



11 tons of free food

Volunteers came from all over to help Contact distribute 11 tons of frozen food being given away by McCain's Foods. The food was distributed last Thursday afternoon to Midland residents who had indicated their ability to make good use of it. The food was from a warehouse which had caught fire resulting in some smoke damage to the packages but not to the food itself. The smoke, however, meant that the food could not be sold and so they decided to give it away.

St. Andrew's Auxiliary to be busy

April is a busy month for delegates from the Auxiliary to St. Andrew's Hospital. At the March meeting, President Mrs. D. Nicolls and vice-president Mrs. D. Simpson were appointed to attend the Institute on the developing role of the auxiliary volunteer, April 15-16 at the HAA head quarters, Toronto. Delegates will also be attending the spring conference of District 3 on April 23 at St. Paul's United Church, Walkerton. An interesting suggestion was presented to the auxiliary by HAA vice-president Mrs. N. Keefe at the March meeting. At the convention planning meeting in Toronto recently, Mrs.

Keefe and St. Andrew's Hospital Auxiliary were honored by a request for one of the members to address the delegates at the October convention in Toronto on the subject of the "Antique Market." It was unanimously approved that Mrs. D. A. McPherson, first convener of this popular project, now in its 10th year, act as spokesman at the convention. Gift shop convener Mrs. D. McKee, reported that a stock room had been obtained in the Nurses Residence and that a craft meeting would be held April 9. New hours have also been announced for the hospital Gift Shop — Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday after-

noons, Monday and Thursday evenings. Candy striper convener Mrs. W. H. Leavens' suggestion that the young volunteers be re-named the "Volunteers" met with approval. An aspirating pump and a Gomeco suction machine, each worth \$445 have been ordered for the hospital through the Dominion Store Tape program, reported convener Mrs. E. Grise. Project plans are well underway. Wine and Cheese party convener Mrs. J. Gammell announced that this spring project will be held at Sandy Bay Inn, May 2. Ticket sales are in charge of Mrs. G. Teskey and Mrs. B. Thompson. The Antique Market will be held at the Country Mill, July 15 at 7 p.m., July 16-17, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dance convener Mrs. D. Simpson had confirmed the date and location at the Country Mill, Nov. 15. Samples of attractive St. Patrick's Day and Easter tray favors, made by Ruby Copp and Mrs. M. Gilbert were displayed by the president with her thanks for the work done. The April meeting will be held at the "Y" on April 28.

Talent show kicks off Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival

by Shirley Whittington
There was a great variety of talent on display in Elmvale last Friday night - everything from an acrobatic dance by a supple seven-year-old to a sweet song by a maple tree who claimed to be 126 years old. The Talent Show and Contest kicked off the annual Maple Syrup Festival. Master of ceremonies Fred Traynor from Barrie's CKBB introduced each number on the program and interviewed each of the queen contestants throughout the evening.

Junior contestants in the talent show were Bonnie Lawson, tap dancer; Lorraine Jessome, tap dancer; singing duo Jane Windrem and Carol Allen; dancer Tina Reeve, and singer Kerry Dove. Performing in the teen category were Cindy and Jean Kelley, singers; Nancy Trace, baton soloist, accordionist Prima Jean Forget; pianist Susie Jay and Eileen Rutherford's Triple T's. Adult performers were Ernest Moreau, monologist; Frank Hall who sang about

walking his baby, Margaret and John Potts folk singers; Sally McGill, soprano, and John Curry, the singing maple tree. Judges Raymond Holt, Sophia Coull, Lloyd Gabriel and Shirley Whittington awarded first prize in the children's division to Jane

and Carol Windrem and Carol Allen. Tina Reeve was the second prize winner. Jay was awarded first prize, and the Triple T's were

second. Prize winners in the adult division were Mary and John Potts, first and Ernest Moreau, second.



Talent show judges

Checking over the program for last Friday's talent show at the Elmvale District High School which was held in conjunction with the Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival are judges Mrs. John Coull and Mrs. Shirley Whittington, seated, and, standing, Ray Holt, drama teacher at Midland Secondary School, Lloyd Gabriel, a Midland choreographer, Earl Elliott, who was chairman of the talent show, and Mrs. Peggy Dove, who was one of the organizers of the show.

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Board OK's trips

The Simcoe County Board of Education last week gave its approval to seven groups of students for overnight trips. Approximately 32 members of the School Safety Patrols from the Midland area have been given permission to attend the Safety Patrol Jamboree in Ottawa on May 22-24. The Civitan Club of Midland is un-

derwriting the cost of this trip for the group. During the week of June 9 to June 13, approximately 27 pupils from Parkview public school will be attending Camp Kitchikewana. Approximately 35 grade 7 and 8 students have been given permission to attend an overnight field trip to Algonquin Park from May 14 to May 16.

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