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Priceville United Church Holds 51st Anniversary

The 51st anniversary of St. Columba Church on Sunday, when in spite of the inclement weather a good congregation turned out in the morning to hear Rev. Dr. George L. Mercer, Maxwell, whose sermon, "Our Unshaken Possessions," was based on Heb. 12: 27, "and this word signifies that those things which cannot be shaken may remain." The speaker declared that among the things which to-day are shaken is the world itself, individual moral standards, and the economic structure. The immovable include the Christian religon, God, Christ, and His Kingdom.

A somewhat larger number braved rain and sleet to attend the evening service when Rev. Louis Pickering, Trinity United Church, Hanover, was guest preacher. Basing his sermon on part of the parable of the Good Samaritan and the story of the Rich Young Ruler, the preacher emphasized the necessity of the Christian coming out from the crowd. The disciples must have thought Jesus made a mistake in being so severe with the young man as through him there would have opened so many avenues of approach to people by reason of his wealth and connections.

If the Gospel curtain had fallen on St. Peter as it did on the young ruler, what a lot the world would have missed, he said. In conclusion the question was asked, would we be satisfied if the curtain were to fall as abruptly on our lives or on our nation to-day?

The Salem male quartette Messrs. Richardson, Fowler, Heard, and Weir assisted the choir at both services. Their evening selections were, "I want my life to tell for Jesus," and "Lead Kindly Light."

The W.A. and W.M.S. met Wednesday afternoon at the church with 15 present. It was decided to have a bean supper and amateur program in the near future. The matter of new curtains for the church basement was discussed. At the W.M.S. meeting, Mrs. Gary Whyte took charge of a discussion of the second last chapter of "The World in Canada."

The executive of the Y.P.S. met on Wednesday evening at the home of the president, Miss Marion Muir, Six Corners, with five members present. Plans were made for a Hallowe'en social and election of officers at the next meeting.

The annual anniversary hot fowl supper and entertainment of Salem church was held Friday evening. A record crowd sat down to supper, and later filled every available space in the church for the presentation of "Second Story Peggy" by St. Columba Y.P.S. Between acts Gordon McNalty, Ray Richardson, and Earl McLean sang cowboy songs to their own guitar accompaniment, while Jack Hopkins rendered mouth organ selections.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Doan of Stayner announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Viola M., of Owen Sound, to Secord W. M. Hardwick, North Bay, elder son of Mrs. Hardwick and the late William T. Hardwick of Bolton. The marriage will take place early in November.

Mrs. Geo. Wright Dies

Death came to one of this district's oldest and highly respected residents on Monday afternoon, when Mrs. Geo. Wright, 75, passed away at her home near Salem, in Proton Township. The late Mrs. Wright, although she had been suffering for years from asthma, had been enjoying her usual health right to the time of her passing, and the news of her death will occasion surprise and sincere regret among her wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

The deceased was formerly Miss Bella Dow, and was united in marriage to George Wright many years ago. He predeceased her, along with one daughter, Elizabeth. Surviving are five sons, Wilfred on the homestead, Andrew of Swinton Park, Edward, Toronto, Howard, Perth, John of concession 16, Proton., and two daughters, Mrs. Selwyn McLean of Honeywood and Mrs. Samuel Coulter of Abbey, Sask.

The late Mrs. Wright was a member of Salem United Church, and took an active interest in the forwarding of church affairs in her district. Her late husband was a former reeve of the township, and had taken a part in educational activities.

Flesherton School 4th In District Field Day

A most successful Inter-School track and field meet was held at Durham on Friday last, when Hanover, Durham, Shelburne, Holstein, Dundalk, Flesherton and Markdale schools competed. The weather was favorable and the efforts of Mr. Robb, principal of Durham and Mr. Fred Steele of Toronto, who so capably organized the events. left nothing to be desired.

Flesherton came fourth in the standing with 21 points. with Hanover, Dundalk and Durham heading the local contingent in that order. The girls won 12 points and the boys 9. Bob Banks took first place in the Junior half mile, and Jean Loucks and Ruth Whyte scored 71 in the softball catch and pitch, their nearest rivals scoring 55. Other point winners were: L. Phillips 2nd in senior boys' high jump, Ruth Turney 3rd in senior girls hop, step and jump, and third in the senior softball throw, Bernice Leavell 2nd in junior high jump, L. Phillips 3rd in senior boys' broad jump, Mary McMullen 2nd in junior softball throw, Bernice Leavell 3rd in junior 75 yard, R. Johnson 3rd in senior pole vault, B. Stephen 3rd in junior running broad jump, 2nd in junior relay race, team composed of Mary McMullen, Jean Loucks Bernice Leavell and Jean Duncan.

Fine sportsmanship was observed on all sides and the school yells, so lustily shouted, gave fine evidence of deep school spirit.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Burnside, Markdale, announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Verna Gertrude, to G. Edward Colgan of Sudbury, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Colgan, the marriage to take place early in November.

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Osprey Council

The Osprey municipal Council met at Maxwell on Saturday, Oct. 14th. All members were present. The minutes and proceedings of the former meeting, upon being found correct, were adopted without alterations.

Correspondence was received from: the County Clerk, re indigent hospital patients; from Mr. Geo. Coutts, re the cleaning of the "Coutts" drain or that part of it for which he is responsible for the cleaning.

Representatives of the J. & J. Taylor Safe Co. and the Dominion Safe Co. were present and each explained the merits of their product to the Council, and after considerable discussion, it was decided to purchase one from the Dominion Safe Co., through Whillier & Co., Toronto, at a price of $50.00.

The Women's Institute of Singhampton wrote informing Council that, as their Society had undertaken Red Cross work, they mould be unable to further finance the street lights in that village. The Council decided to undertake to still have the light shine on Singhampton, providing the Council of the Township of Nottawasaga will agree to pay one half of the bill.

The Council instructed the Road Superintendent to have that part of the "Coutts" drain, for which it is responsible, cleaned immediately, so that it will be an incentive to any ratepayers who are responsible for any cleaning to get busy on their parts.

General accounts orderd paid were: A. Richardson, relief $8; L. Hambly, relief $10; J. Izard, relief $12; W. Parker, relief $16; R. Arnott, relief $6; E. J. Walters, relief account Mrs. Bannerman $10; Treasurer Township of Collingwood, relief account H. Marsden, $3.96; Herald Pub. Co., printing and advertising $7.35; M. Murphy, sheep claim $6; L. Mills, sheep claim $1; R. L. Stewart, sheep claim $7.50; J. Poole, as valuer $4.50; C. Sprott, as Valuer $1.50; Jas. Long, expense of conveying Miss Laughlin to sanitarium $12; C. C. Middlebro', counsel fees, etc., on the Connor & R. Little drain appeal $50; A. Hutchinson, as witness on appeal hearing $6.30; C. N. Long, as witness at hearing of appeal, delivering notice of appeal papers to Reeve of Melancthon, preparing statement of costs of appeal $22.60.

The Road Superintendent presented a voucher totalling $2023.76, which was ordered paid.

Council adjourned to meet at Singhampton on Saturday, Nov. 4th, at 2 o'clock p.m.

St. John's W.M.S. Meeting

The W.M.S. of St. John's United Church held their Thank offering meeting Wednesday, Oct. 18th in the basement of the church, with Mrs. W. I. Henry, president, presiding. The theme for the devotional period was "The God of all the people of the earth." Prayer was given by Mrs. Dawn and a solo was rendered by Mrs. Buchanan. Bible readings were given by Miss McMillian, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Cargoe. "The House by the Side of the Road," was given by Mrs. Brady, accompanied by Mrs. Karstedt at the piano; response was made by Miss Thistlethwaite. A trio by Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. A. Down and Mrs. Henderson, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Chapple, was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Duncan took up the offering and a dedication hymn was sung. Mrs. Bailey of Dundalk gave a splendid Missionnary address. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Cargo, and a solo was given by Miss Stewart.

Entrance Examinations May Be Eliminated

Elimination of high school entrance examinations in all elementay schools of Ontario was foreseen by V. K. Greer, chief inspector for public and separate schools of Ontario, in his address Saturday to more than 1,600 teachers at the conference of London and district teachers' institutes. There was a definite trend in provincial education circles, he said, toward abolition of the present entrance examinations because of the "break" it created in the grade and high school curriculum. In Ontario we have persisted in maintaining the entrance examination gap between the two systems. In view of fact I, personally, would recommend that the entrance examinations be withdrawn in 1940," he said.

BIRTHS

BLACK—At Durham hospital on Oct. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. John Black, R.R. 2, Priceville, a daughter.

Prepare For Long And Serious War

News behind the news of the past few days is the intense perparation for a long and serious war, being made at Ottawa, Toronto and other Canadian governmental centres. Behind closed doors, and without the accompaniment of publicity, our elected leaders, our paid public servants and representatives of business enterprises, have put their collective noses to the grindstone, bent on transforming plans for a tremendous Canadian war supply organization to an accomplished fact.

Great Britain's mission, recently augmented by further arrivals from the old country, is busy advising Canada what is needed at the centre of operations. Industrialists are projecting new factories and additions to existing plants, and adequate steps are being taken to make sure there shall be sufficient competent workmen to man the factories when the big machine is finally thrown into high gear.

Already scores of air-minded youths in Great Britain and Canada's sister Dominions are packing up their duds to join an Empire group of air fighters to be trained at a hundred air fields dotting this country. Provided there is no unforeseen development, citizens of Canada will be witnessing the awesome spectacle of massed flights early next year, and by then thousands of young Canadians will be invited to join the air force.

Gradually the general public is coming to the realization that Prime Minister Chamberlain was not resorting to propaganda, when he warned the Empire to get ready for a war of three years or longer. Determined to fight until Hitler is beaten and Hitlerism banished, the Allies have apparently settled down to a siege of Germany, preparing steadily for a grand offensive later on, if necessary, but saving as many of their own men as possible, in the meantime.

It is not unlikely that future history books may show that this siuation is the reason why only two Canadian Divisions are in training so far, with no call yet for its transportation across the Atlantic; why care is being taken that there shall be plenty of men left in the country to furnish workmen in the factories and personnel or tbe Air Force.

Miss L. Walton Dies

(By Kimberley Corr)

Our whole community was shocked on Friday morning, when it became known that Miss Lucy Walton had passed away during the early part of Thursday night in Collingwood hospital, following an operation. She was apparently progressing favorably when she suddenly weakened and passed away.

Miss Walton had spent all her life here and was a very beautiful Christian character, always active in Sunday School activities and mission work. She could always be depended upon to help wherever help was needed. Her place will be hard to fill.

The funeral was held on Monday afternoon from her late resilence, south of the village. Rev. Graham and Rev. McAuslan had charge of the services at the house and cemetery. Interment was made in Markdale cemetery.

The late Miss Walton leaves to mourn her loss one sister, Mrs. Wright, who made her home with her, and two brothers, Hugh of Port Hammond, B.C., and Fred at Sault Ste. Marie, along with a number of nieces.

We extend our most sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

MENZIES-BYRES

A quiet wedding was solemized at the United Church Parsonage, Dundalk, Rev. Gordon officiating, when Verna Bernice, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Byres, Mayburne, was united in marriage to Arnott Menzies of Wareham, son of Mrs. Menzies and the late James Menzies.

The bride was charming in an Elizabeth blue dress, attended by Miss Grace Menzies, sister of the groom, while William Byres brother of the bride attended the groom.

After the ceremony the bridal couple left for a short trip to Muskoka and other points, the bride wearing a teal blue coat with wolf collar and hat to match.

On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Menzies will reside on the groom's farm at Wareham.

Byrne Receives Two Years In Penitentiary

Injuries to his head received two years ago were blamed by Patrick Byrne, 31-year-old transient, for his actions in terrorizing the pupils and teacher, as well as the caretaker of S. S. N. 2 Proton on Oct. 10 and 11. Byrne was sentenced to two years in Kingston Penitentary after he had pleaded guilty to charges of breaking and entering and theft and a charge of carrying an offensive weapon. He appeared before Magistrate E. C. Spereman in police court at Owen Sound on Thursday morning.

Byrne was charged with breaking and entering Gardner's hardware store at Dundalk on Sept. 19, with breaking and entering Karstedt's store at Flesherton on the same date and carrying an offensive weapon in Proton township. He elected summary trial on all three charges and pleaded guilty.

Asked by Magistrate Spereman if he had anything to say before sentence was passed, Byrne referred to a fractured skull he received in an accident two years ago.

"I received injuries to my head two ago and I haven't felt the same since Byrne said.

Crown Attorney J. F. P. Birnie, K. C., told the court that Byrne was convicted at Woodstock in 1936 on three charges of breaking and entering.

Byrne was not represented by counsel at the police court on Thursday.

Provincial Constable Harold Black of Flesherton related to the court the circumstances surrounding the three crimes to which Byrne pleaded guilty.

On Sept. 19, Provincial Constable Black said Gardner's Hardware Store at Dundalk was entered by a man who made his way down a back stair and broke a window. A .22 calibre single-shot rifle was stolen. This gun equipped with a peep-sight for accurate shooting, was produced in court.

On the same date Fred Karsted's store at Flesherton was entered by a burglar who removed the cellar window. Overalls, underwear, a smock, leather coat, and leather hat were stolen.

On Oct. 10, Constable Black said, he received a call from proton Township and was informed that the caretaker of S. S. No. 2, Proton on entering the school at 7 a. m. that morning, had been accosted by a man who had fired at him from a rifle. A search of the surrounding district failed to reveal the culprit.

On Oct. 11 Constable Black received another call. This time he was informed that a man armed with a rifle had chased the teacher of S. S. No. 2, Proton, Graham Beard, and his pupils into the school. He had demanded admittance and when refused he told those inside the school to stand back, then he fired a shot through the top of the door. He then fled across the fields to a nearby swamp.

This swamp was surrounded and the same afternoon Byrne was discovered. He had the rifle stolen from the Dundalk store in his posession. The clothing stolen from the Flesherton store was found in an old barn.

CEYLON ANNIVERSARY

(By Our Ceylon Corr.)

Good congregations were present both afternoon and evening on Sunday for the anniversary services at Ceylon United church, conducted by Rev. Lewis of Honeywood, who preached two very uplifting and inspiring sermons.

Mrs. Hunt and the choir had charge of the music in the afternoon, while in the evening Mrs Blackburn and the Flesherton choir kindly supplied the music. Miss Mary R. Stewart, a former teacher here and now of the Flesherton high school staff, assisted the choirs and rendered a beautiful solo at each service. Flowering house plants and a beautiful basket of delphinium added a note of cheer and color to the church.

Change Made In Local Library Board

The Flesherton Public Library Board, which has been re-organized, met in the library on Monday evening. Present were Chairman John McMillan, Reeve A. Down, Treasurer R. B. Heard, Mrs. K. McMillan, Mrs. C. J. Bellamy and K. Goheen.

Business conducted was the election of the secretay, K. Goheen. The treasurer reported that the Council had given an order for $92.25, 1938 library levy, and the distribution of catalogues for the selection of additions to the library.

Means of improving library service to the community were discussed, and suggestions will be carried out as funds become available.

The Late John Vause

Mr. John W. Vause passed away at his home at Cookstown on October 9, 1939. He was born in Leeds, England, 67 years ago, and came to Canada with his parents at the age of two years and settled in Artemesia townsihp. He was united in marriage 36 years ago to Miss Magee McKinnon of Artemesia, who survives with one son, F. J., at home. He also leaves two brothers, Robert W. Vause of Artemesia, and Geo. H. Vause of Peace River, B.C.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, Oct. 12th, and was largely attended. Rev. Wm. Coutts of Stayner had charge of the service at the house and cemetery, assisted by Rev. Robt. Armstrong of Cookstown. Interment was made in Stayner cemetery.

The pallbearers were: Messrs. Louis Baker and Lorne Jibb of Cookstown, Jos. Watson and John Meads of Priceville and Jas. McQuay and Dan Buie of Stayner.

Friends from a distance who attended the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Robt. W. Vause and Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Oliver and Sadie, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Oliver, Mr and Mrs. Thos. Currie and Mrs. A. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. D. McKinnon, Christina, Susie, Elsie and John, Mr. and Mrs. John Meads and Willie, Mr. John Dow and Miss Maggie Dow, Mrs. D. McDougal and Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Watson, all from Artemesia; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. J. Vause and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trudgeon, Dundalk; Mr. Jas. Turner and R. J. Laurel; Mr. and Mrs. A. Parker and Miss Susie McKinnon, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Allen McKinnon, Mary and Mervin, Markham; besides those from Cookstown, Sunnidale and Stayner.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE ROCK MILLS CHURCH

Anniversary service will be held in the Rock Mills Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 29, at 3 o'clock, when Rev. R. G. Quiggan, B.A., of the First Church, Owen Sound, will be the special preacher. Mr. Quiggan has been very much in demand, since his coming to Owen Sound, as an anniversary speaker and his coming to Rock Mills will be a real treat for the people of this community. The choir will render special music, and the pastor will be in charge of the service. A welcome awaits every one.

No auction sale in this district is fully advertised unless the list appears in the Flesherton Advance.

50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Howard, residents of Markdale for many years, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Saturday, when they received congratulations and gifts from a host of friends. Owing to the unfavorable weather conditions at Christmas time, when they usually celebrate their anniversary, they decided to hold it when all their family could attend.

They recall the day of their wedding when the snow was piled five feet high on the road, which they drove along in a horse and cutter. We are pleased to know that both Mr. and Mrs. Howard are enjoying good health and many in Flesherton join with others in wishing them many more years together.

Card of Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our friends and neighbors of Springhill for their gifts and to assure them we appreciate their kindness while we lived among them and for helping us to move.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Baker.

A Guelph horse has died at the age of 40. He had the satisfaction of outliving a lot of motor cars anyway.