

PICNICERS RULE SPRINGBANK PARK

Thousands Celebrate Holiday At Popular Resort

SPORTS ARE FEATURED

Ideal Weather Greets Assists Successful Outings

Picnics, picnics and more picnics were staged at Springbank yesterday, and the sun shone and the birds sang as the sun only shines and the birds only sing on holiday and half holidays. Noise and more noise, horns were tooting, whistles squeaking, everyone yelling at once, and above all were the delicious aromas of picnic viands. The merry-go-round blared and the popcorn wagon ground out its snowy grit, while "Puffing Billy" snorted his triumphant way about the shining circuit.

Everybody was happy. It was a big day. Father shoots over his mean curves in spite of a somewhat protruding embonpoint for probably the first time since he used to pitch to "Spee Dugan" out behind his barn. Mother tries her hand at the bat, while sister Mary shows her George what a real live wire she is. Little Willie improves the opportunity of gorging himself beyond belief with unlimited quantities of sticky candy, ice cream and popcorn. Castor oil will probably follow, but he is a confirmed opportunist.

Wheelbarrow races, foot and shoe races, collar and tie races, races which tax the human ingenuity to follow, the fat man's race, the thin man's race, the short man's race and the tall man's race, the cracker race, the balloon race and the time race all were there. You paid your money and you took your choice.

And then the ball games with the disputed scores, the spained fingers, the fozzled plays and the most important thing, which only terminated with sheer exhaustion. They had them all.

Dominion Day was celebrated in royal style at Springbank Park.

C. N. EXPRESS.

The largest picnic in the park yesterday was that of the Canadian National Express Company. Some 400 of the transit company's employees invaded the park for their annual outing, armed with provender and pop bottles. Everything terminated with sheer exhaustion. They had them all.

The capable committee who were responsible for the splendid affairs were: R. A. Caniff, chairman; H. T. Harrison, C. J. Yule, H. F. Fintler, T. Collins, M. Snelgrove, George McWaine and A. I. Craig.

The results of the races follow.

Boys' race, 6 to 8—Bruce Cooper, W. Van Dusen, Daniel Smith.

Girls' race, 6 to 8—Jessie Fintler, Lela Howe, Shirley Bock.

Boys' race, 9 to 12—James Cushing, Robert Fintler, Graham Snelgrove.

Girls' race, 9 to 12—Jean Jennings, Mary Roughley, Margaret Cunningham.

Boys' race, 12 to 15—Robert Woodward, Robert Roughley, George Belcher.

Girls' race, 12 to 15—Marjorie Gilbert, Jean Jennings, Edna Longman.

Single ladies' race—Mary Lindsay, Viola Wilson, Frances Northey.

Married ladies' race—Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. J. Trothen.

Single men's race—F. Rodway, A. W. Jackson, F. Deveny.

Married men's race—A. H. Ball, H. T. Harrison, C. J. Yule.

Ballroom race—Miss Lindsay, Mrs. Craig.

Collar and tie race—H. Jennings, H. Wheelbarrow race—F. Carl, A. H. Ball.

Throwing baseball—Mrs. Castle.

Employees' race—D. J. Blackall, G. J. Bothwell.

Soft ball game, single vs. married ladies, won by single ladies.

Tug-of-war, won by R. D. Collins' team.

Baseball bat race—Miss F. Northey, Miss M. Lindsay.

Three-legged race—F. McWaine and R. Roughley.

100 yards visitors—F. McWaine, R. Roughley, R. Woodward.

Drawing contest—Mrs. J. Trothen, Mrs. G. Brown, Mrs. R. Yule.

CHURCH OUTING.

The children of Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church were given their annual picnic yesterday. All sorts of games were provided for the eager youngsters and nothing was spared to make the affair a memorable one.

The feature event of the day was a ball game between the officers and teachers and the orchestra. The game was keenly contested and resulted in a bitter finish. All sorts of dazzling plays were executed in rapid succession.

Some of them even bewildered the umpire by their daring originality. According to latest reports the orchestra have annexed the pennant by a score of 12 to 10, with Pearce and Pook starting as the home run kings.

The various results were:

Boys and girls under 4—Bertha Harkness, Wilson Telfer, Jean Smith.

Girls, 5 to 7—Veda Harkness, Jean McDougall, Marion Cree.

Boys, 8 to 10—Alvin McCallum, Harold McCallum, Joe Johnson.

Girls, 10 to 12—Cora McDougall, Margaret Stein, Alma Bartlett.

Boys, 12 to 14—Harold McIntosh, Willie Harkness, Samuel Barnes.

Boys, 14 to 16—Edward Barnes, Arthur Pook, Harold McIntosh.

Girls, 14 to 16—Katherine Stein, Marion Stock, Mary Henderson.

Single ladies—Evelyn Little, Ethel Carroll, Annie Johnson.

Single men—Dave Sibbald, Peter Bell, Brock Copeland.

Married ladies—Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Tuxford, Mrs. Welsh.

Married men—Mr. Flannigan, Mr. Carle, Mr. Tuxford.

Lady teachers and officers—J. Russell, J. McColg, A. Johnson.

Men teachers and officers—M. Winder, Mr. Cree, Peter Bell.

Three-legged race—Isabel Little and Hannah Johnson, Arthur Pook and Ferd Pearce.

Chum race—M. Copeland and M. Winder, G. Little and F. Pearce.

Girls' doughnut race—Shirley Little, Viola Munro, Isabel Little.

Boat and shoe race—Isabel Little, Marion Stock, Viola Munro.

Girls' tag—Katherine Stein, Viola Munro, Grace Wilson.

Girls' balloon race—Fanny Mills, Viola Munro, Alice Munro.

Boys' peanut race—Edward Barnes, Allister Harkness, Sam Barnes.

Single ladies' pie plate contest—Jean Clelland, Peggy Lennox, Ethel Carroll.

Relay race—Mrs. Stein, Marion Stock, Verda Davidson.

CHALMERS PICNIC.

Chalmers Presbyterian Sunday School participated in the numerous festivities held at Springbank yesterday. A couple of hundred kiddies and their adult friends filled the day to overflowing and

RATS CHEWING MATCHES CAUSE WINDSOR FIRE

WINDSOR, July 2.—(Special to The Free Press.)—Two men and a woman were driven into the street early today in night attire when a fire, caused by rats chewing matches, broke out in the home of James Kenney, 413 Caron avenue. The damage was estimated at \$1,000. Mr. Kenney, his wife, Margaret, and his brother, Charles Kenney, were sleeping upstairs when they were aroused by smoke. The investigation to-day by the fire department revealed pieces of matches chewed by rats.

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Flags and other decorations were most conspicuous where displays by contrast with the numbers of homes and business places that did not seem very enthusiastic over the national birthday. The well-known Man from Mars might have put it down to lack of patriotism. The average Londoner explains that flag waving is foreign to his nature. Many motorists compromised by decorating their cars with small flags.

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AT OUTSIDE RESORTS.

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Our First July Wednesday Morning Sale List

Now that we have launched into the month of sales the Wednesday morning attractions will be of more than usual significance and of interest to the greatest number of people, because of their miscellaneous nature, comprising so many different lines of merchandise. To-morrow's sales are of the greatest importance from the price reduction standpoint, and we would particularly emphasize the sale of fancy linens at half price, Wash Goods clearance at 19c and 29c, the Millinery clearance at \$2.98 and the sale of Pullover Sweaters at \$1.98.

STORE CLOSSES WEDNESDAY AT ONE O'CLOCK

The sale list below forecasts more than a full day's business in the forenoon to-morrow, and if values count we should have a double day's business from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. on Wednesday. BE HERE AT THE OPENING HOUR—9 O'CLOCK.

CLEARANCE OF WASH GOODS, 19c AND 29c YD.

Some of these lines will be shown in our windows. They comprise broad ranges of many good sellers, all this season's merchandise, some are balances of previous sales, still further reduced. Don't miss this great opportunity of buying for yourself and the children's holiday dresses. Thousands of yards in this WEDNESDAY MORNING SALE.

POLLY PRIM CLOTH—You know the wonderful popularity of this goods for aprons and dresses; mauve, yellow, peach with black dots, and the plain cloth to match. On sale, per yard 19c

PRINTED BATISTES—Lovely patterns in this dainty muslin, lots to choose from, for really dainty dresses. Less than half price. On sale, per yard 19c

"ARLO" DRESS GINGHAM is a good quality British cloth. We have sold it well and offer you the balances, all solid block checks, in green, pink, yellow, blue, red, navy,

etc.; some have overcheck in black; note width, 38 inches. On sale, per yard 29c

DAINTY DRESS VOILES, 39-inch width, and nice, fine quality. A fine assortment of pretty light colorings. Don't miss this sale for a useful yet dainty hot-weather dress. On sale, per yard 29c

NOVELTY WHITE VOILES, a yard wide, the final clearance of this assortment of new stripe Voiles in all white, nice for blouses and dresses, some suitable for curtains, and cheap enough at this further reduction. On sale, per yard 29c

COVER-ALL APRONS, 98c

About 10 dozen special Chambray and Percalé Cover-All Aprons, assorted colors and sizes. Sale price 98c

Also two other sale groups at \$1.25 and \$1.50

CLEARING OF ALL UNTRIMMED AND SEMI-TRIMMED HATS, \$2.98

Six dozen Hats in small, medium and large sizes, in visca-hair, timbo, milan, mohair, tagel, kandeel cloth and ribbon combinations. Some banded in ribbon and lined, ready to put on; others require very little

trimming. This is a chance for the home-milliner. Pokes, tricornes, sailors, turbans and off-the-face styles; in sand, gray, blue, black, navy, henna and brown. Wednesday morning clearance \$2.98

300 YARDS WHITE "FUJI" SILK, \$1.39 YARD

We were fortunate in securing a little clearing lot from a jobber at a very special price for to-morrow morning's sale. Fuji Silk is a product of the Japanese, a pure Silk that is sometimes called broad-cloth silk on account of its very

soft finish for such a heavy texture. Fuji is the ideal Silk for real washable service in the summer frock, separate blouse, men's negligee shirts and pyjamas; 29-30 inches wide. Special, per yard \$1.39

SOAP, 9 CAKES FOR 25c

FIVE CASES OF CREST BRAND CASTLE SOAP, WHILE THEY LAST.

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CANTON CREPES TO SELL AT \$2.75 YARD

Black, nigger, cocoa, hazel brown, fog gray, whirlpool blue; you'll note the colors are the newest, fashion's demand. The prices are little more than the jobber's

price to-day. A rich silky finish. Canton Crepe: 39 inches wide. Special purchase price, per yard \$2.75

BLOOMERS 49c

10 dozen Ladies' Cotton Jersey Bloomers, in pink and white, elastic waist and knee, medium and large sizes. Sale price, per pair 49c

Pure Rubber Sanitary Skirt Protectors, pink and white, medium size. Sale price 39c

Second Floor

SALE OF MEN'S ALL-WOOL BATHING SUITS, \$2.98

Men's All-Wool First Quality Bathing Suits, in excellent color combinations, one piece with skirt; navy, camel, black and orange and other good colors; sizes 36 to 44. A very special price to-morrow morning, only \$2.98

MEN'S WORK SHIRTS, 98c

Blue Chambray Work Shirts, durable large and roomy, collar attached. A good, durable Work Shirt. Special 98c

"His Master's Voice" JULY RECORDS

Now In — Third Floor.

MEN'S BALBRIGGAN SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, 59c EACH

Men's Ecu Shade Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers; Shirts have long sleeves, ankle length drawers; sizes 34 to 46. Sale price 59c

SOCKS AT 15c PAIR

Fine Cotton Socks, in navy, brown, gray, black and white; fine knitted top, reinforced toe and heel; sizes 9 1/2 to 11. A bargain at, per pair 15c

STRAW HATS, \$1.98

New Imported English Straw Hats, self-conforming sweat band, trimmed with black band; all sizes. Special \$1.98

SPECIAL, ELECTRIC CURLERS \$1.98 — Basement.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

BRITISH PHYSICIAN SAYS SMOKING IS HARMLESS

LONDON, July 2.—The danger to smokers from nicotine poisoning is declared by Dr. E. P. Rogers to be "so small as to be almost negligible." This should be tidings of comfort and joy to many smokers in America, who, according to dispatches received here,

something like a crusade is under way against "My Lady Nicotine." She is there denounced, it is said, as a dissipated girl, who is responsible for much of the crime and misery of the world.

Dr. Rogers' opinion is based on experiments conducted by himself to determine the action of fire on the tobacco consumed. He has just published an account of them with the conclusions he has reached.

He first took 10 grains of tobacco steeped in alcohol and water in order to extract all the nicotine. He said the solution was strong enough to kill a dog weighing four stone.