Tri-County Ladies' Ball League Reorganized

The Tri-County Ladies' Softball League, comprising clubs from Grey, Bruce and Wellington Counties, held its annual meeting in the Council Chambers, Hanover, last Thursday evening. Representatives were present from Harriston, Durham and Hanover, and an interesting season's sport is anticipated, with one change in the personnel of the clubs—Mount Forest dropping out, and Mildmay replacing that Club.

Those present were Messrs. Eric Croft, Jack Dale and Charles Bates of Harriston; Peter Ramage of Durham; J. R. Hamilton, Albert Seim and Isadore Bohnert of Hanover. Mr Hamilton occupied the chair, with Mr Croft acting as secretary.

The five teams entered are Durham Harriston, Hanover, Mildmay and Chesley, with a possibility that Walkerton may yet enter, in which case the schedule drawn would have to be revised.

Election of officers resulted as follows: President, J. R. Hamilton, of Hanover; Vice-President, P. Ramage, Durham; Secretary-treasurer, E. B. Croft, Harriston; Executive: Ernest McDonald, Durham; Isadore Bohnert, Hanover; Charles Bates, Harriston; Miss Marie Schmaltz, Mildmay; Miss Doris Ankenman, Chesley.

Last season the entrance fee for each team was 50 cents, which had to be sent to the Ontario Softball Association, leaving no money for the League to carry on. The treasurer's report showed the books to be 74 cts in the red. This year the entrance fee will be $2, and in all playoff games, the League will collect 10 per cent of the gross gate receipts. In case of postponed games, the two teams involved must arrange between themselves as to date, before the end of the regular schedule, and except in case of rain 24 hours notice must be given before postponing a game.

All protests will be dealt with by the president, vice-president and secretary-treas., and the protesting team must pay a deposit of $5. If protest is upheld, the refund will be the deposit, less the expenses of the protest meeting.

The umpire accompanying the visiting team will have the choice of working at the plate or on the bases.

Last season there was considerable trouble keeping the fans off the diamonds. Now all home teams must erect a suitable barrier at least ten feet from the first and third baselines to extend as far as first and third bases. The season will open June 5th and close on July 15, when the first and third, and second and fourth teams will meet in the semi-finals, and the league winner will advance into the O.S.B.A. playdowns.

Following is the schedule drawn:

June 5—Durham at Chesley.
—Hanover at Harriston.
June 8—Chesley at Mildmay.
June 12—Harriston at Durham.
—Mildmay at Hanover.
June 19—Durham at Hanover.
—Chesley at Harriston.
June 26—Hanover at Chesley.
—Mildmay at Durham.
June 29—Durham at Harriston
—Hanover at Mildmay
July 3—Harriston at Chesley.
—Hanover at Durham
July 6—Chesley at Hanover
—Durham at Mildmay
July 8—Mildmay at Harriston
July 10—Chesley at Durham
—Harriston at Hanover
July 13—Mildmay at Chesley.
July 15—Harriston at Mildmay

LATE W. D. ERWIN BURIED WEDNESDAY

The funeral of the late W.D. Erwin took place on Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. David Gowdy, assisted by a nephew of the deceased, Rev. James Herbison of Thamesville. A short service was held in the home and the public service in the Presbyterian church. Mr Gowdy spoke from the words of Job, "Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the Lord hath wrought this?...." The hymns sung were "O God Our Help In Ages Past" and "Abide With Me". There were a number of beautiful floral tributes. The remains were carried by Messrs Wm. Cornwall, George McKay, Ernest Ashley, Joseph Snell, James Matthews, Hiram Dean. Some of those from a distance were Mr and Mrs McGarrell Toronto; Mr Ernest Ashley, Owen Sound; Mr J. Erwin, Toronto; Mrs MacDonald and Mr Wm. Erwin, Mt. Forest; Rev. James Herbison, of Thamesville, Ont.

L.O.L. MEETING.

The semi-annual meeting of Durham District L.O.L. will be held in the Glenelg Hall No. 1192, on Monday evening, June 1st. Brethren note change of date and place.

DURHAM PERSONALS

Mr Cunningham Moore is a patient in Durham hospital.

Rev. Walter Nichle of Arthur who took the services in Trinity Church on Sunday, was a guest of Mr and Mrs Edward Kress.

Mr Robert Hewitt of Toronto was a holiday visitor with Mr and Mrs. T. C. Ritchie.

Mr and Mrs Weichel and Miss A. Weichel, Waterloo, were guests over Sunday with Mr and Mrs N. A. Stauffer.

Miss Ada McLean, Toronto, was a weekend guest with Mrs F. McPherson.

Miss Jean Grant and Mr. Gordon Grant are home from Toronto University.

Mr. Morrison Smith of Toronto was a holiday guest with his father Dr. J. L. Smith.

Miss M. E. Morton spent Saturday with her sister in Guelph. Miss Marion Morton of Mt. Forest returned home with her for the holiday.

Mrs S. Ritchie of London, was a holiday visitor with her daughters.

Mr and Mrs John Renwick and two sons of Toronto were holiday guests with the former's parents Mr and Mrs Robt. Renwick Sr.

Mr and Mrs Percy Sparling of Brantford were weekend guests with Miss Cassie Sparling.

Miss Jean Renwick of Penetang, Miss Ellen Fawcett, Toronto, and Mr. R T. Renwick of Toronto were holiday guests with Mr and Mrs. R. Renwick Jr.

Miss Gertrude E. Glass, London, spent the past few days in the parental home.

Miss Sneath of Shanty Bay spent a few days last week with her brother, Dr. T. H. Sneath.

Mr. Gordon Rennie of the public school staff holidayed at his home in Seaforth.

Mr and Mrs Ashford and little son and Miss Elizabeth Harding from near Hamilton and Miss Jean Harding of Guelph, were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs J. H. Harding.

Miss Mildred Young of Toronto was the guest of Mr and Mrs Alex Hay over the holiday.

Mrs Langley of Toronto, and Mr. Wallace Langley of Halleybury are holiday visitors with Mr and Mrs W. J. Moran and Mr and Mrs J. Ray.

Misses Ella and Grace Baird of Hamilton spent the holiday in the parental home.

Mr and Mrs W. Buchan and Ewing of Dunnville were visitors on Monday with Mrs Buchan's sister, Mrs. Pearl McCormack and other friends.

Miss Clara Aljoe, Dr. Harold Aljoe and son of Toronto, were guests over the weekend in the parental home.

Mr Alex McQueen of Hamilton visited with his brother over the holiday.

Mr and Mrs J. C. Queen spent a day in London recently and visited with Rev. and Mrs A. A. Bice.

Mr and Mrs Griffith of Toronto, were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs. Arthur Greenwood.

Misses Lavina Mortley of Orillia, and Hattie Mortley of Toronto were holiday visitors in the parental home.

Misses Vera and Elva Perdue, Mr Lucas Perdue, Toronto, and Miss Ceaser of Brampton holidayed in the former's parental home.

Master Buster Muir of Toronto is holidaying at the home of Mr and Mrs C. Kennedy.

Dr. McCrae of Dundas was a Sunday guest of Dr and Mrs C. G. McGillivray.

Mr. D. E. Ritchie and Miss Dorothy Ritchie were weekend visitors in Toronto.

Miss Coalhouse of Dundas visited her sister Mrs Turner the first of the week.

Mr and Mrs Woodley of London, were holiday guests in the home of Mr and Mrs William Bogle.

Miss Florence McIlvride of West Hill and Mrs Caifley of Toronto, were holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs D. McIlvride.

As a tribute to him on his 88th birthday, a number of the friends and neighbors of Mr Edward Fee, Varney met at his home Sunday evening and presented him with a beautiful floral bouquet. Mr Fee is this week visiting at his granddaughters, Mrs Geo. Cupskey, in Hepworth.

Spoke on "Idiosyncrasies"

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here, is now editor of London Daily Express.

This inferiority complex is felt in Government. Commissions headed by Englishmen illustrate lack of confidence in ourselves as a people and nation. Parliament refuses to discuss foreign policies, for fear it might disturb Britain, yet only people who deeply resent this are Englishmen. Our climate is very different from New York and Paris, yet we follow their fashions and impose their styles set, upon ourselves.

No one can get us out of this inferiority complex but ourselves. We are conservative: we like to be stirred emotionally, but not to act. We talk, but don't do much. Canada is greatly overgoverned, yet all we do is say "What can we do about it?"

In National Health we spend $311,000,000 a year in cure of diseases, but only $7,000,000 in prevention. Our mental deficients in hospitals have increased 49% the last 12 years. What are we doing to check the rise? Nothing! Inertia is part of our problem. It is better to make mistakes sometimes than to do nothing. Two things, she believed, cause us to be inane and conservative: our proximity to a rich and powerful neighbor, and our being a dependency of Great Britain and looking to her for leadership.

We in Canada need initiative—the power to think and act for ourselves They dare to do the uncommon thing in Britain—dare to think for themselves. United States has groups who spend money for public benefit—Canada has none; no radicals, except possibly Toronto Saturday Night. We don't know how conservative we are. Why is all this so? Partially, too much conformity in education. We think in terms of mass production and don't allow the child to be himself.

Canadians don't run to hobbies that require initiative. We slay the minister who tries to give advance leadership. The masses must see danger before individuals can do much. We must have courage to trust our own thinking. "With the exercise of self-trust, new power shall appear" says Emerson. We'll never be a world power until we develop a confidence in ourselves, but will be what we've been all too long — imitators.

Following the address Mrs Dr. Grant, president of the Ladies' Aid spoke in highest terms of the address and the member's kindness in coming, and moved a hearty vote of thanks, which was warmly responded to. At the same time little Mary McGowan presented the guest speaker with a beautiful bouquet of roses.

Knox Evening Auxiliary met for their regular monthly meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs C. McGirr. The meeting opened with prayer by the president. The devotional topic "our lips kept for Jesus" was given by Miss Helen Gerrie. The report of the Presbyterial was given by Mrs. Clarence McGirr. Miss Winnie Blyth gave a paper on the 5th chapter of the study book on Africa "Christianity and Life." Roll call was answered with a verse on praise. It was decided to hold the annual picnic at Holstein on Thursday, June 18th.

KNOX CORNERS

Mr Norman Carson of Huntsville spent over the holiday with his parents, Mr and Mrs Wm. Carson.

Mr and Mrs Doug. McLean and children of Toronto spent over the weekend with Mr and Mrs Albert Marshall and other relatives in town.

Miss Mary McAlister spent the holiday with her mother and family.

Mrs John Marshall Sr., is in Toronto this week attending a council meeting of the W.M.S.

Miss Jennings spent over the week end at her home at Owen Sound.

Miss Ruby Carson of Kitchener visited recently with Mr and Mrs Wm. Knisley and Mr and Mrs Wm. Carson.

Mr and Mrs Allan Aitken and children of Egremont visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs Bert Watson.

Mr and Mrs Albert Marshall spent an evening last week with Mr and Mrs C. McAlister and Mrs McAlister Sr.

Glad to know that Willie Barber is recovering after his illness from rheumatic fever.

Mr and Mrs James Marshall and Mrs Alex Aberdein of Wiarton, Mr. and Mrs David Marshall and baby of Lucknow and Miss Jean McLean and friend of town were visitors on Sunday with Mr and Mrs David Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs John Marshall Jr spent an evening last week with Miss T. E. Byers.

Miss Eleanor Marshall of Shelburne, visited over the weekend at her home here.

Mr and Mrs T. Wallace visited on Sunday with friends in Owen Sound.

Mr and Mrs D. Marshall and Mr. and Mrs John Birr visited on Saturday with Hanover friends. We were glad to accompany them and meet our former neighbors. Mrs Ferguson's brother and his daughter and son-in-law of Seattle, U.S., are visiting with her at present. Mr McCalmon spent his young manhood in this neighborhood, his home being the present Caldwell farm. He and Mrs Ferguson are the only two living, of a family of thirteen. It is fifty-five years since he left this vicinity.

Misses Elliott and Claridge, Acton, and Messrs J. Smallman and McLachlan of Rockwood, were week end guests at Mr George Smallman's.

HOLSTEIN LEADER

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs Andrew Hunter is in the General hospital, Toronto and has undergone a serious operation. We wish her a speedy recovery. Mrs Sim is in Toronto with her.

Mr and Mrs Adam Eccles, Miss Mary Eccles, Miss Mildred George of Galt, were week end guests with Mr and Mrs Bert Eccles.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Adams of Toronto visited Mr and Mrs Hostetter recently.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roberts (nee Lillian McCall) who were married last week. They will make their home in Mt. Forest.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Treleaven who were married in Palmerston Saturday. They will make their home in Holstein.

Recent guests with Mr and Mrs D. Allan and family: Mr J. T. McAinsh of Laurel; Mr F. C. Rothwell of Palmerston; Mrs Dolph Stinchcombe of London; Mr and Mrs W. H. Rogens of 12th con. Egremont.

Mr and Mrs. Habermehl visited friends in Tilsonburg the first of the week.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Kerr and family and Miss Ruby Kerr visited Mrs Jordon and the Buller family over the week end and holiday.

Miss Margaret Irvin and Jack, and Carman Bunston and W. R. Arnill spent the week end and holiday at their respective homes.

Miss Beatrice Smith of Niagara Falls visited her parents recently.

Miss Hazel Smith has returned to her duties in the hospital in London after spending her holidays at home

Mr and Mrs. Wittich (Wilma Bilton) and little daughter visited her father Mr Joseph Bilton the first of the week.

Mr Wm. Aitken made a business trip to Toronto the first of the week.

Recent guests with Mrs. Morrison and the Brown family were Mr and Mrs Kendall and Mrs. Morrison of Singhampton, Mr and Mrs Sim, of Toronto.

Messrs D. Gillies, Clarence Fenton and Bert Eccles are in Toronto today attending the Conservative convention

Mrs John Leith visited friends in Toronto over the week end.

Mr Britton Roberts visited Mr and Mrs John Roberts the first of week.

Mr and Mrs Robert Hoffman and family of Kitchener visited Mr. and Mrs George Burrows recently; also Mr Roy Seaman of Toronto.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the Christie family on the death of their sister, Miss Isabella Christie, who passed away on Wednesday May 20th after a short illness. The funeral took place on Friday at the home to Reid's cemetery. Her pastor Rev. M. G. Court, was in charge. Miss Christie was born in Forfarshire, Scotland, the daughter of Mr David Christie and Margaret (Sim) Christie. She leaves to mourn a brother, Mr David Christie in Scotland, a sister Mrs Fairbanks in Toronto, a brother Mr Robert and two sisters Misses Mary and Jean Christie in Holstein.

IN MEMORIAM

NICHOLSON—In loving memory of our baby who left us May, 29, 1931.

'Ere sin could harm or sorrow fade,
Death came with friendly care
The opening bud to Heaven conveyed,
And made it blossom there.

—Mother, Daddy and Mary.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Isaac M. Hooper, dear husband and father, who passed away June 2, 1935.

God saw the road was very rough,
The hills were hard to climb;
So he gently closed those weary eyes
And whispered, 'Peace be Thine.'
Dearest loved one, we have laid you
In this peaceful grave's embrace;
But we trust in Heaven to greet you
And behold your smiling face.

—Wife and family

DIED

CHRISTIE—On Wednesday, May 20, at her late home, Holstein, Isabella daughter of the late David and Margaret Christie.

RAY—At the residence of his daughter, Mrs G. F. Campbell, 167 Evelyn avenue, Toronto, Thursday, May 21st, Donald F. Ray, beloved husband of Helen Isaac and father of Mrs G. F. Campbell, Mrs A. McFayden and Lee Ray, aged 73 years. Funeral service was held on Sunday with interment on Monday in Woodland cemetery.

STRAYED—A calf about 6 to 8 mos. old to premises of undersigned on May 9th. Owner will please prove property and pay expenses. —Gordon Leith, — R. R. 1, Varney.

FOR SALE

Large white sugar mangel seed—35c lb. Advance garden peas, wrinkled—5 lbs. 45c, fresh seed. John A. Ferguson, R. 1, Holstein.

ORCHARD

Mr. Bob Dickson and friend of Hespeler, spent the weekend with friends here.

Mr and Mrs Wm. Vollett of Durham spent Sunday last with their daughter Mrs. Wm. J. Nelson.

Mr. Donald McIlvride has started the work of his barn, Mr Weaser repairing the wall and the framers intend starting next Monday.

Miss Muriel Watson has been home from school for a couple of weeks with an infection in her foot.

Mr and Mrs Robert Gray of Toronto, visited over the weekend with friends of Guelph.

Miss Florence McIlvride spent Sunday with her aunt Miss Clara Hoeflin.

Mr and Mrs Jack McKenzie and family of Mt. Forest spent the holiday with Mr and Mrs Wm. Kirby.

Mr and Mrs Fred McCaw visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs Wm. Rogers.

Mr. Franklyn Pinder spent the weekend with Mr and Mrs Harry Pinder of Holstein.

Mr. Irvin Keller is busy this week shingling Mr Wm. Kirby's barn.

Mr and Mrs Moore of Hamilton enjoyed the weekend with the Carmount family.

Mr Lloyd Dickson is engaged with Mr. Donald McIlvride this month.

DROMORE

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs Victor Adams on Wed. June 3rd. Good program being provided. All ladies welcome.

MAPLE

Mr and Mrs Hallman and family of Kitchener and Miss Clara Bates of Galt, Mr and Mrs Clayton Wittick of Aylmer and Mr Joseph Bilton of Holstein all spent the holiday at J. D. Drimmie's.

Mr and Mrs Rutherford Henderson, and Mr and Mrs Kinch of Guelph, spent the holiday at A. R. Henderson's.

Mr. Neilburt McKenzie of Ceylon and Mr J. Long, Orangeville spent the holiday at Dave Long's.

Mr. Cecil Bryant is working for Howard Horsburg on the 8th con.

Mr and Mrs Mather and family spent the holiday at W. J. Philp's.

Mrs Will Fettes of Michigan and Mr Gordon Fettes of Denver, visited at A. R. Henderson's recently.

Mr. Jas. Bunston had the misfortune to lose one of his horses last week just at the busy time when horses are most needed.

YEOVIL

Nature is beautiful in her gifts of beautiful things, blossoms, and trees in all their new spring attire are an attractive sight.

Mr and Mrs John Alles had as recent visitors, Mr and Mrs R. Wilcox Jack, and Miss Amy Taylor of Meaford and Mr and Mrs A. J. Scott of Toronto.

Visitors during the week with the Whyte family were Mrs Whyte, Mr and Mrs Elmer Farrish and baby of Hanover, Mrs. Pinder and baby, and Eldon Rahn, Varney.

Mr and Mrs A. Haas and Arthur were recent guests of the Ghent family, Arthur township.

Sympathy goes out to the relatives of the late Miss Isabel Christie of Holstein, who for many years was a respected resident of this locality.

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NORTHERN ELECTRIC R.C.A. SOUND EQUIPMENT
MOUNT FOREST

Thurs.-Fri.-Sat., May 28, 29, 30
CHARLIE CHAPLIN in
"Modern Times"
Mickey Mouse in the Band Concert
Star Night. at the Cocoanut Groves
MUSICAL REVUE

Mon-Tue-Wed, June 1, 2, 3
RICHARD ARLEN & Virginia Bruce
in
"Let 'em Have It"
CHARLIE CHASE COMEDY
'Manhattan Monkey Business'
Good Little Monkeys
No Advance in Prices
Matinee every Saturday, 2.30 p. m.
2 Shows each Night, 7 & 9 p.m.

Budget and Abolition of Hanging, before the House

Miss Macphail's Weekly Letter

House of Commons, Ottawa
May 22nd, 1936.

It has been a broken week. The Commons did not sit on Thursday (Ascension Day) nor will it on Monday, May 25th. There were members in all parties who wished either to have no holiday in order that the the session might quickly be brought to a close or to eliminate the Friday sittings. However, the Government has a majority of 110 and their decision stands.

Budget items occupied most of the week and they certainly do not form the basis for an interesting article. The Finance Minister, Mr. Dunning is in charge of the schedule and, as is usual when detailed knowledge on many subjects is required by a Minister, two experts sit immediately in front of his desk in the House to supply the information that members may request. One of these experts on budget matters was H. B. McKinnon, formerly of Priceville, of whom Grey County people are very justly proud.

Mr. Bennett, the leader of the official opposition, sits almost exactly opposite Mr. Dunning and in dealing with matters of a detailed character, like tariff items, they have the habit of carrying on in low tones inaudible to most of the House. We did hear, however, that municipalities are to be exempt from sales tax on gravel used for roads and sidewalks; also that publishers of periodicals will get a 50 per cent, rebate on their raw materials as well as having their supplies free from sales tax.

The foxes of Prince Edward Island were honoured by being the subject of one of these chatty debates between Mr. Dunning and Mr Bennett. It had to do with freeing their—I mean the foxes'—food from tariff levies. As it is now, horse meat, tripe, and other animal offal, tid-bits in Fox Land, are to come in free, as are also feeds consisting wholly, or in part, of cereals, not including baked biscuits.

It seemed odd to hear the Finance Minister, whom we still think of as coming from the West, say: "I find that while it is true t he Province which I have the honour to represent produces the finest foxes in the Dominion...."

Mr. Bennett: "And the finest oats and wheat I suppose. ....And is the Province in which the commercial development of the industry was first commenced; it is also true that Prince Edward Island foxes are now found practically from coast to coast and are used for foundation stock for an industry growing in almost all parts of Canada."

We find, too, in listening to a discussion of tariff items under the budget, that baby chicks are free of duty when imported from Great Britain. (Would they be broilers when they arrive?) But chicks coming from U.S.A., carry a specific duty of 4c per chick. Importations under this item have fallen from 924,000 chicks in 1930 to 2,900 last year. Mr Wood farm member from Brant County, or rather a Liberal member who is a farmer, defended the 4c. charge on chicks on the ground of protection of the health of Canadian flocks. It was not, he said, a matter of revenue only and yet the tax is not too great to permit importations from special flocks if necessary.

A bill for the abolition of hanging as a method of execution was introduced earlier in the session by Dr. Blair, member for Wellington North. Mr. Lapointe at that time asked the mover to let the matter stand until investigation could be made of the effectiveness of lethal gas as a method for the execution of condemned persons.

This week Mr Lapointe made a report of what one of his officials found on a visit to the five States in the United States which use this method. In Nevada, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming and North Carolina, it was found that the process is not at all a complicated one, nor is it expensive. There is only one place for execution in each State and there the guards carry out the death sentence; that is, it does not require the services of a technical expert. Mr Lapointe said they had communicated with the various Provinces but that the Deputy Attorneys General in each were reluctant to express an opinion and he asked Dr. Blair to allow the matter to stand over to another session when, he said, a Parliamentary Committee would study the matter further.

The debate was carried further with Mr. Bennett taking the view that in this age there is a danger of us becoming "victims of maudlin sentimentality." His reading induced him to believe that hanging is much more as a deterrent than any other form of execution. He advocated it because it is an ignominious form of death.

Mr. Woodsworth followed to say that it was once the practice in Great Britain to hang people for sheep-stealing, for robbery, and for a hundred other offences but that the practice had not deterred crime and had been given up except as a punishment for a few major crimes of which murder was one. He recalled to the leader of the opposition that in Britain criminals had once been boiled in oil, drawn and quartered, but Britain had given up such barbarities. Hanging, he said, still persisted in England, it was true, but there Committees of British House of Commons, have protested against it and have advocated other methods. One member, Mr Wilton of Hamilton had witnessed a hanging while engaged on newspaper work some years ago and he took a strong stand against hanging as a method of execution.

National Defence estimates occupied one sitting. I made another—I think the eleventh—attempt, to have the cadet training vote reduced. This year I asked that the $150,000 grant be reduced to $1.00 and was supported by the seven C.C.F. members. Mr Coldwell, the member for Rosetown Biggar, was for many years principal of Regina Public School. He expressed the opinion that physical training after the Swedish system was desirable. It had nothing of a military character and does much more to develop a healthy body than cadet drill does. He thought, too, that military training in schools does not develop initiative and self-reliance, but rather the opposite.

In certain places, Mr Coldwell said Cadet Drill is made more or less compulsory. He told how his own son who did not wish to take military drill when attending one of the Collegiates in Regina, was punished each time the corps drilled by being compelled to sit on a form and watch the cadets. He told also of being instructed, when he was principal, to excuse no boys from military drill unless they were physically unfit. He challenged the ruling and was upheld in it by the Saskatchewan Department of Education. This was the first occasion where definite proof was given the Minister of National Defence that coercion had been used.

Many members spoke in favour of the vote being increased, among them Mrs. Black and the Hon. Earl Lawson.

A veterán of the Great War, Mr. Grant MacNeil, C.C.F. member for Vancouver North, said it was time for Canada to stop spending millions of dollars on a militia. As it stands today, there are only seven men to every officer, although 24 to 1 was the war-time ratio. Canada was spending millions, mostly for the benefit of officers, or as we termed it, "a military aristocracy." He moved that the militia vote be reduced by $1,000,000. The motion was lost 62 to 11. At that he did three better than I, mine being 109 to 8.

Senator Cairine Wilson entertained for Mrs Buchan, mother of the Governor-General, and her daughter Anne, known in the literary world as "O. Douglas". A very interesting group of women came to have tea at Senator Wilson's beautiful home in Rockcliffe to meet these notable Scots. Mrs. Buchan is eighty-six years of age but deeply interested in every vital thing and just now particularly in Canada and the work of her distinguished son. She has a fine face, strong, intelligent and kind. Her daughter told me that she is greatly enjoying her visit. O. Douglas has been delighting Ottawa audiences with her speeches on literary subjects and personages. Truly the Buchans are a remarkable family and it is a great pleasure to have them with us.

AGNES C. MACPHAIL

VARNEY

Miss Dorothy Caldwell was operated on last Monday for appendicitis. Glad to report she is doing well.

Mr. and Mrs J. Whyte and Doreen of Holstein, Misses Lillian and Reta Rahn of Kitchener and Mr. E. Rahn of Orchardville visited over the weekend with Mr and Mrs C. Rahn.

Mrs George Cupskey and Shirley of Hepworth visited over the weekend with her mother Mrs Morice. Mr Fee returned with her for a week's visit.

Mrs Ritchie, Mrs Woodley and Doris of London, visited over the week end with Mr and Mrs W. Bogle.

On Sunday evening last a few of the neighbors called to congratulate Mr. E. Fee on his 88th birthday.

Guests on Sunday of Mr and Mrs A. McCabe were Mr and Mrs Gordon Flewellyn and two daughters, Mr and Mrs O'Shea and daughters, all of Toronto, Mr and Mrs Moore of Egremont, also Mr McKelvey of New Liskeard.

Rev. R. F. Mercer baptised the two daughters of Mr and Mrs G. Flewellyn on Sunday last, at the home of Mr and Mrs A. McCabe.

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