

**WEEKLY NEWS NOTES FROM THE UNIONVILLE DISTRICT**

**"Cause It's Gettin' Spring"**  
The medder lark is pipin' forth a sweeter note to me,  
And I hear the peewees over yonder in the cedar tree;  
The popple leaves is quiverin' 'cause the wind is in the west,  
And the robin's 'round a hookin' straws to build hisself a nes';  
The blackbird he's a flashin' up the crimson on his wing,  
What's the reason?  
Oh! 'Cause it's gettin' Spring.  
The old man's got the Rheumatiz an' stiff as he can be;  
Why it don't get settled weather's Noah'n he can see?  
But when it clears off splendid, then he fears the crops is lost,  
And he reckons jest a little wind 'ud keep away the frost.  
The kitchen door is open; I can hear Elmry sing,  
What's the reason?  
Oh! 'Cause it's gettin' Spring.  
The air is kind of soft'nin' and you think it's goin' to storm;  
Sometimes it's ki.d o' chilly, then again it comes off warm;  
An' jest when it's the stillest you can hear the bull-frog's note,  
An' it 'pears as if he wondered how the frost got in his throat,  
The ducks and geese are riotous, an' straining hard to sing.  
What's the reason?  
Oh! 'Cause it's gettin' Spring.

—Ben King's Verse.

April 8th was a special day for missionary inspiration to the W.M.S. auxiliaries of Stouffville, Brown's Corners and Unionville United Churches when they assembled in Central United Church for the annual Easter Thankoffering meeting. Mrs. W. Young presided over the opening devotional services, with Mrs. Thomas of Stouffville in charge of the program proper. An impressive part of the opening service was the singing of that favorite old time hymn "Take time to be Holy" in memory of the late Miss Arabella Hemingway, who was a member of Central United W.M.S. for many years. The Bible message was feelingly given by Mrs. Blake Saunders, in which she stressed Christ's parting message to His disciples, "Go ye into all the World," and left the thought that as Christians we should have the spirit of love and self-sacrifice, and one and all carry on His work.

Mrs. R. L. Stiver followed with effective prayer and two well rendered solos were presented by the Stouffville ladies. Mrs. Kellington singing "Open the Gates of the Temple" and Miss Scott "Shall I Empty Handed be?"

Miss E. McEachern, the guest speaker of the afternoon, who is home on furlough from Korea, gave an interesting address on Christian progress in that country. In spite of much opposition Korea has made greater strides in accepting Christianity than any other country. They now send missionaries to China and

Japan and have driven the Buddhists back to the hills. A splendid tribute was given to Canadians by a Korean woman when she said "Thank the women of Canada for lifting the Korean women out of Drudgery."

Rev. Owen closed the meeting with prayer after which a social time was enjoyed. Central United W.M.S. served tea. A substantial contribution was received for missionary work.

Congratulations to the Junior Farmers organizations for receiving 1st honors in the Drama contest that was held at Newmarket on Monday evening last. The drama "Coercion" presented by a splendid caste including Marion Warne, Mary Champion, Fred Johnson and Don Gibbing, winning over all competitors by six points. The director in charge, Art Grange, is also to be congratulated.

Mr. R. L. Stiver purchased a splendid team of three year old Percheron horses recently. Rube likes a good team and usually has them best when it comes to an exhibition in the show ring.

Mrs. A. E. Covell of Toronto visited Mrs. M. C. Sommerville on Sunday, prior to leaving for the Coronation and a six months trip to Europe.

Mr. Wm. Forbes and Miss Muriel Armour of Toronto were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Harrington on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Myers visited Mr. and Mrs. L. Middleton on Sunday.

Mrs. J. Kennedy and Miss M. Nelson of Acton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Russell over the weekend.

Mrs. G. A. M. Davison visited her daughter Mrs. C. Wyndham at Oakville on Sunday. Mrs. Wyndham is making favorable convalescence following a serious operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davison and family who have been residing in the Pingle house have returned to Kitchener.

**CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH**

Unionville  
Pastor—Rev. A. E. Owen  
10 a.m.—Church School.  
11 a.m.—"The Ministry of a Trans-figured Church."  
7 p.m.—"From Shepherd's Field to Monarch's Throne."

**EBENEZER UNITED CHURCH**

1.30 p.m.—Church School.  
2.30 p.m.—"The Ministry of a Trans-figured Church."

**ST. PHILIP'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

10 a.m.—Church School.  
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

**BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Rev. E. Huenergard, B.D.  
Pastor  
10 a.m.—Church School.  
11 a.m.—Public Worship.

**Social and Personal**

Mrs. E. M. Sanders of Lemonville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. Patten.

Friends will regret to hear of the serious illness of Mrs. Lucy Bowes, Centre Street West.

Miss Gladys Huffman of Toronto visited friends in the Village over the week-end.

Mr. William Neill, Centre Street West, has been ill the past week. Friends extend to him best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. T. E. Stephenson returned home this week after undergoing an operation in the Oshawa hospital and we are pleased to report is making satisfactory progress.

Congratulations to Miss Doreen Johnson of Richmond Hill who won the bronze medal for soprano solo by girl under eighteen years at the York Musical Festival held at Aurora on Wednesday. Miss Johnson is fifteen years of age.

A congregational meeting was held in St. Mary's (Anglican) Church on Monday evening to make arrangements for a Coronation Garden Party to be held on the church grounds Wednesday, June 16th. Various committees were formed and will meet at a later date to complete the plans that are already under way.

An enjoyable time was spent at the home of Mrs. Arthur Elson, Roseview Ave., last Friday evening. Mrs. Elson had invited the choir of the Presbyterian Church and Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham to hold their weekly practise at her home. After the practise a social hour was spent and a lunch provided. Mr. Cunningham thanked Mrs. Elson for the kindness. In response Mrs. Elson said she had had this in mind for some time and had enjoyed the singing very much and hoped they would come again.

**LACROSSE MEETING**

All interested in the organization of an intermediate lacrosse team here are asked to attend a meeting at the Municipal Hall Monday evening at 8 p.m.

**PARENTS' DAY**

The School and Home Club invite parents and friends of Public School children to a parents' day at the Public School on the afternoon of Thurs., April 22. Everyone welcome.

**WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HOLD REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. G. Yerex on Thursday of last week when Miss Izzard gave a most enjoyable informal talk on the side lights of the Educational Conference held in Cheltenham, England, last summer. Mrs. Walwin and Miss E. Barker favored the meeting with a duet. The Institute hostesses served afternoon tea.

**HEAD OF THE BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY**

At the 105th anniversary of the Upper Canada Book and Tract Society held in St. Columba Church on Tuesday evening Rev. C. W. Pollett, B.D., pastor of Richmond Hill United Church, was re-elected president for the sixth year. Mr. Pollett also preached the annual sermon in the same church on Sunday evening last.

**MAPLE & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

Clubs wishing to play in the Maple and District Football League are asked to communicate with the Secretary on or before April 17th, or attend the meeting to be held in Vellore Memorial Hall Wednesday, April 21st at 8 p.m. when final arrangements will be made for the season and a schedule drawn up.  
G. DUNN, J. B. PLUNKETT,  
President. Secretary.

**EVENING AUXILIARY**

The Evening Auxiliary of the United Church are holding their regular meeting on Tuesday next, April 20th at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Wm. Cook, 66 Church St. Part of the study book will be dramatized by members of the W.M.S. and the Evening Auxiliary. Everyone welcome.

**CORONATION REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

A special service of Thanksgiving and Dedication to be held in St. Mary's Church, Richmond Hill, Sunday evening, May 9th, being the Sunday before the Coronation of their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth is being arranged by Rev. W. F. Wrixon. A special Form of Service patterned after the one to be used in England and recommended by the Archbishop of Canterbury is being printed in Souvenir Form to be distributed at the Service. The Trumpet Band, War Veterans, Scouts, Guides, Orange Lodges and other organizations are invited to parade to this service.

**BUTTONVILLE INSTITUTE**

The April meeting of the Buttonville Institute will be held at the home of Miss Drew Kelly on Wednesday, April 21st, at 2.30 p.m. An address will be given by Mrs. Graves, former district president. Mrs. Harrington of Unionville will give a vocal selection. An instrumental duet by Kenneth and Clara Connell will also be a feature of the program. The roll call will be answered by the paying of fees.

**Fire Destroys Eaton Hall Barn**

The fine main barn on the Eaton Hall Farm, King Township, was completely destroyed by fire Monday night and the efforts of fire brigades from Richmond Hill, Aurora and Maple were necessary to keep the flames from spreading to other buildings on the farm which belongs to Lady Eaton.

The fire was first sighted about 10 p.m. by Peter Back, carpenter of the farm, as it broke through the roof around the clock tower in the centre of the barn. Spontaneous combustion or a short circuit, setting fire to the hay, is believed to have been the cause. The farm staff was mustered and the prize Holstein cattle, familiar to C.N.E. and winter fair visitors, and the horses were led out.

The hunters of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Eaton were frantic with fear. Ballyoran, Mr. Eaton's new Irish chestnut, gave his rescuer, Bob McDowell, a hard fight. Meanwhile neighbors gathered and carried personal effects and farm records from the single men's quarters and offices, which occupied one end of the barn.

Fire brigades were summoned from Maple, Aurora and Richmond Hill, and managed to save the garage and the forge building adjoining. The wind was directly west, blowing the sparks away from both the chicken houses to the north and the staff residences to the south.

Narrowly escaping death, half a dozen firemen leaped for safety less than a minute before an explosion covered the spot where they had been standing with flaming debris as the large crowd gasped. Chopping holes through the roof to try and check spread of the fire to the wings, firemen had to jump several times as a series of minor explosions went off like cannons.

Praise for the work of the volunteer fire brigades was expressed by Mr. Eaton, who credited them with preventing the spread of the flames to the other buildings.

**Our Daily Bread**

Editorial in The Ottawa Journal  
As we may have intimated before on this page we find much interesting and infinitely diversified information in the reports of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Take, for example, the subject of bread.

Bread is another of the things we take for granted in this world. No matter what our wealth, or how poor we are, there is always bread on the table. Some like it stale, some want it fresh from the oven; some eat nothing but brown and others stick faithfully to the white loaf. But everybody spends a few cents a day for bread.

And these small sums added together make the baking business the eleventh industry in Canada in value of production, eighth in wages and salaries paid. Thus last year Canada's 3,045 baking establishments had a capital investment of \$43,788,924, gave employment to 19,167 persons who were paid \$16,369,912, produced bread with a selling value of \$44,302,522. In addition the output in these plants of pies, cakes and cookies had a value of \$11,627,545, and buns worth \$2,940,038 were made. Other products brought the total business of the baking industry to \$59,400,668.

We note, too, that the factories turned out last year 899,366,332 pounds of bread, and this prodigious total does not include bread made by hotels, restaurants, public institutions and in the homes. But even without those incalculable factors every Canadian, if he accounted for his average, consumed last year 82.6 pounds of bread, and since a good many very young Canadians have not attained to the dignity of bread-eaters the average for the others is considerably higher than the figures given.

We could go on at length. It might interest readers to know, for example, that last year Canadian bakers paid \$10,052 for sodium bicarbonate, \$1,678,603 for shortening and \$15,644,023 for flour, used 846,208 gallons of milk. But there is not space for detail, and here is enough to tell most people more, we suspect, than they knew before about the baking industry. It is much more than we knew.

**LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE**

**COMMENTS ON THE PEACE MEETING**

Richmond Hill, R.R. No. 1,  
April 14, 1937

Editor of The Liberal

Dear Sir:—  
I would like, through your paper to commend the "Interested citizens" who were responsible for the peace meeting that was held in the High School last Friday evening. This I believe is something new for the village and is certainly a beginning in the right direction. I sincerely hope that any plans for further work along such lines will receive all kinds of encouragement.

We were indeed fortunate to have the opportunity of hearing such a wonderful speaker as Dr. F. J. Day. I believe I have never heard one speaking for the League of Nations (I still have others to hear) who presented a case in favour of the League, so attractively. Nor one who outlines a more reasonable and common-sense "Pathway to Peace". It was indeed encouraging to hear such an outstanding speaker as Dr. Day putting his faith in something more Christian and more human than billion dollar armament expenditures, to bring peace on earth. While he stressed international trade as the most valuable contribution to peace (reciprocal trade agreements and stabilization of currency must of course accompany international trade) there were three other important points mentioned we ought all to bear in mind. First, world friendship, accomplished by Christian missions and travel. Secondly internationalization of colonial possessions, which would mean drastic sacrifices for some of the greater powers. Thirdly, justice to all humanity.

But there was something strangely odd about this meeting. In spite of the fact that it had been announced in the local paper three weeks ahead of time, with a front page notice in the issue that came out the preceding day, there was only about forty attended; and this drawn from the whole village and surrounding district. Was it because there were other meetings of more importance (I doubt it) that demanded their attendance? Is it possible that people have become such gloomy pessimists that even the talk of a way to peace seems useless? Or do we hear people say "Oh well we'll be in the next war anyway, so what's the use?" Can we conclude that there are all these people that just can't be bothered?

Nor was this all that ran through my mind. I believe without making any rash statements I could make this rough estimate of the attendance. Over seventy per cent of the enthusiasts were over fifty years of age, over sixty per cent of the at-

tendance were women, while those under thirty years of age numbered not more than six. Yet we, the youth, are the ones that are expected to pay the heaviest price in the next war. While the chairman expressed the opinion that we had a quality attendance, if not the quantity; from my experience I do not put much faith in our ministers and teachers keeping us out of the next war. After all this is a question for all of us to decide, and it is about time we all done our own thinking and not let someone else do it for us, particularly in such vital questions as this.

Nevertheless there are apparently some enthusiasts and I vote for another peace meeting, and if by chance any of the youth read this, I say to them let us fill the hall the next time and show that we are willing and ready to do what we can to prevent another mass butchery of human life.

New occasions teach new duties; Time makes ancient good uncouth; They must upward still, and onward, Who would keep abreast of Truth; Lo, before us gleam her camp-fires; We ourselves must Pilgrims be, Launch our Mayflower and steer boldly

Through the desperate winter sea, Nor attempt the Future's portal With the Past's blood-rusted key.

(Lowell)  
A Rural Youth.

April 15th, 1937

Editor, The Liberal

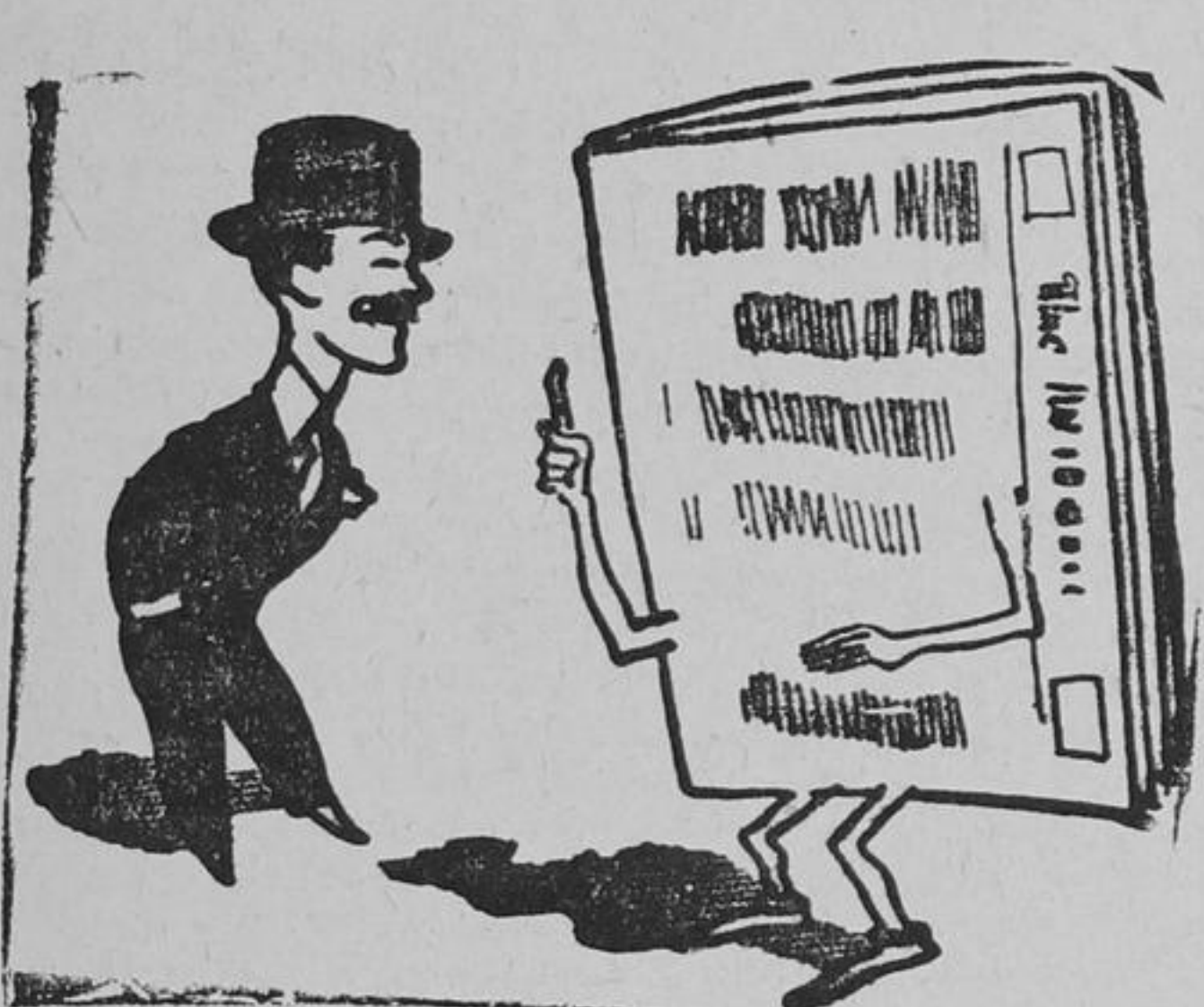
Dear Sir:—

In reply to our worthy Reeve's pronouncement which appeared in the City press Wednesday evening regarding fumigation of houses and in which he states house fumigation without a permit from the Health Dept. will not be tolerated and offenders will be brought before a magistrate I wish to state my experience. I purchased a house and lot from the village council and did not know at the time that I had also purchased a herd of livestock as well. With feed scarce and prices high I decided to dispose of the entire herd, but I don't understand why our Reeve should object or want to know how, when, where and why I disposed of the said herd.

TAXPAYER.

**A KOREAN VISITOR**

Miss Pyughyong Rhu, a young lady of Korea, who is in Toronto studying for missionary work among her own people, will be the guest of Miss Follett on Sunday, and will sing several numbers at the evening service in the United Church. Miss Rhu a talented musician and is in demand in musical circles in a around Toronto.



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