

Actuaries are not common, especially in these parts. One of the most widely known insurance actuaries in Western Ontario died recently. His name, J. H. Lithgow, a former well known resident of Bobcaygeon. The late James Lithgow was at one time prominent in municipal and business affairs in Bobcaygeon and was an active member of the curling club.

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W. J. McMahon, Albert Street south passed away in Ross Memorial Hospital recently and interment took place in Riverside Cemetery. Bill McMahon, more commonly known as "Billy" was prominent in sports in Lindsay several years back. He was accepted as one of the finest short stops on the Lindsay baseball diamond.

His liking for sport was also manifested on the hockey pad, especially when playing with the Olympia hockey team in the town league. Being stocky of build and a good skater he was always a formidable opponent. Billy McMahon was also a member of the Olympia baseball team for several years and was a player on the Lindsay Greybirds team. Billy McMahon was also a member of the Lindsay Curling Club for a number of years.

In fraternal circles, he was the possessor of a fifty year jewel in Faithful Bhethren Lodge, Masonic. In the business world he was a member of the railway fraternity, having been in charge at the old Grank Trunk and later the CNR freight department. He was a son of the late J. J. McMahon, who was an engineer with the Grand Trunk Railway.

He will be well remembered by many friends at home and in distant parts.

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It has been said that the lot of a policeman is not a happy one. This is a questionable statement. If ill health enters into the picture then the truth of the statement cannot be denied. John Hunter as chief of the Lindsay constabulary resigned recently because of

ill health. Many friends will join with "Main Street" in expressing regrets at Johnny Hunter's retirement.

Former Chief Hunter had many friends. He was a friend to the offender of the law and at times a wise counsellor. In his day on the local force he assisted many a victim of unfortunate circumstances and at times took the offender to his home, and family rather than lock him up in the "cooler".

He could also be severe and hard boiled when in the pursuit of criminals. He has been known to settle family matters amicably when it appeared parents and other members of families were headed for trouble and perhaps grief.

On one occasion, Chief Hunter was called in to settle a dispute taking place at a house party. A dance was about to be broken up in wrath when Chief Hunter adeptly levelled the fiddle under his chin and deftly handled the bow. He was the only left handed fiddler in the district at the time and this added to the friendly atmosphere at the party which followed.

Police Chief Hunter was a strong arm softball pitcher and his trusty southpaw delivery which was speedy and curvy, fooled many a strong hitter and won many a hard fought game. John Hunter, the police chief, was a friend of reporters. At times he held his counsel but generally was very fair in divulging neces-

sary facts in important cases. Many time he appeared as Chief as well as prosecutor in the local police court. He had a keen knowledge of the law and in presenting cases "on his own", saved the town many hundreds of dollars.