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Did He See Shadows?

(By Victoria Corners Corr.)

On Saturday evening a car travelling north on No. 10 highway overtook a truck just at Jas. Best's gate. Just there the road is still narrow on account of huge snow banks and when the car driver attempted to pass the truck he ran up on the drifts and overturned the car. It was remarkable the way the car overturned and yet no one was hurt. We can hardly imagine this happening on the 8th of April. 'We are beginning to wonder if the old Bruin saw two shadows on the second of February.

MARRIED

ALLEN—GORDON — At the home of the bride's parents at Maxwell on Saturday, April 8th, 1939, Mr. George Goldwin Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allen of Flesherton, was united in marriage to Miss Muriel Mae, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Gordon, Rev. K. Cutler officiating.

Sister Passed in West

Mr. W. D. Hopkins received the sad news of the passing of his sister, Mrs. George Christie, which took place in the Brandon Hospital on the 23rd of March. Her maiden name was 'Winnifred Hopkins and she was born in Bentinck township near Durham fifty-four years ago. Since her marriage thirty years ago she has made her home in the West. The late Mrs. Christie had been in poor health for a month previous to her death. Interment was made in the Brandon Cemetery.

Weight Lifters Busy

During the past week quite a number of strong men have tackled the two hundred and sixty-eight and a half pound nail keg of metal at this office and many of them have succeeded in giving a very creditable performance. Laurie Russell and Ken Betts were the only ones to equal the Cooke and Paton performance, but Bob Dargavel and Bill 'White are worthy of mention. Many who are taller and heavier than the latter two could not take the keg off the floor. Any more who wish to try the feat are welcome to come in and test their power.

We Welcome News

We would be pleased to have any items of news, public meetings, church meetings or any other interesting event sent to The Advance for publication. 'We want to make your newspaper more interesting to you, but we need your assitance to do so. Either send in by mail or 'phone 18w and we will do the rest.

IN MEMORIAM

PAUL—In loving memory of our dear father, Elijah Paul, who departed this life April 14th, 1938.

'Till memory fades and life departs
You live forever in our hearts.
—Remembered by the Family.

Sxi inches of snow on Good Friday and another six inches Sunday night has been the record the past week. This Wednesday morning another snow storm is in progress.

Baptist Church Notes

Good congregations greeted Pastor Ashton on his return to the pulpit Easter Sunday. In the morning at Flesherton he was ably assisted by Mr. Roy Langford of Markdale, who not only read the scripture lesson but led in the singing and very appreciatively contributed a beautiful solo. Floral offerings surrounded the pulpit, the central attraction being a tastefully arranged basket of tulips, ferns, carnations, etc. which occupied the communion table. Mrs. Nuhn presented this floral offering for the church service on behalf of the McTavish family in memory of the loving wife and mother who passed to her eternal rest one year ago. The pastor's subject was "The Victory Through Christ." Mr. Frank Duncan kindly took Mr. Ashton in his car to Rock Mills for the afternoon service, accompanied by Mr. G. 'Wauchope. A mixed choir greatly helped in the singing and Mr. Ben Hanley sang very effectively an appropriate solo which was greatly enjoyed, accompanied at the piano by his mother. Mrs. George Blackburn presided at the piano for the congregational singing.

Flesherton Public School

WINTER TERM, JANUARY-APRIL

(SENIOR ROOM)

GRADE 8 — Ruth Graham (H.), Lois Wood (H.), Earle Thurston (H.), Ruth Leavell, Arlene Taylor, Julia Priestley, Clarence Hamilton, Ethel Taylor, Carman Loucks, Stanley McClean, Ted McCracken, Evison 'Wilson.

GRADE 6 — Genevieve Milne (H.), Marjorie Brackenbury (H.), Margaret Turney, Jean McCracken, Edna Thompson, Kenneth Henry, Mary Banks, Jack McDonald, Keith Goessel, Glen Cherry.

GRADE 5—Evelyn McTavish (H.), Gordon Cherry (H.), Ted Banks, Eileen McClean, Shirley Marriott, Gordon Miller, Helen Brown, Velma Sewell, Eva Doupe, Gordon Dungey, Donald Browne, Jim Hamilton.

(JUNIOR ROOM)

GRADE 4 — Eleanor Williams, Lois Sparks, Colleen McCutcheon, Ruth Marriott, Verna Loucks, Mary K. Perigo, Elma Talbot, Norman Dungey, (Bob Turney, Mary Dolan and Edmund Thompson, absent.)

GRADE 3 — Bruce Thurston, Frank Taylor, Marion Stauffer, Bob Long, (Shirley McCracken, absent.)

GRADE 2 — Evelyn Stewart, Maxine Cherry, Dannie McTavish, Burton Talbot, Keith Dungey, (David Aberdein, Ted Newell, and Don Banks, absent.)

GRADE 1 — Eleanore Sparks, John Milligan, Barry Thurston, Joan Turney, Betty Cooke and Clifton Marriott, equal, Earl McKechnie, Billie Richardson, Bob Stoddart, (Jack Milne, Mark 'Wilson and Garnet Hamilton, absent.)

BORN

HOPKINS — In Flesherton to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert E. Hopkins on Thursday, April 6, 1939, a son—Edward Clarke.

"Lake Freighter Sinks; Takes Down Cargo"—news head in the Collingwood Enterprise-Bulletin. We would have been surprised if she had left the cargo floating.

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High School Exercises Were Well Attended

Flesherton High School held commencement exercises in the auditorium of the school on Wednesday evening of last week and a splendid program of gymnastics, choruses by the school, a pageant, a one-act play and presentation of scholarships and athletic awards was given. Miss Aileen Karstedt gave a well-rendered piano solo and the exhibition of gymnastics by the boys was heartily applauded. An interesting pageant was "Canada Gives Thanks," depicting the origin of the families now comprising the Canadian people. Miss Anna McVicar and Mr. Grant Muir represented the Scotch race and delighted the audience with a sword dance by the former and selections on the bagpipes by Grant. Others in the pageant represented the Irish, 'Welsh and several European countries. The school chorus rendered folk songs peculiar to each country.

Mr. Sherman 'Piper, an honored graduate, gave the valedictory address that was very interesting and well given. Mrs. Hugh Bailey, Dundalk, presented the Agnes Macphail scholarship to Sherman on behalf of her sister, Miss Macphail, who was unable to attend through illness. Sherman was also winner of the first Carter scholarship. Mrs. Bailey was presented with a bouquet of flowers from the staff.

Miss Laura Pallett and Mr. E. A. Hutton of the teaching staff presented the athletic awards as follows: senior girls' champion, Kathleen Bannon; junior, Dorothy Patton; midget, Laura Pedlar; senior boys' champion, Delbert Smith; junior, Delmar McClean; midget, Alan Chapple.

The presentation of diplomas to the graduating class was made by Mr. W. J. Bellamy, veteran secretary of the school, assisted by Dr. Milne, a member of the Board. The graduating class comprised: Harvey Archibald, Jean and Margaret Collinson, Sherman Piper, Douglas Morgan, Florence Clark and Mack Duncan.

Owing to Miss Macphail's illness Mr. F. D. Sawyer, principal of Markdale High School, gave the address of the evening and touched on some of the many problems confronting the graduate of today when he leaves school and goes out into the world ill equipped for the trials ahead of him. He suggested that many parents were too indulgent with their children in not seeing that they have some work to do when young and not be brought up to the idea of securing white collar jobs and that menial labor was below their dignity. Mr. Sawyer left many fine thoughts in his address for parents to ponder over. At the close of his address Mr. Sawyer was presented with a token of appreciation by Delbert Smith, president of the Literary Society.

A splendid one-act comedy "Nellie McNab" was presented by the students. The play centred around the home life of a wealthy city widow and her two daughters, one about to be married and the other an eighteen-year-old debutante just breaking into the social whirl of society. Each of the ladies had love problems which they wrote to Nellie McNab, a writer in the daily paper on love affairs, about, who suggested that the mother break the news to her daughters of her secret marriage, advised the elder daughter to return the wedding presents, seeing that she was being married against her will, and that the younger daughter announce her runaway marriage at once. The interesting part of the program was at the last when the mother's secret husband for a long time announced himself as "Nellie McNab." Those who took part were: Jean Collinson, the wealthy widow; Elma Hamilton, her elder daughter; Kathleen Bannon, the younger daughter; Iva Brown, maid to the family; Lawrence Phillips, "Nellie McNab" and husband to the widow; and Melville Buchanan, the younger daughter's husband who pilots a 1918 model Ford which he calls his "Aeroplane."

IN MEMORIAM

LITTLE — In loving memory of our dear wife and mother, Eliza Ann Little, who departed this life April 12th, 1935.

Days of sadness still come o'er us,
Tears in silence often flow.
For memory keeps you ever near us
Though you died four years ago.
—Ever missed by husband and family.

Consider Agriculture Marketing Conditions

(By Agnes C. Macphail, M.P.)

A conference of great importance to agriculture took place in Montreal a little over a week ago which I attended. The five Eastern provinces and the Chambers of Agriculture of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes called it. Its business was to consider marketing of farm products. But the ghost that stalked the conference hall was surpluses.

Mr. H. S. Arkell of the Federal Department of Agriculture, who has made a very close study of marketing in South America and Europe, stated plainly that Canada was not making the most of her opportunities in the available markets and particularly in the British market. Canada, he said, must concern herself with two indispensable characteristics of successful marketing; dependable quality and regular supply. He said, too, that in Great Britain advertising campaigns of a certain Canadian product didn't synchronize with the supply of that particular product on the market. In regard to quantity, the history of our trade has been that of an in-and-outer.

"The principle of regulative discipline must be introduced if our trade is to succeed," Mr. Arkell declared. "Voluntary agreements will not work as has been proven, but the man who breaks them commits a crime against democracy. Democracy must take authority to prevent that crime of breaking agreements."

East and 'West met in understanding. The keynote address of the conference was delivered by Mr. John Bracken, Premier of Manitoba. Agriculture is not considered by other industries to be as important as it is. Farmers aren't paid anything like their share of the national income. One third of the people live on land and receive only one third of the national income. During the depression when factories were closed or running only part time agriculture continued to produce, though the loss it took was staggering. (In the seven years following 1930 the total farm income of the prairie provinces declined by twenty-five hundred million dollars, as compared with the seven year period prior to that time.) Excessively high overhead costs, declining world markets and low prices had been the bane of agriculture, Premier Bracken told the conference.

Since 1901 urban population in Eastern Canada has increased by one hundred and fifty per cent, while farm acreage has stood almost steady and rural population has increased by only three and a half per cent. From the same year the acreage under cultivation in the prairie provinces increased four hundred per cent and the improved acreage by as much as one thousand per cent, and the rural population of Western Canada by more than 1,100,000 and the urban by some 750,000.

All of which means that the expansion of 'Western Canada, agriculturally, developed an industrial East and improved the markets for Eastern farmers but on the basis of an export market for Canada's surplus wheat grown on the prairies.

What, Mr. Bracken asked, will the East do if 'Western Canada is forced to put the thirty million acres now devoted to export to producing dairy products and hogs and other crops in which the East is interested Let us put it in his own words. "If there are branches of Canadian agriculture which find a market for their entire output within this country, they find it here because other branches of agriculture find their outlets in foreign markets and are devoting their land to the production of products for those outside markets. What will happen if these large areas now devoted to producing products for export suddenly find a large part of their market permanently lost? The whole Canadian agricultural industry and that includes Eastern agriculture will very shortly realize to its cost the implications of any permanent loss of export markets. The surplus problem which now finds itself largely concentrated on wheat would diffuse itself into a dozen other farm products and thus create a general problem for agriculture in all parts of Canada."

Concluding a profound address, Mr. Bracken said: "We must get the maximum of export markets, for the commodities of which we have large sur-

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Fought House Fire

(By our Ceylon Correspondent)

What might have proved a very serious fire was thwarted Tuesday afternoon when fire was discovered in an inside partition at the home of Snowden McLeod. After trying to extinguish the blaze, Mrs. McLeod ran to the brow of a knoll and stood there waving and calling to the men who were working at wood near the bush. Luckily they saw her and whipped the horses into a gallop. On reaching the house, Mr. McLeod chopped into the partition and with the help of Mrs. McLeod and Mr. Jas. McMullen succeeded in extinguishing a very stubborn blaze. Had this occurred during the night there is every probability that the family might have been trapped and burned to death. It was also fortunate that the men had not reached the bush, as all view of the house from it is obscured.

John W. Davis Dies

Mr. John 'W. Davis, an old resident of Artemesia township and father of Warden John A. Davis, died at his home on the East Backline Tuesday morning, April 11th, in his 81st year. He was taken ill with the flu last week, pneumonia developing a few days ago from which he was unable to rally. He was widely known although he did not take an active part in township affairs. He was a kind neighbor, ever ready to give a helping hand when needed and he will be much missed from his home and community.

The funeral will take place on Friday, April 14th, with service at his late residence at at 2 p.m., with interment being made in the Markdale cemetery.

Pageant Well Given

A splendid pageant was given at the evening service in St. John's United Church on Sunday when the Young Married Couple's Group presented "For He Hath Great Possessions." It was a one-act religious drama, built around the story of a rich young ruler at the time of the Passover, and held the interest of the congregation throughout the presentation. The players put everything they had in the drama and their acting was the very best. Great praise was showered upon the actors, all taking their parts well, but if we were to single any one out for special mention we would compliment Mr. John Cook the part of the young ruler and was the main character in the play. The church was crowded to the full extent of its seating capacity. The drama is worth while and while it has an Easter theme, would be worth hearing at any time. The play is being given at Priceville on April 28.

SPECIAL EASTER PROGRAM AT ST. JOHN'S FRIDAY

The annual Easter meeting of the W.M.S. of St. John's United Church will be held in the church Friday of this week at 7.30 p.m. to which societies from Dundalk, Proton Station, Markdale, Ceylon and Priceville have been invited. An extra special event will be the presentation of a pageant "Sunrise in the Garden" by the young people of the church, included in other Easter numbers. This promises to be a most interesting meeting and a cordial invitation to everybody in the district is extended. Tea will be served at the close of the meeting.

W. A. MEETING

Mrs. Holland entertained the Woman's Association in her home on April 4th. In the absence of the president, Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Moore, first vice-president, took the chair. After singing a hymn and all repeating the Lord's prayer and the reading of the minutes, the general business was transacted. The pennies were handed in. Mrs. Cargoe had charge of the devotional period and read a very interesting story and led in prayer. Mrs. Armstrong's group had charge of the program and social hour. Miss Kate McMillan read a paper written by her aunt. Mrs. W. Lever sang a solo after which games were played, a jolly time spent and lunch served.

A Kentucky girl shot a man by mistake and then married him. We thought they married them by mistake and then shot them.

Feversham School Has Commencement

(By Feversham Correspondent)

A very large crowd attended the annual Continuation School commencement on Thursday evening of last week. The program consisted of drills, mat work (pyramid building by both the girls and the boys and tumbling) and short plays. One play entitled "Elmer" in which Mr. Murray Lepard played the leading role, was exceptionally good and was the occasion of many a hearty laugh. The chairman, Rev. Elliott, of Maxwell, passed many witty jokes between the different items on the program. Miss Delmer Seeley rendered the piano music. As has been the custom in past years, a valedictory address is given by one of the graduating class. This year this task was remarkably well done by Mr. Mac Stephen. Mrs. Ernest Hawton presented graduating diplomas to the following: Mas Stephen, Evelyn Hale, Robert Fenwick and Norman Davidson. The singing of the National Anthem brought this delightful event to a close.

BATCHELOR—HILL MOORE—HILL

On Saturday, April 8th, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hill of Maxwell was the scene of a pretty double wedding ceremony when Ida Isobel, the eldest daughter, was united in marriage to William Wilfred Batchelor, and Florence Elda, their second daughter, was united in matrimony to Chester Howard Moore. This very charming double wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. K. Cutler of Cannington, formerly of Feversham, in the presence of sixty guests who were the immediate relatives of the two couples.

Promptly at three p.m. the grooms took their place under a beautiful evergreen arch trimmed with wedding bells and pink streamers. The two brides entered the parlor leaning on the arms of their father to the tunes of the wedding march "Star of the East" played by Mrs. Ed. Batchelor. The brides wore dainty gowns of pale blue crepe with navy shoes and on their hair a tiara of orange blossoms. Each carried a beautiful bouquet of talisman roses and maiden hair fern. In each case the groom's gift to the bride was a beautiful cabinet of silver and to the pianist they gave a linen table cloth.

Following the ceremony a dainty buffet luncheon was served with the brides personally serving the wedding cake. At 5.30 o'clock the couples left Maxwell on their honeymoon trips, the brides travelling in navy suits with accessories to match. Mr. and Mrs. Batchelor, on returning from Toronto and 'Woodbridge, will reside on the groom's farm at Hatherton. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will honeymoon in Toronto and Brampton and on their return will live in Dundalk where the groom is employed as a mechanic in the Spanhouse garage.

Immediately after this double ceremony Rev. Mr. Cutler left for the home of Mr. D. Gordon to officiate at his third wedding for the day.

ARTEMESIA COUNCIL

Artemesia Township Council will meet in Flesherton on Monday, April 17th, at 1.30 p.m. All interested are requested to take notice.

JOHN A. BRADLEY DIED IN WEST

A resident of 'Winnipeg for many years, John A. Bradley died there on Saturday, March 25th. He was born in Flesherton, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Bradley of Orchard. In 1904 he was married to Miss Lena 'Wolfe of Durham. Surviving are one son, John E. Bradley, of Winnipeg, and three daughters, Mrs. Stafford Pelton (Gertrude) and Miss 'Winnifred, engaged in social service work, both in Toronto, and Miss Mary at home.—Mount Forest Confederate.

VALLEY ROAD ASSOCIATION

A meeting of all those interested in the Beaver Valley Road Development Association will be held in the town hall, Flesherton, to-night (Wednesday) at 8.00 p.m. All persons interested are requested to attend.

ARt NORRIS, Secretary.

With its many dialects, Chinese is accounted to be the most widely spoken language in the world.