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## Goitre In Grey

"Keep well by keeping active" suggested Miss Agnes Macphail, M. P., in an address given before a Walkerton public gathering at the first annual meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses branch held Friday, evening last. "Environment has much to do with our health," and we should not be too conscious of a too healthy body.

It was particularly necessary that rural people should have health service, declared Miss Macphail, advocating the establishment of clinics and thus setting up a preventive work which will save people much money as well as suffering and misery. Grey and Bruce County people, said the speaker, are living in an iodine-deficient area and there is much goitre prevalent. I have urged, repeatedly, for a survey of this area in this respect and while not being able to secure a proper public survey I have, through a private one, found that 50 per cent of the people in this area are troubled with goitre.

### U. S. S. No. 15, Proton

Grade 9 Marjorie Bates.

Grade 8 Vern Corbett, Jacqueline Sims, Laurie Sims.

Grade 7 Helen Peavey, Fred Batchelor, Patricia Dingwall, Emily Blake, Irene White, Jack Barker, Zella Lyons.

Grade 6 Edith Blake, Marvelle White, Kenneth Bates, Margaret Blake.

Grade 5 Margaret Mills, Henrietta Sims, Cecil Barker, Bert Badgerow.

Grade 3 Everette Lockhart, Marion Lyons, Marion Baker.

Grade 2 Murray Shaw, Helen Corbett, Ruth Lyons.

Grade 1 (a) Phyllis Wauchope, Murray Watson.

Grade 1 (b) LeRoy White.

G. B. Littlejohns, teacher.

### Rock Mills School

Grade 8 — Laura Porteous, Harold Clarke, Arthur Betts, Phyllis Partridge, Eleanor Russell.

Grade 7 — Hilda Betts, Mansell Atkinson.

Grade 6 — Jean Phillips, Helen Betts, Vernie Atkinson.

Grade 5 — Marie Phillips, Edna Shiers, Lily Phillips, Jack Porteous, Harold Betts, Russell Shiers.

Grade 3 — Edgar Betts, Mabel Chard, Billie Phillips.

Grade 2 — Dolores Betts, Viva Atkinson, Billy Clarke, Bob Croft, Clifford Fisher. Marion Croft, Billy Phillips, Harvey Atkinson.

Grade 1 — Irene Phillips, Alan Betts, Don Smith, Frank English.

Teacher—J. H. Priddle.

### Watch Can Be Used As Compass

Most people know that a watch makes a first-class compass but they don't know just how to use it as one. Of course, the sun must be shining. Point the hour hand to the sun, and south is then half way between the hour and the figure 12 on the watch. If, for example, it is four o'clock, the figure 2 on the watch is exactly south; or, if it is eight o'clock, then 10 on the watch is south.

Perth is the leading buttter producer among the counties according to statistics for 1937 just released by the Ontario Department of Agriculture. This county produced 5,654,803 lbs. last year, with Bruce and York counties a close second and third.

## Minister Detends Radio In Canada

(By Miss A. C. Macphail, M. P.)

W. A. Tucker, M. P., a Saskatchewan Liberal, made one of his characteristically energetic and meaty speeches. He expressed the appreciation of the people of his Province for the aid given them "in the greatest calamity that has ever befallen any province". He thanked especially the farming population, who had helped with the produce of their own labour, which showed "a magnificent spirit of Canadian fellowship."

In refuting the oft repeated charge that Western farmers and their governments were extravagant, Mr. Tucker made an interesting comparison, including the following items,, as between Ontario and Saskatchewan farmers:

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| Motor Cars ..... | 65.4 | 47.7 (1931; much less now) |
| Telephones ..... | 54.1 | 34.2 |
| Radios ..... | 21.5 | 20.2 |
| Gas or Electric Light in Homes | 16.8 | 2.8 |
| Running Water in Homes ..... | 10.4 | 1.4 |
| Consumption of Liquor, 1937 | $72,000,000 | $2,262,000 |
| | % Ontario | % Sask. |

Many Saskatchewan teachers are paid as low as $300.00 a year, Mr. Tucker said, and he wondered how such teachers could inspire children with the justice and fairness of an economic system which allowed such salaries while it paid five people in the textile industry an annual income of $97,000 each, from an original investment of $200,000, which had been returned, in addition to the tidy income.

One can hardly comprehend that the number of people on relief in Saskathchewan this winter is 44.5 per cent of the total population of the Province.

The Minister of Transport—a new name for the Minister of Railways and Canals—the Hon. C. D. Howe, very effectively answered the critics of the Canadian Broadcasting Corportion. It had been charged that American commercial programs were given too much time here. The Minister stated that the Metropolitan Opera Company, the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, the Philadelphia Symphony and the National Broadcasting Company's orchestra, conducted by the great Toscanini, are not commercial, but are the very best the musical world has to offer. "Since when was music anything but international," he asked, and went on to state that the preformers were international and of many countries, as were the compositions given. "So I ask if bringing the music of the Metropolitan Opera can be called flooding Canada with American propaganda. What nonsense!" There is an exchange arrangement between C. B.C. and the American companies.

In dealing with the difficulties of arranging programs to suit everyone, Mr. Howe told amusingly the story of his family's radio difficulties. He said: "I like almost any kind of music that is played softly, so as not to interrupt whatever else I am doing. My wife prefers the operatic and symphony concerts. My boys, aged 15 and 12, go for sports broadcasts—hockey football, boxing — my two younger girls like vaudeville. They would have been shocked had they heard the hon. member for Carleton refer to 'Bill' Penner. He would have been told instantly that it was Joe Penner. My older girl, 14 years, has graduated from vaudeville and has moved in with her mother. To work out our family situation it is necessary to have three radios in our house. Otherwise there would be a conflict of interest. However, I will pay those three license fees cheerfully and I feel that anyone else who wishes to avoid conflict at home might do likewise."

Mr. Howe is a very able man, but he quite apparently doesn't realize the drain which three radio licenses at $2.50 per license would be on the average family.

Our foreign trade, both buying and selling, is over two billion dollars, Mr. Euler told the House; and for the benefit of the Rt. Hon. the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Bennett) the Minister emphasizied the fact that we had a trade balance of $315,000,000 in this last year.

Canada's export trade increased 23 per cent in 1936, while world trade increased in the same period 8½ per cent. We have made trade agreements with nearly thirty countries. The agreement with Germany has increased our trade with that country almost a hundred per cent, Mr. Euler told the House, and in reply to a question by Mr. Bennett he said that 63 per cent of the purchases made by Germany in Canada must, according to the agreement, be for wheat, asbestos, apples, seeds, lumber, fish meal, salmon, pulpwood and a number of minor articles.

In dealing with the export of nickel Mr. Euler took the ground that only 10 per cent of our export of that metal was used for munition purposes and that, since 10 per cent of the world's supply was produced in other parts of the world, largely in New Caledonia, one of the colonies of France, the prohibition of export on our part would not prevent munition manufacturing. "Even though we discontinued entirely the sale of nickel there would still be sufficient produced in other parts of the world to supply war needs. Should this country prohibit the export of nickel to Japan, it would still reach that place unless the same prohibition were applied to exports to the United States, Sweden and other countries."

It is a heartbreaking proposition, this wishing for peace; indeed, most earnestly desiring it, yet seeing nickel and other minerals, scrap-iron, lumber and what not, going out of this country to aid in the armament race of the nations. One cannot meet truckloads of scrap-iron on the roads without visualizing the use to which it may be put.

It reminds you of the slogan during the war: "Business as usual," while human beings were being blown to pieces and hearts broken. Life may stop but profits must not.

In vivid contrast, hear the words of an ex-soldier, Mr. Leslie Mutch, M. P., (Liberal, Winnipeg): "The challenge to leadership was never more clear, more decisive or more urgent. Beginning with the deliberations at Versailles and continuing until today, the out-moded statesmen of the world have floundered. They have played safe when audacity would have won the day. They have feared when courage might have swept the field. They have conpromised when there was nothing to gain. The criticism which I make of the governments of the world, including our own, is that none of them really face up to the fact of a changed world. None seems to realize that despite the alarms of war this is the time to strike for peace.

"We have heard that there is no peace without honour. Perhays we ought to reverse those words and say there is no honour without peace. Without peace, honour is hollow and meaningless. We have been contemptuous of those who cry for peace at any price, failing to realize that without peace price has no substance." He spoke from knowledge.

Since I am speaking at the annual meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses at Walkerton on Friday, February 11th, this letter misses Friday.

—AGNES C. MACPHAIL.

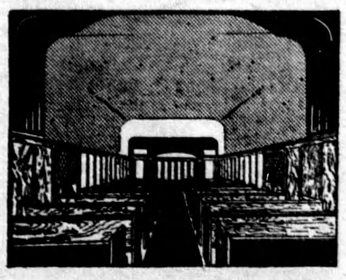
Ottawa, February 10th, 1938.

### Card of Thanks

We desire to thank all those who so kindly gave their assistance and sympathy during our bereavement.

—Mrs. Jos. Thompson and Family.

Acknowledging that non-drinkers are safer on the roads than those who take alcohol, a leading insurance company in London has announced a 10 per cent. discount in accident insurance to motorists who are total abstainers.



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## Chas. W. Long Died Suddenly At Maxwell

On Thursday afternoon Mr. Charles W. Long suffered a paralytic stroke and soon became unconscious passing away at 5.00 p.m. He was the second son of the late Wesley and Dinah Long and was born 64 years ago last March on the farm on which he has resided practically all his life. In 1902 he married Miss Annie Wright of Maxwell who survives along with one son George, and two daughters, Beatrice (Mrs. George Priestly) and Alice (Mrs. L. Seeley) to mourn the loss of a kind and loving husband and father. One sister Lily, (Mrs. Thos. Beatty) living near Feversham and four brothers, George of Niagara Falls, Albert of Lambton, James and Chester of Feversham also survive. His brother George had been spending the winter at Maxwell and was with him when he was stricken.

Mr. Long was held in high esteem by all with whom he came in contact. He was a good neighbour and was ever ready to help in anything for the benefit of the community. In politics he was a conservative all his life. He was a member of the Methodist, and later the United, Church at Maxwell. He was a Mason and belonged to Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, at Flesherton. The flowers were beautiful and consisted of, a pillow from the family; a pillow from brothers and sister; an emblem from the Masonic Lodge; and a sheaf from Maxwell Women's Institute.

The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon and was largely attended, the United Church being filled to capacity. His pastor Rev. Mr. Elliott had charge of the service at the house, church and grave. Prince Arthur Lodge, of which deceased was a member, attended in large numbers and had charge of the funeral arrangements. They performed the last rites to a brother with their beautiful solemn service at the grave. The pallbearers were six of his brother Masons, John Stephen, Thos. Phillips, Sam Arnott, Chas. Heron, Roy Fenwick and Jas. Winters.

Among the friends from a distance who attended the funeral were: D. Field of Owen Sound, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wellar and family of Brampton and Mr. and Mrs. N. Coulter of Creemore.

## One-Man Curling Rinks

Here's one for local curlers to ponder over! According to Dave Dryburgh, sports editor of the Regina Leader-Post, a chap up in Cudworth, V. Strasser by name, boasts that he can curl as well without anyone holding the broom and without any sweepers. His claim was greeted with the same sardonic disdain that has met certain boasts right here in Oxbow in the past. Mr. Strasser was challenged, and believe it or not, singlehanded he stepped out and trimmed a full rink by a 16-6 score. He threw 96 rocks, and was still going strong at the finish. His nonplussed opponents cracked early in the game and never got the chalk again.

Now there's something to think about. We think Mr. Strasser has perhaps got something there. As Editor Dryburgh points out, Strasser's idea might stir up a revolution in curling circles, but it might have its merits. Leads and seconds have been long of the opinion that the skip never gives them the right ice, and that they have worn out countless brooms coaxing along rocks that skips and thirds have laid down too light.

Under the Strasser system they no longer need pay attention to the skip's broom, and after throwing their rocks they can loaf around the ack and roll cigarettes or slip into the waiting room and join the critics in pulling the skips apart Under this new method all curlers would have equal status, and no longer would there be any class distinction between humble leads and seconds and irate skips and haughty thirds.

Yes, the broomless game might have many points in its favour. But on the other hand it would probably result in deserted waiting rooms. With no skips out there giving ice, the fellows who usually hold down the bench behind the windows would be deprived of all their fun in not being able to ridicule the skips' strategy. Then again, it's nice to be able to carry a broom, even if some of us do only use it to lean on.

## Y.P.S. Skating Party

The Y.P.U. and Official Board of St. John's United Church are sponsoring a family skating party in the Flesherton Arena on Wednesday, February 16 which promises to be a most interesting and unique occasion for young and old.

A special display of fancy skating by girls of exceptional ability will be the highlight of the evening. This was highly appreciated last year.

Another interesting event will be a demonstration of gymnastics, tumbling, etc. by Mac Keith and his father Mr. A. Keith. Mac has held the Ontario Open Gymnastic Meet Championship for three consecutive years and is only excelled by his father. At present he is an instructor in the West End and Central Y. M. C. A.

Both events afford a rare opportunity for the people of Flesherton and surrounding district to see what really can be done on skates. A prize is offered for the largest family in attendance. There will be general skating to music for all.

## High School Board Has Real Problem

Flesherton High School Board has problem on its hands at the present time to take care of the extra classes needed when school commences next September. It is contemplated to add shop work and household science to the curriculum and to do so two extra rooms will be needed to provide accommodation. One room in the basement could be remodelled for shop work and where the other one will be located is the problem. One way would be to cut down the size of the assembly hall, but this is not advisable, due to the fact it is used for recreation purposes and for the convocation of the students at various times.

A joint meeting of the Board and the Councils of Artemesia and Flesherton was held in the school on Friday afternoon when the problem of new accommodation and finances was explained by Mr. Roy Piper, Chairman of the Board.

A letter was read from fifty trustees of the boards administering secondary schools in the county of York requesting that the government assume the total cost of secondary school education. This resolution had been passed by the Board and the Councils were urged to pass similiar resolutions.

Another alternative to the above suggestions calls for the erection of an addition to the school for the cost of which the Department of Education would assume 50 per cent. Whatever suggestion is adopted the ratepayers can be assured that the Board has their best interests at heart and no action will be taken until they are assured that the way out of the difficulty which they choose is the best one.

### The Hay Market

Hay is in fair demand in Southwestern Ontario and there is some prospect for exporting second-cut alfalfa hay to United States. About 85 per cent. of the crop is still in the farmers hands. Timothy No.1, timothy mixtures and alfalfa are much above requirements in most districts. Prices are as follows: Timothy No. 2, $8. per ton; timothy No. 3, $7 per ton; mixed hay $8; alfalfa first cut $7; alfalfa second cut $10 to $11; wheat straw $5 per ton.

The councillors of an adjoining county passed a resolution asking the Department of Highways to give consideration to having automobile licenses issued for a nine-month period from April 1 to December 31. They claim it wasn't fair to the rural residents to make them pay a full year's license when they are unable in many cases to use their cars owing to the condition of the roads during the winter months.

## St. John's United Church

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FLESHERTON

11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Public Worship.
12 noon — Sunday School.
Monday—8 p.m., Y.P.S.
Friday—7 to 9 p.m., Trail Rangers; 8 to 10 p.m., Young Men's Club; 8 p.m., Choir Practice.

CEYLON

1.30 p.m.—Sunday School.
2.30 p.m.—Public Worship
Wednesday—8 p.m., Choir Practice.

## Feversham Reunion Largely Attended

Nearly ninety Feversham old boys and girls met at the Central Y. M. C. A. in Toronto, on Tuesday evening, February 8 to hold their first re-union and organization meeting. Among the older members who were present were Major Sproule and Mr. Wm. Clinton. Mr. Sproule, who was made honorary president of the new organization, resided on a farm near Feversham over eighty years ago. Mr. Clinton owned a farm on the eighth line and later kept a general store in the village.

A new executive was formed and officers are as follows:Honorary President, Major C. Sproule; president, Nelson Pedlar; vice-president, Ross Long; treasurer, Mr. Thos. Perigo; secretary, Verna Hudson; ass't secretary, Lillian Price.

Entertainment committee are: Andrew Morrison, Mary Findlay, May Whiteoak, Merryl Davidson and William McInnes.

On the social committee are: Mrs. T. Rice, Mrs. Ross Long, Mrs. Nelson Pedlar, Mr. A. Long, Miss Winnifred McMullen.

An advisory council was named including Mrs. Jennie Colquette, Mr. Sheldon Heron, Mr. Harvey Perigo, Mr. Andrew Dand and Mr. Albert Long.

Verna Hudson, Secretary

## Jos. Thompson Dies

Mr. Joseph Aaron Thompson died on Friday, February 11, at his home near Maxwell at the age of 58, after a prolonged illness from wasting of the nerves. Mr. Thompson was born at Brewster's Lake in Osprey township. He was married to Miss Alice Roy of Eugenia, and besides his sorrowing widow he leaves to mourn three sons and one daughter, namely, George, Roy, Claybourn and Eunice. Mr. Thompson was an only child, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson.

The funeral took place to Feversham Presbyterian Church cemetery on February 14, with service in the church at 2.30 o'clock p.m. conducted by Rev. McIlroy with Rev. Dean assisting.

The pallbearers were Eli Robinson, James McKenzie, John Hudson, Jas. Hudson, Angus McLeod and Fred Hale. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved ones.

## Furnace Gave Up

The furnace in the public school went out of commission on Friday last. On Saturday, after it had cooled sufficiently it was taken apart and the extent of the damage found. A hurried call to Toronto resulted in the front and rear sections of the furnace being brought from the factory on Monday morning and installed that day. School was held on Tuesday as usual. It meant that only one day of school was lost by the pupils, and the Board is to be thanked for the quick repairs and no doubt the pupils would echo these words of praise!

### Card of Thanks

Mrs. Chas. Long and family wish to thank their many friends and neighbours for their many acts of kindness shown them in their recent bereavement, also for the beautiful floral offerings.

It takes eight minutes for the light of the sun to reach the earth, so we never see the sun where it is, but where it was eight minutes ago.

Today's militarists and Fascists are ruthless in their methods. They are a revival of the type that the world imagined died out centuries ago.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Fred Ashton, Minister

ERVICES NEXT SUNDAY—
10 a.m.—Bible School.
11 a.m.—Divine Worship.
7 p.m.—Gospel Service.

ROCK MILLS—
2 p.m.—Bible School.
3 p.m.—Divine Worship.

'O Come; Let us Worship the Lord in His Sanctuary."