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PRICEVILLE

The Y.P.S. met Friday night at the home of Grant Sayers. The president read the scripture and Shirley Hincks led in prayer, while Mr. Sims had charge of the meeting and gave interesting readings. A spelling match was also enjoyed.

Mr. Gordon Nichol of London is visiting at his home.

Mrs. D. A. McIntyre of McIntyre spent a few days visiting at the home of her brother, J. A. Nichol, and sister, Mrs. D. L. McArthur, and mother.

Last Wednesday night a euchre party was held at the home of Lizzie Mather, when nine tables were in play. Miss Margaret Nichol held the highest score for the ladies and Mr. Ken Nichol for the men, both receiving prizes.

Mr. Cecil Fawcett had the phone installed in his home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Carson and N. McKenzie spent the week end with friends at Swinton Park.

Mrs. Wm. Brown and J. A. of Bunessan visited on Sunday at the home of A. L. Hincks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hill and Sandy of Fergus visited Sunday at the home of Lauchie McKinnon. Mrs. Belle McLean, who has been visiting with them, returned home.

Dr. and Mrs. Burnet of Durham visited on Sunday with her mother, Mrs. A. B. McArthur.

Mr. Emerson Meads of Toronto spent the week end at his home.

(Intended for Last Week)

Mrs. Aldcorn returned home after visiting friends in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nichol and Harold visited recently with the former's sister at McIntyre.

The W. I. held a quilting at the home of Miss Lizzie Mather.

Mrs. McMurdo of Guelph is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Meads.

The Y.P.S. of St. Columba Church was held Friday night at the parsonage.

The W. I. was held last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Boice, with 13 ladies present.

It always makes you feel better just to think of all those people who think they would be perfectly satisfied if only they were in your shoes.

THE LATE BEN CARRUTHERS

(By Eugenia Reporter)

The funeral of the late James Benjamin Carruthers was held from the Richards Funeral Home, Flesherton, on Wednesday afternoon of last week, Feb. 12th. Service was held in Eugenia United Church, where a large number of friends and relatives gathered to pay their last respects to the deceased. Rev. A. G. Macpherson preached a very comforting and impressive sermon. The choir rendered "Face to Face." Other hymns sung were "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me."

The late Mr. Carruthers, who was in his 78th year, was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carruthers, who lived half way between Kimberley and Eugenia, on the farm now owned by Mr. Robt. Ward. He ffarmed for several years with his brother, the late Alex. Carruthers, after which he went West and worked at farming there for a number of years. Later he returned and assisted his brother again, and after his death moved to Eugenia. He had not been enjoying good health durnig the past year or so. After his operation in Markdale hospital in August, he came home in November with high hope of recovery, but during the latter part of January he gradually failed in health, growing weaker until his passing early Monday morning, Feb. 10. He was unmarried and was Presbyterian in religion, later attending the United Church. He often talked of reminiscenses of by-gone days, which were very interesting. He will be greatly missed in the vicinity, where he was a willing worker and helper, as well as a good neighbor and friend.

He leaves in bereavement two half brothers, Joseph of Edmonton and Thomas of Clyde, Alta., also several nieces and nephews. His niece, Miss Muriel Carruthers, stayed with him after he returned to his home from the hospital. Predeceasing him were three sisters, Isabelle, Annie and Mary, and one brother, Alexander.

The pallbearers were: Messrs A. F. Pedlar, C. Martin, D. Genoe, J. Campbell, C. Turner and D. Williams

Among the beautiful boral tokens
Among the beautiful floral tokens
neighbors and friends.

The remains were taken to the Flesherton Cemetery Chapel to await burial in the family plot at Thornbury in the Spring.

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved members of the family.

Pleasant and happy, always content,
Loved and respected wherever he went,
Thoughtful of others, gentle and kind,
What a beautiful memory he left behind.

CANADIAN PLOWMEN ABROAD

by CLARK YOUNG treasurer ONTARIO PLOWMEN'S ASSOCIATION

(Editor'sNote: This is the first of a series of weekly stories which Clark Young, treasurer of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, will write about the visit of Canada's champion plowmen to Britain, and we hope that it will be of interest to the farmers in this agricultural territory.)

Canada's four champion plowmen, their team manager, and I are on our way to Britain. It will be the first time any of us have seen the Old Land and we hope to bring back a lot of valuable agricultural information.

Our trip will take us into England, Scotland and Ireland, giving us a chance to see farms that have been under cultivation for hundreds of years. We want to know how Canadian products are being received over there; how the British farmers managed during the war; and what the farming conditions are like now that peace is back again.

The four champion plowmen are two teams and they will take part in plowing matches in Lancashire, England, and County Down in Northern Ireland. Floyd Steckley and Austin Nairn won the Salada gold and silver medals in the Trans-Atlantic Class for horse-drawn jointer plowing at the International Plowing Match held in Ontario on the Port Albert airport last October. Fred Timbers and Alex. Black were winners in the Esso Open Tractor Class at the Match.

As champions they were awarded this trip and all their expenses and those of the manager are being paid jointly by Imperial Oil Limited and the Salada Tea Co. of Canada, Ltd., while mine are being paid by the Ontario Plowmen's Association.

George Waldie is managing the teams. He's a director of the Ontario Plowmen's Association which sponsors the International Matches. I'm going along as another representative of the O.P.A. of which I'm treasurer, and I have been asked to write articles as we travel.

MATCHES IN ONTARIO

Plowing matches have been held by Ontario farmers for over a century and the International Matches have been sponsored by the Association since 1913. A trip like this across the Atlantic was planned for winners of horse plowing in 1939, but was cancelled because of the out break of war and the men visited the United States instead. In 1942 it was decided to suspend the International Matches until the end of the war because of travel restrictions. The Victory Match at Port Albert brought the competitions back again and they were bigger and better than ever.

Plowmen normally "wet their feet" at township and county matches and when they have acquired sufficient skill and confidence they enter the big International events. There they met representatives from practically every county in Ontario as well as those from the other provinces and from the United States.

Let me tell you a little more about the men who are making the trip. We're all from Ontario and you might say we're old friends because we've been meeting each other at various plowing matches for a good many years now.

THE WINNERS

When Floyd Steckley won the Salada gold medal at Port Albert it was his fourth International championship in horse-drawn plowing. He was born 44 years ago on a farm in Whitechurch township, York County, and now is manager of the Harvey Schell 210-acre farm near Stouffeville. He specializes in mixed farming. His wife is the former Lila Grove and they have a 10-year-old son.

Fred Timbers, the Esso Tractor gold medalist, is another frequent International winner. He was born on his father's farm in Markham township, York County, in 1907, and now owns a 115-acre farm at R.R. 4 in Whitechurch township. He takes an active part in municipal affairs and is a member of Whitechurch township council and trustee and secretary of Whitechurch School Section No. 9, and belongs to the Stouffeville Lions' Club. His wife is the former Dorothy Hood, and they have two sons and a daughter.

The two silver medalists both are bachelors, and both farm the properties on which were born, in 1911. Austin Nairn, who was second in the Salada event, lives at R.R. 1, Munro, in Fullerton township, Perth County. Alex. Black, second in the Esso class, farms at R.R. 2, Guelph. Alex, who is often called Sandy, was re-elected president of the Wellington County Plowmen's Association for 1947. His father, who taught him to plow, was councillor and then reeve of Puslinch township.

THE MANAGER

Our trip manager, George Waldie, lives at R.R. 2, Downie township, Perth county, two miles from Stratford, on "Athelstane Farm" where he was born 48 years ago. His father, a hardware merchant, started a Shorthorn herd in 1894 and later became president of both the Dominion Shorthorn Breeders' Association and of the Cattle Breeders' Association. George still is carrying on the herd and is a director of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, belongs to the Board of Managers and Session of Knox Presbyterian Church, Stratford, and Tecumseh Masonic Lodge. His wife is the former Ethel Stacey and they have a son and a daughter.

As for me, well' I'm treasurer of the Plowmen's Association and I farm 200 acres in Markham township near Unionville, York county. The property was settled by my grandparents in 1841 and I was born there 54 years ago. We had the first light tractor in York county, acquired in 1915. My first plowing competition, with horses, was in 1911, but I used the tractor in 1920 and was successful in some later championship matches. My good wife is the former Jean Grant of Wexford.

That tells quite a bit about us, and you'll understand there was a lot of excitement on our farms as we packed and got ready to start the trip.

We all met one morning in Toronto and our new experiences began almost at once for the two teams did some radio broadcasting. Fred and Austin went on the air from radio station CFRB where they were interviewed by Rex Frost on the farm news broadcast; and Floyd and Alex were interviewed by Don Fairbairn, pinch-hitting for Jack McPherson, over CBL of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Two of the boys had broadcast before on the Hot Stove League and so they didn't have "mike fright" although they were all glad when it was over.

THE TRIP STARTS

We had lunch at the Granite Club as guests of Imperial Oil and Salada Tea. There were a few short speeches of farewell and we received the good wishes of J. A. Corroll of the Department of Agriculture, who is general-secretary of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, Gordon McGavin, presinent of the Association, McIntyre Hood, supervisor of publicity, Dept. of Agriculture, R. K. Bythell of the Salada Tea Co., and A. G. DeMont and C. A. Robinson of Imperial Oil.

In the afternoon all the necessary papers were signed, baggage tagged, and tickets and passports distributed. We all received travellers' cheques payable in pounds, shillings and pence; some of us had pictures taken at a studio; we had a quick dinner; and then it was time to say good-bye to our wives and families at the station. We boarded the train and the trip had begun.

Our first stop will be a brief one in New York, where we are to board the Queen Elizabeth. We're all looking forward to our crossing and to visiting London, the King's farm at Windsor, then Yorkshire, Edinburgh, Lancashire, and Belfast. By the time you read this we'll be over there, seeing as much as it is possible for us to see in six weeks.

Fred Timbers — Alex. Black — Geo. Waldie — Floyd Steckley — Austin Nairn

3 Things the Cornish Brief Demonstrates to Premier Drew

The Brief submitted to the Royal Commission on Education by the Inter-Church Committee on Protestant-Roman Catholic Relations was largely the work of Prof. Geo. A. Cornish, B.A., the Executive Secretary of the Committee. It is usually refrrreed to as the "Cornish Brief."

The most outstanding feature of the Brief is its exposure of the extent to which the Roman Catholic Separate School system has supplanted the Public School system in Northern Ontario.

1. The ROSS Appeasement Policy of 1902 Was Bad

The Cornish Brief shows that the Betrayal of the Public School in New Ontario started in 1902, when the dying Ross Government passed Section 21 of the Separate School Act, ing the first school in unorganized and unsurveyed townships to be a Separate School instead of a Public School. Ross was a party-first Premier and Minister of Education.

2. The FERGUSON Appeasement Policy of 1927 Was Worse

The Cornish Brief shows that this Ross Bod for Roman Catholic votes was out-bid by the Ferguson Government in 1927, when the then Premier and Minister of Education, G. Howard Ferguson, nullified Regulation 17, "for say five years," and enabled these illegal "Separate" schools to be turned into French-speaking schools. The Brief shows that French-speaking classrooms increased from 362 in 1827 to 882 in 1928, to 984 in 1930, to 1,074 in 1931 and reached 1,471 by 1944! What a monument to the Ferguson Government's treachery! (It had been elected on a paltform of abolishing French Schools.)

3. The Present DREW Appeasement Policy is the Worst of All

The worst blow to the Public School system was still to come. In 1943 the C.C.F. offered to pay from 5 percent to 70 percent of the cost of these and all other Separate Schools out of public funds. Mr. Drew out-bid them by offering to pay 50 percent. Mr. Hepburn in 1945 raised the bid to 90 percent, and Premier Drew then went "up to 95 percent."

These three party-first, vote-catching Premiers and Ministers of Education have sacrificed the Public Schol in New Ontario and many other parts of the province. **The Cornish Brief demonstrates clearly that the Department of Education should never be in the hands of a Party Leader.** The result has always been a "sell-out" of the Public Schools and a new "grab" of public money for Roman Catholic Separate Schools.

We Will Gladly Send You Plans of How to Help Combat the Betrayal of Ontario's Public Schools

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STEPHEN'S CORNERS

We are very sorry to report that Mr. Roy Fenwick is a patient in the Markdale hospital, where he expects to undergo an operation soon. We wish him a quick recovery.

We are also sorry to report little Patsy Fisher not well at time of writing. We hope that she will be feeling better soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hammill and Bryan of Toronto spent a few days recently with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pedlar.

Mr. George Fenwick of Collingwood spent the week end at his home here and, accompanied by Robert and Hazel, visited their father in Markdale hospital.

A number from here attended the card party at the home of Wm. Seeley at Maxwell Friday night.

RAINBOW SOLDIERS

Place, near Chateau Thierry; time September, 1918; present, a Canadian soldier and myself, both fed up.

Myself—When do you think the war will end?

The Canadian—When the Rainbow Soldiers arrive, I guess.

"Who are they?"

"Why, the Yanks, of course."

"But why call them "Railbows?"

"Well," replied the Canadian, "doesn't the rainbow always arrive after the storm?" Anon (ex-private 8th Bn., The Buffs), Roehampton, in London Sketch.

Too Much For Bossie

Giving birth to her seventh pair of twins was too much for a Durham cow belonging to Mr. Orville Cann of Osborn Township. In February, 1945, this cow established some notoriety in press and radio by giving birth to her sixth pair of twins, a record that was unbeaten as far as we were able to learn. On Sunday, December 29th, the seventh paid of twins were born, but owing to its age the animal has since died. Altogether she gave birth to 19 calves. Another pair of twins was born on the farm three weeks previously. — Exeter Times-Advocate.

If you keep your eye on events today — you'll probably turn dizzy.

You never know what you can do until you try — and then maybe you shouldn't.

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