

MELVILLE

Mrs. Mary Forrester
(Held over)

Well, if there's anything to the old saying — "Six weeks till freeze-up after the last thunder storm in the fall," we may still have mud for Christmas. Sure lots of it around just now, and predictions for more thunder and showers. This part of the country seems to be about the only part of Canada that isn't in the grip of winter.

Some of the deer hunters have returned from their annual jaunt to the northern sections of the country, with varying

degrees of luck, while others have just gone for this week. Mr. Geo. Chadwick is one of those who have just started their hunt.

Mr. Hill of the Goodwood circuit was our minister on Sunday while Rev. Moddle conducted the Anniversary Services in Goodwood. Mr. Hill was a guest of the Reid family for dinner following the service.

Very sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mr. J. P. Carr who suffered a heart attack. We certainly wish him a speedy recovery. It is just around a year ago that Mrs. Carr was very ill from a heart attack.

The executive of the W.A. met in the church recently. Va-

rious items of business were discussed.

At the meeting on Nov. 30th a shower of aprons will be received to start preparation for a spring bazaar. Not many of us can boast of riding around on a "million dollar bike" but Master Jonathan Nigh has that honor. Congratulations, Jonathan — we hear it's a beauty, and hope you have many happy hours of enjoyable riding.

One of our residents, Mr. J. Laing, had the honour to be in the "guard of honor" for the Governor General at the Royal Winter Fair. Speaking of the Royal — congratulations to Mr. Bill Brodie who has as usual distinguished himself with his fine showing of sheep.

Another new home is in the

making in our district. Mr. Clarence Powell is building on the 6th line just north of Cassel corner.

A bit of sage advice has just been given over TV by a lady who has reached the age of 101. She says, her recipe is "Trust in the Lord" and adds that it might not help one to live to reach 101 but it will certainly help one to live.

Glad to report that Mr. John Smith, who spent the past month as a patient in St. Michael's hospital, is home again much improved in health.

Congratulations to our mailman and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Smith (nee Gingell) a former Melville girl, on the birth of a fourth son.

Stouffville Horticultural Society Report Shows Thirty-One Years of Service for Community

Directors' Report, 1955

Dear members,

Your Society, organized in the year 1924, having carried on quietly and persistently through the years, contemplates with considerable satisfaction its efforts and attainments. The existence of horticultural effort has stimulated community awareness and has awakened interest in and appreciation of nature's power to elevate the mind and give pleasurable diversion from the common tasks. So, today many of our citizens gladly give time and talent in recognition of the values inherent in intimate converse with soil, with growing things, and the beauty available in landscape and garden.

We appreciate every contribution towards the attainment of the objectives of the Horticultural Society. As directors we feel particularly grateful to those who willingly and enthusiastically give generously of their time in special efforts to promote a civic horticultural conscience.

Under the capable leadership of our President, Mrs. Winifred Timbers, the year just ending has been a very active one. It is necessary, in a brief report, to eliminate the many details. However, the following may sufficiently indicate somewhat the nature of the undertakings involved.

During the year your directors have had ten regular meetings. There was an average attendance of thirteen, the meetings being held in rotation at the homes of the members. At these sessions was conducted the business of the Society, meetings were planned, preparations made for programs, flower shows, speakers, judges, work committees and procedure on a wide variety of activities. As the result of careful work in the directors' meetings, the monthly meetings were unencumbered by time-consuming discussions and could thus enjoy the programs as prepared by the select entertainment committees.

The monthly open meetings held in the United Church basement have been invariably well attended and apparently have been thoroughly enjoyed. Our theme song and the National Anthem have always been included. Speakers, slides, readings, songs and instrumental numbers have given variety to the programs. Lucky tickets for bulbs and plants have been handed out at various times. Silver collections at these meetings have been ample to more than pay for rental and heating of the room.

On several occasions successful flower shows based on seasonal prize lists were associated with the open meetings. These were judged earlier in the evening and added to the general interest. These, despite an unfavourable season, were remarkably commendable, both in numbers and quality.

The Annual Flower Exhibition was held in the Arena on August 31st. Prize lists, issued many weeks in advance, listed competitions in flowers, plants, vegetables, sewing and photography for both adults and children. Though the summer had been very dry and hot, there were 459 entries. Quality was good. Exhibits were attractively displayed. A very excellent concert was enjoyed by a large attendance during the later part of the evening. Also the refreshment tables, served by the ladies, were well patronized.

The Society later, on the occasion of the Trade Fair, rented a plot in the Arena. This was beautifully set with evergreens and flowers. It served to impress the minds of the thousands who attended with the place of horticultural interest in our community.

The date of June 22nd recalls memories of a particularly pleasant occasion. At 7.30 a.m. 88 lovers of flowers and travel boarded two 45-passenger Gray Coach buses bound on a tour to the Niagara Peninsula. Among scenes they visited were the Hamilton Rock Gardens, Queenston Heights, Oakes Gardens, the Falls, Fort Erie, Port Colborne, the Welland Canal, St. Catharines and the sights along the Queen Elizabeth Way. All arrived back in Stouffville at 9 p.m. and all happy. Enthusiasm presages a rush for bus seats for the 1956 excursion.

During the past year the planting and maintenance of certain areas in the village has been attended to as in former years, specifically at the cemetery, library, and the grounds of the C.N.R.

However, major attention has been concentrated on development of the Arena Garden project, begun two years ago, on the site of the old skating rink in the grounds of Memorial Park. The convening of many meetings, much thought and planning, a lot of group and individual work and very considerable financing have been involved. An area of such size must needs require much material, much planting and frequent subsequent attention. Results, however, have given reward in the transformation to beauty from the former dis-

order. Many who were inclined to scoff at the idea a year ago now regard the achievement as highly worthwhile in itself and as an asset to our park, which has so vastly improved in other ways through the active interest of other public-spirited persons. The assistance of Council, the co-operation of Parks Commission, contributions of labor and materials, plants, sign-painting, fencing, cultivating, weeding, watering, grass-cutting, etc., all attest to the general approval. The installing of a water pump, the current arranging for floodlighting of the area, the plans for improving the landscaping and added plantings promise a still more attractive garden than has yet been possible.

Your directors wish to compliment the thorough way in which the various committees appointed from time to time have done their work, also the responsible members of the Executive for keeping the records of minutes and financial transactions always up to date and in order. We thank the many local and visiting artists who have enriched our programs or who have come from a distance to give us of their knowledge on matters of horticulture. We express our appreciation of the contributions by the many camera fans who have introduced us to scenes near and far, to our lecturers and judges, to our canvassers too whose energy has done so much in maintaining our membership among the highest in the province.

The Society appreciates the comfort and facilities of the United Church basement as our place of meeting. For this our sincerest thanks are hereby extended to Rev. Davis and his Church Board.

To the incoming directors and executive for 1956, our best wishes and a lot of enjoyment in "keeping up the good work."

Buttontville News

(Held over)
Mrs. F. Leaf

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Rowlands and family, of Gananoque, were weekend guests of Mrs. Rowlands' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crisp, recently.

Several local men have been on hunting trips recently, among them Messrs. L. A. Hood, Bill Hood, Chas. Hooper, Elmore Hill, Gordon Brumwell and John Brumwell.

Delegates to the Women's Institute Convention held at the Royal York Hotel were Mrs. Lloyd Stonehouse, Mrs. George Hooper and Mrs. Roskar. Mrs. Chas. Hooper attended the Thursday luncheon at which Rev. Dick Jones was guest speaker.

Friends in the locality were sorry to learn of the illness of Mr. Nelson Boyington. The Boyingtons were lifelong residents in this locality until recently, when they purchased a farm north of Queensville, and moved there last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald McQuay, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones, Mr. and Mrs. James McQuay and Miss Rhea Scott attended a family party at the home of Mrs. Carl Nicholson of Oshawa one Saturday evening. The occasion was a farewell party for Mrs. Roger Dickson (formerly Yvonne Scott) and Nancy, wife and daughter of Sgt. Roger Dickson. Sgt. Dickson is presently stationed with the Canadian army in Germany, and Mrs. Dickson will sail Nov. 19 to join him there. The guest of honour was presented with a handbag, and wee Nancy received a toy dog.

Congratulations to Mr. S. R. Patterson, who was re-elected as President of the Ontario Social Credit Union.

Misses Janet Hird of Preston and Claire Harrison of Toronto, have been student teachers at Buttontville School.

Mrs. A. W. Miller, Harmony Club President, held a meeting of executive members to lay plans for the coming Christmas Bazaar, Bako Sale and Tea which will be held in Buttontville Hall on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 3. Arrangements were also made to serve dinner to a group of visiting Westerners who are being entertained by M-H Farms next Friday. Joint W.M.S.-Harmony Club Meeting

Ladies of the community gathered recently at Brown's Corners Church for a quilting. A pot luck luncheon was served at noon, and later Rev. A. C. Huston officiated at the annual elections of the two groups. There were 25 members present. The meeting was opened with silent prayer for Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, stationed in India, followed by a hymn. The minutes were read by Mrs. S. R. Patterson, acting secretary, and a new member, Mrs. Clark of Arnleigh Heights, was introduced. Mrs. John Black spoke on the literature she has on hand.

The devotional was taken by the committee in charge: Mrs. John Brown, Mrs. John Donaldson, Mrs. A. C. Huston and Mrs. John Wilkins. The following W.M.S. members were elected to office — Pres., Mrs. Wm. Rodick; 1st Vice, Mrs. N. Reid; 2nd vice, Mrs. A. W. Miller; Sec. Mrs. F. H. Leaf; Treas., Mrs.

D. Hood; Christian Stewardship Sec., Mrs. H. Roberts; C.G.I.T., Mrs. John Black, Miss Nancy Spears; Mission band, Mrs. S. J. English, Miss E. Boynton; Assoc. members Sec., Mrs. E. Fuller, Mrs. A. Stephenson; Supply (quilts) Mrs. Ross Hord and Mrs. E. Hill (instructress); Sewing, Mrs. W. Brumwell (convener) assisted by Mrs. Baker, Nancy Spears, Mrs. N. Reid, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. John Brown, Supper committee, Mrs. Robt. Giles, convener, Community friendship and envelopes, Mrs. John Black; press, Mrs. F. Leaf; Pianist, Mrs. English, Mrs. Miller; Victor Home Rep., Mrs. G. Purves; Temperance, Mrs. C. J. Russell, Mrs. Robt. Giles.

The Harmony Club president of 1955, Mrs. A. Gardener, wished to be relieved of office, owing to ill-health, and Mrs. A. W. Miller consented to take over for the present. Vice-president is Mrs. Milton Sherman; sec'y, Mrs. S. R. Patterson, and treasurer is Mrs. N. Reid.

At present, Harmony club members are hard at work collecting articles for the bazaar to be held in Buttontville Hall on Dec. 3.

Wedding — Prentice-Vaughan
A pretty autumn wedding was solemnized in Brown's Corners Church, Saturday, Nov. 4, when Margaret Isobel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vaughan, became the bride of David Garfield Prentice, son of Mrs. Prentice and the late John Prentice, Markham. Rev. A. C. Huston officiated.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a dressmaker suit of Queen's blue wool, with winter white hat and accessories. Her flowers were a corsage of red roses and stephanotis. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. Donald McQuay, who was similarly gowned in a suit of deeper blue wool with navy accessories and corsage of pink carnations. The groomsmen was Mr. Jim Prentice, brother of the groom, and the ushers were Mr. Gordon Vaughan, brother of the bride, and Gordon Prentice, the groom's brother.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McQuay. The bride's mother received, wearing navy crepe with pink accessories. Her flowers were pink and white carnations. The groom's mother chose a gown of powder blue crepe and wore navy accessories, with similar corsage.

IT LOOKS FISHY!



MARKHAM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL RECENTLY GOT THE MUNICIPAL BOARD TO APPROVE THEIR SPENDING \$416,800 ON A ROAD PROGRAM (BESIDES \$212,000 FOR BRIDGES). OF THIS \$416,800 ONLY \$58,200 IS INSIDE WARD 3, ALTHOUGH WARD 3 COMPRISES HALF OF THE TOWNSHIP, IN AREA.

We have about 50 miles of BAD ROAD in Ward 3 but we are only to get one and a quarter miles of this new road

The road starts at No.7 highway and runs one and a quarter miles south

At the lower end I find

A the home of Planning Chairman Laurin

B a Private Golf Course

C farther down, the land owned on both sides of the road - owned by the family of Ward 3 Councillor Little

Will somebody tell us how \$58,200 was voted to be spent just there and nothing on all the rest of the Ward??

Next week - "A Better Deal"

FRED VACHER

Candidate for Councillor in Ward 3

Village Of Stouffville

Clerk's Notice of the First Posting of the

Voters' List

1955, Village of Stouffville, County of York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have complied with Section 9 of the Voters' List Act, 1951, and that I have posted up at my office in the Municipal Building, Stouffville, Ontario, on the 15th day of November, 1955, the list of all persons entitled to vote in the said Municipality at Municipal Elections and that such list remains there for inspection.

AND I HEREBY call upon all voters to take immediate proceedings to have any omissions or errors corrected according to law, the last day for appeal being Twenty-Ninth Day of November, 1955.

GARFIELD D. BROWN, Clerk, Village of Stouffville.

Nominations

A meeting for receiving Nominations for Members of Council, School Trustees, One Public Utilities Commissioner and One Cemetery Commissioner will be held in the Veterans' Memorial Hall, Stouffville, on Friday, November 25, 1955, from 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Standard Time and no longer.

Elections

If more candidates are nominated for the respective offices hereinbefore mentioned than are required to fill the same, the Election will be held on Monday, December 12, 1955. Polls open at 10 A.M. and close at 8 P.M.

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