

Claremont and District

By Staff Correspondent

Local dealers—Madill's Store and Overland's Store

Mrs. G. S. Lloyd of Cornwall was a weekend visitor with Mrs. C. A. Overland. Mrs. Lloyd is a sister of our local lady.

Power was interrupted in the village both Saturday and Sunday due to the wind storm. On Saturday, the interruption lasted more than three hours, while on Sunday evening there was an hour blackout.

There will be "open house" at the Manse, Claremont, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 25th, commencing at 7 o'clock when Rev. and Mrs. Lackey will be glad to receive the people of the Claremont-Brougham charge.

Mrs. Lackey, in co-operation with eight girls, contributed a very fine playlet on "Prohibition" during the Sunday School session, and the Mission Band was held at the close, conducted by leaders, Mrs. W. Hill and Mrs. W. Evans.

A Canadian Girls in Training Group was organized last Saturday afternoon at the Manse with the following list of officers elected for the year: president, Lois Skinner; vice president, Francis McCullough; secretary, Marion Middleton; treasurer, Marion Norton; recreation, June Morgan, Carol Johnson, Nancy Jane Buckles; press secretary, Joan Middleton; leader, Mrs. Lackey.

Master John and Miss Mary Farr spent their holidays visiting with relatives and friends in Stouffville and Claremont.

A number of people of the community have had heavy colds during the past few weeks.

The Women's Institute are planning to prepare a drama which no doubt will be heard for the first time in our community hall in a couple of months.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Feasby and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Feasby of Sandford visited with Mrs. D. Pugh on Saturday.

During the time when the high wind was blowing and the power was off last Saturday forenoon, the fire reels were called to extinguish a chimney fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Ward. Fortunately no damage was done, but one shudder at what the consequences might have been if there had been no reels to respond.

The annual meeting of the United Church was held on Monday, Jan. 9th, commencing with a pot luck supper. The pastor, Rev. H. Lackey, presided at the business meeting which was held at eight o'clock. Mrs. Beelby was nominated secretary for the evening and read the minutes of the last year. Reports of the various organizations work through the year were read by the treasurers and adopted. The following officers were elected for 1950. Board of Session, Mr. J. Beelby; Mr. F. Pugh, Mr. W. Evans, Mr. M. Johnson, Mr. L. Pugh, Mr. E. Coake; Board of Stewards, Mr. W. Ward, Mr. H. Johnson, Mr. W. Evans, Mr. M. Johnson, Mr. L. Pugh, Mr. E. Cooke, Mrs. J. Beelby, Mrs. E. Baker, Mrs. C. Reynolds, Mrs. H. Johnson, Ushers and collection, Mr. L. Pugh, Mr. J. Wallace, Mr. L. Linton, Mr. C. Reynolds, Auditors, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Cooke. The members stood in silent tribute while the names of deceased members of the past year were read.

GREEN RIVER

A pie social will be held in the Union S.S. room on Friday evening, Jan. 20 with an entirely new program. Ladies please put their names on the bottom of the pies.

Fire destroyed the house of Benson Wilson occupied by Benson Draper on Saturday morning. Most of the furniture was removed. At present the family is living with Mr. Wm. Duncan.

Quite a number from here attended the Sunday School Convention at Whitevale last week and report a fine attendance with inspiring speakers throughout the day.

A Green River canvass is being carried out for Mr. and Mrs. Benson Draper. Anyone not called on and wishing to contribute please leave at Mr. Duncan's store.

Local Merchants' Assoc. Prepare for Second Scores Again Election in Pickering

Claremont Merchants' Association scored another big success on Friday night when they held a euchre and dance occupying both local halls, for the purpose of paying off the cost of the new outdoor arena at the school. Twenty-five tables of euchre were in operation, and the dance floor was crowded. Mrs. Earl Beare was the lucky lady to win the handsome radio-phonograph combination. More than \$300 was cleared on the project.

BROUGHAM

Miss Barbara Mairs spent the weekend with her friend, Miss M. Mason of Markham.

Mrs. E. Woodward and daughter Evelyn visited with Oshawa friends on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Knox and family of Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. George Knox of Enniskillen and Mrs. Hardy and Billy of Toronto called on Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Knox on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Kearns of Toronto were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mairs.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Pascoe visited his sister, Mrs. Kenneth Powell of Columbus on Sunday.

Our local firemen were busy over the weekend. On Friday evening they received a call to the home of Mr. Frank Malcolm just west on No. 7 where a chimney was on fire, but was soon under control. On Saturday morning another call came from Green River where a house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Benson Draper and family was on fire. The house was destroyed but a quantity of furniture was saved due to the untiring efforts of neighbors and firemen.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hubbard had Sunday dinner with her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Hamilton on Sunday. Sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. C. Devitt. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hills returned home on Sunday after spending a couple of weeks with friends at Mt. Dennis.

The Friendly Bible Class of St. John's United Church, Brougham, held their January meeting on Jan. 9th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malcolm. The president, Mr. Frank Carter, was in charge of the business. It was decided to give a donation to the Sick Children's Hospital. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Willson on Monday, Feb. 6. The members decided to hold a croquinoile party in the township hall on Friday evening, Jan. 20, at 8 o'clock. This is to be open to the community and ladies are to bring lunch. Admission 25c and 15c. Allan Elliott was in charge of the worship service, theme of which was "Service to Others." Allan also conducted a few interesting contests. At the close of the meeting the usual repast was enjoyed by all.

The Brougham Women's Institute held their first meeting of 1950 on Tuesday, Jan. 10th, in the township hall. The president, Mrs. F. Cassie, was in the chair. The social committee distributed the tickets which are to be sold on a draw for a hand-made mulsion. Proceeds are in aid of the Hospital for Sick Children. On Tuesday evening, Jan. 24th, a euchre party will be held in the Brougham Township Hall sponsored by the Institute. Good prizes for ladies and gentlemen and consolation prizes will be given. The euchre will start sharp at 8:30 o'clock, and ladies please bring lunch. Admission 25c. A Valentine concert is to be given on Friday, Feb. 17th in Brougham Township Hall. This concert is to create interest in local amateur talent. A committee is planning the program and selecting entries. Judges will make decisions and prizes will be given. Keep the date open. Pamphlets on "Reminiscences of Early Days of Brougham," written by Mrs. T. C.

Nomination Meeting Next Monday Pickering Township ratepayers will be asked to nominate candidates for council and deputy-reeve, at a nomination meeting to be held in the Brougham Hall next Monday afternoon, Jan. 23rd. The second nomination is necessitated by the sudden death of Frank Disney, deputy-reeve.

Pre-election rumours point to George Todd who recently was re-elected to the 1950 council, as a sure nomination for the deputy-reeveship. Whether he will be opposed is a question, although Dr. N. E. McEwen is understood to have declared a desire to oppose Mr. Todd.

Only name being mentioned to fill the council vacancy is that of Mr. Zinki, recently defeated candidate in the December election.

If more than enough candidates are nominated than are required to fill the offices, the election will be held on the following Monday, Jan. 30th.

Full Regalia in Worn By Dr. Bascom

Dr. Horace Bascom, 86-year-old sheriff of Ontario County, appeared last week at the opening of the winter assizes of the Supreme Court of Ontario in Whitby, in the full regalia of his office. His costume consisted not only of the customary white tie and frock coat but also of a cocked hat and a sword.

Wearing the hat which is topped with a plume and resembles somewhat the full-dress headgear of an Admiral of the Fleet, and carrying the sword at the "present," Dr. Bascom ushered Mr. Justice Wisnart Flett Spence to his chair beneath the coat of arms.

This is the first time in years that the hat has been worn and the sword carried in Ontario County court. Last week Chief Justice McRuer said that it would be "advisable" to wear the full-dress regalia if it was available. He explained that issuance of the order was necessary to bring courts back to their pre-war standard. The necessary equipment was not available during the war in some places and, temporarily, the custom was dispensed with. However, things are apparently now considered to be back to normal.

DUMB BUT HELPFUL

Owls, contrary to legend, are among the dumbest of all birds. However, the same may be said of anyone who destroys owls, since these predatory birds feed almost exclusively on small rodent pests.

Brown, are in the hands of the Women's Institute, donated to them to sell. Returns are to be used for some worthy cause. This thoughtful gesture on the part of one of our well loved chartered members is much appreciated and trust the reading of the historical pamphlets will be enjoyed by many more in the years to come. Mrs. T. Philip, convener of Home Economics and Health, planned a very interesting program by having Miss Walker, the public health nurse, talk on a subject dear to her heart. Telling of the beginning of all our nursing and medical attention which started with Florence Nightingale in the Crimean War, and of Henry Dunant who started the Red Cross by giving care to both friend and foe alike on the battlefield in years gone by, also of Dorothy Dix, who devoted her whole life to the care of the mentally ill in state asylums. Miss Walker also thanked the Women's Institutes of the Township for being instigators in the immunization of public school children. She also quoted "health is our most precious possession." The hostesses were Mrs. C. Devitt, Mrs. R. Malcolm, Mrs. F. Cassie.

Old Homestead Recalls Respected Ruddy Family

On the Brock Road, about half way between Quinn's Corners and Victoria Corners in Brock Twp. is found the old Ruddy Homestead. It is a large old rambling red brick house, with the white brick trim, so fashionable 100 years ago. It stands on the side of a steep hill overlooking the valley where flows Ruddy's Creek.

Although in a state of dilapidation the house is yet making shelter for some who find it a refuge from the present housing shortage.

As one of the pioneer homesteads it is interesting to note the quality of the materials and workmanship which made Ruddy's house one of the finest and most enterprising homes of long ago. It's a short distance to Wagner's Lake from the Ruddy's.

Here James Ruddy and his wife reared their family (one of whom was the late Judge Ruddy of Whitby) and ran a large boarding house for the workers in the saw-mill, which is nowhere to be seen today. It was directly north of the house and built hard by a great dam over Ruddy's Creek. Today only the vestige of the dam can be found and its position ascertained by the remnant of two or three old logs, back beyond and to the east can be found the basin, now dry, where the mill pond lay.

Today Ruddy's Creek flows on, but only in the memory of some of the old pioneers who still remain, does the old red house on the hill recall the former beehive of industry, hospitality at its best and the happy labour of the pioneers. They remember when the great stationary sawmill was in operation, in winter great logs of choice pine and hemlock were drawn from the adjacent forests with sleighs and horses, the drivers so proudly exhibiting the superiority of their teams and brass mounted harness.

The Fairs, Dobles, St. Johns, Shiers and all the pioneers of long ago greeted one another and after unloading the logs at the mill always saved time to visit Mrs. Ruddy in her large kitchen, where they were warmed with hot cups of tea and tastes of her culinary ability.

BALSAM AND MOUNT ZION

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wilson (nee Leonor Shaw) of Port Perry on the birth of a son at the Oshawa Hospital, Jan. 6.

Friends will be sorry to learn that Mr. Ted Appleby is in the hospital in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilson and family visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Pugh of Uxbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Parrott and Allan of Ashburn spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones. The annual meeting of the W.A. will be held at Mrs. Cecil Jones on Thursday, Jan. 19.

Mr. Thomas Risebrough is on jury at Whitby these days.

The congregational meeting will be held Friday night, an. 27, in the church basement.

Mr. Ray Wilkin, Lorne and Donald left Monday morning to spend the remaining part of the winter in Florida.

CHERRYWOOD

Mrs. Carnaghan spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. A. E. Armstrong.

Mrs. Fenney had dinner on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Taylor. Sorry to hear that Mrs. D. Milne is on the sick list. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Hanson and daughter of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty and family of Toronto were Sunday visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Walton Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Powell and son had dinner on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Morley of Rouge Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hollinger and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Todd had dinner on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gray at Brougham.

GREENWOOD

The Y.P.U. will meet at the home of Alfred and Joey Pegg this Thursday night.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Frank Disney and family in the passing of a loving husband and father.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ham of Oshawa visited at the John Middleton home last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. John Brooks was in the city last Saturday with friends.

Mrs. R. Birrell is having the hydro installed in her home, also the Wm. Brown home, which will be very convenient.

The wind of last Saturday (or hurricane) took about ten feet off the roof of John Middleton's barn and landed it across the road.

GETS SIX MONTHS FOR CHRISTMAS TREE THEFT

Cutting Christmas trees on another man's property didn't pay off for 26-year-old William Angus of Brampton.

Magistrate T. H. Moorehead sentenced Angus to six months on a charge of theft.



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"I'll bet a nickel he doesn't make it," said Jack Labelle, 13, to his friend, Kenneth McKay, 14, as they watched 13-year-old Calvin Rabbe cross the Rideau River on the ice near Porter's Island in the northeast section of Ottawa. About 20 feet from shore Calvin fell through the ice. Kenneth, who holds a Red

Cross senior swimming certificate, pulled off his scarf and scrambled out on the sagging ice. He was able to pull Calvin up on the edge of the cracked ice and after one unsuccessful try he managed to drag his friend ashore. Then Kenneth went his way telling no one about his adventure.

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Sun. & Ex. 9.45	Sun. & Ex. 5.45	Sat. Only 2.00	Sun. & Ex. 10.00	Sun. & Ex. 8.40	Sun. & Ex. 9.35	Sat. Only 5.20	Sun. & Ex. 9.35
10.10	6.10	2.25	10.25	8.10	9.10	4.55	9.10
10.20	6.20	2.35	10.35	8.00	9.00	4.45	9.00
10.35	6.35	2.50	10.50	7.45	8.45	4.30	8.45
10.38	6.38	2.53	10.53	7.42	8.42	4.27	8.42
10.40	6.40	2.55	10.55	7.40	8.40	4.25	8.40
10.50	6.50	3.05	11.05	7.30	8.30	4.15	8.30
11.00	7.00	3.15	11.15	7.20	8.20	4.05	8.20
11.05	7.05	3.20	11.20	7.15	8.15	4.00	8.15
11.10	7.10	3.25	11.25	7.10	8.10	3.55	8.10
11.20	7.20	3.35	11.35	7.00	8.00	3.45	8.00

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