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NOTICE TO Markham Township Ratepayers

THE 1934 TAX BILLS ARE BEING SENT OUT AND SHOULD REACH YOU IN DUE COURSE.

Tax arrears, which prior to this year, were returned to the County, are now shown on the records at the Township office and are payable to the Township, subject to the same penalties, and will be included in this year's tax notices.

Your attention is hereby directed to R.S.O. 1914 Chap. 195, Sec. 94, which reads as follows:

The taxes due upon any land with costs may be recovered with interest as a debt due to the municipality from the owner or tenant originally assessed therefor and from any subsequent owner of the whole or any part thereof, saving his recourse against any other person, and shall be a special lien on the land in priority to every claim, privilege, lien or incumbrance of every person except the Crown, and the lien and its priority shall not be lost or impaired by any neglect omission or error of the municipality or of any agent or officer, or by want of registration.

Your prompt attention will avoid additional penalties.
CHAS. HOOVER, Township Treasurer, Unionville

VELLORE

All roads seemed to lead to Vellore on Monday night for the Pupils and ex-Pupils concert of Vellore Public School. All the available seats were filled, also standing room was taken and many were turned away. The concert proved no disappointment to the crowd and much credit is attributed to Miss Elma Farr, teacher, for the performance of drills, pantomimes dialogues, minstrels and the play.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's Church, Vaughan, will hold their annual supper and entertainment in the Sunday School on Friday evening, Dec. 28th.

The Vellore Junior Farmers and Farm Girls held their monthly meeting on Tuesday evening. The boys speaker for the evening was Mr. Art McNeil, who spoke on "Vitamins in Feed." During the girls meeting four girls made candy and gave their recipe. The candy was passed after lunch. This month was the annual business meeting. Miss Velma Darker was appointed chairman for the girls meeting and Miss Agnes McLean acted as Secretary. Newly elected officers for the girls are: President, Miss Jane McNeil; Vice-President, Miss Marion Phillips; Secretary, Miss Agnes McLean; Pianist, Miss Laurena Rutherford; Flower Committee, Misses Deborah Davidson Catharine Brownlee, Minnie Line, Greta Stong and Jean Robson; Program Committee, the Executive and Miss Mary Constable. Mr. R. E. White acted as chairman for the boys business meeting and Mr. Art McNeil acted Secretary. Newly elected officers for the boys are: President, Mr. Bruce McDonald; Vice-President, Mr. Frank Robson; Secretary, Mr. Jim McLean; Treasurer, Mr. Newton Watson; Program Committee, Mr. Alex McNeil, Mr. Clarence Graham, Mr. George Constable and the Executive.

Mr. Sam Davidson was appointed Editor and Miss Marion Phillips Assistant Editor of the Vellore Pep.

The boys joined the girls in the hall for the social hour which was spent in games and folk dances under the very capable leadership of Miss Nellie Lewis, Secretary of the Religious Council for the province of Ontario, assisted by Miss Joyce, social worker, who were secured through Mr. Fred Graham of St. Clair Y.M.C.A. The Vellore Pep was read by Miss Agnes McLean in the absence of the editor, Miss Audrey McNaughton, who has proven a splendid journalist. Dancing followed for an hour, later lunch was served.

St. Paul's Missionary Society held their December meeting at the Mansie in Maple. A large membership was present and the roll call was well responded with a verse of scripture using the word "Repent." Mrs. J. A. McNeil gave gleanings from the Glad Tidings. An interesting paper was given by Mrs. M. McDonald. A chapter from the Study Book was read by Mrs. Stevens. A piano instrumental was rendered by Miss Laurena Rutherford. Mrs. J. A. McNeil led in prayer. Mrs. W. A. Wallis of Wood bridge was the guest of the meeting and was presented with a beautiful leather bound Hymn Book as a token of appreciation for her services to the W.M.S. of St. Paul's during the past nine years when she was President of Section III in the Toronto Presbyterian.

All the committees reported successful work during the year. Two life members were made, namely, Mrs. D. A. Witherspoon and Mrs. Wm. Bishop. The treasurer reported that our Allocation had been reached leaving a goodly balance on hand.

Mrs. W. A. Wallis presided during the election of officers for the coming year. President, Miss Annie Kerr; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. J. A. Constable; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. G. Hoover; Secretary, Mrs. A. Cameron; Treasurer, Miss M. Constable; Pianist, Mrs. T. Witherspoon; Assistant Pianist, Mrs. R. McDonald; Glad Tidings Secretary, Mrs. Jas. Robson; Birthday Box Treasurer, Miss Edith Kingdom; Press Secty., Miss Laurena Rutherford; Literature Secty., Mrs. A. L. McNeil; Home Helpers Convenor, Mrs. Jarrett; Supply Committee, Mrs. E. Bryson; Mrs. J. McGillivray, Mrs. D. A. McKinnon; Flower Committee, Mrs. Nelson Kerr, Mrs. S. Jones, Mrs. J. Robson, Miss Grace Egan; Life Membership Committee, Mrs. J. A. McNeil, Mrs. D. A. McKinnon, Mrs. J. McGillivray; Mission Band Leader, Miss M. Constable; Ass't., Miss J. McNeil.

Rev. C. H. Bowman closed the meeting with prayer. Later lunch was served by the hostess and the committee.

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PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT THE FOURTH ANNUAL COMMUNITY LIFE CONFERENCE

sponsored by Pickering College in co-operation with the local Representative of the Department of Agriculture will be held at Pickering College, Newmarket, on January 2, 3 & 4, 1935. The sessions will commence on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and the Conference will terminate on Friday evening.

The Conference is open to all young people (and those who still "think young") who care to attend. The sessions should make a special appeal to members of Junior Farmers' Clubs, Junior Institutes and Young People's Societies. The program arrangements already concluded are as follows:

1. Rabbi Eisendrath of the Holy Blossom Synagogue, Toronto, who will speak on the subject "Youth and the World to-day."
2. Mr. Herbert Hannam, Educational Secretary of the U.F.O., will speak and lead a discussion on the problem of rural adult Education.
3. Mr. Raymond Booth of the Society of Friends, Toronto, will lead a series of three discussions on the general topic "Church Youth looks at the World."
4. A joint session will be held on Thursday evening to be addressed by J. Earl Lawson, K.C., M.P., on the subject "The City looks at the Country." This will be responded to by Miss Agnes McPhail, M.P., on the subject "The Country looks at the City." The two addresses will be followed by discussion.
5. Mrs. H. P. Plumtre, prominent for many years in public life and social service in the city of Toronto and a candidate for the Board of Control in the present elections, will speak on the subject "Women and Public Life."
6. Mr. A. B. Hodgetts of the staff of Pickering College, will be present for the whole period of the Conference for informal discussion on economic problems.
7. Mr. W. R. Cook of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. will be present for the three days to give leadership in discussion of recreation in our communities. The gymnasium and the covered rink will be available for the use of the delegates.
8. Dr. L. J. Simpson, Minister of Education for the Province, will be present with us on the afternoon of January 2nd.

Further arrangements are in progress by which we hope to provide a program of information and inspiration. In the meantime, we would appreciate it if groups throughout the country would give the matter as much publicity as possible. It looks as though we will have a larger Conference than we have had in the past and those who intend to come, should send in their registration form at an early date. The charge for the three-day session will be \$3.00 to help cover the cost of room and board.

CHRISTMAS

Our gifts may be many and useful
And pleasing to look upon
But let us remember the richest and best
Is the gift of God's only son.

He was born in a lowly manger
Among the beasts of the stall
This Saviour, this loving Redeemer,
The Mighty and Monarch of all.

We thank Thee, O God, for the gift
of Thy Son,
Who came, a lost world to save,
Though He suffered and died on
Calvary's Cross,
He triumphantly rose from the grave.

When we meet on this day with
loved ones,
To enjoy the good things of earth,
May we remember that Christmas
Day
Is in honour of His birth.

We thank Thee, O God, for providing
Sufficient that all could be fed,
Though we fear this day there are
hungry ones
Who are lacking for daily bread.

May we who have plenty, with unselfish hearts,
Help those who we know are in need.
He who helpeth the poor lendeth unto
the Lord,
For such will be blessed indeed.

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NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE BUSY FARMER

Educational Exhibits
The Dominion Department of Agriculture and the Ontario Department of Agriculture were able patrons of the Royal Winter Fair and filled considerable space with splendid educational exhibits. Both Departments emphasized market grades and the preparation of farm produce for market. The exhibit of eggs showing all the grades was educational indeed, and the same might be said of the bacon and lamb displays. Attention was likewise drawn to the growing sales of graded beef and to what is meant by Red and Blue quality. Other branches of the Departments occupied prominent positions in strategic locations.

The Ontario Agricultural College exhibit emphasized the importance of pasture improvement, and had on display the actual sward from several pastures where experimental work is being conducted. The improved strains of several grasses were likewise presented for the first time.

Improvement of the Bushlot
Late fall and early winter is the ideal time for working in the bush as the ground is dry and frozen, and there is little snow to interfere with the work.

Many farmers who have been burning coal and saving the woods will be turning back to the bush for their fuel because of the depression. In cutting a bush the owner should think of the future more than in most other farm operations, as cuttings done now may affect the bush 50 to 100 years hence. In all bushes that have not been heavily pastured there are trees whose removal would benefit the remaining stand. These trees will make excellent firewood. In most of the bushes selection cutting should be practised, which is cutting trees here and there through the bush. In this way the bush is never broken as seedlings spring up in the small openings. Many fine young trees have been cut down during the past two decades to be sawn by the buzz-saw. These trees have just reached the stage to put on their maximum wood growth, and often if left five years longer would put on as much wood growth as they have in the previous 25 years.

For further information write to the Forestry Branch, Parliament Buildings, Toronto. The Forestry Branch also publishes a bulletin on 'The Woodlot' which is sent on application.

Winter Fair Winners

Winners in the Agricultural Society Class at the Guelph Winter Fair were as follows:
1st, Teeswater Society, 452 points; 2nd, Paris Society, 449 points; 3rd, Carrick Society, 446 points; 4th, Alliston Society, 435 points; 5th, Owen Sound Society, 432 points; 6th, Equestrian Society, 431 points; 7th, London Township Society, 430 points; 8th, Markham Society, 427 points; 9th, Wellington County Society, 425 points; 10th, Camden Society. Other contributing Societies were as follows: Scott Society, South Huron Society, Brooke and Alvinston Society, Peel County Society, Cookstown Society, Richmond Hill Society, North Middlesex Society, Flos Society, Moore Society, Comber Society and Powassan Society.

Silage Crops

For ten years the Field Husbandry Division at Ottawa has been conducting experiments with the ensiling of various crops. Twenty crops cut at different stages of maturity and under different conditions have been successfully ensiled in experimental silos. Over two hundred tests have been made. Of the crops tested, corn is without doubt the best for ensiling. Sunflowers are recommended on heavy clay soils and in cool climates where corn does not do well. Mixtures of oats and peas, or oats, peas and vetches make very good silage. Red clover is an excellent silage crop but alfalfa is rather difficult to ensile and should be used for hay where possible. Buckwheat, cut in full bloom, yields 7 or 8 tons per acre of fairly good silage. Experiments are being continued with these and other crops.

O.A.C. Short Courses

Special attention is directed to the Horticultural Short Courses being held at O.A.C. Guelph, January 2nd to 11th. It is confidently expected that everyone interested in Fruit and Vegetable Growing and in Ornamental Horticulture will take advantage of this opportunity. There are no fees or expenses other than room and board which will cost 75c. per day. In addition to the regular staff of the O.A.C. and the Vineland Experimental Station, there will be a number of outstanding speakers. Some of the subjects to be dealt with include "How Plants Live," "Soils and Soil," "Soil

Drainage," "Types of Insects and Methods of Control," "Diseases of Plants, Nature and Method of Control," "Plant Nutrients, Their Uses and Effects," "Home Grounds," "Plant Nutrition," "Cold Storage of Horticultural Products," "The Place of the Honey Bee in Horticulture," "Uses of Cement." In addition there will be more specialized lectures for the different groups under various headings of "Fruit Growing," "Vegetable Growing" and "Ornamental Horticulture."

Hay Market Report

In the eastern part of the province the demand for hay is slow at present as dealers bought rather extensively earlier in the season. There have been a few shipments to New York state recently. A large part of the 1934 crop of market hay is still in growers' hands in the Ottawa valley and the St. Lawrence counties, and consists mainly of timothy and timothy-clover mixed. Prices being paid growers range from \$10 to \$12 per ton.

Prices to the growers for timothy, in Northern Ontario, range from \$11 to \$14 per ton with a steady demand in the towns and cities.

There is practically no surplus of market hay in Central Ontario this year and the prices range from \$16 to \$16.50 per ton, and \$6.00 for oat straw.

In Southwestern Ontario alfalfa has been the principal hay in supply this year. There is also a fair quantity of timothy and timothy-grass mixed. Little clover hay is available in this part of the province. The demand for hay is only fair at present as live stock is still on pasture in many localities owing to the open weather. Prices to growers are lower than during September, ranging from \$14 to \$16 per ton for timothy No. 1. Local market, such as Toronto, are expected to require the available supply in the district. Growers are being paid \$5.50 to \$7.50 for oat straw and \$7 to \$8 for wheat straw.

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