Once Upon A Time... In Our Town

(By An Old Timer)
We are nearing the end of our introduction to who's who on Main Street.
Of course it has not been possible to go into every place of business, but by this time you will be able to introduce yourselves. So, do that, won't

However, we don't want you to think all the business in town is done on Main Street. By no means. We have garages, implement shops, mills of one kind and of another kind.

For instance: the Implement shops; e have Bill Sutton's, Delbert Hill's we have Bill Sutton and J. W. Elliott's:

and J. W. Elliott's:
The Garages: Doc Gillespie (there's a broth of a boy); the York's; the Markdale Garage; Loren Douglas'; Wally Graham's; George Colgan's:

The Mills: Dixon's; the Markdale Lumber Company; George Scarrow's at the old Ford Pond; and Peters' Mill, where once buzzed the old Barrhead Mill.

All those and the Hospital too. We are very proud of it.

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All our business places are small, comparatively speaking, and, to the sophisticated, relatively unimportant. They lack the hum and bustle of the bigger places. But, and it's a very big but, they do serve a useful purpose and, because of that, always, always there will be small towns, just as in cities there are small stores which also serve a useful purpose.

Many of these smaller places are due to expand considerably in the near future, simply because the whole country is expanding. We hope and expect Markdale will be on the expanding list.

Come Civic Holiday or thereabouts, Come Civic Holiday or thereabous, if you see a very dignified gentleman poking along Toronto Street north of Main, occasionally scratching his head in bewilderment, probably it will be Frank McFarland trying to locate the field where the Kickapoo Indian Medicine Company used to put on their appual shows.

Frank has always been musically inclined, and down through the years has been an indefatigable first-nighter and ardent backer of Symphonies and

occupying the forefront of your mind.

Yes, early experiences are very potent. So it is that during his stroll Frank may find his recollection of those balmy Summer evenings, with their wispy breezes, a moon low in the sky, the flickering shadows of acetylene torches wiping out seeming harshnesses, and soft, clear voices singing songs of the day; I say his recollection of such an evening may be clearer than that of his first Symphony, and maybe, just maybe, a deeper satisfaction remains.

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So many people taking time out to spend a few summer days here will have so many reasons for coming. There will be gaiety and laughter and good companionship galore during Centennial week. Many will count only those happy hours.

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But all my musings conclude with the thought of how many, many there will be who are coming in the hope that in visiting old scenes they may recapture something of the happiness, the thrill, even the poignancy of bygone days that were good and sweet. We hope and pray each one coming will find his own reward.

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involved had been speeding. As it was, when George Young of Glenelg, who was driving east, failed to stop, look and listen, a truck loaded with stock driven by R. J. Fee of Holland Centre hit the Dodge car broadside on and damaged it considerably. It was indeed fortunate that the truck was proceeding slowly and had good brakes. No one was injured.

SONG FOR CENTENNIAL

At the top of page four you will find a song "Markdale" composed for use at the Centennial this year should have the swing of it, by the time Centennial rolls around. We hope you like it.

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Publisher Retires



JACK COLGAN

Retires this week as publisher of The Markdale Standard to regain his health. Mr. Colgan has conducted the business here sinces the death of his father, the late A. E. Colgan, in January, 1945. Previous to that, Jack was associated in the business with his father for over twenty years.

Thank You!

has been an indefatigable first-nighter and ardent backer of Symphonies and such.

Pomp and ceremony, so dazzling in the beginning, eventually sate the devotee and in the long run cannot complete with simplicity. It may be too that first experiences impress most deeply, hence remain longest in one's memory, even though newer experiences push the earlier ones into the background-for a time.

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sure Mr. Craig is willing to give his best services to his new field.

Mr. Craig comes here from Ingersoll where he was Managing Editor and later Advertising Manager of the Ingersoll Tribune. He plans to take over his new duties the first of May, and will be joined by his wife and 6-year-old son, Jimmie, at a later date.

After being associated with this newspaper and the life of the village for almost thirty years, it is my wish that Markdale will grow and thrive as never before, and that this Centennial year, 1949, will mark the beginning of a new era of progress.

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CONCERT BY MEAFORD TALENT

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All of us, whether we were born in Markdale or made it a resting-place for even a short time on the journey through life still give it first place in our affections.

And we are concerned to see that it has continued, and will continue, to expand and grow in the graces and usefulness which started it on its way, and which to-day make us proud to claim it as "our home town".

WAS "TOP" ENTERTAINMENT

One of the most delightful concerts heard here in some time was presented by Meaford Citizens's band last Wednesday night when some of Meaford's best and outstanding talent ent presented a variety concert in the entropy through life still give it it was sponsored by Markdale Rotary Club and was brought lere largely through the efforts of music and to revive interest in a local band.

The program consisted of selections in the graces and the property of the prop

CAR AND TRUCK COLLIDE

There was a 'collison at the Main street and highway intersection on Tuesday a.m. which could have been much more disastrous if the vehicles involved had been speeding. As it was, when George Young of Gleader.

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TO BEAUTIFY TOWN ENTRANCE
The Council will cooperate with the Markdale Horticultural Society in making its entrance to Markdalo make of the beauty spots along No. 10 highway. In answer to a request from this Society, the Council agreed to Italian of the Horticultural Society to plant flowers and shrubbery all along the highs way. It is the intention of the Horticultural Society to plant flowers and shrubbery all along the highs way. The state of the read of the Green Weekness of Gree TO BEAUTIFY TOWN ENTRANCE

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penditures.
Mr. Wm. Sherwood, a member of
the local high school teaching staff,
was appointed assessor for the village.

PLAN JUNIOR BASEBALL

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FOR KIMBERLEY

Baseball men in Kimberley met on April 22nd, and made plans for a Junior Baseball Club for this summer. They believe there is considerable material in this vicinity, and officials believe that Kimberley should field a good team with most of the 1947 juvenile team still on hand.

The following officers were installed: president, Bruce Carruthers; sectreas., Herbert Woodhouse; manager, Russell Ellis; coach, Glen Jenkins; captain, Keith Carruthers.

It was thought that a junior league could be formed in this district with the possibility of entries from Thornbury, Markdale, Flesherton and Kimberley. Anyone interested in promoting Junior baseball in this district should get in touch with Glen Jenkins or Russell Ellis as soon as possible.

Stores Open Wed. Nights

These days when relics of Mark-dale's early days are coming in for special mention, we were interested to see a bank token dated 1840, which Mr. Thos. Reburn dug up in his gard-en over thirty years ago. Although it is worn smooth in places, the date can be plainly seen and is being car-ried around as a good-luck charm.

CENTENNIAL NEWS

Stores Open Wed. Nights

Starting next Wednesday, May 6th, most of the stores and the Creamery will be open Wednesday nights and will close all day Thursday during the summer months.

HONORED BY CFOS

T. Stewart Cooper was honored at the official opening of the new CFOS station in Owen Sound on Wednesday, and was presented with a very fine McBrine leather brief case. In presenting him with this momento, it was noted that out of the 472 broadcasts since the station opened, Mr. Cooper

On hearing of Old-timers, there's Tom Reburn's When he dropped in on his daily rounds this Monday morning, I heard the boys ask him how many years he had sung in a choir—and he is in his 68th year. Thirty-six years have been in Markdale; before that he sang in Shelburne and Whitfield clark, and for three years in Fergus. It looked to me like a lot of singing and we wondered if that's what has noted that out of the 472 broadcasts since the station opened, Mr. Cooper

once, the Department believed it would be possible to have a roof on by fall.

During the discussion of the new fence, it was revealed that this property is the likely site for the proposed high school, and it was thought the planting would also serve as an ornamental frontage for this proposed new building.

The condition of the park fence again came up for discussion. After George Shaw, local Utility Man, had reported on the condition of the fence it was decided the Council would investigate before repair work and replacements were begun.

Council also decided to install a phone for George Shaw, so that he could be reached on short notice. Accounts presented for payment included hydro expenditures, totalling \$4191.90; water accounts, \$259.87, and general accounts amounted to \$401.13.

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Mr. I. Lorne Kerney of Loreburn, Sask., is another old-timer who is looking forward to reading all about the Centennial in the columns of The Standard. It is over 40 years since Mr. Kerney left Markdale and he has been here once (1916) since leaving in the spring of 1907. Older residents, especially, will be pleased to welcome Mr. Kerney back if he can manage to attend.

Pictures are very much in the news these days. Mr Reburn who is in charge of this collection is getting with plenty of co-operation. And the pictures that are coming in! W. E. I King of Harris, Saskatchewan, who is going to try to be here for the cell of charging to the pictures are try to the pictures that are coming in! W. E. I King of Harris, Saskatchewan, who is going to try to be here for the cell of charging to the pictures that are some good views of the sake the pictures are try to the pictures that are coming in! W. E. I King of Harris, Saskatchewan, who is going to try to be here for the cell of plants of the pictures are try to the pictures that are coming in! W. E. I King of Harris, Saskatchewan, who is going to try to be here for the cell of plants of the pictures that are coming in the picture of the pictures that are coming in the picture of the picture

SEND THOSE KIDS TO BED

This is the season of the year that teachers are beset with the problem of teaching sleepy pupils. And for two reasons. Daylight saving time makes the evenings long for playing, and parents forget they should be in bed long before ten! Till the end of June they need that extra sleep to stay awake and concentrate during school hours.

NEW FILM 'WELCOME NEIGHBOR' WILL BE RELEASED IN MAY

The importance of Canada's Visitor Industry and how Canadians can prompte it to their own and the nation's second of this collection is getting busier every day, and he is meeting with plenty of co-operation. And the pictures that are coming in! W. E. King of Harris, Saskatchewan, who is going to try to be here for the celebration has sent some good views of life in the village 40 and 45 years should have a tag on, with married women also including their maiden name. He thinks it would be mighty convenient, and would make lots of funds well.

med for Canadians to practise courses with two new bamboo poles. Those is not Barhead way will catch it once they open their mouth.

**CELEBRATE SHAVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AT NEWMARKET Mr. and Mrs. John Bussey, former residents of Markdale, celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary, at 85 Eagle Street, Newmarket, Ontario, on Saturday, April 16th. Their and adult in their strengths of Saraha were present for the happener, travelling by train, of their orders of the strengths o

rink on Wednesday night.

The sponsoring of this Athletic Association is exactly what this town needs, and it hoped everyone will give whole-hearted co-operation. We had a good example of this last week when Carl Wright paid out the amount to make the films available. There seems to be little doubt that the children of the town will give all they have to get it organized and keep it going. All children will be made welcome, and are wanted. Although the Association is, as yet, in its formative stages, who knows but it may be the beginning of a great Community Centre that will have lasting results.

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Liskeard, and is optimistic about with can be done in sports circles here.

At the Council meeting on Monday night Mr. Promaine got the approval of Dr. R. L. Carefoot, members of the Rink Board for the use of the local rink as their Community Centre, and he assured them he would see there was no smoking or privileges abused. The town children are taking to this new idea with more than usual interest, and for many it is just what they have been waiting for. We only hope that parents may see the light and lend a hand in support of the cause whenever possible.

At the Council meeting on Monday dard.

MRS. M. L. SEWELL, TORONTO IS LAID TO REST

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Mary Sewell were held in Toronto on Wednesday from the Flynn Undertaker of the light and private and there were many floral tributes. Interment took place in Prospect Cemetery.

The late Mrs. Sewell passed away Monday.

Coming Events

LEPARD - JOHNSTON WEDDING

a floor-length gown of ice blue sheer, a shoulder length blue veil, which was held on her dark hair by blue flowers and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. She wore long blue gloves and silver slippers.

Standard Changes Ownership

Sold to R. G. Craig of Ingersoll

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Mr. Promaine, who incidentally conducts an electrical contracting business here, seems to have the interests of these kids at heart, and has a good sports career to back him. As well as that, he has had considerable experience in directing recreational activities at his former home in New Liskeard, and is optimistic about what can be done in sports circles here.

At the Council meeting on Monday

maid wore a blue dress with brown Ars. J. R. Gattley, and Mabel, Mrs. G. O. Hill, predeceased her.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. John Dalling.

Later the happy couple motored to Nova Scotia. On their return they will reside in Piccadilly where the groom is engaged in farming.

LEPARD - JOHNSTON WEDDING
A quiet but pretty wedding was solemized at the home of Rev. W. G. Wakefield of Owen Sound on Saturday, April 16, at 12 noon when he united it marriage Leona Isabelle, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston and the late Herbert Johnston of Holland Township, and Maurice Wilbert, second son of Mr and Mrs. James Lepard of Euphrasia Township. The bride wore Euphrasia Township. The bride wore Good-length gown of ice blue sheer.

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Miss Elsie Johnston, sister of the Miss Elsie Johnston, sister of the bride, was maid of honour, wearing a long mauve sheer dress, with long, full sleeves and mauve flowers in her hair. She wore silver slippers and carried a bouquet of yellow roses and pink tulips with maiden hair fern. The groomsman was Raymond Merrifield, cousin of the groom.

Notice!

All Standard subscribers, advertisers and job printing customers are here advised:

Business, excepting subscriptions, relating to The Standard prior to May 1st, is the property of the former management.

Subscriptions may be paid to the present management up to Saturday, April 30th.

All those owing advertising or job printing accounts are asked to please settle promptly, and make accounts payable and addressed to W. J. Col-gan, Markdale.

After that date accounts for business done after April 30th may be resumed payable to The Markdale Standard.

DANCE AT ROCKLYN TOWNSHIP
Hall on Friday, May 6, under the
auspices of Rocklyn Agricultural
Society. Wilcox orchestra. Admission 50c. Dancing from 9 to 1.
Round and square dancing. DANCE—In MARKDALE ARMOURY
on Monday, May 23rd. Music by
Melody Men of Collingwood. Dancing from 9:30 to 1:00 o'clock. Dress
optional. Auspices Junior Guild
of Christ Church.

"TAKING THE COUNT", a 3-act play will be presented by Central United Church Young People of Owen Sound in Cooke's Presbyterian Church, Friday, May 6th, at 8:30. Admission 35c and 20c. Auspices Cooke's Y.P.S.

THE THREE-ACT PLAY "AUNT Minnie from Minnesota" will be presented by Priceville talent, in Rocklyn Hall, Wednesday evening, April 27th. Proceeds in aid of Rocklyn Character Advisoion 25 Community Centre. Admission 35 and 20. Auspices New England W.I.

DANCING IN ROCKFORD CASINO Thursday, April 28th (to-night). Also in Down's Hall, Hepworth, Tuesday, May 3rd. Meaford Town Hall every Saturday night as usual. Music by Norm Hartley and his popular orchestra. Modern and old tyme dancing. Everyone welcome. Admission 50c.