

Seized Big Still Near Chesley

What is conceded to be the largest and most complete whiskey-making plant ever uncovered in this section was seized by Prov. Officer McClevis and County Constable A. E. Ferguson of Walkerton during a raid on the farm premises of William Blackburn, on the 14th con., Elderslie, about 6 miles northeast of Chesley, on the afternoon of Saturday, July 27.

The still, which is estimated to have a capacity for turning out 40 gallons of whiskey at one distillation, was found in Blackburn's home, and although not in operation at the time of the raid, there was a couple of large bottles of moonshine on hand that bore probable evidence of the kind of tanglefoot it was capable of making. The presence of myriads of flies, together with some spiders and an odd caterpillar that had apparently got into the bottles as they were left uncorked, was enough to turn the vilest drunk towards total abstinence as he looked upon the mixture that was undoubtedly meant for human consumption.

Numerous cases of home brew that were likewise seized on the premises by the officers showed that this farm domicile was anything but a dry spot. In fact, when the whiskey plant, tanglefoot and suds were moved into the police office for exhibits at the pending trial the place looked so much like a chamber of horrors that had a temperance orator drifted in, he might have got the jitters before the provincial cop had time to explain.

The police, it seems, had their eye on the neighborhood for some time in which the plant and wet stuff were seized, and it was only after they were certain that they had the right spot, that they staged the raid which, brought so much distilling equipment and dynamic product to light.

As an aftermath of the raid by the Walkerton cops, a warrant was sworn out by Officer H. C. Foster of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Owen Sound, who with Prov. McClevis, went unannounced to this rural home on Tuesday afternoon and placed the head of the house, William Blackburn, under arrest and took him in triumph to Walkerton, where he was remanded to the county jail on a charge of illegally operating a still contrary to the provisions of the Inland Revenue Act. After remaining in the clink overnight, bail was forthcoming and he was released to appear for trial.

MUSIC

A poet of the past, now gone to rest,
Wrote, "Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast."
Thus it might have been in days gone by,

And thus with certain kinds of melody.

I quite agree, that music has a power

To soothe and cheer us in a lonely hour,

Music of instrument, of man and bird.

I wonder if that poet ever heard.

At night when he so tired had gone to bed,

Scarce had the pillow touched his weary head

When suddenly, within the darkened room,

The song of a mosquito pierced the gloom.

If so, I'm sure his "savage breast" was stirred,

With murderous intent on that singing bird.

The song it sings, instead of bringing charm,

Tells him that it means him bodily harm.

He rises in his wrath to swat the thing

That hovering 'round him, does its best to sing.

Its "music" fails to soothe his savage breast

Until a well-aimed blow sent it to rest.

Then leaning on his elbow listened he,

Dreading to hear again that melody.

But "absence of music", soothed his savage breast,

And with a peaceful sigh he sank to rest.

Mrs. Nellie Myers.

This Car Race Was a Bit Costly

His car was ticking sweetly as Mike Linnerth, Victoria Street, Kitchener, sped along the St. Clements-Waterloo highway last Friday. It roared a sweet song as he passed another machine bound in the same direction, and Mike, it seems, waved to the driver of the second car to "come on and make a race of it."

So they started. The speedometer of the trailing machine flicked its needle to the 75-mark as the highway streaked away. The driver of the second car and his passenger saw the man ahead slowed down to a mere 60 as they sped through Heidelberg, then picked up speed as the village was left behind. The second car's accelerator was down to the floor when the machine ahead slowed up at Wagner's Corners.

The two men in the trailing car got out. They said Magistrate J. J. A. Weir would have to referee the race to see who'd won.

The magistrate did. Apparently Mike lost, because it cost him \$25 in cash and a month's suspension of his license.

The driver of the second car was Provincial Police Chauffeur Del Sarviss. His passenger was High County Constable Albert Whiteside.

CHERRY GROVE W. I.

The Cherry Grove W. I. held their August meeting at the beautiful home of Mrs. W. M. Ward, with a good attendance of members and visitors. The President, Mrs. Dickie, presided. The meeting opened in the usual way with the Ode and prayer in unison. The secretary, Mrs. Boyce, read the minutes of the last meeting which were then approved. The different committees reported and this branch realized a good price for their quilt with Mrs. Peter Elford holding the lucky ticket.

Mrs. S. Ward was elected delegate to the County Convention to be held at Ravenna in August. We have been extended an invitation from the New England branch to visit them at their August meeting. The program was under the heading Agricultural meeting and was in charge of Mrs. Ward. Mr. Cooper was present and gave a wonderful talk on "Can a farmer live on \$1000.00 a year?" If in doubt just ask Mr. Cooper, he will show you in figures. We country people have no idea just what a wonderful opportunity is being offered us on the farm. The next number was a reading by Mrs. Bowen. "The Backyard Beautiful". This is indeed worthy of special mention that with a few flowers and a little help from the men folk our backyards can be translated into things of beauty and attraction. We also enjoyed community singing. Miss Ruby Brown gave a well prepared paper on "Agriculture in Ontario". This was a splendid paper. Miss Jane Dickie put on a contest, "The Mystical Forest". Mrs. Arthur Bowen winning the prize. Mrs. Clive Dolan and Mrs. Dickie sang a duet in their usual pleasing way. This brought a wonderful program to a close. After singing the National Anthem and Grace the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Squire and Mrs. Dennison, served a delicious and tasty repast. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Sanford Ward. Visitors are always welcome.

EUPHRASIA COUNCIL

The council met at the township hall, Rocklyn, on August 1st with all members present and the Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications re regulations for threshers regarding the spreading of weeds also regulations for relief was read.

Parker - Pottage—That this Council strike a rate of 19 mills exclusive of debenture rates.—Carried.

By-law No. 10 to levy rates was passed and filed.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid: Chas. Fawcett, sheep killed by dogs, \$3.00; John Yeadell, sheep killed by dogs, \$5.50; Jess. Mears, clothing for Fawcett girls, \$8.00; A. Pledger, two days with auditor, \$5.00; H. Thompson, caring for hall, \$5.00; Mrs. Stafford, one month's board of Fawcett girls, \$5.00; R. Chard, shoes and fruit for Fawcett girls \$2.32; W. R. Perry, valuing sheep, \$4.50;

W. Parks, sheep killed by dogs \$7; Pay sheets No. 68, road work, \$31.90; No. 69, \$117; No. 70, \$24.00; No. 71, \$45.20; No. 72, \$13.40; No. 73, \$80.20; No. 74, \$55.80; No. 75, \$11.60; No. 76, \$20.80; No. 77, \$61.40; No. 78, \$79.30; No. 79, \$14.40; No. 80, \$10.60; No. 81, \$26.00; No. 82, \$75.41; No. 83, \$127.75; No. 84, \$3.80; No. 85, \$40.20; No. 86, \$8.60; No. 87, \$19.21; No. 88, \$9.00.

The Council adjourned until the 2nd of September.

N. L. Curry, Clerk.

EUGENIA

Wedding bells are ringing. Born—On Saturday, Aug. 10th, at Mrs. Nuhn's private hospital, Flesherton, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Genoe, a daughter. Congratulations.

Mr. Lloyd Genoe, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Genoe has joined the class of benedictines, having taken as life-partner, Miss Margaret Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fisher of Flesherton. We extend our best wishes to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jamieson and Miss Grace of Portlaw and the former's brother, Mr. Ed. Jamieson of Toronto were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Magee.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Johnson of Toronto visited recently with the Wilson and McMillan and Jamieson families. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Agnes and her cousin, Margaret McMillan are spending a couple of weeks near Lake Erie.

Miss Delmar Fenwick of Owen Sound is spending a couple of weeks at her parental home, 8th line.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Williams and family of Toronto also Mr. Thos. McKay spent the week-end with the former's parents. Miss Doris, also Mrs. Fred Graham, Florence, Freddie and Victor who have spent the past week here returned home with them.

Mr. Will Campbell of Toronto spent the week-end with his wife and son at their cottage here.

Master Bill Hornsby who has spent a couple of week's holidays with his friend, Master Bill Campbell, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davies returned to Toronto after spending the week-end with the latter's father, Mr. Jacob Williams. Miss Dorothy Davies and Master Hedley Lehman who have spent the past month here returned home with them.

Mr. Walker Sloan has returned home from Key Harbour where he spent the past month or so. Miss Donald Sloan is also home from attending Summer School in Toronto.

Little Miss Heen McWhinney of Windsor spent a week with Miss Doris Fawcett.

Mrs. Widdifield has returned to Toronto after spending a few holidays with her sister, Mrs. G. C. Graham and other relatives.

A number from this locality spent Monday in Georgetown at the Black Knight celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hemphill and Ronnie of Toronto visited on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Magee.

Master Billy Crews of Galt also Masters Jimmie and Charlie Jamieson of Owen Sound spent a few holidays with Master Wesley Jamieson.

Mr. Fred Brown and daughter, Helen and also Argyle Martin of Flesherton were callers at Mr. C. Martin's, Sunday.

The August meeting of the Women's Association of the United Church will be held at the church on Thursday afternoon, Aug. 15th, at 2 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Honner and son, Billy of Porcupine were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jamieson and family.

The Y.P.S. of the United Church enjoyed a very pleasant outing on Saturday afternoon at Wasaga Beach and Sunset Point.

Mr. Harold Turner has secured a position as stenographer with the "Dainty Confectioner's", Toronto.

Mr. Frank Jones of Toronto spent a week's vacation with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Purvis.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams of Toronto spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Turner. Mr. Turner and Evelyn returned with them to spend a few days in the city.

Mrs. Morgan and son, Douglas, of Flesherton visited with relatives

here Sunday.

Mrs. McMillan is visiting with the Hammond family at their cottage at Wasaga Beach.

Miss Marjorie McDonald of Singhampton is spending a week at the home of Mr. Oliver Turner.

Mrs. Will Irwin and daughter, Ruth of Windsor spent a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lawlor, 8th line.

We extend sympathy to the relatives of the late Mr. Ed. Madden in their recent sad bereavement.

At the Y.P.S. meeting Wednesday evening of last week, scripture passages were read by Victor Campbell and Harold Benson. The worship period was taken by Mrs. C. Martin and the discussion period by Miss Annieta Turner.

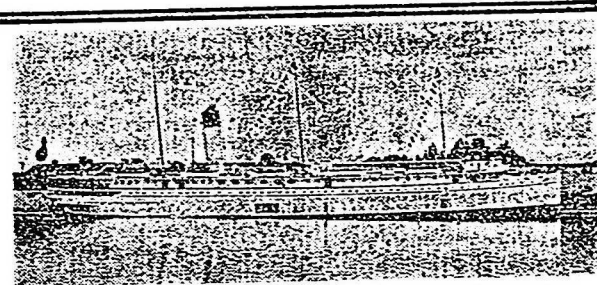
Mr. Herb. Fawcett has gone to Windsor for a while and will remain there if he can secure a position.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Simms and daughter, Grace of Sarnia, accompanied by Mrs. Simm's mother, Mrs. Jamieson and son George of Alliston also Mrs. J.'s granddaughter, Miss Joyce Merrick spent the first of the week with the Latimer and Proctor families.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Park of Flesherton visited the Park families here recently.

Miss Muriel Carruthers spent a few days the past week with relatives in Toronto.

There were 15 members in the choir on Sunday with Miss Muriel Carruthers as organist



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