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When Issues Are Petty

(Hanover Post)

Mr. W. F. Albright, in speaking at the Carrick township nominations, put his finger on a question that prevails in many other municipalities when he said the spending of $18 to send a delegate to the Good Roads convention was an issue in last year's election, so $80 was spent in election expenses to decide an $18 issue.

The total taxes raised and spent by a town or township may run all the way from 30 to 100 thousand dollars and yet, on many occasions, we have seen elections fought on an $18 issue. Sometimes such a minor expenditure was a mistake, and admitted as such, but a councillor may have gotten full value for an expenditure of thousands of dollars and may have saved his municipality hundreds of dollars, but all his good deeds are forgotten and he is "kicked out" because he slipped a bit on an $18 expenditure.

Generally speaking, ratepayers are broad-minded and election appeals on a minor issue find little response if the candidate bears a good reputation or if the opposition is not personally esteemed and his ability recognized.

However, it sometimes happens that really worthwhile issues are ignored and some petty matter discussed. The spending of $50,000 is an important matter. A study might indicate that better value could be secured; that some classes of expenditure are too low and others too high; that too much money is spent for some things and too little for others.

We find it hard to say that Ontario, for instance, is spending too much money on education, when figures are adduced to show that people of this province spent more for liquor than for education. At every township nomination there is talk of the money necessary to improve roads and build bigger bridges, but there is no movement to build bigger and better school-houses.

It seems rather unfortunate that there should be so many "$18 minds".

Died In The West

Word has been received of the death in Calgary, Alta., of Mrs. John D. Howell, formerly of the Proton Station and Dundalk district. She had been ill for some weeks, owing to a paralytic stroke.

Mrs. Howell's maiden name was Alice V. Johnston, daughter of the late Christopher Johnston of Dundalk and she was born 60 years ago on the homestead, now owned by James McMillan in Proton township. Following her marriage to J. D. Howell of Proton Station they moved to Dundalk, where Mr. Howell carried on a blacksmithing business, later moving to Calgary. Mr. and Mrs. Howell had renewed acquaintances in Dundalk in the fall of 1936.

Besides her husband Mrs. Howell leaves five sons and one daughter. One son was killed in the Great War. Mrs. Howell was a sister of Christie Johnston of Shelburne and the bereft husband is a brother of Mrs. Johnston.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many kind friends of Khedive and Pangman, Sask., also of Regina, from the bottom of our hearts for their many acts of kindness shown our dear brother in his sudden passing and burial, also for the sympathetic letters received.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. O'Brien,
Eugenia, Ont.

Mrs. R. Richardson Died Very Suddenly

Death has again come to this community, taking Mrs. Robert Richardson of the village suburbs Sunday evening last, at the age of 53 years. Pneumonia was the cause of death.

Mrs. Richardson was born at Vandeleur, and was the elder daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pritchard of that place. Thirty-one years ago she was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Richardson of Flesherton, and had resided on their farm a mile north of Flesherton since that time. She leaves, besides her sorrowing husband, one son, Harold, and a sister, Mary (Mrs. Reid) of Oxford, Mich., and a brother, Rev. Robt. Pritchard, United Church minister of Winnipeg. An unusual sad aspect of the case is the fact that her husband is prostrated at his home with the same malady, while Mrs. Harold Richardson is also laid up with a severe case of the 'flu. Mrs. Richardson was only ill for a couple of days when she succumbed to the attack. She was a general favorite with everybody and her sudden passing is deeply regretted by a host of friends, and by the workers in St. John's United Church, where she was a consistent worker and an inspiration to all with whom she came in cantact. The editor's family has been intimate with her all her life, and we can say with very many others that we have been better for her friendship. It is difficult to definitely part with a friend like Mrs. Richardson.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the home of Mr. Emerson Wickens, a neighbor, interment to be made in Flesherton cemetery.

Eastern Star Officers

At the regular meeting of Grey Chapter No. 170, Order of the Eastern Star, on Monday evening, when there was a large attendance. A delightful supper was enjoyed, after which the business of the Chapter was conducted. Two new members were initiated and the following officers were installed for 1938:

W. Matron—Sister Laura Marshall.
W. P. — Bro. J. Colgan.
A. M. — Sister Eunice Colgan.
A.P. — Bro. F. J. Thurston.
Secretary — Sister S. Dargavel.
Treasurer — Sister Mary Phillips.
Cond. — Sister Gertrude McBride.
A. C. — Sister Mina Bradey.
Trustees — Sisters Sinclair, Jennie Armstrong and Willa Bradey.
Auditors — Bros. J. Colgan and F. J. Thurston.
Adah — Sister Leila Walker.
Ruth — Sister Myrtle Bellamy.
Esther — Sister Rae Rapp.
Martha — iSster Marion Muir.
Electa — Sister Beatrice Gordon.
Marshall — Sister Eva Fisher.
Chaplain — Sister Willa Bradey.
Organist — Sister Grace Harris.
Warder — Sister Mary Colgan.
Sentinel — Sister Aileen Kidd.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. Agnes Lyness wishes to express her grateful appreciation to the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted in any way at the time of the death of Mr. Lyness, and also for the kind help and thoughtful acts since his accident four years ago.

For some these are the hilarious daze.

Meeting To Form A Beaver Valley Road Association

Action is being taken this Thursday afternoon for the improvement of the Valley road for all-year travel, wnen a meeting will be held in the town hall, Flesherton, for the formation of a Beaver Valley Road Association. It is hoped that a large number from various centres interested will be in attendance to promote this worthy undertaking. Any person interested in the project is urged to attend and lend their voice to the proceedings.

The Valley road would be of great advantage to the entire County of Grey and the district from Thornbury to Flesherton particularly and would bring into easier access the great possibilities of a sporting centre for the Valley. No better hills for skiing are to be found in Canada and the Dominion championship ski events were held there two years ago and those present know of the crowds attending that day. The road would earn good interest if it were constructed and would not be any costly fad. The Hydro would benefit from the construction, as they frequently move heavy machinery to the power house and are put to added expense in repairing the road and reinforcing culverts to carry the load. It would also be a through highway to the east for traffic which now goes a circuitous route.

In last week's issue the Markdale Standard had the following to say regarding the road:

The editor of this great family journay has often wondered why this piece of road has been for so long neglected by our County Councillors. At the time the Good Road System was adopted by Grey County we were a member of the Council representing Dundalk and of course we knew nothing of the Valley Road at that time. If our memory serves us rightly this road was included in the first system adopted but apparently for reason was later dropped. During the past fifteen years we have driven over this road several times and we feel safe in saying that, outside of the roads now Provincial Highways, this is one of the most important in the whole County. It would make a splendid outlet for the Beaver Valley and at the same time attract tourists to that beautiful country where the scenery is unsurpassed in any section of Canada. If our Grey County Councillors are sincere in their efforts to attract tourists to the County then this road should be added to the County system at once. The Valley provides some of the best fishing in Ontario and the road would give easy access for tourists to the famous fishing waters at Meaford, now so well and favorably known over a wide area.

To construct a permanent and suitable road would cost considerable money but we believe the investment would bring ample returns to make it a worth-while venture. The village of Flesherton would benefit, while Durham, Hanover and Markdale would reap some returns from tourists as they pass through on their way to this great scenic valley. Meaford and Thornbury would also be benefitted and several of the townships would also be the better for it.

Those County Councillors who really desire to legislate to the benefit of Grey should take the initiative and see that a by-law is passed at the session of the Council this month adding that piece of road to the present system. If tourist trade is to be encouraged then it should be directed to points within the County rather than to adjacent municipalities. At the present time this road is open for automobile traffic as is that portion of the County road from Kimberley to Thornbury. With an improved surface many city skiiers would be attracted to the valley in the winter months. May we look for some move in the County Council this month?

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Brooks announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Eva Iolean, to Mr. Alexander John Cartner, and the marriage of their eldest son, Edward Leslie, to Isabelle McEwan, the latter marriage to take place on February 5th, 1938.

When you want to break the game laws it is not a bad idea to keep your activities out of the papers. A London man was pictured with an eagle he had shot and now he is charged with a breach of the game laws.

Archie Ferguson Dies

The death of Mr. Archie Ferguson occurred at his home at Swinton Park on Sunday morning, after a brief illness. He was taken ill suddenly on Friday morning from a heart attack and died forty-eight hours later..

Born in Proton 75 years ago, he had resided there throughout his life and was widely known. Fifty-three years ago he was united in marriage to Mary Campbell and three years ago they marked their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Left to mourn his loss are his wife and eight children, namely: Peggy (Mrs. J. Carson) of Orillia, Florence (Mrs. Geo. Fiske) of Toronto, Nellie (Mrs. Bob Lane of Georgetown, Ethel (Mrs. J. Parslow) of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Gladys (Mrs. Gordon McLeod) at home, Annie (Mrs. Jas. Sturrock) of Priceville, Gordon of Mount Forest, Sadie (Mrs. Christie) in the West. There is also one sister, Mrs. Malcolm McGillivray, of Holstein. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon, interment taking place in Swinton Park cemetery.

High School Notes

The favorite noon hour activities of the school have been dropped for something more thrilling and interesting. The girls are no longer demonstrating their ability as dancers, nor the boys their ability as athletes on the gym mats. Badminton made its debut for this term. With an enthusiastic group behind it, ten teams of four players have been formed. Tournaments will be held later and inter-school competitions will take the spotlight. This healthful and thrilling sport has taken well among the students and great interest is being shown.

Our hockey team played its first game of the season last Wednesday evening, when they were the guests of their Dundalk rivals, who did not act like true hosts and won the game 2-1. Following the game the visitors were royally entertained by Dundalk and a pleasant evening enjoyed. Lack of practice was evident, but with the expert coaching of Mr. Hutton are coming into condition and developing some good lines. They are confident of winning the next game and redeem themselves.

Our Thornbury friends have given us an invitation to visit them this week for hockey. Whether the invitation will be accepted or not is still uncertain. Both teams of boys and girls will play. Thornbury teams were beaten by both our teams last term and are anxious to turn the tables. The girls held a meting on Tuesday afternoon and the personel of their team wsa decided. An enthusiastic group of girls was evident and they are looking forward to demonstrating their ability as hockey players.

Middle School students, under the direction of Miss McClean, are preparing the program for the first Literary meeting of this year, a program a little different from the ordinary literary type. The second school paper will be read by the editor, and, all in all, a very interesting afternoon is anticipated.

—Bill Jamieson, Editor

Artemesia Distric L.O.L.

Artemesia District L.O.L. held the annual meeting in Flesherton Tuesday afternoon and the following officers were installed by Bro. George Cairns of Flesherton No. 2855:

D.M.—C. Hutchinson No. 1045.
I.P.M.—Norman Stoddart No. 509.
D.M.—Duncan Williams No. 1118.
Chaplain—E. J. Bowles No. 509.
Rec. Sec.—G. W. Littlejohns 509.
Fin. Sec.—C. J. Bellamy 2855.
Treasurer—W. A. Hawken 2855.
Marshall—Jas. Semple 1045.
1st Lect.—Wm. Stoddart 509.
2nd Lect.—Harold Lever 509.
Tyler—F. Mathewson 509.

The Semi-Annual District meeting will be held in Orange Valley in June.

Toronto police recruit caught a man who tried to run off with a codfish so that there has been at least one big fish in 1937 that did not get away.

A Japanese composer says that modern war makes good music. We would rather put it that some modern music sounds like war and some like what Sherman said war was.

Funeral of Jas. Lyness

Mr. James J. Lyness, one of the pioneers of Artemesia township, passed away at his home, three miles from Ceylon, on January 3rd. Mr. Lyness was born 77 years ago on the farm where he resided all his life. He was a member of Priceville Methodist church, later United, and was a regular attendant as long as health permitted. For over twenty years he was a superintendent of a Sunday School on Stone's Line and his life was a credit to any community. He was a great reader and was very interested in public affairs, although he did not take any active part in them. About four years ago he suffered a fall which resulted in a broken hip and since that time had not been able to engage in active work. In April 1907 he married Miss Agnes Jones of Ceylon and she, with one sister, Mrs. H. Hooper, Priceville, are left to mourn his passing.

Funeral services were held from his late residence on Wednesday afternoon of last week, Rev. H. E. Wright of Priceville United church having charge. Interment was made in Flesherton cemetery.

The pallbearers were: Messrs. Wm. Beaton, Henry Beaton, Wilfred Magee Bert Magee, Stewart Muir, Percy Hemphill, Joe Hemphill and Percy Hunt.

Death of J. T. O'Brien

James T. O'Brien, a farmer of the Khedive, Sask., district, died suddenly in Regina on December 29th, 1937, in his 63rd year, death being due to heart trouble. He was the youngest son of the late John O'Brien and Sarah Lowe and was born in Marquette, Mich., on August 11th, 1874. He is survived by one brother, W. H. O'Brien, who resides near Eugenia, and to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of sadness. His wife, formerly Miss Emily Carefoot of Duncan, and his father and mother predeceased him by several years.

The funeral left from Wright's funeral home in Regina on Dec. 31st, to Pangman Holy Angels' Roman Catholic church, where Rev. Father Dubucherre said the funeral mass. Interment was made in the Roman Catholic cemetery.

The pallbearers were, Messrs. Wm. Cousins, John Hart, Sid. Hart, Frank Carter, J. P. Smith and Mr. Patrick, all neighbors and friends of the deceased.

Going to Toronto

Toronto branch of the Flesherton Old Boys' and Girls' Association will hold their annual fowl supper Friday evening of this week at the Victoria hotel on Yonge Street, formerly the Mossop House. It is expected that a large number of Fleshertonians will make the trip south, providing that King Boreas does not become despotic in his reign. Moving pictures of the Flesherton old home week will be repeated by Mr. Wm. Frye, and other views are expected to be shown. A fine evening's enjoyment is expected.

Dr. E. K. Richard

The funeralof the late Kendal Richardson was day of last week to Mou cemetery. Interment was by a service in the Bates an docks funeral chapel, 124 Avenu Principal mourners were his w Norma Florence Johnston; a David; two daughters, Aileen at home, and Mrs. Manson Perkin Chicago, and three sisters, Mrs. Webster and Miss Maude Richar of Toronto, and Mrs. Frank Tate Waldemar. Service was conducted Rev. F. E. Gyllenhaal of the Chu of Jerusalem.

Representatives were present f military, musical, dramatic and r cal circles. Dr. Richardson wa of the earliest members of the club, and as an ardent formed his own orchestra Before the war he commanded t Battery, C.F.A., and was active in raising reinforcements for that unit overseas.

Mr. Justice McFarland and Hon. I. B. Lucas, related to Dr. Richardson, were pallbearers, along with Dr. Kenneth McLaren, Dr. R. T. Noble, Dr. Hagar Hethrington and Dr. E. G. Hodgson.

Dr. Richardson graduated in medicine from the University of Toronto and began practice in Toronto 35 years ago. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Richardson, early resindents of Flesherton.

IN MEMORIAM

LeGARD — In loving memory of our dear mother, Christina LeGard, who departed this life Jan. 12. 1923.

She entered the valley, but trod not alone,
For Jesus, who loved her, was there with His own;
On His bosom she rested, and all was so bright,
The valley of darkness was changed into light.

—Ever remembered, Meda and Allan.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Fred Ashton, Minister

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY—
10 a.m.—Bible School.
11 a.m.—Divine Worship.
7 p.m.—Gospel Service.

ROCK MILLS—
2 p.m.—Bible School.
3 p.m.—Divine Worship.

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St. John's United Church

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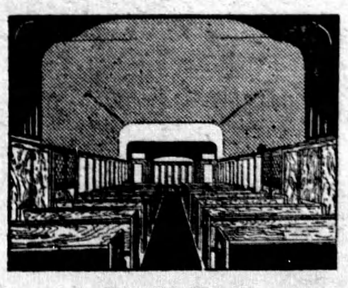
FLESHERTON
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Public Worship.
12 noon — Sunday School.
Monday—8 p.m., Y.P.S.
Friday—7 to 9 p.m., Trail Rangers; 8 to 10 p.m., Young Men's Club; 8 p.m., Choir Practice.

CEYLON
1.30 p.m.—Sunday School.
2.30 p.m.—Public Worship
Wednesday—8 p.m., Choir Practice.



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