

# Maple, Concord & Edgeley District

"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, ALDINE 7-1150; and in Edgeley and Sherwood, Mrs. Raymond Stuart, AV. 5-1934.

## Maple Notes

It is most interesting to listen in on folks discussing our weather - some are all for those mild days, others think the sharp cold days are healthier - as for me, along with all the small fry, we're perhaps not too popular - we want Snow!!

United Church W. M. S.  
The January meeting of the Maple United Church W.M.S. was held Tuesday evening, Jan-

uary 17, in the church parlor. The president, Mrs. T. F. Jackson presided. The worship period was in charge of Mrs. Laver and Mrs. G. Watson.  
Mr. L. Wiltshire spoke on a chapter of the study book. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.  
**Happy Birthday**  
Fraser Cringan invited some friends in on Saturday, January

## Committee Reports

### Majority Of Normaple Residents Are Satisfied

Following an inspection of most of the 169 homes in the Normaple Subdivision the three-man committee appointed by the home owners on December 21, 1960, to survey claims of improper building practices and inadequate drainage in the area, says that "the majority of people in the subdivision feel they received value for the money paid . . . and are satisfied with their homes."

The report, which is the latest development in a series of complaints going back well into last year, details three main beefs; that existing drainage problems resulted from inadequate and poorly supervised grading work; that many people feel they did not get sufficient protection from Central Mortgage Housing Corporation and that most of the complaints came from owners whose homes had been constructed by Harmony Builders, responsible for 116 residences. Hemco put up 42 and Banjack 11.

The committee recommends that in future the township approve grade levels, the C.M.H.C. fee of \$35.00 be raised to \$100.00 to provide better inspection during construction, and all builders be registered with a central authority whose records be made open to the public. Point 4 reads: "Irrespective of the fact whether the owner signs a Quit Claim Deed and Power of Attorney to the building contractor or not, the owner should make periodic inspections of the home during construction and any defects should immediately be reported to the building contractor and C.M.H.C. and that C.M.H.C. stop any further advances until the complaint has been fully investigated." In conclusion, the committee advises future home owners that, "a reasonable period of time for adjustment should be left after the building contractors expected completion before occupancy. This will allow the home owner a chance to thoroughly inspect the home before accepting it. This will also allow the building contractors some leeway and prevent last minute rushes which result in sloppy workmanship."

Prior to the report being issued, independent sources said that at least 75 per cent of the home owners were satisfied with grading, drainage and construction conditions. Further, it was indicated that many owners who had purchased Harmony Builders homes, did not consider that

some building infractions warranted the considerable controversy which has featured the situation and recently led to a TV showing of the subdivision and lengthy accounts by big provincial papers. This faction feels that possibly irreparable real estate harm has been done and in point of fact the ill feeling aroused was such that the council felt it wise not to inform the press of at least one meeting with ratepayers in the area.

C.M.H.C. has said that the same way to go about securing redress by any home owner is for that person to send a letter to the builder and C.M.H.C. who in turn would notify the builder of receipt of the complaint. If remedial action is not forthcoming in 10 days, the owner should again contact C.M.H.C. who then will take action. It is pointed out that in the event the builder continues being uncooperative his chances of securing building funds in future would be considerably lessened.

In the committee's report it is stated that many people feel they did not get the protection from C.M.H.C. to which they thought they were entitled. N.H.A. inspectors did carry out necessary inspections but many complaints by owners and noted infractions by C.M.H.C. to building contractors were not corrected before the final advance was authorized. These people feel, in brief, that C.M.H.C. is morally obligated to do more than merely fulfill technical obligations and has been guilty of hair-splitting in favour of the builders. C.M.H.C. takes the view that the onus is on the purchaser to see to it that he gets full value for his money.

At this stage it would appear, according to observers, that henceforth home owners and C.M.H.C. officials will be more concerned with the letter of the law.

The committee members were Vaughan Deputy-Reeve Jesse Bryson, Graham Pust and P. W. Salmon.



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## Edgeley Socials

**40th Wedding Anniversary**  
On the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary January 12, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred McGinn were honored at a party at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Harry Lighthouse of Maple. Mrs. Jean Rounding of Toronto and Mrs. Mona Armitage of St. Catharines assisted Mrs. Lighthouse with the celebration at which 30 friends and relatives gathered to offer best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple and to shower them with many lovely cards and gifts.

Wearing a green dress and a beautiful corsage of yellow roses, a gift from her husband - Mrs. McGinn looked every bit a bride again as Mr. McGinn, in a tuxedo, cut the anniversary cake which was beautifully and artistically decorated by their long-time friend and neighbour, Mrs. Edna Darlington.

Among those who attended the anniversary supper and euche afterwards were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Peterman of Alliston; Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGinn of Kettleby; Mrs. R. Waller, Mr. James Watson, Mr. Waterman and Mr. Lewis Edwin all from King; Mr. and Mrs. George Green, of Richmond Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fitzpatrick, Unionville; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kyle, Maple; Mrs. Merle Peterman, Kleinburg and Mrs. Edna Darlington, Woodbridge.

**Sympathy of Community**  
We extend our deepest sympathy to the Baggs family in the passing of Edith Alice Baggs of Malton at Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, on January 16, after surgery for the removal of gastric cancer.

Miss Baggs was the daughter of the late Albert and Isabel Baggs. She is survived by her sisters Rena (Mrs. H. G. Coates) Brampton; Clara (Mrs. G. White) of Woodbridge; Alma (Mrs. Norman Steele) of Malton; Ethel (Mrs. G. Martion) of Toronto; and her brother Harvey of Malton with whom she resided. Interment was in Brampton Cemetery.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Sarah Peterman in the death of her brother, Neil Alexander McGillivray of Toronto, age 94. The funeral was held on Wednesday and interment followed in St. Paul's Cemetery, Vaughan. Surviving are his wife, Myrtle; sisters, Mrs. Sarah Peterman, Mrs. Jessie Squirrel, Mrs. Maud Roberts, all of Toronto and brother John McGillivray of Maple.

**Birthdays**  
January is birthday time for several Edgeley-ites. Jerry Darlington and his dad had birthdays recently - Jerry on January 4 and Mr. Darlington on January 10. On January 24, Mr. John Young and his daughter, Mrs. Lillian Malynyk celebrated their birthdays.

January 27 is the date of Jim Darlington's birthday while Mrs. Fred Bodker is looking forward to January 30, which is her birthday. Many happy returns of the day to you all.

**Anniversaries**  
Celebrating wedding anniversaries are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Young. Congratulations, folks.

## Vaughan Tp. Briefs

At the January meeting of the Vaughan Township Council the following matters were deferred for study by the committee for fire and police: Correspondence on Metropolitan Toronto Police Department for an outdoor gun range on Dufferin Street, because no real urgency existed and council had matters of greater and more pressing importance to study. A report by Magistrate J. Roberts to York County Council relative to the establishment of a County Police Force . . . A request by the Chief Constable for a female stenographer to be utilized by the police department.

**New York Holiday**  
Just recently Peg and Tom Byberg figured they were about due a holiday so took off by car to New York City. With them were June and Butch (Wm.) Byberg. Left behind with Grandpa and Grandma, Herb and Jo Joslin, was Peg and Tom's two year old daughter Corrie, along with Lulu (the tom cat!).

The Bybergs greatly enjoyed their trip but for Herb and Jo having little Corrie with them, also Lulu - it was a 'Ball.'

**Curling Guests**  
On a recent Sunday, the volunteer firemen of Maple were guests of the Richmond Hill Curling Club where they really enjoyed the experience with the club members from Maple.

Also Rev. Harold Davies of the Maple United Church and Rev. Norman Wagner of Zion Lutheran Church enjoyed a Monday morning of curling with other members of the Thornhill-Richmond Hill Ministerial Association - through courtesy of the directors of R. H. Curling Club.

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agement you have given me. And to "The Liberal" staff, I say - to quote Jackie Gleason - "you're a good group" to work for.

The Edgeley Women's Association held the first meeting of the new season at the home of Mrs. C. H. Boake, on Thursday, January 17.

The theme, "Jesus Christ, the Light of the World" is chosen for the Topics for Worship in 1961. These topics, prepared by the Dominion Council of the Women's Association, were inspired by the fact that it is the theme of the World Council of Churches for 1961.

The members discussed their plans for the coming year. The most pressing problem at the moment is the means whereby funds can be raised to further the work of the association and the church. Members are asked to think this problem over during the next few weeks and offer any ideas that they think suitable at the next meeting which will be held at the home of Mrs. R. Darlington on February 16.

Mrs. Boake, assisted by Mrs. Darlington, served a refreshing cup of tea and some delicious cookies at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Ed Phillips of Humber Summit will be the hostess for a meeting of the Edgeley Women's Association on February 1. Mrs. Phillips will convene the program and Mrs. Chas. Agnew and Mrs. James Spencer will be the social committee.

## Re-Elect John Neufeld Community Centre Head

The election of a chairman, the presentation of a 'going-away' gift and two items of business featured last Thursday's first 1961 meeting of the Maple Community Centre Committee at the centre.

John Neufeld, the unanimous choice as chairman, began his third term in that office. Mr. Neufeld resigned as Maple Trustee and committee chairman last December when he threw his hat into the ring in the municipal race and the feeling was that the township's loss when he narrowly missed making the council table was the committee's gain.

Chairman Neufeld, on behalf of the committee and the Maple residents, presented former trustee Jack Yorke with a pen and pencil set as a token of appreciation for services rendered and, as the chairman said, to get Jack off to a proper start in his new upcoming business venture at Brooklin, where Mr. Yorke has purchased a store. Mr. Yorke served as a trustee three years

and has been associated with the Central Ontario Battle Breeders' Association for 13 years. He and his family will shortly take up permanent residence at Brooklin.

The meeting authorized the chairman to replace the china supply. The centre has suffered a considerable loss in dishes due to breakage and intends to restock to the point 200 persons can be served at one time. The centre is the periodic scene of wedding banquets and receptions, turkey suppers, bowling, skating and baseball banquets. The committee will also look into the matter of having a ventilating fan installed.

Serving with Mr. Neufeld are Maple Trustees Roland Keffer and Frank Robson and former trustee Cal Miller. Fred Ted' Jackman, Vaughan township Assistant Clerk-Treasurer will act as secretary-treasurer and booking agent. Mrs. Ruth McConkey and Wilfred Keffer will represent the township council.

## Farm Forum-

### Want Better Trained Management Co-Operatives & Marketing Boards

When the Ontario Farm Forum members met recently to discuss farm business at the marketing level, they faced a problem which is at present the concern of almost every farmer. With an overwhelming majority they agreed that both co-operatives and marketing boards should undergo continual development. Rather than mere numerical multiplication of either one, however, those that are operating now should be rendered more efficient by better trained management. Farmers must give further co-operation, also, if they really want to benefit, while co-operatives and marketing boards themselves must work together if they are not to defeat one another's purposes.

Forum members stated that they wanted co-operatives to be first and foremost, a competition for private enterprise, while at the same time a means of eliminating the middle man between producer and consumer. It was the opinion of a number of Forum members that "unless a co-operative can replace the middle man, it is of no advantage. Too often it is only a second middle man."

Other opinions expressed by Forum members included, that marketing boards should maintain better control on farm products, stabilize the present ever-fluctuating market, find new markets through increased advertising and above all educate the farmer to the needs of the consumer.

Even more insistent were the Forums in stressing a proper

relation between marketing boards and the government. Marketing boards should be founded within the limits of proper government legislation, where they could exercise a certain amount of freedom, unimpeded by paralyzing restrictions.

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