

CLAREMONT and PICKERING Township District

The United Sunday School picnic will be held in Woodland Park on Friday, June 29. Buses will leave the Church grounds at 1:30 p.m. It is hoped to have a fine afternoon and good attendance.

Mr. Couperthwaite, travelling representative for Watkins Products for Markham and Pickering Townships, left on Monday on a family business trip in connection with the estate of a deceased brother in one of the western provinces, and expects to be away for a couple of months.

The W.A. will be held Thursday evening of this week, commencing at 8 o'clock in the Sunday School room of the United Church. A good attendance is hoped for. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper took place at the close of the morning service. Two choir ladies sang a duet. In the evening, a group of youthful members contributed a selection. Joint Church services commence next Sunday.

Miss Mitchell of Toronto was a guest of Mrs. Condy over Sunday.

Mrs. Boyle from Bracebridge spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Dean and family.

Mr. Hill and son from the U.S.A. have been visiting with his sister, Mrs. W. Lehman and family.

Next Sunday will be decoration day at the Union Cemetery and Church Service will be withdrawn in the evening. Joint services commence next Sunday in the Baptist Church.

Mr. Prouse, we regret to say, is in the hospital, and Mrs. Prouse is at present staying with her daughter, Mrs. T. Hammond and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rayes of Toronto called upon old neighbours in the eastern section of the village on Sunday.

We regret that Mrs. Bert Galway has been obliged to take a rest in Oshawa Hospital, owing to a heart condition, and we trust she may be restored to health and able to return home before long.

Miss Sylvia Johnston of Toronto was a Sunday visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb White and children from Newmarket were also Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Johnston.

Mr. Lloyd Hill and son, Alvin from Trenton, Mich., spent the weekend at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. Lehman and family and also attended the Decoration Service at Churchill Cemetery on Sunday.

Mrs. Harold Dean entertained a group of ladies in honour of her mother, Mrs. Boyle from Bracebridge on Friday afternoon.

Harry Porter's Barber Shop will be closed every Monday during the months of July and August.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McGuire entertained relatives and friends from Toronto on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer have moved up to their farm in Uxbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Borland and family of Walkerville spent the weekend with Mrs. Borland. Members of the Boy Scout Troop enjoyed a camping expedition to Sanderson's Ranch, east of Claremont, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillingham of Lakeview spent the weekend with Mr. Bill Voss.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Boniface and family attended the wedding of their niece in Toronto on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bates and family of Woodbridge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Hedges.

Residents of the village will be pleased to learn that the fire siren has finally been hooked up and is ready for use. It is operated from the telephone switchboard.

Mr. Chas. Burton, new owner of Padgett's General Store, has also purchased the adjacent store, recently operated by Mr. Hamlin as a butcher shop. Mr. Burton expects to take over the new business early in July.

On Friday evening in the local park, Mr. Geo. Middleton will resume the familiar position behind home plate as the official umpire for the Community League double-header. Since the start of the schedule, Mr. Will Morley has been calling the balls and strikes.

Mrs. A. Carruthers, Atha, Celebrates 81st Birthday

On Sunday, June 24th, relatives and friends met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morley Smalley, Mount Albert, to celebrate the birthday of Mrs. A. Carruthers. She was the guest of honour at a surprise birthday party, and was presented with a corsage of roses and personal gifts, from Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Carruthers and Ruth Anne, Mr. and Mrs. Morley Smalley and Ralph, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wideman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Boome, Mr. Jim Coates, Mrs. E. P. Soden, Mr. and Mrs. Art Wideman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. MacAloney and Brian, Mrs. Carruthers was the recipient of many lovely cards from the community card show.

BROUGHAM

Mrs. W. Hamilton and Mrs. Matthews visited with Oshawa friends one day last week.

The W.M.S. of St. John's Church was held on Thursday afternoon, June 21, at the home of Mrs. Thos. Norton and Mrs. E. Norton. Mrs. M. Elliott conducted the Devotional. The meeting was opened by all singing Hymn 249, followed by The Lord's Prayer in unison. A solo by Mrs. Lloyd Pegg was enjoyed by all. Mrs. H. Malcolm then took charge. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. A. J. Gray gave a report on the work of packing boxes for the Fred Victor Mission. The guest speaker was Mrs. Kirkland who is Secretary of the Christian Stewardship of the Oshawa Presbytery. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction and lunch was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Thos. Norton, Mrs. E. Norton, Mrs. E. Campbell and Mrs. Reaman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Carswell of Oshawa called on her mother, Mrs. W. Hamilton, on Saturday evening.

Mrs. L. Hall of Brooklin called on her cousin, Mrs. Matthews, one evening recently.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Cassie visited Oshawa friends one day during the past week.

The July meeting of the Women's Association of St. John's Church will be held on Wednesday evening, July 4, at the home of Mrs. F. Cassie, assisted by Miss E. Seebeck. The devotional will be taken by Mrs. Reaman and the program by Mrs. Matthews. Roll Call to be answered by "A thought for the day." All ladies welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Malcolm are on a motor trip out west. Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Mrs. John Feasby (Lena Rogerson) who was well known around here, having taught at Brougham School around 1910.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Knox and family of Solina visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Pascoe on Sunday.

Mrs. Matthews arrived home Saturday evening after spending a few days with Toronto friends.

Mrs. D. L. Mairs accompanied by her daughter Barbara spent last week at their cottage on Balsam Lake.

Mr. Ross Knox spent a few days in Toronto last week attending Grand Lodge of IOOF. Mrs. A. J. Gray accompanied her son Russell to his cottage at Balsam Lake for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Bent and family of Oshawa had tea on Sunday with her mother, Mrs. W. Hamilton and later called on Mr. and Mrs. M. Hamilton.

GLENN MAJOR

Several from here attended Memorial Service at Salem on Sunday.

Mr. Robt. Nokes met with a narrow escape when his car went off the road and smashed into a tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson and family attended the Johnson - Judges picnic at Lynbrook Park on Sunday.

Sunday visitors with the Jones' were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Faulkner, Goodwood; Mr. and Mrs. Allan Jones, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Biggs and family; Messrs. Ross and Cecil Walls of Brooklin.

Miss Patricia Graves of Pine Grove spent a couple days last week with Miss Shirley Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peddie and Artie of Claremont visited Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fiss and Edgar.

Decorations Day Services Sunday at 2:30 p.m. will be the Annual Decorations Day Services of Claremont Union Cemetery. There will be special music by the Dickson Hill Male Quartet and Rev. Lackey will speak.

Ontario County Shows Greatest Growth in Years

In what may establish a record because of the absence of debate, Ontario County Council accepted the 1957 equalized assessments as set out by the equalization committee. In past years, the table has been greeted by some members of council with considerable feeling and last year the village of Cannington lodged an unsuccessful appeal. This year, the list of assessments of the local municipalities, as prepared by County Assessor Gordon McLean, met with no disapproval, which probably indicates the fairness of his assessment. It was Mr. McLean's last report, he said, because he will retire in October of this year.

In every case, with one exception, the equalized assessment was identical to the local assessment. The exception was the village of Cannington. Their equalized assessment was the same as last year's county assessment but was about \$29,000 higher than the local assessment. Last year the difference was \$50,000.

In filing his report, Mr. McLean stated that the growth of assessment in Ontario County last year was the largest in any one year since the county plan of assessment was introduced some 10 years ago. The increase in 1955 was \$1,836,031. The population growth in the county in 1955 was 2405.

The county council, at yesterday's meeting, accepted the resignation of Keith Pugsley, as assistant County Assessor. Mr. Pugsley came to Ontario early this year but has resigned to take an assessment position with the Ontario Government. Mr. McLean, who last year asked to be retired, stated he would stay on the job until October.

GOODWOOD

Mrs. Reuben May

Mrs. D. McDonald, Mrs. Gribble, Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Art Hall enjoyed the bus tour taken by the Goodwood Horticulture Society. They visited beauty spots in Lindsay, Fenelon Falls, Minden and had lunch at Huntsville, then continued through Lake of Bays, Bracebridge, Gravenhurst and stopped again at Midhurst for a picnic supper.

All interested in Webb School Community picnic are invited to come to 'The Maples' on Friday evening at 6:30. Please bring your own dishes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Luke of Raglan visited with 'May' relatives on Sunday.

Cottage prayer meeting will be on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. C. Jones.

B.F.P.U. will not be held this week but will be on Friday, July 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dales and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hackney and family of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Faulkner called on Mr. and Mrs. Reuben May and baby Dianne spent two days driving through the beautiful country between home and Owen Sound. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Gorman of Durham who wished to be remembered to all Goodwood folk.

Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin spent Wednesday and Thursday at the home of their daughter. Several couples from the Goodwood Friendship Group met with the Claremont group on Friday evening for an evening of fun and fellowship.

Mrs. Les Myers

A survey party was busy last week trying to determine the height of land around Goodwood in order to decide how best to drain the water from the village.

Mrs. Bruce Taylor spent a couple of days last week at the home of her parents in Oshawa.

Miss Bev. Hockley of Ballantree visited with Glenda Taylor last week.

The W.A. is having another bake sale in the Stouffville Sales Arena this Saturday.

The regular meeting of the W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Les Meyers on Thursday, July 5. Mrs. Bunker is in charge of the devotion and Mrs. Irwin the program. The word for the roll call is "Kindness." Hostesses are Mrs. Albert Taylor and Mrs. Jefferson.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Graham on the birth of a son.

Sorry to report that Mr. Ken Jefferson is at present in the hospital.

Mrs. Edgar Pollard of Sandford spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Les Meyers.

Mrs. B. Jamieson.

The Active Service Class met last Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. B. Jamieson. Mrs. Cecil Jones introduced the guest speaker, Miss V. Forsyth of Claremont. It was decided to give the money from the paper drive toward the choir gowns. A committee was put in to help plan for the eats at the Wilson barn-raising.

Congratulations to Mt. Zion School on winning the baseball tournament at Brougham Wednesday night for schools in Pickering Township under 50 pupils.

Keep in mind the Sunday School picnic Friday, June 29, at Springhill Park, Brooklin.

Several from here attended Salem Decorations Service on Sunday.

Birthdays greetings to Mrs. J. A. White Sr. who celebrated her 93rd birthday on Thursday, June 28th. Mrs. White is staying with Mr. and Mrs. W. White for a while.

Miss Mary Jean Jamieson spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Ward at Claremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Carson visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. Morgan at Orillia.

Local Swimming Class Opens on July 10th

Final arrangements were made for this year's swimming and water safety training course at the recent monthly meeting of the Pickering Red Cross executive, held in the municipal office in Brougham. The course will run four days a week from July 10 to August 10 inclusive, each Tuesday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jack Bunting of Ajax will be instructor in charge, aided by a corps of trained volunteers and Red Cross members. Classes will be held at Greenwood Park pool, on No. 7 Highway just west of the Greenwood Road.

Supported by Pickering Red Cross funds, the instruction in the course is free to all who register. Only cost involved is the regular 10-cent pool entrance fee payable in advance—a total of \$2.00—on registration day, July 10, at the Greenwood Pool.

Registration will be limited to 120, from eight years of age up; classes will be divided into non-swimmers (beginners), juniors, intermediates, seniors and those training for Royal Life Saving certificates. Classes will be one-half hour each. Parents consent in writing will be required for each child. It is expected that car pools will be organized among parents to transport children to and from Greenwood Park.

Other items at the Pickering Red Cross meeting: Miss K. Walter, Riverside Drive, was welcomed as the new secretary of the association. A donation of \$25 was made to the neighborhood fund being raised to help Donnie McLean of Fairport Beach, the boy who recently lost an eye in a bow-and-arrow game accident. Plans were discussed for the formation of a committee to organize a program of activities among senior citizens of Pickering. Campaign Chairman Glen Julian reported that the final total was about \$2,600, and that Pickering Red Cross rated third in Ontario for total percentage of quota achieved, and first in townships of equal size.

GREENWOOD

Mr. Wm. Middleton visited last week with his son Percy in Buffalo.

Wm. and Mrs. Medland of Brooklin were visitors at the Fred Byers home one evening last week.

Church Service and Sunday School as usual this Sunday.

Doug and Mrs. Morden and children were Hamilton visitors last Sunday.

Garnet and Mrs. Courtice of Pickering were visitors at the Ed Pascoe home last Sunday.

George and Mrs. Middleton of Stouffville attended Decoration Service at Salem and afterwards at the John Middleton home.

The men of the congregation had a painting bee at the church on Monday of this week, which added much to the outside appearance of the building.

There was a good attendance at the Memorial Service last Sunday at Salem, some coming from Bracebridge, Malton, Stouffville, Pickering, Brooklin and nearby towns. The address was given by Rev. Mr. Butler of Ajax and the music by Mt. Zion choir.

Bob and Mrs. McVey and family of Toronto were visitors at the Les Wilson home last Sunday evening.

The Afternoon W.A. held their regular meeting at Mrs. I. MacLean's last Thursday afternoon. The worship service was in charge of Mrs. M. Pegg and Mrs. Moore. The president, Mrs. Clarke presided over the business, and much discussion followed over the plowing match and committees were put in for the various jobs. There will be no meeting in July—a holiday! Mrs. McLean and Beatrice served lunch.

CHERRYWOOD

The Women's Association of Cherrywood United Church met in the Church Hall on Wednesday afternoon. A committee of ladies was appointed to purchase carpets for our newly decorated church.

At the request of the Dominion Council of the W.A. a petition was signed by our ladies opposing the sale of beer in the grocery stores throughout our province.

Remember the Sunday School and Community picnic to be held at Oshawa-on-the-lake on July 5. Cars and a bus will leave the hall at 11 o'clock. Come and bring a picnic basket.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Riches and family spent the weekend at Trenton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Gates had dinner on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Law at Whitby.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. D. Milne and family in the death of Mrs. Milne's brother, the late Mr. Joe Pearce of Rouge Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fenney and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. Rennie on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Tindall visited at Virginia on Sunday.

newlyweds, were the recipients of a number of lovely gifts when a shower was held in their honour at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lewis, on Monday evening. Congratulations to June Lewis who celebrated her birthday on Thursday, June 21st, with a party for some of her little friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baks entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ted Baks and daughter of Pickering and Mr. and Mrs. Bill TerWood and baby of Malton on Sunday.

King Saud of Saudi Arabia takes top honors for elegance on wheels. He has a fifty-foot mobile palace, made by a U.S. trailer concern, for visiting distant subjects. Dominating the perambulating throne room is an American-made rose-colored carpet.

Report from Parliament

By Michael Starr
M.P. for Ontario Riding
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The federal government seems to be standing firm on its policy of making it tougher for Canadians to borrow money, despite protests that inadequate supplies of mortgage funds are already cutting into the 1957 housing programme. One reason for the higher interest rate is to deal with inflationary pressures, but another, less publicized, is to maintain the flow of United States investment capital into Canada. This inflow of United States capital will be badly needed this year to help balance a record Canadian deficit in trade with the United States which may be on the way. The deficit on current account stood even at the end of the first quarter of 1956, at \$391 million. With interest rates up in the United States, the flow of American capital into Canada might well have slowed down unless similar action had been taken here.

The employment situation is brighter than it was a year ago at the same period. As of May 19th, there were 163,000 workers out of jobs and looking for work. This figure compares with the total of 213,000 a year ago. Meanwhile, 127,000 more Canadians were enlisted for the labour force. Those who are more informed on these matters suggest that there may be serious labour shortages in certain categories before summer is over.

Some of the government legislation is now being considered. One item recently under discussion was an amendment to the Farm Improvement Loans Act. The purpose of the amendment to this act was to increase

the loan limit to \$5,000. Certain clauses also were changed, one of which was to extend the Act for a further three year term. The discussion on this amendment was mainly from a legal standpoint, but nevertheless it took a few days before it could be approved by the House of Commons.

A great deal of discussion was experienced when certain amendments to the Indian Act were introduced. We had the opportunity of hearing from members in whose ridings Indians are domiciled on reserves and even from a member who represents a riding in the North West Territories. Irrespective of party affiliation, members were very critical of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration under whose care the Indians' welfare is placed. Their criticism was based on the fact that the department is not endeavouring to improve the standard of living of the Indians in any way, and that in certain instances the conditions under which they exist are deplorable.

On Tuesday, June 19th, the Right Honourable Vincent Massey, Governor-General of Canada, officiated at the opening of the remodelled Library here at the Parliament Buildings. The building in which the Library is housed was begun in 1860, and was completed in 1876. It was opened officially on February 28, 1876, by the Earl of Dufferin, who was then the Governor-General of Canada. It survived the great fire which destroyed the Parliament Buildings in February, 1916, but was severely damaged by another fire in August, 1952. The Library has been perfectly restored as it was in its original state, and in addition two floors below level have been added for the stacking of books. It is a very beautiful building now, and I would commend it to anyone for a visit while here in Ottawa.

The National Defence estimates are now being considered. Since this is a Department which spends half of the national budget, about \$2 billion, it is being given careful scrutiny, and on the first item the opposition is taking advantage of the opportunity of bringing to the attention of the government the faults which lie in the administration of the department and the lack of proper defences in this country. Those who are participating are; in the main, men of military experience and well versed in the field of military and defence operations. It is anticipated that this debate will last at least one full week.

The Unemployment Insurance estimates have not been considered because the Unemployment Insurance Commission has not arrived at a proper solution to Section 45(2) of this Act. The inclusion of this section of the Act deprived some 200,000 Canadians of Unemployment Insurance benefits. The Minister of Labor, however, has promised that immediately upon his return from England, where he is attending the Victoria Cross holders celebration, an amendment to this section will be submitted to the committee for its consideration. At that time it is expected that the whole Act will undergo careful scrutiny and general discussion.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malcolm are on a motor trip to Western provinces.

Mrs. M. Draper entertained some ladies at a Stanley Demonstration on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Michell and family were dinner guests of Mrs. D. Shank on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lehman of Markham were Sunday visitors with Mrs. L. Lehman and family.

Miss Barbara Buckles entertained Grade 3 pupils of Wilmington Avenue Public School, North York, to a picnic at her home on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Duncan, also Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Duncan were visitors in London over the weekend.

We understand that the farm formerly owned by Mr. I. Percy has been sold.

Miss Doreen Findlay entertained 182 Division of Cubs from Toronto at her home on Saturday last. Doreen is to be congratulated on the splendid work she is doing as group leader.

The Cemetery Committee wish to thank all who in any way helped make this service a success. It was most gratifying to see such a good number present. Rev. Lowden of Claremont brought a most inspiring message. The choir sang two lovely songs.

Pickering Red Cross

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PARENTS: All children must have your consent in writing. Make up a car pool and bring your own and neighbors' children.

Presentation Made

On Thursday evening friends of Mrs. Ethel Browning gathered at her home for a surprise presentation party. Mrs. Browning, a member of Cooper's secretarial staff, will leave by plane on Thursday, July 5th, to visit her native homeland, Scotland. Her son, Bruce, will also make the trip. They expect to return early in September.

The presentation party was arranged by Mrs. Ann Glidden and Lorraine Steckley. Mrs. Grace Cooper made the presentation. Others present were Myrtle Loyal, Dorothy Cook, Mrs. Wray, Padgett, Mildred Taylor, Jean Pascoe and Jean Norton. Mrs. Browning was married in Scotland and came to Canada following the war. She has been a resident of Claremont for the past ten years and an employee at Coopers for some time.

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