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GIVE THEM YOUR SUPPORT

Municipal councils throughout the district held their inaugural meetings Monday of this week. The men elected to carry on the municipal business for the year are now hard at work carrying on the affairs of their respective communities and they need the whole-hearted support of the ratepayers of the communities which they serve. The least we can do for those public-spirited citizens who are willing to assume the responsibilities of directing municipal affairs is to give them support and help.

Ratepayers should try and visualize some of the difficulties these men have to face. Even though you may not have voted for a man, that is no reason why you should knock him. Elected to office, these men are the directors of the very important municipal company in which every ratepayer is a shareholder. It is the duty of every citizen to support these representatives in their endeavour to make the year's operations as successful as possible for the municipality.

Helpful suggestions will be welcomed and fair criticism is seldom resented. These men who are giving their time and energy in the service of the citizens can only do their best work if they have the encouragement and intelligent interest of those whom they represent.

AN AXE FOR THE TAX

McLean's Magazine of January 1st, prints the following editorial:

"The Russians give all they make above a bare living to the government and call it communism. In Canada we do the same thing and call it taxes."

This after-dinner speech quip may exaggerate, but there's many a true word spoken in jest.

Taxation in Canada to-day is so great a burden that in order to foot the bill citizens must deny themselves commodities and services they would otherwise buy; must in many cases drain their savings.

Soem jolting figures have been compiled by the Citizen's Research Institute. They are presented in the December issue of the Board of Trade Journal. Look at some of them:

Cost of government in Canada in 1932 (latest available) was thirty-five per cent of our national income.

Between 1928 and 1932 expenditures of our Dominion, Provincial and Municipal Governments INCREASED by twenty-three per cent.

In the same period our national income DECLINED by fifty per cent. Not that taxes were decreased. They increased. The drop was caused by the inability of the taxpayer to pay.

The greatest percentage of increase in spending took place in Dominion expenditures. In 1932 the Federal Government spent an estimated sum of \$470,600,000, thirty-three per cent more than the \$354,531,565 it spent in 1928. Its tax revenue in 1932 was \$258,107,000, thirty-five per cent less than the \$395,921,027 it collected in 1928.

Provincial expenditures in the same period increased by nineteen per cent. Tax revenue, through higher imposition, increased by twenty-one per cent and the provinces are charity patients of the Dominion Exchequer.

President Appeals For Support

If some good fairy was able to grant us six things which we most desired for our community, I wonder what six we would choose. I suppose the first, in these days would be employment for all citizens and a close second would be lower tax rate, or none at all. Of course we would think of many more than six improvements we would desire, but I wonder if beautiful surroundings would not come well up on the list with most voters. After we have provided a livelihood and a place to live while earning it, is not our next desire beautiful surroundings, beautiful homes public buildings and grounds, parks and boulevards?

Unfortunately no such Fairy has yet appeared in Richmond Hill, but in connection with beautification of our village we have a really good substitute for the fairy, in the Ontario Government, which has been fit to encourage such beautification by making grants to local Horticultural Societies throughout the Province.

The Richmond Hill Society has been operating for 20 years. It has undoubtedly been responsible for better gardens, finer shrubs and more beautiful lawns about the homes of its members which, taken together make up our village and in this way alone, has added to the beauty and attractiveness of the village. In addition the society has directly done much planting and beautification in public places. It has planted and maintained a small park in the grounds of the Agricultural Society. It has at different times planted trees and shrubs, along streets, at the water-works pond and about the public school and the present municipal building. Just this past summer it has undertaken the grading and sodding of the embankment along the west side of Yonge St. at the southern border of the village. These are not extensive works, but they all most certainly enhanced the beauty and attractiveness of our village. It holds flower shows each year. Usually two and sometimes three such shows are held during the growing season. Last year, for the first time, the autumn show was cancelled because the Directors felt that, owing to the excessively dry summer, there was not sufficient good bloom available to warrant the trouble and expenditure entailed. Next year it is hoped that the biggest and best Autumn Flower Show yet, may be held.

Now none of the things mentioned above can be accomplished without work, and since the accomplishments are of such a broad public character, surely it is reasonable to expect that all public spirited citizens will join in it.

The first opportunity to join in this work for 1934 will occur at the annual meeting to be held at the High School on January 13th, at 3 p.m., and I appeal to everyone to make use of this opportunity. Will you not come to this meeting prepared to suggest improvements in the program for 1934 and then to elect the officer's who you think will best carry out that program, or if necessary, accept office yourself.

Of course it is expected that you will come prepared to pay your membership fee for 1934 and thus save the work of canvassing to collect it later, and as well make yourself eligible to vote.

PAUL E. ANGLE, Pres.

TEMPERANCEVILLE

The regular meeting of the A.Y. P.A. met in the Parish Hall on Monday evening. Miss Clara Mason of Richmond Hill was the guest speaker. She also showed lantern slides of her experiences while travelling with the van in the North-West of Saskatchewan. These were well worth seeing. She gave us a very keen insight to learn more of the less fortunate people in that part of Canada. She stated that while on their journey they heard and saw many hard cases, but they all seemed eager to learn of the gospel. This column wishes Miss Mason every success with her work, as she is looking forward to going back again to work among these homesteaders in May.

The annual meeting and the election of officers for the Sunday School took place on Monday evening. The officers elected were: Supt., Mrs. A. Follitt; Ass't. Supt., Aubrey Lloyd; Secty., Norman Payne; Ass't., Mae Harman; Treas., George Umehara; Teachers—Beginners (Class, Eliza Barker; Junior Girls, Ruth Jennings; Ass't., Patricia Brown; Junior Boys, Violet McColeman; Senior Girls, Mary Barker; Ass't., Mrs. Roy Follitt; Senior Boys, Leonard Harman; Ass't., John Brown; Bible Class, Mrs. Follitt; Ass't., Mabel Jennings; Missionary Supt., Mae Thompson; Temperance Supt., Ruth Jennings; Pianist, Grace Rumble.

The election of officers for Y.P.S. were as follows: Hon. Pres., Rev. G. Lynd; Pres., Ruth Jennings; Vice-Pres., Grace Rumble; Secty., Aubrey Lloyd; Treas., Jack Brown; Christian Fellowship Convenor, Violet McColeman; Ass't., Mabel Jennings; Christian Missionary Convenor, Mae Thompson; Ass't., Eliza Barker; Christian Citizenship Convenor, Harry Rumble; Ass't., Wallace Jennings; Literary and Social Convenors, Mary Barker and Nora Rumble; Recreational, Aubrey Lloyd and Clifford Rumble; Leadership Training, Leonard Harman; Librarian, Mae Harman; Pianist, Mildred Follitt; Ass't., Mae Thompson.

The congregational meeting will be held on Monday evening, Jan. 15th, in the basement of the church.

The regular monthly meeting of the W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Umehara on Thursday, Jan. 18.

The first debate of the series, "Resolved that Christian Missions in China meet with greater opposition from Communism than from Native Religion," will take place on Friday evening, Jan. 19th, at Victoria Sq. Mary Barker and Clifford Rumble from this society will uphold the negative side.

ELDER NEWS

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Agar Nashville, when they entertained The Elder Club. The evening was spent in dancing, the music being provided by the McDonald brothers of Vellore. Mr. C. Nattress was floor manager.

The W.M.S. of Knox Church met at the home of Mrs. W. King on Thursday, Jan. 4th. The World's Day of Prayer was observed. Mrs. Cameron had charge of the meeting. Those taking part were, Miss J. Elder, Mrs. M. Smith, Mrs. D. Fines and Mrs. King. Miss K. Elder gave a splendid synopsis of the Glad Tidings for the year. Mrs. Cameron gave a paper on "Peace."

The usual social hour followed the meeting, lunch being provided by the hostess.

The Y.W.A. also met at the home of Mrs. King for the purpose of closing the books for the year and making the necessary arrangements for carrying on the coming year.

Mr. Alfred Fitzpatrick, accompanied by his brother Mr. J. Fitzpatrick of Kapuskasing, spent a few days in this vicinity.

The Cemetery Committee of Knox Church met at the home of Mr. W. King for the purpose of closing accounts for the year and making plans for another year.

The many friends of Mrs. W. Nattress will be pleased to learn that she was able to attend service on Sunday after having been confined to her home for the past eleven months.

The Rev. Dr. Robinson of Toronto, who is carrying on a series of meetings in The Woodbridge Presbyterian and United Churches for the coming two weeks, had charge of the service at Knox Church on Sunday, p.m. He was accompanied by his pianist, Miss Gunert, also of Toronto.

Mrs. M. McKenna and daughter Ruth of Woodhill spent the past week with the formers parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Johnson.

Mrs. G. McGillivray and three daughters are visiting with friends at Brantford.

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NEWTONBROOK

An Old Fashioned Social will be held next Friday evening, Jan. 12th at 8 o'clock, in the Sunday School Hall of the United Church, under the auspices of the Women's Association. Everyone come in old fashioned clothes, if possible. There will be program, games and refreshments. Silver collection.

The Congregational Supper an annual meeting of Newtonbrook United Church will be held on Wednesday evening, Jan. 24th, at 6:30.

The W.M.S. will meet at the parsonage next Tuesday, Jan. 16th at 2:30 p.m. As this is the first meeting of the New Year every member is requested to attend and try and bring a new member.

The Intermediate Boys' Class had their election of officers, with the following results: Pres., Donald Graham; Vice-Pres., Vinton Hewett; Secretary, Roy Davis; Librarian, Carmen Lockler. Donald Graham has been present at Sunday School every Sunday for two years.

The Girl's Mission Circle will hold their regular meeting this (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock, at the parsonage.

The Women's Association met last Thursday at 10:30. After luncheon, the business meeting was held with the president, Mrs. W. T. Wells, presiding. Arrangements were made for an Old Fashioned Social to be held on Friday evening, Jan. 12th. Delegates were also appointed to attend the annual meeting of the W.A. of Toronto Centre Presbytery next Tuesday, Jan. 16th, at 10:30, to be held in St. Columba United Church, Toronto. The meeting closed at 3:30. Two quilts were completed by the ladies.

A Communion and Reception Service was held at the close of the regular morning service last Sunday in the United Church, with a large attendance.

Miss Irene Smith was in charge of the Y.P.S. meeting last Monday evening. She gave a splendid reading on "Thoughts for the New Year." Mrs. James assisted in the devotional exercises and Miss Eleanor Moore sang a solo. Clifford Brett also gave an interesting reading. Each member responded with a sentence prayer or scripture verse to the roll call. A recreation period followed after the meeting.

CARRVILLE

At the school meeting held in the school last week Mr. Walter Bone and Mr. Jonathan Baker were elected as trustees in the place of the retiring trustees, Mr. W. Bone and Mr. Holiday.

The Carrville Young People are busy practising their play "The Little Path Across the Hill" which they intend giving in about two weeks.

We are glad to report Mrs. Geo. Woods is able to be up and around again after her recent illness. Mr. G. Walker is still confined to his bed.

Little Johnnie Hyslop had to have a few stitches in his head as the result of being cut with glass from the wind shield of the truck he was riding in with his father. On account of the icy conditions of the road the truck Mr. Hyslop was driving crashed into a gravel truck and damaged Mr. Hyslop's truck pretty badly.

The regular monthly meeting of the W.A. was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dellbrocco.

Notice to Creditors

IN THE ESTATE OF Harriet Watson late of the Township of Vaughan, in the County of York, Widow, Deceased.

ALL PERSONS having claims against the Estate of the above mentioned, who died at the Township of Vaughan, in the County of York, on the 31st day of Oct., 1933 are required to file proof of the same with the undersigned, at 302 Sterling Tower Building, Toronto, on or before the 20th day of January, 1934.

After that date the Executors will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

DATED at Toronto this 22nd day of December, 1933.

HARVEY ALLAN KNIGHT, THOMAS B. SPEIGHT, Executors Per JOHN ALEXANDER MILN, 302 Sterling Tower Bldg., Toronto, Ontario.

Notice to Creditors

ESTATE OF

WILLIAM HENRY PUGSLEY

All persons having claims against the Estate of William Henry Pugsley late of the Village of Richmond Hill Ontario, deceased, who died on or about the 24th day of April, 1933, are requested to send the same to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of January, 1934, otherwise the claims will be disallowed.

JOHN F. LENNOX & CO., 371 Bay Street, Toronto, Solicitors for the Executors

VICTORIA SQUARE

It's only a break in the winter folks 's not really going to be spring, at we know the odd little break in life

heers us up and makes us sing." Miss Marritt of Saskatchewan is sitting with her cousin, Miss Mabel anderson.

Misses Bessie Valliere, Dorothy art, Ruth Caseley, Reva Nichols and Laura Gee also Mr. Fraser Gee thoroughly enjoyed the Community life Conference held at Pickering college on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week. Lectures and discussions touched on many phases of rural interest. Economics, the farmer and his politics, home life, the church and its place, recreation, appreciation of music and the milk problem were presented and discussed. Special J.W.I. sessions included health information and demonstrations on the preparation and use of wool in spinning, weaving and other arts.

Last week the annual meeting of the Sunday School showed it to be in a flourishing condition. With finances not quite at par, the leaders feel that a year of strenuous demands has been well met, and feel confident that we will not fall down on the demands and opportunities of 1934. Some improvements in routine were discussed and the following officers elected. Supt., R. F. Boynton; Ass'ts. for the five Sundays of month, Mrs. R. Klinck, Mr. E. Avison, Mrs. W. Klees, Mrs. I. Nichols, Mrs. W. Haig; Treas., W. Brumwell; Secty's., F. Gee, F. Brumwell; Librarians, Harold Mortonson, Douglas Gee; Leader of Reading, Mabel Sanderson; Pianists, Aura Klinck, Grace Valliere; Leaders of Singing, L. Gee, R. Nichols; Teachers—Adult B. C., L. L. Nichols, Mrs. R. F. Boynton; Young Men's, Rev. Wm. Haig, R. L. Boynton, Cecil Nichols; Young Ladies—Red Ribbon Workers, Laura Gee; Junior Girls, Dorothy Valliere, Lulu Beatty; Junior Boys, Mabel Sanderson, Mr. Avison; Primary, Ethel Mortonson, Mrs. H. Collard. Over 125 were present to encourage this new staff of officers on the first Sunday in the New Year.

We wish to congratulate Miss Frances Cripps on her art work printed on Young Canada's page of the Toronto Globe. A good representation from the Y. P.S. enjoyed a skating party at the Richmond Hill arena on Saturday night. After some delay the party arrived at the 'Gee Homestead' where they participated in lunch and a sing-song. Over fifty braved the snow storm to attend Y.P.S. on Sunday evening. Miss Mabel Sanderson, 1st Vice-president on the new executive, had a good program prepared and the year's work got away to a good start.

The annual public meeting in connection with the Community Hall was held Monday evening. Trustees remain the same, having been elected for a 2 year term, while Mr. Jack Frisby was re-elected Sec.-Treas. The yearly report showed a reduction of the debt to approximately \$200. This is encouraging to the community as the hall is filling a here-to-fore gap in the community life.

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THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

From Our Issue of Jan. 5th, 1899

The Village butchers have decided to sell meat for cash only. This may be a little hard on some of us, but no doubt it will be better for us all in the end.

You can now send letters to any part of the British Empire or the United States for 2 cents. This seems to have been given by the Postmaster-General as a New Year's gift.

Councillor J. H. Kirby of Maple, who headed the poll at the municipal election in Vaughan on Monday, was serenaded by the Vellore Band on Tuesday night.

After giving several choice selections, and an exchange of congratulations, the musicians left for home, the treasurer of the band taking with him a paper on which was printed the letter V.

Mr. Wm. Harrison, who for 40 years has held the position of Superintendent of the Methodist Sabbath School has resigned. We doubt if there is another Sabbath School in the country that has worked under the same superintendent for so long a time without a break. Mr. Harrison has done faithful and efficient work for the school and he retires with honors.

At the close of the poll at the election for four Village Councillors on Monday, the result was as follows: John Palmer 88; T. H. Trench 84; Wm. Innes 70; David Hill 64; H. F. Hopper 64. The two last named being even, Mr. Hopper requested Mr. Teffy, returning officer, to break the tie in favor of Mr. Hill, which was accordingly done.

The spring term of the High School opened on Tuesday morning. Most of the pupils were back and although the attendance last term was a record breaker it will be slightly increased when the registers are made out for this term.

The annual meeting of the Committee of Management of the Methodist Sabbath School was held at the Parsonage on Tuesday evening. Election of officers and teachers resulted as follows: Supt., Mr. J. A. E. Switzer; Secty., Mr. Fred Harrison; Treas., Mr. A. Hume; Librarian, Mr. W. A. Sanderson; Organist, Miss Wiley; Asst., Miss Switzer; Senior Bible Class Teacher, Mr. E. Coombs; Asst., Dr. Hutchison; Junior Bible Class, Mr. A. J. Hume; Intermediate Classes of Boys, Mr. T. F. McMahon; Miss Mary Trench, Mr. A. Wright, Miss Wiley; Intermediate Classes of Girls, Mrs. Atkinson, Miss Rogers, Mrs. Sivers; Infant Class, Mrs. M. Wiley; Leader of Orchestra, Mr. Hume; Leader of Singing, Mr. A. Wright; Blackboard Lessons, Mr. Hume and Mr. A. Wright.

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