

NEWS PARADE

DIED
RUSSELL—On Tuesday, April 9, 1940, at the Toronto General Hospital, Margaret Mollachern, beloved wife of the late William Russell.
 The funeral took place from her late residence, Norval, Ont., on Friday, April 12th, at 2:30 p.m. Interment was in Norval Cemetery.

SCOTT—In Georgetown, on Saturday, April 13th, 1940, Sarah Ellen Tomlinson, beloved wife of Henry Ernest Scott, aged 73 years.

IN MEMORIAM
HALPIN—In loving memory of Pte. Albert Halpin, 116th Bn., killed in action in France, April 7th, 1918. While he lies in peaceful sleep, His memory we shall always keep.—Ever remembered by the Family.

OBITUARY

MRS. H. E. SCOTT
 Mrs. Henry Ernest Scott passed away in Georgetown on Saturday, April 13th. Born Sara Ellen Tomlinson 73 years ago, she leaves besides her husband, four children—Harry, of Georgetown; Mrs. Martin Near, Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Joseph Watson, Toronto and Mrs. Goldie Gillies, of the Scotch Block.

Also surviving are brothers James and William Tomlinson of Hepworth, and one sister, Mrs. James Sturdy, Buffalo, N.Y.

Rev. B. F. Andrew, of Boston, conducted the funeral services at the home on Queen Street, and interment was in the family plot at Greenlaw, Caledon.

CHARLESENA WALKER

Mrs. Charlesena Walker, widow of Frederick Walker, died Thursday evening after a short illness, in her 85th year. She was the mother of Mrs. David Plank, 17 Witherspoon street, Dundas, where she died, and surviving are three other daughters and two sons: Mrs. William Campbell, Owen Sound; Mrs. Mabel Martindale, Soverign, Sask.; Mrs. William Donaldson, Norval, Ont.; Frederick, of Owen Sound, and Harry, of Jackson, Ont. Funeral services were held last Friday evening at the Cattel Funeral Home with Rev. W. B. Mitchell officiating, and the remains will be taken by train to Owen Sound for interment.—Dundas Star.

JOHN M. LANE

Recently we learned of the death of John M. Lane, who spent his early years on a farm near Georgetown.

Commenting on his passing, the Creomere Star reports: John M. Lane, well known farmer who has resided at the north east corner of Mulmur Township for the past 45 years, died at his residence on Thursday morning, April 4th, following a three week illness with pneumonia and its complications. He was just five days past his 69th birthday.

Born in Halton County, near Georgetown, he moved with his parents to the sixth line, Mulmur, when 12 years of age. In 1895 he married Margaret Maxwell and located on lot 31, con. 8, which was his home for the remainder of his life. His wife died in 1903 and two years later he married Annie Pearen, who died in 1908.

Mr. Lane was a successful farmer and a man of upright principles. He was associated with the Airline United Church and had been an elder for several years. In politics he was a Conservative. In September last death claimed his only daughter Mildred. He is now survived by two sons, Herman and Alvin, both at home. He also has two brothers and three sisters: Wesley and Edward at Glen Huron; Mrs. John Kennedy, Barrie, Mrs. Thomas Maxwell, Toronto, and Mrs. Katie McArthur, Creomere.

The funeral held on Saturday, was largely attended. The service at the home and grave was conducted by his minister, Rev. Mr. Cruse of New Lowell. Many beautiful floral tokens had been sent by sympathizing friends. Interment was made at Creomere Union Cemetery.

On some 50 deep reconnaissance flights made by night by the Royal Air Force only four aircraft are known to have been lost through enemy action.

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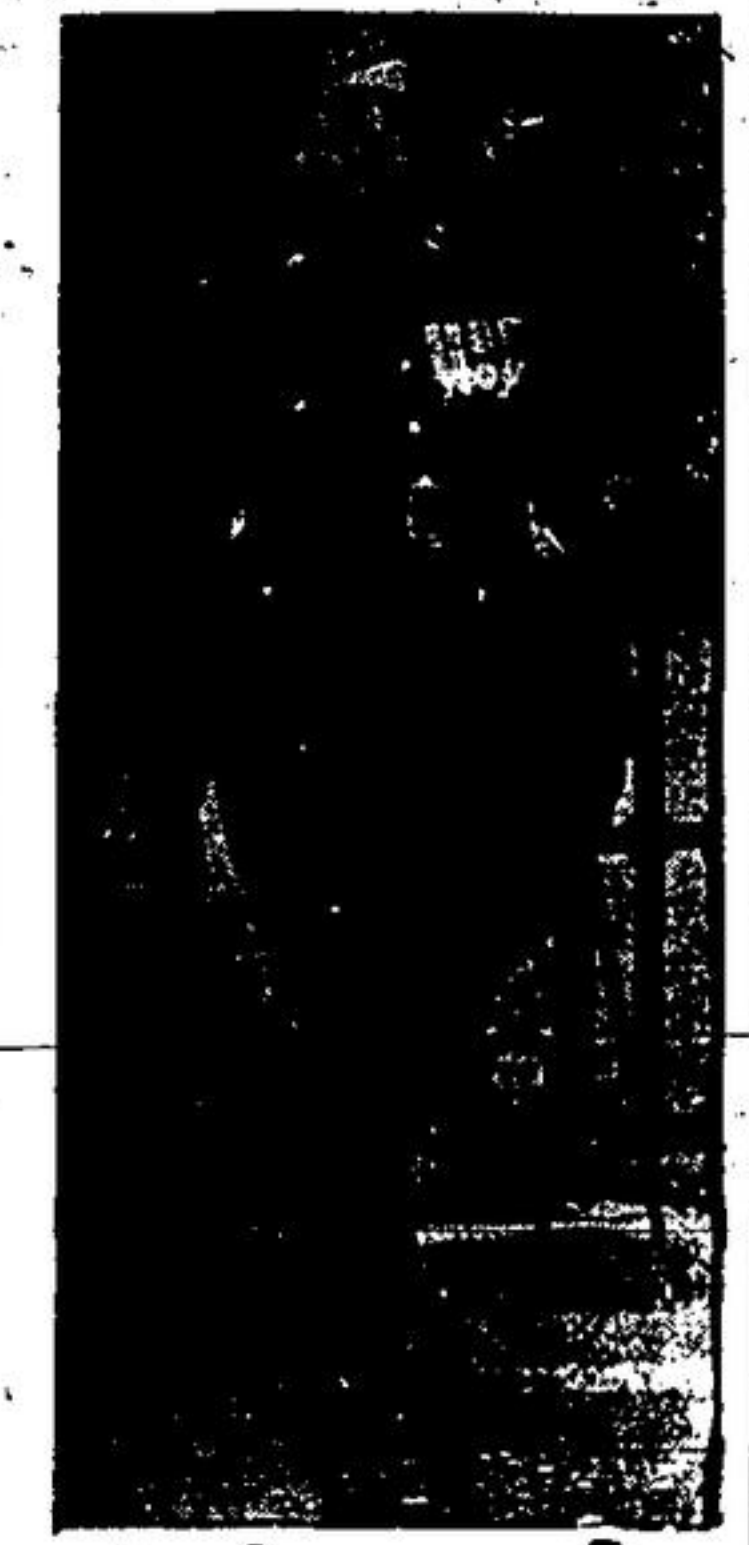
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LT.-COL. LOUIS KEENE RECEIVES UMBRELLA FROM PRIME MINISTER CHAMBERLAIN

Col. Louis Keene, Officer Commanding the Lorne Scots, O.A.S.F., at Aldershot, has received an umbrella from Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain. There's quite a story about this umbrella, and perhaps it would be better to quote from the letter of a soldier correspondent. Here it is, in his words.

"An interesting story is going the rounds at Aldershot. It concerns some privates of the Lorne Scots and is vouched for by Col. Keene. A number of men went on leave to London and were determined to see all the sights. They set out one day and barged in here and there and there and found themselves in many places where even angels fear to tread. In some places they met rude rebuffs from ancient retainers and commissionaires. In others their sheer bra-



LT.-COL. LOUIS KEENE

zenness gained them admission. Among other places they tried to get in to see the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House but were sent on their way. "Late in the afternoon they were walking down Whitehall when someone spied a short street running off to the left and a signboard bearing the magic words 'Downing Street.' 'Come on, let's go,' said one of them, and they all went.

"A policeman on duty wondered what was up and must have been greatly amused when he heard a Canadian voice saying to him: 'Say where can a fellow get an umbrella around here?' "The cop, entering into the spirit of the occasion replied 'I don't really know.' Nothing daunted the private of the Lorne Scots continued: 'But we were told there were lots of umbrellas in Downing Street.' "Well," said the guardian of the law and of the Prime Minister, 'you might enquire at number 10.' "Much to the astonishment of the policeman, they did. In response to their knock a dignified butler opened the door and an abashed Canadian youth said 'We're from Canada and would like to get an umbrella for our Colonel.' The butler after some hesitation and deliberation asked the young men to wait until he had taken the matter up with the proper persons. Shortly, loud laughter emanating from an inner room reached the ears of the visitors and soon Prime Minister Chamberlain appeared. 'Now boys, what is it you want' he asked. 'Sir, we would like to get an umbrella for our Colonel.' 'And so you shall,' Mr. Chamberlain replied, 'just give me his name and address and I'll have one suitably inscribed and sent to him.'

And so Col. Keene is to become the proud possessor of a famous Chamberlain umbrella, symbol of all the ideals for which the Empire is waging war at this time.

IS YOUR TRADE FLAG FLYING?

An advertisement is the trade flag which shows that a firm is still actively engaged in business, declares the Sports Journal. To haul down that flag by stopping advertising is a direct indication that even if it has not actually gone out of business, the firm has ceased to be concerned with the interests of those who have been its supporters in the past.

INVASION OF NORWAY AND DENMARK MAY PROFIT ONTARIO PAPER INDUSTRY

While no normal person or state desires to profit from another's misfortune, Germany's invasion of Denmark and Norway is bound to rebound to the advantage of the pulp and paper industry of Ontario. The pulp mills of Ontario and Quebec will be called upon to supply the large quantities of pulp hitherto supplied by Scandinavia to the United States. Already, United States interests have been in touch with the Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of Lands and Forests, as to the amount of tonnage this province could supply in the emergency. Mr. Heenan says Ontario could supply any amount required by the United States with the present mill capacity, and that there would be no need for further expansion in plant or equipment, as Ontario and Quebec mills have only been operating to about 60 per cent of total capacity.

MRS. GEORGE LESLIE NORVAL LOSSES FATHER BY DEATH

Following a brief illness, William Lee Wilkinson, father of Mrs. George Leslie Norval, passed away on Monday evening in Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton. Mr. Wilkinson was born near Cheltenham, but had spent the greater part of his life in Toronto Township. He is survived by his widow formerly Jennie Hyatt; two sons, Edgerton and Kenneth, of Toronto Township, and his daughter, Mrs. Leslie. Deceased was a past president of the Peel Agricultural Society; an officer of the Peel Plowmen's Association, and a director of the Peel Mutual Fire Insurance Co. He was an Elder of Grace United Church, Brampton, and a Liberal in politics.

DID YOU KNOW?

That there were, at the 31st of December, 1939, 700 telephones in operation in Georgetown, 1,400 in Brampton, 1,330 in Oakville, 655 in Orangeville, 648 in Milton. That about 5,896,000 calls are placed by Bell Telephone users in Ontario and Quebec on the average day; of these, 60,000 are out-of-town or long-distance calls.

"MIGHTY CASEY" IS 77

Hero of the poem, 'Casey at the Bat,' is still living at Silver Springs, Maryland. He is Daniel M. Casey, 77, and he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary recently. The poem written by Ernest Thayer, was first published in the San Francisco Examiner, 'The Case,' Casey, playing for the Philadelphia National League team, had been called on to pinch hit, as he was a heavy slugger. A hit might have won the game from the New York Giants, but 'the mighty Casey struck out.' No poem relating to sports has ever been more widely recited or published. The late Dr. Wolf Hopper, noted actor, recited it more than 15,000 times on the stage.

MORE ABOUT RELIEF

Ottawa announces that the government hopes to cut Canada's relief bill in half during the present fiscal year—or from \$26,000,000 to \$13,000,000. The provinces would share in this apparent saving, as relief payments have been placed on the same basis as last year, 40 per cent by the Dominion, 40 per cent by the provinces, and 20 per cent by the municipalities. The only fly in the ointment is that the Dominion will set a limit this year on the amount of money to be contributed for relief. In the event that the figure fixed by the Dominion falls short of the requirements of the provinces, the deficiency would have to be made up by the provinces and the municipalities.

THE WORLD TODAY



BERNARD K. SANDWELL

is a member of the panel of speakers heard on 'The World Today' every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. over the CBC National Network. Mr. Sandwell is no stranger to broadcast listeners and as editor of 'Saturday Night' of Toronto, he has achieved a national reputation.

FISHING SEASON OPENS ON APRIL 27th THIS YEAR

The speckled trout season, which Hon. Harry Nixon, Minister of Game and Fisheries, confidently expects to be one of the best in Ontario's history, was advanced five days from the normal May 1 opening to April 27. "May the first is on a Wednesday, and by advancing the season to the preceding Saturday we will be able to give anglers a little break over the week-end," said the Minister. "We expect that it will be an exceptionally good season. There was a tremendous distribution of good-sized trout during the late fall."

"Opening day" is looked forward to by many disciples of Isaac Walton in Georgetown, and it has been the custom for parties of fishermen to pack enough provisions, etc., and motor northward to their favourite stream or lake to try their luck on the first day of the new season.

OPENING DAY

After months of weary waiting— Could you bear to stay away, When some mountain stream is calling On opening day? Could you give your best endeavour To your daily work, Each detail its proper measure And no duty shirk? Spring is back among the mountains Green-things growing scent the air, Trees are budding, ferns are springing Through the leaf-mould everywhere. Hark, your favourite stream is calling, 'Let no laggard bid you stay, Out, away, from care and worry! On the opening day.'

FIRST BREN GUN MANUFACTURED AT TORONTO PLANT

The first Bren Gun has been manufactured at the John Ingile Company plant in Toronto. The company is five months ahead of schedule, but it will be some time yet before mass production gets under way. There are 161 machined parts to the Bren Gun, all as delicately precisioned as the mechanism of a watch.

CHELtenham W. I. ELECT 1940 OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of Cheltenham Women's Institute, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Honorary president, Mrs. J. J. Campbell; president, Mrs. W. B. Mountbain; vice-presidents, Mrs. Geo. Parker, Mrs. E. Atkinson; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. Rock, Sr.; assistant, Mrs. Alex. McLaren; district director, Mrs. Geo. Parker; branch directors, Mrs. James Noble, Mrs. John Moddisson, Mrs. Stephen Jones.

PERSONALS

Mrs. H. C. McClure has returned from a week's stay in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hall of Alton were visitors in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. C. M. Paul is spending a week with her sons in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McGilvray of Dunnville spent the week end at their home here.

Town Clerk Harrison has been confined to his home with a bad cold this past week.

Mrs. J. Drummond, of Barrie, spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. I. M. Bennett.

Miss Winifred Stokes of Niagara Falls visited for few days with Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Hill.

Miss Hazel Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt of Toronto spent the week end with Mrs. K. Bludd.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Miller and Master Jack of Guelph spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Bennett.

Mrs. George Gray of Toronto is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stockford.

Miss Margaret Long spent a day with her aunt, Mrs. Wilson of Glen Christie.

Mrs. James Wallace and Master Harold Barron of Glen Christie, are visitors this week with Mr. and Mrs. William H. Long.

Rev. John A. McDermid, his wife, and baby son John, of Mount Foggo, called on Tuesday to see Mr. McDermid's mother and sister in Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wyles of Toronto and son Douglas, spent the week end with Mrs. Wyles' parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Sykes.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lymburner and Jean, Mrs. F. Lint, and Mrs. T. Gilmore of Dunnville visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Speight and Mrs. Vannatter on Sunday.

Mr. Walter Biehn visited Sunday in Listowel, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hensworth. Mr. Hensworth is a lieutenant in the 100th Battery stationed at Listowel.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Frank and daughter, Jean, Beverly and Donna, of Campbellville, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Amos, of Moffat, visited with Mr. and Mrs. William Frank last week end.

Private Sandy McLean of the Infantry Training Corps, Toronto, and Mrs. Robert Woon and daughter Roberta, spent Sunday with Mrs. Woon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hillock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mackenzie and Marjorie, Mrs. William Frank and Mrs. J. M. Moore attended the funeral of the late Duncan Campbell in Nasagaweya Presbyterian Church on Monday, April 15th.

The latest report received concerning the condition of Corp. Theo. E. Gwyn, who is with the C.A.S.F. in England says that although still seriously ill, there is a slight improvement.

Mr. Wilfred Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Hill, King St., was a caller this week at the Herald Office. Mr. Hill was once on the staff of the Merchants' Bank, Chesley, and recalled seeing the editor when he was a baby.

Mrs. F. G. Goring and Robert are spending a few weeks at Mrs. Goring's home in New York State. Mrs. Goring made the trip with her brother, a student at the University of Michigan.

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OTTAWA WEEK BY WEEK



THE NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND PRECEDENTS

When Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced that Major-General the Earl of Athlone has been appointed the new Governor-General of Canada, several precedents were created. First, it will be the first time since the days of the last war that Royalty will occupy Rideau Hall. At that time His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, son of Queen Victoria, was Governor-General, and years ago the Princess Louise, a daughter of Queen Victoria, was consort of the Marquis of Dufferin as vice-regal representative in Ottawa. Second, the actual appointment was no surprise on Parliament Hill. It has always been the custom that such appointments should be announced simultaneously in Ottawa and London, but somehow the information leaked out in advance in Europe. Third, the swearing-in ceremony is always elaborate and it takes place at the port of arrival, but owing to the war circumstances, a precedent will be created by conducting the ceremony in a simple manner in the capital, probably sometime in June. Fourth, vice-regal representatives have always been appointed for a full term of five years, but the new Governor-General has been accepted under his exceptional condition that he may be able to remain in Canada for such a lengthy period.

CAN WHISPERS BE INVESTIGATED?

One of the most surprising aftermaths of the recent general election in Canada is the circulation of strange stories or rumours about corruption which is said to have been widespread throughout the country from coast to coast and within the ranks of all political parties without any marked exceptions. It must be conceded that such allegations usually appear at the conclusion of all appeals to the people and such charges do not shock any veteran political observers along Parliament Hill which is the nerve-centre of the whole nation where it is no secret that politics is not always a savory dish. However, such persistent rumours usually imply that they are the forerunners of action since during the past several years all political parties in the House of Commons have joined in paying tribute to the necessity of eradicating some means for curbing election corruption. Now, it appears that these post-election reports or stories along Parliament Hill may be followed by the dawning of a brighter and happier day for Canada's tax-weary citizens who do not look upon these reports as vicious nonsense, but who vigilantly believe that a nation at war should be guarded against such evils of alleged graft or patronage, if they exist to any extent, in order that expenditures may be limited as much as possible to funds required for the purchase of weapons or equipment that are to protect our national existence, the safety of our ships and ports, and the lives of our people. In other words, graft and patronage to the slightest extent have no place in Canada in these days of grave national responsibilities, of excessive debts, of huge deficits, of high taxes, and of constant menaces to the nation from internal and external influences. Such whispers cannot be hushed up and passed over, if the masses of our nation are to retain their faith in our institutions of government.

There is no doubt that political leaders of all parties, past or present, do not seem to have any knowledge of concrete evil practices in elections and it is the experience of this observer on Parliament Hill that they would not object to threshing out the whole matter in order to dissolve innocent persons and to remove the stigma on the House of Commons. However, at this point a very serious question can be raised about the investigation and purification of elections in Canada.

How can an investigation be held into alleged political corruption in any Canadian general election? This question can be answered in four ways. In the first place, under the Controlling Elections Act, any qualified elector can make a formal application for the investigation of the practices used in an election by depositing \$1000 and forcing the setting up of a commission to investigate the election in question. In the second place, under the Corrupt Practices Act, any twenty-five qualified electors can make a similar application for an investigation by depositing \$1000. In each case, this means that since there are 245 federal ridings, it would cost \$245,000 to get a probe under way for a sweeping and thorough investigation, with the additional sizeable task of producing definite and conclusive evidence for each constituency. In the third place, the electors could petition Parliament for an enquiry, and on a vote of the said Parliament the probe would be carried out by the Committee on Privileges and Elections, or by a special Committee. However, since there are a great many urgent war-time measures awaiting the discussion of the newly-elected legislators, such a request at this time would not prove a popular proposition. In the fourth place, a Royal Commission could be named to investigate election corruption, but when it is remembered that the watch-dogs of the nation's purse-strings have already bitterly complained against these very costly special commissions, this is also not likely to be acceptable. In the past two or three years, commissions such as the Turgeon Textile Commission \$173,000, the National Unemployment Commission \$295,000, the Penitentiary Commission \$90,000, and others, have drained the treasury in excess of one million dollars.

Nevertheless, in face of these obstacles, the whispers spreading throughout the land about election corruption are bound to become a final shout for action which will resound loudly along Parliament Hill in no uncertain manner. It is the sound experience of this observer that the typical Member of the House of Commons in Ottawa is usually an individual of good breeding, good brains and good character; he is usually an individual who does not make as much money as he could get in any other walk of life on the basis of his ability, energy and esteem in the community; generally he lives most modestly; he is usually devoted directly, intimately and unescapably to public service and public honour; he has generally no personal axe to grind in the political venacular; his record usually can bear the light of day, and if not, it is attributable only to extreme indifference of the people themselves; he is always concerned much more with all public questions than private citizens; in fact, in a heterogeneous nation like Canada, in which only a small fraction of the electorate is discriminating, the proportion of practical men of truth and honour in politics is astonishingly great and rates fairly well with persons who earn their living by other means, though the faults or misdeeds of persons in public life always receive greater publicity than those of persons in private enterprises. This is the basis for many false and erroneous impressions and popular demagogic ideas and opinions about the representatives of our democratic Dominion of Canada. This should be born in mind when hearing whispers about election corruption in Canada.

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