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EDITORIAL NOTES

Collingwood elected an entirely new Council in place of the one which ruled the town in 1938. Discontent must bave run high to cause the electors to take such action. We were pleased to see our friend, Vic. Ellis, a former Kimberley boy, head the poll for the council.

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After a period of over two years when the Dominion Government Home Improvement Plan has been in operation, $24,480,126.94 has been loaned through the Dominion. Ontario took almost half of this amount with eleven and a half millions, which was used on erection of homes and needed repairs to others. It can thus be seen that the action of the government in passing the enabling legislation has meant quite a stimulus to the building trades.

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An outline of the program for the visit of King George and Queen Elizabeth to Canada this early summer has been announced. Two special trains will carry the retinue of servants, public men and newspaper reporters on the trip across Canada and back. An invitation had been extended to the royal couple to unveil the proposed Grey County memorial at Owen Sound, but the closest they will approach this district will be when they visit Toronto on May 22. Their stay in the Provincial capital will be for only a few hours, when a welcome will be officially extended. The visit to Canada will extend over a period of three weeks. While the King and Queen are eagerly looking forward to their visit to the banner Dominion of the British Commonwealth of Nations, we have not a doubt but that they will look almost as eagerly for rest on the ocean trip on their return home, away from the acclaiming throngs, as it is a most trying event, as all through the tour they will have to smile at all times and never allow little incidents, which are bound to arise, unnecesarily disturb them. The people of this country are anticipating the visit and will in no uncertain manner show their allegiance to the British Crown.

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Municipal Clerks do not receive proper tributes from the ratepayers that is their due. They have to be walking encyclopaedias of provincial statutes that relate to the local government and advise their Council on the proper procedure on certain proposals. The Chesley Enterprise has the following to say in regard to these municipal officers:

Township clerks, usually farmers, and often ex-teachers, are required by the councils employing them to send minutes of the proceedings of the meetings for the information of ratepayers to locall papers that have a circulation in the township and this is done promptly and accurately. The Clerk must be a tactful official or he will get in wrong with his employers. He must only offer advice when requested by his superiors or advise serious consideration when a motion is before the Board that he is satisfied is ultra vires of the Municipal A.ct

Every year with changes in the Municipal Act at which new M.P.P.'s love to try their prentice hands, without due onsideration of how the change conflicts with other amendments, or how it will affect the whole province, the Clerk must be the one who notes all the changes in the sessional work of each sitting of the Legislature relating to the Municipal Act. In short he must be a regular encyclopaedia of information as counsellor and guide, not only for the Municipal Board, but for his fellow taxpayers as well.

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With gang warfare operating in Toronto and another killing occurring over the week end, Queen City police and detective forces will be busy preventing the Ontario metropolis from becoming another Chicago of a few years ago. There is no place in Canada for organized criminal gangs that owe their existence to extortion, who demand money from their victims for protection from their rackateering exploits. If the victim fails to pay his protection dues, thefts and other acts of terrorism are committed to make the victim "come across." Such rackets are not desired in a British country.

How Many Do We Vote For?

(Owen Sound Daily Sun-Times)

Although practically every newspaper, when publishing lists of candidates in municipal elections, is careful to add at the foot of the list for each body a line stating the number to be elected, one question every deputy returning officer has to answer many times during polling day is, "How many do I vote for."

It may seem strange that people who have, presumably, looked over the lists and decided whom they will support should need to ask; but memories are short—anyway, it is easier to ask the D.R.O. than to carry the different numbers in one's head.

To get over the difficulty, the Port Arthur News-Chronicle wants to know why the number to be elected cannot be printed on the ballot.

The reason it is not done is that the Municipal Act does not allow it. The Act sets out what may be printed on the ballot; and nothing can be added to or subtracted from that form.

Still it should not be difficult to have the form changed by adding a line stating the number to be elected —a simple change but a useful one. If the matter were drawn to the attention of the Government at Toronto the rest should be easy—the Municipal Act is amended in some respect at every session and another little change would not lengthen the session unduly.

A Perplexing Problem

(Durham Chronicle)

What are we to do with our young people, especially those who have no work and no future ahead of them. There is a duty here for those of middle age. It may be argued that by the time the present-day young people are in want the rest of us will not be here to witness it, but this does not answer the question or condone inaction in their behalf.

At police court here last Friday afternoon a Hanover youth, not yet seventeen years of age, was before the court charged with having stolen money from milk bottles and with securing a pair of shoes and some socks by false pretenses.

We learned before the case was called that this boy had been kicked from his home, his mother was in a hospital in Hamilton, and he was out of work. We may not be quite orthodox with the law but our sympathies were with the lad. He had had no chance to make good—and even a boy must eat and have clothing to wear.

He was remanded to appear later for sentence, and no matter if he is sentenced or let off, it has nothing to do with this article. The point is, in this country there must be some way of looking after this kind of youth before it is too late. The boy in question was not of the bad type, apparently, but if he continues along the present lines, soon will be. A little consideration now, some help, some interest in his condition, might be all he needs. If he has criminal tendencies, they will appear later and is no excuse why society should let these young lads go to the dogs altogether through lack of interest.

Surely, with all our old age pensions, our mothers' allowances, our service clubs and the like, there ought to be something for lads of this kind who are bad because they have never known anything else, have been started out in life on the wrong foot, and are beaten at the start unless some means are found to rehabilitate them.

Cases of this kind are worthy of consideration and thought.

Shot Wife By Accident

Mrs. Victor Bye of Annan, who resides about eight miles from Owen Sound, in Sydenham Township, is in the Owen Sound General and Marine Hospitol in a critical condition as a result of being accidently shot on Tuesday afternoon in her own home by her husband. Mr. Bye was busy cleaning his shot gun in the living room of his home, neglecting to remove a shell in one of the barrels and it was discharged while he was handling it. The contents of the shell entered his wife's back. Her condition was reported as only fair. She is not yet out of danger, but hopes are entertained for her recovery. —Meaford Mirror.

A monologue is a discussion between a wife.

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Along The Highway : of Local Sports :

(By Delbert Smith)

Things are rather quiet this week in the Central Ontario League from Flesherton's point of view. However, Chatsworth plays here on Tuesday, January 10th, when the local boys hope to repeat as they did over Markdale last week. Friday, January 13th, Flesherton tangles with the Dundalk entry in a game that should provide everything. These two teams have always played a close game with a few arguments thrown in not to mentinn the scraps. In the game last season at Dundalk, Dundalk emerged with a 2-1 win. This year the locals hope to return the compliment.

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Dundalk 3, Shelburne 2

In a game in Dundalk on Friday last Dundalk came from behind a 2-0 first period score to win over Shelburne 3-2. When a team can give a two goal advantage to a smooth passing, fast skating team like Shelburne and then outscore them, they really have something. The Dundalk team is reported to be even stronger than last year although they have lost two of their last season players.

Next Monday the Flesherton team pays a return visit to Markdale and On Tuesday, January 17th, Shelburne takes the long trek to Chatsworth for a game.

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Some Hockey History

In delving into my scrapbook made up of clippings taken from this paper, I thought it might be interesting to you, my readers, to review the history of the formerly known Centre Grey Hockey League. This League was organized in the fall of 1935 when Father Callaghan was elected president and Cecil Loucks secretary-treasurer by representatives from Chatsworth, Markdale, Flesherton, Dundalk, Shelburne and Durham. A cup was presented for competition by Father Callaghan and was to be known as the Father Callaghan Trophy. In that first year of 1935-36 Chatsworth won the cup after Flesherton had been eliminated due to the usage of an ineligible player, C. Proctor by name, of Owen Sound. Proctor denied having signed with an Owen Sound team until Markdale showed up with proof that he had signed with Owen Sound.

The following season, 1936-37 was Flesherton's big year when the boys from our village won the coveted trophy. This team was the best Flesherton has turned out for some time and were worthy of their victory. Perhaps a review of the line-up will help to refresh your memory. In goal was Ed. Ferris who enjoyed his best season that year. On defence was Harold McCutcheon and Earl Johnson as regulars with Geo. Akitt and Bob Phillips as substitutes, the latter also played part time on the forward line. The first string of the forward line was composed of Bill Patton, George Boyd and Delbert Smith, thought by many to be the best unit in the league. Fred Gorrell and Bob Dargavel formed the relief men and made a wonderful job of it. Every member of that cup-winning team was a star and each won many applauses in their respective positions.

It was this same season that the locals eliminated the strong Shelburne teams in such a decisive manner in the semi-finals. This series was a home and home game affair with total goals to count on the round. In the first game in Shelburne on Monday, March 1, 1937 the Flesherton team defeated Shelburne 7-2 giving the locals a five-goal lead to take home. On Friday, March 5, the second game was played and long will that game remain in the minds of some of us. The local boys simply went crazy in a goal scoring way defeating Shelburne 12-6 in the game and 19-8 on the round.

In the finals between the champion Chatsworth team of the previous year and Flesherton it was a totally different story. In the first game in Chatsworth on March 14th the Chatsworth team won by a 4-1 score. This meant the local boys had to win two games in a row to win the cup as the final series is the best two out of three games. In the second game on Monday, March 16, the local team did the unbelievable, defeating the visitors 5-3, thus facing a third and deciding game to be played in Markdale. This last game of the season was a very close game and resulted in a 5-4 win for Flesherton thus dethroning the Champions of the year before and bringing the cup to its new home. The deciding game was won by a long shot from the stick of McCutcheon and sure was a heartbreaker for the ex-champions. The Markdale rink was filled to capacity that evening of Friday, March 20th, with over six hundred hockey-mad fans shouting at the tops of their voices for their respective teams.

The following season of 1937-38 the cup was given its funeral rites in the window of the restaurant then owned by Mr. Frank Curran with the following inscription attached "Gone But Not Forgotten." The Shelburne team won it this time, first eliminating Flesherton, then Dundalk and lastly defeating Hillsburg, the new entry from the Centre Grey southern loop in the third and deciding game in the Dundalk arena.

Be seeing you next week.

Preventing Farm Fires

It is well known that in Canada every year losses due to farm fires amount to an enormous sum, yet in many cases the damage to a certain extent might have been minimized or prevented by simple precautionary measures.

One precaution is not to put wet or uncured hay in barns that have leaky roofs. It is also risky to smoke in or around these buildings. With regard to electric equipment, it is dangerous to use fuses of too great amperage and no article should be used in place of a fuse. Care should be taken to see that lightning rods remain properly grounded and defective electric wiring should be repaired promptly.

The use of kerosene or gasoline to kindle fires or quicken a slow fire has been responsible not only for many fires but also for many deaths on farms and just because there has never been a fire on the farm, it is dangerous to neglect precautions under the belief that the buildings will never take fire. Insurance gives us an unwarranted sense of security but insurance cannot give compensation for all the financial losses and it cannot replace loss of life. Extreme care should always be taken in handling and using gasoline. The gasoline containers should be tightly closed, painted a bright red and labelled "gasoline."

A few weeks ago it was Christmas shopping, now it's Christmas swapping.

It is estimated that the C.N.R. dining car service and food for which the traveller pays one dollar, actually costs $1.57. Put on at cost basis, there would be even more lunch boxes in suitcases on the trains.

CEYLONITES WHIP PROTON BEARS 3-1

Ceylon's strong Semi-Pro outfit outplayed and outscored the Proton aggregation by a score of 3-1 in sixty minutes of real good hockey despite the fact that the ice was soft and tended to slow up the game. This was Ceylon's second victory in as many starts and it looks as if they will be strong contenders for the McDougall Trophy next spring.

Proton took the puck from the face off and skated in on the Ceylon defence and for a time they were forcing the Clippers into their own end of the rink. Ceylon threw on the power and got the puck out from their area and from then on their superiority was never questioned as they rapped home two goals in the first period and on in the second. M. Marshall set up the play for the first goal when he passed out from the corner to E. Plester who slammed it home. M. Marshall got the second counter unassisted.

In the second period play roughened up a bit but no players were penalized by Referee (Ag) Smith. At one time the two teams staged a tripping duel in centre ice when no less than four players went down in very few seconds but all unknown to the referee. Teeter broke away from a Proton attack and Cairns steamed up alongside of him to take a perfect pass as he rounded the Proton defence and beat Haw with a shot that never left the ice. This was a fine play by Teeter.

The third period saw Proton strive harder than ever for goals and were finally rewarded when Hergott netted the puck and spoiled McKee's hopes for a shut-out. White drew a penalty for boarding E. Plester late in the period but Ceylon were unable to add to the score. Although Ceylon had the better of the play throughout, Proton put up a splendid fight considering this was their first time on skates this season. No doubt with a few practices under their belts they will be much improved.

PROTON — Goal, Haw; defence, H. Sims, White; centre, Blackburn; wings, Badgerow, Hergott; alternates, P. Sims, K. Sims, L. Sims, and Halliday.

CEYLON — Goal, A. McKee; defence, B. Plester, O. McKee; centre, E. Plester; wings, M. Marshall, Mathewson; alternates, A. Marshall, Bill Cairns, Teeter.

Referee — Delbert Smith.

CENTRAL ONTARIO LEAGUE

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Dundalk ..	3	3	0	0	12	6	6
Shelbudne	2	1	1	0	8	4	2
Flesherton	2	1	1	0	7	8	2
Markdale	3	1	2	0	9	13	0
Chatsworth	2	0	2	0	9	14	0

GAMES PLAYED THIS WEEK:
Dundalk 3, Shelburne 2
Dundalk 2, Markdale 0
Chatsworth at Flesherton postponed.

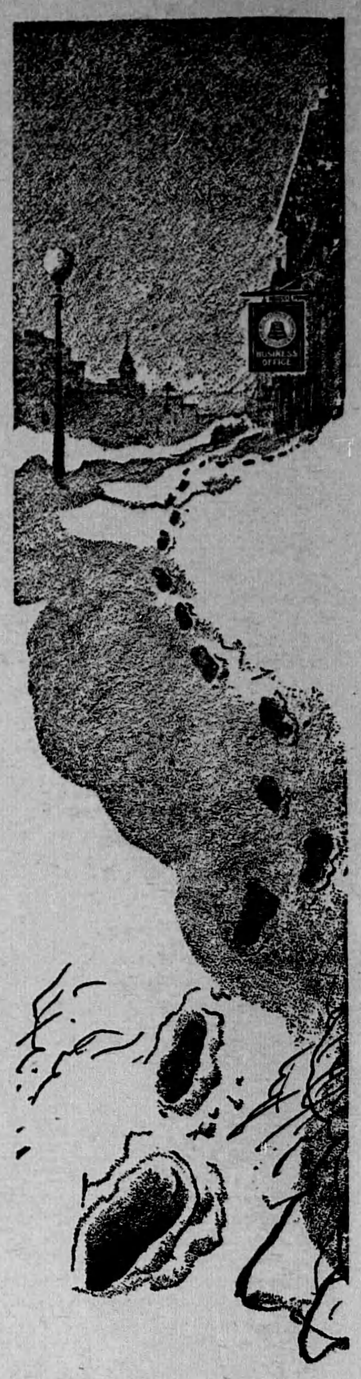
GAMES FOR COMING WEEK:
Jan. 13—Markdale at Shelburne.
Jan. 13—Flesherton at Dundalk.
Jan. 16—Flesherton at Markdale.
Jan. 17—Shelburne at Chatsworth.

SEMI-PRO LEAGUE STANDING

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Ceylon	2	2	0	0	7	3	4
Priceville	2	2	0	0	13	6	4
Dundalk	2	1	1	0	9	10	2
Flesherton	2	0	2	0	4	9	0
Proton	2	0	2	0	3	8	0

Scores For Past Week
Dundalk 5, Flesherton 2
Ceylon 3, Proton 1
Priceville 5, Proton 2

Games This Week
Jan. 12 — Ceylon at Priceville
Jan. 16 — Flesherton at Ceylon



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