

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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

MOFFAT

We, the people of the Moffat Community are thoroughly convinced that we have had "A White Christmas" and that Santa Claus did remarkably well to get through on his annual expedition. He is always a welcome visitor and may his genial and happy spirit linger with us, through the New Year.

There were a number of visitors to our community during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Penrose from Brockville and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spence of Hamilton were the guests of Mrs. W. A. Fraser.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. Simpson spent part of the holiday week in Guelph with their daughter, Mrs. Clark.

Rev. C. L. and Mrs. Poole were in Toronto, the guests of Mrs. Adams and sister, and with Mr. and Mrs. George Poole.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Donovan and Isabel are spending New Year's in Milton.

Murray Donovan, who has been serving his king and country in Italy, land has been wounded and is expected home in the near future. We all hope that his wounds will not be serious.

The service in the Community Church last Sunday evening was well attended. The Candle Service around the Cross was very interesting. The Old Year was represented by the Candle, burnt very low and sending out its last flickerings. This was carried by Mrs. Poole, who gave the message from the Old Year. A tall candle before a cross painted a light mauve color, created a spirit of unity and reverence throughout the service, and represented "The Christ" for the New Year.

The minister touched his candle to the tall candle before the Cross, signifying the light the Power upon which the Church must depend in the New Year. He was followed by the following representatives of our social life: The Busy Housewife, Mrs. Thos. Whaley; the Business Man, Dalbert Henderson; the Farmer, Sandy Buchanan; the Laborer, Harold Allison; the Weary Traveler, Mr. Y. Simpson; the Student, Miss Verma Cox; the Little Child, Barbara Brown. After all had lighted their candles at the Cross, the congregation rose and sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds" and all enjoyed a festive lunch and social time, after which each wished the other, a Happy New Year, which was only a couple of hours away.

The friends of Moffat extend to the Acton Free Press and its readers their best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

ROCKWOOD

Owing to sickness and colds among members of the Presbyterian congregation, no Christmas entertainment in connection with the Sunday School was held last week. But on Sunday morning a few treats were given to a few of the Sunday School scholars for the best attendance during the year.

In connection with St. John's Church, as planned for last Friday evening, the annual Christmas entertainment was cancelled, on account of some of the young people having a dance and social evening in the Town Hall Thursday evening. Wednesday morning, further Communion services were observed at St. John's Church, and also held at the home of shut ins and those unable to get out.

New Year's Day passed off quietly here.

Services at St. John's Church Sunday afternoon were in the nature of Christmas carols in place of the usual sermon, with Rev. E. A. Pulker in charge.

Holiday visitors not mentioned in last week's news:

Lance Corporal Hugh Graham of Hamilton.

John Beard, R.C.A.F. and wife of Hagersville.

Misses Dorothy Bastell of Hamilton, Mildred Bastell of Acton.

Since her recent heart attack, Mrs. Thos. Wingrove has recovered sufficiently to return home from the hospital and able to be about the house.

Alan Gordon of the R.C.A.F. returned to Kingston last week following a brief leave at his home in town.

Stuart Fox is once more in our midst, following his discharge from the army and is spending some time in a hospital.

Sgt. and Mrs. J. Ward and daughter Barbara spent Christmas in Toronto.

Word has been received about Donald Laing, who is in Italy and that he has been wounded again.

The annual meeting of the United Church W.M.S. was held last Thursday at the Church. The usual routine business was carried out and the Society reorganized for the New Year ahead.

The annual meeting of the School Board was held last week. Mr. Chester Plank was chairman and Mr. S. R. Peart as secretary pro tem. Mrs. A. J. Elliot gave a good report of the year's work. Mr. Frank Ostrander was elected as trustee in place of Mr. Chas. H. Harris, who resigned.

GEORGETOWN

A quiet wedding took place on Saturday, December 23rd, when Miss Jean McCracken of Viginatown, became the bride of Mr. Gordon Alcott, of Copper Cliff, and son of Mr. and Mrs. George Alcott, of Georgetown.

On Friday morning the fish and chip fryer in Person's Fish and Chip Store caught fire as one of the burners was being lit. It had been leaking a bit and immediately went up in flames. The fire brigade was called but until they arrived, Mr. and Mrs. Person prevented it from spreading further by dapping at the flames with wet towels.

A perfect winter afternoon, with an abundance of fresh white snow, made Santa's annual Christmas visit to the Lion's Community Christmas Tree a memorable one. Last Saturday afternoon over 200 kiddies received bags of apples and oranges, and after the Georgetown children had all been treated, Santa and his helpers visited the girls at Cedarvale School, who in turn treated them to sandwiches and cake. *J. Bral.*

ORTON

Miss Mabel Dewey, Toronto, visited several days recently with her sister, Mrs. Jas. Nevills.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Jackson and Sharon, visited the former's sister, Mrs. Carlyle at Sudbury during the past week.

Mrs. Arthur Turner, Detroit, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lush, spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Lush.

Mrs. Jesse Reed visited in Guelph with Mrs. Allan Jackson and Dianne Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dearing and Murray are visiting relatives in Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ballentine and Leslie, spent New Year's Day in Acton with Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCutcheon and like many other motorists were obliged to extend their visit until Tuesday on account of the storm.

Word has been received that Larny Ballentine, who left here a year ago, has received his commission and is now a pilot officer.

The annual school meeting was held last Wednesday morning with a small attendance. The 1945 trustees will be Wallace Gregson, J. K. Courtney and Herb Howlett.

OSPRINGE

Friends of Mr. Gordon Aitken will be pleased to know he was able to leave the Guelph General Hospital on Sunday, following his recent operation for appendicitis.

Pte. Keith Burrows of Simcoe, Miss Grace Burrows of Guelph and Miss Joyce Burrows of Erin spent the festive season at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Burrows.

Congratulations to Pte. and Mrs. Bert Weeks (nee Dorothy McKenzie) on the arrival of a young daughter on Thursday, Jan. 4.

The annual school meeting was held on Wednesday morning with a large turnout of ratepayers. Mr. Dan Hindley was chairman and Miss Ada Currie was secretary for the meeting. Much favorable comment was made regarding the fine condition of the school, great credit being due to the caretaker, Miss E. Balde. It was with regret that the resignation of Mrs. Neil Hazen was accepted. Miss Irma McDougall of Eramosa has been engaged as teacher for the coming term. By an unanimous vote Mr. W. E. Robertson was re-elected for another term.

Mr. Kenneth Robertson, who is attending the Guelph Collegiate was home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Brydon spent Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Brydon, Acton and with Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKinnon, Hillsburg, on New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Beamish and Lorraine of Toronto, spent Christmas and New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beamish and family.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stewart and family and Mr. Joseph Stewart visited on New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. George Rennie, Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jackson and little Elvena Winter, of Eramosa, who has been their holiday guest visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Matthews and Mimosa.

Mrs. E. Sunter is holidaying with relatives in Niagara Falls. Her son Arnold is there on leave from Halifax, Everton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson and family attended the wedding of their eldest son, Hugh, which took place at Guelph on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. McKinnon and Blanche spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, First Line.

Mr. Douglas Robertson is attending the Short Course at the College, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. James Struthers had as their guests over Christmas weekend: Miss Maw Struthers, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Struthers, Acton; and Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Aitken, Marlton and Mervin of Lakelet.

Mr. D. McTavish attended the funeral of the late Mr. Ware at Campbellville on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Cooke and Clayton spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Whaley and family at Kitchener.

Mrs. S. E. Grundy spent the holidays with her son and family Mr. and Mrs. George Grundy.

Mrs. G. G. Robertson of Everton is visiting her son and family Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robertson.

ERIN

During the past ten months, N. E. McKinnon has purchased twenty-six carloads of mares for the Dominion Government and shipped to Grenville, Quebec. He has also purchased quite a number of wagon horses for various buyers, in all about 780.

O. J. Hurron who has taken on the job of managing the local curling and skating rink has been taking advantage of the weather to make this ice available this week.

The local lads mustered a team and journeyed to Hillsburg on Wednesday evening of last week, when they engaged in a friendly game of hockey with the Hillsburg boys. The score was 4 to 3 for Erin. Graham Matthews was referee. They were back to Hillsburg on Wednesday evening when the score was 6 to 4 for Hillsburg.

At the conclusion of the service at St. John's Presbyterian Church, last Sunday morning, the Session and congregation of the church surprised Dr. J. M. Abbott, when on behalf of the congregation, Roy Ferguson read an address and W. F. McEnery presented Dr. Abbott with a substantial sum of money in appreciation of his services as choir leader for the past number of years. Dr. Abbott who was deeply moved replied fittingly.

EVERTON

The concert and entertainment was held last week and was a decided success. Mr. Forman was chairman when the following program was given: Chorus by the School, "Joy to the World," chairman's remarks, recitation, Jean Petty; recitation, Wills Benham, piano solo, Mrs. H. E. Morris; song by the Junior class, "Deck the Hall," recitation, Grace Fountain, recitation, Doris Lashy, piano duet by Alice and Tommy Fountain, song, Keith and Marlene Black, recitation, Nancy Weatherston, dialogue, Mrs. Alton's Class, solo, Mrs. Will Black, recitation, Doris Lashy, recitation, Joy Smith, chorus by School "Good King Wenceslaus," recitation, Frances Lashy, song, Vernon, Edith and Alex Stewart, recitation, Roy Petty, solo by Doreen Scott. Santa Claus gave the gifts off the tree. Songs by the School were "First Noel" and "God Save the King."

We welcome Mrs. W. Leavoy and son Percy to the Village.

Christmas Day visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Hepburn were: Mr. Roth, Rockwood; Mr. and Mrs. Errett Sunter, Charles and Margaret, Acton; Mr. and Mrs. James Hepburn, Mr. Nelson Hepburn and Miss June.

Mr. Alvin McCutcheon, Guelph, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert McCutcheon and family, Sixth Line had Christmas dinner with their mother, Mrs. John McCutcheon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamilton had Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Couling, Sixth Line, Mr. and Mrs. Will Alexander, Fifth Line, as their guests Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Head had their family on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Head and son, Weston; Mrs. George Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Murray, Acton; Gnr. and Mrs. Kitchener Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sunter are holidaying with the latter's mother at Streetville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bolek spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Bolek and the other members of their family, Speedside.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hortop had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hortop, Rockwood; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Palfreman, Guelph Road, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hortop.

Mrs. Robert Patten, Guelph, spent the holiday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Alton and Miss Jennie Towell.

Christmas Day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Young were: Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robertson and sons, Douglas, Kenneth and Brian, Ospringe; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Robertson, Phyllis and Glenice, Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Robertson and son Alan, Guelph; Mrs. G. G. Robertson, Everton.

Pte. Harvey Jestin is spending his Christmas leave with his wife and son and then reports to Debert, Nova Scotia.

Pte. and Mrs. Harvey Jestin and son Bobby, Mr. T. D. McCutcheon spent Christmas at Erin with Mr. and Mrs. D. T. McDougall and family; Mrs. M. Perry, R.N., of Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, spent the Christmas weekend at the home of T. D. McCutcheon and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jestin.

Mrs. Harvey Jestin entertained a few friends on Friday evening in honor of her husband, Pte. Harvey Jestin, who is home on leave. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Couling, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Palfreman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bolek, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hortop, Miss Doris Milne, Miss Eva Jestin, Mr. Fred Jestin, Mr. Duncan McPhedran and Pte. Kitchener Head, who is home on leave from Newfoundland. Mr. Palfreman won high for the ladies in curling and Kitchener Head for the men.

LEGAL AFTER ALL

VICTORIA (CP)—It was discovered that a marriage ceremony performed for two Americans at Dawson Creek, B. C., by a U.S. Army chaplain, was not authorized in this province. But all is well because government officials waived the requirements and pronounced the marriage lawful and valid.

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THEY'RE COUNTING THE BALLOTS



Mrs. Alfred Woods (left), Fergus, and Mrs. Murray McKenzie, Rockwood, count the ballots as women attending the annual meeting of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture elect their six representatives to the board of directors.

CLEARING AUCTION SALE

FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, ETC.

The undersigned has received instructions from:

ALFRED BORDER
to sell by public auction at his farm Lot 12, Con. 4, in the Township of Nantawaga, 3 miles north of Campbellville on the County Road, on

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12th
Commencing at 2 o'clock

HOUSES: Bay Gilding, 9 yrs. old, Black Gilding, 10 yrs. old, solid chunky team.

COWS: 1 Red and White Durham Cow, just bred, in full flow; 1 Red and White Durham Cow, due Feb. 17; 1 Red and White Durham Cow, due Feb. 18; 1 Roan Durham Cow, due Feb. 15; 1 Red Durham Cow, due Feb. 19.

YOUNG CATTLE: 1 Roan Durham Steer, 1250 lbs., fat; 2 Roan Durham Steers, about 900 lbs.; 1 Red and White Durham Heifer, 850 lbs.; 1 Durham Steer, 8 months old; 6 Durham Cattle, ranging two years old; 1 Durham Steer, 3 months old; 1 Durham Heifer, 7 months old; 1 Durham Calf. This is a very breedy lot of Cattle.

HOGS: 1 York Sow, bred Nov. 4; 7 York Chunks, about 100 lbs.

IMPLEMENTS: 1 M.H. six foot Grain Binder, extra good shape; 1 Dump Rake 10 ft. x 1 M.H. 6 ft. Grain Binder suitable for repairs; 1 M.H. 6 ft. Mower; 1 Deering 5 ft. Mower; 1 M.H. Grain Drill, 13 hoc; Cultivator; 13 tooth, M.H. Disc, 12 disc; 1 set of 3 section Seed Harrow; Fleuret; Weeding Plow, new; 1 set of Shot Sleighs; Fanning Mill; 1 Truck Wagon, box and hay rack; 1 DeLaval No. 14 Cream Separator, good as new; Stone Road new; Hay Fork, 110 ft. x 8 ft. Rope, new; 1 set Breeding Harness, good as new; Odd Collars, Odd Harness, Steel Hollow, Wood Hollow; Bag Truck, Pipe Vise, Pipe Wrenches, Cross Cut Saw, Chains, Forks, Hoes, Shovels, Stewart Hand Clippers, 75 bags of choice Potatoes, Katadina, 100 bus. Turnips, Quantity Household Furniture including: Coal Oil Lamp, Hanging Lamp, Coleman Lamp, Cook Stove, Tables, Beds; Bed Springs; Other Household Articles.

TERMS: Cash Settlement with Clerk Day of Sale.

No Reserve as Proprietor is giving up Farming and has rented his farm and is moving to Campbellville immediately after the Sale.

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THANKS TO ESQUESING VOTERS

I take this opportunity to thank the voters and those who gave me support in electing me as Councillor for the Municipality of Esquesing for 1945.

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