



Tremendous Interest in Community Night School

The Community Night School to be held in Milton, which was announced a few weeks ago, has met with a tremendous response. On Saturday last when this was being prepared a total of 301 applications had been received. No further applications can be accepted except for the courses in Farm Business, Farm Machinery and Choral Singing.

The local planning committee under the chairmanship of A. T. Woodley of Milton and Mrs. M. J. Brown of Norval as secretary is now endeavouring to secure the necessary qualified instructors. This will require at least four instructors in Clothing, two in Tailoring, three in Leathercraft, two in Oil Painting in addition to one each in Farm Business, Farm Machinery, Woodworking, Effective Speaking and Choral Singing. A number of these have already been secured. In short all of the courses with the exception of Modern History and English Literature are being arranged for. It is the hope of the Committee that sufficient instructors may be secured to enable them to accept all of the applications to date. However, as pointed out above, no further applications can be accepted for Tailoring, Clothing, Leathercraft, Woodworking, Oil Painting and Effective Speaking.

No one anticipated such a response when the preliminary meeting was held a few weeks ago. In order to cope with the enrolment and the number of courses being undertaken it will likely be necessary to secure hall accommodation in addition to that available at the Milton High School.

Hog Producers Stage Successful Field Day

The Hog Producers of the Counties of Haldimand, Norfolk, Lincoln and Welland held a most successful Field Day at Essex Parkers in Hamilton on Wednesday last week. Some one hundred and sixty producers of the six counties enjoyed an excellent programme which had been arranged. W. P. Watson, Ontario Live Stock Commissioner was the guest speaker at the luncheon

where the group was entertained as guests of Essex Parkers. Mr. Watson spoke on the financial outlook for the bacon hog industry for the foreseeable future and as usual presented a very sane, logical and clear cut address, which delighted his audience. Well over one hundred producers of the district had prior to the Field Day each entered and marketed one hog at Essex Parkers, and these were on display for the occasion.

The Grand Champion carcass was made from the hog entered by Lawrence Hagen, of Haldimand County, Morgan Madill of Lambton County in Haldimand County, the second prize carcass, with R. Gates of Norfolk County in third place, W. A. Marshall, Milton, Haldimand County in 4th place, J. E. Horn of Lincoln County 5th, and Harry Davis, Haldimand County 6th. The one hundred dollars in prize money donated by the Essex Parkers was awarded to these six contestants.

In addition the Haldimand Hog Producers Association offered a number of Specials, and these were won by Morgan Madill, and W. A. Marshall in the case of the hogs marketed.

In the judging competition, in which two classes of hog carcasses were judged, their Specials were awarded as follows:

Junior under 21 years: 1st John Currie, 2nd Howson Riddell both of Esquesing Township, 3rd Eric Cline Burlington.

Senior Competition: Douglas Currie Esquesing Twp., A. R. Service, Nassagaweya Twp. and Clayton May of Trafalgar Twp. tied for first place. Glen Campbell of Nelson Township 4th, A. T. Woodley, Trafalgar Township 5th, Morgan Madill Esquesing 6th, T. J. Brownridge Esquesing 7th, and Roy Ellenton of Nelson Township and Percy Merry of Trafalgar Twp. tied for 8th.

The program also included a cutting demonstration as done for the consumer trade, which very clearly indicated why an 'A' carcass is worth more to the packer than is a 'B' or a 'C' carcass.

The group also had the opportunity of visiting many points of interest in connection with the processing of the product.

NICKEL'S WORTH

A drunk entered a phone booth, dropped in a nickel, waited a moment and then started to bang and twist everything on the instrument. Finally the voice of the operator came through the receiver, asking "Number please?" "To heck with your numbers," cried the drunk, "I want my pen pals!"

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History of S.S. 8 In Eramosa Township Wins First Prize In County Contest

On the day of Acton Fair, Catherine Brennan, 15, of RR 4 Rockwood, heard that she had won \$5 first prize for her essay on "School Section 8 in the Township of Eramosa." Catherine had written the history of the school for the Wellington Historical Research competition several months before.

Mr. Henry Hoaking, M.P., who attended No. 8 school himself, came to Rockwood the evening of Friday, October 27, attending a gathering of the community at the school and presenting Catherine with the \$5 cheque.

Early last spring she won another prize of \$4 when she gave a speech on "Citizenship." She again competed with students from all of Wellington County in Rockwood. Her first teacher, Alexander Hill, Robert Dunbar, William and Archibald McNabb.

The first teacher was John Robertson followed in 1849 by William Wetherald, who later founded the Rockwood Academy. The first purchase of wood by tender was six cords from Bernard Shultz at four shillings and four pence half pence or about one dollar a cord.

We are accustomed to think of these pioneers as a grand old company of men and women, solid and circumspect. The fact is that they were a lively party of adventurous young folks, mostly in their 20s and 30s, fresh from the old sod.

The question why they came to Canada reminds one of a young man fresh from the old country was being discussed.

The remark was "Yes, he seems to be alright but he must have done something over there." This comment was from a lady who had resided in S.S. No. 8 some seventy or eighty years ago.

She might happen to know why some people emigrated to Canada years ago and assumed that the same reasons are applicable today.

It is true that the founders of this school section were grand men hard working, religious, honest and enterprising. Few better citizens could be found than the emigrating generation of the Burns, Blacks, Harrises, McNabbs, Shultzes, Dunbars, Mandes, Nelsons, Johnstons, Grahams or Cripps. The great preacher, Spurgeon once said that every white angel had a black feather in his wing. History reveals that it is equally true that most of the pioneers scattered the good old wild oats and the seed was fertile.

Robert Pasmore was chairman of the annual meeting in 1854 when the ratepayers voted 18 to 17 to pay a teacher from a rate levied on the whole section instead of each parent paying for his own children. In 1857 the teacher's salary was set at One Hundred Pounds but in 1858 his salary was Three Hundred and Sixty Dollars.

In 1873 the Rockwood Section was formed as S.S. No. 9 and this section became No. 8. The trustees of the old section were David Shultz, William McNabb and John Richard Harris. The two who resided in the new S.S. No. 8, called a meeting at Wm. McNabb's corner and John Black was elected in place of John Richard Harris.

David Clark and Paul Cripps moved that the new school be on the corner but this motion was lost and the meeting finally agreed that it be sixty rods from the corner.

In 1896 the teacher's salary was four hundred dollars; in 1898 it was two hundred and sixty dollars, the teacher to light fires and do sweeping and dusting. Salaries gradually rose to one thousand about 1923.

Another old meeting of ratepayers occurred in 1926 when Mr. F. Day was chairman and Arch Mc-

Nabb, secretary. Three men were nominated to fill one vacant Trustee's seat, none of the nominations were seconded and proceedings were at a standstill for an hour until a seconder for one man was found and he was declared elected. These are only a few of the interesting items to be found in the history of S.S. No. 8 Eramosa.

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issued as the need arises to the various township schools. Many renowned citizens have graduated from our school. At the recent June Dominion election a No. 8 graduate, Henry Hoaking, represents this riding in the Dominion Parliament.

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SPARE TIME

To a great extent it is the ability to make spare time profitable that gauges the amount of enjoyment one gets out of life. There need be no place in the person who says such a thing that is at fault and just displays his own ability to create his own amusements.

Once someone who complains of not having enough to do finds an interest, he will find time fly. The Haldimand night school planned to be held in Milton High School on Tuesday nights proves a wonderful solution for any who find time dragging. Not only will the courses fill in one night a week, but interested students will find they try to practice or read extra books or remake something at home, whatever the case may be.

Well-organized classes are the simplest way to offset boredom since the student of recreational facilities does not have to work by himself and is not just as responsible to himself. It is after the primary stages of any new hobby are passed that the skilled interest carries one on to make willingly himself more difficult things, learn more advanced angles of his subject, etc.

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