

# Claremont and District

By Staff Correspondent

Local agent—Mowder's Store

Mr. Geo. Barclay has been numbered among the dozens with the Flu this past week.

Miss Margaret Manion of Renfrew, Ont., has been visiting her brother and family, north Claremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ward were recent visitors with Mrs. Ward's sister, Mrs. Stephens of Aurora, who has not been enjoying the best of health.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Taylor, Goodwood, called on friends in the village one evening last week.

Pte. Everett Hammond from the West Coast has arrived in the village where he will remain until after Christmas.

Pte. Gordon Taylor was a visitor at his home here over the weekend.

William Evans has been forced to give up his work at Ajax for a few days due to an accident which befell him when he unfortunately ran a nail into his foot.

The annual United Church Christmas entertainment will be held on Dec. 20th.

A reception was held in the Baptist church last week for the new pastor of that church, Rev. W. H. Bexton and Mrs. Bexton. Mr. Harry Found expressed the words of welcome on behalf of the Baptist congregation, while Rev. I. E. Kennedy spoke on behalf of the United Church.

The United Church W. A. holding their regular meeting last week had no less than three of the ladies attending celebrating birthdays. Mrs. N. F. Tomlinson, last year's president and her sister, Mrs. Ferris of Clinton, a visitor both marked the occasion, as did also Mrs. Luther Pilkey. Mrs. Pilkey's actual birthday came one day later, but she gladly joined in with the others.

### A. W. S. Greer in Hospital

A. W. S. Greer, well-known local barrister, was admitted to the Os-hawa Hospital last week following a slight heart attack. Mr. Greer had just completed a very heavy week in Whitby court, and will need to rest up for a few days.

### Young People Re-Organize

The Young People of the Baptist church met at the home of Miss Jean Ward last week. This was the re-organization meeting for the coming season. Rev. W. H. Bexton, the new pastor, was there and had the pleasure of meeting the members. The election of officers for this year resulted as follows: Pres., Mrs. Ken Ward; 1st Vice, Paul Wellman; 2nd Vice, Billy Binstead; Sec., Miss Fisher; Treas., Kenneth Petty; pianist, Marjorie Petty.

### Roost Raiders at Work

Christmas poultry time is fast approaching, and two thefts have been reported so far from this area of fowl. Edw. Pugh had forty roosters lifted one evening last week without a trace, while the same night three plump geese were stolen from the farm of Arthur Prouse. According to Constable Jack Norton neither family heard anything the night the thieves made their visit and it was some time before the thefts were discovered. A third Pickering farm was visited over the weekend, and seventeen geese all ready for Christmas market were taken, the property of Clara Balsdon. The thieves aided by the noise of the wind were able to smash the locks on two gasoline pumps at Dunbarton the same evening and steal some 70 gallons of gasoline.

### ARRIVES IN ITALY



Word has been received here by his mother, Mrs. Blanche Cook that Pte. Earl Cook of the Ordnance Corps has arrived in Italy. Unfortunately "Curly" has been suffering from an attack of the hives.

## Brougham Firemen Save \$100,000 in Property in 20 Years

Present Chief Has Attended 68 Out of 77 Calls Since Organization of League

The Citizens' League and Fire Brigade of Brougham held their annual meeting at the fire hall last week. E. E. Annis, fire chief, stated in a review of the twenty years of organization that they had 77 calls and had saved more than \$100,000 worth of property from damage.

With president D. L. Mairs in the chair, the annual report was heard, showing a decline in both receipts and expenditures, but a good surplus. The Chief reported only 4 calls during the year, the equipment in good condition but a lack of experienced hands. He paid fitting tribute to the passing of Deputy Chief L. Mathews.

E. E. Annis was called upon to give a review of the work of the organization since its inauguration twenty years ago at the time of the big store fire in Brougham. Following this disaster, a meeting was called in Feasby's garage, Mr. Annis stated, and the following laid the foundation for the present organization, W. J. Devitt, treas.; T.C. Brown, sec'y and chief; M. Hamilton, director; R. Feasby, chief; L. Johnston, director; W. E. Holtby, only man to be president two years; R. D. Miller, treas. and director for 19 years; E. E. Annis, first president and fire chief 14 years. Incidentally Mr. Annis has answered 68 of the 77 calls the brigade has attended in this period of time.

Deputy-reeve Blake Annis and former reeve R. C. Reesor were guest speakers and praised the work of the brigade, especially its support of local improvements. At the present time the men are urging improvements to the township hall.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Morley Harlock; vice pres., Milton Burk; sec'y, Lloyd Johnston; treas., T. G. Philip; chief, E. E. Annis; deputy chief, A. J. Gray; directors, D. L. Mairs, W. A. Knox, D. A. Beer, W. Slack, M. Elliott, F. Carter, F. Cassie; auditors, John Knox, Allan Elliott.

A donation of \$10 was received from W. C. Wilson for the brigade's recent service at his home.

### DEATH

KEELER—At his residence, Greenwood, Ont., Sunday, December 12, 1943, Lorenzo Keeler, beloved husband of Ellen Keeler, in his 87th year. Funeral from his late residence, Wednesday, Dec. 15th. Interment Whitevale cemetery.

lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Holtby celebrated their Diamond wedding on Sunday, Dec. 5th, when they were accompanied by their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and other immediate friends, among whom was Mrs. Davies of Crystal Beach, a sister of Mrs. Holtby. On Tuesday afternoon and evening the happy couple were at home to about 100 friends and neighbors who called to offer their congratulations. Friends were present from Clinton, Buffalo, Gowanda, Lounsboro and Toronto. A cablegram of congratulations was received from King George and Queen Elizabeth.



All for a Merry Christmas

FANCY TRAYS  
PLAQUES  
SKATING OUTFITS  
SKIIS  
TOBAGGONS  
Woodworking TOOLS

Agnew's Hardware

Stouffville Ontario

### CHARGE DISMISSED

(continued from front page) and that Mr. Flowers was the only one who had any records, which he kept in a book, purchased by himself. On one of the week-ends, in fact nearly every week-end, there was an argument with reference to the management of the farm and he was not satisfied with Flowers, with the result that he told him that he was to curtail his expenses and was not to purchase any more feed on credit, also that when he needed any feed to phone him long distance and he would send same from Toronto. On May 23rd, witness said he took away the truck so that there would be no more large accounts for gasoline.

At this point, the Crown Attorney produced as an exhibit Mr. Flowers' letter of resignation, dated May 24th which was a result of the argument and curtailment of his expenses. However, he did not leave until July 12th, at which time, the witness told the Crown, he had to put him off the premises.

Mr. Flowers, in his evidence, stated that Mr. Roy asked him to stay on at the farm at the expiration of his one-month's notice, and that was why he was there until July 12th, at which time he left to take over his new position at King City, in the employ of J. Crawford, and that also on the day that his belongings were leaving the Roy farm, Mr. Roy stopped his wife from taking a chest of drawers, which he claimed did not belong to her. The chest of drawers was taken off the truck and placed in a machine shed at the Roy farm.

Mr. Greer, in his cross-examination of Mr. Roy, revealed that it was about one month to six weeks after the 12th of July before the charge was laid.

Many exhibits were placed on record, such as cheques made out to Flowers in settlement of affairs, such as any feed he had bought and paid for, also statements, ledger sheets and counter cheque books from the Joseph Farr elevator feed and grain at Claremont, and the Marmills at Markham.

Mr. Ross Farr was called as a witness re purchases made by Glen Flowers from time to time, as well as Mr.

Richard Ward of the Marmills at Markham.

Mrs. A. Flowers, wife of accused, testified that she had received the cheque made out in favor of her husband in the amount of \$97.50 for chickens bought by Gordon Hodgson, also that she had heard the arguments carried on with Mr. Roy and the accused, and that Mr. Roy took the truck to Toronto, thereby making it difficult for them to always get feed in case of an emergency, and also by taking away Mr. Flowers authority to purchase locally, also owing to the fact that he did not wish to deal with Mr. Farr or Chief Norton, from whom gasoline had previously been purchased.

Mr. Roy it was claimed, had also told the accused to use his own car and he would pay for the gasoline.

Mrs. Irene Roy testified to the fact that she had heard her husband tell Mr. Flowers that he was taking away the truck and curtailing his expenses.

### CHANGE IN PICKERING COUNCIL IS UNLIKELY

The general consensus of opinion among the farmers of at least the northern sections of the township, are that no election is needed in Pickering at this time. This opinion is gleaned from questioning by The Tribune during the past couple of weeks.

"I think the whole slate should stay in until we see what's going to be done with the D.I.L. plant," one man stated.

Although William Reesor is completing his year as Warden of the County, and had formerly stated his intention to withdraw after he had filled this post, it is intimated that he would consider remaining at the township helm if his fellow councillors wish him to do so. If Mr. Reesor should decline to remain, it is expected that some man from the north of the township will be proposed to fill the council vacancy, and would no doubt carry the position by acclamation.

## CHRISTMAS FOODS

Candy, per lb. .... 39c. up  
NUTS ..... 49c.  
Oranges, all sizes  
Old York Cereal ..... 25c.  
Vita-B Cereal ..... 25c.  
Brek Cereal ..... 25c.  
DOLLS ..... 49c. up  
Women's and Men's  
SLIPPERS ..... \$1.15 up  
Dart Games ..... 49c.  
Jigg-Saws ..... 10c.

CHRISTMAS CARDS  
CHRISTMAS WRAPS

## Corner Grocery

CLAREMONT

### COFFEE CONSUMPTION UP RATIONS CAN'T BE RAISED

Canadians are now consuming coffee at the rate of 54,000,000 pounds a year, 28 per cent. above pre-war levels. This is the reason given by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board against increasing the present coffee ration at least for the time being. According to a recent statement, coffee stockpiles have not increased beyond the point necessary to look after the last increase of one third in September.



What can a Gift Say besides "Merry Christmas"

A well-chosen gift can say, "You see, I know your tastes—and I took the trouble to find a gift that will gratify them."

It can say, "The actual purchase of your gift was simple, thinking about it, planning it, making a careful decision on it—those were the important things."

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