

DURHAM CHRONICLE

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MISS MACPHAIL'S NONSENSE

We do not question Miss Agnes Macphail's sincerity in some of the statements she makes, but we most certainly do question the wisdom of a lot of the stuff she talks when she can get anyone to listen to it.

For some time she has been on a rampage against the "warlike" nature of our school-books, which tell of the glorious past of the British Empire and her Colonies, the deeds of valor of her sons on the field of battle and elsewhere, and other literature which can do nothing worse than make patriots of our rising generation, who must grow up with a pride in their country's past and a hope for her future.

Miss Macphail does not make it very plain in just which way she would supplant our educational system, especially in the elimination of the "warlike" spirit in our readers. She has no constructive criticism. All her utterances we have heard of or listened to are of the "tear-down" class, with no sound suggestions for the replacement with something better of that which she would destroy. Her latest utterance comes from Washington, the United States capital, where she was a delegate to a woman's convention. Under the heading, "Agnes the Peaceable," The Montreal Star says:

"There is, for example, the case of Miss Agnes Macphail, M. P., who thinks that our school textbooks are poisonous fountains of bellicose propaganda. She holds that they ought to be 'disarmed.' This is simply silly when she talks about it up here where we all know the truth. But she goes down to Washington to tell our next-door neighbors to try to make their flesh creep!"

"Suppose—just suppose—the Americans believed her! They would want to know against whom we were 'arming' the minds of our school-boys. Her silly nonsense might then become very dangerous and irritating anti-American misrepresentation. Our peaceful neighbors might begin to look askance at Canada—and wonder."

"But a trick like that—the selection of Washington as a place to accuse Canada of malevolent militarism—is precisely the sort of thing that a 'pacifist' would be expected to do."

Miss Macphail's utterances make us think of the "Pacifist's Day program broadcasted last March 17 from one of the Boston broadcasting stations of the William Randolph Hearst newspaper syndicate. Both of them have a certain humor in them were it not for the fact that there are a lot of lightweight irresponsibles who may, perhaps, take them seriously. This is what the Boston station referred to broadcasted last March 17th:

"The United States had better watch. England pretends to be paying interest on England's debt of five billion dollars to the United States. England is only pretending to make payments until England has time to organize Canada and pour her armies and hellish engines of war to recover these great and glorious lands that England lost in her unjust battle against the fathers of American revolution. Sinn Feinism will go down in the world's history as the holy religion of a band of patriots who triumphantly enacted their nation's just dues from the tyrant and blood-sucker, England."

"England never sleeps. England is sending her soldiers from England in the guise of farmers to Canada. England is concentrating airplanes in Canada so as to be prepared for the day when her armies will invade our glorious republic. Again, I tell you, England never sleeps. It behooves us to be on the alert and to maintain the armies and navies of the United States at battle strength. Thank God, no Irishman from Ireland, outside of the six counties of Ulster, is any more a British subject."

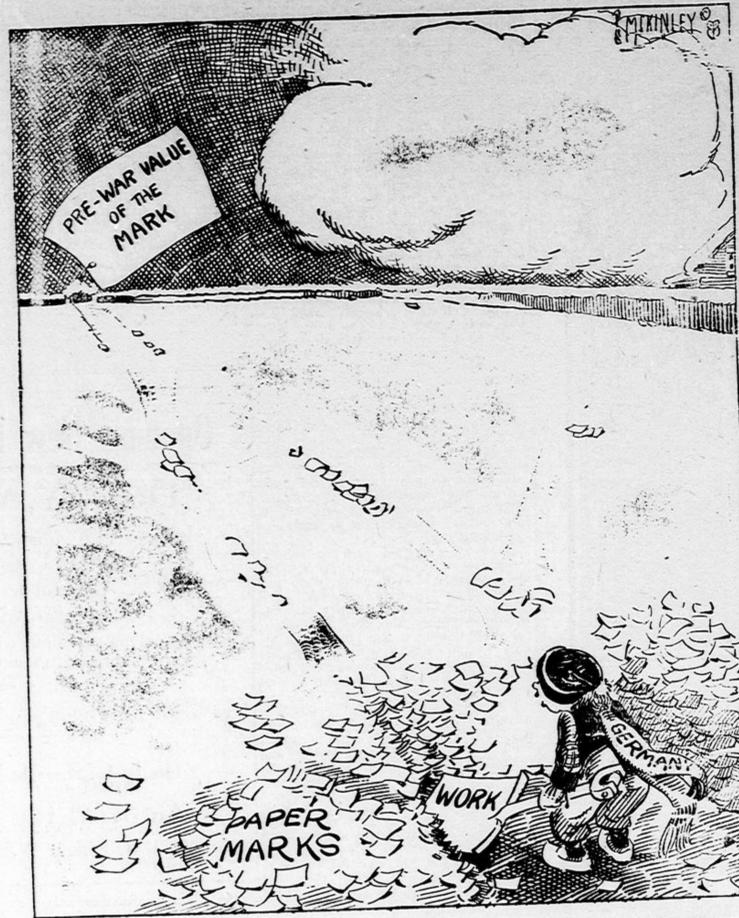
Comment on the above is unnecessary, but we think we are well within our bounds when we say that the latter statement is not one whit more foolish than some of those Miss Macphail has uttered in the not far distant past.

While we do not doubt Miss Macphail's attitude in regard to war, and have no doubt at all she is sincere in her advocacy of peace, on the other hand, some of her statements are, to say the least, embarrassing, coming from a member of Parliament, a representative of the people of Canada. So far as we know, there is no one in Canada who is in favor of war, and our lady representative can claim no monopoly as an advocate of peace. She merely makes more noise, that's all. A canvass of the riding she represents would, we imagine, produce very few "war lords," and, as a representative of a peaceful people, the lady from Geylon is wasting her time running around Canada and the United States insisting that the Dominion of Canada is fostering a war spirit in her school books.

In an article, "Miss Macphail and War," The Ottawa Journal offers some good advice which it might be well to take. It says:

"If Miss Macphail is in earnest she will reconsider her idea of removing

The Snow Is Nice—Until We Start Clearing It Away



all war material from school books. It might be more effective to put in prose and verse showing war in all its wickedness, how it is caused, and devising a scheme so that its burden would rest equally on all citizens. No one is keen to have another war, yet it is true that there is a form of anaemia unjust war. The end will indeed have come to our courage and to us when we are afraid in dire mischance to refer the final appeal to the arbitration of arms." In the words of Tennyson:

I would that wars should cease, I would the globe from end to end, Might sow and reap in peace, And some new spirit o'erbear the old Or Trade refrain the Powers.

From war with kindred links of gold, Or love with wreaths of flowers, Slay, Teuton, Celt, I count them all My friends and brother souls. With all the peoples, great and small That wheel between the poles, But since this mortal shadow'll Perchance from some abuse of Will In worlds before the man, Involving ours—he needs must fight To make true peace his own, He needs must combat right with might.

If might would rule alone, Miss Macphail, like the rest of us, has a right to her own opinion, but we don't think that the opinion expressed by her so far along these lines sinks very deep into even her most ardent supporters. We sometimes wonder where we and Canada would be to-day had some of these so-called "pacifists" had their way in 1914. No, we are not in favor of Canada or any other country training her children in the ways of war for war's sake, but it's good to be able to fight when the bully lays down the gauntlet.

Those Weather Prophets A traveller called a few days ago and told of a short interview he had with Mr. J. B. Bowes, the weather prophet at Chatsworth. It was on the 15th he saw Mr. Bowes, who thought his prognostications for the year so far were quite in line with the happenings, and the big storm he predicted might be taken as evidence of his knowledge of things to come.

When told he was five days out, Mr. Bowes gave an explanation of his satisfactory to himself and the traveller accepted the reason without further question. On being asked for a forecast for the next thirty days the traveller, who makes his rounds in a Ford car, was gratified to learn that it would be dry to the end of the month, but regretted that heavy rains would fall the first week in June, followed by a heavy frost that would damage the crops badly. The forecast was made on the 15th, but instead of dry weather, we have had heavy rains and heavy frosts up to the time of writing, May 20. Let us see what happens in the remaining three weeks of the short-range forecast. Even the wise men at the observatory in Toronto seldom attempt to predict the weather for more than twenty-four hours in advance, and even at that they sometimes fail in their guess.

Plant Trees Now What about planting a few trees and leaving them as a monument to those who follow after? We have advocated this every year for twenty-seven years, and still only a small percentage seems to think it worth while to make an effort in the way of beautifying the town.

This is a good time to get to work and if only one tree grows out of

every four planted, the result will be worth the effort. We planted three last year, and two of them are budding out now. Had everyone in town done the same the place would soon have an improved appearance. But why talk about such things? The people don't care.

Unfortunately, Mr. Calder's efforts at the Memorial Park grounds last year were not a success, but the luck may be better this year. By the way, the park belongs to the town and we think the Council would be justified in making a small grant towards its upkeep. We throw this out as a hint and leave it to Mr. Calder and the Council to press the suggestion.

Institute Summer Series Held Here Yesterday Good Meeting Reported, While Address of Miss Bryson, Provincial Representative, Is Reported Good.

The Durham Branch of the Women's Institute held their Summer Series meeting in the Public Library on Tuesday afternoon, with a fair attendance present. Three matters of business were before the meeting for discussion, viz., the proposal to provide a musical instrument for the Library. This was left over until the committee appointed to investigate the matter could report.

The speaker of the day was Miss Bryson, the Provincial delegate, who took as her subject, "The Institute's Responsibilities and Possibilities in Health, Morals and Education of the Home Community." She spoke of how the Institute might raise the health standard of the community by a series of health topics such as this branch took last year, and by helping to secure medical inspection of schools. The Institutes could bring about better co-operation between home and school in many lines. It could aid the school in providing recreation for the youth and for the older people as well. Supervised recreation grounds have been found a great help, not only in physical training but in bettering social and moral conditions of the community as well. In Canadianizing the foreigner the Institute should also take a leading part. At the close of her address Miss Bryson was tendered a vote of thanks and the meeting closed as usual.

MT. FOREST MAN INJURED ALIGHTING FROM CAR John Duffield, of Mount Forest, while getting off a moving car Friday, fell, striking his head on the pavement. He has been in a semi-conscious condition since the accident.

A team of hay horses, owned by A. Cameron, Egremont Township, ran away on Main street Saturday morning. They went at breakneck speed and about a mile along the gravel road before Mr. Cameron could stop them. Those who witnessed the runaway thought every minute the driver would be killed, but nothing was broken.

FIRM BELIEVER IN THE FRUIT TREATMENT



MRS. LAURA ALFORD

Thousands of people owe the splendid Fruit-a-tives—'Fruit-a-tives'—a lasting debt of gratitude, which they gladly pay by testifying to its merits.

Mrs. Laura Alford of 28 Florence St., Ottawa, says: For years, I was a martyr to Constipation and Dyspepsia. I have tried cathartics, salts and so-called vegetable laxatives but all were unpleasant and gave no permanent relief. Finally, I decided to try 'Fruit-a-tives'. I have been using 'Fruit-a-tives' now for seven years; never have I experienced a Stomach Trouble; and have been in the best of health ever since. My husband and children use 'Fruit-a-tives' regularly. 'Fruit-a-tives' contain intensified fruit juices combined with tonics, 25c. and 50c. a box—A. dealers or Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

DURHAM MARKET Corrected May 22, 1924.

Table with market prices for various goods: Live hogs, Wheat, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Peas, Hay, Butter, Eggs, Potatoes, Hides, Sheepskins.

Veteran Star Theatre TWO SHOWS: 8 and 9.15 P.M.

FRIDAY-- SATURDAY May 23-24 Ethel Grey Terry

'What Wives Want' Sunshine Comedy 'BACK TO EARTH'

BIG CROWD EXPECTED HERE JULY TWELFTH

Orange Celebration in Durham This Year Expected to Be a Big One, With Record Attendance

If advance signs are any criterion, the Orange walk in Durham this year will likely surpass any held here on any previous occasion. The local Lodge is sparing neither pains or expense to make the day a big one in the annals of Orangeism in this section of the county and already a large number of lodges, some from quite a distance, have signified their intention of celebrating here.

While the local Orangemen do not anticipate an abnormally large crowd from the north of the county, which will undoubtedly celebrate in Owen Sound this year, it is expected an almost "solid South" will walk here, as well as a good many lodges from the east and western parts of the county.

LOCAL GIRL GRADUATED FROM LONDON HOSPITAL

Yesterday afternoon in the city of London an interesting ceremony took place when thirty-one young ladies were graduated as professional nurses. Of these, Miss Janette Kerr of Varney was one of the number and The Chronicle has pleasure in extending congratulations.

There were present at the ceremony Miss Katie L. Kerr of Fergus, Miss Margaret E. Derby of Stratford, Mrs. James Kerr of Varney and Mrs. John C. Kerr of Detroit.

WON HIGH HONORS AT UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

Son of Former Residents Here, Mr. Walter B. Tucker of Saskatoon, is Most Distinguished Graduate.

A recent issue of The Saskatoon Daily Star to hand contains an account of the success at the University of Saskatchewan of Mr. Walter B. Tucker, a son of the late John Tucker, formerly of St. Paul's neighborhood, in Egremont. Mr. Tucker is a nephew of the late Robert Braithwaite, formerly of this town, and also of Mr. James Tucker of Egremont.

The young man, who is a brilliant student, was awarded the Governor-General's Gold Medal for being the most distinguished graduate of the year. He was also awarded an L.L.B. degree with great distinction and the Wetmore scholarship. Mr. Tucker received the degree of B.A. at Manitoba University in 1917 and in the same month left for overseas. He was demobilized in 1919 and entered the law school at the University of Saskatchewan the same fall. While at the Manitoba University he received a gold medal for proficiency in modern languages and also a medal for oratory.

Another ex-Egremont boy in the West who is making good in his studies is Mr. Howard Mead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mead, formerly of Egremont, and a brother of Mr. Earl Mead, now residing on the old Mead homestead in Egremont. This bright young student was successful in passing his first year examination in Art at the same university.

Grand Musical Recital

MR. HOMER JUKES, L.L.C.M., A.L.C.M. CONCERT BARITONE

Will give a Musical Recital in the Town Hall, Durham, on THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1924

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church Additional Numbers by Local Talent

Admission 35c. All Seats Reserved. Plan at Variety Store.

PRESS NOTICES

Mr. Jukes is the possessor of a resonant voice and unusual ability and appeal.—Saturday Night.

A vocalist seldom heard outside the large cities. He is the possessor of a manly voice, velvety quality and never fails to rouse his audience to a great pitch of enthusiasm.—Winnipeg Free Press.

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BOB MOORHEAD'S REVUE WILL BE A GOOD ONE

The Bob Moorhead minstrel show referred to in our last issue is a good one. If it wasn't, Bob says he wouldn't dare face his own home town with a show of its kind. With a cast of 30 performers and six funny end-men, Friday of next week will be the big day of the 1924 show season for Durham, so to speak.

With this minstrel show, comes the Palmerston Band, which will give a few selections before the show opens.

There's just one other little thing, too, that Bob has mentioned. An item of the best minstrel show on earth, he says, he has unmasked the best dance orchestra in North America, and he doesn't bar Paul Whiteman's either, when he says it. It will have two saxophones, a violin, trumpet, piano, and other instruments. It will play a full sixteen-course program immediately after the show is over and the hall has been cleared. Of course, this will be extra to the dance and the music will be worth the extra admission.

We predict a full hall a week from to-morrow night when the Palmerston minstrels come to town.

LOCAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS ARE ALL DOING WELL

Serious Cases Progressing Satisfactorily, and All Other Inmates Reported Progressing Favorably.

The patients in the local Red Cross Memorial Hospital are all in a most satisfactory condition and doing well is the latest information received by The Chronicle this Thursday morning.

The death of Mrs. Theobald on Tuesday was regretted, but from the first the condition of the patient who was suffering from paralysis was considered anything but hopeful.

Last Thursday an operation for appendicitis was performed on Joe Atkinson, the ten-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Atkinson. The case was a most serious one, and at the first the surgeon, Dr. D. W. Jamieson, had but small hope of her recovery. At present, however, the little sufferer is resting easily, and we understand has at least an even chance for recovery.

Other patients in the hospital undergoing treatment are reported favorably. Mrs. Percie Gornish, orchard was admitted this week for treatment.

DURHAM WINS AND LOSES IN HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Boys Lose to Chesley 15-5, While Girls Won Out 11-2

The base- and soft-ball game here on Saturday between Durham and Chesley high school teams resulted in a tie so far as game was concerned, the boys losing and girls winning out from their opponents. The boys' game was a 15-5 for Chesley, while the Durham girls were too much for the Chesley 11-2 at softball and won out 11-2.

Following is the local line-up: Boys—Wiggins, c.; Vollett, p.; Lean, b.; Lauder, 2b.; Lawson, 3b.; Wilson, s.s.; Kearney, 1b.; Nottel, 1b.; Snell, c.

Girls—Blanche Boyce, c.; Fleg Kress, p.; Gail Burnett, 1b.; W. Bell, 2b.; Daisy Mathew, 3b.; A. Ritchie, s.s.; Lizzie Barron, 1b.; Pearl Mortley, c.; Marian Gaudin, p.

LEFT FIRST OF WEEK TO TAKE UP OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Hon. Dr. Jamieson This Week to Niagara District as Chairman of the Agricultural Board.

Hon. Dr. Jamieson left the city this week for the Niagara District where, as chairman of the new cultural board recently appointed the Ferguson Government, he will be into the farming and other agricultural business of the province a view to improvement, he will for the present week at least, official capacity. The board this week at St. Catharines. Dr. Jamieson and Niagara Falls. Dr. Jamieson is accompanied by Mrs. Jamieson and is expected to spend the week-end here home.

COLD WEATHER THE PAST

The weather during the past has been anything but cheerful generally speaking, has been in the north most of the week and following a hard, steady good deal of the land can't be ed and the farmers are serious inconvenienced and hampered.

Last Sunday evening and Monday snow was falling and Monday three degrees below freezing Wednesday afternoon of this it snowed slightly and the is still quite cool during the too cold at night for good crop.

METHODIST CONCERT TO BE A SUCCESS

Judging from advance notices the Homer Jukes recital under the auspices of the Methodist Church should be a one. Mr. Jukes has sung at the larger European centres in the cities throughout the United States. He is a full baritone voice of great and is regarded one of the of Canada's concert baritone.

Besides Mr. Jukes, a program will be given.

HANOVER MAN ELECTED I. O. O. F. DISTRICT

The annual convention, No. 27, I. O. O. F., was held on Friday last, when delegates from Hanover, Warton, Owen Sound and Fred Miller of Hanover district deputy grand was ensuing year, commencing