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TOWN TOPICS

Rob Roy Grain Prices—We are paying 35c to 40c for Oats, 55 to 60c for Barley, 75 to 85c for DUCKWHEAT, \$1.25 to \$1.50 for Peas at our elevator this week. Rob Roy Mills Ltd.

Notice! The annual meeting of the Durham Horticultural Society, will be held in the Durham Public Library, Monday, Jan. 14th, at 8 p. m. All are requested to be present for election of 1924 officers.

LOST—In Durham or between here and Hanover, on Friday night, Dec. 28th, a small dark red satin bag, containing a pair of silver slippers. Suitable reward on returning to this office.

Sneak Thieves—More than once of late, the barn of Mr. Arthur Edge, Glenelg, has been entered and petty pilfering of grain and other stuff has taken place. Any person who has resort to practices of this nature, has fallen low in their own estimation.

Poisoned from Scratch—Mr. E. A. Hay, C. P. R. Station Agent, is recovering from a bad right hand injury. From a small cut, poisoning started in the wound, becoming very painful with swelling and spreading to the elbow. There was grave danger of Mr. Hay losing his arm but fortunately through medical intervention and Nature's asserting itself in time, the danger has been removed.

Good Ice Opens Season—New Year's night saw the opening of the skating season for Durham folk who enjoy this ever popular pastime, when the rink opened its doors to the public. Manager Munro had a splendid sheet of ice, considering it was the initial work, and many skaters were on hand to make the best use of it. Many of the youth of the town found their skating legs on the Rob Roy mill dam some weeks ago.

Men's Class—Next Sunday, the first Sunday of the year, we will go back to the beginning and the beginning is "God" of course. Does it make any difference whether we believe in God? What is the difference? Where shall we find Him and how? What is He like? These questions concerning God are fundamental and every man has faced them. Perhaps the answer we found was not altogether satisfactory. A wrong thought of God always lies behind a wrong life and there is no possible chance of our lives ever being right until we think rightly about God. Be sure to come and bring some one with you.

Death of Thos. Burgess—The death took place in Southampton Wednesday, of Thos. Burgess, at the age of 73 years. For years deceased has been an acute sufferer from rheumatism and diabetes and death was not unexpected. Mr. Burgess was well known in and around Durham, having visited here on several occasions. He was twice married and is survived by his widow and five sons and three daughters, viz: Will, Sarnia; Easton, Belleville; Earl, Ronald and Russell at home; Mrs. Glen, Mazeno, Sask.; Mrs. Don Campbell, Coronation, Alta. and Mrs. J. A. Graham of Durham. Also five brothers and sisters mourn his passing, among whom are his brother John of town.

Trinity S. S. Concert—Trinity Church held the last Sunday School concert of the season in the Hall on Friday night and its variety reflected credit on the trainers of the children, Mrs. (Rev.) Whealan, having the main responsibility. The program comprised a song by primary dialogue, "The train to Morrow," by Dorothy Douglas and Alma Kress, songs by Lela Hahn and Ned Burnett, motion song "Here comes the Dream man," by six girls, story hour "Little Orphan Annie" by Florence Kress, Indian Huntress' drill by girls, a Chinese song by boys, pantomime, "Wanted—A Husband," motion song "Auld Lang Syne" by Dorothy McFarlane and Donald Knight. An amusing play closed the program. Rev. J. H. Whealan was chairman.

\$20.00 and Costs—The lack of proper accommodation to serve as a lock-up in the Town of Durham, was the cause of delaying the course of justice for several days last week, when Thos. McNaney, was allowed to go home after being arrested on an intoxication charge by Constable Falconer. McNaney, who lives a few miles south of town, was found in an intoxicated condition on one of Durham's thoroughfares, a couple of hours after the 22nd of December had passed into history. Upon visiting the accused's home later on in the week, the constable found the "no admittance" sign waiting for him and as a summons was not sufficient to allow him to enter the house, he was forced to return for a search warrant. With County Constable Watson, Constable Falconer again visited the little house and threatened destruction to the door if it was not opened. A search of the house revealed no suspicious goods and with accused, the officers came back to Durham. Before Police Magistrate Laidlaw on Saturday last, McNaney pleaded guilty of being intoxicated in a public place and was assessed a fine of \$20 and costs. He claimed the stimulant was a mixture of cider and wine made from parsnips.

Durham Cows for Sale—4 good Durham cows for sale, due to freshen early. Apply to W. G. Firth, R. R. 1, Durham. Phone 606, ring 1-4.

Taxes Refunded—Donald McDonald, an Armesia farmer, who lost barn and contents by fire, has had his township rate for 1923 refunded to him by the Armesia Council.

Notice! It was announced that all accounts contracted at J. Levine's store, Durham, must be settled not later than the 15th of this month. After that date the book accounts will be handed to other hands for collection and costs will be added.

Held Watchnight Service—The members of Durham Baptist Church held a watchnight service in the schoolroom on the last night of the old year. The schoolroom was filled and till 11.30 p. m. radio messages were listened to, giving New Year greetings throughout Canada and the United States. At 11.30 Rev. Mr. Taylor conducted a half hour service and Miss 1924 was ushered in with a prayer that she will endeavor to make her year one free from strife.

Lose Infant Child by Death—Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Dunsmuir, of S. S. No. 9 Glenelg, are mourning the death of their infant son, aged 13 months. The little fellow's illness commenced with a cold, developing into pneumonia which was too strong to shake off. The funeral was held Wednesday to Durham cemetery, Rev. W. H. Smith conducting funeral services at house and grave.

Who May Vote on Monday

Who has a vote in the Municipal elections on Monday, Jan. 7th? Those entitled to vote are: Owners of property assessed for \$400 or more, and their wives are entitled to vote on all candidates and by-laws, providing their names are on the Voters' List. Tenants living on property assessed for \$400 or more and their wives are entitled to vote on all candidates but not on money by-laws, providing their names are on the Voters' List.

MacCuaig and Weir Battle for Reeveship

Glenelg Council by Acclamation Splendid Nomination Meeting

With a contest for the reeveship between the old rivalries—Weir and MacCuaig, an acclamation for the four council seats and liberal discussion on good roads, bridges, statute labor and tax collection, the Glenelg Nominations on Monday, passed into history as the best in many years. There was a large attendance of ratepayers, the Township Hall being filled, a fact which shows increased interest in municipal affairs. The 1924 Council will be as follows: Reeve—MacCuaig or Weir. Councillors: T. J. Brodie, Alex. Aljoe, Malcolm Black, and Jno. McGrath. The following were also nominated but did not qualify: For Reeve: Thos. Turnbull. For Council: J. J. Black, R. McFadden, J. McGill, J. O'Neil and Thos. Turnbull. (The only change on the Council Board comes from the retirement of J. J. Black who is succeeded by Jno. McGrath.) The meeting started on time, James Ledingham of Dornoch, being voted to the chair which he capably filled.

The Bridge Question—Glenelg, with two rivers and many streams within its confines, presents the bridge problem to its ratepayers, in multiple, and the problem of new structures, with repair to old ones is an avenue for annual discussion at the nominations. Reeve MacCuaig in his address, referred to necessity of three new bridges, namely: (1) Near the Catholic Church on the 4th Con., requiring a 92 foot span; (2) On the 30th sideroad and (3) At Keeland's, calling for a 45 feet span. Councillor Aljoe said he knew of at least six bridges requiring immediate reconstruction and John McGrath, the new member of the Council voiced the opinion of many when he believed the best solution of the bridge question was by using the debenture system for financing and erecting several at once.

Reeve MacCuaig, the first speaker, gave a lengthy review of township and county matters, stating he was willing to take his full share of blame for what had been done. With reference to the proposed bridge, in which delay had been caused, owing to the slow return of plans from the Department, with the ultimate refusal to allow him to enter the house, he stated no contract existed with Smith and Mr. McQuig believed the proposal to buy the road leading to the Glen Station would be an economical one. The present rental paid to Mr. McQuig was \$12 per year. The audience found it hard to follow the Reeve's discussion on the Holland-Glenelg line deviation and later.

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Citizens Listen to Arguments For & Against Waterworks

Wm. Calder Voices Opposition

Mayor Smith took the chair at the Waterworks' Public Meeting on Thursday last with only a fair audience present. He briefly outlined the steps taken and why the by-law was being submitted. He particularly emphasized that the recent government inspection of wells in town, the report of which appeared in last week's review was not propaganda of either Mayor or Council to influence the coming vote, but was purely a function of the Government. He called on Dr. Hutton who at some length gave a lucid rehearsal of the situation. He also stated in a graphic way that the cry, he said, "too much for the town to carry" had been heard frequently in the past, when forward steps were being made. To-day, he asserted, the town was in a better position than ever to assume the protection of waterworks and fire protection.

He pointed out the significance of the columns in last week's issue and deplored the fact that only 7 wells were really commended. Mr. Redfern, the expert present, had personally inspected the various sources, had studied the health and economic standpoint and the question for the people was "Can we afford it" and it was plain he would answer in the affirmative. On three points he enlarged: (1) It was a convenience (2) A sanitary measure (3) Town fire protection.

The pollution arose from bacteria of intestinal origin. Safety from outbreaks in past years was no guarantee for the future. Then fire insurance would be reduced as well as fire hazard. The proposed to establish 56 hydrants which would protect all the town. He gave facts relating to the advantages of large mains. Wilder's Lake gave ideal pressure, but too expensive, the flowing well was offensive, the river had only possibilities, the east springs collected in a gallery More than 120,000 gals. a day can be secured and a reservoir with a capacity to 200,000 gals. and a stand pipe 60 ft. high would give ample pressure. He went into the question of supplying cost, revenue, rate of supply, price per tap, etc. Water service would cost about \$1 per month, some less, some more, and thought he was safe in predicting 300 takers.

Mr. Calder says Report is Too Optimistic

Mr. Calder considered his report and figures too optimistic. Inland towns were decreasing, timber was gone, farming community not so numerous, but support it once was, and thought it would be a long time before government would compel the proposed expenditure in such a healthy town. Then the figures now quoted would be sure to expand as in other places. Mr. Redfern fired up at this and would put \$1000 if Calder would, that his figures would not be exceeded. He (Calder) admitted the better fire protection, but had no hope of reduced insurance. A better plan would be to secure a cheap engine and give Mr. Snell engine and water on his activities. Mr. Redfern mentioned 8 or 10 towns to which to apply for confirmation of his figures and statements, and said Mr. Calder's expected 70 mill rate was absurd. The meeting adjourned, considerably wiser on some points but by no means satisfied with the situation. The report on the wells is a disturbing incident, which will lead many to decide for the by-law and pure water and trust to the good sense of future councils to guide us successfully through the maze of finance involved.

A letter from a Customs officer in Acton to Mr. S. D. Croft, confutes the statement of expert Redfern that was given at the Waterworks meeting the other night, that his figures are never exceeded. This man says the first figure there was \$85,000, then rose to \$110,000 and later to \$131,000.

Calder and Allan for Durham Reeveship

Dr. J. L. Smith, Mayor for 1924 by Acclamation

Returning Officer Vollet at the close of the nominating hour had before him 15 names for 6 Council positions, 4 for Reeve and 2 for Hydro Commissioner, and 1 for Mayor. Dr. J. L. Smith, who will put in a second term, a result gratifying to the town.

For Councillors
Wm. McDonald Allan Bell
Geo. McKay Thos. Chalmers
Jno. Murdoch W. J. McFadden
Jno. McQueen A. McClocklin
S. P. Saunders Jos. Firth
Oliver Hunter J. C. Adams
Jno. Whittaker Geo. Noble
Jno. Moffat

For School Trustees
Jno. McGowan E. A. Hay
J. S. McElraith S. D. Croft
For Reeve
Wm. McFadden Wm. Calder
Dr. Grant Thos. Allan

For Mayor
Dr. J. L. Smith—moved by H. W. Wilson, Jno. N. Murdoch.

Council qualified are: Allan Bell, Jos. Firth, J. N. Murdoch, W. J. McFadden, W. A. McDonald, Geo. McKay, Jno. McQueen, O. S. Hunter, John Whittaker.

For Hydro Com.: Wm. Laidlaw, H. Wilson.

It was a distinct surprise to most of the audience (the Hall being about three quarters full) to find that the Reeve, Calder was to have opposition. McFadden and Grant had been mentioned freely but always with the certainty that neither would stand. But Mr. Allan was a kind of dark horse, and dark horses sometimes win. Dr. Smith thanked the citizens for his acclamation. It was, he said, the duty of all to take part in municipal life and they having favored him with the customary second year, he said he would retire at close of 1924.

He then entered on a speech, covering the points of the year's work and though finances were largely the concern of the Reeve, he showed a grasp of affairs and a clearness in presentation that had a convincing effect upon the audience. They had been accused of striking too low a rate but he claimed the rate of 1922 should have been 12 mills higher to end the year as good as the beginning, and even if all taxes had come in should have been 7 mills higher. Obligations met them unexpectedly, expenditure on Co. link all in report this year but not in last year's report. They had to pay \$419 for work done in 1921 or 1922, they had spent \$215 less this year than last, they had put screened gravel on the streets, not big stones that had to be carted off again, had put the sidewalks in good shape, cleaned the streets, paid for new fire hose and let fewer floating accounts than usual.

Dealing with the By-law, he praised the Prov. Board of Health, one of the finest institutions we have, described their work, and if on the report you are rated 100 in 20 columns in the report of town well published in last week's issue, "you are drinking liquid excreta," and the prevalence of the 1000 rating made the town "a powder magazine needing only a match to blow it up." Then he said he, "you know, we are not well protected as to fire."

Mr. Calder was pleased to see the crowd and hear the Mayor on finance. He did not accuse the Council of striking the low rate for improper purpose, but it was too low. He admitted larger expenditure and this would have justified a higher rate say of 50 mills: "Any man leaving the town this year was escaping some obligations."

The town had lost \$450 in County Council, deducted as the 20 per cent. for Durham, the Prov. Board. Marked date an acclamation for Mr. Calder. He proposed if elected to compel restoration of this amount.

He then dealt with the Waterworks By-law, to which he is bitterly opposed. It would need an increase of 15 mills to most proposed expenditure, possibly a 70 mill rate. The insufficiency of water in the east spring would be like the prospect of marl 20 years ago. He advocated the purchase and development of the present Snell system, then the town would have water at a moderate outlay.

"Why am I offering myself again?" he asked, and proceeded to outline his course of action if elected, in regard to the Jackson plant, idle in 1923, which he promised would be a going concern before next July, if returned on January 7th next. He could not be called on account of loss of time. The government report as to wells must be believed, and no one would grudge the increase of a few mills as compared to even one. Mr. Allan had been pressed to stand for the reeveship, but if Dr. Grant or any of the younger men would accept he would retire. Mr. Calder was trying to act Tommy Church as a 'perpetual candidate, and showed a preference for the reeveship, more interest being in it. He do not protect ourselves now with a water system, we would be compelled to later on. If the rate did go to Mr. Calder's figures, we would have fire protection and a guard against typhoid fever. Why, he asked, do young men not come out? A reason he could state: they give high this year, he will then step aside for younger men. Mr. McFadden had no intention of running for Reeve this year but if they thought he was worthy of the Council, vote for him.

Mr. Calder reminded them it was not his efforts or his opponent's that the Reeve—it was the ratepayers who did that. As to Mr. Allan's one year, it was shown, he said, that a new man lost them \$450. His main purpose was to get the wheels of the Jackson plant going under the Clark Metals from going under.

Meeting adjourned as usual, without a word or thought apparently of enquiry into school affairs.

PERSONAL MENTION

Miss Janet E. Kerr of Victoria Hospital, London, and Mr. John C. Kerr, of Detroit, spent New Year's Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Kerr Varney.

Miss Georgie Lawson returned to Toronto Wednesday, after spending the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McLean on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of their wedding, Jan. 8th will be at home to their friends from 4 to 6 p. m. Miss Mary M. Turabull of North Bay Norman School, and Mr. John Turabull of Guelph Vocational Institute, returned this week to their studies after spending the Christmas holidays with their parents at South Dentick.

Miss Annie Russell, of Toronto, was the guest over New Year's of her friend, Miss Marion Calder.

Miss Sadie McDonald holidayed in Shelburne for a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hoy, of Stratford, have been spending the holiday period with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McGillivray.

Mrs. McPherson and Miss Ada McLean of Toronto, were New Year visitors with the former's sister, Mrs. Neil McCannel. Mrs. McPherson is extending her stay for a week.

Mr. Charles Heywood of Toronto, spent the Christmas holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawson, and Mrs. MacFarlane of Glasgow, Scotland, the latter a niece of Mr. Alex. Hay, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hay for a week. They will return to Buffalo, where Mr. MacF. has employment.

Mrs. Jno. A. Graham and Mr. John Burgess have gone to Southampton to attend the funeral of their father and brother respectively, the late Thos. Burgess.

Miss Florence McKenzie of Montreal, spent the holidays with her cousin, Miss Laura McKenzie.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pearce of Stratford, spent New Year with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Limin.

Mrs. Robt. Marshall entertained over the Christmas holidays her three daughters with their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Will Heughan, Milverton; Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Edwards, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kennedy, Shelburne.

Mr. Dan McKinnon of Windsor, Sask., came Thursday last on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Allan McKinnon, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jno. Burgess.

Mr. Frank McElraith left Tuesday for Regina and other points in the West and expects to be absent 4 or 5 weeks.

Mrs. Albert Smith and two children of Guelph, returned Wednesday after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Weir.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Dixon, North Egremont, were the recipients of a nice collation shower one evening last week by their friends and neighbors in the section, on the occasion of their recent marriage.

Mrs. Thos. Tucker, S. Line, Glenelg, went to Detroit Tuesday to visit her son Henry, who is ill there with inflammatory rheumatism. Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Vollet of Timmins, who have spent the holiday season with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Vollet, and the latter's relatives in Glenelg have returned home.

Ran Once Too Often

Tommy Church, ambitious to hold the Mayorship of Toronto and member of Parliament at the same time, went down to defeat on Tuesday. We have not met anyone mourning. John Currie, M. P. P., was also snowed under. Hiltz' vote was 5000 in excess of the other two together.

N. H. L. SR. HOCKEY SCHEDULE

Section A
Jan. 9—Palmerston at Listowel
Feb. 1—Listowel at Palmerston
Goals will count in two games

Section B
Jan. 11—Arroy at Durham
Jan. 15—Mt. Forest at Durham
Jan. 17—Mt. Forest at Arthur
Jan. 22—Arthur at Mt. Forest
Jan. 25—Durham at Mt. Forest
Jan. 28—Durham at Arthur
Winners of Section A at winners of Section B, Feb. 4.
Winners of Section B at winners of Section A, Feb. 6th.

Accl. for Normanby Council

This year Normanby is quiet, the old Council receiving the compliment of acclamation. Mr. A. Pillsinger was nominated for Deputy-reeve, and Messrs John Aitken and — Oving for Councillors, but all retired, leaving the slate: Reeve—Chas. Holm; Dep. Reeve—Wm. Miller; Councillors—R. Barber, Wm. Owens, Henry Miller.

"1924" stickers will be available February 1st.

D. M. SANDERS, Local Agent

Must Kill the Dog

A police court case was held before Magistrate Laidlaw on Wednesday night, a complaint having been laid that Wm. Nicholl's dog had bitten a young woman residing in the neighborhood last Saturday. Evidence given showed that other neighbors were afraid of it. The magistrate gave Mr. Nicholl till 6 o'clock Thursday to dispose of the dog, and assessed him court costs only, without fine.

Why Can't We Save?

ONCE again you say this as you find that expenses have eaten up all your income. How is it that other people, with no larger incomes than yours, are able to buy many things you cannot afford?

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