

Cold Stops Floods

CAYUGA — A wave of cold weather which hit the Grand River earlier Saturday prevented any serious flooding which had been threatened by earlier heavy rains, conservation officials said today.

Umar Kao, director of Conservation Authority said the river hit a 10-foot crest about noon Saturday in the Brantford area and a five-foot height later in the day near Dunnville.

He said the river level came up to the first danger point but only low-lying areas were flooded and only minor damage was created.

"It would have been much

worse but for the freezing," Mr. Kao said.

An official of the Ontario Water Resources Commission in Dunnville said the river below the Dunnville dam did not feel the flooding because Lake Erie is about one foot higher than last year's level and some flat areas are continually under water.

He said the flooding on the wide expanse of the river above the Dunnville dam did not appear serious.

At Brantford the Grand spilled over onto the Birkett's Lane flood area during its peak but no areas were isolated.

The turbulent river was the offspring of heavy rains in the northern part of the watershed and overflow from GRCA dams.

Knox Church Group Meets

The Evening Auxiliary met at the home of Helen Miller for the April meeting.

The president opened the meeting with a poem and prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Weidendorf in absence of Mrs. Townson. Correspondence was read and the offering was received.

Mrs. Mulkins and Mrs. Lily Miller had charge of the program. Mrs. Miller gave a talk on the Ukrainian Easter.

Mrs. Mulkins gave a reading and the scriptures.

The meeting closed with The Lords Prayer.

The hostess and committee were thanked by Mrs. MacKenzie.

Production Livestock Geared

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A major portion of agriculture in Ontario is geared to the production of livestock products.

In the 1966 census 70 percent of all commercial

Doubles Club

The club met for their regular meeting on March 8 in the Christian Education wing. They were hosts for the evening to Jarvis Young Peoples Organization.

Following the worship service and business meeting the balance of the program was patterned after the T. V. show "Under Attack." Rev. Harold Wells and Rev. Rick Ruggles of Glen Williams, Ontario, and Anglican Minister and brother-in-law of Mr. Wells were under fire and the panel of interrogators consisted of Linda Church, Craig Ebert, Brian Doughty and Ted Reynolds. Norman Walpole acted as the moderator.

The panel and audience put forward many questions pertinent to the role of the church today. One of the points made by the panel was their feeling that church music should be modernized to some extent.

farms (with gross sales of \$2,500 or more) were classified as either dairy or livestock farms. Livestock or dairy farms formed the major portion of all the farms reporting the following machinery: motor trucks 69 percent, tractors 69 percent, grain combines 72 percent, swathers 87 percent, hay balers 89 percent, forage harvesters 90 percent, and milking machines 92 percent.

The total value of capital on all commercial farms in Ontario in 1966 was nearly four billion dollars. Livestock and dairy farms owned about 64 percent. The market value of land and buildings was estimated at over \$2,750,000,000 with livestock and dairy farms controlling 59 percent of it.

Sixty-six percent of the \$640,000,000 worth of machinery was used by this group. In 1966 livestock and poultry were valued at \$585,000,000. On livestock and dairy farms the value constituted 85 percent of the total value on all farms.

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Jarvis Community Hall Board Meets

The members of the Board met in the hall last week to transact urgent business in line with the resolution passed at the annual meeting in January by which it was agreed to give the contracts for the repairs etc. to the Hall to local merchants.

Chairman James Davidson drew attention to several items. Grate for ventilation of the stage will be installed very shortly. The fan from the auditorium which has proved noisy will be placed in the kitchen where the present fan is worn out. A committee from Jarvis Women's Institute has checked the dishes and noted the number needed to set the table for 300. Damaged dishes were discarded. The Hall Board has allocated \$100 for replacements. Local painters have promised the outside Hall to be spic and span by May 19 when Jarvis celebrates. Custodian Warren Keen and Chairman Davidson were on hand on Saturday morning to work with a demonstrator in cleaning the floor and sampling the work of the "wet and dry" vacuum cleaner as well as other cleaning tools, soaps, etc.

Secretary-Treasurer Elmo Field presented the Annual Report for 1968. This was not published at the time of the last meeting because the Auditors had not yet completed their work. The 1968 account follows as audited:

Jan. 1 1968 cash in bank \$175.84; Unpaid Prov. Grant \$631.00 (included in 1968 grant) — \$806.84.

Receipts:
Rentals, \$1809.05;
Provincial Grant, \$1837.95 — \$3647.00; Bank bal. Dec. 30, \$957.25; Outstanding cheques \$100.00; Actual Bank bal. Dec. 30, 1968 \$857.25.

Expenditures:
Caretakers, \$889.30; Fuel, \$424.18; Hydro, \$249.70; 14.50; Water & Sewage, \$79.80; Gas, \$81.28; Phone, \$59.11; Audit, \$35.00; Bank Service & Exchange, \$16.77; Repairs & Maintenance, \$615.97; Total — \$2965.61.

Members of Board Present — James Davidson, Chairman; Elmo Field, Secretary-Treasurer; Cavell Ineson, John Brintnell, Mrs. R. A. Miller, Klaas Druyff; Warren Keen, Custodian.

Economy Drive Could Hit School

CAYUGA — A proposed 816-square-foot temporary addition to the Hagersville Secondary School became a controversial issue last night in a board of education economy drive.

The building would provide drafting and occupational shop areas for students now being taught in a room not designed for teaching.

It would be built by technical students at the school for an estimated \$5,200 — the cost of construction materials.

However, in face of mounting criticism over the board's 1969 budget, the proposed building became a symbol of all that the word economy implies.

A motion providing for its construction was tabled for a month to allow trustees to gather figures showing its need.

Strongest opposition came from Trustee Don Duxbury who suggested the board declare a moratorium on all projects other than those already under way until it can

find means to bring its budget under control.

"There is no doubt that the addition of a portable room for the purpose stated is desirable and would contribute to increasing the efficiency of the program," Mr. Duxbury said.

"However, this point is relevant only to a degree when we consider the overall financial problem."

Mr. Duxbury said the board has gone too far insofar as its financial ability, to pay for programs is concerned. He

said that having to establish a 15.5 mill increase in its 1969 budget was secondary school surplus. "regrettable."

"If everything doesn't click, we'll have a deficit," he said.

"I favor it because we need it," said Trustee Barbara Wase who introduced the original motion.



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Rockford Personals

At the church service on Sunday, morning, April 13, Bonnie Hall, Debbie Howard and Robert Chambers were received into church membership by confirmation and Sharon Howard was received by letter. Communion was observed following the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Wray Barber and family of St. Williams spent Saturday, evening with Mr. and Mrs. Don Chambers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard and family of Hamilton were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howard.

Mrs. Annie Jones has been moved from Norfolk General Hospital to the Johnson Nursing Home, Port Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Priest, Doug Priest and Mr. and Mrs. Stan Dawson of Simcoe visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Priest of Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlin Maguire of Shelburne and Mrs. Wilbert Howard visited on Sunday at the home of Mrs. June Howard.

Bob Golding left on Sunday, for a few days trip to Kentucky.

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