

# CLAREMONT

By Staff Correspondent

Mrs. Fred Ward was in Toronto one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Jones of Balsam were in town on Friday and called on Mrs. J. Bushby.

Miss Effie Graham and sister of Oshawa was in town on Friday evening.

The rain which fell during the past week was certainly appreciated. Many local cisterns were just about down to their last drop.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Evans of Claremont were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. T. Evans of Glasgow.

Mrs. Roy Morgan and Mary attended the Elliott reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Oldfield of Oshawa visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dawson last weekend.

Mrs. Jas. Evans visited friends at Pickering and Oshawa during last week.

Gordon Morley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morley has joined the Canadian Air Force. Mr. Morley's father is a veteran of the last war.

Mrs. Thos. Patterson and daughter, Mrs. Clarence Pengall of Brooklin motored to Sunderland one day during the past week.

Miss Florence Beelby has returned from London where she has been with her mother who has been very ill for some time.

Mrs. Walter Daniels has returned from Toronto where she has been visiting with her son Rev. Keith Daniels.

Mrs. Albert Rawson of Toronto has been visiting relatives here during the past week.

The Decoration Service in the Union Cemetery here has been announced for Sunday, July 6th.

The C.G.I.T. group held a mother and daughter banquet in the United Church on Tuesday evening of last week.

Mrs. Roy Ward who has been in St. Michael's Hospital since her recent operation is steadily improving. She is expected home this week.

Mrs. Walter Ward's sister of Aurora has been visiting here with relatives.

Mr. Wm. Beaton of Oshawa was in town on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pratt and daughter of Fort William, and Mr. Percy Pratt of Collingwood visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Lewis recently.

A shower was held on Friday evening at the Lewis home for the bride-to-be Miss Irene Lewis. Miss Lewis and the prospective groom, Gordon Graham received many lovely gifts from a host of admiring friends.

Be sure to attend the Pie Social and Musical Concert, also quilt draw

on Tuesday evening, June 24, at Cedar Creek Schoolhouse. Ladies please provide Pie. Proceeds for British War Victims Fund. Come one, come all.

A former resident of Claremont, and late of Trenton, Alan Michell was laid to rest in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto last week. Deceased was in his 67th year and had attended the local public school. When in Claremont the family occupied the Walt. Ward house.

We understand the Gordon House, famous old Pickering Village hotel has been sold to a Toronto party. The new owner is expected to make extensive improvements. The Gordon's conducted this hotel business for over fifty years.

The press has been asked by the local police to warn local motorists with regard to obeying the stop signs at the four corners, Main St. The constable reports that many absolutely ignore the warning that they are coming into a Main highway, and swing around the intersection in a reckless fashion, endangering the lives of both themselves and others. Several narrow escapes from accidents have occurred and continued breaches of the traffic laws will certainly result in action being taken.

### Continuation School Teachers Re-Hired at Increase

Principal Prouse and Miss Faun of the Continuation School staff have been re-hired for another year, and will receive \$1300 and \$950 respectively, by virtue of a \$50 increase granted. As yet no decision has been reached with regard to the Public School teachers who have also asked for a raise of \$100 each.

### \$48 For War-Saving Drive

The centre Pickering division organized for the war saving campaign, realized \$48 at a patriotic concert at Greenwood park on Friday evening. This group which is under the chairmanship of Mr. Hugh Pugh of Whitevale, co-operated with the school sections within the area, and drills, dances and singing made up the combined program.

### Finger and Thumb Saved

According to the latest doctor's report, Bob Haslem will save a finger and thumb which were painfully mangled in a motorcycle accident a week ago. Bob who has been employed on the John Scott farm for a number of years, was injured when his motorcycle plunged off the roadway near the station and pinned his hand between the handle bars and a wire fence.

### Reeve Reesor Favors Curtailment of Road Construction Until Present Roads Repaired.

Facing extraordinary expenditures for road maintenance on account of damage done during the spring break-up, Ontario County may curtail or eliminate for one year expenditures on new construction. Reeve Wm. Reesor of Pickering favored protecting the roads we now have and keeping them up to standard before proceeding with any new construction. The County road budget has been set for this year at \$100,000.

### With the Bowlers

Mr. Gordon Lemon's rink of Stouffville won first prize, Will Birkett's Claremont four won second, and Thos. Harris' rink of Port Perry came third in the mixed doubles tournament here last Friday night. On Wednesday of this week the first men's doubles tournament of their provincial group is being held here.

At Whitby's provincial group men's fours last week, Messrs. Evans, Beare, Baker and Miller of Claremont carried off top honors and were presented with handsome white windbreakers. The local bowlers defeated rinks from Whitby, Oshawa and Uxbridge, to capture first place.

### Pickering Reaches Victory Objective Early

Pickering Township was the first in Ontario County to go over the top in its Victory Loan campaign.

During the middle of last week the Township reached its allocation of \$144,500, and surpassed it the same day to touch \$147,000, with more coming in.

The committee, of which Mr. Ruddy is head, includes Reeve W. Reesor, J. Banigan and W. C. Murkar, and the canvassers are J. Cropley, F. M. Chapman, J. Banigan, T. Gregg, D. Beer and R. S. Ruddy.

R. S. Ruddy, chairman of the township Victory Loan committee, in releasing the figures, paid tribute to the indefatigable efforts of the canvassers, and expressed confidence that by the end of the campaign the total would reach a mark exceeding \$200,000.

### County Turns Down Township Appeal Over Assessment Loss

Reeve William Reesor was reported to have put up a strong fight at County Council last week, before the equalized assessment committee, in an effort to have the assessment for the township reduced to correspond with the loss of some \$115,000 assessment struck off our tax rolls by reason of the government war plant taking over the several farms in the southern area. The township pointed out that there is a direct loss of \$1,000 in county taxes from those farms which the township will still have to hand over to the county this year, although there is one school section wiped out which will partially off-set the loss in assessment. Notwithstanding all that could be said, the county refused to reduce Pickering's county tax for 1941, while admitting that the reduction would come in an automatic way next year when the equalized assessment of the county is revised. The committee claimed that it had no power to make any alteration at this time in favor of Pickering.

### Field Day Celebration Goes Over the Top

Over \$100 was realized by the Claremont Park Board on the fine field day and concert on Saturday. Nearly one thousand people crowded the park for the evening's performance which was headed by those two jovial gentlemen, Al and Bob Harvey. In the afternoon, Claremont school took first place in the baseball tournament, with Uxbridge second and 4th Line Uxbridge, third. The feature sprint of the afternoon was a pony race, contested by three of our young horse fanciers. Lawrence Norton was the winner, while Noreen Carruthers and Jean Farr split the second place prize, as their mounts proved rather unruly and took to going anywhere but around the track. Les Wilson of Stouffville was the lucky winner of the radio given away, while Alf Pretty of Claremont went home with the cedar chest. There were nearly four hundred tickets in the draw. The thanks and appreciation is expressed by the Park Board to all who assisted in making the day such a success, to those who gave of their time in helping in the booth and especially to J. Sterritt of Pickering for the donation of the cedar chest.

### Oil in Pickering Likely

A report carried by this paper a couple of weeks ago to the effect that representatives of some company had been looking over certain areas in Pickering Township with a view to drilling for oil, have brought forth several stories which lend weight to the belief that some of the "flowing gold" is located in this vicinity. W. H. Westney, township councillor reported that his property was within the area specified, and that although he was quite favorable to such surveying he had been unable to gain the name of the interested parties. It has been suspected

### PRAISES TRAINING PLAN



Experts believe that Britain's progress in finding out how to combat night bombers has been "rapid and satisfactory," Major Charles G. Pearcey, director of armament in the United States Air Corps Technical Command, said in Toronto. Major Pearcey flew to Canada to study methods of training in air schools of the R.C.A.F. "The Canadian mushrooms' is what we call your schools in the States," he remarked. "We are very impressed by the speed with which they have popped up all over, and also by the efficiency of your training methods."

### Claremont Farm Sold to City Man for Country Estate

F. W. McCullough Farm Suited for Country Estate, Golf Course

An important sale of country property was made this week when Tracy Lloyd, secretary-treasurer of Hinde and Dauche Paper Co. Limited and privately associated with many other large Toronto enterprises bought the old F. W. McCullough farm.

This farm consists of 205 acres and is beautifully located about a mile east of Claremont.

The front 75 acres is clay loam and the northwesterly part of a lighter loam, thus the farm is adaptable for growing various kinds of crops.

Mr. McCullough sold the farm about two years ago and bought another north of Claremont, but he carried on this farm until last spring as a dairy farm, shipping milk to Toronto.

The property lends itself beautifully for country estate or golf course development as it is less than half a mile off the pavement. The buildings are in splendid condition. A solid brick house containing seven rooms and cellar. A large hip roof bank barn has stabling for 20 head of cattle and six horses. A large "L" to the barn is used as a hog pen. In addition there is a hen house and drive shed.

The workable land is sloping, just enough for good drainage and the

for some time that there was oil of some sort in the region of the north townline on which the John Pallister farm is located. Mr. Pallister tells The Tribune that for some years, a low boggy place on his farm where he was accustomed to water his cattle, has been so saturated with oil, it has been made unusable. The Pallisters report that some years ago a surveyor passing over their land told them that there were definite signs of oil and natural gas in that region.

balance of the farm is rolling with several high promontories from which Lake Ontario can be seen. The northerly part is picturesque with the Green River flowing through for about three-quarters of a mile with many pretty waterfalls along its course.

The river banks are wooded with maple, beech, hemlock and several cedar groves, leaving places where small lakes or trout ponds could be developed. There are hills suitable for skiing and other winter sports.

The Lloyds are fond of outdoor sports and the daughter, Miss Mary Lloyd, now ladies' champion of the Lambton Golf course, finished in third position in the Toronto City District Ladies' Gold championship, last week.

Canada's domestic exports (including gold) in March, 1941, totalled \$101,919,000 as compared with \$82,719,000 in March, 1940.

### RED CROSS NOTES

"It is hoped that every woman will realize how necessary it is to redouble our efforts and do twice as much work this summer and that it will be a disastrous thing if holidays cause a drop in the quantity of Red Cross supplies," was the warning issued to women by Mrs. Wallace R. Campbell, national chairman of Women's War Work Committee, against any slackening of war work during the summer.

Donations gratefully acknowledged include:

- Mrs. H. W. Sanders .... \$5.00
- Miss Neighorn ..... 2.50
- Bertha J. Smith ..... 2.00

—Mrs. Roy Grove.

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