

West Has Priceless Heritage



represent an inherent love for beautiful things and a love of melody. Folksong is intimately linked up with handicraft, for it is to the accompaniment of folksong that the spinning wheel turns and the beautiful homespun fabrics are woven. These fabrics can never be duplicated by the factory-made article, and the efforts of the Canadian Handicrafts' Guild to find and retain a market for the craft-work which can be done during the winter months on the farms of Western Canada is therefore well worthy of support. This Guild is preparing a handicraft exhibit in connection with the folksong and folk music festival which the Canadian Pacific is organizing to be held at Regina, March 20-23rd, as the inauguration of a Saskatchewan Branch.

The main idea of this Great West festival is to help Canadians to realise the priceless heritage which they possess in the traditional melodies which have been brought to this country by immigrants, and in some cases have been composed in this country by early settlers. The field of folk music is so immense that only a glimpse of it can be secured in the four days of this particular festival, but some of the greatest artists of the continent will render interpretations and it promises indeed, to be a feast of music and color. Poul Bai, the Danish baritone will feature in Norse music, Charles Marchand in the French-Canadian folksongs and almost every nation will be represented in handicraft as in song. Above is seen a Slovak weaver who will remove his pipe and sing to his handiwork.

Saskatchewan might be termed the epitome of Canada's Great West. No other Province has a more interesting population for the fabric out of which that population has been woven contains threads of so many racial cultures. Of the eight hundred and seven thousand souls recorded in the census of 1926, three-fourths are of British descent with English and Scots blood predominating. Over half a million were born in Canada, and of these a small but notable sprinkling are of French-Canadian descent. Ninety-eight thousand were born in the British Isles. Continental Europe has added twenty-two racial strains of which the larger groups may be summarized as Slavonic (55,000), Scandinavian (20,000), Teutonic (20,000) and Romance (14,000). The aboriginal Indian population numbers about 13,000. Each of these racial groups can contribute something to Canadian art and music, for each has its traditions of handicraft and folksong, traditions which

Thornhill

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY
At the United Church Young People's meeting held last Monday evening, Rev. W. E. Baker gave a synopsis of his sermons delivered during the month of March. Mr. Baker's sermons always have a message of joy and inspiration and his talk was greatly appreciated by all the young people present. Miss I. Fedderie continued the story on the life of Moses, and a vocal solo was given by Miss N. Irish. Next Monday evening there will be a very interesting musical programme; also Rev. T. G. McAteer, of Lansing United Church, will be present and deliver the Easter message. We trust a large number of the young people will be present.

RATEPAYERS MEETING
The first meeting since organization of the Ratepayers Association will be held in the basement of the Public school here, Thursday evening (Tonight) at 8 p. m. We trust a large number of the ratepayers will be present at this very important meeting.

STRUCK BY TOURING CAR
A serious accident was narrowly averted last Friday evening, when Mr. and Mrs. William Reaman, of Markham, were struck by a touring car at the top of Langstaff hill, while on their way to Toronto. One wheel was torn from the truck. Mr. and Mrs. Reaman remained over night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Luesby, and upon completion of repairs to their car continued the next morning on their journey.

ANNUAL THANK OFFERING MEETING
The annual Thank-Offering Meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church will be held in the Sunday School room next Tuesday afternoon, April 2nd, at 3 p. m. Mrs. Geo. Pepal, of Toronto, will be the speaker. All ladies of the congregation are urged to attend.

LANGSTAFF HILL CLUB ENTERTAINED
Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Ball entertained the Langstaff Hill club at their home last Saturday evening. Five tables of euchre were in play, the following were the prize winners:—Ladies, Salad dressing dish, won by Mrs. Joe Teeson; gents, double deck of cards, won by Mr. Robert Scott. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess at the close.

SOCIAL and PERSONALS
Mrs. Banfield, a returned Missionary from Angola, Africa, gave a very inspiring address in the United Church here, last Sunday morning, under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society.

Mr. R. J. Pearson, of Calgary, Alberta, has returned home after visiting several weeks with his uncle, Walter Robinson. We all wish him a safe return.

Miss Ruth Strangways, of Toronto, visited on Sunday with friends in the village.

The Patterson Lodge A. F. & A. M. have purchased the Victoria Hall from Mr. J. E. Francis, possession April 1st.

The final meeting of the Teacher Training class of the United Church which has been under the able leadership of Rev. W. E. Baker was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Smellie on Wednesday evening.

The three vagrants who were seen travelling through the village here last Monday evening, were arrested by Constable Barraclough of Richmond Hill and were given one months sentence at the Langstaff Jail Farm by Magistrate Duncan.

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Newtonbrook

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Harry Smith on the death of her mother, Mrs. Carson, of Tesla. Mrs. Carson was buried last Saturday afternoon at Maple.

Miss Doris Goulding, of Macdonald Hall, Guelph, is home for the Easter holidays.

Mr. Earl Lautenslager, Secretary of Ontario Boys' Work Board, was the chief speaker at the Newtonbrook Young People's Society, last Monday evening. He gave a stirring address on present day social conditions and showed how young people might work for their improvement. Special music was provided by Miss Cora Good and Miss Kathleen Lockyer. Miss Doris Soden presided.

Kindly remember the Union Good Friday Service in the Newtonbrook United Church on Good Friday morning at eleven o'clock and let all who can, attend.

Next Sunday morning a special Foch Memorial Service will be held in the Newtonbrook United Church. This service will be attended by the North York Legion.

The Home and School Association put on a bright St. Patrick's Concert last Thursday evening at the Public School. The children of the school were the chief performers and acquitted themselves well. Special mention might be made of "The Sailor's Hornpipe Dance" executed by clever girls under the direction of Miss Jackson and an excellent exhibition of club swinging by the senior boys under the guidance of Miss Tate. Master Jack Duggan contributed a cornet solo. Contests and community singing were heartily participated in. Mrs. Nuttall, the President of the Association, presided over the gathering.

The following Easter music will be rendered by the choir of the Newtonbrook United Church, under the direction of Mr. H. Hill, the organist and choir master.

At the morning service:—Organ Prelude, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," Handel; Anthem, "Behold the Lamb of God," Handel; Organ Postlude, "Lift up your heads," Handel.

At the evening service:—Organ Prelude, "Prayer at Eventide," Smart; Anthem, "Sun of my Soul," Turner; Organ Postlude, "The Hallelujah Chorus."

York Market

Hot cross buns were the latest addition at North Toronto Market Tuesday night. They tasted as delicious as they looked and sold for 30 cents a dozen. Butter had come down a trifle, the price being 46 and 48 cents a lb. Eggs were quite plentiful.

Vegetables
Lettuce, pepper-grass, radishes and spring onions for the salad were 3 for 10c., mint and parsley 5c. Onions still sold at 50c for 6 qts.; artichokes were 50c; carrots, parsnips and beets 25c. and potatoes 15 and 20c, or 80c for a 90-lb. bag. Cabbage was 5c and 10c a head. Celery 2 for 25c and rhubarb 3 for 25c.

Farm Produce
Pork loins were 28c. lb., legs 25c. and shoulders 18c. Sugar cured hams sold at 35c. lb., sausages were 25c and lard 2 lbs. for 35c. Roasting chicken sold at 40c. lb., boiling 35c. Hen's eggs were 45c. doz. for specials and 35 and 40c for fresh extras; ducks' eggs were 60 and 70c. doz. Butter was 46 and 48c. lb., a drop of 2 cents.

Home Cooking
Hot cross buns at 30c. doz. were the main feature of the home baking, although there was a plentiful supply of other dainties, including delicious chocolate cakes at 35c. each. Among the many preserves, marmalade at 20 and 35c. jar seemed a favorite.

Flowers
Plenty of flowers and plants were on sale. Many bought bunches of the soft gray pussy-willows so popular at this time of year. Daffodils and marigolds were 50c. doz., stocks were the same price. Tullips and snapdragon were 75c. for a dozen blooms. Palms, fuschias, Boston ferns and geraniums provided a variety of potted plants to suit every buyer.

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Dog sled derby records were broken and new ones established during the three days of the race. Dupuis, who finished second, made a world's record when he completed the first lap of 41 miles in 3 hours, 22 minutes, 42 seconds. Of the nine who finished the three laps, only two took as long as the first Derby winner at Quebec in 1923, demonstrating that hardier and speedier dogs have been developed for sled work since then.

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