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There is a feeling that comes to us all in our best moments that it would be almost treachery to hold back now and let the sacrifice of such men count for nothing. This means a loud call to eligible men not to let 1917 get older before they volunteer for their country's service. Recruiting offices can be found within easy reach of any part of our county.

MARKHAM COUNCIL

At the first meeting of the new Council for Markham township a by-law was passed appointing a Board of Health as follows: members, G. P. Padget, C. H. Stiver and Walter Scott; Dr. Chas. McKay, M.H.O., and W. H. Stiver as Sanitary Inspector.

Mr. David James, owing to ill-health sent in his resignation as township engineer, which was accepted, and a by-law passed appointing E. A. James to the position.

A by-law was passed appointing assessors and auditors for the current year with the blanks filled in as follows: Assessors, west half, Wilfred McKay; east half, Anthony Forster; Auditors, Walter Scott and R. A. Stiver.

A resolution was passed setting aside \$150 for Red Cross work—to purchase material as wanted by the ladies of the municipality.

Holstein Breeders Meet

At a meeting of the York County Holstein Friesian Breeders' Association held in Richmond Hill the following officers were elected for 1917:

Hon. Pres.—Wm. Hill.

President—R. F. Hicks.

1st Vice—R. W. E. Burnaby.

2nd Vice—Wm. Elliott.

Sec'y.—Treasurer—Thorton Bales.

Directors—John Walker, Frank Legge, Mr. Ramsay, Geo. Harrison, Alex. Lovelass, C. R. Dyke, Stanley Watson, Geo. Cooper, Wm. Shankey.

Sale Committee—Messrs. Burnaby, Hicks and Elliott.

It was decided to hold a sale of Holstein cattle, choice animals, in Richmond Hill some time in the month of May.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Jan. 21st the minister will preach at both services; in the morning on "The Social Method of Jesus," in the evening on "The River of Life."

The annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Monday, the 22nd, at 7.30 p.m.

Young People's Society, at the Manse, Thursday, at 7.30 p.m. A paper on "Zoroastrianism" by Miss Richardson. The meeting next week will be a Lantern Slide Talk by Mr. Sims, and will be held Wednesday evening.

Wednesday evening of last week a quiet wedding ceremony took place in the Manse when Gladys Cowie, one of our fairest and best, was united in marriage to Mr. David Rumble. The young couple were accompanied only by Mr. Frank Rumble and Miss Dorothy McKenzie, and the father and mother of the bride. The bride was married in the same room in which her mother was married some years ago by Rev. Mr. Percival.

Letter from Mr. Bassett

Mr. J. A. Greene has received an interesting letter from Sgt. Bassett who enlisted with the 127th Battalion from this place. The letter was written on the eve of his departure for France. He speaks well of the treatment, but did not enjoy the English climate, after leaving Canada. Before concluding his letter, the writer asks Mr. Greene to express his gratitude to the Richmond Hill Red Cross Society who so kindly remembered him with a parcel which came as a pleasant surprise about Christmas time.

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Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society was held in the Council Chamber Saturday afternoon, the retiring president, Mr. J. N. Breakey in the chair.

The auditors report showed a neat balance on hand, though the amount is not as large as a year ago.

The Society decided to enter for the field crop competition, but to drop the Seed Fair for this season.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—

President, J. Lunan.

1st Vice-Pres., W. Wells.

2nd Vice-Pres., J. McLean.

Directors: J. N. Breakey, J. E. Francis, R. Thompson, M. Boyle, G. Dobb, W. H. Cubine, J. S. McNair,

T. H. Legge, F. Clark, T. F. McMahon,

J. S. G. Van Wart, T. H. Trench, R. W. E. Burnaby, F. A. Legge, J. Tyndall.

In reply to a letter from the secretary, a resolution was passed asking the Women's Institute to appoint three of its members a committee to revise the ladies' work class in the prize list.

The Executive committee will meet in the same place to make arrangements for the annual fair to be held on the 24th of May.

KING COUNCIL

The above Council met at Kettleby on the 8th inst.

A large number of bills and general accounts were ordered to be paid. Also \$10 to the Hospital for Sick Children.

A resolution was passed offering to sell by tender all the timber except cedar on the side road between 6th and 7th Con. opposite west half of lots 24 and 25.

A number of gravel grants were made.

The clerk was instructed to communicate with the Dominion Railway Board re overhead roadway on Yonge Street, south of Aurora.

H. C. Webb and W. Snider were appointed assessors for the north and south divisions respectively.

The Council adjourned to meet at King City Hotel Feb. 17.

BUTTONVILLE

We are pleased to see Mr. Frank Stephenson around again after his recent illness.

La grippe is no respecter of persons and has visited quite a number in this vicinity.

We are glad to hear that Mr. W. Burr is somewhat better after his recent sickness.

On Saturday, evening, Jan. 27th, a grand concert and social will be held at the Methodist Church, Buttonville.

A number from here attended the Markham Rink Saturday evening and report a pleasant time.

Quite a number from here are attending the agricultural class being held at Unionville.

Special meeting of the Red Cross girls Wednesday at 4 o'clock p.m. As the appeal for winter comforts for our boys overseas is most urgent, every girl is requested to be present.

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