Sure n' you're all comin' back home this year for the biggest celebration in this town's history. There'll be room for everybody!

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Centennial News and Views

Gordon Beaton is busy these days getting the various committees for the Centenary week working. One of the pleasant things about it is the co-operative way in which individual citizens are undertaking their tasks. In every way we shall have a successful celebration this August.

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Bert Hamilton has a big job on his hands looking after the entertainment for the big event. Bert will be at the head of all entertainment carried on by the Centenary Committee. Having had considerable experience in this work with the Markdale Rotary Club, he should be able to give the homecomers a week of real fun.

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Here are two more committees appointed by the executive:

Grounds Committee: H. H. Mercer, Milton Burnside and Carl Wright.

Concession Committee: Outside of Community Park, Art Norris, Howard Dennison, Bill Sutton, Wm. Marshall, W. E. Harris.

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Pictures of the early days in Markdale should make an interesting study for the present generation as well as former residents of this town and district. Those who have good pictures or other relics of the life in Markdale in past years which would be of interest to have on display, are requested to dig them out, and have them ready. It is likely these will be arranged at the local library where the registration will take place when the Centennial rolls around next August.

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Don't forget to send the names of out-of-town folk you want invited. Nina Hutchinson, secretary for the Toronto "On-to-Markdale" Committee Group, was in town for the week-end and stated that things were bubbling in the big city. Armed with lists of names she received here in Markdale, she has returned to Toronto to notify more ex-Markdaleites of the big event.

Once Upon A Time... In Our Town

(By An Old Timer)

Breathes there a Markdale man with soul so dead who never to himself hath said, "Sure, it's only a little one-horse town up in the snowbelt, but, it has achieved superlatives too. The sun shines a little bit brighter there; the snow comes down a little harder there (and more of it too), and though chance or necessity decreed my footsteps should follow paths in alien places, in some peculiar way Markdale still lives in my heart as 'the tops'."

People, almost forgotten in the town will come back to the Centennial to recapture some happy memory, to re-live again an esthetic moment, to re-orient themselves in scenes long past. There are so many different reasons why former members of the community will join in the trek back, one couldn't easily sort them out into just so many groups.

They will find new faces in the old places of business. On the fingers of one hand you can count the business men of even fifty years ago who are still here. These newcomers are "Markdale" now, and while they are wondering just what you old-timers are like, you, too, will be measuring and weighing to determine what Markdale's fate will be under this new regime.

It might help to break the ice if we took a quick peep at who's who on Main Street in 1949. At the same time the present custodians of the Street might enjoy a more or less vicarious introduction to some of the old cave-dwellers. If in doing this I should prove to be a deicide, dinna fash yersel: it's only an old timer trying to be funny.

I feel sure there will be some sprightly old gentleman (no, not John Caesar, but one somewhere around his vintage) rolling gaily down Piety Hill who will ask the driver to stop before he gets to the corner, and out will step the old gentleman expecting to see — not Bert Hamilton's smart up-to-date storefront, but a shabby, dilapidated frame hotel once known as the Reynolds House.

His interest will lie, not in the hotel, but in the yard beyond where once grim Death stalked.

Can you picture a dark, dismal, rainy Saturday night in the early Eighties: two men, tipsy and truculent, going out to the stable to get their teams to go home; a word spoken, maybe in jest, maybe not; then the air full of words, taunts and threats; the sound of blows. A veritable syncrasy! A knife drawn, a stab, the sound of something falling and then utter silence. But only One man went away. The other stayed.

Neither one belonged to Markdale, but the brawl took place in the town and it left an impression which even the years have not entirely blotted out. But that's all past and over, long ago and far away. Just a bit of ancient history. Nothing's left of that long-ago scene; not even the yard.

And now Bert Hamilton, Farmer, Storekeeper, Councillor and Societyman, holds the fort, and believe you me, Bert can raise more than whoopee. You just ought to see his flock of turkeys 'long about Centennial time. You will sure want to place an order for Christmas delivery. Seriously, they are one of the sights of the town, so drop in and see Bert and his turkeys.

Next door to Hamilton's on the south is the Markdale Garage where Sam Arrowsmith is monarch of all he surveys. And where, too, you will find George Alton tinkering away with his engines. By the way, can you name anyone in Markdale who will have more friends and acquaintances drop in for a chat than George?

On the corner North of Hamilton's is the old W. A. Brown - Ed. Trelford - Jeff Artley - Walter Perkins block with a whole host of interesting people occupying its many nooks and crannies.

The corner store is occupied by the Markdale Hardware run by Wib Fisher and Jack Sherring. Both of these young men come from hereabouts in this neck of the woods and are rapidly taking on the airs and graces of real bred-in-the-bone Markdalers. 'Though I haven't run into them at any of the Jam Sessions of the local Hot Stove League, each has a merry twinkle in his eye which you will like, as well as the up-to-dateness of their store.

The Farmers' Co-operative, east on Main Street, will be new to many of you, but it is a real factor in the growth of the town and is rapidly spreading out.

East of them again is Welly Alcox' Barber Shop. Welly has accumulated a good many years to his credit here and is a deservedly popular citizen in addition to having served on the Council for some years.

Upstairs in the corner block, in the same old stand, our good friend Doc McArthur still operates his little drill with might and main. He's the same old Doc except for one thing. But that's too long a story for now so I'll tell it to you next week if Doc doesn't polish me off in the meantime.

ANNESLEY CHURCH TO INSTALL CHIMES WITH AMPLIFIER

The Board of Stewards of Annesley United Church here have O.K.'d plans for installing chimes this summer, which will be fitted with an amplifier in the church tower so that the music can be heard over the whole community. As well as that, the present organ which is due for an overhaul, is to be electrifed, and to save taking out the console at a future date, the chimes will be installed at the same time.

The chimes will be in memory of the late Mrs. Albert E. Rusk, who left a legacy of $500. to the church and the amplification will be in memory of the veterans of the church who gave their lives in World War 1 and 2. A subscription list will be started to defray the expenses of the alterations, and to redecorate the entire church. The ceremony of unveiling and dedication is being planned to take place at the Sunday morning service during Markdale Centennial celebration this summer.

VERDUN IRWIN TO TAKE OVER IRWIN MEAT MARKET

Garry Irwin, who has conducted a butcher shop here for several years, is handing over the duties to his son, Verdun, who will take over next Monday. The arrangement is being tried out for a while till the new proprietor is able to continue "on his own". Local friends will wish him success in his new business venture.

WORKMEN MAKE PROGRESS WITH HOSPITAL ALTERATIONS

The contract for making alterations at the Centre Grey Hospital was signed last Friday, and work was begun on Tuesday morning. The contractor, Mr. Joseph Wolfond, has engaged Mr. Jno. Dillon of town as carpenter, and about six men are at work renovating the east side of the first floor and are digging out the foundation for the elevator. By Wednesday noon they had the partition up for the first room. These men will be followed by the other groups as the work proceeds, which is expected to take about two months.

ASS'T. AGRIC. REPRESENTATIVE NAMED TEMPORARILY

Mr. Donald W. MacMillan will take over the duties of Assistant Agricultural Representative for Grey County temporarily, till a graduate is available, and will report here this week. Mr. MacMillan served since June of last year as Assistant Representative in Dundas and Grenville Counties and during the past four months has been acting as instructor in Farm Mechanics on the night class program in Eastern Ontario. Mr. MacMillan will remain in Grey County until the end of May when a 1949 graduate will be assigned to Grey County.

HONOR JOHN CAESAR, 98

John Caesar, known across Canada for his "green thumbs" which make flowers bloom anywhere, was honoured at a luncheon at Vancouver recently when over 200 fellow members of the C.P.R. Pioneers' Association met to honour their oldest member who celebrated his 98th birthday on Sunday, February, 27th. Numerous friends who join in congratulating this former Markdale boy will be interested in the account of the celebration which appeared in the Vancouver Sun. It reads in part, " Guest speaker was the Vancouver Sun's "Old Gardener", Austin Spencer, who gave gardeners some hints for spring planting "when and if spring comes" and also answered questions about gardening.

Mr. Spencer paid tribute to Mr. Ceaser's record as a gardener. As station agent at Markdale, Ontario, Caesar made "a thing of beauty" out of the grounds surrounding the CPR station there.

As a member of the CPR floral department, Mr. Ceasar later travelled across Canada inspecting gardens on company property. Since his retirement he has lived with his daughter, Mrs. Edith Beaton, 5947 Yew, and has taken complete charge of all work done in the garden with the exception of mowing the lawn."

OPEN SEASON ON MUSKRAT

There will be open season for the taking of muskrat from March 20th to April 21st inclusive in the counties of Huron, Bruce and Grey.

Lucknow Defeats Markdale In Benefit Game

(By Maurice Wright)

The benefit game played here on Saturday night turned out to be a great success. A large crowd turned out to see a hard-hitting contest and support a fund for the injured players of the Lumber Kings. Although nothing was at stake in this game, the teams played all out to win. The Lucknow Sepoys were the opportunists and jumped into a 4-0 lead in the first period. George Chin led the visitor's attack with his fast rushes and fine play-making. Morley Chin on left wing and McLelland on right wing helped him out.

Lucknow showed from the start that they meant business as McLelland battled in G. Chin's pass at the 40 second mark. At 4.55 Daimer took a pass from Stewart, shifted around Atkinson to make it 2-0. Eight minutes later Vaughn scored from a scramble. Laderoute took a tripping penalty at the 17 minute mark and Lucknow turned on the heat. A minute later Gould weaved through the Markdale defense and laid a pass to Daimer who made no mistake. The great work of Atkinson throughout the game held the score down. The Lumber Kings missed some glorious chances from close range.

The second period featured some dazzling stickhandling by G. Chin and Wilf. Laderoute. G. Chin scored from Gould at 1.36 and two minutes later the same pair added to the Lucknow total. Markdale's great warrior, Fitzsimmons, tallied the first Lumber King goal on a long shot from inside the blue line. Lucknow led 6-1 at the end of the second period.

The teams started to rough it up in the last period. M. Chin scored from McLelland at 1.14. At the five minute mark, Alton worked the puck out from the corner and A. Wodehouse slapped it in to end the scoring.

Lucknow clearly demonstrated why they ousted the strong Dundalk team. They play clean, bruising hockey and were very polished around the net.

Blue line bits: Jack Chin, 10-year old brother of G. Chin worked out with the Sepoys. He is a good skater and a real smoothie. George Chin, who had a tryout 3 years ago with the Toronto Maple Leafs, played last year with the Windsor Spitfires in Jr. O.H.A. "A" competition.

LUCKNOW SEPOYS — Goal, Ritchie; defence, Greer and Hall; centre, G. Chin; wings, M. Chin and McLelland; subs., Middlemiss, Stewart, Gould, Harris, Daimer, Vaughn, McMillin and McDonald.

MARKDALE—Goal, Atkinson; defence, Winterburn and Fitzsimmons; centre, A. Wodehouse; wings Alton and H. Wodehouse; subs., Laderoute, Bell, Cherry, Falls, Ratcliffe and McIntosh.

Referees—Promaine and Jefferey.

MARKDALE SEMI-PROS ENTER FINALS WITH DUNDALK

Markdale Semi-Pros entered the finals with Dundalk by virtue of two victories over Mayburne in the semi-finals. Markdale took the first game 9-2 and the second 7-3.

In the first game Nuhn for Markdale had three goals while Merriam and Craven got two each. Whitney and D. Freeman were other Markdale scorers. French and R. McCosh scored for Mayburne.

The second game was played at Dundalk on Friday night. The game was close with no score in the first period, while it was 3-2 for Markdale at the end of the second. Merriam got three goals for the hat trick, Craven got two, and Whitney and R. Ryan got one each. French, Patterson and R. McCosh scored one each for Mayburne.

Referee: Goheen of Dundalk and McCullough of Markdale.

MARKDALE—Goal, Fitzsimmons; defence, M. Wright and K. Freeman; centre, Merriam; wings, R. Ryan and Nuhn; alternates, Whitney, Kleist, D. Freeman, B. Wright, Peters and Craven.

MAYBURNE — Goal, MacCauley; defence, G. Marshall and D. Johnson; centre, J. Patterson; wings, R. McCosh; alternates, B. Hamilton, A. MacIntyre, H. Hanan, J. Hanan, W. Hanan, M. Oldfield and G. Patterson.

Dundalk are playing Markdale here in the first game of the Finals on Wednesday evening. Semi-Pro winners will be decided in the best 3 out of 5 games.

HOLLAND CENTRE

Mr. Robert McKay of Berkeley visited with Mr. Matthew Farley.

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith of Toronto attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Samuel Smith, the former's mother.

Mr. George Phillips of Port Credit spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Sutcliffe and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fitzsimmons of Owen Sound spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Morley Way and family.

Mr. Charles Hunter has returned to the village after spending some time with his daughter at Hepworth.

Mr. Morley Keeling of Toronto visited recently at the Campbell home.

Mrs. C. Hill and Miss Peggy Limebeer and Mr. T. Harlow of George town spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Limebeer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wiley of Cheeseville, Mr. and Mrs. Garfield McInnis of Pleasant Valley, and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert McInnis and son, Alvin, of Berkeley visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ransome on the occasion of Mrs. Wiley's birthday.

Send In Those Names

Once again we urgently request everyone from the village and district to send in the names and addresses of all persons who have at one time or another been associated with the life of Markdale and district. Even if you have already informed them of the Centennial by letter, the Committee wants their names and addresses sent in, so they can be kept informed of the plans being made for this home-coming celebration.

One of the highlights of this Homecoming will be the thrill of getting together and talking over those good old days with the folks you use to know way back when'. The work of compiling the names of these former residents is a big job, and it needs the co-operation of everyone. The Committee in charge of filing these names would like all secretaries of church groups, fraternal organizations, legion branches and any other groups to please help in securing these names by having all members hand in the names of former members, now living away. They may be left with the assistant-secretary, Mrs. Eunice McLoughry, with Mrs. F. D. Sawyer, or hand them in at The Standard Office.

New England W.I.

Mrs. W. Clugston was hostess for the February meeting of New England W. I. when over 20 members and visitors were in attendance. The president, Mrs. Graham, opened the meeting. The Secretary reported having received the Legislative Grant and also having sent away all fees and the donation toward a projector for the Grey County Home.

It was decided to have a shower of articles needed at our local hospital at the next meeting, Members were asked to bring suggestions for next year's programs to the March meeting.

Mrs. Jas. Clark, Social Welfare Convenor, was in charge of the following program: Motto—"Weigh disadvantages" This was illustrated by Mrs. W. Clugston. Mrs. Emerson Cook of Rocklyn W.I. gave a splendid paper on "If you cannot do the big things do the little things in a big way." Mrs. Cook brought out the idea that each must do his part and that God does not forget the humble daisy because beautiful roses bloom.

Mrs. Russell Graham read a paper prepared by Mrs. Earl Gardner on "Health, Happiness and Long Life". This paper was both interesting and instructive and all the more enjoyable because Mrs. Gardner was the popular instructor of the home nursing class.

Mrs. Clark thanked the Rocklyn ladies for their help and concluded the program with a Roman Numeral quiz; a reading by Marilyn Clugston, and by showing illustrations of Health Limericks drawn by the school children. Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. Clark, Mrs. W. Breadner, Mrs. C. Risk and the daughters of the home.

AFTERNOON AUXILIARY W.M.S

The Afternoon Auxiliary of the W.M.S. of Annesley Church met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Elliott on Tuesday afternoon, March 1st, the president, Mrs. Lee presiding. The hymn, "In Christ There is no East or West" was followed by prayer by Mrs. Lee. Fifteen members answered the roll call. It was decided to invite Miss Kate Rutherford, home on furlough from Angola to be our guest speaker for the Easter meeting. Mrs. Erskine was asked to write Miss Edna Jacques to secure her for an evening in April.

The Devotional was taken by Mrs. Ritchie, using as her theme "Thy Kingdom Come", after which Mrs. Dever led in prayer. The study book with the subject "Literature in China" was given by Mrs. Turner. Two interesting letters from Dr. E. K. Cunningham were read by Mrs. Dever and Mrs. Ritchie. The meeting closed with prayer. The hostess served a dainty lunch.

ROCKLYN

Mr. Ed. McLean, road supervisor for Euphrasia attended the good roads convention held in Toronto recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel. Mathews and son, Larry, were honoured at a presentation held in the hall Friday night ere their departure to make their home in Markdale. At midnight, Miss Barbara Curry read an address and Mrs. Mathews was presented with a beautiful silver tea service;Mr. Mathews a pipe, and Larry an Eversharp pencil. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mathews expressed their thanks. For they are Jolly Good Fellows was sung and lunch was served. Dancing then resumed.

Sorry to report Mrs. Eddie Lanktree being illthe past week with 'flu'. We hope she is soon able to be up and about again.

The Rocklyn Curling Club are sponsoring their annual bonspiel on Monday. Two local rinks took part in Meaford bonspitl this week.

Mr. Dave Lougheed, Ed. McLean, Lon. Smith and Elwood Falls attended the Marlboro-Kitchener game in Toronto Friday night.

An enthusiastic and well attended meeting was held Friday night in the interest of erecting a new Community Rink in Rocklyn. Committees were appointed and another meeting is being held March 18th.

Glenelg Twp. Council Awards Gravel Contract

Council met on Saturday, March 5th, with all members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. A communication was read from the Board of Transport Commissioners, Ottawa, giving the C.P.R. Co. permission to remove the Glen Station providing they maintain a platform for taking on or letting off passengers. Three tenders were received for crushing and hauling gravel and prices ranged from 63c per yard for 3/4 inch gravel to 80c per yard for ½ inch gravel. The contract was awarded to the Sandy Contracting Co. of Goderich. Road Superintendent, C. W. Arnett, and Councillor, John O'Neil, attended the convention in Toronto and each gave a report on matters dealt with there. The Reeve and Clerk were authorized by resolution to sign the Petition for the Statutory Grant on expenditures made on roads during 1948. Road Voucher No. 3, amounting to $1148.93 was passed for payment. The Treasurer was authorized to pay the Treasurer of Artemesia Glenelg's share of Priceville rate amounting to $115.75. All other accounts amounting to $228.48 were passed for payment.

The Council adjourned to meet April 2nd for general business.

PERCY D. GREENWOOD, Clerk.

PRESENTATION HELD FOR ALEX. HARVEY FAMILY

On Friday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Harvey on the 9th line of Euphrasia was filled with residents from Riverdale, Ebenezer and Vandeleur communities, as well as outlying districts, to bid farewell to this family who have resided in this district for the past twenty-one years. In appreciation of their role of good neighbours during this time, and as a remembrance of many happy relations, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey were presented with a floor lamp, an electric tea kettle and an iron. Their three children, Elwood, Reatice and Isobel, each received a Waterman's fountain pen. An address was read by Mrs. Stewart Thompson, and signed by Clifford Hutchinson, Wm. Gregory and Russell Fereman. Music for dancing was supplied by Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ormsby, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hill, assisted by Roy Grummett, Wodehouse, and Bill Hutchinson of Ceylon. Cards were enjoyed during the evening, and lunch served. Both Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Harvey found words inadequate to express their heart-felt thanks for such a kind and generous gesture on the part of all present.

The same evening the Woman's Association of Ebenezer church showed their appreciation of the help and interest Mrs. Harvey has taken in the work by presenting her with a bed reading lamp, with the hope it would bring back memories of the many years she has been associateed with this group. The address was signed on behalf of the Sunshine Committee by Mrs. T. Freeman and Mrs. F. W. Taylor, and the presentation made by Mrs. Russell Freeman and Mrs. Norman Genoa.

TRAVERSTON

March is a fickle jade; one day soft and smiling, the next howling like a demon let loose.

Many a farmer shortens his days by retiring to town, often making a danged nuisance of himself between business men and their customers. Better get a hobby of your own while there and spend your leisure hours on it.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob. Ellison of Glenroaden were visitors with Miss Jennie Davis and her brother, Basil, on Sunday.

Zion's church officials have their church reports distributed among its members and it shows success in all its departments.

We have seen no crows along this part of the 6th con. as yet. There are no animal carcasses lying around in this vicinity.

The McArthur Bros. of Durham shipped a good truck load of livestock from this vicinity on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. W. G. Torry and babe returned from Markdale Hospital on Tuesday of last week. Her mother, Mrs. Herb. Allen is over giving a helping hand for a few days.

Mr. John McKechnie, formerly of Bunesson district, but for some years living retired in Durham, passed away on Sunday morning. He and his son had erected a double home in Durham this summer. He was a former councilman in Glenelg before moving to town and proved a good one and a fine neighbor. Hasn't lived long to enjoy the fine new home.

The sympathy of a wide circle of neighbors and friends is extended to Mrs. Graham Timmins in the death of her father, Mr. James Matthews, of St. Pauls, Egremont, on Monday of last week. Many from this vicinity attended the funeral. He was a brother of Mrs. James McNally of the 10th concession. She and her son, Marshall, and many of her neighbors attended the funeral.

The women of Zion Institute are holding a social on Friday evening of this week at Edge Hill School to entertain their hubbies and boy friends. The following male friends are to supply the programme, Messrs. P. D. Greenwood, R. C. Robinson, Howard Ritchie and Jos. R. Edwards.

Read The Standard Want Ads.

Hydro Gang At Work Here

The local hydro gang are working along the Main street this week putting in new wires along the front of the buildings, to do away with the present line used on the poles. Later when new steel poles are received about ten of these will be erected against the buildings, along Main street, with a 14-foot arm to carry the street light. The improved lighting will no doubt be much appreciated by local citizens.

VANDELEUR

W.A. Meeting

The March meeting of the Woman's Association of Vandeleur church was held at the home of Mrs. Lundy Johnston on Wednesday afternoon, March 2nd, with a good attendance and the president, Mrs. Will Bowles, in the chair. Mrs. Mel. Buchanan conducted the devotional exercise and spoke on "The Challenge of the Lenten Season" and gave the highlights of a sermon heard recently. Mrs. Dane McGee gave a splendid paper on the topic, "Responsible Parenthood". Mrs. Lundy Johnston gave a missionary reading, "The Need of Korea". Mrs. A. Gilray contributed a solo, with Mrs. George Buchanan accompanist. Mrs. S. Fitzsimmons conducted the contest. The roll call was answered with a verse or poem on "Love". During the business meeting it was decided to send for Sunday School supplies for the 1st of April for 3 months. Cards were shown and sales made and orders taken. It was also announced that members may buy gladioli bulbs as a donation to the Testament Fund. The April meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Hutchinson. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. George Buchanan. Mrs. Mel Buchanan, with the truck provided transportation to and from meeting for the members.

Farm Forum Meeting

The Farm Forum met on Monday evening, March 7th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cargoe and had a spirited discussion on "Income Tax", which was the second of a series of three discussions on "Taxation". The majority of those present felt that Income tax was a fair method of taxation because it is based on ability to pay. It was felt that the chief factors affecting farm income was the fluctuations in prices and the fact that farmers have little power to adjust the price of goods they sell or buy. The principal objection raised to filling in Income tax forms was the complicated farm bookkeeping that was necessary and the fact that many farms are run as family farms, with no hired help and members of the family doing the work.

Considerable correspondence was read, and a resolution was passed urging all farmers in the district to comply with the law, and treat their cattle for warble fly, and also to have all their heifer calves vaccinated for the prevention of Bangs Disease. Lunch was served by the ladies. H. I. Graham was chairman, and Mel. Buchanan, secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ormsby will be host and hostess for the next meeting.

Mrs. Frank Davis, in her account of her trip to British Columbia, given at a recent Farm Forum meeting, told an amusing incident which we think is worth passing along. It happened on the boat between Vancouver and Victoria, and it may help us, as Burns says, "to see ourselves as others see us." Mr. and Mrs. Davis were thoroughly disillusioned with the unusually bad weather of the Pacific coast, and had made up their minds to get home as soon as possible, when they overheard a woman passenger telling of her trip to Ontario, from which she was just returning. It went something like this. "Well I'm sure glad to be getting back. The weather is terrible down there. And the people! They are very reactionary in everything. Well, perhaps I should say decidedly conservative in their outlook. Oh, I just wouldn't live there for anything."

Born—At Meaford Cottage Hospital on Sunday, March 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson, a daughter, and a sister for Alex. and Margaret.

Laverne Reid and Frank Davis are having the hydro installed.

Mr. John Shiers held a successful auction sale of farm stock and implements recently, and have moved to Carman Sewell's farm on the 12th Line.

At the February W.I. meeting the members expressed their disapproval of organized Sunday sport. It also agreed that we urge the trustee board to guard and maintain health services at Vandeleur school, and that any new pupils to have immunization treatments before starting school here.

Mrs. Lorne Ormsby visited friends at Meaford on Tuesday.

It was interesting to hear our Farm Forum mentioned on the broadcast Monday evening.

The World Day of Prayer was observed in the Gospel Workers church the first Friday in Lent, last week with members of the three other protestant churches taking part. Miss E. C. Hawken gave an instructive talk on "The World Day of Prayer", telling of the various uses for the money received at these services the world over.

Shelburne will meet Dundalk in the C.O.H.L. finals, following Tuesday night's game when Shelburne defeated Flesherton 3-0. Both teams had previously won one game.

F. D. Sawyer Likely P.C. Candidate in Grey-Bruce

Last week's Paisley Advocate had this to say in their column headed "Off the Cuff":

"With announcement of the retirement of Peter Lambertus, Walkerton druggist, from the field of prospective candidates for selection as Progressive Conservative candidate to oppose Walter E. Harris of Markdale, Liberal M.P. for the riding, a number of rumors are current with regard to those who might now be in the field. Best bet at the moment, and an almost sure choice of the forthcoming Grey-Bruce P.C. convention is Frank D. Sawyer, Markdale High School principal. It is said that Progressive Conservative strategy now calls for selection of a candidate who might have a chance at giving Mr. Harris a stiff battle on his own home ground, and Mr. Sawyer is said to have been given the O.K. by P.C. brass hats, and barring a revolt by the convention delegates will be the final choice to contest this riding for the Tories."

ADVERTISING PAYS DIVIDENDS

Importance of retailers advertising in their weekly newspapers was emphasized by Nelson McFarland of Long Branch, Ontario, at a recent Ontario Retail Hardware Association convention in Toronto.

"We are definitely sold on advertising in our store and have run the gamut of advertising experience and experimentation," he told the hard-headed hardwaremen, according to a report in "Hardware and Metal". "It is our considered opinion that the best medium for reaching large masses over an extended area is the local weekly newspaper. We have the misfortune of being located at the end of the business section and only by consistent and dynamic advertising have we maintained a high sales volume."

Many of us are small retailers operating in small local areas where they have small weekly newspapers. These papers are close to the community, they are friendly and intimate, and subscribers read them from cover to cover. Your ad cannot help but make a terrific impression."

WALKERTON ARENA DECLARED FIRE AREA

The new $70,000 Walkerton arena has been declared a fire area. Anyone found smoking in the building—with the exception of the lobby—is liable to prosecution. The move followed complaints by hockey players and spectators that their view was obstructed by smoke and that careless smokers may start a fire. Spotters were placed throughout the arena and observations showed that about 30 per cent of smokers tossed away lighted cigarettes.

ARTHUR POST-OFFICE ROBBED

Baffled police had little to work on in their attempt to track down the "encore gang" of safe crackers, who followed the usual practice of making a repeat call where pickings are good, by robbing Arthur post-office Tuesday of last week. Last April approximately $1,000 in cash and stamps was stolen there, and Postmaster W. S. Buschlen said loot of the latest break-in amounted to about that total.

NOTICE TO VETERANS

Mr. R. Reid, Service Bureau Officer of the Canadian Legion, Ontario Provincial Command, will be visiting the Markdale Branch, between the hours of 4 and 6 p.m., on March 21st, 1949. Any veterans, or their dependents, who would like any assistance or advice with problems concerning war pensions, allowances, treatment or general welfare, are asked to contact Mr. J. A. Dunlop, Markdale, who will be pleased to arrange an interview.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Janet Patterson of Markdale, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Patterson, to Ernest Frederick Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Russell of Flesherton. The marriage to take place the middle of March.

Coming Events

CHURCH SERVICES WILL RESUME next Sunday, March 13th, in Temple Hill charge, with Rev. H. G. Bandy in charge.

RESERVE MARCH 17th FOR ST. Patrick's Dance in Markdale Armouries, with Norm Hartley and his orchestra; and don't forget dancing in Meaford Town Hall every Saturday night.

DANCE—in Flesherton, Thursday, March 17th. Prizes for the best St. Patrick's costume and for the best square dance couple. Music by Russell Hill and his orchestra. Admission 50c.

MARKDALE LADIES' AUXILIARY to the Canadian Legion will hold a cribbage and pedro night in the Legion Parlours on Tuesday, March 22nd, at 8:30 sharp. Admission 35c. Lunch and prizes.

ON TUESDAY, MARCH 15th, at 8:15 p.m., a play entitled, "Aunt Minnie from Minnesota" will be presented by Priceville talent in Cooke's Presbyterian Church, Markdale. Admission 35 and 20 cents. Auspices Cooke's Church Ladies Aid.