

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 Mrs. Janet Myers, 832-1423; in Edgeley and Sherwood, Mrs. Raymond Stuart, 889-1934; and in Concord, Mrs. Carol Cole, 17 King High Drive, 889-4379.

Hope United 95 Yrs. Old

On June 14, 1870 at 12 o'clock noon the cornerstone of the new Primitive Methodist Church at Hope, was laid by Rev. H. Harris of Toronto.

Now, 95 years later, the trustees of Hope United decided to remove the corner stone and open the box within. They discovered inside the box, two copies of "The Globe" of Toronto, a handbill dated June 14, 1870, advertising the cornerstone laying ceremony, and a copy of the blue book containing the rules of the church.

The church members are repairing the brick work, having a new copper box made in which they will place the two "Globes", the blue book, and a photostated copy of the handbill. The original crumbled into pieces when it was removed from the box and had to be carefully pieced together. Added to these original items will be a story of the history of Hope Church, compiled and written by Joseph Horne, a copy of the circuit plan of 1877, the deed to the property on which the church now stands, the deed to the property of the original log church dated 1858, and a copy of the church report for the year 1964-65.

The history of Hope United goes back to 1835 when William Craddock from Wales and Jane Keyworth from England, who were both Primitive Methodists, married and set aside a half acre of their land on the 4th concession of Vaughan for a church and burial ground, "as long as grass grew and water ran."

The land was cleared, and a log church built. The pews and pulpit were hewn from logs, the collection box was made with a handle the length of the pews. The inside was unpainted, home made candles lit the interior and there was never a musical instrument. Mrs. William Nixon struck a tuning fork to start the hymns.

The congregation stood up to pray and sat down to sing. There were services every Sunday at 2 and 7 pm. Collection was taken every other Sunday, and once a month at the evening services.

The Craddocks deeded this place of worship to the Primitive Methodist Church of Canada in 1858. William Craddock received five dollars for his interest and Mrs. Craddock one dollar, for releasing her dower rights.

The first trustees were William Baldwin, William Nixon, Joseph Lund, David White, and Thomas Burgess, all local preachers of York County, prov-

ince of Upper Canada. Rev. Jonathan Milner of King City was the first minister in charge. Charles Nixon, William Craddock, William Knight, and William Kirby served as church stewards. D. White, W. Reynolds, J. Grimshaw and W. R. Booth were exhorters. These men carried on with these duties into the new church.

This church became part of the Laskay circuit which included the churches at Nobleton, 8th line, King, Salem, Elliott, Glenville, Hope, Carville, Patterson, Thompsons and Ebenezer.

The site for the new church was bought from William Nixon who owned the adjoining lot. The purchase price was \$80, "well and truly paid".

At the cornerstone laying ceremony that June afternoon, Rev. Harris gave a short sermon and Rev. Fish, R. Walker Esq., and John McQuarrie gave speeches as well. A collection was taken in aid of the building fund. Following the service on the site, a tea meeting was held-admission 25c. A 7 pm service was also held at which the same men spoke. It was in October of 1870 before the church was ready for services. One of the highlights at Hope Methodist Church was the annual oyster supper, later to become a fowl supper.

In 1883 there was a union of Primitive and Wesleyan Methodist churches thereafter called only the Methodist church. It was then that the Hope church was changed over to the Maple circuit, as prior to this Maple had been a Wesleyan Methodist Church.

In 1963 a decision was made to remove all the remaining monuments from the old burial ground, clear the grounds and erect a cross inserting all monuments possible in order to preserve the names of all the pioneers buried there. The burial grounds have not been used since 1891 as a new cemetery came into existence then in Maple.

The present elders of Hope United are Wilbert Crook, Frank Robson, Henry Thomas, Joseph Horne and Rev. Ralph Williams.

These same men are also the trustees and stewards, along with Brydon Lloyd, and James Thomas. Elmer Orr is also a steward.

The pioneer families of the new church were the Nixons, Craddocks, Lunds, Knights, Cooks, Kirbys and Crooks.

NOTE: The above information has been condensed from the history of the church placed in the cornerstone.

100 Guests At Zion Lutheran Annual Picnic

With well over 100 persons in attendance and the weather ideal, Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church held its annual congregational picnic Friday last which was, by the least, a huge success! The buffet supper was beautifully arranged and included such an array of potato, lettuce, cabbage and jellied salads, platters of assorted cold cuts, tomatoes, cucumbers and varied breads followed by traditional strawberries, ice-cream and coffee.

To get the sports portion of the evening underway, it was announced that a "special imported long distance marathon footrace" was about to take place. The two entrants (looking like fugitives from a Grey Cup Parade) then appeared and the one numbered 22 5/8 (Milton Berger) seemed to out-distance number 1002 (Roy Keffer) by a very little margin.

The clown, who incidentally, sure needed a Toni, delighted everyone. Under all those polka dots he turned out to be Earl Davidson.

There were races for everyone and some of the winners were, age 3-4, Wendy Davidson; 5 years, Anne-Marie Medensky; 8 and 9 year old girls, Bridgetta Bundschuck; 7-8 year old girls, Donna Davidson; 7-8 year old boys, Victor Pabst.

A prize for the youngest person present went to three month old Thomas Oster (who slept through the whole evening). A prize also went to the oldest person present, Rolland Keffer. Sack races, wheelbarrow races, shoe-kicking contests and the inevitable tug-of-war also added enjoyment to the evening.

The finale came in the form of a family sing-along and leading this were Pastor and Mrs. Emil Lange. Gary Keffer and Grant Moore played the accordion and Pastor Lange strummed the guitar adding greatly to this event.

On the committee for the picnic this year were Mrs. Ruth Auger and Mrs. Elfreda Medensky assisting Chairman Mrs. June Davidson. Sports committee was Harry Medensky, chairman, Pierre Auger and Elmer Berger. Mrs. Davidson deserves much praise for her time and effort in making this event the success it was.

Confer With MOH

Allege Sewage Pollution Of Don In Vaughan Twp.

Alleged pollution of the west branch of the Don River in Maple and in Concord were discussed at a recent waterworks committee meeting. It was reported at Vaughan Township's June 14 council meeting.

The waterworks committee had met with York County MOH Dr. Gordon Murray and Jesse Bryson of the York County Board of Health.

Private complaints had been filed about pollution of the river. Evidence indicates that there is a two inch pipe going into the river north of the Maple Sideroad which appears to come directly from a private septic tank. Effluent has also been found in the storm sewer which empties into the river north of the sideroad which would indicate that a septic tank has been connected with the storm sewer.

In Concord complaints had been received about a firm using flood land on its property as a dump. During flash floods this refuse is carried downstream.

Dr. Murray advised the committee that his staff would endeavor to locate the illegal discharge of effluent into the river and have adequate domestic sewage treatment systems installed.

The question of a septic tank vs. sewage lagoon system for the proposed retirement lodge at Thornhill was also discussed with Dr. Murray and he agreed to re-examine the septic tank disposal system and com-

ment further on it. Dr. Murray also advised of a survey by members of the health unit which was underway in the Kleinburg Estates subdivision and stated that he would discuss the problem further with the committee when the survey had been completed.

A report of the planning and building committee indicated that this committee had also discussed a possible solution to the problems of drainage, sewage disposal, weeds and general unsightliness in the Kleinburg Estates Subdivision with four members of the planning board and three members of the township staff.

While some members of the committee felt that the problem could best be solved by giving the subdivider permission to develop a further 80 lots and build a sewage treatment plant to serve the whole area as he had suggested, the majority of the members of the planning board felt this was not the answer.

However, on learning that the township engineer is in the process of preparing a cost estimate of a sewage plant to take care of the existing subdivision only, the planning board asked that further discussion be deferred until the estimate is available.

In the interim, planning board will be advised in detail of findings of Ross Kerwin, a member of the township staff who has made a survey of individual problems in the area.

Edgeley Notes

Mrs. A. W. Cook of Woodbridge was the hostess at a regular meeting of the Edgeley WI June 3.

Vice-president and district director, Mrs. George Snider gave a very interesting report of the West York district annual meeting. The Edgeley Branch is to be hostess for the 1966 district annual meeting.

"The subject of the roll call 'misleading advertisement gimmicks' stirred considerable comment within the group. A good many of the members regarded the manner in which subscriptions to magazines are solicited as most misleading in many instances.

On hand to discuss this problem with the ladies was Mr. A. Rimer of the Better Business Bureau, who was introduced to the group by Mrs. Bruce Snider, convener of the program. Mrs. J. G. Snider thanked Mr. Rimer for his most interesting talk and helpfulness in answering the members' questions and discussing the problems with them.

The door prize, which was donated by Mrs. Charles Summerfeldt, was won by Mrs. James Spencer.

Mrs. Summerfeldt and Mrs. J. G. Snider were the social committee.

County Economist Mrs. A. Janitis, who has served for two years as York and

Ontario Counties' home economist being transferred to North Bay on July 1. She will be succeeded by Miss Donna Stewart of Portage la Prairie. Miss Stewart is a graduate of University of Manitoba.

Pioneer Arts Demonstrations of pioneer bread baking were held at Pioneer Village last weekend and visitors had an opportunity to see how bread was baked in an outdoor bake oven by pioneer housewives.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Peeler of Orillia visited friends in the community last week.

Smoke Nuisance A petition of complaint is being circulated among the residents of Vaughan township regarding the smoke pollution caused by the large scale burning of refuse at the dump; also regarding the litter that falls from the trucks while in transit and is scattered about the roads and blown onto private properties.

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Poultry & Pets At Woodbridge

A poultry and pet stock show, featuring chickens, pigeons, rabbits and cavies is being held this Sunday at Woodbridge Arena.

The public is invited to visit the show between the hours of 10 am and 5 pm and see the wide variety of entries in chickens, pigeons, rabbits and cavies. There is no charge for admission.

Sponsoring organization is the Greater Toronto Poultry Association.

Mr. & Mrs. J. Martin Honored St. Stephen's Sunday School

St. Stephen's Anglican Sunday school honored Mr. and Mrs. John Martin at a special gathering at the close of the morning service on June 20.

Mr. Martin has been active in the work of the Sunday school since its beginning 15 years ago, and has been its superintendent for the past 13 years. Mrs. Martin has been equally active in Sunday school

work for the same period of time. The Martins are retiring this year from their work with the school.

Dr. Ramsay Armitage spoke to the assembled gathering of Sunday school members and their parents and expressed the appreciation of everyone for the fine work done by the Martins. John Perry presented the Sunday school with Hol-

man Hunt's fine painting "The Light of the World" in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Martin. The plaque reads "In grateful recognition of the Christian leadership of John and Margaret Martin."

Also presented, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Martin, was a new Anglican Church flag, which will be called the John Martin flag.

Mr. Martin then replied and thanked the gathering on behalf of he and his wife. Gordon McBrien will be the new chairman of the Sunday school committee.

Happenings In Maple

Socials

Bill and Jan Atwell were hosts on Sunday afternoon, June 20 for a party in honor of internationally-famed recording star Valentine Pringle, and his two guitarists accompanists Al Cromwell and Douglas Bush.

Valentine Pringle is a protégé of Harry Belafonte, and is under contract to him. He has three long playing records with RCA Victor and Columbia and is fast becoming recognized as a leading vocalist in the United States. He has just finished an engagement at the Village Corner in Toronto, and left for a four day recording engagement in New York and then a six month singing tour of Europe.

He met Jan and Bill Atwell while performing here and is going to record three songs that Bill has written.

The Atwells invited 58 friends and neighbors to a buffet dinner in his honor. After dinner the gathering was entertained by Val Pringle, and the other two guests.

Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Andrew have bought and renovated the former Bryson School. This one-room, solid brick building was erected in approximately 1883 and last year was closed, as the school areas were formed.

The Andrews have remodelled the inside of the building and are holding an open house on June 25 from 8 to 10 pm and June 26 from 3 to 5 pm. They are issuing a special invitation to all people in the Bryson School section. St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church members, members of St. Paul's Church, and their friends.

The St. Andrew's Presbyterian strawberry festival has become an event that no one in the area wants to miss. This year's very successful festival was on June 16 at the community hall. The ladies of the WMS and WA, who prepare and serve the dinners were faced with continually full tables from 5 o'clock till 7.30. This was the largest crowd they have ever had and Mrs. Marge Sr., convener of the kitchen committee reports that everyone's co-operation was wonderful.

Among the former Maple residents back for the dinner were Joe and Helen McBratney, now of Uxbridge and Herb and Betty Constable and family now of Ancaster.

Louise Spencer is home for the summer vacation from her school, St. Joseph's Morrow Park in Willowdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Taylor and their daughter Bev entertained several friends of Bev's last weekend at their cottage on the Pigeon River. Carol Saigou, Mary Ellen McChesnie, Susan Taylor and Nancy Yotoff were the girls who celebrated the

end of school with a weekend of camping out, sailing, swimming and sunning.

Ten-year-old John Stevenson of Malaren Rd. broke his wrist two weeks ago and will have a cast on for six weeks.

Mrs. William Davis and Mrs. James Auld have been appointed as Maple representatives on the newly formed Vaughan Township Public Library Board. Mrs. Auld was appointed by Vaughan Twp. School Board.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Tripp of Weller Cres. were surprised and honored with a party on their 17th wedding anniversary June 19. This party was planned and executed by their teenage daughter Shirlene with the help of her friend Sandra Bourke. Present for the party were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Atwell, Mrs. Pamela Barden, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. George Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Third, Mrs. Mel Clark and Mr. and Mrs. S. Martindale.

The girls had a cake and gifts for Mr. and Mrs. Tripp and provided them with a complete and enjoyable surprise.

Langstaff Field Day Langstaff Secondary School's field day was held on May 11. Maple young people who were winners included Larry Licastro who was intermediate boys' champion with three 1sts, in the 880, the mile and the 2 mile events; Maureen Johnson who was intermediate girls' champion with two 1sts, in the 220 and the 100 yd. dash and a 2nd in the standing broad jump; and Mallory Neeve, senior girls' champion with three 1sts in the running broad jump, standing broad jump and the high jump. Debbie McConkey won a 1st in the 220 and also won a 1st in this event at the Eckhardt Track Meet in Aurora on May 19 and took a close 2nd in it at the Georgian Bay Meet on May 22.

Other Langstaff winners were Bruce Palmer with two 1sts, in the mile and the mile open relay, two 2nds, in the 2 mile and the 440 events for junior boys; Bev Taylor with a 2nd in the 60 yd. dash, two 3rds, in the 100 yds. and 220 for intermediate girls; Tom Stiff with three 3rds, in the high jump, running broad jump and boys' relay for seniors; Sandra Bourke with a 3rd in the shot putt for intermediate girls.

Guide and Brownie Church Parade

The Maple Guides and Brownies had their 1st annual church parade at the 11 am service at St. Stephen's Anglican Church on June 20.

The parade formed at the community hall, marched to the church, and then at the close of the service marched back to the community hall where it was disbanded.

Swimming Registration

Don't forget to get your tickets for the children's swimming lessons at Thornhill Pool between 10 am and 12 noon on June 26 at the community hall. The Lions club sponsors the buses to take the children to these lessons in July and August. This will be the only chance to get these tickets so don't miss your opportunity on Saturday morning.

The color party who carried the flags were Guides Michelle McMillan, Barbara Walsworth, Louise Lighthouse, Janet Embury and Brenda Robson.

The Guide companies' two flags, Canada flag and company flag were dedicated at the service.

Dr. Ramsay Armitage conducted the service, and chose as his text the quotation from the Psalms "In the Name Of Our God, We Will Set Up Our Banners".

Guide Captain Thelma Walsworth, Lt. Janet Sutherland, Acting Brown Owl Sadie Allen and Tawny Owl June Ball were all present.

Memorial Day Service

The 34th annual memorial day service was held at Maple United Cemetery on June 20 at 3 pm. Attending were the people with relatives and friends buried in this cemetery. Rev. Ralph Williams of Maple United was in charge of the service. Dr. R. Armitage of St. Stephen's Anglican Church spoke. Also taking part was Rev. B. F. Andrew of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Rev. Emil Lange of Zion Lutheran was unable to attend.

Approximately 200 people attended the service.

Teston Anniversary Service

The 93rd Anniversary of Teston United Church Sunday school was observed at special church services on June 20.

Rev. M. R. Jenkinson spoke at the 11.30 am service on "A Walk-On Part" paying tribute to those who are helpers in church work.

Special music was provided by the Sunday school choir who sang "Spread A Little Sunshine, and 'Serving Others". The teenage girls of the church sang "Sweet Is the Story".

The special guest speaker at the evening service was the Rev. Gordon Elliott of Schomberg who spoke on "Words". The three children of the Joseph family of Gormley provided special music.

Lions' Barbecue

The annual chicken barbecue, sponsored by the Lions club is tonight (Thursday) at the Shur Gain Farms. Dinners will be served from 5.30 to 8.30 and everyone is welcome to attend.

Concord News

"The Liberal" is pleased to announce that its new correspondent for the Concord area is Mrs. Carol Cole, of 17 King High Drive. Mrs. Cole (the former Carol Lacey) would be glad to receive any news items of interest to the community and may be reached at 889-4379.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Rudge of Southview Avenue and their three children had a trip "back home" to England for three weeks. Mr. Rudge had not been back for 12 years and it had been five years since Mrs. Rudge was back. She said that it was a real "rat race" trying to visit their families and see all the sights in Wales, Liverpool, and London. The children were interested in the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace and visiting historic castles. The weather was quite cool but all in all it was a thoroughly enjoyable vacation.

Kevin and Sean Sweeney and Michael Lacey of Lawrie Road made their first Communion at St. Luke's Church on June 6.

A belated welcome to Mr. and Mrs. B. Camp and their young son Michael, who have built a new home at 20 Lawrie Road.

A miscellaneous shower was held last week for Miss Wendy Simmons, by Mrs. T. McClymont. About 50 guests attended, consisting of Wendy's school friends and neighbors. Miss Simmons is engaged to Robert Halliwell of Hamilton. The wedding will take place in Hamilton on July 3. They will live in Burlington.

Sick List Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. F. W. Warwick of Highway 7 who had an operation on her knee at York Central Hospital June 6, and is now recuperating at home.

That was the week that was!

Zion Lutheran Church News

At her Maple home on June 16, Mrs. Jean Hansen was hostess to the LCW's regular meeting and there were eighteen in attendance.

Opening the meeting with prayer, the president, Mrs. Verna Keffer, gave a verbal report of the Synod Convention which took place in early June and which she and her husband, along with the Earl Boeckner, attended.

Following this the May minutes were read by the secretary Mrs. Helene Winter. The treasurer, Mrs. Rita Moore reported the LCW's financial status, after which the following reports were submitted: faith and life outreach and fellowship by Chairman Mrs. Ruth Auger; and the missionary benediction

at the McLean menage, 20 King Drive last week. On Monday, Linda Solomon, Brian's fiancée had to be rushed to the doctor with a very painful eye. She had been hit with the branch of a tree and the eyeball was scratched. For the next 24 hours Linda sported a large bandage which gave the impression she had been in collision with a truck or something of that nature.

Wednesday at noon, Robin returned home from writing his Grade 13 chemistry examination and suddenly experienced a return of the lung collapse which had afflicted him at Easter. While supposedly resting quietly at home on Thursday the lung would be stable enough to permit him to write the last of his exams, he engaged in some slight altercation with brother Larry. This ended up with a broken bone in Robin's hand and a lump on Larry's head.

"You really were determined not to write that exam," was the doctor's comment as he finished applying a heavy plaster cast to Robin's hand, his left, the one he writes with.

Meantime, the family cat had been found wedged in the branches of a neighbor's tree on Wednesday afternoon. Two kind boys finally freed the animal but it did not recover and had to be taken to the vet Thursday morning to be "put to sleep".

Throughout all this, Ian was suffering from a heavy dose of chickenpox but was sufficiently recovered to fetch and carry for the other invalid.

Friday evening, Larry sprained his wrist while rollerskating, but Saturday and Sunday passed quite uneventfully — everybody in the family was afraid to stir!

Notice to Creditors

AND OTHERS
In The Estate of Clement Evelyn, deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of Clement Evelyn, late of the Town of Richmond Hill, in the County of York, Retired, who died on or about the 25th day of February, 1965, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of July, 1965, after which date the estate will be distributed, with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the undersigned will not be liable to any persons of whose claim he shall not then have notice.

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Keen Competition Marks Vaughan Twp. Schools' Annual Field Day

The annual field day for Vaughan Township public schools was held June 16 at the Woodbridge fair grounds.

All pupils from grades 4 to 8 of the two local schools attended, as well as from other schools in Vaughan. In addition to these children, those from the lower grades who were competing in events, were present.

The field day officially opened at 10 am with brief speeches by D. R. MacDonald, superintendent of schools for Vaughan; Board Chairman Lorne Wells; and board member Dorothy Robertson.

Local children who were successful in winning ribbons in the keen competitions were Ken Hutton with a 2nd in the

running broad jump for 14 and over boys; Susan Sherman with a 3rd in running broad jump for 12 to 13 year old girls; Ruth Jonsson with a 2nd in high jump for the 6 and 7 year old girls, all from Joseph Gibson School; and Kathy Dowdall of George Bailey, with a 2nd in standing broad jump in the 10 to 11 year old girls.

The refreshment booth was operated this year by the Maple Home and School Association. Those who took part in this rather hectic activity were Convener, Sheila Ansell; Association President, Louise Edman; Val Irvine, Kay Saunders, Lois Anderson, Freda Bourke, Jackie Cook, Janet Myers, Mr. McPhail, Fern, Danny and Ricky Ansell and Peter Beech-

ken. The ribbon, the chase led back and forth across a bar which divided the field, hunters and fox jumping this many times in the pursuit.

Judges for the events were Norman Elder who has been on two Olympic riding teams, Miss Caird Wilson and Mrs. T. Symes of the New Zealand Pony Club.

Assisting in arrangements and in the smooth running of the day's events were R. Trelevan, Mrs. Graham Walter, Mrs. Earl Iverson of Toronto, Mrs. R. Simmons, Mrs. N. Dean and Mrs. J. B. Anderson.

Following the riding program, pony club members, parents and friends enjoyed a swim, a buffet lunch and a social hour at Folly Farm, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Walter.

Beautiful Weather And Excitement Feature Pony Club's 1st Gymkhana

A beautiful day, June 12, added sparkle to the excitement of the first gymkhana held by the Maple Valley School of Horsemanship, Dufferin Street, Vaughan Township. About 20 young people from Richmond Hill are included in the membership of this pony club which instructs riders from 8 to 18 years of age. It is affiliated with the 63,000-member international pony clubs. The Maple Valley branch was formed in October last year and this was their first show and gymkhana.

Beginning at 9 am the program, with Daniel Douglas-Crampton as ringmaster included an exhibition lesson conducted by Capt. Gabriel Demeter, riding instructor, and competitions in equitation.

Musical stalls, a potato race, a lead line class, and a jeu de barre were features of the gymkhana. The latter, a 17th century game especially created a lot of excitement. It proved the skill and dexterity of the rider and provided the thrills of a chase. One member of a three rider team was designated as the fox, with a yellow rosette on his shoulder; the other two riders were hunters. As the hunters manoeuvred the fox

into a position where they could remove the ribbon, the chase led back and forth across a bar which divided the field, hunters and fox jumping this many times in the pursuit.

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