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Rusty Scores Again

Richmond Hill Old Boy Wins Hard Fought Race Wellington Wardenship

Eric "Rusty" White, a Richmond Hill old boy has won distinctive honours in the municipal field, having been elected Warden of the County of Wellington. Reeve of Fergus, he is the first representative to attain that honor in 102 years.

On his return to Fergus after a keenly contested election which required twelve ballots, he was greeted by a monster parade headed by the Fergus Pipe Band.

Wellington's Warden was born in Darford, England, in 1908. When a year old he came to Canada with his parents and lived for a time in Toronto, coming to Richmond Hill in 1914. He attended public and high school here and was a very popular and

outstanding athlete. He excelled in baseball, hockey, curling and lacrosse, but it was in the latter he won most renown. A star of the Young Canadians, he was a team-mate of Fred "Dempsey" Armstrong, York County's 1958 Warden on the championship team.

Book Display At Crosby Heights

A Book Display of text and library books will be held at the Crosby Heights Public School, Richmond Hill, on February 19 from 5.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The purpose of the display is to assist teachers and principals in making wise and careful selection of new books to be included in requisition lists to their respective school boards. It is an opportunity for trustees to view text books with their principals. Members of Home and School Associations are invited to attend the display at 8 p.m. in order that parents may become more familiar with the books being used in our schools.

And in conjunction with the Book Display, the first general meeting of the International Reading Association will also be held at Crosby Heights Public School, the same day, from 3.30 to 5 p.m.

Public schools in the district will close early in order to leave the teachers free to attend both meetings.

BALSAM: Joseph Pickett, a 77-year-old bachelor resident of Balsam in Uxbridge Township, lost his entire life savings of \$97 when fire razed his eight room frame house on Tuesday afternoon. Fire brigades from Claremont and Uxbridge were summoned to the scene but could not reach the residence because of knee-deep snow drifts.

In 1934 he moved to Fergus, taking a position with the Beatty Company and playing lacrosse in that town. He played for Fergus seniors from 1934 to 1939 and retired that year due to facial injuries. He later played with Brampton and Owen Sound teams. In 1943 he started refereeing lacrosse games and carried on in this capacity until 1955. He is still employed with the Beatty Company and is general supervisor of the plant.

His wife is the former Irene Thomson of Toronto. They met in the Fergus skating rink. They have one son Brian, now age 16 years. He is a brother of "Al" White of Al's Sport Shop, Richmond Hill.

Mr. White has been a member of Fergus town council for eight years, one as councillor, five as deputy reeve and now serving his second year as reeve.

"The Liberal" joins with "Rusty's" host of friends in extending congratulations on the honor he has won and wishing him continued success. People of the district remember him as a boy and young man who played the game hard, but played it always fair. He was a keen contender in all sporting activities and never spared himself in his efforts for the team and the home town. We are sure those same qualities of heart and mind which endeared him to his many friends here will carry him a long way in public life. If he works as hard in municipal life as he did as a goal-getter in lacrosse he will be a great Warden of Wellington County.

God luck "Rusty" — the home town is still cheering for you.

BUTTONVILLE

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Neighbourhood Notes

Snow, sleet and bluster — true February weather! But the fire is cozy and the cat purrs; it's a wonderful time to catch up on the reading you've been intending to do. Unionville Library has a fine new stock of books now, for your pleasure and it would be a good idea to look them over this Thursday evening between 7.30 and 9.30 p.m. or on Saturday afternoon between 3.30 and 4.30 p.m. Two new additions I liked particularly were "To Keep This Oath" by Heebe Weenelsen and "Exodus" by Leon Uris. There is also an edition of Thor Heyerdal's "Aku-Aku" with beautiful photographs of the Easter Islands, and many other books of equal interest. You will also find many choice stories for the younger members of your family. Where else will you find such endless hours of pleasure and information for the cost of a .50-cent membership card?

Serious illness has sent several people to hospital recently. Mr. Floyd Culp and Mr. Harris among the men, and Mrs. Martin and Dorothy Hooper Robb. Small Carolyn Alex who returned from the Hospital for Sick Children not long ago was scheduled to return again this week for further treatment.

Mrs. Dick Jones enjoyed a visit with Bruce and Jean Jones and Gary at their Wallaceburg home during the past week.

Valentine Parties for Church Groups

Next Saturday afternoon will be a true Valentine's Day celebration for junior members of the community for on that day the Davidson Mission Band members will hold a party at Brown's Corners Church from 2.00 to 4.00 p.m. Mrs. Wilfred Turner and Mrs. Bob Hood have a program planned which the children will not want to miss.

The Explorers of the Victoria Square Charge will hold their party on Monday evening, February 16. The leaders, Mrs. P. Bennett, Mrs. F. Maw and Mrs. J. Storey have planned a supper party for the girls at 6.30 p.m. with an evening of fun to follow.

At the Explorers' meeting held last week the girls presented two pictures to be used in the Sunday School room at Victoria Square Church. Mrs. A. F. Binington received these on behalf of the Sunday School staff.

Junior Farmers and Junior Institute Activities

On Monday evening of last week the local Junior Farmers and Junior Institute groups met at Leitchcroft Assembly Hall to hold their annual election of officers. Mr. M. Cockburn of Newmarket presided over the boys' section and Mrs. R. Pralet, president of Buttonville W. I. conducted the girls' election. Junior Institute officers named were: Hon. Pres., Mrs. George Hooper; president, Carolyn Little; vice-president, Margaret Brodie; secretary, Carol Morton; treasurer, Elizabeth Barker. Three directors were Misses Cora Brodie, Mary Hooper and Janet Oakes, with Janet Oakes Institute director.

The boys officers are: president, Don Hoshel; secretary, Matt Taylor; treasurer, Barry Little. On Wednesday evening of last week these young people met at the home of Carolyn and Barry Little to practice for their coming variety show in March. There will be a one-act play, songs, choruses and individual presentations which should work into a good evening. Mrs. John Wilkins will direct the play.

Brown's Corners W.M.S. Meets
 Brown's Corners W.M.S. members and friends met in the church parlours on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mrs. S. J. English played quiet music at the opening of the meeting, and Mrs. Wm. Rodick presided.

During the business session Mrs. S. R. Patterson was named key woman for the World Day of Prayer, 1960. Study classes for church membership were announced for February 11 at 8.00 in the church. There was discussion as to whether the Harmony Club should assist with purchase of a movie projector for the Sunday School, and Mrs. A. W. Miller, Harmony president, and Mrs. N. Reid were appointed to take the matter up with Mr. Harold Wright and report back to the group.

Mrs. E. Fuller and Mrs. Harold Steffler were the only two committee members present and their devotional and resume of the Study Book chapter were well handled. Master Paul Steffler assisted with the offering and Mrs. S. R. Patterson was soloist.

Reports from the Presbyterian held at Richmond Hill in January were given by Mrs. M. Reid for the morning session. Mrs. E. Fuller for afternoon and Mrs. Wm. Rodick for evening.

Courtesies were tendered by Mrs. Fuller, and following the benediction tea was served by the committee.

NORTH YORK: Council will consider at its next meeting the possibility of applying to the provincial government for an amendment to Bill 80, the charter that brought Metro into existence, to increase the township's representation from one to four members.

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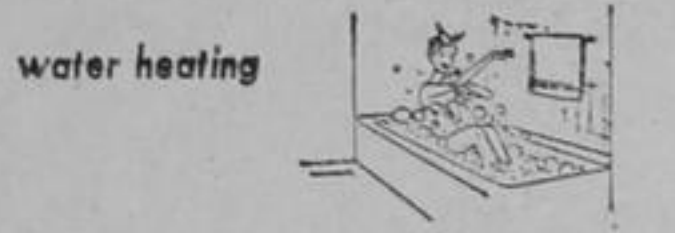
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