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## WHAT HOLDS BRITISH EMPIRE TOGETHER

Interesting Topic Discussed Before Kiwanians by W. H. Herrington, K.C., Napanee.

The British Empire and the ties that bind the Empire together was the subject of a very interesting address given before the Kingston Kiwanis Club on Tuesday by Mr. W. S. Herrington, K.C., of Napanee.

That it was not political or commercial ties, blood relationship, the force of arms, the compactness of the Empire or love or respect for the King that held the Empire together, but rather the qualities of the head, heart and soul of the Englishman, was stressed by the speaker. No nation could be greater or less than the people comprising it, he said.

This was a time when it would be quite appropriate to deal with a subject such as "The British Empire," said Mr. Herrington, but he did not propose to outline her wonderful history, her vast resources or her greatness in field of learning. He rather proposed to discuss the subject of why there was a British Empire.

Mr. Herrington gave his hearers a panoramic view of those parts of the British Empire enjoying self-government and pointed out that each of these countries had different problems to face than any of the countries in the Empire and that in the case of Canada, different sections of the country had their peculiar problems. In view of these facts he thought it strange that these countries should all be joined together, and he directed his enquiry toward finding the cause.

The speaker compared the British Empire to the United States, that other great mass of English-speaking people, but he found many differences. The people of the United States were all settled in one part of the world and were all governed from one central point, whereas the British Empire was scattered over the globe and each country governed itself.

In examining the many causes which might be responsible or partly responsible for the unity of the British Empire, Mr. Herrington was convinced that political ties had nothing to do with the matter as each country in the Empire stayed strictly out of the politics of each of the others. Also, he pointed out that it could not be commercial ties, as Canada traded to a greater extent outside the Empire than within it.

England did not maintain even a policeman in any of the principal parts of the Empire with the exception of India, so the speaker deduced that force of arms was not the unifying element. While all loyal subjects for the office of King and for the person of the King, Mr. Herrington did not think that even this was the true solution of the matter. He was convinced that it was the qualities of head, heart and hand of the Englishman that supplied the mysterious power to hold these countries, with their diversified interests, together.

In no other country than England could be found such a profound respect for law and order, said Mr. Herrington. He asked what other country could have come through the recent general strike without riots and bloodshed. Closely akin to this was respect for those who administered the laws and confidence in their form of government, stated the speaker.

Other qualities mentioned by Mr. Herrington as being possessed by the Englishman and as contributing toward the greatness of the British Empire were the sacredness of the home and of the marriage ties; respect of children for their fathers and mothers; respect for all things sacred; and the chivalrous spirit of the Britisher in battle, in trade, in sport and in social life. This spirit of British fair play was recognized the world over, said Mr. Herrington.

Mr. Allen Meiklejohn moved a vote of thanks on behalf of the club. Mr. Fraser Armstrong, the chairman of the Potato Contest, reported that teams of Kiwanians had been formed and that a number of the boys already had their potatoes. The Delora Chemical Co. sent a communication to the club offering to present free a package of their arsenate of lime to each of the boys competing in the contest. Kiwanian William Moore reported on behalf of the committee in charge of the Montreal convention delegation.

A resolution, introduced by Kiwanian W. Y. Mills, was to the effect that the Kiwanis Club of Kingston was of the opinion that a greater display of the British flag was desirable and that they ask the department of militia and all others in the city who have flag poles to cooperate and fly their flags every day at least during the summer months. This resolution carried unanimously.

News of Morton.  
Morton, May 22.—The farmers are getting along nicely with their seeding around here. Albertas June has purchased a new Ford touring car. Arnott Gamble arrived home on Friday last from the General Hospital, Kingston, feeling quite well again. Thomas Birch has now moved into his new home which he purchased from Mrs. G. Barza. Mrs. Henry Dean spent one day last week at her sister's, Mrs. A. Rontree's. A number from here attended the camp meeting at Lake Elvidia on Sunday last. Mr. and Mrs. James Hudson motored to Kingston on Thursday last. The Institute met at the home of Mrs. Harry Wykes for their monthly meeting on Tuesday.

## COMMITTEE WORK AT THE CONFERENCE

Report of Settlement Committee Expected Near Close of the Conference.

Although the sessions of the annual meeting of the Bay of Quinte Conference of the United Church of Canada do not open until Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, when the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be served in Sydenham Street Church, the committee work is now under way.

On Tuesday evening the settlement committee of the conference, of which Rev. Dr. W. T. G. Brown is convener, met in Chalmers United Church. It is not expected that any list of changes will be announced until near the close of the conference, as there is so much work to be handled by the committee.

Under the old system, in the Methodist Church, it was the custom to publish the first and second draft.

The system has been so changed that instead of the stationing committee, there is a settlement committee. Churches have the right to call a minister. If the churches do not call a minister, the settlement committee has the power to place a minister on a charge for the period of one year. If the minister wants to make a change, he applies to his Presbytery, and the same applies in the case of the people wanting to change their pastor.

The statistical committee met in Sydenham Street Church on Tuesday evening. The statistical secretary of the conference, Rev. Dr. C. D. Baldwin, has been working very hard for weeks, with the result that he is ready to make his report at the opening session of conference. The report, which has been typewritten, is a very fine piece of work and the secretary is to be complimented on his excellent work.

The maintenance and extension fund committee also had a session on Tuesday evening, at Sydenham street church. The members of this committee are:

Kingston—Rev. Dr. W. S. T. G. Brown, Rev. J. D. Boyd, Rev. G. A. Brown, Dr. Robert Laird, Rev. T. P. Perry, W. T. Rogers, Oliver Chown, Prof. J. Matheson, Elmer Davis and Prof. R. O. Joffe.  
 Renfrew Presbytery—Rev. A. W. McIntosh, Rev. J. T. Blanchard, Rev. A. R. Gibson, S. T. Dawson, James Arthurs, W. H. McEwen and Robert Munroe.  
 Belleville Presbytery—Revs. C. W. Barrett, Joseph Chant, A. H. Foster, W. E. Honey, R. J. Merriam, H. P. L. Seymour, Isaac Snell, and H. W. Ackerman, H. K. Denys, T. A. Dunwood, William McMechan, T. A. Hinchcliffe, R. N. Foster, A. L. Graetrix, S. C. Gay.

Cobourg Presbytery—Revs. J. S. I. Wilson, J. H. Robins, A. M. Irwin, R. A. Whattam, W. A. Bremner, J. R. Fraser, and A. P. German, H. Reynolds, D. J. Hunter, B. Stewart, W. H. Johnston, H. Fulford.  
 Lindsay Presbytery—Revs. F. H. McIntosh, J. W. Gordon, W. R. Archer, W. G. Rose, A. K. Edmison, A. J. Langford, and W. Holgate, W. Flavell, A. Stewart, A. W. McFarlane, J. O. Fife, J. Speer.

The Late Rev. J. C. Wilson.  
 After fifty-one years in the Methodist ministry, Rev. J. C. Wilson died Monday, in his eighty-seventh year, at Toronto. Deceased was born in Eastern Ontario, educated at Victoria College, and spent his whole active ministry in the Bay of Quinte Conference, serving at Newcastle, Omemee, Trent, Peterboro, Cobourg and Brighton. He was president of the Bay of Quinte Conference while stationed at Brighton, at which place his son, Rev. J. S. I. Wilson, is at present located. After superannuation the late Mr. Wilson served five years with Prospect Church, Toronto, and also two years with Centennial Church of Toronto as supply.

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## PICTON

Picton, May 26—At the United paragon on Tuesday morning, Mrs. Clara Brown became the bride of Mr. Arnold Platt. Rev. J. J. Mellon performed the ceremony. The happy couple left immediately for Montreal and points east. They will make their home in Picton.

Sam Curry was in town for the 24th.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Jones was baptized at the morning service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Sunday. The floral decorations were particularly beautiful, and special music added to an especially interesting service.

Afternoon teas are being served at the Golf Club House on Wednesday of each week to raise funds for the orchestra during the season. Misses Hilda Rowland and Bernice Woods were hostesses last Wednesday.

Mrs. J. S. Carstairs has returned to her home in Toronto after a week's visit with Mrs. P. S. MacLean.

Mrs. Earl Stanhope and children of Hamilton, are guests at the home of Mr. John Dayton.

Peter Williams is ill at his home, Mary street east.

Empire Day was fittingly celebrated in all of the schools of the town on Friday last. Patriotic programmes were given in each of the rooms and the Union Jack was much in evidence.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Grimm and Bernard of Kingston were guests of Mrs. Robert Dobson, Chapel street, on a recent Sunday.

J. A. Vallancourt of Kingston, who has been tuning pianos and organs in the county has finished and returned to the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Graves have got moved into their new home on Queen street.

## PICTON HORSE RACES WERE BIG FEATURE

Results of the Contests on Victoria Day—\$1,400 in Purse.

Picton, May 25—The horse races held here on Victoria Day were excellent and were witnessed by a great crowd. The purses amounted to \$1,400. The Picton band furnished music. The results were:

240 Class.  
 In the 240 class, Plate Glass won first money, Lady Collins second, Rex Hal third, and Starlight Dan fourth. The purse was \$150. The results were as follows:  
 Plate Glass, F. Metcalfe (Kingston) . . . . . 1 1 1  
 Lady Collins, A. Collins (Toronto) . . . . . 7 3 3  
 Leta Brooks, L. Lasswell (Toronto) . . . . . 4 4 4  
 Phil Haha, R. Waters (Port Hope) . . . . . 5 5 5  
 Angus Chillet, G. Taylor (Belleville) . . . . . 3 10 9  
 Starlight Dan, W. Smith (Belleville) . . . . . 3 3 3  
 Minnie A. I. McIntosh (Cobourg) . . . . . 9 9 9  
 Joe Tariff, E. Thompson (Deseronto) . . . . . 5 6 7  
 Rex Hal, Charles Armstrong (Havelock) . . . . . 2 10  
 Nellie Yukon, N. Demoro (Cobourg) . . . . . 10 7 8  
 Margaret Penalty, Charles Randall (Napanee) . . . . . Scratched  
 Doris Wenger, S. Blawett (Picton) . . . . . Scratched  
 Best time—2:54.

215 Class.  
 In the 215 class, H. K. B. won first money, Peter Direct second, Doughty Sprague third and Jim Todd fourth. The results were:  
 Peter Direct, George Caldwell (Port Hope) . . . . . 1 2 4  
 Dircotum Murphy, T. Nicholson (Kingston) . . . . . 3 3 2  
 Doctor Sprague, Vic Rowland, tree (Weston) . . . . . 3 2 1  
 Jim Todd, E. Jones (Peterboro) . . . . . 4 4 2  
 Minnie Hal, Cowan Brothers (Picton) . . . . . 5 5 5  
 H. K. B. Turner (Hamilton) . . . . . 2 1 1  
 Best time—2:54.

Free-For-All  
 In the Free-for-All Loxmore won first place, Major Hal second, Bub third and Grace Hal fourth. The purse was \$100, and the results were:  
 Grace Hal, W. Macdonald (Toronto) . . . . . 4 2 4  
 Major Hal, S. Blawett (Peterboro) . . . . . 2 2 2  
 Lenmore, Chic Rowland, tree (Weston) . . . . . 1 1 1  
 Bub, E. Jones (Peterboro) . . . . . 3 4 3  
 Peter Direct, George Caldwell (Port Hope) . . . . . Scratched  
 Dircotum Murphy, T. Nicholson (Kingston) . . . . . Scratched  
 Best time 2:17.

237 Class  
 In the 237 class, Daisy Mackenzie took first money, Lady of the Manor second, Eolo third and Maude E. fourth, the purse being \$50. The results were:  
 Maude E. C. Loyt (Napanee) . . . . . 3 2 5  
 Lady of the Manor, W. Macdonald (Toronto) . . . . . 2 1 2  
 S. W. B. Blawett (Picton) . . . . . 2 4 2  
 Eolo, G. Lenox (Kingston) . . . . . 4 2 2  
 Daisy Mackenzie, E. Jones, Peterboro) . . . . . 1 1 1  
 Grenville Lady, T. Akey, Peterboro) . . . . . 6 7 7  
 Lasy Mute, W. Miller (Napanee) . . . . . Scratched  
 Nellie Yukon, N. Demoro, (Cobourg) . . . . . Scratched  
 Benham Boy, H. Benham (Bloomfield) . . . . . 7 5 5 dr.  
 Staver, Jess Johnson, Dorland; Judges: George Kingsley, W. J. Gibson, G. Gordon, Arthur Wright, Picton; timers: G. H. Bolton, Picton, and Louis Bennett, Port Hope.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hatch were in Picton with friends over Sunday. Claude Thompson and a party of Masons went to Bath on Friday to spend the evening with a brother lodge.

Rev. W. G. and Mrs. Richardson spent Monday at Londale with Mr. and Mrs. McCullough.

Miss Hazel Scott has returned to Arden, after spending a few days with Miss Leta Thompson, Dundas street.

Mrs. Nancy Bradshaw of Osawa is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Sharpe, North Mill street.

Harry Brown of Osawa spent the week at his home here.

Mrs. Greenwood and children are with Mrs. Harper, St. George street, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lake have returned to their home here after spending the last six months with their daughter in Belleville.

Herbert Gonyow of Whitby, and his family, were motor visitors in town on Monday.

Miss Gwendolyn Lloyd, Miss Sadie Hetherington and Fred Lloyd were week-end guests of Mrs. Robinson Hetherington.

A wedding was solemnized on Sunday evening at the Presbyterian Manse, when Miss Helen Rendall, became the bride of Mr. L. E. Tunncliffe, both of Deseronto.

The Woodcock boy orchestra played for the dance at Camp Sumner on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobin and Mrs. Thomas Naylor, motored to Frankford for the week-end.

## DESERONTO

Deseronto, May 26—A business transaction took place on Monday, whereby James Sherman became the owner of the big property on Maple Avenue formerly owned by E. C. Metcalfe. Miss Muriel Walmsey of Napanee, spent the week-end with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Vandusen and Master Stanley spent the 24th with Mr. Vandusen's mother in Picton here.

Edward Roach and Mr. Frank Whitton spent the week-end in Toronto.