

SHORT

Station of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge...

BOBBI - In Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, on Monday, May 19th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kerr, a daughter.

LOWERY - At the Guelph General Hospital, on Tuesday, May 17th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lowrey, of Eden Mills, a daughter.

COLEMAN - At Turner Valley, Alta., on Thursday, May 12th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Coleman, in his eighty-first year.

NEAR - At his residence, 23 Northcliffe Boulevard, Toronto, on Friday, May 13, 1944, Ernest Herbert Near, aged 58 years, dearly beloved husband of Ida May Johnston and beloved father of Ernest and Robert Near.

CLARRIDGE - Suddenly, at the home, 125 St. Catharines, Guelph, on Thursday, May 19th, 1944, Agnes Martin, beloved wife of A. O. Clarridge, in her 81st year. The funeral will be held on Saturday, May 20th, at 2 o'clock, Standard Time, interment at Boston Mills Cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM - In loving memory of my dear mother, who passed away May 19th, 1937.

LOCALS

-Is your dog tied up? -The first holiday of summer, next Tuesday, the 24th. -And the baseball season opens on Victoria Day in Acton.

-Potatoes are beginning to pop through the ground in the gardens now. -The paint brushes are making decided improvements on many buildings about town.

-These cool days will at least be a pleasant recollection when the heat of July comes along. -Boy Scouts from many centres will make Acton headquarters this week-end.

-Churchill Centennial to be held next month, June 19th and 20th, will see a gathering of friends from far and near. -Harry Wright, of Limehouse suffered a fractured collarbone, while playing in a ball game at Georgetown High School.

-Those who contemplate installing an electric range would do well to make the purchase during the special campaign of the Hydro. -Copies of the Auditor's Report for Acton are now available to ratepayers at Clark Leatherland's office or at Tax Payer Paus Office.

-Guelph is quite anxious to enlarge the Winter Fair Buildings—providing the Province and County pay the major portion of the costs of \$30,000. -Seven motorists went to jail in Toronto and County Courts on Monday, convicted of driving their cars while drunk. One repeater got 30 days.

-Dr. E. J. Nelson enjoyed a four day fishing trip in Algonquin Park, and of course the party brought home the quota of speckled and lake trout. -The official opening of the tennis season will be tomorrow night (Friday) when a round robin series club tournament will be held. The courts have been in use by members during the past week, but this will be the first organized activity of the season.

THAT'S AWFUL! -The two policemen sat in their radio car and listened to the announcer's tense command. "Calling Car 13. Calling Car 13. Go to 18 Louis Bennett Boulevard. A man is fighting with his wife. Take away the shoe he's hitting her with." "Ouch!" muttered the first cop. "That's awful!" "What?" asked his partner. "A man hitting his wife with a shoe?" "Naw," snorted the first bluecoat. "The announcer ended a sentence with a preposition."

GOOD SHOES FOR YOUNG AND OLD "Carefully Fit" R. D. RACHLIN, Acton

HOW TO CONTROL GARDEN INSECTS

One of the most enjoyable and satisfying hobbies within the reach of everyone is gardening. No home can be considered complete without a garden, either a flower garden, a vegetable garden or combination of both, and no garden seems to be complete without its insects.

With plants, as with other forms of life, the weak and sickly are more susceptible to the attack of insects than the strong and vigorous. Accordingly, every effort should be made in the spring to stimulate rapid growth with a view to producing rugged plants.

The sucking insects are of the sucking or biting type. Some of the better known biting insects are cut worms, Colorado potato beetle, caterpillars and rose chafers. Among the sucking groups are aphids, leafhoppers, tarnished plant bugs and thrips.

Success in direct control hinges to a large extent on the early and thorough application of the proper remedy. Insects are much more easily killed when small than when they are fully grown.

FOREST FIRE A NATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

In an appeal for forest fire prevention, the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, points out that forest fires in Canada during the last ten years have caused a direct loss of more than forty-eight million dollars.

Forest fires are by no means a modern evil, as scars on ancient trees give mute evidence of forest fires long before the advent of civilized man.

THE DIFFERENCE

Teacher: "What is the half of eight?" Tommy: "Which way?" Teacher: "Whatever do you mean?" Tommy: "Well, across it makes 0, and down it makes 3."

THANKS TO PUZZLES IN RHYME WE'RE ALL WISER - TRY THIS

The Editor, last week, told us he had to consult his dictionary to find out what shallots really were. After that, we went to our dictionary to see what we could see about it.

FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH NOT UNLUCKY FOR OPENING

That Friday, the thirteenth, is not unlucky as was demonstrated by the management of Huttonville Park. They had their opening dance last Friday, and the largest crowd in several years turned out, which goes to prove that the public are not the least bit superstitious.

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SOUTH SEA ISLAND WEDDING FEATURE OF GOLDWYN'S "HURRICANE"

A wedding procession moves slowly to the stately strains of the Lohengrin march. The groom is in shirt sleeves, wears denim trousers. The bride is barefoot. But they both have that rapt expression which should go with weddings everywhere.

MILADY'S FUR COAT

Dressed and dyed, or undyed, skins of furbearing animals are fashioned into wearing apparel of various kinds by the fur goods industry of Canada.

ROYAL Guelph's Modern Theatre

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Damaged Fenders and Painting Jobs

That formerly had to be done out of town, are now part of the service that we offer to Acton and district motorists. New Equipment and Machines had, of course, to be installed, but the SERVICE is now being given, and we think you'll agree that our work is of the best.

NORTON MOTORS

Ford and Lincoln Zephyr Sales and Service PHONE 69 ACTON, ONT.

HAROLD WILES INSTALLS NEW ICE CREAM EQUIPMENT

Mr. Harold Wiles has this week installed the latest type of equipment for making ice cream. It is the counter type machine, high-speed freezer, and frees a gallon of ice cream at a time.

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Geo. Chapman Co.

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Obituary

ERNEST H. NEAR

Friends in Acton and district were indeed grieved to learn of the passing last Friday of Ernest H. Near, President of the Larned-Carter Company of Canada. Although not enjoying the best of health, Mr. Near's condition was not considered serious and his death was a great shock to his family and friends.

Born in Erin Township, fifty-six years ago, he was a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Near. He spent his boyhood and youth there, attending Acton schools. When a comparatively young man he went to Detroit, with his splendid executive ability and experience gained in the Larned-Carter Company of Canada.

The funeral was held on Monday, with service in Toronto and interment in Fairview Cemetery, Acton. Some evidence of the general esteem in which he was held was seen in the number who gathered to pay respect to his memory. The service was conducted by Rev. J. E. Todd and Rev. Dr. A. Balfour.

JOHN S. COLEMAN

An absence of his customary letters to The Free Press, and letters to friends here that his general health was not improving, prepared friends for the intimation during the week that John S. Coleman passed away on Thursday last, May 12th, at Turner Valley, Alta., where he has been living with Rev. and Mrs. Ralston Brown. A six weeks period of hospital treatment had failed to mark an improvement in his condition and he has been gradually failing.

John S. Coleman was a son of the late Joseph Coleman and Mary Jane Pierce, and was born in Wentworth County. He was in his eighty-first year. As a young man he came to Acton—about forty years ago—and here he was an esteemed resident for many years. In May, 1900, his beloved partner, Mary Moore, passed away, leaving him with a family of three small children. For several years he was caretaker of Acton Schools, but the past twenty years he has lived with members of his family in Stephens Point, Wis., with Freeman, at Montreal, with Victor, and lately with Ethel, Mrs. Ralston Brown. During his residence here he was a member of the School Board, and keenly interested in community affairs. He was active in the Methodist Church, and rarely indeed was he absent from its services.

Most readers of THE FREE PRESS knew him through his contributions to these columns which were enjoyed by young and old alike. No matter where living, he always maintained an interest in this community. Readers as well as his family and friends will miss him. His last letter was written just after he returned from the hospital. One letter was written while he lay in the hospital and re-written by his daughter and forwarded to THE FREE PRESS. But now his pen is silent.

The funeral was held on Saturday, with service conducted by Rev. Mr. Pivock. Interment was made at Okotoke, Alta.

AN EXCITING GAME

This is an exciting and jolly kind of race, in which the players are divided into two teams. There are two pieces of string, each having the same number of knots tied in them, and there are an equal number of players, each team standing in a row.

Midnight Frolic! HUTTONVILLE PARK Monday, May 23rd, at 12 p.m. (MIDNIGHT) D. S. T. - MUSIC BY LYNN SPENCE AND HIS ORCHESTRA - TEN PIECES OF HARMONY

May 24th Victoria Day 24th May - STORE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY - LET'S CELEBRATE WEEK-END SPECIALS - FOR - BEFORE THE HOLIDAY

Canadian Minister Attends Commerce Dinner



United States Secretary of War Harry Woodring is shown, left, with Sir Herbert Marler, Canadian Minister to the United States, at the dinner of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in the Willard Hotel, Washington.