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Tuxis Column

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SOME FEATURES OF THE TUXIS PROGAMME.

The Tuxis Boys' programme is the recognized course of training of the churches in Canada for boys 15 years and over. A Tuxis Square is usually a Sunday School class of boys. Their teacher is known as a Mentor. The boy who is elected to preside is known as the Pretor. The assisting Pretor is known as the Deputy Pretor and is usually called the "Dep." The boy who keeps the minutes and does the correspondence for the Square is known as the Scriptor; the boy responsible for the money is known as the Comptor. The group or class is known as a Square. The boys choose a name for their square, a motto, emblem and colors.

The officers of the Alpha Tuxis Square of Athens are:

Mentor—E. F. Neff, B.S.A.
Pretor—Robert D. Rahmer.
Dep. Pretor—Seymour Warren.
Scriptor—James G. Brown.
Comptor—Steacy Knowlton.

The initiation ceremony is an attractive feature of the Tuxis programme.

A Square should consist of from six to ten members, eight is an ideal number. Each Square will have two meetings a week. One, the regular Sunday school session, and the other the mid-week. Our Square holds its meetings on Wednesday evenings in the basement of the Methodist Church.

From September until May the mid-week sessions will usually be held indoors, but the programme provides plenty of opportunity for outings, hikes, treasure hunts, camping parties, athletic meets, skating and other outdoor activities.

The badge of the Tuxis boy is a square with a cross in the centre, the idea symbolizes being the four-square life which is Christ-centered. The colors on the badge are red, white and blue. An attractive membership pin incorporating the badge is worn by the Tuxis Boy as a lapel-button or tie pin.

(To be continued.)

Baptist Church

The executive of the Athens Baptist Church beg to announce that services will be resumed on Sunday next. The Pastor, Rev. G. G. Upham, who had to undergo an operation for appendicitis on Xmas Sunday, has now completely recovered and the Church is looking forward to a year of increased activity and blessedness

The subject for next Sunday is to be: "Entrances, Exits and the Good Shepherd."

Short Song Service. Come and Worship.

The Annual Business Meeting of the Athens Baptist Church, post poned from December last, on account of the Pastor's illness, was held on Wednesday Feb. 18th.

A good number were present, and the reports read were most encouraging. A growing membership is reported and the financial condition in spite of the depression of last year, excellent.

The current and missionary funds have been fully subscribed and some $200 has been raised, the balance to be distributed over next years budget.

At the close of the business meeting Mrs. Wilburt Chapman was presented with a pedestal table in appreciation of her services as organist during the past year. Mrs. Chapman, although entirely taken by surprise, replied very nicely and thanked the members for their token of appreciation.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my many friends for their great thoughtfulness towards me in the loss of my beloved wife. Their sympathy has deeply touched me and helped in ways they know not of to lighten the burden of my grief.

H. S. ROBESON.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned desire hereby to express our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbours for their sympathy and help during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Francis Blancher.

JESSIE BLANCHER,
EFFIE EARL,
KENNETH BLANCHER.

Village Council

Athens, Jan. 22nd, 1925.

Special meeting of the Athens Village Council held in the Clerk's office at 3 p.m.

Reeve M. B. Holmes in the chair and the following Councillors present: D. L. Johnston and P. Y. Hollingsworth. A. M. Eaton and W. H. Jacobs having resigned, were not present.

The following business was transacted:

Moved by P. Y. Hollingsworth, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the resignations of Councillors W. H. Jacob and A. M. Eaton be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by D. L. Johnston, seconded by P. Y. Hollingsworth, that the reeve be requested to issue his warrant for the election of two Councillors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of W. H. Jacob and A. M. Eaton. —Carried.

Moved by P. Y. Hollingsworth, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that whereas in the year 1923 a contract was made with the late Jen C. Peterson for the quarrying and piling of 200 cords of stone for corporation road purposes at a price of $2.50 per cord for the work, and whereas, when the said contractor reported the said contract as finished and completed, there was an uncertainty of quantity and measurement owing to uneven ground for piling, etc., and the sum of $480 was paid the said contractor pending such time as the stone would be crushed and measurement correctly ascertained; at the crushing of the said stone in the autumn of the year 1924 it was found that there was approximately 206 cords of stone in the said contract pile, which at the said $2.50 price would leave a balance of $35 due the said quarry contractor;

Resolved, therefore, that $35 be paid to the estate of the said contractor, the late Jen C. Peterson, and that an order be drawn on the treasurer in favor of Mrs. Belle Peterson (widow) for the same.—Carried.

E. J. Purcell, Clerk. M. B. Holmes, Reeve.

Athens, Feb. 6th, 1925.

Regular meeting of the Athens Village Council held Feb. 6th in the council chamber.

M. B. Holmes, Reeve, in the chair and Councillors D. L. Johnston and P. Y. Hollingsworth, present.

Minutes of regular and special meetings read and approved.

The following business was transacted:

Moved by D. L. Johnston, seconded by P. Y. Hollingsworth, that the account of George Heffernan, $20, for wood be paid and an order drawn on treasurer for same.—Carried.

Moved by P. Y. Hollingsworth, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the village collector, Mr. Benj. Culbert, be granted an extension of time until March 15 for the return of the collector's roll.—Carried.

Moved by P. Y. Hollingsworth, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the assessor's salary for 1925 be $35 in place of $30 in previous motion.—Carried.

Moved by D. L. Johnston, seconded by P. Y. Hollnigsworth, that the communication of Mrs. Belle Peterson, acknowledging receipts of $35, balance due on contract of her late husband, J. C. Peterson, for quarrying stone, and expressing appreciation for the same be received and placed on file.—Carried.

E. J. Purcell, Clerk.

REAR YONGE AND ESCOTT COUNCIL MEETING.

The council met on Saturday, 7th inst., at 1.30.

All members present; minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Wm. Cross' township tax, 1924, was ordered taken off on account of fire.

Orders given or treasurer: The Municipal World, for dog tags and blanks, $8.67; W. J. Scott and W. C. Brown, refund of dog tax, each $2; Athens branch Leeds' Farmers Co-operative, for 100 lbs. flour furnished M. Cross, $5.35; Yates Avery, plowing roads, $3; George R. Ferguson and W. C. Brown, auditors, each $8; Johnson Morris and Benj. Beale, fence viewing, each $3.

The auditors report was adopted.

By-laws for appointing road overseers, etc., and for abolishing statute labor were laid over until next meeting.

Council adjourned to meet March 7 or at the call of the reeve.

R. E. Cornell, Clerk.

OAK LEAF

Mr. Charles Murphy and daughter, Marion are spending a few days this week at W. Proud's Crosby.

Mr. G. Jones has taken up residence on Mr. W. Johnson's property.

The Monthly Meeting of the Ladies Guild was held at the home of Mrs. W. Green with a good attendance.

A number of cars have travelled this road recently.

The ice harvest is in full swing.

Little Anna Heffernan has been very ill but is some better.

Obituary

Francis Blancher.

At his residence in Athens on Saturday afternoon about four o'clock, Mr. Francis Blancher, an esteemed resident of the village for the past 30 years, passed away after a short illness.

The deceased was born at Lombardy, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blancher, and was in his 65th year. He resided all his life in this district and was widely known.

Besides his wife, formerly Miss Jessie Wright, the late Mr. Blancher is survived by one son and a daughter, namely, Dr. Kenneth Blancher, of Morrisburg, and Mrs. Ezra S. Earl, of Temperance Lake. He also leaves two brothers and one sister. A twin brother of the deceased, Franklin Blancher, resides at Smiths Falls; while Chancey Blancher and Mrs. Ransome Brown are residents of Athens.

The deceased was a member of the Holiness Movement Church and a Liberal in politics. The funeral was held at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. Ransom Brown. The service was conducted in the Athens Holiness Movement Church and the remains placed in the Athens vault until spring.

On Tuesday, Feb. 17th at two p.m., the funeral of the late Francis Blancher was held in the Holiness Movement Church, Athens, which was filled to capacity. The funeral procession started from the residence of his brother-in-law, Ransome Brown, on Mill St. where a preliminary service was hel by Rev. D. H. Bradley of Prescott and Rev. G. Burgess of Brockville. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Manley Prichard of Smiths Falls, from Job 4-19, Rev. G. G. Upham and Rev. H. E. Waren, Athens assisted in the service.

Friends and relatives from a distance were:—F. Blancher, Smiths Falls; Mr. B. Blancher, Mr. M. Blancher, Mrs. Albert Blancher and Sala Blancher, Lombardy; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Blancher, Junetown; Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Burgess, Brockville; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hanna, Lyn; Mrs. H. Landon, North Augusta; F. Wright Gananoque; F. Blancher, W. Connel and Mrs. E. Tennant, Mallorytown, John and Miss Vera Slack, Outlet; Omar Arnold and Mrs. (Dr.) Kelly, Delta; Mrs. John Blancher, Greenbush; Mr. and Mrs. L. Brown, Glen Buell.

The pall bearers were,— A. M. Eaton John Eaton, J. H. Mulvena, F. Scovil, W. H. Jacobs, S. A. Coon.

Temporary interment was made in Athens vault.

NEW BOYNE

New Boyne, Feb. 9.—Robert Hanna, who has been ill for some time, is slowly improving.

James Bourns, Qu'Appelle, Sask., spent a day last week, the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Burns Joynt.

Mrs. Herbert Wells is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sheridan, Smiths Falls.

Harlowe Imerson has been appointed road commissioner for this year.

Miss Frances Lyons has returned after having spent a couple of months as the guest of Dr. W. H. Bourns, Frankville.

The many friends of Master Gerald Cross are sorry to hear of his recent serious illness.

Mrs. W. J. Polk, Lombardy, spent a few days last week, the guest of Mrs. Margaret Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Goodfellow, Westport, spent Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Holace Chant, Chantry, spent Sunday, the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Preston.

John White had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Goodell spent Sunday, the guests of friends in Chantry.

CHARLESTON

Charleston, Feb. 16.—On Sunday evening Harry Webster heard over his radio, broadcasted from Louisville, Ky., that the workers had still thirteen feet to go before Floyd Collins would be released.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spence are spending a few weeks with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Spence.

Some of our young people attended the entertainment at Athens Thursday evening, and also the dance at Lyndhurst on Friday evening.

Leonard Halliday had the misfortune to lose his dog. Some person shot him. The dog was very valuable around the farm.

The skating has been great here since the thaw and the youngsters are taking advantage of it.

The W.A. of Trinity Church held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Wills on Friday afternoon.

Newboro Wins First Game 4-1

RETURN GAME HERE SAT.

The first half of the final play-off for the championship of the Leeds Hockey League took place at Newboro on Thursday, Feb. 19th.

The final score 4-1 in favor of Newboro is by no means the index of the play.

With no desire to whine it seems that the "breaks "went to Newboro.

Our fondest wish for the boys that they have better luck with Newboro here on Saturday afternoon when they should win.

The game at Newboro was satisfactorily handled by W. Neal, Lyndhurst and I. Freeman, Portland.

The teams were as follows:=

Newboro, goal, W. Lake; defence C. McCarthy, Williams; centre, Hull; wings P. Yates, Taylor; subs, Moriarty and F. McCarthy.

The teams were composed as follows:

Athens, goal Yates, defence L. Taylor J. Scott, centre R. Lang, wings C. Layng, R. Taylor, subs. L. Johnston, G. Purcell.

DELTA

Delta, Feb. 18,—The 10c. tea conducted by the W. I. at Mrs. La Fletche's ice cream parlor, was well attended and over $12.00 was realized.

Mrs. Belle has recovered from her recent illness, also Mrs. Morris.

John Wright from N. Y. state has returned to his work there after a short vacation with his parents here.

Mrs. H. Johnson has returned from Smiths Falls where she spent a few days.

Miss Allyn is confined to the house, suffering from a bad cold.

Mrs. Best who was with her daughter Mrs. J. Scotland for some time has left for Brantford to spend the winter with Mrs. Dr. Wylie. Her daughter, Kathleen is attending Business College there.

The condition of John Eaton shows no improvement.

A few attended the dance at Lyndhurst last night.

Word has been received from Florida that Mrs. Seaman is getting better of her serious illness.

Miss Choloe Sexton has left for Peterborough after a two weeks visit with her niece, Mrs. S. Barlow.

Roads are very bad now so that there is not so much teaming being done at present.

W. Baker is working at his brother's E. Baker Soperton.

J. Scotland is on a business trip to Carleton place.

Vera and Orla Preston are getting better from their recent illness.

Mrs. C. LaFleche spent the last two weeks in Montreal.

Word has been received here of the serious illness of Mrs. S. Seaman, who, with Mr. Seaman, is spending the winter in Florida.

The Delta Women's Institute will meet on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Robert Taylor. Following this a ten-cent tea will be held in the ice cream parlors of Mrs. La Fleche.

On Friday evening last, a skating party was held under the auspices of the Epworth League. After the business part of the league was over, the party spent a pleasant time skating until 9.30 o'clock when about 60, young and old, were served a lunch in the basement of the church.

Miss C. Sexton, Peterboro, who has spent the last three weeks with her niece, Mrs. S. H. Barlow, returned to her home on Saturday.

Gerald Phelps, of the staff of the Bank of Montreal, Brockville, spent the week-end at his home here.

John Wright, Morristown, N.Y., is spending a few days at his home here.

The Junior Institute intends holding its meeting on Wednesday at the homs of Mrs. C. F. Kerr, Elgin, if weather is favorable.

Mrs. H. E. Johnson returned on Monday evening from Smiths Falls, where she has been visiting her uncle, T. Henderson, who is ill.

Mrs. E. J. Morris, who is suffering from a bad cold, is spending some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. W. Hill.

Mrs. M. J. Bell has been quite ill with heart trouble for the last few days, but is improving nicely.

Alexandria Team at Lansdowne

Defeat the Home Team by a Score of 5-4.

Lansdowne, Feb. 11.—The hockey game played at the arena on Saturday evening, between the Alexandria Bay team and the local team was won by the visitors by a score of 5-4.

The funeral of Miss Mary Quinn was held on Sunday afternoon to the Methodist church. Rev. George W. Dustin conducted the service and the remains were taken to the Union vault to await interment in the spring.

The Rural Telephone Co. has purchased from Charles Cross a barn and a piece of land adjoining their property. The barn will not be moved.

Mrs. Jane Bowen, who was reported last week as having sold her property to Stanley Beesaw, Howe Island, has changed her mind and will not sell at the present time.

The Social Club will meet on Friday, the 13th, the meeting to take the form of a progressive euchre.

Miss Bernice Jack accompanied Miss Mary Coghlan to her home in Smiths Falls for the week-end.

Edgar and Leonard Giffin, Brockville, spent Saturday in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Asquith, who spent a few weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McIlveen, have returned to their home in Godfrey.

James Lochead has accepted a position as traveller with the St. Lawrence Oil and Supply Co., of Gananoque.

Mrs. Sarah Cornett has returned from the Fulford Home in Brockville.

Mr. Fitzgerald spent the week-end in Toronto.

Miss Alma Turner spent the week-end with her mother, returning to Toronto on Sunday.

Francis Lynch, Schenectady, N.Y., is visiting his brother, Augustin Lynch, Escott Centre.

Mrs. Sandy McDonald returned on Thursday from Toledo, where she was for a few days owing to the illness of her mother, Mrs. J. Judge.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fowler, Brockville, spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon.

Miss Marjory Leacock, R.N., Cleveland, Ohio, arrived this morning. She was called home owing to the illness of her aunt, Mrs. H. Leacock.

Mrs. W. B. Lanigan, Victoria, B.C., has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Darling.

Mrs. Comstock, of Watertown, N.Y., is spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. Jane Bowen.

Frank Lappin's horses, while standing in front of Elmer Burns' store, ran away, but were caught before any damage was done.

Mrs. Charles McCready, who was with her sister, Mrs. H. Leacock, who is ill, returned to her home in Lyndhurst on Saturday.

SHELDON'S CORNERS

Mr. Henry Marshall and family have moved and settled on the Darling farm and have four children attending school. Quite an addition to Sheldon's school.

Mr. Fred Hayes had his sawing done last week at Athens, where he intends moving next month, by Mr. Edgbert Mott. A number of his neighbors went out to help him with the work.

Mr. Crady, from Rockspring, moved last week on the Mahlon Yates farm.

Mrs. Vance Foley's mother still continues quite ill, with slight hopes for her recovery.

Mrs. Albert Young's sister, Mrs. Lawson, from Brockville, has been paying her a visit for the last few days.

Mr. Fred Hayes was in Toronto for a few days this last week.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE OF DELTA CONTINUES COMMUNITY WORK

Delta, Feb. 14.—The February meeting of the Junior Institute was held on the 12th at 7.30 p.m. at the home of Miss Vera Whitmore. The meeting opened with the singing of "The Maple Leaf", followed by the minutes of the January meeting. A letter from the secretary of the hockey club was read, thanking the Institute for its donation, also one from a family thanking the Institute for clothing and Christmas box. It was decided to arrange for the Government delegate to address a meeting in the summer. A letter is being sent to the Masonic body thanking them for the free use of their chairs during the short courses. A report of the short courses was given, showing a balance of $2.13 after expenses had been paid. The roll call was responded to with "Hints on Remodelling Clothes", to which 18 responded. Charity work was discussed and a committee was appointed to inquire into the matter and make any necessary arrangements. A paper on "Hints on Sewing and Cleaning Clothes", prepared by Mrs. Ostrom, was read by Miss Vera Whitmore. Grouping the Institutes was discussed and decided upon, five different groups being formed; each to raise as much money as possible. A dainty luncheon was served by Miss Whitmore, assisted by the hostess, Miss Luella Baker, and the meeting was brought to a close.

Dr. and Mrs. T. Whaley, of Alsask, visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Whaley this week.

Miss Loreen Phelps spent a few days this week in Athens.

Mr. and Mrs. Knowlton Davis and children, Chantry, spent a few days at O. Brown's.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Johnson attended the funeral at Newboro of Mrs. Johnson's aunt, Mrs. Leggett, on Thursday last.

Mrs. M. J. Bell is improving, much to the delight of her many friends.

The Women's Institute met on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Robert Taylor with 25 in attendance. On opening, a few patriotic selections were given on a Victrola. The usual business part of the meeting was taken up. The sick committee reported several members visited. Roll call was answered by "The Funniest Scrape in which I ever Saw Anyone". It was decided to have a summer delegate as usual, and to join with the members of the Junior Institute.

The secretary explained that if any members of the Senior Institute had not received an invitation to the banquest held by the members of the short courses which had been held in Delta under the direction of Mr. Neff, it was because the names of all the members of the Junior Institute and the names of the Senior Institute who had taken either course, were all the names asked for.

Mrs. Suffel then gave a splendid paper on "Valentine", and a vote of thanks was extended her. Miss Russell asked for the loan of the dishes for a Valentine party at the school on February 13, and this was granted.

Mrs. Taylor treated the ladies to apples and chocolates, and the thanks of the Institute were extended to her for her hospitality.

The April and March meetings may be changed if the hall is rented during the month of March. The meeting closed with "God Save the King".

A concert was held on Thursday afternoon from 5 to 7 by the Women's Institute in Mrs. LaFleche's ice cream parlor. Considering the weather a good crowd enjoyed the afternoon tea. Thanks were extended to Mrs. LaFleche for the use of her rooms and the ladies who assisted in making the tea a success. The proceeds amounted to $13.20.

Mrs. A. Morgan, who has been quite ill, is much improved in health.

Announcement.

C. Churchley has opened a Jewelry and Watch Repairing business in the stand formerly occupied by Mr. H. R. Knowlton, Main St.

Am prepared to do all kinds of watch, clock and jewelry repairing. We invite the public to come in and see our stock, and hope to give a service which will be worthy of appreciation.