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Driver Scored In Thompson's Death

After examining five additional witnesses, following postponement a week ago, the jury under Coroner Dr. W. J. McLean, found that Melville Thompson, 39, Dundalk drover, had met death "from injuries caused by accidentally falling from the top of the cab on the truck owned by Archie Clark and his brother, Douglas, of Hopeville.

The accident occurred on Highway 10 on the night of May 27, and Thompson succumbed two days later in the Orangeville Hospital.

Crown Attorney R. D. Evans of Orangeville censured Clark, the truck owner, and his other three passengers, Alex. McCannell, farmer, Swinton Park; Pte. Douglas Oliver Donaldson, Toronto, and Wm. Stewart, farmer, Proton Township, for failing to take "reasonable precautions" to ensure Thompson's safety.

Provincial Officer Bert Hammer said he had found beer and liquor i Clark's truck, "which had been unopened and legally purchased," after the accident. Other evidence showed liquor had been consumed on the trip from Toronto.

The evidence brought out in the first hearing a week ago showed that the deceased had been drinking in the back of the truck and had climbed on top of the cab, despite efforts of a companion, Pte. Donaldson, to stop him. Two of the other witnesses who had ridden in the back of the truck with the fatally-injured man. admitted in their evidence of having taken one drink also.

The jury's verdict closed with the sentence: "We, the jury, also find that this accident might have been prevented had proper precautions been taken by Mr. Clark, joint owner of the truck."

R. J. Spears Passes

Robert John Spears passed away suddenly on Sunday at his home on the 14th of Osprey Township, at the age of 42 years. He had been ill in the spring, but appeared to be recovering and his death was a great shock to his family and his many friends. Death occurred under such circumstances that Dr. Martin, coroner, and Constable Black of Flesherton were called, but an inquest was deemed unnecessary.

The late Mr. Spear was a native of Arran Township, Bruce County, a son of Robert Spears, who still resides there, and the late Mrs. Spears, who passed away eleven years ago. Fourteen years ago he was united in marriage to Eleanor Spencer and ten years ago they moved from Arran to a farm near Feversham.

Besides his father and wife, he leaves to mourn his passing one son, George, and one daughter, Betty, both at home; twob rothers, Russell and Gordon, the latter in Toronto, and two sisters, Ethel (Mrs. M. Hindle) of Osprey and Emma (Mrs. Zedick Cunningham) of Southampton. In religion hew as a member of the United Church.

Card of Thanks

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness during my illness and far calls, cards and letters received while in hospital.

—Mrs. Alex. English.

Navy League Tag Day

The Ontario Division of the Navy League of Canada is holding its Tag Day in Flesherton on Saturday, June 20th, and as patriotic citizens of a community allowed to live in peace by grace of the brave arms of our fathers and brothers now serving at sea, on land and in the air, we should do all in our power to support this increasingly active war service organization. For, if we do not help the Navy League, which body is charged by the Canadian Government with looking after the welfare of the men of the Mercantile Marine, how can it, in turn, help those whom we all hold dear — our defenders?

Last year the Ontario Division of the Navy League sent $175,000 worth of knitted goods and ditty bags to our naval men. This year the demand is so heavy that goods and comforts are being sent to them in thrice the volume of last year's supplies. Naval hostels everywhere are asking for more of everything.

Our taggers are asking for money to enable the Navy League to carry on its glorious work, and linking our town up even more definitely with the Empire's war effort. The Navy League forms the chain that stretches from this town to our brave men of the seas, carrying our small "thank you" for the tremendous serive they are doing in protecting and serving us.

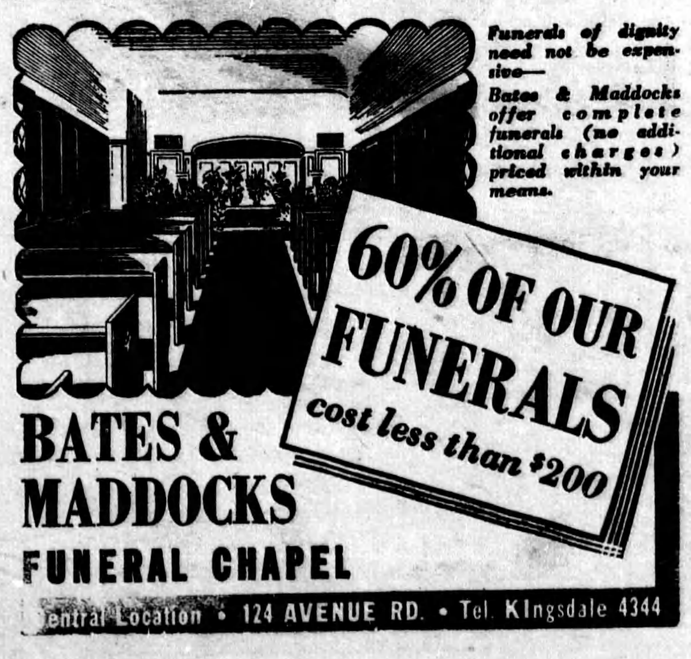
L.A.C. GORDON H. GIBSON

Formerly of Flesherton and son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gibson, who was instantly killed in an airplane accident at St. Eugene, Que.

A SMALL SACRIFICE TO PREVENT FOE COMING

(8th Line, Osprey, Reporter)

Your correspondent had occasion to take a motor trip to Fern Glen, Ont., last week end, some twenty miles north of Huntsville. The beauty of the natural scenery in Muskoka district at this season is beyond words to describe. Travelling along the Ferguson Highway one marvels at nature's glories, and cannot help but think also of the ingenuity of man in building such a highway through, one would imagine in many places, sheer rock. Would that that ingenuity were directed along another and better channel than the manufacturing of deadly weapons and aerial manoeuvering to kill! We are not at present, owing to the war, at liberty to enjoy our summer resorts, but it is a small sacrifice after all, if by so doing, we can prevent our country, with all its natural beauty, from becoming sullied by the foe.



Buildings Known To All The World

(By Hugh Templin)

Readers of novels and most others who depend on less romantic sources for their knowledge of London will find many familiar names in the West End. It begins, I would suppose, at Trafalgar Square, which is often called "the heart of London." Perhaps that is a bit too far east to be realy the West End. Nearby is Westminster, which contains the Houses of Parliament, Whitehall and No. 10 Downing Street. Farther West are St. James Park, Buckingham Palace, Piccadilly Circus, Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens, such famous streets as Regent and Oxford and and Bond and Baker and Portland Place—to name only a few.

As a stranger, I usually went to Trafalgar Square first, when going anywhere myself. No maps were available now, but it seems that one could get anywhere in Central London by taking one of the streets out of Trafalgar Square. Southward, there were the houses of Parliament; westward, Buckingham Palace, and varoius streets toward the north led to Leicester Square, Piccadilly and then to the real West End.

Trafalgar Square is famous for other things. A large flock of tame pigeons makes its home there, and apparently every Canadian soldier gets his picture taken with them on his shoulder. A flock of girls, not so tame, seemed to be around the benches in front of Canada House all the time.

I have been asked if any damage was done in Trafalgar Square. The asnwer, of course, is "Yes." All that part of London had bombs. Officers at the Canadian Headquarters told me that half a dozen bombs hit their building. But there's little sign of it now. All roads and sidewalks have been repaired. I think there is a bit missing from the front leg of one of the lions, although I didn't notice it myself. St. Martin's seems intact. A great many of the paintings and art treasures were removed from the National Gallery and several bombs hit it, but they are said to have been small. A casual glance around Trafalgar Square shows little damage.

Piccadilly Circus Not So Busy Now

Piccadilly Circus is another place where several important roads meet. It is neither square nor circular in shape, but rather irregular. In the centre stands the base of a statue on which Eros (I think) stands in peace time. He's gone now, and the base of the statue is all boarded up, and probably protected with sand bags under the boards.

This intersection of several streets, notably Piccadilly and Regent, is said to be the busiest spot in the Empire in peace times. It isn't that way now with car traffic cut down so seriously. The buildings all around are an even six stories high, to comply with building bylaws. One of them is a theatre where an ancient but notable spectacle is still performing. Under the surface are many levels of the famous Piccadilly Underground Station, where some 300 persons were still sleeping in an improvised air raid shelter last October.

I have already described the people who sleep at night in these Underground stations. The sight of hundreds of persons sleeping like that cannot help but make an impression that is hard to forget. But one gets used to it. Evidently the sleepers also get used to anything, otherwise they could never sleep on stone stairways.

My experience with underground railways is limited to New York and London. Really, there's quite a difference, I used the Underground very little, not trusting myself to find a way below the ground without the aid of a map but it seemed that the London trains were far less crowded than those in New York's subways. Maybe that was because I didn't happen to ride in a rush hour. Certainly the London trains and stations are far cleaner.

Fence Gone from Palace

The King and Queen were away from London while the Canadian editors were in the city, so I did not see them, but I passed the front of Buckingham Palace several times, though never inside the gates. Workmen were busy with blow torches cutting down the iron fence around the parace grounds. It seems a pity but Britain is short of metal and the King is said to have expressed a wish to make the same kind of sacrifice as other people were making.

In another way, the Knig shared the troubles of his people. Buckingham Palace has been hit in several places by bombs. The small building at the front right hand corner shows signs of damage.

Throughout the area northward from the Palace, bombing was not nearly so severe as in the old city or in the dock area in the east end, but nearly every block shows signs of damage. It seemed to me that the destruction in the West End was all from high explosives, not from incendiary bombs, as in the other parts of the city. The damage was by blast not by fire. I don' know why. It may have been that the Germans did not drop inieniaries there, or perhaps these wicked little bombs are not so effective where houses are not quite so close together. Again, it may have been that the West Enders kept a better fire watch.

These are just guesses of course but it's easy to tell which type of bombcaused the damage in most cases Fires caused by bombs look, in the end, like many other fires, and the blackened ruins are similiar. But high explosives don't blacken; they pulverize—and justhow they act seems to be partly a matter of chance.

Some of the smart London shops are gone. Others have all the glass missing. Fronts are boarded up except for small holes. These little windows often show nothing but a cheerfull sign.

Hyde Park and Orators

Everyone has heard of Hyde Park. It's a large park, something like High Park in Toronto, and it is situated in the heart of the West End. There's quite a large pond or lake in it, but the things the wartime visitor notices most are the anti-aircraft guns. They are all over the park, and there are searchlights with some women in the crew. Hyde Park is just behind Buckingham Palace and there must have been a terific din when the raids were on. The guns are usually in shallow pits, ringed around with sand bags to protect the crew from blasts and

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BUILDINGS KNOWN

Red Cross Work Shown In Pictures

Pictures of Britain at War and the gigantic work of the Canadian Red Cross were shown in the town hall on Sunday evening, under the auspices of Flesherton-Artemesia Branch of the Red Cross. The hall was crowded to a capacity audience, and saw actual moving pictures of the work of the Red Cross in collecting articles for use and their distribution to those in need. Part of the picture also showed the distribution of parcels to prisoners of war. Britain at war showed pictures of bombed England and the actual bombing of a convoy on its way with supplies for Britain

Major Watson, organizer of the Red Cross in Ontario, superintended the showing of the pictures. He was introduced by Mr. R. W. Piper, president of the Flesherton - Artemesia Branch of the Red Cross, and gave a splendid address on the work of the Red Cross which was very interesting and gave a number of facts in regard to the work in Canada and Great Britain. He announced that the recent campaign had reached the nine million dollars asked, and exceeded the amount by a couple of hundred dollars. Despite the large amount of money collected there was need for a great deal more. Canada is supplying 40,000 boxes per week to prisoners of war in various theatres of the conflict, 11 pounds of food in each box, at the low cost price delivered of $2.50 each. This arm of their work takes a great deal of money and it is their desire to take more of the burden of supplying these boxes if the money were available. Major Watson also traced the Red Cross from its beginning 80 years to the present time and showed how the Geneva Conference of 1929 had im proved the lot of the prisoner of war.

Mrs. E. J. Fisher and Mrs. Stewart Beattie rendered a splendid duet. A collection was taken for the work in the local Branch of the Red Cross which amounted to $16.00. The National Anthem brought a very instructive evening to a close.

Prince Arthur Officers

Wm. Walker was installed as Master of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, A.F.&A.M., at the annual instalation of officers on Friday evening. Wor. Bro. W. G. Watson acted as installing officer. Following are the officers:

W.M.—Wm. Walker.
I.P.M.—Wor. Bro. J. S. McDermid.
S.W.—Bro. M. S. McLeod
J.W.—Bro. Carl Carruthers
Chaplain—Bro. K. G. McMillan.
Treasurer—W. Bro. F. H. Hickling
Secretary—Wor. Bro. C. J. Bellamy
D. of C.—Wor. Bro. A. Down
S.D.—Bro. J. A. Richards
J.D.—Bro. E. Blackburn
S.S.—Bro. E. Gordon.
J.S.—Bro. C. J. Kennedy
I.G.—Bro. R. Clark
Tyler—Bro. G. A. Cairns

REV. GEORGE DOREY, D.D.

Asosciate Secretary Department of Home Missions of the United Church of Canada, who will be the special preacher at anniversary services in St. John's United Church, morning and evening, next Sunday, June 21.

Mrs. D. McKillop Dies

Mrs. Dougald McKillop, a resident of Flesherton for he past 29 years, died suddenly at her home about 1.30 Tuesday morning, June 16th, in her 86th year. Deceased had been enjoying very good health for some time and Monday evening had apparently been feeling the same as usual. She suffered a heart attack about 10.30 Monday evening and despite medical aid she passed away about 1.30 a.m.

The late Mrs. McKillop was formerly Miss Mary Emerson and was born in Bristol, Quebec, and was in her 86th year. She was married to Dougald McKillop 60 years ago last November and she moved to Flesherton with her husband 29 years ago, her husband conducting a hardware store and plumbing and tinsmith business, now being managed by their son, Ernest. Mr. McKillop predeceased her on October 11, 1937.

Surviving to mourn her passing are one son, Ernest, of Flesherton and one daughter, Eva (Mrs. A. Churcott) of Wallaceburg, and one grandson, Emerson Thompson, whom she raised from childhood, and who is now with the Royal Canadian Engineers. One sister, Mrs. T. Strutt, resides in Quebec, 16 grandchildren also surviving. Three daughters predeceased her.

The late Mrs. McKillop was an adherent of the Baptist church which she attended regularly until the past couple of years. She was of a quiet nature and very seldom was seen away from her home.

The funeral is being held Thursday afternoon, June 18th, with service at her late residence at 2 o'clock p.m., interment to be made in Flesherton Cemetery.

CHANGES ARE MADE IN AIRGRAPH SERVICE

On and after June 15th the fee for airgraph messages has been reduced to 6 cents. After June 15th, airgraph messages can be accepted addressed to civilians in the United Kingdom. The airgraph fee for messages to civilians, when sent by a civilian, is 15 cents; when sent by personnel of the Royal Navy, British Royal Air Force serving in Canada, 6 cents.

Fill your lungs full of refreshing gasoline fumes while you can. A year from now there may be nothing to smell but june.

Missed First Council Meeting in 62 Years

Sixty-two years of continuous service to the Township of Artemesia has been the record of Mr. W. J. Clerk of the Township of Artemesia, Bellamy of Flesherton, the efficient It was on April 1st, 1880 that Mr. Bellamy received the appointment of Clerk of the Township and during the 62 years of holding that office he has an enviable record of never having missed a meeting of the Council. Last week he was forced to remain home when the monthly meeting of Council was held, through illness, and his position was taken by his son, Mr. C. J. Bellamy. Mr. Bellamy has had a wonderful grasp on municipal affairs and his opinions were followed on almost every occasion. He was an authority on municipal and school law. Mr. Bellamy will be 89 years of age this coming July and believe that his many years as Clerk of Artemesia and the fact that in all that time he had never missed a Council meeting, constitutes something of a record, of which Mr. Bellamy might well be proud.

G. E. LAWRENCE

Funeral services for George Edward Lawrence, age 60, a well-known old timer of Vulcan, Alta., district, were held from the Anglican church, Vulcan, Rev. C. Winter conducting the services.

Mr. Lawrence went west from Flesherton in 1904, homesteading in the Alston district. He resided there since. He married Miss May Sprott in 1910. He was active in all community affairs, having served as trustee in Alston schol and hall board for many years. He was ill only a short time.

He is survived by his wife,, five daughters, Mrs. Neil Cressman, Longview; Mrs. Arthur Standish, Banff; Marjorie of Calgary and Olive and Erna at home; three sons, James at Vulcan; George, Turner Valley, and Harry, overseas with the 1st Canadian Scottish Highlanders; four sisters, Mrs. George Galbraith, High River, Alta.; Mrs. J. Patton, Ogden, Alta.; Mrs. Arthur Appleton, Galt, Ont., and two brothers, William of Calgary and Lester of Vancouver. There were many floral tributes. Interment was in Vulcan Cemetery.

NOVEL METHOD OF PLANTING POTATOES

We have learned of an unique method of planting potatoes, especially if you are so unfortunate as to be a martyr to any form of rheumatism. First you have an obliging neighbor work the land thoroughly; then you and the good wife, or young grandson, sally forth with potatoes, hoe and a good stout fishing rod, but the latter is not intended to be used for catching fish, at least not at the present moment. Oh yes, a revolving stool is necessary. The operator sits on the stool, while the wife makes the holes to receive the potatoes, which are deftly thrown towards the hole. Now, here is where the fishing rod comes in. If the potato goes too far or not far enough, the rod, with a contraption on the end, is used to draw the sett back to place, or push it forward. There are some points on which we are not quite clear, but if you interview Mr. Robert Clark of town, he will give you the full particulars.

SUCCESSFUL AT FESTIVAL

The following piano pupils of Mrs. J. E. Milne were successful in winning awards at the Grey County Misical Festival held at Owen Sound:

Piano Trio, 8 years and under: st place with 82%. Joanne Wood, Mureil Sparks, Mary Jane McTavish. The children also played at the concert of first place winners held in Westside United Church on Thursday last.

Piano Solo, 8 years and under, 3rd place with 82%: Muriel Sparks.

Piano Solo, 13 years and under, 3rd place with 78%: Blanche Walker.

Piano Solo, 14 years and under, 3rd place with 83%: Genevieve Milne.

BORN

ALLEN— At Mrs. Nuhn's Nursing Home, Flesherton, on Tuesday, June 16th, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. James Allen, a daughter.