like to have your rummage picked up, please call Audrey Campbell at 878-3753. The hours for the sale will be 10-4, and articles for the Penny Sale would be welcomed by Mrs. F. Goldsmith at 878-3642.

Our Ladies' Auxiliary held a dance last Saturday night at the Legion, and a very good time was had by the crowd who attended. This dance was to support the work of the Ladies' Auxiliary in their program of lending assistance to various sports groups, and it was deemed a success by the President of the L.A., Comrade Jean Hasselfeldt.

Dues time again for Ordinary and Associate Members. Dues must be paid by the 31st of March (this year). Let's have a 100 per cent return, only you who haven't looked after that obligation can ring the bell for 100 per cent.

Elsewhere in today's Champion, you will see an ad pertaining to the visit of the Service Officer from Ontario Command, E.G. Traverssey. If you are in any doubt whatever about pensions, entitlements for treatment, allowances, benevolent funds, or any problem that the Service Officer may be able to help you with, our Branch Service Officer, Howell Hopkin, will do his best to assist you, and please be assured that any enquiries with respect to any of the above are treated with the strictest confidence.

21, if at all possible, so that an appointment can be set up for you.

Before you read any further, get your date calendar and put a great huge circle around March 14, 8 p.m. What's that? You don't know what is happening at that time? Sure you do, that's our general meeting time. We still seem to have empty seats at these meetings, how about changing all that, and occupying the chair that has your name on it. And speaking of meetings, our election time is fast approaching. Give that some thought too, and this column will keep you reminded that it is your duty as a member of the Branch to let your vote be counted at that time.

Have you seen the big chart on the wall in the Clubroom? And is your name on it yet? Get busy folks and like the

contest says, if you don't enter you can't win! And you know how nice it would be to drive a new car around. Several members have tickets and let's have another good boost for the new building. Speaking of new building, things are progressing quite well, but more support is needed from the members of our Branch.

To the members who are not quite up to par these days, we wish you all a speedy recovery, and hope that you are up and looking forward to nice sunny weather very soon.

Knox annual

Reports show improvements in organ, S.S. building

Forty members of Knox Presbyterian Church, who braved the worst weather of the winter on January 31 to attend the Annual Congregational Meeting, were rewarded by hearing of the healthy spiritual and financial state of the congregation.

Renovations to the Karn Organ, installed in 1905, were begun in 1975 and completed last year. The changes were mainly the conversion of the controls from pneumatic to electronic, new indicator lights, new stop rail to tabs, new sharps on keyboards and a curved thirty-two-pedal board, for a total cost of \$9,000.00.

Remodelling of the upper part of the Sunday school building provided new rooms for meetings and classes and a separate room for the Church secretary and a second floor.

The interior of the whole upper hall was insulated and redecorated, a new floor installed together with a new roof, costing \$23,000.00. This project was financed in part by various donations from the Ladies Aid. The management of the Finance and Maintenance Committee under Karl Reichert as Chairman, leaves only a deficit of \$272.00 to be made up in 1977 to pay completely for both organ and hall.

Treasurer Mac Elliott reported that \$6,900.00 had been given to support the work of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Mrs. R. Mackay of the Evening department of the Women's Missionary Society reported that the group had raised \$1,000.00 for various mission projects while the Robertson

Auxiliary of the WMS through its treasurer, Mrs. Tom Bradley, reported receipts of \$1,600 for the same purposes. The Young People's Society continued support of a foster child in Kenya. This group also paid for the erection of a stage in the Upper Hall.

It was agreed to raise the stipend and allowances of the minister, the Reverend Trevor J. Lewis. Mrs. Johnston, caretaker, and Mrs. Magee, secretary, are to be paid more in 1977.

An estimation of expenditures of \$33,127.00, excluding any monies raised for mission projects, and \$7,200.00 pledged to the General Assembly's budget was accepted by the meeting.

Election of members from the congregation-at-large to serve on the four Committees of the Session for two years resulted in the appointment of Grace VanderVliet and Ann Lander to the Worship and Nurture Committee; Doug Duncan, Fred VanderVliet and Ron Phillips to the Mission and Outreach Committee; Fred Smith, Malcolm Lander, Trevor Ling, Caroline MacDougall, George Chisholm and Karl Reichert to the Finance and Maintenance Committee.

The meeting acceded to the request of Mrs. Peter Denboer that \$117.73 in profits from her book table be used to begin a congregational library.

G.C. Hill was elected a Trustee for three years. The congregation renewed the appointments of Fred Wood, envelope secretary, and Eva Chisholm, subscription Secretary for "These Days."

Mrs. Jean Willis and Messrs. Ian Duncan and R.

Mackay were chosen as Auditors. Jim Redpath and Jim Claridge moved that the Moderator, Mr. Lewis, extend the thanks of the congregation to Mac Elliott, Treasurer, the Ladies Aid and all officers of congregational organizations who made 1976 such a satisfactory year in the work of Knox.

Mr. John Ostler extended the thanks of the congre-

gation to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis for their work. The meeting endorsed Mr. Ostler's remarks with most enthusiastic applause.

Mr. Lewis expressed his appreciation for the co-operation he and Mrs. Lewis had received in 1976.

The meeting ended at 9:00 p.m. with the Benediction after which the Ladies Aid provided refreshments.

Our readers write

Congratulations

The Canadian Champion, 191 Main Street East, Milton, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

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Sincerely,
Dr. Frank A. Philbrook,
Member of Parliament,
Halton.



MICHAEL IRVING (centre) receives a sleeping blanket as second prize for the 1st Milton Cubs Christmas cake sale. Michael sold \$132 worth of cakes to finish second to Michael Lanois who sold \$416 worth of cakes. Presenting the sleeping bag to Michael are Legion President Betty Irving (left) representing the sponsors of the 1st Milton pack, and Don Colby (right) the group committee chairman for 1st Milton.

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