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Obituary

BORN

BATTYE—On October 20th, 1940, in the London General Hospital, to Sybil Elizabeth Skelton, wife of Arthur Richmond Battye, Acton, a daughter.

MARRIED

HOLMES-MARSHALL—On Saturday, October 19th, 1940, at St. Alban's Church, Acton, by Rev. E. A. Brooks, Charlotte Isabel, daughter of Mr. Earl Marshall and the late Mrs. Marshall, to Charles Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holmes, Acton.

IN MEMORIAM

ROBINS—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Tom, who passed away October 25th, 1938.
In our home he is fondly remembered, sweet memories cling to his name; those who loved him in life sincerely, still love him in death just the same.
Ever remembered by
MOTHER, DAD, Brothers JACK,
HAROLD, and Sister NORA.

Odds and Ends

—Surely we can still look forward to a period of Indian Summer before winter really comes.

—The Red Cross needs your help. Give us generously and promise as liberally as you can.

—You can mark it down in your diary that the first snowstorm for this district came on Sunday, October 20th. The snow didn't remain long.

—With going to bed in the dark and getting up before dawn, these daylight saving hours at this time of year certainly squeeze every bit of daylight into working time.

—Red Cross caravans are still at work. The task is a big one but if you have been overlooked your subscription will be gratefully received by the Treasurer, W. R. Graham.

—In the report, last week, of the presentation of Masonic Grand Lodge regalia, it was Ver. Wor. Bro. John Kennedy, not Kennedy, who received this honor. One little letter can make quite a difference and it did, inadvertently, creep in.

—Mrs. John Gibson received this week two lovely mementos from her son, Pte. Norman Gibson, somewhere in England. Norman was a silk handkerchief with the Army crest embroidered on it and the other, a soldier's verse-letter, "To the best of Pals—My Mother."

—A transport carrying heavy steel axles lost three cases of them when rounding the Mill and Main Street corner on Tuesday afternoon. The cases containing them were smashed to pieces when they struck the pavement and it was necessary to secure a loading outfit from the city to get them on the truck again.

TEACHERS' CONVULSION

It didn't happen in Acton but the Teachers' Convulsion was also recently held in South River and the Pownassan News reports the following incident:

Last week was the week of the teachers' convention at South River, and a local clergyman upon inquiring of a young boy why he wasn't at school, was told: "There is no school; it's teachers' convulsion."

FINLAND'S DESTINY

Helsinki's (CP) Finland is turning to the Baltic group of nations rather than the Scandinavian. Prime Minister Kysto Rytty has indicated, saying such bonds were a decisive factor in the country's reconstruction.

EVERY TOWN NEEDS A GOOD NEWSPAPER

"Let me read your newspaper and I'll tell you the kind of a town you have." This terse quotation, credited to a business executive failing to be impressed by claims on behalf of a far-removed community in which his company had indicated interest, evidences the degree in which the weekly newspaper of today has come to be held as accurately reflecting the life and the institutions of the area which it serves.

Later, this figure of business and finance, was asked to expand his statement. His reply is a matter of import to everyone who share interest in his or her community and some important standards by which it is judged by those outside the sphere of local interest, or sentiment.

"Show me a community" that has a live aggressive newspaper, made possible by well-filled advertising pages representative of local interests, and I'll show you the town that is headed for growth and development."

A BIT ALARMED

"If you want to spend a quiet half-hour," said the native to a visitor, "there is no better place than our art-gallery." "Just a minute," replied the stranger. "I've been reading about it in the guide book. It says that the visitor, on entering, is struck by the statue of Hercules. Then he is stunned by the splendor of the great staircase. A picture in one room is full of punch, while further on one is crushed by the overwhelming magnificence of another painting. Finally, brilliant colors run riot everywhere. No, sir, if I want a quiet half-hour, I'll take a boxing lesson!"

British Coasters

Carry On

By "TAPPTRAIL"

Famous British Naval Writer

MRS. ROBERT WHEELER,
Georgetown

After a short illness, Mrs. Robert Wheeler passed away last Thursday, October 10th, at her home on Albert Street.

She had been ailing for the past six months, and had been confined to bed

for ten days prior to her demise.

Mrs. Wheeler was born Emma Jane Hill, in Ogdensburg, N.Y., a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Hill. The

family moved to Limelime, where she met and married the late Robert

Wheeler. Twenty-five years ago, the

family moved to Georgetown.

Mrs. Wheeler was a life-long member of the Presbyterian Church, and was a member of the W.A. of Knox Presbyterian Church. She was 76 years old.

She is survived by two children, Bella

at home, and Edward, with the C.N.R. in Hamilton. A brother, Edward Hill, lives in Georgetown. Three father brothers, Robert, James and Albert, predeceased their sister.

The funeral was held last Saturday

from her late residence, with burial in

Limehouse Cemetery. Rev. D. D. Smith, of Knox Presbyterian Church,

preached the funeral service. Pall

bearers were Andrew Dobie, Angus

Lawson, Thomas Dobie, William Paterson, Marshall Currie and William

Marshall. A number of friends and

relatives were present from Georgetown, Guelph, Toronto and Orangeville.

Georgetown Herald

JAMES M. CHEYNE

Copies of the newspapers from Lakeland, Florida, give details of the sudden death of Mr. James M. Cheyne, word

of which was received here a week or so ago, was a great shock to relatives

and friends here. Mr. Cheyne had visited

Acton and district during this summer, renewing friendships of earlier

years and deep sympathy of many

friends here goes to Mrs. Cheyne and

the family in their sudden bereavement.

James M. Cheyne of 1223 east Lemon Street died at Morrell Hospital Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, from shock resulting from burns received when a gasoline burner exploded Monday morning. He was 77 years old.

Mr. Cheyne, who was born in Canada, came to this country 37 years ago and moved here from Wauchula in 1923. He was associated in business with his son, J. H. Cheyne, in the South Florida Photo Finishers. He was a member of the First Methodist church.

In addition to his wife, Mrs. Anne Cheyne, and son he is survived by three brothers, Andrew, Joseph and Wilfred of Canada; two sisters, Misses Ethel Cheyne of Canada and Mrs. Elizabeth Bamshaw of Detroit; and four grandchildren.

The funeral was held on Monday afternoon from the Gentry-Morrison funeral chapel. Rev. J. D. Hurt, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiated, assisted by Rev. C. A. Raymond, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

E. E. Tolle sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "God Understands" accompanied by Mrs. Tolle at the piano. Pall bearers were P. W. Johns, T. R. Tucker, D. W. Castles, W. V. Bitting, J. S. Gruel and R. T. Edge.

Interment was in the Roselawn cemetery.

Many beautiful floral tributes bespoke of the high esteem in which Mr. Cheyne and family were held.

Mr. James Easterbrook of Toronto went to Lakeland to be with his sister in this sad and sudden bereavement and will remain for a few weeks.

WAR TIME LIQUOR RESTRICTIONS

The Deputation of Church and Temperance representatives that visited Ottawa in July to ask for wartime restrictions on liquor inflate the following requests:

1. That sale of alcoholic beverages in taverns, beer-rooms, wine shops, etc. be discontinued and that sale of such beverages be confined entirely to Government-owned Liquor Stores.

2. That sale from Government Liquor Stores be permitted, only between the hours of three o'clock in the afternoon and eight o'clock in the evening and on weekdays only.

3. That all advertising of liquor in Canada be prohibited except in the place of sale.

4. That when the request in Item 1 is implemented, and under issues from the Department of Defence classifying all wet contraband in military establishments.

THE DEPUTATION

The names of the Deputation organized by the Canadian Temperance Federation to ask the Dominion Government for War-time Restrictions on liquor are as follows:

Rev. Canon Philippe Casgrain, C.M., representing His Eminence, Cardinal Vaillancourt.

Rev. L. E. Gagnon, O.M.I., representing His Excellency Alexandre Vachon, Archbishop of Ottawa.

Rev. Canon W. W. Judd, M.A., D.C.L., representing the Social Service Council of the Church of England in Canada.

Rev. John Coburn, D.D., representing the United Church of Canada.

Rev. J. B. Thomson, Chairman of Committee on Life and Work of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Brigadier C. Sparks, representing the Salvation Army in Canada.

Rev. A. J. Irwin, D.D., representing the Canadian Temperance Federation.

SALT USED IN AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION

Airplane runways have opened up a new market for salt in Canada according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, which reports that salt-stabilized bases for runways were prepared at several new airfields in the Dominion during 1939. The successful stabilization of salt for the foundations of highways, and for a surface veneer for gravel roads has led to its adaptation for air runways. The firmness of a runway is a primary consideration and the increased demand for landing places for aircraft has created a potential field for salt.

Salt has also been used to facilitate winter automobile travel during the past few years. The salt is mixed with sand which is piled each fall at regular intervals along main highways, and it has been found that even in the coldest weather the sand in piles which have been so treated remains loose and free flowing, thus allowing easy distribution on the icy roadways.

ARMY PANTS REQUIRE BRACES

Before next summer, the Canadian

forces will need about 300,000 pairs of

braces, 300,000 tooth brushes, 360,000 sun

helmets and 250,000 table forks.

Free-Will Gifts

Total \$756,000

The latest list of free-will money gifts to be issued by the Department of Finance brought the total of contributions to the Dominion Treasury for war purposes to \$756,000.

This total is largely made up of contributions from thousands of individuals in Canada and in the United States. Large donations from organizations and firms helped to boost this total to its present proportions.

Generosity and patriotism is the underlying motive of all these gifts, as is attested by the comments which frequently accompany them.

"I am a widow and have no children," writes a woman of Belle Ains, P.Q. "As I cannot knit, I would like to help in the only way possible for me to do \$25.00 cheque."

Contributions come from persons of various ages and creeds. Recently, for instance, the colored members of the Highland African Methodist Episcopal Church of Amherst, N.S., sent in a modest sum with a desire to express their loyalty to our King and country.

The most recent list issued was closed by a donation of \$12,500 to be used for the construction of an army hut. The contributor wishes to remain anonymous.

British coastwise trade lessons the burden on Britain's hardy-worked and weary men and diminishes the inevitable delays of sorting and shunting. One comparatively small ship will carry the goods that could only be handled by a fleet of barges using imported petrol for the carriage of goods in bulk; and despite of clerical strike, submarines and mines, the distribution by sea over a considerable area is still swifter and more economical than by road or rail.

The debt that Britain owes to the Merchant Navy and to those who man it is generally recognized. What is not so often realized is the great percentage of the British Merchant Navy that is made up in the little ships plying between the various smaller ports of Great Britain. Their names, like those of the tramps which fly further afield, are not known save those of the liners which carry passengers.

British coastwise seamen are now engaged in the full fury of the German aircraft attacks on Channel and East Coast convoys. These are the men in the ships sounding what is popularly known as "Hellfire corner," who daily risk being bombed, machine-gunned or perhaps mined.

Protected by the Royal Navy and the Royal Air Force, they carry on unperturbed, taking the risks of war merely as additional hazards to the ordinary risks of peace. They were not trained to the use of weapons or for the rigors of battle.

Skilful, rugged, unflinching, stolid and perhaps a little unimaginative, British coastwise seamen enjoy none of the glamour of publicity, or the glory of ribbons and gold-laced uniforms. One cannot distinguish them ashore, except perhaps, by the silver badge with the naval crown and the letters M.N. (Merchant Navy) worn in their buttonholes. They are simple men carrying on their normal peace-time jobs in the midst of the whirlwind of the fiercest war that Britain has ever known.

They are also carrying on a great tradition, that of the Elizabethan seamen who sailed from every little port in England, when, in 1588, the Armada threatened with invasion by the Duke of Parma's army in Flanders.

"God blew with His winds and they were scattered," was the plumb legend used on the Armada medals bearing the effigy of Queen Elizabeth. England gave thanks to the Almighty for her deliverance, not so much need of gratitude as to the skill of her seamen. Without them the country would have been lost.

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