

Proceeds From Hoss To Opportunity Centre

Fifteen tables of progressive hosiery were present at the Legion Hall on Saturday afternoon, March 9, when once again all proceeds were given to the Adult Opportunity Centre at Canfield.

Legion Public Relations Chairman A. Esselment welcomed each one and mentioned there would be another hosiery party next Saturday, March 16 for the Mentally Retarded Camp Fund, for which Mrs. William Hobbs is once again the Chairman.

Lunch for the day was graciously supplied by Don Forgie of Weston's Foods Ltd., Brantford, with the cheese generously donated by Mr. William Mattice of Clover Leaf Farm Market, Main Street S.

A total of \$53.00 was taken at the door, with donations coming

from Mr. Dave McNeilly \$2.00; Mr. George O'Meara - \$1.00; Mrs. Edna Cowan - \$1.00 and Mrs. Kathleen McCarthy who sent her

admission price together with her famous "Head Table Bell", as she is still under the weather and couldn't attend.

Those who donated the valuable prizes of the afternoon were Legion member Mr. Mervin Brown of Toronto; Mrs. Alma Krauskopf (Legion Auxiliary Member); Mrs. Pauline Zduch; Nixon Brothers (local Carpenter Contractors) George Best of Laura's Grocery and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brooks (Legion and Auxiliary members).

Those who won the prizes were Ladies' High - Mrs. Jean MacDonald (329) of Waterford; Ladies' Second - Mrs. Ruth Stark (296) Men's High - Mrs. Pat Kindree (323) - playing as a man; Men's Second - Mrs. Alice Lamare of Waterford, playing as a man and Mr. John Stark of Hamilton, each with a total of (293) which necessitated cutting of cards twice, with the final winner being declared to be Mr. Stark.

Ladies' Most Hosses - (3) which was a tie between Miss Myrtle Johnson, Mrs. Stan Slack and Mrs. A. Esselment, with the former being declared the winner.

Men's Most Hosses - (4) was a tie between Mr. John Stark and Mr. Cecil Swing, with the latter being declared the winner following the cutting of cards.

The youngest member of the audience, Master Billy Mumby was asked to pull the ticket for the generous door prize, which was won by Mr. Russel Miller.

Assisting throughout the afternoon in her usual capable manner, was Legion Auxiliary member, Mrs. Edith Fincham. Others who offered their services were Mrs. Ruby McCarroll, Mrs. Vi Perrett and others.

Mrs. Jeannie Deagle spoke briefly, saying the money from the previous week was used to purchase a long and much-needed first Aid Kit, also used to replenish groceries in the supply cupboard. She was assisted by her daughter, as well as Mrs. John Van Loon following the hosiery games, when they sold baking and handcrafts all made at the Opportunity Centre.

February 1974 was a very unusual and quiet month for this department, involving motor vehicle collision investigations. The officers investigated three reportables, one non-reportable and no personal injury or fatal accidents. There were 15 charges laid under the Highway Traffic Act; three charges laid under other provincial statutes involving traffic, 25 traffic warning and 18 parking tags issued.

The criminal occurrences were also down in number this month. The department laid three criminal charges, no house or shop-breakings, no stolen autos or bicycles; three persons were arrested, 10 summonses served and eight requests for assistance; all for other departments. There was one charge laid under the liquor control act and three charges under the by-laws.

Under General occurrences, there were 126 complaints received and recorded, seven premises found insecure, two requests for house checks, no persons reported missing and the officers patrolled 4,218 miles in the department auto. MESSAGE: The spring weather is just around the corner. Good weather means good driving conditions. Do Not Speed. Radar enforcement will be in effect in Hagersville, starting the 2nd week of March 1974. Please help us to keep our streets and highways safe for everyone. Thank you for your assistance. Respectfully, W. R. Burger, Chief of Police.

History Of Hagersville

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS OF GOSPEL IN HALDIMAND COUNTY (taken from article printed in 1938)

It appears to be nearly a hundred and fifty years ago since the first white man settled within the Indian Lines, in what is now Haldimand County, bringing with him the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Over one hundred and fifty years ago, about the year 1670, Christian priests had gone down the Grand River, possibly from what is now York to Port Maitland

on Lake Erie, but there was no settlement, and the priests had simply passed through the land.

It was somewhere in the neighborhood of the year 1788 that white men began to settle on the land along the Grand River, the earliest settlers coming to the vicinity of what is now the Village of York, obtaining Indian deeds from Joseph Brant and bringing with them the Gospel.

The white man brought with him the Christian religion and soon there were clergy

and ministers travelling through the Indian lands, preaching and ministering to the Indians and the whites. Most of those missionaries would eventually arrive at York village, which seemed to be a central location and most easily accessible, because of the Grand River, and also because it may have been the junction of two Indian trails, one probably coming to York from the direction of Canboro, where there was excellent hunting, and the other may have come from about what is now Stoney Creek on Lake Ontario over to the Grand River, coming somewhere to an end about where old St. John's Parish Church now stands on a hill at York.

There are records that the rector of Newark (now Niagara-on-the-lake) came over to the Grand River in some of his missionary travels, and it is quite probable that he held Divine Service at what is now York, before the year 1800.

Priests of the Roman Catholic Church, clergymen of the Church of England, ministers of various denominations, all these visited the banks of the Grand River, during the fifty years from 1788 to 1838. Church services were often held, and the church at York was commenced a number of years prior to 1838, for when the Reverend Bold Cudmore Hill arrived at York in 1838, he found there a flourishing and prospering community.

Many clergy and ministers came and went in the fifty year period prior to 1838, but it was not until that year that there came to Haldimand the first resident clergyman of the Church of England to stay there at York until his death, nearly forty years later.

Mrs. William Young Entertains Afternoon UCW

Twenty-five members and visitors were in attendance for the March meeting of the Hagersville U.C.W. Afternoon Group, when the meeting was held in the attractive home of Mrs. William Young, King Street East.

Mrs. Young opened the meeting on Tuesday, March 5 with a poem entitled "What Is A Prayer?" Mrs. H. Harrop received the offering, which was dedicated by singing "We Give Thee But Thine Own".

Mrs. Young introduced the special speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Hilda Park, who spoke on "Prayer". She began by reading from James 5, then asked the question, "Does God Always Answer Prayer?" She went on to say He always does, but perhaps not always answers with a yes reply as requested.

Mrs. Park told the true-life story of actor-singer Tony Fontaine and how his mother's continuous prayers finally resulted in his following Christ. He now does work for the Lord all over the world. Mrs. Park went on to tell us the most famous prayer ever written was the Lord's Prayer, which is actually the prayer of the Disciples taken from The Sermon On The Mount.

This prayer she depicted to the ladies

through the aid of the colourful flannelgraph, which seemed to reveal more to everyone present from each separate phrase of the prayer. "The world is presently so full of evil, that we all need to pray, and to pray without ceasing, as stated in the Scriptures", Mrs. Park said.

Thanks to the speaker was extended by Mrs. A. Esselment. President Mrs. Della Jones extended a welcome to each one present and Secretary Irene Johnson read the previous minutes, also took the Roll Call, with each stating how many visits they had made to shut-ins for the month.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Laura Swing and it was mentioned that a committee comprised of Mesdames Rhoda Ann Malcolm, Jean Gedy and Peggy Hyde would spend the \$50.00 donation from Time - Out as they saw fit.

It was suggested to hold the Next - to - new sale on March 23 or in April on a suitable date, due to the operetta and Skating Carnival on that specific week-end mentioned. Further it was decided to cater to a wedding on June 15.

Mention was made that Mrs. Helen Davis had agreed to represent the U.C.W. on the Music Committee. Some discussion took place regarding the mother-daughter banquet for the

Guides, Brownies and Rangers to be held in April, also the Mini-school for Erie Presbytery that we will cater to on April 24.

Items of Correspondence included a letter of thanks from Rev. and Mrs. Rule, also a letter of invitation from the Muriel Spurgeon Group of the Baptist Church, with mention of a special guest to be at their 8 p.m. meeting on March 18.

An interesting report on the U.C.W. Presbyterial held in Delhi recently was presented by Mrs. Irene Johnson, after which all repeated the Mezpah Benediction.

Thanks to the hostess was given by Mrs. A. Esselment.

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HAGERSVILLE Highlights

Legion Branch 164 Meets

President Clarence Jackson of Branch 164, Canadian Legion, Hagersville opened the meeting on Tuesday evening March 5.

He stated the present membership is as follows: 11 Life; 163 Ordinary; 46 Associate; 21 Honorary; and 55 Affiliate members.

The general and new business included a donation of \$50.00 to the local Heart Fund campaign, as well as a donation of \$50.00 to the Mentally Retarded Camp Committee Fund, which is headed by Mrs. William Hobbs, Sr. from whom the request was read.

Comrade Stinson, Brooks and Whitbread will attend the Zone B Convention at Port Colborne Legion on April 6 and 7, as delegates from Hagersville. The Legion Dominion Convention will be held in Newfoundland early this

summer and President Clarence Jackson will attend from this Branch. Some discussion took place regarding the purchasing of the Gordon Curnow property, adjacent to the Legion location. Upon motion, this matter was to remain as recommended by the Legion Executive.

On Tuesday, March 19, there will be a Zone Meeting at the Hagersville Branch. Minutes from the February general meeting, as well as the previous Executive meetings were read by Secretary Comrade Omar Phillips and were adopted. Comrade Dave Ince presented the Treasurer's report which was likewise adopted.

Items of Correspondence included a thank-you from Comrade Nat Salvatore for the Branch assistance with the Ball

team activities, as well as a request from Chairman of the Heart Campaign, Mrs. Patti Huchilt for a donation; and a thank-you letter from the newly-organized Buttons and Bows Committee for the Branch donation to their Fund.

Publicity Chairman, Comrade A. Esselment stated the Progressive Hosiery parties held on available Saturday afternoons in the Hall were receiving excellent attendance each week.

The Ways and Means Chairman Comrade Ted Brooks stated the weekly Monday night bingo was proving successful, but much more help could be used at these weekly events by the Legion members.

Service Officer Comrade Peter Stoddart had a Nil report; while Public Speaking Chairman Comrade Joe Taylor, Zone Commander, presented a detailed report of that committee.

Sick report was given by Comrade Dave Ince and showed presently two on that list, namely Ann Major and H. Thomas.

50-50 Winner

The February winner of the monthly 50 - 50 Draw arranged and sponsored by the Canadian Legion, Branch 164, Hagersville was Mrs. Ethel Dawbon of Hagersville. This ticket was drawn at the Legion's February dance. Draws are made the last Saturday evening of each month, with proceeds for charitable purposes.

The "At Home" committee has begun their

meetings and the long, hard, time consuming hours are about to begin for Ron Awde, Penny Hoover and their committee. The theme this year is "Space Odyssey" and from what I've heard, it sounds to be one of the best that H.S.S. has had.

The Operetta, this year "The Music Man" is coming along fine and the cast and director are patiently awaiting and anticipating the arrival of March 27 - 30. There is still quite a bit to do but as always Hagersville will come up with another winner.

Yes, the next week until winter break will be pretty busy but it seems to make the time go faster until we're out for a week and a half.

OFFSA Wrestling in Thunder Bay was held this past weekend and Hagersville Secondary was proud to send two very fine wrestlers, Mike O'Brien and Bob Van Tright along with Coach Howard Bassindale. The long tedious trip was well worth it since they were able to test their skill against Ontario's best wrestlers. Unfortunately neither placed.

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H.S.S. Report

It's been a busy three weeks since my last report and the time from now until winter break looks to be just as hectic.

The Girls Volleyball all-star team is preparing for their trip to Thunder Bay in the middle of March. Many money raising campaigns have been put underway such as the selling of chocolate bars and on Friday of last week a Soc - Hop was held in the gym, sponsored by the Volleyball team.

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The Hagersville and District Lions' Club are collecting eyeglasses for the needy in Chile. There are presently three collection boxes set up for your old eyeglasses not presently used. These boxes are located at Dave Banks' Jewellers, Main Street North, the Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Royal Bank of Canada.

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