

Centennial News and Views

When you are getting ready for a Centennial Year Celebration you have to dig into the past, and that is just what we want as many of you as possible to do.

Your Centenary Committee wants views of Markdale down through the years which can be reproduced for a Centennial Year Booklet.

Mark your photos on the back and send to the Secretary of the Markdale Centenary Committee.

Whoever undertakes to get out an historical account of this village's past is in for a job. We have never yet read a history that was not faulty in some detail but historians persist in putting out history books.

Incidents both personal and otherwise, in the life of the Village or its citizens is what is wanted. If you have information of this type you can contribute toward the permanent records of your old home town.

Ark Dunlop, your advertising campaign manager, has been busy. Being a lawyer he has gone into the County records for the details as to the beginning of Markdale and he has the material in good shape.

Walter Plewes, the genial post master of the village, is busy pounding every envelope with a Markdale Centennial stamp.

Geoff Chamberlin heads the Floats Committee. Geoff wants the co-operation of every business establishment in getting either horse or motor-drawn floats ready to stage a callithumpian parade.

A. J. Promaine, formerly of New Liskeard, is opening up a business here in electrical contracting and servicing all major appliances.

Mr. Promaine, who is married to the former Bernice Walker, recently sold his sporting goods, appliance store and electrical contracting business at New Liskeard which he operated since his discharge from the Canadian Army.

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GEESE HAVE SPRING FEVER!

When spring made its first appearance last Monday, the weather was one of those days we dream about all winter long.

The cribbage and pedro party sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Legion on Tuesday evening had a fair attendance, considering the wet weather.

The "big news" of the week is the Budget brought down in the House on Tuesday evening, when Finance Minister Abbott predicted good times are here to stay for a while at least.

CONNELL - LONEY WEDDING

A quiet ceremony took place in Owen Sound on March 23 at 3:00 p.m. at the home of Rev. W. G. Wakefield, who officiated, when Helen Elaine Loney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Loney of Berkeley, became the bride of Ivan Charles Howard Connell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Connell of Holland Centre.

The bride looked lovely in a turquoise girdling suit with rose felt hat and black accessories and wearing a corsage of American beauty roses.

DECIDE SEMI-PROS PLAY-OFF

At a meeting held in Flesherston on Monday night, it was decided that Markdale Semi-Pros would have to complete the series, and provided there is ice, a play-off game will be played with Dundalk before they can claim the League championship.

MARK SILVER WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Peters of Barhead celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on Sunday with a family gathering at their home which included their daughter, Miss Eugene Peters, who is in training at St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto.

PRESENTATION FOR THOS. ROWE

Berkley district honored one of its pioneer residents last Friday when a large crowd gathered in the Orange Hall to bid adieu to Mr. Thos. Rowe who has resided in that district for most of his life.

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Funeral of T. D. Berry

Death came suddenly to T. D. Berry on the afternoon of March 16th, in Barrie. He had started with the Hydro Commission on March 15th, 1914, and served 32 years as superintendent of the Eugenia district of the Georgian Bay system, and a year as Area manager under the new Regional organization.

Deceased was a devoted family man and always enjoyed the company of his friends. For relaxation he enjoyed fly fishing for speckled trout, duck hunting and he played a little golf.

The pallbearers were hydro employees: Messrs. K. S. Gemmel, Alf. Pickles, R. Jarick, F. Brillinger, C. Palmer and Fred Hodges.

W. E. Harris, M.P., Addresses Local Chapter

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COBBLER'S TOOL RESURRECTED

A reminder of Markdale's earlier days was discovered in the present Irwin block which years ago was occupied by Sam Halbert's shoe store.

RUSSELL - PATTERSON NUPTIAL

The marriage 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. Fred Russell of Flesherston, took place on Saturday afternoon, March 19th, at the United Church parsonage.

JOHN RUDD MATHEWS DIES IN EDMONTON

One of Markdale's former boys, John Rudd Mathews, died at his home at Edmonton on Sunday, March 20th. He had enjoyed splendid health until about three weeks before his death when he suffered an attack of coronary thrombosis.

ARCHIE H. NOBLE DIES

News of the sudden passing of Archie H. Noble at his home in Wrentham, on Tuesday morning, March 22nd, has been received here with genuine grief.

MRS. ALFRED G. TAYLOR

Mrs. Alfred G. Taylor, Saskatoon, Sask., died March 11th, at the Saskatoon City Hospital after a short illness.

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Pictured here are three local men who will play an important part in the Centennial celebrations, being held in Markdale this year. Left to right are F. D. Sawyer, in charge of the Decoration Committee, and Bert Hamilton who is in charge of entertainment.

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Coming Events

RESERVE THURSDAY, MARCH 31 for a play in Cooke's Presbyterian Church, Markdale, by Park Head talent.

A MEETING OF THE MARKDALE Horticultural Society will be held in the Agricultural Department on Tuesday, March 29th, at 8:00 p.m.

THE 3-ACT PLAY "DUST-OF-THE-EARTH" will be presented in Cooke's Presbyterian Church, next Thursday, March 31st, at 8:15 p.m. Music between acts. Admission 35 and 20c.