

Dr. F. W. Leeson Motors Through South West States

The editor has received the following racy letter from Dr. Fred W. Leeson of Beloit, Wis., an old Verney boy, who with Mrs. Leeson is enroute to the Hawaiian Islands to spend the winter months:

"We left our home in Beloit, Wisconsin, on Nov. 5th, calling on old classmates in Elgin and Konkakee, Ill., on our way to visit the sisters and brothers in Indiana.

We visited with Mrs. Leeson's sister and brother at Rose Lawn, Edith (Mrs. Warden Wilder) and husband at Lake Village, Dr. Ernest and wife at De Motte and Rev. Dr. Charles and wife at Winamac, Ind. After several days here, we continued our journey south and west to California, where we arrived on the 17th, after travelling over some 2800 miles.

We spent one day in Dallas, Texas, and took in the Fair. It is very colorful and entertaining. It really exceeded the Chicago and San Diego Fairs but the scientific part did not begin to compare. We spent two days at Carlsbad, North Mexico, one of which was spent in viewing the caverns, which are truly wonderful. Up to date they have explored some seven miles, but only five of which are open to the public. You can enter by elevator to the 750 foot level, or go down on a winding ramp, with many hair pin turns, to the 850 foot level. We chose to walk down and ride up at 50c per person. We also enjoyed a very nice lunch at the 750 foot level, in what they call their dining room. There are many rooms, as the King's Palace, Queen's Chamber, Dome room, Green Lake room, etc., and all have all sizes, and shapes of stalagmites, stalactites, and helictites, many of which are very beautiful. I had the pleasure of taking a moving picture of Jim White, who discovered the caves in 1901.

In a trip of this length, one naturally goes through all kinds of country. After leaving our part of the country which is mostly dairy, you are in the rich corn land of Illinois. Here you also run into many coal mines and gas wells. In Missouri, you see the first cotton fields, more corn, some rye and wheat, while in Oklahoma you have the same, with the addition of oil wells. Here you see the latter by the thousands. In Texas, you find much the same crops as Oklahoma, with the addition of many large ranches of cattle, horses, mules, sheep and goats. There is much waste land in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California. Noticed some large copper mines in Arizona and some gold mines. Noticed the first orange, grape fruit and lemon groves in Arizona, and the first date groves near Indio, California.

One cannot help but love California for its beauty, its many wonderful drives, many of which are in sight of the mountains, and at this time of the year, some have snow on their peaks. We have visited our cousins, the Charles Crawfords, at Ontario, Cal. Also the following places of interest, in many of which some of our friends are located: Long Beach, Wilmington, San Pedro, Palos Verdes Hills, Santa Monica Beach, La Guina Beach, Santa Ana, Hollywood, Glendale, Whittier, El Monte, San Diego, Ventura, Santa Barbara, La Jolla, San Clemente, Oceanside, Arrow head Lake, etc.

We are very handy to down town Pasadena, and Los Angeles, and the street car goes by our door. It takes only a few minutes to drive. We are supposed to sail for Honolulu on Jan. 16, so are in hopes the strike will soon be over. There are two couples going with us, so we will have a good time, I am sure.

Miss Margaret Petty spent over the week end at her home here. Mr and Mrs Alex. Smith of town, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith.

Mr and Mrs Andrew Picken and Raymond had Christmas dinner with Mr and Mrs Wm. Picken of Bentinck. Mr and Mrs James Picken with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stewart.

A number from our line attended the presentation to Miss Marjorie Caldwell, sister and brothers at their home on Wednesday evening of last week. We wish for them real happiness and success in their new home.

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KNOX CORNERS

Again we would say: "A Happy New Year to all." Christmas is over for another year. To many its joys would be mixed with sadness, on account of the vacant chair. What great reason we have for gratitude to God for the greatest of all gifts, Jesus, the Saviour of the World! Personally we would thank all for the many gifts and cards we received. And we had a gift all the way from Texas from our good friend, Mrs Allan Bell.

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Miss Georgina Ball visited Thursday with Miss T. E. Byers.

Mr and Mrs John Marshall Jr. and Billy were visitors on Christmas with Mr and Mrs W. McCulloch, Bentinck.

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

The annual school concert of No. 1 was held in the schoolhouse Tuesday evening, Dec. 22, at which the section was quite well represented. Mr Albert Marshall was chairman and an interesting and lengthy program was given consisting of recitations, choruses, dialogues by the children, songs and a shadowgraph by the young people, music on organ, guitar and violin by Mrs Harry Caldwell, Miss Marian Kerr and Clarence Caldwell; also music on violin and guitar by Mr. Ronald Smith and Percy Gordon. At the close of program, Santa Claus appeared (in a new suit) and distributed the gifts. The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated. All the children received candy and oranges and gifts from the teacher, and the teacher a gift from the pupils. After the singing of the National Anthem, lunch was served. Miss Jennings and the scholars deserve praise for the program, also the others who assisted.

Mr and Mrs Palmer Patterson and Clem, Mr and Mrs Bert Watson and family, were guests for supper with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Watson on Christmas.

Miss Jennings is spending the holidays at her home in Owen Sound.

Mr and Mrs David Marshall had all their family and grandchildren present on Christmas day, also Mr and Mrs Wm. Marshall, Billy and Gordon, Mr Gordon Dyer, numbering 25 in all. Glad to be present and enjoy the day. Congratulations to Allan Watson, who won the silver medal this year in high school, also a special prize of five dollars, donated by Miss Weir.

Miss Maud Thompson of Toronto, spent Christmas day with her mother and family.

Mr Kelst and Miss Bates of Shelburne, Mr and Mrs Wm. Wallace and Miss Margaret Storry of town, visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs Andrew Marshall.

Mr and Mrs James Petty had the family and grandchildren on Christmas day, excepting Wilbert who is at present in Durham hospital.

Mr and Mrs Stanley Mountain entertained Mr and Mrs Arthur Mountain and family and other relatives on Christmas.

Miss Margaret Storry of Durham, spent the week end at the Caldwell home.

Mr and Mrs Wesley Storry, son and daughters, and Mr and Mrs Andrew Marshall and family spent

ORCHARD

We wish the editor and staff a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Mr and Mrs Robert Carmount and family enjoyed Christmas day with their daughter Mrs Ronald and Mr. Smith of Knox.

Our teacher and pupils are to be congratulated on the success of our Christmas tree. Mr. Mercer was in the chair and read off a lengthy program of recitations, readings and dialogues. Music was also supplied by the Rahn boys of Varney. Santa arrived and greeted all the children with a bag of candy from the heavily laden tree, each pupil receiving a present from the teacher as well as those on the exchange plan. The evening closed with the national anthem.

Mr and Mrs Elmer Ferrish, Mr and Mrs Jasper Whyte, Mrs. Long and family, Mrs. Whyte Sr. ate Christmas goose at Mr and Mrs R. Pinder's.

Mr and Mrs W. Vollett and Crawford spent a day recently with Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson.

Mr and Mrs Norman Horsburg and family spent Christmas day with Mr and Mrs Pete Cornick.

Miss Agnes Dickson of Guelph spent Christmas with her parents Mr and Mrs William Dickson.

Mr and Mrs Bert Eva and Glen spent Christmas day with her parents Mr and Mrs Robinson near Mt. Forest.

Mr. Wm. Brown treated his family to a new Victor radio.

Mr and Mrs Fred McCaw and family spent Christmas with her parents Mr and Mrs Rogers.

DROMORE

The January meeting of the Women's Institute will be held in the home of Mrs Jos. McNulty on Wednesday, January 6. Topic by Mrs F. Hopkins. Roll call—A verse from your favorite author. Demonstration: Knitting and Crocheting. Joke: Mrs Philip, Lunch—Sandwiches: Mrs Adams, Mrs Will Hooper, Mrs Alex. Milne; Cake: Mrs Patterson, Mrs Hastie.

S.S. No. 13, EGREMONT
Jr and Sr V—Alex. McMurdo (H), Lorne Eccles, Dorothy McNulty, Chas Watson, Ruth McKenzie. Jr IV—June Small.

Sr III—Betty Taylor (H), Alex. McGillivray (H), Kenneth Leith (H), Annie Dixon and Colin Geddes equal Hilda Harrison, Dorothy Harrison. Jr III—Douglas Nott, Hector McMurdo, Calvin Nott.

II—Violet Moore (H), Arnold Small John Harrison. I—Ross Taylor (H), Roy Eccles (H), Royden Harrison (H), Pr—Audrey Whitmore.

K. Smith, teacher

RING IN THE NEW

Ring out wild bells to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light,
The year is dying in the night,
Ring out wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring happy bells, across the snow:
The year is dying, let him go,
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more,
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times,
Ring out, ring out, my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the light of the world.

HOLSTEIN LEADER

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Ruby Kerr spent the Christmas holidays with her mother Mrs Jordan and the Buller family.

Miss Elma McGuire is visiting her friend, Miss Jean Donald, Mt. Forest, and Olive is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Teeter in Durham. Miss Phyllis Long is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lawrence in Durham.

Miss Lena Allan of Toronto is spending the holiday season with her brother Mr David Allan and family.

Mr and Mrs McGuire and children spent the week end with his parents, Mr and Mrs John McGuire, Belgrave.

Mr and Mrs John Orchard of Mount Forest visited recently with Mr. and Mrs David Allan and family.

Mr Hillis Burnside of Markdale visited with the McGuire family over the end of the week.

Mr and Mrs D. Gillies and Robert were recent guests with Mr and Mrs A. S. T. Eccles.

Mr Alex. Sim, who spent the holidays at home, has returned to his studies in Toronto.

Mr and Mrs George Brown and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs Wm. Porter in Normanby.

Misses Isabel and Hazel Leith and Miss Dorothy Dyer of Toronto, and Mr Lyall Mercer of London, spent the holiday at their homes.

Rev. M. G. and Mrs. Court spent Christmas in London.

Mr and Mrs Corbett of Arkwright, are visiting their daughter, Mrs Clarence Fenton.

Mr Lorne Schenk is taking his brother's meat route, as Willie was so unfortunate as to cut his little finger off when cutting meat.

Mr and Mrs George Armstrong and family spent Christmas with her parents, Mr and Mrs G. T. Calder.

Mrs. Hastie and Isabelle spent Christmas with Dr and Mrs McHenry in Toronto.

Mr and Mrs Beley and Mr and Mrs McLaughlin, Hamilton, spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Drumm.

Mr and Mrs David Webber spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs Wm. Nelson.

Mr and Mrs Robert Nicholson entertained their family; Mr and Mrs. Bunston and family; Mr and Mrs Al. Nicholson and daughter; Mr and Mrs James Nicholson and family; Mr and Mrs Lemont and family, and Mrs. Hiscox on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd.

Mr and Mrs Aberdein, Robert and Glen; Mr and Mrs Walter Bye and family, spent Christmas with Mrs. Bruce.

Mr and Mrs Alex. Aberdein of Warrton were recent guests with Mr. and Mrs Aberdein.

Messrs Joe and Herb. Treleaven were Christmas guests with their parents.

Mrs Norman Treleaven returned home after spending the holidays with her mother in Midland.

Mr and Mrs. Tilgen are spending the holidays with his parents in Mt. Brydges.

YEOVIL

Mild weather prevails and the snow has almost disappeared.

Much credit is due Miss Sharpe and pupils of S.S. No. 9 when they gave their annual Christmas entertainment on Tuesday afternoon to a well filled schoolroom of parents and friends. Mr. Geo. Drimble capably acted as chairman, for a varied program of recitations and dialogues, interspersed with choruses. A genial Santa Claus distributed many gifts to the teacher and children from a well laden tree, as well as homemade candy to all. Lunch was served by the ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Nicholson entertained the Hattle families to Christmas supper. Those present were Mr and Mrs Thos. Hattle and Walter Zator, Mr and Mrs Andrew Wagner, and Stella, Mr and Mrs Peter Hattle and Gerald, Mr and Mrs J. V. Runciman, Wanda, Lois and Velma, and little Marjorie Miller, Mr. and Mrs Arthur Eccles and Florence, Mr and Mrs Wm. Hattle and Mr and Mrs Norman MacMillan. Mr. Neil Hattle Detroit was unable to attend.

Mr and Mrs Peter Mutch spent Christmas and the weekend in Toronto at the home of their daughter.

Mrs J. Whyte and Doreen are visiting her parents Mr and Mrs Rahn of Varney.

Miss Reta Kinsman spent Christmas at her home in Swinton Park.

Mr. Alfred Haas is able to be around again after his recent illness.

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ALLAN'S CORNERS

On Sunday next there will be a celebration of Holy Communion in St. Paul's church.

Mr A. McCabe installed a radio in the home of Mr. D. Davis recently.

Mr and Mrs W. J. Allan entertained a number of their relatives for Christmas, namely Mrs M. Barber, Mr and Mrs Bert Watson and family, Mr and Mrs Harold Barber, Mr and Mrs J. M. Marshall of Knox and Mr and Mrs Hubert McDougall of Holstein.

Mr and Mrs Wm. Wallace and Miss Sadie Davis of Durham spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs D. Davis.

Miss Norma Ferguson of Toronto is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents Mr and Mrs Walter Ferguson.

Mr. Elmer Tucker of the Bank staff, Toronto and Miss Ellene of Guelph enjoyed the festivities at the parental home on Christmas.

Mrs A. Hann of Priceville spent Christmas with her daughter Mrs W. Gordon.

Mr. Derby of North Dakota is spending a few weeks with his sister Mrs. J. Kerr.

Mr and Mrs Jas. Hargrave and family, Mr and Mrs Chas. Scales, and Mr and Mrs Jas. Johnson and family spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs C. Hargrave.

A Happy New Year to the editor, staff and correspondents.

Rev. C. J. Queen assisted Rev. M. H. Farr with the celebration of Holy Communion on Christmas day in Trinity church, Durham.

VARNEY

Mr and Mrs C. Lauder and family of Durham, Misses Winnie and Ruby Blyth and friend spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Wilbert Blyth.

Mr and Mrs C. M. Leeson, Mr and Mrs Jas. Leeson, Emily and Elcanor were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs S. A. Hooper, Mt. Forest.

Mr and Mrs Ralph Catton and Madeline, Mrs. S. Ritchie were recent visitors with Mr and Mrs W. Bogle.

Mr and Mrs Chas. Ritchie spent Tuesday with Mr and Mrs W. Blyth.

Miss Dorothy Bogle is spending her holidays at home.

A number of neighbors and relatives gathered at the Wilton home on Wednesday evening and presented Misses Marjorie and Dorothy Caldwell Wm. Caldwell and Jas. Wilton with a purse of money. The evening was spent with games and music.

The W.A. will meet on Jan. 6th, at the home of Mrs Wilbert Blyth.

Mr and Mrs Nichol Bell and family of Flora, Miss Janet Kerr of Albany, N. Y. and Mr. Kenneth Kerr of Toronto, were holiday visitors with their mother Mrs Jas. Kerr. Miss Janet is remaining for a longer visit.

Mrs. Jos. Bilton of Windsor, Mr. and Mrs Adrian Noble and family, Mr and Mrs Dawson Marshall and family spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Julius Keller.

Mr and Mrs N. J. Kerr and family ate Christmas dinner with Mr and Mrs Ralph Catton.

Mr and Mrs Bryson Morlock, Helen and John were Christmas guests of Mr and Mrs Geo. Bell.

Mr. Frank Morlock is home for a short holiday.

Mr and Mrs Jos. Robinson, Mrs. Bell and son of Toronto, visited one day last week with Mr and Mrs R. J. Eden.

Mr Arthur McCabe spent the holiday at home.

Mr. and Mrs Wm. Eden, Norman and John and Miss Clara Gordon ate Christmas dinner with Mr and Mrs R. J. Eden.

Mr. Wm. Long was a Christmas visitor with Mr and Mrs I. Bryans.

Mr. Dave Gordon is visiting with his sister, Mrs. Thos. Moore.

Misses Rita and Lillian Rahn of Kitchener were holiday visitors with Mr and Mrs C. Rahn.

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REQUIEM His frail old hand was aquirer As he shaded his wistful eyes, And looked far over the water That mirrored the gold of the sea...

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