

Deaths of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge. In Memoriam notices are charged at the rate of 10c per line for the first week and 5c per line for each additional week. Cards of Thanks are free.

BORN

PFAPF—On Sunday, December 25, at Belleville General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pfaff, the gift of a son.

ALLAN—To Mr. and Mrs. Robt. A. Allan, of Hamilton, on December 18, 1949, at Mount Hamilton Hospital, a son, Robert David.

CLOSE—Mr. and Mrs. Leo Close, Acton, are happy to announce the arrival of Tommy's little sister at the Nursing Home, Acton, on Thursday, December 29. Mother and baby just fine.

GORDON—Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon (nee Lois Fryer) Main St., Acton, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Teresa Lynn at the Nursing Home on December 25. Mother and baby just fine.

DEED

DOUGLAS—At her home, 518 Brock Ave., Toronto, on Sunday, December 25, 1949, Beattie Douglas, dear sister of William, Haystack and James of Acton.

McNAIR—In Georgetown, on Sunday, Dec. 25, 1949, Mary Jane Cunningham, daughter of the late Graham M. McNair, in her 71st year. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Milton.

FORBES—At Lachine, Quebec, on Wednesday, December 28, 1949, George Frederick Forbes, son of the late Mary Campbell and William Forbes, formerly of Acton, in his 59th year. Burial at the Victor H. Rumley Funeral Home from Friday noon until Saturday where funeral service will be held at 2:30 o'clock. Interment Fairview cemetery, Acton.

IN MEMORIAM

COLLIER—In loving memory of a dear mother, Elizabeth F. Collier who passed away December 28, 1947.

Lovingly remembered by daughter, Annie.

ROBINSON—In loving memory of our dear mother and wife who passed away December 29, 1948. We who loved you sadly miss you. As it dawns another year. In our lonely hours of thinking, Thoughts of you are ever near. Love remembered by loving husband and family.

STUCKEY—In loving memory of my dear sister, Rita Stuckey, who passed away Dec. 27, 1947. Peacefully sleeping, resting at last. The world's weary troubles and trials are past. In silence she suffered, in patience she bore. Till God called her home, to suffer no more.

Jessie Kenton

CARDS OF THANKS

Mrs. James Ramsay wishes to thank her many friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness and gifts of flowers and fruit received during her illness.

Ours and that

—Rain certainly made Christmas a wet one.

—Happy New Year and the best to you and yours.

—Acton's inaugural town council starts sessions on Tuesday.

—Mr. Lloyd Bulmer has purchased the house on Arthur St. from Mr. Claude Cook.

—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cook and family moved into the house they purchased from Mrs. Alex. Bell, Knox Ave., on Tuesday.

—Send in your visitors names for the personal column each week. Drop them in the letterbox at the Free Press or telephone 174.

—The Free Press office will be closed next Monday. Illustrations for advertising next week should be chosen not later than Saturday morning.

—Bob Caldwell of Georgetown and Fred Mather of Erin will, next week, open a new Grocery and Meat business in the store formerly occupied by the Carload Groceries.

—A Christmas note and card from Alex. Bell from Aberdeen, Scotland, says "I enjoy the Free Press very much. It is still the old home to me and I love to hear all the news about it. By what I read I don't think I would know it at first glance. I would like to have another look at dear Acton."

—John Mowat of Rockwood escaped without serious injury when his car upset on its side on No. 7 Highway about 11:30 p.m. Sunday. Before coming to rest on its side, the vehicle reportedly knocked down five guard-rail posts, smashing its headlights and one front fender. Damage to the car is not extensive it was stated.

Great Britain's government backed Information Bureau recently was invited to name a price for Pollak's rights to "Gulliver's Travels," by Jonathan Swift, written 300 years ago.

Australia has crossed Canadian white rice with Churka wheat and got increased, more dependable yields, and better bread.

Obituary

ROBERT BELL

Native of Ayrshire, Scotland and resident of Milton for the past 43 years, Robert Bell passed away at his home, Martin Street, Milton, on Sunday, December 18th in his seventy-first year. He had been in failing health for some months. This year he and Mrs. Bell had a two month's visit in the old home in Scotland which they both greatly enjoyed.

Since coming from Scotland in 1907, Mr. Bell has always resided in Milton. For eighteen years he has conducted the garage at the corner of Martin Street and the town line.

Reside his wife, who was before marriage Sarah McGarvey, he leaves a family of two daughters and two sons to reverse his memory. They are Mrs. Harold Fay, Mrs. Sarah Holmes, John and Jim, all of Milton. One sister also survives, Mrs. Wm. Hutchinson, Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland. To all of these sympathy of many friends goes at this time of bereavement.

Mr. Bell was a member of the Presbyterian Church and the funeral service at the home was conducted by his minister, Rev. E. J. Phinn. Pallbearers were Messrs. David Burns, Robt. Wanda, Alex. Ramsay, all of Hamilton; and Chas. Davidson, Edwin Harrop and Murray Sprad. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Milton.

Sportsmanship

By Joseph Lister Rutledge

In these days no one questions the basic rights of labor—the right to work, the right to use all peaceable means to further and protect these interests. Equally no one should deny that as the permanence and progress of these interests depend on the ability of industry to create and maintain the jobs that make organized labor possible, industry's rights are as vital to the worker as are his own.

This argument really springs from some thoughts expressed by a business friend of ours. He was arguing for balanced thinking, and he emphasized that when balance was lost, either through prejudice or the disturbing influences of non-democratic thinking, both interests suffered. Let communism overtake democracy, as in Russia, and trade union leaders become the docile pawns of the Politburo. Let Socialism take over, as in Britain, and labor's leaders become political leaders, and labor's cause is delegated to second-class interests and second-class men. The democratic approach provides the one avenue where both labor and industry can meet on terms of mutual interest.

But democracy, as my friend pointed out, is a matter of equal rather than arbitrary rights. If then labor stresses its right to work and to organize, it must admit that whatever restricts similar rights for others must defeat its own claim. Union members would resent mass picketing of their homes or meeting halls and would expect the law to assure them free and safe access. Can they then, without destroying their own argument, restrict others from reaching their offices and washrooms? Labor expects industry to secure its own orders and collect its own accounts, and assumes no responsibility for either. It is only when it considers its own position that it thinks differently and asks management to compel union membership and collect union dues. Quite properly, the worker would resent any effort to force him to some organization and contribute to its support, as a condition of employment. But the "closed shop" and the "Rand formula" impose such terms on those whom management might wish to hire. Labor properly resents the suggestion of influence in labor-management discussions but it rejects a closed hall, lot that might permit peacefully-minded workers to express an uninfluenced opinion.

My friend was not making a partisan argument. As he said, he was arguing a case that shouldn't have to be argued between labor and management any more than it should be debated in sport. It was the very simple idea that any rules should apply equally to all contestants.

MOTORIZED SLED

A motor toboggan developed by a Kitchener company and reported in The Financial Post features automatic clutch and transmission entirely eliminating clutch pedal and gear shifting. Automatic type steering wheel and hand throttle said to be only controls necessary and a positive steering enables the toboggan to follow twisted trail it is said. Governor-equipped heavy duty engine can be converted to a stationary engine providing steady power flow during the summer. It will carry two persons and is equipped with a tow bar for hauling a sleigh. Fuel consumption is about 40 miles to the gallon and maximum speed approximately 25 miles per hour.

Mournful Beginnings

By Joseph Lister Rutledge

Victor Hugo, looking out of his Paris window at the crowds below the barricades, screaming for government and justice, scoffed: "These are not the people—these are only the mournful beginnings of the people."

We ourselves have come to believe that our business in the state is largely a matter of continual demanding. We want some force to undertake the nebulous movements that we call human, forward-looking, constructive. We want everyone to have a better start and we are content when government responds with the easy cure-all of Family Allowances. We are vaguely disturbed about our financial situation and declining foreign trade, but we accept the remedy of federal control of exchange and distribution and added subsidies. We want an equalizing of rewards and get instead taxation that limits incentive and strangles effort. We think of world government or the abolition of war and gladly turn over our worries to government groups and committees of study.

There is much in our demands. They are often generous, well-intentioned and forward-looking. But they are just mournful beginnings of thinking as we are of people. We have a vast credulity and with it a measureless wealth of latent capacity. The capacity we stifle, the credulity tells us that someone other than ourselves will "take life forward." We have an absurd and thoughtless confidence in the good will, sense and devotion of the men in which we have vested the power to put reforms into operation. We don't approve of them when they touch ourselves, but we hope they will miraculously of broad-minded altruism on matters more distant—personal. But the lesson of all history is that power is never so used. We cannot hope for it now. The best we can hope is that, as individuals, we will share that power; that we will invest our individual strength and integrity in honestly informing ourselves, and assume our own measure of responsibility rather than bridge it to some committee or group or government. The people's representatives in parliament are the mirror of people themselves. Society has never been better than the quality of the units that compose it. If we remain the mournful beginnings of people we cannot hope that our government can provide more than the "mournful beginnings" of our high and generous hopes.

Liberty is never the first concern of government. It is in the charge of the people from whom governments spring. It is not a lasting and inalienable endowment. As Justice Frankfurter of the United States Supreme Court has said of it: "This heritage is always endangered by inertia and complacency, by timidity and reluctance to keep abreast of the needs of a progressive society. This is a grave

WORKS BOTH WAYS

Judge: "Did you see that shot that was fired?"

Witness: "No, I only heard it." Judge: "That is not sufficient evidence. You may sit down."

As the witness left the stand and while his back was turned to the judge, he laughed out loud. At once the judge recalled him for contempt of court.

Witness: "Did you see me laugh?"

Judge: "No, but I heard you."

Witness: "Insufficient evidence, Judge."—The Lubricator.

Farnworth Memorials

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CEMETERY LETTERING
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All Citizens Are Invited

To attend the inaugural session of the First Council of the Town of Acton to be held in the Council Chamber on

Tuesday, January 3rd, 1950
AT 8 P.M.

Appropriate ceremonies have been arranged for this first meeting of Town Council in the erection of Acton to the status of a Town
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FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 12 gauge double barrel shotgun and 2 boxes of shells. Phone 1965 Acton.

FOR SALE - Dry maple and beech firewood. Also applies by the basket or hamper. S. Enright, R.R. 4, Phone 11968.

FOR SALE - Saw Mill, almost new, 50' blade. Edger in good running order. Cost over \$1500. Last spring reasonable. Make offer. Can be seen at Clarkson, Ont. Write Clarkson Post Office Box 138A.

FOR SALE - Plumbing supplies, in good supply at Hilton's Plumbing and Heating, Acton, Ont. Black and galvanized pipe, all sizes, cut and threaded if desired, pipe fittings, soil pipe and soil pipe fitting, sinks, basins, baths, sump pumps, shallow well pump, sump tanks. Phone 341W.

WANTED

WANTED TO BUY - Small house with conveniences. P.O. Box 552, Acton.

WANTED - Reliable woman for household work, full or part time. Phone 281.

WANTED - Chickens and fowl. Highest market prices. Phone collect. Huttonville Egg Grading Station, Huttonville, Ont. 34314.

WANTED TO BUY - Cash for old glassware, old dishes, ornaments, vases, oil lamps, dolls, odds, buttons, odd silver, and furniture, etc. Phone 47 or write Mr. and Mrs. Keith Harber, King and Union Sts., Georgetown. 18-12.

LOST

LOST - Hound, dark tan, white neck and legs, mottled and spotted with tan, tan feet. Anyone having information regarding whereabouts of this hound please notify Theo Papillon, Box 390 Acton or phone 184W Acton.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Liquor Licence Act, 1948
Licensing District Number 5

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Meeting of the Liquor Licence Board of Ontario for Licensing District Number 5, comprising Counties of Halton and Wentworth will be held at Room 100, Knight Hall, 16 Sanford Avenue, S., in the City of Hamilton in the County of Wentworth on Friday the 8th day of January 1950, commencing at the hour of One o'clock in the afternoon at which time it will hear and determine applications for the renewal of licences in accordance with The Liquor Licence Act, 1948, and regulations thereunder.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any person resident in the said licensing district objecting to any such application shall file his grounds of objection in writing with the deputy registrar at least ten days before the meeting.

GEORGE C. GAGE, K.C.
Deputy Registrar
6 James Street South,
Hamilton, Ontario.

Mackenzie News

December, rather than May has become the moving month for residents of Acton.

Harold Elliott and Jack Kingshott have swapped houses. Claude Cook purchased the Ed house on Knox Ave., and after renovations has moved in. Lloyd Bulmer, the proprietor of the Acton Auto Body has moved into Town, having purchased the Claude Cook house on Arthur Street. Ken Blow has purchased the renovated Ed Pearen house on Knox Ave., and when completed will make it his residence. The Rev. Bennie has purchased the Hazen Gordon House and by press time will be moved in.

We are always glad to see these moves as nearly always there are changes to be made and Mackenzies are more than pleased to help.

We expect daily a car of Antiochite brickets so please get your orders in early. We wish to all a prosperous and Happy New Year.

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