

KING CITY, OAK RIDGES LAKE WILCOX

"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest regarding people and events in the Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox and King City districts. Our news correspondent in King City is Mrs. William J. Houston, telephone 833-5457, and in Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox, Mrs. Lillian Atcheson, Wildwood Avenue, 773-5479.

Positive Action Needed At Lake Wilcox

Positive action should be taken by the Provincial Government to improve conditions around Lake Wilcox, newly-elected Councilor James Smith told Whitchurch Township Council last week. He claims that many cottages in the resort community should be torn down and the district completely redeveloped.

Mr. Smith charges that owners of houses were quite anxious to obtain tenants who are on welfare since then they are usually assured of their rent payments.

Acting Welfare Officer P.C. Douglas Murray reported he had attempted to find employment for male members of families on welfare, but found many unwilling to accept these jobs. He said their names were consequently removed from the welfare rolls but the family still required support. He also claimed that in some instances relief monies were spent on items other than household necessities.

The constable reported 1964 welfare payments were down \$1,200 from the previous year, and the relief total for January 1965 was down by \$600.

Council agreed the officer was quite conversant in welfare matters and individual cases should be left to his discretion.

Notes From King City

New Librarian
Appointment of a new chief librarian for King City Memorial Library was announced at the library board's annual meeting February 3.

Mrs. Quentin Hardy, formerly in charge of Barrie Public Library, was named to succeed Mrs. A. E. Jarvis, who completed ten years' service.

Both librarians attended the yearly review of business by the board, whose numbers have been reduced from seven to six.

The King Township School Area Board, formed January 1, is looking into technicalities why it cannot name two representatives to the library body, as the former Public School Section 2 for King City area was permitted to do.

The library board directed a letter of inquiry to the provincial libraries branch, to clarify appointments.

Ian Gilchrist, continuing the second year of a two-year appointment by the former school section, was again elected chairman.

As King City Village Trustees appointees, Warren McKendry remains in office until the end of the year and Mrs. T. H. Backhouse started a two-year term lasting until the end of 1966.

Representing the separate school board, Wilfred Jenks continues until the end of this year and Augustus Clarke was re-appointed for two years.

Chairman of village trustees

John Mann is an ex-officio member of the board.

Mrs. A. E. Bamford was again chosen secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. Ronald Wood, Mrs. Noel Binns and Mrs. Bamford are new librarians on the volunteer staff of ten. Mrs. George Berry, Mrs. Reginald Case and Mrs. Harold Ratcliff resigned as librarians during the year.

Circulation for 1964 was reported as 10,889, slightly down from 11,431 in 1963. The addition of 644 books brought the total stocked to 5,235.

Membership rose to 1,045 after nearing the 1,000 mark in 1963. Borrowers are 293 adults in King City; 75 township adults; 608 children and 69 high school students.

Storm aftermath
As elsewhere in southern Ontario, King City area was affected by the weather's vagaries the middle of last week.

Many students received a holiday as bus service was reduced to a minimum or cancelled altogether after the ice storm.

Langdon's 17 buses, normally picking up King and Aurora high school crowd, operated a "skeleton" service, avoiding back roads and transporting along main roads only. Nearly 400 students, of the 850 enrolled at King City Composite School, missed classes for the day.

Sacred Heart Separate School on King's Fifth Concession line closed its seven elementary classrooms for the day, giving 258 youngsters unexpected leisure. Usually the school's three buses transport along four routes, with one bus making a second run.

Though public schools throughout Vaughan Township

Mann Keeps His Seat Made Managing Trustee

Village trustees and ratepayers bickered at trustees' February 8 meeting over earlier statements about non-resident Chairman John Mann's eligibility to complete his two year term of office.

Ratepayer Peter Williams produced a December 28 letter he received from Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs Dr. Lorne Cumming, who wrote, "It is quite incorrect to say that the department insisted that Mr. Mann remain in office."

Mr. Williams asked Chairman Mann to correct December press statements.

Chairman Mann, who moved from King City last September to Aurora in the middle of his elected term, maintained, "The department insisted I was still trustee of this village, no matter what my status was and Dr. Cumming was happy I was to serve."

"Dr. Cumming read me part of his reply to your letter. I forget now what was said December 14, but we were at the meeting (with Department of Municipal Affairs) and knew what took place," the chairman noted.

Fellow Trustees Donald Findlay and Ross Farquhar gave support to the chairman, Trustee Farquhar confirming, "The department insisted it was legal to sit."

Chairman Mann cut short further discussion after Trustee Findlay objected that ratepayer Kenneth Chesney criticizing trustees "is making a speech".

The chairman felt Mr. Williams' point had been made and answered. Expressing willingness to receive questions but not comments, Mr. Mann explained the purpose of ratepayers' deputations is to ask questions about village affairs.

He reported three-way talks were continuing February 12 involving village trustees, King Township Council and Department of Municipal Affairs.

Two conferences had already been held to try to find an acceptable form of government to eliminate areas breaking away from township administration.

Commenting on the February 5 meeting of trustees' and township committees with Dr. Cumming and Mr. Fred Braybrook, supervisor of municipal organization for the Department of Municipal Affairs, the chairman said, "It is too premature to report what was told and happening, but every one will get a report when it's ready."

The chairman moved payment of the total \$737.35 account rendered by McMaster, Montgomery and Company legal firm for services the past few months regarding changing status of the police village to an incorporated municipality.

Replying to Mr. Williams' query, Chairman Mann said bills hadn't been received from engineering and planning consultants.

Trustee Farquhar read a letter about booster pumps increasing water pressure. He made a motion the information be filed and commented, "Other things are coming up that the booster might not apply."

Ratepayer Williams queried if there was anything "secret" about the waterworks and Trustee Farquhar replied, "I can't divulge it at this time."

Trustee Findlay moved the township treasurer advance \$400 to supplement the library, prior to normal instalment, and charge the amount temporarily to trustees' balance.

Regarding a road easement at new King City United Church, Trustee Findlay noted the repair and installation of utilities had been added to the draft easement document and returned to King Township for processing.

He said a certain amount of

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TEMPERANCEVILLE NEWS

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Neighborhood Notes
Seven tables of players at Temperanceville School on Tuesday evening, enjoyed the euchre convened by Mrs. Fred Hare and Mrs. Everett Phillips. Prize winners were, ladies; Mrs. Ed Foetler, first; Mrs. Harry Hutchinson, second; and Mrs. William Craig, consolation. Gents prizes were won by Murray Davis, first; Jack MacKlin, second; and Martin Beaupre, consolation. There will be another euchre held at the school February 23.

Temperanceville WI met at the home of Mrs. Fred Hare, on February 10. Mrs. Clayton Beynon historical research convenor, had charge of the program which included poems, "Off Her Rocker", and "Action", read by Mrs. Ray Jennings, a paper on "Water" by Mrs. C. Beynon, and a contest conducted by Mrs. Nelson Thompson, which was won by Mrs. Fred Gardner. The roll call was answered by a suggestion for a centennial project for the WI. During the business period Mrs. Nelson Thompson was named delegate to attend the officers conference at Guelph University in May. Mrs. Thompson is Tweedsmuir history curator for the institute.

The group who are taking

Lucas To Remain King Twp. Solicitor

King Township Clerk H. G. Rose told "The Liberal" this week that there is no truth in a press report published last week that the township solicitor, J. D. Lucas Q.C., was resigning from his post and would not renew his contract with the municipality.

"That will be corrected at this week's council meeting," stated Mr. Rose. "There's no truth in it whatsoever."

Mr. Lucas acts in the same capacity for the Township of Markham and as well, is solicitor for the County of York.

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Township Resident In Auto Accident

Damage estimated at \$200 was done to two cars in a collision on Nashville Road, about one-tenth of a mile east of Concession 10, February 14, about 6:15 p.m.

A King Township resident, Lawrence A. Teskey, was the driver of one of the cars. Police said he was stopped on Nashville Road when he was struck by a car driven by Vernon Wideman, 24, of Maple Woods Farm, Maple.

Chlorination To End Soon

Chlorination of King City water is expected to be a temporary measure soon discontinued, village trustees indicated to ratepayers last week.

Questioned how the chlorine was measured—trustees had reported one-millionth part used—Chairman John Mann reported a \$299 chlorinator had been purchased after one had been borrowed from a neighboring municipality.

Public Utilities Commissioner Ross Farquhar noted the three well sites were clear of any trace of bacteria.

Asked by ratepayers how the situation is being remedied, Trustees Farquhar said people with private well and cistern systems had been asked to remove illegal connections with the waterworks system.

He asked that any connections which may have been overlooked be reported to the village office.

Queried if chlorine is harmful to the eyes, Chairman Mann declared, "No. Toronto has been chlorinating water for 30 years". He reported No. 1 well is used as a standby and the chlorine administered at No. 2 and 3 well sites. He took exception to a ratepayer's term "pollution".

Trustee Farquhar said "Actually the water is not polluted. It's safe for consumption."

He reported water consumption averaging 109,000 to 110,000 gallons daily and praised Waterworks Superintendent G. T. Thompson for prompt repairs to two serious main breaks.

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Bridal Shower
A lovely variety of gifts were received by Kathy Needham, who was honored February 4 with a shower at the Nicolls home with co-hostesses, Miss Carol Nicholls and Miss Jane Clute. Kathy was married to John Littlejohn February 6.

Attending the shower were Dot Nicholls, Mrs. Ethel Good, Colleen Trainer, Caroline Evans, Marg Needham, Jamie Needham, Pat Cook, Mary Good, Jackie Trainer, Linda Neil, Sherri Pugh, Selby Ash, Linda Nicholls.

About People
Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. R. Ransom for February 2 and birthday greetings to Shelley Clarendon, eight years old February 23, Kelly Friend, three years, February 19, Mrs. Audrey Middleton, February 23, and Carol Walker, 17, February 10.

We are glad to see Bob Jones and Ernie Atcheson back on their feet again after a bout of sickness, and also Sarah Good, and Buddy Hunter who are now back to school. Mrs. Anne McKinley is still in Toronto General Hospital. Lou Miron is on the sick list, and Mrs. Shirley Day is in York County Hospital, undergoing surgery. Ken McLeod is also in York Central Hospital. A speedy recovery is wished for all.

Sorry to hear that the Oak Ridges Peevees lost out in their first year bid in the "D" series to Maple but they are still in the hockey league, playing in the "C" series, and are playing against Bradford in Bradford.

Visiting at the Smith home, South Road, is Mrs. E. D. Kuntz, from Kitchener, staying with her daughter Doris Smith and family.

Obituary
We were very sorry to hear that Fred Lees, Schomberg Road, a resident of the area for the past years, died following a heart attack on February 6.

The late Mr. Lees came to Canada a decade ago from St.aley bridge, Hertfordshire, England, and was in his 52nd year. He was employed by DeHavilland, Malton. Surviving are his widow, Peggy, and two daughters Janet and Pauline, both at home.

Funeral service was held at the Pipher Funeral Home, Richmond Hill, conducted by Rev. Dorothy Sharmon, with cremation following at Toronto.

Pallbearers were Dennis Garbutt, Charles and Ross DeGeer, Roger and Ken Garbutt, Raymond Azgin, Richmond Logan, Albert Egginton and Helmut Turk.

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Whitchurch Township Agrees To Raise Rate For Fire Protection

Whitchurch Township Council has authorized preparation of a by-law covering a new five-year agreement with the Village of Stouffville to provide fire protection service to a portion of the township.

The contract calls for an annual standby payment of \$800, an increase of \$500. The charge for the first hour's attendance at any fire is \$100, up from \$68. The rate for each additional hour is \$70, an increase of \$38.

Although the water tank truck is kept in Stouffville, it is owned by Whitchurch and no charge is levied for its use in that municipality.

Council expressed some reluctance over the increase but observed that 43% of all fire calls answered by the Stouffville fire brigade last year had originated in Whitchurch.

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