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Miss Macphail Again Resumes Parliamentary Duties

(Continued from Page 1) suit, and it was white too, while he ploughed the black loam which produces such abundant crops of cotton. I did quite a little motoring through the country and was distressed with the appearance of the farm buildings, they are almost all ugly. The houses with no curtains at the windows and no attempt at beautification either by painting or planing. Here and there one saw a really beautiful farm, well improved. I asked for an explanation and was told that 80% of the farms in Texas are farmed by tenants, while the owner lives in town. I suppose that on the good-looking places, the owner lived. The renter has almost nothing left for himself which explains the appearance of the place. This depression, however, is driving some of the owners from town on to their own farms. Cotton representing 66% of the State's total crop of wealth for 1933 sold for 9 1/2c per lb, which was 3 1/2c better than the 1932 crop which made the cotton farmer better off in 1933 than he has been at any time since 1930. Under the N.R.A., Texas got more federal benefit payments than any other state, —\$63,750,000 in

all. The Dallas Morning News said "This sum came at a time when it helped the farmers to pay a large part of their debts thus giving them new credit with which to buy." The N.R.A. has many subsidiaries like the A.A.A., the C.W.A. The last three letters stand for Civic Works Administration under which an effort is made to give employment to the unemployed. It is interesting too that the unemployed are not all lumped together, tinker, tailor, candlestick maker, and put to pick and shovel work. But an intelligent effort is made to sort them out and put each group to work for which they are fitted. For example 2,500 artists throughout the nation are painting murals and pictures in public buildings. Fifty of these are working in the state of Texas. The President of the Art Institute at Dallas took me to see a number of these —one he was doing himself in a large high school the theme of which was the origin of food, clothing and shelter of the children of Dallas. The one on foot was finished. It was beautiful and enabled anyone looking at it to see at a glance the dependence of all of us on the others. The C.W.A. is not, however, always intelligent in its effort. In Detroit I saw dozens and dozens of men digging ditches with pick and shovel, which could have been done with a machine in a few minutes, going

back to hand-work is not enough. The machine must be made the servant of man and not his master. An intelligent effort is being made to settle transients. At the head of it for the State of Texas is a noted sociologist. I had a breakfast chat with him—breakfast chats are an institution with the group I visited. His plan is to start with the interest of each individual man, trying to arouse the individual who follows his interests. The camps for the transients are being made very attractive with music, literature, games and work and the gentleman of whom I am speaking, believes that it will be difficult even with all that to make the rover a settled citizen again.

The weather man put on a special show for me the morning I arrived in Ottawa, 35 below zero and a brilliant sun. Parliament Hill was a sight, with the white snow piled high on the many drives leading in to the beautiful Gothic structure carried out in gray stone powdered with white snow with a cold and brilliant sun over all.

The session is getting under way. I didn't hear but I dutifully read the four hour speeches made by the P. M. and the Leader of the Opposition. When I finished reading the speech of the Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King, I was convinced that there was nothing right with the Government and when I finished with the speech of the Prime Minister, I was convinced there was nothing right with the Opposition. It would be a tragedy for Canada should both the honourable gentlemen be correct in his estimation of the party of the other. If anything I thought the Prime Minister had the edge on the Leader of the Opposition. A cartoon in the Toronto Daily Star, Feb. 7, expresses my opinion exactly. It is called "Pillow Cases" and shows Mr Bennett and Mr King boxing with huge gloves on labelled "Four hours and Twenty five Minutes" in the one case and "Four hours and Twenty-three Minutes" in the other and underneath "They fight hard enough but the gloves are too big to be effective."

Two resolutions of great interest have been debated, the first asking the Government to assume full responsibility for credit and finance to be controlled in the interest of the people, and under the jurisdiction of the Federal parliament. And the other that a large scale programme of public works be inaugurated to be financed not by borrowed money but by a direct issue of non-interest bearing notes. I will give a review of these debates next week. Saturday, Feb. 10, '34

SCHOOL REPORTS

S. S. NO. 13, EGREMONT V.—Harvey Leith, 79 p. c. Sr IV—Percy Gordon, Lorne Eccles, Elsie Hooper, Carlyle Geddes, Howard Keith, Dorothy McNulty, Alex McMurdo. Jr. IV—Muriel Watson, 70 p. c. Sr. III—Charles Watson, 75 Ruth McKenzie 72. Jr. II—Calvin Geddes, Dorothy Harrison, Ethel O'Kafka, Kenneth Leith (III). Primer—Annie Dixon, Betty Taylor, Hector McMurdo, John Harrison. *Indicates perfect attendance for the month. L. G. Ries, Teacher.

HOLSTEIN LEADER

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs John Leith spent a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Sharpe in Durham.

The Women's Institute are putting on an 'At Home' Thursday, Feb. 18, in the Orange Hall. There will be a program, consisting of a debate, speeches and music.

Rev. Mr. Nelles of Toronto conducted the services in the Presbyterian church on Sunday.

Miss Lillian McCall spent the week end with her aunt in Toronto.

On Friday, Feb. 18th, at 2 p.m., the ladies of both United and Presbyterian churches will meet in the Presbyterian church for the World's Day of Prayer, which is being held all over Canada.

Mrs. Klopfer of Mount Forest, is spending a few days with Mrs. John Manary.

Latest report regarding Mr. Alex. Aitken is that he is slowly improving and Mrs. Aitken, who has been staying in Mount Forest, is expected home today. Miss Islay is visiting Elizabeth in Mrs. Aitken's absence.

Mrs. J. T. Brown visited the McGuire family the first of the week.

Mrs. Ezra Holliday visited her mother, Mrs. Grier, over the end of the week.

Mrs. Aberdeen, who has been staying with the McGuire family, went to her home in Mount Forest the last of the week.

Mrs. Wm. Allan is visiting her sister, Mrs. Gadd.

The second social evening will be given in the United Church, Holstein on Feb. 23rd. All are invited to enjoy the entertainment supplied by the North end, and partake of lunch from the South.

The members of both branches of the C.G.I.T.—Fidelis and Saugeen, met in the Presbyterian church for the evening service Sunday. The girls and leaders wore their uniforms and all looked about sixteen.

Mrs. Nelles of Toronto, gave a splendid sermon, which was very much enjoyed by the girls, also by a large congregation of young and older people.

The play "His uncle's niece", which was to have been played by Cedarville Dramatic Club here, had to be postponed indefinitely on account of the weather. When date has been decided upon, due notice will be given.

The girls of the Saugeen branch, C.G.I.T., are holding a Novelty Social, Wednesday, the 14th.

Mrs. Tuck has been ill for some time but is improving. Mrs. James Horsburg is taking care of her.

VESPER SERVICE

A Vesper Service was held by the girls of the Saugeen and Fidelis C.G.I.T. in the basement of the Presbyterian Church on Feb. 7th. The service opened with an organ prelude, followed by prayer by Mrs. W. Aitken Hymn 18 was sung after which psalm 103 was read responsively. We were then favored with a duet by Hazel Leith and Helen Buller. The advantages of being a Canadian Girl-in-Training was given by Dr. Brown, followed by an article on "Peace" by Isobel Hastie. The scripture reading was taken from 1st Corinthians and was read by Islay Sim. A reading entitled "Being a girl" was read by Marjorie Moore. Hymn 43 was sung. A paper on "prayer" was given by Marie Aitken, after which the Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison. This was followed by a solo by Elma McGuire, after which Isobel Hastie led in prayer. Standing, we repeated the C.G.I.T. hymn, the Purpose, Taps, and the parting words

DROMORE

Mr and Mrs George Campbell of north of Priceville, spent last Wednesday with their daughter, and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs Willie McKenzie.

The Women's Missionary Society are holding their Feb. meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank Hopkins on Friday of this week. As this is the day set apart for the World's Day of Prayer, they intend to observe it, and use the program on the leaflet sent out for that day.

The young people held their first meeting last Wednesday in the basement of the church. The pres., Mr. Ray Adams occupied the chair. Mr. Lorne Henderson gave the scripture reading, followed by Rev. Mr. Honeyman, who gave an excellent talk on the topic. An hour was spent in close in a social time and games. The next meeting will be on Feb. 21st.

Mr and Mrs Will McKenzie spent the week end with latter's parents, Mr and Mrs Geo. Campbell. Mrs. McKenzie is remaining over for a longer visit.

We are all living after the cold snap. Some are nursing frost bites. We hear some wild rumors of how low the thermometer dropped. One fellow told me that three or four thermometers burst in Durham. So that town must be near as cold as Alaska.

The Sod Busters held a dance in Russell Hall on Friday last. All report an enjoyable time.

I will do my best in my home at reasonable prices. Please bring patrons. Mrs. John Leith.

VARNEY

The latter part of last week saw the most severe cold ever known in this part of Ontario, when the thermometer was said by many people in Durham to have dropped to 52 below zero. The weather is not so cold this week. There is still lots of snow piled up on the side roads to the depth of seven or eight feet in places. No cars have been able to move about on the back roads for the past three weeks. The government snow plough keeps the Owen Sound—Guelph highway passable for motoring.

The Varney Wide-Awake Community Club is holding the February meeting this Tuesday evening, Feb. 13th, at the home of Mr and Mrs. Ronald Smith.

Mrs Cecil Barber went to Toronto Friday of last week and will visit for a week in the city with her sister, Mrs. D. Henry.

When a boy in Second Form of Durham High School obtains 100 per cent in his exams, in arithmetic, it is worth mentioning. That boy was Allan Watson, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Watson, Knox Corners Normanby. He was the only student in last week's school report in the whole High School to obtain the 100.

Allan and his brother Tom who have been attending Durham High School the past two years, are both in Second Form, and stay in Durham during the winter months with their mother's aunt, Mrs. Thos. Allan, widow of the late Principal Allan. In the warmer weather, the boys drive back and forth to School. Congratulations, Allan, on the perfect mark in mathematics.

Mrs Metcalfe of Durham has been ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Leeson, the past couple of weeks. We hope she will soon be on the mend.

The Varney Ladies' Aid are invited to Knox Church Friday, February 16, for the World's Day of Prayer. The Knox ladies are serving lunch at the close.

Word received last week from Mrs. Richard Barber of Durham, who is spending the winter in a warmer climate further south, and at present at Morris, Illinois, states the weather is just lovely and no snow. Quite a contrast with our frigid zone weather here of over 50 below and so much snow and storms.

Mrs. John Marshall Sr. went to Toronto Friday of last week on the excursion and visited for a few days over the week end with friends in the city, returning Monday.

The Women's Missionary Society of Knox Church, Normanby, who met last week at the home of Mrs. John Marshall Jr., have unanimously agreed to get an 'In Memoriam' certificate in memory of the late Mr. Jas. Watson, who for so many years, was such a faithful member and choir leader at Knox. The certificate will be secured sometime in 1934 and after being framed, will be hung in the church above where he so long sat in the choir as its leader.

KNOX CORNERS

Our pastor took for his subject on Sunday, "The Token of the Covenant", taken from Genesis 7:13. The rainbow was the token of the covenant between God and man from the time of the flood and is still the covenant between God and each of us as individuals to-day. The rainbow in its beauty is a wonderful token that God's promises are sure as found in His word. Any one may read the Bible, but only when the Holy Spirit shines on its pages and enlightens our minds, can we understand its depths and wonderful truths. Mr. Honeyman also had an interesting lesson for the young people from the story of Joseph and his brothers, teaching us to be careful of judging others, for sometimes we may find what we least expect and where we least expect to find it.

Mr and Mrs Jas. Marshall, Egremont, visited Sunday at Mr D. Marshall's.

Mrs Jno. Marshall, Sr. spent over the week end with Toronto friends. Mrs. Arthur Lawrence and Doris, of Egremont, visited Sunday with Mr and Mrs A. Picken.

The World's Day of Prayer Service will be held in the church, on Friday afternoon, Feb. 15. Varney ladies have been invited to meet with us.

(Intended for last week) The W.M.S. met at home of Mrs. John Marshall Wednesday, 18 ladies being present. Mrs. J. M. Marshall read from the study book on "Brotherhood and how it may be attained." Mrs. Wallace read of the work of the late beloved missionaries, Mildred Soutar, who died in India in November last. The roll call was answered by Bible verses on 'Faith.' The hostess served lunch at close.

Mr and Mrs Elmer Fee visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs Robt. Barbour, Egremont.

We would offer our sympathy to Mrs Mountain and family and all who mourn the passing of the late Robert Mountain, who was a kind father and good friend and neighbor.

Mr and Mrs Albert Morrison (Grace Mountain) arrived from the West on Tuesday, in time for her father's funeral.

Mr Seaman Havens, Hagersville, and sister Florence of town, visited

on Monday with the Smallman and Picken families. Mr and Mrs Wm McCullough, of Bentinck were visitors Sunday with Mr and Mrs Jno. Marshall Jr.

NORTH EGREMONT

We had a taste of real Western weather the past week—too cold for us.

Miss Eva Lawrence of Toronto, is holidaying a couple of weeks in this burg.

A shower will be tendered Mr. and Mrs. Mel. Petty, the newly-weds, at the home of Mr and Mrs John Andrews this Thursday evening.

Two of our farmers are hauling alfalfa hay to McGowan's Mill, Durham, this week.

We were surprised on going into our barn Saturday night to see a jack rabbit sitting on the barn floor. A pet cat about a year old that we call Tom was with us, and he made a race for the rabbit, caught him by the throat, and we saw a real scrap about three minutes. The jack rabbit jumped in the air about three feet, taking the cat with him, then rolling on the floor. He repeated this a few times until out of wind, I suppose, and at last the cat put on the finishing touch. We were never before saw this cat kill a mouse before, but he certainly fixed Mr. Jack. No amateur cat, we'll say.

ALLAN'S CORNERS

Mrs Wm Allan is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs Gadd, of Holstein.

Mrs Jas. Eden visited last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robt. Lewis, Orchard.

Mr and Mrs Wm Atcheson spent a day recently with Mt Forest relatives.

Carman J. Queen of Western University, spent the week end with his parents, Mr and Mrs J C Queen.

Mr Jas Johnson's home was the centre of entertainment on Thursday evening last, when the youth and beauty of the southern part of the neighborhood indulged in euchre and dancing.

Mr and Mrs Wesley Andrews spent Sunday with latter's parents, Mr and Mrs T. Daly.

Sorry to hear of Mr Alex Aitken's illness, but also glad to know he is progressing favorably.

Mr and Mrs Jas Lewis visited at home of Mr Robt Lewis a day recently.

Touring motorists from the United States were not as numerous in Canada last year as they were in 1932, the decrease being about 900,000. Altogether 3,202,500 tourist cars entered Canada last year.

Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Groat

On Tuesday, February 6th, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Groat celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. and in the afternoon were at home to their friends and neighbors, when over one hundred called to pay their respects and congratulate the bride and groom of fifty years ago, who were assisted in receiving by their niece, Mrs. E. J. Ridler of Detroit. Assisting in the tea-room were Mrs. Harvey Groat, Mrs. J. A. Sibley, Mrs. John Rice, Mrs. E. Gardiner and a little grand-daughter, Louise Groat, while her sister, Velma attended the door.

In the evening a wedding supper was served, attended by relatives and a few close friends, when toasts were proposed and an address read and a presentation made by the three little grandchildren, Lyla, Louise and Velma Groat. To Mrs. Groat was presented a basket of 50 beautiful carnations, and Mr Groat, a gold-headed cane suitably engraved.

Wm. Groat was born in Lobo Tp., near London, in the year 1860, and Mrs. Groat, (Martha Neilson) in Egremont Tp., near Yeovil in 1863. On February 6th 1884, they were united in marriage, the officiating clergyman being the late Rev. Peter Strachan pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Holstein. They settled on the groom's farm, lot 7, con. 12, Egremont, where they lived for forty years, then they moved to Mt. Forest where Mr. Groat has since carried on a successful business.

During the early days on the farm, they did considerable pioneer work, cleared the bush, erected modern buildings and were said to have the most beautiful lawn and garden in Grey County. Mr. Groat was prominent in Agricultural Society work, being president of Egremont Agricultural Society for several years, and a prize winner in horses and sheep at the fall fairs. For a number of years he was also member of Egremont Council.

Mrs. Groat has always been noted for her keen interest in flowers, and is one of the most interested and active members of the Mt. Forest Horticultural Society, the Women's Institute and the W. M. S. of Wellington St. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Groat first attended the Auld Kirk near Holstein, then helped to build Yeovil Methodist church where they were members till it closed, twenty years ago. They then attended Fairbairn church, till they moved to town when they joined Wellington St. Church.

One son, Mr. Harvey Groat who is in business with his father, and three grandchildren form the immediate family circle.—Mt. Forest Confederation.

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