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LOCAL NEWS

Mr. J. E. England is quite ill and is confined to the local hospital.

A.C. 2 John Bennett of St. Hubert, Quebec, was home for a few days.

Mrs. Martha Grant and Mrs. Lavinia Simpson spent a couple of days in Toronto.

Mrs. Friendship of Toronto was a visitor with Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Henry and family.

Miss Maris Thompson of Fergus was a visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Thompson.

Mr. Marshall Saunders of near Meaford spent a few days at the Saunders home in Berkeley.

Spr. Dan Colgan of Petawawa Camp, a Dundalk boy, spent Tuesday with the Colgan family in town.

Master Eldon Saunders of Berkeley spent a few days with Master Willard Saunders at Walters Falls.

Miss Dorothy Hare has returned to Toronto after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. S. L. Hare.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Saunders of Walters Falls spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. S. Saunders at Berkeley last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Acheson and Lols spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fleming and Eleanor in Owen Sound.

Miss Mabel Beatty, teacher at Alliston, spent the Christmas and New Year holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Beatty.

Geo. W. Collins has been elected Reeve of Chatham. A second nomination was necessary to fill two vacancies on the Council.

Spr. Bev. Johnston of Petawawa spent a few days with Mrs. Johnston, who is confined to the hospital following an operation last week.

The Standard extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McTaggart of Berkeley, who on Tuesday, Jan. 6th, celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage.

Miss Muriel Atkinson of Berkeley had a tonsil and adenoid operation at the Markdale Hospital last Monday and spent the past week with her aunt, Miss Ada Atkinson of Flesherton.

Recent visitors with Mr. A. E. Scott and family were A.C. Ted Carrell of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McTaggart and son, Ted, of Noranda, Quebec; Mr. Thos. Scott of Parry Sound, and Mr. Chas. Rodgers of Nobel.

Mort. Sayers was re-elected Reeve of Osprey on Monday, defeating Arnold Hutchinson by 131 votes and W. L. Taylor by 237. Fred Hale beat Leo McDonald by 215. A. Bule, W. McCutcheon and Clayton Sprout are the Councilors.

Mr. J. E. England, a patient in the Markdale Hospital, was the recipient on Tuesday of a wondrous bouquet of flowers collected for by the staff of the York Trading Co., Ltd., Owen Sound. The beautiful odour from these flowers fills the sick room with an ever enveloping sense of beauty and peace, and for the thoughts behind those flowers boys, thanks a million.

W. B. Phillips, R.O., Eye-Sight Specialist, will be at The Murray Drug Store the 1st and 3rd Tuesday p.m. each month. Make appointments at the Drug Store.

Markdale Council Has Two New Members

The election of members of the Village Council created additional interest for the electors on Monday and resulted in the election of two new members in the persons of A. E. Scott and Stanley York. W. J. Colgan and H. S. Merriam of last year's Council have been re-elected. Reeve Albert Rusk was re-elected by acclamation at the nomination a week ago.

The vote on Monday for Councilors resulted as follows:

W. J. Colgan	202
H. S. Merriam	198
A. E. Scott	176
Stanley York	173
M. A. Henry	161
W. J. Boves	152
J. R. Dillon	148

An analysis of the vote shows that Colgan, who headed the poll, got no plumpers; Merriam got two; Scott one; York three; Henry six; Boves one; Dillon seven.

The Council for 1942: Reeve, Albert Rusk; Councilors, W. J. Colgan, H. S. Merriam, A. E. Scott, Stanley York.

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Weber - Sheridan

The Rectory of St. George's Anglican Church, Clarksburg, was the scene of a quiet wedding at 5 o'clock p.m., on Christmas Eve, when Miss Ruby Sheridan, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Sheridan of Loree, and Norral Lee Weber, third son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Weber of Kimberley, were united in marriage, Rev. M. F. Oldham officiating.

The bride was smartly gowned in a black and raspberry sheer wool dress, trimmed with silver fox. Her corsage was white roses and lily of the valley. She also wore the gift of the groom, a gold locket. Her only attendant was Mrs. E. Alexander, sister of the groom, who wore a dress of moss crepe. Mr. E. Alexander was groomsmen.

After the ceremony the bridal party motored to the bride's home, where a delicious wedding supper was served, the house being decorated in pink and white. A four tier wedding cake topped the bride's table. Miss Rhoda Sheridan and Miss Pauline Shell assisted at the supper.

The bride and groom left for a short honeymoon in Port Hope and Toronto. For travelling the bride wore a camel pile coat, black hat with silver fox trim and black accessories.

Stephenson - Fisher

On two succeeding days Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fisher of Guelph, saw a daughter married. The ceremonies were held in Pasty Memorial Church which was decorated with Christmas evergreens, carnations and snapdragons. Rev. Geo. Wishart officiated, and the brides were given in marriage by their father.

Amanda Mary Fisher became the bride of William Wesley Stephenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephenson of Markdale. She was gowned in a soldier blue street-length dress, with matching accessories and corsage of roses. Her bridesmaid, Marjorie Jamieson, was in powder blue, with matching hat and accessories and corsage of carnations. Gunner Harry Fisher of Kitchener was best man. Jean Lyons sang. For travelling the bride wore a royal blue coat with blue accessories. They will live in Guelph.

The following day Lillian Florence Fisher became the bride of Roy F. Armstrong, Grandview Highway, Vancouver.

Receptions were held for both couples at the home of the bride's mother, who assisted in receiving in French blue with accessories to match and corsage of carnations.

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Lillian C. Turner.

Vandeleur W. I.

The December meeting of the Vandeleur Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Davis on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 18, with an attendance of fourteen members and several visitors.

The meeting was opened by singing the Ode and the Maple Leaf Forever, followed by the Lord's prayer in unison. The roll call was answered the first Christmas gift I ever received. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

It was decided to give a pair of blankets and a quilt to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Summers who lost their home by fire recently. Instead of having an exchange of Christmas gifts each member donated 15 cents to be sent to buy milk for the British children.

The motto for the month, "Lo, unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord" was given by Mrs. Thos. Freeman. "Hark the herald angels sing" was sung by all. Mrs. Fred Boland and Mrs. Chas. Boland sang a duet, "Silent Night, Holy Night". Mrs. L. Johnston gave a splendid paper on "Jesus' life and work". Miss Hazel Morrison conducted a contest which was won by Mrs. Glen McGee and Mrs. V. Brodie.

The draw was then made for the lucky ticket on the blankets and Mrs. Andrew Fawcett was the lucky winner. Proceeds from the tickets sold on the blankets amounted to \$12.40.

Meeting closed by singing God save the King. Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by the lunch committee.

Grey County Home Services

Jan. 16—Rev. W. F. Dean.
Jan. 30—Rev. S. E. Annis.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Devitt Married 66 Years

One of Grey County's oldest couples, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Devitt celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary at their home in Meaford on Monday.

Mr. Devitt, who is proud to have marked his 95th birthday last October, is not the only member of his family who has lived to an old age. His mother died at the age of 86 and his grandmother at the age of 93 years. He is the last of a family of ten children.

Mr. Devitt is one of the oldest Orangemen in the province and boasts of never missing a "walk" in the 78 years that he has been a member of the organization. Since he joined the lodge in 1863 he has been Past Master of North Grey as well as filling every other office in the society.

He was for twelve years the assessor of Euphrasia Township. He is a member of the Royal Black Knights of Ireland and a Fenian Raid Veteran. After that campaign he received for his services, from the Whitney Government, 168 acres of land, which he later sold. In the Raid he was a sergeant of Number 3 Company of the 45th Battalion, serving under Colonel Williams.

Mrs. Devitt, nee Eleanor Jane Paterson, is in her 86th year and was born in Durham County. The couple was married in Collingwood Township by Rev. D. J. McInnis and a few years later moved to Euphrasia Township, where they lived for 40 years, before retiring to Meaford some 20 years ago. They clearly recall their marriage day on a fine January day. On that occasion the weather was mild, with no snow or frost. The attendants were the groom's cousin, Samuel W. Ferguson; David Paterson, brother of the bride and Rose Paterson, sister of the bride.

There are two daughters and two sons. Mrs. Fred McConnell of Meaford, who served overseas as a nurse in the first World War; Mrs. H. Shore of Thornbury; Mathew on the homestead in Euphrasia and George on Barnston Island, B.C. There are also nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The Standard extends congratulations and best wishes to this fine old couple.

Who Reads The Paper?

We do not know how thoroughly The Post is read by the people of Hanover—sometimes we have rather depressing doubts—but there is one group of readers that we can bank on solidly as reading the paper "from cover to cover". In this group are the boys who have enlisted from this district and are now overseas or scattered through various camps across Canada. That is as thorough a reading public as the most ambitious newspaper would ask.

We hear this from every quarter—from the boys themselves as well as from their families here. In some instances the boys get the paper direct from the office. In other cases it is forwarded to them from home.

What is true of this paper is true of every home town paper in Canada—whether it be a city daily or a small town weekly. The boys want the news of the people they know and the countryside in which they grew up. In two or three of them in one unit are from the same town, so much the better. They can have the fun of commenting on what has happened and reviewing the old scenes.

In any event, the little comings and goings of folks whom they know are what they like to read about. The new building, changes in ownership, hunting luck, and all such things, of small or great importance, are real home news. For a brief moment, no matter how far they may be from us, they can transport themselves to the old scenes; follow us through our little daily doings; envision the rolling fields, the streams, and the sunsets. And it is ten to one they are hoping things won't be too much changed when they get home.

We would like to remind our subscribers and correspondents of this element of our family that never overlook a line in the paper. Remember the boys who have left home are scanning the news. They would like to see the names of the people they know in the paper—whether it is a matter of a new barn, a new baby, or a bit of visiting. We want to make the paper as interesting as possible, not only for those at home, but particularly for those away from home. You can help by giving us the news.—Hanover Post.

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Markdale Voted 'No' on the Beer Question

Markdale citizens expressed themselves at the polls on Monday and gave a decisive answer to the question submitted on the local sale of beer. The question was answered in the affirmative by 207 voters and in the negative by 267. The great majority of those who voted "yes" were not particularly interested in the sale of beer locally but in hotel accommodation for the village. This latter problem is still to be solved.

There is no argument as to the real need of a hotel but no person wants a bootlegger's joint as an excuse for a house providing the public with accommodation. We are ready to work with any organization prepared to make a more to secure for Markdale a hotel of which every citizen could be justly proud. We have no scheme in mind and are at a loss to know how the problem might be solved.

The campaign was a fairly quiet one and very little bitterness was injected. At the beginning we counselled a campaign which would leave no ill-will when the votes had been counted. Had this been the method used we are confident the result would have been no different to what it was. Those of us who reside here and have to continue to reside here are the only persons interested in the present and the future of the village. We do not believe that the literature distributed, the advertisements inserted in The Standard by both sides or the meeting held had any bearing on the result. Our citizens knew what they wanted before the Council authorized the taking of the vote and no person had his or her views changed by the arguments presented.

Let us now get busy and show to the outside world that Markdale is the home of a wide-awake people ready to do battle for what they consider right without belittling the opinions of our fellow citizens. There's room for us all to do some good; let's get busy.

Annesley Y. P. S.

On Monday, Jan. 5th, Annesley Young People's Society met to elect officers for year 1942.

Dona Patterson and Hillis Burnside are President and Vice-President respectively, with Ruth Alton as secretary and Nelson Armstrong as treasurer. Wednesday night was chosen for the meeting night instead of Monday. The remainder of the evening was spent in recreation. Refreshments were served by Isabel Torrie.

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my thanks to Dr. Carfoot, his staff, my nurses, Miss Mathewson and Miss Bradley and all those who sent flowers and treats while I was in the Markdale Hospital. I heartily thank you all.

Arnold Bowler

Card of Thanks

We desire to express our sincere thanks for the many acts of kindness and helpfulness during the illness and at the time of the death of our dear husband and father. We also wish to express appreciation of the floral tributes and for the cars loaned for the funeral.

Mrs. W. J. Hawken and Family.

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my thanks to Mr. Ivan Sparling and babe returned to Guelph on Sunday.

Mrs. Ryerson Sparling visited in Toronto recently.

Mr. Bert Parker returned on Friday to Guelph.

Mrs. F. Curry and babe, Mrs. H. Thompson and Glenn, Miss Iva Wood and W. J. Wood of Berkeley spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. E. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Jerry and Mr. and Mrs. D. Wyvill of Beaverdale spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wyvill.

Mrs. J. Murray and Mr. and Mrs. T. Abbott of Meaford were New Years visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Murray.

On New Years eve a number of neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Mrs. H. Kirkpatrick for a social evening prior to her departure to her new home in Meaford. They presented her with a lovely davenport and occasional chair. The evening was spent in dancing and cards.

Mrs. H. Kirkpatrick left on Monday for her new home in Meaford.

The Women's Association are having a crokinole social at the home of Mrs. Ryerson Sparling on Friday night of this week.

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Corpl. England Writes

Dear Editor,—For some time now I have been receiving your paper. I certainly enjoy reading the news and appreciate it very much. Thanking you again, I remain Yours Sincerely,
Graeme England.

P.S.: I am enclosing a little poem. If you can find room to print it, it might do something to help our war effort and would no doubt give somebody some enjoyment.

I WAS ONLY A VOLUNTEER

Why didn't I wait to be drafted,
To be led to the train by the hand,
Why didn't I wait for the banquet?
Oh why did I hold up my hand?
For nobody gave me a banquet,
And nobody said a kind word.
The voice of the wheels and the engine
Were the only sounds I heard.
Off to the camp I was hustled,
To train for half a year
In the shuffle, quite forgotten
I was only a volunteer.
We have given the others our billets,
While we roost alive in a tent.
We have cleaned up a dozen parade grounds
For the fellows who were only sent
Then I understood it
Then it was all made clear
The parades were made for trainees
The work for the volunteer.
I dreamed of the time that was coming,
When over the top I would go
While the fellows back home were laughing
At what a fool I was to go.
I dreamed of the far off dangers,
Of that bloody field of hate.
I went over the top, by a bullet was stopped.
Then knocked at the Pearly Gates.
I heard Saint Peter saying,
"We have no room for you here,
We are reserved for the trainer army."
Hell was made for the Volunteer.
Maybe some day in the future
When my boy sits on my knee
And asks what I did in the conflict,
His eager eyes looking at me,
I'll have to look back as I'm blushing,
In his eyes that are trustfully clear
And tell him I missed being drafted
I was only a Volunteer.
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Miss Anna Walker

From the Detroit News we learn of the death of Miss Anna Walker, a former resident of this territory, on Wednesday, Dec. 31st, 1941. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker and was born in Glenelg. The late John E. Walker of this place was a brother. Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Geo. Bowers, and a brother, Mr. Robt. G. Walker. A niece, Mrs. May D. McCoy, also survives.

Interment was made in Woodmere Cemetery, Detroit, on Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Ferris

Following an illness of several weeks Mrs. Mary Ferris, widow of the late John G. Ferris, and for several years a resident of the village, passed away at her home on Monday afternoon. She was in her 92nd year and retained her faculties until the end. Surviving are two daughters: Mrs. Murray at Callander and Mrs. McIvor at North Bay.

The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon to Markdale Cemetery with service at the house at 2:30 o'clock.

Alexander Hutton

Mr. Alex. Hutton passed away on Friday of last week at the home of his son, Harold, on the East Backline, Artemesia, near Flesherton. He had been a resident of the district for many years and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him.

The funeral took place on Sunday to Markdale Cemetery.

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STAFFORD—In Toronto on Wednesday, Jan. 7th, 1942, Mrs. Frank Stafford, formerly of Berkeley.

The funeral will take place on Saturday, Jan. 10th to Markdale Cemetery with service in the Anglican Church at Berkeley at 2 o'clock p.m.

Harkaway Red Cross Unit

From July 1st, 1941 to Dec. 31st, 1941, the following has been handed in:

6 quilts; 6 lady's night gowns; 1 baby layette, 3 dresses, 3 night gowns, 3 binders, 2 kimonos, 20 napkins, 1 shawl, 1 bonnet, 1 box kotex, 1 tin powder, 1 cake soap, safety pins, 1 face cloth, 2 shirts, 2 night gowns for the mother, 1 blanket; donated goods, 1 linen dress, 3 quilts; knitted goods, 93 pairs of socks, 2 scarfs, 1 sweater; money raised, collections and quilting teas, \$23.47, cash donation \$9.00, prize money from Markdale fair \$1.25, membership canvas \$36.85. Total, \$70.57.

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Samuel William Carruthers

Funeral services for Samuel William Carruthers, who died in the City Hospital, Saskatoon, on Wednesday, Nov. 19th, at the age of 43 years following a brief illness, were held in the United Church, Langham on Saturday, Nov. 22, with Rev. Robt. Dobson conducting the service. At the close of the church service the Masonic funeral service was conducted by Most. Wor. Bro. McGregor and Wor. Bro. Elliott of Saskatoon.

The church was filled with neighbors and other friends who paid their last respectful tribute. The pallbearers were Messrs. H. G. Stockan, W. T. Woodley, H. J. Thompson, Reuben Johnson, J. Tolterud and F. B. O'Neil. Interment was made in Langham Cemetery with F. Kreker in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Carruthers was a native of N. Dakota and lived with his parents in Ontario until he came west in 1905. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a Past Master of the Masonic Order.

Surviving are his widow, three sons, one daughter and his aged mother.

The family is widely known and respected in Langham and district and the sympathy of the community is extended to the survivors in their great sorrow. The late Samuel Carruthers is a first cousin of Capt. W. E. Harris, M.P., Markdale and a nephew of R. D. Carruthers of Kimberley.

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Anglican Church Notes

Rev. C. O. Pherrill, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m.—Morning Service.
7 p.m.—Evening Service.
The A.Y.P.A. will meet on Friday evening, Jan. 9th, at the home of Mrs. Wallace Graham.

St. Matthias' Church, Berkeley
3 p.m.—Church Service
The annual meeting of the Ladies' Guild will be held, D.V., on Thursday, at the home of Mrs. A. Bailie.

Gospel Workers' Church

REV. W. F. DEAN, Pastor

2 p.m.—Sunday School.
3 p.m.—Afternoon Service.
Tuesday evening—Prayer meeting at the parsonage.
Thursday evening—Cottage prayer meeting.
Kindly note change in time of services.

WILLIAMSFORD

10.30 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.30 a.m.—Morning Service.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada

11 a.m.—Priceville.
3 p.m.—Swinton Park.
2 p.m.—Markdale Sunday School.
7.30 p.m.—Markdale.

United Church of Canada

Rev. S. E. Annis, M.A., B.D., Pastor

11 a.m.—Morning Service.
12.15 p.m.—Sunday School.
2.30 p.m.—Ebenzer.
7 p.m.—Evening Service.

United Church of Canada

Holland Centre Circuit

Rev. J. A. Irwin, M.A., B.D.

10.30 a.m.—Holland Centre.
2.45 p.m.—Harkaway.
7.30 p.m.—Berkeley.

Kimberley United Church

W. R. BUCHANAN, Pastor

11 a.m.—Epping.
2.30 p.m.—New England.
7.30 p.m.—Kimberley.

Kimberley Baptist Church

Rev. E. H. Young, B. Th., Minister

3 p.m.—Church Service.

WALTER