

Relief sale \$8,300

By Evelyn Milsted GORMLEY - The recent Relief Sale at Pioneer Village, has resulted in a net profit of \$8,348.73. Many ladies from the Gormley community assisted with this project. A similar venture at New Hamburg, sponsored by the Mennonite Central Committee, added \$91,000 to the Fund.

Mrs. Mildred Holmes has moved to her new home at Sutton. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Eric Byers and two children of Agincourt to the residence recently purchased from Mrs. Holmes.

Mrs. Tina Rotter of Saskatchewan, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Abram Thiessen and family.

Mr. Wayne Death and friends flew to Amsterdam, Holland, Friday, for a 3-month trip.

Miss Ferne Doner, nursing in Regina, has returned home.

Miss Blanche Cassel of Preston spent the weekend with her aunts, Blanche, Freda and Ruth Henderson. Mrs. Chas. Hoover

and Miss Doris Hoover of Willowdale enjoyed supper with Mrs. Milsted and Charleen.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heise were weekend guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cullen and family, Fordwich.

Miss Blanche Cassel of Preston, with Blanche, Freda, and Ruth Henderson, were Sunday dinner guests of Miss Vera Brillinger, Richmond Hill.

Mrs. Alex Chalmers is recuperating at her home following surgery.

The Annual Bible Conference will be held at Heise Hill Church, Nov. 5. Rev. Eugene Heidler of Cedar Grove, Pa., is the guest speaker. Services will continue each night at 7:45 p.m. concluding Nov. 12.

Plan to attend the special Anniversary services at the Missionary Church, Sunday, Nov. 5. Miss Annie Yeo, outstanding evangelist and returned missionary from Nigeria, Africa, will be the guest speaker at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Grace Evans and April have moved to their new home in Stouffville. Mr. Wm. Corcoran has purchased their Gormley farm.

Mrs. Gail Watson has moved to Burlington. We welcome the new owners Mr. and Mrs. John Mooney and children.



Preston Lake Novice team wins House League title

There were five championship teams this year in the Whitchurch-Stouffville softball house league. In the Novice class, the title-winner was Preston Lake. Holding The

Trophy here, as club representatives are, (left to right) - Stephen Heyd, 9; Danny Birrane, 10; and Michael Birrane, 9. —Jim Thomas.

Editor's Mail

Is hunting a sport? let's ask the hunted

Dear Sir: I couldn't agree more with your editorial comments on "Hunting - Ban it". It certainly cannot be termed as a sport in its present form especially from the view-point of the hunted.

To-day, the killing of wild life is a highly technical and scientific method of ridding Canada of a part of its natural heritage. High powered rifles, shot guns, telescopic sights, hounds, etc. do not give the bird or animal a chance and many get away wounded to die somewhere in the bush.

It is hard to understand what kind of pleasure a human being can get from slaughtering an animal for no apparent reason other than satisfying their own ego.

If this killing was necessary to feed a family then it would be a different story. If these hunters had to spend a week or ten days in the bush armed only with a bow and arrow and having to depend on what they could kill to live, hunting would have some justification.

Nothing is more revolting to me than to watch films of men in planes and helicopters hunting wolves for pleasure and receiving money for doing it. Today even snowmobiles and other motorised toboggans are used to run animals to death. How big they must feel when the terrified creature breathes its last.

The incidence of rabies bears no relation to the number

of moose, deer, rabbits, bears, hares, pheasants or partridges that inhabit the countryside.

I have lived in rural communities for the last 16 years and not once have I heard a farmer complain of any extensive damage done to his crops or property.

Ground-hogs do far more damage to fields

and crops than any of the other species of wildlife. If over-population was a factor in any particular locality then the appropriate authority could take steps to restore the balance of nature in a humane and orderly manner.

Adam Johnstone, R.R. 1, Stouffville.

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Home build-up proposed for Vandorf

VANDORF Lawrence Hennessey doesn't give up easily.

Mr. Hennessey is the owner of a parcel of land on the north edge of Vandorf, bordering on the west side of Don Mills Road. When provincial authorities decided upon the route of proposed Highway 404, they chopped off a section of his land. Now it appears that a 610-foot-wide Hydro line may occupy more.

Undaunted, Mr. Hennessey appeared before Planning Committee, recently, to present a plan for subdividing his property. He asked if the committee would consider this land for development, possibly in stages, and emphasized that his proposal is a preliminary one.

William Plaxton, a surveyor, described the plan he drew up for the Hennessey parcel. On 110 acres, there are 69 houses, on lots of an acre each. About 7 acres have been set aside for school property, and this block adjoins the present Vandorf Park.

Mr. Plaxton said that, in his opinion, there would be no difficulty in putting in more houses, on 22,000 square foot lots. Drainage, water supply, and other factors appear to be adequate, he said.

Mr. Hennessey stated that he would prefer to see one-acre lots, and repeated that the plan is not a firm commitment. One matter which is holding him back, he explained, is uncertainty over the Hydro route.

If the transmission lines follow Hydro's preferred alignment, on the east side of 404, this property will be drastically affected. There is also a possibility that 404 would be widened

somewhat; the net effect would be the loss of about 27 lots.

Councillor Gordon Ratcliff termed the proposal 'interesting'.

"We have talked about growth in Vandorf," he said. "I feel we should ask the Area Services Branch for a report on this plan."

Councillor Merlyn Baker went further, saying he would like to see some sort of plan

which would include the land from Vandorf, north to the Aurora Road. Mr. Hennessey replied that he does not own all that property.

Chairman Tom Lonergan expressed cautious approval.

"I'm not against your proposal," he told Mr. Hennessey, "I would suggest we sent this to Area Services, with favourable comments."

The entire question

of Vandorf development, and the proposed Hydro line, was discussed at some

length. It was ultimately agreed to follow the chairman's suggestion.

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