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WALTER SCOTT BLAZES A PATH

Domestic science will henceforth be taught in Richmond Hill public school. That news will be received with pleasure by every far sighted man and woman in the village, and they will unite in paying tribute to the clear vision and sound judgment of Walter Scott, the principal, who by establishing such a course becomes the pioneer here in the new educational set-up that essays to make schooling really and truly a preparation for the years that come after "the Entrance" and after "Matric."

Of the various courses that will be and actually are being incorporated into public and high school curricula, domestic science must ever occupy a conspicuous position for the reason that it is the only study that contemplates the imparting of greater skill in housekeeping and hence home making, and upon our home making, of course, rests all that we are and all that we have in life.

The introduction of a course in domestic science is a fine beginning to the system of technical training, not only for boys and girls of school age but for the residents of entire communities, that is bound to become an important part of the new Canadian scheme of things, and great credit must go to Mr. Scott for his initiation of the course at the earliest possible moment and to the public school board for its co-operation with him.

Residents who have followed school activities here know that school boards in many large centres of the province would consider themselves most fortunate if they could obtain the services of so sound an educationist as Walter Scott.

GIVES CAUSE TO BLUSH

A movement on foot in England that should cause some Canadians, even some living in Richmond Hill, to blush, has for its purpose the sharing of food and clothing with the impoverished peoples of Europe. There is nothing compulsory about it. The offerings are from families all in more or less states of destitution themselves, and all are absolutely voluntary.

Current issues of both the Spectator and the New Statesman tell of this effort to secure sponsorship from the government in the effort to send to Europe food to be provided "by a voluntary gift of a share of their rations"—rations already most meager in comparison with ours.

The New Statesman reports that the letters received in response to the appeal refute the charge that it is only the comfortable, the childless, or the sentimentalist who are willing or able to spare anything from their present ration scale.

Letters came from former prisoners in Nazi concentration camps who wish "to help the children." A soldier of the occupation force at present in Germany writes: "The miseries of the obviously innocent children here make any prolonged sense of happiness or contentment impossible."

An ex-prisoner of war for four years now in hospital writes: "My own sufferings were nothing compared with that of some men who were prisoners with me. But each of us would willingly do anything to help the children. Food is most important to get me back to health. I am willing to do without some of it to help all kiddies, even if it means another year in hospital to get me right."

The editorial comment is "Total war has not destroyed people's sense of human values and moral obligations."

Can this be said of us — the people of Canada who have suffered no material destruction, nor any real privation of food, warmth or clothing?

A MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

The proposal made to Vaughan township council that a memorial hospital be built in Richmond Hill and maintained by Vaughan, Markham township, Richmond Hill and surrounding communities in honor of the youths of the district who fell during the war, is well worthy of consideration.

Certainly there is much in the suggestion that will appeal to folks who can see little if any merit in a sports centre as a memorial, but who would view such a hospital project as representing genuine sacrifice and something of that love for our fellow man that is described as Christ-like.

Hospitals are not money makers. They are not intended to operate at a profit but to render a great and noble service to mankind. Even in the larger centres they incur deficits yearly. Yet there are hospitals in communities round about us, and these may be accepted as precedents, testifying to the fact that a small centre of population may reasonably maintain a small hospital, particularly when there is a fairly well populated countryside to be served.

The proposal, in any event, provides food for reflection. We have considered a memorial sports centre, as already proposed, and we find many persons are opposed to it on the ground that it is devoid of Christian sentiment. We have been offered also a combined sports-educational centre which would make some contribution to Christian fellowship in the sense of providing opportunities for adult education, technical and otherwise, and now we have a memorial hospital truly indicative of Christian charity and benevolence as these virtues are exemplified by the Good Samaritan of old who undertook to care for the stranger fallen by the wayside.

EDUCATION WEEK

Education week, being observed just now throughout the United States and Canada, is set aside to encourage parents and others to visit the schools and see what is being done for the young generation. The opportunities thus extended to make a first hand survey of our schools should be accepted by everyone in as much as education is everybody's business. "There is no occasion for complacency in this field, as one Toronto daily puts it, citing the riots staged by young people in that city Halloween night and the intolerance that is sometimes practised against minorities in Canada as indicating that there are serious gaps in our educational system."

One other fact that cannot be overlooked is that one-third of the rejections from the Canadian armed forces were due to mental instability and personality deficiencies. That condition is a challenge to the parents of the Dominion and also to our educational system.

OUR RESOURCES

Senator T. A. Crerar, former minister of mines and resources, recently quoted the representative of a European

power as having said to him a few years ago: "You have a very rich country, but—if you will pardon me for saying so—you are a very wasteful people." The senator evidently still feels that popular co-operation with government measures to conserve our national resources, is still necessary.

Canadians are not so much wasteful of their heritage as careless about it. The need for enlightened control and efficient development is an urgent challenge to all, he declared. Soundly conserved, prudently managed and turned to practical purposes, as the government at Ottawa, proposes, with the co-operation of the provincial governments, Canada's basic resources can mean much to the country as a whole and the welfare of its people. We must not allow these resources to be developed inadequately or waste away through indifference and neglect.

PEACE! IT'S WONDERFUL

Beyond doubt we are getting back to normal. On the early Richmond Hill radial cars on any chilly morning now one is almost certain to hear the remark that 'we ought to give this country back to the Indians,' and not far away we heard of a party where a prize was given for guessing the number of seeds in a watermelon, and, of course, the seeds had to be counted to determine the winner. Different friends have started keeping tab on the number of days until Christmas, and right in our office a visitor tried to provoke us into expressing an opinion as to whether the Russians, Americans, British or Canadians won the war. "Dark horses" as possible candidates in the coming municipal elections are being discussed here and elsewhere with old time 'wim and wigor,' and the tax rates all over are receiving as much attention as they did in the years preceding 1939. Down in Toronto we noticed a hand organ grinder with a monkey, and we heard of a man who cleared a bit of money as a 'ticket scalper' at one of the hockey games. Certainly peace is here and we're just about back to normal.

MAPLE NEWSY NOTES

Rev. John McCrimmon and Mrs. McCrimmon were in Maple last week. Their daughter Mrs. Richard Foote is in the Western Hospital having had a major operation. Little Miss June Ann Foote is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McDonald while her mother is ill.

Miss Joanne Johnson spent the week-end with her grandmother Mrs. Rainbow in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Gorge Cooper and Lorraine of Dixie visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cooper on Sunday.

Mr. James Thompson of Toronto University spoke at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church last Thursday evening on his work as student missionary near St. John, New Brunswick. He visited at the home of his uncle Mr. George Matheson and family before returning to Toronto.

Misses Walkington entertained St. Andrew's Girls' Club last Friday evening. The girls had a very enjoyable evening. Miss Walkington served a most delicious lunch.

Miss Helen McCaig of Toronto and Miss Louise Matheson spent the week-end with Helen's sister, Mrs. Meek, near Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. John McGillivray motored with Dr. Archer Wallace to Wingham on Friday. Dr. Wallace preached on Sunday and gave a lecture on Monday evening. The rest of the party were visiting friends.

The 75th anniversary of Maple United Church on Sunday last were well attended. At the morning service Rev. S. Wesley Dean, D.D., of Toronto, a former pastor, preached a beautiful sermon. He took his text, "I am the Good Shepherd" from the beautiful stained glass window newly installed by the Kinnee family in memory of their parents and grandparents. Miss Agnes Kinnee is the fifth generation of the Kinnee family who have been members in this church, a very unique record.

This lovely window was presented at the morning service by Morley Kinnee, unveiled by Mrs. C. V. Hall and was received on behalf of the church trustees by Dr. F. W. Routley. The regular choir under leadership of Mrs. R. F. Marritt, sang Sullivan's "I Will Sing of Thy Power O God" and a mixed quartette sang "Bless the Lord O My Soul".

At the evening service Rev. R. R. McMath of Newmarket preached an excellent sermon from the text "Christ loved the church and gave His life for it." A choir of 25 men from the Men's Club of Walmer Road Baptist Church sang.

Mr. Fockler read some very interesting items from the minutes of the official board meeting when it was decided to build the present building. Such family names as Rupert, Dick-out and Kinnee mentioned will be familiar to the older generation. A plan is under way to write and publish a complete history of the 75 years growth of the Maple United Church.

Among the out of town visitors who were former members of the congregation were Mrs. H. C. Bailey, Dr. Marguerite Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Morley Bedford, all of Toronto.

Miss Ina Forrest and sister Mrs. Hugh Todd were week-end guests of Miss Margaret Fockler.

The Maple Women's Institute are holding a Euchre in the Masonic Hall on Thursday, November 22nd at 8.15 p.m. Lucky tickets on a Xmas cake will be drawn. Fowl for first prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Palmer and family spent the week-end with Mrs. Palmer's sister, Mrs. Hillsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker of Newmarket attended Sunday morning service in Maple and visited with Mrs. Chas. Ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leece and family spent the week-end at Gormley with Mrs. Leece's parents.

We are glad to see Sapper Roy Clegg of the R.C.E. home from overseas after more than four years service.

Those in this community who knew the High family who lived some years ago on the farm now owned and occupied by Mr. Wm. Mathew-

son will be interested to know that Norman Jackson of the United States Marines, a son of Katie High, who now resides in Seattle, Washington, was in Maple this week.

The combined meeting of the Women's Missionary Society and the Women's Association of the United Church will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Archer Wallace Wednesday, Nov. 21st at 2.30 p.m. Dr. Wallace will give an address. This is the fall Thank-offering meeting. All the ladies are cordially invited.

The pastor of Zion Lutheran Church is preaching a series of sermons on the Ten Commandments. This Sunday he will take the Commandment "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy". The service will be in the afternoon at 2.30. Any and all are welcome to come and hear the evangelical meaning of the commandments.

The Ladies' Aid of Zion Lutheran Church will hold a sale of work and home baking at the home of Mr. Reuben Keifer, Maple, Mrs. Eva White, hostess, on Saturday afternoon and evening, Nov. 24th beginning at 4 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

Rev. and Mrs. S. Cooper attended the reception given Flt. Lieut. Cronmiller, the newly called pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Welland on Thursday evening.

The November meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S. was held at the Mansie. Owing to the quilting a short business meeting was held with the president, Mrs. M. McDonald, in the chair. Plans were made to send boxes to the boys still overseas.

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Notice is hereby given that I have complied with Section 10 of the Voters' List Act and that I have posted up in my office at Maple, on the 31st day of October, 1945, the List of all persons entitled to vote in the said Municipality for Members of Parliament and at Municipal Elections and that such list remains there for inspection.

And I hereby call upon all voters to take immediate proceedings to have any errors or omissions corrected according to law. The last day for filing appeals is November 21st, 1945.

Dated at Maple Oct. 31, 1945.
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 Clerk of Vaughan Township.

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