Pelham

Old Home Day Program Proves Huge Success

(Special to The Sun)

PHELHAM, N. H., Aug. 14—In spite of the unseasonably cold weather, the annual Old Home Day for the benefit of the Pelham Congregational church drew one of the largest crowds in its history. From a financial standpoint it promises to be very successful.

The various booths opened for business at 10 a. m. At 12:30 an excellent dinner was served at the church, and the waitresses and cooks were kept busy filling orders. The children's parade at 3 o'clock was the feature of the afternoon. Prizes were awarded to Joanne Houle for having the prettiest carriage; Glennie Boutwell for the most original costume; Danny Atwood, Jr., for the best costume; and a rhythm band, made up of Ronnie Ducharme, Robert A. Page and Harry O. Page. All children who took part were given ice cream.

A tableau of old songs was presented by the Girl Scouts of Camp Runels, as follows:

Tableau of Old Songs—trumpeters, Miss Josephine O'Connor, Mr. Bernard McLain; pianists (Girl Scout), Miss Polly Oliver; pages, Martha Cowet, Eleanor Forte.

Indian Love Call—Birchwood unit, Sandy Nelson, Beth Hannon.

Curtain Call—Robert Fletcher, Ralph Boutwell, Doris Leonard, Billy Melanson.


Yankee Doodle—Ernest Sherburne, Fred Lyon, David Lyon.

Bicycle Built for Two—Margaret Garland, Rita Bennett.

Columbia the Gem of the Ocean—Crow's Nest unit—Angel Hayes, Cynthia Fox, Esther Johnson, Janet Zinn, Jean Cramton, Polly Ann Hull.


Girl Scout Scene—Oak Ridge unit—Anita Kearns, Natalie Berry, Joan Woods, Judith Upton, Jane Mayo, Janet Mesayle.

Star Spangled Banner—Hilda Peabody.

At 5 p. m. came the so-called game between the Girl Scouts and a picked team of local young men. The boys barely managed to win the game by one run after a hotly contested session.

The big parade was the best in many years and afforded much amusement. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Maisie Richardson for the best decorated car; the 4-H club for best float; Ernest G. Sherburne's Ye Olde Village Choir, most original; Mrs. Stella Carleton, best horrible; Norman Provencal, best walking horrible; Phyllis Wilkund, best bicycle. A special prize was given to the Girl Scouts, who turned out in force to add color to the occasion.

The local fire department failed to get revenge over the Dracut department when they met in tug-of-war. Again the Dracut heavy-weights succeeded in pulling the Pelham boys across the line, much to the disappointment of the localites.

During the night the crowd was entertained by an excellent concert by the New Hampshire W. P. A. band while all the stands and booths continued to dispose of their wares until sold out.

Much credit for the success of the occasion must be accorded to Ernest Q. Bigelow, general chairman, all committees, ably and untriuously assisted by the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Hoffman and others. A list of the various committees follows:

Candy: Mrs. Ralph Hoffman, Miss Dora Koehler, Miss Helen Morris and Miss Margery Garland.

Flowers: Mr. and Mrs. James Davies and Miss Pearl Davies.

Pop Corn: Mr. Harry Mortlach.

Grabs: Miss Florence Hobbs, Miss Herlott Hobbs.

Vegetables and Fruits: Mr. Fred Burton, Miss Mabel Burton and the Garland family.

Children's Table: Mrs. Alice Overlock, Mrs. Mary Wood, Mrs. Fred Lyon, Mrs. Robert Fletcher and Miss Jessie Jones.

Kitchenware: Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson, Mrs. Mildred Carleton and Mrs. Charlotte Bagley.

Jams and Preserves: Mrs. Norma Spaulding, Mrs. Alvina Spaulding, Miss Alma Spaulding and Miss Anna Gondek.

Aprons: Miss Molly Hobbs, Miss Frances Hobbs and Mrs. Estelle Hyde Richardson.

Auctions: Mrs. Cora Butler, Mrs. Minnie Bigelow and Mrs. Cora Bigelow.

Games: Alan Thorne, Charlie Pariseau, Alfred Ducharme, Bobby Ouellette and Walter Leopold.

Food Tent: Mrs. Louise Hayes, Miss Hazel Spaulding, Mrs. Sadie Bennett, Mrs. Rita Bennett, Miss Dolly Bennett, Mr. Maisie Richardson, Mr. Charles Pariseau, Mrs. Elmer Raymond.

Tonic and Ice Cream: Fred Lyon, Frank M. Carleton, Edward Stevens and Asa Carleton.

Parcel Post: Mr. and Mrs. George Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greeley and Mrs. Martha Hubley.

Miscellaneous: Mrs. R. T. McCor-
nick, Mrs. Rita Tilcomb, Mrs. Fred Kingsbury, Mrs. Forest E. Kelley and Mrs. Frank Carleton.