

SEPARATE SCHOOLS PICNIC HELD AT SPRINGBANK PARK ENJOYED BY ALL PUPILS

Lengthy Sport Program Run
Off Without a Hitch—
"Free-for-All" Feature of
Event of Events.

Though the morning hours were somewhat threatening, never was a picnic party blessed with a more perfect day for an outing than the hundreds of the children of the separate schools of the city, who had the time of their young lives at Springbank Park yesterday.

Fauntily wearing their school colors, shouting, laughing, exchanging greetings, the youngsters were whirled in special street cars to the park, twenty or more being required to take the picnic-makers who went in school groups, while regular cars were well crowded until late in the afternoon with the grown-ups on their way to join the kiddies.

The teaching sisters accompanied their classes to see that everyone was properly looked after, but this measure, it is said, did not in the least interfere with the exuberance of the joy of any body, the sisters apparently sharing the pleasure of their charges.

In addition to the formal program, including baseball matches, races and the midday picnic dinner, several impromptu ball games were arranged, swings and reds were crowded all day long, and the amusement park proved a source of tremendous interest.

The forecast of the picnic committee had planned for the serving of the midday meal in the pavilions in event of rain. Rain behaved beautifully, staying away, perchance to come another day, so many were the picnic parties grouped on the lawn or under the trees.

The most feasible plan was followed in the arrangement of the dinner. Each school looking after itself in this respect.

The mammoth "free for all" features was the distribution of ice cream cones, candy and popcorn as a grand wind-up to the meal.

Roy Kenny, W. O'Rourke and Thomas Kiley dished out 25 gallons of ice cream in cone portions, and when they had finished, not a particle was left for themselves, not so much as the lick of a spoon.

Dean Prominent Figure.
Rev. Dean McKee, rector of St. Peter's Cathedral, was a prominent figure throughout the day, and, undoubtedly, if there had been a "most popular man" on the grounds, it would be decided by the vote of the kiddies, he would have captured first place with flying colors.

To begin with, he is a mighty intelligent baseball fan, and right away quick was his decision of the official scorer for the three baseball games which were the feature of the forenoon.

Such a note, repeated in hanging around him that it was necessary every second minute to clear the lookout to the diamond.

Nobody had any fault to find with the scorekeeper, though there were some hints that the umpire, Frank Richmond, a seminarian, was perhaps a bit strict when it came to making you stand on your bases and that sort of thing.

Wherever Father McKee went, the kiddies big and little were sure to go, and wherever he was seen, he was found to be laughing and chatting with the boys and girls hanging around him, teasing them, calling them all by their first names.

Rev. Father Brisson, secretary of the separate school board, who has recently been ill in the hospital, arrived unexpectedly in the afternoon. The members of the picnic committee, of which Father Hanahan was general convenor, J. Nolan, sports convenor, and J. Laughlin, baseball convenor, and the separate school board were ably assisted in the management of the sports, etc., by several seminarians.

E. Y. Hession deserved a decoration for valiant service. Single handed, he undertook to look after the thirty or forty little people from Mount St. Joseph, while the sisters were afforded time for lunch and breathing space.

Looking for all the world like the eldest son and mainstay of the family (the famous lady who lived in a shoe, who had so many children she didn't know what to do, he set valiantly to the accomplishment of his task, giving these little folks a good time, and seeing that none were lost, strayed, stolen, cracked, or nose or broken crown.

First he put them through a sports program rehearsal, giving a practical demonstration of the hop-step-and-jump, and, afterwards, he saw to it that the smallest tottler of all was capable of following suit. Children to right of him, to the left of him, lunged in front, and struggling behind, he swung a pigmy through the grove, swinging little people with a right good will and otherwise keeping them amused until it came the psychological moment to put on the special sports for Mount St. Joseph's, with the assistance of Frank Forristal.

Main Picnic Sports.
The main sports were run off on the baseball grounds to the east of the pavilion, scores of adults gathering in the seats to watch the races.

Joe Nolan performed the duties of starter, Roy Kenny acting as official scorer.

Chairman Harry Hanahan of the picnic committee had his hands full as the "Lord High Everything Else" of the occasion.

Much was the surprise of many of the grown-up basins to present over the swiftness and science of the games put up by the school teams. "There's going to be a lot of fine ballplayers among these boys," said Chairman Hanahan as he told of a regular "Cubs home run" made by one of the star performers on the diamond.

A prominent citizen remarked in all seriousness that some of the school boys were playing better ball than London's professional.

St. Peter's Wins.
St. Peter's crack team first sent St. Michael's gallant nine to defeat with a score of 15 to 8. At that, St. Michael's boys, who had the disadvantage in size, did some exceedingly creditable playing.

The line-up was as follows:
St. Michael's—Byrnes, catcher; White, shortstop; Pirrie, first base; Murtagh, right; Noonan, pitcher; Byrnes, second; McKeeough, left; Corcoran, centre; Johnston, third; O'Donnell, centre; Briglia, left; Perrone, pitcher; Long, catcher; De Marco, right; Murphy, third; McGinnis, shortstop; McIntyre, first.

Sacred Heart.
St. Mary's next played the Sacred Heart, the score standing at 8 for the Sacred Heart team and 4 for St. Mary's.

The winners in the first two games next matched skill. St. Peter's defeat-

ing the Sacred Heart after a closely-contested game by a score of 7 to 6.

The St. Mary's Sacred Heart team were made up as follows:
St. Mary's—O'Donnell, short stop; Callaghan, pitcher; Cook, 3rd base; Fitzmaurice, left; Player, 1st base; Graham, 2nd base; Fitzmaurice, pitcher; Phalen, right; Jones, centre.

Sacred Heart—Ward, short stop; Deveney, 2nd; Gibbin, left; Cassi, pitcher; Cassi, left; Fitzmaurice, catcher; Cook, 3rd; Durkin, middle; Donohue, right.

Owing to the number of children in some classes it was necessary to run off some of the sports events in two sections or two heats, in the former case doubling the number of prizes.

The prizewinners are given herewith:
Race, Girls Under 5 Years—1 Gerie Smith, 2 Rita Fitzmaurice, 3 Margaret McInnis, and Winnifred Healey, 4 Katharine Isabel Jones, 5 Mary Fitzmaurice.

Boys Under 5—1 Jim Darcy, 2 Vincent Barrat, 3 Tom Bidder, 4 Frances Stacey, 5 Harold Delaney.

Girls Race Under 7—First section: 1 Frances Galbraith, 2 Marion Galbraith, 3 Margaret Delaney, 4 Lenore Smoothey, 5 Edna Jennings. Second section: 1 Helen Kinsella, 2 Margaret Delaney, 3 Muriel Harding, 4 Agnes Bowers, 5 Martine Lane.

Boys Under 7—1 Billy Player, 2 Tom Coles, 3 George DeMarco, 4 John Dicknoether, 5 Al Jones.

Girls Under 10—Section 1: 1 Rowena Smoothey, 2 Dorothy Dods, 3 Eleanor Johnston, 4 Marie Wilson, 5 Margaret Delaney. Section 2: 1 Margaret Kinsella, 2 Kathleen Rich, 3 Corinne Flanagan, 4 Frances Haines, 5 Ruth Wilson.

Boys Under 10—Run in two heats, the following capturing the prizes in the final tryout: 1 Wilfrid Noonan, 2 Wilfrid O'Rourke, 3 Gerald Phalen, 4 Elmer McKeeough, 5 Charlie Walsh.

Girls Under 10—Ruth Wilson, 3 Marion Kargus, 3 Viola Mihm.

Boys Under 12—1 John Wilson, 2 Harold Noonan, 3 Gordon Ogilvie.

Girls Under 15—1 Eva Murphy, 2 Agnes Walsh, and Marian Kargus.

Boys Under 15—1 Clarence McKeeough, 2 Fred Crisco, 3 Norman Souttine, 4 Boot and Shoe Race (Boys)—1 Walter Pauls, 2 Augustine Murphy, 3 Clarence McKeeough.

Boys Under 18—Race (Girls)—1 Agnes Duncan, 2 Marjorie Harper, 3 Madeline Orendorf.

Throwing the Ball (Girls)—Thirty-seven took part in this contest, in which first places were won as follows: 1 Helen O'Donnell, 2 Margaret Wilson, 3 Dorothy Matthews.

In addition to the members of the separate school board, Chairman Frank Forristal, W. R. W. McWaters, John Givens and R. M. Burns, the following men took part in promoting the success of the picnic: Chairman of the picnic committee, H. Hanahan; J. P. Nolan, J. Laughlin, R. Forristal, E. B. Nolan, J. Thomas Kiley, John Burke and Roy Kenny.

Liberals' Action Pleases
Pioneer of Minimum Wage

Dr. L. A. Wood Has Been Advocating Plan For Some Months.

The fact that the minimum wage has been adopted as one of the planks of the platform of the Liberal party of Ontario, which has been re-organized this week in convention in Toronto, is of interest to London for a special reason, apart from the benefit which will be derived thereby by a large proportion of the citizenship.

The outstanding champion of the cause has been a member of the faculty of the Western University, Louis Aubrey Wood, M.A., Ph.D., who also has a right to the letters B.D. after his name.

The minimum wage was first advocated at a public platform in this city by Dr. Wood, who is professor of history and political economy, at one of the series of education and citizenship meetings held in the city hall.

Published Pamphlet.
His address attracted considerable attention at the time and he subsequently published a pamphlet dealing with the subject which was widely circulated in Ontario.

In the past five months, he has given much of his own time to minimum wage propaganda, both in speaking and writing, with the result that the minimum wage for Ontario has been a question of interest before the citizens of the province for the past couple of months.

Congratulated today on his share in the campaign for the minimum wage, which has resulted in the adoption of the principle as a part of the platform of the Ontario Liberal party, Dr. Wood said:

"I am very pleased to learn that the minimum wage principle was endorsed yesterday by the Ontario Liberal convention. It is a great victory for the cause of the minimum wage, which has been entirely non-political, the fact that one of the great political parties of the province has accepted the idea and incorporated it in its platform will mean that, sooner or later, we will have legislation on the subject."

"It is very interesting to note that the Liberal convention adopted the advanced policy of advocating a minimum wage for both male and female employees. As a rule, in America, minimum wages have been fixed for female workers only. The plan of the convention to urge the establishment of a permanent cost of living commission to keep the minimum wage in tune with living costs in the various localities is an excellent one, and should make the minimum wage scheme very effective in this province."

Dr. Wood is a real Londoner. Born in this city, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Wood, he took his arts course in Toronto, and afterwards took a B.A. in theology course in McGill Presbyterian theological college with a view to lecturing on church history.

His Ph.D. work was taken in continental universities, during which time he decided to specialize in political economy and history.

Dr. Wood has gained considerable recognition as a writer for a man of his age. Two of his books on the early history of Canada are included in the "Chronicles of Canada" series.

Banquet To Veterans and
Wives At Egerton Street

Ladies' Bible Class of Baptist Church Give Enjoyable Affair.

Returned soldiers of the congregation of Egerton Street Baptist Church and their wives were tendered a banquet by the Ladies' Bible Class of the Sunday school on Thursday evening. Almost all the toasts were proposed by the young ladies. A list of the toasts follows: "To King and Country," proposed by Miss Verna Pryman, responded by Charles Minch; "To Our Returned Soldiers," proposed by Mrs. Lillie Schaefer, responded to by Roy Malone; "To Our Church," proposed by Miss E. Brown, responded to by the pastor, Rev. A. C. Bingham; "To the Sunday School," proposed by Madeline Sharratt, responded to by Jack Struad; "To the B. Y. P. U.," proposed by Miss Gladys Ardel, responded to by Miss Hazel Dean (president); "To the Class," proposed by Walter Gould, responded to by George Graham.

After the toasts, those present enjoyed an excellent musical program, on which were the following numbers: Solo, Miss Madeline Sharratt; violin solo, Godwin Sachse; readings, Miss Velma Mills; instrumental, Mrs. Shaver. At the close of the evening, the returned men were presented with Fred carnations. Relatives of the thirteen men were of the church who made the supreme sacrifice received white carnations.

REV. T. S. ROY, M. A., DECLINES CALL TO TALBOT ST. CHURCH

West Newton Pastor Was Expected Here in Week.

Rev. T. S. Roy, M.A., B.D., of West Newton, a suburb of Greater Boston, Mass., has declined the call extended to him by the congregation of Talbot Street Baptist Church. He was to have succeeded Rev. H. H. Bingham, who is now in Calgary. It had been expected that he would take over his duties on Sunday, July 6.

Prizewinners.
OFFICIALS SUSPECT
BOYS STARTED FIRE
AT SPICE COMPANY

The cause of a fire believed to have been started by small boys in the neighborhood, at the I. N. L. Spice and Coffee Company, Limited, plant, 19 Macmora street, early yesterday morning, which caused a loss estimated at \$5,000, and in which two firemen were slightly injured, may lead to police investigation today.

Officials of the company suspect boys who are accustomed to play in the laneway at the rear of the building, of deliberately setting fire to inflammable materials piled near one of the rear windows of the factory, and throwing them into the building.

Mild explosions which occurred while firemen were fighting the blaze, made the fire difficult to fight, and Lieut. Charles Wray, No. 5 fire station, was burned about the face, but was able to continue his work. Arthur Hartop, a fireman on No. 5 crew, was knocked down and slightly injured. Both have recovered and remain on duty.

Spices in a large storeroom near the blaze were damaged by smoke and machinery and part of the building was destroyed. Little damage was caused to the front of the building.

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SHEETING.
10 pieces Heavy Bleached and Unbleached Sheeting, 72 inches wide; no dressing. Reg. 65c, sale, yard 48c

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