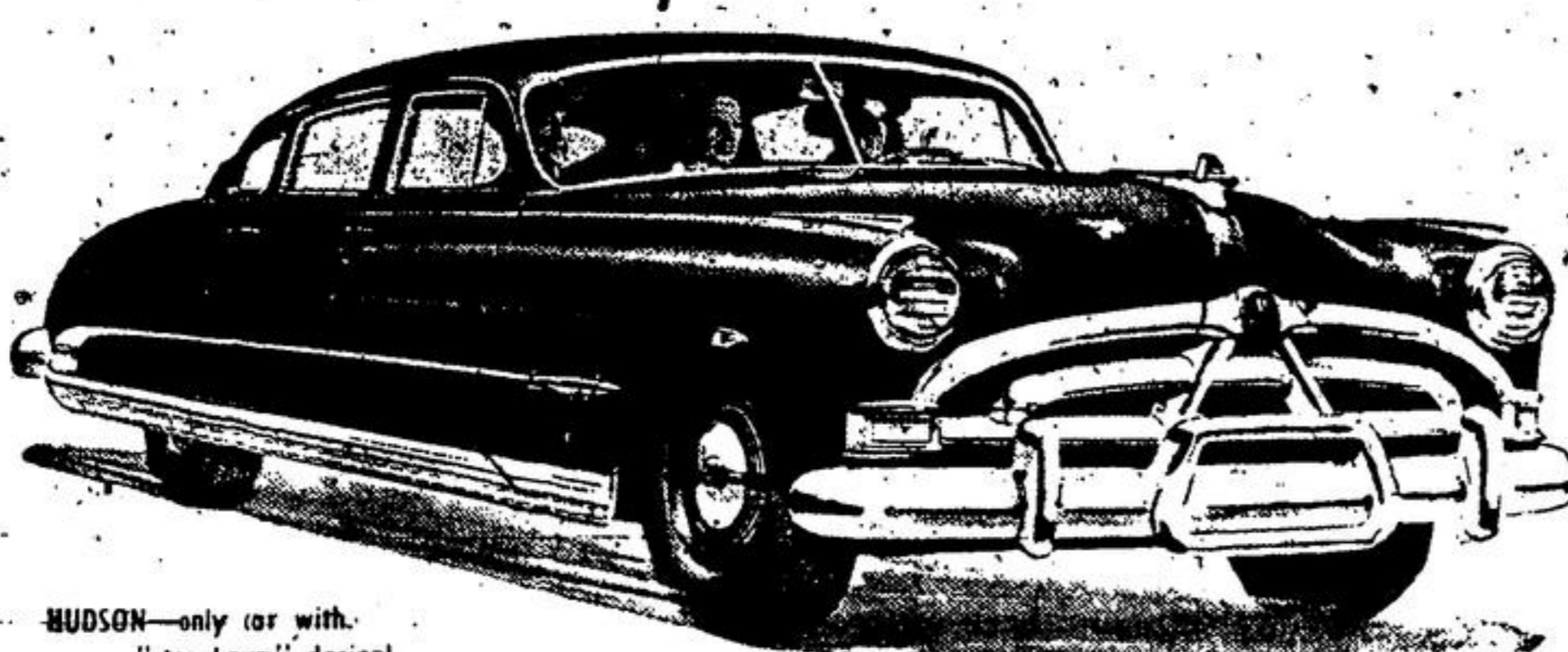


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PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Principal Leads Grade 6 Nature Hike

Principal Harold Henry with a cortege of twenty-six ardent young nature lovers from Grade Six enjoyed a two-hour cross-country hike before school on Thursday morning. Their route lay north to Wildwood, east towards Glen Williams, across fields, through woods to the Credit River by the old lower paper mill, via the overhead bridge to King and John Streets, and thence to their destination for nine a.m. This trip will long be remembered by those who experienced it.

The following two-verse poem was written recently by Myrna Norton of Grade Seven. She entitled it 'Robin Song'.

The robin's bright breast of orange, rare,
Glistens in sunlight of spring so fair.
He trills his note of operatic cheer
And tells us that dear spring is here.

The flowers listen with open blooms
To all he has to say.
On this glorious bright spring day
They are happy he assumes.

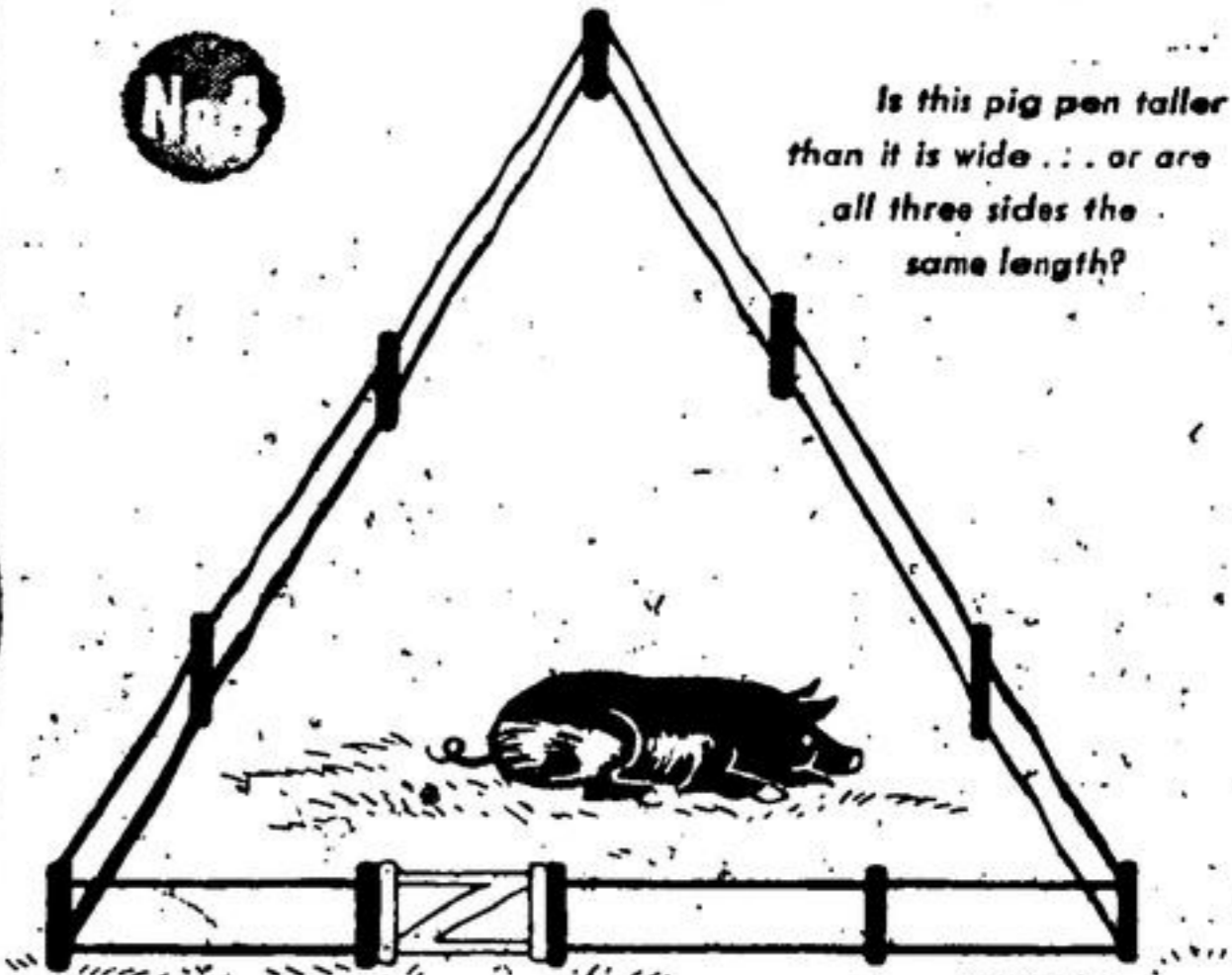
The April attendance report records 436 pupils enrolled in the school and the average attendance for the month 381.10. The classroom with the highest percentage was Grade 6 with 97.49 per cent. In second place was Grade 4, with 97.11 per cent.

Although the entries from this school at the Halton Music Festival were not awarded the trophies, the choir gave a very creditable performance obtaining 85 marks (senior choir) and 86 marks (junior choir.) The adjudicator commended them on their fine tone, harmony, and mood.

A schedule of softball games has been drawn up for the boys. On Monday after four Fred Dickenson's team played in Glen Williams which resulted 13-1 for Georgetown Public School. Tom Palmer's team at Norval also tasted victory 14-11. A good beginning, Georgetown!

Four girls teams have been organized under the supervision of Miss Luena Campbell, but no games have yet taken place.

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FARM NEWS

Magazine Editorial Warns Co-op Dangers

In many sections of western Ontario meetings have been held recently with a view to promoting the purchase by producers of a well known Hamilton packing plant. Much might be said on both sides of the question. An editorial in a recent issue of the Farmers' Advocate briefly presents a viewpoint which may be of interest. The editorial in question is as follows:

"Asking for Trouble"
Ownership and operation of a packing plant by farmers in the Province of Ontario has been approved by some groups of hog producers and rejected by others. These reports announce a majority decision to proceed with the project.

While appreciating the fact that hog marketing in Ontario is far from a perfect system, this journal entertains no enthusiasm whatever regarding the proposed co-operative plant that would launch farmers into a highly competitive enterprise at a time when well-managed, long established packing plants of moderate proportions are experiencing difficult times.

A farmer-owned and operated plant would start out now with at least two strikes against it. With little or no export all products must be sold in the domestic market where the big packers have everything pretty much their own way; and the by-products would have to be processed at less profit than those of competitors or sold to the packers already equipped to handle them most efficiently.

That is the position some good packing plants in the minor league are already in. Moreover, they are forced at times, to sell surplus products to the big packers in order to dispose of what they cannot sell to their own regular customers.

The packing plants that slaughter and process all kinds of meat animals and carry a full line of produce enjoy a distinct advantage against which the smaller plants find it very hard to contend.

Moreover, in the big league there is severe competition—at times ruthless—and smaller packers, though innocent, are likely to be caught in the squeeze.

Announce Engagement of Barbara Gowdy

The engagement of Miss Barbara Gowdy to Bruce Kendall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Kendall of Short Hills, New Jersey, has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas M. Gowdy, Toronto.

Mr. Kendall, an alumnus of Colgate University, served with the Air Transport Command during World War 2. He is now associated with Parents' Magazine.

Miss Gowdy graduated from Havergeral College, Toronto, and from the Eastern School for Physicians' Aides, New York. Her father, a member of an old Limehouse family, and a graduate of Georgetown High School is business manager of Maclean's Magazine.

ASHGROVE

Newlyweds Honoured at Community Shower

A large community shower was held on Monday evening, May 7th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nurse for Miss Kean and John Bird. Mr. T. J. Brownridge was chairman for a programme of solos by Margaret Bird and Ray Archer, duets by Mrs. Thos. Alderson, and Bernice Wilson at a recitation by Ross Austin, describing the various activities of Miss Kean during the eight years she has taught school here. Following this the many lovely and useful gifts were opened, also the presentation of a pair of pictures from the Women's Institute. Luncheon and dancing followed with thanks and lunch ended the evening.

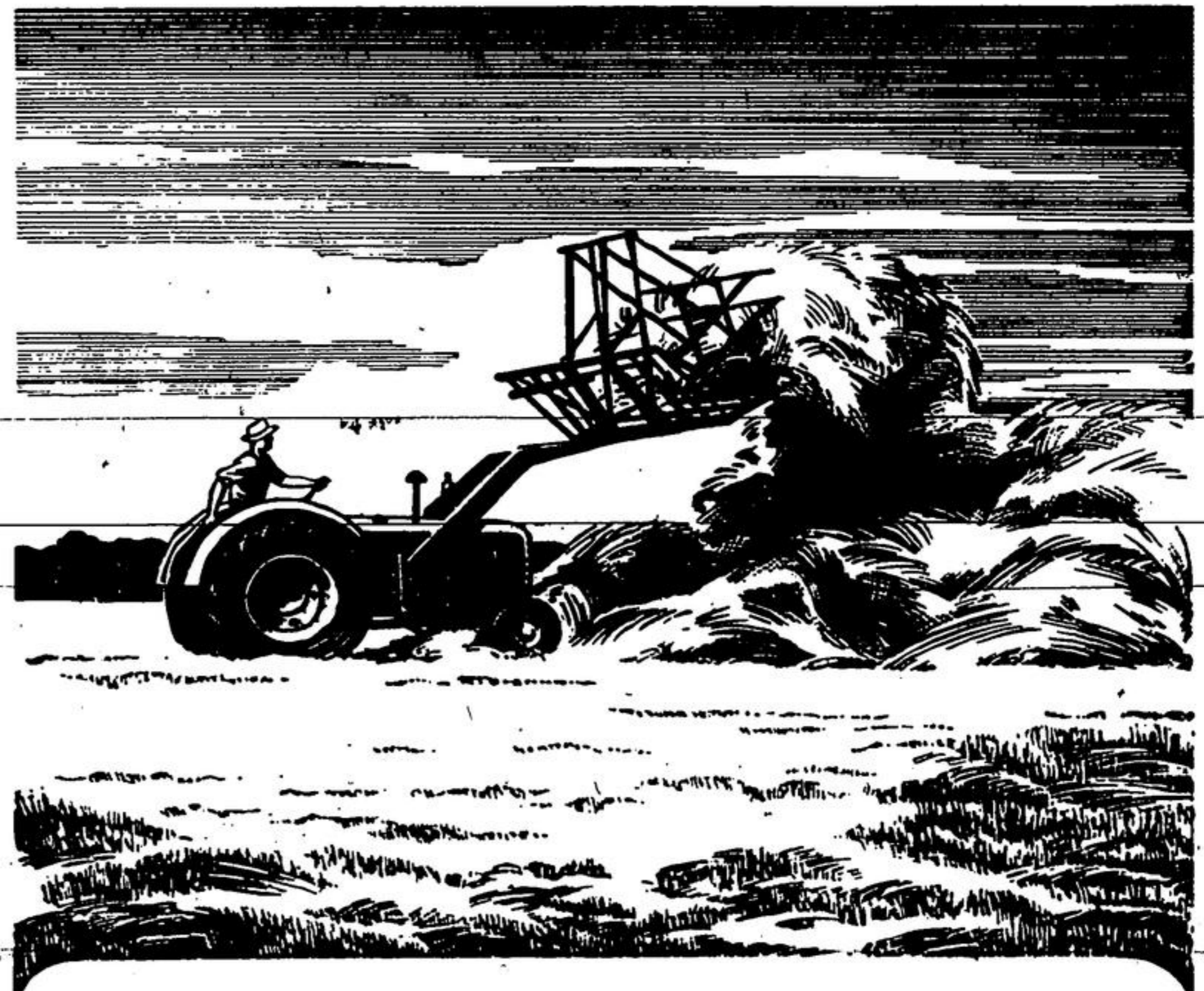
The WMS held their May meeting on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wilma Bird with the president, Mrs. Heaton Bird opening with the hymn, "Lord speak to me that I may speak." Roll Call was answered with a Bible thought on "Just Mrs. Fred Wigglesworth had charge of the Devotional and Mrs. Clayton Wilson read a paper on Citizenship. This month the WMS is celebrating its 25th anniversary and Mrs. E. M. Readhead of Lowville, a beloved past member was speaker. She paid tribute to the late Mrs. Henry Caldwell who organized the WMS 25 years ago, and called her a great lady of the church. Mrs. Readhead left some splendid thoughts on "Stewardship" and said we must study more, give more and pray more. Mrs. Harvey Nurse had the prayer for the chosen missionaries. The closing hymn "Dear Lord, and Father of Man-kind" was the favorite hymn of the first president the late Mrs. John Giffen. Visitors at this meeting were Mrs. S. K. Ruddell and Mrs. R. H. Wright of Georgetown, Mrs. Velma Norris and Mrs. E. M. Readhead of Lowville. Rev. Fred Ainsworth closed with prayer and a social hour followed.

A beautiful Mother's Day service was held in the Church on Sunday morning. A lovely basket of spring flowers graced the front table and printed programs were used, the theme being "Christian Family Day." Bernice Wilson told the story of Peter Shoo. A number of young people joined with the church and John Thomas, the dear little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ruddell was baptized. Rev. Fred Ainsworth spoke on "Keeping on the Course."

The Young People held their meeting on Sunday evening at the home of Gordon and Norman Bird. Dr. W. J. Clark of Toronto spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Graham.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Bird who were married in Eden Mills Presbyterian Church on Saturday afternoon. May they always have perfect happiness in the years that lie ahead.

The second 16 page paper in three weeks has kept the Herald staff busy this month.



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