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South Grey Teachers Held Annual Meeting

(Continued from last week)

many are not in the class they should be in. Some are ahead and some are behind. The reason for the difference in children in many cases is some physical defect in eyesight or hearing, adenoids, or some ailment unknown by the pupil, parents or teacher. Medical examination of all pupils is needed.

"Entrance Arithmetic" was dealt with by Mr. E. A. Ruttle of Dundalk Public school, who, as an examiner in this subject finds too much inaccuracy in the simple rules of adding, subtraction, multiplying and dividing. He advised more drill and fewer stated questions. He favored the use of a diagram in any question where a diagram could be used and warned against the folly of memorizing rules in arithmetic without the reason being well understood. Let the pupil work the question himself without outside help and write on the blackboard as much as possible.

[illegible] William McDonald of the [illegible] Office was present with a well known handbook of past entrance examination papers. He was called upon and gave some interesting reminiscences of his teaching days. He put in a plea for better compositions in newspaper articles. Know your subject, he stressed. Evangeline was written by Longfellow, an American poet who never saw Nova Scotia or an Acadian. Lalla Rookh was written by Moore and he never was in India, and the poet Dante wrote Inferno and never saw hell, although he wrote so much about it.

Community singing, led by J. A. Magee and Miss Jean Harding, was a variation in the program.

Toronto Teacher Spoke

C. E. Marke, B.A., D.Paed., of Toronto Normal School, spoke on "Some Teacher Requirements Not in the Curriculum." He felt he was not a stranger as the president Mr. Sharpe, was one of his Normal school boys and he saw a few other teachers he recognized.

One requirement he mentioned to ensure a teacher's success was "Do a little bit more than you are paid for": You will some time be paid more and perhaps in a way you had not expected. A teacher must be healthy. You need physical health to be a success. There should be periodical health examinations, the same as are given to insurance policy holders by the big insurance companies.

A teacher should continue to be a learner. There are so many opportunities to help a learner now. There are also moral requirements expected in every teacher. A teacher should always remember that example is better than precept. The teacher should be higher morally than the everyday world. Some teachers, and even some preachers and some women and girls smoke and use cigarettes. Each should ask himself: "Should I, as a teacher do this?" "Does this help my influence for good among the young boys and girls entrusted to my care?"

Teachers should be public-spirited. Have the courage of your convictions in all moral questions even if you seem to be in the minority. Do not be a hermit in this busy world in which you have to live for some time. Have a hobby if you wish to keep young. In other words have an avocation as well as a vocation.

Teachers should have professional spirit. Have a pride in your work as teacher. Be loyal to your profession. If there is no respect for the teaching profession by the teachers engaged you cannot expect outsiders to respect your profession.

"Entrance Grammar" was introduced by Mr. Magee of Hanover. Grammar is a reasoning subject, not a memory subject. The sentence should be the unit in language in tecahing grammar. The child who can analyze a sentence well and reaches it by reasonable conclusions will have no difficulty in passing the Entrance examination in Grammar.

Friday's Session

The session of the second day opened with an address by Miss J. M. Weir, of Durham High school, who took her hearers with her to Europe, where the speaker enjoyed an extensive tour this summer. She dealt with that part of the trip which began with the landing at La Havre, France, and explained the customs, laws and the use of the passport in foreign travel.

The fresh, green fields, with roads unfenced, passing through fields where grain is grown on each side of the roadway right up to the road and dealt also with the French manner of meals, the compartment system of train travel, the ancient and modern classes of hotels at which her party stayed.

She described that part of France drained by the Seine river toward the south of France.

Miss Weir took her audience through the walled city of Avignon, the place of residence of seven French popes, along the road built by Emperor Aurelius when he travelled from Avignon to Rome, then to Genoa in Italy, on to Pisa with its leaning tower, the bay of Leghorn where Shelley was drowned, and to Rome, the capital.

The party trod the Appian Way, which leads from Rome to southern Italy and then, turning toward the north, they passed through Florence with its profusion of flowers and viewed the glistening white mountains of Carrara marble. Then on to Venice with its hundreds of bridges, and on a voyage in a gondola propelled by a long oar in the hands of a husky gondolier.

Mr. Thomas Allan, for many years principal of Durham Continuation school and the first principal of the present High school, spoke for a short time. By a strange coincidence he sat at the front of the room underneath the large painting of himself presented by his many former pupils in Durham on the occasion of his retirement from the teaching profession.

"Some Consideration for the Backward Pupil" was the subject taken by Miss Willa Patterson of Markdale.

When you study a backward pupil and discover what may be a cause for that backwardness you should see his parents and tactfully suggest what you think may be the cause. Have the mconsult their family physician. Give them hardwork to do. They may be manually minded if not mentally alert. They may be weak in some particular subject and good in another. Don't be hard on those who find difficulty in spelling correctly. Remember there are men today occupying high and remunerative positions who never could learn to spell.

"Physical Training in Rural Schools" was well dealt with by Miss Edith Hunt of No. 9 Normanby. Physical exercises should be taken by way of variety as a change after some heavy lesson in some hard subject. They help heart and body and give grace of movement, assist in the formation of character by inculcating obedience. The teacher should be an outdoor leader, teaching his pupils to play up and play the game squarely.

Gave Second Address

C. E. Marks of the Toronto Normal gave his second address of the convention, speaking on "Some Moral Aspects of Education." Should teachers tolerate little sins such as white lits? and little carelessnesses? Never err on the side of laxity, but never nag. The pupil's first day at school is never forgotten. Let every day be a busy, important day for the new pupil. Early habits are significant. Do the small things right as well as the great things. In the punishment of wrong the teacher should have the approval of his class. Get a good class attitude in your room and thereby secure co-operation. The essence of morality is self direction. Are we training slaves or free men?

Help children launch enterprises of their own. Delegate responsibility to them. You will find they will measure up to it. The older pupils should tactfully direct and protect the younger. Think out your plan before you put it into execution. Try to see the probable end from the beginning.

An Address on Manual Training

Alfred D. Hincks of Holstein Public school took up the subject of 'Manual Training in Public Schools.' An ounce of practice is worth a pound of theory. It is not altogether for the object the class is trying to make but the discipline and good fellowship the class gets out of the making of that object. Manual training is a good hobby for a boy. It tends to make him more manly and more helpful as he becomes a little older. Manual training works in with so many subjects on the school curriculum especially in geography.

Mr. Hincks showed many samples of work done by himself and his class, such as the model of an ironing board, match scratchers, Jacob's ladder, book ends, etching on steel, etc. He showed as well what could be done in raffia work in making trays, flower baskets and reed chairs.

"Eight Weeks' Primary Reading" was taken by Miss Mary M. Brown of Dundalk. She exemplified her system of teaching primary reading by using sight words, groups of words, and combinations of these to form sentences. She took sounds and families of sounds to build up words. By these means a pupil gradually learns to read a little.

Inspector Wright explained the changes that have been made recently in the school laws. He gave kindly advice as to the school work and the correct keeping of registers and records.

Miss Dorothy P. Fisher of No. 10 Egremont explained her system of teaching Art in rural schools. Her own type, and the samples of art executed by her pupils are much above the average.

A. C. Wells of Neustadt spoke on "Agriculture in the Public Schools". He made an excellent address.

Received Delegate's Report

The report of the delgate to the O. E. A. was given by Miss Charlotte M. Weinert of Neustadt. She had prepared a full report of the proceedings, but the limited time at her disposal forced her to curtail it considerably.

A second address by the president, Mr. Irvin Sharpe, was given in only a few words for the same reason. He advised teachers and pupils to read more widely and do more silent reading. Study examinations set in past years in literture as you get more variety of selections and answers.

Mr. Peter McNabb, B.A., of Markdale High school, was the only new secondary teacher this year, and his address showed him to be a teacher who takes an active interest in both elementary and secondary school work, as all work for a common goal and among similar material.

Passed Votes of Thanks

The following votes of thanks were passed by the meeting before adjournment:

C. E. Marks, Toronto Normal, for his excellent addresses; Durham High School Board for the use of the school building; the clergy, for devotional exercises and addresses; the Red Cross Society for the excellent meals provided; all who took part in the program directly or indirectly; the Town Council for the welcome extended by Mayor Hunter; the people of Durham who billeted visiting teachers; the officers of the Institute for 1929-30, the teachers for their attendance, which was practically 100 per cent; Inspector Wright for his tact and kindly leading at every session.

Officers Elected

The following is the list of officers for the ensuing year:

Honorary President, R. Wright, B.A., I.P.S.; President, E. A. Ruttle; Vice-President, Miss Dorothy P. Fisher; Secretary-Treasurer, John A. Graham; Delegates to O. E. A., Irvin B. Sharpe and J. A. Graham; Resolutions Committee, W. J. Messenger, F. Oscar Moon, Alfred D. Hincks; Misses C. M. Weinert, Annie Fettes and Jean Harding; Auditors, Miss A. McKinnon and Miss A. Anderson.

The Institute will hold its 1931 session in Dundalk.

Travelling Dentists

The Hamilton Spectator of May 22nd, 1930, devoted its leading editorial to the subject of "Travelling Dentists" and we publish the editors comments in full, because of the widening public interest in dentistry which such articles in the public press undoubtedly indicate:

"At the annual convention of the Ontario Dental Association, now in session in Toronto, attention was called by Dr. R. J. Reade to the fact that four travelling dentists will be at work this summer, treating the teeth of indigents in remote districts of the Province. The dentists will be sonsored by the Department of Health which, during the Ferguson administration has inauguarated many such services and which has a remarkable record of achievement. There is no longer any debate about the part that teeth play in health. Physicians and dentists meet on common ground. Carious teeth are recognized as a source of infection that poisons the blood stream and brings on serious organic ills. There is no excuse for city dwellers, no matter what their circumstances, suffering from infected teeth, because free clinical service is available to those unable to engage private practitioners. In the remote outposts of the Province, however, dental treatment has not been available, and, hearing that mouth conditions among the inhabitants of outlying sections are deplorable, a kindly government has interested itself and, with the co-operation of the Dental Association, has taken steps to bring relief to sufferers. One dentist, employing portable equipment, is operating from a train in the North Country, and not lacking patients. Particular attention is paid to the needs of children. Not only are the defects in teeth being remedied, but the importance of practising oral hygiene is stressed. Speaking to his associates in convention, Dr. Reade declared that eventually it would be better for the Government to subsidize dentists in remote rural districts than to maintain travelling clinics, an opinion concurred in, it is understood, by the Department of Health. Hamilton, a pioneer in clinical work, has been fortunate in the caliber of the men who practise dental surgery here. Not only do they familiarize themselves with the advanced methods of the profession, but they co-operate splendidly with the local health authorities in clinical work. It is impossible to estimate in dollars and cents the value of the work that has been done at the local clinic among the school children of Hamilton. The record books are replete in the histories of individual cases of sickly children being brought to robust health by proper dental diagnosis and treatment. There is no more excruciating nerve-wrecking pain than toothache, but that pain is a blessing in disguise, because it attracts attention to the fact that the offending tooth is a cause of infection and, if left untreated, will seriously affect health."

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The New England Anniversary and Thank-Offering was a decided success in spite of the bad condition of the roads on Sunday last. The services which were conducted by Rev. Mr. Warren of Markdale in the afternoon and Rev. Mr. Peters of Meaford in the evening were very impressive. Both services were well attended. The offering amounted to $104.00.

Mrs. Wm. Thompson, who has been spending a few weeks with her son and Mrs. Stewart Thompson, Markdale, has returned to her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred [illegible] of Toronto, and Miss Nan[illegible] who has been working at [illegible] Knight's, of Fairmount, [illegible] summer, visited with [illegible] Sunday last and [illegible] the anniversary service.

Mr. and Mrs. G. [illegible] Misses Violet and [illegible] Epplett visited on [illegible] and also attended the anniversary service.

Mr. Oscar Fawcett visited over the week-end at his home here.

Miss Vera Fawcett spent a few weeks with [illegible] in Virden, Man., has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Fawcett and children visited at the former's home recently.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson and children of Epping and Mr. [illegible] Gordon and daughter of Toronto were visitors on Sunday last at the home of Mr. E. Wilcox, and attended the anniversary services.

Miss Eva Sims has been visiting a few days with her sister, Mrs. Harry Cherry.

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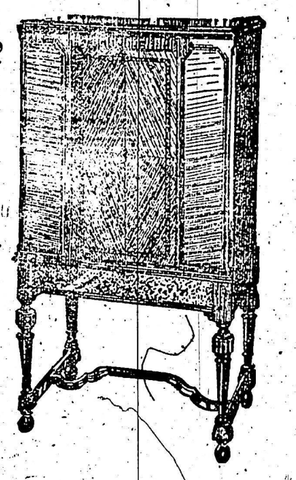

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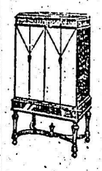

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