

Yester Year's News

From the files of *The Davidson Leader*

Pool draws hundreds, including sneaky muskrat

From the files of *The Davidson Leader*, for the week of Sept. 18.

1937

• Towards the end of last week two youngsters of Girvin, Gerald White and Raymond Seeley, found some cans of gopher poison in the cellar of a vacant house. They spread this poison with the result that three dogs met their death.

Const. Green of the Craik RCMP, investigating the case, placed no responsibility on anyone but warned the public against leaving poison where children may have access to it.

• Ten horses and five men were working on the Davidson dam on Sept. 14.

Those working on Tuesday were Harry Spratt and team, H. Caldwell with four-horse team, Demeesters' four-horse team, J. Vallevand and A. E. Loutzenhizer.

• Under the heading "Intercepted Passes" by Keem: With this week's edition of the *Leader*, we make our bow to the sporting fraternity of our fair city.

We desire to remain anonymous, because we never did like stale eggs or overripe tomatoes.

• Donald Kennedy of Sunny Knoll S.D. won the bronze medal for piping at the Caledonian sports meet at Regina on Sept. 6.

According to reports he would have won silver if his bagpipes had been in better condition. Congratulations, Don.

• The resignation of Miss McLeod, matron of the hospital, was accepted at the Davidson Union Hospital board meeting on Sept. 9. Miss McLeod has been matron since 1922.

1947

• Mrs. G. A. Harris entertained the members of the Kenaston Homemakers Club on Wednesday.

A very interesting meeting was held with 27 ladies attending. Mesdames J. L. Eager, J. A. Ouellette and R. Adams were appointed as a committee to make arrangements for an art display.

• From the Davidson School Unit board meeting: Moved by Mr. Johnson that the request by Mr. Way, principal at Bladworth, for two typewriters for use in the Bladworth high school, be tabled until the next meeting.

• W. Kwichak has resumed his duties as section foreman at Girvin

after being on sick leave for a time.

• Mr. and Mrs. John McJannet are moving to their home in Davidson, the residence formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Peacock.

• Master Richard Allen was a patient in Davidson Hospital the first 10 days of September for an appendix operation.

• Due to the grave illness of Mr. Elgin Steen's mother in Saskatoon City Hospital, Steen's Orchestra has discontinued playing for the present.

• Recent donations to the hospital: Mr. Adolf Schmiedge, cream; Mrs. Martin, cream; Mr. Henry Hackle, ice cream.

• Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stevens, Sept. 6, a daughter.

1957

• Among the many messages of congratulations received by Mr. and Mrs. Nick Zdunich on their 50th anniversary was a gold inscribed scroll from His Holiness Pope Pius XII, direct from the Vatican. The inscription was a Papal Blessing for the occasion.

• Football season got off to a good start when Davidson Hi visited Simpson Hi on Sept. 11, returning with a 26-6 victory.

Touchdowns were scored by Ian Cowling, Clarence Nordmarken, James Rosier and Don Wirth.

• The induction service for Rev. M. C. Newman was held in the United Church on Sept. 10.

• The Davidson Fire Brigade answered an alarm at 9 a.m. on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Winkjer. The trouble was in the chimney where some soot caught fire and this was quickly brought under control.

• We are pleased to report that Walter Bublish was released from hospital last Saturday and arrived home that evening.

He will have to rest and take things easy for a time, but everyone is pleased to see him home again.

• Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Walker on Sept. 16, a baby girl.

• The new Edsel car is on display at Midway Service and is attracting a lot of people.

1967

• And the rains came ... yes, they sure did! After waiting over a year for a good rainfall, it finally started during the night of Sept. 12.

At 8 a.m. Tuesday, 0.46 was recorded by weather

observer B. Manion. The combined total on Wednesday at 1 p.m. was 2.59.

• Sunday morning, Sept. 10 the citizens of Davidson not only heard the peel of church bells but the first four notes of "O Canada" as the Centennial Caravan rolled down the highway and parked at the fairgrounds.

The caravan consisted of seven trailers with many exhibits, depicting life in Canada since the earliest days. The response was tremendous as some 3,373 adults and children passed through a century of Canadian history.

• The last person to sign the register on Sept. 9 was Carrie Morgan, marking 7,100 persons swimming in the Kinsmen Centennial Swimming Pool this year.

The peak was reached on July 18 when clerk Gloria Old signed in over 270 swimmers. Sept. 2 was quite a different picture when only four brave souls — Lee Old, Bobette Old, Terry Nordmarken and Wade Scott — ventured into the icy water. There was also one unexpected visitor: a small muskrat who came running through the fence, dived in, had a swim and left again.



Artist at work

Lydia Rupcich adds her touch to the cave art being created during "Read and Rhyme" at the Davidson library last week. Kids and their parents or caregivers are invited to join in the fun every Thursday at 10 a.m. for stories, crafts and activities.

(Leader photo by Joel van der Veen)

George, Siroski win at bridge club

DAVIDSON — Bev George was the winner at bridge on Monday, Sept. 11. Bev's score after six rounds was 4,990 points.

The winner on Thursday, Sept. 14 was Vi Siroski, with a score of 3,990.

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