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WOLFVILLE DEFEATS KENTVILLE

Local Team Surprises Fans by Winning Exciting Contest

The Wolfville hockey team again demonstrated the fact that they could play the good old game on Friday night last, when they defeated the Kentville sextette to the tune of 1 to 0. What with the loss of the Kennedy brothers to Kentville and the glowing reports that have been radiating from that town of late regarding the manner in which they had laid the Crescents, New Glasgow and similar teams away, the Wolfville fans were prepared to see the locals badly snowed under. To make conditions even worse Clark, of the home team defence, was unable to take his accustomed place, which necessitated a re-organization of the line up throughout and a scramble to find extra men. When the boys eventually took the ice they were accompanied by two new faces in the persons of Dick and Conrad. But that is not all that they had with them. They had the spirit of the good old days—the spirit that has aided Wolfville in producing some of the best hockey teams in Eastern Canada—the spirit that cannot be beaten.

To say that the fans were surprised at the outcome of the game would be putting it mildly. After the first few minutes, when it was demonstrated that the Kentville boys were not as superior as represented, the fans went wild and the home team settled down to shut the visitors out completely. The game was perhaps not good hockey from the disinterested spectator's standpoint due to the lack of the end to end rushes, play continuing around one net and then the other. In these manoeuvres Wolfville had considerably the better position throughout. But what the game lacked in spectacular rushes it made up in interest due to the closeness of the score. Rough playing was absent, the only player to reach the cooler being Scriven who received a minor penalty for tripping. Hirtle and Morrison outplayed the Kennedy brothers from the start. The fact that they were therefore unable to get in many of their hot shots no doubt assisted materially. Wignore, Kentville's first defence man, appeared unable to stand the pace and at no time looked dangerous. The visitors played better together but in their anxiety to score often found themselves off-side at the crucial moment. On the other hand the home boys lost considerably by their wild shooting and were seldom able to find the net when opportunity offered. Eagles turned in one of the best games of his career.

Towards the latter part of the second period, when it looked as the neither team would score, Harvey got away in one of the few rushes of the evening and poked in a hot one from the wing which clinched the game. On a whole both teams put up a hard fought exhibition and the Wolfville boys are to be congratulated upon their success.

Harry Fraser handled the game in an impartial manner.

Line up:
Wolfville—Eagles, goal; Harvey, Scriven, defence; Hirtle, Morrison, Conrad, forwards; Murray, Rand, Dick, subs.
Kentville—Barnaby, goal; Wignore, Corbin, defence; W. Kennedy, G. Kennedy, Leitch, forwards; Bishop, Kilcup, subs.

COUNCIL DISCUSSES IMPORTANT MATTERS

The Town Council met on Monday evening as a committee of the whole for the purpose of discussing a number of matters demanding attention. Mayor Phinney and all the Councilors were present and the best of feeling prevailed. One of the matters deliberated upon was the condition of the fire-fighting equipment and requirements necessary to provide still more adequate protection. A free interchange of opinion brought out much that cannot fail to be of profit. The applications for the proposed position of town manager were also read and discussed and a selection was made of the most likely applicants for investigation and report at the regular meeting.

COLLECTION FOR THE BIBLE SOCIETY

The collection for the Canadian branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society made last month amounted to \$142.42, not quite so much as last year. Perhaps some neglected their privilege this time. We wish to take this opportunity to thank the collectors who so willingly responded to the task. The work is not altogether pleasant, but a very worthy one. We also wish to thank the contributors who put up the cash.
On behalf of the Society,
C. S. FITCH, Secy.

SUNDAY EVENING BAND CONCERT

The band concert at the Opera House on Sunday evening at the close of the regular church services was attended by an audience that taxed to the utmost the seating capacity. Mayor Phinney, who was largely responsible for the organization of the band and who has taken a great deal of interest in the work, presided and announced the various numbers. The program was appropriate and exceedingly well rendered considering that the band has been practicing only a few months. It now numbers more than thirty instruments and is making wonderful progress. Mr. Phinney, who was the first leader, recently gave place to Mr. Flannigan, who has shown himself an excellent leader and to whom much credit is due for the high state of efficiency which the band has reached.

In addition to the band numbers on Sunday evening a well rendered vocal solo was given by Principal Silver, and two quartettes by members of the band—Messrs. Silver, Rand, Callin and Murphy, and Messrs. Silver, Rand, Bishop and Callin—were heartily enjoyed. The band is grateful for the liberal collection which was taken and which would undoubtedly have been larger if due notice had been given so that all would have come prepared. The expenses of the band have been heavy during the winter, the outlay to date being upwards of \$600, and further expenditure will be necessary in order to bring the equipment up to a fair standard. We are sure the funds will be generously supplied by the public who realize the value of the organization to the community. Citizens will all desire to do their part in this most commendable undertaking.

WOLFVILLE LADIES DEFEAT BRIDGETOWN

In Exciting Game of Hockey Monday Evening—Score 2 to 0

The Wolfville ladies' hockey team added to their laurels on Monday evening when they defeated the Bridgetown ladies at Evangeline rink by the score of 2 to 0. The game was one of the most interesting seen here this winter, and the spectators were surprised at the way the ladies played. There was some splendid team work, especially on the part of the Wolfville ladies, and the game was fast all the way through. It was soon seen that the locals were outplaying their opponents, but although the play was kept in Bridgetown's territory most of the game the Wolfville girls did not seem to have the ability to score. Miss Gertrude scored the first tally for Wolfville in the second period. Miss Patriquin scored in the third period. The Wolfville ladies are developing a fast team and we hope to again see them in action this winter. At the close of the game both teams were entertained at the home of Miss Taylor, captain of the Wolfville team. The teams were as follows:
Bridgetown—Miss Wagner, goal; Miss Mackenzie, Miss Wear, defence; Miss Fowler, Miss Anderson, Miss Messenger, forwards; subs, Misses Ruffee, Anthony, Miller.
Wolfville—Miss Taylor, goal; Miss Holmes, Miss Johnson, defence; Miss Patriquin, Miss Gertrude, Miss Wickwire, forwards; subs, Misses Rogers, Hemmison. Referee—James Scriven.

WOLFVILLE ARTISTS WELL RECEIVED AT MIDDLETON

MIDDLETON, March 11—Middleton people had the pleasure Friday evening of hearing a recital in Armadale Theatre, by Misses Evelyn Marie Duncanson, soprano, and Evelyn Enid Smallman, reader, both of Wolfville.
Miss Duncanson possesses a sweet, clear voice. She has taken instruction from the best teachers available at Wolfville and gives promise of achieving a successful musical career. She is always sure of an appreciative hearing in Middleton. The success she received were generous and sincere.
Miss Smallman is a graduate of Leland Powers School, Boston, and is an accomplished artist, of talent, experience and training. Her readings received well-merited applause.

The entertainment was given under the auspices of the Maritime Religious Educational Council, and received generous support.
A special meeting of the Maritime United Baptist Convention is called to be held at the First Baptist church at Moncton on Wednesday, April 11th. This meeting is being held for the purpose of considering and taking action upon the report of the Board of Governors of Acadia University on the matter of University Federation and to transact such other business as may be brought before it.

ASSESSMENT

Mr. Gormley Discusses The Present Assessment Situation

After reading the statement made by the appeal court in the last issue of THE ACADIAN, I wish to state to the citizens what were the facts of the case. The assessors were appointed unanimously by the council with the certain knowledge that the intention of the assessors was to lower the assessment, in order to defend the town against unfair treatment by the county. The council also knew that there was a determined feeling on the part of the assessors that those who had incomes should pay taxes thereon, and not allow the rich to go free and the poor to bear the burden.

In making the assessment the assessors carefully considered the injustices of the past years and tried to correct the same. Owners of so called "Beckwith" dyke had in past years been assessed for less than half of what residential property was assessed for. We corrected this. Owners of the Wickwire dyke were assessed for more than double of what Beckwith dyke was assessed for in proportion to its value. We corrected this. I personally called on nearly every person but one (I was certain he would lie to me so I would not call) that I supposed had an assessable income and asked what such income was. I may here say that I never received anything but the most courteous treatment from all and while some may have erred in judgement chiefly from not knowing just what income meant, I think a large majority told me the truth as far as I know. That some had to me I am sure, for the records of lists of bank stock show it. If any one would like a critical, arduous, thankless job just try a mission like I undertook. However I determined to fear no one as I told the council before my appointment and I have kept my word. Nobody has yet succeeded in producing any valid argument to show the assessment was not just. Now while the assessment law is not morally just, the letter of it gives the assessors some scope to do justice. It has been admitted to me on every side that a person with an income of \$3,000 per year is better able to pay taxes than one who only has a home worth \$1,500. Yet the law says they shall pay the same tax. This injustice we have tried to remedy. The law states that we shall assess income at its actual value. We did. It also states that other property shall be assessed at what we believe it would realize at a cash auction sale. We did this also, having regard to our experience at such sales, and considering the general opinions of assessors throughout the county. We of course made a few oversights omitting one or two pieces of property which of course the owners never noticed in making their appeals.

Then came the appeals, almost all of them were from owners of Beckwith dyke and persons assessed for incomes. The appeal court was duly convened and every one who chose to swear that his income was not correctly assessed was believed without any one, not even the assessors, being allowed to cross-examine them. Could it be possible that the town clerk was forbidden to do his duty in appearing for the town as required by law? But that is not all. A large number of persons were excused from income tax who presented no evidence of any kind before the appeal court. This I know for I was present every minute while the court was in session.

Now for the worst item on the program. Some party or parties unknown to me, and as far as I can hear unknown to the Town Clerk, took the assessment roll and mutilated, changed, and marred it to suit his or their own fancies. This was not done by order or knowledge of the appeal court sitting in session as such. However this mangled wreck is what the Town Clerk is supposed to collect taxes from. The appeal board states that they have followed our judgement in the matter of relative values except in a very few cases. I notice that the cases where they did not are very peculiar and would hardly bear close inspection. Some dozen or more names were struck off from assessment on personal property, who were lawfully assessed and paid taxes last year on the same. This may have been fishing for votes next February. We may have erred in judgement or made a mistake, but we treated friends and foes alike.

Now fellow citizens, if you are willing to stand for this kind of "star chamber" work you can; but as for me I am through with it. I did think of prosecuting those who lied to me about their income but what is the use? I certainly got a few jolts when I compared some pious people's statements with facts. It has always been so, that "unto him that hath shall be given, etc." and after this if you do not want to pay your just

DR. GRAY'S MEETINGS

Noted Scottish Divine Gives Series Of Helpful Addresses

Largely attended meetings, messages both vital and searching, and interest increasing from day to day, were the characteristics of the series of services conducted by Dr. A. Herbert Gray, the eminent Scotch preacher, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of last week. Dr. Gray's reputation as a virile thinker, as a clear and compelling speaker, and above all as a genuine Christian gentleman, had preceded him, so that from the first his meetings were largely attended. Nor were those who heard him disappointed in their expectations. Those who came to one service came again and continued to come until the close of the series.

Eight services were held. Two, taking the place of chapel service, were held in the gymnasium on Friday and Saturday mornings. At these services Dr. Gray spoke on "Why do we need Religion?" and "What is the Meaning of the Kingdom of God." On Friday and Saturday evenings, and in the morning and evening of Sunday, Dr. Gray spoke to uniquely large audiences in the First Baptist Church. Those who have followed the several series of services held under university auspices tell us that seldom, if ever, have they been better attended than in this instance.

Each address, while complete in itself, was part of a coherent series, leading naturally to the following address. Dr. Gray used none of the devices of the professional evangelist. One felt that here was a man with a profound personal religious experience, speaking with great earnestness of the things that he himself knew to be true, things that meant very much in his own life. It is perhaps difficult to select one address of a series and say it was better than another, but it seems to us that the address on "The Relations of Men and Women" on Saturday evening and the concluding address of the series, given on Sunday evening, were unusually strong. Each address, however, elicited its own interest and response.

In addition to these regular services, Dr. Gray gave a special address to the ministerial students on Saturday afternoon and conducted a service of intercession in the Seminary chapel on Sunday afternoon.

The offering taken at the Sunday evening service was devoted to European Student Relief.

Dr. Gray's visit will be long remembered by the large number who heard him.

ACADIA GIRLS DEFEAT DAL

The Acadia ladies' basketball team defeated the Dalhousie team in the local gymnasium Saturday afternoon by a score of 28-10. The Acadia girls played a much better game than against Mt. Allison and showed excellent combination. The Dalhousie combination was good, but the Garnet and Blue guards broke it up many times. The locals got a lead in the first period of 19-5. In the second period the visitors did better and prevented the locals from running up a bigger score. The teams:
Dalhousie—Miss Grant, Miss Hawkins, Miss Campbell, Miss Creighton, Miss E. Mader, Miss Barstead, Miss M. Mader, Miss Proctor.
Acadia—Miss Lawson, Miss Colbath, Miss McLaughlin, Miss Archibald, Miss McLean, Miss Doherty, Miss Mitchell, Miss King, Miss Prescott.

WANDERERS DEFEAT ACADIA

The Wanderers basket ball team defeated the Acadia five for the second time, in the Memorial Gymnasium last Friday night by the score of 26-21. The visitors, especially Ritchie MacCoy were accurate shots, while the locals defence was good. The Acadia boys have a good team this winter although they have lost to the Wanderers who have probably the best team in the Province.

In the first period the Wanderers started strong, exciting their opponents in shooting while both had an excellent combination. MacCoy starred for the visitors, while Wignore made most of the baskets for the garnet and blue.

Wanderers—MacCoy, Wilks, forwards; Armitage, centre; McLeod, Hattie, guards.
Acadia—Robinson, Wignore, forwards; Clarke, centre; Rhodensie, Chipman, guards.

Miss B. C. Smith, of St. John, N. B. who will assist Miss Saxton this season, arrived in town on Saturday last.

taxes all you will have to do is to resist and you can get clear.
C. M. GORMLEY.

SUDDEN DEATH AT ACADIA

The death of Miss Ethel V. Norton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Norton, Bayfield street, Charlottetown, and a student at Acadia University, occurred in Westwood Hospital here at 11 o'clock Saturday night, following cerebral hemorrhage with which she was stricken in chapel Saturday morning, and from which she did not regain consciousness. Besides her parents, she is survived by a sister, Bernice, in Ontario. Miss Norton graduated from the Seminary a few years ago, and after teaching entered the university, where she took an active part in college work and had exceptionally high standing.

The funeral services took place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock in the Baptist Church. On the platform were Dr. Patterson, Dr. DeWolfe, Dr. Spidle, Dr. Hutchins and A. S. Curry. The college choir was in attendance, while the body of the church was occupied by the students of the institutions, and the Faculty, who sat together.

After Scripture reading by President Patterson, and prayer by Dr. Hutchins, Mr. W. H. Mollins sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," very feelingly. Addresses were given by Dr. DeWolfe, representing the Seminary; Dr. Spidle, representing the College; A. S. Curry representing the students, and by Dr. Patterson. At the close a line of march was formed and students and Faculty walked to the railroad station, where a special train carried away the beloved student on her last journey. Dr. Hutchins accompanied the body to Charlottetown, where the parents awaited the sad coming.

Isn't it about time that we heard something about a Miss Wolfville?

SPLENDID RECITAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Visiting Artists Greatly Please Small Audience

The recital given at the Baptist Church on Thursday evening of last week was one of the best musical entertainments ever heard in Wolfville, and was deserving of a much larger audience than was present. We understand that the Seminary is out considerable money on the venture and it seems too bad that the people of Wolfville do not more appreciate the chance of hearing such splendid artists as the Seminary occasionally brings to our town.

Although the attendance was small it was offset by the enthusiasm of those present who plainly showed their appreciation of the excellent music furnished. Every number was loudly applauded and both artists were forced to respond to numerous encores. Mr. DeRos McAllister has a very pleasing tenor voice, his high notes being especially fine. The artist of the evening was Mr. George Brown, who proved himself to be a master of the cello. His technique was wonderful. Mr. Carl Farnsworth added no small part to the success of the entertainment by his excellent work as accompanist.

OUR HOSPITAL

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.
Dear Sir,—I see from the last ACADIAN that Dr. Avery deWitt, supported by Dr. Elliott, applied to the Town Council for a year's remission of taxation on Westwood Hospital. The Council said they would take a few weeks to consider the matter before coming to a decision.

I for one sincerely hope that this decision will be favorable, and that the remission will be granted. Wolfville is singularly favored in the possession of this admirable institution, and its continuance here is a matter of vital importance. Owing to its presence many valuable lives have undoubtedly been saved and its closing would be little less than a calamity. We have now become so accustomed to its presence that it is difficult for us to realize what a terrible blow it would be to all of us if its doors closed. As it is we all live in the comforting assurance that if any of us are suddenly prostrated by disease or accident we can at once receive the very best up-to-date treatment without having to undergo the terrors of a long journey to Halifax, which in more than one case that I personally know, has made recovery impossible.

Dr. Avery deWitt with commendable enterprise and at considerable pecuniary outlay has established this hospital and carried it on for a number of years with little gain to himself, certainly with no adequate return for his work. He deserves well of the town. All the specialists who come here to conduct operations are loud in their praise of the Hospital, its nurses and equipment. Only last week a visiting surgeon told me it was an institution to be proud of. The Hospital is good in every way. It is beautifully situated, the house is

ADJOURNED MEETING OF TOWN FATHERS

Estimates Presented for 1923—Tax Rate Will be Three Per Cent

The adjourned meeting of the Town Council was held on Wednesday evening with all the members present. The clerk presented the report of the Appeal Court which showed that the assessed valuation of the town had been increased by the board to \$1,461,780. Ratepayers will be notified of the change made in their assessment and given an opportunity to appeal to the Council for correction.

Coun. Balcom, as chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the budget for the current year as follows:

RECEIPTS	
Poll Tax	\$ 750.00
Dog Tax	50.00
Water Rates	5500.00
Police Court	250.00
Court Fees	50.00
Licenses	150.00
Sewer Connection	100.00
Rent, Electric Commission	125.00
Rent, Front Street	75.00
Electric Comm. Sinking Fund	1760.00
Assessment Interest	250.00
Assessment	44093.40
Current Deficit Dec. 31, 1922	2562.16
	\$55625.66

EXPENDITURES	
Sinking Funds	
School	\$1200
Water	510
Sewer	420
Streets	640
Composite	350
	\$2920.00

Interest	
School	\$2885
Water	2120
Sewer	1050
Streets	1825
Composite	1050
Bank Loans	1300
	\$10230.00

Salaries	
Town Clerk	\$1080
Deputy Town Clerk	50
Police	1200
Town Manager	1800
Stipendiary	150
Assessors	200
Revisors	60
Solicitor	100
Auditor	125
	\$4765.00

Electric Light Sinking Fund	1760.00
School Estimates less Interest	1004.00
Streets	5000.00
Street Lighting	2200.00
Water	600.00
Police	200.00
Poor	1800.00
Fire	815.00
Sewers	900.00
V. O. N. Grant	300.00
County	4200.00
Highways Tax	1460.00
Contingent	2525.00
Insurance	350.00
Tax Discount	750.00
Current Deficit, Dec. 31, 1922	4596.06
	\$55625.66

On motion it was decided that the rate of taxation be placed at 3 per cent.

Coun. Whidden presented the matter of the appointment of a town manager in an extended address and on concluding moved that in view of the likelihood of a new appointment that notice be given Supt. Johnson that his services would not be required after May 31st.

The town clerk was instructed to take immediate steps to collect all arrearages of taxes.
A resolution was passed to the effect that the property of Westwood Hospital, while so used, should be granted an exemption from taxation, and providing for taking immediate steps to bring this about. The matter was referred to the Poor Committee for report.

The matter of printing a town year book was again discussed and was referred to the Finance Committee to procure estimates and publish in pamphlet form such portions of the auditors' report and abstracts as they may deem advisable.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:
Andrew Delahant \$ 3.15
Municipality of Annapolis 117.25
E. F. Mahaney 19.65

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admirably constructed with hard, wood floors everywhere, fire places in every room and solidly built. It has a most efficient staff of nurses, and fast but not least there is its genial and lovable Superintendent, Dr. Avery deWitt. Patients one and all are loud in their praises of the treatment they receive, the kindness of the nurses, the excellence of the food, the unremitting attention of the Superintendent.
I hope therefore that the application will be approved, and I feel sure it would meet with general approval.
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