

Bantams Beat Blenheim 7-6

Lose Series 14-9

Present Trophy to Capt. McLean

Two teams shared championship hockey glory on Saturday night. Blenheim, the ultimate winners, were presented with the Fred C. Waghorne Cup, emblematic of the OMHA Bantam "C" title. Stouffville received the Vice President's Trophy. Mr. Geo. Haskett of Newmarket made the presentations. Blenheim's Mickey Gray and Stouffville's Barry McLean accepted the individual awards on behalf of their clubs. Stouffville took the return tilt 7-6 but trailed on the round 14-9. It marked Stouffville's second successive year in the Bantam finals. It was Blenheim's first championship.

Stole the Show

Ross Brown, Stouffville's "midget" Bantam, stole the show. A virtual unknown, the diminutive right winger on the locals second-string line, whipped three successive pucks behind goalie Richard Rumble in the Blenheim cage. The three tallies were counted in two minutes and fifty-seven seconds. Linemate Bill Corner picked up assists on two of Brown's goals. His first was unassisted. In the two-game series, the agile forward collected four of Stouffville's nine goals. He fired a single tally at Blenheim. He received a standing ovation.

See-Saw Battle

Only at one point in the game did Stouffville threaten to overtake Blenheim's six goal advantage built up in the series opener. Following Ross Brown's three goal barrage in the third period, Barry McLean hit the target on a pass from Roger Forsyth to give the homesters a 7-5 lead in the game. They trailed on the round 13-9. Mickey Gray's drive at 13:20 ended any far-fetched dream that Stouffville might pull a championship victory out of the fire. It was a 1-1 tie at the end of the first but Blenheim held a 5-3 advantage going into the third.

Two for Miller

Stouffville's first-line trio of Roger Forsyth, Jim Miller and Barry McLean collected four goals. Miller potted a pair, Forsyth and McLean each notched singles. Blenheim captain, Mickey Gray and Bob Robertson split their team's six goal effort. Forsyth's goal was a picture effort. Rearguard Garry Gall planted a perfect pass on Barry McLean's stick at centre. He flicked a pass over to Forsyth who batted it into the twine. McLean was the work-horse on Miller's first tally. He completed a rink-long dash and relayed the disk to his linemate. A fifteen foot drive found an opening in Rumble's armour. Forsyth was credited with an assist on Miller's second goal. McLean found himself standing unprotected in front of the Blenheim net at 6:20 of the final frame and promptly blasted the puck into the twine.

Always Dangerous

Blenheim proved to be dangerous at all times. Any noticeable "let-down" by the homesters resulted in a tally for the visitors. Two Blenheim goals came with defenceman Garry Gall in the penalty box. Gall pushed one shot into his own net when he attempted to clear a rebound. The foreign ice appeared to have little effect on Blenheim's team effort. They crowded Stouffville into their own zone in the early minutes of the first frame. Wayne Oldham came up with another stellar performance in the locals' net. His play, following the game, was the main topic of conversation in the Blenheim dressing room.

Six Chances

Stouffville had at least six good chances to score that could have meant the difference between a championship and a runner-up position. They were either blocked by goalie Rumble or missed the target. In the second period, Roger Forsyth bounced the puck off the goal post after he levelled a slap shot at the Blenheim cage. Ross Brown had two close-in shots go wide and was blocked on another determined bid. Midway through the final frame, Jim Miller broke in on the Blenheim net on two occasions but was stopped each time. Blenheim had two players in the cooler at the time. In similar fashion, the visitors could easily have added two or three goals to their total. Oldham looked good on point-blank drives by Bob Robertson and Bob Fleming. Robertson also glanced a drive off the post in the second period.

Suitable Conclusion

The Stouffville management returned the hospitality to their western visitors in a friendly social gathering at the Masonic Hall immediately following the game. A few of the close to 200 faithful followers returned to Blenheim after the contest. The remainder, including the players, remained over-night in a Yonge Street motel.

day, April 19th, at 2:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. F. Muir from Japan. The C.G.I.T. and the Explorers will be providing the special music.

Sunday School

There will be a meeting of the teachers and officers of the Sunday School on Friday evening, April 10th, at 8:30, in the Sunday School room.

Church News

The sermon theme on Sunday was, "Placed In This Togetherness."

The reception of New Members was also held when the following were received into the membership of the church.

By transfer—Mrs. K. Petty from Claremont United Church, Mrs. John McCague from St. Mary's Anglican Church, Richmond Hill.

Skating Club Dance April 17

The annual Stouffville Skating Club dance will be held in the Veterans' Hall, Stouffville, on Friday evening, April 17th, at nine o'clock.

Mrs. Margaret Gough, a dance routine expert, will direct the evening's entertainment. There will be both modern and old-time dancing. Both teenagers and adults are invited to attend.

The proceeds will be used by the local Skating Club to purchase additional ice time and professional instruction. The Club is anxious that membership fees should not be increased next year.

PINE ORCHARD

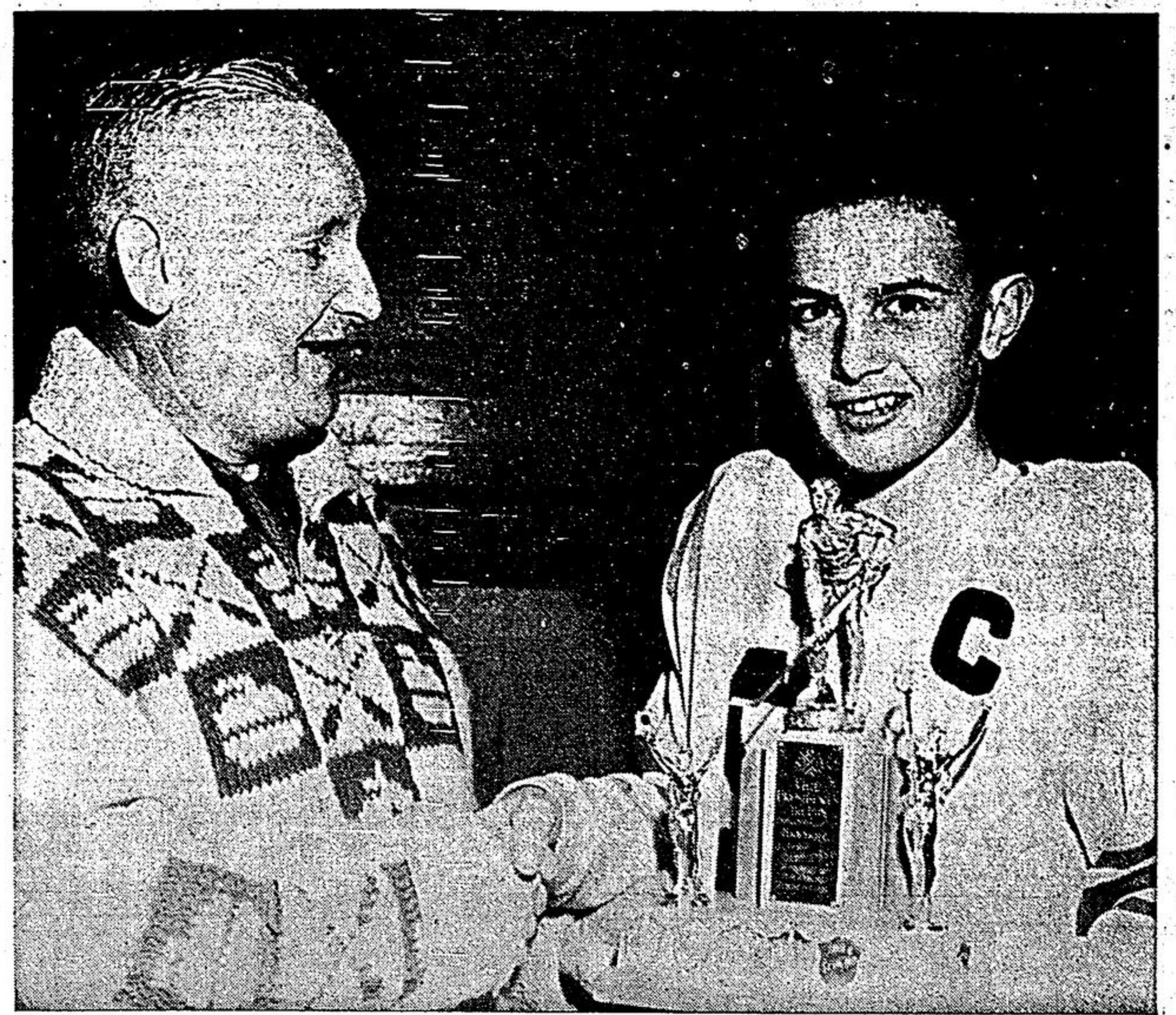
Mrs. George Wood was a recent guest with her cousin in Toronto and enjoyed dinner at the Granite Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Rae McClure, Myrna and Danny visited Mrs. McClure's parents in Thornbury on Friday.

The W.W. of Union Church met at Mrs. James Hope's home for their regular meeting. Mrs. Cody gave a paper on the Easter lily and its significance. Misses Evelyn and June Johnston spent the holidays with their family at Port Hope.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. John Bosworth Sr. and family in the death of Mr. Bosworth. Service was held on Tuesday from Aurora Funeral Home with burial at King City.

Spring is surely here. Mrs. H. McClure heard a frog on Saturday night. Don Johnston was home from Guelph O.A.C. for Easter weekend, then returned to write examinations last week. Good luck Don!



Trophy to Finalists

For the second straight year, a Stouffville Bantam entry has advanced to the O.M.H.A. finals. Last season they were defeated by Shallow Lake. This year, they lost out to Blenheim. Pictured here, Mr. Geo. Haskett of Newmarket presents the Vice President's Trophy to team captain, Barry McLean.

Claremont Wins Comm. League Title; Defeat Ringwood 10-7: Cherry Nets 6

Claremont are the new champions of the Stouffville Community Hockey League. Paced by a brilliant Bob Cherry, the Redshaw - Evans aggregation chalked up a 10-7 victory over Ringwood on Friday night. A large crowd of over 500 fans witnessed the thrilling game. Mr. Gar Lehman, a member of the Stouffville Arena Board, presented the trophy to Claremont captain, Lloyd Pascoe. Both teams remained on the ice during the presentation ceremony.

Ice Nine Men

Ringwood could ice only nine men. Rearguard Clare Fockler was confined to bed and right-winger Jack Mehaffey was called out of town. In spite of their manpower shortage, Jake Harmon and company put up an all-out effort. Although on one occasion they trailed by 4 goals, they never gave up. Two break-away tallies by left-winger, Joe Lewis were picture plays. He notched Ringwood's first goal in the opening period. Bruce Fockler hit for a third goal hat-trick. Ross Madill scored one.

Nine Points

Bob Cherry, shifted up on left wing as a full-time forward, started to roll at the five minute mark of the first period. Ringwood couldn't stop him. At the final whistle he had deposited six pucks behind goalie

Bruce Smith and assisted on three others. He blasted one shot off the top crossbar in the second period. Late in the opening frame he ran into a ten minute misconduct penalty. Ringwood's Bruce Fockler and Joe Lewis counted singles during his stint in the cooler. Dean Evans and Lloyd Pascoe each potted a pair. The performance of Dean Evans has been one of the features in the current playoff series. He has scored 7 goals and picked up one assist for 8 points. He is one of the club's cleanest performers.

Two Flare-Ups

There were two flare-ups during the contest. Bruce Fockler, a respected pugilist, tangled with an equally rugged Don Benson in the second period. Fockler had little opportunity to prove his fistie ability, but came out on-top in the wrestling bout. In the dying minutes of the game, Jake Harmon and Jack Redshaw became embroiled in a brief blue-line brawl. Redshaw was banished with a major. Harmon received a minor. Brother Merlin Harmon was tagged with a ten minute misconduct penalty. Claremont's Ron Hedges handed out one of the stiffest checks of the contest. He rocked Ringwood's Don McCurdy early in the first period, rolled by Stan Benson with a clean, but hard block. Merlin Harmon completed a nice defensive move on a breakthrough bid by Claremont's Dean Evans in the final frame.

Blocks 34 Shots

Ringwood netminder, Bruce Smith had another busy night. He blocked 34 shots. Handling drives from the stick of forward Bob Cherry was, alone, a hair-raising ordeal. Although six Cherry blasts evaded him, he stopped an additional four sizzling shots. Smith's finest effort was a glove save in the third period on a Cherry slapshot. Rival netminder, Earl Pilkey handled 26 Ringwood drives. His best efforts came on shots from Ted Suzuki and Merlin Harmon in the first period and from Bruce Fockler and Ross Madill in the final frame.

New Teams Want To Enter Community Hockey League

The doors of Stouffville's Arena were closed only on Sunday, but already neighbouring towns have requested consideration for entries in the 1959-60 Community Hockey League. They were informed that an organization meeting would be called, possibly in October.

None of the regular entries, to date, have given any indication that they do not wish to return again next season. Claremont is anxious to defend its championship.

One, and perhaps two teams might come from Uxbridge. Markham's T.H.L. Club have also given some indication that they are interested in playing here. There has been a suggestion that two separate leagues could operate in Uxbridge and Stouffville with a challenge series to be run off between the 2 individual winners.

Torrid Pace

Both clubs set a torrid pace from the opening bell. The huge crowd roared their approval throughout the game. The champion Claremont team were showered with confetti by their partisan fans. According to reports, the all-night revelry extended into the early hours of Saturday morning. Ringwood concluded the hard-fought series in a sportsmanlike manner. Both teams are expected back next season. Claremont are the worthy champions. Ringwood are worthy runners-up for the title. Officials, Polly Minton and Russ Forfar handled the contest.

1st Period	
C-Cherry	5:45
C-Cherry	8:10
C-Pascoe (S. Benson)	10:15
(Evans)	17:33
R-Lewis (J. Harmon)	17:33
R-B. Fockler (J. Harmon)	19:45
2nd Period	
C-Cherry (Postill)	10:55
C-Evans (Cherry)	12:25
R-Madill (Suzuki)	15:08
R-B. Fockler (Lewis)	17:04
3rd period	
C-Evans (Cherry)	2:43
C-Cherry (Pascoe)	(Jones) 4:15
C-Cherry (Pascoe)	5:55
R-B. Fockler (Madill) (J. Harmon)	10:10
C-Cherry (Wideam)	16:18
R-Lewis (Madill)	16:56
C-Pascoe (Cherry) (Wideam)	17:05
R-Lewis (B. Fockler) (Madill)	19:15

Present Gifts to Management

Following the social gathering in the Masonic Hall, Stouffville at the conclusion of the Bantam playoff game on Saturday night, presentations were made to the Management by the club members. Gold tie pins and cuff links were presented to coach Hal Gibson, Mgrs. Ken Wagg and Bob Bangay; Lloyd Jennings and Don Davis. The address was given by Garry Gall.

Tenders are being called by the Stouffville road department for 1500 tons of crushed gravel for use on local thoroughfares. Tenders must be in by April 16.

Unionville Rink Wins Firemen's Bonspiel

The second annual Ontario Firemen's Bonspiel was held in Oshawa last week, with a full entry of 32 rinks, embracing rinks from Niagara Falls, Peterborough, Lindsay, Parry Sound, Scarborough, Brampton, Uxbridge, Trenton, Ajax, Whitby, Mount Hope, Canington, Beaverton, Colborne, Unionville, Orono, Port Perry and York Township. Chairman Capt. Ray Hobbs, of the Oshawa Fire Dept., organized the event. The prizes, a complete set of two groups for each section, three-game winners, two-game winners, one-game winners and "lost souls" who didn't win a game, rounded out a perfect day of fun and fellowship.

The Fred D. Garrard Trophy, premier award, was won by Carmar Boadway's entry from Unionville, which included Harry Boadway, Bruce Couperthwaite and Henry Allen, skip. They copped the handsome goldstone bags, first prizes, for the day, with three wins and a plus total of 18. P. Munroe's rink

from Niagara Falls (Stamford) defeated brother Fred Munroe in the third game and took down the runners-up prizes. Other three-game winners were the rinks entered by Clayton Smith of Mount Hope and Matt Gowland of Brampton, with 12 and 4 points, respectively.

Two-game winners were Pat Murray's rink from Parry Sound with 16 plus 16; Oshawa Duplate Firemen, skipped by Ivan Parrot, with 14 plus; Bruce Mercer's Ontario rink, with Les McGee at the helm, with a score of 14 and Oshawa CM Firemen, entered by J. Craighead and skipped by Jack Elliott, with a score of 9 plus 4.

In the one-win division, an Oshawa rink with Father Jack Percy as skip, took top honors, winning their final game 8 plus 12. Next in line was J. Anderson's Scarborough rink with 8 plus 5, followed by G. Shapland's Canington foursome, 8 plus 1 and C. Winter's Ajax entry, with 8 plus 1.

Victoria Square News

Mrs. W. Sandie
The Park committee held a meeting in the Victoria Square Community Hall on Tuesday evening, last week with fifteen members in attendance.
Men's Banquet
The annual Men's Banquet sponsored by the Board of Stewards of the Victoria Square United Church was held in the Sunday School room on Friday evening of last week, with a good attendance. The dinner was in charge of the younger members of the W.A., who are to be congratulated for the fine way in which they handled it. Guest speaker was Mr. J. M. Fraser,

vice-president of the Canadian National Exhibition, who gave an illustrated talk on his trip around the world, which was very much enjoyed by all.
Brownies
On Saturday morning, Tawny Owl Barbara Hardie and the Brownies went on a hike to Heise's sugar bush, which they very much enjoyed. Before the hike, six of the older girls in the Brownie group met at the home of Dianne Donnelly where Mrs. Donnelly showed the group how to pot a plant. Then they gave each Brownie and the three leaders a plant which they had potted.
Y. P. U.
On Wednesday evening a number of the Young people of the Victoria Square charge attended the York Presbytery Young People's Union banquet held in the Keswick United Church. Those from here who attended were Rev. A. F. Binnington, Al-an Snider and Donald Boynton. The young people from the Victoria Square charge conducted the worship service which was led by Joy Fuller. Alan Snider read the Scripture Lesson and Don Boynton led in prayer.

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