

On The Green

The Hagersville Lawn Bowling Club did not have their jinyon Tuesday of this week for we were rained out. It was to be our last bowling night of the season. On Saturday Sept. 30 we have our Pot Luck supper at Mr. and Mrs. Fran Almas of Hagersville. I will finish the story that I have been writing about.

Most bowlers will be staggered to learn that in order to supply bowls suitable for the different conditions existing in various countries, a total of 112 models of Henselite are made in numerous sizes, shapes, weights and colors.

W. D. Hensell passed away at the age of 77 in August 1959. The bowling world thus lost the services of a man responsible to a great degree for its growth and development. Prior to this R.W. Hensell's two sons became associated in the business, and the present company of R.W. Hensell & Sons Pty. Ltd. was established.

The sales story has been a spectacular one. When World War 2 started in 1939, annual sales had topped 4,000 sets. From 1942 to 1945 the whole plant was devoted to the war effort, and there was no production of bowls. After the war, new staff had to be completely trained, new modern plant was installed to allow potential production of 10,000 sets per year. In 1946, 9,500 sets were produced.

With steady increases of plant and fact-

ory space, 15,000 sets were produced in 1947 and 20,000 in 1948. At the end of 1960 the production for the year exceeded 33,000 sets.

This, of course is in lawn bowls only, and excluded the many thousands of sets of indoor types and jacks. Nearly 400,000 sets of Henselite Bowls have now been produced using some 2,600 tons of moulding compound.

A milestone in the history of Henselite Bowls was celebrated on May 17, 1956, when the millionth bowl was produced. Now suitably mounted and proudly displayed, it perpetuates the hopes and fears, the toil and worry the brilliance and determination of the two men, William and Ray Hensell. It symbolises a game started by Sir Francis Drake or his contemporaries, something that has grown to be more than a game, more than a means of relaxation and pleasure.

An era was ushered in by William David Hensell. Development was carried on in true Hensell fashion by Raymond William Hensell. He brought development of bowl manufacture to the ultimate of perfection. Now there are two New Hensells, Bruce and Graeme, actively engaged in the business. Only time will show us what new ideas they will develop, what further contribution they will make to our wonderful traditional old game-bowls.

Well that is the finish of "The Romance of Bowl Manufacture,

and I hope you have enjoyed the story as much as I have giving it to you each week. Some weeks the papers did not put it in but if you want to know more about Lawn Bowling try and come out next season and try it. You meet new friends and get some exercise as well. I guarantee you it takes weight off. I will still be putting news in about our club during the winter months for the club meets once a month and play cards.

United Church Women

The September meeting of the United Church Women was held at the home of Mrs. Roy Kenny. The president, Mrs. Don Chambers, presided for the meeting. The devotional was prepared by Mrs. Ivan Hall. Acts 18: 9-28 was read by Mrs. Roy Kenny and the comm-ent, The Book With the Answers by Mrs. Bud Priest.

Mrs. Wilbert Howard was program convener. The following readings were given - Our Orderly Universe; Prayer of the Mother Superior; Jellinek House in Edmonton; Pegg Square or Un-square and Warning

to a Non Subscriber to a Newspaper.

The roll call was, a moment of worship I remember from the summer and a donation of the price of a table-spoon for the church kitchen. Reports of the Bake sale and the Central Manse committee were given. A letter of thanks from a student at ARC Industries was read, thanking the UCW for the used greeting cards which had been taken to them.

At the close of the meeting lunch and a social time was enjoyed. The Thanksgiving meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. William Johnson.

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Editorial Comment

Expect Policy Statements

Now that the initial sparring is almost over, the heavy battle should be about to begin as the election draws towards Oct. 30.

The two major campaign leaders have been sounding each other out and both have had their heels nipped by the ever scrapping NDP. Now, it is about time they settled down and Canadians will be hearing major policy statements both from the Liberal government and the Progressive Conservative opposition.

One of the major topics shaping up is the controversy over the Unemployment Insurance Commission's deficit of about \$544 million, which Bryce Mackasey, federal manpower minister has termed a "drop in the bucket."

A former Liberal cabinet member Paul Hellyer, now campaigning as a Tory, has said that Canadians will have to pay \$100 in taxes above their present premiums to support the UIC. Each of the three candidates in the Haldimand-Norfolk riding have stressed the need for a complete revision of this Act, so one might feel fairly certain needed changes may well be made no matter who forms the government.

Also locally, residents will be afforded a rare opportunity of seeing both Prime Minister Trudeau and Opposition leader Stanfield in the same riding on the same day as they will be visiting the area on Saturday.

The Prime Minister will be coming through Caledonia, Hagersville and Jarvis on his way to Simcoe and Mr. Stanfield will be touring the Norfolk Fair Saturday evening.

Wise, Unwise and Otherwise

by The Old Owl

A TRAVEL JOURNAL (7)

In number five of this series I mentioned the famous clock in Wells Cathedral and I would like to add some details. Before doing so, however, I would like to say a little more about the Cathedral itself.

The present building was built -- or, rather, begun, in 1175 A.D. replacing an older Church (the first Cathedral) built about 909 A.D. From its beginning the worship of the Church has been maintained daily in this building and it is still so used. It is awe inspiring to realise how deep our roots are. For 1000 years, from before the Norman Conquest (in Saxon times) unto the present day, the praises of God have resounded through this ancient building.

To get back to the clock. This clock is high on the wall of one of the transepts. It is a 24 hour clock, made in 1390. For the hour "hand" there is a disk representing the sun on its journey through the moon. A smaller disk representing the moon. Above the dial is a large human figure who reaches out his arm to strike the hour on the bell in front of him. The four horsemen (smaller) emerge two on each side and one is always knocked off his horse. I do not know how he gets back on again. These four horsemen can be seen in Hamilton, on the clock that hangs outside the Birks Building.

From there we went to Bath and saw the ancient baths that were constructed by the Romans. We forgot sometimes that for about 400 years Britain was part of the Roman Empire. During this period there was considerable colonizing. These baths were built during this period and the ruins at Bath show what a great development in civilization was achieved in Britain.

The ruins that have been excavated are truly magnificent and there is a great deal that is as yet uncovered -- it is difficult to excavate when much of the ruins have been built upon by a large and flourishing town. So ends my "Journal". I have enjoyed remembering and putting it down and I hope some of my readers have found it interesting.

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Counter Clockwise

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Members of the Jarvis Board of Trade are of the unanimous opinion there should be better street lighting in Jarvis, and particularly in the business section.

One member is giving consideration to adding floodlighting from his own premises if something is not done soon to eliminate the dark spots uptown.

The matter of better street lighting has been before the Board of Trade on previous occasions and last Friday

night some members showed evidence of becoming slightly exasperated that nothing has been done.

Harry Hewitt, secretary of the Haldimand Co-Operative Co., at Cayuga, described a recent trip to Alaska to the members of the Jarvis Lions Club.

The trip, which extended over a period of 38 days, covered 12 States of the Union and five Provinces of Canada, as well as the Yukon Territory. Travelling was done in a small bus, which provided sleeping accommodation for Mr. Hewitt and his five fellow passengers.

Douglas Mitchell, of Jarvis, was the driver on the tour and piloted the party over the treacherous mountain roads in British Columbia and the trails of Alaska, without so much as putting a scratch on the bus.

Library Month

October is Library month for the Niagara Regional Library system. The Wapole Rainham Library, in Selkirk Central Hall has chosen Oct. 14-Oct. 20 for their week of special events.

On Saturday Oct. 14 at 11 a.m. there will be a Puppet show in the Library. There is no admission for this or any event and everyone is welcome to attend.

A hymn Sing is planned for Sunday afternoon in Selkirk Hall. The special guests are the New Day Singers. If you would like a chance to sing the old hymns with an excellent leader and accompaniment, be sure to attend. Tea will be served afterwards.

From Monday to Friday there will be a display of art by local artists in the Library. As we will Artario '72 - a touring display of art and sculpture by Ontario Artists will be there. These displays will make a show worth visiting. The Library will be open every evening through the week from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and regular afternoon hours.

Anyone who enjoys writing poetry should enter the Regional Poetry contest. Enter through the Library where you are a member. The poems will be judged there and then forwarded to the Regional. They will be judged for style and originality. Visit or call the Library for more information.

When you come to visit the art display, perhaps you would like to join the Library, if you are not already a member. Membership is free to the residents of Walpole and Rainham townships.

Regular Library hours are: Monday 7-9 p.m., Wednesday 2-5 p.m., Thursday 2-5 p.m., Friday 2-5 p.m.

Letter Box

Dear Sir:

It is very encouraging to see the attention the Hagersville Public Library has been receiving recently in your paper.

We hope to interest the public in the new library opening soon in the Davison Centre and your reporting has contributed to that end. The Library Board feels it is important, however, that there be no misunderstanding about the generous contribution which the Anglican Church has made to the community. Consequently the Board has requested that I write to you concerning your most recent article, headlined "Rents to be Raised on Davison Centre". The Davison Centre Board has not asked for rent, but has offered to lease this building to the groups concerned at cost.

The problem raised at Council's meeting was how to pay the debt accumulated over the last year by the Centre during renovations. Rather than "raise the rent", it was agreed by the

Council that the debt be paid proportionately by each group prior to the end of the year and they have suggested grants to each group might cover this. It is hoped that rebate on taxes will cover a large portion of this.

Perhaps the difference in what was actually done and the way it was reported in the paper is slight, but we feel it is important because the headline suggests a profit making motive on the part of the Church. This is far from acknowledging the service they are giving the community. We are grateful for your continuing interest in the library and hope this will clear up any possible misunderstanding.

B.G.P. Whitman,
Chairman,
Hagersville Public
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District Charities

The meeting of the Hagersville District Charity was held Sept. 22nd at 7.30 p.m. at the Hagersville Legion with three executives and four other people present.

Out of 22 organizations, it was felt this was a poor turn-out. It was decided to hold another meeting Oct. 6 at the Hagersville Legion at 7.30 p.m.



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