

CLAREMONT

By Staff Correspondent

Miss Marion Evans is visiting with relatives in Toronto.

Miss Jean McCartney of Toronto is visiting with Miss G. Pattenden for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper and Irene were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. R. Cooper at Waterford over the weekend.

Mrs. C. Gillies and daughter and Mr. D. Sexsmith and his mother, all of Pontypool were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Porter.

Mr. Reg Kennedy is ill at his home here.

Mr. Cliff Pilkey and two sons were in Claremont one day this week.

Mrs. Wm. Bingham is visiting in Toronto with her daughter.

Mr. Jack Brillinger is slowly improving since his accident, but is still in the Oshawa Hospital.

Mrs. Robert Forsyth and daughter Anna are taking a trip through the Thousand Islands this week.

Mrs. J. Bushby has been visiting her son Alvin and family at Pickering.

Mrs. Charles Gostick and family entertained her sister and two children from Windsor last week.

Mr. Bruce Norton of Toronto visited here with friends over the weekend.

We understand Mrs. Esther Palmer is confined to her bed through ill health.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Benson of Agincourt visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Wilker of Toronto visited relatives here on Sunday.

Mrs. Borland who has been confined to her bed through illness is able to be up now for a while each day.

Mr. Frank Mantle who is a resident of London district is here, visiting his brother, Bert Mantle, and also his sister, Mrs. Borland.

Congratulations go from this district to William Pile of Brooklin, who celebrated his 99th birthday on Friday.

Hugh G. and Mrs. Michell have returned home from Royal Cabin Lodge, Rosedale, on Balsam Lake. Hugh reports a fine time, extra fine meals with pies that just hit the spot.

An Oshawa military band was expected in the village on Wednesday evening to provide some martial airs as part of the recruiting campaign in this area.

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Mrs. Wm. Arbuoke is redecorating and making over her residence on Main Street, which will be turned into a duplex residence.

Mrs. Jess Warden and children have been visiting with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boose of Toronto.

The local ladies engaged in Red Cross Work here are entered in Mrs. Aitkens quilting contest at the C.N.E., which will be held on Aug. 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Coates motored to Mona Road on Sunday where they visited with the former's cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Slack.

Mrs. Hortop of Port Perry, her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Blight of Oshawa visited with Mrs. Hortop's sister, Mrs. Thos. Paterson last week.

The court action brought against Mr. Veitch of Reach township arising out of a motor accident, has been dismissed. The case arose over a collision between the cars driven by Messrs. Veitch and Ailbright.

The Mission Circle of the Baptist Church met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Richardson. The program was in charge of Mrs. Jas. Coates group and roll call was answered by—What impressed me most at the Association.

Miss Florence Beelby was called home to Stroud last week owing to the serious illness of her mother Mrs. Beelby, who is also a sister of Mrs. Ayres who resides south of the village. Mr. Jno. Neal, uncle of Miss Beelby is visiting here during her absence.

Mr. Harold Hayes who has been teller in the local branch of the Bank of Commerce now for several years has been moved from this district and his place will be taken by a newcomer, Miss Mabel Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson of the 9th concession. Mr. Hayes' home is in Port Perry.

Excavation work has commenced on a new house being built by Mr. Ernie Hinan on the vacant lot just south of his present residence in the north end of town. The new house will be the cottage style, frame 20 by 22 and it is understood that Mr. Hinan's sister from Galt, who is the wife of an army man will occupy the place. Mr. Elmer Sherk of Claremont is the contractor.

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Charged with Vagrancy.

Caught in the act of attempting to enter the residence of Col. Phillip's farm house north of the village on the 5th concession a Toronto man was taken into custody one night last week and charged with vagrancy. According to the police this foreigner was intoxicated at the time, and was seized by the Colonel who slipped out when he heard the intruder tampering with the windows.

The Late Susan Mowbray

Daughter of the late Ralph Mowbray and Mrs. Mowbray, Susan Mowbray, a resident of Brooklin passed away at her home on Friday last and was buried in the Salem Cemetery on Monday. The late Miss Mowbray was in her 43rd year. The Mowbrays are neighbours of the Jones family where the late Harry Jones passed away last week also.

Report Several Farms to be Vacated

Labor shortage is one of the chief problems confronting district farmers today, and is one of the chief reasons we understand, which has brought several farmers in this area to the point where they are considering giving up their farms. Messrs. Bert Mathews, Frank Ham and Duncan Dolphin are all reported to be negotiating for changes in their property. These farms are all adjacent to the 8th concession.

Township Truck Collides with Cow

The Pickering Township gravel truck, driven by Albert Lee, came to grips with a cow on the 5th concession one day recently, and despite the fact that the milker was dumped clear over the roadside guard rail and into a rubbish heap, she never the less gave a good account of herself, as the appearance of the truck testified. The cow which had broken out of a field nearby, was the property of Mr. Major. Constable Norton was called but the responsibility was fully realized by the farmer and the bill of damages settled.

Local Rink Wins Own Fowl

In the mixed doubles tournament held on the local greens last Friday night, Fred Ward and Earl Beare were the winners of the first prize. Mrs. Goodman and Mrs. Lindsay of Oshawa took second, Fred Cowie and Will Burkett of Claremont, third, and M. E. Watts and Fred Carruthers, Stouffville, 4th. All prizes were awarded in fowl. Ten rinks participated. A mixed doubles tournament will be held here on Monday afternoon and evening. Supper will be provided.

To Open 8th This Fall

An appeal has been received by Pickering council from several farmers living on the 8th concession east of the Brook Road to have this road opened through to the eastern boundary of the township. About a mile of the 8th has never been very passable, and since several of the farms adjacent to the road have been purchased recently by Toronto parties, the renewed effort to have the concession opened right through was expected. Following the appeal council decided to complete the unfinished portion this fall.

Salvage Sale Sept. 27th.

A salvage sale will be held in the Community Park here on Saturday, Sept. 27th, under the auspices of the Claremont, N. Pickering Br. of the Red Cross. Everyone in the community and surrounding district is asked to contribute as liberally as possible to this event, and collectors have been appointed to call on each and every household for the contribution of some article to be put up for auction next month. Attics and barns, stables and woodsheds are expected to be ransacked in an effort to have as large and varied a number of the articles as possible for the auction. Fruit, vegetables, stoves, chairs, tables, and even money will be acceptable. Posters will be issued before the sale with a list of the items to be offered.

First Burial in New Cemetery Ground

Suffering a stroke some two weeks ago, Harry Jones, of late years a resident of Brooklin, passed away quietly at his home there last Wednesday. The late Mr. Jones was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Jones of Mt. Zion and deceased farmed in the Mt. Zion district for years. He is survived by his wife and one son Allen. Several from this village attended the funeral on Friday which took place at the Salem Cemetery. The late Mr. Jones was the first to be buried in the new cemetery grounds which have recently been purchased on the opposite side of the road from the original site. This is one of the oldest cemeteries in Pickering Township situated just off the 6th concession.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RESULTS

Margaret Briscoe—EC2, EL2, A & MH3, Gc, Phc, Ch3, FA3, FC3.
Nellie Gostick—EC1, EL1, A & MH1, G1, Ph1, Ch2, LA1, LC1, FA1, FC1.
Jean Hinan—A & MH2, Alg2, Ch3.
Reginald Kennedy—A & MH1, Alg, c, Ch3.
Jean Linton—Alg, G1, Ph1.
Mildred Linton—A & MHC, Ch1, LAc, LCC, FAC, FCC.
Frances McDowell—EC1, EL1, A & MH1, Alg, G2, Ch2, LA2, LC2,

At Quebec with the Press

(By C. H. Nolan)

This year when so many regular tourist avenues have been cut off owing to the war, eastern Canada, and particularly the City of Quebec is proving an attraction for thousands of holiday travellers, both American and Canadian. And so to this oldest of Canadian cities with its storied houses and winding streets, its many monuments and unique atmosphere, nearly 300 representatives of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association, including one of the publishers of these columns travelled for their annual three-day convention.

I will not dwell on the trip to and from Quebec, since in this particular case, as in most others, railway views of the country are not as a rule very flattering. If travelling by rail, one enters the city at the Palais Station which is in Lower Town, or that part of Quebec which is built on the river bank, and houses all the main industrial plants, railway and shipping facilities. Quebec is a city of 159,000 people, ninety-six per cent French, and is the only walled city in the Dominion. While these bleak, once stern and forbidding ramparts, assured Quebecers of safety from attack in those early days, they now look down upon a prosperous city, spread out on all sides, and one might almost imagine that the walls themselves appeared complacent in the knowledge that their duty is finished and their job well done.

Along with other members of the party your writer was whisked away from the city depot and driven at a hair-raising pace up the steep winding, cobblestoned streets, which although they form hazardous travelling for the innumerable cabs and busses, for the tourists, they bear memories of fierce fighting in the successful attempts to wrest Canada from a wilderness and transform it into a prosperous area. Our destination was the Chateau Frontenac, one of the most famous hostels on the continent.

The Canadian Weeklies Convention, which is always educational, was rendered even more so this year, first because of the great historic interest in the most ancient city in Canada, and secondly because the committee of arrangements had left more time for sight-seeing.

Travelling by bus, we were taken on a complete tour of the city. It is quite apparent that no architect planned the city of Quebec and no attention was paid when its streets were allowed to run hither and yon, twisting and turning—accommodating not the pedestrians but the buildings which were already erected. The Rue de Cap, narrowest street on this continent is only seventeen feet across, but is built solidly with dwellings on each side.

This city is the provincial capital and is divided into two distinct parts Lower Town, spread out on the St. Lawrence shores surrounding Cape Diamond and up the valley of the St. Charles River, and Upper Town, built entirely on the cliff and quickly reminds the tourist of the famous Rock of Gibraltar.

As we drove through the twisting thoroughfares of Lower Town, I looked up at the city above, a picture of beauty. Tiny gun-slits look down from the picturesque Citadel, and in places, the gaping mouths of once spitting cannons, survey the approaches.

This view of the city from below has inspired painters and writers, who return year after year to feast again on this inspiration which they cannot find elsewhere.

Here right in the shadow of these ancient fortifications, the first 1940 German war prisoners were housed, when they landed in Canada, although they have since, been removed. The camp with its tar-paper shacks and barbed wire barricades is still standing. The fortifications of Quebec comprise the Citadel, situated on a peak some 250 feet above the river, and built in 1832 at a cost of \$35,000,000; the enclosing walls of a total length of two miles, encircle the city proper and have three gates, the St. Louis, the Kent and the St. John. The ramparts overlooking the harbour are still lined with now rusted cannons. Outside the walls of this ancient fortress, we strolled over the National Battlefields Park. Well-known among the famous military encounters here were the Battle of the Plains of Abraham in 1759, between the armies of Wolfe and Montcalm which ended

in the defeat of the French General and the death of both Generals, and the battle between Levis and Murray in 1760.

From the peak on which the citadel is built one can stroll down onto Dufferin Terrace, just outside the Chateau Frontenac, and which is more famous possibly than even the Atlantic City board walk. It covers an area of 150,000 square feet.

Other points of historical interest which our group of editors was privileged to see were, Laval University, the first French university in America; the Ursuline Convent with its museum containing many historical relics including the skull of Montcalm and a lamp which has burned incessantly since 1717; the Legislative buildings; the City Hall; Kent House, the oldest in Quebec, built in 1650; the Montcalm residence built in 1737, and the Garrison Club.

While Quebec is a city of 159,000 people, over 90 per cent are Roman Catholic, and the churches are perhaps more beautiful than any other city in America. The more famous at which we made a point of call

were Basilica of Notre Dame, built in the 1600's, the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity and old St. Mathews. There are only two United Churches, one Presbyterian, one Anglican and one Synagogue.

The chief industry of the metropolis is shoe-making, although the North Shore Pulp and Paper mills have probably the largest single establishment. The city is particularly famed for its harbour which can accommodate over 20 ocean going vessels at the same time and has conveniences to unload or load ships in a comparatively short space of time. In regard to these transportation facilities I was interested to learn, while in conversation with our guide, that Von Ribbentrop, Hitler's right-hand man was a draftsman on the Quebec Bridge, a marvel of engineering construction, three fifths of a mile long, which spans the St. Lawrence about five miles west of the city. Incidentally this bridge collapsed twice during its early years of construction and nearly one hundred men were killed in the two mishaps. Unfortunately our "friend" from Germany was not employed on the span till the final raising which took place in 1920. The structure weighs 66,000 tons and cost \$20,000,000.

Several other side-trips were also enjoyed by the delegates, which included a street-car ride to Ste. Anne de Beaupre, and also to Kent House and Montmorency Falls. The

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