

UXBRIDGE, PICKERING TP. NEWS

CLAREMONT

A T.B. Test Clinic will be conducted in the basement of the United Church on Wednesday, April 5th from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 10 p.m. The results of the tests will be revealed on Monday, April 10th. Persons, showing a positive reaction will be x-rayed at that time.

A joint service will be conducted in the United Church on Good Friday, Mar. 31 at 11 a.m. Students at the Pickering Dist. High School have been in the midst of their Easter examinations during the past week. The tests were completed on March 30th (today) and classes were discussed at noon hour.

Close to one hundred people attended a supper in the United Church on Thursday, March 23, at the conclusion of the W. A. Meeting.

Members of the Grade 13 English class at the Pickering Dist. High School attended a performance of the play, entitled "The Heiress" at the Crest Theatre in Toronto on Friday evening. The play is based on the story which is part of this year's English course.

Mrs. J. Brodie, a former resident in the Claremont area passed away last week at Boca Roton, Florida.

Mr. Ken Ward returned by air on Monday from a trip to Tampa, Florida. He was accompanied by officials from Ensign Motors in Toronto.

Mr. John McIntyre, Head of the local co-operative, attended a Managerial meeting in Peterboro on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Morley were Sunday visitors at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morley.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hedges and Rosemary attended a bowling party at Woodbridge on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Young and family, Oshawa, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lehman.

Mr. Tom Davis has returned to work at the Sarco Plant following a period of confinement with virus pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ward visited with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haynes in Listowel on Saturday.

Mr. Les Lye has been forced to take some time from his work at the Sarco Plant, due to a recurrence of a knee injury.

Mr. Ivan Taylor was the driver of a large cement truck that was involved in a fatal accident on Hwy. 401 at the Whitty-cloverleaf last week. It marked the first time that Mr. Taylor has been involved in a collision, in spite of a lengthy driving record. He has won several awards for highway safety. No charges have been laid.

The next meeting of the 4H Club will be held at the home of Mrs. L. Pugh. Members are asked to be at the four corners at 1:45 for transportation on April 8th.

Tickets are available from members of the United Church Women's Association for the Consumers Gas Cooking School to be held in the Stouffville High School on Monday, April 10 at 8 p.m.

The Guides and Brownie Mother's L.A. held their monthly meeting at the home of Doreen Welsh, Mar. 20, with Vice Chairman June Michell presiding. It was agreed to send three delegates to the Provincial Annual Meeting in Toronto in April. They are District Commissioner Kay Hayward; Guide Captain, Jessie McGuire, and L.A. representative, Rene Rennie. Keep in mind the pool for complete or incomplete uniforms. Contact June Michell for further information at Claremont 16533.

The Second Class Girl Guides were hostesses to their mothers and other guests on Thursday night during the regular Guide meeting. This was for a special proficiency badge. Mrs. Norrine Hill thanked the Guides and the Company on behalf of the Mothers. Commissioner Kay Hayward commended the Guides on their work.

The 1960-61 Bowling season, for the ten team bowling league came to a close Friday night. The banquet to complete the season will be held on Saturday, April 29 at Spruce Villa.

Four men from the Legion entered a Dart Tournament at Oshawa on Saturday. There were many entries. In the team tournament Claremont finished in seventh place. In the singles, Bill McQuaker completed the semi-finals, but lost out in the finals. He will go on to Trenton for further competition.

Keep in mind the weekly Eucharists held in the Legion Hall. There are only four more, so plan to attend. Don't forget to obtain your draw tickets from any member of the Legion Ladies Auxiliary or at the Legion. Prizes for the draw are—1st, Deep Fryer; 2nd, Stup Kitchen stool; 3rd, combination ash stand and magazine rack.

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Fire Agreement OK'd With Uxbridge Twp.

Mr. Donald Lynde, Pickering Twp. Fire Chief and spokesman for the Claremont Brigade, has worked out a satisfactory financial agreement with the Township of Uxbridge. The new arrangement will be retroactive to Jan. 1st, 1961. The Claremont Unit will continue to respond to calls in Uxbridge, currently served by the Claremont telephone circuit.

The new rate will be as follows: Five hundred dollars annual standby time plus \$75.00 for the first two hours (up to 12 men). Additional men—\$5.00 each with a maximum payment of \$100 per fire up to 2 hours. Additional hours—\$40.00 for twelve men. Additional men—\$25.00 per hour with a maximum of \$250 per hour. A standby crew of four men (minimum) and one truck at a fire will receive \$20.00 per hour. The contract can be terminated by either party with a three month notice.

Councillor Ross Deakin informed Pickering Twp. Council, at a special meeting on Monday night that Mr. Lynde had presented his proposal to the Uxbridge Council at a regular meeting earlier this year. He said he understood that the arrangement had met with the Uxbridge members' approval. He noted that, to date this year, the Claremont brigade had already answered three fire calls into the area.

ALTONA DEALER ATTENDS TRAINING SESSION IN GEORGIA

Mr. Fred Lewis of Altona Feed & Supplies Limited, spent one week at Vienna, Georgia, at the Southern Training Center of Tractor and Implement Division, Ford Motor Co., where he participated in five days of intensive product and sales training in Ford tractor and equipment operation and features.

With approximately 30 other dealers from all parts of the country, Mr. Lewis is working with different kinds of farm equipment every day. Though some classroom work is involved he is spending most of his time in field work while developing new ideas and techniques and operating new equipment. The classes are purposely kept small so that the "students" can get a maximum of personal instruction.

The training program at Ford's Southern Training Center requires a large assortment of equipment, including 50 to 75 tractors, an even greater number of implements, and a variety of competitive equipment for use in making in-field comparative tests. At this session, Mr. Lewis is working with tractors, mowers, rakes, hay conditioners, hay balers, forage harvesters, plows, tillage, planting, cultivating equipment, Ford's new 6000 Tractor and related implements.

The training center occupies a central Georgia farm of 525 acres, which affords a wide range of soil types. Its facilities include a dining room, service shop, classrooms, and recreational areas. Climatic conditions of the area allow outside training activities throughout most of the year.

Ford is a pioneer in the practical training of dealers and has operated the Southern Training Center for the past four seasons. The accommodations permit the training of hundreds of dealers each year.

ing of a building to the park for use by the boys.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Association of St. John's Church will be held on Wednesday, April 5, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Geo. Willson assisted by Mrs. W. Hamilton. The Devotional will be taken by Mrs. Geo. Gray, while the Program will be in charge of Mrs. L. Johnston.

There will be special Good Friday service held in the Church here on March 31 at 10 a.m.

The flowers in the Church on Sunday were in memory of the late Mrs. G. Harbom (Elsie Matthews) who was well known to many in this community where she was born. She was also the first bride to be married in this church.

Mrs. Geo. Perry has been confined to her bed for some days suffering from an attack of pneumonia. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett and family moved into their new home which they have built in the Pascoe subdivision. We all welcome them to our community.

Sorry to hear Mrs. Winton White, now of Balsam, but formerly here, is now ill at the

lights were on.

He told the jury that he had not seen any westbound car on the road but had seen Benson's tail lights "fly around to the north" and knew he had struck something.

He jammed on his own brakes, he said, and a wheel locked and his car went into the north ditch. He brought it out to the road again and stopped it.

Joyce Lewis, 15, of R. R. 3, Claremont, whose home is about 400 feet west of the intersection, said that she saw the two cars coming from the west, one about four car-lengths behind the other. She said that both cars had lights on and appeared to be driving about 50 mph. She heard a screech of brakes, she said, and then the crash. When she arrived at the crash scene, she said, the horn on the Drynan car was sounding.

Adding the evidence was Assistant Crown Attorney Bruce Affleck. Coroner conducting the inquest was Dr. J. A. Patterson of Oshawa.

Members on the jury were—Murray Dunkeld, Joe Tran, Geo. Duncan, Howard Plaxton and Tom Phillips.

As one teacher was heard to remark: "Babies are angels, whose wings grow shorter as their legs grow longer."

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Farmer Becomes Speculator When Land Value Exceeds \$250 an Acre Says Speaker

"As soon as you say that your property is worth more than \$250 per acre, you've quit farming—you're a speculator," stated Mr. Donald Middleton, Director of Properties with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Mr. Middleton addressed the annual meeting of the Pickering Township Federation of Agriculture in Brougham on Thursday night. The speaker charged that no dirt farmer could afford to remain in the agriculture business if the land was valued in excess of this figure. He suggested that a farmer should enjoy the benefits of a preferred tax rate until the time comes when he decides to post a "For Sale" sign on his premises. He contended that an increased assessment rate should then go into effect when the farm is sold and revert back to time when the property was placed on the auction block.

"Land is not wealth anymore," he said, "it's a commodity that you barter about."

Puppets of Govt.

Mr. Middleton suggested that in the Township of Pickering, educational costs would represent close to one-half the amount stipulated on the farmer's tax bill. He noted that transportation services alone for high school and some public school students would amount to a rather costly item. "Both the urban and the rural resident is constantly demanding more services and he is going to have to pay for them," he said. He noted that it was regrettable that less than ten percent of the children raised in a community would contribute nothing in return.

"Education costs should be taken off farm land and be assumed by the two levels of government," he said. He noted that school boards, to a great extent, were subjected to rather rigid controls. "They have no real authority," he said, "they are merely puppets of the government."

\$175.00 Per Child

Mr. Middleton reminded his audience that the minimum cost of educating one child per year would amount to \$175. "Homes in rural areas don't return this amount in taxation," he said. "He warned that the selling of farm lots for residential build-up only created a hardship in the school section. "Many of the problems we know today have been created by yourselves," he said. He pointed out that many township councils were attempting to discourage "spot development" through zoning or demanding ten-acre lots. He charged that although school costs were the most glaring expenditures, other services, such as police, welfare, etc., added to the burden.

Often Too Late

Commenting on the rules and regulations with regard to expropriation, Mr. Middleton said that there were more than 23 statutes in government legislation which permit land to be expropriated. He noted that contrary to certain beliefs, the Bell Telephone does not have the powers of expropriation. He said that they have charter rights to the use of road allowances. "You may stop them, simply by saying No," he advised. He suggested that an underground telephone cable did constitute a risk to the property owner. "Too often, the farmer decides to air his problems after it is too late," he said. "Once you sign your name to the dotted line, you've had it," he concluded.

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Mr. Lloyd Wilson disagreed. "Too many like to sit at home and grumble but won't attend a meeting to air their complaints," he said. "They want to sit back and let others do the work for them."

Mrs. Leslie Meyers suggested that the Executive should feel free to summon a meeting whenever they felt the farmers were faced with a particular problem. It was agreed that a public meeting would be held in the Fall, possibly October.

Norman Lehman to Head Federation of Agriculture

Mr. Norman Lehman, Claremont R.R. 2, has been returned as President of the Pickering Township Federation of Agriculture for 1961. The election of officers was conducted at the annual meeting in Brougham on Thursday night. The Vice President is Mr. Reg Hoskins and the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. John Power. Directors are—Messrs. Norm Lehman, Reg Hoskins, John Power and Edgar Ward. Auditors are—Messrs. Milton Pegg, Cecil Disney and Edgar Evans. The election of the officers was in charge of Mr. Donald Milton, Director of Properties with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Full Meeting

Mr. I. McLean suggested that the Pickering Federation of Agriculture should hold more than one meeting per year. He urged that more interest should be created among the "back concession" farmers. "Hundreds of

home of her daughter, Mrs. Price of Toronto. We all hope to hear she is better and around again.

Brougham Women's Institute will hold their regular meeting in the Township Hall on Tuesday, April 4 at 2 p.m. Hostesses, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Carleton and Mrs. Matthews.

Winners of last week's Euchre Party were—Mrs. W. Carlton, Mrs. A. Gray, Mr. O. Burton, T. Crawford, Consolation prizes, Mrs. J. Davis, Bill Horsemann.

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Nine School Boards Show Lower Rate

Ratepayers in the majority of rural school sections in the Township of Pickering will be relieved to learn that nine out of fifteen Trustee Boards have been able to arrive at a decreased mill rate for 1961. In addition, five others show a rate on a par with their 1960 figures. Only the Union Section at Balsam shows an increase from 8 to 11 mills.

The most striking decrease is shown in S.S. No. 11 (Green River). Their mill rate has dropped from 24.2 in 1960 to 12 in '61. S.S. No. 10 (Brougham) is down from 22.5 to 14.2 and S.S. No. 7 (Cherrywood) has been lowered from 15.5 to 8. S.S. No. 6 (Brook Road) has decreased from 12.4 to 6.2. Lesser cut-backs have been made by boards in Altona, Atha, Cedar Creek, Greenwood and Kinsale. Claremont, Mt. Zion, Mt. Pleasant, Whitevale and Audley rates are identical with 1960. A breakdown of the rural school rates follows:

School Section	1961	1960
No. 5—Audley	13.	13.
No. 6—Brook Road	6.2	12.4
No. 7—Cherrywood	8.	15.5
No. 8—Whitevale	14.	14.
No. 9—Greenwood	11.	13.
No. 10—Brougham	14.2	22.5
No. 11—Green River	12.	24.2
No. 12—Mt. Pleasant	9.9	9.9
No. 13—Mt. Zion	15.	15.
No. 14—Cedar Creek	11.23	11.3
No. 15—Claremont	22.5	22.5
No. 16—Atha	8.12	13.3
No. 17—Altona	21.	21.7
Union S.S. Balsam	11.	8.
Union S.S. Kinsale	12.6	14.5

Similarly in 1955, through the work of Federation members, involving the visiting of every cattle owner, the Brucellosis Control Act was enforced. The Township Federation was responsible for finding 3 Inspectors to see the Act properly enforced. In 1957, by Provincial law, vaccination became free to the farmer and it becomes his responsibility to notify the Veterinarian of his choice when his calves were ready for vaccination. The results of the enforcement of this Act are hard to estimate. We have a Brucellosis Free Area in the township now, which means a better sale for livestock, and less danger of humans contracting the disease.

In 1956 the Federation contacted ten percent of the Wheat Growers of the Township to see if they were in favour of a Marketing Board for Wheat. In 1958 every wheat producer was visited before the vote for a Marketing Board for Wheat was taken. The vote showed 87% in favour, and the Board has been in operation since then, resulting in better and more stable prices for our wheat.

Two thorough canvasses were made in the Township, of every Hog Producer. The first for Membership in the Hog Producers Co-op. Later the second canvass for a vote on the Hog Producers method of sale. A two-third majority was necessary before it could come into effect. This vote carried by 68% majority. While there is still controversy on this subject, most farmers will agree that there has been better prices to them.

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ATHA

Mr. and Mrs. A. Foster entertained friends from Maple on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dunkeld spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Bielby and family.

Mr. Joe Tran is attending the Wheat Producers meeting in Toronto for two days.

Mrs. Murray Dunkeld spent the weekend with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Loree, Toronto.

Congratulations to the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Hastings (nee Betty Rogers) who were married Saturday afternoon in the Christian Missionary Church, Toronto. The bride chose seven of her pupils for her attendants—Misses Muriel and Leila Byer, Alain Myers, Joanne Draper, Diane Foster, Ruth Ann Carruthers and Shirley Cutley.

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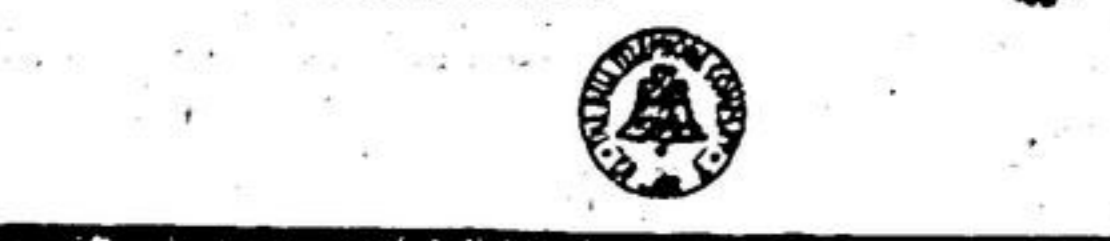
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Coroner's Jury Attaches No Blame In Fatal Motor Crash Near Altona

A coroner's jury on