## ROCK MILLS

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. W. H. Thurston and family in their hour of bereavement by the passing of their dear husband and father.

Miss Ruth Russell arrived home from Toronto on Saturday and is suffering from blood poisoning in her hand. We trust that Ruth will soon be better again.

Mr. Ed. White received word on Wednesday of last week of the death of his sister, Mrs. Gardiner (Margaret) of Goderich, who passed away very suddenly. Many friends here will be sorry to hear of her early passing as she was born and raised here and received her education at Rock Mills school. She was well known and highly respected throughout the district. Mr. White and other members of the family attended the funeral, which took place near Goderich on Friday. We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mr. Lorne Sharp has been busy buzzing wood for some of the farmers here.

Mr. Chas. Newell has been laid up with rheumatism.

Mr. Melbourne Phillips has purchased the property of the late Miss Jean Graham at Eugenia and will move there some time in March.

Many friends here extend their sympathy to Mrs. Alex. McMullen in her recent bereavement by the death of her mother, Mrs. Jas. Chard, who had reached the great age of 83 years.

## VICTORIA CORNERS

Our sympathy is extended to the editor and his family in the time of their bereavement. Our former editor has lived a long and useful life and richly deserves rest from the strife and turmoil of this troubled world.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reid and children of the East Backline visited at Russel Linton's.

Russel and Fred Linton attended the funeral on Friday of their aunt, the late Mrs. Jas. Chard, Flesherton.

It is very interesting watching the caterpillar plow at work this Monday morning cleaning the sides of the roads and incidentally filling the gateways. It rides the snow banks, pushing down the snow, then turns in its own tracks and rushes back, the wings lifting and shoving this loose snow back over the bank it had just cut down.

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## CEYLON

Miss Marjorie Bates of Proton visited last week with Mrs. Archibald.

Mr. Archie Sinclair of Dundalk visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sinclair and family.

Miss Irene Mathewson is taking the girls' course sponsored by the Federal and Provincial governments at Preston.

This community extends its sympathy to the widow and family of the late W. H. Thurston.

Mr. J. Copeland of Victoria Corners visited last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. R. Sinclair.

The Women's Institute meets on Thursday evening, February 9th, at the home of Mrs. J. R. Sinclair when the meeting will take the form of a Valentine social. The roll call will be answered by a Valentine verse.

Congratulations to Mr. Bert Irwin of Stone's Line and Miss D. McPhail of Toronto who were married last week.

Durham Road presented their play Friday evening at Stone's Line School when about $6.00 was realized.

On Wednesday evening there will be missionary moving pictures given in the church and Thursday evening there will be a social for the Sunday School, parents and friends. Lunch will be served at the latter.

## EUGENIA

We extend our profound sorrow and sincere sympathy to Mrs. W. H. Thurston and family in their sad bereavement.

The Y.P.U. will have charge of the evening service in the United Church here on February 5th. There will not be any morning service.

Mr. John Park and Mr. Ernest Fenwick are spending a few days in Toronto.

Mr. Douglas Cairns of Owen Sound spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cairns.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Clarence Williams, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia in St. Michael's Hospital is progressing favourably.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates Fawcett are spending a week with friends in Toronto.

Miss Lillian Magee of Flesherton spent the week end at her parental home.

Mr. Jas. Harbottle of Duncan visited with Mr. C. Martin Sunday.

A number of members of the Beaver Valley Winter Club spent the week end at the Club House here. There was plenty of snow for skiing.

## CENTRE LINE

This community extends its sincere sympathy to Mrs. Thurston and family and Mrs. McMullen and other friends in their recent sad bereavement.

Mr. John Osborne, Mrs. Jack Badgerow and Inez spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Osborne.

Mr. Ernie Little made a trip to St. Thomas this past week.

Miss Eleanor Helmkay has returned home from Toronto where she spent the past two months.

Mr. W. A. Morton is recovering from a severe attack of asthma.

Church services will be held next Sunday at Mount Zion at 11.00 a.m. There will not be any service the following Sunday.

You may have noticed that when his fellow club members intimate that a chap is only an excuse as a curler it doesn't mean exactly the same thing as when his better half intimates that his curling is only an excuse.

## ORANGE VALLEY

We, your correspondent and friends, wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. W. H. Thurston and family in the death of their husband and father, the late W. H. Thurston.

Mrs. Delbert Hill spent a day in Owen Sound recently on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Littlejohns spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart.

Miss Mary Clark visited one day recently with Mrs. Littlejohns.

Mr. Geo. Mathewson spent the week end with his wife at the home of Fred Mathewson. Mrs. Geo. Mathewson left Monday morning for Brockville to spend some time with her grandmother at that place.

The local Orange Lodge, No. 509, held another social evening Friday, Jan. 27th, when about 100 gathered to participate in a night's frolic and dance. Good music was provided by Mr. Dick Irving, John Bennett and Mervyn McFadden, the George brothers and Wes Stephenson and the Littlejohns brothers and Walter Russell. Lunch was served at midnight and tea poured for those present.

The trustees of S. S. No. 2 have purchased the wood from Clare Douglas and Gordon is at present drawing it to the school.

Mr. Robt. Humble of Delhi is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Littlejohns.

## PRICEVILLE

The Priceville Old Boys' and Girls' Association request the pleasure of your presence at their ninth annual dance and euchre to be held in Bevlin Hall, 45 College St., Toronto, on Friday evening, February 10th. Euchre 8.30, refreshments. Dancing from 9 to 1 o'clock. President, Alex. Dobson, Secretary, Mary Runciman.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Thurston and family in their time of sorrow.

Congratulations to Miss Delia McPhail and Mr. Bert Irwin who were married Saturday, January 28th, in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. McLean visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. McLean.

Born — To Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Stonehouse on Saturday, January 28, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hincks and family and Mr. Dave Hincks visited Sunday at the home of Mr. H. Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McArthur and Eleanor were Sunday guests with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nichol and family.

The O.D.R. people presented their humorous play "Goodness Gracious Grandmother" in Stone's Line School on Friday night which was much enjoyed.

Keep in mind the Holdfast U.F.W.O. Club meeting next Wednesday, February 8th, at the home of Mrs. Mel Hogarth, Ceylon.

## HOLDFAST U. F. W. O.

The Holdfast U.F.W.O. regular meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Fisher. The meeting was opened in the usual manner followed by the reading of the minutes and correspondence. The roll call was answered by giving a use for empty cans. Mrs. Jas. Sturrock gave an excellent report of current events. The topic "Surveying the Needs of the Community" was in charge of Mrs. Mel Hogarth. Several projects were outlined. The Club decided to undertake the school project. Each school represented in the Club is to receive an award for essays written by the pupils. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

## AUCTION SALE

An auction sale of farm stock, implements, etc., will be held by Mr. Abe Sherson, half mile south of Proton Station on Friday, February 10.—Geo. E. Duncan, auctioneer.

## Annual Meeting Of St. Columba Church

The annual congregation meeting of St. Columba Church, Priceville, was held Monday evening in the church basement with a good attendance. Rev. A. R. Muir was in the chair.

The report of the church treasurer, Mr. W. G. McBride, showed a balance on hand of $108.14 after meeting expenses of $1322.37 during the past year. Mr. McBride was re-elected treasurer on a motion by Mr. Malcolm McInnis who expressed the gratitude of the congregation to Mr. McBride, Mr. Muir and all who helped to make Jubilee year such a success. The report of the session showed a membership of one hundred and twenty-seven. Messrs. John Shortreed, John Ritchie and William Meads were elected to the Board of Managers for three years and Mr. Elmer Harrison for two years.

The amounts raised by the various organizations during the year were as follows: Sunday School, $54.70; Y.P.U., $52.67; W.A., $34.93; W.M.S., $32.80; Mission Band, $13.04.

Miss Mary McKinnon was reelected Envelope and Financial Secretary. Mrs. Thos. Weir and Mrs. J. C. Harrison were appointed organists and the appreciation of their work and that of the choir and Mr. W. W. Ramage was expressed.—Com.

## Seek Abolish Appeals

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initiative, he enumerated the Housing and Home Improvement Act, the Municipal Assistance Act and greater business as the result of trade treaties. But, he admitted, public works were necessary and stated that the federal government would assume a 40-40-20 ratio of responsibility in new relief measures with the province and the municipality. Also, the municipalities will be relieved of obligations to transients, with the province and the Dominion dividing the responsibility equally. It is a moving closer to the admission of federal responsibility for unemployment.

The youth training scheme, which has been very popular, will be extended for three years. This scheme provides for a three months training for unemployed young men and women and a real effort is made to place them in positions later, with only partial success.

Angus Macinnis, C.C.F., Vancouver, who followed the Minister of Labor, said: "The people whom I have met in large numbers during the recess do not have the comforts and consequently not the optimism of my hon. friend. . . . Private enterprise can no longer assure sustenance for the masses of the people, let alone a decent standard of living and economic security." Mr. Macinnis accused Canada of supplying the aggressor nations with all the materials they are willing to buy from us, yet maintaining an embargo on materials for the loyalist government in Spain; thus helping Germany and Italy in their acts of aggression.

In going on to refer to Munich, he said Canada should hang its head in shame "when we contemplate our share in the disaster of Munich, for Munich was a disaster. War, of courses, might have been a greater disaster. But no sooner was the pact signed than Europe began to realize what its real implications were and are. Daily the dictators are becoming more rapacious and bolder in their demands."

Almost every speaker, and they were very many, talked on the youth problem and on unemployment, offering various solutions. Mr. H. H. Stevens said: "I am perturbed, as are undoubtedly other hon. members, about the future of my children and the countless thousands of young people throughout Canada." And, further, in particularizing, "What is there in the speech from the throne for the young farmer? Thousands have been driven from the farms because of the poverty of their parents. What is offered to the young worker? There are 500,000 of them, perhaps not all registered." (unemployed) And he goes on to enquire, "What of the young student?

Our problems are economic, said Mr. Stevens. Certain of them are vital—too low a price to the farmer, disproportionate rates of wages to the worker; one well paid and another under sweatshop conditions. These are a disequilibrium of reward both to workers and to farmers; in fact, to those engaged in production work; low purchasing power, inequitable distribution of wealth. These are some of the internal domestic problems which ought to be engaging the attention of Parliament to the exclusion of all else. All this sounds just like the speeches he made before he rejoined the Conservative party.

The most effective criticism of the government so far this session was made by Mr. Grant MacNeil, veteran and C.C.F. member, in dealing with the Bren Gun inquiry and defence estimates in general. He showed that between 1918 and 1937 three hundred million dollars have been spent on defence and even in the last two years 70 million dollars have been spent, with negligible results. He said that we have good cause to regard the spending by the Defence Department as wasteful and inefficient; that the Department officials have shown a most arrogant disregard of policies enunciated in Parliament. He showed clearly in his argument that Major Hahn had no particular qualifications to justify his being given the status of a government representative when dealing with the British War Office. It is not as though he had been an armament manufacturer. Previously, he assembled and distributed radios and washing machines.

No other manufacturers of armaments were given a chance to compete for the Bren gun contract. Major Hahn was said to represent a reliable group, when, Mr. MacNeil charges, investigation proved otherwise. It was said, one of the rankest and most barefaced patronage schemes ever foisted upon a long-suffering public. "When political patronage is admitted at the back door, all the business-like and patriotic considerations are thrown out of the window."

In the House last session Mr. MacNeil said, the Minister (the Hon. Ian Mackenzie) had boasted that this was one of the finest contracts ever made on behalf of Canada. It will, I venture to predict, said Mr. MacNeil, prove to be one of the most humiliating in his public career.

In concluding Grant MacNeil urged that an inquiry into the whole matter be made by a committee of the House, that drastic reorganization of the Department of National Defence be carried out, and that all manufacturing of armaments be under public ownership.

I am sending the editor a copy of the speech I made in the House this week. He may find space for part of it.

Members are, this week end, very apprehensive over the Hitler speech on Monday. There is a growing tension and a hardening conviction that we cannot forever give other countries away. Czechoslovakia and Austria were brought very close to me this week by visits with the Trade Commissioner, of Czechoslovakia, and a most remarkable Austrian woman.

Czechoslovakia is all to pieces. If the factories are left, the raw material is cut off. Or, the communications between two places is broken. Families who live within a few miles of each other now live in several countries; in one case, Poland, Germany and Czechoslovakia. If they were liberal in their thinking, they were dismissed from work. And if they are Jew or Catholic persecution has already begun.

The Ahstrian, Madame Anna, was a joy; an amazon of a woman, with an unquenchable spirit. Her husband was very rich. He stayed to save some treasurer and lost his life; was killed by the Nazis. She escaped with her two daughters through Switzerland, just in time, and, with them and others, is going to settle on Vancouver Island, to farm and carry on handicrafts. In her little colony there will be both Jew and Gentile, German, Austrian and Czechoslovakian. She loves Canada. I am sure we all hope she may continue to. I felt an unusual kinship with her.

—AGNES C. MACPHAIL.

Ottawa, Saturday,
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## Annual Meeting of Inistioge Church

(By Victoria Corners Corr.)

The congregation of Inistioge held their annual meeting at the church on Friday last, presided over by Mr. Elliott, our student. The financial report showed a successful year.

The following officers were elected:

Elders—Wm. Acheson, Robt. Acheson, John Duncan, Herb Nicholls.

Trustees—Herb Nicholls, Wm. Acheson, Elmo Stevens, Walter Nicholls, Oscar Patterson.

Stewards—Chas. Moore, Russel Patterson, Robt. Acheson, Oscar Patterson, Kingsley Gallagher.

Treasurer—John Duncan.

Roll Clerk—Mrs. Gordon Acheson.

M. and M. Committee—Mrs. Elmo Stevens, Mrs. Chas. Moore and John Duncan.

Auditors—Mrs. Elmo Stevens and Elvin Moore.

Offering Collectors—Elvin Moore, George Moore, John Talbot and Wm. Batchelor.

Organist — Mrs. Elmo Stevens; Assistant, Florence Batchelor.

Sunday School Officers—Supt., Gordon Acheson; Asst. Supt., John Duncan; Treasurer, John Talbot, Asst. Treas., Ted Moore; Organist, Florence Batchelor, Asst. Organist, Mrs. Gordon Acheson; Librarian, Russel Acheson; Asst. Librarian, John Talbot; Bible Class Teacher, Mrs. R. Acheson, Asst., Herbert Nicholls; Young Ladies' Class, Mrs. Chas. Moore, Asst., Mrs. Elmo Stevens; Young Men's Class, John Duncan, Asst., Russel Patterson; Boys' Class, Gordon Acheson; Primary, Mrs. Russel Acheson, Asst., Anna Maude Acheson; Cradle Roll, Anna Maude Acheson.

## NOT WELL ATTENDED

The public meeting announced for last Wednesday evening to be held in the Baptist church was not very well attended, only ten women being present. Miss Duff, field secretary of the W.C.T.U., gave a very illuminating and informing address, showing how the liquor interests were conducting their propaganda in magazines, papers and even school blotters. The address was worthy of a greater attendance and it seemed pathetic that no organization of local temperance forces could be affected. Rev. Ashton presided as chairman.

## CURRENT REPORTS

A canvass in Huron County for the T.B. Free Area plan showed eighty-seven and a half per cent of cattle owners in favor of the project. Jack rabbit hunters have been busy in the County of Huron with hundred of County of Huron with hundreds of feature is the purchase of the game at twenty cents each by the fox and mink breeders. Fresh milch cows T.B. tested are reported in keen demand in Middlesex County. There have been numerous shipments of finished beef cattle from that county ranging in price from $6.00 to $6.50 per cwt. Hatcheries in Lincoln are taking a large quantity of hatching eggs for the early trade in baby chicks. Many poultrymen are securing chicks much earlier in the season in order to have their pullets laying earlier in the fall when prices are usually higher than later in the winter. A carload of forty-seven head of heavy cattle was shipped from Oxford County recently at a price of seven cents per pound at the local station. Oxford also reports a general scarcity of little pigs, which have been selling all the way from $5.00 to $7.00 each.


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