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BLACKBURN AREA NEWS AND REPORTS

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*Merry
Christmas
and a
Happy
New
Year*

RECREATION LAND IN BLACKBURN HAMLET

The following is excerpts from a letter received from Township Council. "Costain has agreed to convey to the Township a parcel of land having an area of approximately 5 acres and located in Lots 13 and 14, Concession 2, Ottawa Front and lying west of the easterly limit of the lands presently zoned for public uses. The location, shape and dimension of this parcel of land is subject to the approval of the Municipality. Although the agreement with Costain requires the land to be conveyed on or before August 1st 1970, it is hoped that the conveyance will be made in the Spring of 1970. It is proposed to locate the other 5 acre parcel of park land on the south side of the Cyrville Road. This location was chosen because the proposed development of Blackburn will result in the population on the south side of the Cyrville Road being almost equal to that on the north side."

Our Recreation committee are at present working on this matter.

TREFOIL TRACKS Betty Baird, Public Relations East Ottawa Division, Girl Guides of Canada

Sixty years old next year. Sixty years since Lord Baden-Powell launched guiding for girls as a corollary to scouting for boys. Sixty years in which the guide movement has spread throughout the world to play a vital role in moulding the character of thousands upon thousands of girls. Sixty years is worth shouting about in any life and here in Ottawa one way of marking this special anniversary will be a giant Valentine's Day bazaar in the Civic Centre, Lansdowne Park. To be called the Diamond Jubilee Bazaar, it will be a project of all Ottawa guide companies and brownie packs and will feature home-baking, knitting, crafts, antiques, nearly new wear, pocket novels, boutiques, white elephant items and jewellery.

Contributions in any or all of these categories will be most welcome. Broken jewellery can be used, too. The depot in Blackburn is 75 West Park Cr. Mrs. Baer.

Blackburn is now a District and Mrs. R. J. Baer has been appointed District Commissioner.

INSURANCE - Parents are advised that guide insurance does not cover the girls in case of accidents arising out of horseback riding, water-skiing or snowmobiling.

BLACKBURN RINKS - Neil McKinnon

If you are interested in reserving either rinks on a regular bases or occasional call Neil. The scheduled for the rinks will be posted in the field houses. It was impossible to have them for this issue of BANAR.

BLACKBURN HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION Les. Leftly, West Park, President

The December meeting was a high spot in our 69-70 program. In addition to hearing an excellent presentation on new teaching methods in mathematics, we were put to work in mathematics workshops. Mrs. Margaret Kaddatz of Ottawa Teachers' College deserves great thanks for getting us all involved in what must be a most interesting and challenging learning-by-doing process.

The Skate Exchange was a resounding success, not so much in terms of money raised by the Association but in terms of money saved by our customers! Many thanks to all that helped.

HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

MAY THE LOVE AND PEACE OF CHRISTMAS BE WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR

Executive of the Blackburn Community
Association

CROWDING AT GLOUCESTER HIGH SCHOOL -- (Mrs.) Louise J. McIntosh

In the early months of the Carleton Board of Education, a forecast of pupil population was presented by former staff. I felt it underestimated the growth in Gloucester Township and urged rejection of that portion. A more reliable picture was given at the elementary level by the former Gloucester Public School Board. At the secondary level, no such forecast was available, because the problem is more complex and because the secondary schools of the county were still largely run by the Collegiate Institute Board of Ottawa. Exact figures for secondary school population could not be computed even for Budget purposes last year.

In May, we appointed our own planner, who immediately began obtaining data for the entire county, in co-operation with Comay Consultants.

In September, while present enrolments and planners' forecasts were being prepared for submission to the Department of Education in Toronto to support the planning of new schools, I recommended establishment of a committee on School construction. This would insure no delay to decide on architects appointments etc. after Departmental approval returned to us. I refer you to an article in the forthcoming Carleton Bulletin for details of the work of this committee.

When September enrolment figures and developers' plans were examined, it became apparent that Gloucester High School could not house all 2300 students anticipated in its attendance area next year. The principal, his staff, the Director of Education, and three Superintendents (all former secondary school principals) examined several possible solutions. In November they reported to the Board that a two-school, split shift system was the best solution. One school would have classes from 7.30A.M. to 12.30 P.M. The second from 1:00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. Each school would have its own principal and staff. The Trustees were dismayed and requested further investigation of the matter. It was discussed fully at four consecutive meetings of the Board, and on December 8th the two-school solution was passed by a vote of 12-3 (the chairman and one trustee, absent on Dec. 2, had indicated support the previous week).

I assure you that this decision was not taken hastily or lightly. Both staff and trustees are aware that split-shifts pose problems, but 14 out of 17 trustees and all members of a very competent staff feel it is the only workable solution to the problem.

The committee for the new High School in Beacon Hill North will be meeting with the architect before Christmas to start planning. It will be built as quickly as possible. There are several points in the building procedure where the Department of Education and the Ontario Municipal Board, as well as the Carleton Board of Education, exercise control of the plans and cost. We must plan and build not only for today's crisis, but also for the students of future years. A High School is a large investment in our future. It must be planned and executed responsibly as well as quickly.

It is our intention, early in the New Year, to have a public meeting at Gloucester High School to give details of the decision we have made and what steps have been taken to minimize the problems associated with it. I am sure many concerned parents have questions to ask. I hope to see you there.

Principal to student: "It's very generous of you, Russell, but I don't believe your resignation would help our crowded school situation." Sat. Evening Post

A youngster being called down for a poor report card asked: "What do you think the trouble with me is, Dad--heredity or environment?" H. J. Ohms

GLOUCESTER SKI SCHOOL H. W. Schade

Again, as for the last two years, we will have a ski school in January and February in Beacon Hill North. The school gives 1 hour lessons to children from 6 to 14 years of age on six consecutive Sunday afternoons. The fee is \$3.50 per child and \$3.00 for additional children of the same family. We anticipate a greater demand due to the recent home sales. Last year we had 206 children participating in two shifts. However, we will not take more than 10 children per instructor and have provided for 260 children. We will teach the children over 8 years of age at a different site. For these reasons we will definitely not accept any registrations on the hill. It is doubtful that we can distribute the applications through the schools this year. We urge all interested parents therefore, to attend the registration night Thursday, January 8, 1970 from 8 to 10 p.m. at Fairfield School, Cardinal Heights.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS

A VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

FROM JOYCE BENNETT AND JOHN KEMPER

K E M P E R R E A L T Y L T D.

GLOUCESTER ARENA

Building of the new \$630,000 recreation complex on the Ogilvie Rd is expected to begin next spring and should be completed by late fall. The building, which has been in the works for more than a year, will house a regulation-size hockey rink, a community hall and a 15,000-volume library. Its seating capacity of 2,300 will make it second only to the Civic Centre in size. The new arena is adjacent to Gloucester High School and the swimming pool, making it one of the first areas in this region to integrate educational and recreational facilities. The structure was designed by the Ottawa firm of Ala-Kanttii, Liff and Stefaniszyn.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

from JOE

JOE'S GROCETERIA will be open Christmas Day from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
New Year's Day from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE Chairman - Moin Ansari, 13 Highpark Cres., 824-3500

The membership drive over the past 3 mos. has been a success, 360 families joined Assoc. so far and I hope many more will join this dynamic community assoc. by calling 824-3500 or any other representative. The annual family membership fee is only \$3.00, although you maybe thinking that you are joining the assoc. only for 7 to 8 months, but remember the cost is as meager as .03 % of your 7 months income (based on average income). The Assoc. needs your views and opinions as well as your contribution of \$3.00. Without your participation as a member the association loses its affectiveness.

UNITED WE STAND DIVIDED WE FALL

OUCESTER RECREATION COMMITTEE --Chairman - H. W. Schade, 605 Blair Rd. 749-0362

I am extremely pleased with the election results and the forthcoming changes on our council.

For the last two years I have tried to obtain a better understanding by Council for our problems and warned Council during last year, that they would have to account for their attitudes to the suburban sector at election time. I resigned as Chairman of the Township recreation committee last month in order to work actively and strongly for the candidates of my choice and hope that my actions will be justified in the future.

I am not asking for a full tax return, dollar per dollar, for recreation in the high populated areas, as I realize that we have a responsibility to the other areas in our township. I feel that equalized sharing through grants on a per capita basis is fair. However, I objected constantly to the fact that we were given less of a return relatively, since the per capita figures always represented those of almost two years ago. This meant that the fast growing areas, which incurred the greatest expenses in order to start recreational programs, received constantly less than the stable areas in respect to the taxes, which the home owners had to pay from the first day since they moved in.

Where do we go from here? I have submitted to the Reeve and to the Council that the Community Centres Board (which is responsible for the arena, the pool and all future recreational building projects) and the Recreation Committee be amalgamated. Liaison was never too good and each additional committee creates extra work. The excellent liaison between the eight individual recreation areas in the township and the township recreation committee has to be maintained by keeping the established custom of appointing the area chairmen as members on the township committee. Obviously it would make an unwieldy committee to add eight more persons to the five members of the C.C.B. My suggestion therefore, is to have this number reduced to four by always bringing two areas together- either actually or by rotating their respective representatives to the township committee.

After a lot of hard work your area committee established a five year capital expenditures plan last March. It was turned down by Council in its entirety but I have submitted it this week again to the township director for finances.

We have lost the rink subsidy from the Public Schoolboard this year which paid \$350.00 for Fairfield and \$600.00 for Henry Munro, and \$350.00 Blackburn.

B L A C K B U R N H A M L E T G U L F

Wishing each and everyone of Blackburn a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR. Kel Tourangeau and staff

Christmas hrs.

Wed. Dec. 24, 8 p.m. closing
Thurs. Dec. 25, closed
Fri. Dec. 26, 8 a.m. opening

New Years hrs.

Wed. Dec. 31, 8 p.m. closing
Thurs. Jan. 1, closed
Fri. Jan. 2, 8 a.m. opening

Sincere Thanks for your support and Season Greetings. R. Bissaillon

Christmas Greetings and best wishes for the New Year and many thanks for your support. Bob MacQuarrie

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Harold Arthurs.

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS WITH BEST WISHES FOR HAPPINESS IN THE

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Many thanks for your support and I wish you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and the happiest of NEW YEARS. Lionel Lebonte

CLASSIFIED Lois Kemp - 824-2903 Deadline Jan. 17, 1970

BABY SITTER wanted, 2 children 5 and 8, occasional evenings - 824-4853

BABY SITTER wanted, light housework, Mon. to Fri. - 824-3007

BABY SITTER wanted, 1 afternoon a week, my home - 824-3495

BABY CARRIAGE wanted by April good condition; also old oak buffet and china cabinet, and teak wall unit and floor lamp. evenings - 824-3672

OIL PAINTINGS for sale - \$45 and \$25 - 824-2304

Many thanks for the kind remarks on the election edition of BANAR, Season's Greetings and best wishes for a Happy New Year. Eleanor MacQuarrie, Val Ditmar, Lois Kemp, Murray and Kevin Kemp. Publicity Committee

NURSERY SCHOOL IN BLACKBURN -

There is a good possibility that a non-denominational nursery school class can be arranged at the Ecole Ste. Marie division of Thomas Darcy McGee School. Preliminary inquiries indicate that the acquisition of classroom space and qualified teaching personnel will not present major problems. The remaining step is to determine the interest in such a class. The cost is estimated at \$15.00 per month for three half days per week and classes could start as early as the later half of Jan.

Those people who are interested in such a class are requested to return the form below by MAIL. I can have no additional information until I know the results of this inquiry so please do not phone. Those indicating interest will be contacted early in January at which a meeting will be arranged to supply additional information.

I am interested in sending a child to nursery school classes (pre-kindergarten) beginning in late January.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

Returning this form indicates sincere interest ONLY and does not constitute any obligation.

Return to: Robert Searle,
9 Highpark Cres., Ottawa 15.

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ENGLISH SEPARATE SCHOOL

This year has seen the establishment of an English Separate School (grades K - 2) in Blackburn Hamlet. If this school is to be expanded to give instruction in grades K - 8, it is necessary to determine the demand within the community for such a facility. Would the parents interested in supporting an English Separate School (K - 8) in Blackburn Hamlet during 1970/71 please complete the following questionnaire. This information can be mailed or phoned to Bill Savin, 59 West Park Drive, Phone 824-3208, who is co-ordinating the collection of the information.

QUESTIONNAIRE

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Number of Children _____

Ages (September 1, 1970) _____

Entering Grades (September 1970) _____

BLACKBURN HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, 1st December

8.00 p.m.

at

BLACKBURN PUBLIC SCHOOL

PROGRAM:

"THE NEW MATH--

SO WHAT'S NEW ABOUT IT?"

Mrs. Margaret Kaddatz

Mathematics Master

Ottawa Teachers College

Mrs. Kaddatz is on loan to the Ottawa Teachers College from the Carleton Board of Education as the instructor for mathematics teachers of intermediate grades. At the November meeting, we saw the need for individualized approach in teaching. Mrs. Kaddatz will describe an application of new techniques in mathematics teaching with illustrative material on film and in a demonstration of the actual techniques of a "math workshop".

COME EARLY TO GET A GOOD SEAT AT THIS SECOND MEETING IN THE SERIES ON CONTEMPORARY TEACHING METHODS.

Memberships are available at the meeting. All general meetings are open to everyone interested in the welfare of young people. You need not be a member or a parent of children at the schools to attend any general meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: The Blackburn Home and School Association is the Home and School Association for both Blackburn and Glen Ogilvie Public Schools. The meeting this month is at the BLACKBURN School.

SKATE EXCHANGE

Committee chairman Moin Ansari

Under auspices of the Blackburn Home and School Assoc. the exchange will be set up at the BLACKBURN PUBLIC SCHOOL / Dec. 5 & 6 (Cyrville & Navan Rd) The philosophy behind this exchange is to help the parents who would like to sell used skates and also to those who would like to buy them at a reasonable price

SELLERS The skates will be accepted at the exchange on Dec. 5, 4pm. - 7pm
Dec. 6, 9am. - 10 am.

Before you turn in your skates make sure that each pair of skates are tagged in duplicate with size of skates, boys or girls, and price. Put your name and address and telephone no. on one tag. also your minimum acceptable price. A fee of .10¢ will be charged at the time of registration by the Assoc.

BUYERS "Caveat Emptor" The sale will commence on Dec. 6, 11am. to 3pm.

The Assoc. will charge .10¢ for each pair of skates sold. Deducted from the sellers price.