

# King City, Oak Ridges Lake Wilcox

The Liberal is always pleased to publish items of interest regarding people and events in the Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox and King City districts. Our news correspondent in King City is Mrs. Donald McCallum, telephone King 132M; and in Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox, Mrs. C. M. Butt, telephone PR. 3-5575.

## King City Notes

### Pancake Supper

Over 130 persons attended the pancake supper at All Saints Anglican Church parish hall March 8. Convening the supper were Mrs. J. L. Grew and Mrs. A. E. Jarvis, assisted by the members of the afternoon branch of the W.A. Miss Lily Anderson and Miss May Judd cooked the pancakes. A delicious first course of escalloped potatoes, ham and salads preceded the ample servings of pancakes with syrup. Over \$80 was raised from the

supper, which will be used for mission work.

### Library Board

Mr. E. Wallas was re-elected chairman of King Memorial Library board at the meeting held in the library on Monday evening, March 4. Mrs. A. E. Jarvis was appointed Chief Librarian, Mrs. W. Ratcliff secretary, and Mrs. George Berry treasurer.

It was decided to pay \$300. on the principal reducing the mortgage to be paid on the library to \$1350.

It was noted that the library is now open two afternoons a week, Wednesdays and Fridays from 3 to 6 p.m. and on Wednesday evenings.

## Former Reeve Addresses Lions

Marshall McMurchy, former reeve of Vaughan, was the guest speaker at King City Lions Health and Welfare Night on March 7. Mr. McMurchy gave an account of the work and organization of the Children's Aid Society. He was introduced by Lion Ken Sutton.

Lion Jack Thompson is to head the committee for the Lions Skating Carnival on Friday, March 29, at Nobleton Arena. Assisting on the committee are Lions Jack Loughran, George Bennett, Jack Parsons, Bruce Hall and Stan Roots.

The Convention Fund draw prize of a basket of groceries donated by Rigwood Red and White, King City was won by Lion Eric Abrahams. King W.I. catered for the dinner meeting which was held in King City United Church.

## News Notes From Strange

The theme of the World Day of Prayer Service "Who Shall Separate Us", from the 8th chapter of Romans, was the topic of Rev. J. E. C. Shepherd's address at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Strange on Friday afternoon, March 8. The women of Laskay United Church joined with the members of St. Andrew's Strange for the service.

The time of the service was changed to allow members of both congregations to attend the funeral service of Mrs. William Boys at Laskay United Church.

Mrs. Marshall McMurchy, president of Laskay United Church, W.M.S. and Mrs. Whately Finch first vice-president of Strange Presbyterian W.M.S. were the leaders for the service.

Miss Marjorie McMurchy sang a solo selection "The Prayer of a Child." She was accompanied by Mrs. Norman Bryson. The scripture was read by Mrs. William Willoughby. The readers were Mrs. Charles Black, Mrs. Jesse Bryson and Mrs. J. E. C. Shepherd took up the offering. McCallum, Mrs. William Bryson, Mrs. James Hunter and Mrs. Clyde Cairns led in prayer.

Mrs. Willoughby and Mrs. Shepherd took up the offering. The organist for the service was Mrs. Black.

The service of communion will be held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Strange, on March 17.

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## Local People Join In Aurora Talent Night

The presentation of the Aurora and District High School Talent Night was well attended and it was most gratifying to see six district students taking an active part. Miss Ginny Sherratt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sherratt of the King Sideroad, Oak Ridges, played the guitar and sang a medley of popular songs. She gave a fine performance and received much merited applause.

Miss Bonnie McCachen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant McCachen, Oak Ridges, was one of the cast of the "Seven Minute Itch", a short comedy skit. Bonnie played her role of a little girl very well and her costume helped create many laughs.

Misses Betty and Beulah Einaron, of Bayview Ave., Lake Wilcox, combined their singing talent with Miss Ella Mae Hannan, formerly of Lake Wilcox, now residing in Aurora. The trio was accompanied by Kip

Davis and His County Rhythm Boys, sang a medley of popular western hits. The girls were dressed alike and sang well, receiving loud applause.

Mr. Earl Newhall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Newhall of Lakeview Ave., Lake Wilcox, was one of the guitar boys in the Country Rhythm Band. The music was most enjoyable and Earl played well.

Miss Ruth Tolman, daughter of Mr. S. Tolman, Oak Ridges, played "Nola" and "The Norwegian Concerto", on the piano and her talent is indeed outstanding. Miss Tolman appeared on the TV talent show "Pick the Stars" last year. Many saw her then when playing. Mr. Steve Crisp of Aurora played with Miss Tolman on a second piano, forming a delightful duo. Congratulations to our brilliant young residents for their contribution to the 'Talent Night.'

## Mr. & Mrs. Arwood Harmon Celebrate Golden Wedding

One hundred and ten guests visited Mr. and Mrs. Arwood Harmon at their home, Spruce Hill Farm, Temperanceville on Saturday, March 9th, when they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. On March 6th, 1907, Miss Janet M. McDonald and Mr. Arwood Harmon were united in marriage at the United Church parsonage, Aurora, by Rev. James H. Stonehouse. In their youth they both lived within one half mile on their present home on the second concession 1/4 miles north of Temperanceville. Mr. Harmon brought his bride to this lovely homestead where he has lived for over sixty years. They have two children, Miss Mae Harmon, in the Central Y.W.C.A. secretarial office and Mr. Leonard Harmon, who with his wife and daughter Joan, live in Toronto. For the golden wedding celebration Mrs. Harmon wore a pretty grey figured silk dress and wore a lovely corsage of tiny golden mums and daffodils.

Throughout the rooms were bouquets of golden chrysanthemums and daffodils, all of which were gifts. A lovely nest of walnut tables were a gift from the near neighbours, while the W.A. presented them with a beautiful cup and saucer. Other gifts were cake and sandwich plates with gold trimming, tea pots, vases, potted chrysanthemums and innumerable congratulatory cards.

The tea table was most attractive with its bouquet of golden mums and bronze daisies with golden candles in silver holders. The large white wedding cake was decorated with gold coloured roses and leaves.

Pouring tea were Mrs. Duncan McDonald, sister-in-law, and Mrs. Clayton Beynon, niece of the couple. Assisting were Miss Joan Harmon, their only grandchild, Mrs. L. Lewaska, Mrs. Ross Kirby, Mrs. Gordon McCallum, of Schomberg and Miss Ruth Beynon, of Temperanceville.

Mrs. Harmon is the only charter member of Temperanceville W.A. and W.M.S. She is very interested in Church work and in the past has acted as vice-president and secretary of the W.A. Mr. Harmon is the oldest resident of Temperanceville who attended the Temperanceville

## Laskay

A challenge to the women of today was presented by Mrs. Glenn Sawyer of King in her address entitled "Dareless Women" at the monthly meeting of Laskay United Church W.M.S. on March 6. Miss Helen Hunter introduced the speaker. Mrs. Marvin Hunter was the hostess for the meeting. Mrs. M. R. Jenkinson conducted the worship service taking as her theme, "Friendship around the World." The study book chapter on Indo-China was read by Mrs. Earl Lowe. Mrs. Glen Dook gave a report on the inaugural meeting of the Presbyterian at Newmarket.

Mrs. William Bryson and Mrs. Norman Bryson gave a piano duet. Mrs. Norman Etheridge for Christian Citizenship gave a reading.

Mrs. George Teasdale, the former Maggie Rease passed away at Aurora in her 95th year on Friday, March 8.

Mrs. Teasdale and her husband, the late George Teasdale operated the general store and post office in Laskay over 60 years ago.

## Eversley Socials

Mrs. E. Lenhardt, Springhill Rd., King City, was the hostess for the monthly meeting of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Eversley on March 5. Mrs. Aubrey Wade read the scripture. Mrs. Charles Gordon led in prayer. Plans were made for quilting bees. A reading entitled "The Meaning of Prayer" was given by Mrs. Fred Curtis.

School in his youth. For the same school he served in the capacity of Trustee for a number of years.

Friends wished the couple many more years of happiness together. Visitors who came to congratulate them were from Elmvale, Cannington, Mount Dennis, Toronto.

Mrs. Harmon's three brothers were present and an Aunt Mrs. Albert Ireland, of Teston. The Rev. Mr. Garnet Lynd, of Port Credit had tea with the family and Rev. Victor Wood, of Temperanceville United Church also called.

## Mrs. C. H. Bowman Gives Address

Mrs. C. H. Bowman, wife of Rev. C. H. Bowman of Maple Presbyterian Church spoke on the theme "Who Shall Separate Us" at the World Day of Prayer service at King City United Church on March 8. The leaders were Mrs. Fred Curtis of Eversley Presbyterian church, Mrs. H. C. Harris of All Saints Anglican church, Mrs. G. A. Hart, Bethel Baptist church, Mrs. M. Beynon of St. John's Anglican church Oak Ridges, and Mrs. Ratcliff of King City United.

Mrs. Jack Cliff gave a violin selection "The Holy City." The scripture was read by Mrs. Viendham. Prayers were given by Mrs. Watson Ferguson of St. Andrew's Eversley; by Mrs. G. Hart of Bethel Baptist church; by Mrs. R. Burt of All Saints Anglican church; and by Mrs. Nelson Thompson of St. John's Anglican church.

Readings were given by Mrs. Ted Wallas, Mrs. Austin Rumble and Mrs. Emerson Wallace of King City United Church.

## Oak Ridges Lake Wilcox Socials

The Lions general meeting of Monday, March 11, was well attended. All enjoyed a hearty dinner and very little business was on the agenda. A large part of the Lions group left for Aurora to attend the Barbershop Quartette entertainment where Lion Jack Blyth is taking part.

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## Parents Spend Interesting Evening At King City School

Over 150 parents visited King City School March 6 to view the children's work and interview the teachers in regard to their progress. In the five classrooms there were interesting murals and art displays. Of special interest was a mural in the Grade 1 and 2 classroom of winter sports. The artists were Peter Cook, Jimmy Heaslip and Donald Orr. Miss Doris Patton teaches Grades 1 and 2.

In the Grades 2 and 3 classroom where Miss Phyllis Anderson teaches, there was a display of soap sculpture, windmills made of wood and sticks and posters on China and Holland. The parents had an opportunity to see the class pet rabbit "Nellie".

In Grades 4 and 5 where Mr. George Gould is the teacher, the "Death of James Cook at Hawaii" had been cleverly portrayed by

Doug Mackenzie and Jim Chalk. There was also a display of art depicting springtime accidents, a timely project.

In Grades 5 and 6 where Miss E. Dennis, the school principal, teaches, there were several social study projects depicting Cook, Columbus and Champlain.

In Grades 7 and 8 where Mr. Carson Bice is the teacher, there was a project showing various kinds of machinery and black-board murals on lumbering.

King City school has an enrollment of 190 pupils with 42 in Miss Patton's class and an average of 38 each in the remaining classes. Mr. Ray Burt, the secretary-treasurer of the school and Mrs. Colin Stewart, assistant to Miss Dennis were in charge of registering the visitors. Members of King W.I. served refreshments.

## Activity Night Marks Local Observation Education Week

The pupils and staff of the Lake Wilcox public school presented a most enjoyable "activity night" on March 7. The parents crowded into the auditorium and even filled the halls to capacity. An estimated 250 were present to see the well-planned and directed program. The teachers had only a few weeks to plan the project and did it well.

There are a number of teachers on the staff who are well trained in music, and these ladies did a splendid job in both the training and conducting of the Junior and Intermediate choirs. Sandra Carey, a grade 7 student gave a recitation in the French Canadian dialect, of an episode at the ball game, the title was "De Stop Heem Short."

The Grade 1 rhythm band, under the direction of Mrs. Daboll presented two short numbers. They looked quite authentic in their drum hats and capes. The group of youngsters nearly stole the show, the ovation was so great. The Grade 5 pupils, directed by Mrs. Burnside presented a play "The Obstructive Hat."

This was a comedy and was well presented by the pupils.

Miss Sharp, Grade 1 teacher, directed a dramatization of "The Wedding of the Painted Doll". The main characters were the bride, Jacqueline Peers, the groom Wayne Hamilton, the minister Lanny Hills, several bridesmaids and other "dolls". This was a pantomime to the music of the familiar song sung by Miss Thompson. Grade 8, Mrs. Young's room presented a choral reading

of "Sea Fever", the group was all girls.

Grade 2 directed by Miss Thompson and Mrs. Vine, dramatized the song of "The Three Bears. The bears wore fur coats and masks and had a hard job keeping cool. It was most unfortunate that so many in the audience were unable to see the smaller ones perform. There was no raised stage, and the room being crowded a number of parents were unable to see the performers. It has been suggested that for similar presentations in the future a more suitable stage be erected.

Grades 4 & 5 gave a folk dance directed and accompanied by Mrs. Crowder and Miss Prinzen. These pupils did well considering the small space for dancing. A group of girls in Grade 8 did a fine job in harmonizing in "Santa Lucia" and "The Bell Doth Toll."

The boys of Grades 6 and 7, Mr. Graham and Mr. Walters instructing, presented a fine show of calisthenics. This was a most interesting presentation and wonderful training and exercise for the boys.

The Intermediate choir under the direction of Miss Barrager closed the program with two numbers "A Gavotte" and "The Vesper Hymn" and "O Canada."

Among those present were former teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McLeod and Mr. W. J. McLeod, district school inspector and Mrs. McLeod. After the entertainment the board members' wives served light refreshments to the staff members and school board.

## Teller Foils Bank Robber

Just before noon on Friday, March 8, a would-be bank robber was foiled in an attempt to rob the King City Branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce when the quick thinking teller, Maureen Wellesley, passed her hand over her forehead and pretended to faint. The youth lost his nerve and fled from the bank.

There were no customers in the bank when the youth entered with a shoe box under his arm. Approaching the teller's cage, he asked for a counter check. On it he demanded \$15,000 from the teller. The police were able to obtain a good description of the youth.

The King City bank has been robbed six times in the past.

## Rev. George Hart Preaches Farewell

Rev. George Hart will preach his final sermons in the Baptist charge in King on Sunday, March 24. Rev. Mr. Hart has ministered to the three churches in King: Bethel Baptist Church, King City, 2nd Baptist Church, Pottageville, and Emmanuel Church, Kettleby, since his call to the charge in October 1954.

Rev. Mr. Hart had ministered in the Central Alberta church before coming to King City. He has accepted a call to Westmont Trinity Church in Regina, Sask. Rev. Mr. Hart was born in Edmonton, Alberta, his wife in Calgary. During his stay in the East he completed a special Arts course at McMaster University.

Rev. and Mrs. Hart have three children, Douglas 8, Lois 6 and David 4.

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