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Thursday was Visitors' Night at Georgetown High School

The second annual visitor's night at the High School was a great success. There was a large turnout of parents and friends to see the accomplishments of the "Book-Learnin' Academy," and I'm sure that others enjoyed themselves as much as did this reporter.

Everyone was interested in the Model Village, on display in the typewriter room. There were cardboard houses, each one lighted, and an electric train ran past the local depot. Figures cleverly carved from soap were exhibited on a table in one room and the walls were hung with samples of the art work done by various students. The laboratory displays, under the direction of Miss Penson, were interesting. Highlights of the exhibit were a lead tree, growing in a solution which precipitated lead into a cluster and the boiling of water by pumping air out of a bell-jar containing water.

Before the gym displays, the Georgetown High School Orchestra gave us a preview of the Orpheus Overture, by Charles L. Roberts, which they will play at the Halton County Music Festival on Thursday evening.

For the fortunate observers, the gym displays by the girls' and boys' teams were a real treat. Miss Beale and Mr. Holman had drilled their students in the fine arts of back-tips, hand-stands, pyramids and other intricacies of gymnastic display.

From the lower hall, where the gym displays were held, everyone moved to a downstairs lecture room for the Verse-Speaking Contest. There were 10 entrants: Agnes Reid, Ivy Hancock, Mary Cummins, Marjorie Harris, Keith Dolson, Joan Smith, Betty Speight, Marion Reid, Joan Browne, and Betty Snyder.

Each contestant recited two poems chosen by herself, and these included selections from Shakespeare, Pauline Johnson, Bliss Carman, and Milton.

Mary Cummins was awarded first prize by the judges—Rev. D. D. Davidson, C. E. Dayfoot and W. Biehn. Second and third place went to Betty Speight and Agnes Reid.

While waiting for announcement of the winners, the visitors were entertained with a demonstration of the French Minuet in the main hall.

Presentation of Field Day medals and crests was made by Dr. A. McAllister. These were as follows:

Medals—Helen Devereaux, Mary Cummins, Betty Paul, George Long, James Coffey, Orville Carter, Crests—Helen Devereaux, Ralph Hansen, George Long, Joy Ruddell, Betty Speight, Jack Allingham, Delmar Beaumont, Herbert Arnold, Jim Ruddell, Douglas Sargent, John Bowman, Keith Dolson, Bob Early, Roy Peck, Ormie Carter, George Perry, George Gilmer, Ruth Goldman, Bill Long, Joe McMenemy, Marjorie Schenk, Ted Stigger.

Honourable Mention—Marion Dick, Jean Ruddell, Mary Cummins, Bill Clark, Joanna Shortill, Fritz Devries, Don Early, George Walker, Alan Young, Joan Browne, Barbara Burns, Jean Harley, Barbara Faram, Betty Paul.

The evening ended with another preview from the Music Festival, with a mixed choir and a double trio contributing musical selections.

Halton Music Festival Programs

Wednesday, April 24th—7 p.m.—Piano solo, 15 yrs. and under; High School solos, girls under 18; High School double trio; High School duets, girls under 17; High School solos, boys under 21; piano solo, 18 yrs. and under; violin solo, under 21; High School Girls' Choir.

Thursday, April 25th—9 a.m.—Slight reading, rural 10 yrs. and over; rural choir, under 15 pupils; rural choir, under 25 pupils; rural choir, 25 pupils and over; rural choir, motion and song; massed choir, rural; rural solos, girls 7-10.

Thursday, April 25th—1 p.m.—Rural solos, boys 7-10; rural solos, girls 11 yrs. and over; rural solos, boys 11 yrs. and over; vocal duet, rural; junior choir; vocal solos, urban boys 7-10 yrs.; vocal solos, urban boys 10 yrs.

Thursday, April 25th—7 p.m.—Piano duet; solo, boy's unchanged voice; High School solos, girls under 21; cornet solo, under 21; High School boys' choir; High School duets, girls under 21; clarinet solo, under 21; High School solos, boys under 21; High School choir; High School orchestra.

Friday, April 26th—9 a.m.—Piano solo, 12 yrs. and under; vocal solo, urban boys 11 yrs. and over; boys' vocal duet, girls' vocal duet.

Friday, April 26th—1 p.m.—Vocal solo, girls 11 yrs. and over; 15 vocal boys' choir; 2-4 rooms; 25 vocal boys' choir; over 4 rooms; mixed choir; 2-4 rooms; double trio, public school; three-part choir, public school; 60 vocal choir.

ACCOUNT ON MAPLE AVENUE

On Saturday night, a car driven by Mr. Archibald of Brampton, was in collision with one driven by Cecil Maddill. Mr. Maddill was making a turn on Maple Avenue near the golf links, when the Archibald car, immediately behind, caught the rear of his machine and turned it over on its side. The car belonged to Harry Bentley. Neither driver was injured.

NEWS PARADE

TURN CLOCKS AHEAD ON SATURDAY NIGHT

Daylight saving time goes into effect at midnight Saturday next, April 27th, in Georgetown. All concerned will be well advised to turn their clock ahead before retiring Saturday night, in order to be at church on time Sunday morning.

DON'T TAKE 'EM OFF YET!

To a number of enquiries as to the proper time to take 'em off, we would suggest that the "woolies" be kept on for awhile yet. As soon as spring arrives in all its warmth and glory we will serve notice in due course.

AGRICULTURALISTS OFF TO GOOD START

The executive of Esqueping Agricultural Society are off to a good start this year, having already called a meeting of its members to discuss fall possibilities. The executive are meeting tonight in the office of G. W. McInlock. It is the intention of the new executive to plan a fair for this district that will surpass anything the past has shown. So it is a bigger and better fair for Georgetown, so let us not leave a stone unturned to make it so.

WIFE OF NEIGHBOUR EDITOR DIES

Mrs. A. D. McKittrick, wife of editor A. D. McKittrick of the Orangeville Banner, passed away at her home, there on Sunday after an illness of some months. Deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brown, Warton, and after graduating from the Warton high school, attended Normal school and went to Orangeville as a school teacher in 1910. In 1914 she married A. D. McKittrick, and besides her husband leaves three sons, three daughters, her mother, two brothers and four sisters to mourn her loss. Fellow members of the Fourth Estate extend deepest sympathy to Mr. McKittrick and family in their sad bereavement.

TO CONVENE IN WINDSOR THIS WEEK END

Members of the Ontario-Quebec Division of the Ontario Weekly Newspapers Association will convene this week end in the City of Windsor. The Herald has become affiliated with this body of newspapermen, and the editor will be absent this week end attending the convention, from which we hope to gather many helpful suggestions for bettering your newspaper, and will pass them along as time and space permits.

CHORAL SOCIETY TO COMPETE IN BRAMPTON

Georgetown Choral Society will compete at the Peel County Musical Festival held in Brampton on Friday evening. We wish this splendid choral group every success.

"BILL" GRAY HAS NARROW ESCAPE WHEN TREE FALLS ON TRUCK ON FRIDGE FARM

"Bill" Gray of Norval, and his helper Westly McCauley, had a narrow escape from being seriously injured on Monday, when a large pine tree crashed to the ground, hitting the truck in which they were riding. The tree hit just behind the cab, and, although doing damage to the truck, missed the occupants by inches. The accident occurred on the farm of Gordon Price, near Stewarttown. A number of men were on the farm cutting down trees under the supervision of Walter Calvert, Brampton lumberman. Gray and his helper were driving up the lane of the farm towards the barn when he found his way blocked by a truck which was immediately removed. The driver then drove on, directly into the path of the falling 70-ft. tree which hit the truck a tremendous blow. Both the rack and the platform of the truck were smashed to bits. The springs were all broken and the frame bent.

KEITH DOLSON AWARDED SECOND PLACE IN ORATORY CONTEST

Representing Peel county in a provincial oratorical contest sponsored by the Ontario Temperance Federation recently, Keith Dolson, of Alton, carried off a large trophy, the second award in the contest by inches. Keith won the Peel contests held a short time ago and as county winner, represented Peel in the Toronto contest held at Carlton Street United Church. Keith did a splendid job in preparing an excellent address on the subject "Temperance" and was defeated only by a very narrow margin by Miss Irene Thompson of North York.

"LOOK HAPPY"

Albert Whitehead, Toronto, adjudicator at the Peel Musical Festival in Brampton gives this advice to young singers:

"If you wear a happy face, you will produce a happy tone. If your face is sullen, then your tone will be sullen, and if your face is merely wooden, then the song you sing cannot be pleasing."

Perhaps this advice will be of value to contestants in the Halton County Festival in Georgetown this week.

Music Festival Begins To-night in Georgetown

ESQUEPING COUNCIL

Stewarttown, April 11th, 1940. The Esqueping Township Council met on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Reeve Wilson presided at the meeting, with all the members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

A letter was read from Mr. George Leslie in which he tendered his resignation as treasurer of the Township. Mr. Leslie has served the Township faithfully for many years, but on account of poor health found it necessary to relinquish this connection. Moved by Harrop and Cleave, that this Council accept with deep regret, the resignation of our old and valued friend, as the Treasurer of this Township. Mr. Leslie has given his best to the Township, as Treasurer for forty-seven years, and on account of his years and failing health has found it necessary to give up the position he has so faithfully filled.—Carried.

Moved by May and Murray, that this Council call for tenders for the position of Treasurer for the Township of Esqueping, at a salary of \$300 dollars per annum. Applications to be in the hands of the Clerk, Monday, May 6th, on or before 12 o'clock noon. And that the Clerk is hereby instructed to advertise in the local papers.—Carried.

Moved by May and Cleave, that this Council do now adjourn to meet on Monday, May 6th, at 1:30 p.m. or at the call of the Reeve.—Carried.

Fire and Street-Washing

The local fire brigade were happily disappointed on Wednesday afternoon, when the fire alarm sounded about 2 p.m. Rushing to the scene of the conflagration, it turned out to be a small fire in the grass near the Smith & Stone factory, and it was extinguished in a few moments.

However, the boys had their tunings on Thursday night. The usual drill was replaced by a spring bath for Main Street. Two teams went at the job, one working east, the other west, with a grand-meeting at the corner. Pedestrians ran for their lives; car owners quickly moved their cars to places of safety.

Friday morning found a shimmering street with only one thing to mar its beauty—traces of several old white markings for parking. It is expected that these old markers will soon be eradicated, and a new series painted on.

OBITUARY

MRS. T. B. DOUGLAS

Mrs. Thomas B. Douglas, of Esqueping township, died early Sunday, April 14, in her 63rd year. Member of a prominent Esqueping township family, deceased was the former Minnie May. She was a member of Hornby United Church and a member of the I.A.S. of that church, and is survived by her husband, Rev. J. O. Totton, of Hornby, conducted the funeral services Tuesday afternoon at the 8th line, Esqueping. Interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery in Milton.

MRS. MARGARET RUSSELL

On Tuesday, April 9th, at the Toronto General Hospital, there passed away a well-known citizen of Norval in the person of Mrs. Margaret Russell, beloved wife of the late William Russell. The deceased was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Donald McEachern of the Fifth Line, Caledon Township. After spending her early life at her home, she became the wife of William Russell and made her home at Norval, where she resided for nearly fifty years. Her husband predeceased her some twenty-three years ago.

After an illness at her home she was removed to the Toronto General Hospital, where she underwent her serious operations. Although her condition was very serious, hope was held out for her recovery so that her death came as a shock to her friends.

She was a member of the Norval Presbyterian Church and her funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Arthur Leggett, present pastor of that church. The pall-bearers were: Mr. Thos. Anderson; Mr. Daniel Wright; Mr. Lorne Cleave; Mr. Wm. Sinclair; Mr. Graydon Chester and Mr. John Snow. Interment was made in Norval Cemetery. Surviving are three sons and one daughter, John, of Belfountain; James, at home; Margaret of Toronto and Donald of New Toronto; one brother and three sisters, Peter, Mary and Isabella McEachern living at the parental home and Mrs. Catherine Baker of Belfountain.

ANOTHER GRASS FIRE

The fire brigade responded to an alarm this morning at Prof. H. L. Hutt's new home on Church St. Prof. Hutt had been clearing away some rubbish, and the fire started spread into the neighbouring grass. It was soon extinguished, with no damage caused.

At the High School Girls' Round-Table Banquet, Friday night, George Haycraft was voted the most popular man on the campus. George plays right tackle on the football team.—Norman, Penn., News

Advance Sale of Programs Promises Big Attendance

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are red-letter days for music-lovers in Georgetown. Six programs will be presented, in which entrants from schools throughout Halton County will compete for the various awards. It is hoped that the United Church will be filled for everyone of these programs. This is the first year in which Georgetown has been privileged to entertain the Music Festival, and good attendance will mean that in the future the Committee will be favorably disposed to once more select Georgetown as the Festival scene.

The Women's Association of Georgetown United Church is providing meals and lunches during the festival. Donations have been received from Councils, School Boards, various clubs and organizations, as well as private persons.

Over 200 children are competing in the festival, not counting all the others included in the various choirs and the orchestra.

Adjudicating the Halton County Music Festival will be Mr. G. Roy Fenwick, Provincial Supervisor of Music. Mr. Fenwick comes from acting in the same capacity at the Peel County Festival in Brampton, and it is expected that his adjudication will be of help to the aspiring young artists of this County.

Officers of the Halton County Music Festival Association are as follows: Honorary President—J. M. Denyes, B.A.

Inspector—J. A. Partridge, M.A., B. Paed.

President—W. L. Smith, Burlington.

Vice-president—Humphrey Browne, Milton.

Secretary—Mrs. D. Hartley, Milton.

Treasurer—J. A. Lockhart, Burlington.

A great event in the early religious life of the West is being commemorated this year by the United Church of Canada. In June, there will be celebrated, at Norway House at the north end of Lake Winnipeg, the centenary of the arrival there of Rev. James Evans, Methodist missionary to the Indians, who immediately set about studying the Cree language and who invented a syllabic alphabet and a printing system, which gave parts of the Bible, hymns and other writings to the Indian population throughout the greater part of the country from here to the Rockies.

It was the first printing in the West, as well as a notable enterprise in mission work. The Cree syllabic alphabet invented by Rev. James Evans was used by the missionaries of other churches also.

Evans was born in England and his father was captain of a troopship, on which young Evans made two voyages as a common sailor. Later he became a lay preacher in England, then a missionary to the Indians in Ontario. When he was sent to Norway House, he went as missionary and as superintendent of Methodist missions in the Northwest. Norway House was strategically situated. Boats to and from Red River, York Factory, Athabasca and Mackenzie River passed that way.

Mr. Evans, accompanied by his wife, went to Norway House by canoe—300 miles north from Winnipeg. His experiences and his achievement were well told by the late Rev. John Maclean, archivist of the Methodist Church, who said:

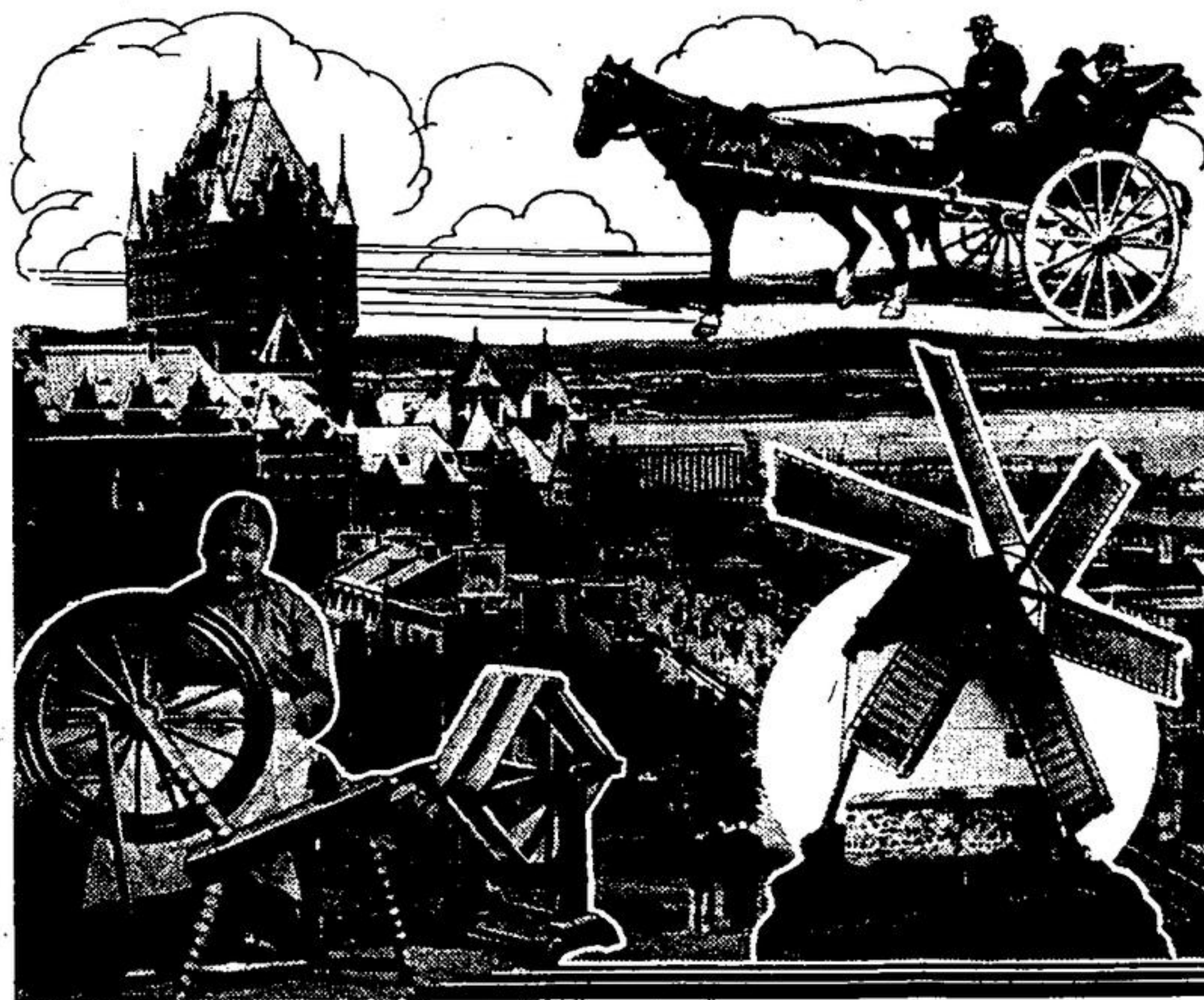
"In the first week of August, 1840, he (Rev. James Evans) arrived at Norway House. His first winter was spent at the Hudson Bay Company's fort, studying the Cree language, and in the following spring he located his mission about two miles from Norway House fort, naming it Rossville, in honor of Donald Ross, Chief Factor of the Hudson's Bay Company, and living at Norway House. He went into the forest, and with the help of the natives, secured materials and erected a neat church, parsonage and school, and 20 houses for the Indians, and thus laid the foundation of a prosperous village.

"In June, 1841, less than a year after his arrival in the country, he had so far perfected his Cree Syllabics that he writes: 'The men, women and children at Norway House write and read it with ease and fluency, as do some European gentlemen who speak the language of the Indians in different parts.'

"The first books in the Cree Syllabic were made with leaves of birch bark, on which the characters were written with ink made from the root of the chimney. After numerous experiments and difficulties he cast type from lead taken from tea chests, and in the spring of 1841 he made a font of type, and with an old jackpress used for packing furs he printed 5,000 pages, and bound 100 copies of a small volume of hymns of 16 pages. A printing press and type were afterward sent to him from London, England, and the work of providing literature for the natives was begun. The influence of the new learning spread far and wide among the Indians. The Chippewyan secured some of the books and learned to read them, and the Cree Indians used the syllabic characters in writing letters to their friends.

"So simple is the system that less than 50 characters cover the whole of the Cree language. A white man can master them in an hour, and an intelligent Cree can use them readily a week in reading any book."

Quebec Expects Banner Tourist Season



The Great Gates of Quebec's ancient city wall—originally designed to discourage hostile visitors—will be thrown open this summer for a large scale tourist invasion, expected to top all previous records. With most of Europe's Old World charms affected by wartime conditions, increased numbers of Canadians and Americans will take advantage of Quebec's historic surroundings and fine sporting facilities.

Combining the charm of the past with the luxuries of the present the Chateau Frontenac is the centre of the city's social and sports activities. Dominating the city's skyline, the majestic Canadian Pacific hostelry is within easy distance of the city's outstanding points of interest—an ideal headquarters for the visiting tourist. Dufferin Terrace, adjacent to the hotel, offers an ideal view of the historic "Lower Town" and the broad St. Lawrence.

Though possessing ideal facilities for practically every modern sport, Quebec's chief fascination to the tourist lies in its Old World charm. Its narrow, winding streets, lofty spired churches, convents and quaint domed dwellings are reminiscent of medieval Normandy. Its not-so-peaceful years are recalled by battlefields, grim stone forts and ancient cannon.

Nearby points of interest include the Lorette Indian Reservation, the Isle d'Orleans, unspoiled by the rush of civilization, the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre, and the Montmorency Falls. For the sports enthusiast there are fine facilities for golf, tennis, and badminton, while miles of colorful highways beckon the motorist. Laurentide National Park, 30 miles from the City, is a paradise for fishermen, canoeists, camera fans and nature lovers.

Quebec City is easily accessible over Canadian Pacific lines, and is conveniently connected with important centres in eastern Canada and the United States.