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Esquering Agricultural Fall Fair Opened Here Today

Junior Projects Sponsored by Acton Fair are Highly Successful

The officers and members of the Acton Fair Board have reason to be proud of the results of their wide and diversified programs of the past year. Two of their many projects were with a boys' grain club and a boys' foal club. At their achievement day held in conjunction with the fair last week, 15 of the 30 grain club members completed the project and had their grain on exhibition, while 15 of the 17 foal club members had their foals in the show-ring.

The grain club project called for the sowing of one or more acres of oats using registered seed. The fields were inspected, records were kept, and at the close of the season two meetings were held where the speakers were John McLeod of the Dept. of Agriculture who gave an illustrated lecture on weeds and their control; Dr. G. McRostie, Head of the Field Husbandry Dept. at Guelph, on grain varieties; and F. H. G. Bell of the Soil Division at the College, who spoke on Soil Fertility. Finally the young men each exhibited one-half bushel of their grain at the big show last week and at the same time judged and gave reasons on two classes of grain and answered the questions pertaining to soil fertility, cultural practices, etc.

Prizes were awarded on the aggregate score taking in all phases enumerated. The results have now been released by Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitehead, and are as follows: 1st, Chas. McEwen, Acton; 2nd, Gordon Leale, Acton; 3rd, Geo. Fisher, Georgetown; 4th, Edward Johnston, Acton; 5th, Harold Barber, Acton; 6th, Jack VanGosen, Acton; 7th, Irwin Smith, Rockwood; 8th, Chas. Barber, Acton; 9th, Jim McNabb, Rockwood; 10th, Ross Greenwood, Acton; 11th, Wilmer Davidson, Acton; 12th, Neil McNabb, Rockwood; 13th, Bruce Reid, Georgetown; 14th, Allan Simpson, Campbellville; 15th, George Allen, Acton.

We understand the Foal Club project has not as yet been completed in all details and the final results will therefore be announced in a later edition.

Rev. Kenneth McLean Addressed Young People

There was a large attendance at Knox Presbyterian Church last Sunday evening, when the Young People's Society held a special service. It being the opening of the fall season for the society of the church and a special dedication service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. D. Davidson, when the officers for the coming year were duly invested. Rev. Mr. Leggett of Norway took part in the service, and the guest soloist was Miss Molly McIntyre of Knox Church, Toronto. A number of the executive of the Toronto Presbytery were present at the service. Rev. Kenneth McLean of Wingham was the special speaker and delivered an excellent and inspiring address. At the close, a fellowship hour was held in the basement, when old friends renewed acquaintances with Mr. and Mrs. McLean and other visitors.

PRESENTATION IS MADE TO MISS MARGARET BRAISBY

The Young Women's Association of the United Church tendered a presentation and social evening in honor of Miss Margaret Braisby, a bride-to-be of this week. The gathering assembled at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Overend and after a social time together, a beautiful banquet was presented to the guest of honor.

BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

The Men's Bridge Club will hold its first meeting of the season on Monday night at 8 p.m. in the Legion Assembly Rooms. New members are cordially invited.

Public Meeting

In order to comply with the wishes of a delegation of public spirited citizens, interested in organizing a "Women's Patriotic League" in this community and the surrounding district, there will be a public meeting in the Auditorium of the Public Library, Friday evening, Sept. 29 at 8 p.m.

Realizing as I do the benefit all the women's organizations have been throughout the years in the Town of Georgetown, knowing the outstanding contribution the members of each have made for the advancement of civic welfare and community betterment in times of peace and contentment, I am convinced that a temporary formation of one organization would prevent less duplication of services in making more comfortable and happy the young men of Georgetown and district, who have offered their services in defense of democracy in this community and communities such as this throughout the British Empire.

Therefore, the presence at his meeting of all women interested in this work will be appreciated.

JOE GIBBONS, Mayor.

In the Spotlight

at Ottawa

By Wilfrid Eggleston

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—Canada now moves swiftly to play her part in the war. Every day brings some additional evidence that the machine is being "stepped up." Much of the movement is behind the scenes and for reasons of policy is not being advertised.

Almost without the average citizen being aware of it, the government has taken to itself practically unlimited powers. It can act swiftly and secretly to pursue what it believes to be the best policy for the nation. Prices and wages can be fixed, securities and savings taken over, information repressed, privileges detained. These are potential powers, and some may not be exercised. But the power is there, in unlimited quantity. It is one of the accomplishments of war.

The new swift developments of the past few days are in three or four separate fields:

1. Military action comprises the decision to enlist, train and equip two divisions. A division numbers about 15,000 men. It is the smallest complete battle unit, and includes three brigades of Infantry (4 battalions each) divisional artillery, divisional engineers, supply, signals, etc. One of these divisions will be earmarked for service overseas, the other, for the time at least, for home defence. The units will be raised at many local centres and given preliminary training. Then there will be concentration into provincial or regional training camps. Unlike the "last war," there is no intention of burdening the democracies by sending over inadequately equipped and half-trained troops to add to the transportation and feeding difficulties of the Allies. The Canadians will go abroad in well-equipped Canada and equipped with Canadian supplies.

2. This will be supplemented in other fields. There will be a big expansion in naval activity, and Canada will rapidly build and outfit a fleet of anti-submarine craft, so as to relieve the British Navy of the need of petrol-driven Canadian waters and so as to assist in conveying Canadian goods. There will be a tremendous expansion in the training of air-pilots and craftsmen.
3. Canada's production of war equipment and supplies will go far beyond the needs of her own war forces. She will become one of the major supply factories for Britain and France. Aeroplanes, artillery, shells, high explosives, machine guns and other direct fighting weapons will be produced, and so will the numerous incidental needs of wartime. Already the new war supply board, headed by a leading technical industrialist and the National Research Council are geared up to get the machine into full operation. Numerous contracts have already been let and others will be let as fast as possible.

4. Canada will be one of the main sources for foods and metals. Steps are being taken to control the cheese and apple markets and government supervision of other supplies is expected. There is such a large crop of wheat that restrictions upon trading of it may not be immediately introduced, but the expectations for the future are that this vital commodity will also be under close government supervision. Even as it is now, the government is in control of a great measure of wheat marketing.

5. On the financial and fiscal side, there are unannounced evidences that the expansion of bank credit is beginning, in a quiet and well controlled way. Capital projects by provinces and municipalities are being discouraged, so that their demand for structural and building materials will not interfere with the war effort. There is likely to be a serious lapse in highway construction for a while. The railways, on the other hand, are planning to spend rather freely to bring the transportation needs of economy at into good shape.

6. Restrictions on voluntary enlistments are being made so as to ensure that men with special qualifications, badly needed in the effort to get the industrial machine well under way, are not drawn off into military service. Many skilled men are required in modern mechanized armies, and these will be accepted, up to the number absolutely needed in khaki. But most of the specialists and highly skilled workmen will be needed in the great drive now being launched to produce a vast flood of war munitions.

LODE PLAN WORK AT MILTON

A meeting of the John Milton Chapter of the I.O.G.E. was held in the home of the Mrs. E. Harrop last week. Mrs. G. Dawson presided in the absence of the regent, Mrs. C. R. Turner.

Mrs. Wm. Morrison of Hamilton, Provincial Regent, guest speaker, spoke on the work of the order. Miss Marjorie Dawson and Miss Norma Macneil provided the entertainment.

The regent was appointed delegate to the semi-annual provincial meeting to be held in Peterboro on Oct. 19-20. The newly formed Councils of Stratmore Chapter of Georgetown, was the guest of the Milton Chapter.

Fine Program Swings into Action at Arena with Russ Creighton and Entertainers

BIG SHOW AT FAIR GROUNDS TO-MORROW TO MARK NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL EXHIBITION

After weeks of preparation and much work on the part of the executive, Esquering Agricultural Society Fall Fair opened here today for the ninety-third consecutive year. At the time of going to press entries for the various classes of exhibits are coming in large numbers, competition is keen, and much interest on the part of farmers and town folk alike.

Despite the serious war situation it was decided that the Fair should go on, and noting that it is beginning its ninety-third consecutive year, prompts us to say that it must have come through these trying times before. The first Fair was held at Stewartstown and has carried along from the pioneer days to the modern day of Georgetown and district. And in so doing it has not been lagged, but always a lap or two ahead of the public mind in the matter of development and expansion.

This year is no exception. While the Fair was primarily for the farmer, prizes for livestock and produce have been considerably increased, but in so doing the list has been changed to take in all classes of exhibitors, not only the stock and produce exhibitors. There is a place for the horticulturalists, the market and home gardener, the manufacturer and the merchant.

Further, there is place for the ladies to display their handiwork with the needle, with the brush and easel, the cook book and the preserving dish.

Tonight the Fair officially opens with a splendid entertainment in the Arena, when Russ Creighton and His Canadian Mountaineers will put on a varied program. There will be singing, tap dancing, musicians, comedians, etc. Two hours of good wholesome fun. A grand time for young and old.

On Thursday, show day proper, another big show will be ushered in at the Georgetown Park. Besides the exhibits, an afternoon of horse-racing, high jumping by horses, potato races, sheet binding contests, baby shows, etc will be the order of the day. Free parking will allow the visitors to take their cars into the grounds and thus add to their convenience and comfort.

The Guelph Pipe Band will provide music during the afternoon.

To wind-up the Fair, a dance and floor show will be held in the Arena, when music will again be supplied by that popular dance band—Russ Creighton and his Canadian Mountaineers. A feature of the whole show will be the acrobatic acts of Woe Clara Pelly in the floor show.

So much for the program and preparations made by President Frank Fitch and his directorate. Now a word as to the part due the fair by the public.

The Fair belongs to the people of Georgetown and the surrounding country. It is theirs to support, to have it continue the achievements of the past, to maintain its high record as a leading fair of the county and the notable exhibition of the province. Only through united effort has the record now enjoyed been attained and sustained. Exhibitors and non-exhibitors all have a part to play. "It played to the full the success of the Fair for 1939 is assured. Let's go."



YOU MAY SEE THIS SCENE AT GEORGETOWN FAIR

Town Sidewalks to be Repaired

Contract for Public Library Furnace Awarded by Council

Council met at 7.15 p.m. on Monday evening in special session with Mayor Gibbons in the chair, Reeve Davis and Councilors Hall, Lyons, Cripps, Brown and McDonald present.

Rev. Mr. Thompson addressed Council regarding new furnace for Public Library.

Moved by A. E. Cripps, seconded by G. W. Davis, that the tender of W. C. Anthony of \$225.00 for the installation of a furnace in the Public Library be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by G. W. Davis, seconded by A. E. Cripps, that the offer of Mr. A. S. Wilson of \$2100.00 for the Corporation property on Queen St. be accepted and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all necessary papers pertaining thereto.—Carried.

Yeas—Gibbons, Davis, Hall, Lyons, Cripps, McDonald and Brown.

Moved by E. McDonald, seconded by N. H. Brown, that we proceed with the construction of sidewalks on the various streets as recommended by the Road Committee.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

MEER-McCAIG WEDDING

The marriage took place at the United Church parsonage, Leavenworth, of Mary Katherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McCaig, Georgetown, to Chester William Meer, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Meer, Guelph. Rev. W. B. Brown officiated. They will live on the groom's farm, Fushich township.

GLEN WILLIAMS

Mrs. White returned to her home in Deland, Florida, on Monday after spending the summer here, a guest at the home of Mrs. P. D. Wagstaffe.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norton of Hamilton were week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Norton.

Harry Williams, who was recently awarded the H. C. Cody scholarship, commenced his studies at University College on Wednesday.

Mr. John S. McMaster of the 10th Line met with an unfortunate accident on Monday afternoon, when he fell from a new silo which he was erecting. He was taken to Toronto General Hospital, where x-ray revealed a broken pelvis and a broken wrist.

Mrs. E. Barker, the Glen Road, returned home from Buxton, England, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennett returned to Georgetown from Bradford on Monday and will make their home on Main St. north.

The Harvest Festival service was held at St. Alban's Church on Friday evening, when the special preacher was the Rev. Mr. Brook, rector of Norway. The services were resumed on Sunday afternoon when the preacher was the Rev. J. Cameron, rector of Toronto.

The Harvest Home services were held at the United Church on Sunday. The Rev. Mr. Bartlett was the preacher at both evening and evening services. On Monday evening the ladies of the church held a very successful chicken paitte supper.

In the NEWS of the Week

The pattern of Canada's participation in the new world war is gradually falling into place. Ottawa announces that only two divisions, totalling less than thirty thousand men, are being prepared for overseas service, if and when they are needed. Recruiting for this requirement has almost been completed, with little fuss.

Untriguing highlights of this past week was the increasing emphasis on Canada's preparation for the other phase of war effort, that of hunting food, munitions and war materials of every description to the mother country.

First key-note sounded in this connection was an official statement from Ottawa that skilled workmen will not be allowed to enlist with an overseas force. A similar ban operates against trained agricultural workers and professional men of all kinds whose services will be vital in a well-organized home production machine.

And with this move comes the first detection of necessary compulsion which characterizes war effort. Even at this early date, a manufacturer has recourse to official Ottawa if one of his key workers quits his employ and joins the army. On receipt of the complaint from the employer, the workman will be plucked from the ranks of khaki and sent back to industry.

This we may have the first step towards some form of conscription for a new kind of war service at home.

Mr. Vaughan, former vice-president at Ottawa declares in this connection that particular care will be taken also to see that qualified farm workers are kept available for increased production in agriculture. As one Minister said, "You can train a man to be a good soldier much quicker than you can train him to be efficient on the farm."

Other developments include the appointment of Wallace R. Campbell, president of the Ford Motor Car Company of Canada, as chairman of the War Supply Board of Canada, and R. C. Vaughan, former vice-president of the Canadian National Railways, as vice-chairman and director-general of purchases. Both men will serve without salary.

These men, through the Canadian Government, will be working with the British Mission, members of which have been developing plans with intensity for some time.

As a result of this, the country is not caught napping. Dozens of "shadow plants" have been designated and with the quick delivery of necessary machinery, it will not take long to have them working at top speed. Already the training of mechanics for the air force is under way at Galt.

Evidence that the Government will be working closely with the farmers of the country is shown in advice this week from the Hon. Mr. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture. He recommended the farmers not to shift from cheese production to butter production simply because of an advance in price for butter. The minister declared the Dominion Government was setting up a plan to handle the sale of cheese to the United Kingdom and would see to it that the additional shipping and insurance charges, caused by war conditions, would not recoil on the producer. Mr. Gardiner pointed out that while 66 per cent of Canadian cheese is exported, mostly to Great Britain, all Canadian butter is consumed in the Dominion. Increased butter production would only result in further overburdening an already glutted market.

Here in Ontario, the government which pledged co-operation with the farmers, is finding in turn a spirit of co-operation from the Conservative Opposition. During the special session, originally called to "put through amendments to the Succession Duties Act, Col. Drew and his followers were all for the Heppburn Government in its move to have Ottawa take on the burden of guarding Ontario points against possible sabotage, and in general plans to assist the federal authorities in making war production in this province as efficient as possible.

The passing of Mrs. Arthur Van-Koughnet in Toronto, whose work as head of the Soldiers Aid Commission in the Great War and whose voluntary efforts for veterans was continued practically to the very day of her death, recalls how many of the prominent figures in that great struggle have gone to their rest. Sir Robert, Earl, Sir Wilfred Laurier, Sir Sam Hughes, Sir Arthur Currie, General Garnet Hughes, Sir Joseph Flavelle, Hon. W. J. Hanne and General Mercer have all been spared the gloom of the second great world war.

"Man wants but little here below," says a philosopher. "It's different with a boy. He wants a mandarin, a pistol, a razor, a false mustache, a dog's-eye tin badge, a necktie, a mud turtle, a kiddie, a printing press, a stamp album, a tool chest, a goat, a camera, a squirt gun, a time rat, a baseball suit and a pair of skates."

The only hose which never has a run is the fire hose.



MISS SYBIL BENNETT

First Peel County lady lawyer, now of the legal firm of Dale and Bennett of Georgetown, which firm have been retained to act as solicitors for the Town of Brampton during the absence of Roy W. Leat, who has signed up for service as an officer in the Lorne Scots Regiment. Miss Bennett will be in charge of the Brampton office.

READY AYE READY

"If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs and blaming it on you." During the past two weeks these words of Kipling's have frequently recurred to our mind. Everywhere women seem to be rushing around asking "What are we going to do about war work?" Call yourselves ladies and consider. There is no association of women in Canada better organized than our own Women's Institutes, and we made a good record in the former Great War.

At the Guelph Area convention of the Institutes last week we were informed by our Provincial President, Mrs. McDowall, that offers of service had already been sent to Premier Heppburn and to the Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King. We await orders. The Canadian Red Cross has already asked Miss Clark, our Superintendent for co-operation, but apparently were not quite ready to say just how we might co-operate.

Our part is to be ready when the needs are made known. Let us, each and everyone, be prepared: first, by literally and figuratively setting our own noses in order. Then let us clear our minds of trivialities, and consider what we personally are best fitted to do. Let us not waste time in envy or jealousy. The quality of our work will depend on our keeping minds free from these. "No enemy can harm me much, no matter how unkind, unless I let my thoughts destroy my peace of mind."

Let us strive only to give efficient help where it is most needed. It may take just a little time in which to find that out. It would seem to us that one of our first duties is concentration. We Canadians are a generous people. Let us learn to be not stingy, but thrifty, careful in little things. Then it is not too late to preserve to our use at least, what is left of the kindly fruits of the earth. Are you thinking of England? Well, we have good reason to be proud of our people. Let us learn to be not stingy, but thrifty, careful in little things. Then it is not too late to preserve to our use at least, what is left of the kindly fruits of the earth. Are you thinking of England? Well, we have good reason to be proud of our people. Let us learn to be not stingy, but thrifty, careful in little things. Then it is not too late to preserve to our use at least, what is left of the kindly fruits of the earth.

There is one thing of importance we have not yet mentioned, that is the matter of finances. Our suggestion is, if you know of any way in which your group can earn money, get to work at it quickly. Many are expecting the Red Cross to supply funds, but the latest advice we have from the Red Cross is a recommendation that organizations provide their own.

"Keep ye the Law with swift in all obedience." By the peace among our peoples, let man know we serve the Lord.—W. I. Member, E. Appelbe.

WAR CHECKS SCIENCE

The war has commenced to have its effects on conferences of an international character, one of the first to suffer being the third International Congress for Microbiology, which opened at New York on September 4th. Leading biologists and bacteriologists from various countries had planned to attend, among them scientists from England, France and Germany. Several British and French scientists who had arrived at the sea before the war turned home before the Congress started.

A thousand bacteriologists, biologists, chemists and physicians had sent in their registrations from 60 countries, representing all continents. More than 500 papers had been prepared for presentation representing the authority ship of 765 men and women, including scores of leading scientists in their respective fields.