

Claremont and District

By Staff Correspondent

Local agent—Mowder's Store

Mrs. Charles Hardy who suffered a stroke recently, is understood to be somewhat improved this week.

Miss Margaret Briscoe of Brooklin was a visitor at home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Dolphin and daughter Doris were visitors one day last week with Mrs. Wm. Forrester of Oshawa, and a niece of Mr. Dophin's.

Miss Helen Barclay, R.N., has been ill for a few days, and forced to stop her work at the Pickering Plant temporarily.

Mrs. V. Middleton visited for a few days recently with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin of Whitevale.

Pte. William Collins has been home for a week's leave from his army training.

Miss Viola Forsyth has been home from her school in Oshawa due to illness.

Miss Irene Lynn of Whitevale visited here at the home of her grandmother recently.

Mr. Edgar Sherk has taken on the job of bus driver with the Woodward Line, running from Stouffville to the Munitions Plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ratcliff of Stouffville visited with Mr. and Mrs. Judson Ward on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones of Brooklin were visitors in the village on Saturday.

Mrs. Morgan Evans is resting favorably since undergoing an operation in St. Michael's Hospital last week.

Mr. Herb. Forsyth, Toronto, visited with his uncle Mr. G. M. Forsyth one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. King of Oshawa were visitors on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Loyst.

Friends of Miss Shirley Manion gathered at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Manion, one evening last week, to enjoy a party it being the occasion of Miss Manion's birthday.

Friends of Miss Alma Ward gathered at the home of Miss G. Forsyth one evening last week, when a kitchen shower was tendered this Saturday's bride Miss Ward who is a former school teacher and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ward, received many useful gifts with which to adorn her new home in Stouffville.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Mairs accompanied Dr. and Mrs. N. F. Tomlinson to Keswick on Saturday to attend the Bothwell-Hamilton wedding. Mrs. Garfield Hamilton of

Markham sang during the ceremony. Miss Margaret Thompson, niece of Mrs. Robert Dawson, has returned to her home in Parry Sound after having been employed for some time here at the Frank Loyst Canning Plant. Friends gathered at the Dawson home last week to tender the young lady a farewell party.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lehman of Toronto were the guests of their parents at W. Lehman's and R. Redshaw's over the weekend.

Pte. Alvin Lehman was home with his family over the weekend. Alvin enlisted in November with the C.A.S.C. and is stationed in Toronto at present.

"Keep in mind the Plunkett Dinner being sponsored by the W. I. on Tuesday, December 8th, at 6.30,

Goes to Selective Service Board

Allen Giles who occupies a home on the sidewalk in the 9th concession, just north of the Winton White home has taken a position with the Selective Service Board in Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. Giles have closed their country home for the time being and moved into the city. There are several acres of land with the property and the couple expect to return during the summer months.

Claremont Bride to Make Her Home in Stouffville

The Baptist Church, Claremont, was the scene on Saturday afternoon at 4 p.m. of the marriage of Alma Isobel Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ward to Howard Douglas Haynes, son of Mrs. Jessie Haynes and the late Edward Haynes of Goodwood. Rev. Walter Daniel was the officiating pastor. Miss Jean Ward, sister of the bride was bridesmaid and Mr. Lorne Tindall supported the groom. The bride was attired in blue sheer and carried red roses while her bridesmaid wore wine sheer and carried pink roses. A reception was held at the bride's home following the ceremony. Mrs. Ward receiving in pale blue sheer and Mrs. Haynes, mother of the groom receiving in navy. The couple left on a motor trip, the bride travelling in a fur coat with brown accessories. They will reside in Stouffville.

Claremont Man Has Miraculous Escape at C.P.R. Crossing

"Coming out of a car that was almost a total wreck, Fred Lyons of Claremont escaped with only a small cut above the eye, when he drove head-on into a standing freight train at the C.P.R. crossing here late Monday evening. The train was waiting on the siding for the regular midnight train to pass, at the time Mr. Lyons approached from the north down the Brock Road. The car was driven partially under the train, and was riddled beyond recognition. According to Constable Norton, Mr. Lyons told railway officials he failed to see the train or any warning lights. This is the second accident which has occurred at this crossing in the last two years. Constable Norton told The Tribune that he advised the railway inspectors that a wig-wag warning at this crossing would be of

great assistance. Such a step would however have to come before County Council.

Big Red Cross Sale Brings in \$350.

A grand total of \$350 was raised by the North Pickering and Claremont Red Cross in their big sale, bingo and games day held at Claremont on Wednesday. The lovely quilt donated by the Brock Road ladies brought in \$56.55 alone. Two pairs of blankets donated by the two Toronto departmental stores were also awarded as lucky prizes, Miss E. Green of Greenwood getting the one and Mrs. Robert Burton of Detroit the other. The quilt was won by Miss Mary Brown of Toronto. Numerous other prizes were donated and the big crowd kept "Auctioneer" Scott on the jump during the affair. The appreciation of the branch is extended to all who helped make the effort such a success, to the clever-fingered sewers, the makers of delicious baking, donors of farm produce and sellers of tickets, not to mention those who provided transportation for many of the buyers.

LOCAL TAXI DRIVER ACQUITTED ON CARELESS DRIVING CHARGE

Jack Brignall of Claremont, who operates under a stage coach license and transports munition workers in a seven-passenger sedan was acquitted on a charge of careless driving in police court Friday, when he produced six passengers to oppose the testimony of four witnesses for the Crown, in court at Whitby.

The charge arose out of an incident on the Brock Road, Pickering on the afternoon of October 29, when the Crown alleged, Brignall cut in front of an Uxbridge bus driven by Orville Welch, as the latter was attempting to pass. Both vehicles were transporting war workers and were headed north. There was no collision between the two.

"I came to a stop at the railway tracks and Brignall passed me," testified Welch. "He then slowed down to about 15 miles per hour and when I tried to pass him at the approach to a long grade he cut in front of me. A short distance farther on he slowed down at a side road and when I again attempted to pass him he cut in front once more, forcing me to apply my brakes to keep from going in the ditch."

Two bus passengers corroborated Welch's evidence but this was denied by the accused and seven of his passengers. Brignall stated that Welch had "loads of room" to pass and was not interfered with in any way.

N. Burton, Claremont, one of Brignall's passengers, told the court a feud existed between the Claremont and Uxbridge drivers. "The Uxbridge bus people are jealous of Brignall in my opinion and while I have nothing specific to go on that's the general trend of conversation in the district."

John Burnett, who drives a bus from Stouffville for the same company that employs Welch, testified that Brignall has also cut in front of him on the Brock Road on several occasions. "One time he did this I had 37 passengers, all munition workers, and narrowly escaped going in the ditch," he stated.

R. D. Humphreys, who represented the accused man, objected to Burnett's testimony on the grounds that it had no bearing on the present case.

"His evidence will be heard — I want to get at the bottom of this," replied His Worship.

In dismissing the case, Magistrate Ebbs said he was inclined to believe the bus people, but added that he was forced to give the accused the benefit of the doubt.

"If you are to blame and keep this up, sooner or later you will run into trouble with dire consequences to yourself," warned the court. "There is no room for petty jealousies where the safety of war workers are concerned."

Brignall told the court he had lost his taxi license for 30 days but was operating under a stage coach permit. J. B. Irvine, chief constable for Pickering Township, laid the charge and the Crown's case was conducted by Provincial Constable Charles Hefferon.

A stern warning to all drivers who transport munition workers, that a conviction on a traffic violation will draw the maximum penalty was announced by Magistrate F. S. Ebbs.

"Interference with war workers on the highway will not be tolerated in this court," he declared.

NEW VALUATION NOT FAVORED BY COUNTY

While in favour of a new valuation of the County to bring about a fair equalization of assessments, Ontario County Council does not think that the time is opportune to do it, particularly in view of the fact that the Provincial Government may shortly bring down new legislation which will set up a new and equitable assessment system for counties.

Claremont Farmer Gets \$1000 an Hour

Thomas Dawson is giving up farming and last week sold his stock and implements by public auction at the farm east of Altona and a bit north into Uxbridge township on the third concession. The selling lasted just three hours during which time Auctioneer A. S. Farmer turned in exactly \$3,000. This means that the farmers at the sale, and there were many, bid up the stuff at exactly \$1,000 per hour. The high priced cow was a Guernsey and sold for \$137 and her calf brought another \$17. A Durham cow sold to F. Beckett of Unionville for \$140. Beef cattle too stood at high prices and averaged around \$85 each. The horses prices seemed a bit better when a bay gelding brought \$72.00 and a three year filly \$52.50. These prices for good horse flesh were not high, oh no, but then at some sales there is scarcely any bidding.

"Pigs still held a spot light position and good chunks brought \$17. Mixed grain fetched \$1.35 a cwt., and oats 44c per bushel. A set of sleighs found a new home at \$51, going away to Langstaff.

"I think this was one of the pleasantest sales I have sold this year," said Mr. Farmer. He explained that bidding was brisk and things were snapped off in good style.

Brougham

Mrs. William Ellicott spent the weekend with friends in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Madill of Long Branch called on friends on Sunday. Miss Dora Matthews of Toronto, was home over the weekend.

The W. I. will hold their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Hamilton, on Tuesday, December 8th.

The Y. P. held a social evening on Monday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gray.

The "Happy Circle" Mission Band are busy these days, getting ready for a Bazaar, which they are holding in the school, on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Philip and family visited with friends at Port Perry on Sunday.

Pte. and Mrs. Walter Knox were with their parents over the weekend.

A numbers of our local ladies were at Claremont on Wednesday assisting at the Red Cross Sale and Bingo, which proved a real success, realizing \$350. In the draw for quilt and 2 pairs blankets Miss Mary Brown of Toronto came first. Miss E. Green of Greenwood 2nd and Mrs. Robert Burton of Detroit, 3rd. Congratulations to the winners.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Mairs also Mr. and Mrs. C. Madill were at Keswick on Saturday attending the Hamilton-Bothwell wedding.

Following is a list of articles which were packed on Friday by our Red Cross workers: 12 ladies night-gowns, 19 pairs boys pyjamas (14 years); 18 Windbreakers, boys size 14; 10 Boys Coats; 1 Pair Navy Breeches; 4 large quilts; 1 Cot quilt; 7 pairs seaman's stockings, 4 pairs gray socks; 2 pair boys stockings; 2 woman's cardigans; 2 navy turtle neck sweaters; 1 knitted scarf; 2 pairs soakers; 2 wash-clothes and 1 afghan.

A motion presented by Deputy-Reeve Thomas Harding, of Reach, to advertise for valuers, was voted down after several members had expressed their views. The Council, in its dying hours, was not disposed to deal with so contentious a question at this time. At the January session, when the warden names a special equalization committee, the matter may come up again.

There were those in Council like Reeve William Reesor, of Pickering, who did not think that valuers could be secured at this time as many men had enlisted and others were engaged in war industries. He reminded the mover of the motion of the good assessment deal secured some years ago by the Township of Reach. "I didn't blame them for it," he said, adding that he did not think the township was suffering from over-assessment.

WARDEN GIVEN WATCH



Oscar H. Downey Warden of the County of Ontario for 1942, and reeve of Whitby Township who was presented with a gold wrist watch by his colleagues in the County Council last week as a token of appreciation and esteem.

People of PICKERING TOWNSHIP

Get Out Your

Scrap Iron and Steel

It is your Patriotic Duty

Gather it up on or before December 15th next and deliver or sell it on or before that date.

By the urgent request of our Dominion Government the Township of Pickering and all other municipalities in the Dominion are being organized for the collection of such scrap metal, in this township in each of its school sections, with your School Boards in charge.

Please deliver your scrap where directed by your School Board if being donated to the Red Cross or other War Charities, but if cash is required turn it over to a Dealer licensed to purchase such scrap metal for the purposes of War. Report your total tonnage to your school secretary. Motor car bodies and other sheet metal not required at the present time.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL,
William Reesor, Reeve.

PRISONER AFTER DIEPPE

THREE HAD NO BUTTER



"Thank God for Red Cross parcel," writes Sergt. Fred. Evans of Newmarket from a prison camp in Germany where he was placed after the Dieppe raid. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Evans.

"It is time we cut down on our butter consumption instead of stepping it up," declared Mrs. Christine White before a mass gathering of more than 200 women liaison officers to Consumer Branch, Wartime Prices and Trade Board in the Ontario College of Education auditorium.

Mrs. White, who comes from Winnipeg, is a member of the headquarters staff, Consumer Branch which is under the direction of Miss Byrne Sanders.

"Look at the thousands of people all over the country, carrying sandwiches in lunch boxes today as they go to work in war industries as well as the great supplies of butter used in the armed forces," Mrs. White pointed out. Not only are the people of Canada buying more butter these days, but they are really using more she explained. "The time has come for us to use less butter in the home."

Mrs. White asked all women present who had absolutely no butter at home to raise their hand. Of more than 200 women, only three had no butter.

Make Your Car Last!

Every auto available is desperately needed today. The Transportation facilities are strained to the limit. So it's important that you make your car last for Canada, and share it, too - Bring it in often for complete check-ups. Cut your speed and save your tires. Keep your motor tuned. Yes, it's expert care that means longer wear . . . Drive in to see us today.

BOADWAY'S GARAGE
Stouffville, Ont.

WAR-TIME TRAVEL TIP NO. 2

"NO HURRY—lots of time I have my TICKET!"



Wise Man! He patronized the City Ticket Office well in advance and will avoid last minute rush and uncertainty at train time. P.S. He's also travelling light in wartime to conserve available railway space.

CANADIAN NATIONAL

"Don't call Long Distance for Holiday Greetings, please!"



"I've hung up the Santa Claus suit for the duration. I'm in uniform now — loaded down with war calls.

"I can't get material to build more lines.

"So please don't ask me to carry Christmas messages, particularly long-haul calls to the eastern seaboard and the far west.

"Thank you . . . I know you'll understand."

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