

# Maple, Concord & Edgeley Districts

"The Liberal" is always willing to publish interesting items regarding people and events contributed by its readers in Maple, Concord & Edgeley districts. Our representative in Maple is Mrs. Len Shore, ALpine 7-1150; and in Edgeley and Sherwood, Mrs. Raymond Stuart, AV. 5-1034.

## Maple Notes

It's hazy time, tulip time, and apple blossom time and though we are fed up with this wet weather, and then some, our gardens are much brighter and healthier than usual; so let's ignore the weather and enjoy the brightness in our garden — even though it's of necessity probably through a splattered window.

**Warmest Sympathy**  
On Wednesday, May 25, Muriel Weir received word of the sudden passing of her only brother, Eric, Dr. Eric Francis Routley, M.D., F.R.C.S., at Long Beach, California.

The thoughts and sympathies of her many friends and acquaintances go out to the family at this sad time — may their warmth sustain and comfort.

**Maple United W.A.**  
The May meeting of Maple United Church W.A. was held Tuesday evening May 24, in the church parlors with Mrs. N. Payne presiding. The program was in charge of Miss May Evans and her group. The accompaniment for singing of the hymns, was shared by Mrs. R. Clegg at the piano and her daughter, Sharon with violin.

"Freedom in the Spirit" was the devotional theme used by

Mrs. Darker and Mrs. D. Oliver read the Scripture. Miss Linda Reeds sang a solo "The Sound of Music," accompanied by Mrs. Clegg.

A colored film "Waterway Holiday" was shown by Mr. Morley Kinnee, depicting a family cruise through the Trent and Severn Waterways and along the Georgian Bay areas. Familiar scenes were spotted by many.

Refreshments were served. The June meeting of the W.A. is cancelled so that the members may join, and enjoy, the Sunday School picnic, June 28. Watch for details re picnic.

**Off To Winning Start**  
At Uxbridge, May 23, the Forrest and McConkey horses under the able guidance and skill of Alex Forrest's driving, entered in four races, winning three in first place and one came in second. This was the first race of the season for Dusty, Mac, Grat and Duchess Atom, after spring training at Lindsay — on account of the McConkey track just gave up without even trying to compete with Maple mud.

**1st Maple Scout Auxiliary**  
The final open meeting of 1st Maple Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary was held in the Lions' Den,

Community Hall, Wednesday, May 25, in the form of a "desert-whist".

There will be numerous committee meetings held through the next few months in preparation for our hoped for cooking school in October!

Back to our May meeting — what happened to you — and you — and you?

After a brief business meeting — enquiries were ignored while we enjoyed the scrummy cream pies, strawberry shortcake and iced cakes with tea or coffee.

Our guests for the evening were three members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of 1st Beverley Acres Scout Association. During the next hour and more, while playing court-whist, we were able to become better acquainted with their president, Mrs. Ruth Swan, Mrs. Peggy Hemphill and Mrs. Doris Richards. It was so nice getting fresh ideas and mulling over old ones, with another active auxiliary.

Since no evening of whist is complete unless there are prizes — we of course came equipped. To everyone's delight one of our guests, Ruth Swan, won a clear vase with top score of 126 in the pink, and our hard working secretary, Lynn James won in the white at 119 and also a vase. The two low scorers, Brigitte Weidener and Aileen Birch carried off poodles!

**Bon Voyage Tea**  
On Sunday, May 22, Lorne and Marjorie Wells gave a tea from 2 to 5 for Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Bryan and friends prior to their leaving for Europe.

**A Party To Celebrate**  
Unpleasant cold weather drove Louise Spencer's 11th birthday patio supper into the rec. room where games and fun were enjoyed to the full by guests, Barbara Baker, Sharon Clegg, Barbara Sinclair, Nancy Kerrigan, Joan Watt, Beverley Taylor and Sandra Bourke.

**That Alligator Again**  
Grade 8 had to do without one of their alligators last week. Pete Shore borrowed it to give the gang at R.H.H.S. a treat — and incidentally help his science some we trust.

**Leaving For Holland**  
Mrs. Bill Doorduyn is taking her little family back to Holland again the first of July. During that severe ice storm this winter, her husband Bill suffered a fatal heart attack. Since then without any other ties in Canada — it's been lonely.

While making plans to sail, it is necessary for her to sell some of her things, such as space heaters, rugs, drapes, dressers, beds, etc. Since she has no phone and if you should be in the market for cottage furniture phone me, Toby Shore at AL. 7-1150 and I'll see you get the details. Oh, yes, her car has to go too.

We're happy to know she will be back with her own people again in Holland, but sorry to have her leave Maple. We wish them the very best.

**Cubs & Scouts Say Thanks**  
1st Maple Cubs & Scouts made a good haul in Saturday when they had their bottle drive. Their thanks to Maple residents for helping convert bottles into supplies for Scouting.

**Birthday Greeting**  
Congratulations to Mr. Alex Forrest, well-known sulky racer of Maple, who celebrated being 72 years young — and we do mean young — yesterday, June 1, 1960.

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## Interest Divided

### L. Wilcox Opposes Water System By Narrow Vote

At the May 25 meeting in Lake Wilcox Public School, convened to get the opinion of Whitchurch Township ratepayers residing on the north side of Wilcox Lake in the matter of the estimated costs and recommendations for a proposed joint municipal King-Whitchurch Township water system, the audience, by a show of hands in a non-binding vote, narrowly defeated the proposal. The vote was 25 for and 30 against with a half dozen persons abstaining, and climaxed a spirited two-hour meeting that featured a variety of opinions, a sometimes heated atmosphere, and humour. That the meeting would be a lively one was clearly evident well in advance of Chairman Reeve George E. Richardson's opening remarks. Said Township Clerk John Crawford after the meeting: "It's apparent that the entire matter requires much more study."

Estimated cost of the proposed King-Whitchurch water system is \$416,800. This includes allowance for test drilling (\$7,500), source works taking in wells, pumps and gasoline auxiliaries (\$60,000), storage tanks and works (\$47,800), distribution mains and fire hydrants on both sides of Yonge Street (\$254,000) and house service connections (\$47,500.00).

**Costs**  
Typical cost annually to the connected property owner for a full water area (with the two Townships participating) would be \$65.98 and \$68.21 in the event of an alternative, reduced water area. This total cost assumes that frontage will average 100 feet at 21 cents a foot and that individual property assessment will average \$1,500. The water rate per annum is set up at \$30 for 40,000 gallons of water with every additional 1,000 gallons used to cost 75¢. The additional gallonage would be metered. The house service connection is set at \$8.05 and the water area levy at \$6.90.

A full water area would mean a mill increase of 4.6 and a reduced water area a mill jump of about 6.1.

The annual charges by the Ontario Water Resources Commission (prepared to construct and finance the project) for 30 years would be made up of yearly simple interest rate at 5 1/2 per cent (\$23,966), a two per cent annual sinking fund (\$8,336), replacements reserve (\$3,522) and operational costs (\$6,500), for a total of \$42,324 or a grand 30-year total of \$1,269,600. This on the assumption that there will be no great fluctuation in the interest rate over three decades.

Heavy Financial Load would be against taking part in the water system contended that the north side was too depressed financially to undertake a 30-year financial commitment; that there was no guarantee of sufficient post-water system industrial development assessment to ease the burden on local residents, that a water system must inevitably be followed by a sewer system, the cost of which on top of that of the water system and school taxes would make the taxpayers' situation next to impossible.

The nays contended too that the present water supply was quite fit for human consumption despite a York County Health Unit report to the contrary, and that a water system as proposed would necessitate hundreds of dollars extra outlay in related plumbing for each house. They felt that the present system of wells, septic tanks and weeping tile beds was sufficient for their needs.

One member of the audience Mr. Joe Gibbs, chairman of the ratepayers' association, asked: "If 66 per cent of the present taxes can't be collected now, how can we afford a water system?" Present assessment for the two Townships is approximately \$1,300,000 and tax arrears stand at \$48,000 or roughly 30 per cent of the tax levy.

Those in favour claimed the water system had to come eventually. Mrs. Freda Munro, Secretary-Treasurer of the ratepayers' Association, said: "If Oak Ridge section goes ahead and participates with King Township on

**MUSSELMAN'S LAKE** — Mr. and Mrs. R. Warriner of this community were injured in a car accident May 20 on Highway 48 one quarter of a mile south of Steele's Avenue. Both were taken to Scarborough General Hospital and treated for head and face cuts. Mr. Warriner said the accident occurred when a tire blew out.

its own, we're going to want it later. We should tackle the problem now. Joint effort now will definitely be like putting money in the bank."

This group felt inclined to go along with the idea of progress generally, and were dubious about arguing against the health unit's survey which said that 50 per cent of the drinking water in the entire area was unfit for human consumption.

#### Key Question

Reeve Richardson was hard put at times to keep order. At a crucial moment, Clerk Crawford put the council's case clearly and simply. "We aren't trying to run anything down anyone's throat," he said. "The feeling that this meeting might be rigged is wrong. Our hands are tied to the extent you want them tied, and loosened only when you loosen them. This decision is yours, not one else's. We know the water system will be expensive, that your taxes are too high now. We know that a water system will insure better health and increase real estate and commercial value, but the question is, is the system worth enough of an advantage to warrant spending some \$400,000?"

Eric Jorgensen, engineer of the firm of Chrysler, Davis, Jorgensen, Ltd., Willowdale, who prepared the report, had to do considerable footwork to keep from becoming embroiled in side issues raised by irate citizens. These consisted of complaints that the council rarely co-operated, to a heated demand to know why said there was typhoid in any local well when in fact the only bad water report emanated from King Township (claps, cheers), and demands to know whether a water system would reduce fire insurance.

Mr. Jorgensen explained that the purpose of the water system was to create a separate area within a township to supply a limited number of people initially 200 consumers in all, allowing for future watermain extensions as circumstances permitted. If the Whitchurch area as a whole participated, artificial township boundaries between King and Whitchurch would be ignored in the matter of drilling the needed wells. Six and eight inch mains would carry the water along both sides of Yonge Street and there would be fire hydrants placed at 500-foot intervals. Tenders would be called for the construction of the system.

At this point, a howl went up from some members of the audience who wanted to know why the north side should be initially served when the south side's need obviously was greater. Another ratepayer had to be assured that granted the system was put in, future subdivisions would not be allowed to become "free-loaders" but would have to internally service their developments.

Mr. Crawford, in response to another question, said that the matter of securing provincial or federal aid for the proposed project might be investigated. Assisting the Reeve and Mr. Jorgensen and Clerk Crawford were Whitchurch Councillors Frank Williams, Ivan McLaughlin and Ross Farquharson.

## Fraser Guernsey Goes At \$5,200

Held for the first time outside the United States, the Ontario Guernsey "Classic Sale" was held at Fraserdale Farms, Concord, Ontario, on May 18th. The sale was held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Guernsey Cattle Club.

Two Canadian records were made at the sale. The top priced entry, Begreaces Ada, consigned by Jack Fraser, set a New Canadian high, going to Ideal Farms, Augusta, N. J. for \$5,200.00. With 40 top pedigreed Guernseys consigned by 32 different breeders, the average price of \$1,299.00 per head was the highest average of any Guernsey sale ever held in Canada.

The second, third and fourth top prices were for animals consigned by Ideal Farms, Ideal's Troax's K. Susie sold for \$4,400.00 and Ideal's Superior's Peggy sold for \$3,000.00, both going to James Canyon Ranch, Genoa, Nevada. The heifer Ideal's Ninth-best Girlie sold to Jack Fraser at \$3,000.00.

In all, 22 head sold for \$1,000. or more. Two head sold to Nevada, three head sold to New Jersey, two to Mississippi, three to Arizona, one to Texas, two to Iowa, one to Ohio, two to Pennsylvania, one to Maryland and one to New York, and 22 head sold in Ontario.

This year's Classic Sale (7th Annual) was managed by the Merryman Company in co-operation with the Ontario Guernsey Breeders Association. The cattle consigned to the sale were from Ontario, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, Nova Scotia and British Columbia.

**ETOBICOKE** — William Gray, hotel chain sales manager and resident of ETOBICOKE has lodged bitter complaints with the township council for the "worst type of township planning". Mr. Gray's list of complaints include past dust bowl conditions, inadequate gas mains and sewers, torn up roads, and at present "impassable detours". His concluding remark: "One is reaching the stage where one doesn't know how to get home in the evenings because of the almost impassable detours."

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## It Could Have Been A Child

On Saturday night, May 21, in front of her home, in full view of her family — Put McConkey, aged 3, was hit and instantly killed — the driver kept right on going (over the legal speed limit).

Does that startle you? Well, we hoped it would! Although "Put" was a "Putty Cat" — the next time it just might be a child that is struck and perhaps killed.

This is in the nature of a plea to all motorists, from the families in that district to please slow down to at least the 30 m.p.h. limit when coming east along Maple Avenue, from the direction of 400. Their small ones, who may wander or stray out onto that road, are a precious part of their life and to these same small ones, their pets hold equal space in their young hearts.

Perhaps all approaches to the town are similarly disregarded as to proper speed limit! Seems like our taxes could go down somewhat or our Vaughan become a wealthier township from donations (albeit unwillingly donated) from these thoughtless, careless speedsters. Any mother would gladly give of her time to sit by the side of the road to check such characters, if given authority, before an opening paragraph has to be similarly written — not for eye catching means — but for real.

Different times, and many, I've marvelled at the pure gall of some motorists, who go racing by MY door. Why "MY" door — you may ask. Oh! well — you see, I live just across the road from the police station!

## Five-Year Lease On Park Wanted By Maple Lions

On Tuesday night, at its regular weekly meeting in the Municipal Building, Vaughan Township Council heard a proposal that the Maple Lions lease the Maple Community Centre Park for five years. Mr. John Neufeld, chairman of the Maple Community Centre Board, who brought the proposal forward on behalf of the Lions, explained that the Lions felt they could make a real contribution by leasing and running the park. On a question from Reeve John Perry as to the desirability of possible profits, Mr. Neufeld said it was believed the Lions would be spending more money than they would be making but that if a profit accrued he doubted that the Lions would want to turn all of it over to the Board.

Council felt that if the Board leased the park to the Lions it might cut itself off from the Department of Agriculture capital expenditure grants and suggested that perhaps the Lions could be allowed to manage the park without resorting to a lease.

The upshot of the hearing was that the Assistant Clerk Ted Jackman was authorized to arrange a meeting with Township Solicitor T. O. Fraser and representatives of Council and the Lions to further discuss the matter.

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