

Maple, Concord and Edgeley District News

"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, Al. Pine 7-1159; in Edgeley and Sherwood, Mrs. Raymond Stuart, AV. 5-1934; and in Concord, Mrs. Ruth Keffer, 285-4040.

Extra Mill For Maple Water

Maple water system has not proven a paying proposition, and residents of that area will be levied an additional mill on their current taxes to help defray a 1962 deficit of close to ten thousand dollars.

Mrs. Ruth McConkey, chairman of the Vaughan Township waterworks committee, has pointed out that while all residents of the area serviced by the system which encompasses the village have been charged an initial annual rate of \$36 per home, there have not been sufficient consumers to operate the

system profitably. As further development of the area takes place the need for extra taxation will be lessened, she said. At present there are 500 consumers of the service.

With regard to any effect the new pumping station will have on residents in the Pleasantville Subdivision, located just west of Richmond Hill, Mrs. McConkey said it would be the same as when the Maple water area was first serviced. Those people whose well levels were above that of the well used at the pumping station would likely find these dry.

A further new pumphouse located at Edgeley, which is adjacent to Jane Street and No. 7 Highway, will come into operation shortly. It has been designed to handle a large volume for use in industry in that area.

Mrs. McConkey drew attention to the fact that the new emergency pumping unit at Maple will be completed during the coming month. This outfit has been designed to come into play should there ever again be a hydro failure such as at the time of the propane gas explosion in Maple last year.



Woodbridge Carnival

This gay "Ski Patrol" was one of the talented acts seen at the annual carnival of the Woodbridge Skating Club held last weekend.

The lovely ladies are (left to right) Helen Davies and Shirley Kitchener of Vaughan Township, Sheila McDonald of Maple and Joanne Hogg of Woodbridge. Miss McDonald is daughter of Vaughan Township Clerk-Treasurer James McDonald and Mrs. McDonald.

This Week's Happenings In Maple

Overheard a comment on the phone, "... yeah that only leaves about six more weeks of school!" Ohhhh!

O'Keefe Centre Choice

During the past winter months, St. Stephen Anglican Church G.A. had a costume contest with the winner to have her choice of one of the O'Keefe Centre attractions she would like to attend.

Finally last week the show "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," was decided on for a matinee appearance by winner Myra Bloom. Dressed in an old, old timer man's bathing suit - a gay adventurous old blade ready for the sea shore - Myra had won first prize and was

accompanied by G.A. leader Mrs. Smythies.

Taking advantage of having company to go with - it being Easter holidays - Bev Taylor joined them, having lunch together in a posh setting and then really enjoying the show.

Off To Oak Ridges

Last Saturday, Phyllis and Les Bloom, Myra, Jennifer, Jimmie and Johnnie - accompanied by one dog, one cat, and one bird (the gold fish travelled "within" the cat - saved space) moved to their new home in Oak Ridges, just west of Highway 11. The boys were in 1st Maple Cubs and Scouts and the girls active in G.A. and C.G.I.T. while their

Mom, Phyl, sang in St. Stephen's choir and was a Monday night bowling league member as well as being active in 1st Maple Boy Scouts Ladies' Auxiliary.

Les has several racing pigeons and is a member of a pigeon fanciers club.

We hope they'll soon get acquainted in the community and enjoy their new abode - with visits back to Maple.

Granddaughter's Holiday Visit

Grandma Yake had her Easter time lived up with a visit from granddaughter 6 year old Lynn Archer, 31 Neopolitan Drive, Scarborough while Nancy Jean Yake found it more fun to play with a cousin, who is just her size, over the holidays.

All In Edgeley

I'm always amazed when I pass through "Edgeley" while driving and then doubly so when reading the newly elected W.I. officers listed in "Edgeley Doings" - just where do all these people hide when I drive by?

No doubt Bea Boake could give me an answer to that!

Maple Women's Institute

On April 10, the Maple W.I. met at the home of Mrs. L. Clarke. The roll call was responded to by the paying of fees and suggestions for next year's activities.

The report of the standing committees were given, and Mrs. Clarke conducted the installation of the new slate of officers for 1963-64, which are: past president, Mrs. H. Jack-

son; president, Mrs. H. Stephenson; vice president, Mrs. E. Harris; secretary, treasurer, Mrs. G. Watson; assistant, Mrs. J. Leece; district director, Mrs. H. Jackson; alternates, Mrs. M. Palmer, Mrs. A. Snider, and Mrs. N. Payne; social committee, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. G. Orr, and Mrs. T. Jackson; flowers and sick committee, Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Harris; helper, Mrs. Jones; nominating committee, Mrs. W. Noble, Mrs. D. Allan and Mrs. Jones; agriculture, Mrs. N. Robson; citizenship and education, Mrs. E. Harris; home economics and health, Mrs. Payne; public relations, Mrs. W. Noble; historical research and current events, Mrs. H. Stephenson and Mrs. H. Jackson; pianists, Mrs. W. Noble and Mrs. E. Wade; auditors, Mrs. Clarke and Miss M. Carson; well baby clinic, Mrs. G. Watson, Mrs. H. Jennings, Mrs. T. Jackson and Mrs. L. Kerswill; cancer society representative, Mrs. I. McQuarrie; resolutions, Mrs. Kerswill; curator, Mrs. H. Jackson.

Recently at Buttonville our rug display and also "skit" received honourable mention.

Following the business session of this meeting, a rug display was shown and a spirited sing-song led into an enjoyable social hour.

The district annual meeting will be held at Vellore on May 29th.

W.I. 65th Anniversary

May 8th is the date of the Maple W.I.'s 65th anniversary which will be honoured in the form of a dinner and program to be held in Maple United Church Christian Education Rooms.

Details of the program and guests at later date. Reserve your ticket now by calling Mrs. Andrew Snider, Mrs. Milton Palmer or Mrs. Gord Watson.

A date to remember - you'll want to help celebrate with the Maple W.I. Irish Sweepstake Next?

At this point Olive Seed can't lose! Having never had luck in draws etc, before - she won at the Gala Hockey Night. A short time later whilst in Woodbridge - just having stopped off with hubby Dick - she sat upon a lucky number chair winning \$5.00 in 50 cent pieces. So stand back - it's Maple's turn at the Irish Sweepstake! She's on a winning streak! Which reminds me of my westward neighbour, Muriel Rose, that wins more door prizes than anyone I know - even in bottle tops yet!

Will Open Village On May 18-20

By MRS. RAYMOND STUART
The 1963 season's opening of Pioneer Village will take place on May 18-19-20.

Plans for the opening weekend include "pioneers" living in the village, classes in the school house, and an interdenominational church service. There will also be a photographic competition open to all visitors.

Some fifteen restored buildings will be open for public tours. Restoration work is being completed on two new buildings for opening day - a harness maker's shop and a shoe maker's shop. The harness maker's shop came from Newtonbrook where it stood for many years adjacent to the artisan's house which is now located in the village.

During Easter weekend, an impatient public decided not to wait for the official opening, and swarmed through the village grounds, ignoring the gate-sign informing them that the village was closed due to wet conditions underfoot.

Brownies

Five Brownies are to be congratulated on passing tests for their toymaker's badge. The girls are Paula Sanders, Marsha McClymont, Elizabeth D'Eath, Robin Clarke and Susan Hallawell. Two girls also passed their Golden Hand tests recently. Congratulations to Gloria Bowes and Allain Nordin.

I'm never disappointed when visiting the Concord Brownies to pass their toymaker's work. So much skill and imagination goes into their efforts that, fortunately, I never have to refuse a girl her badge. Scrapbooks, stuffed toys, doll clothes, a "room" in a shoe box, all these are just a sample of their originality; and while two or more girls may choose to make the same project the individuality is still very much in evidence. A pat on the back to the leaders, Mrs. Simmons, Mrs. Sherman and packie, Valerie Simmons for their untiring efforts.

One unhappy boy during Easter vacation was Tommy Thompson, who spent his days confined to the house with mumps.

Mr. Oman Bowes has been grounded for a couple of weeks with pneumonia, but we can happily report that he too is on the mend.

Mrs. Nora Symons and Christine, Port Hope, spent a few days with Mrs. Alf Bagg during the Easter vacation.

Missed Again! Easter Sunday must have

been the day for the ice to leave Lake Simcoe, at least "our" portion. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keffer, and Carole and her friend Marilyn Tobey went up on Good Friday to check on things and the ice was still just several feet from shore. Last Sunday, not a sign of ice was to be seen, and Margaret and George Pike, cottage neighbours said that the Monday after Easter they could see just a bit of ice at the far shore. So, when it goes it goes. There was even a boat tearing around last Sunday, so the great white silence is gone for another year.

Presentation

Over 100 people turned out to the Orange Hall at Palgrave to honour newlyweds Iris and Elwood Taylor at a neighbourhood dance. Each person made a donation and the couple were presented with a sizeable monetary gift at the close of the evening. The event took place last foggy, Friday evening.

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Edgeley Doings

There are big things happening along the southern border of our community. A billion dollar square, as it is called, bounded by Steeles, Sheppard, Highway 400 and Keele Street is taking shape. It appears to be the fulfillment of a forecast last year, that a satellite city would spring up in the vicinity of Pioneer Village. It is in this area that York University is planning, according to Dr. Ross, is planning to commence construction of its university campus. The square is already designated as the downtown of Metro Toronto of the future.

Planning officials believe the population of the square should increase from the present 3000 residents to 100,000 by 1966 when they expect the square to be almost fully completed. An industrial zone is in and immediately west of the square.

Plans are underway for two large shopping centres at Finch and Jane Streets.

A few prestige homes are nearly completed in the square, but of over 300 residential lots, one-third of them are for semi-detached and multiple dwellings, indicating that a large number of those who will live there will be in the middle and low income groups.

Finch Avenue, with its Highway 400 interchange is expected to be a key traffic centre of the area within a few years.

And so it will seem but a short time indeed, until "us natives" will find it difficult to identify such well known spots as the Ross Anderson farm, the Thompson farms, the Hoover farm, and many other farms on which the owners helped to keep the county going for so many years and so many generations.

Hands Off the Trilliums

The season has come once again for the annual display of the beautiful white trilliums - our floral emblem for Ontario. Conservationists tell us that when a white trillium flower is picked, the plant will not bloom again. We understand that this is not so regarding the red trillium, which is less desirable on account of its disagreeable odor.

How sad it is then, in view of the precarious nature of the plant, to see people walking out of a wood lot with an armful of white trilliums.

There is (or was), a particularly fine growth of these flowers in the woods on the east side of Keele Street, north of No. 7 Highway. Last year, and the previous year, a car parked in this area had the back end filled with beautiful white trilliums, and as the occupant of the car was nowhere

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to be seen, we presumed he (or she) was away collecting more of the precious flowers. We often wondered what they did with so many trilliums, and if they realized the harm that they were doing to the species.

Let's hope that the spectacle will not be repeated this year!

More Members Please

Mrs. C. H. Boake will be the hostess for a regular meeting of the Edgeley Women's Institute at 2 p.m. on May 2.

Some very interesting and helpful programs are being planned for the coming year and all women are invited to attend the meetings which are held on the first Thursday of every month, except August, when there is no meeting. Some meetings are held in the afternoon, and others in the evening.

Transportation within the immediate or near area can usually be arranged for those without transportation. For information about meetings programs, time and transportation, please phone Mrs. C. H. Boake, president, at AV. 5-2421, Mrs. R. J. Darlington, secretary-treasurer at AV. 5-4097 or Mrs. R. Stuart, public relations officer at AV. 5-1934.

Women with small children are particularly invited to attend the meetings. Children are most welcome. It was the tragic death of a small child that sparked the creation of the Women's Institute over sixty years ago and the welfare of children has since been the prime concern of all the branches. In addition to projects undertaken in the interest of children, others are tailored for the homemaker with her many and varied problems of making a home for her family.

May we see you at the next meeting?

Happy Birthday To You All

Mrs. J. W. Dalziel, April 8, Mrs. John Stuart, April 9, Debbie Young, April 15, Mrs. Don Bagg, April 16, Mrs. A. W. Cook, April 18; Mr. H. Gent, April 19; Betty Jean Graham, April 23; Douglas Fierheller, April 25; Mrs. Norman Young and her son, Bobbie Young, April 28.

Accompanying Mr. Joslin's medal was a certificate and letter from Secretary of State Mr. Ernest Halpenny. It read: "This award is in recognition of your husband's valiant act in trying to prevent the explosion and fire which occurred at the Superior Propane plant."

Blast Victim's Widow Receives Queen's Medal

The Queen's Medal, given in recognition of brave conduct, has been received by Mrs. Herbert Joslin of Maple, on behalf of her late husband, who was fatally injured in the propane plant explosion at Maple last August.

A Richvale man, Charles Garnet Robson, has been awarded the same commendation for attempting to rescue Mr. Joslin. Both awards were announced in the Canada Gazette.

Mr. Joslin, a 50-year-old stock clerk, saw gas vapors rising from the company's storage yard, and apparently ran to seal it off. The explosion occurred before he got there. Over \$50,000 damage resulted from the explosion and following fire. It was never definitely determined what caused the blast.

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