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BRIEF SKETCH OF MADAME CURIE'S LIFE

THE STORY OF HOW RADIUM WAS FIRST DISCOVERED

Pierre and Marie Curie Devoted Their Lives to Helping Man and Advancing Science.

It has been announced that Madame Curie will visit St. Lawrence University on October 25th and 26th. It is understood that she will reach New York from France about October 15th. Her itinerary in this country will include a visit at the White House, her presence at the Edison Celebration at Detroit, a trip to Schenectady, thence to Canton and after that attendance at a meeting of the Cancer Society in New York.

Plans already announced are that Madame Curie will tour north from Schenectady as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Owen D. Young. Mrs. William Brown Meloney, editor of the Sunday Magazine Section of the New York Herald-Tribune, will also be a member of the party. Mrs. Meloney is a very loyal friend of St. Lawrence University, having spoken before the student body in the past. It was she who persuaded Madame Curie to come to this country in 1921, and it was largely through her effort at that time that the women of this country presented to the noted scientist, through President Harding, one gram of radium for use in her laboratory in France. It was largely through her interest in and friendship for Madame Curie that the latter wrote her memoirs of her husband, Pierre Curie, and included in this volume autobiographical notes of her own. This volume being the only time that Madame Curie has endeavored to put in print the facts about her life.

The whole world is debtor to this quiet, modest woman, and her late husband. Everyone knows the part which radium has taken in the field of medicine. Cancer, among the most difficult and dreaded of all human diseases, is being combated with radium. Hospitals throughout the world use radium in a score of other ways to alleviate human suffering. The small quantity of radium available is guarded closely.

Radium is a white metal secured by breaking down ore containing uranium. The process of extracting radium is extremely difficult and delicate. It is a matter of a few days in the story of her life. Briefly given, it follows: In the sketch which follows no effort has been made to dwell upon the many honors which have been bestowed upon her. An attempt has only been made to set down the bare facts describing how through the years she has heroically braved fame through her own efforts.

The life of Madame Marie Curie is intensely interesting. To the boy or girl who is looking into the future it stands as a symbol of encouragement; to anyone who has the false impression that pioneering passed with the days of the Wild West, it is a complete refutation; to the man who cherishes ideals about materialistic things, it is an exemplification of service to mankind with no thought of pecuniary reward.

Madame Curie's maiden name was Marie Sklodowska. Being of Polish origin she passed nearly all of her life up to seventeen years of age in Warsaw where her father was a professor in a lyceum. Her mother also had scholastic tendencies and before her marriage was director of a girl's school. Both parents came from the middle class, were Catholics.

Poland at the time of her birth, November 7, 1867, and up to the time of the World War was under the oppressive and tyrannical domination of Czaristic Russia. Any expression of nationalism was crushed down by the mailed fist. Even the children felt the presence of this constant shadow. But under the surface the Poles never lost their spirit, nor let their love for national freedom.

Young Marie gave an early indication of intellectual capacity. Her passion for learning increased as her schooling progressed and she soon began to yearn to enter a profession beyond the limitations existing in Poland. At fifteen she had completed high school. From her father she had apparently inherited a bent for mathematics and physics. The mother had died. From the age of seventeen until twenty-four Marie either kept home for her father, or served as a governess. During this time she was continuing with her education alone, groping her way along, only knowing that there was much she wanted to learn and trying to determine for herself along what lines she had the greatest aptitude. Mathematics and the sciences won out and Marie began planning to continue her studies in France where one of her sisters lived.

At the age of 24, in 1891, with the money she had carefully saved, she at last arrived in Paris and was welcomed by her sister and sister's husband.

Flinding that she lacked the necessary requirements to enter the Sorbonne she made up the deficiencies. That she might be nearer the institution she left the home of her sister and for four years occupied a small attic room on a sixth floor. In the winter the room was poorly heated. She had to carry the coal for the stove up the six flights. Over an alcohol lamp she cooked her scanty meals, often nothing more than a cup of hot chocolate and an egg. But the hardship of such living conditions was of no importance so long as the opportunity to continue her studies was possible.

In 1893 Marie Sklodowska graduated at the head of her class in physics and a year later stood second in her class in mathematics. Her time had been largely spent between the classroom, experimenting in the laboratory, and reading in the library. Her zest for absorbing knowledge never abated. It was in 1894, at the home of a compatriot, that she met Pierre Curie, and this marked the turning point in her life. He was a young physicist and this chance acquaintance ripened into a mutual affection for they were both interested in the same scientific and social problems. A year later they were married. It was a simple ceremony attended by only a few friends. Marie had no trousseau. With a money gift from a relative they purchased two bicycles and set out on their honeymoon, a tour of the beautiful countryside about Paris.

Pierre Curie was tall man with auburn hair and limpid eyes. At 38 he had become Professor in the School of Physics of Paris. The young wife obtained permission to work with him in research work during of hours in the school laboratory. In their little apartment they found a happy retreat where they could review together the efforts of the day's research. For relaxation and diversion they made trips into the country where both found expression for their love of nature. On their bicycles they explored every nook near the city.

In an unused corner of the Physics School laboratory Pierre and Marie began making their experiments. He was interested in research on crystals and she in the magnetic properties of steel. It was under these modest and quiet arrangements that they first began what was to become their great work, leading to the discovery of radium.

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CITIZENS' REFORESTATION COMMITTEE MEETS

Regional Meetings to Be Held This Month to Interest Citizens.

The county Citizens' Committee on reforestation met at the Hotel Harrington last week to listen to the report of a sub-committee appointed at a previous meeting. The Citizens' Committee is the outgrowth of recent action taken by Ogdensburg's Rotary Club. Its objective is to induce the board of supervisors to appropriate \$5000 for reforestation purposes. This sum, under the Hewitt bill will be duplicated by the state and this county will have \$10000 to spend.

The method of bringing this matter to the attention of the board is to be accomplished by a series of regional meetings at the latter part of the month, when regional committees will be organized. Not only the provisions of the bill, but representation, and then, if the people desire to petition the board to appropriate the money they will be given an opportunity to do so.

The board of supervisors is probably not fully awake to the desirability of a reforestation program in this county as is the Citizens' Committee, and the committee has only one thought in its mind. That is that while the board is probably rather unanimous in its desire to start a reforestation program under the bill, they naturally hesitate in appropriating \$5000 of the people's money annually unless they have reason to believe that the people want it done. Petitions to this effect, signed by taxpayers, it is believed, would be the best evidence possible to place before the board.

The Hotel Harrington Committee meeting was attended by twenty-five enthusiasts. An hour and a half was spent after the dinner in discussing the committee's report and reforestation. Under this bill the county would buy land and pay transportation of the seedlings, and the expense of planting them.

Reforestation is desirable from every standpoint and undesirable from none. It will anchor wild blown sand and clothe arid and waste lands in verdure. It makes worthless lands of some value at once and this value steadily increases in time it becomes a marketable product and proper forestry methods perpetuates its value. At our present rate of reforestation it will take three hundred years to reforest the waste land in this state. If reforestation can be speeded up we can bring back to this state in large measure its forest growth, in the wasting of which many millions of dollars have been made. Nor is that all. With this county and other counties, embarked on reforestation programs, an example will be set which will be followed by many who otherwise might not become interested.

Many facts and figures were given at the meeting showing that reforestation is a real business, that it is an investment of money, that it will bring in actual and desirable dividends.

Regional meetings are to be held in Gouverneur October 14, Massena October 15, Ogdensburg October 16, Potsdam October 17, and Canton October 18. Committees in these respective localities will have charge of the meetings and it is expected that well informed speakers will be present.

A smooth well-made bed not only improves the appearance of the room but adds sound sleep.

STATE SCHOOL BOYS ON INTERESTING TRIP

VISIT FARMS IN CENTRAL PART OF THE STATE

Tour of Crop Farms Proves To Be An Eye Opener.

"An eye opener crop tour" is one way in which the trip taken by fifteen boys of the farm scope class at the State School of Agriculture last week might be appropriately termed. Director Whittemore of the School believes in not only teaching the students at the school about farming but in showing them some of the most successful farms and letting them meet the farmers. During the year many trips are taken about the state.

Last Thursday the fifteen students in the farm crop class set out in autos for a three days trip into the central part of the state. For the most part these lads had just entered the school. The purpose of the tour was to visit some of the large crop farms, to interview the farmers, ask a multitude of questions and learn first hand the state. Directly in front of the structures, Longe and Foster went along with the boys. Each boy carried with him a mimeographed set of questions. These questions were arranged so that one set would pertain to one type of farm visited, another set for another farm. When the tour was completed each student had not only seen these various farms but he had a record of what, how and why each farmer did a whole list of things.

For three days the eyes of these fifteen boys fairly popped out of their heads. They saw things they had never dreamed of; they heard things that they never knew either existed or took place.

After leaving Canton early Thursday morning their first stop was at Fulton where H. E. Snyder operates a farm for growing high quality corn, better known as the Dent or Oswego Ensilage corn. In the afternoon they were at the large G. L. F. Warehouse and inspected the seed department from which thousands of farmers in the state are supplied their seed.

Then came a visit to the Gardner Brothers farms at Tully where a crop of some 15,000 bushels of certified seed potatoes are grown. On to Ithaca they spent a pleasant evening with John Mookley, famous track and cross country coach of Cornell University, who personally showed the group over the State College Memorial Hall. Later in the evening Lewis of the State College talked about the future improvements in crops.

Friday morning a rub was made over to Trumansburg where Fred N. Smith operates his big bean farm. Mr. Smith is one of the twenty "master farmers" of the state. Out of some 1,000 acres coming under his supervision either directly or indirectly, he has seen some 90 acres of beans. Mr. Smith does not use fertilizer in certified seed growing but raises his crop for the table market.

After visiting one of nature's wonders, Watkins Glen, the party found themselves at the noted Wilson & Jones farms. Charles Wilson is former Commissioner of Agriculture in this state and was recently appointed by President Hoover to the Federal Farm Board. His partner, Bruce P. Jones, is also president of the New York State Seed Improvement Association. Here were some 600 acres under operation, 100 acres on a side hill being given over to fruit growing. An unusual sight greeted the eyes of the students, the modern method of harvesting the oat crop. A big machine passed through the oat field, cutting off only the tops of the oats, and from the tail of the machine the bags of threshed oats dropped to the ground. After the harvest the field, oat stalks included, is plowed. No time is wasted in bothering with the straw, it goes back as a nourishment for the soil.

At Hall, N. Y., farm to be seen an up-to-date cabbage farm. In one building, overnight, was raised \$2,000 worth of cabbage seed. One of the sons, the farmer here, specializes in various strains and varieties of cabbages.

On Friday after listening to a talk on Planning Crop Rotation by Farm Bureau Manager Pease, of Ontario county, the party found themselves at the famous Livermore farms at Honeoye Falls, 800 acres in all under cultivation. K. C. Livermore was acting professor at the state college. After making a survey of this state and the whole country, he gave up his professorship and settled down on this farm to put into practical application theoretical farming. From his farm or farms he produces something like 80,000 bushels of crop seed annually. Prof. Livermore not only operates his own farm but has inspired the farmers about him to join in this special work, thereby each farm protects its neighbor from the inroads of seed disease. A community of seed specialists might be said to have resulted.

As a final eye opener the muck and soil farm of George H. Fish, managed by R. C. Bennett, was visited. Here the black muck soil was seen extending into the distance. There were 65 acres of celery, in cultivation and celery harvest cutters in operation. It is said that when a farm hand starts out planting celery in the morning he spends the morning going out on one row and the afternoon coming back on the neighboring row. From 400 to 500 crates per acre of celery are shipped from this farm in the neighborhood of 3,000 carloads annually for the New York market. Of local interest is the fact that Rolland Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus P. Clark, of Canton, has spent the summer work-

ing on this farm and at the request of Mr. Bennett is staying on until the season closes.

All along the way the party took notes which will go toward building up a set of illustrated lectures for use at the State School. At each farm the party met the manager or owner, with note books in hand and mimeographed sheets before them they would begin asking questions as to the how, why and wherefor this that and the other thing was done. For instance, they learned that Mr. Livermore never used manure as a fertilizer as he finds it too expensive a method to follow. From Mr. Robinson they learned how cabbage seed is grown. Master Farmer Smith told them how beans in quantity are harvested. Machinery of an amazing variety was seen in operation. Methods were discussed.

Needless to say when the fifteen boys returned to Canton, they were sure, they had obtained a new vision of farming. Personally they had visited farms who had started in with their own hands and had travelled the road to success and even fortune. During their course at the State School these same boys will make other trips, learn how other types of farming are carried on, will go to New York to find out how marketing on a mammoth scale is conducted, and distribution of farm products made.

S. L. U. AND C. H. S. BOTH DEFEATED

SYRACUSE ROLLS UP 65 TO 0 SCORE ON VARSITY

Malone Takes Measure of Canton 29 to 0 in Fast Game.

Saturday was a black time for both the St. Lawrence University eleven and the Canton High boys on the gridiron. The Varsity took a 65 to 0 defeat from Syracuse and Canton High for against Malone, going down 39 to 0. Although St. Lawrence made a better showing against Syracuse, their heavier opponents scored almost at will, rolling up 27 points in the first quarter. The game was played in the afternoon under extremely warm weather conditions. For this reason the last quarters were cut to 10 minutes each. Syracuse showed marked weakness in stopping and runs and off tackle plays. Stevens, left half back for Syracuse, and Sebo, fullback, each cut through the Larry defense for three touchdowns apiece. Constantine, a 195 full back substituted for Sebo, punctured the Larry line for two more touchdowns. At no time did St. Lawrence threaten. Syracuse, her offence not being able to make any headway against the Orange defense.

With the Colgate and Syracuse games out of the way St. Lawrence will now settle down to prepare for the remainder of the fall schedule with teams from C. N. Y. on Saturdays she will meet C. N. Y. on Weeks Field, Canton, this being one of the three home games. The rest of the schedule is as follows:

Oct. 19—Niagara at Canton.
Oct. 26—Middlebury at Middlebury.
Nov. 1—Alfred at Alfred.
Nov. 8—Clarkson at Canton.
So far this season Clarkson has fared better than St. Lawrence, having the advantage of taking on only one stiff game. She won her opener at Potsdam, 6 to 0 against Alfred, dropped her game with Cornell 60 to 0, and lost again last Saturday to Hamilton at Clinton, 14 to 7.

Formerly open their schedule with Manlius at Manlius. Three more games will follow: Oswego Normal at Oswego on Oct. 19; Vermont Fresh at Canton, Oct. 26; and Clarkson Fresh at Potsdam Nov. 2.

C. H. S. 65, Malone 29
Ogdensburg 20 points to the man (Canton) could not resist the veteran Malone. With the diminutive Malone quarterback Maloney, cutting loose on his spectacular runs, shielded by a splendid interference, the Franklin county eleven put over six touchdowns.

Notwithstanding the one-sided score the Canton team put up a good fight and made the game worth watching. As again of Hal Kingston at center considered the craftiest and best playing center in the League. Captain Chuck Snyder outplayed Maloney and in the last quarter got off a neat pass to Givens which almost netted a touchdown.

The League positions were scrambled up a bit as the result of Saturday's game. Ogdensburg redeemed herself after the defeat with Massena the prettier work by winning over Gouverneur 51 to 7. Massena defeated Potsdam 26 to 7. This gives Malone and Massena a clean slate to date with a score and a defeat chalked against them with O. A. leading in margin of points. Gouverneur and Potsdam are contending for the cellar position with Gouverneur closest to the bottom foundation. It begins to look like another race between Massena and Malone for the League championship.

Tracy Mills Grand
On account of the bad roads and weather, there was a very small attendance at the meeting of October 3rd.

The next meeting, which is October 17, will be the annual harvest dinner, with a special program in the afternoon in charge of Mrs. Myrtle Allen and Miss Irene Bullis.

TURNING THE OLD CLOCK BACKWARD

10 Years Ago

Ten years ago the Zeta Sigma, men's local fraternity at St. Lawrence University, became New York Rho chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Hon. A. Barton Hepburn had renewed his offer to give the town of Canton \$50,000 with which to expand the library facilities of the village over the entire township. The offer was conditional that on a two-thirds vote the electors of the town vote to accept the gift and also vote to appropriate annually a sum sufficient, with the income from the \$50,000, to amount to \$4,000 for library use in the town. Mr. Hepburn specified that this vote should be taken before Nov. 5, 1919.

The American House (the old Hodskin House) changed hands. M. J. Harrington and J. T. Barnett, of Potsdam, purchased the property from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burke. The sale price was reported to be in the neighborhood of \$10,000. Subsequently Mr. Harrington became sole owner and the following ten years have seen this hostelry completely remodeled until it is recognized today as one of the finest hotels in Northern New York. Canton's hotel problem was thus solved.

Margaret O'Brien, wife of Patrick O'Brien, died at the family home. The law requiring special license on automobiles was causing car owners embarrassment as the state troopers were alert to detect offenders with illegal headlights.

Frank Lavery caught his hand in the gears of No. 4 machine at the DeGrasse Paper Company mill and lost nearly all of the fingers of his hand.

25 Years Ago
Hon. W. H. Shack, although in poor health, was accorded a unanimous vote for Congress in this district. With the enrollment of 70 in the entering class of the University, "A Greater St. Lawrence" was said to have come into realization. In 25 years the entering class has grown to 230 under restricted entrance requirements.

James Spears was erecting four houses on Harrison street. They were considered pretty well out in the country at the time.

The Universalist Society had succeeded in raising their entire church indebtedness.

There were to be seven national tickets appearing on the fall ballots, each party having 28 electors, besides state and county tickets. The ballots were regular broadsides.

Rev. W. H. Stubblebine was to be installed as Presbyterian pastor on October 5th.

The Village Board was installing a Smith horse drinking fountain opposite the American House.

"Walking bouquets" was needed in the village. The animals were reported to have attained a large and vigorous growth and to have multiplied alarmingly. Elimination without atmospheric disturbance was desired.

60 Years Ago
"Norwood has just constructed five cisterns for her fire department. The cisterns will open his axe factory Wednesday morning."

COUNTY COURT OPENS

Silm Calendar Comes Before Judge Dolan For Trial.

At 1:30 Monday afternoon the October term of County Court opened with County Judge James C. Dolan presiding. The first thing done was to call the civil calendar. Nine cases appeared on it for trial before juries, but they were disposed of as follows:

Case of John J. Boyle vs. Walter Leach was referred to Frank L. Cullen.

Case of Max E. Carney vs. Ivan Eldridge was marked as settled.

The following cases were marked for trial, all the remainder going over: David Hopkins vs. Chas. Fallon and Mand Fallon; Caroline L. Audlin vs. Claude H. Preston; Seaker-Graves Motor Co. vs. Florence Peck, Friday morning.

A young man named William Gillow pleaded guilty to burglary and larceny committed in the town of Potsdam on the 29th of last June. He was represented by Leon G. Cray. He has been convicted of a felony before and will have to serve a term, but his case was not disposed of at the time.

Lyle Gillow and Bernard Gillow, ages 21 and 18, pleaded guilty to the same indictment as William, but as they are first offenders, the Court talked to them a long time and placed each on probation for 4 years. They were represented by Chas. A. Murphy.

A young Canadian named Joseph Rice pleaded guilty to forgery 2nd degree committed at Canton. Leon G. Cray appeared for him. He was placed on probation for 3 years, but it is quite possible that he will be deported.

John D. VanKenneen moved to put the case of Angelo Vinch, of Ogdensburg, charged with assault 2nd degree over the term, but the motion was denied. Lewis O. Welt is his regular attorney.

Only three or four trial jurors wanted to be excused and about half past three an adjournment was taken until Tuesday morning at 9:30, there being no case ready for trial.

Russell
Otis Fox is having his store wired for electric lights.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Perry were at Gouverneur Friday.

R. A. Guyott was a business caller at Canton Saturday.

Donald Snell and N. A. Stafford were at Gouverneur Tuesday.

Harriet Brundage spent the weekend at Hermon with Ella Reed.

Mrs. Geo. Dodds called on Mrs. F. A. Bouchey Sunday afternoon.

A. Bouchey hurt his left hand Tuesday while working on the bridge.

Dorman Lenox and a friend spent Tuesday night with his father, Wm. Lenox.

Mrs. M. C. Hepburn and son spent Wednesday at Gouverneur with Mrs. Edgar Booher.

Next Sunday will be Rally Day at the Methodist church. There will be special services.

Miss Avis Bromaghin, of Canton, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Hance.

Mrs. Abner Paro was taken sick Saturday afternoon. Mrs. E. J. Clark is caring for her.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hepburn spent Thursday night at Canton with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Derby.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dygert and children spent Sunday at Syracuse with their daughter Eloise.

Mrs. J. B. Dutton entertained Mrs. Susan Thompson and Mrs. Abner Paro for dinner Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Stafford and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leach spent Sunday with friends at Owegatchie.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kelly, Jr., and daughter, Teresa, and Miss Bernice Kelly, left Thursday morning for Syracuse.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hepburn spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Derby and attended the movie "Noah's Ark."

Gordon and Marie Shore, of Edwards, Genevieve Hepburn and Bertha Noble spent the week-end at Burke with Mr. and Mrs. Shore.

The Home Bureau will meet in the Grange hall Wednesday evening, Oct. 9. Everyone is invited to attend. The new membership drive is now on.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Todd, of Buck Bridge, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hepburn Thursday. In the afternoon Mrs. Hepburn entertained for tea Mrs. H. A. Perry, Mrs. E. J. Curtis, Mrs. A. B. Shaw, Miss Phyllis Sibbitt and Mrs. Todd as guest of honor. Mrs. Todd has been an invalid for thirty-five years. In the late afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Hepburn took them home in their car.

Weekbridge Corners
Mrs. Alfred McDonald and children accompanied to Canton Sunday and spent the day with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paige, of Westport, spent Sunday with their son, Roland Paige, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Norton and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Norton's mother, Mrs. Mills Norton.

Mrs. Harry Norton and children and Mrs. Fred Collins and daughter, Mary, were shopping in Ogdensburg Saturday.

Mrs. Edward Dean and children, Margaret, Mary, Donald, Douglas, Ernest and Lea, spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Matthew Farley, on the Potsdam road.

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