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Bible School Hand Craft on Display

At the closing exercises of the Glasgow Bible School a large and appreciative audience on Friday night viewed with great satisfaction the work accomplished by the students during the course. The colored pictures were by the children in the kindergarden from 4 to 5 years of age, while the primary children displayed note books and picture paintings. The work of the junior group indicated careful study in care of note books and old testament Kings life and reign. The intermediates displayed mottoes mounted on glass, also note books covering the last half of the life of Christ. All over 12 years of age were grouped as seniors and they made quite an exhaustive study of the early life and missionary journeys of Paul. Their relief maps with all places clearly marked where he visited on his three journeys and probably fourth and last journey to Rome. This work was the standout of the display and was both educational and artistic. Not only to the pupils but to the instructor Mr. Gordon Schrag great credit is due. The kindergarden teachers were Miss Mary Burkholder, Miss Sarah Hoover primary, Miss Elsie Hoover junior, Miss G. Gingerich of Zurich intermediates, and Miss Marie Burkholder of Presleau seniors.

DOWSWELL CLAN REUNION

Members of the Dowswell clan from various parts of Canada and the United States will gather at the Horticulture Building, Exhibition Park, Toronto on Saturday, July 29th for their annual reunion it was announced following meetings held in Westdale Park, Hamilton. The committee in charge of the arrangements are, Hon. Prest. J. A. Dowswell, Essex, Prest. Harry Armbrust 1206 Ossington Ave., Toronto; Vice-Prest., George Oliver, Bright; Sec'y, Treas. Miss Lillian Dowswell, Stouffville.

Stricken in Field Farmer Passes Away

Death came with startling suddenness to a prominent farmer of Altona on Saturday morning, when Barkis Reesor, aged 63, was stricken with heart trouble while working in the potato patch. He was assisted by the hired man to the lawn at the house where he was administered aid by the family physician, and although saying he felt revived and all right, he suddenly passed away. Born and raised on the farm where he died at lot 27, con. 9, Pickering, Barkis was a son of the late Elias Reesor and Annie Burkholder, thus being of Dutch descent. In 1900 he married Ida Wideman who with three sons and one daughter mourn the loss of a loving father. They are Ken, Blake, and Stanley all on the homestead, and Blanche, Mrs. Frank Lackie of Fraserville. Mrs. Leslie Rowbotham of Stouffville is an only sister.

The deceased was identified with the Union Church at Altona and taught a Sunday School class there where his father before him had been superintendent for years. The funeral on Monday afternoon to Dickson Hill cemetery was one of the most largely attended in the district for a long time. Presiding Elder M. Bricker of the M.B.C. church, and Rev. E. Morton officiated at the last sad rites. The pall bearers were Messrs. Edward, Arthur and Percy Wideman, Fred McNair, Walter Carter, Millard Reesor.

Santa Visits Sandy in Mid July

Gift is Six Months in Transit from Toronto to Stouffville

Our popular village farmer Sandy Jones had a visit from Santa Claus on Saturday, six months behind schedule but nonetheless appreciated, so Sandy says. When Mr. Jones received his mail on Saturday there was a parcel from Santa Claus, all done up with red seals and wishing our citizen a very happy Christmas right on the outside of the package. Inside was a Briar pipe and Christmas card indicating that it was a gift from an old friend living in Toronto and who had not failed to remember Sandy over the years since he worked in Stouffville on the farm as a lad.

The surprise was great, but the mystery as to where the package has been these six months, is something the postmaster and others cannot answer or even guess. Anyway six months for a parcel to travel thirty odd miles from Toronto to Stouffville is a record low speed in these days when high speeds are being shattered.

Lemonville Loses Miss Lillian Cook

There passed away at the Brierbush Hospital on Wednesday morning this week Miss Lillian Cook, following a long illness from which it was realized she could not recover.

Miss Cook was a daughter of the late Macklem Cook of Lemonville where she was born and lived on the homestead. Just a year ago a sister Scynthia died, and the only surviving member of this well-known family is Mrs. E. C. Pennock of Stouffville.

Private funeral this Friday afternoon will take place from the Pennock home on Main St., for interment at Lemonville.

MODEL WORK SHOP IN LOCAL SCHOOL

Principal Murphy and his assistant Ralph Haist at the Continuation School have had a fine compliment paid them for the manner in which the shop room has been planned and laid out at the school. It so impressed Inspector Gordon, manual training inspector for the province, that he requested pictures be taken which he intends to show as a model shop for other schools contemplating similar shop installation.

Uxbridge Men Crash

Constable Quibell was called to Altona on Sunday night where a car had rammed into the ditch and the occupants dumped out. The occupants hailed from Uxbridge, Harry Stewart who was found lying in the ditch with serious chest injuries, was not noticed until several hours after the others had been picked up. Edward Stewart Uxbridge mail courier and H. Chrieves, Toronto, were removed from the scene by Constable Quibell and Constable Wid. Miller. Their car had missed a curve, it is said, and crashed into a tree, and the occupants were so dazed they could not tell exactly what happened. It was several hours later that a farmer saw Harry Stewart lying there in an unconscious condition. He was removed to the hospital.

Four Pupils all Over 90 Years old Attend Locust Hill Reunion

Three Hundred Former Pupils Gather to Mark School's 75th Year

Three hundred or more school children of former days gathered again last Saturday afternoon in the old school yard at Locust Hill to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the school. They came from as far as Oswego, Cleveland, and Lakeview in the States, and from Brampton, Ottawa, Oakville, New Dundee, and Eagle Lake in Ontario, besides many other places nearer the old school section.

Miss Irene Reesor and Miss Alice Pike, capable registrars, saw to it that those who registered gave their married names and those by which they were known in the old school days, and their well arranged, books will be a prized record for years to come. Teachers too of other days came in goodly numbers, the oldest present being Isaac Pike of Bethesda, Whitchurch, who taught in the school for one year in 1873. Mr. Pike holds the record for teaching perhaps longer than any other pedagogue alive. He taught for 46 years, and recited poetry at the reunion to prove that his mind is working well today, although 86 years of age.

The boys and girls of other years were called together under the beautiful shade trees for which the grounds hold a real charm, by William Irwin who studied the three R's at Locust Hill, and who hadn't forgot that he was made to climb one of the trees and cut a gad for his own threshing. Frank Reesor, trustee, gave an interesting history of the school, revealing that when the present building was erected in 1864, the old frame school was sold for \$9.00.

Sitting in the school yard were three women chatting happily. All of them were ninety years of age, and pupils who attended the original school. Indeed, there were four monogenarians on the grounds for another sat in a car. They were Mrs. Alex. Dewey of Whitby who will be 90 this Friday, and when a girl was Margaret

DUNCAN-DEWSBURY

At Melville Church, Cashel, on Saturday, July 15th, 1939, George Harvey Dewsbury, son of Harold Dewsbury and his wife Bertha Snider, of Vandorf, and Dorothy Evelyn Duncan daughter of Stuart Duncan and his wife Janet Summerfeldt of Bethesda, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony in the presence of immediate relatives by Rev. Gordon R. Duncan, cousin of the bride. Mendelsohn's wedding march was played by Miss Nettie Bruce and the bride was given away by her father. It was in this church that the bride was baptized in her infancy and it was here that her father and grandfather were baptized, as well as Mr. Duncan who performed the ceremony.

Miss Betty Duncan sister of the bride was bridesmaid and Mr. Keith Preston a close friend of the groom acted as groomsmen. The bride looked beautiful in a gown of navy sheer with white accessories and carried a bouquet of red rose buds, while the bridesmaid wore a gown of Periwinkle blue sheer with white accessories, and bouquet of pink roses.

The happy couple left almost immediately for Montreal and eastern points and will on their return reside at Vandorf.

Good weather is predicted for Friday night's street dance in Stouffville by Billie Hole.

Winn. Next was Mrs. Riddle whose maiden name was Mary Cole, then there were Mrs. Ben. Hagerman and Mrs. Duncan, the latter coming all the way from Ottawa. These two are sisters, and were daughters of the late Col. Button.

Mrs. Dewey recalled that her mother planted many of the locust trees around their farm and from this the place became known as Locust Hill. The four ladies are wonderfully bright and might be much younger if one judged by their looks only.

Despite the tendency of people today to roam, this section of Markham Township can point to families who have remained in the same locality for four generations. It was related that a fourth generation is attending school at this time. They were all present for the reunion, first Mrs. Ben. Hagerman and her daughter Mrs. M. R. Hoover, granddaughter Mrs. Ab Troyer and great grandson and granddaughter Rae and Shirley, pupils of the school. Shirley just passed the entrance this year.

The teacher Miss Nellie Hyland is very popular, and is a local girl. Her mother was a Reesor and, one time pupil of the school. Louis Pipher of New Dundee came back for the occasion, recalling only pleasant memories of the days he taught here. Mrs. Shirk of Ridgeway, the former Mabel Ramer, was also welcomed by many on the grounds. From Cleveland, Ohio, came Mrs. G. V. Woodling, and her husband. She was the former Margaret Gould. Mr. and Mrs. Parish B. Steeper came from New York State.

After speech making and musical numbers by Markham band, the tables were laid out with a wonderful array of cooking indicating that the girls who over the decades attended the fine old school at Locust Hill, had learned something more than reading, writing and arithmetic. The cooking was wonderful, and the affair closed with all feeling that it was worthwhile to have paused in the hurry and bustle of life, to live again the scenes of youth in this lovely of lovely school grounds.

COURTESY PICTURES

The group pictures of the Stayner Camp printed on page 3, were from mats kindly loaned by the Owen Sound Sun-Times. Pictures were by Paul L. Storms.

Campbells Rent Storage Space Here

The Gold Fish Supply Co., announced through their president, Mr. George Asten, who was in town on Wednesday, that an agreement had been reached with the Campbell-Soup Co., Weston, Ontario, for the lease of the basement story of the Gold Fish building. The big soup company will use the premises for storage purposes, for which it is ideally adapted. The interest taken by the Campbell people, we hope, may presage greater development by this firm in the local district where they are able to procure a quality of vegetables second to none in the province.

LEAVING FOR CALGARY

Mr. and Mrs. John Hodgins expect to leave town this Thursday morning on a trip to Calgary where they will spend a few weeks with their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mr. Wm. Allin.

Stove Linings Latest on Peddler's List

There may be nothing new under the sun, but the practise of making a living by going from door to door repairing the family cook stove is something we never heard of until last week. Police in Whitchurch Township had a report on a couple of gents who were reported to be canvassing the concession lines, and really doing a good business. The line of approach was to promise to put in a new lining in the old cook stove for so much money, or perhaps it would be just a repaid job. Anyway, arguments ensued when settling up time came and in several instances the workmen usually wanted more than the bargain called for at the start.

In one instance on the Aurora sideroad police said the lady of the house had new linings put in the stove which were to cost only \$1. When the job was finished the price was something like \$13. She refused to pay and the workmen removed the linings and took them away along with the dollar.

For the most part it is unwise to allow strangers in the home, much less to enter into contracts for work or for the sale of anything. There are local dealers for most everything, and it is safer to contract business through one you know.

CLAREMONT BAND TO PLAY AT UNION SERVICE

Claremont Band will play for the church service next Sunday evening in Claremont. Rev. Mr. Augustine will preach, and it is expected a large congregation will gather for this union worship.

Who is Fred Brown?

Soliciting magazine subscriptions in the Glasgow area a man giving the name of Fred Brown, Church Street, Stouffville, aroused the suspicion of one farmer who investigated only to find that no such person lived on Church street.

As the stranger claimed to have secured several hundred orders, an effort to put police on his trail only failed because a constable could not be located in the immediate district. Stouffville and Markham men could not act, as it was beyond their county.

After all, farmers who hand out money to subscription takers should be prepared to take a chance. They know by now that most of them are in the so-called shark class, yet in the hope of getting something below cost, good money is handed to strangers.

Two Women Dead Following Crash

Highfield Sisters Both Dead, Lived Here Over 50 Years Ago

A report from Brantford tells of the death of Mrs. James Pollock, 72, who died following a heart attack believed brought on after a motor accident, when a car driven by her son Harry overturned seven miles from their home in Brantford. Mrs. Pollock was rushed to the hospital but was dead on arrival. Her sister Miss Jane Highfield 66, is also dead. Older residents of Stouffville will recall the Highfield family living here 50 years ago in the house now owned by Mrs. W. Hopkins. At least one of our residents, Mrs. A. S. Collins, recalls going to school with Mrs. Pollock when they were girls. The Pollock family visit the Walter Dickson home here every summer.

Mrs. Pollock was buried on Wednesday at Brantford, but her sister Jane will be interred at Stouffville to-day (Thursday) at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Forsyth 81 Last of Todd Family

Sister of late John S. Todd and late Jos. Todd, Who Were Prominent Citizens in Their Day

Last surviving member of one of Uxbridge Township's early pioneer families passed away on Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. Eleazer Forsyth succumbed to illness in her 81st year. Her husband predeceased her five years ago.

Mrs. Forsyth's maiden name was Jemima Todd, and she is the last of the family of seven brothers two of them being prominent business men, John S. Todd of Goodwood and Joseph, grain merchant in Stouffville.

Married 59 years ago, the late Mrs. Forsyth settled with her husband on the farm where she died at Lot 26 on the 2nd con. of Uxbridge, just north of the Highway 47. She was a hard-working woman, with all the fine traits of the pioneer. Of a family of nine children, five survive the aged mother, being Mrs. Ted Wagg, Mrs. Richard Fooe, Mrs. Chas. Watson, Chas. on the homestead and Thomas in Toronto.

The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon, service being conducted at the late home at 2 p.m. Interment will be made in Glasgow Cemetery.

Baseball here Saturday afternoon in Memorial Park, Hillcrest vs. Stouffville.

Local Entrance Class Pass Test 100 percent

Results of the Entrance Examination held at Stouffville show a clean sweep with never a failure. Ten wrote and all were successful, while seven passed on term work.

Term Work
Anderson, Audrey
Burkholder, Grace
Clarkson, Frances
Glover, Margaret (Honours)
Longhurst, Muriel.
Maskell, Alfred
McDonald, Evelyn
Written Examinations
Betz, Floyd
Boadway, Theodore
Brillinger, Gerald
Brown, Harry
Castle, William
Cooney, Grant
Maskell, Ruth
Nicholson, Edna
Smith, Pauline
Wideman, Edna.

Mail Couriers Meet

Nearly one hundred mail couriers and their families of York and Ontario counties gathered in Claremont Park on Tuesday afternoon and evening for their first get-together, and one which they hope to make an annual affair.

Chairman for the occasion was C. E. Hunt, President of York County Rural Mail Couriers and the speakers in the evening included, Rev. Mr. Augustine of Claremont, Reeve Jas. Rennie of Markham, E. W. Bolton of the Dominion Rural Mail Couriers Association and Mr. Murkar. Box prize winners were Messrs. Loss Hill, A. Donobar, J. R. Haorizun.