

COUNTY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS WON

Debate at Rednersville Community Club Stirs Village to Action

BAND STILL PLAYING

Neighborhood Well Represented in Trenton Boys' Conference—Personal Items

REDNERSVILLE, Feb. 2.—It's last meeting will be long remembered by the 125 people who attended the Community Club here. Mr. D. Faden, Manager of the Merchants Bank, Belleville, gave a well-planned address providing the importance of the Community Movements among the Rural population and showing the very prominent place in the nation's economy which must be taken by the farmers. He reassured his listeners that Canadians had least to fear of any of the peoples of the world to-day in this great hour of financial and general reconstruction. The key words of his message were co-operation and confidence.

The question of the wisdom of instituting the Consolidated School System in the province was settled in favour of the advanced project of the leading education of to-day, Mrs. W. J. Orvis, as leader of the affirmative referred to the antiquated and primeval conditions of the one-room-system established in 1844 and very carefully pictured the disadvantages of that method amidst our present-day improvements. Miss Arkles the P. S. Teacher, of Victoria, showed her skill and experience as a debater by a vigorous discounting of the points advanced by her contemporary and produced several practical illustrations to show where the exceptions to the rule are numerous and difficult to deal with. Mrs. Raymond Roblin gave such an enumeration of brilliant facts in favour of the new method of consolidation which her leader had advanced that a short-hand writer might find busy engagement for five minutes at recording. She was followed by Miss Cooke the teacher of Centre School who showed many of the good arguments that are being brought forth in behalf of the good old system of the good old days. Mrs. Orvis in her three minutes of rebuttal displayed her tact and power under rapid firing demands for she refuted and reduced the value of many of the points of the negatives. While the Judges, Messrs. D. McFadyen and W. Deacon of Belleville, and W. W. Anderson were carefully going over the arguments, etc., a contest for the school reciters was taken in which Geraldine Weese, Vivian Fox, Helen Roblin, Arthur Dempsey, Norah Roblin, Ruth Orvis and Theodore Roblin competed. The prizes were awarded by the judges, H. G. Stafford, Mrs. P. Townsend and Mrs. W. C. Dempsey, to Geraldine Weese and Norah Roblin. The village Brass Band gave several very suitable selections and received genuine applause for their generous assistance in this movement. The reading of the Weekly Club paper was in charge of Mrs. J. B. Phillips in the absence of the editor and the progress of three weeks in this line was very evident. The editorial was splendid and each department goes on apace. The result of the debate was announced by Mrs. W. W. Anderson in favour of the affirmative. The chairman, Rev. L. Sharpe paid special compliment to the negatives for the very creditable battle they had waged when press, public opinion and legislation is so generally arrayed against their side. The secretary Mr. D. K. Redner, announced the collection for the evening as being over seven dollars. The refreshment contest resulted in the prize for tarts being given to Mrs. Ralph Stafford, and for cookies going to Mrs. S. Wellbanks. Needless to say the refreshments were enjoyed by all.

Next meeting of the club is to be held at Centre Church. Community singing led by Bandmaster Stafford, and accompaniment and music by Mr. C. Bentley, and others. Vocal selections by leading local entertainers, addresses and reports from delegates to Boys' Conference, and contest for best original Short Story, are main features. Something new each week is the motto. Tarts and sandwiches with tea for refreshments, next meeting.

Sunday School last Sabbath was unusually well attended. The Rednersville Band was in attendance for divorce at Philadelphia.

PICTON WORKS FOR TEMPERANCE

Organization There Prepares for Referendum to Be Decided in April

ELECT LOCAL LEADERS

Dr. Grant Gives Address on Importance of Preparatory Work

PICTON, Feb. 2.—The Temperance forces in Prince Edward County are now preparing for the Referendum that is to come off on April 18th, 1921.

The first meeting was held at the Presbyterian Church, Picton, on Thursday Jan. 27th, to elect Officers and to hear Dr. Grant, chief executive officer of the Ontario Referendum Committee speak on the subject.

Mr. A. A. Morden, of Wellington, was appointed chairman of the meeting, and C. Mallory acting secretary. In the election of Officers, A. A. Morden was elected President of the County Committee, and the selection of a permanent secretary was left to the President. James Wild of Wellington, being the one selected, he was accordingly appointed secretary. R. W. Ireland was elected Treasurer.

Additional Committees from the different municipalities were elected as follows:

Picton, M. R. German, (chairman), C. Clap Spencer, (secretary).

Bloomfield, Rev. A. E. McCulloch, Miss F. Barker.

Wellington, A. A. Morden, (chairman), James Wild (secretary).

Ameliasburg, C. C. Wannamaker, E. Walt, Jas. E. Glenn.

Hillier, E. W. Ireland, Hilton McCortney.

Hallowell, C. W. Burr, C. Mallory.

Sophasburg, George Davis, W. Wrightmeyer, Delphin Stebbins.

N. Marysburg, Rev. Enoch, Frank Eaton.

S. Marysburg, Albert Wellbanks, Wm. Walmaley.

Athol, T. J. Pennell, Miss F. Francis.

In addition to these, all clergy men of the County were appointed members of the Central Committee. The different municipalities were requested to organize their own local committees, and they in turn to organize each Polling sub-division.

Dr. Grant gave a most excellent address explaining the necessity of again using our franchise in an endeavour to stamp out the use of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes. He emphasized its evil effects upon living matter, showing it destroyed life whether plant life or animal life. This regular indulgent shortened his years of useful active life. Again it befogged the brain and made the habitual user less acute, hence less efficient. He stated that no man could be 100 per cent efficient who habitually used it. He said it blunted the moral sensitiveness. Men would do what otherwise they would abstain.

Examples—Abusing wife and children, and practice vices.

Then he referred to its evil effects upon the soul; the real personality. He appealed for prohibition because of the children and stated the absurdity of compelling our schools to teach the evil effect of alcohol upon the same government providing and licensing machinery to deal the stuff out to the public.

He urged the women for the sake of their children and their homes to exercise their franchise and not only to get out and vote themselves but to induce others to vote.

He emphasized the fact that Christianity is good if applied but a failure if it is not so with Prohibition. The failure is not in the prohibition but in its enforcement and we should give such emphasis to our demands in the next vote that the minority will fear to trifle with the rule of the majority.

ENTERPRISE

A gloom was cast over the village and vicinity by the sudden death of Mr. Thomas Brown, as he was highly respected as a citizen, also a leading member of the Masonic fraternity.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Robinson in the M.E. church, under the writer of the A.F. & A.M., after which the remains were placed in the vault to await burial.

Mr. Harry Jackson is resuming his duties in the station after a much-needed rest.

Miss Thistlethwaite is improving in health, also Mrs. Jacob Loucks. Mrs. W. Bell, who has been suffering from rheumatism, is better at time of writing.

Miss Gertrude McGregor has returned to Toronto after visiting friends in the village.

Mr. Mellow is spending a few days with his wife, Mr. W. Mellow.

Mr. Ray Covert spent a week with his sister, Mrs. J. R. Herd, Trenton.

Mrs. Dunlop has returned to Napanee after spending two weeks with friends in the village.

Mr. Sam. Brien, High County Constable, met with an accident near the village last week. While driving he met a tractor and clover dresser, and when turning out the tractor upset, throwing Mr. Brien against the wheels, cutting his head and face badly. He was taken to Bell's boarding house where Dr. Horton attended the wounds before he was taken to his home.

The play entitled, "The Deacon," given by the young people of the M.E. church, was well attended and enjoyed by all. The Dramatic Club intend giving a play Feb. 6th in Jackson's Hall, entitled, "The Prairie Rose," in aid of St. John's Anglican Church.

The Glee Club gave a dance in Keeche's Hall last week.

W. S. Fenwick and Sons unloaded a car of corn last week.

Mr. Wm. Loucks has moved into part of Mrs. Hawley's residence.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fenwick spent an afternoon recently with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fenwick.

Mrs. Frieda Stecher, whose husband is in Germany with Grover Bergdoll, U.S. draft evader, is suing hersville Band was in attendance for divorce at Philadelphia.

FRANKFORD

Mrs. Bateman has returned home after spending a couple of weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Gerald Chapman, in Murray.

Mrs. J. Sine, of the 8th Con. of Murray, spent Tuesday with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley.

A few from town and surrounding country, attended the sale of farm stock and implements on the farm of Mr. Fred Cox, in the 7th Con., of Murray, Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Mary Rogers, of the Molson Bank Staff, was in Trenton on Tuesday.

Mr. G. E. Sine is unloading a car of coal in town these cold days, also the Canada Paper Co. unloaded a car for their employees.

Messrs. W. J. Gallagher and W. W. Pettit, the assessors for our village are around making their calls on the people.

Reeve W. E. Windover attended the County Council at Belleville the past week.

Mr. G. W. Vandervoort, of Trenton, spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Prentice, and Mr. and Mrs. Meyers.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley attended wedding of their granddaughter, Miss Gladys Seward, in the 5th Con. of Sidney, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bush had tea and spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Johnston on Friday.

The regular meeting of the W.M.S. was held at the home of Mrs. C. Herman, on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. C. M. Hendrick, 1st Vice-pres., taking charge of the meeting. A very profitable time was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid, of the 6th Con., of Sidney, also Mr. and Mrs. Peter were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Murney on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Casement and Mrs. Foster, left for their new home near Bloomfield on Friday. We are sorry to lose them from our midst.

Mr. and Mrs. Heagle, of Hoads, visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley, Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bush spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bell in Campbellford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Johnston, and S. Thrasher, had dinner and tea with Mrs. Johnston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meyers on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cox and baby Glenor, called on Mr. and Mrs. Meyers on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wesley Coulter, of Centre, was the guest of Mrs. Charlie Bronson one day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Russell spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Morley Wood, Victoria.

Mrs. James Brickman returned home on Sunday after spending two weeks with her brother, Mr. S. L. Delong.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert McMurtter were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McKel on Thursday.

Miss Edna Weese left on Friday for her sister's, Mrs. Rae Roblin, where she will stay for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stafford entertained a number of friends to tea on Thursday evening.

Miss Marion Allison was the guest of Miss Etta Mae Brickman on Wednesday.

WALLBRIDGE

Miss Kernan, of Toronto, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Jno. Kernan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Spencer, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Spencer over the week end in the 7th Con., of Sidney.

Mr. Jas. Hinchliffe is visiting friends at Gunters and Gilmour.

Mrs. Gordon Ketcheson gave an interesting report of the interesting S. S. convention.

Mrs. H. Wright is on the sick list and under the doctor's care.

Miss F. Wilson, of Belleville, visited over the week end with B. Hinchliffe and sister Lena.

Mrs. Jno. Spencer visited Mr. and Mrs. C. Spencer one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sine, and Master T. Sine, visited Mr. Jno. Hinchliffe on Saturday night.

Good ice and snow is fine sport for the young folk.

SHANNONVILLE

Mrs. G. H. Smith, of Picton, has been visiting her brother, Mr. D. A. MacDonald for some time.

Mrs. Ruskard who is still in Belleville Hospital is improving and her many friends will be pleased to hear of a complete recovery.

A number of our boys from this community attended the Boys' Conference held in Trenton.

Mr. Albert Reid, of Belleville Hospital, is on the gain, also Mrs. W. J. Murphy of Kingston Hospital.

Many congratulations to Mr. Will Barber for passing his final examination at O.B.C. successfully.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. MacDonald, accompanied by Mrs. G. H. Smith spent the week end with friends at Colborne, and purpose spending a few days in Toronto before their return.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Mills visited friends at Big Island, Sunday last.

The Rev. Watson, of Sharbot Lake have moved in the rectory and purpose continuing the work in the place of Rev. Cartell who has moved to Sharbot Lake.

Miss Ina Liddle was the guest of her uncle, Wm. Liddle of Melrose last week.

The village young people are thoroughly enjoying the skating these nights.

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WEDDING CAKE

We have just received a fine assortment of wedding cake trimmings, consisting of a fine variety of silver leaves, beautiful flowers and dainty sprays, also silver dragees. Call and see them if needing anything in that line.

Chas. S. CLAPP

The Bridge St. Confectioner & Baker.

AHEAD IN THE GAME

There is no time of the year you can better be without the use of your car than the present.

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