

**WEEKLY NEWS NOTES FROM THE UNIONVILLE DISTRICT**

The Strawberry Festival held at Crosby Memorial Park on Saturday afternoon and evening proved a most successful event. Weather conditions were ideal and the varied program presented was highly entertaining. The sumptuous supper served was indeed a credit to the committee in charge. For what could be better than a Strawberry Festival! The headliner of the program, Mr. Ralph Gordon, who is well known in this district, entertained with Comic Cartoons, Rag Pictures, male and female Impersonations, Magic, the Musical Saw, Ventriloquism, etc. Rev. D. A. MacKeracher as soloist with Donald MacKeracher as accompanist, and John Moscow, violinist of Agincourt, gave pleasing musical numbers, Mr. MacKeracher singing "The Road to Mandalay" and the old Scotch favorite "Scots Wa' Hae." The baseball game between the mixed teams of Milliken and Unionville resulted in a win for the locals, the score 22-12. This event was held under the auspices of Central United Church, the committee in charge being Mrs. N. Ogden, Mrs. A. C. Kennedy, Mrs. H. Stephenson, Mrs. R. J. Duffield, George Murphy, Fletcher Carmichael, Fred Bagg, A. J. Camplin, R. J. Duffield.

A wedding of interest to many in this vicinity took place on Thursday afternoon last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Cook, Indian Valley Crescent, Toronto, when their daughter, Margaret Louise was married to Dr. Walter B. Stiver, son of Mrs. C. H. Stiver of Unionville, Rev. Ross Cameron officiating. Immediately following the reception Dr. and Mrs. Stiver left for Montreal, sailing from there for London, England, where they will be the guests of the bride's uncle, Dr. C. W. McLeay, before leaving for India where Dr. Stiver has been appointed to the Imperial Army Medical Staff. The many friends from the boyhood home of Dr. Stiver join with the Liberal in extending congratulations to these young people, and wish for them much happiness and success in their future home.

The high esteem in which Rev. D. A. MacKeracher is held was evidenced on Sunday last by the large attendance at both the morning and evening services at Central United church when Mr. MacKeracher preached his farewell sermons previous to his departure for Alliston where he has accepted a call. His induction in Alliston United Church was held on Tuesday evening.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fierheller was the scene of a gala event on Saturday evening, June 17th, when a reception in honor of their son Stanley and his bride (nee Helen Little) was given on their return from the honeymoon trip. Forty guests were in attendance and following the offering of congratulations to the happy couple the evening was spent pleasantly with games, humorous readings and musical numbers. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fierheller were the recipients of many lovely gifts, tokens of the popularity of this young couple. Appreciation was expressed by the guests to the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. E. Fierheller, for the delightful evening spent.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller had a narrow escape on Saturday evening last from what might have proved a serious accident. Driving east on No. 7 Highway, Mr. Miller's car was struck by a car going west and driven by Roy Pennick of Toronto. Mr. Miller seeing that the accident could not be avoided, by presence of mind and good judgment of distance, averted an accident that might have proved fatal to all parties involved. Pennick's car was overturned in the south ditch, Miller's car, the left front wheel and fender smashed. The lady driving with Pennick was cut about the face and was rendered aid by Dr. C. R. MacKay. Mrs. Miller suffered from shock and the severe shaking up. Provincial Officer Clare Thompson, who investigated, arrested Pennick taking him to the Municipal Farm, Langstaff, on a charge of reckless driving against him.

We are pleased to note that the iside of the Township Hall is taking on a new appearance under the supervision of W. J. Perkin, now, for a new floor and proper stage setting, and then, the organization of a local Dramatic Club. The unsightly condition of the Hall has heretofore hindered the enjoyment of many worthwhile entertainments and no doubt the cleaning up will warrant a larger and happier attendance at similar future events.

Upon invitation of Miss Ila Bagg, the convenor of the Social Committee of Central United Y.P.S., the organization spent a most enjoyable evening at her home, North Unionville, on Monday evening last. The program and games were held on the lawn, the topic "Books we ought to read" was ably handled by Miss Christine MacKeracher, the devotional period in charge of Ila Bagg and Marion Warner. During the evening a vote of thanks, proposed by Bert Dyke and seconded by Christine Murphy, was tendered Rev. MacKeracher for the

splendid way he had assisted the young people, and regret was expressed at his departure for Alliston. "The Ontonow Gazette" read by Ronald Baggs, activities in charge of Ernie Appleton and refreshments also had a part in the enjoyable evening. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" concluded the event.

Congratulations to June Kennedy and Eldrid Milne who successfully passed with honours the recent musical examinations in Elementary and Introductory Piano respectively. Both are pupils of Miss Ila Weighill, A.T. C.M., who is to be congratulated upon the splendid record her pupils always make in these examinations.

The Garden Party of Knox Presbyterian Church, Agincourt, which will be held at "Rowanwood" the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hood, promises to be better than ever this year, a program including many noted entertainers has been arranged and the various booths will cater to the appetites. This delightful event is scheduled for Friday evening next, June 30th. Plan to attend.

The annual Horticultural Picnic, although owing to the busy season of the year was not as largely attended as usual, was an enjoyable event, the destination being the O.A.C. at Guelph. Points of interest to flower lovers enroute were visited and with the country looking its best, many delightful scenes were presented. The hospitality shown at the O.A.C. was highly commended.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Holden, Mr. Carmen Kennedy of Toronto were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Murphy on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Harrington, Miss Grace Harrington and Wallace Harrington visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weber at Beaverton on Sunday last.

Mrs. H. S. Graham of Grimsby and son Dr. W. J. Graham of Toronto and Mrs. A. Stuart Boa of Montreal visited Mrs. M. C. Sommerville on Sunday last.

Miss Ada Robinson, formerly of Markham, enroute from St. Petersburg, Florida, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. G. R. Whaley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Noble attended the wedding of Miss Margaret Mary Dixon, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. Dixon of Toronto, to Dr. George P. Nash, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. Nash of Kingston. The wedding ceremony was held in Trinity College Chapel on Saturday last, the reception following at Granite Club. The bride and groom left by motor for Muskoka and later in July are sailing from Montreal on the Duchess of Richmond for England where they will stay for two years.

Mrs. M. Hemingway visited her sister, Miss Mary Good of Toronto, on Sunday. Crossing No. 7 Highway to her home, on her return, Mrs. Hemingway was unfortunately struck by an automobile and suffered severe injuries. This is indeed a dangerous crossing and better provision should be made to safeguard the safety of pedestrians. The many friends of Mrs. Hemingway wish her a speedy recovery.

Master Eddie Rundle, son of Dr. F. J. Rundle of Oshawa, is spending holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hutchison.

Miss Freda Kincaid of the Aurora High School teaching staff spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kincaid.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Harry of Toronto visited Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Duffield on Sunday, Mrs. Morris who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Duffield, returned to Toronto with them.

Mrs. Warrington and Misses Anna and Jean Eggleston of Toronto are spending holidays with their mother, Mrs. F. Pollard.

Miss Effie Stiver of Toronto spent the week-end at her home here. Miss Effie Miller of Toronto spent Saturday with her cousin, Miss E. B. Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cook and daughter of Scarborough Bluffs were guests of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Noble, on Sunday.

Mr. Henry Burnett and Miss Helen Burnett of Richmond Hill were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Burnett on Sunday.

Mr. Ford Braithwaite of Toronto is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Geo. Braithwaite.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith of Richmond Hill, Miss Mae Phippen and Mr. Harold McCarty of Toronto were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Leaf on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Coatsworth, Mrs. Thompson, of Toronto, and Miss Ina Morrison of Havelock were guests at the home of Mr. A. Weighill last week.

Mr. Wm. Lunan of Toronto is spending holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lunan.

A number of our citizens attended the Knox United Church, Agincourt, Anniversary Supper on Tuesday evening last.

Rev. ad Mrs. D. A. MacKeracher, Miss Christina MacKeracher and Don MacKeracher left on Tuesday for Alliston.

**Social and Personal**

Miss "Babe" Fleming sailed last Friday for Europe where she will spend the next two months touring the continent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Snedden left Richmond Hill on Wednesday and sail from Montreal to-day enroute to their new home in London, England.

The Primary Dept. of the United Church are holding their annual Picnic on the lawn of Mr. Angle's home, Yonge St., on Wednesday, July 5th, from 3 to 6 p.m. Mothers and babies of congregation welcome. Please bring a picnic basket. In case of rain Wednesday afternoon come Thursday at the same time.

Mrs. Hewison and Mrs. Cook visited over the week-end at the home of Rev. A. R. Sanderson, Whitby.

A large number enjoyed the Strawberry Tea on the lawn of the Presbyterian Church under the auspices of the Women's Association Tuesday evening. During the evening Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Snedden who have been valued workers in the church were presented with a purse. Rev. David Marshall paid tribute to the splendid service rendered in all branches of church work and the presentation on behalf of the ladies organizations was made by Miss A. Boyle. Mrs. Snedden gracefully acknowledged the presentation.

Miss Sheila Tull, member of the Richmond Hill High School staff, was honored by a number of friends at a Kitchen Shower held last week at the home of Miss Izzard, Centre St. West. The bride-to-be was the recipient of a number of beautiful and useful gifts and was showered with the good wishes of her friends.

The Liberal extends congratulations to Mr. J. M. Armstrong, B.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Armstrong, Langstaff, who has completed his first year at Osgoode Hall. The Law Society of Upper Canada awarded Mr. Armstrong a Scholarship for general proficiency in the first year exams.

At the Induction Service in Thornhill United Church to-night Rev. G. E. Coulter, as ex-chairman of Presbytery, will preside and induct the Thornhill minister, Rev. E. E. Pugsley. Rev. C. C. Washington, B. A. of Fairlawn United Church, Toronto, will preach and Rev. Douglas G. Davis of King United Church will give the charge. A reception for Rev. and Mrs. Pugsley by the congregation will follow the service.

A number from here attended the annual Decoration Day Service held at Queensville Cemetery on Sunday last.

Mr. John Wilson left last week for Bolton Camp where he will act as a leader in the boys work there.

**SATURDAY A HOLIDAY**  
Richmond Hill merchants and business places will observe the annual Dominion Day Holiday, Saturday, July 1st. All stores will be open Friday evening.

**WEDDING**  
**GIBSON-SMITH**—At the United Church Parsonage, Queensville, on Saturday, June 24th, Alice Victoria, younger daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Smith of Queensville, to Mr. Roy Gibson of Newmarket.

**RICHMOND HILL UNITED CHURCH**  
Sunday, July 2nd  
10 a.m.—Sunday School  
11 a.m.—Rev. J. S. Morris of Honeywood.  
7 p.m.—Rev. J. S. Morris

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH RICHMOND HILL**  
Sunday next Dominion Day, July 2nd  
10 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11 a.m.—Holy Communion  
A.Y. P.A. Corporate  
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

Miss Margaret Gibson, along with her nephews Henry and John Gibson, are leaving on Saturday morning on a motor trip to Ottawa and Montreal. Mrs. Earl Parkinson and daughters of Toronto visited Mrs. J. R. Hood over the week-end.

A rink from the local Bowling Club participated in the Twilight Tournament sponsored by the Markham Club last Thursday night, and as usual were among the winners, capturing third prize. The rink included Miss Ila Weighill, Mrs. J. R. Hood, Robt. Smith, P. J. Dixon.

**CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH**  
10 a.m.—Church School.  
11 a.m.—Public Worship.  
7 p.m.—Public Worship.  
Monday 8 p.m.—Y.P.S.  
**EBENEZER UNITED CHURCH**  
1:30 p.m.—Church School.  
2:30 p.m.—Public Worship.  
7:30 p.m.—Y.P.S.  
St. Phillip's Anglican Church  
10 a.m.—Sunday School.  
7 p.m.—The Pastor.

**BOWLING NOTES**

Two Richmond Hill rinks attended the tournament at Port Perry Wednesday afternoon and report a pleasant day's outing. The rinks were: C. P. Winley, P. C. Hill, F. J. Mansbridge, James McLean skip; A. G. Savage, E. T. Stephens, A. A. Eden, A. E. Glass skip. The rink skiped by A. E. Glass was successful in winning the fourth prize.

The usual mixed games were enjoyed at the local green Monday evening. The prize winning rink was: Miss E. Edean, Mrs. N. J. Glass, A. A. Eden skip.

The ladies held another successful bridge on the clubhouse verandah Tuesday afternoon. This was the second of the series which will be held throughout the summer months. After the bridge, afternoon tea was served. Prizes for the bridge were presented to Miss E. Edean and Mrs. P. C. Hill.

**FINE TIME ENJOYED AT**

**BUTTONVILLE GARDEN PARTY**  
The annual Garden Party under the auspices of the Buttonville J.W.I. was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kerr, and was a most successful event. Following the sumptuous supper the play, "Mother of Mine" was presented by the young people of Kleinburg United Church and was much enjoyed by everyone. In the softball Buttonville all stars were the victors in a keenly contested game with Agincourt. Little Miss Marie Brillinger made the draw for the lucky numbers for the two fancy quilts and the fortunate winners were Mrs. Risebrough of North York and J. E. Smith, Richmond Hill.

**FIRE AT ROSELAWN FARMS**

Fire completely destroyed the garage and storehouse at the rear of the farm house on the E. T. Stephens Roselawn Farm, South Yonge Street early Wednesday afternoon. Two tractors which were in the garage when the fire was first noticed were pushed to safety. Richmond Hill Fire Brigade answered the call and did gallant work in saving the farm house which was situated only a few feet from the burned building. A favorable wind assisted the firefighters in their difficult task. The cause of the fire is unknown.

**LENNOX PICNIC**

"The Lennox Picnic, known as the largest annual picnic in the world, will be held as usual on Monday, Aug. 7th, Toronto Civic Holiday."

**OBITUARY**

**LATE WALLICE MICHAEL**

The funeral of the late Wallace Michael was held from the family residence, Yonge Street, Saturday, June 24th, and was largely attended by friends and relatives. The late Mr. Michael was in his 63rd year and passed away Thursday, June 22nd, following an illness of about three weeks. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Sarah Michael, one sister, Mrs. Hinchley, and five brothers, William of Markham, Albert, John and George in Western Canada, and Robert of Richmond Hill.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. G. E. Coulter of Richmond Hill United Church and interment followed at Markham cemetery.

The pallbearers were: T. H. Trench, William Savage, Robert Tyndall, W. W. Trench, Walter Benson and F. E. Sims.

A large number of floral tributes were evidence of the sincere sympathy which is felt for the family in their bereavement.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Mr. and Mrs. P. Evans and family of Victoria Square wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Mrs. Sarah Michael and family desire to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, expressions of sympathy and floral tributes from friends and relatives during their recent bereavement.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**SHIELDS**—In loving memory of our darling son Jackie who passed away June 28th, 1929, aged 8 years. Sweet little flower of heavenly birth He was far too fair to bloom on earth, Hold him in thy arms oh Father, That dear little son of ours, And tell him how much we miss him In all the lonely hours. Safe in the arms of Jesus. Sadly missed by mother, daddy, sister and brother.

**DR. LLOYD J. SAUNDERS DENTIST**  
Will occupy the office over the Bank of Commerce at UNIONVILLE on **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS AND EVENINGS** From 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoons by appointment

**SIXTY-SIX YEARS OF PROGRESS**

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Sixty-six years of Confederation have brought progress far exceeding the hopes of the pioneers who laid the foundations of the Dominion, and the very coping stone of this arch of achievement is "Wheat."

In celebrating the Dominion Day, Canadians should recall the truly marvellous story of wheat. The three prairie provinces produce the greater bulk of the Canadian wheat crop, and almost all of the exportable surplus of about 300,000,000 bushels annually.

It is a story which proves the ability of the Canadian people to conquer the greatest obstacles, to adapt themselves to nature and to unite science with industry.

In 1867 wheat production—and all agricultural production was confined to the central and eastern provinces—was 21,000,000 bushels, barely enough to feed the population of 3,370,000 people. The prairie west, not yet federated, was a primeval wilderness, a summering land for Indian bands, and a grazing paradise for buffalo.

Twenty years brought the west into Confederation and witnessed the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The faith of Canadians in the western plains was unshaken, but the outside world scoffed at the mad dream that sometime the prairies would yield to the plough. As late as 1881 a responsible British publication said of the prairies that it was as sensible to develop them "as to endeavour to carry out a scheme for the utilization of icebergs. The prairies are frost bound for seven or eight months of the year. Men and cattle are frozen to death in numbers that would astonish and those not killed outright are often maimed for life."

Settlement proceeded slowly. Until the turn of the century Canadians themselves regarded the prairies as a ranching country. Wheat could not be grown successfully because the varieties then in existence required 120 days or more to ripen and the growing season was too short.

By 1906 wheat production had climbed to 125,000,000 bushels, mostly produced outside of the prairies. In that year Dr. C. G. Saunders, Dominion cerealist, concluded experiments he had been carrying on at the Ottawa Experimental Farm with the announcement that he had discovered a new wheat—Marquis—which yielded five bushels more per acre than any other variety and ripened in 110 days.

Clipping ten days off the growing season made the prairies the granary of the world. The era of the wheat farmer had dawned. In 1909, production mounted to 166,000,000 bushels. In 1911, it soared to 230,000,000 bushels, and in 1915 to 393,500,000 bushels. A strip two hundred miles wide across the prairies was turned from a ranching country to a wheat-growing area. In 1923 a record of production—474,000,000 bushels—was established.

However, the end was not yet. Still further northward for a distance of another two hundred miles is a wonderful meadow and lake country. The Canadian agricultural scientists, remembering the achievement of Dr. Saunders, continued their research work. A hardy early ripening wheat was brought from the Himalayas and crossed with the best domestic strains. The result was announced in 1926 by L. H. Newman, who has succeeded Dr. Saunders as Dominion Cerealist. Garnet wheat was started on its way—a wheat equal to Marquis in quality and yield, and ripening in one hundred days.

This was no unconsidered announcement. Garnet had been tested along the Hudson Bay railway and at experimental stations in the northland. It has stood the most exacting tests.

In 1926 the entire stock of Garnet, 12,000 bushels, was distributed to several thousands of farmers. The reports received leave no doubt but that it fulfills all that has been claimed for it.

With the discovery of Garnet wheat the northern limit of the wheat producing area of Canada was rolled back two hundred miles.

**Coming Events**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30th**—Annual Garden Party at Rowanwood, home of Mr. and Mrs. Colin Hood, Kennedy Road, under auspices Knox Presbyterian Church, Agincourt. Excellent program of attractions. Adults 25c., children 15c.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5th**—Barn Dance at John Haining's new barn, half mile south of Markham—North York Twp. Townline on 4th concession commencing at 8:30 Standard Time. George Snider and his 5 piece orchestra will supply the music. Admission, gents 25c., ladies provide. Ladies who do not bring lunch 25c.

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 23rd**—Field Day and Street Dance at Richmond Hill.

**TESTON**

The Sunday services will long be remembered. There was a large congregation in the morning and Rev. Strapp of Kettleby gave a fine discourse. His theme was "The Cry of a Child" the incident from the birth of Moses. King choir added to the service with beautiful selections. In the evening Rev. A. H. Halbert of Newtonbrook preached a splendid sermon from the theme "The Right Side of a Ship" from the miracle of the fishermen's luck at the order of Christ. Changes are good and the prize came to the Disciples when they changed their net to the other side. Kleinburg choir were generous with their selections and the closing solo was a fine effort.

Rev. Dr. Caldwell will preach in Teston United Church next Sunday, July 2nd. Fifty years ago this Sunday Dr. Caldwell preached his first sermon here. This Golden Jubilee of Dr. Caldwell's will be a fitting one at this time.

Misses Ida Marwood, L. Dibb and Messrs. H. Cunningham and A. McDonald motored to Brampton on Saturday last to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. Marwood.

Messrs. Gordon Murray, Roy Bowen and Misses Jean Hadwen and Louise Carson motored to Niagara and enjoyed the sights, especially the illumination. Mr. and Mrs. Smeltzer and Mrs. Keffer of Lasky visited Mr. E. Bowen on Sunday.

Mrs. Gladys Kerr and Mrs. Wallace of Woodbridge were Teston visitors last Sunday with Miss K. Ireland.

The Ice Cream Social last Wednesday evening on the grounds of Elmer Hadwen's was an enjoyable affair. There was an entertainment with music provided by Eddie Cooper, banjo; Jim McCluskey, guitar; and Jim Reid, jew's harp; accompanist Rev. Davis. The Women's Association are doing good work and this function is greatly to their credit.

**The annual GARDEN PARTY**

of the Young People's Society of Ebenezer United Church

**MILLIKEN**

will be held on

**Thurs. Ev'g, July 6th**

at the home of **MR. WM. F. GOUGE** (1/2 mile West of Adams Corner)

The program will be given by Miss Marion Douglas and her assisting artists.

Mrs. Douglas—Elocutionist.  
Mr. David Fonger—A Radio Artist.  
Ivan Moskalyk—Violinist.

At 7 o'clock a Softball Game, Young People's mixed teams, Unionville vs Milliken.

Admission 25c. and Children 15c. Refreshment Booth on grounds

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