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(Intended for last week.)

Some of our hockey fans were in Durham last Wednesday night to help cheer Durham team to victory, and report a real game of hockey.

Mrs McLean is having a holiday with her parents Mr and Mrs Jas. McGillivray, before leaving to join her husband at Trenton. A few around these parts have tapped and report a poor run so far. It is too cold.

The neighbors of Mr and Mrs W. Renwick gathered at their home on Wednesday last and had an enjoyable time together.

The Young People of Amos and members of the W.I. held a joint meeting on St. Patrick night in the basement of the church when a large crowd were present. Miss J. McGillivray was chairlady and conducted the 1st part of the meeting. After opening in the usual way Mr. Lorne McMurdo read the scripture lesson and Mrs Sam Patterson led in prayer after which Mrs Alex Milne gave a good paper on the topic, Mrs A. Hastie and Florence Patterson sang a duet. The second part was conducted by the president of the W.I., Mrs John McMurdo. The sec'y read some communications which were dealt with as seen fit. Mrs W. Renwick led in community singing; Miss Bessie Drimmie gave a very interesting paper on the history of S.S. No. 13, which will appear in print some time in the near future as she intends giving it again in April at the school.

This community extends sympathy to Rev. Douglas Kendall owing to the death of his father last week, the Rev. Geo. Kendall, who was a beloved pastor at Amos and who spent the most of his active life within a radius of fifteen miles of Dromore.

Bennett and Gardiner In Verbal Clash

House of Commons, Ottawa
March 27th, 1936.

Two major rows were staged in the House this week. In view of conditions it seems a repetition of "fiddling while Rome burns". The storm blew up over a resolution introduced by Mr. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, by which he proposes to advance \$6,500,000 to wheat growers in western Canada who received less than 60c a bushel in 1930. The Government, however, holds the wheat as collateral. A much smaller amount (\$200,000) is to be paid to producers of oats as compensation.

Mr. Gardiner, who until his appointment to the Cabinet was Prime Minister of Saskatchewan, roused the ire of Mr. Bennett by suggesting irregular practice regarding the Order in Council dealing with the sums of money to be paid to producers. Apparently Mr. Gardiner has been used to having the argument pretty much his own way, but in the leader of the Opposition he met an antagonist worthy of his steel.

The chief encounter took place between these two with Mr. Arthur Slaght and Gordon Ross becoming involved.

The Bennett Government had taken steps to deal with the matter of money payment to wheat producers last October before the election and had reached an agreement with the wheat marketing organizations regarding the details but never got to the point of paying the money over, although the promise of payment figured in the election campaign. Mr. Gardiner in opening the discussion, told of the Order in Council which was put through by the Bennett Government and made a lot of additional notes written in to the document, and according to Mr. Bennett, insinuated that the words written in had been added after His Excellency the Governor General had signed the Order. It was this stressing of the addition to the document which infuriated Mr. Bennett and resulted in a head-on verbal collision of Mr. Bennett and Mr. Gardiner. As Charles Bishop in the Citizen said, "It was an entertaining matinee... Mr. Bennett may not have much help but, by himself he is capable of staging a big show. He seems disposed to do it, letting pass few occasions to demonstrate both his capacity and his inclination."

Leaders in the heat of debate sometimes use phrases which they would like to recall, but once said, they stand. "Not a five cent piece" was a break which caused loss of many votes and possibly seats to Mr. King in 1920. Mr. Bennett's statements "Canada will not be a welfare state for derelicts" and "Canadians are being purified in the fires of adversity" undoubtedly did not help him in the election of last fall. In the heat of the debate with Mr. Gardiner Mr. Bennett made another break when he told that Hon. gentleman that he need not think for a moment that he was dealing with some "poor rural rustic in Saskatchewan."

A little later in the debate the phrase re-occurred. Mr. Bennett: "Exactly. There is no reason why the Hon. gentleman opposite should talk to himself. If he desires to insult me let him make himself heard."

Mr. Ross (Moose Jaw): "Is the hon. gentleman referring to me?"
Mr. Bennett: "Yes."
Mr. Ross: "I was first insulted by the hon. gentleman in this house. It happen to be one of the poor rustics from rural Saskatchewan—"
Some hon. Members: "Sit down."
Mr. Ross: "—and while I am on my feet I would say that if we had more of them in this house we would get the business through a lot faster than having a bunch of lawyers splitting hairs all afternoon."
Mr. Bennett: "The hon. member for Moose Jaw said he is a poor rural rustic; there is no reason why he should prove it. Now—"
Mr. Ross: "As I understand it, the hon. gentleman has used that word as a term of contempt. If so, I accept it as such."
Mr. Dunning: "He says, if it is a term of contempt he accepts it."
Mr. Bennett: "The hon. gentleman is a better judge of that than I am." Nor will this be the last of the unhappy phrase.

Jean-Francois Pouliot, the bug-bear of the ministerial benches, was the cause of the other major disturbance of the week. Mr. Dunning, as Minister of Finance, had moved that the House go into Committee on a bill to discuss the income tax of the judiciary, military and police forces. Immediately Mr. Pouliot arose to argue that the judges should not be taxed five per cent and to make an attack upon certain civil servants, by name McNaughton, Steel and Sellars.

Sir Eugene Fiset was in the chair and called Pouliot to order, but he continued to speak even when Mr. Dunning and Mr. Bennett came to the assistance of the chairman, until at last Sir Eugene said pathetically: "I have tried my best. I appeal once more to the hon. member for Temiscouata and if he does not obey the ruling of the chair I regret to say that I shall have to report him to the Speaker", which is tantamount to being ruled out of the House. Even after that Mr. Pouliot continued and said: "I have only one word to say with regard to the leader of the Opposition and the Minister of Finance. I put them both in the same bag. That is all I have to say."

Unemployment continues to be an insoluble Canadian problem. The new Minister of Labour, Norman L. Rogers, has most difficult work in attempting to deal constructively with so complex and baffling a matter. He has given notice of a bill soon to be introduced, which will enable a commission to be established to co-ordinate all relief efforts and promote efficiency and economy. Land settlement schemes are again to be tried, to take unemployed from the cities and put them on the farms (for how long?).

Under the bill the Government will have the power to negotiate direct relief agreements with the provinces continuing or extending the monthly payments now in force; to initiate programmes of public works, and to make agreements with companies, partnerships or individuals, relating to the expansion of industrial employment. Arrangements with private companies must, however, be sanctioned by Parliament. Instead of the "blank cheque", specific sums of money will be voted in the supplementary estimates to cover relief costs. The new Act will expire March 31st, 1937.

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I have had another birthday, and what a birthday! No one could mind being a year older when the occasion brings such joy. Letters, wires and callers expressed good wishes all through the day. Mrs. Black came across the corridor to present me with a beautiful corsage bouquet of orchids and lily of the valley, and a number of pictures of the flowers of the Yukon, on which she is an authority. Mr. Telford, the member for North Grey, "The Old Guard" (Mr. Woodsworth, Heaps and MacInnis) sent roses and so many other friends expressed their good wishes in spring flowers that my office was like a lovely garden. It was a gala day, ending with a birthday dinner, cake and candles and all!

Other Papers' Hockey Opinions

(Paisley Advocate)

Didn't those Durham Rocks go to town in a big way last Wednesday night when they proceeded to smear the highly-touted Acton Tanners all over the ice; battle doggedly until they overcame that tremendous 5-goal lead the Tanners had piled up at Galt on Monday, and then proceeded to drive home the goal that won the round and sent Durham into the final round of the intermediate "B" playdowns. The score of the game at Galt was 7-2 for Acton; the count at Durham was 7-1 for the homesters—the latter about turn score constituting the biggest upset and closest approach to a miracle that has ever occurred in district sport annals. That cyclonic comeback by the Grey County squad has led many of the boys to put their chips down on the Rocks to win the title, but much as we would like to see Durham come through, we just can't see them turning back the smart Whitby sextette which is trying to repeat from last year.

The Fergus News-Record says: "Two years in succession, Durham's hockey team has defeated Acton Tanners by one goal on the round, with the second game on slushy ice. Sounds more like a victory for the board of strategy rather than for the team." Let us correct the above statement. Last year here, Durham defeated Acton by 5 goals to 4 on keen ice, and by 4 goals,—5 to 1 in partnership or individuals, relating to the expansion of industrial employment. Arrangements with private companies must, however, be sanctioned by Parliament. Instead of the "blank cheque", specific sums of money will be voted in the supplementary estimates to cover relief costs. The new Act will expire March 31st, 1937.

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Referee Rodden Comments on Galt Game

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Durham, smartly coached by Marty Lauder, had the better of the territorial play and launched many dangerous attacks, but goalkeeper Hurst of Whitby played so sensationally that he looked and acted like another "Tiny" Thompson. In fact his superb exhibition was one of the best seen anywhere this season and the wonder grows how Whitby ever managed to lure him away from Oshawa.

The season of "He shoots, he scores" will shortly be replaced by "He hits, he runs".

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It is now said that Major Douglas may send a Deputy to help bring in to effect Social Credit in Alberta. We presume the Alberta electors are still willing to be convinced that the plan is practical.

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ALLAN'S CORNERS

On Friday evening, a Lenten service was held in St. Paul's church with a fine attendance. An inspiring address was given by our rector, Rev. Thompson, on "Meditation on practical religion". Appropriate hymns were sung during the service. At the close of the meeting, lunch was served in the basement of the church.

Mr and Mrs Milford Matthews visited on Sunday with the Kerr family.

Mr. D. Poole, who spent the winter months with his sister, Mrs. Mack, has returned to his home in New York city recently.

Mr. Carman Hargrave has purchased lot 21 on con. 2, known as the George Pollock estate, and will take possession soon.

Miss W. Hopkins at the home of Mr. W. Atcheson, visited with Lenore Davis on Sunday.

Miss Ruby Morrison has been spending a few days with her brother-in-law, Mr. Reuben Watson, whose daughter Annie has been quite ill with an attack of measles.

Mrs John Campbell is ill with the shingles and under the Dr's care.

KNOX CORNERS

Though the weather is rather wintry again, we have had some beautiful spring days and the snow is gradually disappearing. How grateful we are in this district should be to the Great Giver of all good gifts that have caused so much loss of life and property in other parts recently.

Mr. and Mrs James Picken and Raymond visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs D. Lawrence, Egremont.

Mr and Mrs David Marshall had all their family and grandchildren at their home on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Aberdeen and children returned to Warton Sunday evening after visiting with relatives here for some time.

Miss Ila Barber and Ileen Marshall, spent Saturday afternoon with Wilma Porter.

Mr and Mrs Palmer Patterson visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs H. Watson.

Mr and Mrs Wes. Storey of town were visitors on Sunday at the Wallace home.

Miss Jennings spent the weekend at her home near Owen Sound.

Mrs. Arthur Mountain and children and Miss Susie Marshall were visitors on Thursday of last week with Mrs Wm. Marshall.

Mrs Porter Sr. visited Saturday with Miss T. E. Byers.

Mr and Mrs Wm. Allen of Egremont visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs Bert Watson.

Mrs McAllister returned on Monday after visiting for some weeks with her daughters in Toronto.

VARNEY

Today is the last day of March and we are having more cold weather with snow.

Some in the locality are busy these times, making maple syrup and report the run very good this season so far.

Miss Mathews of Oshawa visited this week with her mother, Mrs R. Matthews of Egremont, Mr and Mrs Gordon Grant and family left last week for their new home in Goderich. The Grant family will be missed as neighbors in this locality.

Mr and Mrs Doward Henry and son visited last week end with Mr. and Mrs Cecil Barber.

Mr. Norman Schenk and Mr P. Patterson had been last week buzzing a supply of wood.

Foreman: Do you think you're fit for really hard labor?
Applicant: Well, some of the best judges in the country have thought so.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

When arrangements were being made for Old Home week last year, I was trying to write the Committee, but I was trying so hard at that time to make the grade that I didn't even stop to write. This is to say that the rust made it impossible for me being with you at that time, but it has been a great pleasure to be with you again for a few days and to renew so many friendships.

It has never been a detriment to me at any time in my life to tell people that I was born in Durham, in fact maybe I capitalized on it. Last summer in going some organization work for a new Oil Refining Company at Yorkton, Sask., I came in touch with some of the old friends. Benny Fawson, who is chemist and refining superintendent for our company is a grandson of Mr. Ben Sharp, and his father, Sammy Fawson, who used to give us orders at the Cement Plant.

At Invermay, I met the Turner family, and at Margo had a chat with Robert Colville. While Tommy Carson, as you know, has passed on, if you should ever be in Preeceville, Sask., and want a favor, just say you went to school with Tom Carson, and you can have the town. I could write volumes of the stories told me of the great heart of "Uncle Tom" as they all called him. At Guernsey, Sask., I met Mr and Mrs Wm. McAlmon. Also during the few weeks I was in Winnipeg, I met Mrs. Rev. Alexander Grant, Mrs J. W. Crawford and Mr and Mrs Herbert Ball.

At Regina, as you have been told in other issues of this paper, three Durham boys look after the social, financial and industrial destiny of the city: Doug. Munro, Joe Burnett and Jack Lunney. My excursion jacket had become out-dated before I got away from Winnipeg and I was told I might have trouble with the conductors, so the first night out of Winnipeg in handing in my ticket, thinking to distract the conductor's attention from the date, I said quite distinctly, "Durham, Ont." He came right back with "Upper Town or Lower Town?" We had a good laugh and then named dozens of boys and girls I know around Durham and Preeceville, among them the Chronicle editor and his late father, and he has good things to say of the old town.

On this little visit, everybody I've been lucky enough to see has been kindness itself, and I'm only sorry not to have seen more. However Bert Willis tells me there is a possibility of another Re-union in the not too far distant future, and I hope it materializes. The Committee deserves a great deal of credit for making the first one such an outstanding success.

Wishing everybody every good thing,
Yours sincerely,
Harry Aldred.

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