

CLAREMONT and PICKERING TWP. DISTRICT

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hockley and son visited with relatives in Toronto over the weekend.

Miss Mabel Gibson who has been working in Toronto since early December returned to her home last Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Johnson spent a couple of days in Toronto last week.

Mrs. E. Allman, Toronto, spent a few days last week with her son, Mr. E. Gerald Allman.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. E. Gerald Allman were Mr. and Mrs. A. Milne, Ottawa, Mrs. J. Taylor, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. F. Stronach, Dr. and Mrs. N. Dales, Toronto.

The North Enders are all very happy to see Larry Warden home again after a seige in the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto. We do hope that his health continues to improve.

Sorry to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boose have moved to Toronto. They will be missed.

The W.I. are catering to a banquet for the Legion and Women's Auxiliary on Friday evening of this week in the Community Hall.

Three local members attended the annual convention of the W.A. held at Brooklin on Wednesday, April 23. At the monthly meeting last Thursday Mrs. Melvin Johnson reported briefly on the major task within the Presbytery—that of raising funds for the building of a new training school in Toronto.

The Women's Institute held their open annual meeting on Wednesday evening in the Baptist Sunday School room with a good attendance. Mr. Briggs, Principal of Pickering High School, was the interesting guest speaker. Slides in connection with his address were shown. Mr. D. Hedges contributed a vocal number. Mrs. H. Gregg, accompanist, also contributed a piano solo. The retiring president, Mrs. Badgero, was presented with a lovely corsage. Lunch was served at the close by the members.

On Wednesday, April 23rd, at 7 p.m. Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Button of Stouffville entertained her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Forsyth of Claremont, at a surprise buffet supper in honor of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Thirty guests were present from Toronto, Willowdale, Markham, Claremont, Stouffville and Windsor. Mrs. John Caster poured coffee and Mrs. G. M. Forsyth cut the ice cream at the table, which was graced by yellow roses and the bride's cake. Mrs. Chas. Clarke, Mrs. Norman Baker and Mrs. Reginald Button helped serve.

After supper Mrs. Forsyth wearing a corsage of Johanna Hill roses, opened the many beautiful gifts, one being an antique gold plate, cup and saucer, from Scotland. Mr. Forsyth very ably replied. Another interesting feature of the evening was the taking of a movie of the receiving line by Dr. Button. Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth have two daughters, Mrs. John Button, Stouffville, and Mrs. Chas. Clarke of Windsor, and six grandchildren. Their many friends join in wishing this life-long couple of Claremont many years of health and happiness, and warmest congratulations.

Among the many prominent speakers at the Legion Banquet Friday, will be the Provincial Secretary, the Honourable Arthur Welsh, Mr. E. B. Jolliffe, Mayor Michael Starr of Oshawa, Mr. John Lay, and Mr. H. R. Scott of Seagrave. Major P. Biggs, Provincial Secretary of the Canadian Legion has also been invited to attend as guest speaker. Although the campaign has not officially begun the Claremont Legion Building Fund has been growing rapidly. All indications are that with the continued effort of the Legionaires nothing can stop them from achieving their objective. The banquet will also be the opening affair of the six-week festival which will continue until June 14th. During that time there will be bingo, euchres, dances, Millionaire nights, concerts, amateur nights, movies, entertainments of all kinds. One of the outstanding entertainment events will be the Canadian Olympic team of fencers who will give a demonstration of their art with the foils and sabre. The centre of Claremont will be brightened by hundreds of lights strung across the main street during the festival period. The lights were loaned by the Markham Board of Trade and put up by the Hydro under the direction of Mr. Burns of Markham. Citizens are asked to decorate the front of their houses for the duration.

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Mrs. Geo. Wilson visited last week with her daughter, Mrs. Les Smith, at Prospect.

Mrs. B. Jamieson, Mrs. Elmer Wilson and Mrs. Wm. Harbron attended the Oshawa Presbytery W.A. gathering at Brooklin last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg Morrish and family of Highland Creek visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Pilkey and family visited Sunday evening with her father, Mr. John Phillip, at the home of his sister, Mrs. McMaster, at Greenbank.

Sorry to hear that Mrs. R. Carson is not in the best of health lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harbron and Mr. and Mrs. Les Harbron and Lloyd visited Sunday evening with Mrs. Stan Neale in Toronto.

There will be a euchre party at the Mt. Zion school on Friday evening, May 2.

Note the change in Sunday services for the summer months, Sunday School at 10.30 a.m. and church at 7.30 p.m.

GLEN MAJOR

Mrs. Homer McKeown and Russell are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Pickett.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Anderson and Carol of Claremont, Mrs. George Wilson and Gordon of Mt. Zion, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fiss and family.

Mr. George Gibson spent the weekend at his cottage.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by all on Monday evening when Miss Soper, a missionary from Peru, showed pictures and gave an interesting talk.

Mrs. G. Wilson, Port Elgin, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Neville at "White Clouds."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. La Briton, Toronto, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. Gates.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Johnson and family visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Hopkins and family.

Roly and Ruth attended the wedding of friends in Toronto on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Gowan Ferguson is spending a few days this week at Glen Gowan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Simmonds and Madeline spent Saturday at Braeside.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Laswick and children of Uxbridge visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Johnson and family on Friday evening.

Prov. Secretary To Speak at Legion Banquet

Among the many prominent speakers at the Legion Banquet Friday, will be the Provincial Secretary, the Honourable Arthur Welsh, Mr. E. B. Jolliffe, Mayor Michael Starr of Oshawa, Mr. John Lay, and Mr. H. R. Scott of Seagrave. Major P. Biggs, Provincial Secretary of the Canadian Legion has also been invited to attend as guest speaker. Although the campaign has not officially begun the Claremont Legion Building Fund has been growing rapidly. All indications are that with the continued effort of the Legionaires nothing can stop them from achieving their objective. The banquet will also be the opening affair of the six-week festival which will continue until June 14th. During that time there will be bingo, euchres, dances, Millionaire nights, concerts, amateur nights, movies, entertainments of all kinds. One of the outstanding entertainment events will be the Canadian Olympic team of fencers who will give a demonstration of their art with the foils and sabre. The centre of Claremont will be brightened by hundreds of lights strung across the main street during the festival period. The lights were loaned by the Markham Board of Trade and put up by the Hydro under the direction of Mr. Burns of Markham. Citizens are asked to decorate the front of their houses for the duration.

Recreation Committee Again Planning Swim Classes

The Claremont Recreation Committee is again planning swimming instruction for their local school children, and it has been suggested that other schools in the township might be interested in joining in this training.

Last year there were three groups that took advantage of this swimming instruction, and it was thought that perhaps other schools might be interested in this training too.

Here are the facts: Swimming instruction is open to school grades 5, 6, and 7.

Ten lessons are planned under a qualified instructor.

Training will take place at Greenwood Pool.

It will begin the first week in June.

Two training periods a week, during convenient school hours.

Transportation may be arranged

BROUGHAM

Mrs. T. English was at Bracebridge one day last week attending the funeral of her uncle.

Mrs. Hamilton and son of Keswick had dinner on Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Dean Mairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of Toronto visited their daughter, Mrs. Al Harvey on Sunday.

Messrs. Jack Mairs, Arnold Burton and Russell Gray spent the weekend at Balsam Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Crocker and Mrs. Witter of Toronto visited Mrs. Matthews on Thursday.

Mr. Gerald McGregor of Toronto called on Mrs. Ross Middleton one day last week.

Mother's Day service will be in the church here on Sunday, May 11. This will be a joint service with Sunday School and church service being held at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Wallace Ellicott and Diana of Toronto, also Mrs. Harvey Barrett and Mrs. Hodgson of Pickering visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ellicott on Sunday.

The Woman's Institute is sponsoring a big euchre in the township hall on May 13. All proceeds go to aid in building the new fire hall. All persons interested in fire protection please help along a worthy cause. Ladies please provide.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pascoe are moving this week to Whitby where they expect to live for the present. Mr. Pascoe is doing some building there. We all hope to see them back to our community again this fall.

The Woman's Association of St. John's United Church here will hold their next meeting on Wednesday evening, May 7, at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. E. Ritchie. Devotional Convener will be Mrs. Geo. Duncan and the program is in charge of Mrs. N. Burton. All ladies are cordially invited.

A meeting was called at the close of the regular church service here on Sunday afternoon when it was decided to hold the church and Sunday School services in the morning during the summer months starting the first of June.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the family of the late Mrs. Brown whose funeral took place on Thursday. Mrs. Brown will be greatly missed in the village as she was formerly a very active worker in all church organizations as well as being a writer. Failing health forced her to give up her home here and go to reside with her daughter during the past few months. Her death which took place in her 90th year came as a great shock to the community.

Activities and studies are back in full swing at the school. Examinations have been returned with the fatal news written on them. Most students were quite surprised. Grade 13 find it necessary