

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Interesting Items Concerning Other Centres and Communities in Which Many of Our Readers are Interested

EVERTON

Mrs. Ross, of New York, is visiting for some time at the home of Mrs. John Stewart. Mrs. George Looce spent a few days in Guelph last week. Several from here attended the one day convention, held in Guelph last Tuesday.

GEORGETOWN

W. J. Alexander purchased two prize winning Yorkshire pigs at Guelph Winter Fair last week. Dr. Somerville, of Halleybury, has been a visitor in town during the week. Mr. W. Dixon, of Sandhill, visited with Mr. and Mrs. O. T. McKay last Saturday. Mr. Nelson Cook, many friends were very glad to hear of his recovery from his recent illness.

ERIN

Mrs. Campbell was hostess for the December W. O. T. U. meeting, which was well attended. Last Friday evening about one hundred of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Fletcher's friends and neighbors called upon them to bid them farewell before moving off the farm to take up their new home in Erin. It is with a great deal of satisfaction that we pass on the information received from Mr. J. K. McLaren, village tax collector, that the taxes in the village, have to date, not more fully paid than in many years past.

ERIN MILLS

On Wednesday afternoon the Women's Institute met at Mrs. Jas. Barden's home with a fair attendance. The Secretary read an appeal from the Travellers' Aid seeking for assistance in the work. A donation of \$10.00 was granted. It was also agreed to send flowers and Christmas greetings to sick ones in the home or hospital. Mrs. W. Wilson, our delegate to the annual Women's Institute Convention, gave a most interesting and report of the proceedings. At the close of the meeting, while lunch was being prepared Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Robertson, and Miss Argo, with Mrs. Barden as pianist, sang two lovely Christmas carols. An educational and profitable afternoon was spent.

On Friday evening S. B. No. 5 concert and Christmas tree was the centre of attraction, when the parents, young folks and children of the section were present in full force. Under the able leadership of the teacher, Mr. Hughes, with Mrs. W. Early as organist, and Mr. J. Marshall as chairman, the scholars presented a programme, which was in keeping with the season. Choruses, carols, recitations and plays were all well sustained; the crowning excitement of the evening was when Santa sent a message, assuring them he was leaving Acton with a good load, and would be present in a few minutes, which proved true, as he appeared in time to distribute gifts to the expectant and happy children.

On Saturday evening the United Church Sunday School Christmas tree and concert was held in the Town Hall, when the parents and children turned out in full. Rev. M. C. Gandler acted as chairman. Two plays were presented, which were well carried out, also songs and recitations were given by the scholars. The expectant event of the evening being the Christmas tree, which both the children and grown-ups enjoyed, returning home with hands filled, and hearts aglow with the good-will which attends such events.

Quite a number from here attended the G. C. V. I. concert and dance in Guelph on Friday evening. Miss Marjory Gandler won first prize for most proficient student in bookkeeping in Commercial Department at the Guelph Collegiate-Vocational Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbott, of Toronto, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis over Sunday. Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lowrie in the birth of twin sons at St. Joseph's Hospital, on December 17. Mother and babies are doing well.

As we approach the Christmas season may our readers all realize that "The happiness of love is in action," its test is what we are willing to do for others.

LIMKHOUSE

Mrs. Hall and son, of Brantford, visited Mr. and Mrs. Johnson on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Rentier, of Ottawa, are spending Christmas with Mrs. R. L. Brown.

Miss Lydia Caldwell is home for holidays from Alma College, St. Thomas. Mr. Walter Vyse, of Hamilton, who has had the travelling contract for the Township this year, had the misfortune to lose one of the large gravel trucks by fire, on Thursday morning. In starting the truck to leave for home in some way it took fire, and burned up. The loss will be heavy as these trucks cost, it is said, over five thousand dollars.

The Presbyterian Christmas entertainment, on Monday evening, was very successful, and so was the United Church Christmas tree, held on the same evening. The conflict in dates was unfortunate, but seemed unavoidable, and we are glad it did not spoil either. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Millere and children, of Brantford, attended the Christmas tree on Monday evening.

ROCKWOOD

The annual Christmas Tree entertainment of the United Church Sunday School was held last Friday evening in the Town Hall, and was attended by a large number of friends and the parents of the young folks who deserve credit for their parts in the programme, which consisted of choruses, recitations, duets, drills and dialogues. The Sunday School Orchestra contributed music before the programme commenced and Rev. W. J. Taylor was chairman for the occasion. At the conclusion of the programme Santa Claus put in his appearance and distributed the presents from the tree, which was well loaded down.

The annual Christmas Tree entertainment of the Presbyterian Church Sunday School was held on Monday evening in the church and was well attended. Rev. W. H. McCracken was chairman for the programme, which consisted of opening chorus, recitations, duets, drills and a solo by Edden Lambert, which was encouraged. The conclusion of the programme was enacted by the scholars in a well-directed play on the birth of Christ, the shepherds, and the wise men following the star and offerings of gifts. At the end of the programme Mrs. (Rev.) W. H. McCracken was presented with a brass muffin dish and brass cake tray from the choir and mission band. Afterwards the gathering repaired to the basement where refreshments were served by the ladies of the congregation and the distribution of Christmas presents by Santa Claus from the tree.

Christmas music and sermons were enjoyed by the congregations in the churches on Sunday. At the Presbyterian Church, Mr. Gordon McPhail, of Eden Mills assisted the choir both morning and evening. Miss Barbara Plek, of Pergus, was a recent week-end guest with Mrs. Hanna and Miss Gladys. A joint meeting of the Women's Auxiliary was held in Guelph last week and attended by members from St. John's Church here. Miss Irene Isaac, of Mid-Japan, was present and gave an interesting address. Also the December meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of St. John's Church took place at the home of Mrs. John Ister.

The annual meeting of the Young People's Society of the United Church was held last week and officers elected for the coming year. The society has been supporting two native missionaries, one in China and the other in India for some years. The schools closed on Monday for the holidays and the Continuation scholars held their Literary meeting Monday afternoon. Our teachers who have been away during the past term are home once more: Miss Edna M. Pardon, of Dundas; Miss Lovena Richardson, of Millford Bay; Miss M. Milroy, of Brantford; Miss Margaret McIlroy, of No. 8. S. Guelph Township; and Mr. George Torrance, of Alliston.

Miss Kinora Ridd, of Pergus, was here during the week-end. Mrs. McMahon, of Detroit, Mich., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Howling's, at home. Messrs. Fred Day, Fred Howling, Arnold Wanless, Harry McPhedran and sister, Miss Elizabeth, of Toronto University, are home for the holidays. Also Mr. H. Hoeking, of Queen's University, Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. Will Hoeking and family are at Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hoeking's for the holidays. Mr. Johnston Hewat, of Simcoe, was home for the week-end. Dr. E. P. and Mrs. McCullough and Miss Marlon, were visitors in the village last Friday evening and attended the United Church Sunday School entertainment.

Rev. John Little and J. A. Little were in Holstein Monday attending the funeral of Mrs. Robert Alkin. The many friends of Mr. Edward H. Jolliffe, of Toronto, will be pleased to hear of his success in securing the 1936 Rhodes Scholarship. Only a few years ago he attended Guelph C. V. I. and won the oratorical championship. "A Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year to all and to the Editor and Staff of 'The Free Press'."

Lowville debaters visited the Y. P. S. of St. John's Church and won the first of the inter-church debates for young people. Quite a large number of Oakville people motored to Toronto, Monday evening to witness the athletic display by the Appleby school boys in Hart House. S. G. South and Son, sixth line, have purchased about a dozen fully accredited Ayrshire cows from Wainand county owners, as a start for a large dairy herd. For several days the skating rink has been flooded and it was hoped there would be skating for Christmas. The hockey season is due to open before the new year.—Star.

TO CORRESPONDENTS

Owing to the holiday coming on Thursday 'The Free Press' will next week be published on Wednesday. Please mail your correspondence a day earlier next week in order that we may be sure of securing it in time for publication that week. Your assistance will be appreciated.

PRE-INVENTORY SEASONABLE BARGAINS IN USED FARM EQUIPMENT. 1—Clare Bros. Magnet Range. 2—13 Inch Brantford Feed Grinder. 3—1 H.P. International Engine. 4—1 1/2 H.P. Gilson "Johnny-on-the-Spot" Engine. 5—3 H.P. International Engine. 6—3 H.P. Glover Engine on hand truck. 7—6 H.P. Type Z Fairbanks-Morse Engine. 8—6 H.P. Gilson Engine. 9—10 Inch Papeo Enslage Cutter. PIONEER EQUIPMENT CO. 15 Woolwich Street, Guelph, Ont.

Enjoy Christmas Week WITH A BRIGHT FIRE IN THE FIREPLACE. We have in stock, Cannel Coal from Kentucky, that makes a bright fire. Lights readily and is very low in ash contents. A small quantity of this coal, added to the furnace or stove when the fire is low, brings the fire up quickly. Cannel Coal is also good for burning with green hardwood. Price, 75c per 100 lbs. J. R. MACKENZIE & SON. N. McLEOD, MANAGER. PHONE 48.

Church Services. United Church of Canada ACTON. Minister—Rev. C. L. Peake, B. D. Parsonage—Willow Street. 11:00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject: "Christ's Holog for the New Year." 12:00 noon—Sunday School and Bible Class. 7:00 p. m.—The Minister. Subject: "A New Adventure." EVERYBODY WELCOME.

Presbyterian KNOX CHURCH, ACTON. REV. H. L. BENNIK, M. A., Minister. Parsonage—Willow Street. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28. 11:00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject: "Memories of the New Year." 2:30 p. m.—Sabbath School. Bible Classes. 7:00 p. m.—The Minister. Subject: "The Year that's Awa'." Note—Sacrament Sunday the first Sunday of the New Year. "ALWAYS WELCOME"

Acton Baptist Church. Rev. W. J. Hamilton, Pastor. Parsonage—Mill Street. 11 a. m.—The Minister. Sunday School and Bible Class—12:15 p. m. 7:00 p. m.—The Minister. Monday, 8:00 p. m.—H. Y. P. U. Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer and praise service. ALL ARE WELCOME.

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FOR SALE. Two choice Grade Jerseys, springing. Good family cows. Apply PLEAS PRESS. FOR SALE. Good McLaughlin Cutter for sale, set of Goldens Harness. Apply R. J. KERR, Acton.

LOST. On Friday last, Past Master Masons Apron in Case on Mill Street in Acton. Finder kindly return to ACTON FREE PRESS. FOR SALE. Slightly used Warm Air Furnace in first-class condition. Cheap for quick sale. Will arrange for installation if desired. 10-11 W. F. MOONEY.

NOTICE. On and after January first our service station will close at 6 p. m. daily. All orders for fuel will be taken care of by Mr. Agar at his residence above Symon's Hardware store, phone 100 after 6 p. m. RICHIE & AGAR.

VILLAGE OF ACTON. NOTICE TO TAX DEBTORS. Persons in arrears for taxes desiring to avoid publication of their names in Auditors' Report for 1936 will make payment not later than December 31. R. J. MACPIERSON, Tax Collector.

TO OLD FRIENDS AND NEW CUSTOMERS WE EXPRESS THE AGE-OLD THOUGHT. MERRY CHRISTMAS. The Beauty Parlor. MILL STREET ACTON. Phone 1043.

Merry Christmas! TO YOU! May the day be sunny, your hearts merry... and may you not forget our good wishes are with You!

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If There's a Better Way of Saying We Wish You A MERRY CHRISTMAS We'd be Glad if You'd Take it as Said!

W. R. E. Blair. Mill Street, Acton.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS is our wish, and a HAPPY NEW YEAR That Will Bring You New Joy and Prosperity.

Geo. W. Benton. MILL STREET, ACTON.

Greetings! We would like to emblazon it across the sky... a huge Merry Christmas to you, our friends and customers.

A. T. Brown. ACTON, ONTARIO.

Watson's Bakery. ACTON, ONTARIO. At Christmas time we are glad of an opportunity to greet all our friends and customers and wish you all happiness.

MERRY CHRISTMAS. To One and All We Wish A Merry, Merry Christmas!

M. Edwards & Co. BAKERS OF REAL HOME-MADE ACTON BREAD.

May Yuletide Joy Be Unconfined. When the fire glows on the hearth and the happy family gathers to observe the festive Yuletide, may your cup of joy bubble over. That's our wish at this jolly season of the year, and with it we add the hope that your joy will be as abundant throughout the New Year.

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