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ROBT. HAAS, HOLSTEIN WINNER IN CONTEST

Selected Popular Subject, Gave Good Address, and Won Commendation From Judges for Excellent Delivery—Five Speakers in All Took Part.

The speaking contests held under the auspices of the Farm Youth Association are over for another year, the finals having taken place in Durham Town Hall last Monday evening when five speakers from different parts of the riding competed. The subjects chosen were varied, the addresses good, and the judges had considerable difficulty in picking the winner, voicing the opinion that they would much preferred to have had a third arbitrator so close were the points awarded at the close.

The winner was Robert Haas of Egremont Township, whose subject, "Rural Progress in Ontario," was not only a popular one from the standpoint of the farm youth and the agriculturist, but was also most ably delivered.

Mr. Haas dealt with the progress in Ontario from pioneer days, telling of the hardships endured by those who first hewed their homes from the virgin forest, cleared the first small plots of land and planted the first crops. Harvesting in those days was done with the sickle, the binding of the sheaves was done by hand, and from these hardships he worked up to the present-day farming conditions when, with the aid of the self binder and other labor-saving machinery one man was able to do as much as five or more men with less effort and manual drudgery.

Conditions Much Improved

Speaking of the improvement in the methods today over those of the pioneer days, the speaker went into the methods of stock raising then and now. In the old days a hog was a hog and a hen was a hen. There were no special grades in the former, and little attention was paid the latter beyond throwing them out a few handful of grain and let them look after themselves. Today in order to compete with the markets of the world, due to modern transportation and requirements, the hog had been developed into a special class and if the producer hoped to receive top prices he had to conform to certain regulations demanded by the purchasers. It did not pay to raise hogs today if there were not a large percentage of "selects". With poultry, too, modern methods have made of this industry one of the most profitable on the farm providing they were followed.

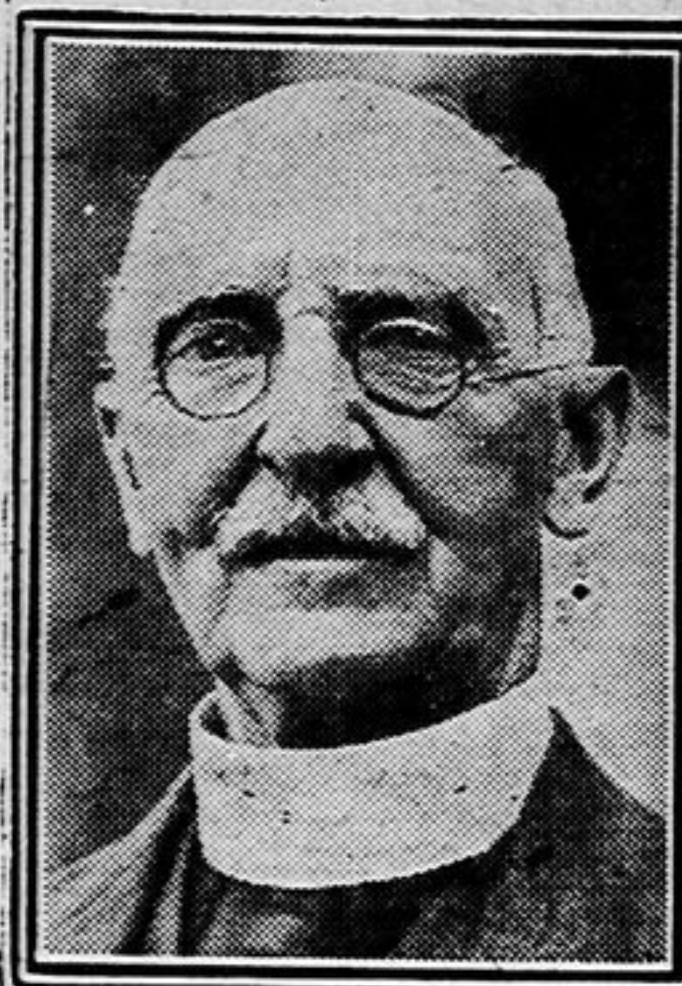
Speaking of the pioneer transportation problems, the life in the home, and the living conditions generally on the farm, the speaker brought his audience through the primitive methods of our forefathers when the post offices were far apart and the getting of the mail was a case of two and perhaps three miles of a journey, and each would take turns in getting the mail of his neighbors. Today the mail is delivered right to the farmer's door and the rural telephone, labor-saving machinery and other modern equipment made the life of the farm women much more enjoyable than formerly. The advent of the automobile, too, had been a boon to the rural dweller. While our grandmothers seldom got away from home, the present-day methods of travel enabled women to attend the various meetings in the community and associate with neighbors, now sometimes miles away.

The address showed much preparation, was well delivered, and the decision of the two judges, Messrs. Messenger and Smith of Markdale, was evidently a popular one, judging from the applause following their announcement.

"The Miracle of Friendship"

Miss Pearl Wilson of Normanby took for her subject the miracles that could be wrought amongst members of a community by being friendly. She named her address "The Miracle of Friendship" and told her hearers that in order to make friends we must be friendly.

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TELLS OF ENJOYABLE TRIP TO MUSKOKA

Mr. James Turnbull of Bentinck Had Pleasant Visit With His Brother in Lake of Bays District.

Leaving his home in Bentinck on the 9th of June at about 5:30 in the morning, Mr. James Turnbull had a most enjoyable trip up into the Lake of Bays District in Muskoka, and made both going and return trips without mishap, enjoying every foot of the journey. With Mr. Turnbull were Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. James McDonald and Mr. Andrew Smith, who left the party at Barrie and took the train there for Sudbury. The party arrived at Barrie that same evening about 6 o'clock.

From Barrie to Severn the road was in good condition, and very good time was made, but ten miles south of Gravenhurst large gangs of men were at work with teams building a new highway, so from that point to Gravenhurst the road was a bit rough. The party arrived at Gravenhurst about 12:30, but did not stop. Here the main streets of the town were being paved and they had to keep to the back streets through the town, going straight through to Bracebridge where a stop was made for a time to rest. Huntsville, 28 miles farther north, was the objective point, and while the road was good, it was a very crooked one, winding around rocks and through valleys very picturesque, but not conducive to making good time. Many apparently prosperous farms were passed on which were some very fine buildings, and about 2:30 in the morning they arrived at Huntsville, a town of about 3,000 population.

CEMETERY BEE SAW MUCH WORK DONE

Biggest Turnout in History of Cemetery Company Greeted the Appeal of Board at Annual Work Bee Thursday.

"Bigger and better than ever" seems to be the summing up of each succeeding annual bee at the Durham cemetery, and the magnificent turnout last Thursday, especially of those from the country shows without a doubt that they have fully as much enthusiasm as the Board in the campaign to clean up and improve the last resting place of our dead. In the morning it is estimated that there were approximately 35 teams and drivers present, and in the neighborhood of 20 shovellers. In the afternoon a few more teams and shovellers showed up from town and country, and the work accomplished during the day was both pleasing and satisfactory.

The principal work done this year was the start on improving the gully which runs northward from the Provincial Highway, and though considerable work was done here, and all day long the laden wagons poured their tons of fill into this last eyesore in the cemetery ground, the improvement has not been completed by any means, but will have to go over until next year when further work will be done.

The improvement at the cemetery was not done at the expense of any other piece of landscape, either in hauling the fill from the top of Hutton Hill, quite an improvement was made at the corner where the second concession of Bentinck joins the highway. For a number of years now this has been regarded as a somewhat dangerous intersection. Cars coming up the hill travel fairly fast in trying to make the grade on high, while going West, once the brow of the hill is reached, a car gains momentum and it is often dangerous to come out of the side road to the north. In securing the fill for the cemetery the dirt was removed from these corners, and in this manner considerable improvement was accomplished in two places.

The bee was an all-day affair, the ladies of the I.O.D.E. serving lunch both at noon and at 5 o'clock. After the lunch Reeve Bell on behalf of the Cemetery Board thanked all for the heartiness of their response to the call, while the editor of this paper was also called upon for a few words.

The bee this year was the largest and most successful on record, and both the cemetery Board and the phloholders present were highly pleased with the work accomplished.

PASSED WITH HONORS

We extend congratulations to Miss Marjorie E. Pickering, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Pickering of this place, who took an honor in course in Modern Languages in the recent University of Toronto examinations. The results were announced in Saturday's papers.

Other students from Durham and vicinity to whom congratulations are in order are Miss Bessie Smith, who took honors and secured passing standing in her recent examinations, Mr. Royden and Miss Eula Burnett, and Mr. Albert Kress, fourth year students at Western University, London, and Mr. Harold Mountain of Bentinck, all of whom were successful in their recent examinations.

TAKEN ILL ON STREET

Last Monday Mr. James Mather was taken with a weak spell while entering the post office and but for the presence of Mr. John McGirr of Glenelg would have fallen backwards from the steps to the concrete sidewalk with most probable serious injury. He was taken to his home and Dr. Smith summoned and we are pleased to know he is recovering nicely. Mr. Mather was unconscious for a time and his condition, we are informed, was quite critical.

SPEED OFFICER HERE; WILL ENFORCE LAW

Fred Stone of Stratford to Patrol Provincial Highways in This Section, and Intends to Make Clean-up on Law Violators.

Fred Stone of Stratford is the new traffic officer here, and, with headquarters at Durham, will patrol the Provincial Highways between Arthur and Owen Sound and Durham to Walkerton. We have been informed by Constable Allen of town that he intends to enforce the law and will brook no violations of the traffic laws that come under his notice. One-eyed cars, the stop street regulations, driving without permits, and driving without tail lights will not be tolerated, and the regulations concerning the coming to a stop on entering all through highways which are properly "signed" will be enforced to the letter.

We have been informed that Officer Stone is to enforce the law literally—just as it is written in the Motor Vehicles Act—and that all vehicles, machine and horse-drawn, will be required to come to a "full" stop. Heretofore in Durham and in almost any town or city in the province, while the law is the same, it has not been generally considered necessary to bring the vehicle to an absolute stop, the regulation having been considered complied with if the driver entered a through street at, say, the moderate rate of a mile or two an hour, and prepared to stop for pedestrians or traffic if necessary.

Personally, The Chronicle is not in favor of a too drastic enforcement of the law, and have on several occasions remarked how well the greater number of motorists in this section are obeying the stop street law now that they have become accustomed to it. However, Officer Stone has charge of the highways around Durham, and his interpretation of the law will have to stand. Constable Allen, too, informs us he intends to tighten up on the regulations in town and will enforce the literal meaning of the Act.

I. O. O. F. DECORATION WAS HELD SUNDAY

Members of Local Lodge Gathered at Cemetery, Held Service, and Decorated Graves of Departed Brethren.

In the neighborhood of fifty members of Grey Lodge No. 169, I. O. O. F., were present Sunday at the annual decoration day services, and while this is only about half the membership of the Order, the attendance was most satisfactory and made a good showing on the march from the lodge room to the Town Hall, where the cars were parked.

The day was an ideal one. In fact, it might be said to have been hand-picked. With a bright sun, cloudless sky, and not too warm the day was perfect, and under such conditions it is no wonder that a large audience of citizens was present from town and the surrounding country. The ceremony was in charge of Noble Grand G. J. Jucksch.

On arrival at the cemetery the Oll Fellows form of service was given, the singing of well-known hymns, the address of Rev. W. Spencer, and the Odd Fellows' address by B. Stonehouse being the principal features of the service. At the proper time members of the Order bearing flowers visited the various graves and deposited the baskets.

The service was a most impressive one, and being an annual affair seems each year to draw a larger crowd of spectators than its predecessor.

ABERDEEN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The regular meeting of the Aberdeen Women's Institute was held on June 15th at the home of Mrs. J. S. Davey, with 26 ladies in attendance. The meeting opened by singing the Ode. The 12th Psalm was read by Mrs. W. Noble followed by the Lord's prayer in unison.

After the minutes and different reports were heard and business transacted a program was given consisting of Community singing, humorous riddles, and four papers. Miss Hazel Chapman gave one entitled "Life is More than Living"; Mrs. Grierson on "Mornings"; Mrs. H. MacLean on "A Trip out and Life in the West"; Mrs. McQuarrie on "Institute Members Stay Young" and a poem entitled "Beauty". The roll was then called and the Question Drawer proved very interesting.

A vote of thanks was extended to the officers of the previous year and the National Anthem closed the meeting after which Mrs. Davey and a few of the ladies served lunch.

The July meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. McQuarrie. All ladies welcome.

BORN

Alexander—In Durham, June 19, 1928, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alexander, a daughter.

Stop signs are not required for the fellows who push lawn mowers.



Hon. W. S. Monroe, premier of Newfoundland, is to resign office next month, it is reported. Pending a general election in the fall he will probably be succeeded by Sir John Bennett, colonial secretary.

GREY COUNTY COUNCIL IN SESSION THIS WEEK

Council Decided to Stay with Business and Not Join Farmers' Tour Through Ten Counties This Week.—Warden Calder's Address.

Grey County Council is in session this week and got down to business on Monday evening, and it looks like a busy session, so much so that, by a vote of 21 to 14 they decided against accompanying the tour of the Grey County farmers yesterday and today.

Below we give the address of Warden Calder of Egremont, which is quite comprehensive and was well received by the members present.

It is indeed a great pleasure to me to welcome you to the June Session of our County Council, all I trust, enjoying the best of health and ready for the work of another Session.

I wish to extend to Messrs. Acheson and Comber, Reeve and Deputy Reeve of Holland Township, the Council's greetings, and would suggest that a resolution be passed to allocate to them the several committees of which the former Reeve and Deputy Reeve of Holland were members.

As most of you are aware, our worthy Treasurer, Mr. John Parker, has been critically ill since the January session, but I am pleased to state, is now well on the way to recovery and will present his estimates for next year at to-morrow's meeting. Mr. Parker will present to you a request for an increase in salary so that he may secure a permanent stenographer or office assistant to help him in his work, which has increased many times since the Roads System was established in our County, and I would call your attention to a letter of County Auditor Hastie in this respect.

Agriculture

Although the season is backward, we all trust that God in His goodness to us may yet again give us a plentiful harvest.

Mr. T. S. Cooper, Grey County Representative, will, I expect, address you outlining the two day trip he has now on hand for Grey County farmers through Wellington, Wentworth, and Welland to Niagara Falls and back through York, Peel and Dufferin to Grey County, and inviting the Council to make the trip in a body.

Finance

The Finances of the County are still holding their own and are in a healthy condition, although the County Treasurer will inform you that we had a deficit on December 31st, last of \$100,000, a trifle lower than we had the previous year.

Again I must call the attention of the various committees to keep within their appropriations.

While certain expenditures over which we have no control, such as Administration of Justice, depending on the number of Courts held, Mothers' Allowances, Hospital and Educational Account, our Sinking Funds are in a very healthy condition, but those funds in the future will not earn as much proportionately as they have done in the past owing to the fact that high grade securities, such as Municipalities are permitted to purchase, are yearly earning a lesser rate of interest.

Our Hospital and Educational accounts are increasing, but this cannot be helped. However, we surely must look after our indigent sick and also give our rising generation the best asset possible, that of a good education, and by doing so will receive their benediction.

Bridges

Several bridge contracts have been let replacing old narrow and worn out bridges. The County Council of Wellington has authorized the building of a bridge on the County line of Grey and Wellington if Grey County Council is prepared to contribute their share. The estimated cost is \$40,000.00. As we did not prepare for this expenditure in our estimates for this year, I would suggest that the building of this bridge be left over until next year and the necessary amount included at this Session in

GREY COUNTY FARMERS ARE NOW ON TOUR

Five Coaches Left Durham Yesterday Morning on Extensive Tour Through Ten Counties, a Combination of Business and Pleasure.

The much talked of tour of the Grey County farmers left yesterday on an extensive trip through the Niagara Peninsula, and before they return tonight will have visited in all ten counties of the province. Last night, after a visit to the Niagara district, the party remained at Niagara Falls "when they witnessed the illumination and saw other sights of interest along the Niagara River. Before returning they will have visited the O.A.C. at Guelph, the experimental station at Vineland, the world-famed poultry farm of the Hon. J. S. Martin at Port Dover, the dairy herds in Norfolk and other counties, besides many other points of interest along the way.

The editor of this paper had intended going along, but the days selected, Wednesday and Thursday, prevented this, so we will have to sit at home and wonder what is going on. Five coaches conveying the party arrived at Durham about 9:30 yesterday morning, very well filled and more to come at Varney and Mount Forest. Altogether, the party will number upwards of one hundred, with Messrs. Cooper and Smith of the Department at Markdale in charge of the festivities.

It will be a grand trip from both the standpoint of pleasure and education and from a once-over of the crowd that occupied the busses in Durham. We predict a real good time. Only two went from Durham, Messrs. George Turnbull and George Mervyn, though it is likely others from the neighborhood

would meet the bus at Varney. Our estimates for 1929.

County and Suburban Roads
Although our Provincial, County and Suburban Roads are costing us considerable money, we would not, if we could, go back to the old narrow road of a few years ago, but must keep up with the good work until our roads are all in good shape and safe for the increased traffic of the auto.

We will have at least one petition for the changing of the designation of a County Road, and, according to a resolution passed at the January Session, we are to inspect in a body the seventh and ninth lines of St. Vincent so as to satisfy ourselves as to which is the better for a County Road. These questions, I know, will receive your fair consideration.

Education

As I stated before the cost of Education is ever increasing and is an expenditure over which we have no control, and the action of the Dominion Parliament is not continuing the grant of \$1,000,000.00 per year for ten years for Vocational Education, is not going to reduce the cost of education to our Province, but it will not increase it in this County only indirectly as this revenue will have to be produced from some other source.

House of Refuge

The Special Committee appointed to meet the Inspector of Charitable Institutions to discuss the problem of increased accommodation of our House of Refuge, will, no doubt report at this Session.

County Property

I would suggest that the Property Committee make a thorough inspection of the outside of the Court House and Jail, as it is several years since the outside wood-work has been pointed and for this reason some of the outside work is decaying and the flashings need renewing.

In conclusion, gentlemen, I trust that the good will and harmonious feeling which has prevailed in our Council meetings heretofore, will continue, not only during this Session, but for all time.

Yours sincerely,
NEIL CALDER, Warden.

TEMPERATURES OF PAST WEEK

Following are the temperatures of the past week, with the highest and lowest registered every day during the preceding 24 hours

	8 am.	Max.	Min.
Thursday	60	75	58
Friday	59	66	39
Saturday	52	76	37
Sunday	54	80	46
Monday	61	73	56
Tuesday	64	82	50
Wednesday	64	77	55

The Weather

Summer seems to be here at last. During the past week there has been some real summer weather, and though the evenings seem to be cooler than usual the bright sun in the daytime soon heats up the chilled air of the night and at times it has been really hot. From Thursday to Monday the weather was ideal. Monday the sky clouded up and after considerable threatening a light rain commenced falling. This continued until well on into the night and in all 41 one-hundredths of an inch fell. When it is considered that the greater part of this soaked into the ground, its benefit can be the better appreciated as the frost, winds and warm weather had taken the most of the moisture out of the land and the rain was badly needed. The barometer has registered in the neighborhood of 29.4 the most of the week.