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Bert Graham Died Tuesday Night

Word was received in town early this Wednesday morning that Bert Graham had passed away in the Orangeville hospital from the serious injuries received. Funeral arrangements have not been made at the time of our going to press.

Two Broken Legs

Two broken legs to local residents occurred on Tuesday, from two different causes, but with the same effect. Mr. Fred Irwin, one miles south of town, received his broken leg when he slipped on the ice while after the mail at the box in front of his home. He turned quickly and in some manner fell, with the above unfortunate result. Mr. George Brackenbury received a fracture of the small bone in his leg while tussling in a friendly manner with Mr. Mark Wilson at the Munshaw House. After they had finished their fun Mr. Brackenbury walked considerably on the leg, which was becoming more painful until he decided that something was wrong and upon investigation by Dr. Milne, the fracture was discovered. Both these accidents are unfortunate affairs.

25th Anniversary

About forty friends and neighbors gathered at "Cloverbrae" on Friday evening of last week, Feb. 18th, on the occasion of the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Corbett of Proton Station. The groom and bride were taken completely by surprise by their many hosts and hostesses, who were Masters of Ceremony for the evening.

During the course of the evening Mr. and Mrs. Corbett were presented with several pieces of silverware and a silk bedspread. The presentation was responded to by the modest bride and groom, in short replies, interspersed with advice.

The hours sped rapidly by in reminiscing of years gone by amongst the seniors, while all were enjoying the music supplied by Mrs. Bannon at the piano and Messrs. McCannell, Klitzky and Blackburn with violins, to the small hours of the morning.

The advance joins their many friends in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Corbett many more years together.

Thanked For Bale

Mrs. W. Turney, cor.-sec. of the W.M.S. received a letter from Rev. R. J. McDonald, D.D., Superintendent of Missions at Regina, Sask., thanking all who had sent clothing to the stricken area. The following letter was read at the Auxiliary meeting on Thursday: "Up to Dec. 31st, there were sent almost 145 tons in 4,648 packages, besides our share in some co-operative carloads from certain cities. On behalf of the many thousands whom you have helped I thank you. I have received many letter of appreciation and gratitude. May I quote from one? 'We are all so pleased with our share, and glad that the children are so warmly clad for their long walk to school. It is, indeed, a wonderful blessing to us all.' The hosts of friends you have made on the prairies pray that God's richest blessing may rest upon you in this new year."

Miss J. Graham Fatally Injured In Car Accident

Miss Eugene Graham of Flesherton was fatally injured and four other occupants of a car owned and driven by Mr. Ed. Graham of Clarksburg, were seriously injured when their car collided with a transport truck on the highway, three miles south of Corbetton on Monday morning of this week. Edward Graham received a broken left leg, severe face and scalp lacerations, and a possible fracture of the skull, while his wife suffered an injured shoulder, chest injuries and minor face lacerations. Mrs. Card. Graham of Eugenia has a fractured right hip, severe face injuries and lacerations of the head and Mr. Albert Graham of Eugenia has severe scalp lacerations and a possible fracture of the skull. The transport was owned by J. Cope and sons, Toronto, and was driven by F. Gullbert of Toronto.

Miss Graham died after being removed to the Orangeville hospital in an ambulance and the other victims were given first aid before being removed to the same hospital.

The accident occurred on the open highway and it is thought was caused by ice on the road, but eyewitnesses, stated that something must have happened to the Graham car as it is said to have swerved across the road just prior to the accident.

The impact of the car and truck was terrific as the engine of the truck was driven right into the car engine, the latter being shoved back into the body of the car, causing the injuries to the occupants. The truck was also damaged considerably, but the driver was not injured.

The Grahams were on their way to Orangeville to attend the funeral of Miss Martha Ellis of that place when they met with the accident. The funeral was delayed for a time, when it was known that the Grahams had suffered an accident, but it was not known until afterwards the seriousness ofthe affair. Traffic Officer Kirk of Shelburne investigated the accident but the driver of the truck was not held. The inquest into the death of Miss Graham will be held later when those who are now in hospital have recovered sufficiently to give evidence.

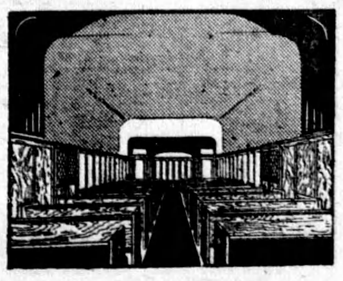
The sad occurrence has cast a gloom over the whole district, where Miss Graham and the other injured members are well known and highly respected. The funeral of Miss Graham is taking place this Wednesday afternoon with service in Eugenia United church at 2 p.m., with interment being made in the Markdale Mortuary Chapel.

DIED

McKEE — On Sunday, Feb. 20th, 1938, at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Burton Kenneth McKee, beloved infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. McKee, aged 8 months. The funeral was held on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd, from the home of his parents, 434 Harvie Ave., interment taking place in Prospect Cemetery, Toronto.

It is especially advisable to observe as days of rest those Sundays when the highways are covered with ice.

The Aberdeen-Angus breeders want more room on the cattle boats. That is to provide room for the hyphen we presume.



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Japanese Question Before The House

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

We have covered a lot of ground this week; in talk, at least. The talk varied from a studied calm on Jananese immigration, concern over traffic casualties, tariff costs to Western Canada, intimidation of employees and the present working of the Farmer's Creditors Arrangement Act, to a furore of excitement on corrupt electoral practices.

Oh yes, and the flag. Believe it or not, we are soon going to have enough confidence in ourselves to have a flag of our own.

Mr. Neill, (B. C.) introduced a bill, the purpose of which was to virtually exclude further Japanese immigration, due to the fact that the Japanese cannot be assimilated and, too, that they present an impossible competition to the Canadian with our very different standard of living. Mr. Neill's position was supported by all the members from British Columbia of whatever party. Mr. Green, Conservative, stated that the British Columbia government estimates that there are approximately 30,000 Japanese in the province and it is certain that the province can absorb no more. The Japanese birth rate is 20 per 1,000, while the birth rate of whites in British Columbia is 13.6 per 1,000. Obviously the situation will get rapidly worse.

It was pointed out repeatedly that the Japanese people do not intermarry with white people. They are a race apart. Their children attend language schools after the regular day schools. They are crowding the Canadian fishermen off the coast. Two thousand fishing licenses have been issued. It is estimated that there are 1,200 Japanese fishing boats plying up and down the Coast, and it is known that they are a determinating factor in the fish canneries. They have entered every line of business, industry and agriculture.

The Prime Minister said he had been more concerned over this bill, which in reality, asks for Japanese exclusion, than anything else on the order paper. In the light of the present situation in the Orient, he considered any change dangerous. The bill was talked out and thus a vote avoided.

Tommy Church, well known and valuable Toronto member, centred the attention of the House on the frightful slaughter on highways. He wished the suspension of hit-and-run driver's licenses for six months, highway killers to be barred from driving for two years and no driver's license for anyone under 18 years of age; and also, confiscation of cars for some offences. "They confiscate pistols under the Code. Why should Parliament not extend the power to cover such criminal offences by drivers of cars?" Due to the difficulty in defining intoxication, Mr. Church wished the Act to apply to drivers under the "influence" of liquor.

Mr. Lapointe, Minister of Justice, moved the adjournment of the debate, but promised a government measure later, incorporating as many of Mr. Church's ideas as were feasible.

I have been getting a number of resolutions and letters asking if the Dominion government would take any steps to provide cargo space for export cattle to Britain. In reply to my inquiry on the orders of the day, Mr. King replied: "The Department of Agriculture and the Department of Trade and Commerce have been actively exploring the possibilities of securing additional space for the export of cattle to the United Kingdom. It is expected that further accommodation for export cattle will be made available.

The Farmer's Creditors Arrangement Act was opened up for discussion when Mr. Dunning introduced a resolution forecasting amendments to the present Act. He wishes to more accurately define the word "creditor." to extend the Act to cover deceased farmers, to make the stay of proceedings effective until the proposal is finally disposed off, to appoint more than one Board of Review (to catch up the accumulated work) in each Province and, finally to give the government power to terminate new applications being received at a given date.

In speaking briefly, the Finance Minister said he hoped the amendments would relieve the government of a great volume of requests from some provinces to repeal the whole statute because the government has no doubt that the statute is still a necessary instrument in certain provinces. The government, however, is definitely of the opinion that the continuance in operation of this legislation, after the need for it has vanished, tends to lower the credit of the agricultural industry.

The case for Saskatchewan, where the drought has caused such unprecedented hardship, was well presented by T. C. Douglas (C. C. F.). The need for the Act in Saskatchewan is greater now than at any other time. The debt of Saskatchewan farmers has been reduced by 14½ millions on principal of mortgages and $966,000.00 on interest, leaving the total now 27 millions, but the value of the property against which this debt is written is 25 million dollars. "In other words, in spite of the reduction, which is the best we have had, the debt still stands at 108 per cent of the total value of the property.

For a long time, I have been feeling that the Act operates unfairly many times. I know of so many places where old, retired people have had their source of income nearly dried up, to such a degree that they are left in a worse position than the person who is left on the farm. I resented this point of view. Admittedly, the situation is different from that of Western Canada, where mortgages are held mostly by loan companies.

I also pointed out that the farmer's credit has been very adversely affected by the Act. People with money fear to loan in case they lose, so that skilled young farmers find it almost impossible to get started farming. In many cases they go to the city where, if they obtain work, it is on a crowded labour market, which results in the least efficient going on relief, until some enthusiast with a back-to-the-land idea sends them to the wilds where "only a goat could live".

A much saner way would be a carefully worked out loaning policy, which would enable the young farmer with experience and ability to stay on the land. When I intimated that we in Ontario are caught between the Provincial Government's stop loaning and the Federal Government's not having begun loaning policies, Mr. Dunning rose to defend the Farm Loan Board. He had telephoned and found that in 1937 the Board hed made 515 loans, to an amount of $1,033,000. "It is not many but it is 515," the Finance Minister said. Does not Grey and Bruce alone need that many loans?

Mr. J. S. Wordsworth introduced amendments to the Criminal Code which, if carried, will prevent employers from refusing to employ or from dismissing employees, or conspiring with others therefor, for the reason that they are members of a trade union.

"As it is lawful for workmen or employees to form themselves into trade unions and to bargain collectively, it should, as a matter of public policy, be unlawful for employers to seek by overt acts or intimidation, threats or conspiracy, to prevent them from belonging to such trade unions."

The matter is still before the House so we will hear more about it later.

And so until next Saturday!

Ottawa, Saturday, Feb. 19th, 1938.

—AGNES C. MACPHAIL.

Moved To Flesherton

Mr. Elijah Paul of Eugenia has left his home at Eugenia to reside with his daughter Mrs. R. Bentham of Flesherton. Mr. Paul is not enjoying good health at the present time, but despite his 87 years is fairly active. Mr. Paul has been almost a life-long resident of the Eugenia district farming on the 10th line and at his Eugenia property. In early years he was a stone mason working with his father, and assisted in building the old stone church at Vandeleur and also the old bridge over the Boyne River at Flesherton which was destroyed in the flood some 30 years ago. He was born in York county which is now incorporated in the city of Toronto. During the past twelve years, following the death of Mrs. Paul, he has resided alone at his Eugenia home. He is blessed with 8 children, 29 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. He has been a worthy citizen of Artemesia township and many friends wish him a return to better health so that he may have many more years of contentment and leisure.

High School Notes

Our competent editor, Wm. Jamieson has decided to go back to Northern Ontario and its bracing atmosphere for the sake of his health. The student body will miss "Bill" as he was known for he had a smile and a joke wherever he went. Our departed fellow-student, who has travelled a great deal, gave a lesson to any listener whenever he spoke. We extend every good wish to Bill.

The next literary meeting will be held on Friday, February 25 from 3.00 to 4.00 p.m., the program to be put on by second form under the supervision of Miss Pallett. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The week of February 7 to 13 was education week but was not celebrated in our school. Consequently, our principal is planning to hold an open afternoon on which the parents and public may come to inspect the work of the pupils. There will likely be a special speaker and other special features. The date has not been decided upon yet but will be announced later.

Last Friday afternoon, from 3.30 to 4.00 p.m. the high school was favoured with a very interesting address by Mr. Service. Mr. Service expressed his great interest in the young people of the school and the community. He pointed out the necessity for clear thinking and a higher moral standard, especially in the present age. At the close of the address Geo. Loucks thanked the visitor on behalf of the students of the school, Mr. Eubank also expressing his appreciation. We are looking forward to further messages which Mr. Service has promised to bring to us.

To you our readers and supporters, may I present myself and my capable helpers, Jean Collinson, Anna McVicar and Sherman Piper. In editing this paper it is my desire to please you and to acquaint you with probably the heart of our community or of any community, the High School, the house of learning for your children. When they are enjoying the best days of their lives, I solicit any comment that will improve our weekly column and will be pleased to act upon such suggestions as I may receive.

So until our next edition goes to press.

Au revoir.

Tom Aldcorn, Editor.
Assistant Editor, Sherman Piper.

Those Hamilton thugs who beat up a man then failed to find the dollar that represented his sole capital must have just been indulging in a few practice swings.

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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.

Harold McKechnie Is New S. G. Registrar

Harold C. McKechnie, a farmer at Durham, has been appointed to the Registrarship of South Grey, which was made vacant by the recent death of J. N. Perdue, and takes over his duties on March 1. The Chronicle says:

The appointment will be a popular one with the public generally. While a strictly political appointment, the naming of Mr. McKechnie will be accepted by both Conservatives and other political faiths alike.

Mr. McKechnie has been active in politics for a good many years. Originally a Liberal, he went over to the United Farmers of Ontario when there was no Liberal in the field, and has been a consistent supporter of F. R. Oliver, acting as Returning Officer in the last election, and politically is entitled to the recognition. While active politically Mr. McKechnie was never bigoted, and this will stand him in good stead at present.

Mr. McKechnie is a returned man, and returned to Canada wounded and hardly fit to carry on his vocation as a farmer.. Despite this, however, he has followed his vocation to the best of his physical powers, and his many friends in and around Durham will be pleased to know he has received a position which he is capable of carrying out to the satisfaction of the community.

We understand there were several applications for the position, but these, too, will doubtless join with the community in congratulating Mr. McKechnie in the recognition of his political loyalty and ability.

Y.P.S. Skating Party

The skating party sponsored last week by the Y.P.S. and St. John's Church was a great success both socially and financially. A large crowd was present to share in the frolic and get their first glimpse of fancy skating. Miss McRuer was unable to attend so Miss Doris Keith gave her exhibition of fancy skating which was highly appreciated by everyone. Messrs. Mac Keith and Bill Graham, accompanied by some of our local high school students gave a demonstration in tumbling and the showing of our local boys is worthy of mention since they put up a fine display of this feat. Skating was then enjoyed to about 11.00 p.m. when the annual church skating party was brought to a close for another year.

And how much would be left for he rest of us if Aberhart of Alberta had his way?

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.

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