VANDELEUR

(Intended for Last Week)

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kelso and family of Hamilton spent the week end with Mrs. Ethol Hutchinson and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Thompson and family of Beaton spent a few days with friends here.

Miss Lillian Buchanan of Toronto is visiting friends in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Johnston and Donald, Mr and Mrs. Jas. Wiley Sr. sepnt the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Mason of Alisten.

The annual union picnic of the Public School and Sunday School was held in the Community Park on Tuesday afternoon. There was a large attendance and a good time.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wyville on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Shaw and Jimmie are moving from Durham to their old home on the 12th line.

The W. I. held their June meeting at the home of Mrs. Howard Graham with a good attendance of members and visitors. The roll call was answered with "Sensible health habits and simple precautions." The Motto "If trere is no vision, the people perish," was explained by Mrs. Graham. The President, Mrs. Hutchinson presided over the business meeting. Interesting reports on the recent Centre Grey District Convention by Mrs. Russell Freeman, President of the district and Mrs. Will Radcliffe. Mrs. Freeman presided over the program. The Blue Cross Plan for hospitalization was introduced by Mrs. H. Graham and a discussion followed. It was decided to have Mr. T. Stewart Cooper address the committee appointed on Friday evening. Mrs. Glen McGee gave a reading, "The Army Health Spies." The contest, a floral wedding for the June bride, was won by Miss Dora Boland and Mrs. Geo. Buchanan. The prizes being a War Saving stamp. A splendid demonstration, "First aid and Resuscitation in electrjc shock or drowning, was given by Eugenia Hydro-electric employees. A good discussion followed. Luncheon was served by the lunch committee, Mrs. W. Swanton and Mrs. Glen McGee.

KIMBERLEY

(Intended for Last Week)

Mrs. D. Wallace and Mrs. J. Proctor spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. McCallum and Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell at Hanover.

Mr. Geo. Cornfield has returned home after working in Hanover for the past few weeks. He is not enjoying good health at present.

Mrs. Ross Ellis and children of Rocklyn visited friends here for a week.

Air Force boys home for the week end included Harold Graham, Russel Chard, Mervyn Ellis, Kendal Chard and Garry Ellis. Harold is at the Hamilton training school at present.

Pilot Officer Ken Ellis and Mrs. Ellis were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ellis. P.O. Ellis is on furlough before taking his position as an instructor, having obtained his "wings" recently. Congratulations.

Miss Thelma Ellis and girl friend spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ellis.

Mrs Garnet Baker is spending a week with Toronto friends.

Mrs. McAfee visited a few days with Mr. and Mrs. L. Morwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thompson and Jimmy of Beeton and Mrs. C. Thompson of Orangeville visited a few days with Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Burritt. The latter is remaining for a longer visit.

Miss Ruth McConnell and some friends of Toronto visited over the week end with Mrs. J. K. McConnell.

Rock Mills Ladies' Aid

The Rock Mills Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Albert Blackburn on Tuesday, July 20th. Lunch com.: sandwich, Mrs. Dick Clark, Mrs. Blackburn; cookies, Mrs. Akitt, Mrs. Wallace Fisher.

Butcher: "I can't give you any more credit. Your bill is bigger now than it should be." Customer: "I know that. Just make it out for what it should be and I'll pay for it. names are different.

Black Percheron Stallion DON 2ND (Imported)

Will stand at his own stable for the season of 1943. Fee: $8.00 at stable. Arrangements can be made by phone to meet you.

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CEYLON

Wedding bells. Wedding bells!

Gnr. F. H. Marshall, Barryfield, spent the week end at his home.

Mr. Albert Arrowsmith, Niagara, is visiting his brother, Mr. George Arrowsmith and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hunt.

Miss Nancy McWilliam is holidaying with Hopeville friends.

Mrs. Don Porter, Toronto, was a week end visitor with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McDermid.

Rev. Chas. D. Cox, Priceville, gave a very interesting address and pictures on "Life in Northern Ontario" on Wednesday evening in the church.

Mrs. J. Knox spent the week end with her brother, Mr. J. H. Richardson, Victoria Corners.

Rev. Chas. D. Cox, Priceville, gave a splendid sermon in the United Church on Sunday last at 8 p.m. We are glad to note the goodly number in attendance at the service. Kindly remember service at 8 p.m. each Sunday. The thoughtfulness of those who supplied the beautiful flowers for the service was much appreciated.

Mr. H. Archibald, Violet Hill, was a visitor at his home last week.

Mrs. Robt. Rutledge and daughter Phyllis, Holland Centre were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Marshall.

Piper Grant Muir of 48th Highlanders, Orillia, spent the week nd at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Burnett and Mrs. M. Irwin spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Vause O. D. Road district.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hall and daughter Bonnie returned on Sunday to Levack after visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Muir, Miss Marian Muir, Mr. Stewart Muir, Mrs. Hewison and son Archie, visited friends in Collingwood last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hall and son Russel, of Shelburne, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Duckett, Miss Helen Duckett, Joan and Murray Doupe and Gordon McCartney visited Saturday with Mrs. J. McCartney, Collingwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Torry, Lauriston, Mrs. LaVerne Piper and daughter, Mary Belle of Markdale visited Sunday with Mrs. H. Piper.

Mr. Fred Irish, Toronto, spent the week end with Miss M. Hemphill and Mr. S. Hemphill.

Mr. Arthur Whittaker returned to Toronto on Saturday after spending two weeks holidaying at his home here. Mr. Angus Whittaker went to Toronto on Saturday also to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sparks and family of Flesherton were recent visitors with Mrs. D. Reed and son Bobbie.

Mrs. C. Archibald visited friends in Dundalk last Friday.

Tpr. Levi Stafford, Camp Borden, spent the week end at his home.

Mr. Fred Maxwell, Saskatoon, and Mr. H. McLean, Priceville, called on Mrs. Joseph Oliver last Tuesday evening.

RATION NEWS

Canning sugar coupons marked for June and July are now valid and do not expire until Sept. 30th.

Sugar, tea and coffee coupons 1 to 10 are now valid. Nos. 11 and 12 become valid on July 22nd.

Butter coupons 16-19 are now valid and will ejpire on July 31st. Nos. 20 and 21 become valid on July 22nd and will expire on Aug. 31st.

Meat coupons 4-7 are now valid and will expire on July 31st. No. 8 became valid on July 15th and will expire on Aug. 31st.

In Memoriam

MacCANNELL — In loving memory of Mr. Angus MacCannell, who departed this life July 16th, 1942.

He has gone across the River
To the shores of evergreen;
How we long to see his dear face,
But the River flows between.
We shall meet him some fair morning
Resting by the water fair,
He is waiting for our coming,
In the Master's Garden fair.
—Sadly missed by The Family.

Day in and day out, Joe had proved that he was in a class by himself as a salvage collector. Suddenly, he passed away and appeared before the Pearly Gates. "What did you do on earth," asked St. Peter as he checked up on the newcomer. Salvage collector," replied Joe. St. Peter looked puzzled. "Just wait a minute until I look that up in my book," he said. When St. Peter returned Joe and the Gates had disappeared!

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of WILLIAM ALFRED ALEXANDER, late of the Village of Feversham, in the County of Grey, deceased, who died on or about the 2nd day of December, 1942, are hereby notified to send in to Lucas & Glass, Solicitors for the Administrator of the estate of the said deceased, on or before the 31st day of July, 1943, full particulars of their claims. Immediately after the said date the Administrator of this estate will distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, to the exclusion of all others, and he will not be liable to any person whose claim he shall not then have notice of for the assets so distributed or any part thereof.

Dated at Markdale this 8th day of July, A.D. 1943.

—LUCAS & GLASS,
Markdale, Ont.
Solicitors for the Administrator.

The Constructive Platform of the PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Approved in General Meeting at Toronto, July 3, 1943

ON July 3rd, an all day organization meeting of Progressive Conservative Party candidates and officials from all over the Province, held at the Royal York Hotel, listened with rising enthusiasm to a highly constructive and inspiring address from the Provincial Leader, George Drew.

Mr. Drew presented a series of pledges to the people of the Province—each one of which was unanimously applauded. The pledges, twenty-two in number, constitute the platform upon which the Progressive Conservative Party enters the general election.

It was that programme which the Leader announced to the public in his radio address last Thursday night. Mr. Drew said:

"The programme which the Progressive Conservative Party in Ontario undertakes to put into effect is based upon the conviction that under a strong government the vast resources and producing capacity of this Province can assure employment and good wages for all who will work and security for those who find themselves unable to work because of sickness, unemployment, physical disability or old age. It is based upon the belief that the spiritual and material welfare of our people, now and in the future, can be best assured under British democratic institutions and within the British partnership.

The Progressive Conservative Party undertakes to put the following programme into effect in the Province of Ontario.

Twenty-two Point Programme

1. We will maintain British institutions and strengthen the British partnership by every means within the constitutional power of the Government of Ontario.

2. We will at all times work in effective co-operation with the Dominion Government and with all other governing bodies in Canada in all activities which will assist in the prosecution of the war to a successful conclusion, and in establishing a sound basis of social security, health insurance and protection in their old age for all our people. At the same time we will insist that the constitutional rights of the people of Ontario be preserved, and that the Government of Ontario exercise full control of its own Provincial affairs.

3. The farms, the factories, the mines, the forests, and personal services which constitute the five major groups of employment will be supported by appropriate legislation in their efforts to increase employment at good wages. In every field of employment individual initiative will be encouraged and hard work rewarded by reducing taxes and removing bureaucratic restrictions.

4. Farming will be organized in every county under committees of outstanding farmers who will be given authority to plan production and regulate the processing and distribution of their output. Cheese boards, creameries, milk distributors, central produce markets, and other marketing organizations will be under the supervision of outstanding farmers in each line of production.

WILL TAKE OVER STOCK YARDS

Stock yards will be taken over by the Government and operated as a publicly owned enterprise so that speculation and manipulation may be stopped and fair prices assured.

A conference will be called immediately of leading farmers from the whole Province to assist in drafting effective plans for the organization of food production.

5. Legislation will be introduced assuring the workers and employers of this Province the fairest and most advanced laws governing labor relations, following an inquiry to be undertaken immediately by a committee of at least 15 members to be known as the Ontario Labor Relations Committee, upon which there will be equal representation of labor, employers, and the general public. Recognizing at the outset the right to proper and enforceable legislation regarding collective bargaining, this committee will be asked to examine the laws dealing with labor relations in other countries and draft for Ontario an act which will establish that basis of justice, co-operation and responsibility which is so necessary for the welfare and security of all our people.

6. The mining industry will be assisted in every way possible and placed under the direction of a Minister with practical knowledge of mining. The tax burden will be lightened and there will be a more equitable distribution of the tax between the different taxing bodies. A larger share of the taxes will go to the Provincial and Municipal treasuries. All restrictive measures which deny prospectors and others the inducement to find and develop new mining properties will be repealed and every encouragement will be given to geologists and prospectors to discover new mineral areas. Every practical measure possible will be adopted to expand this great basic industry so that it may offer the widest opportunities for employment when our armed forces are demobilized.

LONG-TERM FOREST POLICY

7. Our vast forest resources, which under proper administration are capable of creating employment for hundreds of thousands of new workers, will be placed under the control of an Ontario Forest Resources Commission which will operate under long-term policies of conservation, reforestation and soil control. Immediately after its formation it will review all existing contracts and will cancel those which have disposed of great areas of forest resources without proper consideration.

8. An Ontario Housing Commission will be created to plan a great housing program throughout the whole Province for the purpose of creating employment in the period of readjustment and at the same time bring to an end the unsatisfactory housing conditions in many parts of Ontario.

SCHOOL TAXES TO BE CUT

9. There will be a sweeping revision of our whole system of real estate taxation so that the owning and improvement of homes and farm land, which are the very foundation of our society, will not be discouraged by excessive taxation. As an initial step in that direction the Provincial Government will assume at least 50 per cent of the school taxes now charged against real estate. It is, however, to be clearly understood that this change will not affect the authority of the local school boards.

10. Our educational system will be completely revised so that every child in this Province will have an opportunity to be educated to the full extent of their mental capacity, no matter where they live or what the financial circumstances of their parents may be. Vocational training will be made a much more important part of the school work, so that children may be prepared to earn a living by practical vocational instruction. The important place of our teachers in each community will be fully recognized.

11. Steps will be taken to assure that every child is given the greatest possible opportunity to face life with a healthy body and mind. Health measures will be established so that medical, dental and other health protection will be available to all.

12. Steps will be taken immediately to prepare plans for great public undertakings which will create employment in the period of readjustment immediately after the war.

TO REVAMP HYDRO

13. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission will be removed from political control. Recognizing that the publicly owned Hydro-Electric resources of this Province belong to all our people, there will be an immediate adjustment of the rates for electric energy upon a just and equitable basis. The service charge in rural areas will be removed. Power will be extended to farms with full recognition of the fact that food production in war is hardly less essential to our success than the military effort.

14. Plans will be made for land reclamation throughout the Province, so that all areas which can be brought into production will be fully developed. These plans will be drafted immediately, but the actual development of most of the areas will be deferred so that they can be placed under veterans' organizations in the period of readjustment. This will open wide opportunities for immediate employment when the war is over and will also offer to veterans and their families the chance to settle in organized groups in areas where their economic security can be assured.

15. Taxation will be reduced and efficiency of Government increased by the elimination of all Provincial departments and services which duplicate those of the Dominion Government and are not necessary for the purpose of preserving fundamental constitutional rights.

16. An efficient and permanent civil service system will immediately be put into effect which will protect civil servants from political dismissal or interference, thus increasing administrative efficiency by giving to all civil servants a greater sense of security and pride in their work.

17. All legislation will be repealed which denies any individual the right to defend his person and property before the courts.

OLD AGE PENSIONS

18. There will be an immediate increase in mothers' allowances and old-age pensions in keeping with the increased cost of living. There will be an immediate repeal of the shameful provision that old people who have a home of their own, which they have established by their savings throughout long years, must dispose of that home before they will be granted the very limited allowances which they are entitled to receive. In future the old people who have played their part so well in making this great Province what it is today must not be forced to mortgage their homes before they can receive their small pensions.

19. Adequate supplies at reasonable prices of fuel, milk and other basic necessities will be assured by effective organization and administrative control. Representatives of labor, veteran organizations, and the consuming public will be appointed to all boards dealing with these matters.

20. Men and women who have served in the armed forces will be assured priority in the public service and protection in their employment.

21. During the war those who are in military service will be given legal protection against the economic consequences of their service. In all cases where the ability of those in military service and their dependents to meet their financial obligations have been materially reduced by such service, effective legal protection will be given against seizure of property for arrears of taxes, forfeiture of instalment contracts, cancellation of life insurance policies up to $10,000, judgments or other legal proceedings for debts incurred before entering military service, and other embarrassing financial obligations. These provisions, however, will be subject to the express condition that those able to pay will not be permitted to evade their obligations by this device, and that just protection will be assured to creditors under simple and effective procedure before the court. This does not provide for cancellation of obligations, but merely deferment with justice to all concerned.

SOCIAL SECURITY PLAN

22. A rehabilitation and social security committee will be appointed immediately with instructions to draft plans which will assure social security for all our people, and also provide for the rehabilitation and employment of the members of our armed forces and munition workers after the war.

VOTE AUGUST 4 FOR THE PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF ONTARIO

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George Drew as I know him

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An Ontario provincial election is to be held on August the fourth. A duty now falls upon the weekly press. That is to make known to readers and resident voters the issues involved. More than that, and equally important—as local editors are aware—the hardy, hard working, clear thinking, war conscious farm people of Ontario want to know something about those who lead the parties soon to seek their support.

Issues and controversy, as the campaign heightens, will be dealt with in the press in due course. The time is now opportune to say something, without political bias, about qualities of leadership. Personal history is a fair test of prospective performance.

Let us then introduce George A. Drew, leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of the Province of Ontario.

His political opponents have sought to picture George Drew as a person aloof and visionary. Those of us who have come to know George as man to man, can deny that. He has vision, yes indeed! Vision of profound and practical character. He has demonstrated that ever since he entered public life, and before. His exhaustive searchings and stern indictments have won the inarticulate respect of those presently in power. For he has forced corrective results. Often they have sought to disparage and intimidate him. His complete fearlessness and devotion to truth have completely disarmed all opponents who dare meet him upon legitimate and proper grounds.

George Drew is first and foremost a Canadian, yet deep and strong and true for the British connection. He is 49 years of age. His grandfather was a member of Canada's first parliament after Confederation. George was an officer in the Guelph Battery at 20 years of age, enlisted at war's outbreak in 1914, was severely wounded in 1916, spent many months in military hospitals.

George Drew entered public life in his native city, Guelph, as an alderman and at 29 became mayor of that city. His administrative experience began early and has continued through to his present position as member of the Provincial Parliament and leader of the Opposition. But he has gone far beyond that. Holding the view that public life demands the widest possible knowledge, George Drew has travelled throughout Canada, has established world contacts and personally toured the British Isles during the present war, seeing, seeking and obtaining vital information affecting Canada and the future.

Outstanding is the fact that while overseas he made particularly exhaustive enquiry into agriculture and intensive production. No other public man in Canada has enquired so deeply into this vital question. Public officials and Canadian farmers should be deeply indebted for the writings and speeches of George Drew, since his return from Britain, touching the present and future of Canadian agriculture. He has acquired both the "grass-roots" and world view on Canada's greatest, yet most neglected industry. There is pleasure indeed in telling something of this man whose life course has shaped steadily toward statesmanship.