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MARKDALE FAIR, WED. AND THURS., THIS WEEK

LOCAL NEWS

South Grey Teachers' Convention will be held this Friday in Durham. Miss Grace Miller of Toronto was a week-end guest at the home of Mrs. Ruth McMicking.

Mr. W. R. Burnett is on the sick list this week, being confined to bed with low blood pressure.

Miss Dorothy Mann of Peterborough was a guest of her mother, Mrs. W. F. Mann, over the week-end.

Miss Mable Johnston visited over the holiday with her cousin, Mrs. Cochrane McCauley, and other friends.

Thanksgiving visitors at the Rectory were Mr. Bugler's sister, Mrs. A. G. Totten, and Mr. Totten of London.

Little Miss Janet Matthews of Orangeville is visiting this week with her cousins, Joan and Walter Buschlen.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Erskine and daughters, Isobel and Dorothy, of Temple Hill, were Sunday visitors at Russ Spurling's.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Crossett of Berkeley were hosts to Christ Church A.Y.P.A. at their regular meeting.

Mr. Thos. Boyce of Melville, Sask., is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. McEachnie, and at the home of his niece, Mrs. Clayton McWhinney.

Mr. Ed. Graham and family and Mrs. J. Irwin of Temple Hill were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Menary and Mervin of Dunrobin.

Miss Betty Peters was a visitor over the holiday with her parents at Barrhead and she kindly assisted in Christ Church choir on Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Langman and son, John, spent Thanksgiving at Elmville. They were accompanied home by Miss Leta Turner, who will visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Sanders spent the holiday week-end in Markdale, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Noble, and also renewed acquaintances with other friends in town.

Home from Toronto for the Thanksgiving week-end were Misses Annis Hamilton, Nina Hutchinson, Margaret Dundas, Helen Mercer, Naomi Colgan and Florence Down.

Mrs. John Gott of Maxwell is spending a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Dan Macaulay, who, we regret to learn, is quite ill following a stroke about two weeks ago.

Cfn. D. J. Torrie, who expected to sail for home, got word his passage had been cancelled and he was given an eight-day leave—the first leave he ever got that he didn't want, he writes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hale and daughter, Miss Helen, holidayed over Thanksgiving with the King and Burnside families in town. Mrs. Hale and Helen remaining for the Fair on Thursday.

Visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McFadden's over the holiday were Miss Eida McFadden of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Laverne White and daughters of Arthur, and L.A.C. Marshall Quirk of Pendleton.

Visitors over the Thanksgiving holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stoddart, sr., were their son, Cpl. Norman of Port Albert, his wife and son, Ted; Fred of Hamilton, and Pte. Frank of Barriefield.

Sunday and holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Tuck were Mrs. O. M. McKenzie and Miss Mary Pearce, Toronto, Miss Helen Matthews, Kingston, and Mrs. Irene Sparks (nee Gemmel) of Owen Sound.

Thanksgiving Day visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ratcliffe and girls were Mr. and Mrs. F. Piper, Mrs. B. Wighton and Mrs. J. J. McGee of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McGee and Glenora and Mr. and Mrs. Mac Ratcliffe and Kenneth of Vandeaur.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane McCauley and family were Mr. John Dixon of Toronto, Mr. Wm. Norton of Acton, Mr. and Mrs. John Menary and Marjorie, Mr. and Mrs. William Clarke and family, Messrs. Ed. Williamson and Elwood McCauley.

Mrs. K. S. Gemmel returned to Toronto on Monday after visiting with Markdale friends the past week, the guest of Miss D. Boardman. Miss Boardman accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Gemmel to Toronto where she will visit with friends for the next two weeks.

Last Thursday afternoon a return softball game between Chatsworth and Markdale high schools was played here when the local boys were victors by a score of 18-1, and the local girls won to the tune of 15-12. On Friday afternoon a field day for high school pupils was held in King Edward Park, when the first group of events was held. It is hoped to complete the local events this Friday, weather permitting.

The past month of unsettled weather has caused considerable loss to farmers' pea crops. In most cases these are left to the last to be harvested, and in many cases the wet spell set in before many had combined their peas. With so much wet weather lately, this crop is almost a total loss, with pods split open and the peas sprouted. One farmer states the best way to get any good from the crop is to turn the pigs into the field to fatten.

OPTICAL—Eyes tested and glasses supplied. Modern frames at moderate prices. Guard your eyesight by consulting Dr. Campbell at Marshall's Drug Store next Tuesday, October 16th.

Mrs. Ballantyne Speaks On Homemaking

"It's time we, in Ontario, specialized in some one thing and have something that we shall be noted for," said Mrs. Ballantyne of the Home Service Department of Robin Hood Flour Mills Limited in her talk in Annesley church basement on Tuesday afternoon. She urged Canadian women to specialize in doing one thing, and become known for that. She said whether this is blueberry muffins, peach upside down cake or a special apple dish, she declared that by becoming known for a certain product we could lure a great tourist traffic to our door. By offering a certain attraction, we would establish not only interest but would also make it a business. Her advice to young homemakers was to learn to do one thing better than anything else—Then your cooking becomes an art. And half the art of homemaking is in cooking.

Mrs. Ballantyne, who has travelled across the Dominion on several occasions, reviewed the home life of the five different sections of Canada. Beginning with the Maritimes, she told interesting facts about their homemaking, and of the special products of each. For instance, there's the traditional Boston baked beans and the oat bread of the Maritimes and the delicious maple cream of New Brunswick, the pea soup and white bread for which Quebec is famous and the prairie chicken of the Peace River district. And, although Ontario is a land of fruits and minerals, there is no one product you can point to and say, "That is Ontario." Her talk was interspersed with experiences and customs of certain districts, all of which were of much interest.

Books of favourite recipes containing a selected group planned for rationed products were given out. A short cut in making tea biscuits as well as plain pastry is to double the recipe, and mix together the dry ingredients. Then put away part of this "ready mix", and it can be used later on short notice. Refrigerator rolls were another thing that could be got ready and kept till needed. She urged homemakers to build our homelife on an entirely attractive basis, to look on homemaking as an art and to make our homes the centre of happy entertainment.

No nation is greater than its homes. No people is greater than its women. Mrs. Ballantyne was introduced by the president of Annesley W. A., Mrs. Mel Belfry. Following the talk, a social hour was spent when tea was served.

A Letter From "Winnie"

To get a letter from Winston Churchill, written and signed in his own handwriting and bearing the seal of the House of Commons was the thrilling experience of Miss Charlotte Bennett of Markdale.

It happened like this. Charlotte, like every other Canadian, has been an ardent admirer of that great, British statesman. So when his defeat in the election came, Charlotte sent a card to cheer him up. On it was a picture of a trout like those which abound in Markdale district streams, and on it she wrote a fan letter. Besides expressing her disappointment at his defeat, as a personal tribute to his work, she told him how much Canadians admired him. She added that now that he was relieved of the cares as Prime Minister, he might be seeking a refuge from his toil and she suggested he might find recreation fishing in Markdale's trout streams.

Then the answer came, post marked London, and it read like this: "I thank you sincerely for your very kind message to me that I have received and read with great pleasure."

Winston S. Churchill!—which reminds us that even Britain's Man-of-the-Hour takes time out to say "Thanks".

Amateurs To Entertain At Clarksburg Next Thursday

Select amateurs and prize winners from the recent amateur show are giving an entirely new program at Clarksburg next Thursday, October 18, sponsored by Clarksburg W.I. For all those desiring transportation, cars will be available to leave town about seven o'clock. This is a good chance for many to have an evening's fun. The amateur entertainment will be followed by a dance to the music of the Golden West Mountaineers.

Miss Muriel Woods of Toronto was a visitor at her home for the holiday.

Mrs. George Buchanan and Mrs. S. M. Davison were visitors in St. Marys and London during the week.

Miss Francis Buchanan who is attending Western University, London, spent Thanksgiving week-end at her home near Flesheron.

Mrs. Harcourt Ready returned to her home in St. Marys after visiting the past two weeks with her sisters, Mesdames Buchanan, Davison, and Johnson, and brother, J. Frank Davis in the suburbs.

Holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. St. H. Wilson were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCutcheon and daughters, Estelle and Jeanne, of Toronto; also Mr. and Mrs. C. Greenaway and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. Potage, and two little daughters, all of Fairmount.

\$4,500,000 In 9th Loan Grey County's Objective

The Grey County Committee for Canada's 9th and final Victory Loan has been busy engaged in making plans for the forthcoming campaign. Officials and the Committee under the Chairmanship of Frank T. Hill of Markdale have appointed Salesmen for the various districts in the County, names of salesmen to be announced next week together with individual objectives for each Municipality. The objective for individuals in the County has been set at \$4,500,000 as against \$3,750,000 in the last campaign. This represents an increase of 20% or approximately the same percentage increase as for the Dominion of Canada as a whole. There will be no Government Loan in the spring of 1946. The objective of this campaign is for a period of one year. The Grey County objective for the last two loans combined, or for the period of a year, was \$7,250,000 as against this Loan's quota of \$4,500,000 for a similar period. In other words this Victory Loan is two loans in one which will result in a great saving of time, money and effort.

The above figures are exclusive of the Special Names section, which quota has been set at \$700,000.

For purposes of the Victory Loan the Province of Ontario is divided into 62 parts and in the last campaign Grey County ended in 5th place out of 62. This was indeed a creditable showing but the committee feel that Grey County, as the banner County in Ontario, should be satisfied with nothing less than 1st place.

The members of the Grey County Committee for the Ninth Victory Loan are:

Hon. Chairman: Geo. D. Fleming of Owen Sound.

County Chairman: Frank T. Hill of Markdale.

Vice-Chairmen: Wilbert Sutcliffe of Holland Centre; Garfield Case of Owen Sound; Walter Harris, Markdale; John Paterson, Hanover.

Special Names Chairman: J. Fred Brown, Owen Sound.

General Sales Committee: J. C. Mercer, Owen Sound; Earl Radbourne, Owen Sound.

Publicity Chairman: Chas. McTavish, Owen Sound.

Publicity Vice-Chairman: R. Snelgrove, Owen Sound.

Publicity Committee: Frank MacIntyre, Dundalk; J. F. Irwin, Durham; F. J. Thurston, Flesheron; Ed. Scarborough, Hanover; F. E. Secord, Meaford; A. G. Ramage, Thornbury; W. J. Colgan, Markdale.

Payroll Savings Chairman: W. G. Hey, Owen Sound.

Agricultural Chairman: T. Stewart Cooper, Markdale.

Arrangements have been made for the showing of three films to the school children of the urban centres of Grey County. Wherever possible children of the rural schools will be invited to attend these showings in their districts. The films to be shown are "Operation Pluto" (Pipe Line Under the Ocean) and "Operation Fido" (Fog Investigation—Dispersal Operation); both of these films have been released from the secret list since the cessation of hostilities. The third film is "Valiant Company" with Captain Allan Piper of Cornwall in the star roll. This film is done in technicolor and is most interesting. It deals with Hospital Rehabilitation of disabled service men.

Schedule of these showings at Markdale and near-by centres is listed below: Tuesday, October 16th—10:30 a.m. Markdale Public and High Schools.

1:15 p.m. Flesheron Public and High Schools (auditorium) combined with certain rural schools in the area.

Wednesday, October 17th—10:30 a.m. Chatsworth Public and High Schools.

1:15 p.m. Durham Public and High Schools (Town Hall).

Monday, October 15th—1:15 p.m. Meaford High School (auditorium).

3:00 p.m. Meaford Public School (Town Hall).

New Dairy Being Built

Markdale Dairy will have a new location, and excavating for the new building is underway. The building will be built directly behind the Irwin butcher shop, and the material from the Richards garage will be used in the building. It is also planned to extend the present flat over the building to provide living quarters. The present dairy is in the Burnside building with only a driveway separating it from its new location.

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the many cards, letters, treats, and acts of kindness extended to me during my recent illness in Owen Sound Hospital.

Mrs. George J. Cornfield.

Card of Thanks

I wish to extend thanks to all those who sent treats, flowers, and cards and inquired for me while I was in the hospital and also to Dr. Carefoot and all the nurses for all their kindness.

Mrs. Daniel Brodie.

Warm Clothes For Christmas

At the Red Cross meeting in the Department of Agriculture last Friday evening, plans were made for the National Clothing Collection now on. The Legion Hall has been secured as a central depot, and while this room will not always be open to the public, any parcels of clothing during the drive this week and next may be left in the Department of Agriculture.

Next Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, collections of clothing from each house in town will be made by the Boy Scouts. Those able to deliver their own donations may bring them in at any time and leave them at the Department of Agriculture. For W. I.'s and other such groups of workers, including all schools in the district, who are sponsoring the drive in their own particular centre, collections may be brought in and left at Markdale centre. If no such group is active near you, please make a voluntary effort to bring your own donation, however small, to this headquarters.

The collection will be sorted here, shipped to Camp Borden where it will be re-baled and sent to twelve countries in need. This is one of 14 depots across Canada where it is planned to have the clothing collected, baled, and on its way to Europe by the middle of November to be delivered before Christmas.

Mr. Arthur Norris has been appointed chairman of this committee, which includes Rev. W. M. Lee, Rev. W. G. Bugler, Rev. C. J. McNicol, Messrs. A. G. Robertson, H. Borinsky and Mrs. Prust.

The thought of sending Christmas cheer that means comfort to people who need our help should inspire every one of us to search out every possible bit of clothing, footwear or blankets that can be spared. To make your gift more personal, you may place your name and address on your contributions, but must not add messages. And be assured that this bit of Christmas cheer from you will mean more to those people in want than it ever has before. Get out your old clothes now, and have them ready when a Scout calls at the Department, or bring them in to the Department. And when Christmas time comes this year, you can enjoy it more knowing that somewhere in Europe other people are warm because of your old clothes.

Fire Prevention Week October 7th to 13th

Fire Prevention Week will be observed during the week of October 7-13, to remind us of the appalling loss of life and property by fire and the means by which this loss may be reduced. It may be of interest to know that in 1944 in Canada 307 people lost their lives through fire and over 40 million dollars in property damage occurred.

Fire Prevention Week offers an excellent opportunity to increase our efforts in the prevention of fire in our homes, schools and places of business. This is one week in the year when everyone should make an examination of his premises to see that none of the hazards is present that are directly or indirectly the cause of fires.

Our main form of protection in this community of Markdale is our fire department. This would seem an ideal time to become acquainted with our local fire fighting equipment. A careful check-up would reveal if it is efficient and in order. The recent fire should wake us up to the necessity of providing adequate protection for our citizens. If the present equipment is not all that it should be.

There are many causes of farm fires. Farmers as a rule, being pretty well isolated should provide some fire protection in the form of pails or barrels of water, hand pumps, extinguishers and ladders.

To do something practical about this Fire Prevention Week we might well inspect our own business buildings and see that all conditions likely to cause fire are removed. Fire drills might be held in schools, and special instruction given on the subject of fire prevention. And then of course it remains for us to keep in mind that we are going to be careful of fire from now on, remembering that fully 80% of our fires are due to carelessness, and also that it is our patriotic duty to prevent fires.

98 Years Young

Mr. Richard Johnston of Ephraim will celebrate his 98th birthday this Sunday, October 14th; and will, no doubt, be listening in to Andy Clark's over-ninety birthday club (heard over CBL at 10:05 a.m. each Sunday). Mr. Johnston, although in bed, is in fair health. He has spent over 70 years on his farm at Harkaway.

With The Boy Scouts

The Boy Scouts met at the Rotary Hall on Friday last and a re-organization of patrols was effected. This groups the boys according to the community in which they live.

On this Friday after school the Scouts are to meet at the Rotary Rooms in uniform to assist in the collection of clothing for Europe.

Scout Apple Day will be postponed till the following week.

Successful Fowl Supper At Glenelg Centre

The Sixteenth Annual Thanksgiving Day Fowl Supper under the auspices of St. Joseph's Church, Markdale, and St. John's Church, Glenelg, was an outstanding success. About 550 patrons enjoyed the delectable home cooked supper which has become a tradition on Thanksgiving Day. Following the supper, the floor was cleared and dancing was enjoyed to the music of the Golden West Mountaineers.

The lucky tickets for the prizes were drawn by Master Angus Black, and resulted as follows: 1st prize, cedar chest, No. 6640, Mrs. Margaret Fernane of Dundalk; 2nd prize, radio table, No. 823, Edward J. Ryan, R.R. 1, Markdale; 3rd prize, chenille bedspread, No. 5723, Mrs. Laverne Piper, Markdale; 4th prize, pair of woolen blankets, No. 4034, Mrs. Harold Scott, Walkerton; 5th prize, pair of flannelette blankets, No. 4235, Jean Robertson, Gravenhurst; 6th prize, pair of flannelette blankets, No. 5894, McKennas, 277 Herkimer St., Hamilton.

Recording Made at the Fair Will Be Broadcast On CFOS

Something new in the way of publicity for Markdale Fair will be broadcast this Friday over CFOS when the recording made at the fair this Thursday will be heard at 1:00 o'clock. This is made possible through the courtesy of the station which is widely listened to by people of this district.

Remember the time—this Friday at 1:00 o'clock.

Ebenezer Anniversary

Ebenezer Anniversary, held on Sunday, Sept. 20th, was most successful. Rev. Dr. Andrew Thompson of Flesheron was the guest speaker and spoke to large congregations both afternoon and evening. The afternoon sermon was based on "The Peerless Christ", while the evening subject was "The Inevitable Church".

The choir under the leadership of Mrs. W. G. Bowles sang two anthems in the afternoon with Misses June Freeman, Marion Hutchinson, and Eva Hill taking the solo parts.

In the evening the anthems, "God has His Pathways of Blessing" and "Jesus Names" were given, and Mrs. Jack Taylor and Mrs. R. Freeman sang a duet, "God Was There." The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

Progressive Farmers Raise Pure Bred Stock

A new breed of sheep that is meeting with a marked degree of success in this part of the country and which will be in much demand is the Suffolk sheep. For several years past news of their success has been followed with great interest by agricultural officials who predict a bright future for this breed.

McKennit Bros. who operate a large farm in Holland township are breeders of this strain and have found them to be good money makers. These sheep breed twice yearly, one ewe having had three births during a period of twelve months, and a total of thirteen lambs before she was four years old.

In August of this year four ewes and two rams of this Suffolk breed were purchased from these owners by Mr. Muir of the Experimental Farms at \$100 each, the highest price known to be paid for sheep in this locality. McKennit Bros. still have a fine flock of sheep which will be valuable stock for breeding purposes.

On their farm in Holland, where they also specialize in pure-bred Herefords, they have purchased a new herd sire which will be delivered this month, believing that a good herd sire adds 75% to the quality of any herd. They also have a good stock of pure-bred Yorkshire pigs.

Coming Events

YOUR FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE—At Irish Lake Pavilion, October 12th.

COMING — To Annesley Church—A play, "Aunt Tilly Goes to Town," by Wiarion United Church Choir on Friday, October 26.

HALLOWEEN Masquerade Dance—In the Armouries on Wednesday, October 31. Prizes for fancy costumes. Music by Murray Simmons and His Orchestra. Lunch counter. Adm. 50c.

III! GANG!—The smoothest dancing floor in Grey-Plan to be in Flesheron this Saturday night, dancing to the music of the Golden West Mountaineers. Never a dull moment! Admission 35c.

Ernest O'Henry, lot 22 Concession 9, Glenelg, 4 1/2 miles south-west of Markdale, will hold an auction sale of farm stock and implements on Thursday, October 25th. Complete list will be seen on sale bills and in next week's Standard.

LISTEN IN to CFOS on Friday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock to hear the broadcast of the recording made at Markdale Fair.

Boxing Champion



JIMMY SULLIVAN

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sullivan of Markdale, is the new middleweight boxing champion after winning his bout at the Golden Gloves Tournament in the Arena at Moncton on Tuesday of last week, being the highest title in the Amateurs of that class.

Jim was an amateur boxer no doubt, joining the R.C.A.F. and has, no doubt, been gaining some valuable experience that has won this top honour.

A clipping from the Moncton Transcript says in part, "The middleweight division was an air force show with Jimmy Sullivan and Ted Smith, former champion, tossing leather. By virtue of a stabbing left, Sullivan won on points."

The trophies and other prizes won by the youngsters were presented by none other than former world heavy-weight champion, Jack Sharkey, who was in Moncton to referee the mat bouts.

Sapper Gerald Johnston

is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Johnston to reach home within a month, arriving from overseas on the Ile de France. His homecoming was delayed when his unit took part in a parade of returning troops in Toronto, so that he did not reach home till Thursday morning.

Gerald has been overseas since Nov. 1943, when his unit was used as reinforcements for the Royal Canadian Engineers. Arriving in England he was attached to the 11th Field Park Company and took training there for their work. He was a truck driver with this unit whose main duty was building bridges, their greatest feat being one 1728 feet long across the Rhine in Holland where their unit was at a standstill after the dikes had been blown up and the country was flooded. While stationed there, they enjoyed the hospitality of the Dutch people in whose homes they were billeted to sleep. They were also stationed in France, Belgium and Germany.

Mrs. Eliza Macpherson

At the home of her daughter in Sarnia on Friday last, October 5th, passed Mrs. Eliza (Lucas) Macpherson, who was for many years a former resident of Markdale.

Mrs. Macpherson was born in Brooke Township, Lambton County, Ontario, and was the daughter of George and Elizabeth Lucas. She had reached her eighty-eighth milestone, having been born in 1857. In her early womanhood she married Angus Macpherson, and the couple came north to Grey County, residing for a short time in Flesheron and then moving to Markdale where they reared a family of two sons and one daughter. Mr. Macpherson was for several years chief clerk in the banking office of Wm. Lucas & Co. and later became the first manager of the first chartered bank to open a branch in Markdale (the Merchants Bank, later amalgamated with the Bank of Montreal). He died in Markdale in 1912.

Following the death of her husband, Mrs. Macpherson made her home with her only daughter, for many years in Toronto, and more recently in Sarnia. Besides her daughter, Blanche (Mrs. Leonard Blackburn), she leaves to mourn her passing her two sons, Hugh (manager of Bank of Montreal, Brockville), and George (chief of Engineering Dept., Imperial Oil, Sarnia).

The funeral service was held in Christ Church, Markdale, on Monday afternoon, October 8th, Rev. W. G. Bugler, the rector, officiating. Pallbearers were Messrs. Chas. Armstrong, George Alton, Jas. Crowston, I. B. Lucas, Thos. Wilson and Dr. Campbell. Interment was made in Markdale Cemetery, where her body reposes beside that of her husband. Her immediate family were all in attendance at the last sad rites for a mother who was, in her day, one of the most lovable and highly esteemed residents in the community.

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