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778 People Get Old Age Pension In Grey

In April the Province of Ontario will take over full payment of Old Age Pensions throughout the province, thereby relieving the various counties of a heavy burden since the Pensions were first inaugurated in 1929.

County Clerk Fred Rutherford, who fyles all pensions claims for Grey County, reported last week that a total of 152 applications for pensions had been made during the year 1936, with very few of these refused, probably less than a dozen in all. This was almost a 30 per cent, increase over 1935 when there were 118 applications. This is merely an indication of how the number of pension recipients is steadily rising, a condition that no doubt prevails in other parts of the province as well.

At the present time there is a total of 776 people in Grey receiving the pension and the payments to these are $12,758.82 every month of the year. The county bears 10 per cent. of this cost or $1,275.86 per month, making it $15,310.56 for the year. Entire cost of 776 pensioners for one year is $173,105.60 and that in Grey County alone.

Looking over the list it was noticeable that very few pensioners receive less than the maximum payment of $20 per month. In some cases where man and wife each receive the pension the sum is $15 or $17.50 with a few at $12.50, but these cases are rare.

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer was observed in Flesherton by meeting in the Baptist Church on Friday, February 12, with Mrs. J. R. Wolstencroft in the chair. The program this year was prepared by Miss Mabel Shaw of Livingstone Memorial School, North Rhodesia.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. W. Plant, Mrs. W. Thurston, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. H. Down and Mrs. J. J. Thompson. Mrs. Blackburn and Mrs. Thom sang beautifully, as always, "I found a friend." A lady from Markdale was to have given an address on "The purpose of the World Day of Prayer," but was laid up with an attack of flu; by request, Mrs. W. A. Armstrong filled the gap by giving a paper on "The necessity of Prayer." It was prepared thoughtfully and carefully, using bible characters as illustrations, and was read in a clear voice and every one who heard it should profit by it.

The collection amounted to only $3.25 less price of programmes.

The committee to take charge next year is Mrs. W. I. Henry, Mrs. D. Williams and Mrs. G. Stewart.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our appreciation to the many friends for their kind words of sympathy and acts of kindness in our bereavement.

—Mrs. T. A. Blakeley and Family.

Card of Thanks

Mr. R. J. Vause and family wish to extend their sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness shown during the long illness, and for their expressions of sympathy and floral tributes during their recent bereavement in the loss of their beloved wife and mother.

The fellow with the biggest assets is not always the community's biggest asset.

Jackrabbit Hunt

Nearly 200 hunters from all over the countryside were at Meaford on Saturday and bagged close to 275 jack rabbits, ranging in size from 12 to 16 pounds. They found ready sale, for buyers were on the job, with trucks. Prices ranged up to four cents a pound.

The hunt was staged under the direction of Claude Running, Clarksburg, E. N. Arthur and Grenville Cook of Meaford. Prizes went to Douglas Hindson, Meaford, with ten rabbits; second to Edward Ritchie of Shallow Lake with nine.

Thos. A. Blakeley Buried Saturday

Thomas Albert Blakeley, former highly respected business man of Flesherton, died suddenly in a Toronto hospital where he had gone to have an X-ray on Wednesday evening of last week, the remains being brought to Flesherton on Saturday. Service was held in St. John's United Church, conducted by Rev. G. R. Service, who gave a most comforting message to the sorrowing relatives. Interment was made in the mortuary chapel in Flesherton cemetery.

The late Thomas Blakeley was a brother of Mr. Joseph Blakeley of town. He leaves to mourn two brothers and one sister, and a family consisting of his wife and seven children, four girls and three boys, as follows: Elmo of Bakersfield, Calif., Myrtle (Mrs. J. C. Miller) of Toronto; Clifford, in Harriston; Aleth at Millbanks, Ont., Pearl (Mrs. Harry Stafford, Toronto; Gordon, Toronto; Luella (Mrs. Phillip Gaddey) of Kirkland Lake, Ont. He was married twice, his first wife being Margaret Lever of Flesherton. In 1920 the family moved to Toronto and in 1926 Mrs. Blakeley passed away. Later he married Mrs. Sarah Crompton, who survives him.

The deceased gentleman was born near Portlaw in 1863 and as a young man learned his trade of wood worker and wagonmaker with the late Thompson Wilson. Then he moved to Maxwell where he spent a couple of years, then to Dundalk for a time and then to Flesherton, where he worked for the late John H. Heard. He then purchased the Flesherton Planing Mill which he conducted for a number of years until he sold to Mr. W. I. Henry of town and moved to Toronto, where he worked at his trade until about six weeks ago, when he was forced through illness to relinquish his position.

All the family were present at the funeral with the exception of Elmo and Luella. The service at the church here was attended by a large number of friends and acquaintances who wished to pay their respects to the memory of an old and highly esteemed friend. The funeral was under the auspices of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, A.F.&A.M., of which he had been Master, later serving as District Deputy Grand Master of Grey District. He attended the Diamond Jubilee of his Lodge, here, last fall.

The pallbearers were all members of the Craft: C. J. Bellamy, F. W. Duncan, F. J. Thurston, G. A. McTavish, C. N. Richardson and T. J. Fisher.

Among the many floral offerings of sympathy and regard were emblems from Flesherton Old Boys' and Girls' Association, Toronto, Prince Arthur Lodge, Flesherton, and others.

Bad food is blamed for the Guelph riots. It is a cause that has precipitated near riots even in family circles.

EASTERN STAR

DANCE

Fraternal Hall, Flesherton

Wed., Feb. 24

Under auspices of Grey Chapter No. 170

Music by Dorothy Foster and other pieces

DON'T MISS A GOOD TIME

Admission:- 25c. Lunch Extra.

Urges Coins Struck For Coronation

(By Miss Macphail, M.P.)

Usually these articles are dictated in my office on Saturday morning direct to the typewriter—or rather to a very efficient secretary who manipulates the typewriter. But this time the layout is entirely different. I am lying comfortably in bed, just having finished a brew of gruel, and am now all set to talk on, to the portable typewriter an article which promises to be short and not very interesting. I want to tell you the name of my secretary and how she happens to be mine this session, but she wont have it.

The 'flu never passes me by. I have a fairly good dose of it and it struck me at a most inconvenient time, causing me to miss the only break so far in the monotony of the session. I read in Hansard that Mr. Bennett and Mr. Gardner had a first class row over the appointment of John Vallence, ex-Liberal M.P., as head of the Farm Rehabilitation scheme (effort to overcome the drouth.) Mr. Bennett said that John Vallance couldn't be in town half an hour without talking politics and, while he didn't blame him for being a strong partisan, he did think it disqualified him to work in this particular field which should be above and apart from politics.

This looks like the pot calling the kettle black, since Mr. Bennett, previous to and during the last election, had appointed many Conservative partisans to high positions in the public service. Mr. Sullivan, ex-M.P., was made Deputy Postmaster General, over the head of Mr. P. T. Coolican who, had the appointment been made on the merit principle, should have filled the post. R. K. Smith, another Conservative M.P., was made Deputy Minister of Marine.

Mr. Gardiner made a really magnificent speech on the whole subject of rehabilitation of western lands. He spoke out of his long experience on the prairies, both in Western Canada and the State of Nebraska. He made it clear that much rain in the great wheat belt resulted in either frost or rust and he expressed the opinion that the drouth area of Western Canada was passing through much the same condition as that which struck Nebraska during the five years he lived there in last century. He did not take a despairing view of the outlook. He pointed out that the people had in the main stuck to the area and expressed the belief that in ten years there would be more people there than there are now, if in the meantime the problem of rehabilitation was well handled.

It surprised me to hear Mr. Gardiner say that one fifth of all the improved farm lands and more than a quarter of all the occupied lands of Canada are in the drouth affected prairie areas. The whole drouth district contains 60 million acres, 300 municipalities and a population of 900,000.

A good crop at a good price in the desribed area above has produced as high a return as $1,180,000,000, while in a poor year returns have dropped as low as $354,000,000.

It was at this point that the chills and fever started and I went home to bed, and haven't since had the energy to read the conclusion.

It's a bit of bad luck that the 'flu has caused me to have to cancel two of the mosts interesting dinner engagements I have had this session. The Hon. T. A. Crerar and Mrs. Crerar are entertaining at dinner tonight at the Country Club for the Hon. Percy Pease, the Deputy Premier and Minister of Lands of Queensland Australia, and were good enough to invite me. On Thursday (the day the chills and fever started) Mr. Fraser Elliott, chief of the Income Branch of the Department of National Revenue, and Mrs. Fraser entertained in their beautiful new home, and I was one of the absent guests. (And a new dinner dress is still in its wrappings.)

But more serious is the cancellation of the emergency peace meeting, or at any rate my part in it, at the Uptown Theatre, Toronto, on Sunday afternoon. I do dislike not being able to keep my speaking engagements. I feel possibly an undue sense of responsibility about them. But unless the temperature becomes normal very rapidly I will be in this same place tomorrow, rather than discussing "Do we want increased armaments in Canada," at the Uptown.

Mrs. Martha Louise Black, member for the Yukon, urged the government to issue a million silver dollars in commemoration of the coronation. She argued that it would be beneficial to the silver mining industry in Canada, would be a suitable souvenir and would profit the government. "For every sixty cents worth of silver which is struck off in silver coins the government clears approximately $1.15. Mrs. Black was supported by Mr. Reid, Liberal, New Westminster B.C., who for many years has advocated the use of silver as money or as a monetary base.

Mr. Dunning in replying, gave little encouragement. Apparently the dies for coins are made in London. Before the abdication of Edward VIII steps had been taken to have the King's head appear on Canadian silver dollars, but none had been issued. Now new dies must be made and Mr. Dunning did not think that they could arrive in time to have Canadian silver dollars in circulation before the coronation. He pointed out, too, that King George V silver coins (dollars) are available at all the banks, but are in little demand except in areas interested in the production of silver.

—AGNES MACPHAIL

House of Commons, Ottawa,
Saturday, February 13th, 1937.

Mrs. R. Fawcett Dies

Mrs. Richard Fawcett, a highly respected resident of Wodehouse passed away quite suddenly on Thursday morning. Her death coming so unexpectedly was a great shock to her family and to the community. Her illness had not been considered critical until shortly before her death.

The late Mrs. Fawcett was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elias Chapple of the 7th line of St. Vincent, near Minnie Hill, where, 55 years ago she was born. Here she grew to womanhood, and 33 years ago last month married Mr. Richard Fawcett. They took up farming and after some years lived at Beaverdale, but twenty years ago came to the shaw farm at Wodehouse, where they have been good citizens.

Surviving are her husband, four sons and a daughter,— namely, Harold of Flesherton, Russell of Wodehouse, Mrs. Gordon Wyville of Vandeleur, Ted and Lorne at home. Also surviving are five brothers, John, Fred and William Chapple of Meaford, George and Harry of the 7th of St. Vincent.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon, February 15th, with service at the house at 2 o'clock. Interment was made in the mortuary chapel, Markdale Public Cemetery.

Artemesia Council

The Council of the Township of Artemesia met at the council chambers, Flesherton, on Monday, February 8th, with the members all present, the Reeve, J. A. Davis, presiding. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications read were as follows: Ontario Good Roads Association giving notice of meeting; C. C. Middlebro, regarding sale of lands for taxes; Department of Public Welfare, re old age pensions and mothers' allowances; Treasurer of Walkerton, re relief for indigent; Canadian Pacific Railway, resolution re corporation taxes.

Accounts were received from: Municipal World, assessor's supplies, subscriptions $34.42; Department of Health, insulin for patients $3.68; the Clerk, registering B., M. and D. for 1936 $12.75; relief accounts of $15.13, $29.65 and $20.52; County of Grey, hospital account $3.50; were presented and payment ordered.

The Reeve and Mr. Hostrawser were appointed a committee to interview Mr. I. B. Whyte and Mr. J. McDougal regarding cutting out swamp in Division No. 1.

The Reeve and Mr. Stinson were appointed a committee to interview Mr. Ross Stevens regarding road deviation, and the Clerk was instructed to advertise for tenders for crushing of gravel.

The Council adjourned.

A Flesherton rink reached the 4th round of the second event at the Owen Sound curling bonspiel last week. The rink was composed of Geo. McTavish, skip; G. B. Welton, vice skip; F. J. Thurston, second, and Bob Phillips as lead. Walter Akitt was a member of the rink the first day.

Restricted Area Is Now Assured

Another week of favorable progress has concluded. Up until Saturday the following declarations have been received :-

Chatsworth	100%
Durham	100%
Neustadt	100%
Thornbury	97.3%
Meaford	90.0%
Hanover	88.8%
Sarawak	95.5%
Derby	95.4%
Sullivan	95.25%
Sydenham	94.9%

Petitions from Dundalk, Markdale and Flesherton show 100%, although declarations at time of writing have not been made. Artemesia, Collingwood, Euphrasia, Egremont and Holland are now ready, but because of the Short Course work at Kemble, have been unabe to secure the declarations.

One school section in Glenelg, Bentinck and Proton and two in Normanby remain to send in their petitions. This will complete the county.

Bruce County Preparing

On Thursday of last week Mr. Geo. Patterson, B.S.A., Agricultural Representative of Bruce County, called on the Markdale office to secure information relative to the work. Thus proof is now given that Bruce will take a vote on the matter in the near future, so those farmers living along the Bruce border need not worry about securing their usual requirements of feeder cattle from the area. The Restricted Area is now an assured fact.

Take Fourth Place

Flesherton made sure of fourth place in the standing of the Centre Grey Hockey League when they went out after goals in a game with Durham in Flesherton Tuesday evening, the score ending 9-6. They had previously made sure of a play-off berth when they defeated Markdale last week 5-1. Flesherton scored seven goals in the first period to Durham's one and then eased off the pressure. Each team secured one in the second and Durham bagged three in the third period to the local's one. Scorers for Flesherton were Delbert Smith 3, Fred Patton 2, and Johnson, W. Patton and McCutcheon one each. "Buck" Singleton of Markdale was referee.

ST. JOHN'S W.M.S.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet in St. John's United Church on Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m., with Mitchell's group in charge. The theme is "Jesus, the Pioneer of Life."

First Carnival Of Year A Success

St. John's United Church Y. P. U. were the sponsors of a very successful skating carnival in Flesherton arena on Wednesday night last, when events were held for every one from the hockey enthusiast to the curler, and from the child to the oldest person on skates. There was even a wonderful treat for those who came as spectators, as well as others, when Miss Mary Lois McRuer and Miss Doris Keith, members of the Toronto Granite Club gave several very enjoyable exhibitions of the art of figure skating, something new around this place and something we hope to see a great deal more of. Miss Mary Keith, a younger sister of Miss Doris Keith, also gave an exhibition and seemed quite adept in the fine art.

The prize winners in the various competitions are listed below.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS — Fancy Dress, Diana Goldsborough; Best Comic, Mary Keith; Girls' Race, Dorothy Welton and Jean McTavish; Boys' Race, Douglas Morgan and Roy Best.

ADULTS' EVENTS — Best Fancy Dress, Hazel McKillop; Best Hard-time, Mr. Eubank; Best Original, Pa and Ma, Verdun McMaster and Catherine McVicar; Best Skaters, Geo. Akitt and Dorothy Welton, and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wilson.

RACES — Boys' Race, 15—21, Delbert Smith, Earl Johnson; Men's Race, Bob Plester and Bert Broderick; Couples' Race, Geo. Akitt and Dorothy Welton and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wilson. Curlers event, Bill Hopkins and Ted McTavish; Shooting the puck, Harold McCutcheon and George Boyd.

OPEN TO ALL — Best Clown, Bob Carrothers and Jean Duncan; Best National, Miss McInnis and Jim Harrison.

The mysterious man was Mr. H. Eubank and he was found by Jean McTavish.

ICE HARVEST IN FULL SWING

The ice harvest is now on in full swing and the quality of the product is good, even better than last year. With so much mild weather, thawing and raining, it was feared that the quality would be poor, but the fears were unfounded.

READ THE "SMALL ADVTS".

Badminton Tournament

AND DANCE

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Commencing at 7 o'clock p.m.

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TO THE MARITIMES — FEB. 18

All Canadian Pacific Stations in New Brunswick; all Dominion Atlantic Ry. Stations in Nova Scotia.

Return Limit

Leave Nova Scotia points not later than Feb. 24; leave New Brunswick points not later than Feb. 23. Not good on train leaving Montreal 3.00 p.m.

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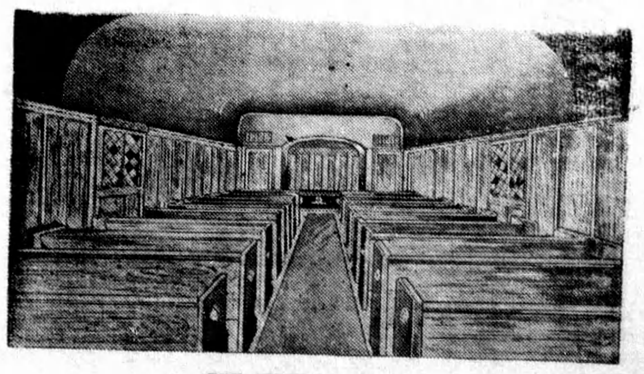

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