

# KING CITY, OAK RIDGES LAKE WILCOX

## Oak Ridges, Lake Wilcox News

**Neighborhood Notes**  
Well, there is really very little in the way of news at this time but one couple made the front page of "The Liberal" last week when the "first" boy was born at the York Central Hospital on Christmas Day. May we add our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ransome, South Road, who weighed in at 10.23 p.m. 6 lbs. 9 1/2 ozs., a brother for Russell.

Birthdays wishes also to Lorelei Daines who was six December 29; Kelly Jo Lacey two on December 31; Barbara Jende, seven, Doug McMillan, 18, January 6; Dennis Bolan, 12, January 8; Pat Carswell January 8; David Fuller, 17, January 8; Brian Hunter, 12, January 11.

A very good time was had by all when 40 people rang out the old and rang in the new year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hunter, Wildwood Ave., on New Year's eve. There was lots of dancing, and a good variety of food to help celebrate the festivities.

Another group of people from this district enjoyed New Year's eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Cort, Stouffville.

**Do you belong to one of the many local groups?**  
At this time of the year many of the organizations are forming new executives, etc. and getting their calendar ready for the coming year.

**I would greatly appreciate any news of your group, or news items about the family.**  
I am sure there are many celebrities right here among the people of Oak Ridges and Lake Wilcox, but we can't hear about them all, if we are not told.

## King City Notes

**Amateurs Encouraged**  
Watching professional players practise in Maple Leaf Gardens was the special treat arranged in the holidays for eager young players of King City Lions Junior Hockey League.

Several of the Lions accompanied the two chartered buses of lads who play in the house league Saturdays at Nobleton.

At the Gardens they received pointers from morning practise sessions of the Leafs and Marlboros.

**Plan School Meetings**  
Following the inaugural meeting last evening at King Township Office, the new township school area board planned to make an early tour of school facilities throughout the township.

While several locations have been under consideration, at press time the board had not decided where to have headquarters. A monthly meeting open to the public in a central location has been planned tentatively.

**Convalescing**  
King City's Fire Chief David Glass spent a few days as a patient in York Central Hospital.

**Holidaying**  
Rev. E. H. Costigan and his sister spent a few days in New York after Christmas.

Former Baptist lay preacher A. George Cusdin, who has been travelling through the United States, returned to visit village friends during Yuletide holidays.

## Subdivision Roads "Lamentable" - Ratepayer

# Trustees Envision Stepped-Up Program

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A letter from International Water Supply Company left the decision to trustees how much should be paid of the \$800 claimed for additional work on No. 2 well. Trustee Mann moved \$300 was adequate.

Average daily water consumption for November was 107,000 gallons, reported the chairman.

He suggested at trustees' first meeting in January consideration could be given to an application to Ontario Municipal Board regarding parks.

He explained a county by-law referring to the "corporation" of King City, when it was formed, "may be the key to our making direct application."

Mr. Findlay moved "all necessary changes in letterheads be made in order to conform to the name under county by-law".

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## TEMPERANCEVILLE NEWS

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The regular monthly meeting of Temperanceville Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Milton Wells January 13, at 8 p.m. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Don Chalk, citizenship and education convener. Roll call will be answered by "My favorite page of the newspaper and why."

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wells visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Levinson for a New Year's party December 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Palmer spent New Year's at home entertaining members of their family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Macklin attended New Year's parties with relatives and friends at Agincourt.

## Must Maintain Balance Between Savings & Spending Says BMT Head

The dangers in carrying present-day credit buying to an extreme and the need to maintain a balance between saving and spending without money was emphasized by W. H. Gregory, chairman of the board, at the annual meeting of British Mortgage & Trust Company held recently at the head office of the company in Stratford.

Mr. Gregory commented on the public attitude towards saving today as compared with that of some years ago. "At one time people were exhorted to save," he said. "Now they are being told how easy it is to spend without money. It is true that credit spending helps business and employment, but a careful balance should be observed. Thrift is still a virtue, though clad in old-fashioned attire, and there is no substitute for the independence enjoyed by the man who can regard it as the fruit of his own energy and prudence."

"Such warnings are not likely to change the present economic habits", Mr. Gregory felt. "Even King Canute could not stop the tide," he said "and I do not expect any words of mine to have any modifying effect on the trends of today. All I venture to suggest is that caution be not cast to the winds. Those of us who came through the depression of the thirties still spell it with a capital 'D' and we want to avoid all chance of a recurrence."

Commenting on proposed federal legislation to relax lending restrictions, Mr. Gregory said "Real estate valuation may be an art, but it is far from being an exact science. An appraisal made in prosperous times with firm or rising prices and under the stress of competition is likely to far exceed the amount which can be realized at a sale under unfavorable conditions. The 25% margin of safety can quickly vanish, even if it ever fully existed."

Mr. Gregory felt that the wide-spread effect of mortgage losses is not fully realized by the public. "It should be understood," he said, "that mortgage losses do not affect the investor alone. If they occur with undue frequency, real estate prices fall, mortgage money becomes scarce and the economy is depressed. The ensuing restriction of credit completes the deplorable circle. Everybody loses—the lender, the borrower and that innocent bystander, the general public."

Wilfrid P. Gregory, Q.C., president and managing director said, in his report, that the company is planning no additional expansion in the immediate future. Since 1961, 14 branch offices have been opened throughout Western Ontario and in the Metropolitan Toronto area. A new head office has also been built in Stratford.

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## King, Whitchurch Police Reported Quiet Year-End

Both King Township Chief Leslie Pengelly and Whitchurch Township Police Chief Fred Mason said New Year's weekend was a quiet one in their districts.

Chief Pengelly said other than some minor accidents and a small fire, there were no incidents over the holiday and no charges of impaired driving laid.

Chief Mason said residents in his township "had given the police a holiday, too."

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## Extinguished 28 Fires L. Simcoe District '64

Some 28 fires were reported and extinguished in the fire district section of the Lake Simcoe District, Department of Lands and Forests during the 1964 season—the highest total in a number of years. Rainfall was quite low during the fire season—April 1 to October 31—13.77 inches and 35 days of high or extreme hazard conditions recorded.

Fire occurrence was highest in the month of July with 12 fires recorded and in the third week of June when seven fires occurred. Total area burned over was 54.90 acres. Carelessness on the part of campers, smokers, and others using wooded areas for recreational purposes, again was the chief cause, accounting for 17 of the 28 fires. Seven fires were attributed to carelessness on the part of local residents and three were caused by lightning. One fire is suspected as incendiary.

Good cooperation was again received from the public in reporting fires—17 being detected in this way. Eight fires were first detected by the department lookout tower near Severn Falls and several by government employees and aircraft.

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