

# LONDON'S SONS OF IRELAND HAVE GALA DAY AT PORT

## Irish Picnic One of Best In History of I. B. Society

Boys of Erin Have Wonderful Time at Port Stanley Outing. With Plenty of Fun For All in Attendance.

Erin go Bragh!" With the spirit of this motto, "Forever" uppermost in their minds, 5,000 persons claiming the Emerald Isle as the home of their ancestors took possession of Port Stanley yesterday, when the 47th annual picnic of the London Irish Benevolent Society was held.

From an early hour in the morning until nearly midnight, the Murphys, Kellys, Rileys, Sullivans, Mulvans and other kindred from the heights of the Shamrock made merry on the heights, and along the walk, at a moment was wasted and certainly not a dull minute spent by the London Irish.

With the band of the G. W. V. A. playing the many charming airs of "Old Erin," the older persons at the picnic had hard work to keep from losing themselves into the woods and sitting shillalahs. Memories of Donbrook Fair were brought back by the "Wearin' of the Green" and "The Fish Washerwoman."

Here and there groups of jovial spirits could be heard challenging the world in song to "tread on the tail of a coat." Needless to say there were those who were willing to take the challenge, knowing well what the consequences of their act would be.

**Wearing the Green.** Green was the predominant color, everybody, young and old, sporting some of it, and it proved the open sesame to good fellowship. All formalities were thrown aside, and whether Irish born or of Irish descent, made merry together. No hard word was heard anywhere at the Port, and one and all voted the day well spent.

**All Make Merry.** Many of the most prominent of London's citizens were to be seen, chief among them being Mayor George Wenige, who filled the dual position of announcer for the costume races and for the lost and found heap for children. Several little ones strayed away from their parents, and were wandering among the huge crowd until the voice of London's chief magistrate recalled them. In-hand Revenue Inspector Cecil Webb forgot about stills and other articles of a similar nature, and mingled with the crowd with a genuine shillalah under his arm. Chief of Police Birrell and other members of the force looked on from the distance, and entered into the fun of the day. Bailey McCann proved a veritable fountain of fun, while the executive of the society worked hard and long the whole day, and the success fully edited their efforts.

Some of the oldtimers at the Irish picnic were missing, however, and many were the revellers who regretted the absence of "Uncle Bill" Moore.

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Stephen Grant, Tom Rowan and Barney Hogan, all of whom have passed away since the last picnic. The request for Barney and Tom was most noticeable when the call went out for men to dance the Irish jig.

**Takes Fast Trip.** One of the most amusing incidents of the day was when one youngster about ten or twelve years of age started to wander down the incline, not waiting for the railway. After a few steps he slipped and all that could be seen of him was a cloud of dust as he reached the bottom in what was undoubtedly the quickest time made for the trip from top to bottom.

One accident occurred that tended to mar the baseball game between the Jersey Creams and Smallman-gram's team, when Miss A. Percy, catcher for the latter, sustained a nasty cut on the head when hit with the bat. She was carried to the hospital tent, where the wound was stitched and dressed.

Crowds circled the rings where the dancing, baby show and sports were being held, and it was hard to find a position from where anything could be seen to advantage. The whole top of the heights was a mass of people, and all seemed to have but one object in view, that of enjoying themselves by watching others perform.

**List of Winners.** The following are the results of the Boys under 10 years—J. Phelan, J. Nash, O. Zavitz.

Girls under 10 years—Dorothy Walters, Lillian Hayden, Lucy Wilson.

Boys under 15 years—Howard Pollock, J. Phelan, Bill Croker.

Girls under 15 years—Evelyn Trudell, Helen Barnes.

100 yards open—W. Wanless, Noton Baldwin, Oscar Lee.

Married women's race—Mary Horick, Mrs. McGilivray, Mrs. As-tell.

Three-legged race—Howard Pollock and Gerald Phelan, J. Watts and George Bennett, N. Pauspe and Milton McDonald.

Wheelbarrow race—Helen Barnes and Tom Johnson, Mrs. and Mr. Horick, Mrs. Gleason and Mr. Stanley.

Blind race—Mrs. Houck and Mr. Baker, Mrs. Asbell and George Pearson, Mrs. Gleason and Mr. Stanley.

Guest race, 100 yards—Lenore Henry, Mrs. Houck, Mrs. Smith.

Obstacle race—Tom Johnston, Morton Dale, Harold Clarke.

Kiddy kar race—S. Loughlin, J. E. Gelling, T. Jarvis.

Horse race—J. L. Gilling, S. Loughlin, T. Jarvis.

Tilting the bucket—C. McIntyre and J. L. Gilling, Howard Pollock and George Beggs.

**Baby Show of Interest.** Many were the bouncing babies that were entered in the baby show, and the judges were hard put to determine the winners in the various classes. Nevertheless they finally accomplished the job to the satisfaction of all. The winners in this were:

Girls under one year—Dorothy Mires, 486 Exeter street; Jacqueline Secord, Thelma Bartlett, Lambeth, R. 2.

Boys under one year—R. A. Bradish, Glenworth; Kenneth Pettit, 589 Wharfedale road; J. W. Neville, Union; J. C. Palmer, 138 Horton street.

Girls under two years—Violet O'Dell, 718 Princess avenue; Doris Carroll, Tecumseh Barracks; Eileen Pierce, Lambeth; L. Allan 310 Simcoe street.

Boys under two years—Stewart Lang, Denfield; Jack Blair, Bridgeburg; Billie Blenthorp, 37 Terrace street; Ivan Berdan, Vienna.

Heaviest baby under two years—Colin Hindley, 502 York street. This baby would not register on the scales and was a fine specimen of childhood.

Best twins under two years—Ronald and Donald Hepburn; Hugh and Alex Watson, 122 Drenay avenue.

Handsome mother with twins—Mrs. John Lawrence, 47 Hyla street; twins, John and William.

Handsome mother and baby—Mrs. Lang and baby, Denfield, R.R. 1.

The competitors in the costume dancing this year were not as numerous as in the past, but nevertheless the calibre of the performances of the youngsters was remarkable. Regret was expressed that, but two men could be induced to come forward in the Irish jig, and laments were heard for the old days, when as many as



SCENES AT THE IRISH PICNIC.

At the top are shown some of the young dancers who carried off prizes in the costume dancing. The picture, specially posed for The Advertiser staff photographer, was taken at the conclusion of the dances, and some of the competitors shown above also entered the Irish dances, changing their costumes to the Highland kilts.

It is for this reason none are shown in the traditional breeches and coat of the Irishman. Reading from right to left they are: Back row—Pauline Mann, Jack Kelleher, Mary O'Sullivan, Sergeant Thomas McDonald, Daisy Mitchell, Stanley Kelleher, Front row—Patricia O'Sullivan, Yera

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dozen would be performing at once. Sergeant Thomas McDonald, London's premier piper, furnished the music for the jigs and flings and carried out his duties well, having regard for the thinnest of dancing and timing his music to suit her twinkling feet.

**Dancing Results.** The dancers of the jigs, clad in real Irish fashion and carry small shillalahs, drew many remarks of admiration from the crowd, while their dancing was the center of all eyes. The Highland dances drew a larger number of entrants, and much applause greeted the youngsters as they went through the steps.

The result of the dancing was: Irish jig, girls—Helen Wilkie, Marjorie Taylor, Daisy Mitchell. Irish jig, boys—Jack Kelleher, Gerald O'Sullivan, Harold Grayson. Irish jig, men—Martin Morkin, Tom Morkin.

Irish jig, boys and girls under 10 years—Benjamin Grayson, Frances Parker, Stanley Kelleher. Highland fling, girls—Daisy Mitchell, Violet Gilmore, Marjorie Taylor.

Special prize—Patricia O'Sullivan. Highland fling, boys—Jack Kelleher, Stanley Kelleher, Gerald O'Sullivan.

Shawn trews, girls—Marjorie Taylor, Daisy Mitchell, Mary O'Sullivan. Shawn trews, boys—Jack Kelleher, Lionel Goodwin, Harold Grayson, Gerald O'Sullivan.

In the ballroom dancing, many competitors presented themselves, and the winners were indeed qualified for the honors awarded them. The casino floor was right for dancing, and to the strains of an excellent orchestra, waltzes and fox-trots were danced through without one complaint being registered.

The winners in this competition were: Best waltzers—Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe Best. Best lady waltzer—Mrs. Bean, Miss Steffens, Miss McDonald. Best fox-trotters—Miss Parker and Mr. Archer.

**Held Banquet.** A happy ending to the festivities of the day came in the evening, when the officers and members of the Irish Benevolent Society, accompanied by all those who were in charge of the many phases of the outing, sat down in the L. & P. S. cafeteria for the annual banquet. The committee had hoped that Sir Adam Beck would be on hand to deliver the chief address of the evening, but a wire was re-

ceived from Sir Adam this afternoon stating that parliamentary business detained him in Toronto and that he found it impossible to make the trip to Port. In his stead several of the members gave brief talks.

Interspersed with uproarious Irish jokes, sing-songs, and the inimitable antics and patter of Sam Amaro, the official cheer leader, the banquet was a huge success, and each of the speakers was enthusiastic in his praise for the fine spirit of camaraderie that is making the Irish Benevolent Society better as each year rolls by.

President "Dick" Forristal in a few words of the society and how short but forceful address told briefly it had always been of twofold purpose of uniting the Irishmen of the city in bonds of friendship and to extend the hand of good-fellowship to the less fortunate of mankind. That is what "benevolent" meant in the name, he said.

While they were gathered at the festive board to enjoy themselves to the limit, the members should look back over the past year and give a moment's meditation to the memory of those who have passed away. Three who were valuable members of the association and who have departed this life in the last twelve months were, he said, John Stevely, "Uncle Bill" Moore, and Stephen Grant.

## Middlesex County Officials Hold Picnic at Springbank

Councillors and Employees Join For One Big Day's Outing — Other Picnics at Popular Resort.

Middlesex County officials held their picnic at Springbank Park yesterday afternoon. Hundreds of the Middlesex councillors, county and township officers, with their wives, families and friends came from all over this district to take part in the joyous program of sports arranged by the picnic committee.

The nippy air made the races and other competitions more enjoyable than usual, and worked up an appetite which was only appeased by supper. Following the supper a softball game was played, which provided all the thrills of a big league affair.

Dr. T. C. McNally, district officer of health, gave an address during supper time on health. Dr. McNally made a plea for the enlistment of public health nurses to prevent the spread of disease.

The members of the committee to whom the participants in the picnic are indebted for such a complete program of sports and entertainment are: Warden William Ross, chairman; John Stuart, county clerk; Capt. Tom Robson, county treasurer; John Cousins, reeve of Westminister Township, and Allan McPherson, reeve of Glencoe. Among the ex-wardens of the county who were present were J. McTaggart, T. Turnbull and J. S. Cousins.

Results were only kept in three of the sporting events, but prizes were given to many children who took part in the complete program of sports.

Running hop, step and jump—Wm. Tunks, Neil McGuire. Long jump—Neil McGuire, W. Johns. Mile over 50 years—Hugh Brodie, D. McIntyre.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC.** The chilly weather which prevailed at Springbank Park yesterday held no fears for many smaller groups of picnickers who displayed exceptional interest in the sports which each party had arranged. The weather was ideal for the various exercises, and evidently the committees of the Springfield Methodist Church and Elmville community picnic foresaw this, and consequently arranged a complete program of sports. Competition was keen, and the nippy air

only added zest to the merry-makers. Three hundred citizens of Elmville picnicked at the river park. Sports were run off, after which a sumptuous luncheon was provided by the ladies.

The Sunday school of the Springfield Methodist Church, who chose Springbank Park yesterday afternoon for the scene of their annual picnic. Many enjoyed the sports and attractions which had been arranged by Rev. M. C. Parr and S. Brown, superintendent of the Sunday school.

The results of the races were: Children under 8—Velma Walters, Edward Brown, Alma Mills, James Paisley. Children under 12—Marjorie Paisley, Eleanor Pierce, Fred Brown.

Young men's race—Graham Sterlings, Ivan Fonger, Grant Beattie, Roy Perrie. Boys under 16—Lloyd Brown, Ivan Vernon, Edward Stevenson.

Needle and thread race—Mrs. S. Brown and Harry Mills, Mrs. S. Paisley and Rev. M. C. Parr, Mrs. H. Mills and S. Brown, Mrs. H. Klemm and Ralph Fonger.

**NEAL BAKING COMPANY.** The fourth annual picnic of the Neal Baking Company proved to be a wonderful success. A complete program of sports was staged, and found many enthusiastic entrants.

Following are the winners: Girls, 3 to 4 years—Jean Connelly, Jean Sharman. Boys, 3 to 4 years—Kenneth Player, Jack Nicholson.

Girls, 5 to 6 years—Shirley Hill, Bernice Player, Nola Walsh. Girls, 7 to 8 years—Mrs. S. Brown, Mrs. Plumridge.

Boys, 9 to 10 years—Norville Telfer, Harold Walsh, Paul Hill. Wheelbarrow race—James Davis, Verne Stinchcombe.

Needle-and-thread race—Mr. and Mrs. Telfer. Bullion race—C. McMahon. Soda biscuit race—C. McMahon.

Verne Stinchcombe, Mary Telfer. Blind pig race—James Davis and Miss Brown, Verne Stinchcombe and Mrs. McMahon.

Ball game between money bags and coffee cakes—The money bags won.

**GLADIOLI CONTEST OPEN TO BACKYARD GARDENERS** At the flower show next week the Horticultural Society is going to spring an innovation for the contestants in the form of the society's silver medal. This award has been purposely placed on a small class so that every back yard gardener, if it has a hundred gladioli growing, may have a chance to compete, and it is expected that there will be real competition for the new medal. Unlike the three cups which are now in competition, the medal belongs permanently to the winner.

There has been such a great improvement in the gladioli in the past five years that this year's quality is confidently expected to be above the average. There will be classes for seedlings not in commerce, and besides gladioli the show will recognize other flowers, notably asters.

**QUIET IN POLICE CIRCLES.** Last night was one of the quietest ever experienced at the local police station. During the whole period of darkness the telephone rang but once and that when an officer phoned in. Up to 10 o'clock today the desk sergeant had answered but one more, making a total of two calls in 18 hours, almost a record.

And an assistant cook, and a doctor kindly supplied by Victoria Hospital, Kawanian Ed. Gains, chairman of the camp speakers' committee, provided a speaker for practically every night of the two weeks. Many members of the club visited the camp regularly, and donated candy, fruit and nuts for the camp fire gatherings in the evening.

The total cost of the camp, \$608.47, includes provisions, fuel, staff, Red Cross supplies, canteen, amusements, and other expenses. The total expenditure, \$261.02 covers stove, pipes, cooking utensils, cutlery and dishes for the use of the camp each year; also lumber and repairs to buildings.

The camp was conducted under the supervision of Kiwanian Frank Gray, assisted by Lloyd Houlding of the Y. M. C. A. and six tent leaders, a cook,

ported over Bryan, Ohio, at 6 a.m., the mail being two hours and forty-five minutes ahead of schedule, according to air field officials here.

handsome mother and twins went to Mrs. John Lawrence of 47 Hyla street, London, and her two fine boys, John and William, shown at the left. At the right, The Advertiser photographer has snapped the handsomest mother and baby, namely Mrs. Lang and her young son Stewart of Den-York street. The award for the

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