



MR. AND MRS. PETER HOEKSTRA

REV. D. C. LOS officiated when Audrey, Van der Toorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Van der Toorn, Glen Williams, became the bride of Peter Hoekstra, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoekstra, 87 Mountainview Road, last month in the Christian Reformed Church. They are living in Toronto.



Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BANKER

Three weather beaten, picture makers made the acquaintance of Josiah Elmabaker's family in between the pages of a new novel.

Sitting around an old, pebbled stove, they commiserated over what they should call the rich strike they had just struck in the wilderness of north-west Manitoba. Elmabaker's adventures, after he dug a hole in the earth and found a new world, appeared to them as depicting their own good fortune. So they shortened his nomenclature to Elm Flon which has stuck to one of the richest mineral fields in Canada.

It is now a community of 12,000 souls with two daily newspapers, nine schools and medical facilities. The usual evidence of the great wealth that has been dug from a mile below the surface of the earth. The town's life expectancy has risen in several cycles of ten years. Mines peter out and new ones are discovered; fortunes have been made and as many lost in the fluctuation known as "prospector's luck". Now the town has settled into a pattern of permanency as modern methods have improved mining facilities. Even the mountains of slag are being reprocessed extending the production of zinc and copper mines.

On the morning the C.N.R. Churchill Excursion pulled their seventeen coaches into a siding, little pools of water reflected the intense blue of a northern sky. It had been raining since dawn, but the last drop we were to see until the train returned to Winnipeg fell as we walked up the long main street on a tour of inspection.

Flat fronts, one story wood on shops leaned sometimes at crazy angles seemingly supporting one another, while the nearby Hudson's Bay Company was remodeling its premises with stone and brick. Every structure in Elm Flon is built atop solid rock. Few houses or stores have basements and most buildings perch precariously on their rocky ledges, easy prey for the gales that blow during the long winter months.

I was on the hunt for a genuine sourdough and thought I had discovered him when I spied an old character smoking a huge stogie and with an oversized, weather old Stetson hanging on his ears. His almost slightest blue eyes, toothless grin, Old Bill mustache and leathery tanned skin had all the earmarks of my mental picture of what a sourdough should look like. Smokey Joe was pleased with the nickname I gave him, but soon disillusioned me about his prospecting history. He was a horse trader in his youth. Horse flesh in the bush during the early part of the century was as valuable as gold nuggets. Old Joe prospered until the population became mobile on four wheels. His only similarity to that of a prospector was his ability to cook. When hard time hit his pocketbook, Smokey Joe set up a kitchen in a small store and started frying doughnuts. Today his son, who took the business over after the war, has built it into a small empire of soft drink concessions and sweet huns throughout the mining district.

This was picnic day on the tour. Truckloads of food and dining car crew members passed the buses that traipsed up from Elm Flon to nearby Beaver Lake, the gully point in Saskatchewan we

Field Day Competitors Chosen, Harrison Public

Inter-School Meet Planned This Week

Georgetown's largest public school, Harrison, ran off their Senior and Intermediate events at the school last Wednesday in preparation for the annual inter-school Field Meet this week.

Here are the results: SENIOR BOYS 75 Yard Dash: Alan Peterson, Robert Baker, John Maxwell, 100 Yard Dash: Alan Peterson, Robert Baker, John Maxwell, High Jump: Bartie Mierina, Stewart Daniel, Ed Eddy, Broad Jump: Alan Peterson, Tom Maxwell, Peter Huff.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS 75 Yard Dash: Peter Brown, Doug Meades, John Quack, 100 Yard Dash: Peter Brown, Doug Meades, John Quack, High Jump: Gordon Kild, Raymond, 200 Yard Dash: Peter Brown, Doug Meades, John Quack, Broad Jump: Raymond Kild, Raymond, Thompson, Gussie Hansen.

SENIOR GIRLS 75 Yard Dash: Suzanne Kild, Vera, 100 Yard Dash: Vera, 200 Yard Dash: Vera, High Jump: Vera, Broad Jump: Vera, 400 Yard Dash: Vera, 800 Yard Dash: Vera, 1600 Yard Dash: Vera, 3200 Yard Dash: Vera, 6400 Yard Dash: Vera, 12800 Yard Dash: Vera.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS 75 Yard Dash: Linda Dumper, Rosemary Meade, Linda Thom, 100 Yard Dash: Linda Dumper, Rosemary Meade, Linda Thom, High Jump: Sharon Meyer, Linda Dumper, Barbara Parkin, Broad Jump: Sharon Meyer, Linda Dumper, Barbara Parkin.

30 YARD DASH Grades 4 and 5 BOYS Grade 4: Gregory, Albert, Grade 5: Raymond, Thompson, Anthony, Zampig, Nigel, Gauding.

GIRLS Grade 4: Marilyn Emerson, Lorraine Seckinton, Georgina Williams, Grade 5: Catherine Meades, Lynn Haus, Margaret Ray.

BASEBALL THROW BOYS Grade 4: Robert Bull, Grade 5: Philip Mayoh, Grade 6: Peter Brown, Grade 7: Larry Thompson, Grade 8: Alan Peterson.

GIRLS Grade 4: Brenda Peardon, Grade 5: Suzanne Footitt, Grade 6: Beverley Harvey, Grade 7: Joanne Mitchell, Grade 8: Katherine Grady.

THREE LEGGED WACE BOYS Grade 4: Werner Albert, Stephen Hill, Grade 5: Matthew Maxwell, Anthony Zampig, Grade 6: Michael Tysar, David Harrison, Grade 7: Bill Matthis, Wayne Turnbull, Grade 8: Bartie Mierina, Alan Peterson.

GIRLS Grade 4: Marilyn Emerson, Lorraine Seckinton, Grade 5: Catherine Meades, Judith As, Grade 6: Rosemary Meade, John Gordon, Grade 7: Brigitte Frank, Marilyn Baker, Grade 8: Heather Meades, Patricia Wilson.

ONLY HELP The jet pilot was in trouble. Pilot to tower. Pilot to tower. The radioed frantically. Being altitude. Now at 5,000 feet and out of gas. Please radio instructions.

Tower to pilot. Tower to pilot. "Tame the answer." Repeat after me. "Our Father who art in heaven..."

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ECHOES

From the Pages of the Herald, October 11, 1950, and October 16, 1935

10 and 25 YEARS AGO Michael Beer, son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Beer and a former student at Georgetown High School left for England in September. He wished to study at the University of Manchester for his Doctor of Philosophy degree.

35-YEARS AGO The O'Neill block has a new front installed and the interior of the building remodelled for a restaurant which will open this month.

Hughes Cleaver captured Halton for the Liberals in Monday's election which swept the R. B. Bennett Government out of power in Ottawa in favour of Mackenzie King. Georgetown and Oakville however, voted conservative for George Currie.

At the Gregory Theatre "The Girl Friend," Jack Haley and Ann Southern, "The Flame Within," starring Ann Harding and Herbert Marshall, "Orchids to You," starring Jean Muir, John Holes and Charles Butterworth.

Words of the Wise Page 8 may understand, is no sure test of merit, but only a probability of merit. — Thomas Carlyle.

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