

# Maple, Concord and Edgeley District News

"The Liberal" is always willing to publish items regarding people and events contributed by its readers in Maple, Concord and Edgeley districts. In Maple please phone Linda Graham, 832-1372; in Edgeley and Sherwood, Mrs. Raymond Stuart, 285-1934; and in Concord, Mrs. Ruth Keffer, 285-6805.

## Happenings In Maple

**Scout Meeting**  
Last week, a special meeting of the Maple Scouts was held to name a new president to replace Lowell House, former president, who died recently. Frank Robson was named to succeed him. The entire Scout troop is deeply indebted to Mr. House for his many years of service. It was he that built the organization from scratch and the group and leaders extend their deepest sympathy.

**Joy Ride**  
As has been the custom of Frank Robson every year, he again took the members of the grade seven carol singing group, who sang at the municipal offices several mornings, on a bus trip before delivering them back to their studies. Following the back roads, Frank steered the bus to Highway 27, to the Circle M Ranch to show them around. There, they saw a river with a complete village surrounding it on the side of a trail. Or, at least it looked like a real village. But actually, the buildings were only shells of such, used in the shooting of pictures. Among the buildings or rather shells, there was a fortress of the old cavalry and a cottage on one side of the Humber River. An old barn, this structure was for real and contained horses, each with a separate job in a different film. The pupils saw the producing studio and the setting of old west towns where pictures are shot for the J.R. Forest Ranger series. Also, among the horses were trick dogs, used in various films along with the horses. The last stop of Frank's joy ride was at the Findlay Farms where all observed the huge milking machinery and different methods used in the manufacture of dairy products. Then, back to the school, where Frank was asked to join the class party that afternoon.

**Birthdays**  
Jim Robson of Lancer Drive celebrated his fifth birthday on January 6; Glen Pemberton of Maple Sideroad greeted his tenth on January 4, while Dale Bone, also of Maple Sideroad, celebrated his twelfth on January 9. Clifford Lloyd had his tenth on January 10.

**Skating Pond**  
Frank Robson has been doing his best to keep his pond in good skating condition and

waiting for a full moon so that he might invite the Maple branches of Scouts, Cubs, Brownies and Guides to a skating party and a big bonfire. That's something to look forward to.

**Sick List**  
Darlene Blakelock of Railway Street is now recuperating from a tonsilectomy in York Central Hospital.

**Movie, Success**  
January 8 was the date of Walt Disney's production of "Thomasina" in Joseph A. Gibson Auditorium, sponsored by the home and school association. Both shows were well attended, at 6:30 and 8:30, although the first was a full house. It was reported that this movie received about the same, or even better response than the HSA's showing of "The Incredible Journey."

## Concord News

**Congratulations**  
Congratulations to the Barretts and Lightfoots who became grandparents last week when a boy was born to Ann and Ted Lightfoot. The baby is to be called Beverly Norman David, after both grandfathers, but will be just plain David in case you wish to ask how he is or anything like that. Despite his maternal grandmother's birthday being January 3, David showed his first sign of independence by waiting until the 6th to be born.

**Stays in Family**  
Back in December Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bright and family moved to Morrisburg, Ontario. Their Vaughan Boulevard home is now occupied by Bob's brother, John and his wife and small daughter, Maureen. Belated good wishes to both families; to the Bob Brights and their new life in Morrisburg, and to the John Brights for many happy years in Concord.

**Judo Student**  
Back in October, Mark Medensky began taking judo lessons from Chris Toulou in Willowdale. Recently Mark passed the tests which earned him his yellow belt and diploma. From what I have been told by the Medensky boys or girls taking judo are cautioned against

using their skills carelessly, as in ordinary play. It is impressed upon them that judo is a means of defence, and with those aggressive girls across the street Mark may need a good defence someday! By the way, the girls I speak of are my own and I'm relying on good fast legs and a large hat-pin for their defence!

**Doublelink a Busy Spot**  
During the holidays the near-by Doublelink Arena was patronized by many of the local boys and girls and their parents as well. On my first and only visit so far, I found their facilities to be excellent. Of course we were only there for pleasure skating, but with the numerous dressing rooms and two large ice surfaces, not to mention the snack bar, the hockey players are obviously well looked after too. Last Sunday Doug took our two older girls and Louise Scott over for a skate, planning to leave Heather and Louise for a couple of hours. He thought an hour would be enough for Patricia and her father. Well, it seems that Patricia, whom we were afraid to send with the bigger girls, outskated everybody. Next time dear old Dad will have to do a better job of hiding his skates! It only took Trish half as long to find them as he took to hide them. Apparently while the kids were at Doublelink a lady fell, hitting her head on the ice. While she wasn't knocked unconscious, she did have to be carried out on a stretcher. Hope she has recovered by now, whoever and wherever she is. Beth and Al Nash were at the rink with their children on Sunday too, and according to Heather, there were many others from the district, the Wade girls, the Baileys and others. A good way for the entire family to spend an afternoon.

**Recuperating**  
Norm and Wilf Symons came up from their home in Port Hope to visit Nora's mother, Mrs. Alf Bagg, in York Central Hospital last Saturday. They returned home that same day. Although she has had her ups and downs, Gram is not doing too badly these days.

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**Edgley Notes**  
Women's Institute News  
Mrs. Anthony Tomrow was the hostess for the January 7 regular meeting of the Edgley Women's Institute.

Each member answered the roll call by naming an industry in the community.

Mrs. George Snider, convener of the committee on Agriculture and Canadian Industries, was in charge of the program. She was assisted by Mrs. M. Riddan. W. Mitchell of Canadian Nutria Limited, Stouffville, was the guest speaker.

Mrs. Allen Aitchison and Mrs. Charles Agnew headed the social committee, with Mrs. Aitchison entertaining the meeting with a humorous reading.

**Winter picnicking**  
Whenever there is a snowfall, it provides an excellent opportunity for the public to enjoy horse-drawn sleigh rides on weekends at Pioneer Village.

Winter picnicking is again being encouraged by the conservation authority, which has set up special facilities for this purpose at the Village, as well as at each of the other conservation areas.

A 50-cent car-parking fee is the only charge, and hot drinks can be purchased at the CNIB booth in the Village.

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## Discover Maple's First School

Now that the four buildings on the corner of Sherwood Side Road are being torn down, it was discovered that one of them was the first school in Maple.

A complete history of Sherwood is being drawn up by Roland Keffer and Mrs. Jean Bryson. The log school house, 1842-43 was directed by a John Kennedy. That winter, it was recorded that a total of 58 students attended at some time or another.

The house on the corner was the first general store with a post office, which closed in 1926. Just when Sherwood was beginning to flourish into a regular little community, the railroad moved in in 1855, creating another village with it, namely, Maple. As Maple grew, Sherwood stood still in growth. The store, school and sev-

## Mrs. Edgar Bowen Funeral Service Is Held At Teston

A life-long resident of Vaughan Township, Mrs. Edgar Bowen, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. Williamson, Jane Street, December 24, in her 84th year.

Mrs. Bowen was the former Bertha Deisman, daughter of William and Frances Deisman. Her father lived on the family farm at Teston for 90 years.

A member of Teston United Church all her life, Mrs. Bowen was a charter member of the WA there, now the UCV. She had been in failing health for the past two years and bedridden for the past four months.

Surviving are her husband, 90 year old Edgar Bowen, who makes his home with his son Harold on the Bowen family farm at Teston, a second son Roy, who farms on the 6th concession; a daughter Mrs. W. Williamson (Edith) of Jane Street, north of Teston, and eight grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted at Teston United Church December 28 by Rev. M. Jenkinson with interment in King City Cemetery. Pall bearers were Bruce Mortimer of Agincourt and Gordon Murray, Stewart Diceman, Stanley Diceman, Edward Kyle and Picking McQuarrie all of Vaughan Township.

## Zion Lutheran Church

An executive meeting of the Lutheran Church Women was held January 5th at the parsonage. The meeting was presided over by the LCW President Mrs. Verna Keffer, after which Mrs. Esther Lange led in prayer. The secretary, Mrs. Helene Winter, then read the minutes of the 1964 executive meeting, followed by Mrs. Reta Moore with the treasurer's report. The overall purpose of this meeting was to make plans for the coming year. LCW meets the third Wednesday of every month. Arrangements for special items pertaining to the coming year were also discussed, and it was learned that The World Day of Prayer has been set this year for March 5th. Committee chairmen then named their individual duties for a two-year period. They are as follows:

Faith and Life Committee: Chairman, Mrs. Ruth Auger, Mrs. Gladys Boechner and Mrs. Esther Lange.

Outreach and Fellowship Committee: Chairman, Mrs. June Davidson, Mrs. Sue Theil, Mrs. Goldie Keffer and Mrs. Efrida Medensky.

Christian Action Committee: Chairman, Mrs. Ruth Keffer; a complete list of members of this committee was not submitted at this time.

The evening continued with a lovely lunch being served by the hostess Mrs. Esther Lange.

The beautiful pink and white carnations gracing the church altar on January 9th were placed there by Mr. Burton Pabst and children, Patty, Roddy and Victor, in honor of their mother who celebrated her birthday January 11.

On behalf of the Sunday School teachers and class, happy birthday greetings are extended to Jane Hansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Hansen of Concord. Jane is 9 years old today, January 14.

## Fire of Unknown Origin Wipes Out Famous District Landmark

Fire of unknown origin last week destroyed the Crown 7 Ranch, one of the earliest landmarks in Edgeley.

The large residence on the Jane Street farm once occupied by the late James Bag and his sons, George and Frank, was built during the War of 1812, and was one of the first houses in the community to be constructed of brick. The bricks were made on the farm while it was being settled by pioneer Richard Brown and his family.

As central heating was unknown in those days and there was a bountiful supply of wood, a large fireplace was built into every main room to adequately

heat the eleven-room dwelling. Later, the fireplaces were walled up when more convenient means were found to heat the house.

The Bag family resided in the house for 50 years, during which time they developed a herd of Jersey cattle that gained international fame.

When the brothers moved to farms in Tavistock and the Alliston areas 10 years ago, the property became the site of the Crown 7 Ranch.

The present occupants, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Keeping, lost all their possessions in the fire. Prompt aid to the family was provided by the Edgeley Women's Institute.

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