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MEN'S AND BOYS' WEAR

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We do not think says the Durham Chronicle, the people are so much concerned over the two-year election ban, or even the legislation that would do away with elections for the duration of the war, as much as the fact that the Government is gradually stepping in and taking away all our liberties.

We believe the people of Ontario honestly think they are capable of running their own affairs. The people know when they want an election and when they do not. This is shown year after year by the councils and other officials who go in by acclamation.

The people are becoming alarmed that there is more to this latest Government move than appears on the surface. If we can get along without elections until the war is over, then we can get along without them at all.

Rural Ontario people have never been noted for the way they squander money municipally. They still think they can govern their towns and townships as well or better than a Government can do so under a system of remote control.

There was a move on some time ago to do away with our county councils, and even some county papers fell for it. Take away our county councils, and we lose perhaps the most "saving" part of our government. Perhaps they may not be as brilliant as some of our Provincial members, but taken as a whole, they have a lot more sense. They have to have. They are too close to the people to do very much wrong.

In the past quarter of a century rural Ontario has pretty much lost the privilege of governing itself, and most of us see in this latest Government move, just another privilege gone.

If democracy is supposed to be a government by the people for the people, all the democracy we have left in Ontario just now you can stick in your eye.

Card of Thanks

It is with a feeling of deep gratitude that I return thanks for the splendid support given me at the polls on Monday. After having served the municipality for the past nine years it is gratifying to know that the electors appreciate the efforts put forth on their behalf. I desire to wish you all the best of everything in 1940.

Yours sincerely,
John R. Dillon.

Card of Thanks

Please accept my thanks for the support given me at the poll on Monday. I will use my best judgment in conducting the business of the municipality during the time I am in office. May all have health and prosperity in 1940.

Sincerely Yours,
W. J. Colgan.

SHOP IN MARKDALE.

GORING

A Happy New Year to all. Mr. and Mrs. Ryerson Sparling, Lawrence and Jack spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shaw of Clarksburg.

Mr. Bruce Carruthers of Kimberley spent the week-end with Mrs. M. E. Parker, Mrs. Carruthers and Keith returning home with him.

Mr. Bert Parker returned to Guelph and Mr. Noval Parker to Owen Sound after spending the holidays at their home.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Association was held Dec. 28, at the home of Mrs. Ryerson Sparling. The election of officers were as follows: Pres., Mrs. J. Murray; Vice Pres., Mrs. Sam Wood; Sec., Mrs. A. Wood; Treas., Mrs. Ryerson Sparling; Organist, Mrs. G. Murray. Lunch was served at the close by Mrs. Sparling and Miss M. Sheers.

Miss Margaret Sheers returned to her home in Warton after spending a few weeks with her aunt, Mrs. R. Sparling.

VANDELEUR

There was a good attendance at the annual school meeting on Wednesday afternoon of last week. The reports of the trustees, auditors and teacher were read and adopted. Mr. Chas. Boland was re-elected auditor and Mr. Will Johnston as trustee. The other members of the board are Messrs. Will Ratcliffe and Louis Teeter with the latter acting as secretary. The following contracts were let: 20 cords of wood to H. Thompson at \$2.90 per cord; 1 1/2 cords of cedar to C. B. Boland at \$2.95 per cord; caretaking to Jim Cargoe at \$35.00 per year. Howard Graham acted as chairman for the meeting and Ken Teeter as secretary.

Mr. Geo. Mathewson has secured the caretaking of the community skating rink at a salary of \$26.00 per month.

The people of Vandeleur put on their Christmas pageant, "He came to Bethlehem" at Ebenezer Church last Sunday afternoon. This is a very beautiful pageant and well worth seeing. About 25 persons took part, most of them dressed in costumes suitable to that time and all took their parts well.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sewell and Carman spent New Year's day in Owen Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wyville and Donna were with the former's mother in Markdale for the holiday.

Mrs. H. J. Thompson and A. C. spent a week with friends in Orangeville.

Misses Marion Boland of Mimico and Mrs. Byers of Tara were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Boland and family.

EUGENIA

We hope the editor, staff and readers of the Markdale Standard had a most enjoyable Christmas and we extend our best wishes to all for a prosperous and happy New Year.

Much sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Croft and sons who live about 3 miles from the village here, in the loss of their home and contents by fire on Sunday night.

We extend our deep sympathy to Mr. Henry Tudor and family and Mrs. Dave Roberts and family in their recent sad bereavements.

Mrs. Robt. Smith has returned home after spending a few days in the Markdale Hospital and a visit with her sister, Mrs. Bentham of Flesherton. We hope Mrs. Smith's health will continue to improve.

Mrs. Bert Graham and Ruth spent the Christmas holidays with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Stewart Elkins of Toronto spent the week-end and holiday with his wife here.

A number from the village here attended the Sunday School entertainment in Flesherton on Friday evening and report a very enjoyable time.

The Women's Association officers for 1940 are as follows: Past Pres., Mrs. W. Gordon; Pres., Mrs. Jas. Otwell; Vice Pres., Mrs. Francis Genoe; Secretary, Mrs. Chas. Martin; Treasurer, Mrs. Wilfred Magee; Organist, Mrs. Court. Smith; Ass't. Organist, Miss G. Smith; Auditors, Mr. Ross Smith and Mr. Fred Jamieson; Parsonage com., Mrs. W. Gordon and Mrs. Lewis Genoe; Flower and Decorating com., Mrs. Francis Genoe, Miss Georgie Smith and Mrs. Thos. McKee; Rep. on M. & M. Com. of Church, Mrs. Garnet Magee; Buying com., The executive; Visiting com., All members; Rep. on Official Board, Mrs. Lewis Genoe.

A watch night service was held at 11 o'clock on Sunday night in the church here. The service, sponsored by the Y.P.U., was planned by Mrs. C. Martin and the plans were carried out by Miss Evelyn Campbell and Mr. Douglas Cairns who gave several members a part in the service. Miss Margaret McMillan acted as organist.

The W.A. will hold their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, Jan. 4th, in the church.

Mrs. M. McMullen went to Toronto to spend Christmas and some time with friends there.

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TRAVERSTON

Here is a belated "Good New Year" to Standard editors and families and to the many correspondents and the paper's eager readers.

Messrs. Bill Robson of Toronto and his cousin, Jack Robson, of Montreal spent the New Year week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robson and sons. They are fine fellows.

Public School No. 5 meeting had a goodly attendance and business was briskly handled. R. T. Edwards retired as secretary-treasurer after forty-five years service and received a very warm vote of thanks. His son, Jos. R. was elected trustee and also appointed sec-treas. Chas. Timmins got the dry wood contract at \$2.70 a cord; Ewen McNab the 20 cords of green at \$2.50; R. E. Bryans the cedar at \$2.50; Basil Davis the job of caretaking at \$70. Everyone present voted against the hobby "A larger unit of administration".

Miss Bernice Durnin of Dunganon is the new teacher for 1940 and is expected to arrive this Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Banks spent the Christmas week in Toronto and were present at the 75th birthday party of Mrs. John Fallice, formerly of the township hall's corners. Other former Glenelgers present were Mrs. John A. Beaton, members of the Anderson family and all of Mrs. F.'s own family.

The closing concert in No. 5, under Miss Horn's tuition on the 21st, was the liveliest and brightest we ever attended. There were 25 numbers on the program and only eight pupils in attendance, four girls and four boys, but the majority of them are humdiggers. Sing, recite, dance through drills like fairies. Towards the close of the program, Miss Horn was called to the front. A most complimentary address was read by Mrs. Jos. R. Edwards and the four girls presented her with a toilet set and an end table. Miss Horn made a neat and grateful reply, emphasizing the happy relationship between the pupils and herself during the two and a half years. Miss Horn took part in the big church concert on Friday evening and left after midnight for her home near Berrie.

She has been wonderfully successful. Misses Isabel and Elsie Mays of Guelph enlivened the parental home during the holiday week.

Miss Elvie Hastie was a bright sprite in the cosy home in the hamlet. Zion's Christmas concert was a let during the week.

As usual, the trees and church were gayly decorated and the former hanging pendant with gifts. Rev. W. H. Smith makes

BERKELEY

Mr. R. H. David returned on Sunday to Peterborough to resume his teaching on the High School staff, after spending the holiday season at the home of his parents.

Mrs. Hamnet of Toronto spent the festival season at the home of her sister, Mrs. Alex. McTaggart and Mr. McTaggart.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Acheson and daughter, Miss Maud, of Proton visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Hannah visited on Sunday at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hannah and family of Markdale.

Miss Laura Pedlar returned to her home in Eugenia after spending the holiday week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bert Watts.

Miss Wilda Walters spent the holiday week in Toronto.

Mrs. W. J. Campbell of Chatsworth is visiting at the home of her son, Mr. E. J. McLaughlin and family.

We extend our sympathy to Mr. E. D. Gilpin in the death of his mother in Toronto, Mrs. Mary Jane Gilpin, wife of the late Robert Gilpin, aged 71. Service on Monday at St. Alban's Cathedral. Interment at St. John's, Norway.

Mrs. Frank Angus visited in Owen Sound at the home of her parents for a few days last week.

Mr. Thos. Wiggins went to Markdale hospital for further treatment last week.

Mrs. E. T. Walters visited over New Years with her daughters in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Mitchell returned to Toronto after spending the week at the parental home.

An ideal chairman and the little folk were specially bright in their numbers. The older group had three plays fairly well carried out. Santa was a quiet chap, but got off some good jokes.

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WALTERS FALLS

Christmas season visitors in the various homes of this vicinity were Miss Olive Quinton of Owen Sound and Keith Matheson of Massie and Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Puddicombe at Mr. R. Quinton's; Mr. Maurice Laycock, B.A., of Brussels and Harold of Meaford High School with their parents, also Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vallins and children of Meaford were Sunday visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laycock; Mr. and Mrs. Callaway and children of Guelph with her sister at the rectory, Rev. and Mrs. Rokeby-Thomas; Miss Edna Dixon of Brantford and Mr. and Mrs. Carson Whieldon of Holland Centre with Mr. and Mrs. R. Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Cook and sons spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Cook at Rocklyn. Mervin is having a week off from his position at Kleinburg.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Caswell spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. C. Caswell in Euphrasia.

Mr. Les. Laycock spent a few days at Woodford this week.

The school meeting was held on Wednesday afternoon with a fair attendance. Good reports were given. Mr. Wm. Johnson was elected trustee.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lemon and family with their son, Herb, and Mrs. H. Lemon near Goring, together with Mrs. H. Lemon's family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Fitzsimmons.

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