

Mrs. C. L. Stephenson President York North Liberal Women

At the annual meeting held in Newmarket on January 22nd, Mrs. C. L. Stephenson was elected president of the York North Women's Liberal Association.

Honorary president, Mrs. Howard Cane, Newmarket; Mrs. Charles Webster, Aurora; past president, Mrs. D. F. Downey, R.R. 2, Aurora; president, Mrs. C. L. Stephenson, Richmond Hill; 1st vice president, Mrs. H. M. Hooker, Newmarket; 2nd vice president, Mrs. A. M. Kirkwood, Aurora; 3rd vice president, Miss L. Cleland, Newmarket; recording secretary, Miss Leonora Starr, Newmarket; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bruce Hunter, Newmarket; treasurer, Mrs. Phyllis Chapman, Aurora; membership, Mrs. H. M. Hooker, Mrs. P. J. Tod, Newmarket, Miss Annis Brown, Aurora, Mrs. Wm. Griffin, Pefferlaw; publicity, Mrs. Beatrice Brown, Newmarket; social, Mrs. Elizabeth Stephens, Newmarket; Mrs. John Vandenberg, Newmarket; Mrs. David Doane, Armitage; Mrs. Olive Walker, Aurora; Mrs. J. W. Bowser,

R.R. 1, Gormley; Mrs. Harold Clark, Aurora; executive-at-large, Mrs. Lloyd Prosser, Armitage, Mrs. Thelma Fielding, Aurora, Mrs. Alfred Lewis, Newmarket.

Annual reports were read followed by an interesting panel discussion on "Your Voice Can Be Heard" — how women can play a part in federal, provincial or municipal affairs.

HERD SOLD

The Orleto Lodge herd of purebred Holsteins established over 50 years ago by the late Hon. G. S. Henry and carried on in recent years by his son George, was sold at Oakville on January 26th. The 74 head brought \$34,630, for an average of \$467.97.

Canadian Visitor Tells Of Life In Native India

By: Mona Robertson



voice, then with her attractive smile she added, "except for the extreme cold." In India the coolest season of the year (following the Monsoons), brings temperatures down to 65 degrees (above) the rest of the year the temperature never exceeds 80 degrees.

Madam Subbarao, her title in Canada, is a trifle homesick at times for her native India. We asked her to describe her Indian home, which is a two-story house set in a garden compound of trees, shrubs and flowers, with a high wall surrounding the large grounds.

Speaking of shopping and meal-planning we learned that Madam Subbarao finds it impossible to purchase seasonings here, such as they grow in India. Most of the spices and flavorings she uses in preparing meals came with her from India.

Many of the vegetables we use so frequently in our Canadian meal planning are also found in the shopping markets of India: cauliflower, cabbage and carrots and all types of beans.

Madam Subbarao told us she thinks the mango is the most delicious of all fruits. However, it is juicier than a pear, soft and pulpy in texture, it is eaten even more frequently than oranges from the cooler northern parts of India.

Bread is not the staple diet of south India — as it is in most of Canada. Gowri said they buy bread once in 15 days in the south. In the north of India where they raise their own wheat they have bread and cake more often on the table.

Breakfast in Canada may consist of cereal and bread and fruit, but in Gowri's village, Dosai or Idli served with coconut chutney begins the first meal of the day at about 6 a.m.

"Dear Mr. Editor"

Favors Public Ownership And Jobs A Fair Question

Dear Mr. Editor — If there was an award for the underestimation of the week it would go to Mayor Tomlin who was reported in your last issue for saying the local dog situation is getting out of hand.

Every day on my street I see dogs running at large. This is contrary to the by-law, and a few more court cases for offenders I am sure would cure the situation.

DOG OWNER

Swiss Smart People

Dear Mr. Editor — The Swiss people are smart. They are not going to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs.

In a recent referendum by an overwhelming majority Switzerland voted against adopting a 44-hour week to replace the 48 hour week which has been standard in that country since 1919.

The Swiss people want a shorter working week just as much as people anywhere, but they voted against the change because they knew Swiss industry could not increase production fast enough to compensate for the increased labor costs.

Higher prices for Swiss products would have cut export sales which in large part account for prosperity. An outstanding feature of the Swiss rejection of the shorter work week was that labor unions joined in opposing it.

INTERESTED VOTER.

York County Council Appoints Standing Committees For 1959

Commissioners and representatives to various boards, and standing committees for the year 1959 were elected and appointed at last week's session of York County Council held at Newmarket.

- Those elected were: Commissioners, Reeve Howard Anderson, Georgina Township and Reeve Joseph Fry, Markham Village; commissioners for York Manor: Reeve Fred Armstrong, Woodbridge; Reeve Clarence Davis, Aurora; and Reeve Walter Rate, East Gwillimbury; representative to York County Hospital: Reeve John Luck, Newmarket.

Icy Road Causes Concussion From Fall

Police Chief Clarence Wideman of Markham Township returned to duty this week following a concussion received two weeks ago when he slipped on the ice.

Savage Insur. To New Offices

Savage Insurance Services, owned and operated by Pete Savage, a native son of Richmond Hill, is moving from 55A Yonge Street South, to larger premises in the Eawrie Building, 15 Yonge St. North, on or about the first of February, in order to obtain larger office accommodation for this expanding business and to provide better services for Mr. Savage's clients.

NOTICE

TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE ESTATE OF Emily Louisa Sheardown, sometimes known as Emily Louise Sheardown, Richmond Hill, Ontario. All claims against the Estate of Emily Louisa Sheardown, (sometimes known as Emily Louise Sheardown) who died on or about the 13th day of September, 1958, late of the Town of Richmond Hill, in the County of York, must be filed with the undersigned Executor on or before the 13th day of February 1959, after which date the aforesaid estate will be distributed, having regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice.

Lucky Driver Escapes Injury Truck Hit By Train

Keith Blackburn of Aurora escaped without injury after his truck was hit by a C.N.R. train at Gormley, on the townline of Markham and Whitchurch, last Friday morning.

Blackburn, who is a driver for the Gormley Block Company was just coming out of the road from the block company, with a fresh load of dual-mix cement. The road runs in the same direction as the railway tracks, and according to Markham Township police who investigated, Blackburn made a left-hand turn into the path of the train.

The truck driver said he didn't see the signal (which was said to be working) or hear the train whistle (which was said to be blowing). When he realized the train was almost upon him Blackburn stopped his truck and the right front wheel of the train hit it damaging the truck to the extent of \$200. Damages to the train amounted to \$50.

Criticizes Federal Gov't. On Lack Of Rabies Control

Gordon Hill, president of the Ontario Farmers' Union, says the Federal Government has failed to take action to ease Ontario's rabies problem.

He said this week the government is "apparently so preoccupied with internal politics, it is unable to give consideration to the farmers of Ontario who are bearing the brunt of the current rabies epidemic."

Mr. Hill said a vaccination program must begin immediately to cover "thousands of farm animals" before they are turned out to pasture in the spring.

"Indications are that the epidemic will be more severe this summer." He said his group will continue to press the Federal Government for compensation to farmers under the Contagious Animal Disease Act, a vaccination program to keep losses at a minimum and treatment for humans exposed to the disease.

President O. Ridges - L. Wilcox

An organizational meeting was held last week at the home of Mrs. W. Ashby, Lake Wilcox, for the forming of the Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox Liberal Association for men and women.

Mrs. Betty Henderson, Aurora, was elected president and Mrs. Alice Ashby, Oak Ridges, is vice-president and Mrs. Glenda Brown, Lake Wilcox, secretary-treasurer.

The next meeting will be held on February 17, place of meeting and time to be announced later.

Executive Lauds March Of Dimes



Mr. Wade Hampton, Managing Director of 'Operation Reliance Inc.' with two associates

There are almost a million Canadians who have some type of physical handicap," said Wade Hampton, personable young managing director of "Operation Reliance Inc.," in a recent speech he entitled "From Here to Dignity."

Operation Reliance Inc. is a sub-contracting firm employing only those who are physically handicapped, and it operates on a strictly competitive basis. It pays prevailing wages, with all profits turned back into the company for further expansion.

"We are now employing 20 people, and hope to double this by the end of the year," said Hampton, himself disabled by polio several years ago. "Our shop is one of the best equipped in the area, located in North-West Toronto in the midst of a booming community."

"Employees do various types of manufacturing, metal stampings, and production of screw machine products. We also do various types of simple or complex production, assembly or packaging jobs. In addition, we have just added spray painting, spot and acetylene welding to our activities."

"You name it, we'll produce it," he grinned. Hampton invited any one interested to visit his enterprising young factory, where a good percentage of the workers function from wheelchairs or walk on crutches.

"We are proud of our achievement," Hampton said enthusiastically, "and delighted to show visitors around."

He pointed out that without the original sponsorship of the March of Dimes Operation Reliance would not be in existence today.

"Our working capital was provided by March of Dimes in the form of a grant. It is our intention to repay this grant as if it were a loan, and as quickly as possible," he said.

"Operation Reliance stands on its own two feet, operating as a factory, not a rehabilitation centre, which is a function covered by other March of Dimes activities. We do not coddle our employees by providing them with special privileges such as long rest periods."

"And all of them want it this way. They have a burning desire to be — not 'kept' citizens — but productive, tax-paying members of the human race."

In addition to Operation Reliance Inc., the March of Dimes has assisted in opening various treatment centres in Ontario through which thousands of patients will receive help, including hospitalization for corrective surgery (donated by renowned surgeons), braces, wheelchairs, etc., vocational assessment and retraining, and, where necessary, financial assistance for rehabilitation in all of its phases.

Speaking of the forthcoming Mothers' March on February 2, from 7 to 8 p.m., Wade Hampton concluded, "You can be sure that the time and effort you and other Ontario citizens are spending on the March of Dimes Blitz Campaign is working miracles never dreamed of a generation ago."

Over 200 local women, many of them mothers, are taking part in the Thornhill and surrounding district's Mothers' March, which includes the area from May Ave. to Steeles, bounded by Bathurst and Bayview.

They are serving under the following lieutenants: Mrs. J. E. MacNeil, Mrs. F. Boyd, Mrs. G. R. Davie, Mrs. R. Byford, Mrs. Kay Percival, Mrs. J. Buchanan, Miss L. D. Wakeley, Mrs. A. St. John, Mrs. R. Priestman, Mrs. H. Garssey, Mrs. J. Taylor, Mrs. D. Bursey, Mrs. W. Ellis, Mrs. N. Hickey, Mrs. Irene Croot is captain.

All residents are asked to support this wonderful work by turning on their porch-lights, and holding their cheque books in readiness. Last year's total for this area was \$2,600.00.

Thieves Busy At Thornhill P.O.

Markham Township police are investigating two break-ins which occurred during the early hours of Wednesday morning, both on No. 11 Highway.

At 5:30 a.m. they were called to investigate a break-in at the Thornhill Post Office. Thieves had forced open a rear door, then burst open the inner door of the building, rolled the safe into a convenient room and pried it open with a crowbar.

Several hundred dollars worth of stamps were taken, but there was neither cash nor money orders in the safe for the thieves to steal. Elgin Mills Break-In

At 7:15 a.m. the same morning, Markham Township Police investigated a break-in at Cook's B. P. Garage, Elgin Mills. The petty cash was stolen.

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