

# CLAREMONT and PICKERING TOWNSHIP DISTRICT

It was learned this week that a Mrs. D. F. Pidgeon is presently residing in the Claremont Rest Home. She is a sister-in-law of the well-known Walter Pidgeon of Hollywood fame.

Mr. Murray Fraser of Uxbridge visited with friends here over the weekend.

Miss Marjorie Neal, Greenwood, visited with Rosemary Hedges over the weekend.

Mrs. Wallace of Altona visited with Mrs. Conner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Petty of Victoria Square, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hockley during the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Mayes of Oshawa were also callers at the Hockley home.

Mr. Jack Brignall, who recently suffered an attack of the jaundice, is steadily improving.

Mr. G. McConnell, Convener of Canvassing Committee for the Upper Canada Bible Society, is gratified that the collection from the community amounted to \$125. Thanks are extended also to the canvassers.

The Baptist Mission Circle will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 31, at the home of Mrs. Ken Ward.

The topic will have 3 parts: What it means to be a Christian; The Christian in Life Situations; Christians Witness in History. All members are invited to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Robinson visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold McIntyre of Stayner.

Mrs. Wilkes visited over the past weekend with friends in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hisey and Coleen of Stouffville, were last Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Steckley.

## Tour Famous British Ship

Mr. Edward Austin, Proprietor of Claremont Rest Home, and his daughter Lillian were thrilled recently to be taken on a personal guided tour of the famous British battleship, HMS Kenya, when it docked at Miami, Florida, on a goodwill visit.

Mr. Austin, a former officer in the British Royal Marines in World War I, and his daughter were introduced to the top-ranking officers and shown through many of the private quarters where ordinarily visitors are not allowed to go.

The H.M.S. Kenya became famous in World War II for its daring action during the sinking of the German Battleship Bismarck. The ship was used mainly for convoy service and survived scores of aerial attacks during the performance of such duties. It is Captained by N. S. Henderson, OBE, of the Royal Navy.

Mr. Austin was given special privileges, due to his lengthy service record in the navy from 1914 to '18. He was an officer on the same boat as the late King George VI. Mr. Austin's ship was torpedoed nine times. Mr. and Mrs. Austin and Lillian are presently residing at Miami and expect to return home in May.

## GOODWOOD

Mrs. R. May B.Y.P.U. will meet on Thursday evening in the basement.

A number of Young People enjoyed a very pleasant evening on Wednesday, as guests of Ruth Collins and Barbara Symes, skating on Collin's Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jones spent several days last week visiting relatives in Stouffville.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Middleton have moved to Port Hope. We wish them every happiness in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben May and girls called on Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Pilkey on Wednesday last.

We are pleased to hear, at time of writing, that Norman Feasby is showing signs of improvement and can swallow some now.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baldwin and Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben May and children had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. F. Baldwin on Saturday. Congratulations to Mr. Baldwin and Reuben who had a birthday.

Except for a few icy places, roads are in perfect condition and we have had a lot of sunny days in January.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baldwin and Terry had Sunday dinner with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Dunn and family of Toronto.

## BROUGHAM

Mrs. English, wife of the late Rev. Mr. English who preached at Brougham and Markham Christian Church during the years 1910-1912, visited over the weekend with her cousin, Warren and Mrs. Willson. Mrs. English for the past two years has been residing in Zurich, Switzerland. Her only son Charles being employed by the American Government as Council of Foreign Affairs. He is now being transferred to America and Mrs. English intends to reside in Washington. During her stay in Zurich, she accompanied a conducted tour of American Church people from America to Palestine, and the Holy Land, and while there had a cruise on the Sea of Galilee. She brought back several souvenirs of the Holy Land, including a small bottle of Holy Water from the Lake Galilee.

The annual meeting of the St. John's Church was held on Friday evening with a small attendance. Encouraging reports were given by each convener.

A vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Lackey for their services during the past year. It was decided to give the Organist and Choir Leader each a raise in salary. It was also decided to have the Church Bell removed from the hardware store, as the firemen have no more need of it, since they purchased a siren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Willson and daughter Ruth of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Willson and their youngest son, Gordon and Mrs. Willson and daughters Valery and Karen and son Bobbie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Willson on Sunday.

Mrs. Gordon Wagg of Stouffville spent Thursday last with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Pascoe and daughters Donna and Debbie visited with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Anderson of Toronto on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. & Mrs. Jas. Ravey visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Willowdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Knox called on Mrs. Philip in Brierbush Hospital on Sunday afternoon and found her feeling about the same.

The Brougham I.O.O.F. Lodge are holding another Euchre in Whitevale Hall on Friday evening next.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins were recent callers at the W. C. Willson.

Sorry to hear that Mrs. Wm. Gray has been confined to her bed, at the home of Mr. Henry Gray at Green River, due to an attack of the flu. Mr. Wm. Gray was also there. We wish both a speedy recovery.

The regular meeting of the W.M.S. of St. John's Church was held on Thursday afternoon, January 19th, at the home of Mrs. A. J. Gray, with a very good attendance. The president, Mrs. H. Barclay, presided. The meeting opened in the usual way, followed by the Scripture reading taken by Mrs. W. A. Knox and Mrs. Randal Ellicott.

Mrs. H. Malcolm was appointed to be president for the year 1956. A vote of thanks was tendered the retiring president, Mrs. Barclay for the efficient way in which she has conducted the presidency during the past five years. The secretaries of each committee gave their yearly report. Mrs. Thos. Norton then conducted the installation service for the new officers for the year 1956. The meeting was turned over to the new President, Mrs. H. Malcolm, who conducted the business part of the meeting. A very pleasant afternoon was brought to a close by a dainty lunch and social cup of tea served by the hostesses, Mrs. A. J. Gray and Mrs. Stolk.

The regular weekly Euchre was held as usual on Tuesday evening, but the attendance was small, due to the very cold nights. The following were winners: Mrs. Walter Carlton, Mrs. Lorne White and Mrs. A. Carlton. Mr. H. Plaxton, Mr. Ogden and Mr. Ross Carlton.

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## SPOFFORD'S

Stouffville

## Geo. McConnell Pres. Of Pickering Township Sunday School Assoc.

The Annual Convention of Pickering Township S.S. Association was held last Wednesday, Jan. 18th, in Cherrywood United Church, commencing at 10 a.m., with Rev. C. P. Chapter of Whitevale conducting the worship service, followed by words of welcome by Mrs. G. Petty of Cherrywood. Each Sunday School report commented on the "Highlights during the Year", and Mr. Wilmont Gates contributed a beautiful bass solo, "Open the Gates of the Temple." Miss E. Westgate of Dunbarton gave a splendid report of her work during the year with her primary Dept. through the Workshop Method. She also did some visiting in other schools.

Rev. Huson of Altona presented an equally interesting and instructive talk about Junior work, using some apt illustrations. Vegetables were heated in the Community Hall, across the road and everyone enjoyed the good dinner provided individually seated at two long tables during the noon hour. The nominating committee met during the noon period. Rev. M. Butters of Pickering conducted the afternoon worship service, and Rev. A. H. Lackey of Claremont introduced the new pastors in the district. Rev. H. Moore of Greenwood United installed the officers nominated for the coming year, as follows: Pres., Mr. Geo. McConnell of

Claremont United S.S.; First Vice Pres., Mr. H. Mitchell of Green River; 2nd Vice Pres., Mr. Edgar James, Pickering; Sec'y.-Treasurer, Mrs. Elmer Wilson, Claremont Baptist, The Home Dept. was discussed with Altona being the only S.S. using the system. It was stated that the homes' co-operation was essential to the Home Dept. Superintendents of departments were as follows: Girls—Mrs. N. Neal, Altona; Boys—Rev. R. Crunch, Pickering Anglican; Children—Miss Westgate of Dunbarton and Mrs. Keith Drake, Claremont Baptist. Missionary—Mrs. L. Gates, Cherrywood; Adults—Mr. M. Pegg, Mt. Zion; Temperance—Mr. A. Elliott, Mr. M. Morley and Mr. Eiswneider; Teacher Training—Rev. H. Lackey, Rev. Huson; Vacation Schools—Mrs. Lackey and Miss B. Buckles; Greenwood United Church will hold the Convention in 1957.

Two ladies from Rouge Hill sang a very fine duet and Mrs. G. C. Jones of Mt. Zion gave a very inspiring talk on S.S. work. Mrs. F. McNair of Altona followed with her fine report on their school's work. Rev. J. Lowden of Claremont Baptist closed the afternoon session with prayer.

Evening Workshop session was conducted by B.Y.P.U. and the address was delivered by Rev. A. F. Cowan of Centre St. United Church, Oshawa.

## Ontario County Holstein Club Annual Attended By Hundred Delegates

The annual meeting of the Ontario County Holstein Club was held in the Township Hall, Manchester, on Wednesday, January 18th, with approximately 100 Holstein breeders in attendance.

President Fred Christie opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. with a few words of welcome to the assembled breeders. Dr. Douglas Maplesden, Ont. Veterinary College, Guelph, provided the highlight of the day's meeting with an address on cattle diseases. Mr. Maplesden emphasized the importance of prevention with regard to all common cattle diseases and stated that there was no substitute for good husbandry. He also outlined some of the new methods of treatment with regard to Milk Fever, Calf Scours, and Ketosis.

Dr. Maplesden also discussed Leptospirosis, a disease causing abortion in cattle.

The various projects carried out during the year were discussed and it was decided to sponsor the following projects in 1956: (1) Bus Trip; (2) Twilight Meeting; (3) Black and White Show will again be carried on in Port Perry in conjunction with Port Perry Fair; (4) The Annual Banquet will again be held this fall.

Mr. Roy Ormiston was appointed to represent Ontario County on the Peterborough Championship Show Committee.

Mr. G. E. Nelson, Holstein Fieldman, gave a detailed report of his work in the East-Central District. He pointed out that Twilight Meetings generally were the most popular and best attended projects carried out by the Holstein Clubs in his district. He urged that more breeders take advantage of the local Black and White Show at Port Perry to bring out some of their show animals. At the conclusion of his address he presented Long Time Production Certificates to the following Ontario County Holstein breeders:

Orvan Chambers, H. Ormerod, Norman Hogg, Walter Davis, Dunrobin Farm, Roy Ormiston, Ed. Oyley, Smith Bros., Wm. Stone, Herman Walker, Burnstone Webster, Horace Webster, Clarence Werry & Son, Harold Werry.

The election of directors resulted as follows: Orvan Chambers, Wilfrid Ross Evans, Uxbridge, No. 4; Harold Werry, Oshawa, No. 2; Chas. Hadden, Blackwater No. 1; Ken Holliday, Brooklin; Bob Flett, Oshawa No. 2; Wm. Stone, Blackwater; Fred Leask, Uxbridge No. 2; Cecil Disney, Brooklin No. 1; Leslie Smith, Port Perry No. 2.

## GREEN RIVER

Sorry to hear that a number are still on the sick list. We hope they will soon be able to be out again.

Mrs. Strickland and son, of Bloomfield visited her sister, Mrs. T. Bowles, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hagerman of Maple Grove spent the week-

end with Messrs W. and L. Hagerman.

Mrs. A. Mitchell spent a day last week visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. Simpson of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pearce and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. Pearce.

Mrs. R. Hamilton had tea on Sunday with your scribe.

Dr. McDormand will be the guest speaker at the evening service next Sunday.

## Report From Parliament

By Michael Starr, M.P., Ontario Riding

The third Session of the Twenty-second Parliament opened officially on January 10th, 1956. The opening ceremonies were almost the same as they have been for the past number of years, with the exception that the whole of the proceedings were televised.

The ceremony, with the Governor-General officiating, was filled with the traditions of the British Parliament. The Speech from the Throne was read by the Governor-General from the throne in the Senate Chamber.

This document is prepared by the Cabinet of the present Government and outlines the program to be undertaken by the House of Commons in the Session now under way.

The Throne Speech did not contain any sensational or startling matter that would affect the lives of the Canadian people.

One of the announcements made was that a Bill would be introduced in the current Session to qualify women for equal pay with men, providing they perform equal work. This applies only to women who are employed by the Federal Government or by a Crown Company. It does not apply to women employed by private industry.

The Province of Ontario has had this Act in force for a number of years and the benefits have been enjoyed by women employed in private industry in this Province.

Many problems are facing Parliament in this Session and a great deal of debate will be heard in the House of Commons on these matters.

Some of these problems are the storage of wheat, the Trans-Canada Pipe Line, and the revision of a number of Acts, amongst which is the Small Loans Act. The revision of this Act is expected to be very interesting.

It is proposed during this Session of Parliament to increase the size of loans which may be made by the Canadian Farm Loan Board, and to amend the Farm Improvement Loans Act. This should be good news to those who are interested in the pursuit of agriculture.

The Progressive Conservative Party of Canada held their Annual Meeting from January 16 to January 18 here in Ottawa. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the policies and future work of the Party and to elect its National President. Although no official delegates were appointed, many hundreds of members of the Party from all parts of Canada assembled and exchanged views.

The Throne debate is now under way. Outside of the wheat situation in the West no startling subject has been put forth by anyone participating in the Debate so far. Under the new rules of the House this debate is now limited to ten sitting days and will be ended on Wednesday, January 25th.

On the agenda appearing every day for the business of the House of Commons there are quite a number of Government Orders in the form of Resolutions, submitted by various Cabinet Ministers, to be considered, as well as Notices of Motions submitted by private Members. A goodly number of questions have been placed on the Order Paper already by Members, some of the questions being a repetition from the last Session.

I will be reporting to you through this column each and every week while this Session is in progress, and I hope you will be able to derive from my commentaries on the work of Parliament some idea as to how the business of this country is being conducted.

It would be wise for gym instructors to advise some businessmen to pull their paunches.

High cost of snow: In 1953 CPR snowplows worked a total of 127,193 miles and snow removal bill on tracks alone that winter amounted to more than \$2,000,000.

## Pickering Twp. Sunday School Convention

The Pickering Township Sunday School Convention held at Cherrywood proved to be a real success. The morning and afternoon sessions, taking the form of a "Sunday School Workshop" were profitably led by Miss E. Westgate of Dunbarton.

Rev. F. Huson of Stouffville, Mrs. C. Jones of Mt. Zion, and Mrs. F. McNair of Altona. Rev. A. F. Cowan of Centre Street United Church, Oshawa, gave a challenging address at Young People's Rally in the evening.

## Public School Caretaker After 32 Years

On Wednesday, Feb. 15th, Mr. Jimmy Briscoe will officially resign from his duties at the Claremont Public School, where he has served as caretaker for the past 32 years.

Mr. Briscoe has literally grown up with the school. In 1922-23 he assisted in the erection of the brick building and the following year he was appointed caretaker succeeding Mr. Albert Slack. Mr. Slack's salary was \$100 per year.

Following the completion of the school which was built under contract for \$45,000, students from many neighboring districts attended, many arriving by train. The Chairman of the School Board in 1924 was Mr. James Underhill. Mr. Ed. Boniface is the present Chairman.

During his many years of service, Mr. Briscoe has seen numerous generations pass through the school, many to become prominent citizens in their own particular walks of life. Mr. Briscoe has a great love for young boys and girls and they have come to regard him as a true friend.

Whether it be in the school or on the playground, the safety and well-being of the pupils is his foremost thought. The local caretaker has always been noted for his excess amount of energy and even yet he can outwork men much younger than himself. He spends as much time at the school as in his own home. The interior of the building has always been kept in spotless condition from the floor to the ceiling.

In handing in his resignation, Mr. Briscoe retires from his job with great reluctance, but his tireless efforts have been truly appreciated by the Public School Board, the staff and the students.

A Russian official says all roads lead to communism, but he is mistaken. The only roads that lead to communism are those that turn to the left.

## GLEN MAJOR

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Holman, Brooklin, visited on Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson and family.

Mrs. Gowan Ferguson and Mr. Robt. Ferguson, Toronto, spent the weekend at "Glen Gowan."

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Jones, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Faulkner, Goodwood; visited on Sunday with the Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fiss and Fred spent one evening last week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forsyth and Donna.

Mr. George Gibson, Toronto, spent the weekend at his cottage.

Sorry to hear they took Mr. John Anson to Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Saturday. Hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones and Shirley visited Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson and family.

Mr. Alec Hingston and boys visited on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hingston.

A large number of skiers were out on Sunday to enjoy the lovely day in the country.

## Mara Tp. Deputy-Reeve is 102nd Ontario C'ty Warden

A member of municipal council for 18 years, the Deputy-Reeve of Mara Township, Pat Duffy last week became the 102nd warden of Ontario County. He was elected on the first ballot, a rarity in the county.

He becomes the first warden to represent Mara Township since 1941. To win, he beat out two other reeves, Cyril Morley, of Pickering Village, making his first bid, and Reeve Wilfrid Hart, of Rama Township nominated as a candidate for the third successive time in his bid to bring the honor to the northernmost township of the county, an honor Rama has not held for more than three quarters of a century.

Six in all were nominated as candidates for this, the highest honor in the county. Nominated were Mr. Morley, by Reeve J. Mills of Ajax; Reeve Russell Morrison of Thorah Twp., by Reeve Stuart Ball of Uxbridge Twp.; Reeve Hart, by Reeve Elmer Gibson, of Reach Township; Deputy-Reeve Duffy, by Reeve John Vessey, of Brock Twp.; Reeve Morley Bain, of Scott Township; Reeve Bill Newman, of Pickering Township; and Reeve Ken Lee, of the town of Whitby, by Deputy-Reeve Stan Martin, of Whitby.

In a short address to the 27 members of council, Reeve Morley noted that he had a background of farm experience that, he said, would equip him to understand the problems of both the farm element of the county and the urban centres. He is an insurance and real estate salesman.

In declining to run, Reeve Morrison admitted that he had given some thought to standing for election to bring the honor to Thorah which had not been so honored in 17 years.

Reeve Hart noted that he had been nominated for three years in succession and that Rama Township had not been entrusted with the wardenship for 76 years. "How many more years will pass," he asked, "before history will repeat itself?"

He also noted that the township now only lacked 40 persons on its voters' lists before it could elect a deputy-reeve. "I have toyed with the idea of placing myself on the marriage market," said he, in a moment of levity, "to remedy this situation. There are a few others up in Rama who are in the same position as I, and we may form a league of some sort."

In announcing that he would also stand, Deputy-reeve Duffy stated, "I don't know what I have done in my 18 years in public life which would entitle me to the honor of being warden. On the other hand, I don't know what I have done which should deny me the honor."

Reeve Bain, in declining, stated that if he is again elected Reeve of Scott Township, he will certainly seek the warden's chair next year.

Reeve Lee observed that Whitby held the wardenship in 1951. "It would not be fair if Whitby were so honored again so soon," said he, as he withdrew.

When the first ballot was counted, Deputy-Reeve Duffy had received 20 votes. Reeve Morley received eight votes and Reeve Hart received four.

Later, County Clerk Manning swore the new warden into office. Ex-warden Harry Peel presented the 1956 warden with his frock of office. The new warden has been a member of the Mara Township Council for 18 years, eight of them as either reeve or deputy-reeve.

Seated with the new warden were ex-wardens John A. MacDonald, William Westney, Heber Down, Les McMillen, David Walls, Rae Ferguson, Harry Peel, Garnet Wilson, Ferguson Munroe, Duncan McIntyre, Oscar Downey and John Rae.

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Pickering Township Municipal Office, Brougham, Ontario. Make cheques payable to Pickering Township. For each male dog \$3.00 and \$6.00 for each additional male. For each female \$4.00 and \$8.00 for each additional female.

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A. J. Thompson, By-law Enforcement Officer.

## Claremont Baptist Church

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## Ontario Riding Liberal Association (FEDERAL)

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