

# Maple, Concord & Edgeley District

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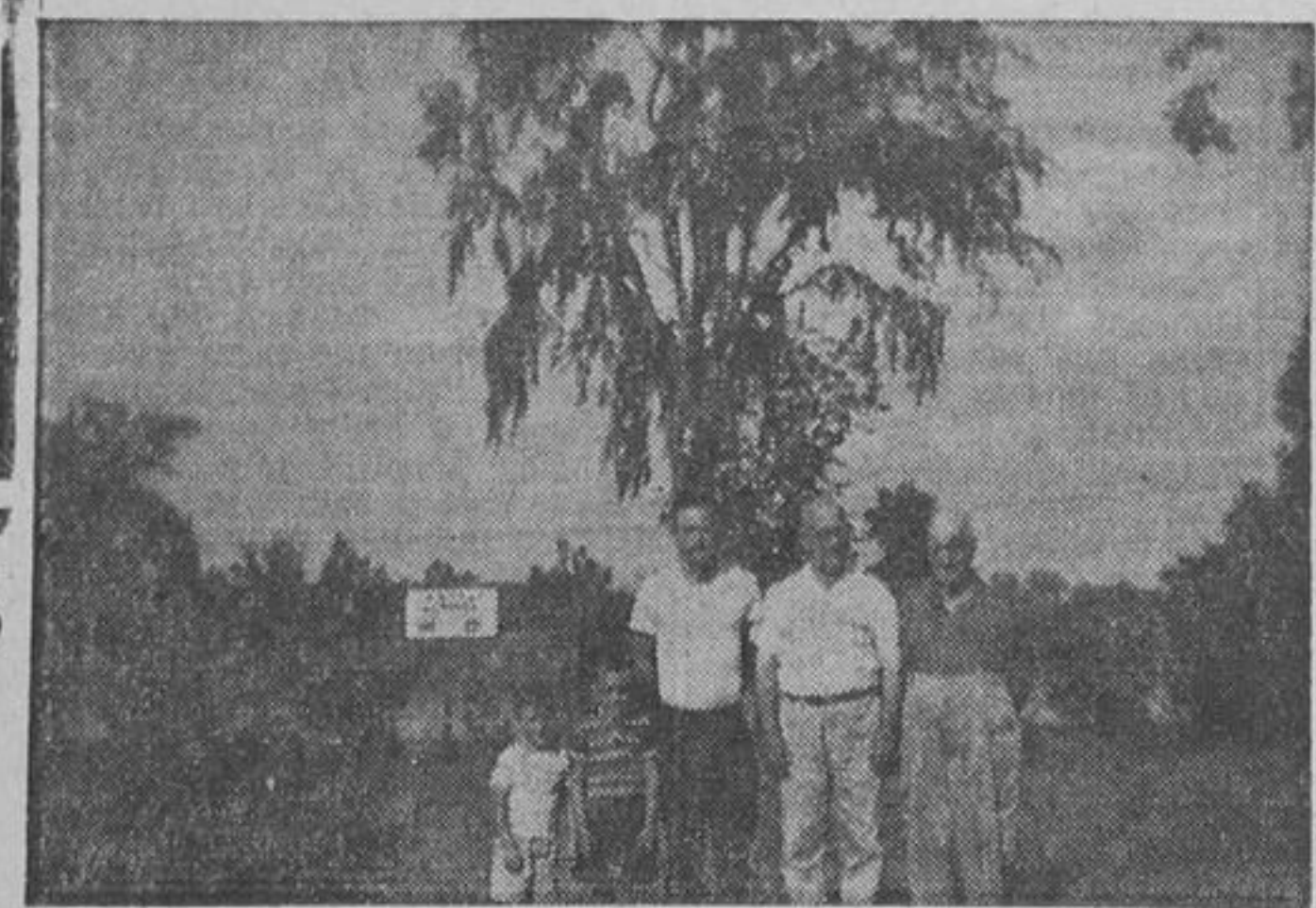
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## Four Generations



These five represent four generations of the well known House Family in Maple. To the right is Great-grandfather Fred House, expert silversmith, now retired, who resides with his son Lowell, 56, standing next to him. Next to Lowell is grandson Jack, 27, and next to Jack are his two sons, Ricky 7, and Jeffy 5. Great-grandfather House was born in Welland County on the Upper Niagara River country, a descendant of United Empire Loyalists who came to Canada in 1788 from Pennsylvania where the House roots were even then three generations old. Lowell, popular plumber and tinsmith, is married to the former Mary Baker, born in England but raised in Canada. Jack's wife is the former Beverley Oliver of Toronto. Great-grandfather House cycled 750 miles from Canada to the United States 60 years ago over country roads and his energy has hardly decreased since. The Lowell House family settled in Maple 15 years ago. Prior to that they made their home in Toronto.

## CONCORD SOCIALS

Some people just don't know enough to give up and I guess I'm one of them. My intentions are honorable, however; many people like to know what goes on in Concord, and so we're here again to tell them. Actually, last spring it seemed that a new baby and a Liberal column were competing for attention, and since there wasn't anything we could do about baby Cathy, the "Liberal" just had to go! Now that business is booming again, let's hear from everyone who has anything to report.

**Ratepayers**  
On January 11 the Elmwood Acres Ratepayers Association held a meeting at Concord School. Twenty-five members plus the executive were present. The 1961 officers were elected as follows: president, Bob Haines; vice-pres., John Pepper; secretary, Dudley Knapman; treasurer, Al Hewitt; member-at-large, Henry Nordin.

The constitution was amended to allow only three meetings a year, to take place in January,

May and October, with the provision that special meetings may be called if necessary. Five news letters issued during the year will keep members up to date on community matters. The C.N.R. has located its own water supply so it seems that our hopes for water are nil for the next five years at least.

**Cubs and Scouts**  
For their fund-raising effort this year the Cub and Scout mother's auxiliary has decided to hold a rummage sale in the North York Veterans' Hall, Yonge Street, April 8th, so when you're spring cleaning, ladies, remember that the auxiliary can probably use a lot of those old clothes and furniture.

The Father and Son banquet will be held on March 8 at Maple Community Hall.

**Guides and Brownies**  
These two groups are still going strong in Concord with many of the girls working on proficiency badges in the fields of homemaking, toymaking etc. The Guides held a skating party a couple of weeks ago and the Brownies have one planned for February 11 at Thornhill. Several girls hope to try for their skaters badge.

The Guide and Brownie Parents' Group Committee met at the home of the president, Mrs. Roy Smith on Monday evening, January 30. The group was asked to join with the Cub and Scout mothers in holding their rummage sale and they accepted. The mother and daughter banquet will be held some time in May and definite arrangements will be announced shortly.

**Socials**  
Well, I asked the "Head of the House" what social news he knew of, and all he could offer was that our cistern is dry and the sump is frozen. You can see that this house is a beehive of activity. We do know however, that a few people have added a year to their ages. Mrs. Oman Bowes celebrated on Sunday, January 29, her thirty-ninth we think. And Carol Fawbert's little brother Roddy was one year old on January 30.

On the sick list this week are Ian McLean and Gillian Rudge, both down with chicken pox. These two little ones, plus Alan Gamble and Robbie Yotfeff have recently begun attending the nursery school at Thornhill Presbyterian Church.

Well, dear readers, the only news I ever get is from the kindergarten crowd, and I'm afraid, to those of you over the age of five it would make very dull reading. So next time your family celebrates someone's birthday or anniversary (or even if your cistern goes dry) let us know as each little bit of news makes the column that much more interesting.

A most interesting meeting is planned for Monday evening, February 13, when Concord Home and School Association will have as guest speaker, Dr. Stewart MacGregor, D.D.S. Head of the Department of Dentistry, Hospital for Sick Children and Professor of Dentistry, University of Toronto. His topic will be "Your Child and Mine," illustrated with coloured slides. The public health nurse will also be present and refreshments served. Time is 8 p.m. and everyone is welcome.

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## Edgeley Socials

The Edgeley Public School boys re-organized their baseball team last week and are making some big plans for the Spring Season. Ken Young who lives on No. 7 Highway was chosen the team captain. Other team members are John Row, catcher, Ray Priest, 1st base; David Rowe, 2nd base; Stephen Walshun, short-stop; Doug Wyatt, 3rd base; David Boake, right field; Gordon Drew, centre field; and John Lossing, left field.

Edgeley people have every reason to be proud of their school teams. Besides winning the Inter-school league cup for the past two years, they are also the proud possessors of the Public School Association pennant. And the team are not going to rest on their laurels either, as come Spring, they will be right up there to try to prove that old saying about whatever happens twice will happen again. Good luck, fellows.

**4-H Homemaking**  
Mrs. R. J. Darlington and Mrs. Fred Bodker are attending the 4-H Homemaking Club leaders' training school in Buttonville Hall this week to prepare for teaching the next project which will be "Sleeping Garments."

The Club members are very pleased to welcome four new members who will be making their first project. Joanne Cook, Sheila Hendry, Mary Darlington and Susan Bodker are looking forward to participating in the various club activities and the projects.

The girls regret, however, that they will be losing Elizabeth Earker who has been attending club meetings in Edgeley during the past year. Elizabeth, who has completed at least fourteen Homemaking Club projects and proudly wears her Provincial Honors Pin, joined the Edgeley group last year when her own club in Buttonville suddenly found themselves without a leader. After completing further courses in the Edgeley Club, Miss Barker is planning, on her return to Buttonville, to teach the group there, where she will no doubt be a great help to the members, both by assisting them and by setting a good example in club work.

Miss Elizabeth Barker, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barker of Gormley, has won high praise from her Edgeley 4-H Homemaking Club leaders who are tremendously proud of her achievement and all that it represents. They are most enthusiastic regarding Miss Barker's leadership and teaching qualities as well as her excellent work.

**Socials**  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bodker and their daughter, Karen celebrated their birthdays recently. Mrs. Bodker's big day came on January 30 and Mr. Bodker observed his birthday on February 6 and Karen on the following day celebrated her birthday.

February is also birthday time for Frank Locke with the 9th being his memorable day. Many happy returns of the day to you all.

It was anniversary time on January 24 for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graham. On January 28, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Young celebrated their wedding anniversary. Best wishes and congratulations, folks.

And while we are on the subject of birthdays, Mr. Arthur Avery celebrated, as he so humorously expressed it, "his coming of age party" at a family gathering at his home.

On Saturday, January 28, the day before his birthday, Mrs. Avery prepared a sumptuous turkey dinner in honor of her husband, and among those who helped him enjoy it were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Avery and children Ken and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Avery and Mrs. Ross Cook and daughters Linda and Sharon.

Due to the recent arrival of their baby daughter Lois, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Avery were unable to attend the party, but were represented by their daughters, Miss Joan Avery and Miss Marilyn Avery.

And may we add, belatedly, but none the less warmly, many happy returns of the day, Mr. Avery.

The fourth round of student teachers are taking over the classes during the week of February 6 at Edgeley Public School. Altogether sixteen students have gained experience thus for this year under the supervision of Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Wilson.

**Valentines Day**  
And, of course, sentiment will be the prevailing spirit for Valentine's Day this year, just as it has always been. Do you remember what Valentine's Day was like when you went to school? And how you spent hours before the Big Day concocting pretty frilly ones or comical ones, depending on your mood of the moment and who the recipients were to be.

It seemed that the Christmas holidays were no more than just over when books of Valentines began appearing in the stores. And whether or not children today have as much fun cutting out commercial Valentines as designing their own, one thing is certain, as we said before, sentiment is still the prevailing spirit—and may it ever be so.

A few children save their school Valentines and what a treasure they can be in years to come! Your correspondent has a boxful of Valentines that came from school chums at Edgeley School many years ago, and they grow more precious in my heart as the years go by.

World Day of Prayer is being held this year on February 17. This international prayer day will be the 42nd in which church women of Canada and the United States will have worshipped together. Efforts have been increased in Canada, the United

States and overseas teams to double last year's attendance.

Mrs. R. J. Darlington will be the hostess for a meeting of the Edgeley W. A. on February 16. Mrs. C. H. Boake and Mrs. Chas. Summerfeldt will be the social committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Butt and children Cindy and Chris of Orangeville were Sunday dinner guests recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Butt.

Aware that rapid changes are taking place in our society these days, the public, and members of church bodies in particular, will be meeting in Teston United Church on February 12-13 and 14 where a worship will be held to discuss these trends.

Several Edgeley ladies are planning to attend the Federated Women's Institute of Canada convention in Vancouver in June. Among those planning to go are Mrs. C. H. Boake, Mrs. James Spencer, Mrs. Alf Bagg and her sister, Mrs. Jack Devins and Mrs. Chas. Agnew.

Miss Helen Spencer is recovering from an appendectomy this week-end. Helen underwent surgery last Wednesday and by the time this appears in print, we hope Helen will be up and feeling much better.

## Maple Notes

Why is it people look at you with that tsk tsk look when you casually mention the fact that you like this snappy cold weather?

**Election Night N. C. C.**  
On Tuesday, January 31st in the down stairs room of the George Bailey Public School, the Normaple Community Club held their election of officers for 1961.

The meeting was chaired by President John Jarvis. A review of the events sponsored by this club last year included the very successful "Millionaires Night" with proceeds going towards the equipping of a playground park suitable for the junior residents of Maple. This gesture was much appreciated by the local community and it is with interest we follow the exciting release about "Cotton Magic," Saturday, February 18.

An evening was also sponsored by this Club at the Maple Community Hall following Nomination Night whereby all Maple and the residents of Vaughan Township were invited to "Meet the Candidates." As you will remember this proved most interesting and instructive as all nominated candidates for the offices in Vaughan were introduced, stated their own platform and were available for a question and answer period. Guess this was but the first time Maple made it on T.V.!!

1st Vice President Bruce Gibson has been knocking himself out convening "Cotton Magic." In its entirety it is a tremendous task but Bruce and his staff seem to have the situation well in hand. Its your turn now—get out and sell those tickets!

As for the hoped for equipment for the junior park, John Jarvis stated that with \$300.00 so far in the fund, several local members had already promised assistance; the poles, necessary support for the building of a bridge over the creek, have been donated; the use of bulldozers and graders has been promised; sand for the sand lots and boxes is forthcoming when required. There are 2000 trees on order to be planted round and about the park.

Surely the first committee that breaks ground and gets things rolling in any organization has a greater share of frustration and headache and the original officers of Normaple Community Club, namely John Jarvis, Bruce Gibson, George Vigus, and Bob Macfarlane are due a large vote of thanks by one and all for their efforts in their behalf in a sometimes seemingly thankless job.

The newly elected officers for 1961 are President, Bert Stevenson; 1st vice president, Pat Salmon; 2nd vice president, George Vigus; recording secretary, (Mrs. David) Sandy Sinclair; treasurer, Chuck Fraser.

To the above we offer congratulations and with their slogan "Since we live together, let's work together" as their banner may they have much success in their work towards the best interests for their community and families. You owe them your support—take an active interest in your community as this is the voice of Normaple.

**Recent Arrivals Welcomed**  
Congratulations to Don and Betty Weese on the recent birth of their son Kimberly Scott. A brother for Candace Lee.

Welcome and congratulations to Roy and Carol Munshaw and their new arrival, Gregory Edward.

Local grandparents Bill and Pat Johnson welcomed their grandchild born to Ron and Joanne Maynard—Woodbridge.

Mrs. Margaret Woods has been happily occupied looking after her newly arrived grandson whose parents are Bill and Janet Woods.

## A.W. Stevenson Heads Officers Normaple Club

1961 officers for the Normaple Community Club were elected at a Maple Community Hall meeting January 31, with A. W. Stevenson named president to succeed John Jarvis and Patrick W. Salmon first vice president, to succeed George Vigus. Other officers are George Vigus, second vice president; Charles Fraser treasurer; Mrs. David Sinclair, recording secretary. Mr. Fraser succeeds Bob Macfarlane.

Street representatives will be as follows: Lancer, E. Birch; Gosling, Joseph Shaw; Netherford, John Yates; Weller, Vernon Tripp; Malaren, Roy Horber; Goodman, Bert Kirkland; Ryder, Mrs. L. Lynn and Keele, John Goodmaker.

The next meeting will be held either later this month or early in March. A constitution is now being drawn up for a proposed ratepayers' association and will come for discussion at that meeting. A number of committees, including that of public relations will also be set up.

The club also will sponsor a fashion show titled "Cotton Magic" which is to take place February 18 in the Community Hall, Maple, at 3 p.m. The show will feature many original spring styles.

dancing to those southern rhythms and enjoying the exciting foods with all the native trimmings it was indeed next door to paradise - then came the dawn and that twenty, or more mile trek back to Maple!!

**Womens' Day of Prayer**  
The four local churches of Maple, St. Stephen's Anglican, Maple United, St. Andrew's Presbyterian and Zion Lutheran, each year combine their services for Women's World Day of Prayer.

This year on Friday, February 17 the women of Maple are gathering at Zion Lutheran Church at 2:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Mrs. C. G. Higginson, the wife of the Rev. Higginson, who is the minister of Richmond Hill United Church. Gather up your neighbor and plan to spend an afternoon in quiet meditation and prayer. If you have a car available, check to see if perhaps some one on your street could use a lift.

**"Cotton Magic"**  
By now you have had your curiosity more than whetted regarding those innumerable posters around about town re "Cotton Magic." Here is a little inside dope. In case you hadn't guessed - "Cotton Magic" is a Fashion Show - the Magic bed in the fact that the garments styled for town and travel wear, sportswear, nightwear, swimsuits, sun suits, party togs and evening wear are made from 100% cotton fabric and you can whip up any one, or all, on your sewing machine at home. How about that!

There will be nine models and four children modelling a total of 62 garments. This will make for a very complete February 18, Saturday afternoon in itself but just to make it complete - there will be door prizes.

In all your scramble for tickets so as to shed those winter blues, don't forget the main purpose back of this effort sponsored by Normaple Community Club. All proceeds go into their fund for the necessary equipment for the Junior Park in Maple.

(See Coming Events)  
**Maple United Church Choir**  
Following the election of officers for Maple United Church Choir, Mrs. W. Bowes was named President, Mr. George Vigus, vice-president; Mr. Lorne Wells, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Sylvia Hemphill, robe mistress; Mrs. J. Neufeld and Mrs. W. Keffer, librarians, Mrs. T. Jackson and Mrs. L. Wells, welfare.

**Hospitalized**  
On Monday evening, January 30, Helen Spencer stayed up a little late for a school night but she had lots of opportunity to get caught up. Seems she made a quick trip to York County Hospital, Newmarket, that night and was relieved of her appendix. She's home now and feeling fine again - while practising on her clarinet!!

"The Liberal" Associate Editor and Vice Chairman of Vaughan School Board, Mrs. Mona Robertson, spent some time in the Grace Hospital, Bloor Street. We are glad to hear she's back home but taking things easy for a time yet.

Was Bernice Gibson taking refuge in the hospital for a few days while her house and hubby Bruce are so involved in "Cotton Magic"? Seriously we can report that she is somewhat fortified again and doing nicely.

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