

# DISTRICT NEWS

Various Items Concerning Activities in Communities Nearby Where Many of Our Readers are Interested

## BALLINAFAD

Mr. Irvine is in the Hospital undergoing treatment.

A shower was held in the Hall last Wednesday night for Miss Switzer in honor of her approaching marriage when she was presented with a set of dishes and silver ware.

We are sorry to report little George Longstreet is quite ill again.

A picnic was held at Peacock school when Woodside, Blue Mountain and Peacock all joined and had a full afternoon of baseball and races. Everyone had a real enjoyable time.

Mrs. Shortill has been re-engaged as teacher for Peacock school and Miss Shirley Wood for Blue Mountain.

Haying has started again and reports are just a fair crop.

Strawberries are at their best and are a real good crop.

## ROCKWOOD

On Sunday, Rev. John Ward conducted farewell services at the United Church. Wednesday evening, a presentation and social evening was held in the church, with a brief programme, and Mr. Chas. H. Harris as chairman. The chairman spoke briefly in regard to the nature of the gathering. Mrs. Frank Stout led in community singing. Readings by Misses Helen Bayne and Joan Stout were enjoyed. A violin selection by Mrs. D. Ward and a selection by a quartette, Messrs. Frank Day, John A. Little, Chas. H. Harris and Frank Moore. Address by Mr. Frank Day with presentation following, when Rev. and Mrs. Ward were recipients of a serving tray from Mr. Richard Harris, and address by Mr. John A. Little and presentation to Mrs. Ward of a bouquet of carnations by Ellen Hosking and cheque by Mr. Ross Gordon to Rev. J. Ward. Mr. Ward replied briefly on behalf of himself and Mrs. Ward. Following the presentation all adjourned to the Sunday School room where refreshments were served by the ladies of the church and a social time enjoyed.

Following weeks of activity in connection with the new Refrigeration and cold storage plant, the place was opened Saturday morning for inspection by the public. Mr. George Day is to be congratulated in the new undertaking for Rockwood and community. Miss Pearl Hamilton is in charge of the grocery store. The interior is well finished with new shelves, good lighting and tile floor. The refrigeration room is kept at a low temperature.

The annual convention of the Eramosa Sunday School Association is being held today at Speedvale with afternoon and evening sessions.

Some of the recent week-end and Sunday visitors: Mr. and Mrs. George Cook and son Donald; Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Bichan all of Vineland; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Eckler of Hamilton; Mrs. Jas. Hillis, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson of Guelph, with Mr. John Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Henderson on the occasion of Father's Day.

Mr. Roy Day of Toronto also spent a recent week-end at his home in town.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. W. Gardiner in the passing of her sister Mrs. Angus McPherson at her home in Crieff Friday evening in her 81st year. Funeral on Monday, was private at her late home, with service in Knox Presbyterian church, and interment in Crieff Cemetery.

The young folks of St. John's Church joined in with St. Alban's Church, Acton in a picnic Saturday afternoon at Acton. All had an enjoyable time together. Rev. and J. Ward are leaving this week for their new home at Holstein where Mr. Ward will be supplying for a year.

With the end of the school year the summer holidays are just around the corner. Entrance examinations this week at Rockwood Public School.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Day of Hamilton are up for the holidays.

## OFFICIALS HONORED

Three Dominion Department of Agriculture officials received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at a special Convocation of the University of Saskatchewan, on June 9th, 1948. The officials, honored for their contributions to agriculture are, K. W. Neatby, Director of Science Service; J. F. Booth, Associate Director, Marketing Service and Head of the Economics Division and J. H. Carlgie, Dominion Botanist.

The first occupying power in Germany, the Romans, stayed 200 years.

## NASSAGAWEYA

Congratulations to Master George Anderson upon obtaining High School Entrance standing on his year's work. Master Don McLean wrote Departmental examinations Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Arthur Davenport has returned from the hospital to the home of her husband's parents.

Mr. Harold Bell has treated himself to a new Ferguson tractor. The dance sponsored by the Buay Reos W.I. and held at the Brookville Hall last Tuesday evening was not the success the ladies hoped for. Because of its purpose to assist Halton Recreation Park at Lowville a much larger number of interested people were expected. However appreciation was expressed to those attending.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Robinson were: Mrs. Mary Parker; Mrs. Mosie Workman and Miss Jean Workman, Sault Ste. Marie; and Mrs. Margaret Robinson of Ancaster. Friday evening other guests were Mr. Robert Peartree, Hornby; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Robinson; Mr. Emerson Robinson; Mr. and Mrs. David Olds, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Peartree and family and Mr. and Mrs. Med. Peartree and family of Milton to meet those visiting from Sault Ste. Marie and Ancaster.

A thoroughly enjoyable day was experienced by those attending the Halton Federation of Agriculture picnic on Saturday at Halton Recreation Park. The beauty of this place in its natural formation has to be seen to be fully appreciated. Master George Anderson of No. 7 won in his class in foot race.

## CAMPBELLVILLE

The W.M.S. of St. David's Church held their annual quilting on Thursday, June 24th. Two quilts were quilted for the W.M.S., one for the Blair Y.W. and one quilt and two crib quilts for the Mission Band. At the noon hour the president, Mrs. S. McPhail conducted a short business meeting. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. M. Moore. The library secretary, Miss E. J. McPhail read a letter acknowledging a parcel of books and magazines, sent to Frontier College. It was decided to have the July meeting with the Ladies Aid at Crawford's Lake. The meeting was closed with prayer by the president. There were sixteen ladies for dinner and twenty-three for supper.

Mrs. Sophia Patterson aged 92 years spent a week's vacation at the home of her son Percy Hammond at Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Laking are the proud grandparents of a grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Orval Laking of Toronto. Mrs. Laking was formerly Miss Beatrice McCraith of Edmonton.

Campbellville guests at the Warren-Parry wedding in St. James Anglican Church, Guelph, on Saturday were Mrs. Wm. Bousfield, grandmother of the groom; Mr. John Campbell and Gertrude; Mr. and Mrs. Howson Lush; Mrs. William Hurren, grandmother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hurren and Harold; Mr. and Mrs. R. Laking; also Mrs. Fred Peters of Cleveland.

Murray Crawford of Gravenhurst is spending his summer vacation with Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Mahon of this village.

Mrs. Ross Mitchell, Donna and Gary spent last week in Hamilton visiting relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. Williams, Toronto, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Purdy.

Mr. and Mrs. Howson Lush and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Moore and family.

Friends of Mrs. John Howard will be pleased to know she is home from the hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Elsley are holidaying at their cottage at Wasaga Beach.

Friends of Mrs. W. O. Morse are sorry to hear she is ill and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Mahon and Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas are spending a week at Crawford's Lake.

Friends of Mr. Robert Menzies on the mountain are sorry to hear he is back in the hospital in Hamilton.

About 85 attended the Currie reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Currie near Hornby on Saturday. After the supper hour, races and election of officers were conducted. All went to the dance at Claude Pickett's barn to end an enjoyable day.

The Senate finally has passed the bill exempting estates of less than \$50,000 from death duties.

## ERIN

Wm. Plinkney, Lot 21, 5th Line West Colodon, has a three-acre field of rye, standing on an average of six feet.

Two local citizens Messrs. D. L. Mundell and D. S. Letch lost their cottage and contents in the vicinity of Raysville, last Friday, when a resident in the vicinity ran amuck and broke windows and furniture in his own cottage and set fire to the other, completely destroying it.

Relatives and friends were shocked at the news of the sudden death of Catherine McLachlan, beloved wife of the late Samuel Frederick Baker, who passed away in her sleep on Tuesday, June 18th, 1948, while visiting with friends in Toronto.

A quiet wedding took place on Saturday, June 5th at the home of Rev. J. Lowe, in Hespeler, when Elson Graham, daughter of the late David Graham of Galt and formerly of Dabblington, became the bride of A. Lloyd Lorenz of Elmwood. Advocate.

## LIMEHOUSE

Congratulations to Thelma Brown and Eleanor Spitzer, pupils of Miss Joan Ruddell at S.S. No. 9 and to Shirley Burt, pupil of Mrs. Harold Barber at S.S. No. 16 all of whom received their entrance without writing departmental examinations.

Visitors with Mrs. Lane and the H. Norton's on Sunday included: Mrs. Ted Morrow and Elaine; Mr. and Mrs. C. Cross; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Parker and children.

The Limehouse W.I. catering committee catered for the Johnston-Norris wedding reception in Limehouse Memorial Hall on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wilson and Teddy are spending their holidays with relatives at Niagara Falls, Fort Erie and Ottawa.

S.S. No. 9 defeated S.S. No. 16, 4-12 in a fierce softball game on Monday.

Anniversary services were held at Limehouse Presbyterian Church on June 27th. Rev. E. J. Plim of Knox Church, Milton, was guest preacher in the morning. Georgetown Presbyterian Church Choir were in charge of the music rendering an anthem and Miss Cathy Thompson sang a solo "Bless This House." A quartette of Misses J. Ruddell and Keen and Messrs. J. May and Clarke Lyons assisted.

In the evening Capt. Rev. Anderson of Acton preached to a well filled church. He was accompanied by his choir obliging with an anthem and a quartette number by Messrs. Wm. Burton, Geo. Musolilo and Misses Isabel Anderson and Bella Rossell. Rev. L. Self of Norval interim moderator was in charge of the evening service.

The W.M.S. held a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Harvey Norton on Thursday evening when Miss Nellie Anderson missionary on furlough from British Guiana was guest speaker. The twenty-one ladies present heard a very inspirational talk on missionary work. Mrs. Kirby Williams was soloist, and refreshments were served at the close.

Mrs. Wiley and Miss Elva Wiley, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patterson on Sunday.

We extend sympathy to the Wright family who left for Berkeley, Michigan, Monday morning to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Sowerby.

## OSPRINGE

Through the kindness of Mrs. Papple, who chartered a special bus the children of the local school enjoyed a day's outing at the O.A.C. Guelph, last Thursday during Farm and Home Week.

Miss Elvina Winter of Oustie spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jackson.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. George Granly in the sudden passing of her brother Mr. Cooper at Hamilton last Monday.

Friends of Mr. Austin McCutcheon will be sorry to hear he is a patient at the Toronto Western Hospital where he is undergoing treatments.

Messrs. Douglas Robertson of Guelph and Kenneth Robertson of Oakville spent the week-end with their parents Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robertson.

Friends of Mr. Ervett Currie will be sorry to learn he suffered a heart attack on Tuesday and has been ordered to bed for a month by his physician.

Mr. George L. Robertson returned to Sudbury on Sunday after two weeks vacation at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson.

Congratulations to Arlene Fisher and Marjorie Chester who passed their Entrance on their year's work.

Mrs. Arthur Harris and baby David who are staying with her mother at Grimsby for the summer, were home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore of Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Veit and daughter of Sudbury visited on Monday with Mr. E. and Miss Ada Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Brown and daughters visited with friends in Galt on Sunday.

## See Much Progress In Northern Ontario

One of the surprising highlights of last week's northern tour by members of the CWNA Ontario-Quebec Division was their visit to the 23 acre mill and Head Office site of Hill-Clark-Francis, Limited, at New Liskeard. This plant is acknowledged to be the largest and most modern of its kind in Canada and one of the finest on the North American continent.

The CWNA party many of whom were entertained at a Golf Club Dance, the previous night, arrived at the Hill-Clark-Francis plant on Saturday morning where they were given a typical north country welcome by "Len" Hill, genial president and founder of the firm.

A conducted tour through this Northern Ontario plant revealed many interesting phases in the mass production of kitchen units and pre-engineered houses. Visitors were informed that the company is currently engaged in large scale housing projects in Ottawa, Trenton and Peterborough. Another project of recent interest was the supplying of all mill work used in the construction of Sunnybrook Hospital on the outskirts of Toronto.

Remarkings on the shortage of lumber, CWNA members were amazed when they saw the stockpiles estimated to contain 7 million bd. feet in the Hill-Clark-Francis yard.

The huge "hammerhead" crane with 60 foot boom lifts 5-ton piles easily, visitors were told. Other members of interest to the CWNA members were cut-log machines used to cut parts for pre-engineered houses. These remarkable time-saving machines were designed by Len Hill and built in Hill-Clark-Francis shops.

Guides advised the visiting newspapermen that 2,500 cars of lumber are handled annually at the New Liskeard plant, while the chief sources of lumber supply are the districts of Hearst, Timmins, Northwestern Quebec, British Columbia and U. S. mountain States. The company maintains large branches at Noranda, Timmins, Sudbury, Kirkland Lake, Bourinque and wholesale offices in Toronto and Vancouver. In addition to their own manufactured lumber products, this Company is a wholesale distributor for most products known to the building trades.

Following their tour of the Hill-Clark-Francis plant, the CWNA members boarded waiting buses and were whisked away to the factory of the Canadian Spint Corporation, Limited, located just outside of New Liskeard. After this interesting visit the party continued to Haldimand where they were official guests of the Town of New Liskeard at an informal dinner. Head table guests included Mr. and Mrs. Sam Curry; Dutton Dean, Haldimand; Emmet Burrow, Acting Mayor of Cobalt; A. I. Lytle, Mayor of Haldimand; R. A. Giles, 1949 President of the CWNA Len Hill, president of Hill-Clark-Francis, Ltd; Cecil Bond, President of the Ontario-Quebec Division CWNA and Mrs. Bond; Mr. and Mrs. John Sumbler. Mr. Sumbler is Mayor of New Liskeard and was host to members of the CWNA group at the dinner.

During the afternoon members of the party were guests of the Ontario Northland Railway on a cruise from Temagami wharf to Bear Island and return. Members were outspoken in their praise of northern hospitality and assured their hosts they would be "back soon".

## OSPRINGE

Congratulations to Joyce Chester who passed second with honors in her first year at Acton High School; also to Malcolm Leitch, who was third with first class honors at the GCVI and to Kenneth Robertson who received his Junior matriculation with honors at the GCVI.

Mr. David Stewart, Eddie and Alex visited on Saturday with Mr. Austin McCutcheon who is a patient at Toronto Western Hospital, and who is progressing favorably with treatment.

The choir of the local Presbyterian Church under the direction of Mrs. E. Sumbler gave busy practicing special music for the Anniversary services next Sunday. Rev. Cap. Anderson of Acton is to be guest speaker.

Meals are very prevalent in the school children are affected.

Mr. George Anderson accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McCutcheon of Guelph to Toronto on Sunday when they visited Mr. Austin McCutcheon.

The combined picnic of Cedarvale and the local school was held on Friday afternoon in the school grounds with a fair attendance. Races and ball games were enjoyed under the direction of the two teachers, Miss Currie and Mrs. Papple. Sandwiches, cake, cookies and ice cream were served in abundance to end a pleasant afternoon.

The National Film Board showed several pictures at the school. This presentation ended the series of presentations to the school.

Marion Sinclair is writing the Entrance exams at Erin.

Mr. Detremont of Hamilton spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Brown and family.

## HOME GROWN SEED GROWS BEST GRASS

Whether Blue Grass is sown for pasture or airfield, playground or cemetery, the seed grown in Canada is the best, say officials of the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

The Department points out that as Canada-grown Blue Grass seed is better adapted than imported seed to Canadian soil and climate, it should be preferred in the interests of the Canadian economy. Canada usually produces enough of this seed to meet the domestic demand and to have a surplus for export.

The two types of Blue Grass grown in the Dominion are Canada and Kentucky. The Canada type is grown chiefly in the Niagara peninsula, where average annual production over a ten-year period is an estimated 270,000 pounds. Useful as an ingredient in pasture, turf or lawn grass mixtures, it is best suited to dry, sandy, gravelly or shallow soils.

In those parts of the Dominion where the Canada type is neither dominant nor native, the Department recommends sowing the Kentucky type. Kentucky Blue Grass is produced chiefly in Manitoba's Red River Valley. There, seed production on a commercial basis is relatively new but could be greatly extended if producers were assured of a domestic market that would justify the expense of buying harvesting and processing equipment.

From the drabness of austerity, Britain envisages a national festival in 1951, "that will turn the whole island into one vast exhibition of achievement, for all the world to see".

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# Hot Weather Holidays

This humid weather isn't any better for us than it is for the farmers haying; the printing rollers swell and break up; the inks won't set properly; the machines are damp and rust and the linotype mats don't respond quickly.

## FOR HOLIDAYS

An earlier publication forced out many things that we would have liked to include but here we are anyway.

## HOT OR COLD HOLIDAYS OR OTHERWISE

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# ROTARY FAIR IN ACTON PARK

## Thursday, July 1st

Morning Afternoon Evening