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COME ONE! COME ALL! -- FLESHERTON FOWL DAY, FRIDAY, DEC. 17

FARMERS MAY DELIVER OWN CHRISTMAS TREES

Western Ontario residents may buy their Christmas trees on local markets this year as in normal times, with the announcement that farmers who cut their own trees on their own farms may transport them in their own trucks even beyond the 35 mile limit.

The announcement was made by W. Harold McPhillips, prices and supply representative, to clear up a misunderstanding which has arisen regarding the shipment of Christmas trees. Operators of public carrier vehicles, whose license authorizes the carrying of Christmas trees, are also permitted to transport trees beyond the 35 mile limit.

Future Events

ST. JOHN'S S. S. CONCERT

Keep the night of Dec. 22nd open for the annual concert of St. John's United Church Sunday School.

FEVERSHAM S. S. CONCERT

The Sunday School entertainment will be held Friday evening, Nov. 26, in the Salvation Army hall, Feversham, at 8 p.m. Everybody invited. Lunch served.

OPTICAL

D. Campbell will be at the Park House next Tuesday, Dec. 7th, from 1 to 4.30 p.m. This will give you an opportunity to order for Christmas a new pair of glasses or a new pair of lense to replace your old ones — our prices are very moderate.

PRICEVILLE P. S. CONCERT

Come and enjoy the annual Christmas concert with Priceville Public School pupils on Friday evening, December 17th, at 8 p.m.

DANCE IN FLESHERTON

In the Fraternal Hall, Flesherton, on Wednesday, Dec. 15th,—to music by the Fourth Line (Pedlar) orchestra. Modern and old time. Admission: 35c.

H. S. COMMENCEMENT

Hold Friday, Dec. 17th, open for Flesherton High School Commencement and Dance. A special invitation is sent to all former students.

PRICEVILLE CHICKEN SUPPER

A chicken pie supper will be held at St. Coloumba United Church on Friday, Dec. 3rd, followed by a bazaar and program. Admission: adults 40c, children under 12, 25c.

EUGENIA EUCHRE

Progressive euchre will be held in the Eugenia hall on Thursday, Dec. 9th, at 8.30 p.m, in aid of the Soldiers' Fund. Admission: 25c.

Reviews Hard Facts Of Business Of Farmers

Before dealing with the consideration of the post war problems in the production of food, there are a few hard facts in connection with the farmers of Canada that should not be overlooked, said Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director of Dominion Experimental Farms Service, in recent address to the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

Agriculture, previous to 1939, was not in a prosperous condition. It was the first to take the disastrous slump in prices during the depression, and most agricultural crops, unlike many industrial products, had not recovered pre-depression prices at the outbreak of the present war. The farmers were thus at a distinct disadvantage in their buying power over a long period of years. True, this reacted very unfavorably on industry in Canada, because the 750,000 Canadian farmers still constitute the best market for industrial products, but what was even more disastrous, however, was that the farmer was left in an exceedingly unfavorable position.

For a considerable period of years, and more intensely so during the depression, Canadian farms have been slipping, debts have increased, and even with debt adjustments, which were desirable to farmers and others alike, the farmer has no license to be placed in the unenviable position of being unable to carry on his business without being in the red. An evidence that the farm business was slipping financially was seen in the fact that his buildings lack paint, lack improvements, and need modernizing. The farmer and his wife do not choose to be in the position where only 8 per cent of the farm dwellings have sanitary facilities, 7 per cent with bathing facilities, less than 20 per cent with electric lights, and only 12 per cent have furnaces of any description for heating purposes.

What has been even more disastrous is the fact that the farmers' greatest bank account — the soil — was being steadily drawn upon to the detriment of production. The gradual depletion of Canadian soils due to inability of the farmer to pay for proper fertilization, insecure livestock markets and population to maitain soil fertility, coupled with erosion, have taken a heavy toll of the great fertile soil wealth of Canada. The farmer's war effort, namely an all-out production program with even more limited fertilizers than in times of peace, has to the farmers' own knowledge, still further drawn on Canada's soil resources. These are a few of the facts which must be faced in Canada's future food production program.

In his last speech Hitler said — "Whatever happens at the end, victory is certain." But he did not say for whom.

K. Betts New Reeve

Ken Betts was nominated as Reeve of the Village of Flesherton at the annual nomination meeting Friday evening last, due to the moving of Reeve Alfred Down to Chatsworth. Alf Down has given twelve years of splendid service as Reeve of Flesherton. Bob Phillips retired after two years in the council. This left two vacancies on the Council board to be filled and Alex. Henderson and W. E. Betts were nominated. No other nominations were handed in. The other members of the Council will be A. E. Goessel and R. J. Brackenbury, who also received an acclamation.

Quite a number of ratepayers were in attendance at the meeting, while Reeve Down and Councillors gave a resume of their year's work. At times the discussion was spirited, due no doubt to an increase in taxes this year. The raise was explained as due to a higher County Rate and School Rates, the Council having very little to do with the higher taxes.

The Cemetery Board for 1944 is composed of John Nuhn, F. W Duncan and J. A. Richards. C. J. Kennedy and Gordon Wauchope retired, the latter having moved from town.

Albert Sparks took the place of Fred Brown, who has been a Public School trustee for a number of years. The Trustee Board will compose Howard Milligan, G. A. McTavish, Emery Fisher, Russel Park, Bert Sparks and W. E. Loucks.

FIRE IN BELFRY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL

Fire broke out on the belfry of the public school on Thursday morning of last week and the fire department was called to extinguish the blaze. The fire had burned through some of the planking on which the bell was sitting, besides some of the railing surounding the belfry. The bell was then not in use for some days. The fire is thought to have caught from a spark from the chimney. Children playing outside at recess noticed the smoke and game the alarm. Miss Irene Martin, the principal, and Mrs. Bellamy, junior room teacher, had the remainder of the children leave the school as a safety precaution. Most children, at some time in their young life, vehemently desire the loss of their school by fire, so that they could have a few holidays, but the actions of the boy who gave the alarm was directly opposite. He did say, however, after everything was all over "Gosh we should have let it burn."

SPRINGHILL SOLDIER PRESENTED WITH MONEY

An enjoyable time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson on Wednesday night of last week, when the people of the section gathered in honor of their son, Pte. Harold Johnson. A well-worded address was read by Mr. M. S. McLeod and the presentation of money for a watch was made to Harold on behalf of the section by Mr. Geo. Johnson. Harold voiced his appreciation of the gift in a few well-chosen words.

Card of Thanks

Having transferred my mail route No. 3, Flesherton, to Mr. Harold Fawcett, I wish to thank the boxholders for their kindness and consideration shown me during the eighteen years of which I had the pleasure of serving you. I wish for Harold the same consideration, and good luck.

—ALEX. McEACHNIE.

In Memoriam

CHARD — In loving memory of dear father and mother, Frank and Harriett Chard, who passed away Dec. 1st and Aug. 4th, 1942.

One year has passed, but none can tell
The loss of those we loved so well,
Their memory will always keep,
A loving thought, dear father and mother,
A memory fond and true,
A token of affection,
That we remember you.

—Sadly missed by your daughter, Mrs. A. Wilkinson, and Family.

Flesherton W. I. Has Sent 27 Ditty Bags

Flesherton Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Edgar Betts on Tuesday evening, when 22 members and six visitors were present. The roll call was answered with an exchange of Christmas gifts. A report was given showing that seven more ditty bags had been packed, making 27 that the W. I. has sent. In each bag was the following: New Testament, Christmas cake, writing pad, pencil, envelopes, towel, face cloth, soap, a knitted article, cigarettes, 3 chocolate bars, 4 handkerchiefs, Oxo cubes and cheese, hot chocolate, tooth powder, shaving cream, comb, talcum powder, razor blades, adhesive strips, sardines, a book and magazine. It was decided to send $32 to the Navy League and more yarn is being ordered for further knitting.

A presentation was made to Mrs Alex. McEachnie, who has been a faithful worker and attendant of the W.I., and she was the recipient of a wall bracket. Mrs. McEachnie made a neatly worded reply in appreciation of the gift.

The meetings for the winter months will be held in the evening of the first Wednesday in each month. A short program was enjoyed, which included a humorous reading by Mrs. Edgar Betts, a short reading by Mrs. F. B. Keys and a talk on Christmas by Mrs. Keys, followed by the singing of carols.

TAC DAY NETTED $33.76

The Navy League Tag Day held on Saturday in Flesherton was a splendid success. The returns for the day remitted to regional headquarters totalled $33.76. Boys of the public school distributed informative booklets, describing the worth-while work of the League, as it serves the sailors and the following girls canvassed the community: Eva Doupe, Shirley McCracken, Eleanor Sparks, Marion Stauffer, Lois Sparks, Joan Turney, Eleanor Williams. These workers are to be commended for their service.

HONOR ROLL DEDICATIONS ON UNITED CHURCH CIRCUIT

An Honor Roll, with names of over fifty members and adherents, will be dedicated at St. John's United Church next Sunday at 11 a.m. All relatives of those in the Armed Forces are invited. Honor Rolls will also be dedicated at Proton Station at 3 p.m. and Eugenia 7.30 p.m.

SPECIAL SPEAKER

Rev. Geo. Waugh of Toronto will be the special speaker in the Baptist Churches at Flesherton and Rock Mills on Sunday, Dec. 5th. Mr. Waugh represents the Ontario Temperance Federation.

FIRESIDE SERVICE

Miss Irene Martin will address the Fireside Service in the Baptist Church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Miss Martin will tell of the world's most wonderful window, an exact recreation in glass of Leonardo da Vincis "The Last Supper," which she saw in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Glendale, Calif. Come and see the picture of this window and enjoy the fellowship of song.

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shier wish to announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Edna, to Neil Gardner of Corbetton, the marriage to take place early in December.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilkinson of Rock Mills wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Hazel Elizabeth, to William Sykes Stephens, youngest son of Mr. Dougald Stephens and the late Mrs. Stephens of Feversham, the marriage to take place in December.

Mr. and Mrs. Telford Allison of Maxwell wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Nellie Margaret, to Wilbert Merwyn Fisher, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher, the wedding to take place early in December.

RATION NEWS

RATION COUPON DUE DATES

Coupons now valid are: all canning sugar, sugar numbers 1 to 20, tea and coffee coupone 1 to 23, butter 34 to 39; meat 26 and 27, 28 valid December 2nd, preserves D1 to D7.

Butter coupons 34 to 37 and meat coupons 22 to 25 expired Nov. 30th.

If necessary, babies requiring corn syrup and canned fruits in their diet may be given D coupons in exchange for sugar coupons in their ration books, if application is made to the local ration board. One sugar coupon in the baby's book for 2 D coupons.

MAPLE SYRUP RATION

Commencing March 2nd, 1944, 1 D coupon will be good for the purchase of 20 ounces of maple syrup, an increase of 8 ounces in the present allowance. This means that 8 coupons will purchase 1 gallon. Between December 1 and March 2, eight D coupons become due in each ration book — 2 in December, 2 in January, 2 in February and 2 on March 2nd. These, together with the March 30 coupon, which will be made good on March 2nd, will give each ration book holder a total of 9 coupons valid on March 2nd, if all the the D coupons are saved throughout the winter.

BONUS IS RAISED FOR DEPENDENTS

Cost-of-living bonuses for servicemen's dependents will be increased, effective in December, to keep them in line with similar bonuses in industry which were boosted Nov. 15th, defense headquarters announced.

The bonus now will be $4.12 a month for wives with children and $7.20 a month for wives without children. The previous amounts were $2.60 and $1.40.

"As dependents allowance and assigned pay is payable only in arrears, the increased cost-of-living bonus will not be receievd until the end of December," said the department.

LEFT FOR TORONTO

A presentation had been planned for Miss Ruby Akitt on Friday evening, Nov. 26th, at the town hall, but owing to her leaving for Toronto earlier than was expected, a number of friends surprised her Thursday evening at her home. She was presented with a blue crepe housecoat, trimmed with ecru lace. A suitable address was read, expressing interest in her future welfare.

CHARIVARI AT ROCK MILLS FOLLOWED BY PRESENTATION

(By Rock Mills Reporter)

A number of the neighbors gathered on Thursday night and gave a charivari to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hawkins, who were married recently. The crowd serenaded the house and played a merry tune until the bride and groom appeared, when everyone was invited inside and a sing song enjoyed. The bride treated all to a piece of wedding cake and the groom "shelled out" liberally. A goodly sum was added and a presentation was held for the young couple on Tuesday night in the Eugenia Orange Hall.

Much time and fretting would be saved around home by having rugs with designs like cigarette ashes.

Artemesia Council Given Acclamation

Reeve J. A. Davis and his Council were again returned by acclamation in the Township of Artemesia at the nomination held Friday afternoon of last week. The Council members are Jas McLoughry, Frank Betts, George Cairns and Henry Tucker.

The meeting was not largely attended by the ratepayers, as only about thirty attended and at that it was more than last year. The financial statement was presented showreceipts for the period of January 1st to November 15th as $39,972.04, against expenditures of $36,255.66, leaving a balance on hand of $3,716.38. Assets amounted to $61,963.18, liabilities $52,178.22, leaving assets over liabilities of $9,784.96, showing the township to be in a very good financial position. The assets include $5,650.00 in bonds.

Other acclamations in earby townships were:

Glenelg Township: Reeve John McGirr. Council, John O'Neil, Charles Robson, Gordon McCracken, Herbert Timmins.

Proton Township: Reeve William Jack. Council, Stanley Acheson, Neil Clark, D. J. Pickett, Geo. Scott.

Egremont Township: Reeve S. M. Patterson; Deputy-Reeve, W. J. Aldcorn; Council, Finlay Clark, Thomas Hattle, Clarence Ross.

Card of Thanks

Mr. Wesley Fawcett and family wish to express their sincere appreciation for the kindness and sympathy extended to them in their bereavement.

WHEN SANDS ARE GOLD AGAIN

Let us think of our children,
The children of England
Forgetting the ways of peace —
Born to the drone of the Hun in the sky
To the crump of bombs
And the warning cry
To the clatter of shrapnel
In the street
And the solemn rythem
Of marching feet

It was different
When we were seven years old
The sky was clear
and the sand was gold —
made to build castles in
not to store
with shovel and pump
by the attic door.

The world was at peace then,
And will be again.
But how can we tell them,
How explain
This hoped-for peace
To a child of war
Who has never seen street lamps
Or lighted stores
Or bananas
Or grapefruit
Or tangerines
Or chocolate crackers
Or pink ice-creams.

We gave a sea shell
to a little boy
He shook his head in wonder —
"Shells come out of guns"
he says
What can we answer?

— Dorothy Bathurst.

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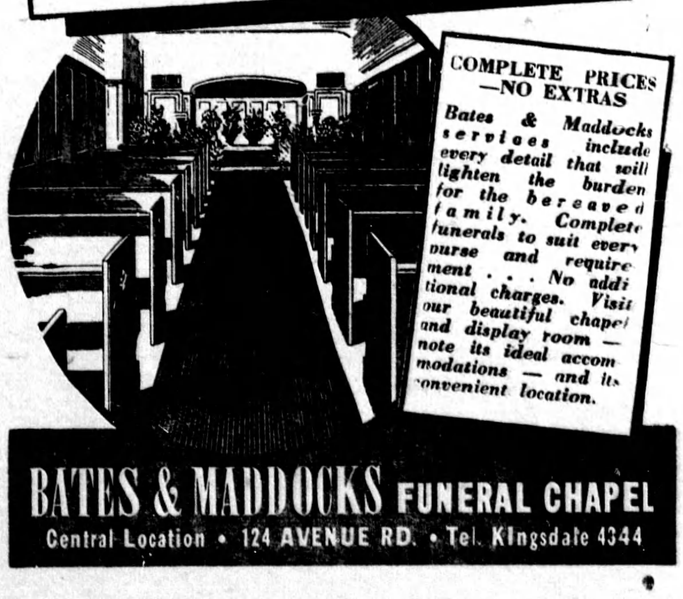

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