

Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge. In Memoriam Notices, one and one per line additional for poetry. Code of Thanks free.

BORN

KENNEDY—At the General Hospital, Saturday, May 27th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kennedy, a daughter.

MackENZIE—To Mr. L. and Mrs. Kenneth A. MacKenzie (nee Lois Adams) at St. Thomas General Hospital, on Sunday, May 28th, a son, John Perry.

McEACHERN—At Mrs. Southworth's Maternity Home, Acton, Ontario on May 28th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McEachern nee Ethel Fletcher, Caldon and Erin Towalline, the gift of a son, William Elmer.

DEED

GRAHAM—At the home of her daughter, 9 Humewood Dr., Toronto, on Saturday, May 27, Keadie Glover, widow of Robert Daniel Graham, formerly of Acton, beloved mother of Mrs. Frank S. Hunt (Bastice) of Windsor; Mrs. William Hutchison (Ida), Toronto.

IN MEMORIAM

NEAR—In loving memory of a dear father, Henry Near, who died January 31st, 1941 and also a dear mother, Lavina Near, died June 2, 1943.

Death is a heartache nothing can heal. Some may forget you, now you are gone. But we will remember, no matter how long. Ever remembered by The Family.

What and that

—Look at your label. Only subscriptions paid in advance can be continued.

—The farmers are all busy on the land getting their spring seeding done.

—And this is June, the month of roses and brides and strawberries and green peas.

—Remember how we said last winter we wouldn't kick how warm it got. Well, we're not.

—One of our readers who has farmed in this district all his life says that the present season is the driest in twenty-three years.

—A grass fire at the east end of Crescent Street on Sunday morning gave the fire brigade a run. It was soon under control.

—For those who must have their "licker" find it is going to be like butter and sugar and tea and coffee and cigars and a multitude of other things—not so plentiful.

—Please send in your copy as early in the week as possible. We could get more in the eight hours every day if twelve and fourteen hours work was not crowded into the day just before publication.

—A western subscriber in renewing says: "Find enclosed \$2 for the Free Press. I want to take it as long as I live as I get the news from my dear old home Acton and Nassagaweya where all my people live."

FARM MACHINERY REMOVED FROM RATION LISTS

The Wartime Prices and Trade Bd. announces six types of new farm machinery and equipment have been removed from the ration list and may now be sold without permits. The items released are diamond harrow sections, flexible harrow sections, spring tooth harrow sections, cream separators, power sheep shearing machines and animal clippers, egg cleaners and brushes.

Increased production has made it possible for these articles to be removed from the ration list.

PURSUIT OF ONE DOLLAR

The Canadian people have been called a nation of dollar chasers. A humorist remarks that if we do not chase the dollar somewhat, our creditors will chase us.

It is hard to draw the line between a too great indifference to money, and such an absorption in getting it that people show little interest in their community or in friendship or culture. Modern life needs considerable money to obtain the things which experience and knowledge tell us are necessary. If people do not earn a fair amount of it, they may not be able to give their children the education or the care they need.

Yet the pursuit of money may be such an engrossing thing that it occupies people's minds day and night. If it crowds out their interest in their own home town and its work for social welfare, if it so takes people's attention that they can have no thought left for friendship or self improvement, they are chasing the dollar too hard.

WE HADN'T THOUGHT OF THAT

"What do you think of Government ownership of defense industries?" "I'm for it. When the Government owns everything it will have to pay all the taxes itself."

Obituary

MRS. KEZIAH GRAHAM After an illness of only a few days, she passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Hutchison, 9 Humewood Drive, Toronto, Keziah Glover, widow of Robert D. Graham of Acton.

Born in Erin Township, deceased was the daughter of the late Thomas Glover. During her early married life she resided in Acton, moving to Winnipeg after the death of her husband. During the last few years she has made her home with her daughter at the above address. Another daughter, Mrs. Frank Hunt of Windsor survives, as well as two sisters, Mrs. Thos. Dawson of Cookstown and Miss Agnes Glover of Fergus and five grandchildren. A son, Fred B. Graham of Winnipeg passed away in 1932. She was also predeceased by a sister Mrs. H. Worden of Weston and a brother, James Glover of Brandon, Man. Many old friends in this community share with the bereaved the loss they have sustained in a loving mother and sister.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, May 30th from the funeral home of McDougall and Brown, St. Clair Ave., Toronto. Dr. J. E. Todd of St. Clair Ave. United Church conducted the service. The pallbearers were Messrs. E. I. Hunt, T. W. Boynton, E. G. Worden, J. L. Arnold, G. Arnold and G. C. Brown. Burial took place in Fairview Cemetery, Acton, the service at the grave being conducted by a nephew, Rev. John McCarter.

The Letter Box

Oakville, Ontario, May 26th, 1944.

The Editor, The Acton Free Press, Acton, Ontario.

Dear Sir: The following letter has been received by the Chairman of Halton County:

"It gives me a great deal of pleasure to extend congratulations to you, and through you to your whole organization, for the grand campaign just completed in Halton County. Everywhere throughout the province, and in fact throughout the Dominion, it was found to be a tough battle this time, and you can feel very pleased and very proud of the results in Halton. The substantial increase in your General Sales and Payroll over the previous year, making an all time record, was a splendid piece of work. I know what it must have meant in the way of time and effort on the part of all concerned and I should like to express a sincere appreciation of the work that they have done. Having had the pleasure of meeting a good many of the members of your various committees, I have had more than an ordinary interest in your campaign and I know how much they have contributed to rolling up such a total. Our compliments go also to the salesmen. They must have worked very hard and faithfully, and I am sure that they feel well rewarded by the realization that their campaign has been the best one yet. Incidentally, in the Administration Section at Headquarters, they were expressing to me the other day a tribute to the secretarial staff of your Unit. I believe that every return has come in to Headquarters in perfect shape. Once again, our thanks for the part that you have played. I look back with a good deal of satisfaction to the last two campaigns in which I have had the pleasure of being associated with you, and I hope that as long as this job has to be done, we can continue to count on you to head up Halton County."

With best wishes from all of us Sincerely, T. D'Arcy Leonard, Chairman.

"Pub Crawl" Draws Blank

Birmingham. Woman. Councillor Finds Young People Well-Behaved

BIRMINGHAM (CP)—When the city's crusaders and temperance workers complained to the council of riotous behavior among young people in public houses, Nellie Hyde, justice of peace and members of the Birmingham council, announced that she herself would make a Saturday night "pub crawl" to see what was happening.

Accompanied by the ex-mayor, Alderman W. Matineau, she made the rounds of Birmingham's most popular pubs, and this is what she reported: "Yes, we found young people having a drink, but they were not drinking to excess. Even the most straight-laced could not have taken exception to their behavior. "People who talk in horror-struck tones of the goings-on of young people are meddlesome wet blankets. Young people are better behaved than they were during the last war."

Extra Farm Help Get Extra Rations

Arrangements have been made by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board to provide this year extra rations of food for extra farm help engaged seasonally in all parts of Canada, on the basis of a limit of five meals per person per day.

Any farm household in Canada, engaging seasonal help for such work as sheathing, silo filling, woodcutting and other work, will be able to make application for extra rations for these crews up to a limit of five meals for each member of the crew, if five meals are being served each day. This was in effect in 1943 but only in a comparatively small number of cases was it utilized to the extra rations will bear a statement this year to the effect that rations may be applied for up to five meals a day per person, if required.

Officials of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board believe that this extra allowance will enable farm homes to meet their needs for most rationed foods for the extra gangs. No further concessions, can, however, be made for sugar.

HOW CAN I?

Q. How can I remedy heartburn? A. A preventive of heartburn is to take the juice of a lemon before beginning a meal.

Q. How can I prevent a gray coating from forming on chocolate during the warm weather? A. This gray coating does not mean that the chocolate is spoiled. It only indicates that some of the fat has melted and come to the surface.

Q. How can I prevent face wrinkles around the eyes? A. When these tiny wrinkles begin to appear, massage muscle oil gently into the skin with the finger tips every night before retiring.

Q. How can I make good potato salad? A. Potato salad will be twice as delicious if left in French dressing overnight. Add the mayonnaise the next morning.

Q. How can I make a serviceable door mat for the back door or the foot of the cellar steps? A. By taking a piece of board about 15 by 24 inches, and then covering it with several thicknesses of gunny sacks, tacking the edges to the underside of the board. It is just as good as many sold in the stores.

JUDGE SHOWS HOW TO GET JOB DONE

BRISBANE, Australia (CP)—Queensland's Judge Philp, heading a Royal Commission of Inquiry into conditions in the fruit industry, arrived with his retinue at an orchard. He proceeded to examine the orchardist, George Smith, aged 70 in the packing shed where apples and peaches were being cased for dispatch to Brisbane.

The questioning had not proceeded far when the orchardist's son intervened and told his father that time was getting short if they wanted to catch the train.

"The judge gave a lead. Whipping off his coat he said, 'Come on, boys. Let's get at it!' In no time the other members of the commission, departmental officers and newspapermen were all restless and perspiring rived with his retinue at an orchard, and loading cases on to a lorry. "Grand work," said the veteran orchardist when the job was done. "I've always wanted to meet a real live judge. I've been on the land 59 years and you're the first."

The inquiry then proceeded.

GARDEN BACKACHE

Some people complain that when they work in their Victory garden, they get the backache. The people who have weak backs are entitled to sympathy. It is a heavy handicap on their energy, to feel that weakness which recurs so often. Perhaps it is due to over-exertion and too hard work in the past. Then again it may be due to the lack of sufficient exercise for that part of the body. If that is the case, one would think that some garden work, if not overdone, might increase their strength and vigor, so that they will gradually get used to these labors and can do their bending over the little plants without ill effects.

AID TRINIDAD FARMERS

PORT OF SPAIN (CP)—An island wide electricity scheme for rural areas and to improve agricultural efficiency is being put into effect in Trinidad.

FAGING PIPES

DUMFRIES, Scotland (CP)—It's not the shortage of whisky but the shortage of Scottish pipes that is bothering some Scots. Provost K. Doble of Dumfries scoured the country for a set of pipes for the King's Own Scottish Borderers. He couldn't find a set anywhere.

THIS WEEK

BY JOHN C. SCOTT, Canadian Press Staff Writer

C. B. Smith of the Creemore, Ont. Star is the new president of the Ontario-Quebec division of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers' Association. He was elected in succession to John A. Marsh of the Amherstburg, Ont. Echo at a wartime conference at Niagara Falls.

Mr. Marsh, who became honorary president, told the gathering that many weekly newspaper plants will be forced to close in the coming year unless help is made available.

He said the Association should seek permission from National Selective Service to permit the establishment of a clearing house for workers. He added: "Our experience, with Selective Service has not been a happy one."

Other officers elected were: Wm. Aylesworth of the Watford, Ont. Guide Advocate, first vice-president; Sam Curry, Tweed, Ont., News, second vice-president, and H. A. Giles, Lachute, Quebec, Watchman, secretary-treasurer.

Directors elected were: C. E. Bond, New Lakeard, Ont., Speaker; L. B. Calnan, Picton Ont., Gazette; G. Anslow, Dundas, Ont., Star; D. H. Wilson, Shawinigan, Que., Standard; Ken Walls, Barrie, Ont., Examiner; T. E. Southcott, Exeter, Ont., Times Advocate; Laird Miller, Jarvis, Ont., News; Jack Pickell, Paris, Ont., Star.

Winners in the annual competitions received their awards as follows: Young Editorial Trophy for the best editorial page among member newspapers, Fort Erie Times-Review; E. F. Stephenson Memorial Trophy for best weekly published in towns of 4,500 or less, awarded jointly to St. Marys (Ont.) Journal-Argus; Bowmanville (Ont.) Canadian Statesman, Huntingdon, (Que.) Gleaner and Dryden (Ont.) Observer; and the Joseph T. Clark Memorial Trophy, for the best all round newspaper published in towns of 1,500 or less, Stouffville (Ont.) Tribune.

An oil painting was presented to J. Alex. McLaren, publisher of the Barrie, Ont., Examiner, past-president of the C. W. N. A.

John Bracken Progressive-Conservative national leader, addressed the 250 weekly publishers and editors, and said he thought what the world needed "is not a new religion but a restoration of the old religion in the basic language that the man on the street understands." He said he interprets that as meaning "a job for every man, fair pay for every man, equity for farmers, fair treatment for enterprise, opportunity for youth, equality for women, security for the aged, an expanding economy for all—a world of peace for all."

Agricultural conditions generally are favorable throughout Ontario at the present time, the provincial department of agriculture reports. Seeding is rapidly nearing completion in most districts and pastures mostly are in excellent condition.

Off-tone notes to the healthy picture come from many hard pressed farmers who are suffering from lack of help. The labor problem in many districts is reported to be acute.

In the Renfrew district in eastern Ontario heavy frosts during the week of May 15, followed by hot, dry weather, greatly lessened prospects for a good hay crop. In Welland district considerable land is too wet for seeding but about 60 per cent. of the normal spring grain crop has been sown. Northern Ontario reports lack of rain except in the Sudbury and Itainy River areas.

ONE SPRAY FOR PESTS

NEW YORK (CP)—The gardener of 20 years ago needed a special compartment to store spray materials and dusting powders. Nowadays, however, with scientific research, there has been a marked improvement in the effectiveness of insecticides. As a result, the victory gardener need not have one mixture for aphids, another for beetles, a third for slugs and so on.

Pyrethrum and rotenone have been developed to an extent where they have been combined by many companies into powerful sprays, suitable for dozens of purposes.

Pyrethrum has been used for centuries for insect powder. With rotenone, it is used effectively either as a preventative or as a cure, but be sure that your dealer gives you a spray combining both. The name doesn't matter—be certain both are in it.

If you must have something else, get a mixture of nicotine and arsenic. An excellent combination, easily made at home, is one-part of arsenic powder to 10 parts of gypsum. You'll find it good for cucumbers or squash vines as a check against striped beetle or caterpillars. Don't apply too thickly, or you'll burn the foliage.

Advertisement for Gray Coach Lines featuring a large illustration of a bus labeled 'SPECIAL' and the slogan 'Serving IN THE RANKS'. Text includes: 'Buses are serving in the ranks for the duration. They're on the go transporting groups of sailors, soldiers and airmen from centre to centre, and serving men and women on leave. You'll agree that this is one of the most important jobs right now—even if it does mean that your bus service has been curtailed and that you may have to put up with some inconvenience and delay. However the future does look bright for bus travellers. Already Gray Coach Lines is planning a fleet of smart new buses for peacetime. Then, once again, you'll enjoy the thrill of carefree highway jaunts. HAROLD WILES—Phone 58 GRAY COACH LINES'