

# Claremont and District

By Staff Correspondent

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Mr. and Mrs. Will Slack of Mona Rd. attended the funeral of Mr. Slack's uncle, the late Albert Slack on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Overland were visitors in Toronto on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Vic Robinson of Highland Creek called on friends in the village on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Wilker of Toronto were at Mrs. Gleeson's home on Sunday when this well-known Claremont lady celebrated her 82nd birthday. The actual birth date was Monday, Jan. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Ridge of Ajax called on friends in the village on Wednesday.

Miss Stella Rolling visited relatives in Aurora last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McMillan of Toronto visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewis recently.

Miss Edna Bennis R.N. of Toronto visited during the weekend at her home here.

Mrs. Jas. Taylor had the misfortune to fall on the ice last week, injuring her wrist. The injury necessitated the use of a cast.

The Ladies' Circle of the Baptist Church will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 28th, at the home of Mrs. John Coates. This is the regular January meeting and the arrangements are in charge of Mrs. Jess. Warden's group. It will be a New Year program.

It's a little early just yet to be thinking about spring, but just the same, Jos. Empringham reports seeing two robins at his farm on the 8th concession, south of the village last week.

## Lifelong Farmer Resident Dies in 83rd Year

After an illness that has extended over the past six months, Albert Wesley Slack, passed away at his home in Claremont on Thurs., Jan. 16th. He was in his 83rd year. Deceased was a lifelong resident of the district, farming just east of the village, and had retired just a few years ago. Over fifty years ago he took as his bride Elizabeth Beverley who survives him, along with one son, Wesley Slack of Brougham, and a daughter, Mrs. Leslie Gauslin, Claremont. Two brothers are James Slack of Stouffville who is 86 and William Slack of Sask., who is 78.

The funeral on Sunday was conducted from the late home by Rev. I. E. Kennedy and Rev. Len Wenhams, with public service in the United Church. The pallbearers were, Messrs. Ralph Wellman, Norman-Linton, Wm. Pugh, Morgan Evans, Wm. Pegg and Walter Gauslin. Flower bearers were, Dean Mairs, Thos. Phillip, Jr. and Walter Bayles. Interment was made in Claremont Union Cemetery.

## BEAVERTON MERCHANT RETIRES

The Beaverton Express relates some interesting facts in reporting the retirement of Alex. C. McRae from business in that town. The Express says:

"Mr. Alex. C. McRae has retired after carrying on a lumber and carpentry business in Beaverton since 1888. Mr. McRae was 87 Wednesday of this week and still in fair health and we hope will be able to enjoy many years of leisure.

During his business career he has built many of the homes in town

## Library Shows Yearly Circulation Over 2,000

Circulation in the Claremont Library reached a total of 2,022 books last year, it was revealed recently at the annual meeting. The number of subscribers stands at 60, with an additional 88-student subscribers. The Library is open each Tuesday and Saturday afternoons and Saturday evening. At the annual meeting last year's Board was re-elected with the addition of one new member, Mrs. Drew. Mrs. Thos. Gregg is the Librarian, Mrs. McIntyre, president, Mrs. John Gregg, vice. Mrs. Drew's name was added to the book committee. A number of worn out books have been sold, and new replacements made, including the following. In fiction there are three more of Upton Sinclair's "Lanny Brdd" series, "Two Solitudes" by Hugh MacLennan; "The Rise of Henry Morcar," Phyllis Bentley; "The River Road," Frances P. Keyes; and "The Wind that Shakes the Barley," a novel on the first 25 years of Bobby Burns' life which is historically true. In non-fiction there is "Hirashima," the experience of six survivors of the atomic bomb; "Hurry Up Please It's Time," which is a humorous treatise on the labour unions, also the much talked of "The Egg and I" and "I Choose Freedom," the biography of a Social official who deserted the ranks of Communism. "Driftwood Valley" is also another enchanting book on British Columbia plant and wild life. The library also has some new juveniles, "Central of Mexico," "Riches of Central America," and "Along the Inca Highway" will be interesting aids in Social Studies. There is a good book of science stories and three good books for the younger children. Join up for the year 1947.

## GREENWOOD

The Y.P.U. held their meeting last Sunday night at the home of Mr. L. Pegg.

The congregational meeting of last Friday night was very satisfactory with all the societies in a thriving condition. The Sunday School meeting which was held first resulted as follows—Supt., Milton Pegg; asst's Mrs. Morden and L. Pegg; sect'y's Douglas Morden and David Hayward; treas., Gertrude Corbett; pianists, Ed. Pegg and Jean Pascoe; cradle roll supt., Mrs. Cole; missionary supt., Mrs. M. Pegg; temperance, Mr. F. Hayward. Teachers were to remain the same as last year, except the junior boy's class, with J. Stone and Mrs. Luffman as teachers.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. F. L. Green, Mrs. Ed. Pascoe and Joyce Raine, all returned home this weekend from the hospital.

Our sympathy is extended to the Mr. James Wilson and family of Mt. Zion in their recent bereavement.

and tells us that the first car load of lumber he purchased cost him \$73.00 with freight at \$12.00.

## BROUGHAM

The many friends of Mrs. M. Hamilton are sorry to hear she is again confined to her bed through illness.

The annual congregational meeting of St. John's Church will be held in the church on Friday evening, January 24.

The Sunday School and members of the church board appreciate the co-operation of the officials of the Brougham rink in having the rink closed during church hours.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Wesley Slack in the passing of his father the late Mr. A. Slack of Claremont.

Master Ronald Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamilton, had the misfortune to break a small bone in his right hand while playing at school.

Mr. H. Phillip left on a business trip to England and other European countries. He sailed on the Queen Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burrows left last week to visit with friends at Jacksonville, Ill., and also with their son in Montana.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. D. Seebeck, Mrs. Walter Hamilton and Mrs. Albert Matthews are all suffering from severe cold.

A hockey game between the Juniors of Claremont and Brougham was played on the local rink on Saturday with a score of 12-3 for Brougham.

Mr. George Knox of Enniskillen and Mr. Harry Knox of Toronto were at their home here during the weekend.

Mr. John Devitt is in Toronto where he has secured work with the T. Eaton Co.

The Executive of the Township Sunday School Association met on January 16 when plans were made for the S.S. Convention to be held in Brougham early in March.

The W.M.S. met on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A.J. Gray. Mrs. Norton opened the meeting in the absence of the president. The secretary, Mrs. H. Plaxton, read the minutes of the last meeting and also gave a report of the nominating committee. Mrs. Cassie read the treasurer's report. Mrs. Phillip, Friendship convener, reported making over sixty calls during the past year. Mrs. Allan Gray reported the activities of the Happy Circle Mission Band and Mrs. D. Burton reported for the Baby Band. The Supply Secretary, Mrs. Lemon, gave a good report of her work. The study book was taken by Mrs. Johnston Sr. and Mrs. Norton. Rev. I. E. Kennedy conducted the installation of the officers for the coming year.

## WHITEVALE

The Y.P.S. of the Whitevale United Church circuit held a skating party at Markham rink on Saturday evening.

The Sub-Deb Club met on Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss Jean Griffin on January 18. The young ladies went sleigh-riding for awhile, and then went indoors for fine refreshments. The Saturday before the club met at the home of the Misses Jean-Marie and Betty-Ann Lindsay.

Green River Baptist church and First Baptist church, Whitevale, are having the pleasure of getting acquainted with the members of the executive of the Union of regular Baptist churches. One week ago Sunday, Rev. W. S. Whitcombe, M.A., associate editor of the Gospel Witness and Protestant Advocate was present, and the second Sunday in February, Rev. Mr. Hall, the secretary of the Union will be the guest preacher. All friends are cordially invited to attend.

Whitevale United Church held its annual election of officers on Thursday evening, Jan. 16. The evening commenced with a hearty pot-luck supper.

The Junior Girls' class of the Whitevale United Church had an evening at the theatre last Monday, Jan. 13. They were accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Kenneth Hastings.

C.G.I.T. met at the home of Miss Edith Malcolm of Green River, this past Friday. We would like to hear

## Claremont School Board Take Steps to Modernize Building and Equipment

Real Strides Made in First Month by Newly Elected Board—Salaries Increased—Out-of-Date Equipment to be Scrapped—Better Facilities for Lunches

The 1947 Claremont Board of School Trustees has lost no time in getting down to business. Four meetings were held this month. On January 2, the Board made a thorough inspection of the school building and equipment. It was decided to furnish better facilities for pupils having lunch at school, to complete all necessary repairs as speedily as possible and to replace worn-out and out-of-date teaching equipment. More adequate precautions against fire and accident were first to be put into effect. A fire gong is being installed, fire extinguishers are being located on each floor and regular fire drills will be held. A request was forwarded to the government Boiler Inspection Department for more frequent and regular inspections of the heating equipment. Two such inspectors one week later made an inspection, the caretaker reported.

At the organization meeting on January 8, Wm. J. Doherty was elected chairman. Three committees were appointed:

Teachers and Inspectors, Wm. J. Doherty, Les. McCullough.

Maintenance, Les. McCullough, S. J. Dunning.

Finance, Wm. J. Doherty, S. J. Dunning.

Miss A. Forgie was appointed secretary-treasurer and James Briscoe was rehired as caretaker and granted an increase in salary in appreciation of his efficiency and years of service.

Protection in the form of public liability insurance was renewed and application was made to bring the teachers and caretaker under the Workmen's Compensation Act. A more efficient and economical method of purchasing and checking school supplies was adopted. A first aid kit was ordered for the school. Other business discussed included the setting up of a salary schedule for the teachers, closer supervision by the Board of all school activities and cooperation between the trustees, staff and parents.

The two principals, Mrs. Laushway and Mr. Catherwood were invited to meet with the Board on January 10 to discuss all problems of school management discipline

more news about what the C.G.I.T. is doing.

There may soon be a school bus conveying scholars to high school. This is one of the results of the activity at the annual school meeting held recently. It should be the duty of every ratepayer to attend the school meeting. It is a shame that in a country where we have the great privilege of making our wishes known in public affairs that concern all of us, that we don't exercise this right.

It is nice to see Mrs. Geo. White out again, after her recent illness.

Many folks have been ill recently with severe colds, some of them are Mrs. A. E. Fleming, Miss Joan Milrose, Rev. J. and Mrs. McLachlan.

Mr. Harry Herbert of St. Catharines was at home here for the weekend as were Miss Doris Wilson, Miss Jean Fleming, Miss Norma Middleton and Mr. Auston Metcalfe.

The Y.P.S. of the Whitevale United Church circuit held its devotional meeting on Sunday evening, January 20 in Whitevale United Church, Miss Mary Pearce was the leader for this meeting. Mrs. Coumans of Locust Hill, was the speaker. On this evening too, the Ordinance of the Lord's supper was observed in the United Church. Masters Ronald and Gordon Hiltz visited in Markham with their grandparents during the weekend.

## CLAREMONT'S ELDEST CITIZEN WILL BE 91 ON TUESDAY

Claremont's eldest citizen, Ira Boyer, will celebrate his 91st birthday next Tuesday, Jan. 25th. Mr. Boyer makes his home with his niece Mrs. Esther Palmer. Born in Pickering Township, ninety-one years ago, Mr. Boyer was a music teacher. He has made his home in the village for over fifty years. The pioneer Boyer family settled on the 7th concession in the early 1800's. Mr. Boyer is a quiet man, enjoys bowling on the green and is an enthusiastic checker player.

## GREEN RIVER

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ireson and Patricia spent the weekend in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Symington, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Gray of Brougham, also Mrs. J. Nighswander spent Wednesday with their mother, Mrs. W. Gray, sr. and enjoyed a goose dinner.

On Friday, Jan. 31st the occasion of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carter silver wedding anniversary, they have invited the Sunday School to have an open crokinole party at their home. Roads and weather permitting. We hope for a fine attendance.

Mrs. J. Burnett visited at her home on Sunday last.

On the radio on Sunday morning the birthday of a beloved pastor, Rev. John Treckey, was announced. He at one time served this community and is now 93 years old, living in Toronto.

The F.N.E.C. met this week at the home of Mrs. A. Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cook had Sunday dinner with friends in Toronto.

Mr. George N. Williams, for a number of years Chief Provincial Architect and later Acting Deputy Minister of Public Works, has been appointed as of January 1st, to the combined post of Deputy Minister of Public Works and Chief Architect to Hon. Geo. H. Doucett. As Deputy Minister he succeeds the late R.A. McAllister.



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10.20	6.20	2.35	10.35	9.50	6.05
10.35	6.35	2.50	10.50	10.05	6.20
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