

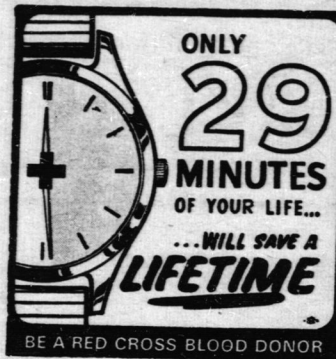
HAGERSVILLE Highlights

Two Explorers Receive Stars

Nearly 20 girls met in the Christian Education Wing of the Hagersville United Church on Wednesday, January 31. President Joan Shoup led in the opening with the Explorer Purpose, the singing of This Is My Father's World and closed with the Explorer Prayer. Anne Brown read a most appropriate Valentine story entitled "A Surprise for Mr. Winkle," followed by Laurie Anderson playing Amazing Grace on the piano. The Worship Service closed with prayer by Cindy Atkinson.

Two girls, who were absent at the Star Ceremony, were presented with their stars - Cindy with a First Gold Star and Sandra McKellar with her Second Red Star. Collection totalled \$1.30.

Business matters included the plans for the Valentine Party coming



K. of C. Novice Wins 8-1 Game

The Knights of Columbus Novice team came up with a 8-1 win over Stoney Creek on Sunday afternoon. Jeff Winger paced a well balanced attack by scoring three goals. Paul Derocher, Jeff Myke, Dale Harper, Mark

Chrysler and Dave Dunnett scored single goals. Chris Martin lost his bid for a shutout when the visitors scored in the last few seconds of the game. These boys are still waiting for their first opponent in the O.M.H.A. playoffs.

McKeen Stars In 9-2 Romp

Craig McKeen played his best game of the year and came up with his top scoring effort as he led the Hagers-

ville Midgets in a 9-2 romp over Waterford. McKeen scored four goals and added an assist as the Midgets took a 2-0 lead in games in this first round of playoff action. Phillip Biggar and Whitey Shearson playing on the line with McKeen, had four and three assists respectively. Dave Smith had a two goal night with Paul Townsend picking up assists on both goals.

Paul Fryett had three assists as he set up Danny Donato, Rodney LaForme and Warren Jackson on their goals. This was a real team effort as the boys skated well and gave Glen Helka a lot of support in goal. Wayne Johnson failed to score a goal, but played a sound game on defence.



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We regret the names of the Catholic Women's League and the CP and T Committee were omitted from the list of those who remembered our residents at Christmas time.

Our thanks and appreciation to these two groups.

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The Last Trumpet Call

The following is first prize at Branch level and third prize at Zone level in the recent Remembrance Day contest sponsored by the Canadian Legion. It is written by Karen Esselment of Northview Public School, Hagersville. She is an 11 year old grade 7 student.

WHY? . . . Why did we have to fight those wars? This is the question asked by many people who are related to, or may know someone who has died, or been injured in a war.

There is no simple answer to this question, except that in both instances, no one wanted a world conflict. Canada joined together to help Great Britain and Holland to fight the Germans in World War II. People may say, "Oh she's too young to understand, and she never went through it all," but from what I have heard from my parents, teachers, and elders who know about war, I have a small idea what war is like. Here is my opinion.

The First World War, as people know began in 1914, and ended in 1918, on the 11th day of November. No doubt there are people who would never forget the fierce fighting in 1918. Tired soldiers, returned to their barracks, glad that they would no longer have to look at the blood stained slaughtering grounds, with many dead or dying soldiers and horses. Germany has been blamed for starting this war, but there is evidence that Germany neither wanted, nor was ready for it. The Peace Treaty was signed by the two teams on the 11th day, of the 11th month, of the 11th year. The moaning of injured horses, and men, struck the hearts of their living friends.

One teacher said to the students in her class, "You children

just think "Good! . . . It's another holiday; but you don't realize why we celebrate this day, and how it touched the lives of many living today." We don't really CELEBRATE Remembrance Day, but we SHOULD REMEMBER, HONOUR, and THINK of those countless number of men and women who fought for what they believed to be right. Few survived, and the majority of people died in battle.

The Second World War was no better than the First. Most people remember this War better than the First, because it began in 1939. Adolf Hitler who was the leader of Germany did not want a World War, and didn't think it would come. He was however, aiming for "POWER," and "GREAT GOALS," hoping that someday he would rule the entire World. It was a hopeless situation for the Jews. When Hitler captured them, it meant instant death, - either the gas chamber, or shot before a firing squad.

At the end of hostilities, the members of the armed forces were returned to their home depots for discharge back to civilian life. My parents have often told me of the story about my uncle who was killed in the battle of Scheldt Estuary. He and other soldiers were resting in a house after a tiring battle-field. Suddenly, the building was shattered by a bomb that had been dropped by a German plane. Not one of the soldiers in the vacant house was left to tell us the story to-day. My uncle, Pte. J. C. Esselment's body is now resting in the Adegem Canadian War Cemetery, Belgium, where he is buried in Plot 4, Row E, Grave 2. Although I have never seen my Uncle Jack, I consider him, and all others who died, helpless to defend, as having

a faithful soldier's noble end. All three brothers on my father's side, fought in the Second World War.

The flower representing peace, is the "Peace Rose," which was adapted from the Second World War. It is a beautiful yellow, and was introduced in cross-breeding experiments in the greenhouses of the Milland family near Lyons, France.

Remembrance Day is a time for all to bow their heads, and pray a silent prayer for all who fought to defend OUR country. Many promises were made on the battlefields, some never to be fulfilled. The Second World War was the most unnecessary war to come, which cost the lives of millions of men, women - yes, and even children.

Six-Eight Club Meet

The January meeting of the Six-Eight Club met at the home of Jessie Sheppard. There was an attendance of 13 members. Vice-President, Ruth Holyoak presided at the meeting and opened with a poem, "At Day's End," which reminded all present that our simple acts such as a smile or a pleasing word may add to someone's happiness.

We should therefore strive daily to make others happy - even in this very thoughtful, but inexpensive way.

Business matters dealt with included the planning of the program for the coming year as well as the 21st birthday of the Club in February. At this time, the husbands will be invited out to dinner, followed by a social evening at the home of Mr. and

At Remembrance Day services we hear the words; "They shall grow not old, as we that are left behind grow old, age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn, at the going down of the sun and in the morning we shall remember them."

We should all give consolation to those who have lost a loved one during the wars. Please, stop for one minute of your time, and pay tribute to those gallant men, and women who surrendered their lives so you could live in freedom.

Using the Legion's slogan for this year, I will end this essay. Although all of us who are entering the competition are far too young to remember the war, we can all do this; - "If you can't remember . . . THINK!!!"

Mrs. Ashley Allison. Visitors for the month will be Dorothy Quin-bury and Annie Prince with lunch committee being Jessie Sheppard and Jane Romkes. The mystery prize was won by Reta Ebert.

Courtesy remarks were extended to those responsible for the evening, by Mrs. Edna Smith.

Attend Games

Last Thursday, 45 members, together with Auxiliary members of Legion Branch 164, Hagersville visited Port Dover Legion Branch. The occasion was a special Games Night which included darts, cribbage, cards, etc. To close the pleasant evening of fun and comradeship, another of their famous "Fish Frys" was served during the lunch hour.

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Public Speaking Contest Winners

Topics ranged from "Jokes" to "How to Dial the Telephone Correctly," but it was "Baseball" that won the Junior Division of the Legion - sponsored Public School Speaking Contest at the Legion Branch 164 on Friday, January 26.

Eleven-year-old Sydney Allan, a Grade 6 student from Oneida Central School, impressed the judges with his factual presentation of his favourite game, "Baseball." Second place in the Division went to Grade Six, was Colleen O'Neill, Northview, Hagersville who chose "Jokes" and third prize was awarded to Pat Fogarty, a South Walpole student, who spoke on her recently acquired pet raccoon, "Rascal."

The remaining five entrants in the Junior Group were awarded Certificates and are: Northview students, Timmy Blake - "Pollution"; Nina DeLuca - "Jokes"; Jo - Anne Ellerington - "Imaginary Travels in a Time Machine"; Walpole South student, Sherry Riley - "Cotton"; On-eida Central student, Kelly Smith - "Tele-phones."

More than 100 were in attendance at this 20th annual Legion - sponsored contest. Mrs. Don McCarroll was pianist for the singing of O Canada. Zone Chairman, Joe Taylor welcomed the parents, teachers and also extended a hearty welcome to all contestants - winners or losers.

President of the Branch, Clarence Jackson presided as Chairman and judges were: Mrs. Howard Hewitt, Mrs. Ken Watson and Rev. A. Thomson, M.B.E. Time-keeper was Mrs. Doris Taylor.

While judges were compiling their reports on the Junior Division, Joe Taylor presented awards and trophies to those who were recent winners in the Legion-sponsored Remembrance Day Poetry and Prose contest. Winners at the Branch Level were: (all Northview students) (Prose) 1st - Karen Esselment, 2nd - Noreen Langley and 3rd - Jayne Mitchell. Branch Level, (Poetry) 1st - Sandra Druyff, 2nd - Andra Rungus (both Jarvis students) and 3rd - Darlene O'Neill (Northview).

Presentation of cash awards, trophies and certificates were made to winners at Zone Level as follows - Poetry,

1st prize - Sandra Druyff and Prose 3rd prize - Karen Esselment.

Grade 7 and 8 Division of the public speeches had eleven orators with Sara Jane Kiefer, an eleven-year-old Grade 7 Northview student completely capturing the attention of all by beginning "Have you had a dull day?" and telling of ancient customs, etc., of "Magic." Second prize was awarded to Christine Reile of Oneida Central who chose "Canada" and closed with a poem she had written. Third prize winner was Sherry Crozier of Northview who spoke on "A Day at Camp."

Others who were awarded Certificates for their efforts were: South Walpole students - Peggy Marshall, topic "England" and Karen Steele, "Capital Punishment"; Northview students - Paula Sinibaldi, "Winter"; Karen Esselment - "Camping, Haldimand County Park"; Oneida Central student, Marilyn Smith - "Songs and Their Feelings"; Jarvis students - Mark Austin, "Grouse," Karen Doughty, "Trip to Edinburgh", and Judy Haskell, "Pollution." Padre of the Legion, Rev. Thomson, commended all speakers on their chosen subjects.

Prayer Service Held

Despite unfavourable winter weather conditions, there was a large crowd in attendance at the Hagersville Pentecostal Church on Sunday January 28.

Members of the local Hagersville Ministerial Association who participated in the service of worship were: Rev. Adam Thomson from the Presbyterian Church, who extended to all in attendance a sincere greeting from the members of his congregation; Rev. Martin Rule, who read the Scriptural passage taken from Luke 11, verses 1-17, represented the Hagersville United Church; Rev. Donald Eustace from the Hagersville Anglican Church offered the offertory prayer; Rev. Arthur England of the local Baptist Church participated with a meaningful pastoral prayer.

Extending a welcome to all in attendance was minister of the Pentecostal Church, Rev. Warriner, who also led in the singing of various gospel choruses and hymns.

Prelude music was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Ralph Walker at the organ and her daughter Mrs. Verna Rigo at the piano.

Guest speaker at this combined service was Rev. H. D. Honsinger, the newly-elected District Superintendent of the Western District of the Pentecostal Assembly. Special musical talent was also supplied

from the London Gospel Temple, London Ontario.

Throughout his impressive message, Rev. Honsinger constantly referred to prayer and music. He stated Christianity has taken music and elevated it to the highest level possible. He further stated "the world's greatest musicians have had a Christian background and therefore a Christian influence."

In conclusion Rev. Honsinger stated that "never before in history has the world needed people who are able and willing to pray - as is the need at the present time through the entire universe." Following the service, those who required prayer for a physical need were joined with the ministers of all Faiths at the front of the Church.

Baptism

At the Sunday morning worship service of the Hagersville United Church, Rev. Martin Rule led in the service of Baptism. Welcomed into the fellowship of the Church, through the Sacrament of Baptism, was Jill Kathleen Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, Alma Street South. Special music was supplied by the Senior Choir, who sang "The Lord's My Shepherd" to the tune Crimond and Oliver Sayer, who sang solo selections.



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