

UXBRIDGE PICKERING TP. NEWS

Claremont News

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Barton visited in Whitby on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bevan.

The Claremont Public School will enter two choirs in the Ajax Music Festival on March 4th.

Mr. Roy McLeod suffered a heart attack last week and is presently convalescing at home.

Mr. Jack Mansell is on a business trip to Winnipeg.

Mr. Bill Voss has returned to work at Sarco after being confined to his home through illness for several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Middleton of Toronto were visitors on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Benson.

It is reported that the sale is near completion in the purchase of Ken Ward's garage business by Mr. Tom Montgomery of Stouffville. If the transaction goes through, Mr. Ward will continue to operate his store and the Nuffield tractor line. Mr. Montgomery had the John Deere agency north of Stouffville prior to a disastrous fire that destroyed the depot.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the family of the late Mrs. Levi Linton who died on Wednesday, Feb. 20th, at Fairview Lodge, Whitby.

Several members of the Scouts and Cubs attended the hockey game in Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto, on Saturday night.

Billy Guest, 2 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Guest, was admitted to Scarborough General Hospital on Thursday with pneumonia. He is now much improved and is expected home very soon.

Only four points separates the top four teams in the Claremont league. Mrs. F. Carson and

Cooper and Mrs. T. Hammond are in charge of the lunch.

The World Day of Prayer Service will be held in the Claremont United Church on Friday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. The ladies of the Claremont Baptist Church will provide the program. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Bernard Burnell. All ladies of the community are invited to attend.

On Saturday, March 2nd, the ladies of both units of the United Church Women will hold a tea and bake sale in the basement of the church.

The Claremont Women's Institute will hold a euchre and dance in the Community Hall on Friday evening, March 8th at 8 o.m.

Miss Jackie Pascoe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pascoe, has made a rapid recovery following her appendicitis operation and has returned to school.

Mr. Joe Morley of Montreal was a visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morley, last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Murray McMullen of Detroit visited on the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McMullen.

Invitations have gone out to a number of residents of this area for the Coffee Party which is being held at the new Canadiana Motor Hotel, Toronto, on March 6 prior to the opening of the two-day Antique Sale which is being presented by dealers for the public. Guest of honour will be Alice Hulet Metz of Chicago, Ill., leading authority on pattern glass, who will later open the Sale which will continue through March 6 and 7 from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. each day. Among those invited to attend are Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Applegath and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Milne of Claremont, Mrs. Barbara Graham of Brooklin, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Ingram of Whitevale and Mrs. Bert Jackson, Stouffville.

Claremont Jr. Farmer Honored

On Wednesday evening, Ontario County 4-H Agricultural Club Leaders met in Uxbridge for their annual banquet and planning meeting. One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of certificates and pins.

Most outspoken against the proposal was Reeve Wm. Gould of Uxbridge Town. He charged that since the inception of the E.M.O. program, the people in the "north" had received nothing in return for money expended. He suggested that the

current headquarters located at the Oshawa Airport were not central and were of little benefit to the more rural districts. "I don't think I can support it, nor do I think the northern municipalities can support it," he said.

As Reeve Gould predicted, the northern municipal representatives voted against the joint E.M.O. program.

Of the \$35,000 budget established for 1963, Oshawa and Ontario County will each pay \$1,750 and the remainder will be borne by the federal and provincial governments.



Frank Barkey, Claremont, and Allan Ross, Beaverton, were awarded certificates in honour of five years service as club leaders. Archie Newman, Uxbridge; Cloyne Stearman, Uxbridge; Duncan McTavish, Uxbridge; Ted Lamb, Cannington; and Allan Ball, Uxbridge were awarded certificates for ten years of 4-H club leadership.

County Sets E.M.O. Budget at \$35,000

A \$35,000 budget has been established to operate the Ontario County Emergency Measures Organization program in co-operation with the City of Oshawa. The plan was met with an almost solid non-support stand by the northern municipalities but still carried by a vote of 22-13.

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Late Chas. Burrows Of Brougham Was Boer War Veteran

On Wednesday, Feb. 20th, Mr. Charles Burrows, a well-known and highly respected resident of Brougham for more than 30 years, passed away at his home at the age of 83.

The late Mr. Burrows was born in Wakefield, Yorkshire, England, the son of Joseph and Elizabeth Burrows. In 1904 he came to Canada as a single man but returned to England the following year. In 1907, he married the former Amy Maddock who survives. In April, 1907, the couple returned to Canada and a few months later they took up residence in Jacksonville, Illinois, where Mr. Burrows opened an automobile and trim shop in the United States. In September, 1921 they moved onto a farm at North

Oshawa and in 1935 took up permanent residence in Brougham. The deceased was a veteran of the Boer War.

Besides his wife, he leaves four sons: Albert of Hamilton; Joseph of Brougham; Fred of British Columbia; Russell of Picton and one brother, Elijah Burrows of England.

Rev. A. Cresswell of St. John's United Church, Brougham, conducted the funeral service from the McEachnie Chapel, Pickering, on Friday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. A special Masonic Service was held on Thursday evening. Interment was made in Brougham Cemetery. The pall bearers were—Mr. H. Jufford, Mr. W. Gilbert, Mr. A. Phillips, Mr. E. Phillips, Mr. R. Jammer and Mr. R. Burrows.

Chisel Slips; Balsam Man Suffers Broken Cheek Bone

A Balsam man suffered a broken cheek bone last week when a chisel, used as a wedge, slipped and struck him in the face. William "Bill" Jordan, an employee with Jack Ward of Claremont was admitted to the Scarborough General Hospital where he was confined for 4 days.

Mr. Jordan was completing a

welding job on a truck fount owned by Gerald Smith of Unionville. The steel chisel cut a three-inch gash in his face and missed his eye by only a fraction of an inch. A pin had to be inserted in his cheek bone to relieve the pressure on his nose. He returned home on Thursday of last week but returned to the hospital on Monday for a check-up.

Uxbridge Rural Hydro Now Serves 5,120

Uxbridge Rural Operating Area serving approximately 5,120 customers with about 515 miles of rural line and covering an area of 530 square miles is the newest addition to the Central Region family. Formerly this Area was part of the Georgian Bay Region. There have only been two managers since the Area was organized as a rural power district in the Spring of 1930. The manager at that time was Norman A. Belfry now manager of Walkerton Rural Operating Area. He directed the work in the Uxbridge Area with a crew of six in the summer months and took care of the 500 customers and 150 miles of line in the early years with only one man to assist him in the winter.

Uxbridge Rural Power District extended originally as far as Brechin. However in 1941, Cannington Rural Power District was formed and a large section as well as 500 customers, were taken from Uxbridge Rural Power District.

In 1950, after the formation of Regions, the Uxbridge Rural Operating Area had 400 miles of power line and 2,841 customers. Since that time, in the

12-year interval, there has been a big boom and now there are more than 5,000 customers in Uxbridge R.O.A.

Three Office Locations

During the 33 year history of Uxbridge R.O.A. the office has been in three locations. Originally it was next to Watson's Meat Market on Brock Street. Then in 1939 the office was moved to the Oliver Beach Building and since 1940 has been in the present location, opposite the Post Office on Brock Street. For a period of five years from 1947 to 1952 a sub-area office was operated in Port Perry. The present staff in Uxbridge R.O.A. consists of 26 persons, including nine linemen, two truck drivers, four foresters, three foremen, one sales and service representative, a stockkeeper and six office staff members.

The present Line Foreman, Harold Gordon has been with Uxbridge Area since May, 1930. The Chief Clerk, Miss Maxine Parish, has been a member of the staff for 19 years and has been Chief Clerk since 1958 when she also became Secretary-Treasurer for the Public Utilities Commission.

Uxbridge Chinchilla Ranch Wins 56 Awards At Ontario Show

Stonehouse Chinchilla Ranch, R.R.1, Uxbridge, won a total of fifty-six awards, including plaques, ribbons, silver, tea service and second highest aggregate breeders award at three recent chinchilla shows held at London, Ontario, January 12th; the Seaway Towers Hotel, Toronto on February 9th and Kitchener on February 16th.

Judges for the shows were from Hudson's Bay Company, Montreal, and from the States of New York and Ohio.

Mr. Stonehouse says the quality is improving each year and competition on the judging table was keen.

Prices for pelts are up this year and pelts are selling as

high as \$60.00 each. Two groups that are competing for the pelts from the ranchers, the Farmers Chinchilla Cooperative of America, with the trade name, "Empress" Chinchilla market through Mechuan Fur Corporation, New York, and the United Chinchilla Associates with the trade name, "Aurora" Chinchilla market through New York Auction Company.

Mr. Stonehouse reveals there is a big demand for pelts and at the present time the demand far exceeds the supply. There is a need for new people to take an interest in chinchilla breeding, as we have not scratched the surface of the potential market, as yet.

Ontario County Rate Cut By .82 Mills

Large gifts some in small packages and last week the committee of Ontario County Council, headed by chairman Wm. Gould, Reeve of Uxbridge Town, recommended an .82 reduction in the 1963 mill rate. The report was given County Council approval. In 1962, the rate was 13.03. In 1963 it is 12.21. Although the drop is small, any cut-back in this day of increased costs is worthy of special attention.

Committee chairman, Reeve William Gould, said the estimated expenditure for this year is \$2,949,616. Of this amount, he said, \$774,667 has been budgeted for general purposes and \$433,009 has been earmarked for the upkeep of Fairview Lodge, the county home for the aged.

He said that more than half of the expenditure, \$1,741,000, would be needed for county roads and bridges this year.

New items of expenditure are: Construction safety inspection—\$8,600; industrial and tourist development, \$1,500 and \$1,000 for labour relations. Grants to public hospitals were increased from the 1962 figure of \$162,611 to \$192,355.

GLEN MAJOR

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Faulkner and daughter visited on Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Faulkner.

Mrs. Chas. Fiss and Mrs. Joseph Forsythe attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Wm. Goodkey of Bancroft on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hambleton just north of here lost their home and contents in a fire on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee and Martin spent the weekend with Mr. J. A. Hingston.

Several of our ladies enjoyed a day of quilting at the home of Mrs. George Pickett.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones at

BROUGHAM

The Woman's Institute held their regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 19, in the Hall. This meeting was in the form of a "Hot Pot Luck Luncheon" at 12:30 p.m. Followed by the business session. Mrs. Wheeler gave a very interesting talk on "Happiness". Mrs. Kerr favoured with several musical numbers accompanied by Mrs. Wheeler at the piano. A special feature of this meeting was the presentation of "Cups and Saucers" (suitably engraved with the Institute Emblem) to Mrs. Wm. Knox, Mrs. A. J. Gray and Mrs. A. Glen also to Mrs. Chas. Burrows and Mrs. W. Bayles for their long service and help in the Institute and to Mrs. W. C. Wilson.

The winners of the Institute euchre held in the Hall on Tuesday evening were: Ladies: Mrs. Muirhead, Mrs. M. Pilkey and Mrs. N. Burton. Gents: Mr. R. Pilkey, Mr. J. Honing and Mr. N. Burton.

A special service will be held in St. John's Church on Sunday March 3, for the Cubs and Scouts when their flags will be dedicated.

Mrs. Brierly of Toronto is visiting with Mrs. Chas. Burrows.

Mrs. Wm. Knox was surprised on Monday last, when Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stoit of Calgary called at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Miller and family of Whitby had dinner on Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. English.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bent and family also Mrs. E. Carswell of Oshawa and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hamilton visited their mother Mrs. W. Hamilton, on Sunday afternoon.

A gloom was cast over this community when word was received of the passing of Mr. Chas. Burrows in his 84th year. Mr. Burrows came to Canada as a young man and was in business in the U.S.A. for a number of years. Retiring and coming to Canada, settling in Brougham in 1935, where he has lived ever since. He had been in poor health for some time. Last summer, he and Mrs. Burrows enjoyed a visit to their old home in England. Mr. Burrows is survived by his wife Any, also four sons, Albert of Hampton, Joseph of Brougham, Fred of British Columbia and Russell of Picton. And a brother, Elijah of England. The funeral was held from McEachnie's Funeral Home on Friday, Feb. 22 with interment in Brougham Cemetery.

Unit No. 3 of the United Church Women met at the home of Mrs. E. Lindo, Thursday, Feb. 21 with 12 members present and five visitors. Roll call was answered to the word "Heart". President Mrs. John White led in the devotional service, assisted by Mrs. A. Elliott.

Mrs. Hugh Miller gave a report on the U.C.W. Presbyterian meeting held in Trinity United Church, Bowmanville. There were more than 500 U.C.W. members representing 50 churches in attendance.

Rev. H. Tonge, United church missionary on furlough from Hong Kong was guest speaker, during the afternoon session, and told of the conditions in Hong Kong.

Mrs. R. Malcolm had charge of the programme, taking the theme "Christian Women Pray Together." Mrs. A. Gray, Mrs. H. Plaxton, Mrs. H. Malcolm and Mrs. H. Blackman assisted in the programme.

The World Day of Prayer is to be held in the church, Friday, March 1st at 2:30 p.m. Lunch was served by the hostesses.

GREENWOOD

Unit 2 of the U.C.W. met at the home of Mrs. D. Morden on Wednesday, Feb. 20th. Mrs. Wm. Pegg was in charge of the program. Mrs. Morden conducted the business. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. Crawford.

Unit 1 of the U.C.W. will meet at the home of Mrs. M. Pegg on Thursday, March 7th. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Trolley. The roll call will be answered with a verse from the Bible.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Keddel and Mrs. Keddel Sr. visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Brooks.

Farm Forum will meet in the Mt. Zion church on Monday evening, March 4th. The topic will be "The Rural Church".

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and family of Brooklin were visitors on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown.

Mr. Ed. Pascoe and Mr. Wm. Ormerod are making fine progress in the Oshawa General Hospital and are expected home very soon.

Miss Glenna Minaker of Huntsville spent the weekend at the home of her parents.

The General Meeting of the U.C.W. was held in the church on Thursday night with a good attendance. Miss Beatrice McLean was in charge of the worship service, assisted by her mother, Mrs. McLean.

Boy Scout Week was marked by a Father and Son banquet in the church on Saturday evening. The Auxiliary catered to the group and provided turkey and the trimmings. A second anniversary cake adorned the head table. The guest speaker was Dr. Wishart. Proficiency badges were presented to Hal Pegg and Lloyd Morden. First and second year pins were presented to all the Scouts. A film "World Jamboree" was shown by Mr. Bob McDonald of the Red Rose Tea Co. On Sunday, a Scout Parade was conducted to the church for morning service.

The 1st Greenwood Brownies were among more than 800 girls who attended a special program in the Dunbarton High School on Sunday, Feb. 17th. Miss Betty Lee took part in the pageant. The members also attended church parade on Sunday, Feb. 23rd.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Levi Linton. The funeral was conducted from the Pickering Parlors on Sunday, with interment in the Claremont Union Cemetery. The late Mrs. Linton is a sister of Howard, Edith and Bill Ormerod.

Belated birthday greetings to Miss Beatrice McLean and Mrs. Les Wilson.

BALSAM & MT. ZION

The Active Service Class met Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Glen Manderson. Mrs. Orr Graham's group was in charge of the meeting and the theme was on "Love". Readings were given by Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Walter Pascoe and Mrs. Percy Jones. Another paper drive will be held in the spring.

An invitation to visit the Brougham Friendly Bible Class March 4th was accepted. The meeting closed with a social hour.

Mr. Bill Jordan had the misfortune to fracture his jaw while at work last Monday and spent a few days in Scarborough Hospital.

Mrs. Allan Carson and family spent last week at the home of Mr. George Fettes in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones visited Mrs. Wm. McNair on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Thompson at Altona.

Several from here attended the Variety Night, put on by the Oshawa Hospital School of Nursing, Friday night at the O.C.V.L. Collegiate at Oshawa.

Several from here attended the funeral services of Mrs. Levi Linton on Sunday at Pickering.

The Linton family lived at Balsam a number of years prior to moving to Claremont. The Young People's Union held a tobogganing party Saturday night at the Wilson ranch and afterwards at the Wilson home for lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jamieson and Karen had supper Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jones and Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gray at Brougham.

Mrs. Percy Jones had the misfortune to fall and injure her arm and shoulder and has the arm in a sling.

The 4-H girls homemaking club held their first meeting of the new course "The Milky Way" on Saturday at the home of Mrs. Don Sanderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Manderson and Joanne visited Mrs. W. J. Jones on Sunday at Port Credit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones and children had supper Sunday night at the Albert Hawkins home at Gormley and attended the farewell service for Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hawkins prior to their leaving for Africa.

The sympathy of this community goes to Mrs. R. Day and Mrs. F. Noon in the death of their sister, Mrs. Kennedy, in Weston.

Uxbridge Has Colourful History; First Name Said To Be Ox Bridge

Nestled in a hollow surrounded by hills, the attractive community of Uxbridge has a colourful history.

Local historians report that the townsite, which has been described as resembling a big amphitheatre, once was a noted Indian hunting ground. It also was the scene of fierce Indian battles for possession of this rich area. However, word about the potentialities of the site spread, and the white man soon appeared, the first settlers arriving from Pennsylvania.

Many of these pioneers were Quakers who built their own meeting place, and so the community known as "the friendly town" was founded by members of the "Society of Friends."

There is an interesting story about how the town received its name. It seems that one day a teamster—a new arrival—was taking a load of household goods and his family in a covered wagon, along what is now the main thoroughfare, Brock Street. His oxen had been around and over many obstacles in their long trip when one more serious obstacle was encountered. As the driver approached the creek he found that he could not get his load through. It is reported that he placed his yoke of oxen side by side in the creek, and put some timbers across their broad backs, then obtained another yoke of oxen to pull the load over the backs of the oxen in the creek. This improvised bridge worked successfully. Everyone in the little village was amazed and talked about the "Ox" bridge, until finally people spoke of the settlement as "Oxbridge." Apparently this name caught the public fancy and because of faulty pronunciation became "Uxbridge." That name was adopted for the village when it was incorporated.

As evidence of its friendly atmosphere the community once boasted a municipal sign board on the outskirts of the town which bore the inscription on the pages of a simulated outline of an open book "UXBRIDGE—founded 1806. The friendly town to live in." While on the other "page" this reminder: "Yesterday is gone you cannot change it. Live today and improve it."

Joined Hydro In 1922

This "friendly town" became a member of the Hydro family in 1922. The inaugural meeting of the Uxbridge Public Utilities Commission (Hydro Department) was held on February 13, 1922. The first Chairman was Dr. W. C. Shier and the Commissioners were A. M. McPhail and Mayor J. W. Gould with A. W. J. S. John as Secretary-Treasurer. In 1937 his son A. W. "Ted" St. John took over the duties as Secretary-Treasurer, and carried on until his death in December 1957. He was succeeded by Miss Maxine Parish, the present Secretary-Treasurer.

Ontario Hydro began operating the town's electrical distribution system in 1937 and still handles all the line repair and improvement work. In 1947 a great deal of work was undertaken when all the electric services on the business section of Brock Street were relocated to back lots and all the poles were removed except light standards. Five years later new, modern, street lighting standards were installed with underground wire thereby removing completely all electric service wires from the main business street.

Before joining the Ontario Hydro family in 1922, those Uxbridge residents who had electric service received their power from a steam and water power plant located near what is known as the electric light pond in the present cemetery plant.

Lights Out at Midnight

Isaac J. Gould gave Uxbridge this first electric power about 1892. "All was well until the clock struck 12 midnight and then each night the town went into darkness because the electric output at the power plant was halted.

In 1922 when the town was seeking entry of Hydro power there were 147 domestic customers, six industrial customers and 74 commercial users and about 120 street lights. Last year, there were 739 domestic customers, 25 power users and 13 commercial consumers.

Brock Street, the main business street, where the Municipal Hydro and Rural Operating Area office are located, is a wide open thoroughfare with stone and brick buildings that create the impression that the town, like its buildings, is solid, sturdy and permanent.

Immediately across the street from the Hydro offices is the Post Office building where the town clock is located. This clock still sounds the hours with a gong that is heard for many blocks.

There are a number of beautiful old homes with lovely lawns and pleasant shade trees in Uxbridge. This community also has a great many new, modern dwellings with eight of these homes being heated entirely by electricity. There are several more all-electrically heated dwellings in the immediate vicinity in Uxbridge Township.

The growth of Uxbridge has been steady. The town has diversified industry. It is confidently expected that still more manufacturers will find the "Friendly Town" is an ideal community in which to locate their factories and to recruit capable, industrious labor forces.

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NEW MANAGEMENT

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