A Precious Example . . .

For days the world watched anxiously, sharing a mutual concern, as a great man slowly passed from our midst.

The death of Sir Winston Churchill was expected daily as regular bulletins from his home reflected his weakening condition. When it came it knifed off an age through which he had personified the determination of the British people in war. The phrases he coined, the spirit with which he said them, will live on in history for they became rallying points for the free world in time of its most serious crisis.

While he was an inventor, an artist, a diplomat, an historian, a reporter, a soldier, a politician, a bricklayer, he was above all a leader.

As one editorial writer said "It was when he clothed the spirit of free men in words and marched those words against the greatest armed might the world had yet known, that he proved what free men must believe if freedom is to survive, that the spirit is always stronger, in the end, than any weapon."

The state funeral accorded this great man of our times will be attended by world leaders. In his death all will reflect on the greatness of a man who can draw together heads of state, and who can touch the common man with a sense of loss. What a tremendous image he leaves behind. What a magnificent use of one life in the service of his fellow men.

Queen Elizabeth's well chosen words of sympathy to Lady Churchill noted "The whole world is poorer by the loss of his many-sided genius, while the survival of this country and the sister nations of the Commonwealth in the face of the greatest danger that has ever threatened them, will be a perpetual memorial to his leadership, his vision and his indomitable courage".

While we lament his going, we must not forget how much has been given and what a precious example is left.

Current Comments . . .

Overheard in a dentist's waiting room. "This tooth is driving me to extraction."

Wall Street Journal

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We wonder if the idea of packaged food came from the lowly hen.

St. Thomas Times-Journal

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Despite the importance of a college education these days, its value still depends on who contains it.

Brandon Sun

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"What kinda guy is your roommate?"

"Well, last night he barked his shins on a chair, and said, "Oh, the perversity of inanimate objects."

Staff Photo

ACTON BANTAMS went down to defeat at the hands of the Preston team Thursday night of last week despite wearing the Acton Tanner sweaters. Front row left to right are Bobby Andrews, Roy Mainprize, Bob Waller, Paul Cooper, Dave Dunbar, John Mason, Paul Dupuis, back row left to right are Harold Townsley (coach), Brent Marshall, Ken Owens, Craig Perkins, Casey Harkley, Jim Barden, Paul Howe, Danny McLennan, Mike Cooper, Jim Lee, and Herb Dodds, (manager).

The Good Old Days . . .

20 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, Jan. 25, 1945.

Storm blocked roads were no deterrent to representatives from all parts of Halton who named Hughes Cleaver to represent Halton Liberals in the election to be held this year. He has been Member of Parliament for the past 10 years.

At the Conservative convention, A. S. Nicholson was named to be their nominee in the election. He is from Burlington.

It is hoped to have the arena floor of wood before next season. Everyone—players and spectators alike — are looking forward to the resumption of hockey and other arena activities.

It will be of general interest to residents here to learn that Wool Combing Corporation is planning continued expansion and the addition of another new department. It is already one of Acton's larger industries.

Motorists in Acton with its fine well ploughed roadways are certainly enjoying a lot better driving than even city folks this year. The only thing, you hate to leave home.

Duncan Buchanan lost his fine large barn, entire crop of grain, several head of cattle and a number of implements when fire of unknown origin broke out in the structure. The only thing that could be saved were nearby building sites. The loss will amount to thousands of dollars.

In order to arrange for the building of a new store on the present site, Cooper's Drug Store has taken up temporary quarters next to the Bank of Montreal in Pallant's Men's Clothing Store.

On Wednesday, the Friendly Circle of the United church held a Hard Luck party in the Sunday school room. Various games were conducted by Mrs. Alzena Priestly. After a hard time snack of cold beans on a bun, a delicious lunch was served.

For the first time since the December 12 storm, No. 25 Highway was back to two car width last week.

50 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, Jan. 21, 1915.

Last Thursday afternoon before school assembled, little Frankie Bauer, the bright seven-year-old son of Henry Bauer, Young St., had the misfortune to have his right leg fractured in two places between the knee and hip while sleighing down the pavement on Education Lane. The little fellow was steering a coasting bob sleigh and when nearing Main St., endeavoring to turn across the lane, he ran into a tree.

The impact resulted in the painful accident. This has been a favorite coasting spot for years but only the day before, Constable Harvey had forbidden any further coasting down the lane and over the street. School authorities understood the mandate to refer to the crossing of Main St. and permitted coasting on the lane to continue. The sport is now entirely prohibited.

The mild weather during the week spoiled the sleighing on the hills. Timber and wood have been coming into town quite freely.

Acton Fall Fair held its annual meeting on Monday with president Mrs. George Havill in the chair. After two years' operation, our popular fair is in the fortunate position of having all claims paid and the handsome sum of $718.71 in the treasury.

The following officers were elected at a meeting of the Acton High School Literary Society: president, Gordon McLeod, vice-president, Wilma Johnstone, secretary, Lettie Scott, editor, Nellie Anderson, reporter, Percy Ault, current events, Harold Mowat; sports, Mac Smith, representatives, first form, Harold Reed; second form, Nora Kenney, third form, Mac Smith, fourth form, Isma McPherson.

Mr. Rennie of the Beardmore machine shop met with a painful accident to his left hand while operating a planer. He was planing sticks for the dry loft when one of them turned on the planer knives and drew his fingers in contact. Three fingers were badly lacerated, the second being amputated near the first joint.

Editorial Page

Sugar and Spice . . .

BY BILL SMILEY

Is there anything sillier than an old soldier? Wait a minute, Jack, I don't mean honest veterans like you and me, who fought our war, then forgave and forgot. No, I mean the professionals, and especially the generals.

My feelings toward the top brass were rekindled recently when General Omar Bradley took a swing from out in left field at General Montgomery, claiming Monty had been too slow and too scared to close the Falaise Gap when he should have. Twenty years after the event, the old boys are still bickering.

I didn't blame Bradley much. Montgomery has been blaming every other general, ever since the war ended, for everything that went wrong. Apparently he was the only big shot who was always right.

And that reminds me of the silliest thing Montgomery ever said. It was a few years ago, during an interview. It was to the effect that he likes to see soldiers soaking wet, hungry, filthy and exhausted. Then he knows they have been soldiering. That sort of poppycock is fairly typical of the intelligence of a general.

This may have been true during the Kaiser's war. Old sweats of that one knew all about dirt, wet, lice, slim rations and exhaustion. But their troubles were all physical ones, being blown up, or sniped, or caught on the barbed wire, or gassed, or eaten alive by rats. They didn't face the psychological horrors of my war.

It was sheer hell, at times, for us pilots, especially if we were officers. Even today after two decades trying to heal the scars, memory of those ordeals sends a cold shudder through me.

Sometimes, for example, the batman would forget to put sugar in the morning tea he brought when he wakened you. But you never complained. You drank it down stoically, without a whimper.

Another experience that left its mark on many of us was the time they took the batmen off altogether and substituted WAAFS for them. Some of the chaps were totally unnerved to be wakened in the morning by a chubby little airwoman, cooing "Cries your tea, luv. Drink it up while it's 'ot."

Some of the other hardships we endured can scarcely be recounted in a family journal. One aerodrome at which I had the incredible bad luck to be stationed in England was eight miles from the nearest pub, and the only way to get there was by bicycle. Match that for inhuman conditions.

But that's the sort of thing we went through, and those of us who survived were prematurely aged by the pitiless circumstances under which we strove to ensure there'd always be an England. Seared in my brain forever is one horrible day we were drilled by a brital group captain to play rugger the morning after a farewell party in the sergeants' mess. Rugger is a peculiar British game in which you never stomp a man in the face until he is down, and only then if you can't stomp him up the stomach.

Another painful memory is that of fat senior officers standing with their backsides to the fireplace, while we junior officers, shut off from the only heat in the place, shivered miserably around the bar.

Old sweats talk about marching 300 miles in ten days. They don't realize what we went through on those trains in England. Sometimes we officers, even though we had first-class tickets, had to ride in the third-class coaches with all those rude, nasty soldiers and sailors and things.

Looking back, I can't help but marvel at the way we laced up to the hardships of those grim days, without a murmur. But it was war, and we were true-blue. Except in the mornings, when we were a little green around the gills. That's when they'd give you a kipper for breakfast. Hardships? I could write a book.

Residences Threatened

Seek Glen Flooding Solution

Glen Williams ratepayers, tormented by floods this year, found a champion at last week's Esquesing Township council meeting, when councillor George Currie stated, "no matter who is responsible for flood control, it is our ratepayers who suffer." Wilfrid Leslie, deputy reeve, reported that he would discuss the problem at a meeting of Emergency Measures Organization, and also at the next meeting of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority.

Clerk K. C. Lindsay suggested, "The Credit Valley Authority is supposed to have control of the river."

Residences that back on the Credit River in Glen Williams have been threatened by the swelling Credit. A jam which occurred recently is still locked solid and backed up water is raising the river surface and spilling into basements.

Members of the Silverwood Women's Institute were on hand for the meeting and heard council make the following appointments for 1965: Ballinafad Community Hall, Walter Lanham; Credit Valley Conservation Authority, W. Leslie; Halton Region Conservation Authority, George Currie; Grand Valley Conservation Authority, G. Leslie; Hornby Park Board, C. Wrigglesworth, Jim Carney, George Currie; Esquesing Planning Board, Col. G. O. Brown for 1965, '66 and '67; Acton Fire Area, R. Lawson and W. Lanham; Georgetown Fire Area, George Leslie and Milton Fire Area, George Currie.

In other business conducted at the meeting, councillors

- Learned that 459 births were recorded in Esquesing last year. The fact Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital is located in the township, explains the large number of birth registered.
- Appointed Charles Austin of R.R. 3 Georgetown as the second livestock evaluator for the township. Nelson Stark is the other evaluator.
- Learned the Township will receive an additional $5,000 grant from the Department of Highways for roads in the township. The maximum expenditure granted upon will be $32,000 for construction and $80,000 for maintenance.
- Agreed to go along with the possible solution to the corrosive effect of salt on cars, even if it does cost an additional $3 a ton for salt.
- Learned two building permits were issued by building inspector William Hulls during the month of December. One permit for the addition to the Glen Williams school was for $96,900, and the second permit was for $300.

Publish Biography Last of Romanovs

A new book has been written about the last Imperial Grand Duchess, Olga Alexandrovna, youngest sister of the last Czar of Russia. Included in Saturday's Globe Magazine section review of the new publication are two pictures of the Grand Duchess, one with her husband in their home in Denmark and one as a "Halton County farmer's wife." The Grand Duchess lived at Campbellville for a while, before moving to Cooksville, where the reviewer says she died in obscurity". She was the last of the Romanov dynasty which had ruled Russia for more than 300 years.

Those who came in contact with her in this district will be interested to read "The Last Duchess" by Ian Vorres, published by Messrs. Foster and Scott and costing $8.50. The author is a Toronto art critic who became her friend.

Says the review, "The book is engagingly written, the Grand Duchess has been fortunate in her biography. Her memories of the last two Czars may not vindicate the Romanovs, but they do add to the picture."

GRAND DUCHESS OLGA

BALLINAFAD

Successful Euchre In Hall Tuesday

Quite a successful euchre was held in Ballinafad Hall on Tuesday night when 17 tables were played, high scores going to Mrs. Frank Robinson, Georgetown, Mrs. Wilfred Harding, Limehouse, Mr. Burt Price, Hillsburgh and Mr. J. Storey.

Mr. and Mrs. Cam McLeary spent a few days in Toronto visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Golightly.

The sympathy of this community goes out to Mrs. Annie Vanmatter and Mrs. Comfort Rozell in the passing of their brother, Mr. Leslie Waddell of Hamilton.

MONEY OR LIFE

Now tires cost money. But the Ontario Safety League points out that if you are driving on tires so worn that you are risking a blowout, you may be facing the choice . . . "Your money, or your life".

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This Sunday's

Church Calendar

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Y.M.C.A.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1965
9.45 a.m.—The Family Bible School classes for all ages.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7.00 p.m.—Evening Service.
Wednesday evening — Cottage Prayer Meeting.
Everyone welcome.

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Mr. F. A. Hansell, B.A., Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1965
9.45 a.m.—Church School.
10.00 a.m.—Minister's Teen-Age Bible Class.
11.00 a.m.—Divine Worship. Sermon on "The Faith That Redeems." (No. 4 in series, "From Doubt into Faith.")
7.30 p.m.—Youth Fellowship. Film presentation, "Marine Highway."
Sunday, February 7, at 9.45 a.m. — Confirmation classes for young people begin.
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The 4th Sunday after Epiphany
9.00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
10.30 a.m.—Church School.
10.30 a.m.—Mattins and Sermon.
7.30 p.m.—Holy Eucharist.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1965
10.00 a.m.—English Service.
2.30 p.m.—Dutch Service.
3.45 p.m.—Sunday School.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1965
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9.30 a.m.—Grade 5 and higher.
11.15 a.m.—4 years to Grade 4.
DIVINE SERVICES
9.30 and 11.00 a.m.
7.30 p.m.—Young Adults meet.

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7.00 p.m.—Evening Service. "Real Security."
B.Y.P.U. meets at 8 p.m.
Monday is Mission Circle at 8 o'clock.
Wednesday is Mission Band at 4 o'clock; Prayer meeting at 7.30.
Thursday—Choir practice at 7.30.
Friday is B.H.T. at 7.00, Explorers at 7.30.

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11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Tuesday through Friday, February 2-5 inclusive, 8 p.m. — Rev. W. H. Moody will conduct Sunday School teachers' training course: "The Ministry of Visitation."
Friday, February 5—Crusaders.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

I do not like to talk with people who always agree with me. It is amusing to coquette with an echo for a little while, but soon one tires of it. A man lives by believing something, not by debating and arguing about many things. — Carlyle.

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