

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.



Vaughan Oratorical Winner

Vaughan Township's former Superintendent of Schools, Joseph A. Gibson is shown above with the winner of the Vaughan Township oratorical contest, 12-year old Helen Payne, a grade 7 student at Langstaff Public School. See story this page.

Happenings In Maple

Birthdays
Mrs. E. Thurston of Richmond celebrated a birthday on February 6, Barbara Baker of Railway Street, her 16th on February 7, and Glenaele McCree of Keele Street, her 14th on February 8. David Lange of Gram Street is celebrating his ninth birthday February 11 by having a dinner party for five of his friends, Garth Moore, Teddy Allen, Digby Bourke, Allan Outram and Brad Elkins. Congratulations to all.

Cub and Scout Banquet
On February 4, a father-and-son banquet was held for the Cubs, Scouts, leaders and fathers of our Maple packs.

After being welcomed, everyone observed two minutes silence in honor of Lowel House. Blessing was said by Rev. E. Lange, minister of Zion Lutheran Church, followed by a toast to the Queen and God Save the Queen.

After dinner, members of the head table were introduced, and Frank Robson gave a brief account of the past year's work and future ambitions. While the tables were being cleared, songs were sung, and the ladies who prepared and served the dinner were most graciously thanked.

Guest speaker was Mr. Lange, who showed slides, and gave a talk on India where he and his family spent six years of their lives. The pictures included plants and flowers of the distant land, buildings of religious and historic importance, the dress, religions, dances and customs of the people, and the fight against diseases being done mostly by church organizations.

His interesting account of the land, and many of his personal experiences concluded with questions asked by both boys and fathers. David Birch thanked Mr. Lange and presented him with a small gift to express the appreciation of the gatherings.

The "Going-up Ceremony" was then launched. Ron Crooks and Jimmy Hill from A pack, and Ricky House from B pack were promoted from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts. The ceremony was followed by an initiation of the three, who were lowered by an escape rope and knot from the second floor to the first of the community centre. Jeff Salmon was presented with his Boy Scout second-class badge by his father.

On Saturday, February 13, a skating party will be held for the Cubs and Scouts. Further details are available from the leaders.

Correction
It was announced last week that a Valentine bake sale would be held February 13 at 2 p.m. There has however been a mistake in the time and the sale will take place on the same date at 1:30 p.m.

Home and School
The home and school meeting was held on February 3 in the Joseph A. Gibson Public School auditorium. Guest speaker was Mr. Murch, principal of Langstaff secondary school.

Topic was the "New Robert's Plan", including the different secondary school programs, those being, the four and five year arts and science, business, four-year science, technology and trade and a special two-year course. After a very interesting discussion, Mr. Murch answered questions from the assembly.

Euchre
The last euchre game received a good turnout and it would be worth your while to repeat it, February 16, 8 p.m. at the Masonic Hall.

Brownie & Guide Parent Meeting
February 16 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. a general meeting of the Maple Brownie and Guide Parents Association will be held in the Scout hut. Refreshments will be served and a penny sale and mystery auction will take place.

Anyone requiring transportation may call Mrs. F. McCarthy, 832-1417.

Maple Minor Hockey Results

Atoms:
Transport Refrigeration 3, two goals by Billy Edmondson and one by Billy Bagg.

Maple Contractors 1, goal by Paul Hoogenboom.

D.H.A. Engineers 0, shut out for Marty Shank.

Parker Spray Paint 0, shut out for Danny James.

Peewees:
Maple Merchants 4, three goals by Tom Edmondson, one by Graham Cameron.

Superior Propane 2, both goals by Dennis Walters.

Connor Transport 2, goals by Kim Higginson and David Walters, shut-out for Grant Wells, Maple Lions 0.

Bantams:
Del Brocco Construction 2, both goals by Jimmy Maddin.

Arthurs Jones 2, both goals by John Weir.

Maple Merchants 1, goal by Brian Walters.

Allied Paint 1, goal by Terry Adams.

Midgets:
Brookhouse 6, two goals by Ken Blakelock, two by Robert Stevenson, the others by Tom Johnson and Fred Campbell.

Fred's Shell 3, goals by Larry LeCastro, Doug Free and John Bourke.

OMHA Allstars
February 2-Cadillac Lumber Kings 4, two goals by Mark LeMoine and two by Kim Adams. Oak Ridges 2.

February 6-Cadillac Lumber Kings 8, four goals by Jimmy Maddin, two by Mark LeMoine, the others by Dale Bone and Gary Sykes. Schomberg 3.

February 5-Nobleton 5. C. A. Fraser Movers 0.

Edgeley Notes

This is "White Cane Week." It is an educational week from coast to coast sponsored by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in order to make life more pleasant and travel a little easier for the sightless. It is to remind those blessed with sight to assist those who carry a white cane by offering a guiding hand and a friendly word to our less fortunate folk.

Many happy returns of the day to Dianne Pierheller and Frank Locke who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

Mrs. C. H. Boake is soaking up some Florida sunshine this month. Accompanied by her sister, she travelled by air for a two-week stay in the south.

Work is nearing completion on the Roblin's grist mill in Pioneer Village. The Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority has acquired 15,741 acres of land which 690 acres were acquired last year. The authority's objective is to acquire 30,000 acres by 1975. It does not consider this a too ambitious aim when one realizes that the region's population is expected to be 4,000,000 by 1992. Therefore open space has become a conservation must. Combining it with recreation for the people the authority is making certain that conservation and flood control in our areas will become a more meaningful thing.

An unusually large number of rabbits, both cottontails and hares, has been seen in this area this winter. No use reaching for your guns, men. Shooting in this part of Vaughan is prohibited. We can only hope that all these furry friends (?) will not develop a taste for the trees this winter or the garden vegetables next summer.

The sympathy of her many friends is extended to Mrs. R. E. Stuart, formerly Pearl Middleton, of Weston and to the Middleton family of Carrville, in the death last week of Myrtle Middleton who was struck by a truck as she was crossing the intersection of Yonge Street and Steeles Avenue.

A regular meeting of the Edgeley WI was held last week at the home of Mrs. George Snider. Each member answered the roll call by explaining an old Eskimo or Indian custom.

Mrs. J. G. Snider, citizenship and education convener was in charge of the program.

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School News
Congratulations to Kathy Fraser, a grade 6 student at Concord Public School who placed second in the recent Vaughan Township School Area public speaking competition. Kathy spoke on Sir John A. MacDonald, a most ambitious topic for a grade sixer. Apparently Kathy had as an ancestor the step-sister of Sir John A.'s wife, and even such a distant relationship as that can serve to make a subject doubly interesting.

Kathy is to be commended on placing as high as second spot since this competition is wide open to all Vaughan students, and in most cases the winners are seniors. With two more years at Concord, Kathy has lots of time to try again, and certainly hope she will. Coincidentally, all three top winners were girls, so it starts early, men!

The teachers' "invention" as we will always call it in this house (Patricia's invention, along with compartment buildings and glove departments in cars) takes place this year on February 17 at the J. A. Gibson School in Maple. So keep that date in mind mothers, for shoe buying, teeth straightening, or just sleeping in.

Forgot to mention in connection with the public speaking that two Concord girls, Ruth Ann Snider and Gloria Bowes, provided part of the entertainment with piano solos.

New Bus Route
Tear off your aprons ladies, there's a new bus route! A TTC shuttle service between Finch Ave. and the CNR marshalling yard is now in operation, 30-minute service to coincide with the route ending at Finch Avenue and Keele Street. Don't ask me the times or the stops, you pays your money and takes your chances! Rest assured you won't wait more than 30 minutes, and from what I gather from the information centre passengers can flag the bus down anywhere along the route, and may disembark in the same casual manner. Eventually, a more definite schedule is expected with designated stops for the buses. Service is in operation 24 hours a day and you can't do much better than that.

Many favourable remarks have been made lately about the well-lighted CNR yards, particularly the effect produced by their reflection on the snow which we had until last weekend. If you happened to be up in the early pre-dawn hours during the week-end you may have thought as I did that the night was exceptionally bright. One explanation I received was that the CNR lights were being reflected by the cloud cover which prevailed at that time.

Highway Happenings
Although the highway has been widened and numerous traffic lights have been installed, there continues to be accidents, because of course the final decisions lie with the driver. Mrs. Doreen Jaklyn, Dufferin Street, was shaken up recently when her car was struck at Concord Avenue while she was making a left-hand turn. Her son Tommy was injured slightly.

An accident which fatally injured Brenda Rice, 21 years old, of Willowdale, occurred last Saturday night when her car was in collision with one travelling west long the highway. Brenda was travelling south on Dufferin Street with her two younger sisters at the time. The Rice girls are related to three Concord families. They are granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Dempster, and nieces of Mr. and Mrs. John Guest, all of Hillside Avenue, and cousins of Mrs. Harry Medensky, Rockview Gardens. The girls are daughters of Mrs. Guest's youngest sister whose husband has the well-known Lou Rice Construction Company. Our sympathy to all members of the families connected with this tragedy.

Social
Tom McClymont attended the AIA convention in Toronto last week representing the R. M. Hollingshead Company where he is a salesman. Mrs. McClymont joined the wives from out of town for a luncheon at the O'Keefe Centre on Wednesday, followed by attendance at the matinee performance of Baker Street. A cocktail party, dinner and a dance at the Royal York followed.

Despite the fog on Sunday evening, Mrs. Joe Boron and Lisa, joined by myself and Heather and Patricia attended a special evening service at Thornhill Presbyterian Church. A musical program was presented by the junior and senior choirs and several guests, and from beginning to end the evening was most enjoyable. Musical selections were alternated with scripture readings by Rev. D. Evans, relating to praise of God through music and song. If I weren't such a dedicated Lutheran...

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Zion Lutheran Church News

With nine members and one visitor present the teacher's training program continued with the second session being held on February 1 at the Concord home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Keffer. The meeting opened with a responsive reading of Psalm 147, after which Rev. E. Lange offered the prayer. This was followed by Mr. Earl Boechner chairing the discussion session which centered around the Son of God, the second chapter from the book entitled "Helping Children Know Doctrine".

The First Maple Boy Scouts father and son annual banquet was held on February 4 at the Maple community centre. With his youngest son David, Mr. Lange attended this event not only as a father, but as guest speaker for the evening. "India" was the topic on which he spoke, as well as showing and narrating his beautiful slides taken when he and his family were missionaries there for some six years.

Meeting of Interest
The annual congregational supper meeting took place on February 5 with an air of friendly fellowship and good will. The tasty potluck supper was provided by the Lutheran Church Women who were thanked for their efforts during the course of the meeting.

The president of the church council, Pierre Auger, chaired the meeting which was opened with Pastor Lange making his annual report. The following reports were then given: church council, Mr. Harry Medensky, school secretary, Sunday school financial report, Warren Bone, treasurer; evangelism committee, Harry Medensky, chairman; nursery roll, in the absence of Mrs. H. Winter, Supt. Mrs. Elfrida Medensky made this report; cemetery board, R. G. Keffer, treasurer; LCW, Mrs. Vera Keffer; financial secretary, Earl David Grahlman, Sunday church school, with the absence of superintendent, Doug Keffer.

Langstaff Girl Top Orator

Canadian poetess E. Pauline Johnson was the subject of the speech given by the third place winner, Jean McCallum, Jean, 11 years old, is a grade 7 student at Elder Mills School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McCallum, RR 3 Woodbridge.

Other competitors were Barbara Michituk of Rose-lawn School, Joan Peters, Powell Road, Chris Trow, Thornhill, Mary Ann Miller, Kleinburg and Andrew Le-Duc from St. Margaret Mary Separate School, Pine Grove.

Judges were Vaughan Township's former Superintendent of Schools Joseph A. Gibson, Rev. B. F. Andrew and Mrs. Floyd Perkins. Rev. Andrew praised the speakers highly and gave them some hints for their future oratorical work.

Chairman of Vaughan Township School Board Lorne Wells presented Helen Payne with a cup. She also received the Brock Insurance trophy, which was presented by Warren Baillie, vice-chairman of the school board.

Superintendent D. R. MacDonald presented crests to all the contestants. He stressed the importance of oral communication and said "Although you are not all winners, I hope you will continue in this line."

The public speaking finals were held at the Joseph A. Gibson School in Maple. Musical numbers were presented by the 30 members of the Elder Mills School choir; by Gloria Bowes and Ruth Ann Snider of Concord Public School who gave piano solos; and by Marilyn Ross who gave a vocal solo. Marilyn was accompanied at the piano by Robert Richardson, assistant supervisor of music for Vaughan Township schools, who co-ordinated the musical portion of the program.

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