

Maple, Concord and Edgeley District News

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Maple W.I. Marks 65th Anniversary

Wednesday night of last week members of the Maple W.I. marked their 65th anniversary, with a dinner in Maple United Church. Above is shown a photo of the head table guests. (Reading left to right) are Mrs. George Watson, secretary, Mrs. W. T. Cook, remaining charter member, Mrs.

C. B. Monture, guest speaker, Mrs. Harry Jackson, immediate past president, Mrs. Harry Stephenson, president, Mrs. Edwin Roden, District Secretary, York West and Mrs. N. C. Payne, president York West.

Maple Women's Institute recently celebrated its 65th anniversary with a dinner attended by 125, including institute members from surrounding areas. The United Church Women of Maple served dinner. The W.I. committee in charge included Mrs. A. Palmer, Mrs. A. Snider, Mrs. N. Payne, Mrs. G. Watson, Mrs. H. Jackson and Mrs. H. Stephenson. Among head table guests was charter member Mrs. W. T. Cook, still active in the W.I. During the program, Mrs. E. Brant Monture, a Brant descendant from the Mohawk tribe, told of the Indian contributions to the country, vividly described Pauline Johnson's home and life and recited some of her poems. Violinist Mrs. Brownless, accompanied by Mrs. Kearney, entertained with a variety of musical selections and Mrs. R. Fierheller, accompanied by Mrs. Clegg, sang "The Second Minuet" which she sang at the last anniversary; her mother was one of the first Maple W.I. presidents. Miss Sheena McDonald, accompanied by Mrs. R. Clegg David Cooper on the bagpipes, performed Highland dances. Next meeting June 12 will be at the home of Mrs. N. Payne. Contributions for York Manor and the gift basket will be on hand. Mrs. Payne, Mrs. T. Jackson and Mrs. R. Clegg are the committee for the June meeting.

graduating group of certified nursing assistants on a tour through Princess Margaret Hospital, one of the girls was Margaret Lockhart who used to live in Maple when we first moved here six years ago and is Ron (Beauty Salon) Lockhart's sister. Margaret's graduation exercises took place May 10 and just that week their name had officially been changed to "registered nursing assistants". She will be working in the hospital in the town to which her family moved from Maple — Cooksville. Congratulations Marg — we trust all went smoothly this time!! Hope S. S. Anniversary The guest speaker at Hope United Church Sunday school anniversary service on May 26 at 11 a.m. will be Dr. Homer Lane, assistant secretary of the Board of Evangelism and Social Service of the United Church. Regular readers of the "Observer" will have noted the writings of Dr. Lane's wife "Grace Lane", on the centre page, concerning the work of the U.C.W. The special music will be offered by the Teston Young People's Choir. This is but a small church and each year for their S.S. anniversary they always come up with a very ambitious and interesting program. On May 26, join in with them in their service. Thanks To Co-Representatives Through our neighbors we learn — from Helen Houston, King City, "Mrs. Wm. Loblack and Mrs. J. A. Walsworth, leaders of Maple Brownies, were among the 200 leaders at the York Central Division Guides banquet on May 1st, held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Thornhill. From Ruth Keffer, Concord — "The couples' club of the Maple United Church attended Spring Thaw at the Royal Alex recently. From Margot Crack, Richmond Hill — "By producing their marriage certificate, Mr. and Mrs. John Harris of Maple, were guests of the Curian Club for a performance of "When We Are Married" and enjoyed the "fix" the other couples in the play found themselves in." Incidentally the producer of the aforementioned play was Phyllis McMillan of Netherford Drive, Maple. Also from Margot comes news of versatile Debbie McConkey who was heroine Daisy Dorrance in a one-act play entitled "Fireman Save My Child" competing in a drama festival sponsored by the Catholic Youth Organization, at Notre Dame High School in Scarborough, last Sunday. An "Ace" Next Door Somehow I mention we have sent in the star of that all star hockey game between Maple and Schomberg Minor Hockey League team has been snowballed under. However, since said "ace" is my next door neighbor Grant Rose — I'll try again. Grant, in grade 6 and 11 years old, is a most enthusiastic sports participant — in the summer months he's a welcome addition to any baseball team. During the winter he was with the Chicago team who never lost a game. Chosen as an all star, Grant scored the only goal for Maple as Schomberg won 2-1. Hi Grant! Strawberry Supper That time of year is about here — the annual strawberry supper, sponsored by St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church held in the Maple Community Hall, June 12th where strawberries hold sway and are served

Edgeley WI Enjoy Varied Program

The first meeting in the 1963-64 season of the Edgeley Women's Institute was held on May 2 at the home of Mrs. C. H. Boake, with Mrs. Boake, the new president, presiding. Mrs. J. G. Snider, convener of citizenship and education conducted a lively discussion on Ontario laws, and dealt particularly with instances whereby some of our laws are not enforced. The roll call, in keeping with the program, was answered by each member stating "A Law I Would Like to Have Enforced." A few mentioned were: more control over dogs running at large; slower driving of school buses; prosecution of persons responsible for vandalism, particularly in cemeteries, the cases in point being a Woodbridge Cemetery in which tombstones were toppled and demolished and in Fisherville United Church cemetery where tombstones are toppled and broken and the cemetery grounds are in a badly neglected state. In November 1960, the Fisherville Church was removed to Pioneer Village. Election posters not removed after an election campaign is a source of irritation, although some improvement is noted in this area since the last federal election. The membership has selected "Desserts" as the subject they

prefer to take in the local leader training school to be held later in the year. "Block Printing" was second choice and "More About Finishes" was their third choice. Safety Contest The York County safety council essay and poster contest awards were announced. The project, which was jointly sponsored by the safety council and the women's institute, was open to public school children in grades 5 to 8. The awards were presented at the school on May 6 to the following winners: Essay, Grades 7 and 8 1st prize - Penny Hawkesworth; 2nd prize - Miriam Snider; 3rd prize - Stephen Wolynshun. Essay Grades 5 and 6 1st prize, Peggy Dickeyman; 2nd prize - Diane Robinson; 3rd prize - Diana Drew. Mr. Herbert Sawdon of Woodbridge, a retired teacher judged the essays. The posters were judged by the Institute members and they awarded 1st prize to Diane Drew. Her excellent water color sketch was entitled "Never Smoke in the Barn". Second prize winner, David Rowe, chose "Never Leave Farm Tools Where They Can Do Harm" as the subject for his poster. The safety council and the Edgeley WI Branch donated the prize money which was: essays, \$3, \$2 and \$1 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes respectively and \$2 for 1st prize poster and \$1 for 2nd prize poster. Congratulations to the winners. You did exceedingly well. In fact all the children who participated in the contest did excellent work. Mrs. Allen Aitchison read a very interesting paper entitled "From Confederation to Canadian Citizenship" and Mrs. John Snider conducted a quiz on Canadian elections and parliamentary rulings. Mrs. Boake, on behalf of the meeting, welcomed Mrs. Alex Hunter and Mrs. M. P. Riordan to the meeting and extended an invitation to them to join them at the next meeting which

THE Challenge OF Cancer

The Canadian Cancer Society conducts one annual campaign for funds during the month of April. This year's objective is \$3,682,000. Included in this annual appeal are the funds required for the Society's affiliated cancer control organizations, thus ensuring that there will be only one cancer campaign each year. Chief of these affiliated organizations is the National Cancer Institute of Canada, through which the Society supports a large national cancer research programme. Besides this the Society's functions include cancer education and limited assistance to cancer patients.

Dear Mr. Editor

COMMITTEE OPPOSED TO ORAL FRENCH

We, the committee opposing the implementing of Oral French, at this time, into the elementary schools of Vaughan Township School Area, appreciate the action of the school board in withdrawing indefinitely their motion of March 14, 1963. Because the chairman of the school board ruled that there was to be no discussion on the subject from anyone other than the board members, and because of some of the statements made by these members, we feel we, as a committee, should reply through the press. We would remind Mr. Jolliffe that if the board had been exercising good principles, and had been guided by the meeting of March 7, 1963, as they should have been, this motion would not have been made. Also we would remind Mr. Jolliffe that those who opposed the motion of March 14th, were not a pressure group, but the taxpayers of Vaughan Township, the same people who elected this school board. We would point out to Mr. L. Wells, that this committee did not base its opposition entirely on the financial aspect of the issue. Although the board should have recognized, that because of the extreme cost of teaching Oral French, this was not a feasible experiment for our school board to undertake at this time. We would point out that the time element, the views of the Department of Education, the problems which would arise in planning the unfinished projects and other more important needs relevant to elementary education — all these points were submitted to the board, to which they gave no satisfactory answers. We will state once more, that we are interested in good basic education for this township now, in each school and every school, with the proper facilities. We wish to point out to Mr. S. Kaisir, that when he indicated to the people attending the meeting May 9th that Oral French would eliminate failures in our secondary schools in grades 9, 10 and 11, that pupils are seldom allowed to fail in our elementary schools, but are often advanced according to age. It is when children reach secondary school that the process of elimination begins. It would be interesting to know the percentage of our grade students, who, upon reaching secondary school, must repeat grades 9 or 10 and from what schools in the area they have come. We believe this would point out the need for the sound basic education which we desire for our elementary schools. We feel Mr. W. Baillie was correct when he indicated that the board had not all the information needed to carry out this project. Committee Opposed To Oral French.

Photo Fans At Village James Beveridge, past president of the Toronto Camera Club, Rex Frost, noted camera authority, and John B. Withrow, secretary-treasurer of the Toronto Camera Club will judge the second annual photographic competition which will be held at the Pioneer Village during the three-day opening for the 1963 season on May 18-19-20. Prizes will be awarded in the black and white and color slides categories. The competition is open to all persons visiting the Pioneer Village and photos submitted must depict some aspect of the village. More than 200 entries were received last year. In addition to the photographic competition, there will be demonstrations of horse-shoeing, threshing hay, pioneer transportation, etc. Indoors, pioneer women will demonstrate cooking and baking as it was done in pioneer days. These are but a few of the attractions offered on the opening day.

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This Week's Happenings In Maple

There have been times when working on certain community projects, that we've been disappointed by the response of our neighbours — but never have we come up against such seeming indifference as was witnessed by the number of Vaughan Township residents who failed to make use of their right to express their choice — pro or con — in the May 11 election. In Maple's four polling areas, only 642, out of an eligible 1,043, bothered to take the few minutes required to mark their two ballots. The township had 9,413 eligible voters and a mere 3,981 voted — it later seems it's always that "other half" that comes up with "all the squawking and beeping!"

Our Local I.G.A. When Glen Ratcliffe of Stouffville bought out the McCowan I.G.A. store in Maple Plaza recently, he brought along the very personable Ron Nichols who was manager of the Stouffville I.G.A., to take over this store. This has proved to be a happy combination for the regular staff and customers alike. Following a four day period when the store was closed for alterations, it had its "Grand Opening" and the "alterations" proved to be "improvements" of all concerned. We welcome these new businessmen to Maple and hope they find us as pleasant and gracious as they indeed have proved to be.

Nice To See Back Having finished her year at Waterloo Lutheran College, it's nice to be greeted by — and greet, Janet McCowan back at her familiar stand as cashier at the I.G.A. for the summer. Jan has her sights set on becoming a P.T. instructor. Graduation Last week while guiding a

ship Council and planning board were taken on a two hour personally conducted tour, May 8, by the CNR project director, Mr. Jack Cann.

Councillor Ruth McConkey said that the climb to the top of the tower which is still under construction (and can be seen from Keele Street — just behind the race track) was somewhat scary because of the height, the wind and as yet no guard rails — but the 3 1/2 mile view of the whole yard area was well worth the effort. An electronic model, showing the whole yard in operation, which is on display, was most fascinating and enlightening.

Maple Ex Elections Debbie McConkey for president and Allan Cameron for treasurer made a fine showing as candidates for the student council executive at Richmond Hill High School, last Friday. Although beaten this time they showed great spirit and ingenuity while gaining experience for a "bigger and better" next time. Thanks To Co-Representatives Through our neighbors we learn — from Helen Houston, King City, "Mrs. Wm. Loblack and Mrs. J. A. Walsworth, leaders of Maple Brownies, were among the 200 leaders at the York Central Division Guides banquet on May 1st, held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Thornhill. From Ruth Keffer, Concord — "The couples' club of the Maple United Church attended Spring Thaw at the Royal Alex recently. From Margot Crack, Richmond Hill — "By producing their marriage certificate, Mr. and Mrs. John Harris of Maple, were guests of the Curian Club for a performance of "When We Are Married" and enjoyed the "fix" the other couples in the play found themselves in." Incidentally the producer of the aforementioned play was Phyllis McMillan of Netherford Drive, Maple. Also from Margot comes news of versatile Debbie McConkey who was heroine Daisy Dorrance in a one-act play entitled "Fireman Save My Child" competing in a drama festival sponsored by the Catholic Youth Organization, at Notre Dame High School in Scarborough, last Sunday.

It seems that Lisa has picked up a virus. What else is there these days? Sorry I mentioned it, Audrey. Mrs. Marg Gilbert, Vaughan Blvd., spent the Easter vacation with her parents at their home near Calgary. Mrs. Gilbert's mother hasn't been too well, and Marg went out to lend a hand while on vacation from her teacher's job at MacKillop School in Richmond Hill. Along with Sil and Vivian Steffan we went to see Spring Thaw last week, and enjoyed ourselves very much. Maybe the reason for the bad reviews by the critics was the fact that some of the skits were too close to the truth to be funny. But we must learn to laugh at ourselves, it's a sign of maturity, or mental instability, I forget which. Mrs. Nora Symons and her son Bruce, Port Hope, visited Mrs. Alf Bagg last Saturday. Bruce has just completed his third year at O.A.C., Guelph, and will receive his diploma on Friday. Bruce received second class honors in his science course, and has invited his Grandma Bagg to attend the graduation ceremony with the Symons family. Masonic Dinner Victoria Chapter, Thornhill, held its annual dinner and eucharist last Saturday evening at the Ridge Inn, Oak Ridges. Local people attending were Mr. and Mrs. R. Watt, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Poole, Mr. and Mrs. Watts Hinckley, Mrs. Alf Bagg and Mrs. Hinckley's sister, Ella Burgess, Toronto. Also there as guests of Mr. Poole were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Darlington, Mr. and Mrs. Art Avery and Mr. and Mrs. Ab. Mitchell.

Anniversary Dinner Party Before Hugh and Ruth McConkey bought their home, Pine Hill on Maple Road, it had belonged to the late Dr. and Mrs. Fred Routledge. Its spaciousness and beautifully kept grounds proved to be the lovely setting for the wedding of Charles and Jean Miller, 25 years ago last week. In honour of their anniversary, the present home owners, Hugh and Ruth gave a dinner party May 11th for this delightful Maple couple. As fashion designer and artist, Jean is well known throughout such circles and Charles is a noted member of the Vaughan Township Planning Board and chairman of the committee of adjustment. Close personal friends Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Robertson of Toronto and Mrs. and Mrs. John Belknap of King City were also dinner guests who joined in anniversary congratulations and welcoming Jean and Charles Miller home from their month's holiday in Spain, Majorca Island and England.

Tea-Bazaar-Bake Table! This is what is offered as an incentive on the ticket I purchased from Dorothy Spears (as a former "Liberal" reporter she knew she had a sale with me!) "All" this is promised and sponsored by the Richvale branch of the York Central Hospital Volunteer Auxiliary from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. May 29 at the Emmanuel Church, Mackay Drive, Richvale. With "door prizes" too, you may call me for tickets 257-1150, if you'd care to support this new auxiliary in such an ideal way.

It Was No Surprise Following the careful "observation, discussion with various residents, teenagers and officials" — it was no news to a large group of Maple folk that Mr. Mike Andrassy, executive secretary of N.Y. Branch YMCA should state in an H & S meeting that "at this point he was not certain that Maple has a "problem." This was in relation to the expressed feeling of some residents that we do have a "problem" involving our teenagers and that, quote "It is obvious that modern teenagers require outlets for their energies and talents" — unquote.

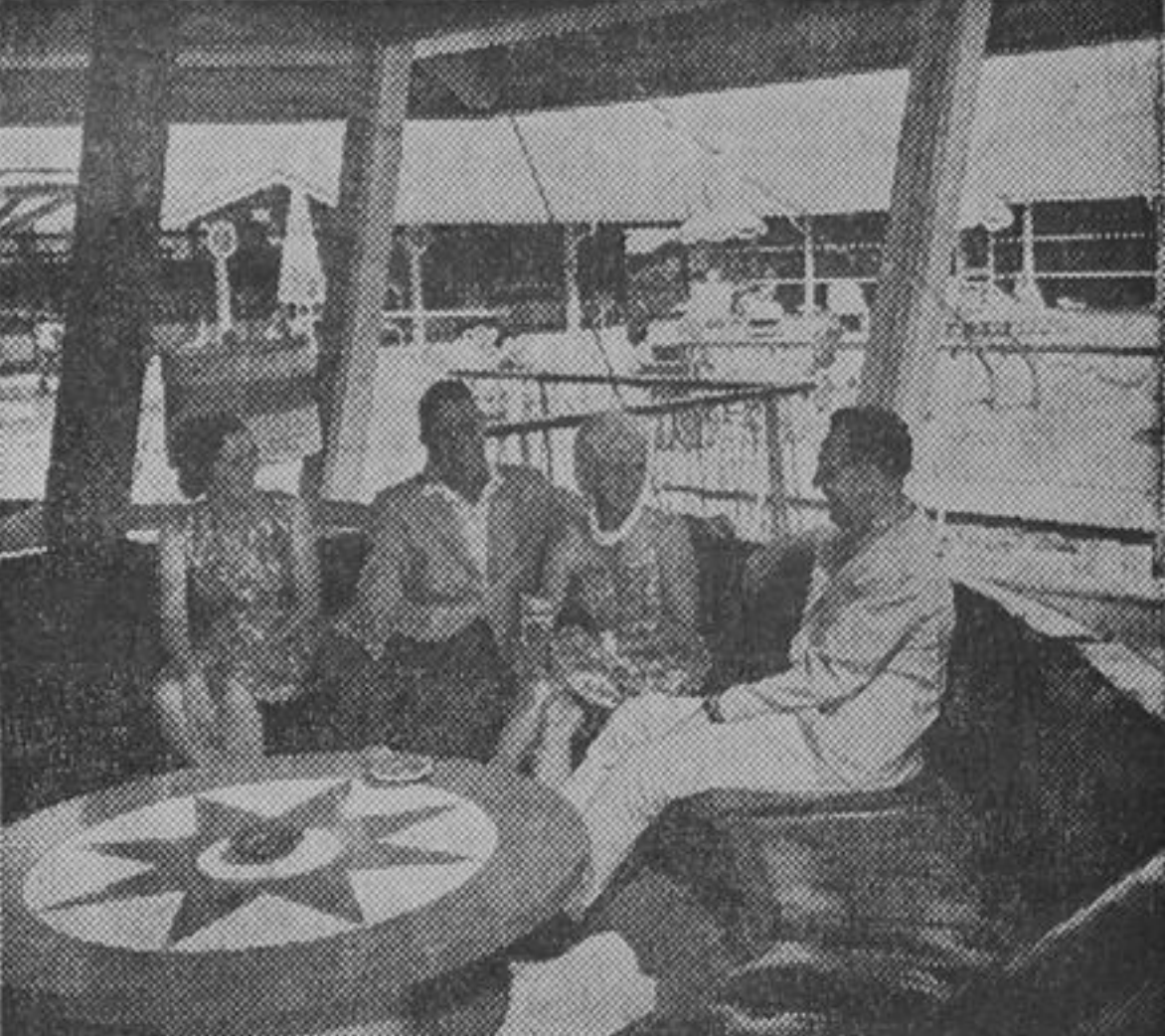
Some of us more old fashioned types were of the opinion that in a healthy community such as ours — all the boys and girls needed, above what is already available, was to be let be just boys and girls and allowed to explore life a little more on their own, enjoying and hanging on to their "teens" — not pushed or rushed into "adults." Our thanks to Mr. Andrassy for his understanding, his time and effort spent in our behalf and interests. NEWMARKET: No development of low rental housing in the area can be expected at present, council of Economics and Development. According to the department's report, there was a minimum response to a survey of the need for the housing and there was available housing in the area on a rental basis.



Bong Do Chal The UCW's sponsorship will aid in Bong Do Chal's schooling and the family's living expenses. This year the church group is studying countries in the rim of east Asia and has a particular interest in Korea. Before the Korean war, the family lived in middle Korea where Bong Do Chal's father worked in a printing shop; but they took refuge in Pusan when Communist troops invaded. The father who was employed as a casual labourer, developed stomach trouble and was unable to work. The mother, peddling face cream bottles door to door makes a profit of about \$10 a month for the family. Rent for their room in a hilltop house with no water, electricity or sanitation is about \$2.50, the UCW learned. They plan to correspond with the boy.

Maple Women Adopt Young Korean Boy

Maple United Church Women are sponsoring an eight-year-old Korean refugee through the Canadian Save the Children Fund. Bong Do Chal in grade two of primary school in Pusan, Korea, has four sisters, Chai Bong Sook, 15 years old, Chai Bong Sun, 11 years old, Chai Bong Nai, and Chai Bong Ryun, five-year-old twins and a brother, Chai Bong, three years old.



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Concord Socials

Socials A whole flock of birthdays this week — all related. Greetings May 8 to Sharon and Bill Spurgeon on their 20th and 17th birthdays respectively. We're told there is a difference of three years and three minutes in their ages — what a sly way to avoid two birthday parties! On May 9 Glen Gambell and Tommy Thompson shared their eighth birthday. Glen had a party for his friends on Thursday, and Tommy took some of his boyfriends to the show on Friday night. May 10 was Ann Witty's birthday and we hope it was a happy one too. That last birthday was part of the news I picked up on Saturday when we went to vote. Also found out that Glen Dollery has had chicken pox, and Lisa Boron hasn't been back to school ever since I said she was a couple of weeks ago.

Reception At Ridge Inn After Spring Nuptials

On May 4, 1963, the Richmond Hill United Church was the setting for the marriage of Miss Dawn Marie Pike, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pike of Vaughan Township, to Mr. Arthur George Cousins of Clarkson, Ontario, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cousins. Rev. Charles G. Higginson officiated. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length white wedding gown. Her bridal bouquet was of white sweetheart roses, white carnations and Stephanotis. Miss Esther Jean Pike was her sister's maid of honour, and bridesmaids were the groom's sister, Miss Barbara Cousins and Miss Evelyn Ambrose. All were gowned in blue peau de sole. The maid of honor carried pale pink sweet heart roses and white carnations, and the bridesmaids white carnations and roses.

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