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Felton School — First public school in Russell Township. It was originally a log school and opened in 1845. This picture was taken about 1910-1911. It held its Centennial in 1945.

Community Bulletin Board

Tuesday, April 20th at 2 p.m. North Russell Women's Institute Meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Morrice.

Friday, May 7th Russell Curling Club "Closing" Party in the Community Hall. Prizes will be given out to all winning team members! Plan to attend this entertaining evening. Tickets available for dance afterwards for non-curlers.

Saturday, May 8th, 2-4 p.m. St. Mary's Annual Spring Tea and Bake Sale, St. Mary's Anglican Church. Tickets on sale for a hooked rug. Draw at the tea.

Sunday, May 2nd, 9 a.m. National Capital Marathon (and 1976 Canadian Olympic Trials) Mooney's Bay, Ottawa. We know of one Russell entry, any others?

Lots of Horticultural Society News in next issue, including details of the Horticultural Queen Contest.

Don't forget the Good Friday and Easter Services. Attend the Church of your choice but attend.

St. Mary's ACW announced their annual Spring tea, bake and

plant sale from 2-4 p.m. Saturday May 8, 1976 in the Church Hall. Come and get your plants, a good variety promised. Admission \$1.00. Tea, coffee, sandwiches and dessert. Everyone welcome.

Congratulations are in order for Ron Conway and the Russell Midgets, who Saturday, March 27th defeated the Morrisburg Midgets to win the Carleton-Dundas League Trophy. Prior to the finals Russell defeated the Chesterville Midgets in the semi-final.

The Russell Swimming Pool Committee is now accepting applications for instructors and maintenance staff. Applicants must be 16 yrs. of age or over. Please apply in writing before April 28th to Roger Ruest, P. O. Box 268, Russell, Ont.

The Russell Recreation Association would like to organize badminton and tennis, to be played in the Russell Arena. Anyone interested in forming such a club is asked to contact Don Coates, 445-2093.



Who? When? Where?

Water Under The Bridge

Russell Township's annual financial statements are still being finalized at press time, so we'll try to get them Next issue, along with a sketch of the R. A. financing.

Next issue: May 5, Deadline: April 23. This will be (hopefully) a gardening issue so let's hear early from all you green thumbs.

A schedule of Township meetings is included below. All meetings are open to the public.

You know it's a small world when Suzanne Schroeter walks

4-H Club

We held our first 4-H meeting of the year at the beautiful new O.M.A.F. Board room in Embrun on March 31st. This meeting was strictly an organizational meeting at which we elected our new executive for the year. President Jerry Smit, Vice-President Wanda Sheldrick, Sec. Treas. Kathy Heymans, Press Reporter Donna Dugdale.

4-H is a club for boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 20. We meet once every three weeks throughout the spring and summer. Why not expose your youngster to 4-H? You might be happy with the results. For further details, contact Barry Carscadden 445-5477 or Lois James 445-5252.

School News

Russell Public School public speaking contest was held Friday, March 26. The winners are as follows: Junior Division, First — Colette Caskenette, Second — Deanne Saunders, Third — Julie Danis. Intermediate Division, First — Chris Coates, Second — Shirley Thomas and Elenor Vnoucek tied, Third — Paula Cleroux.

The Russell Public School Kindergarten registration for September, 1976 was held on April 7 and 8. If you were unable to register your child at that time, please call the school, 445-2190.

Scouting News



With winter over, plans are underway for the Regional spring camp which is planned this year for Green Lake near Renfrew on the long weekend in May. The theme will likely be one of "living off the land", as the lakes and surrounding woods and swamps will provide much of what the boys will eat for the weekend. Unfortunately, plans of a week long canoe trip have had to be shelved for this year as Olympic Duties connected with their Army and Police employment will occupy the Scouters for the entire summer holidays.

The First Russell Venturer Company has offered its services as labour to clean the Swimming Pool, paint, and make general repairs to the Pool facilities this Spring.

An evening of swimming at the Nepean Sportsplex was enjoyed by Scouts, Guides, Venturers and their invited guests on Wednesday the 24th, 47 young people took part.

The first Russell Scouts and the Venturer Company are still in need of men willing to act as Scouters or Venturer advisors. Those of us who are already committed, feel spread a bit thin at times and could sure use some help. Scouting with boys has its own rewards, why not give it a try. If you are interested call George Carley (Scouts) or Dick Sherwood (Venturers).

Township of Russell Council Meetings

Monday, February 2, 1976
Monday, February 16, 1976
Monday, March 1, 1976
Monday March 15, 1976
Monday, April 5, 1976
Monday, April 20, 1976
Monday, May 3, 1976
Tuesday, May 17, 1976
Monday, June 7, 1976
Monday, June 22, 1976
Tuesday, July 6, 1976

Tuesday, July 20, 1976
Tuesday, August 3, 1976
Tuesday, August 20, 1976
Tuesday, September 7, 1976
Monday, September 20, 1976
Monday, October 4, 1976
Monday, October 18, 1976
Monday, November 1, 1976
Monday, November 15, 1976
Monday, December 6, 1976
Monday, December 20, 1976

All meetings will start at 8 p.m.

Library News

Library Hours
Mon., Fri., and Sat.
2:30 — 5 p.m.
Tues., and Thurs.
7:00 — 9 p.m.
Wed., 12 noon — 1 p.m.

Please note that the Library will be closed on 16th, 17th, and 19th of April for the Easter holiday.

Now that spring is here we would like to draw your attention to our books on gardening, landscaping, home decorating, travel, etc.

We have received a donation of over 100 books from the Eastern Ontario Library System, lots of

good mysteries and adventures, etc.

We would repeat our plea for the return of the missing volumes of the World Book and Canadiana Encyclopedias.

New and recommended books: If you could see what I hear by Tom Sullivan, Autobiography. Romantic novels: The Lynmara Legacy by Catherine Gaskin, Scarborough House by Sharon Salvato, Knight's Acre by Norah Lofts, A Bride for Hampton House by Hillary Waugh. Humour: Canajan eh? French Canadian, He. The Brandy Papers by Jack Donald.

Man And His World

They Killed Another Deer

The news was all up and down the bush road. I heard it before noon. Wolves had taken a deer last night. Killed it, so the story went, within sight of a man's cabin.

I visited the scene of the crime. The wolves had forced a deer out of their yard along the river and up across the hillside. Within a few dozen yards of the cabin they had pressed home their attack and brought the deer down. The howls and commotion woke the man in the cabin and he rushed out, gun in hand. Unable to see the creatures, he had yelled, and the howling had ceased.

The deer, badly hurt but still fighting lunged to it's feet, raced across the road and plunged into the deep snow again. The trail was clear now. Each jump was covering only a few feet and each was marked with the splatter of crimson life-blood.

The deer circled the cabin and headed back down the slope but her tormentors were soon back on the trail, their howls echoing off the still, frosted air. They had their quarry down again within minutes. It was soon over and the wolves ate.

Now, Man is no stranger to killing. In fact there are a few amongst his number who use the technique as standard treatment for all manner of creatures. We all know of countless cases of bald-faced murder, by man creatures, of lesser order

animals. An owl, perched for the daylight hours on a roadside tree, is shot. A deer, mooching around the yard, is highjacked on a black night.

On a more organized basis, wild deer are hunted and killed in some numbers each fall by Man, and there's nothing basically wrong with that. Countless studies have shown that a wise harvest of excess game is not only acceptable, but where no natural predators still exist, necessary for the health and vigour of the herd.

So man kills animals on a fairly regular basis without too much soul searching. Then why the fuss over this dead deer? That's the part that nags me. All those I talked with about the wolf kill were anti wolf. Not one person had a good word for this animal who, for the simple purpose of staying alive dared to feed himself on deer. It was as if the deer was the exclusive property of Man.

I wonder, thinking about it, if that isn't the root cause of the animosity so many people have toward the wolf. A person who routinely hunts Fox as a sport, and who marvels at the speed and strength of a hawk snatching a pigeon in midair will go into a rage over the matter of a wolf killed deer. There's got to be a reason. Could it be simply two excellent creatures in direct competition for the same choice haunch?