

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 Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox is Mrs. Lillian Acheson, Wildwood Avenue, 773-5479, in King City Brian Harrington, 773-5305.

Socially Speaking in King City

Hockey Windup

The Lions' House League finals were played at the Nobleton Arena March 16 and the standings for the tykes as a result of the playoffs, found the Flyers at the top of the heap with 11 points. Jets were second with 8 points followed by the Spartans with 5, and Rockets with 2. In the Intermediate division, Hershey 9 points, Quebec 8, Rochester 4, and Buffalo 3.

The Jack Hamilton Trophy for the best goalie was awarded to Paul Armstrong of the Rochester team, well deserved for his excellent performance in goal against much larger adversaries. The Tetley Family Trophy for the most valuable player also found a home on the Rochester roster as Bruce Manson was elected for this one.

The Lions' Trophy was awarded to Gord McKechnie of the Flyers and Reid Lawson of the Hershey team for their high scoring points. The Flyers squad in the tyke division was awarded the Stan Roots Trophy while Hershey came out as in-

termediate champs winning the Lions' Trophy.

To all boys, winners or not, from the weekly reports you have all played the game well and my congrats to every one of you.

The regular March meeting of the WI was held March 14 at the home of Mrs. G. Adams. Mrs. E. Munroe presided. The members voted to have an auc-

Whitchurch Twp.

VON Requests \$1,500 "A Medical Bargain"

Whitchurch Township Council was asked at last week's meeting to provide a grant of \$1,500 to the Victorian Order of Nurses for what Mrs. Jean Thomson, Newmarket, 1st vice-president of the organization termed the "best bargain" in medical services.

The Richmond Hill branch of the VON provides nursing assistance to the 14 municipalities making up York County. They have made visits in each township, town and village in the county and Mrs. Thomson said that all but five municipalities make grants to the organization. Mrs. Thomson urged that Whitchurch reduce the five municipalities to four by consenting to the request of the delegation.

Miss Jean Loggie, nurse-in-charge, stated that in 1967 the VON made some 174 calls in the Whitchurch area at a cost of approximately \$979. VON fees are \$4 per visit or less according to the ability to pay. Miss Loggie said that \$68 had been collected from Whitchurch patients and the remainder of the costs, some \$900, had been borne by the VON board which obtains its funds from municipal council grants and from public contributions.

Mrs. Thomson also drew the council's attention to provincial legislation which provides reimbursement of 50 percent of the cost of nursing care for people who are unable to pay. She also stated that the two full-time nurses and five part-time nurses, who provide the VON services only on a doctor's permission, could cover the whole township with the two automobiles now at their disposal.

Reeve Stewart Burnett thanked the women for their presentation and assured them that council would consider the request.

York North Member

Hodgson Favors County System

People in the riding of York North are not happy with the idea proposed by the Smith Report for regional government. William Hodgson, who was elected October 17 to represent that riding as a Progressive Conservative in the Ontario Legislature, claims.

Mr. Hodgson, who has farmed all his life at Kettleby, has been long active in municipal life in King Township. He entered

Jack Macklin Begins New Business Career

Jack Macklin, who has played an important part in the farm community of King Township for many years, has started a new career. Last week he took over the duties of store manager for North York Farmers' Ltd. Feed Mill, located on Concession 3, Whitchurch Township, just east of Newmarket.

Mr. Macklin has been manager of Cloverholm Farms at Temperanceville, owned by Matt Heron, for the past 17 years. The farm, until the dispersal sale last October, was well known for its prize-winning Guernseys.

Mr. Macklin has been president and a director of the York-Simcoe Guernsey Club and a member of the Ontario Guernsey Association "type" committee. He has also served as president and director of York County Crop Improvement Association and has held the offices of president, secretary, treasurer and director in the King and Vaughan Plowmen's Association.

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Oak Ridges And Lake Wilcox News

Minor Hockey

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Oak Ridges Minor Hockey held a St. Patrick's Dance March 16, which was very successful. About 80 couples enjoyed dancing to recorded music. Proceeds will be used for a banquet for the boys in the many hockey teams in the district when the season is over. The squirt and bantam teams are still in the Ontario playoffs, playing against Thorold last weekend.

Winners of prizes at the dance were: Mrs. Lorraine Lennéville, Bill Bishop of Gormley, Bob Lynne of Bradford, Margaret Pearce, Peter Tyssen and W. A. Marshall. A delicious lunch was served.

About People

Belated birthday wishes are extended to Barbara Haanpa for her birthday on the 18th.

Linda Smith, March 22; Debbie Peterson, March 24; Mrs. Carol Geary, March 25; Mrs. Margaret Miron and Bill Smith, March 26; Debbie Sweeney, 8, Cathy Cook, 11, and Mark Daines, 10, March 27; Linda Plews, March 28; Mrs. Bunt Hopkins, March 30; and Sylvia Binkert, 3, on the 31st.

Little Brett Watson was admitted to Sick Children's Hospital last week. Jim Roberts is also in hospital and Muriel Steane is still on the not-too-well list. A speedy recovery is wished for all of them.

Temperanceville News

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UCW
On March 20, members and visitors numbering 17, gathered at the home of Mrs. Clayton Beynon for the annual UCW pot luck luncheon and quilting. Two quilts were completed, and a delightful luncheon and social time was enjoyed by all.

On Wednesday evening of last week the Evening Unit were hostesses at a euchre. Due to holidays and poor road conditions, the crowd was small, but those of us who were there enjoyed a fine evening. Prize winners were: Ladies first, Mrs. Helen Annand, second, Mrs. Evelyn Jennings, third, Mrs. Rose Bell.

ert, Margaret was on hand for the quilting, and on Thursday morning, the family journeyed to Toronto International Airport to wish bon voyage to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McCallum and family of Schomberg, who were leaving for a short holiday with relatives in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mrs. Aubrey Lloyd of Delhi visited with her parents, Norman Rumble, and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lloyd during the week. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Gillham who celebrated forty years of married life on the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Phillip spent the weekend with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sears of London.

The Turner children, Patti, Shelly and Bobby of Weston spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hare.

Whitchurch Twp.

Circular School Plans Unveiled Trustees Choose Flexible Design

Whitchurch Public School Trustees unveiled the preliminary plans for a modern \$620,000 school proposed for an 18 acre site at Concession 5 and the Bloomington Sideroad at the township council meeting, March 19.

Board Chairman Wesley Brillinger said that the estimated cost of \$620,000 would include all construction and furnishing of the building and the municipality's share would amount to approximately \$259,000 while provincial grants would provide some \$363,000.

Mr. Brillinger added that a well for the school was not included in the estimate but an operating budget saving should be possible for the new school because it will use electric heating exclusively. Electric heating was cheaper, he said, because the thermostats would be turned down when the school is not in use.

Trustee Keith Horton told council, "We have been at the bottom of the educational barrel and this school is our chance to get ahead."

Mr. Horton said that the board had unanimously agreed on a circular school plan even though this design costs \$17 per square foot, one dollar more per square foot than the conventional rectangular building.

The central core of the school will contain a library resource area and a large general purpose room and auditorium with a stage which can be separated by means of dividers for music instruction. Radiating from the central core will be "pods" or units each containing three classrooms and a common room. Although the present design calls for 14 teaching rooms, Mr. Morton said the key to the circular school is flexibility.

With the use of room dividers, classroom areas can be enlarged as the teaching techniques require and if necessary, more "pods" can be added to the school to increase the number of classrooms. Mr. Horton added that this flexibility is particularly valuable at a time when, because of county reorganization, the future requirements of a school area are not completely known.

Councillor Betty Van Nosttrand thanked the trustees for their presentation and for reducing the initial estimate of costs by some \$100,000 which had been suggested for a larger school. The trustees will make a formal presentation and request for approval of the plans at a later date.



BOWL

Team standings in the Thursday Afternoon Ladies' Bowling League are: Stinkers 47, Bobbets 45, Hippies 30, Jets 23.

A meeting of members of the High bowlers were: Frances Warner with singles of 190, 197, Emily Lloyd 200, 180; Eva Wilcox 204; Isobel Plews 199; Vera Porter 198; Vera Simmons 202; Betty Fleury 196.

ONTARIO HOSPITAL SERVICES COMMISSION

NEW HOSPITAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS

HOSPITALS AND HOSPITAL SERVICES ARE BETTER THAN EVER, BUT THEIR COSTS ARE RISING STEADILY... AND SO ARE OURS.

BETTER CARE—BETTER PROTECTION

Modern scientific hospital care is putting thousands of patients on the road to health every day. This care is the best that has ever been available—but it is becoming more and more costly to provide. Steadily rising hospital costs have, for many years, affected all hospitals across Canada and in other countries. Nevertheless, the quality of hospital care cannot be sacrificed—facilities and service must constantly attain increasingly higher standards. In 1959, however, Ontario Hospital Insurance ended the worry of hospital expense for patients who need such care. Over 7 million Ontario residents, 99% of the people, have peace of mind in knowing that their hospital bills are 'prepaid' through their Government-insurance plan.

WHY COSTS CONTINUE TO RISE

HOSPITALS ARE USED MORE

Greater use is also being made of hospitals because there is no longer a financial barrier to necessary care, more hospital beds are available and there are increasing numbers of elderly citizens, many of whom require prolonged treatment in hospital. In 1947, Ontario had only 17,473 active treatment, chronic and convalescent hospital beds; in 1958 there were 31,000. Today there are over 46,800 such beds available to insured persons. More beds mean more patients, more cost.

PRICES ARE UP

Hospitals, like everyone else, are paying more for salaries, wages and fringe benefits, and more for food, drugs, equipment, supplies and services.

SERVICE IS BETTER

Medical science now provides many new, costly types of treatment which require admission to hospital. While these procedures prolong life and improve health, they also increase the use of hospitals and require more skilled staff, more facilities, more drugs and other expensive supplies.

PAY ENVELOPES TAKE MOST

About 75¢ out of every \$1.00 in insured hospital services represents salaries, wages and fringe benefits for hospital employees. Hospital staffs now enjoy employment conditions which are comparable in rates and hours of work to other similar occupations in the community. This means that hospitals, today, have more and better paid employees to provide their essential round-the-clock service for the sick and injured.

BASIC STANDARD WARD INSURANCE

Single (no eligible dependents)	\$ 5.50 a month
Family (one or more eligible dependents)	\$11.00 a month

The above new rates will be payable on all regular group and pay-direct billings due in April, 1968, to cover the benefit month(s) beginning with July, 1968.

NEW PREMIUM RATES

The Government has now found it necessary, however, to introduce new premiums to help meet the sharp increase in the cost of the Ontario Hospital Insurance Plan. The Provincial Government will continue to contribute substantially to the cost of hospital care, and the Federal Government's contribution will also keep pace with the rising plan costs.

The new premiums effective with regular advance payments for the benefit month of July, 1968, are:

NEW BENEFITS

Consistent with its policy through the years of adding wherever possible to the benefits of Ontario Hospital Insurance, the following new benefits will be available to insured persons on and after July 1, 1968.

OUT-PATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES

Coverage for hospital out-patient services prescribed by a physician when associated with necessary medical treatment—but not drugs taken home, or diagnostic x-ray examinations or laboratory tests which are listed as benefits of the Ontario Medical Services Insurance Plan (OMSIP). Such x-rays and laboratory tests, however, will continue to be covered under present "emergency" benefits.

ESSENTIAL AMBULANCE SERVICE

Also, benefits will be provided for ambulance service which is essential for the transportation of a patient. The patient will be required to pay a small portion of the cost to the ambulance operator at the time the service is provided. Details of the benefit will be announced at a later date.

NOTE: The above summary is for your convenience only. For detailed information please refer to the Provincial and Federal acts and regulations regarding these matters, or write to the address below.

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*H.I.R.B.—The Health Insurance Registration Board set up by the Province to act as an agency for both Ontario Hospital Insurance and OMSIP.

The Health Insurance Registration Board is the central registration office handling enrollment, billing, and premium collection, and answering inquiries about the Ontario Government medical health insurance plans.